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Yisra'el's Fate...

Millions of Christians have been beguiled into believing that the promises God made to the people they call "Jews" have somehow been transferred to their church. Many even believe that America was founded as a Christian nation, and is thus uniquely blessed by God as part of this transfer of allegiance. So convinced are American Christians that they are the apple of God's eye, most believe that there must be "biblical" prophecies pertaining to their ultimate triumph. As evidence of this, the American-conceived and twenty-million strong Church of Seventh Day Adventists was born out of Ellen White's prophecies regarding this impending victory. And among American evangelical Christians, no topic is more appealing than their role in eschatology. This is borne out by the popularity of the *Left Behind* series of religious novels.

Even Mormonism, with six million American members, bears this stain. Deceived into believing that "Jews" abandoned Israel and sailed to the New World several thousand years ago, becoming the native peoples, this American religion of "Latter Day Saints" is predicated upon replacement theology. Even politically, the myth that devout Christians emigrated from Europe to America for religious freedom, creating a "Christian nation," belies the realization that many were more savage than any of the Native Peoples whose land they stole. And this American propensity to confiscate land which belongs to others will loom large in what follows.

As we have discovered throughout Yahowah's witness, God remains steadfastly and eternally focused on Yisra'el. He only mentions other nations when they interact with His Land and Chosen People, most often using the occasion to expose and condemn the choices and behaviors of Gentiles. And it is in this vein that there may be a prediction which specifically identifies America, albeit in the midst of a horrible storm. But if this is true, then the United States is implicated because it has armed the Muslims who will besiege Israel, and worse,

has sought to give the land of Israel to its enemies. In essence, the U.S. is attempting to repeat the mistakes of Neville Chamberlain when the leader of Great Britain lit the fire that became World War II, sacrificing Czechoslovakia to the Nazis in the name of peace.

Since Yahowah's portrayal of the United States is so unflattering, before we analyze it, be cognizant of the fact that Christians, like most Yisra'elites today, are estranged from Yahowah because they have consistently chosen religion over relationship, and the doctrines of men over the teachings of God. This reality is presented in the *Going Astray* Volume of *Yada Yah*, comparing Howsha's Yisra'el to today's America.

The reason most of those living in the United States are doomed, and many are damned, is because the religious, political, military, economic, societal, media, and academic agendas are misleading and counterproductive. The Western world's leaders have a scarred conscience, and they in turn have sought to destroy their people's ability to exercise good judgment. They have achieved this condition through the imposition of Political Correctness – an amoral code that negates rational thought. This is devastating because without the exercise of good judgment, it doesn't matter how much a person knows, because they are rendered incapable of understanding. This in turn negates the benefits of freewill. The imposition of Political Correctness thereby makes the masses easier to mislead, to manipulate, to control, and to fleece.

Without accurate information or the ability to evaluate it, freedom becomes irrelevant. When the ability to choose wisely is obfuscated by either ignorance or irrationality, people become like domesticated animals, incapable of knowing God or discerning right from wrong. They are easily prodded and thus corralled and controlled. Societies degrade as a result, a condition ripe for the imposition of dictatorships. Terror and carnality rule, because those who neither know nor understand are prone to obey those in positions of authority.

In the past, Catholic, Muslim, and Communist controlled societies have used a common ploy to negate freewill, and thus manipulate the masses: they have withheld information through censorship. Such nations are known for their tyrannical control over the media, and for indoctrination and propaganda. And those who dared to reveal the truth in such nations paid the ultimate price. Accurate information was so lethal to those who were empowered, they eliminated the sources.

But when the printing press, and later the internet, arrived, keeping the masses ignorant became especially difficult. Recognizing this problem, Adam Wieshaupt, the founder of Socialist Secular Humanism, conceived as part of his religion of enlightenment in post-Reformation Europe, a new moral code which

made exercising good judgment a crime. So as information became ubiquitous, mankind was trained to disregard, even disdain, anything that was in conflict with what would become known as "Politically Correct." Schools, once places that encouraged logical decision-making, rendered their victims incapable of it. Political Correctness thereby enabled elitists to establish the foundation for their desired master-slave new world order by turning the people into "sheeple." Wieshaupt's new moral code ultimately rendered being judgmental, being discerning and discriminating, even being rational and moral, a crime against humanity – an act so vile there would be no defense. Truth would no longer be relevant. Logic would no longer matter. Evidence and reason would be rejected in favor of the universal good.

From this point on, no matter how irrational, all opinions, all cultures, every religion and political system, even the most abnormal behaviors were accepted, even respected—regardless of how contradictory, how errant, how immoral, or worse, how overtly destructive and deadly. In the world of Political Correctness, there would no be right or wrong, no heaven or hell. So even with all of the world's knowledge at one's fingertips, it would no longer do anyone any good, because without the ability to be circumspect, good and evil, truth and fiction, became indistinguishable.

This, as much as anything, is the reason America is depicted so negatively. No matter how many religious and political lies are exposed and condemned, the people's collective *nesamah* / conscience has been too scarred for the truth to do any good. Hope is now only personal and individual.

According to Yahowah, the overwhelming preponderance of people will miss the harvest the Christian faithful errantly call "the Rapture." They will be left behind. But this will not occur in a vacuum, nor have we been left unaware. Through His prophet Isaiah/Yasha'yah, Yahowah has revealed one of the most profound, detailed, pertinent, and devastating prophecies pertaining to our time. It is one that would have been difficult, if not impossible, to ascertain a generation ago – prior to the playing out of world events as they were predicted so very long ago.

The prophetic book named "Salvation is from Yahowah," or Isaiah/Yasha'yah, is compiled both topically and chronologically. It opens declaring that Yisra'el will continue to be religious, and thus rebellious, at least until the last possible moment. In His review of relevant future history, Yahowah focuses on the role His Set-Apart Spirit and His Most Set-Apart and diminished corporeal manifestation will play in fulfilling His promises. Called *Yahowsha'* / Yahowah Saves, *Imanuw'el* / God With Us, *ha ben* / the Son, 'el / God Almighty, ha tuwr yasha' / the Rock of our Salvation, and ha Ma'aseyah / the Work of Yahowah, these titles portray the means Yahowah has and continues to deploy to

enable the benefits of His Covenant. Specifically, He fulfilled the first four *Miqra'ey* / Invitations to be Called Out and Meet with God, in Year 4000 Yah (33 CE). His return will occur in Year 6000 Yah (2033 CE), when He will fulfill the promises of Reconciliations and Tabernacles. And at that time, in the midst of His prophetic eyewitness account of the most important days in all of human history, through His prophet, Yahowah predicted that a remnant of Yisra'el and Yahuwdah would return to Him and embrace His Name, His Towrah, and His Covenant during the last days. The vine which is Yisra'el will bear fruit again. The Covenant will be restored.

Yahowah's sixth and seventh appearances were predicted in the awe-inspiring language of the 9th chapter of Isaiah/Yasha'yah, at a time that Assyria was predicted to be the implement used to chastise Yisra'el for the Northern Kingdom's infidelity. By the 11th chapter, the prophet returned to the cure: the Spirit of Yahowah. But since there is an adversarial spirit, so the 13th and 14th chapters explain the actual nature of *ha Satan* – revealing his most enduring deceptions: the political and religious schemes of Babylon. The Adversary is introduced by name for the first time. He is Heylel ben Shachar, a fallen messenger whose ambition is to be worshiped as the Lord God.

With the stage set, and the players identified, Isaiah/Yasha'yah was inspired to chronicle the fate of nations. This begins in the 15th and 16th chapters with a depiction of Moab, which is Jordan. The destiny of this Islamic country is not encouraging because fundamentalist jihadi Muslims despise Jordan for its willingness to negotiate with their most hated enemy and also for being a secular state. Therefore, on their way to destroy the Zionists they have been indoctrinated into despising, Islamic mujahedeen will trample Jordan under foot, leaving death and desolation in their wake. And while that is what the prophecy reveals, the propensity of Muslims to abuse Muslims is so poorly understood in the West, this predictive testimony may not seemed credible to some – at least prior to the carnage the world is witnessing in Syria. But having compiled a 1400-year history of Muslim malfeasance (chronicled in the *Islamic Terrorist Timeline* available at www.ProphetOfDoom.net), I have come to appreciate why Jordan can opt out of the Magog War against Israel, and yet be destroyed, not by Yahowah or Yahuwdym, but by fellow Muslims.

This inhospitable tendency of Muslims to abuse, rape, terrorize, and murder their brethren was first predicted in the Towrah. A messenger of Yahowah, speaking of Ishmael's descendants, was sent to convey the following assessment: "Then (wa) the messenger (mal'ak) of Yahowah (भूभूभ) said to her [Hagar, Ishmael's mother] ('amar la), 'Massively numerous (rabah rabah) will be his offspring (zera'), too numerous to count (wa lo' capar min rab).' (16:10) So (wa) the messenger (mal'ak) of Yahowah (५५५) said to her ('amar la), 'Pay

attention to this (hineh): You are pregnant with a son (charah wa yalad ben). Call his name (qara' shem) Ishmael (Yshma''el). Indeed (ky), Yahowah (१९११) has heard (shama') of your affliction, your poverty and misery, your prostrate and wretched nature and utter dependency ('el 'ony). (16:11) Therefore, he (wa huw') shall actually and continuously be (hayah) a wild ass (pere') of a man ('adam). His hand (yad) will be against everyone (ba ha kol) and everyone's hand will be against him (wa yad kol ba). Also (wa) in opposition to ('al) the presence (paneh) of all of his brothers (kol 'ah), he will continue to live (shakan)." (Bare'syth / In the Beginning / Genesis 16:12) This is evident today in Syria, where Sunni jihadists are at the throats of the Shiite establishment. But it is also pervasive in every Islamic country. Even if the entire world were to submit to Islam, the carnage would continue unabated.

The Syrian War is currently the world's bloodiest, with the death toll over two-hundred thousand and rising rapidly. There is no end in sight. And that is because it is actually a proxy war, whereby the Sunni fiefdoms of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, and Qatar, in league with Turkey, Europe, and the United States, are arming mujahedeen in a desperate attempt to stem the rising tide of Iranian Shiite influence in the Middle East, with nations drawing red lines in these shifting sands. Russia and China, as a result of their desire to retain their pipeline access to the massive Caspian Sea oil and gas reserves, are on the side of Iran, and thus Syria. It is the one conflict in the past fifty years that has the potential of combusting into a global firestorm.

The catalyst for this war was the misguided and counterproductive American invasion of Iraq, whereby the U.S. deposed a secular dictator and replaced him with a puppet government, one controlled entirely by the Grand Ayatollah Al-Sistani – an Iranian mullah, effectively giving Iraq to Iran. With the gift of their former enemy, Iran's influence in the region surged, and through their militia, Hezbollah (Allah's Party), the Shiites in Teheran have gained control over Syria and Lebanon, which along with Iraq, provides them with direct access into Israel – the nation they have publicly vowed to destroy. In these events, we are witnessing the preamble to World War III, a war which is currently being throttled by events in Damascus, where Sunni mujahedeen are now killing fellow Sunnis as readily as Shia. These realizations explain why Yahowah chose to commence His prophecy regarding the impending Islamic assault against Israel as a result of America's meddling throughout the Middle East, and especially in Israel, with a reference to Damascus – the capital of Syria and the site of the world's worst infighting.

In theory, the siege of the city by Sunni mujahedeen is designed to unify Islam and reestablish an Islamic Caliphate. This, these same Muslims hope, will serve as the triggering mechanism for the final Islamic conquest of the world. Known as

the Magog War prophetically, this unified Muslim assault against Israel will reach tsunami proportions in 2027 during the first full year of the Tribulation. The assault against the Promised Land becomes so horrific, Yahowah has to intervene to save His people.

But this, according to the prophecy, is the calm before an impending storm, one in which America is not only implicated, but also admonished by God. As we move from the 17th to the 18th chapters of Yasha'yah, the United States is criticized for its propensity to fight, for its tendency to take what belongs to others, for its arrogant attitude, as well as it moronic and immoral rhetoric. God is not pleased that Americans have supplied many hundreds of millions of dollars of advanced weaponry to those who will use this arsenal in an attempt to destroy Israel.

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Before we begin to dissect the 17th and 18th chapters of Yasha'yah / Isaiah, since Damascus is cited at the commencement of this prophecy, it behooves us to do our homework. The first mention of Damascus in the Towrah is in conjunction with Abraham. In Bare'syth 14:15, during the formation of the Covenant, he dispatched some of his associates to Hobah on the western outskirts of Damascus to rescue his nephew, Lot. Then we read by way of the reference to "Ely'ezar of Damascus (Dameseq)," that those associated with Damascus, even with a connection to Abraham, no matter how much they crave the inheritance God promised His Chosen People, these descendants of Yshma'el and their supporters will be denied. Yah said: "Now pay attention (wa hineh – and behold), the Word (dabar) of Yahowah came to him ('el – to Abraham) to say (la 'amar), 'This individual (zeh – speaking of 'Ely'ezar), he shall not (lo') receive your inheritance (yaras – be your heir)." (Bare'syth / In the Beginning / Genesis 15:4)

While Abraham's chief of staff may have been a fine man, those he is related to have come to despise everything God loves. And since there is nothing more important to Yahowah than His Covenant and its promises, anyone who is hostile to what He has committed to give His children becomes His foe. This, therefore, is an inauspicious introduction to Damascus.

The city is mentioned again in Second Shamow'el. Dowd / David is attempting to extend his kingdom northward to include the "Syrians of Damascus." Subsequently, Damascus and Yaruwshalaim become foes, with skirmishes beginning as early as the reign of Solomon, Dowd's son. But as places

and people go, no one and no place is as dear to God as Dowd and Yaruwshalaim. To oppose either is to be in opposition to Yah. So this is not encouraging for Damascus, either.

