

# This Week's Developments

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# Israel isn't struggling in Gaza. It's winning a rapid victory

Telegraph, November 10, 2023



## EVENT

The Israel Defence Forces have been attacking Hamas in Gaza from land, sea and air for two weeks now, following a three-week air campaign. Before ground operations began, US military advisers urged the Israelis not to launch a large-scale campaign, which they believed would result in an IDF bloodbath – and be less effective than a combination of air strikes and special forces raids. The IDF rejected that advice, and moved into Gaza with a large combined arms force. And it has confounded its critics. The IDF has exceeded even its own commanders' expectations with the speed and the extent of Hamas's destruction. It has encircled Gaza City and is assaulting terrorist strongholds, killing large numbers of fighters including key commanders, smashing command posts and gaining valuable intelligence, while its forces have sustained fewer casualties than anticipated. Just as Hamas almost certainly exceeded its own expectations in its initial assault, it probably also underestimated the ferocity of Israel's response.

## COMMENT

Such was the horror and pain that was inflicted on Israel by Hamas on October 7<sup>th</sup> there appears to be no stopping Israel in exacting revenge. What that vengeance is has been detailed out by both political and military leaders in Israel. It is simply the destruction of Hamas to the extent it can never rule again. This has meant wide spread destruction of Gaza. This in turn creates more tension and then the fear increases that more surrounding people will get involved. We need to remember that Israel itself does not call for the destruction of the Palestinians as the leaders of the Palestinians call for the destruction of Israel. The ancient Philistines were a pricking brier to Israel. The modern Palestinians are the same. God himself says they will be removed. Israel is doing that.

## BIBLE QUOTE

But if ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you; then it shall come to pass, that those which ye let remain of them shall be pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ye dwell.

(Number 33:55)

# Russia is turning increasingly hostile toward Israel as it picks sides in the Middle East

CNBC, November 8, 2023



## EVENT

Russia's stance has gradually but dramatically shifted in recent weeks as it has become clear that the conflict is impacting its military and geopolitical interests. As Israel launched airstrikes on several military bases in Syria in October in response to a series of rocket attacks directed toward Israel, Russia's Foreign Ministry said the strike violated Syria's "sovereignty and international law." Later in the month, Russian Foreign Affairs Minister Sergei Lavrov said the strikes were "unacceptable." Around the same time as Lavrov's comments, Russia turned the screws further on Israel by receiving a Hamas delegation in Moscow in late October to have talks on hostages being held by the group. In some of the most critical comments yet, Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said on Oct.28 that Israel's bombardment of Gaza was against international law.

## COMMENT

Tatiana Stanovaya, senior fellow at the Carnegie Russia Eurasia Center said this week, "Russia's stance towards Israel has already become markedly more critical. Moscow increasingly sees Tel Aviv as aligning with Washington's sphere of influence — an assessment that inherently marginalises the importance of Israel to the Kremlin by tying it to Russia's broader geopolitical contest with America." Relations between Russia and Israel had been deteriorating since the Ukraine war began in Feb 2022. This conflict between Israel and the Palestinians is only making it worse. Russia has become close to Iran since the Ukraine war as it sought weapons and drones from Israel's arch enemy. This also increases tension between Russia and Israel. The Bible says that one day (after the inner ring war) Russia will invade Israel to take a spoil. All the events happening now are creating the environment so this can take place...

## BIBLE QUOTE

And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates, To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people that are gathered out of the nations, (Ezekiel 38:11-12)

# Russia's Putin to stay in power past 2024, sources say

Reuters, November 6, 2023



## EVENT

Vladimir Putin has decided to run in the March presidential election, a move that will keep him in power until at least 2030, as the Kremlin chief feels he must steer Russia through the most perilous period in decades, six sources told Reuters. After defusing an armed mutiny by the leader of the Wagner mercenary group in June, Putin has moved to shore up support among his core base in the security forces, the armed forces and with regional voters outside Moscow, while Wagner has been brought firmly to heel. "The decision has been made - he will run," said one of the sources who has knowledge of the planning. Another source, also acquainted with the Kremlin's thinking, confirmed that a decision has been made and that Putin's advisers were preparing for his participation. Three other sources said the decision to run in the March 2024 presidential election had been taken.

## COMMENT

No dictator ever wants to concede or give up power under any circumstances. Putin is no different.. Although he is supposedly democratically elected there are two key reasons that the word "autocrat" applies to him. Firstly, Putin ensures that any political opponent gaining any traction with the population is exiled, imprisoned and sometimes killed. Secondly there is the actual election process. At the last election there were allegations of widespread electoral fraud, including ballot box stuffing and threats against election observers. This all lines up with Gog - the Russian ruler- described in Ezekiel 38 and Daniel 8. We read in verse 25 that he will cause deceit to prosper, and he will consider himself superior. This sums up Putin's attitude and his corruption. Putin may see himself in power to 2030 – but God has another plan for Gog and his hordes.

