

# This Week's Developments

November 8 - 14, 2020

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# Risk of new world war is real, head of UK armed forces warns

Sky News, November 8, 2020



## EVENT

There is a **risk of a new world war** if current, smaller conflicts escalate out of control, drawing in more countries and weapons, the head of the UK armed forces has warned. General Sir Nick Carter said the **global economic crisis caused by the coronavirus pandemic could also trigger new security threats, even war.** Economic crises in the past have led to security crises and General Carter said he was worried this could happen again given the blow inflicted on the world economy by the pandemic. **"I think we are living at a moment in time where the world is a very uncertain and anxious place,"** he said. "I think the real risk we have, with quite a lot of regional conflicts that are going on at the moment, is you could see escalation lead to miscalculation and that is a thing I think we have to guard against."

## COMMENT

Coronavirus and its knock on impact to **economic health could lead to conflict.** Back in Nov 2018 the World Economic Forum said "We must **take seriously the possibility** that the next **economic crisis could lead to a large-scale military confrontation.**" They pointed to numerous factors in the world stoking social unrest and diplomatic tension, including technological disruption, a record-breaking migration crisis, anxiety over globalization, political polarization, and rising nationalism. **A financial crisis could tip the world into war. Two years later we have that crisis.** And **this week** the head of the UK armed forces also **warns that the world could be headed to another world war.** The world has not yet seen the full impact of the pandemic and its effects are still to be played out. The army general echo's the words of Christ when he said that there would one day be **"distress of nations with perplexity"**. Jesus will return at that time...

## BIBLE QUOTE

And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth **distress of nations, with perplexity;** the sea and the waves roaring; Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.  
*(Luke 21:25-26)*

# How will Biden change foreign policy?

BBC, November 10, 2020



## EVENT

The world according to President Trump has been one of "America First" nationalism, ditching international agreements that he believed gave the US a raw deal. The world according to Joe Biden is a much more traditional take on America's role and interests, grounded in international institutions established after World War Two, and based on shared western democratic values. It is one of global alliances in which America leads free nations in combating transnational threats. Joe Biden welcomed President Trump's agreement between Israel and the United Arab Emirates. Like the Democratic old guard, Mr Biden is a staunch supporter and long-time defender of Israel - the word occupation is not included in the party's foreign policy platform. But he is unlikely to adopt the Trump administration's policies towards the occupied West Bank. These include a declaration that Israeli settlements do not violate international law, and tolerance of Israeli plans to unilaterally annex parts of the territory.

## COMMENT

It now seems likely that Joe Biden will take the reins of the US presidency on Jan 20, 2021. However nothing is totally certain – God could still have other plans - we wait to see. The Bible doesn't tell us who the leader of America is going to be – but it does tell us the direction of travel of the nation as whole. It tells us that America (as a young lion of Tarshish) will be onside with Israel... but perhaps not to the extent it has been in the past. When Russia invades Israel America will question Russia but doesn't appear to want to (or be able to) stop the attack. Joe Biden is a president that might well fit this type of approach – overall supportive but perhaps unwilling to back militarily.

## BIBLE QUOTE

This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men. . We are resident foreigners of the country in which we live and watch events as interested bystanders as we wait for God to decide who needs to be in power – and His choice might not be ours  
(Daniel 4:17)

# Special relationship maintained as Johnson is first on Joe Biden's call list

The Times, November 10, 2020



## EVENT

Joe Biden showed his appreciation of British political sensitivities yesterday as he apparently made Boris Johnson the first European leader he called as president-elect. Despite speculation that he would signal his displeasure with Mr Johnson by relegating the prime minister down his international call list, the “special relationship” was maintained. The two men spoke at 4pm for about 25 minutes. Their conversation was believed to be before calls to Angela Merkel, President Macron and Micheal Martin, the Irish prime minister. Downing Street said that they discussed trade, security and how the two countries could work together to tackle climate change. “The prime minister warmly congratulated Joe Biden on his election as president of the United States,” a spokesman said. “They discussed the close and longstanding relationship between our countries and committed to building on this partnership in the years ahead, in areas such as trade and security, including through Nato.

## COMMENT

There is little doubt that Boris Johnson wanted a Trump win. This would have helped (in his mind) to do post Brexit trade deals with the US. Trump and Johnson were both on the “right” of the political spectrum. Biden, for his part, called Johnson last year the “physical and emotional clone of Donald Trump” in private remarks widely reported in British press. But despite this Biden’s first phone call to a European leader was the UK prime minister. These things matter in politics. The Bible says that Tarshish will be allied to the “young lions” – US / Canada etc - at the time of the end. Despite the potential change in US leadership this will remain. Britain however might struggle more post Brexit with a Biden presidency - leading to a weakening of the Tarshish power.

