

# This Week's Developments

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# Has Russia already started World War Three?

The Times, May 1, 2022



## EVENT

Russians have been told repeatedly that they are engaged in an existential global conflict. But what might have looked like wild exaggeration a few weeks ago is now an increasingly credible point of view outside Russia too. Fiona Hill, until recently the senior director for European and Russian affairs on the US National Security Council, was asked last weekend if talk of a possible new world war was far-fetched. She answered bluntly: “We’re already in it. We have been for some time.” Such warnings should force us to look beyond the horrifying scenes in Mariupol, Bucha and countless other cities and towns that have been subjected to savage onslaught by Russian forces since the end of February and to assess wider, global perspectives — including what this means from the perspective of the UK and Europe, and indeed the rest of the world. What has happened in the last nine weeks is already having seismic consequences — whose shockwaves will grow stronger and more dangerous over the summer for those living far away from the frontlines and far away from Ukraine itself.

## COMMENT

It is possible that World War 3 is dated as beginning on February 24<sup>th</sup> 2022 – the day Russia invaded Ukraine. As the article says there are “seismic consequences” and “shockwaves” reverberating around the whole world. The Bible uses a similar theme describing events at the time of the end. These seismic events are what God calls contractions or labour pains. We know the final battle – Armageddon – will be centred on Israel and its capital city Jerusalem...but the conflict in Ukraine could easily lead to this happening. As Russia is cut off from the world economically it will be forced (with hooks in its jaws) to come out of its own land and descend into Israel to take a spoil.

## BIBLE QUOTE

Wail, for the day of the Lord is near it will come like destruction from the Almighty. Because of this, all hands will go limp, every heart will melt with fear. Terror will seize them, pain and anguish will grip them; they will writhe like a woman in labour. They will look aghast at each other, their faces aflame.  
*(Isaiah 13:6-8 NIV)*

# Russia accuses Israel of supporting Kyiv 'neo-Nazis'

The Times, May 3, 2022



## EVENT

Russia has accused Israel of backing Kyiv's "neo-Nazi regime" in an escalating diplomatic clash that could prompt the Bennett government to abandon its neutrality towards the war in Ukraine. The row was triggered by a claim from Sergey Lavrov, the Russian foreign secretary, that Hitler had "Jewish blood". "So what if [President] Zelensky is Jewish?" he told Italian television. "The fact does not negate the Nazi elements in Ukraine. I believe that Hitler also had Jewish blood . . . some of the worst antisemites are Jews." In response Naftali Bennett, the Israeli prime minister, said that "the goal of such lies is to accuse the Jews themselves of the most awful crimes in history, which were perpetrated against them, and thereby absolve Israel's enemies of responsibility". Yair Lapid, the foreign minister, called Lavrov's comments "an unforgivable and outrageous statement as well as a terrible historical error".

## COMMENT

Sergei Lavrov the Russian foreign minister has provoked outrage in Israel by asserting that Adolf Hitler had "Jewish origins" and that Jews were the worst antisemites. Israel has been operating as a mediator between Ukraine and Russia as it has ties with both sides. Israel has therefore not wanted to align too closely with either nation since the Russian invasion. However, the rhetoric coming from Jerusalem shifted in the wake of the reports of widespread civilian killings by the Russians, with Lapid explicitly accusing Russia of war crimes last week. Hence Lavrov turning his attack on Israel. According to Israel's prime minister Putin has now apologised but there has been no word of this from Russia. What this does show us is how the relationship between Israel and Russia can turn so poisonous so quickly and how pivotal Israel is in the current conflict. ...

## BIBLE QUOTE

Thus saith the Lord GOD; It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought: 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,  
(Ezekiel 38:10-11)

# Russian 'nuclear tsunami' will wipe out Britain, Kremlin-backed media threatens

The Times, May 2, 2022



## EVENT

Russian state television has issued a chilling warning that Moscow could wipe out Britain with a nuclear tsunami in retaliation for supporting Ukraine. In his Sunday evening primetime show, the Channel One anchor Dmitry Kiselyov said a strike by Russia's Poseidon nuclear underwater drone could turn Britain into a wasteland by drowning the country in a 500-metre tidal wave of radioactive seawater. "The explosion of this thermonuclear torpedo by Britain's coastline will cause a gigantic tsunami wave. Having passed over the British Isles, it will turn whatever might be left of them into a radioactive wasteland." The comments came in response to calls by Boris Johnson, the prime minister, and Liz Truss, the foreign secretary, to boost western military aid for Ukraine to help the country defend itself from Russia's offensive, which began in February.

