

# This Week's Developments

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# Ukraine will get 'Israel-style' guarantees of security against Russia

Reuters, July 11, 2023



## EVENT

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## COMMENT

Ukraine is desperate to join NATO. The reason is of course that members of NATO have a “one for all and all for one” agreement. i.e. If one nation is attacked all the others will treat it as if they have been attacked and join the conflict to defend against the aggressor. The aggressor the whole of NATO is concerned about is Russia. Ukraine can't join NATO when it is actually at war with Russia but Ukraine wants to join as soon as the war comes to an end. Even this is too much for NATO, so they have come up with an “Israel style” arrangement. Israel is protected, armed and funded by the US government to the tune of billions of dollars each year. It is amazing that Ukraine is being linked to Israel in this way – Russia the aggressor will also invade Israel....

## BIBLE QUOTE

But I will remove far off from you the northern army [Russia], and will drive him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because he hath done great things. **The end of Gog and his forces will not be by worldly armies but by God's hand....**

(Joel 2:20)

# Abbas vows to 'liberate' all of 'Palestine' – including Jerusalem

Israel World News, July 13, 2023



## EVENT

Palestinian Authority (PA) President Mahmoud Abbas visited Jenin Wednesday, giving a speech in which he tried to project a show of force against both Israel and Hamas. “Everyone works to stay in the homeland until **we liberate this entire country with Jerusalem as its capital,**” he said, talking to several hundred supporters of his Fatah movement at the entrance to the refugee camp adjacent to the city. “We will remain in our country, and we will not leave it until God bequeaths [us] the land and those on it, and until they leave our land,” he added, seemingly referring to any and all Israelis. “We must get rid of the occupation and tell them to leave us,” he repeated. **Abbas praised the violence stemming from Jenin** that caused the IDF to enter last week in a two-day anti-terror operation that netted more than a hundred terror suspects and over a thousand explosive devices and weapons, while destroying several weapon factories and other terrorist infrastructure.

## COMMENT

Abbas is president of the Palestinian Authority (PA) – officially the “State of Palestine.” But currently the PA only has authority of certain parts of the West Bank. The Gaza Strip is now controlled by Hamas. Since 2006 the Palestinian elections have elected Hamas as the “party” that controls that area. Hamas is seen as a terrorist group by many countries around the world. The PA is seen as more moderate. However, Abbas this week called for the “entire country” to be liberated with “Jerusalem as its capital”. The PA is part of the confederacy that Psalm 83 speaks about. A group of people (tribes) that surround Israel that have one aim – to destroy Israel and take over God’s land. Psalm 83 will be fulfilled soon and Israel will remove all the pricking briars that surround it...

## BIBLE QUOTE

They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. They have said, Come, and **let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee:**

(Psalm 83:3-5)

# Hezbollah terror chief Nasrallah: ‘We won’t sit by if Israel attacks’

Israel National News, July 13, 2023



## EVENT

In a speech commemorating the 17th anniversary of the Second Lebanon War, Hezbollah chief Hassan Nasrallah warned his group would not “sit in silence” if Israel were to initiate military action. **The remark comes amid rising tensions between the two sides.** Over recent months, concerns about a potential escalation between Hezbollah and the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) have amplified due to sporadic altercations along Israel’s northern frontier. **Nasrallah, meanwhile, has threatened a “large-scale war” with Israel.** “There is a sense of terror on the other side. Israel is good at terrorizing its own people, Israel is the one that terrorizes its own settlements in the north and that is mainly because of the Israeli media.” Earlier this month, Hezbollah dismantled a tent it had built in an illegal outpost on the Israeli side of the Lebanon-Israel border fence, just days after claiming that Jerusalem would need to declare war in order for the encampment to be removed. “We put **our tent** on Lebanese land, and it is Lebanese land with the recognition of the Lebanese state. The Israelis have not dared to take action against it. Our operatives have their directions in the event of an Israeli attack on **the tents.**”

## COMMENT

Hezbollah are one of the tribes mentioned specifically in Psalm 83 as being part of the confederacy against Israel. Hezbollah (terror organisation) want to destroy Israel and they are based in Southern Lebanon in the region of Tyre. Notice in the verses below from Psalm 83 how “the people of Tyre” are listed. It is also interesting that Nasrallah speaks about “our tents” in relation to where they dwell. It is identical language in Psalm 83 which speaks about “the tents” of Edom. Tents symbolise no land / nomads...

## BIBLE QUOTE

With one mind they plot together; they form an alliance against you— **the tents** of Edom and the Ishmaelites, of Moab and the Hagrites, Byblos, Ammon and Amalek, Philistia, with **the people of Tyre**. Even Assyria has joined them to reinforce Lot’s descendants.