The capital of Syria comes to the forefront again when Ahaz, as king of Yahuwdah / Judah, refuses to join a Syrian – Yisra'el (the Northern Kingdom also known as Ephraim) military alliance against Assyria. This ignites the Syro-Ephraimite War of 734 BCE against Yahuwdah. And it is in concert with these events that Yahowah asks Yasha'yah (in the opening of the 7th chapter) to meet with King Ahaz. God wants him to disregard the approaching assailants – especially the armies of Aram-Damascus – the Aramaean state centered around the Syrian capital. Through Yasha'yah, Yahowah also encourages the King of Yahuwdah to avoid forming an alliance with Assyria to deflect the impending assault. This advice is all germane to America, especially as it sponsors nuclear treaties with Iran while supplying weapons to Iran's foes in Syria.

And perhaps that is why this prophecy ultimately leads us to the doorstep of the Tribulation. We pick up that story in Yasha'yah 7:5, where we find: "Aram has plotted evil against you along with Ephraim." Ephraim is a reference to the Northern Kingdom of Yisra'el – a nation which was completely destroyed because its leaders formed and broke alliances with Middle Eastern nations in a vain attempt to find peace and security apart from Yah. They, like America after them, were even willing to sacrifice the remainder of Yisra'el, especially Yaruwshalaim, to appease their foes.

Affirming this, the leader of the malevolent alliance in opposition to Yahuwdah is quoted saying: "Let us go against Yahuwdah and let us tear her apart, breaking her into pieces so that we can reign over her." (7:6) This is precisely what Yisra'el's enemies, today's Islamic nations, are planning. It is what they will do once America cedes the West Bank to them. And when they act next, they will be wielding American weaponry.

But rather than prevail, rather than reigning over Yisra'el after America slices the tiny nation into pieces, Muslims will instead be rebuked and blown away by God. And while that is now, 2,600 years ago...

"Thus says (ze'th 'amar) Yahowah (१९९६), this shall not stand (lo' quwm) and it shall not happen (lo' hayah)." (7:7) "Because indeed (ky) the head (ro'sh – the source and sum) of Aram / the High and Mighty ('Aram – exalted, high, and mighty) is Damascus / Dung (Drameseq – the sorrowful weeping sore where corpses are covered in dung, where the dumb are silenced), and (wa) the head (ro'sh – the source and sum) of Damascus / Dung (Drameseq – the sorrowful weeping sore where corpses are covered in dung, where the dumb are silenced) is Ratsyn / Slavery and Slaughter (Ratsyn – king of Damascus and the

progenitor of a family of temple slaves; from ratsach – to murder and slaughter) and in another (wa ba 'owd) sixty-five years (shishym wa chamesh shana'), Ephraym will be shattered and destroyed (chatha'th 'Ephraym – the Northern Kingdom will dismayed, divided, and broken, abolished and afraid) as a nation (min 'am – from being part of the family)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 7:8)

And so it would be. The Syrian – Ephraym alliance against Yahuwdah would be for naught, as both would be plundered by the foe they sought to avoid. And as a consequence, the Northern Kingdom was obliterated and its people were hauled away into slavery.

Yahowah revealed the consequence of showing contempt for Him as opposed to relying upon Him: "And (wa) the head (ro'sh – the source and sum) of 'Ephraym ('Ephraym – Heap of Ashes, also known as the Northern Kingdom of Yisra'el) is Shomarown (Shomarown – typically transliterated Samaria, capital of the Northern Kingdom of Yisra'el which was home to ten of the twelve tribes; from shamar – to closely examine and carefully consider, being observant), and (wa) the head (ro'sh – the source and sum) of Shomarown (Shomarown) is the son of (ben) Ramalyahuw (Ramalyahuw – treacherous contempt for Yah, a king over Yisra'el in Samaria who "did that which was evil in the sight of Yahowah" (2 Kings 15:25)), so if ('im) you are not trusting (lo' 'aman – you are not reliant, seeking to be confident, established, supported, and upheld, having sought verification), then indeed (ky), you will not endure (lo' 'amar – you will not be established nor enduring in the relationship, lacking trust and failing to rely, you will not be supported or upheld)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 7:9)

The same is true today. When individuals and nations rely upon their militaries and their diplomacy, they ultimately die. But when the people are observant, when they rely on Yahowah's guidance, they prevail.

"And so once again (wa yacaph) Yahowah (१९११) spoke (dabar – communicated using words) to ('el – as the Almighty for the benefit of) 'Achaz ('Achaz – King of Yahuwdah, meaning He Has Grasped Hold, He Has Been Enveloped and He Has Been Settled), to say (la 'amar – to approach by responding and declaring): (7:10) 'For (la – to come near) you ask for (sha'al – you desire and request you want and inquire about, questioning (qal imperative)) a sign ('owth – a promise, miracle, oath, proof, and illustration) by means of (min – from and out of) an association with ('im – in a relationship with the family of) Yahowah (१९११), your God ('elohym), one which is a profound and difficult ('amaq – regarding a deeply formulated and misunderstood) question (sha'al – request, desire, and yearning) even ('ow – or choosing) towering high into the

highest dimensions (*gabah la ma'al* – which is above all challenging to understand)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 7:10-11)

Rather than simply reading Yahowah's testimony, which affirms all we need to know, religious and political devotees often want signs, especially things which can be deemed miraculous, to reinforce their fledgling faith – a deficiency which needs constant stroking. And all too often, in a desperate attempt to validate their senseless beliefs, the most mundane occurrences are claimed as miracles, as signs from their God. So in Yahuwdah, the people, awash in religion, sought some divine reassurance. Few were open to the idea that trusting God would be more expedient than the more typical reliance on international treaties, diplomatic compromise, and a strong military defense.

The king, however, knew Yah, so he separated himself from the desires of his people in this regard. "But (wa) 'Achaz ('Achaz – King of Yahuwdah, meaning He Has Grasped Hold, He Has Been Enveloped and He Has Been Settled) said ('amar – responded and replied), 'I have not, am not, and will not actually ask (lo' sha'al – I have not inquired about and will not demand, nor am I searching for (qal imperfect)), and nor was I, am I, nor will I attempt to put Yahowah to the test (wa nacah Yahowah – so I would never consider doing something that would tempt Yahowah (piel imperfect))."" (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 7:12)

Yahowah, always desirous of revealing Himself to His people so that they might choose to rely upon Him, provided some perspective for the Yisra'elites. He made them aware of a reality which remains extant today. The Chosen People represent two one-thousands of the world's population, and yet they manage to survive in Yisra'el even though the surrounding 1.5 billion Muslims want them wiped off the face of the earth. Yahowah asked them if that would be possible without His assistance...

"And so He said (wa 'amar), 'Please listen (na' shama – I hope you choose to hear this regarding (qal imperative)) family (beyth – the house and household) of Dowd (Dowd – of the beloved, commonly transliterated David), question whether (ha – as an interrogative denoting whether it is possible) that from so few (ma'at min) it would be possible (la'ah – would have the capacity to carry out the requirement) that men ('iysh ky – individuals) would so be so capable (la'ah) except with (gam 'eth) their God ('elohym)?"" (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 7:12-13)

That should have been sufficient for Yahuwdym then as now, especially after the three lopsided wars the nation has won against vastly superior forces. But Yahowah went beyond this, offering a sign to His people for another time. "So therefore (ken), accordingly (la), Yahowah, Himself (१९९५) huw' – as presented in the DSS (the Masoretic Text replaced YHWH with "'adony – My Lord"), He actually bestowed (nathan – He provided and continually gave (qal imperfect)) this to me (huw' – Him approaching for me): 'Behold (hineh – look up and pay attention, noticing) a sign of ('owth – the promise, miracle, oath, and proof of) the pregnant virgin (ha 'almah hareh – the young woman who has conceived and has never been married; from 'alam – one who is not yet known) when (wa) giving birth to (yalad – bearing) a son (ben). Indeed (wa), His name (shem – His reputation, renown, and status (from the DSS because the MT changed this to "she will name")) shall be proclaimed (qara' – called out, summoned, invited, read, and recited (qal perfect)) "Immanuel / God With Us ('Imanuw 'el – With and Beside Us Is God)."" (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 7:14)

While it is uncommon now and impossible then for a woman who has never known a man in the "biblical" sense to conceive, the greater miracle is Yahowah's willingness to set apart and diminish an aspect of His immense power to commune with us. He has done so six times previously, but was not called "'Imanuw'el" during any of those occasions. Therefore, this prophecy, one emerging from a discussion that began in Damascus, is addressing visits set forty Yowbel apart: the former in Year 4000 Yah (33 CE) when Yahowsha's observance of the Towrah enabled the Covenant's promises on Pesach, Matsah, Bikuwrym, and Shabuw'ah and the latter upcoming in Year 6000 Yah (2033 CE) when Yahowah will renew and restore the Covenant on Kippurym and Sukah, living with us for one-thousand years. Man's way, the way of religion and politics, the way of war and terrorism, will lie in ruins, Damascus replaced by Eden.

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More fully aware of the contrast between what man has done to himself in Damascus and the work Yahowah has done on our behalf in Yaruwshalaim, let's ponder a remarkable end-times prophecy. In the midst of the one of the most horrific religiously inspired proxy wars of all time, one that is being played out before our eyes in Syria, we are warned...

"A prophetic pronouncement regarding (masa' – a prophecy attributed to the oppression and burden of) Damascus (Drameseq – commonly transliterated Damascus, capital of Syria, controlled successively by Yisra'el, Assyria, Babylon, Greece, Rome, Byzantium, the first Muslims, and then the Ottomans, currently the center of world upheaval; from dama' – a weeping sore, dim'ah – tears or

sorrow, *domen* – corpses covered in dung, and *damam* – to grow dumb and be silenced): **behold** (*hineh* – look up and pay attention to) **Damascus** (*Drameseq* – Damascus, Syria; the capital of the most religiously ravaged and politically manipulated warzone on earth at the time of the time of this writing in early 2014 (the spelling of *Drameseq* is based upon the DSS)) **is revolting and corrupt and will be removed from among inhabited cities** (*suwr min iyr* – is degenerate and unrestrained and thus shall be rejected and abolished as a population center, enduring anguish and terror (in the hophal stem this fate was foist upon Damascus and as a participle, Damascus will come to embody unrestrained corruption)). **And** (*wa*) **she shall totally and actually become** (*hayah* – she will genuinely and completely exist as (qal perfect)) **a twisted and tangled** (*ma'iy* – a distorted, crooked, perverted, and contorted) **heap of rubble** (*mapalah* – destroyed ruin; from *naphal* – fallen prostrate, overthrown and inferior)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:1)

Yahowah isn't sympathetic toward the display of Islamic terrorism He is witnessing in Damascus. *Suwr*, which was translated "revolting and corrupt and will be removed," can be rendered "turned away and abolished, degenerate and forsaken," even "rejected as wild and unrestrained." Similarly, 'iyr conveys more than "inhabited city," because it also speaks of "anguish, anxiety, wrath, anger, and terror." Islam is the most overtly satanic religion ever foisted on the masses, the most degenerate and revolting corruption to be considered a mainstream religion.

Also worth considering is the juxtaposition of *ma'iy* and *mapalah*, which collectively depict the nature of the Muslim terrorists currently reducing Damascus to a heap of ruins: "twisted, distorted, corrupt, and perverted people subject to prostration." And inexcusably, these jihadists are wielding American weapons when they are not prostrating themselves in prayer, staining the American consciousness with the murder of over two-hundred thousand souls. In the process, the United States is making Israel more vulnerable to the onslaught of Allah's caustic religion.

Syria is currently a client of Iran, just as is Iraq, both as a result of America's ill-fated invasion. By way of Hezballah (Allah's Party), the religious regime in Iran also controls Lebanon, creating a land crescent from Iran into northern Israel—facilitating one potential aspect of the Islamic invasion this prophecy predicts. After the affirmation of a land for peace treaty around the Fall of 2026, Muslims will quickly and callously disregard their promises and invade Israel in unison wielding American weapons. Over the past decade under Presidents Bush and Obama, the United States has fundamentally changed the balance of power in the region by providing Muslims with twenty-five times more military hardware than is offered to God's Chosen People.

Yahowah's use of *arow'er* in the next statement could be a reference to Lebanon. Not only will Hezballah attack Israel by marching through this once proud country, one known to the world for its soaring "cypress trees," it has become a casualty of the Syrian War – yet another nation devastated and impoverished by Islam.

Arow'er also depicts of the millions of Muslims bequeathed with the misnomer "Palestinians" who have "become destitute and impoverished outcasts" from Yisra'el who are now living in Jordanian and Lebanese refugee camps. Furthering this, 'Arow'er was a town in Ammon, which is Jordan today, a nation where most consider themselves to be "Palestinian."

The realization that *arow'er* is related to 'aruwts, meaning "dreadful and horrible wadi," encourages us to see a depiction of Mecca, the birthplace of Islam, Israel's most ardent foe. During Muhammad's life, Mecca was known as a watering hole for passing caravans in the midst of a dreadful desert. Similarly 'aryts speaks of "ruthless terrorism," something Muhammad practiced with reckless abandon, and thereby has become Islam's signature act.

Perhaps even more revealing, 'arowd, which the Theological Wordbook of the Old Testament affirms is the root of 'arow'er, appears in Yowb / Job 39:5 to depict a "wild ass." Yahowah has already told us that Ishmael's descendants, today's Muslims, will be "wild asses of men."

So *arow'er* could be one of those words with many shades, one designed to draw our attention to the fate of the mythical "Palestinians" who consider themselves "outcasts," to include Lebanon and Jordan where these "destitute" people have been "impoverished and repudiated," in addition to being inclusive of "wild asses" of men from the wadi of Mecca, making the connection to Islam through Ishmael.

Just as Ely'ezar of Damascus and 'Iyshma'el of Hagar were rejected, both expressly excluded from the Covenant, Yahowah remains consistent...

"Abandoned and forsaken will be ('azab – rejected, deserted, estranged, left behind, separated, destroyed, and damned are) the inhabited regions ('iyr – the populated cities) of 'Arow'er ('arow'er – of the outcasts (a reference to 'Palestinian' refugees), of the Arnon Valley in Ammon (a reference to Jordan), of the cypress tree (a reference to Lebanon), of the repudiated and destitute who are laid bare, of those stripped of all pretence, of the impoverished, vulnerable, and those without resources, and of the wild ass (a reference to Islam through Ishmael); spelled *Owraruw* in the DSS).

