

This Week's Developments

April 28 – May 11, 2024

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Netanyahu Hits Back at Biden Aid Threat: 'If Necessary, We Will Fight with Our Nails'

National Review, May 9, 2024



EVENT

Israeli prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on Thursday that his country is ready to “stand alone” in its fight against Hamas terrorists, responding to President Joe Biden’s announcement that the United States will cut off ammunition supplies to Jerusalem if the Israel Defense Forces launch a large-scale invasion of Rafah, the last remaining Hamas stronghold in Gaza. “We are on the eve of Independence Day,” Netanyahu said in the Hebrew-language address. “In the War of Independence 76 years ago, **we were few against the many**. We had no weapons — there was an arms embargo on Israel — but with great strength of spirit, heroism, and unity among us, we were victorious. Today, we are much stronger, we are determined, and we are united to defeat our enemy and those who want to destroy us,” Netanyahu continued. “If we need to stand alone, we will stand alone. I have said that, if necessary, we will fight with our nails. But we have much more than nails, and with that same strength of spirit - **with God’s help** - together, we will win.”

COMMENT

Israel is fighting a war against those nearby enemies that want to see it destroyed. The world is totally deluded in thinking that a two state solution would see an end to the desire of those who hate Israel to remove them from being a nation. Israel finally sees that the only way forward is to remove the “pricking briars” that surround them. Zechariah 12 says it is God himself that enables the rulers of Jerusalem to remove the enemies that are “round about”. Netanyahu said exactly that this week, “with God’s help we will win.” Israel will win the inner ring war and finally remove ALL their surrounding enemies. The few will prevail against the many. Genesis 25:23 says that the “elder shall serve the younger”. The original Hebrew also means the “many shall serve the few”...

BIBLE QUOTE

And the LORD said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder [many] shall serve the younger [few]. **This verse is speaking of Jacob (Israel) v Esau (who became Edom / Idumean) many Palestinians are actually related to Edomites.** (Genesis 25:23)

IDF orders evacuation of central Rafah as it prepares to expand its offensive

The Guardian, May 11, 2024



EVENT

The Israeli military has told residents of neighborhoods in central Rafah to evacuate, signaling a major expansion of its military operations in the city and threatening the displacement of hundreds of thousands more people. The Israeli Defence Forces (IDF) seized the Rafah border crossing with Egypt what it said was a “precise, targeted operation” last week after ordering the evacuation of eastern neighborhoods. More than 150,000 people have already fled the city. Many have fled to an “expanded humanitarian zone”, designated by the IDF on the coast and to the northwest where conditions are “horrific”, according to aid workers there. The new instructions to residents suggest a coming offensive will take the IDF into the centre of Rafah, threatening destruction and displacement of many more, and a likely advance through the entire city. Benjamin Netanyahu, the Israeli prime minister, has rejected US pressure to hold off an attack on Rafah, saying that Hamas has based most of its top leaders and remaining forces there.

COMMENT

The Bible is clear - Israel will remove those who seek to destroy them which leads to a temporary time of peace and security. The destruction of Israel’s enemies is only just beginning but it will be completed. It will involve the destruction of Hamas, Hezbollah, parts of Jordan and Syria (Damascus). We read in Zephaniah of a time when Gaza will be forsaken. The land of the Philistines (Gaza Strip) will no longer be inhabited. The sea coast will be for flocks of sheep. The people will be driven out. In Joel 3 we read that the people in Philistia (Gaza) will be sent into exile into Yemen (the Sabeans). What we have seen so far in this conflict is nothing compared to what is still to come.

BIBLE QUOTE

For Gaza shall be forsaken, and Ashkelon a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day, and Ekron shall be rooted up. Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of the LORD is against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.
(Zephaniah 2:4-5)

Putin orders tactical nuclear weapon drills to deter the West

Reuters, May 6, 2024



EVENT

Russia said on Monday it would practice the deployment of tactical nuclear weapons as part of a military exercise after what the Moscow said were threats from France, Britain and the United States. Since Russia invaded Ukraine in 2022, Russia has repeatedly warned of rising nuclear risks - warnings which the United States says it has to take seriously though U.S. officials say they have seen no change in Russia's nuclear posture. Russia says the United States and its European allies are **pushing the world to the brink of confrontation** between nuclear powers by supporting Ukraine with tens of billions of dollars of weapons, some of which are being used against Russian territory. Russia's defence ministry said it would hold military drills including practice for the preparation and deployment for use of non-strategic nuclear weapons. It said the exercises were ordered by President Vladimir Putin.

COMMENT

The Bible says in Daniel 11:40 that the king of the south (US/UK) will PUSH (militarily provoke) Gog – the king described in detail from verse 36-39. This king is Gog himself. When he has been “pushed” he descends as the king of the north (Russian army) down into Israel and beyond into Egypt. Interesting that we have Russia saying that they are being “pushed” to the brink of confrontation. Putin this week has ordered preparation of tactical nuclear weapons. Part of the reason for Putin deciding to up the ante were remarks this week by David Cameron (UK foreign secretary). He said Ukraine “absolutely has the right” to conduct attacks inside Russia with British weapons. The push – the provocation is underway and it will lead one day (after the inner ring war) to Russia coming down and invading Israel (the outer circle war)....

