

# This Week's Developments

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# Putin hits West with fresh gas shutdown

The Times, September 2, 2022



## EVENT

Russia stepped up its energy war with Europe last night, indefinitely suspending the supply of gas through a key pipeline to the West. In a move likely to prompt more turmoil in the energy markets, Moscow scrapped today's deadline for the reopening of the Nord Stream 1 pipeline. Gazprom, the state company that runs the pipeline, said it had found a fault during maintenance but gave no indication of when the supply would resume. G7 finance ministers had agreed yesterday to introduce a price cap on oil from Russia in an effort to reduce the country's revenues, which are used to help fund the war in Ukraine. Although Britain is not reliant on Nord Stream 1 for its gas, the suspension of the pipeline is likely to push still higher the cost of wholesale gas, which has been behind the spiralling rise in the energy price cap.

## COMMENT

As each day goes by the stakes get ever greater. Russia is using its energy as a weapon to punish the West for the crippling sanctions they have put in place. Russia supplies 40% of Europe's gas and oil and Russian restriction of supplies are causing prices to skyrocket. There is talk of energy rationing across the EU and UK this winter. G7 finance ministers agreed yesterday to introduce a price cap on oil from Russia. The EU has said they will stop all Russian oil imports by the end of the year. *There may be uprisings against EU governments.* This is like a gigantic poker game with the stakes rising ever higher – neither side wanting to back down; or *like stretching a rubber band as far as possible, the farther it is stretched the greater will be the reaction when it is released or breaks.* This is largely a result of the sanctions led by the US against Russia. EU countries are suffering the most and the US/UK (K of S) may be facing a backlash from them in the future. *The Bible predicts the EU will be under the influence of the K of N.*

## BIBLE QUOTE

Son of man, set your face toward Gog of the land of **Magog**, the prince of **Rosh**, Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him... I will bring you out, and all your army ... Persia, Ethiopia and Put with them, all of them with shield and helmet; **Gomer** with all its troops; **Beth-togarmah** from the remote parts of the north with all its troops—many peoples with you. Eze 38:3-6 NASB

# Exorcism at Saskatchewan Bible Camp

CBC, Sept 1, 2022



## EVENT

Parker and the other boys in his camp cabin had just been subjected to an exorcism. The 14-year-old attended Redberry Bible Camp in 2019 and was looking forward to his first camp experience since the relaxation of COVID-19 restrictions. He arrived at the camp, one of Canada's oldest, along with dozens of other kids on July 10. The hours-long late-night lectures about being a "true Christian" and the signs of "demonic possession" began immediately from the man placed in charge of their cabin, Carlos Doerksen. The 24-year-old said Jesus saved him two years ago and now describes himself as an "apostle" who can speak directly to God. The boys were told to constantly watch for signs of demonic possession. They'd listen to Doerksen until 5 a.m., sleep a bit and then head out for a full day of outdoor activities. After they returned to the cabin Wednesday night, at some point, a boy collapsed on the cabin floor, Parker said. That's when Doerksen began another exorcism. It was roughly 10 p.m. Parker said all the boys cowered silently in their sleeping bags. Redberry executive director Roland Thiessen eventually came into the cabin and saw what was happening but didn't try to stop it. The boys were allowed to call their parents to pick them up. Parker said he's been talking to his parents and others in the weeks since the exorcism, and now sees he was deceived.

## COMMENT

*We've all heard accounts of similar behavior done in the name of Jesus. This one, however, is close to home - just +/- 25 km east of the Richard Hall - the site of the Richard Fraternal Gatherings; but hit National News. It needs to be called out because it is so foreign to anything that the true gospel represents, but predicted by the Bible as another sign of our times to take note of. We know that the biblical references to demon possession was used in those times to describe illness, including but not limited to mental illness. There is no scriptural evidence that gifts of healing was not passed on any more than 2 generations of believers. And nowhere do we read of yelling, screaming & speaking in tongues being used to heal the subject. It is noteworthy that this self-styled "apostle" presented himself as a person that could speak directly to God!*

## BIBLE QUOTE

"For **false messiahs** and **false prophets [preachers]** will rise up and perform signs and wonders so as to deceive, if possible, even God's chosen ones. Watch out! I have warned you about this ahead of time!"  
Mar 13:22-23 (NLT)