For there will be (la hayah – because there will exist as (the qal stem affirms that this prophetic pronouncement will actually occur as it is being depicted, the

imperfect conjugation reveals that the horrible destructive acts have lasting and ongoing implications, and the third person feminine plural means that "they" is addressing the inhabitants of the destroyed cities acting as)) **roaming animals fighting in militant militias who are dispossessed** ('ader – abandoned as a group because they have collectively missed the way, having failed miserably; or if diacritically marked 'edar – flocks of goats and herds of donkeys). **But then** (wa) **there will be no one to terrorize** ('ayn charad – none to terrify)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:2)

In other words, the demise of Damascus, of Lebanon and Jordan, of the refugees living there, of Muslims in general, will be self-inflicted. Marauding bands of Muslim mujahedeen will act like the savage animals their religion has bred them to become. And they will kill until there is no one left to terrorize. That is largely because there is no distinction between civilians and militants in Islam. According to the Qur'an, all good Muslims are terrorists and all peaceful Muslims are hypocrites.

This is precisely what we are witnessing in Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan today. There is no good side in this conflict, only various grades of depravity. Muslims have been conditioned to kill, and they don't seem to care if they are murdering Jews, Christians, Hindus, Communists, or fellow Muslims. Even in the Qur'an we find this same universality. Muhammad and his wannabe god begin terrorizing pagan Arabs, followed by monotheistic Jews, Byzantine Christians, and finally peaceful Muslims.

"So (wa) the fortified place (mibtsa'r - the defensive structures) will cease to exist (shabath – will desist, coming to an end as a result of their choices (the consecutive form serves as an expression of volition)) because of (min - on account of) 'Ephraym ('Ephraym – serving as a metaphor for a divided Yisra'el expressly excluding Yahuwdah and Yaruwshalaim, meaning heap of ashes, commonly transliterated Ephraim, the son of Yowseph and brother of Manasseh, used to depict the Northern Kingdom encompassing ten of twelve tribes), along with (wa) the government (mamlakah – the kingdom, empire, realm, authority, and people ruled under the monarchy) out of (min – from) Damascus (Drameseq - capital of Syria, the epicenter of world Islamic upheaval and former location of the most enduring and imposing Muslim caliphate; from dama' – a weeping sore, dim'ah – tears or sorrow, domen – corpses covered in dung, and damam – to grow dumb and be silenced), including (wa) the remnant (sa'ar – a remaining portion, a residue of the rest left behind) of 'Aram / Syria ('Aram - Greater Syria or Assyria, including Mesopotamia, and therefore inclusive of today's Iran, Iraq, Syria, and Lebanon (all of which are controlled by Iran as a result of the American invasion of Iraq); the son of Shem; from 'armown – palace, citadel, or fortress), for being similarly (ka - as or like, in this manner and thus)

comparatively also) **vehement and burdensome** (*kabowd* – fanatical and onerous, abundantly wealthy and overly glorified; from *kabad | kobed* – hardened and grievous, ignorant and dimwitted, hardheaded and stupid, enraged and troublesome).

The children (beny) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el – of Individuals who Engage and Endure with God) shall actually continue to exist (hayah – will genuinely exist forever (the qal stem demonstrates that this prophecy must be interpreted literally while the imperfect conjugation reveals that their shall be no end to its implications)), prophetically declares (na'um – pronounces in advance of it occurring) Yahowah (१९११) of vast array of spiritual messengers and envoys (shaba' – company of useful implements designed to serve the authority which are deployed in a command and control regimen, and thus without freewill)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:3)

This passage is challenging to translate because some of the terms deployed within it have diverse connotations. For example, *kabowd*, can be good or bad depending upon the context. In this case, since Yahowah is speaking about the utter destruction of Damascus and the implications associated with the demise of the Syrian government, the most rational approach is to consider the negative aspects of *kabowd*. So rather than rendering it "significant and glorious," a more fitting depiction can be advanced by examining the etymological roots, *kabad* and *kobed*. They suggest that the Islamic nations surrounding Yisra'el will cease to exist because Muslims are "vehement in their rage, onerous and burdensome in their abuse, hardheaded and grievous in their thinking, ignorant and dimwitted in their beliefs, foolish as a nation, and thus enraged and troublesome." Those who have been indoctrinated by their religion to seek the destruction of Israel will themselves be destroyed so that Yisra'el might endure.

Having compiled the best-documented and most-comprehensive chronological presentation of Islam's five oldest scriptural sources, *Prophet of Doom*, I can attest with absolute certainty that Islam is the dumbest, most utterly foolish major religion. It preys on the ignorant and dimwitted. And while being stupid isn't a crime, religious morons are easily enraged. And since they are hardheaded, they seldom reasonable. These traits make the religion extraordinarily abusive.

The names on this list are also revealing. It begins with "Drameseq – Damascus," the current focus of Islam's intolerance. Here, Sunni jihadists armed with American weapons are currently murdering, raping, and robbing tens of thousands of Shi'ites and Christians while the opposing Shia troops and militias which are responding in kind, albeit with Russian and Iranian arms. Not only are we told by God that this Islamic infighting will reduce the city to rubble, the city's name describes "a weeping sore where there are tears of sorrow over corpses covered in dung, a place where the people are silenced."

Arow'er is next. As we have learned it is overtly descriptive of "Jordanian refugees," but through the "cypress" and "wild ass" illusions the reference is inclusive of Lebanon and Muslims. They, we learn, will be deserted and forsaken. These places will be abandoned apart from the roaming animals who comprise Islamic militias, and even for them, there will no longer be any civilians left to terrorize.

'Ephraym is the name Yahowah deploys to speak of a divided Yisra'el, of the region initially estranged from Him because they forsook the Covenant, favoring the kind of international military alliances that have been so devastating for humankind. The Northern Kingdom was destroyed by Assyria within a generation of its formation, and thereby serves as an example of how not to behave. But now, it is Assyria's turn to suffer, indicating Iran's influence in Iraq and Syria will succumb to the Sunni militias perhaps to spare 'Ephraym, but not necessarily so. What was the Northern Kingdom may suffer again, this time at the hands of the jihadists that brought Syria down. While Yahowah has promised to reconcile Yisra'el, which means that within the next twenty years 'Ephraym will be reunited with Yahuwdah, making Yisra'el once again equivalent to Ya'aqob, most Yisra'elites will not survive to enjoy that day.

But gradually, the ten tribes comprising 'Ephraym which have been scattered in Assyria, today's Iran, Iraq, and Syria, will end their open rebellion against Yahowah. The long divorce proclaimed in Howsha' / Hosea will soon be over. The Day of Reconciliation, Yowm Kippurym in Year 6000 Yah (sunset on October 2, 2033) is imminent. And therefore, it is for the sake of Yisra'el that the government of Damascus ultimately fails, and with it Iran's influence in the region. For those wondering how the Syrian war will unfold, we have been given the answer.

'Aram could have been translated simply as "Syria" so long as readers realized that this means much more to the Islamic combatants fighting there than the current national boundaries. The capital of the Islamic world after Sunnis bludgeoned Shia Muslims into submission in the 8th century CE was Damascus, and their "Sham – Syria" comprised the entire region, including today's Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Jordan, Iran, and Iraq. It was from Damascus that this unified Islamic Caliphate ruthlessly ruled over much of the world, from Spain and Northern Africa to India, and everything in between. Most of the Sunni jihadists fighting in Syria are committed to the same result, a unified base from which they want to conquer the rest of the world so that every soul surrenders to Allah. This goal is the catalyst for Islamic conquest, the throttle for Islamic rage, the sandbox for Islamic jihadists to prove themselves worthy of paradise, the fulcrum upon which Sunni Islam will prevail over the rival Shia, and it is the epicenter of the next world war with alliances divided between the belligerents. Every Muslim

within Greater Assyria will suffer because they are universally fanatical and onerous, ignorant and enraged. And they will die, massacring one another so that Yisra'el might live.

It would be easy to assume that Yahowah is somehow encouraging these religious zealots to harm themselves for the sake of His children. But that is not the case. At this point, with Muslims killing Muslims, Yahowah is simply reporting what He has witnessed. That is not to say that God won't intervene. He will, but only when the survival of Yisra'el is at stake.

Since it is vitally important, and since Yahowah uses prophecy to prove that He is God and that He inspired this testimony, let's be perfectly clear. This prophetic portrayal specifically states that "the government (mamlakah – the kingdom, authority, and people ruled under the monarchy) out of (min) Damascus (Drameseq), including (wa) the remnant (sa'ar – remaining portion) of 'Aram / Syria / Assyria ('Aram)" "will cease to exist (shabath)." We can therefore conclude that Sunni jihadists will eventually prevail, bringing down the Iranian-backed Shia government of Syria. But in the process, these Islamic terrorists will not only ruin Damascus, they will decimate the civilian population of the country.

This is currently surprising, although ultimately inevitable. Assad has the upper hand at this point, three years into the conflict. Sunni jihadists have started killing one another. They are losing their grip on cities previously captured. And Russia has effectively prevented American intervention on behalf of the rebels. But the numbers tell a different story. Sunni Muslims outnumber Shiites more than two to one in the Middle East and four to one worldwide. And Sunnis, which receive American weapons, are vastly better armed. The forty-six Sunni-majority Islamic nations spend over \$150 billion annually on their militaries, with Saudi Arabia leading the charge at \$57 billion a year. The four Shiite-majority counties, Iran, Iraq, Azerbaijan, and Bahrain, devote less than \$15 billion annually to war preparations, with Iran and Iraq each devoting \$6 billion to their military forces each year. Syria is a bit of an anomaly, because its \$2 billion military expenditures are on behalf of Shia Islam in a majority Sunni nation. So collectively, this means that in this proxy war, the Shiites are out manned four to one and out gunned ten to one. The math will ultimately catch up with them as it did the "Rebels" during the American Civil War.

And speaking of America, the United States outspends Russia and China combined by more than two to one militarily. So forgetting for a moment that the European Union is also allied with the Sunni rebels, America squanders \$682 billion on its war machine while just \$256 billion is spent annually by Assad's allies, the combined forces of Russia and China. This is yet another indication that Yahowah's prediction will be proven correct.

His promises are also reliable, and He has made a solemn vow to reconcile His relationship with Yisra'el and Yahuwdah. Those "Individuals who Engage and Endure with God" and those "Who are Related to Yahowah" will exist forever. Bringing it all together, thus far Yahowah has predicted:

"A prophetic pronouncement regarding (masa') Damascus (Drameseq): behold (hineh), Damascus (Drameseq) is revolting and corrupt and will be removed from among inhabited cities, it is degenerate and unrestrained and shall be abolished (suwr min iyr). And (wa) she shall totally and actually become (hayah) a twisted and tangled (ma'iy) heap of rubble (mapalah). (17:1)

Abandoned and forsaken, estranged, deserted, destroyed, and damned will be ('azab) the inhabited regions and populated cities ('iyr) of 'Arow'er, the outcasts in Jordan and Lebanon ('arow'er). For there will be (la hayah) roaming animals fighting in militant militias failing miserably ('ader). But then (wa) there is no one to terrorize ('ayn charad). (17:2)

So (wa) the fortified place and defensive structures (mibtsa'r) will cease to exist (shabath) on account of (min) the Northern Kingdom ('Ephraym), along with (wa) the government (mamlakah) out of (min) Damascus (Drameseq), including (wa) the remnant (sa'ar) of Syria and Assyria ('Aram), for being similarly (ka) vehement and burdensome, fanatical and onerous, dimwitted and enraged (kabowd).

The children (beny) of Yisra'el, those Individuals who Engage and Endure with God (Yisra'el), shall actually continue to exist (hayah) prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (५४५) of vast array of spiritual messengers and envoys (shaba')." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:3)

For an alternative view, the *King James Version* renders the last verse: "The fortress also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from Damascus, and the remnant of Syria: they shall be as the glory of the children of Israel, saith the LORD of hosts." This implies that the utter destruction of Syria, but also implies that the heap of twisted rubble that is Damascus will cause the Muslims who lived there to become as glorious as the Children of Yisra'el. If nothing else, this affirms that English Christians hold Israel in extremely low regard.

The American evangelical Christians who sponsored the *New Living Translation* similarly strove to suggest that they had inherited Israel's former glory when they published: "The fortified towns of Israel will also be destroyed and the royal power of Damascus will end. All that remains of Syria will share the fate of Israel's departed glory."

While I would never be so arrogant as to claim that my translations are perfect, which is why I encourage you to verify all of this for yourself, I can attest that the KJV and NLT are wrong. And it's not that they haven't deployed Hebrew scholars, it's that they don't know Yahowah, and thus do not understand what He is saying. What they don't want anyone to know is that God hates the Christian Church and loves the Children of Yisra'el. As a result, one will endure and the other will not. One will be brought home and the other will be left behind.

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In the midst of this future narrative regarding the fall of Syria, Jordan, and Lebanon to Islamic terrorists, and how that relates to Yahowah's pronouncement that Yisra'el will survive, the prophecy reveals that the Promised Land will be narrowed at its midsection. This strongly suggests that these events and proclamations are related. That is to say, the Islamic jihadists who will bring down the Assad regime, destroying Damascus in the process, will turn their sights on Israel. The Muslim mujahedeen, rather than releasing their weapons once Bashar al-Assad is dead, will simply turn around and point them in a different direction, towards Jerusalem.

These terrorist gangs without tanks, an air force, or navy, will be no match for Israel's Defense Forces. Out of necessity, the IDF will mow them down as these jihadist attempt to cross the border. And while there will be no viable alternative, Israel is the only nation on earth which is rebuked for defending itself. Stopping the Islamic terrorists clamoring to pillage and plunder will galvanize the world against the tiny nation. Jews will be portrayed as the aggressors and as mass murderers.

The solution, which is currently being brokered by America, will be to establish a Palestinian nation, and therefore a terrorist state, in the West Bank and Gaza. This act will saw the Promised Land in two at its midsection, where seventy percent of the Israeli population currently resides. So although the Syrian jihadists will fail, by attempting to appease them and their fellow Muslims, the Middle East and then the entire world will be engulfed in a much larger war.