## BIBLE QUOTE

He will cause deceit to prosper, and he will consider himself superior. When they feel secure, he will destroy many and take his stand against the Prince of princes. Yet he will be destroyed, but not by human power.

*(Daniel 8:25)*

# Saudi-hosted summit condemns Israel as Iran leader pays rare visit

CNN, November 11, 2023



## EVENT

Arab and Muslim leaders decried Israeli “war crimes” in Gaza at a summit in Riyadh where Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi met Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman in a first public meeting. The extraordinary summit, which gathered 57 leaders, demanded that the UN Security Council take a “decisive and binding decision” to impose a cessation of aggression with fighting deep in Gaza underway between Israel and Hamas. “We condemn the Israeli aggression against the Gaza Strip, the war crimes and the barbaric, brutal and inhumane massacres committed by the colonial occupation government against the Palestinian people, including in the occupied West Bank and East Jerusalem. We demand it be stopped immediately,” the final resolution said. The summit rejected the characterization of this “war of revenge as [one of] self-defense” and demanded the entry of humanitarian aid convoys. The summit marks the first trip by an Iranian leader to Saudi Arabia in 11 years after the two countries restored diplomatic relations in March.

## COMMENT

This summit is quite extraordinary as it has brought together 57 Arab / Muslim leaders including Iran in the capital of Saudi Arabia. Iran backs all Israel’s enemies (including Hamas / Hezbollah / Syria) but is also usually at loggerheads with Saudi Arabia. The Iranian president said, “Today is a historic day in the heroic defense and support of Al-Aqsa Mosque”. The Al-Aqsa Mosque is the mosque on Temple Mount next to the Dome of the Rock. He is saying that this war is about Jerusalem. The Bible says that Jerusalem will be like an intoxicating drink for the people who live nearby Israel. Drunkenness can lead to reckless aggressive behaviour. This is what we are seeing..

## BIBLE QUOTE

I will make Jerusalem like an intoxicating drink that makes the nearby nations stagger when they send their armies to besiege Jerusalem and Judah. On that day I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock. All the nations will gather against it to try to move it, but they will only hurt themselves.

(Zechariah 12:2-3 NLT)



# Lebanon on verge of war with Israel as Hezbollah warns 'a billion' Arabs are ready to support Gaza

Sky News, November 10, 2023



## EVENT

You would need a large piece of paper to list every national crisis faced by the people of Lebanon over the past 50 years. This multi-religious nation has long struggled to make itself work, with political disagreements ending in violent confrontation - and a 15-year civil war. The current situation offers few reasons to feel cheerful as a caretaker government tries to navigate a disastrous economic crisis. Yet people have something else to worry about with the threat of all-out war with Israel now looming on its southern border. The country's most powerful faction, the Shia group Hezbollah, is currently engaged in a tit-for-tat battle with the Israelis, largely being fought within several kilometres of their shared border. But this limited conflict could quickly change with the leader of Iran-backed Hezbollah, Hassan Nasrallah, backing militant group Hamas in the month-long war in Gaza. In a speech last week, Nasrallah warned "all options are open".

## COMMENT

In the past 50 years there have been six major flare ups between Israel and Lebanon. In 1969, 1978, 1982, 1993, 1996 and 2006. We know there will be a seventh. There could be more. The current war between Israel and Hamas could well be a prelude (or part of) the initial inner ring war around Israel. Psalm 83 tells us that this war not only involves the Philistines (Palestinians) but also "the inhabitants of Tyre" and also Gebal. Hezbollah's stronghold is in the region of Tyre in Lebanon. Gebal is in northern Lebanon and Hezbollah has some forces there as well. Many leaders of many countries believe that there is a distinct possibility of the current conflict spreading and engulfing other surrounding nations. As one Hezbollah spokesman said, "there are a billion Arabs in the region who are ready to enter the war and support Gaza."

## BIBLE QUOTE

Don't you hear the uproar of your enemies? Don't you see that your arrogant enemies are rising up? They devise crafty schemes against your people; they conspire against your precious ones. "Come," they say, "let us wipe out Israel as a nation. We will destroy the very memory of its existence." Yes, this was their unanimous decision. They signed a treaty as allies (*Psalm 83:2-5 NT*)

# Jewish media unite to denounce antisemitism

The Times, November 9, 2023



**EVENT** Jewish media outlets have warned in an open letter that their community “has not been this fearful in living memory”. The 1,200 word letter was initiated by The Jewish News in London and organised in partnership with The Jerusalem Post to highlight the impact of public protests against Israel and rising levels of antisemitic abuse after Hamas’s attack on Israel a month ago, and the ensuing conflict. Its co-signatories referenced the former British chief rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks’ description of antisemitism as “a constantly evolving virus” and noted how it remains a “deeply ingrained malignancy, perpetually lingering beneath the surface of society”. “Some of those who propagate hatred, concealing their prejudice under the veneer of being ‘anti-Israel’, no longer find it necessary to obscure their malice,” the letter said. “We’re witnessing raw hatred against Jews in cities across the globe. And yet, what we’ve seen so far isn’t even our worst fear. Our gravest concerns lie in what the future might hold”.