BIBLE QUOTE

And at the time of the end shall **the king of the south [US/UK] push at him [Gog]**: and the king of the north {Russian nation} shall come against him [US/UK] 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)

Putin: Russia's modern-day tsar sworn in for fifth term

BBC, May 8, 2024



EVENT

For the fifth time, Vladimir Putin took the long walk through the Grand Kremlin Palace to the St Andrew's Throne Hall. There he took the oath of office and was sworn in as Russia's president for a new six-year term. "We are a united and great people. Together we will overcome all obstacles, we will bring all our plans to fruition, and together we will win," President Putin told an audience of ministers and dignitaries. The red carpet route may have been familiar to him. But much has changed since President Putin's first inauguration ceremony in May 2000. Back then, President Putin pledged to "preserve and develop democracy" and to "take care of Russia". Twenty-four years on, the Kremlin leader is waging war against Ukraine; a war in which Russia has suffered heavy losses. At home, instead of developing democracy, President Putin has been curtailing it: jailing critics, removing all checks and balances on his power. "Putin thinks of himself now as Vladimir the Great, as a Russian tsar," a national security advisor said

COMMENT

Putin is now enthroned for another 6 years and can therefore stay in power to 2030. In every single aspect Putin fits the incredible detail that God has provided about Gog, king of the north, latter day Antiochus Epiphanes. There is no element that does not accurately fit this man. It's astonishing when we stop and think about it how much information God has provided about a single individual who lives at the time of the end. Why are we told so much about one ruler? The answer is that one man "Gog" the Russian ruler will bring the whole world to the brink of total destruction. He will wage war against God's people as an act of revenge and also seek to steal their wealth. Putin has been restored to power and he surely could be Gog. God is against Gog....

BIBLE QUOTE

Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: And I will turn thee back [or, I will restore you – to power], and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, (Ezekiel 38:2-4)

How Putin's gas empire crumbled

The Telegraph, May 3, 2024



EVENT

Vladimir Putin is throwing everything he has got at ramping up Russia's war machine. That is why the nation's economy – if one believes Moscow's figures – has held up better than might have been expected in the face of Western sanctions. Rather than reflecting anything remotely like prosperity, the statistics show more weapons being produced for the meat grinder of eastern Ukraine. But Putin's financial firepower does not include one previously reliable source of cash: natural gas. Gazprom, the largely state-owned energy giant, has tumbled to its worst loss in a quarter of a century, losing 629bn roubles, equivalent to £5.5bn, last year, as its revenues dived by more than one quarter in rouble terms. It is the biggest loss in at least 25 years. The loss is a humiliation for the business and for the regime. In 2021, more than 40pc of European Union gas imports came from Russia. That dropped to 8pc last year, according to the European Commission.

COMMENT

Olaf Scholz, Chancellor of Germany, which built much of its industrial prowess on the back of cheap Russian energy, swore the country must “never again” become so beholden to hostile suppliers. Europe replaced the loss of Russian gas at considerable expense, but new networks have now been established which mean Moscow has lost its grip on the Western market forever. One of the new gas suppliers to the EU is Israel. A deal was signed between the EU and Israel and Egypt to aim to allow significant exports of Israeli gas to the continent. Some Israeli gas is already sent by pipeline to liquefaction plants on Egypt's Mediterranean coast, from where it is re-exported as liquefied natural gas (LNG) to Europe. This is the spoil that Gog comes and takes....

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, To take a spoil ((Ezekiel 38:1-12))

Terror as Israel on fire after Hezbollah missile strike with Iron Dome now 'vulnerable'

Daily Express, May 11, 2024



EVENT

Northern Israel plunged into chaos and fear as Hezbollah militants launched a devastating barrage of missiles, igniting flames that engulfed the hillsides and inflicted heavy damage on a key city. The evacuated city of Kiryat Shmona became the primary target of over 60 missiles fired by Hezbollah forces on Friday. The relentless assault left the region ablaze, overwhelming civil defence efforts to contain the spreading inferno. Reports from Yedioth Ahronoth, a Hebrew newspaper, detailed the widespread destruction caused by the missile bombardment. Dozens of homes and vehicles lay in ruins, with fires raging uncontrollably across the Kiryat Shmona area - causing huge damage to infrastructure. Media outlet Sprinter Factory pointed to a concerning "vulnerability" in Israel's Iron Dome air defence system. Hezbollah's assault on Israeli army posts along the Lebanon-Israel border comes in the wake of escalating tensions since the outbreak of the Israel-Hamas conflict on October 7. The conflict has claimed a significant toll, with over 350 lives lost in Lebanon, including both Hezbollah members and civilians, while Israel mourns the loss of 15 soldiers and 10 civilians.