This prophecy, therefore predicts that the "land-for-peace" concessions in which Gaza has and the West Bank will be given to Muslims in exchange for useless proclamations of peace. Israel will be dissected, becoming less than five or six miles across. Since Gaza is already gone, this is occurring in stages. And it is reasonable to assume that the final act will coincide with the treaty announced

by Dany'el / Daniel which ushers in the seven-year Tribulation. If so, we are now approaching November 2026 in this next statement.

Also, to enhance our understanding of what Yahowah is foretelling, by specifically delineating Ephraim, representing the Northern Kingdom, in a prophecy which affirms Yisra'el's continuing existence, Yahowah is addressing the fate of eleven of the twelve tribes. While Benjamin was originally aligned with Yahuwdah, by making a distinction between the two names, Yahowah is saying that the destruction of Damascus and Greater Syria will spare much of the nation but still leave Yahuwdah, and thus Yaruwshalaim, vulnerable. I suspect that this is because America, to placate the Muslim marauders, will compel the nation to surrender Samaria, known as the West Bank, to the Islamic terrorists. Affirming this, Yahowah, through His prophet Yasha'yah, revealed:

"And (wa) it will actually come to pass (hayah – it will come to exist and totally happen as a result of man's choices (qal perfect consecutive)) in that day (ba ha yowm – around this time) that the size (ha huw' kabowd – that the magnitude, dimensions, and volume, that the respect and dignity, that the reputation and abundance, that the presence and power) of Ya'aqob (Ya'aqob – renamed "Yisra'el" by Yahowah, meaning: one who cannot be swayed or detoured because he supplants his heel, Abraham's grandson, heir to the Covenant, the father of the twelve tribes, and thus a completely reunited Yisra'el) shall be decreased to the point of no longer being sustainable or viable (dalal – shall be diminished, making the state incapable of surviving, being thinned and impoverished so that normal life becomes impossible to support), and (wa) the fattest, best protected, and most important place (mashman – the waist or midsection, the most stout and populated area) of his body (basar – his physical existence) shall be leaned (razeh – made thin and shrink in size)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:4)

Yahowah, by saying "in that day," has affirmed what I assumed previously, that the divestiture of Israeli land is tied to the fall of the Syrian regime. As I've predicted, while Bashar al-Assad is a ruthless dictator, the Sunni jihadists seeking to overthrow him are worse – not only for Syrians, but also for Israel. It is why it is so counterproductive for the United States to be arming and supporting them.

Also, by tying the Syrian War to the surrender of Israeli land, America becomes overtly culpable. The United States is guilty of starting this proxy war through the invasion of Iraq, whereby the nation was given to Iran. But equally deserving of blame, through the U.S. military's Awakening program, weapons were supplied to create Sunni militias in Iraq, and it is those weapons and those jihadists who first turned a peaceful political protest in Syria into a devastatingly deadly war.

Furthermore, at the same time, America capitulated on the Iranian nuclear program, assuring that the threat of an atomic bomb would influence world opinion. This capitulation of Israeli territory, an idea promoted primarily by the United States, may ultimately be accepted by Israel under the threat of nuclear annihilation.

Before we move on, I'd like to take a step back in time to gain a better perspective on the scope of this prophecy. For the events depicted here to occur as they were predicted two-thousand seven-hundred fifty years ago, an already thrice-conquered Yisra'el would have to become reestablished and then made whole. After one-thousand nine-hundred years of exile following the sixth successful conquest of the Promised Land, that of the Romans in 133 CE, while these same Romans, then the Byzantines, followed sequentially by Shi'ite and then Sunni Muslims, the Turkish Ottoman Empire, and then the British lorded over Yisra'el, against all odds Yisra'elites returned home and became a sovereign nation again. This incomparable miracle occurred in stages.

First, in 1948, the United Nations in the aftermath of the Holocaust, awarded a portion of the Promised Land to the surviving Yisra'elites. Second, in that same year, facing nations established in the aftermath of World War I which outnumbered them a thousand to one, each of which wielded vastly superior weapons, God's Chosen People fighting as civilians without so much as a common language, astonishingly won their War of Independence against the combined forces of the Muslim world. Yet then, the whole of the Gaza Strip and the entire West Bank remained part of Egypt and Jordan respectively, thereby still precluding the thinning of a united Yisra'el as this prophecy portends.

It wasn't until the fledging nation prevailed against a second unified Islamic assault in 1967 during the Six Days War that Israel reclaimed much of Yahowah's original gift. Yet even then, it would be another forty-four years before America's invasion of Iraq would lead to the Syrian War, ultimately making the destruction of Damascus the catalyst for the ill-advised act of sacrificing Yisra'eli land for promises of peace.

What makes this prophecy extraordinary is when it was committed to writing millennia ago in the waning days of the 8th century BCE, somewhere between 740 and 730, Yisra'el was being ripped to shreds, its cities razed, and its people enslaved. Moreover, we possess ancient verifications of these predictions. The Great Isaiah Scroll, for example, dates to 200 BCE and is the oldest surviving complete copy of any book written in antiquity.

The fact is, conditions that would have been inconceivable at the time they were being foretold are just now materializing before our eyes. For example, Ephraim, representing the Northern Kingdom, at the time of this writing was

separated from Yahuwdah. That means there wasn't a unified Yisra'el to thin at the waist. The Northern Kingdom, itself, was under siege – being attacked by the world's most ruthless superpower, Assyria. Huge swaths of the nation were falling under the control the Assyrian monarchs, Tiglath-Pileser III and Shalmaneser V. The latter's son, Sargon II, and his successor, Sennacherib, following in their father's footsteps, took twenty years to systematically ransack most of what Dowd and his son, Solomon, had built two-hundred years earlier.

By way of background, after the death of Shalomoh / Solomon in 931 BCE, every tribe except Yahuwdah and Benyamin refused to accept Rachab'am / Rehoboam, the son and successor of Solomon, as their king. This rift occurred because he refused to lower the rather onerous tax imposed by his licentious father. These ten tribes preferred Yarob'am / Jeroboam, who was residing in Egypt at the time. So upon his return in 920 BCE, they pronounced him king in Shechem, leaving Yahuwdah completely isolated and Yisra'el divided. It was now the Kingdom of Yahuwdah versus the Northern Kingdom (which retained the name Yisra'el and was often referred to as Ephraim). These choices set the stage for the traumatic events transpiring as Yasha'yah transcribed Yahowah's haunting predictions.

By 740 BCE, Assyrian King Tiglath-Pileser began to systematically brutalize and enslave the remnants of Yisra'el, causing ten of Ya'aqob's twelve tribes to be considered lost. Reuben and Gad were the first to succumb, then Manasseh. They were taken to Assyria where they would remain for centuries. Then in 722 BCE, the surviving capitals of the Northern Kingdom were ransacked, both Shechem then Tirzah, along with most of Samaria under King Omri. During the siege, Shalmaneser V died and was succeeded by Sargon II. Of his conquest, he wrote: "Samaria I looked at, I captured. 27,280 men who dwelt in it I carried away into Assyria." Duly recorded in ancient stele by the victors, this appeared to be the final curtain for the Kingdom of Yisra'el. It had been wiped off the face of the earth.

The oldest extant corroborations of this period, besides the testimony found in Chronicles and Kings, include the aforementioned Assyrian stele inscription discovered in ancient Assyria in addition to an intriguing stele found in Moab, which is Jordan. Called the Mesha Stele, this three-foot tall smoothed block of basalt stone contains the longest Iron Age inscription ever found. It was written in the Moabite language in the 9th century BCE using the Ancient Hebrew alphabet. The history depicted in the inscription parallels the account initially reported in the Book of Kings. It refers to the "Kingdom of Yisra'el" as distinct from "the Kingdom of Yahuwdah," to "the House of Omri," to "the House of Dowd / David," and to their God, "Yahowah." These historic corroborations are important because they affirm that Yahowah's eyewitness portrayal of human events,

whether past, present, or future, is consistently accurate. After all, from God's perspective prophecy isn't about predicting the future, it is the result of Him seeing the whole human experience and then reporting what He has witnessed in our future in our past, long before these events actually transpire.

Returning to the historical narrative, the Kingdom of Yahuwdah survived the initial Assyrian assault partly because the small nation capitulated and became a vassal state. But some twenty years later, Chizqiyah / Hezekiah, as king of Yahuwdah, sought to end his nation's subservience to the Mesopotamian overlords. He ceased paying the tribute tax imposed by Assyria and forged an alliance with Egypt. But the Egyptians proved unreliable, and in the fourth year of Sennacherib (701 BCE), Yahuwdym were isolated and defenseless, which was concerning because 185,000 Assyrian soldiers were marching in their direction with the express intent of plundering what little was left of the Kingdom Dowd / David had forged.

As it would transpire, what happened next serves as a lesson for us today. Hopelessly out numbered, Chizqiyah / Hezekiah initially tried to pay off Sennacherib with three hundred talents of silver and thirty of gold. But after the payment was made, the Assyrian king, rather than retreating, renewed his assault and laid siege on Yaruwshalaim. So after his faith in military alliances, money, and potentates proved unreliable, the king tried the opposite approach, and came to rely upon the Towrah and its Author, Yahowah. He destroyed every religious site in Yahuwdah and began to prepare his people so that they could celebrate Passover, Un-Yeasted Bread, and First-Born Children in accordance with Yahowah's Towrah Instructions. This approach, their collective trust, and their willingness to observe the Towrah and act upon its Guidance was sufficient. Yahowah did the rest, sending one of His *mal'ak* / messengers to poison the Assyrian army as they prepared for their final assault outside the city gates.

Sennacherib had thought that as the favorite son of the gods, and as the leader of the world's most powerful military, that the city would be easy prey. Just the day before his troops were annihilated he had sent a messenger to underscore the choice Hezekiah had made. He is recorded telling Yahuwdym that in the manner their king had destroyed all vestiges of religion, they too would be destroyed. And yet as we now know, the assemblage of false gods and human military might was no match for a single representative of Yah.

Unfortunately, just a century later, Yahuwdym became prosperous and self-reliant, forsaking their relationship with Yahowah and His Towrah. They would soon regret that approach and decision. As it would transpire, the Babylonians overran the Assyrian capital of Nineveh in 612 BCE. They then moved their capital to Harran, closer to Yahuwdah, but by 610 BCE, it too was captured by the Babylonians. So the Assyrian king Ashur-Uballit II moved to Carchemish on the

Euphrates River and waited for the Egyptian army to come to his rescue. But Pharaoh Necho II was delayed at Megiddo, northwest of Yaruwshalaim by the forces of King Yo'shyah / Josiah of Yahuwdah. While Yo'shyah was killed and his army was defeated, because the Pharaoh's army arrived later than expected, the combined Egyptian and Assyrian forces failed in their siege of Harran. They retreated to northern Syria, where the remaining Assyrians and Egyptians met the full might of the Babylonian army led by Nebuchadnezzar II, the king of Babylon, in 605 BCE. They were defeated, ending the Assyrian run as an independent nation while dramatically diminishing Egypt's influence. As a result, for Yahowah's prophecy to be valid, Assyria would have to be reformed as a nation – something that wouldn't occur until the 20th century.

Picking up the trail of events, immediately thereafter, Nebuchadnezzar invaded Yahuwdah. Hoping to avoid annihilation, Yaruwshalaim's King Yahowyaqym / Jehoiakim changed allegiances from Egypt to Babylon and paid a tribute which included Temple artifacts and members of the royal family who were taken as hostages. However, four years later in 601 BCE, Nebuchadnezzar returned, and this time was rebuffed in his attempt to invade Egypt, suffering heavy losses. Trying to capitalize on the swing of fortunes, Yahuwdah's King Yahowyaqym / Jehoiakim withheld his Babylonian tribute and allied once again with Egypt. Not in the best of mood, Nebuchadnezzar laid siege to Yaruwshalaim in 597 BCE, shortly after Yahowyaqym's death. He pillaged the city and the Temple. He took the nation's new king, the eighteen-year-old Yakonyah / Jeconiah, prisoner along with a preponderance of the population, including the king's court, prominent citizens, and craftsmen. Yachezq'el / Ezekiel and Dany'el / Daniel were among those hauled off into Babylonian slavery. Only the most impoverished Yahuwdym were spared.

And as we know, a remnant would eventually return, but they would be conquered next by the Greeks. Then came the Romans. In their second assault on Yahuwdah, three merciless Roman Legions razed the city of Yaruwshalaim, salted the earth, renamed the place after a historical enemy, crucified tens of thousands of people, and hauled off the surviving population as slaves. Then over the centuries, a succession of Christian and Muslim powers would laid claim over a land so ransacked, it would barely support a fledgling number of nomads. So against this backdrop, Yahowah's declaration became so improbable as to be considered rationally impossible. And yet we are now witnessing its fulfillment before our very eyes.

Most recently, the United States under the Bush Administration compelled Israel to give Gaza, surrendering it to the Muslims. It was a bad move, one which turned a buffer zone into a breeding ground for jihadists and a staging area for

rocket launchers. Not to be outdone, the Obama Administration began coercing Israel into abandoning the West Bank and Golan Heights.

This so-called "Roadmap to Peace" is the same plan the Iraq Study Group proposed to resolve the Sunni uprising against the Shi'ite overlords America had empowered after deposing Saddam Hussein. And it will be the concession offered by the United States when it seeks to calm Islamic jihadists returning from terrorizing civilians during the Syrian War between these same two warring factions. When implemented, it will thin Israel at her waist to less than twenty miles across. Since seventy percent of Israel's wealth and population reside in this place, the nation will become so vulnerable, buoyed by this concession to terrorism, Muslims will terrorize Israel. This Islamic conquest of the Promised Land is known as the Magog War. One out of every four people alive on earth at the time, mostly Muslims, will die in the Middle Eastern phase. But then the storm, a world war prompted by the United States will go nuclear, and one third of those who remain will succumb before the dust settles. This result will make America's concession to Islamic terrorism the single deadliest and destructive blunder in human history.