**COMMENT** A wave of hatred of Israel and the Jews has swept around the world. Around 300,000 demonstrators marched in London on Saturday with many saying “from the river to the sea - Palestine will be free.” This is taken to mean that Israel will be removed from the land from the Mediterranean to the Jordan river. We need to remember that Israel did not replace a Palestinian State. There never has been a Palestinian State. There was land called Palestine always governed over by another nation or empire. When Israel was created it was done so by a UN vote partitioning Palestine into two independent States, one Jewish and the other Palestinian Arab. The Arabs rejected it and launched a war...

**BIBLE QUOTE** Yea, and what have ye to do with me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine? will ye render me a recompence? and if ye recompense me, swiftly and speedily will I return your recompence upon your own head;

(Joel 3:4)

# More Jewish people around the world consider move to Israel

*The Globe & Mail, November 7, 2023*



## EVENT

Benjamin and Michele Katz already had tickets to Israel when the war began. But watching the images of bloodshed, the idea of backing out never occurred to them. A state-funded body that encourages immigration has seen a considerable rise in the number of people opening files to make aliyah, the process of immigrating to Israel. "Unfortunately, we know that every time in Israel there's a crisis, it directly influences Jewish communities around the world," said Shay Felber, director of the aliyah and absorption unit at the Jewish Agency for Israel. It is an indication of the profound questions being contemplated by Jews around the world after the Oct. 7 attacks when Hamas militants killed more than 1,400 Israelis and took at least 242 people hostage.

## COMMENT

There is, for many, an unexplainable draw that the land of Israel has for Jews. It seems that every crises that occurs in any given country spawns a mass immigration of Jewish citizens to Israel. Jewish survivors of the holocaust sought out a homeland in Palestine that is Israel today. Since that event in 1948, there have been many immigrations to Israel as a result of anti-semitism in many countries of the world. This time the crises is in Israel, but it has caused an explosion of anti-semitic reactions to occur in disproportionate amounts around the world that paints the victims as the perpetrators. Israel is fighting a losing media battle of public opinion and resentment, causing many Jews to consider the move to Israel where, in spite of the current situation, there is a feeling of relative safety and security. The Bible predictions for Israel does not paint a rosy picture, however. Israel will win this initial conflict, but its ultimate deliverance will only be after pain and purging.

## BIBLE QUOTE

"...smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein. And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God."  
Zech 13:7-9



## ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

**DebkaFile Review** (world events through the bi-focals of Israeli military intelligence)    **TV-7 Israel News**    **Watchman Newscast**

2023-11-11 Hundreds of thousands rally in London demanding Gaza ceasefire Al Jazeera English 1.59 min - YouTube

2023-11-11 Hezbollah says front with Israel will remain active - Reuters

2023-11-11 French president becomes first G7 leader to call for a ceasefire in Gaza CBC News - 3.40 min - YouTube

2023-11-10 Islamic-Arab Summit - Iran- Nations to designate Israeli Army as terrorist organisation - WION - 3.40 min - YouTube

2023-11-07 More Jewish people around the world consider move to Israel; - The Globe & Mail

2023-11-06 The REAL Reason The World is Obsessed With Israel - Rabbi Daniel Rowe - 15.54 min - YouTube

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2023-11-04 Israel-Hamas war- Erdogan cuts ties with Netanyahu as Israeli PM rejects call for humanitarian pause - Euronews

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Why Israel Is Judged Differently- Jerusalem's International Challenges -- Middle East Quarterly

Animated Map - Indo-European migrations - File-Indo-European migrations.gif - Wikipedia

# NATO PRESENCE IN EASTERN EUROPE



- Frankish Territory in 481
- Conquests of Clovis 481-511
- Conquests 531-614
- Conquests 714-768
- Conquests of Charlemagne 768-814
- Dependent territories
- Peoples tributary to Charlemagne
- Kingdom of Siagrius in 486
- Visigothic kingdom of Toulouse in 507
- Boundaries of the empire in 814



Carolingian Empire 481-814





# 2) Gog (Russia) advances on Turkey, Egypt \*



RUSSIA ("CHIEF PRINCE" = "PRINCE OF ROSH")

