

Ezekiel 37

by Chuck Smith

Ezekiel's prophecy foretells a coming war led by Russia, but God's intervention will ultimately prevail, and the church will play a key role in this event.

Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-14, Ezekiel 38, Joel 2:28-29, Matthew 24:3-14, Revelation 16:14

Topics: "God's Sovereignty", "Prophecy"

Description

Chuck Smith discusses the prophetic significance of Ezekiel 37, emphasizing the fulfillment of prophecies concerning the latter days and the return of Israel to its land as a sign of the end times. He outlines the geopolitical implications of Russia and its allies in the context of biblical prophecy, detailing the motivations behind their potential invasion of Israel. Smith reassures believers of God's intervention during these tumultuous times, highlighting the church's role and the outpouring of the Spirit upon Israel. The sermon serves as a reminder of the sovereignty of God over history and the ultimate outcome of His plans.

Transcript

"THE COMING WAR"

Intro: Prophecy is history spelled out in advance. Ezekiel wrote these things 2,558 years ago.

I. THE TIME OF THEIR FULFILLMENT.

A. Vs.8 - Latter years.

B. Vs.16 - Latter days.

C. What is meant by these terms?

1. The disciples asked Jesus about the signs of His

coming, and the end of the world - "aionios".

2. End of man's attempt to govern self.

D. Many prophecies deal with last days.

1. Knowledge increased world travel.

2. Spirit poured out on all flesh.

3. Israel brought back into land.

a. Jesus said when this happens it is the sign of the last generation.

E. Israel back into the land - signals the time for the fulfillment of this prophecy.

II. RUSSIA AND HER ALLIES.

A. Land of Magog - Herodotus vast boundaries lying north of the Black and Caspian Seas and Caucasus Mts.

B. Prince of Rosh, Mesheck, Tubal.

1. Rosh "chief".

2. Mesheck "Muscovi" Moscow.

3. Tubal - Josephus calls the children of Tubal the Mosachoi.

a. Also they are linked in Assyrian records.

"Tobali" and "Muski" lived in vast land north of the Black Sea.

C. Vs. 5 - Persia, Ethiopia and Libya, Gomer, Togarmah.

1. Persia (Iran).

2. Ethiopia "Cush" Black African Nations.

3. Libya "Put" Libya - Algeria.

4. "Gomer"- Balkan States including Poland and East Germany.

East of Danube.

5. Togarmah - Armenia.

III. MOTIVATION BEHIND INVASION - vs.12.

A. To take a spoil.

1. Thus far Israel has spoiled.

2. Geographical location of Israel.

3. Russia desires to reopen Suez.

IV. OUTCOME OF INVASION.

A. (Vs. 18-23) - God's intervention - "I"

B. (39:1,2) - leave but a sixth part.

C. (Vs.9) - Burning last seven years.

D. (Vs.12) - Seven months burying dead.

V. WHERE WILL THE CHURCH BE?

A. Vs.29 - "I have poured out My Spirit upon the house of Israel."

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