## COMMENT

Russian state TV content is controlled by the Kremlin. Everything that is on this channel is authorised by the Russian government. For this reason it isn't some crazy YouTube conspiracy theory – it is meant as a serious message to the UK from the Kremlin. In other words if you push us too far we will react. Putin increasingly sees the war in Ukraine as a fight for Russia's own survival. As Britain and the US lead the way in supplying military equipment to Ukraine this reinforces that view in Putin's mind. Putin sees Ukraine as a proxy army for the West. Only a few months ago this message on Russian State TV would have caused an uproar – but now it is just part of the ever increasing bellicose rhetoric coming out of Russia. The Bible says that the king of the south (UK/US) will militarily provoke (push) at Putin / Gog. When this happens it causes Russia as a nation to descend into Israel. The push is happening in Ukraine....

## BIBLE QUOTE

And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him 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)

See [Zech 14:12](#) for better potential description of nuclear activity than [2 Peter 3:10-11](#)

# Germany backs EU proposals for Russian oil ban

The Times, May 3, 2022



## EVENT

The European Union is moving towards a ban on Russian oil by the end of the year amid divisions over the speed of phasing out imports and the impact of the embargo on the cost of living in the West. EU energy ministers held emergency talks in Brussels yesterday before European Commission proposals on new sanctions that are expected over the next 48 hours. In a significant U-turn, Germany is backing the planned oil ban, but there are still difficulties, particularly for small, landlocked central European countries dependent on crude oil supplies from Russia. The German energy ministry hopes to achieve “total” independence from Russian oil within weeks, chiefly by importing more through Rostock in northeast Germany and the Polish port of Gdansk.

## COMMENT

Europe is switching off Russian oil and gas as soon as it possibly can. When this happens it will be an enormous blow to Putin as 37% of its total trade comes from the EU. 40% of Russia's total revenue comes from oil and gas. Without the flow of this money Russia would quickly go bankrupt. One country the EU is looking to to replace oil and gas is Israel! There is already a pipeline planned from Israel to the EU. Putin will see this as Israel taking his lost income and decide to take it back – hence coming to Israel to take a spoil. Germany (lead nation in the EU) is heavily dependent on Russian oil and gas. It is planning to stop all oil trade with Russia by the end of the year. Germany has also just begun building its first terminal for importing liquefied natural gas from the US and the Middle East. [Germany is not part of the Gogian invasion of Israel. Germany invades Israel after Christ has returned and the saints have been judged...] ??? See comment below & Daniel 2:33-35 (“broken in pieces **together**”)

## BIBLE QUOTE

And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: (Revelation 17:12-14)

[The Roman Beast & EU countries are confederate with Gog & defeated at Armageddon #1 but, unlike Gog, will survive to regroup later in a state-church alliance for final elimination by “Rainbowed Angel” after about 30 years.]



# Food crisis looms as landmines litter Ukraine farmer's fields

The Times, May 2, 2022



## EVENT

Ukraine, one of the most fertile and productive countries in the world, has been known historically as the “bread basket of Europe”. Now it is facing a complex and unprecedented agricultural crisis, in which landmines are only one of numerous interlinked problems. The United Nations estimates this year’s harvest will be 20 per cent lower than normal; others predict the reduction will be as much as 30 per cent. Not only will this have a serious effect on the ability of Ukraine to feed itself — but also on people across the world, who depend, without even being aware of it, on Ukrainian wheat, Ukrainian corn, and Ukrainian sunflower seeds go into the flour, bread and cooking oil that feed people across the world. World food prices were rising anyway, and the invasion has accelerated this. The global food price index issued by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation recently made its biggest jump since it was established in 1990, thanks to all-time record prices for vegetable oils, cereals and meat.

## COMMENT

The impact on food availability and food prices due to the war in Ukraine cannot be underestimated. Middle East and African nations rely heavily on Ukraine for wheat and corn. 60% of Lebanon’s wheat supply just prior to the war was being shipped in from Ukraine. Lebanon has only one month of wheat reserves remaining. Egypt (with over 100 million people to feed) is the world’s largest importer of wheat. 85% of all Egypt’s wheat come from just 2 places – Ukraine and Russia – who are both at war. The Arab Spring (a series of of anti government protests) which began in 2010 is put down to unrest caused by food shortages and increasing food prices. It resulted in regime changes in Tunisia, Egypt and Libya. Jesus says there will be famine (food shortage)...