COMMENT

Israel is fighting a war on two fronts – with Hamas in the south and Hezbollah in the north. The conflict with Hezbollah is not fully underway - yet. The terror group has over 150,000 rockets and missiles and only a tiny fraction have been used so far. At some point through they will be drawn into a full-scale war with Israel. Isaiah 17 says that Damascus will be destroyed and this will almost certainly happen during the inner ring war that Hezbollah are part of. Isaiah 17 tells us that “Ephraim” (code for northern Israel) will become like a grainfield. Israel survives though to live in peace until Gog invades...

BIBLE QUOTE

The fortified towns of Ephraim [northern Israel] will also be destroyed, and the royal power of Damascus will end. In that day Ephraim's [northern Israel's] glory will grow dim; its robust body will waste away. The whole land will look like a grainfield after the harvesters have gathered the grain. It will be desolate.. **Although Israel wins – northern Israel is left with great destruction.** (Isaiah 17:3-4)

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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



Carolingian Empire
481-814



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



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

○ TOBOLSK (Tubal)

○ MOSCOW (Meshech)

"LION"
TARSHISH
UK

"YOUNG LIONS"
(USA,
CANADA,
ETC)

GERMANY
(LAND OF
MAGOG)

GOMER
European Economic Community

Gibraltar

TURKEY
(Togarmah)

IRAQ/IRAN
(Persia)

INDIA

LIBYA

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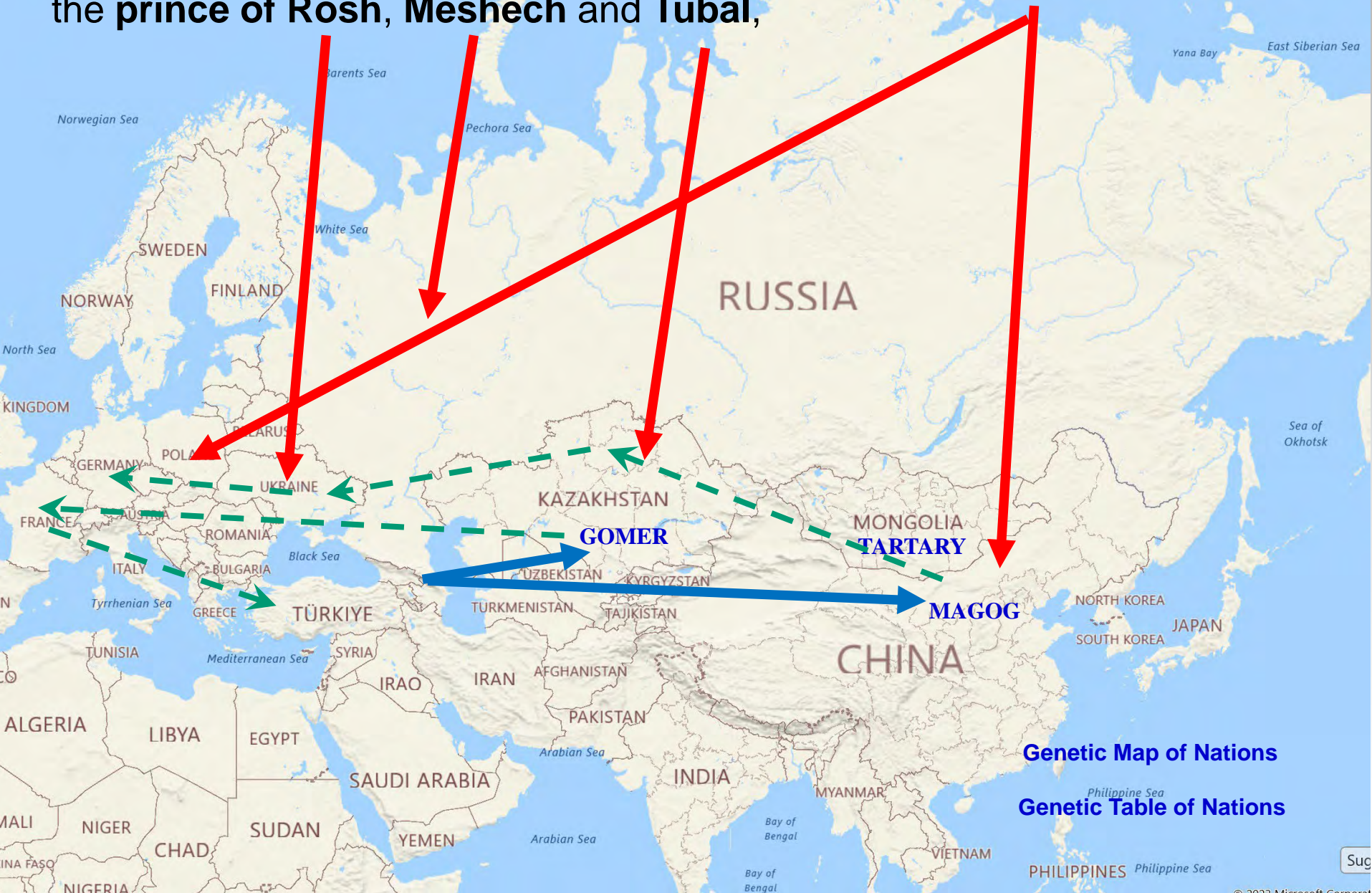
SHEBA

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)"?