And it's not as if God and history didn't provide a warning. The rebuke of America in this context commences with a "howy – woe" in Yasha'yah / Isaiah 18:1. And recent history screams: "No, don't follow the example of England" when in 1938, Neville Chamberlain gave the Nazis the high ground of Czechoslovakia. That land-for-peace initiative was the catalyst for the Second World War. This one will start the Third.

So that we are not taken by surprise, so that no one is left behind without fair warning, we are told that the narrowing of Israel occurs in conjunction with a harvest of standing grain, a reaping of first fruits, and specifically, a gleaning, which is a smaller, secondary, harvest of olives.

"And (wa) it shall be (hayah - He will come to exist) like (ka) gathering in and receiving (`acaph - bringing together, collecting, assembling, and removing, ingathering and withdrawing) of a harvest <math>(qatsyr - a reaping of the fruit from the chaff in season; from <math>qatsar - to cut away so as to remove from a vexing time of grief) of standing grain <math>(qamah - that which is upright and has the ability to stand and rise; from <math>quwm - to affirm, validate, and establish the standing and upright so that they might rise).

And with (wa) His Sacrificial Lamb (zarowa' – His strong arm and power, His might, He who shoulders burdens; from zara' – to sow seeds which produce offspring, zarah – to make known through a diminished manifestation, and zarah – to appear, becoming visible as light) collecting and harvesting (qatsyr – Him reaping the fruit from the chaff in season; from qatsar – to cut away so as to

remove from a vexing time of grief) the first fruits (shibolym – the head of the grain).

And (wa) it shall be (hayah – He will come to exist) as (ka) a gleaning (laqat – gathering up, speaking of a smaller secondary harvest) of ears of grain (shibolym – the head of the grain) in (ba) the valley ('emeq) of Rapha'ym (Raphq'ym – the souls of the deceased; from rapha' – defects which could have been healed by a physician, restoring the impaired to health)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:5)

While politicians and statesmen are making the planet more dangerous by capitulating to Islamic terrorism, tearing Yisra'el apart in the process, Yahowah will come to gather in and receive His Covenant children, sparing them from the wrath of war that is about to besiege the rest of the world. God and His creation remain at cross purposes.

But there is always a few, the one in a million who are guided by the Architect of Life. The "qamah – standing grain" and "shibolym – first fruits" references point to the Taruw'ah Harvest, when Yahowah removes His family so that they do not have to endure the Tribulation. It is what one would expect from a loving Father.

Shibolym, translated "ears of grain" in association with this secondary harvest, provides an illusion to the primary harvest, and to the timing of the first three Miqra'ey: Pesach, Matsah, and Bikuwrym, each of which occurs during 'Abyb, the time when young barley ears are still green and growing at the head of the grain. This speaks of a time when we are still receptive to God's invitations, rather than mature, hardened, and readily crushed.

In this regard, *qamah* is revealing because, based upon *quwm*, it confirms that the Sacrificial Lamb of God stood up for those of us who stand with Him. We are the standing grain, those represented by the two letters repeated in God's name: \$\frac{474}{2}\rightarrow\$. Those depicted by these letters are reaching up to grasp hold of Yahowah's "\rightarrow\$ - hand," His *Zarowa*'.

And speaking of the *Zarowa*', the Sacrificial Lamb is Yahowsha', the promised seed of Abraham. The *Zarowa*' is the arm of God, the aspect of Yahowah's nature who shoulders our burdens. It is by this means that Yah enables the Covenant's promises. An entire chapter of *Yada Yah* was devoted to understanding the significance of this marvelous term.

The affirmation that this will be a "laqat – gleaning, or secondary harvest," is enlightening on both accounts. The first harvest of saved souls occurred on Bikuwrym, known as FirstFruits, or more accurately: Firstborn Children. This celebration of Yahowah's plan followed Yahowsha's fulfillment of "Pesach –

Passover" and "Matsah – Un-yeasted Bread." Yahowah has a plan, and He is carrying it out step by step in chronological order. The first four Miqra'ey were fulfilled one after another, all by the Zarowa', all in Year 4000 Yah. So now on the precipice of Year 6000 Yah, God is announcing that He will once again honor His promises.

Collectively then, "laqat – gleaning" establishes the Miqra' of Taruw'ah in its rightful place as the second of two harvests of saved souls. Additionally, by calling it a "gleaning," God is affirming that the harvest will be small. This is consistent with His written proclamation on the first of the two tablets when He wrote: "thousands will receive His mercy by observing His covenant's conditions." Thousands amongst billions is just one in a million.

In this context, *Raphq'ym*, speaking of the "souls of the deceased," is also telling, because it is from the dead and dying that God's Covenant children are being saved so that they might live. In this regard, *raphq'ym* is from *rapha'*, which reveals that those who remain retain the "defects which could have been healed by the physician," but because they rejected Yahowah's "restoration," their "health remains impaired."

Recognizing that this prophecy is about to reveal that all hell is going to break loose, the testimony regarding the timing of the *Taruw'ah* Harvest provides yet another affirmation that the basis of most everything Yahowsha' said can be found in the Torah and Prophets – making what little is reliable in the Greek texts redundant. In the midst of His open letter in Revelation, during His presentation of the Philadelphian era, He revealed that those who love Yahowah's Word and Name will be kept out of the Tribulation, while the Laodicean Christians living in affluence in the Western democracies will be left to endure it. They will remain outside of Passover's Doorway, unaware that it is the way to Yahowah's home.

I was once troubled by the fact this passage lists the thinning of Yisra'el immediately before the harvest. And that's because based upon what God has said, there is every reason to conclude that the *Taruw'ah* Harvest will be fulfilled before the worst of the Tribulation's carnage begins. It seems reasonable that the treaty alluded to in Dany'el, the one which appears to usher in the Tribulation, will be predicated upon Israel sacrificing land, thereby shrinking the vulnerable nation to the dimensions depicted in U.N. 242, to those which existed before Muslims lost the Six Days War. So I had thought Yisra'el would become vulnerable all at once, with Gaza and the West Bank being surrendered at the same time. But now we know that this is and will continue to be an ongoing process. Gaza was lopped off in 2006. And the West Bank has only partially been ceded to the Islamic antagonists. Therefore, the peace treaty sponsored by the Towrahless One may entail yet another foolish concession – one perhaps which goes beyond the succession of land.

Also at issue, we don't know when the Syrian War will end. There is every reason to think that it will rage on for quite some time – perhaps another decade. Further, while immediacy is implied, we do not know if it will be weeks or months after Damascus is destroyed and the Syrian government is deposed before the final surrender of territories surrounding Jerusalem, Ramallah, Qalqilya, Jericho, Bethlehem, and Hebron is offered to appease the Islamic terrorists. And we have not been told how many months or years will pass after the sliver of land between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv is sacrificed before the Magog war beings. However, one thing we know for sure, a great deal is going to happen between now and the fall of 2026, when the Tribulation is likely to begin. Islamic jihadists will continue to commit ruthless act of terrorism. Damascus will lie in ruins. The government of Syria will fall. The West Bank will be sliced away to create a Palestinian state. Yahowah will come to remove His children just before the world is engulfed in war.

The metaphors Yahowah uses in the next statement serve to identify the subjects who are being addressed. Olives were consumed as food, their oil was used as a healing ointment, and there was no better source of light in the ancient world. These traits, along with the fact that olives were firmly rooted in the Land and that are the longest living trees in the region, all serve to illustrate the influence of the Set-Apart Spirit in our lives. She brings light to dark places. She nourishes Her children, healing and empowering them. And Yahowah's Set-Apart Spirit distinguishes and separates those who live with God from those who die.

"So (wa) in him (ba – in Ya'aqob / in Yisra'el / or in the Covenant) there will be those who leave (sha'ar – there will be those who will live and those who will be left behind, remaining as part of a group for a duration of time (the niphal perfect consecutive indicates that each individual will be harvested or left based upon the choices they have made regarding these)), gleanings ('olelah – smaller secondary harvests) as in going around (ka naqap – as in encompassing and shaking off as a means of harvesting) an olive tree (zayth - olive; from zow brightness): two or three (shanaym shalowsh) ripe olives (gargar) in the top (ba ro'sh – on the uppermost and choicest) **branch** ('amyr – highest branch (symbolic of the Ma'aseyah)), four or five ('arba' chamesh) on the fruitful branches which have been cut away (ba ca'yph parah - clinging to a crevice of its (the olive's) flourishing and productive limbs; from ca'aph – which has been cut off (rendered from the DSS)), prophetically declares (na'um – before it occurs pronounces) Yahowah (4744), God ('elohym - Mighty One) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el - of individuals who engage and endure with God)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:6)

There was a reason behind Yahowah's depiction of the gleaning as "two or three" and then "four or five" olives. The smaller number associated with the

"uppermost and choicest branch" and the larger number with "fruitful branches which have been cut away" is designed to identify, quantify, and distinguish the relatively small number of individuals who will be taken home. The smaller of the two communities represents Yisra'elites, the direct descendants of Ya'aqob, who will be harvested at this time. The larger figure most likely represents the Gentiles who will be gleaned as adopted children as a result of embracing the conditions of the Covenant affirmed through Ya'aqob. Both participants in this secondary harvest of some seven-thousand souls, the naturally born and adopted, will leave Earth on the *Miqra*' of *Taruw'ah* following the destruction of Damascus and the thinning of Israel, but before the final Islamic assault against God's people and land.

If smallest and largest numbers, two and five, or largest and smallest, three and four, quantify the numbers harvested from each community, seven thousand members of the Covenant who will be brought out of the world and into Yahowah's home on this day. Our Heavenly Father would have every reason to protect His children at this time, removing them from the corruption and carnage man is about to unleash on the world – leading them away from the Valley of Death.

If these extrapolations are accurate, the *Taruw'ah* gleaning isn't very far away. It is set between unfolding events, the ongoing destruction of Damascus, the depopulation fall of Syria, and the disposition of Yisra'el's midsection, but prior to the time that Muslims react or Yisra'elites return to Yahowah. This is a fairly narrow window. So we should keep a keen eye focused on Syria, expecting the conflict to continue until there are so few civilians on one side or the other to kill, that the surviving Islamic jihadists turn their weapons and rage against Israel. We should expect that the U.S. will continue to remain on the wrong side, to try to impose its will, and that Israel will eventually capitulate. We are told that when this occurs, the Children of the Covenant will be taken home, removed from the Valley of Death, so that they do not have to endure the tidal wave of Muslim militants that will surely flood into the Promised Land, leaving death and destruction in their wake. It will be a gruesome scene.

There are a number of intriguing words in the Word of God which encourage us to think before we jump to conclusions. One of these is *sha'ar*, translated "there will be those who leave" in the previous statement. Some lexicons suggest that it means "to remain," as in "being left behind." But most Hebrew dictionaries assert that its primary connotation is "to leave." Personally I suspect that both concepts may apply depending upon who is being addressed, recognizing that when some leave others remain. With both connotations possible, let's reexamine God's presentation in context, beginning and ending with Yisra'el...

"The children (beny) of Yisra'el, those Individuals who Engage and Endure with God (Yisra'el), shall actually continue to exist (hayah) prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (५४५) of vast array of spiritual messengers and envoys (shaba'). (17:3)

And (wa) it will actually come to pass (hayah) in that day (ba ha yowm) that the size of (ha huw' kabowd) Ya'aqob (Ya'aqob) shall be decreased to the point of no longer being sustainable (dalal), and (wa) the fattest, best protected, and most important midsection (mashman) of his body (basar) shall be leaned, shrinking in size (razeh). (17:4)

And (wa) it shall be (hayah) like (ka) gathering in and receiving (`acaph) of a harvest, reaping the grain from the chaff in season, cutting it away so as to remove it from a vexing time of grief (qatsyr) thereby establishing and validating the standing grain (qamah).

And with (wa) His Sacrificial Lamb, His strong arm and ability to shoulder burdens, and His visible appearance as light (zarowa'), He will be collecting and harvesting (qatsyr) the first fruits (shibolym). And (wa) it shall be (hayah) as (ka) a gleaning, a smaller secondary harvest (laqat) of ears of grain (shibolym) in (ba) the valley ('emeq) of Rapha'ym, in the midst of souls destined to die (Raphq'ym). (17:5)

So (wa) in him [in Ya'aqob, Yisra'el, and the Covenant] (ba), there will be those who leave (sha'ar – there will be those who will live and those who will be left behind, remaining as part of a group for a duration of time (the niphal perfect consecutive indicates that each individual will be harvested or left based upon the choices they have made regarding these)), gleanings, smaller secondary harvests ('olelah), as in going around, as in encompassing and shaking off, as a means of harvesting (ka naqap) an olive tree (zayth): two or three (shanaym shalowsh) ripe olives (gargar) in the top uppermost (ba ro'sh) branch ('amyr), four or five ('arba' chamesh) on the fruitful branches which are separated (ba ca'yph parah), prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (१९५), God ('elohym) of Yisra'el, of those individuals who engage and endure with God (Yisra'el)." (17:6)

Since the picture being drawn before and after *sha'ar* depicts a smaller secondary gleaning, those being harvested are "leaving." They "will live" while others "will remain, being left behind." Ya'aqob is thereby being used to describe Yisra'elites in general, most of whom will be left, as well as the Covenant, all of whom will leave.

Since the Earth's population will be around seven billion people at this time, if God is depicting seven thousand "olives" from both the "uppermost / choicest" and "cut-off branches" being called home, then we have yet another affirmation

of the "thousands" figure denoting the quantity of those saved in the Second Statement Yahowah etched in stone. There, He revealed that thousands, which is one in a million people alive today, would receive His mercy by observing the conditions of His Covenant.

A third, larger, and final harvest will follow some seven years or more later when Yahuwdah and Yisra'el unite in their love of Yahowah on the *Miqra*' of *Yowm Kippurym* in the *Yowbel* Year of 6000 Yah (October 2nd at sunset in 2033). This will transpire upon His return when the Covenant will be renewed and reaffirmed. And best of all, Yahowah will personally write His Towrah on the hearts of His children, integrating His Guidance into the fabric of our lives. It is something He can do then, but cannot do now because it would forestall freewill. Up to that point, all humanity retains the options of ignoring, rejecting, negating, corrupting, or accepting the Towrah's Guidance.