## BIBLE QUOTE

For the day of the LORD of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; and he shall be brought low: ... And upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all pleasant pictures [ships]. And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low: and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. (Isiah 2:12,16+17)

# Russia Is Last Major Country Yet to Congratulate Biden on Winning 2020 Election

Newsweek, November 13, 2020



## EVENT

Russian President Vladimir Putin is the last major world leader yet to congratulate Joe Biden on winning the 2020 election, following China's recognition on Friday of the president-elect's victory. Putin won't congratulate Biden until legal challenges to the U.S. election are resolved and the result is official, according to the Associated Press. Dmitry Peskov, a spokesman for the Russian leader, told reporters on Monday that this year's election is different from those in past years. "Obviously, you can see that certain legal procedures are coming there, which were announced by the incumbent president. Therefore, this situation is different, so we consider it correct to wait for the official announcement," Peskov said. Biden has vowed to "do what Donald Trump refuses to do: work with our allies and partners to hold the Putin regime accountable for its crimes." Putin and Trump have repeatedly spoken favourably about each other. Following the 2016 election, the Russian leader quickly congratulated Trump on his win over Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton.

## COMMENT

All through Trump's presidency there were allegations of his collusion with Russia in winning the US election 4 years ago. Trump consistently praised Putin and in fact backed Putin's version of events over his own intelligence services. Putin cares little for Trump in reality but he definitely liked how Trump was pulling the US out of the EU and talking down NATO. Trump respected Putin and that is what Putin wants more than anything. Biden however wants to take things back to how they were. He sees Russia as "an opponent". Biden has said he will hold the Putin regime accountable for its crimes. The Bible says there will be a king of the north (Russia) v king of the south (UK/US) situation at the time of the end. Biden is more in this mould than Trump.

## BIBLE QUOTE

40 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)

# Vladimir Putin's navy to create Russian Red Sea base in Sudan

The Times, November 13, 2020



## EVENT

Russia is planning a **naval base in Sudan** as it vies for influence with the West, China and the Gulf in the Red Sea. A draft deal being put before President Putin by the government **envisages a hub at Port Sudan for up to four ships and 300 troops**. Under the bilateral agreement, Russian ships and nuclear-powered submarines could use it. The base would boost its ability to project power into the Middle East, Africa and the eastern Mediterranean. In 2017 the **Chinese navy** opened its **first overseas base in Djibouti, east Africa**, where the US also has a base. The United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Turkey are seeking to increase their influence in the Red Sea through commercial ports and military outposts. Three years ago Turkey opened a base in Mogadishu, Somalia. **Russia sees opportunities for economic co-operation and mutual investment with states in the region as well as rivalry**, experts say.

## COMMENT

This is extremely significant. Russia is planning a naval base in the **Red Sea south of Israel**- on the coastline of North Sudan. **Russia's alignment to Sudan is foretold in Ezekiel 38**. The AV translates a place called Cush in the Hebrew as Ethiopia. Cush isn't really Ethiopia. Cush at the time of Ezekiel corresponds almost exactly to Sudan. Or to be even more accurate North Sudan. Sudan split into two nations in 2011. From 1070 BC to AD350 the **area we now know as North Sudan was called the Kingdom of Kush**. North Sudan is mainly Islamic. South Sudan is mainly Christian. It is the northern kingdom of Sudan that is the Islamic State that Putin is now looking to set up a naval base with! Or **in Bible language Gog (Putin) is allied with Cush (Sudan) and is wanting to send many ships (his navy) there**. Israel will be caught in a pincer movement...

## BIBLE QUOTE

Persia, **Cush[c]** and Put will be with them, all with shields and helmets, 6 also Gomer with all its troops, and Beth Togarmah from the far north with all its troops—the many nations with you.

**[c] Cush is ancient Kush the area we now know as Sudan or North Sudan. The very nation where Putin wants to setup a naval base!**  
(Ezekiel 38:5 NIV)

# Church of England to rethink same-sex marriage

The Times, November 10, 2020



**EVENT** The Church of England could reverse its opposition to same-sex marriage by as early as 2022 after bishops pledged to make a “decision” about issues relating to sexuality. The church’s House of Bishops announced yesterday that it was **embarking for the first time on a formal “decision-making” process over the church’s attitude to sex, sexuality, marriage and gender.** The bishops gave themselves a deadline of 2022 to draw up proposals to be put to the Church’s General Synod, which has the final say over changes to doctrine. In a joint foreword to the document, the Archbishop of Canterbury and Archbishop of York said the church should be “deeply ashamed and repentant” over the “hurt and unnecessary suffering” it had caused to gay and transgender people. They acknowledged that many wanted the church to “jump to a quick decision” over its doctrine, but said the church was “moving comparatively quickly, at least in terms of the average speed of change in church history”.

**COMMENT** In recent years the world has redefined marriage and gender. It’s been an ongoing process but as governments have changed their views on this so it has impacted on religion and beliefs. What was held as sacred for millennia due to the unchanging principles of the Word of God is now fast falling apart. God made 2 clear statements at the very beginning. That he made male and female. There is not a decision to be made as to what we are – our chromosomes tells us! God also said that a man would leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife. All society is built on this. The unravelling of these 2 building blocks unravels society and hastens Christ’s return....