(Psalm m83:5-8 NIV)

# Russia can't win Ukraine war and won't go nuclear, Biden insists

The Times, July 14, 2023



## EVENT

President Biden insisted that Russia had “already lost the war” in Ukraine and there was no “real prospect” of President Putin using nuclear weapons in the conflict, partly because of the influence of China. Biden suggested it was only a matter of time before Putin came to the negotiating table — an unspoken admission that Ukraine would not be able to liberate all its territory before talks on a settlement. The US president was speaking in Finland alongside the leader of Nato’s newest member at the end of a European visit during which the western alliance overcame Turkish resistance to agree to admit Sweden, cementing a wider geopolitical defeat for Russia. Biden rejected suggestions that the war could last many years. “My hope is, and my expectation is, you’ll see that Ukraine makes significant progress on their offensive, and that it generates in a negotiated settlement somewhere along the line.”

## COMMENT

Biden believes two things in relation to Putin – firstly that he cannot win the war and secondly that he won't use nuclear weapons. He maybe wrong on both counts. The problem is this – (and these are Biden's own words)- “Putin has a real problem,” Biden said. “How does he move from here? What does he do?”. This is the issue. Putin has no way out and no way back into the international community. He has to walk away with some type of declared victory. Which maybe just annexing the Donbas region into Russia. But how can he achieve this with his army being pushed back? The answer is some type of shocking destruction which bring parties to the negotiating table. This happened in WW2 and Putin and Medvedev have both referred to this recently. Putin is warning he will stop at nothing to achieve “success”. The Bible says the same...

## BIBLE QUOTE

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 8:24 NLT)

# Russia to consider F-16s transfer to Ukraine as nuclear threat from West

Yahoo, July 13, 2023



## EVENT

Russia will view the deployment of F-16 fighter jets to Ukraine as a direct nuclear threat to the Kremlin, Putin's foreign minister has warned. Sergei Lavrov says Russia has privately warned the US, Britain and France of the dire risks of the planned move to give Kyiv the advanced warplanes. He implied that the use of F-16 - for which Ukrainian pilots are now being trained - could lead to Putin unleashing tactical nuclear weapons. Russia will view the deployment of F-16 fighter jets to Ukraine as a direct nuclear threat to the Kremlin, Putin's foreign minister has warned. Sergei Lavrov says Russia has privately warned the US, Britain and France of the dire risks of the planned move to give Kyiv the advanced warplanes. He implied that the use of F-16 - for which Ukrainian pilots are now being trained - could lead to Putin unleashing tactical nuclear weapons. The Lavrov warning comes despite the West denying it will supply nuclear weapons to Ukraine.

## COMMENT

Lavrov, Putin's foreign minister warned this week: 'The United States and its NATO satellites are creating risks of a direct armed clash with Russia, and this is fraught with catastrophic consequences.' He went on to say, "The conditions for Russia's use of nuclear weapons are clearly defined in our Military Doctrine." Throughout the war, Russia has upped rhetoric on the nuclear deterrent, threatening the West with an apocalyptic response for what they perceive to be escalation. With all the threats of nuclear war we can be certain that the time of trouble such as never was is approaching. There is no solution to Ukraine without ever increasing destruction. It is highly unlikely Russia would invade Israel while there is still all out war in Ukraine so it must come to a conclusion before then - but at a huge cost....

## BIBLE QUOTE

1 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and **there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was** since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

*Daniel 12:1)*



# The Latest World Hunger Stats Are Grim

The News, July 12, 2023



The number of humans going hungry stood at an estimated 735 million in 2022, an increase of 122 million people since 2019. That roughly 20% jump is being attributed to the COVID pandemic and the Russian invasion of Ukraine, per a new report issued by the Food and Agriculture Organization and four additional UN bodies on Wednesday, reports the Guardian. The 2023 edition of the annual State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World report tracks the fluctuations over that three-year period, reporting 7.9% of the world's population faced chronic hunger in 2019. That figure hit 9.3% in 2021 and stood at 9.2% in 2022. "No progress was made on food insecurity at the global level" in 2022, the report points out. The countervailing winds caused by the global repercussions of the war in Ukraine and rising prices of food, agricultural inputs and energy, together with other drivers of food insecurity such as conflicts and weather-related events.

