

This Week's Developments

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Boris Johnson pledges to send more arms during surprise visit to Kyiv

The Guardian, April 10, 2022



Boris Johnson has made a surprise trip to Kyiv to meet the Ukrainian president, Volodymyr Zelensky, pledging a major new infusion of British arms and financial aid to help counter the expected deadly new phase in Russia's military offensive. After the meeting on Saturday, the prime minister said: "**Ukraine has defied the odds and pushed back Russian forces** from the gates of Kyiv, achieving the greatest feat of arms of the 21st century. "It is because of president Zelensky's resolute leadership and the invincible heroism and courage of the Ukrainian people that Putin's monstrous aims are being thwarted. I made clear today that the United Kingdom stands unwaveringly with them in this ongoing fight, and **we are in it for the long run**. "We are stepping up our own military and economic support and convening a global alliance to bring this tragedy to an end, and ensure Ukraine survives and thrives as a free and sovereign nation."

COMMENT

Russia's invasion of Ukraine has abruptly transformed the world. Millions of people have already fled. A new Iron Curtain is grinding into place. An economic war deepens, as the military conflict escalates, civilian casualties rise and evidence of horrific war crimes mounts. We are surely witnessing a huge "contraction" coming hot on the heels of another worldwide "contraction" with Covid. The Bible says that the king of the south (US/UK) will PUSH at Gog (Putin) the king in Daniel 11 v 36-39. Notice how Boris Johnson talks about how Ukraine has "pushed back" Russia forces. It has done so with huge military support from the UK. No 10 said Britain would send 120 armoured vehicles and new anti-ship missile systems to Ukraine. The push is underway...

BIBLE QUOTE

And at the time of the end shall **the king of the south [UK/US] push [militarily provoke] at him [Gog]**; and the king of the north [Russia] shall come against him [UK/US] like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.
(Daniel 11:40)

Biden accuses Russia of genocide in Ukraine

Reuters, April 13, 2022



EVENT

U.S. President Joe Biden said for the first time on Tuesday that Russia's invasion of Ukraine amounts to genocide, a significant escalation of the president's rhetoric. Biden used the term genocide in a speech at an ethanol plant in Iowa and later stood by the description as he prepared to board Air Force One. "Yes, I called it genocide because it has become clearer and clearer that Putin is just trying to wipe out the idea of being able to be Ukrainian and the evidence is mounting," Biden told reporters. He added: "We'll let the lawyers decide internationally whether or not it qualifies, but it sure seems that way to me." Biden has repeatedly called Russian President Vladimir Putin a war criminal, but Tuesday marked the first time he accused Russia of committing genocide in Ukraine. Genocide, considered the most serious international offense, was first used to describe the Nazi Holocaust. It was established in 1948 as a crime under international law.

COMMENT

Under international law, genocide is an intent to destroy - in whole or in part - a national, ethnic, racial or religious group. According to U.N. convention, this includes through killings; serious bodily or mental harm; inflicting lethal conditions and measures to prevent births, among other means. Since the end of the Cold War, the US State Department has only formally used the term seven times. There is pressure on Biden to put more pressure on Putin as his own ratings have slumped further. Americans are struggling with rising energy and food costs fuelled by the war in Ukraine. "Your family budget, your ability to fill up your tank, none of it should hinge on whether a dictator declares war and commits genocide a half a world away," Biden said. We are seeing the return of the Cold War – the king of the south versus the king of north.

BIBLE QUOTE

And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:

(Ezekiel 38:4)

Joe Biden pledges helicopters and artillery to help fight invasion

The Telegraph, April 14, 2022



EVENT

President Joe Biden has announced an additional \$800 million in US military assistance to Ukraine including helicopters, artillery systems and armoured personnel carriers. "We cannot rest now. As I assured President Zelensky, the American people will continue to stand with the brave Ukrainian people in their fight for freedom," Biden said. He added that equipment provided to Ukraine "has been critical" as it confronts the invasion. Jen Psaki, the White House press secretary, said the United States had a wide variety of additional sanctions that it could impose on Russia over its invasion of Ukraine. Meanwhile, Antonio Guterres, the UN Secretary-General, has said that a humanitarian ceasefire in Ukraine does not seem possible at the moment.

COMMENT

As well as accusing Putin of genocide, Biden is also upping the ante by sending even more weapons and military hardware to Ukraine. In a matter of days a massive shipment of arms is due to arrive at the unidentified base in Poland, including 18 towed 155mm howitzers with 40,000 artillery rounds, 14 counter-artillery radars, two Sentinel air defence radars, 200 armoured personnel carriers and 11 Mi-17 Hip helicopters. However, with the imminent arrival of artillery and counter-battery radars, Pentagon officials have revealed for the first time that training will be necessary on these weapons systems. It's a significant development in the American and Nato military support programme for Ukraine. This is part of the push against Gog (Putin). The US/UK sense that Russia is on the back foot and are pressing their advantage. But Putin has not played all his own cards in this war. We can expect him to cause ever greater levels of destruction. All this will lead to Putin invading Israel for a spoil....