**BIBLE QUOTE** So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

(Genesis 1:27)

Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

(Genesis 2:24)

# Sons of (C)Ham Canaan



**Port Sudan**

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**Overview**

Port Sudan is a port city in eastern Sudan, and the capital of the state of Red Sea. As of 2007, it has 489,725 residents. Located on the Red Sea, it is the Republic of Sudan's main port city.

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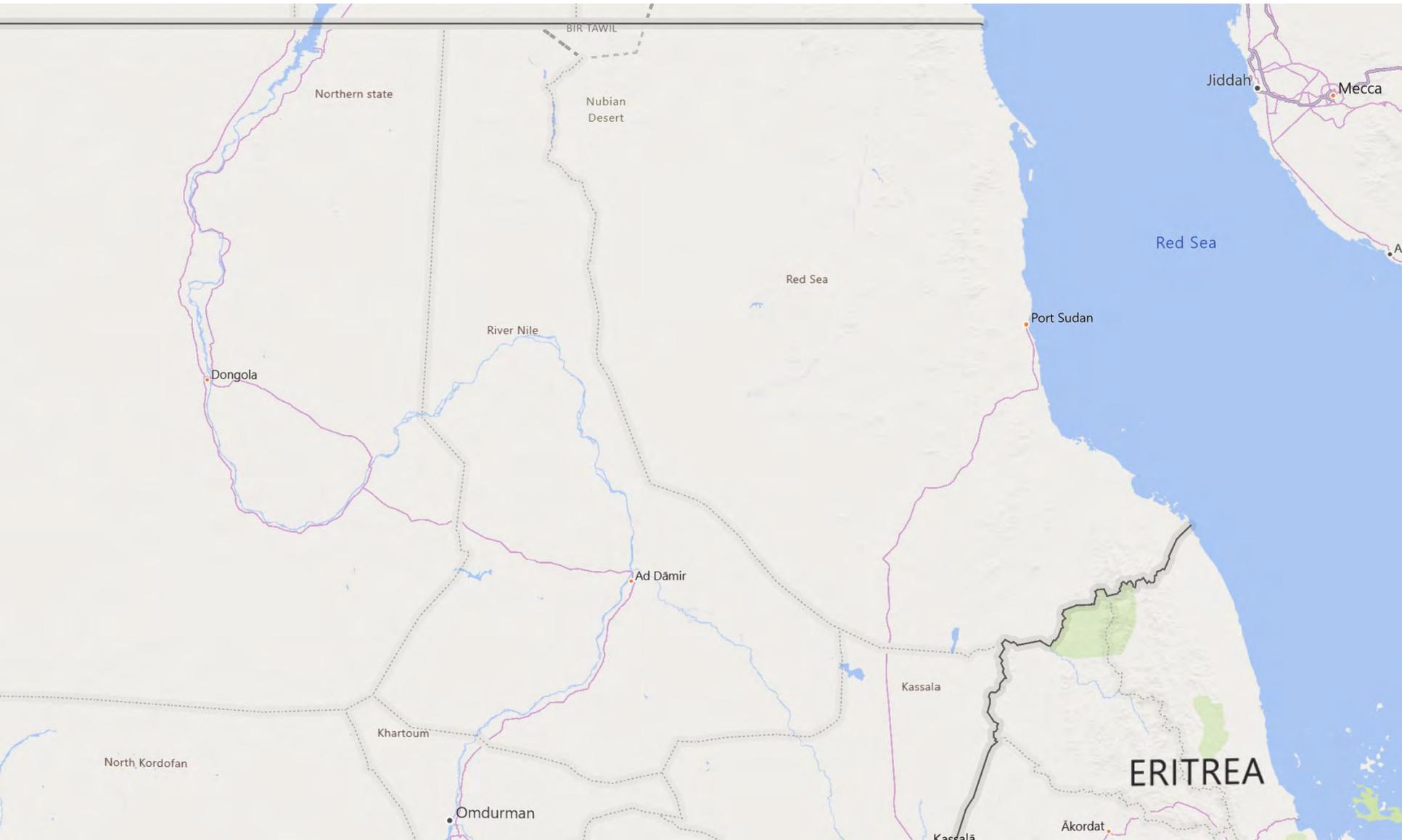
**Population**

489,700 (2007)

**Weather**

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Red Sea

Red Sea

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## **ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES**

2020-11-13 **DebkaFile** (world events through the bi-focals of Israeli military intelligence)

Introducing the 'Great Reset,' world leaders' radical plan to transform the economy – The Hill

Kremlin Denies Reports Putin is Ill, Planning to Resign - World Report - US News

Vladimir Putin planning to step down next year- New York Post report