## COMMENT

The report notes that hunger is not spread across the world equally: The portion of the population facing hunger stands at almost 20% in Africa, compared to 8.5% in Asia, 6.5% in Latin America and the Caribbean, and 7% in Oceania. Jesus said that before he returned there would be "famines and pestilences." Interestingly the COVID pandemic (pestilence) is linked directly to a spike in hunger (famine). Jesus also says in the previous verse "Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom." The report above also links the conflict in Ukraine to worsening hunger around the world. Perhaps we have only considered famine to be linked to lack of rain but actually we are seeing it linked to pestilence and war. The kingdom of God will sort out hunger forever.

## BIBLE QUOTE

**They shall hunger no more**, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

*(Revelation 7:16-17)*

## ADDITIONAL AND SUPPORTING ARTICLES

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

2023-07-15 [Why allowing Ukraine to ship grain during Russia's war matters to the world](#) - AP News

2023-07-15 [Israel's Netanyahu is rushed to hospital for dehydration. Hours later, he says he feels 'very good'](#) - AP News

2023-07-15 [Explaining Germany's stance on Russia's war in Ukraine](#) - GIS

2023-07-14 [Moves at a small border village hike Israel-Hezbollah tensions at a time of regional jitters](#) - AP News

2023-07-14 [Moscow turns down South Africa's request for Putin not to attend BRICS summit](#) - World DNA - 1.28 min - YouTube

2023-07-13 [Netanyahu tells Herzog sees no point in resuming judicial overhaul talks](#) - Ynet News

2023-07-11 [Israel & U.S. Launch JOINT Military Drills as Biden SLAMS Israel Again](#) - Watchman Newscast - 11.00 min - YouTube

2023-07-11 [Why did Erdogan Support Sweden's NATO Entry](#) - Vantage - 5.20 min - YouTube

2023-07-08 US Treasury chief Yellen appeals to China for cooperation on climate and other global challenges - AP News

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2023-07-07 Iran Clashes with US Navy in Gulf of Oman - Vantage - 3.33 min - YouTube

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2023-07-06 Israel AIRSTRIKES Near Damascus; Russia Fighter Jets HARASS U.S. Drones - Watchman - 12.07 min - YouTube

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2023-07-03 Exclusive- India refiners start yuan payments for Russian oil imports - Reuters

2023-06-29 Proceed cautiously in relations with China - editorial - The Jerusalem Post

2023-06-28 Netanyahu to visit China, gave Biden advance notice of trip - The Jerusalem Post

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





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



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

○ TOBOLSK (Tubal)

○ MOSCOW (Meshech)

"YOUNG LIONS"  
(USA, CANADA, ETC)

"LION"  
TARSHISH  
UK

GERMANY  
(LAND OF  
MAGOG)

GOMER  
European Economic Community

Gibraltar

TURKEY  
(Togarmah)

IRAQ/IRAN  
(Persia)

