

ARMAGEDDON- A THREE- PRONGED ATTACK

Rabbi Shvili, in his book written in 1935 entitled "Reckonings of Redemption" states: "We Jews can know everything about our future just from the Book of Daniel." How true! Other Jewish Rabbinical scholars clarify the depth of teaching discovered in Daniel 11:40-45. Quoting the Midrash Tehillim they state: "There will be three different attacks against Jerusalem at the time of the end." The **three military advances** mentioned by these Jewish scholars will be observed and explained in the following discussion of the 42 month Armageddon campaign (mid-point of the Tribulation period).

When Russia heads south to do battle, she will be a mighty force as she comes against the Antichrist's army with chariots, horsemen, and many ships (Ezek. 38:11). This is the **first** military wave of the three-pronged Armageddon campaign mentioned in Daniel 11:40 when the **king of the South** Egypt and her Arab federation, including Persia (modern day Iran & Iraq), Ethiopia, Libya & Togarniah (Turkey (Ezek. 38:5-6), Syria (Isa. 17:1), and Psalms 83:4-8 as Edom, Moab, Ammon (Jordan), Gebal & Tyre (Lebanon) and the Philistines (Palestine) and the king of the North (Russia) begin their pincer movement. Ezekiel 38:15-16 says, "And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee

against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes."

Once Russia has made her move, the Antichrist will be furious. He will enter the "glorious land" Israel.

Since he knows his time is short to do his global mischief while incarnated by Satan, he spews forth wrath and hatred. When he hears that Russia and the Arab federation are invading the region, he moves at breakneck speed and puts an end to the militaristic activity of Russia, Egypt, and her hoards. The European Union has taken a position in the conflict and the Antichrist has subdued and driven back the first wave of Russian and Arab invaders. At this point Russia has fled to Siberia (Joel 2:20).

Now the **second** movement of troops is about to move into the Middle East for another invasion of Israel. Daniel 11:44 states: "Tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy." The Antichrist is now on a bloody rampage. He has heard that great **oriental armies** are moving down into the region to do battle accompanied by the leftover ragtag army of Russia, previously pushed back to Siberia. This frustrates him as he wonders how he will be able to fend off two hundred million (200,000,000) oriental troops (not difficult for a nation of 1.4 billion people) who are out to destroy him (Rev. 9:16). They will march out of the Orient downward across the areas of Iraq and Syria. Rev. 16:12 says "the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river

Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared". He is now overwhelmed and fears he will be unable to maintain enough of a power base to defend himself.

During this phase, the Antichrist is killed by Gog of Russia (Dan. 11:45). But as Revelation 13:3 tells us, he suddenly comes back to life, duplicating the resurrection of Jesus Christ—something no one has ever done. He flaunts this demonic miracle and uses it to again position himself as a god among men, reestablishing himself when he needs it most—when his reputation and strength are on the line. Because of his miraculous resurrection, all the world worships him (Rev. 13:8). The Antichrist sits himself in the Jewish temple in Jerusalem at this midpoint of the Tribulation, calling himself God. II Thes. 2:4 declares "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God." Daniel 11:45 says "and he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him." The Antichrist plants himself between the seas—the Dead Sea and the Mediterranean. The holy mountain is Jerusalem. This second wave of gigantic military power eliminates one-third (1/3) of earth's inhabitants (Rev. 9:18). In spite of this colossal power, China and Russia are also defeated.

Finally in the **third** and closing scene of the Armageddon campaign, the Antichrist and his armies battle Christ in what becomes the war to end all wars.

Armageddon, or Har-Megeddo is the gathering place (Rev. 16:16). From there the armies march to the valley of Jehoshaphat (Joel 3:2). Then Zech. 14:2 occurs as "all nations gather against Jerusalem to battle." The Antichrist has been doing everything within his power in these 42 months to pour out venom on his enemies, But now he speaks the ultimate blasphemy by saying "I will stop the King of Kings from coming to power." Rev. 19:19 sets the stage for this apocalyptic event: "I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth and their armies, gathered together to make war against Christ that sat on the horse, and against his army." In Revelation 19:11, Christ appears on a white horse to rule as King of Kings and Lord of Lords. But stubborn and rebellious to the end, the Antichrist insists he will never be defeated by any enemy, including Christ.

But this time he is wrong because Christ destroys him with the brightness of His coming (2 Thes. 2:8). Christ then takes this beast—the global dictator—along with the false prophet who headed up the world church—and casts them both into a lake of fire (Rev. 19:20).

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When will these events take place? At the time of the end (Dan. 11:4; 12:4).

NOTE: the **King of the North, Russia**, is referenced in Ezek. 38:15; 39:2). Similar references are Jeremiah 1:13, 6:22, 10:22 & Joel 2:20).

If you draw a line from Palestine of old (Israel today) **TO** the north pole, you must go through Russia, and actually intersect the city of Moscow.

Furthermore, Gog, Magog, Meshech & Tubal are all cities identifiable within Russia today. If you took the name "Meshech" (Gen. 10:2) back to its origin, it would be "Mosach", then "Moscoti", then "Moscovi" and finally "Moscow".