## BIBLE QUOTE

Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven. Events in Ukraine could cause a manmade famine. The word famine means “scarcity of harvest” which is happening in Ukraine... (Luke 21:10-11)

# Why Israel Became A Safe Haven For Russian Billionaires

Forbes, April 28, 2022



## EVENT

Quite a few billionaires born in Russia have taken advantage of the “Law of Return,” otherwise known as “Aliyah,” which grants automatic entry and passports to any Jew, or anyone who can prove they have at least one Jewish grandparent. According to Forbes’ research, more than 40% of the 111 Russian-born billionaires have at least one other passport (6% have two or more). Nearly half of Russia’s 35 sanctioned billionaires have dual citizenship. An Israeli passport is the most common second passport among Russian-born billionaires. The war in Ukraine has cast some harsh light on Israel’s citizenship program. Three of the most high-profile sanctioned Russian oligarch billionaires are also Israeli citizens: Alfa Bank cofounders Mikhail Fridman and German Khan, and Roman Abramovich. It’s not just billionaires that are looking to Israel. The country seems to be attracting a broad spread of Russia’s wealthier residents.

## COMMENT

Israel is attracting “super wealthy” Russian Jews back to the land. As this Forbes article says “a crackdown on so-called “golden passport” programs in Europe means it’s only going to get more popular among the super-rich looking for a quick escape.” Israel is one of the only “western” nations not to impose sanctions on Russia. And with the law in Israel of the “right of return” many rich Russians are seeing Israel as one of the few safe havens in the world. This in turn will bring great additional wealth to Israel. This is something we have expected to happen because Ezekiel 38 says that Israel will be rich with “cattle and goods.” This is symbolic language for wealth and riches. It will also infuriate Putin that these Russians have a safe place to live – while his hasn’t....

## BIBLE QUOTE

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, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land. These words are the actual thoughts of Gog/Putin himself – he wants to take the wealth and riches that Israel has got... (Ezekiel 38:12)

## ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

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

2022-05-06 **Israel WARNS Hamas After Another Deadly Terror Attack; NEW Gaza Operation Soon** - Watchman - 10.10 min - YouTube

2022-05-05 **Russian Navy's Biggest Losses In Ukraine War & What It Means For Putin's Ambitions** - 7.13 min - YouTube

2022-05-05 **Analysis - Slow progress for Russian forces in capturing Donbas** - 11.09 min - YouTube

2022-05-04 **Tensions escalate between Russia and Israel over Lavrov's claim that Hitler was part Jewish** - WION - 7.36 min - YouTube

2022-05-04 **Russian State TV issues a chilling warning** – Gravitass - 3.08 min - YouTube

2022-05-03 **Russia ACCUSES Israel of "Supporting Neo-Nazis; Israel to ARM Ukraine** - Watchman Newscast - 10.15 min - YouTube

2022-05-02 **Israel SLAMS Russia Over "Unforgivable" Anti-Semitism Accusations** - Watchman Newscast - 11.21 min - YouTube

2022-04-27 **Russia's war on Ukraine- 'Vladimir Putin is desperate'** • FRANCE 24 English - 8.06 min - YouTube

2022-04-26 **Tanks for Ukraine- How Germany's position has changed since the beginning of the war** - DW News - 10.00 min - YouTube

2022-04-26 **Inside Israel & UAE's United Front Against Iran's Regime; Reporting from UAE** - Watchman News - 11.00 min - YouTube

2022-04-25 **Iran's Nuclear Threat UNITING Israel & Arabia; Reporting from Bahrain** - Watchman Newscast - 10.26 min - YouTube

**History - Timeline video - The Spread of the Indo-Europeans (Sons of Japheth)** - 5.46 min - YouTube

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

**Location of Magog & Gomer – with illustrations – from Elpis Israel**

**Reuters Analysis- Ukraine invasion splits Orthodox Church, isolates Russian patriarch**

2022-04-23 **Putin's war on Ukraine divides Russian Orthodox Church** - 5.5 min - YouTube

2022-04-19 **Israel pressured by Putin - Russia Backs Palestinian Temple Mount Clashes** - Watchman News - 13.43 min - YouTube

2022-04-18 **Israeli govt headed for collapse** - Gravitass - 7.07 min - YouTube