God tells us that the experience in Heaven for those who will have been gleaned will be radically different from what we are currently experiencing on earth. There will be no traces of religion...

"In that specific day (ba ha yowm ha huw' – on this, His day), this man (ha 'adam – from Adam, the first man conceived in God's image) will genuinely regard and always accept (sha'ah – he will actually pay attention to and continually favor, receiving an ongoing gift which makes him acceptable from (in the qal stem and imperfect conjugation, the perspective is genuine and the attitude is everlasting regarding)) the Almighty ('al), his maker ('asah – his creator, the One who engaged and acted on his behalf), and (wa) his eyes ('ayn – his perspective, focus, and observations) will continuously look (ra'ah – he will genuinely and always gaze upon, seeing, perceiving, considering, and developing an understanding (qal imperfect)) toward God ('el), the Set Apart One (qadowsh – the separated, cleansing, and purifying) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el – of Individuals who Engage and Endure with God)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:7)

Please notice that "ha 'adam – this man" is a singular individual. This depiction is common throughout the Towrah and Prophets because the path to Yahowah is single file. The man or woman who walks to God goes against the crowd. Few find this stunningly unpopular path. As few as one in a million individuals answer God's invitations to meet with Him.

Yahowah is not suggesting that this gleaning of Covenant's children during *Taruw'ah* will cause people to "genuinely regard and accept" Him, because the vast preponderance will continue to reject Yahowah, favoring gods made by men rather than the Creator of men. But the one thing all of those headed home will have in common is that they will have accepted the terms and conditions of the

Covenant, thereby disassociating themselves from religion while recognizing Yahowah as their Father, their God, their Creator, and their Savior.

For the heirs to the Covenant, the members of the First Family, God's children, there will no longer be any illusions, no false gods, no religious deceptions, no platitudes from politicians. All of this corruptive rubbish will be discarded in favor of a perfect place and relationship.

"So then (wa) he shall never accept or gaze (lo' sha'ah – he will never regard, he will not ever actually consider, behold, or look (gal imperfect)) upon ('al (rendered from the DSS)) the altars (ha mizbeach – the religious sites of slaughter and sacrifice), these works (ma'aseh - their actions and deeds, their pursuits and achievements (rendered from the DSS)) representing what fingers have made ('asher 'asah 'etsba'). They will not focus upon (lo' ra'ah – they will not see, look to, pay attention to, or consider (rendered from the DSS)) either ('ow (rendered from the DSS)) Asherah (ha 'Asherah – the consort of the Lord Ba'al (a.k.a. Satan), a popularly worshiped pagan and mythological Babylonian, Assyrian, and Canaanite mother-earth goddess upon which the Roman Catholic religious festival of Easter Sunday was conceived, the idol the Madonna and Child statues and altars were built to emulate, the pole upon which the Christian cross was derived, and the basis of the Christmas celebration and tree; also known as Astarte and Ishtar, the Queen of Heaven and the Mother of God; from 'ashar – to pronounce blessed, to receive blessings, to relieve suffering, and to make happy) or the (wa ha) worship of sun god images (chaman – sun pillars used in idolatrous pagan worship where incense is commonly burned; from *chamah* – to be aroused by the sun)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:8)

This report is either devastating or affirming, depending upon a person's faith or lack thereof. For a believer, this is the worst possible news because God is saying that there will be no signs of religion in heaven. All traces of these ill-conceived and misleading schemes will be expressly forbidden. But for the descendants of Ya'aqob, for a child of the Covenant, and thus one of those gleaned, this statement affirms something we've already accepted and embraced. The Covenant's lone prerequisite is to walk away from our country, from Babylon, which Yahowah defines as corrupting and deadly religious and political schemes.

This statement also provides a contrast. Heaven will be markedly different from the world these fortunate individuals will be leaving. One is filled with religious imagery and the other has none. This not only demonstrates that religion leads away from God rather than to Him, but also that God cannot save the preponderance of people. If He did, if He allowed the religious and political into heaven, it would it would quickly devolve into hell – becoming no different than what these deadly and destructive institutions have done to ruin life on earth.

Asherah was also called Astarte and Ishtar by the Babylonians. She was named Isis by the Egyptians, Helena by the Helens (Greeks), and Venus by the Romans. She was Lord Ba'al's lover in ancient mythology. And Ba'al, the most commonly used Hebrew word for "lord," is Yahowah's name for Satan. This is because the Adversary's ambition is to lord over, to control, and to possess humankind, deceiving the masses into bowing down and worshipping him.

The religious myths claim that Asherah was impregnated by Lord Ba'al in the guise of the sun, so in her maternal role, she has been worshipped throughout time as the Madonna with Child. This goddess is called the Mother of God and the Queen of Heaven. Impregnated during the Sunday nearest the Spring Equinox, today's Easter, she is said to have given birth to god, the son of the sun, on the Winter Solstice, today's Christmas. So while all Christians celebrate her holidays, Catholics and orthodox Christians the world over demonstrate additional reverence to her when they light candles in front of their Madonna statues and when they repeat their ritual Hail Mary prayers.

So that this affinity with Christianity is not missed, it should be noted that Asherah's most noted religious festival, Easter Sunday, occurs when the sun is in the constellation of Taurus the Bull. And so nine months later, god's birthday was celebrated annually on the Winter solstice, today's Christmas. The name of our planet was derived from a blend of Asherah and Astarte. Mother Nature references are allusions to this goddess as well. Her pictogram is now the scientific symbol for woman—the combination of a circular sun disc and a cross.

To keep all of this in perspective, remember that Satan wants to be worshipped as god. He does not want to be known as "the Adversary," but instead as "the Lord" – the most common religious substitution for Yahowah's name. That puts him in a position of power and influence over mankind. As the "Lord," the masses bow down to him when they worship him. So like all of Satan's schemes, Asherah helps the "Ba'al – Lord" reinforce his deception by advancing the notion that there is a Queen of Heaven. Beyond this, when she conceives the Lord's son as the Mother of God, these pagan religious myths provide credence to the deception that has become Christianity. With every stroke, Satan repositions himself as a god rather than the "Adversary."

In this regard, we should not be surprised that the basis of Asherah's name is meant to be misleading and serve as a counterfeit. 'Ashar means "to pronounce blessing." It is why Catholics refer to "Mary" as the "Blessed Virgin" and "Blessed Mother." It is why they chant "Hail Mary full of Grace. The Lord has blessed thee." It is why they seek to "receive blessings" from her, including "relief from suffering" in Catholic Purgatory.

Most every aspect of Roman Catholicism is based upon the Babylonian and Assyrian sun-god religion. The papacy, hierarchal church order, nuns, fathers, and monks, the adoration of Mary, the notion God has a mother, the Rosary, Sunday worship, the Mass, confessions, bowing down, the sign and symbol of the cross, the golden sunburst icons placed on their altars, most of their priestly apparel, including the pope's hat, infant baptism, purgatory, holy water, wax candles, incense, steeples, saints, Lent, Easter, Christmas, calling God "Lord," and especially the Trinity, are all examples of religious rites, customs, and terms conceived in Babylon rather than the Word. The religious traditions of a decorated Christmas tree ('asherah means "grove of tall trees), the wreath, Yule log, mistletoe, Santa's names (including St. Nick), Santa's job, and his costume, the Easter Bunny, died eggs dipped in the colors of Spring, the Easter ham, and hot cross buns are all direct derivatives of the Babylon sun-god religion. Fortunately, these are all things which have no place in heaven.

Elsewhere in His Torah and Prophets, Yahowah speaks of "the poles of Asherah worship." These religious relics were later incorporated into Christianity as the Christmas tree and the Christian cross. Shia Muslims, based upon Muhammad's testimony, still celebrate Ashura Day, named in honor of this pagan goddess—somewhat strange for a religion which claims to be monotheistic. But then again, Satan covets a bride.

Before we move on, *chaman* also addresses the "worship of sun gods." Today we see *chaman* in obelisks like the Washington Monument and that found at the center of the Vatican, and also church steeples. Many Christian crosses bring all of this together when crosses incorporate the circular disc of the sun in their design. Even "church" draws from this heritage because Chirche, from whom we also derive the English word "circle," was a sun goddess.

These revelations create a special problem for many living in the United States. America's most enduring political symbols are sun-god related. On the secular side, these include the national and presidential eagle image, Washington's, Jefferson's, and Madison's tombstones, the Statue of Liberty, and the pyramid and eye on the nation's currency. They are an abomination to Yahowah. More important still, those showing patriotic allegiance to such symbols will be excluded from heaven.

"In that specific day (ba ha yowm ha huw"), it shall come to be (hayah – will actually exist for an ongoing period (qal imperfect)) that the cities of ('iyr – populations centers and inhabited places, anguishing anxiety and alarming terror) his refuge and his defensive fortifications (ma'owz – protective forces and systems) shall be abandoned ('azab – will be deserted and neglected, forsaken and left alone) like an occult presence in the thicket and as if drugged (ka cheresh – an enchanted area of sorcery amongst the undergrowth and wooded

areas, with mind-altering incantations and biological agents; from *charash* – to cut down while preparing potions devised to silence), and then (*wa*) the uppermost branch of the olive ('*amyr* – the treetop on the summit of the mountain) therefore ('*asher*) will be completely deserted for a time ('*azab* – will be totally freed and actually released (qal perfect)).

Because of (*min* – out of and from) **the presence of** (*paneh* – the face of and confronting) **the children** (*ben* – sons) **of Yisra'el** (*Yisra'el* – Individuals who Engage and Endure with God), **then** (*wa*) **appalling desolation and stupefying ruin** (*shamamah* – a stunning and astonishing deflowering of the tree, horrible devastation leaving these places ravaged and temporarily uninhabitable, completely deserted, and desolate so that a wasteland) **will exist** (*hayah* – as a result of the choices made, for a period of time, it (in the feminine singular addressing *shamamah* – desolation and / or '*azab* – the deserted upper branches of the olive) will actually exist for a while as a result of the perpetrator's choices (qal perfect consecutive))." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:9)

This indicates that the *Taruw'ah* harvest will spare the Covenant's children from having to endure these astonishingly horrible assaults against Yisra'el. Also, after Yahowah's children are gone, Satanic rhetoric will accompany the deployment of biological weapons to devastate much of the nation, leaving it uninhabitable for a time. Therefore, those left behind will endure hell on earth.

Then changing pronouns from third person to second person, Yahowah gets personal...

"Indeed because (ky – branded by another, rather) you have completely ignored and have actually forgotten, becoming totally ignorant of (sakah – you have overlooked and lost track of, no longer remembering and thus improperly responding to (qal perfect)) the God ('elohym – the Mighty One) of your salvation and deliverance (yasha' – your Savior), and (wa) the Rock (tsuwr – the bedrock, the high fortress enclosure, the rocky summit of the mountain) of your protection and refuge (ma'owz – of your safety in a stronghold on high ground, keeping you safe from danger; from 'azaz – making you strong and enabling you to prevail). You do not remember nor mention (lo' zakar – you do not recall, regard, or respond to, you do not publicly assert the truth about) the Most High ('al – Almighty).

Therefore (*ken* – likewise) **you plant** (*nata'* – you establish, causing to be rooted into the ground, setting up, building, and embedding a temporary residence by pitching a tent for) **the Lord's** (*na'amanym* – an epithet for Adonis, meaning Lord (from 'adony); a pleasant appearing, beautiful, and desired, and yet misunderstood pagan wound in the garden of Adonis') **vines** (*neta'* – vineyard, acting as a husbandman to arrange and nurture a garden or residence which is

built representing the unfaithful home of religious misunderstanding). And you continually sow (zara' – you routinely scatter the seed, creating the offspring of (qal imperfect)) an illegitimate, unauthorized, and loathsome means to estrangement (wa zar – a nauseating alien and foreign; from zuwr – to estrange through harlotry) via a vine branch that needs to be pruned (zamowrah – a shoot or twig which requires pruning; from zamar – to trim away)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:10)

Throughout the Torah and Prophets several things become both obvious and irrefutable. Among them, losing sight of what Yahowah has revealed to us in His Towrah leads to disaster, to death and destruction. Yahowah, Himself, is our Savior. Yahowah's nature, His plan, and His Word never change, making His promises rock solid.

It should be noted here that God is not punishing His wayward children. But He is not protecting them either, at least at this moment.

Tsuwr, translated "the Rock," speaks of the rocky top of Mount Horeb that blazed with Yahowah's light during the time He was conveying His Towrah to His children. *Tsuwr* alludes to the non-eroding rock-solid and unchanging nature of Yahowah's testimony and to the enduring validity of His promises.

Tsuwr also plays an essential role in one of Yahowsha's most misquoted and misunderstood statements. The Disciple Shim'own answered the question, "Who do you say that I am," with: "You are the Ma'aseyah (the Work of Yahowah), the Son of God." This question, the Disciple's answer, and also Yahowsha's subsequent reply, were all spoken in their native tongue, in Hebrew, in the language of God. Recognizing this, Yahowsha' exclaimed, "'Al ze'th tsuwr ybanah y-miqra'ey," which means: "Upon this Rock, I will build My Invitations to be Called Out and Meet." Yahowsha' did not rename Shim'own "Peter," and He did not say anything about "establishing his church." But He did say that He was responsible for establishing His Miqra'ey on the rock upon which the Towrah was revealed.

The third of God's four sentences in this divine pronouncement goes well beyond suggesting that Yisra'elites would forget Yahowah, their Savior, ignoring Him. He is accurately predicting that Yisra'elites would promote the Adversary. *Na'amanym* is an epithet for Adonis, one derived from the Hebrew "*adon* – lord." Adonis was the Greek god of beauty and desire. His mythology features the sowing of seasonal gardens. And that is the basis of this reference, explaining how we have come to associate *na'amanym nata'* with Adonis, the Lord.

Adonis under a variety of names is a central figure in most religious mythologies. Adonis's death, like the dying of the Christian god, kept the Lord forever young, youthful, and beautiful – and thus more appealing than the father

of the gods. Not only is the Christian "Jesus" designed to serve as a more appealing replacement for the god of the Old Testament, keep in mind that Satan, represented by the Lord, is physically beautiful and appears desirable.