LIBYA

DEDAN

SHEBA

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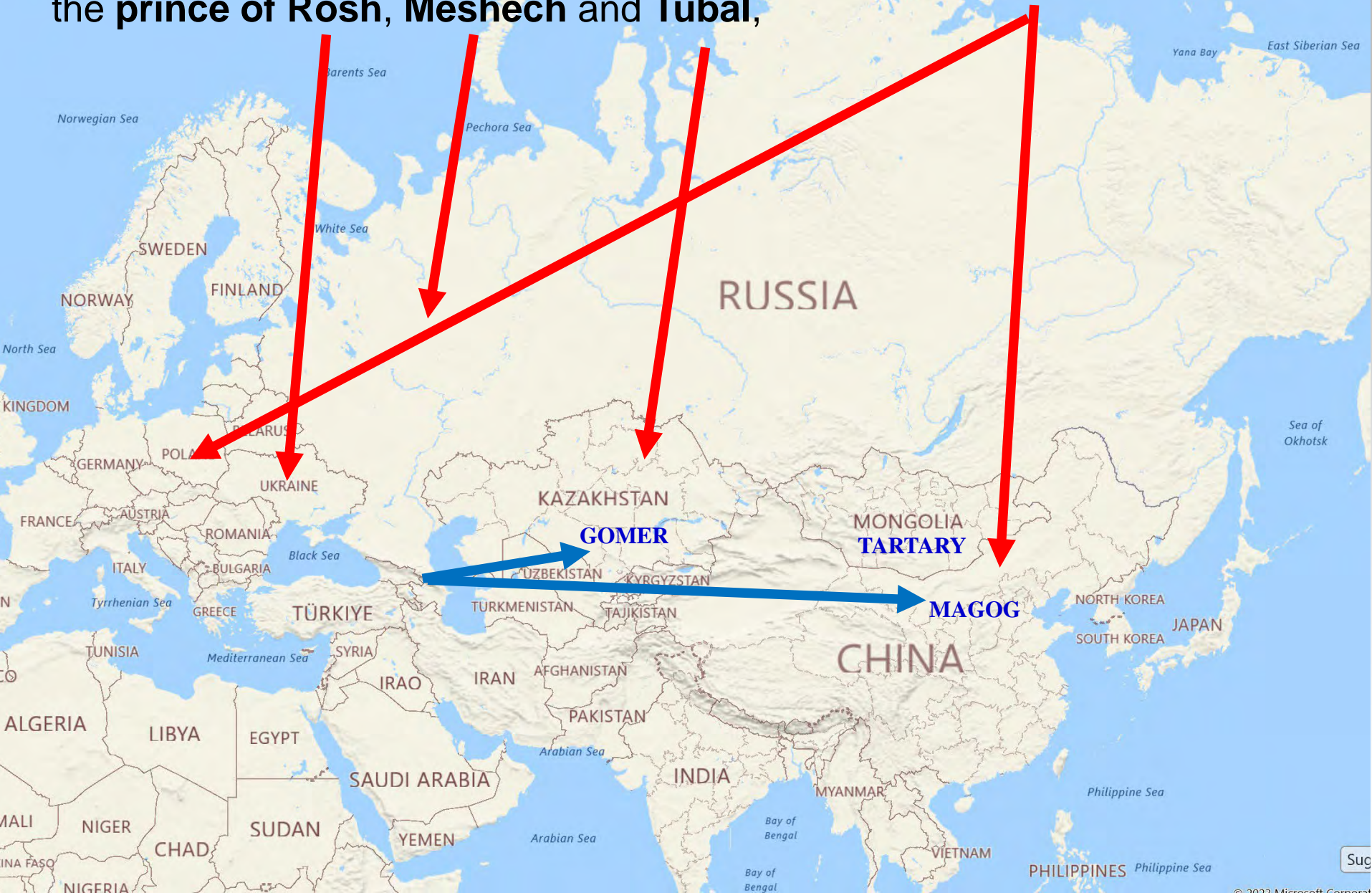
ETHIOPIA

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)"?

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## COMMENT

NATO figures large in this conflict. How well does it all line up with Bible predictions? We are told that Israel will be invaded by a Northern Power consisting of leadership from the "land of Magog" (in Ezekiel's time a far east land which is now in China and from which migrated peoples as far west as Germany & the Baltics), a "prince of Ros" which in Ezekiel's time was the country hosting the Ros river (Ukraine), and also lands hosting the Moskva ("Meshech") & Tobal ("Tubal") rivers; ACCOMPANIED BY "Gomer" (an Asian land in Ezekiel's time from which migrated peoples as far west as France) AND "Togarmah", typically identified as Turkey. At the moment NATO appears to include some of these areas which are now part of Western Europe. So, we look for the frog-like spirits to develop the scenario where the NATO umbrella sheds the USA, UK, etc., and is brought under the influence of this "Gog, of the land of Magog" in a grand coalition before the predicted invasion of Turkey, Egypt & Israel – in that order. This all may take some time, or it can happen very quickly, but it will happen. The only uncertainty is our ability to precisely identify these ancient territories.

## BIBLE QUOTE

"Son of man, set your face toward **Gog of the land of Magog**, the **prince of Rosh**, **Meshech** and **Tubal**, ... 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 38:2-6 NASB



# Saudi Arabia wants ‘thriving Israel’ after years of fractured Middle East

The Times, June 28, 2023



## EVENT

Saudi Arabia’s ambassador to the US has spoken of wanting to see a “thriving Israel” as part of a unified Middle East, in the latest sign that the kingdom could normalise relations after decades of enmity. Princess Reema bint Bandar al-Saud, who is a member of the Saudi Arabian royal family, told an event in Colorado: “We want to see a thriving Israel, We want to see a thriving Palestine.” Referring to Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman’s long-term agenda, she added: “Vision 2030 talks about a unified, integrated, thriving Middle East, and last I checked, Israel was there. We want a thriving Red Sea economy.” A possible normalisation between Israel and Saudi Arabia has been hailed as the “crown jewel” of agreements between the Jewish state and the Arab and Muslim world. Riyadh is believed to have a covert relationship with Israel but has yet to officially disclose those diplomatic ties. While Prince Mohammed has not yet followed the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Morocco in establishing official relations under the US-brokered Abraham Accords of 2020, his country’s historic boycott has been softening, including opening its airspace to Israeli flights last year.