○ TOBOLSK (Tubal)

○ MOSCOW (Meshech)

"LION"  
TARSHISH  
UK

"YOUNG LIONS"  
(USA,  
CANADA,  
ETC)

GERMANY  
(LAND OF  
MAGOG)

GOMER  
European Economic Community

Gibraltar

TURKEY  
(Togarmah)

IRAQ/IRAN  
(Persia)

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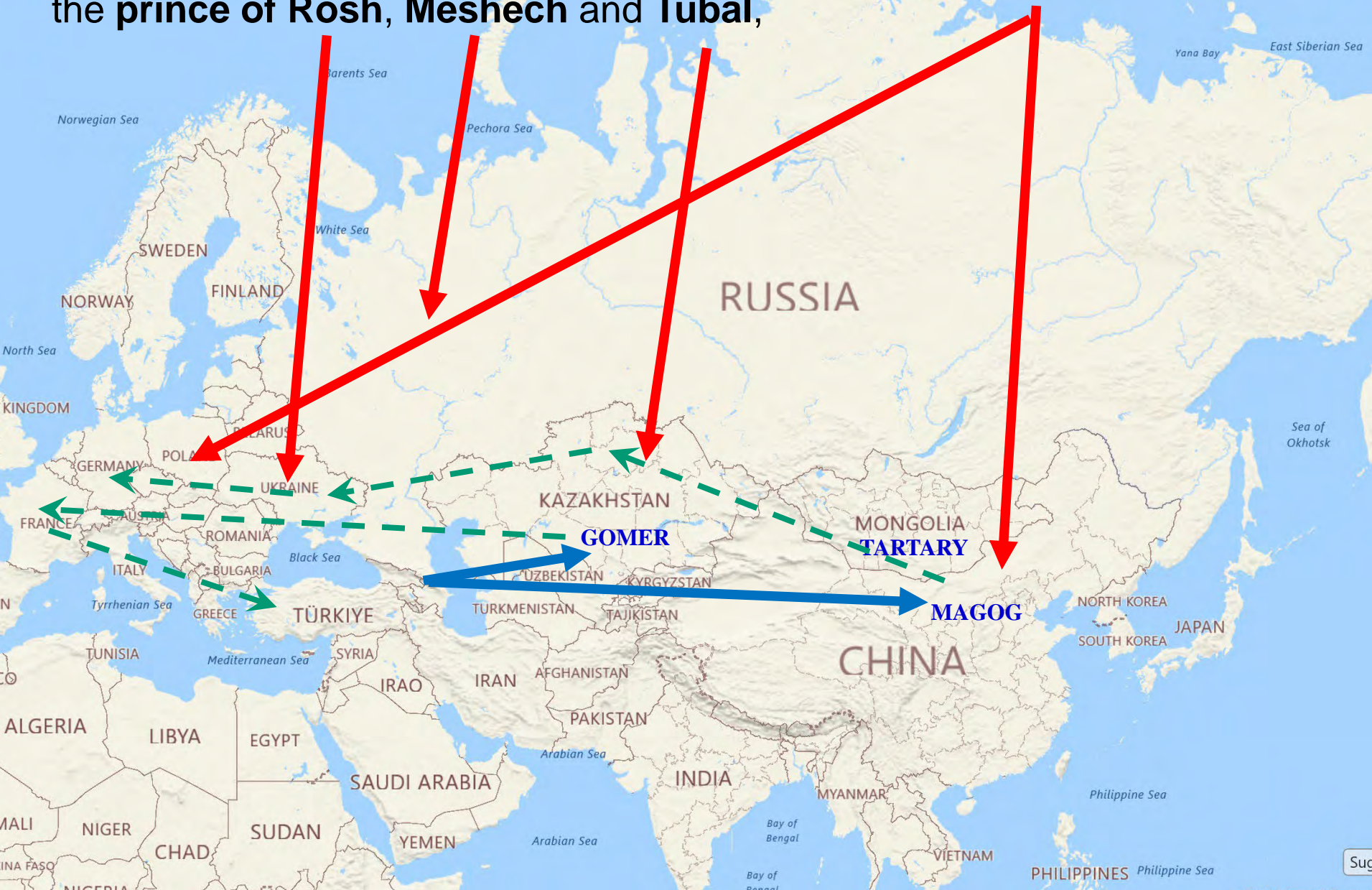
ETHIOPIA

AUSTRALIA

Legend HandOut



"Son of man, set your face toward **Gog of the land of Magog,**  
the **prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal,**



"Son of man, set thy face against Gog (head), of the land of Magog (China?), prince  
of Ros (river in Ukraine) Meshech and Tubal (rivers in Russia)?"