# Russia Removes S300s from Syria to Ukraine

The Times of Israel, September 4, 2022



## EVENT

Russia has shipped its advanced S-300 air defense system in Syria back home amid its invasion of Ukraine, an Israeli satellite intelligence firm said Friday. ImageSat International (ISI) published images showing that the S-300 system stationed near the city of Masyaf in northwestern Syria had been taken apart in recent weeks. It had been in the area for several years. The system's radar was taken to Russia's Khmeimim Air Base in western Syria, and the S-300 battery was taken to the port of Tartus where it was loaded onto a Russian ship bound for the Black Sea port of Novorossiysk, according to ISI. ISI assessed that the battery was transferred back to Russia in order to strengthen its air defenses, which have reportedly been damaged amid the fighting in Ukraine, which Moscow invaded in February. In May, Russian forces opened fire on Israeli jets using the advanced system at the end of an Israeli Air Force attack on targets in the Masyaf area. The incident marked the first use of the S-300s against the IAF over Syria.

## COMMENT

*The reason for removal of the S-300 air defense system appears to be a direct effect of Ukraine's devastating hit on Crimea and the Russian Air Force base there, destroying the base and many high-end Russian fighter aircraft. Putin obviously thinks the S-300s will be better placed in or near Ukraine than Israel. This removes a major concern of Israel's that at some point the essential attacks being carried against weapons shipments and stockpiles from Iran might be intercepted by the Russian Defense systems. As the article states, the IAF did experience one such interception in May when carrying out a strike against munitions storage at MasYaf, central Syria. This also tells us something about Ukraine. Not long ago Putin removed many of the soldiers from Syria to serve against Ukraine. Now the S-300s. Things are in preparation for fulfillment of the Divine purpose.*

## BIBLE QUOTE

I, the LORD, will make Judah and Jerusalem prosperous again. Then in Judgment Valley I will bring together the nations that scattered my people Israel everywhere in the world, and I will bring charges against those nations. Say to the nations: "Get ready for war! Be eager to fight. Line up for battle and prepare to attack. Make swords out of plows and spears out of garden tools. Strengthen every weakling."  
Joel 3:1-2, 9-11 (CEV)

# IAF Targets Masyaf, Aleppo Int'l, Damascus Int'l

Al Jazeera, August 28, 2022



## EVENT

Satellite imagery shows massive destruction at a giant military facility in western Syria that was targeted by a recent Israeli air attack. The bombing blew up a depot housing hundreds of medium-range missiles for Iran-backed fighters in the country last week, according to the head of a Syrian opposition war monitor. Rami Abdurrahman, who leads the UK-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, said the Israelis struck several positions, but the main target hit was a giant arms depot housing about 1,000 precision-guided medium-range missiles. He said the explosions at the facility lasted for more than five hours after the attack. An underground facility to develop missiles in the area under the supervision of Iran's paramilitary Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps was not affected, probably because it was dug deep in the mountains. Abdurrahman said "The explosions were among the largest since Israel began carrying out air strikes in Syria," he said. Israel has also carried out missile strikes targeting Aleppo international airport with missile fire, causing some material damage at the heart of the facility," the state agency said on Wednesday. In June, Israeli air raids temporarily put Damascus International Airport out of commission.

## COMMENT

*It is amazing, in the overview of things, how that the state of Israel has developed, just since 1948, from nothing to a major force in world affairs with one of the most technologically advanced and dangerous militaries in the world, as one analyst observed. This is possibly a development toward that state of perceived security which, as the Bible predicts will prevail with Israel in the latter days wherein it is "dwelling without bars or gates". While not freely admitting it, and only grudgingly when they do, the world looks with awe upon all the advancements and breakthroughs and inventions that are output by that little nation. It is a testimony to the Bible predictions of Israel back in their land, albeit a temporary thing until Christ returns and settles them as God intended.*

## BIBLE QUOTE

Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place, even in Jerusalem. In that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left [The development of Israel is a miracle with only one explanation!] Zec 12:3,6