Adonis became the model for the Christian Christ with his annual death and rebirth. Also telling, this mythical god is said to have become mortal. In this light, Adonis is a derivative of the Babylonian Tammuz, the Assyrian Ba'al, and the Egyptian Osiris, even the Greek Dionysus and Roman Bacchus. Adonis, like Tammuz, was killed by a wild boar, and like Nimrod (the forerunner of Tammuz), he was considered a mighty hunter. His violent death became the foundation for the Yisra'elite propensity to weep for Tammuz. It is the myth which underlies the Roman Catholic devotion to Lent. Hauntingly, when the Lord (Adonis) died, his blood was said to bring forth new life, just as it does in the Christian religion – a belief system also conceived and promoted by Jews.

In this regard, according to the Greeks, Adonis was born in Byblos, just as the legend of the Christian "Jesus" was authored by Sha'uwl / Paul in the New Testament of the Christian Bible. The son of Phoenix, he was conceived to die and be resurrected.

In Walter Burkert's *Greek Religion*, we read affirmations that directly tie into Yahowah's prophecy regarding Adonis and the religious worship of the Lord, especially in the context of planting and sowing: "Women sit by the gate weeping for Tammuz, or they offer incense to Ba'al on rooftops and plant pleasant plants. These are the very features of the Adonis legend: which is celebrated on flat rooftops on which seeds are sown which quickly germinate, creating Adonis gardens...where the climax is loud lamentation for the dead god."

As was the case with Asherah, the Adonis cult "provided an opportunity for the unbridled expression of emotion in the strictly circumscribed life of women...in accordance with the festivals of Demeter," according to Walter Burkert. Demeter was a mother-goddess associated with the harvest. She presided over "the sacred law and the cycle of life and death."

It is also telling that the Feast of Adonis, celebrated in the Spring, coincides with Passover. It celebrated the death and resurrection of Adonis in complete harmony with the Christian Easter. According to William Smith in *A Dictionary of Greek and Roman Antiquities*: "It was celebrated over two days. On the first, statues of Adonis were laid out as corpses and the faithful observed all of the rites customary at funerals, beating themselves and uttering lamentations, imitating the cries of Venus (the Roman name of Asherah) over the death of her lover. The second day was spent in merriment and feasting because Adonis was allowed to return to life." This is remarkably similar to the Christian festivals of Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Moreover, considering where this prophecy began, the Adonis

cult migrated from Athens to Syria in the 2nd century CE. Also telling, in 270 BCE, Theocritus describes a public and state-sponsored Adonis festival in Alexandria, Egypt.

Therefore, it is the religious tendency to promote Satan and the Lord that Yahowah was lamenting. As a result of advancing the interests of the Adversary, the Yisra'elites would receive a devastating blow from their enemies. This is what will lead to them being pruned and cause them to remain estranged a while longer.

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Yisra'elites pushed Yahowah aside because He got in the way of their religion. They isolated and deceived themselves with all manner of religious arguments and political deceptions.

"In that day (ba yowm), you raise (suwg – you make grow, controlling and increasing every aspect of) your garden (neta' – your tending of your planting). And in the (wa ba ha) early part of the day (boqer – morning), your seed (zera' – your means to propagate life, your offspring and children) will bud and sprout (parach – blossom and bloom), reaping (qasyr – harvesting) a shaken and corrupt heap which is piled up and will be thrust aside (ned – an aimless mound; from nuwd – to waver and wander, to take flight while grieving, tottering while bemoaning).

In the daytime (ba yowm), there will be weakness, affliction, and tribulation (chalah – internal wounds, suffering, and disease, travail and grieving) including (wa) the influence of incurable ('anash – the onset of woeful and desperate, even desperately wicked and incapacitating) physical pain and mental anguish (ka'eb – emotional sorrow and mental suffering, disappointment and disaster)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:11)

As is the case with Yahowah's instructions regarding what's good and what's bad for us to eat, God is using a variety of examples to demonstrate that those who consume garbage, especially in the form of bad ideas, will get sick and die. He is therefore warning us to be careful regarding the seeds we plant because they can have the same effect. He isn't talking about gardens, although there is merit in comparing His Garden of Eden to mankind's poisoned and modified produce. God is letting us know that we have sown the weeds that have choked out productive life on this planet.

Specifically, since Yahowsha' told us that the fig tree, which represents Yisra'el, will sprout as a result of Yisra'elites returning to their Land, He is indicating that the agricultural revolution they brought to the parched earth will be short lived. Having sown the seeds of dissent, they will reap the pain of separation. Estranged from God, aligned with evil, Israel's initial success will give way to mental anguish and physical pain as their world crumbles around them. Unlike the few who are gleaned, they will endure the full brunt of the Tribulation.

This next prophetic statement alerts us to the impending peril of the Magog War – the final worldwide Islamic assault against Israel. Beginning in what I think will be the Spring of 2027, this tidal wave of terrorism will be worse than the combined conquests of the Assyrians, Babylonians, Greeks, and Romans. It will be more pervasive and vicious than the Holocaust. With these words we are witnessing the prologue of World War III...

"Woe, be wary of (howy – alas, expressing dissatisfaction in a declaration of impending judgment often as part of a prophetic warning) a great many nations (rabym 'amym – a multitude of compatriots and kinsmen related by race, religion, or culture) roaring in hoards of agitated terrorists (hamown – multitudes of confused and loudmouthed militants flaunting their abundant wealth clamoring emotionally in massively disorderly riots, enraged and crying out in turmoil) similar to (ka – as, like, akin to, and corresponding to) loudly groaning (hamah – the confused and chaotic uproar and disturbing snarling growl, the angry and intoxicated yearnings and enraged wailing lament of surging) seas (yamym – bodies of water (as opposed to the Land and thus serving as a metaphor for gowym – Gentiles)).

They will wail (hamah – they groan in agitated and anguished screams, snarling like confused and chaotic terrorists), and (wa) the roar of the societal chaos (sha'own – the crying out in a horrible uproar as things crash down around the rebellious, confused, political, and religious brawling terrorists in ruin) of the people of these nations (la'om – of these population groups which gather together) will be like (ka – similar to) the horrible uproar (sha'own – the brawling and crying out of the flood of rebellious and confused and the loud roar) of the waters (maym – of the floodwaters). Intensely and in great numbers (kabyr – in abundance and intertwined with grating passion), they will continually strive to desolate and lay waste (sha'ah – they always want to ruin everything they touch, destroying themselves in the process (niphal imperfect paragogic))." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:12)

There are several ways to interpret Yahowah's repetitive references to the seas and floodwaters. The first is obvious from the immediate context, as it reflects the nature of water. Tsunami waves may be the most destructive force on earth, and

stormy seas, particularly those driven by massive storms, roar ashore, flooding and eroding everything in their path. Nearly as deadly, floodwaters are often widespread, massive in scope, unstoppable, and devastating. Therefore, it would be reasonable to assume that this predicted attack on Israel is going to be perpetrated by vast multitudes of people, coming into the Land wave after wave, loudmouthed, relentless, and awesomely destructive, they will be unstoppable, inundating the land, leaving death and destruction in their wake.

The second option is nearly certain. It stems from the symbolic distinction Yahowah often makes between the land and the sea, with the Land representing Yisra'el and the sea denoting the Gentile nations. As such, the reference reveals a collective attack by Gowym against Yahuwdym.

The third consideration is tactical, but I'd be remiss if I didn't at least present it for your consideration. Since Yahowah has said that a multitude of people from a great number of nations will flood into Yisra'el, we would be wise to envision a seaborne invasion from all directions – the militants crashing into the land in waves. Under this scenario, many will come from the west aboard ships sailing across the Mediterranean Sea. These militants will have been indoctrinated to despise Israel in Turkey, Lebanon, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, and Cyprus – all of which exist along the Great Sea. France, Spain, and Italy are home to more than eight million Muslims. Also the Baltic nations around the Mediterranean have large Islamic populations, especially Bosnia, Albania, and Kosovo. But let's not rule out Islamic jihadists from the Caucasus who will likely sail across the Black Sea and through the Bosporus Straits into the Aegean Sea before washing ashore in the Promised Land. The nations they hail from might include Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, or Chechnya. Then from the south, sailing up the Red Sea, we might expect jihadists from Somalia, the Sudan, Chad, Niger, Mali, Nigeria, Yemen, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, Abu Dhabi, Oman, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Indonesia, and Malaysia.

And while that covers the Muslims who may approach from the Seas, we should also consider the floodwaters. In Israel there is but one floodplain, and it is found in the northeast part of the country in Galilee, just below the Syrian Golan Heights. Through this now vulnerable portal, we might expect millions of mujahedeen from Syria, Iraq, Iran, Jordan, and Saudi Arabia.

There is one final potentiality; one I hope isn't accurate. But since this chapter delineates the negative consequences of American intervention, and the next adroitly describes the United States geographically, culturally, politically, and militarily, there is reason to suspect that the U.S. Navy and Air Force will engage against Israel and in support of its Islamic political, military, and economic allies throughout the region. It is a very small step from providing Israel's enemies with

copious amounts of the world's deadliest weapons and using them. So while I pray this does not happen, I would not be surprised if America not only supported the Islamic action against Israel, just at the British did in 1948 and 1967, but also launched its own strikes after that war is lost by the mujahedeen.

There are 1.5 billion Muslims, far too many of whom are jihadists. They are the majority in 50 nations, controlling those places, while influencing the rest of the world with their carrot and stick: OPEC oil and terrorism. In massive and vociferous armies, they have sought to destroy Israel four times, during the Holocaust during the 1930s, in 1948, 1967, and 1974. And yet according to this prophecy, their most egregious assault is still on our horizon, a war that will follow a peace treaty that renders the Israel indefensible.

Now if you think that I'm being a bit presumptuous in identifying the "roaring hoards of agitated terrorists" who "continually strive to ruin everything they touch, destroying themselves in the process," as "Muslims," remember that the past is the best predictor of the future. Their previous campaigns over the last 1400 years, and especially during the most recent 70, leave little doubt that those who assail Israel the loudest, those who have pledged to destroy the nation, those who commit 99% of today's terrorist acts, those whose militaries have been equipped for this very mission, and those that have attempted this very thing multiple times are those being depicted in this prophecy. Muslims were given a reason to die by Muhammad, not live, a reason to destroy by Allah, not build, so this battle is inevitable.

Mujahedeen by the tens of millions, looting, destroying, and killing everything in sight while shouting "Allahu Akbar!" will once again attempt to destroy God's land and people. And sadly, much of their devastation will be caused by American weapons because the United States is the world's leading merchant of death.

Yahowah's prophetic words are selected with precision, so subtle nuances become particularly important when various terms are used to describe similar events. There are many important shadings here which should not be overlooked. We have been told that multitudes will scream and lay waste. With pomp and tumult, the Islamic jihadists from nations the world over will roar against and destroy everything in their path, devastating themselves in the process. This sounds a lot like the carnage we are currently witnessing in Syria, which we have been told will be the prelude to this war. The cries of the mujahedeen will be as loud and relentless as the raging of the sea. Devoid of morals, confused and enraged by their religion, these Muslims will take what is not theirs and destroy what they do not take. It is gang mentality manifest in religion and politics on a massive scale.

This prophetic vision was all encompassing and horrific, so Yahowah through Yasha'yah continued to paint it with these words:

"The people of these nations (la'om – the population groups which gather together) will be like (ka – similar to) the horrible uproar (sha'own – the brawling and crying out of the rebellious and confused, the riotous loud roar and chaos, and the rumbling of an enormous quantity) of the waters (maym – of the floodwaters). Massively great (rab – widespread and abundant) will be their devastation and desolation (sha'ah – shall be their desire to ruin everything while they strive to lay waste, giddy in the process as they crash into the land as a massive and raging storm, the blaring and fearsome noise they make as they rush along at great speed destroying (niphal imperfect paragogic)).

But (wa) He will rebuke them, issuing a warning against them while criticizing their corruption $(ga'ar\ ba$ – He will disapprove and reprimand them, accusing them of wrongdoing, exposing and admonishing them (rendered from the DSS)). And so (wa) they will be forced to flee (nuwc – they will take flight as a result of being driven back hastily, and shall be caused to disappear (qal stem, perfect conjugation, consecutive mood)) on account of being alienated $(min\ merchaq$ – being removed and distanced from afar to a place far away).

And they will be chased (wa radaph – so then he will be pursued and driven away), just as the chaff (ka mowts – like husks or non-fruit part of the grain that is discarded) on the hills (harym – associated with the elevated heights and mountains) before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the Spirit (ruwach), and like (wa ka) a tumbleweed (galgal – or a chariot wheel as part of a troop transport) before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the storm (cuwphah – the gale, tempest, and whirling wind)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:13)

Simply stated: Muslims are going to act heinously and be extremely destructive and deadly. They will roar into Yisra'el like a massive flood, akin to a tidal wave, but then Yahowah is going to blow them away. Bellowing "Allahu Akbar! – Allah is Greater," believing that they are killing in the cause of their wannabe god, the one true God will pursue them, sending them into oblivion.

But you'll notice that while Yahowah's Set-Apart Spirit is going stop the Islamic assault, blowing the invading Muslims out of His Land, another storm is approaching. I suspect that this is indicative of the first and second phases of the Magog War. According to Yahowsha's testimony in Revelation, one in four people on earth, perhaps representing the entire Islamic population, will succumb initially – annihilated by God. But then an even more devastating storm is going to devour a third of those who remain, because it appears based upon what

follows that America is going to engage, turning a regional conflict into World War III.

Yahowah is not the least bit tolerant of religion, politics, or militarism, nor the economic endeavors which prosper as a result of these things, especially when they are inspired by the Adversary and seek to destroy His people, His land, and His purpose. These Muslims, aided as they are by the West, will be as repulsive and destructive as the world has ever seen, devastating everything in their path – all in the name of the most militaristic religion and demonic god ever conceived by man. Corrupt beyond hope, Yahowah knows that if He does not intervene at this time and eradicate them, left to their own devices, these Islamic militants would destroy His Land and people, making all of Yisra'el uninhabitable.