## COMMENT

Eli Cohen, the Israeli foreign minister, said this week that there was a “window of opportunity” for an Israeli-Saudi agreement and that “we are very optimistic about the possibility of achieving such an agreement”. This is quite amazing with Bible in hand because in Ezekiel 38 we read that the opposing force to Russia, Turkey, Iran etc is Sheba, Dedan, the merchants of Tarshish and the young lions. Sheba and Dedan is Saudi Arabia and the smaller Gulf Arab states - some of whom have already made peace agreements under the Abraham Accords. The pieces continue to fall into place.

## BIBLE QUOTE

**Sheba, and Dedan**, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

(Ezekiel 38:13)



# ***The world is watching in disbelief as France tears itself apart***

*The Telegraph, July 1, 2023*

*The original shield of Clovis  
- first king of the Franks*



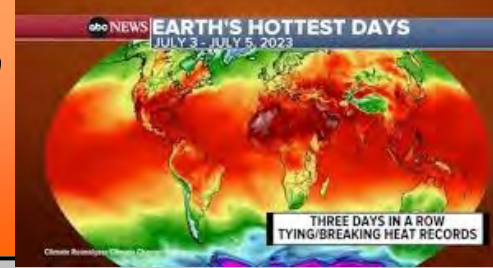
**EVENT** Macron is losing control of France. Thousands of arrests. Torched schools, community centres, city halls, sports complexes, post offices. Looting ranging from Lidl supermarkets to Apple Stores. Gendarmes and special forces brought in to patrol the streets at night, in addition to the beleaguered police force. Rising anger among shopkeepers clamouring for a curfew “or we’ll take matters into our hands”. It escalated disastrously, in all-too-familiar fashion. Rioting, incendiary accusations (of state racism, that “they” want to kill “us”) and then literally incendiary acts: arson, senseless vandalism and destruction, from bus stop shelters to rows of shops, kindergartens, social housing. And theft, everywhere, of private and public property; indiscriminate; from a six-pack of semi-skimmed milk to watches, jewellery, Nike shoes, baby buggies.

**COMMENT** Some 45,000 police officers and Gendarmes were mobilised on Saturday evening, after hundreds of people gathered to bury the 17-year-old police shooting victim in the Paris suburb of Nanterre. More than 200 policemen have been injured and over 700 businesses ransacked or burnt down since the police shooting of Merzouk sparked nationwide unrest on Tuesday. “The results of the night can be summed up in one word: apocalyptic,” Rudy Manna, of the Bouches-du-Rhône police union, said of Friday night. The name France comes from Latin Francia (“land of the Franks”). Franks means “free” or “freemen”. The spirit of the French is that they are free – free from any bondage. Hence “liberty (freedom), equality and fraternity” was the cry of the French Revolution. But it is a false cry. It has not brought freedom – it brings anarchy and rebellion.

**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. **These 3 unclean spirits are like frogs. They link to the French Revolution of Liberty, Equality Fraternity. The first King of the Franks was Clovis – his shield initially had 3 frogs on it! They were later changed to lillies**(*Revelation 16:13*)

# Earth sets its hottest day record for third time in a week

*The Independent, July 7, 2023*



## EVENT

Earth's average temperature set a new unofficial record high on Thursday for the third time in a week. On 6 July the Earth was an average 17.23C (63F), according to an unofficial measurement by Climate Reanalyzer, a platform that uses climate and weather forecast models to take the global temperature. This surpassed the record of 17.18C (62.9F) set on Tuesday and maintained Wednesday, which in itself topped Monday's record-breaking 17.01C (62.6F). The figures must be confirmed by official international and national government bodies but nevertheless have set off alarm bells in the scientific community. Wherever you look around the world, there is a litany of new extremes. The African continent experienced its hottest night ever recorded, according to US Stormwatch, which tracks extreme weather globally. The nighttime low in Adrar, Algeria, was 39.6C (103.3F) on Thursday.

## COMMENT

Cities across China opened air-raid shelters on Friday to offer residents relief from severe heat as deaths were reported in Beijing and Shaoxing. Earlier this week, the Chinese capital reported more than nine straight days with record-high temperatures exceeding 35C (95F). In the Antarctic, temperatures soared to unprecedented levels, reaching as high as 4.5C (8F) above normal in the polar region. Dr Friederike Otto, a climate science lecturer at the Grantham Institute for Climate Change called the new heat records "a death sentence". The world is under a "death sentence" currently. The world is weighed down under sin. The world physically and spiritually groans under it. But soon Jesus will return and start the process of removing sin and death from all the earth.

## BIBLE QUOTE

We know that **the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time**. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies.

*(Romans 8:22-23 NIV)*