

## # 58 The Final Message

By Dr. Stephen R. Phinney

### **GOG AND MAGOG ARE GETTING ORGANIZED**

For those of you who have kept up with the news, you will notice that these two nations are run and dominated by the Muslim race. Also note that the Muslim people are unorganized and fighting for headship within the ranks of their people. All four main veins of the Muslims are steadily working to form the Islamic nation. As with any race, forming one's own nation is what grants power AND numbers. The Muslims (dark-skinned Babylonians) must unite, in order to form and establish the New Babylon that will rule and dominate the world. Remember - this is the world structure and government that Christ comes and destroys in Revelation, chapter 18. I have personally talked with major Islamic leaders and they all believe that an Islamic world power (Gog, Prince of Rosh) and government must be formed in order to deal with the infidels of the world, which will include the descendants of Japheth. Here is their problem: a second group of world leaders (who are descendants of Japheth [Magog, Meshech – European Union]) and oppose the Muslims, are forming their own structural system of power. And, yes, there will be a great Jihad (holy war waged by Islam as a religious duty) that will be declared between the two. Muslims believe that Christians are of the race of Japheth because of being "American." And, yes, in the end, Americans will be of the European Union due to indebtedness to them. The reality is both groups claim to be the rightful heir of Babylon. In reality – both are. The key to remember is that Satan will be ruling the New Babylon no matter who makes their claim to its wealth and power.

*"And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog and say, 'Thus says the Lord GOD, "Behold, I am against you, O Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal; and I will turn you around, drive you on, take you up from the remotest parts of the north and bring you against the mountains of Israel"'" (Ezekiel 39:1-2).*

The other thing to realize is God, Himself, will be the One who will force Gog to come up against the mountain of Israel, the rightful heir of the Promised Land. How much territory does this Promised Land actually cover? It is the entire area of the Garden of Eden, which Orthodox Jewish scholars believe has the same measurements as the New Jerusalem. Go to a map, pin the center at Jerusalem, and mark out a 1,500 square mile block from there. This is the Garden laid out for you, which also covers the entire Middle East conflict. Keep in mind that *before* the Flood, the seas represented would *not* have existed.

Right now, the greatest percentage of population in the countries represented in this block is of the Muslim race. The smaller percentage is predominately European influenced. This is why I carefully watch for the political, financial, and religious climate in the nations and cities represented within this 1,500 sq. mile area. Another thing to keep in mind here is, when gazing at this block area, you will be looking at the dimensions of a building, a fortress – the Holy City. This capital of the universe will not touch this defiled earth, but will hover directly above old Jerusalem (Rev. 21:10-27). God, and God alone, will recapture the Garden and reveal the original Tree of Life.

**Interesting note:** When God forced Adam and Eve out of the Garden, He closed the gate and placed an angel with a flaming sword to guard this gate.

*"So He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword which turned every direction to guard the way to the tree of life" (Gen 3:24).*

Even though after the flood, man was allowed to populate the area, I am of the belief that Satan (not his demons) was bound to the area, particularly the area of the Tree of Knowledge, which was located in Old Babylon. In fact, I believe the Tower of Babel just might have been erected on the same spot. This is also why I believe the confrontations, wars, and destruction God reveals in the book of Revelation all center on Babylon and the Garden area. The Jewish Orthodox scholars believe the Tree of Life was on the hill of the Lord's Holy Temple. Thus, I believe this is why the Muslims were compelled to take the city, build the Dome of the Rock, and maintain ownership of this spot. It all started at the trees and I can assure you – it will end there!

It is comforting and refreshing to know it is our Lord who is the One who will allow the orchestration of the world uniting under the banner of United States of Islam and the European Union. The Lord is the One who sets the stage for the final battle, *not* the nations and their self-proclaimed religious rights.

*"I will strike your bow from your left hand and dash down your arrows from your right hand. You will fall on the mountains of Israel, you and all your troops and the peoples who are with you; I will give you as food to every kind of predatory bird and beast of the field. You will fall on the open field; for it is I who have spoken," declares the Lord GOD. 'And I will send fire upon Magog and those who inhabit the coastlands in safety; and they will know that I am the LORD'" (Ez. 39:3-6).*

This event is also mentioned in Revelation - the passage where God will be feeding the birds of the air and the beast of the fields the carcasses of Gog and Magog (Rev. 19:17-21).

This single Tree of Life will bear twelve different kinds of fruit, yielding a different fruit each month. The actual leaves of the Tree will be for the healing of the nations that stayed loyal and faithful during the times of deception, when the Antichrist suffered the world.

In spite of all the demonic world issues the last 6,000 years, we (the Bride of Christ), will finally be able to eat of the Tree of Life. There will be no more fighting of the curse. And it will be such a comfort to know and experience having Christ sitting on His throne, and we, His servants, serving Him and looking into His face – all while bearing His name on our foreheads. While on our faces before Him, we will recognize there is no more night to tempt us with fear; neither sun, nor lamps to light our way - but only the Shekinah glory of our Husband lighting up every corner of eternity.

## **THE FINAL MESSAGE**

I cannot tell you how grateful I am that God revealed the clarity of Truth (His words that are faithful and true) to me and other prophets of the ages. I have learned to embrace the commissioning that our Lord told His beloved John...

*"And behold, I am coming quickly. Blessed is he who heeds the words of the prophecy of this book" (Rev 22:7).*

I have read, studied, and prayerfully heeded to the words of this great book. I am certain I will be surprised that some of my comments will have turned out to be assumptions. But I am also aware that much of my commentary has been imparted Truths from the indwelling mind of Christ. I cannot tell you how many times over the past seven years in writing this book that I,

too, have fallen at the feet of Jesus and wept and worshipped. As with John, I have taken the words he heard...

*"And he said to me, 'Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. Let the one who does wrong, still do wrong; and the one who is filthy, still be filthy; and let the one who is righteous, still practice righteousness; and the one who is holy, still keep himself holy'" (Rev 22:10-11).*

...and decided to follow the counsel of my mentors and write about the most avoided topic in the Bible – the book of Revelation. I thank you, my reader, for hanging in there and making it all the way through this lengthy commentary. The Lord said, *"Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done"* (Rev. 22:12). You are one of the few who has taken seriously the mandate of reading the book of Revelation – most don't. The book of Revelation is one of the books, if not the only, which can clearly detail that Jesus is *"the Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end"* (Rev. 22:13).

Blessed are you, if you have had your robe washed by the blood of the Lamb; for if you have, you have been given the right to the Tree of Life and entering the gate into the great city – the New Jerusalem (Rev. 22:14). You and I both know that outside of our lives in Christ, there *"are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying"* (Rev. 22:15). Since the indwelt Christian is in Christ, each can testify with Christ the Words in the book of Revelation. Learn to embrace and enjoy who you are in Christ. And if you're not an indwelt believer, harken to these words:

*"The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let the one who hears say, 'Come.' And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who wishes take the water of life without cost. I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues which are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book. He who testifies to these things says, 'Yes, I am coming quickly.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen"* (Rev 22:17-21).

The GRACE of God, through Christ Jesus, saves (Eph.2:8). His Grace also teaches us to go to Him and to no other. All indwelt believers do not agree on every detail of His second and final coming. But all indwelt believers should agree on the foundational fact: He is the *only* way to the Father and His New Earth planned for the Bride of Christ.

*The Final Message.* Copyright © 2015 IOM America. Permission to reproduce for educational purposes. Please keep author's name intact.

Scripture marked NASB are taken from the *New American Standard Bible*, © Copyright 1960, 1962, 1963, 1968, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1975, 1977, 1995 by The Lockman Foundation. Used by permission.