# Moscow takes aim at agency that helps Jews to flee

The Times, August 22, 2022



## EVENT

The Kremlin is moving to “liquidate” the primary group fostering emigration from the Jewish diaspora to Israel as tens of thousands of Jews flee Russia because of the war in Ukraine. Up to 40,000 of the country’s estimated population of 165,000 to 200,000 Jews may have left for Israel since President Putin launched the invasion in February. The justice ministry wants to shut down the Jewish Agency’s branch in Russia for allegedly sending confidential data about Russian citizens abroad. On Friday a court in Moscow refused the agency’s request for a two-month mediation process, while approving a one-month postponement to the trial. Moscow’s exiled chief rabbi, Pinchas Goldschmidt, believes the real reasons for the attempted closure are twofold: criticism from Yair Lapid, the Israeli prime minister, about the war in Ukraine, and the “brain drain” associated with the exodus of Russian Jews to Israel.

## COMMENT

Back in April, Israel’s prime minister Yair Lapid infuriated Moscow by accusing it of war crimes in Ukraine when he was still foreign minister. He has also said there was “no justification” for Putin’s invasion. The war in Ukraine has forced more than half its Jewish population to flee Russia. Pinchas Goldschmidt, Moscow’s exiled chief rabbi who is president of the Conference of European Rabbis, fled Russia in March and openly condemned the war. All this has led to Putin turning against the Jews in Russia. He will not tolerate criticism of his war in Ukraine. Closing down the Jewish Agency that helps Jews leave Russia is Putin punishing Jews for not supporting him. This is just the start. Putin’s true anti Semitic colours will sadly soon be seen when he invades Israel.

## BIBLE QUOTE

**Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel**, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured.

(Ezekiel 39:4)

# Pakistan floods: 'The climate catastrophe of the decade'

Sky News, September 1, 2022



## EVENT

Pakistan is drowning under devastating flooding, an unprecedented event that the country's climate minister has called "the climate catastrophe of the decade". Flash floods over the weekend left one-third of Pakistan submerged from weeks of heavy rains, compounding an already difficult set of political and economic crises in the country. The catastrophic flooding has affected 33 million people, about 15 percent of the population, according to Pakistan's National Disaster Management Authority. More than 1,130 people have been killed since June's monsoon season began, and at least 75 died in the past day. There has been \$10 billion of damage and an estimated 1 million homes wrecked. "There was a super flood in 2010, but this is the worst ever in the history of Pakistan," Shabnam Baloch, the country director for Pakistan at the International Rescue Committee, told me. "The type of catastrophe we are seeing at the moment is just indescribable. I don't even have the right words to put it in a way that people can visualize it."

## COMMENT

There is always a monsoon season in Pakistan and a degree of flooding is common. However, it is the intensity of this rainfall that has shocked everyone. It was 780 percent above average. "More than 100 bridges and some 3,000 km of roads have been damaged or destroyed, nearly 800,000 farm animals have perished, and two million acres of crops and orchards have been hit," the United Nations' World Food Program reported. We are living in the time of great signs in the heavens above and the earth beneath. We need to be built on a rock [Christ] when the flood [judgment] comes.

## BIBLE QUOTE

Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: **And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.**

(Matthew 7:24-25)

## ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

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2022-09-03 **Russia fails to resume gas supplies; G7 agrees on price cap for Russian oil** - World News - WION - 5.38 min - YouTube

2022-09-02 **Russian Lukoil chief Ravil Maganov dies in 'fall from hospital window'** - Latest World News - WION - 8.52 min - YouTube

2022-09-01 **'We all believed he was possessed,' says boy who witnessed exorcism at Sask. Bible camp** - CBC News

2022-08-31 **Syria says Aleppo airport hit by Israeli missile strikes** - News - Al Jazeera

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2022-08-30 **Ex-Mossad chief says Israel conducted operations in 'heartland' of Iran. Here's why it matters** - 5.25 min - YouTube

2022-08-29 **Russia dodges economic collapse, but the decline has started** - CNN

2022-08-29 **Israel Destroys Iran Missile Stockpile; Russia Removes Syria Air Defense System** - Watchman - 10.52 min - YouTube

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# NATO PRESENCE IN EASTERN EUROPE



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- 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 \*