BIBLE QUOTE

a fierce king, a master of intrigue, will rise to power. He will become very strong, but not by his own power. **He will cause a shocking amount of destruction** and succeed in everything he does. He will destroy powerful leaders and devastate the holy people
(Daniel 8;23-24 NLT)

'Desperate' Vladimir Putin may use tactical nuclear weapons, warns CIA chief

The Times, April 16, 2022



EVENT

Russia's setbacks could prompt President Putin to use tactical nuclear weapons, William Burns, the CIA director, has said. Moscow has a stockpile of about 2,000 tactical nuclear weapons, also known as low-yield or battlefield munitions, that can be deployed by air, sea or artillery. These are generally less potent than the bomb the US dropped on Hiroshima in 1945 and the more powerful strategic weapons would not be used on a contested battlefield. **“Given the potential desperation of President Putin and the Russian leadership, given the setbacks that they’ve faced so far, militarily, none of us can take lightly the threat posed by a potential resort to tactical nuclear weapons or low-yield nuclear weapons,”** Burns, 66, said during a speech at Georgia Tech university in Atlanta. “I know President Biden is deeply concerned about avoiding a Third World War, about avoiding a threshold in which, you know, nuclear conflict becomes possible,” said Burns, who was the ambassador to Moscow between 2005 and 2008.

COMMENT

Albert Einstein once said that he did not know what weapons would be used in World War 3, but World War 4 would be fought with sticks and stones. We don't know what weapons will be used but there is a high possibility that nuclear weapons could be used. When pushed into a corner and with nothing to lose a leader like Putin could push the button. Russian state TV said a few weeks ago “Why do we need a world if Russia is not in it?” They would countenance destroying the earth if Russia could not exist. Jesus said “no flesh” (no creature) would survive if God did not intervene in sending Jesus...

BIBLE QUOTE

For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, **there should no flesh be saved**: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

(Matthew 24:21-22)

Russia warns U.S. to stop arming Ukraine

Reuters, April 15, 2022



EVENT

Russia sent a formal warning to the US not to send more arms to Ukraine or it could face “unpredictable consequences”, it has been reported. According to the Washington Post, Moscow sent a diplomatic note, a démarche, warning that US and Nato deliveries of the “most sensitive” weapons systems to Ukraine were “adding fuel” to the conflict there and could bring “unpredictable consequences”. A spokesperson said the state department did not confirm any diplomatic correspondence as a matter of course, and made clear that the US would continue to send arms to Ukraine. “What we can confirm is that, along with allies and partners, we are providing Ukraine with billions of dollars worth of security assistance, which our Ukrainian partners are using to extraordinary effect to defend their country against Russia’s unprovoked aggression and horrific acts of violence,” the spokesperson said.

COMMENT

Russia has issued a number of dire warnings this week. We have had the sinister warning about “unpredictable consequences”, as the US and UK arm Ukraine. We have also had Russia warning that it will boost its forces in the Baltic region, including with nuclear missiles, if Finland and Sweden join Nato. Sweden and Finland held neutral status throughout the Cold War, but Russia’s unprovoked attack on Ukraine has triggered a spike in support for joining Nato. Both countries face Russia across the Baltic Sea and Finland shares an 830-mile land border. They could join Nato as early as this summer, officials say. An iron curtain is descending across Europe. The West is dividing from the East. The division of East and West remains to the end. The dragon (Russia) and the Beast (EU) still exist as separate entities according to Revelation.

BIBLE QUOTE

And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.
(Revelation 16:13-14)

Clashes at al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem leave more than 150 injured

The Times, April 15, 2022



EVENT

More than 150 Palestinians were injured in clashes with Israeli police at the al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem yesterday. Tensions had increased after killings on each side in recent weeks, before and during Ramadan. Videos circulating online showed masked men wearing Palestinian flags throwing stones as Israeli police fired stun grenades and tear gas. The Palestinian Red Crescent evacuated dozens of people who had been wounded by rubber-coated bullets or beaten with batons. At least 152 Palestinians were injured. Israeli police said that at least three officers were injured by rocks. In recent weeks 14 Israelis have been killed in terrorist attacks and at least 25 Palestinians, including an unarmed woman, shot dead by security forces.

COMMENT

In a rare conjunction, three major holidays of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam are occurring at the same time this year. It only occurs approximately once every 33 years. This rare conjunction of holidays is possible because unlike the Christian calendar, which is determined by the course of the sun and is widely used in the Western world, the Islamic and Jewish calendars are aligned with the moon and the lunar year. Jerusalem is the epicentre of all 3 religions. This creates tension and this year it has exploded into violence on and around the Temple Mount. Temple Mount is where the Dome of the Rock is built. But it is actually on the very site of the original Jewish Temple. There are many predicting a new intifada coming soon ignited from these events in Jerusalem. This week Iran promised new support for Palestinians. The initial inner ring war [coordinated by Iran] could start as the world's attention is on Ukraine...

BIBLE QUOTE

Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

(Zechariah 12:1-2)

ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

- DebkaFile Review** (world events through the bi-focals of Israeli military intelligence) **TV-7 Israel News** **Watchman Newscast**
- 2022-04-08 **U.S. Forces in Syria ATTACKED by Iran-Backed Terrorists; Two Soldiers Injured** - Watchman News - 9.53 min - YouTube
- 2022-04-04 **Israel CONDEMNED by UN Over Golan Heights "Occupation"** - Watchman Newscast - 10.23 min - YouTube
- 2022-04-01 Russian Ambassador CONDEMNS Israel Airstrikes in Syria - Watchman Newscast - 12.57 min - YouTube
- 2022-03-31 Hamas THREATENS Israel with Escalation of DEADLY Terror Wave - Watchman Newscast - 9.02 min - YouTube
- 2022-03-30 Why global investors are dumping Chinese stocks - Gravitas- 3.59 min - YouTube
- 2022-03-30 What if Putin Didn't Miscalculate - NEW YORK TIMES
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- 2022-03-18 Russia, Israel & Bible Prophecy- Ezekiel's War of Gog & Magog Taking Shape - Watchman News - 10.46 min - YouTube
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