

## DAY 46: HOW ISRAEL'S COMING WAR WITH IRAN WILL SET THE STAGE FOR THE GREAT TRIBULATION

### I. THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM

- A. Description of The Antichrist, the final military leader who leads the march into Jerusalem from Northern Israel, and all the nations involved ([Ezekiel 38:1-6](#))
- B. A new season is described, where the Jewish people will return to the land from war and now safely dwell in Israel ([v. 7-8](#))
- C. Then, a horde of Middle Eastern nations come in like a horde and invade ([v. 9](#))
- D. "Your mind" refers to the Antichrist ([v. 10](#))
- E. Israel has been in a perpetual state of conflict since the 1940s
  - 1. Because of this, Israel is today a nation of walls and gates
  - 2. The time period that Ezekiel is describing is a unique, unprecedented time
- F. Jacob's trouble comes in the context of this unprecedented safety and security
- G. Sheba, Dedan, and Tarshish are describing the present-day nations of Saudi Arabia, Europe, the Mediterranean Powers ([v. 13](#))
  - 1. They are asking the Antichrist, are you coming to destroy Israel?
  - 2. Saudi Arabia is in relationship with Israel
- H. Goes on to describe the military campaign of the Antichrist ([Ezekiel 39:1](#))
- I. Before Jacob's Trouble, we see a period of great Israeli-wealth, which brings about the alliances mentioned
- J. It is likely that a great war between Iran and Israel will break out and, at the resolution of this war, will usher in this time of unprecedented peace
- K. A reconfigured Middle East is the environment from which the Antichrist emerges