However, as we shall learn, Yahowah only intervenes to save Yisra'el, not the rest of the world. And He only does so at the very last moment, hoping that His people will finally realize that they cannot defend themselves. He is not offering to protect the Americas, Europe, Africa, Asia, or the Middle East.

In this war, the odds in human terms are too great, with Muslims outnumbering Yisra'elites one hundred to one – 1.5 billion to 15 million. Equally revealing, while Israel has successfully defended itself against the unified rage of Islam in 1948, 1967, and 1974, this time, in what I suspect will be 2027, they will no longer have the capacity to do so. American weapons wielded by Muslims will turn the tide, requiring Yahowah to intervene. As I have stated, over the past decade the United States has provided twenty-five times more military hardware to Islamic nations than it has to Israel. These are odds that cannot overcome.

Anti-Semitic rage will escalate worldwide, as will mankind's propensity through propaganda and patriotism to turn this regional religious conflict into a global war. Anti-Jewish rhetoric is already on the rise in Europe, Asia, and the Americas. It may even lead to a nuclear holocaust, with Iran, Pakistan, and Saudi Arabia initiating the carnage and America responding, drawing Russia, China, and Europe into the fray. There will also be a series of devastating natural disasters, including an asteroid strike. It will be hell on earth.

According to the timeline Yahowah has provided, before the approaching storm of World War III, there will be an onslaught of Islamic terrorism. Many will die. And yet Muslims will fail in their attempt to destroy Israel. According to God, death and devastation will be the lot of those who loot and prey upon Yahowah's favorite place and upon His chosen people.

Hauntingly, while Muslims try, America has been the only nation to successfully plunder Israel of her most valuable and important asset—her Godgiven gift: the Promised Land. The United States forced Israelis to give back the Sinai and Gaza, then Lebanon, followed by control of large swaths of the West

Bank. America did it to sell arms to the Islamic nations and to buy oil more cheaply. This has earned the U.S. the wrath of God. He will soon warn America in this prophecy, a plea designed to encourage those who listen to Him to disassociate from the government and its military. Now is the worst time to be political and patriotic. Even today, March 3, 2014, as I type these words, a BBC headline reads: "President Barack Obama warned Israel of 'international fallout' if it does not accept the U.S. framework of a peace deal with the Palestinians." This deal would reset the borders between Israel and a future "Palestinian" state, while determining the status of Jerusalem. It is the basis of the treaty that diminishes Israel in width at the nation's midsection to less than five miles. Inexplicitly, America has positioned itself in direct opposition to God.

But we are getting ahead of Yahowah's story. For now He wants us to know that the next time Islamic jihadists attack Yisra'el en masse, He, Himself, will intervene to stop them abruptly.

"Approaching the timing (la 'eth – nearing the point in time and occasion, upon the season and right time) of the Arab sunset ('ereb – of evening, night, the close of the day when things grow dark (note: the same letters convey 'Arab)), then behold (wa hineh – now look and see) terrorism (balahah – sudden and dreadful calamitous destruction perpetrated on civilian populations, fear educing destruction which results in the cessation of life in the name of Allah).

In the time before (ba terem – with the arrival of) the dawn (boqer – morning, the arrival of light, sunrise and daybreak, the next morning), he is gone ('ayn – it is negated and for naught because he fails).

This (zeth) is the fate of those deceived regarding their merits (cheleq – this is what happens as a result of flattering propaganda, the reward and booty of those seeking territory, the share of what is apportioned to those who have been seduced) who plunder and pillage us (shacah – who engage militarily trying to conquer and rob us (qal)), and (wa) the lot (gowral – recompense and retribution of the choice) of those (la – coming to those) who seek to conquer us, carrying off the spoils of war (bazaz – who use force and engage in battle to prey upon us, seizing what belongs to us)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 17:14)

Rather than the "Arab Spring," this is the "Arab Sunset," the ultimate consequence of Islam's destructive and deadly nature. The word 'ereb, meaning "the lack of light," is indistinguishable in the Hebrew text from 'Arab, the desolate places and race universally associated with Islamic terrorism. As a result of Islam, "Arab" and "Muslim" are promoted as being synonymous and thus indistinguishable. This religion proves every day that Yahowah's prophecies of it

through Ishmael, were accurate. Running amuck around the world, it destroys everything in its path.

So not only is Arab synonymous with darkness, Allah's name is found in the midst of the Hebrew word for "terror" – *balahah*. We should not surprised that Muslims following Allah's Qur'anic orders are responsible for over 99% of the world's terrorist acts.

Just as it is darkest right before the dawn, so it will be with the consequence of this horrid religion. Yahowah's intervention through His Spirit will usher in a new day. Islam will be no more. All of Allah's hate will be for naught.

In this light, it should be noted that the Qur'an's 8th surah, appropriately called the "Spoils of War," says: "Plunder is lawful and good." Methinks Yahowah disagrees. That is why perhaps "*cheleq* – the fate of those deceived regarding their merits" defines the entire Qur'anic motivation for Islamic terrorism: the seductive promise of stolen booty in this world and of unending sexual favors in paradise in the next for those Muslims who terrorize on behalf of Allah. We have moved well beyond coincidence here. Yahowah is revealing that the terrorists will be Muslims fighting in Allah's Cause. And He documented this in writing in 750 BCE, 1,350 years before Islam was invented, and 2,750 years before these Muslims would terrorize Israel on behalf of their wannabe god.

We have covered so much territory, I suspect that we would all benefit from a review. To keep our bearings and bring the 17th chapter to a close, remember that this prophecy began with the destruction of Damascus and fall of Syria, something which led to the process of thinning Yisra'el at the nation's vital midsection. Next we witnessed a gleaning of the Covenant's children prior to what appears to be a horrendous chemical or biological attack on the nation's cities, resulting in deforestation and devastation. And all of this occurred because Yisra'elites came to rely upon themselves rather than Yahowah. These events were followed by an Islamic invasion of Israel, one so unrelenting and devastating, Yahowah will have to intervene to stop it.

With this in mind, let's review where we have been...

"A prophetic pronouncement regarding (masa') Damascus (Drameseq): behold (hineh), Damascus (Drameseq) is revolting and corrupt and will be removed from among inhabited cities. It is degenerate and unrestrained and shall be abolished (suwr min iyr). And (wa) she shall actually become (hayah) a twisted and tangled (ma'iy) heap of rubble (mapalah). (17:1)

Abandoned and forsaken, deserted and destroyed will be ('azab) the inhabited regions and populated cities ('iyr) of 'Arow'er, speaking of the outcasts in Jordan and Lebanon ('arow'er). For there will be (la hayah)

roaming animals fighting in militant militias failing miserably ('ader), but then (wa) there will be no one to terrorize ('ayn charad). (17:2)

Then (wa) the fortified places and defensive structures (mibtsa'r) will cease to exist (shabath) on account of (min) the Northern Kingdom ('Ephraym), along with (wa) the government (mamlakah) out of (min) Damascus (Drameseq), including (wa) the remnant (sa'ar) of Syria ('Aram), for being similarly (ka) vehement and burdensome, fanatical and onerous, dimwitted and enraged (kabowd).

The children (beny) of Yisra'el, those Individuals who Engage and Endure with God (Yisra'el), shall actually continue to exist (hayah), prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (ᠲY) of vast array of spiritual messengers and envoys (shaba'). (17:3)

And (wa) it will actually come to pass (hayah) in that day (ba ha yowm) that the size of (ha huw' kabowd) Ya'aqob, a synonym for Israel (Ya'aqob), shall be decreased to the point of no longer being sustainable (dalal), and (wa) the fattest, best protected, and most vital midsection (mashman) of his body (basar) shall be leaned, shrinking in size (razeh). (17:4)

Then (wa) it shall be (hayah) like (ka) gathering in and receiving ('acaph) of a harvest, of reaping the grain from the chaff in season, cutting it away so as to remove it from a vexing time of grief (qatsyr), thereby establishing and validating the standing grain (qamah). And with (wa) His Sacrificial Lamb, His strong arm and ability to shoulder burdens, His visible appearance as light (zarowa'), He will collect and harvest (qatsyr) the first fruits (shibolym). But (wa) it shall be (hayah) as (ka) a gleaning, a smaller secondary harvest (laqat) of ears of grain (shibolym) in (ba) the valley ('emeq) of Rapha'ym, in the midst of souls destined to die (Raphq'ym). (17:5)

So (wa) in him [speaking of Ya'aqob, and thus Yisra'elites and the Children of the Covenant] (ba), there will be those who leave based upon the choices they have made (sha'ar), gleanings, smaller, secondary harvests ('olelah), as in going around, encompassing, and shaking them off as a means of harvesting $(ka\ naqap)$ an olive tree (zayth): two or three $(shanaym\ shalowsh)$ ripe olives (gargar) in the top, uppermost $(ba\ ro'sh)$, branch ('amyr), four or five $('arba'\ chamesh)$ on her fruitful branches which have been separated $(ba\ ca'yph\ parah)$, prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (\rat{YY}) , the Mighty One ('elohym) of Yisra'el, of those individuals who engage and endure with God (Yisra'el). (17:6)

In that specific day (ba ha yowm ha huw'), this man who is a descendent of Adam (ha 'adam) will genuinely regard and always accept (sha'ah) the Almighty ('al), his Maker ('asah), and (wa) his eyes ('ayn) will actually and

continually look (ra'ah) toward God ('el), the Set-Apart One (qadowsh) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el). (17:7)

So then (wa) he shall never regard, accept, consider, nor look (lo' sha'ah) upon ('al) the religious altars (ha mizbeach), these works (ma'aseh) which fingers have made ('asher 'asah 'etsba'). They will not focus upon (lo' ra'ah) either ('ow) the Asherah, the religious myth representing the Mother of God and Queen of Heaven who is associated with the Lord, Ba'al, with Easter, Christmas, and Christianity (ha 'Asherah) or the (wa ha) worship of sun god images and resulting religious monuments (chaman). (17:8)

In that specific day (ba ha yowm ha huw'), it shall come to be (hayah) that the cities of ('iyr) his [still addressing Ya'aqob's, and thus Yisra'el's] refuge and defensive fortifications (ma'owz) shall be abandoned ('azab) like an occult presence in the thicket and as if drugged with mind-altering incantations or biological agents (ka cheresh). And then (wa) the uppermost branch of the olive ('amyr) therefore ('asher) will be completely deserted for a time ('azab) because of (min) the presence of (paneh) the children (ben – sons) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el). And so (wa) appalling desolation and stupefying ruin, a stunning deforestation, horrible devastation leaving these places uninhabitable and deserted (shamamah) will exist for a time as a result of the choices made (hayah). (17:9)

Indeed, because, rather branded by another (ky), you have completely ignored and have actually forgotten, becoming totally ignorant of (sakah) the God ('elohym) of your salvation and deliverance – Your Savior (yasha') and (wa) the Rock (tsuwr) of your protection and refuge (ma'owz). You do not remember nor mention (lo' zakar) the Most High ('al).

Therefore (ken), you plant (nata') the Lord's (na'amanym) vines (neta'). And you continually sow (zara') an illegitimate, unauthorized, and loathsome means to estrangement (wa zar) by way of a vine branch that needs to be pruned (zamowrah). (17:10) In that day (ba yowm), you raise (suwg) your garden (neta'). And in the (wa ba ha) early part of the day (boqer), your seed (zera') will bud and sprout (parach), reaping (qasyr) a shaken and corrupt heap which is piled up and will be thrust aside (ned).

In the daytime (ba yowm), there will be weakness, affliction, and tribulation (chalah) including (wa) the influence of incurable and incapacitating ('anash) physical pain and mental anguish (ka'eb). (17:11)

So woe, be wary of (howy) a great many nations (rabym 'amym) roaring like hoards of agitated terrorists, these multitudes of confused and loudmouthed militants flaunting what they possess (hamown), similar to (ka) the chaotic uproar of loudly snarling and growling (hamah) seas (yamym).

They will wail in agitated and anguished screams (hamah), and (wa) the roar of the societal chaos (sha'own) of the people of these nations (la'om) will be like (ka) the horrible uproar (sha'own) of floodwaters (maym). Intensely and in great numbers with grating passion (kabyr), they will continually strive to desolate and lay waste (sha'ah). (17:12)

This massive number of people who gather together (la'om) will be like (ka) the horrible chaos and riotous roar (sha'own) of floodwaters (maym). Massively great, widespread, and abundant (rab) shall be their desire to destroy everything, giddy in the process as they crash into the land as a raging storm (sha'ah).

But (wa) He will rebuke them, issuing a warning against them while criticizing their corruption (ga'ar ba). And so (wa) they will be forced to flee, taking flight as a result of being driven back, ultimately ceasing to exist (nuwc) on account of being alienated (min merchaq). They will be chased, pursued and driven away (wa radaph), similar to the chaff that dies and is discarded (ka mowts) on the hills (harym) before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the Spirit (ruwach), and like (wa ka) the chariot wheels of troop transports rolling like tumbleweeds (galgal) before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the storm (cuwphah). (17:13)

Approaching the point in time (la 'eth) of the darkness of the Arab sunset ('ereb), then behold (wa hineh): terrorism – the deliberate and dreadful mauling and murder of civilians to promote a political and religious objective (balahah). In the time before (ba terem) the dawn (boqer), it is over and for naught ('ayn). This (zeth) is the fate of those deceived regarding their merits, the result of flattering propaganda, the reward for those coveting booty (cheleq) who engage in a military conquest to plunder and pillage us (shacah), and (wa) the lot, recompense and retribution (gowral) coming to those (la) who seek to conquer us, carrying off the spoils of war (bazaz)." (17:14)

Do you feel as I do that we have been given a copy of tomorrow's newspaper? And since this 2700-year-old prophecy now appears inevitable, how is it that so many continue to stumble in the darkness hastening their own destruction in light of this stunning revelation?

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The tone of Yasha'yah's vision does not change as we move through the artificial chapter break. But now as we turn the page, Yahowah does something He does nowhere else in Scripture. Rather than naming the offending country, He

vividly describes it in His prophetic warning, ostensibly because it would remain unknown for over two-thousand years. So while the identity of this nation will soon become obvious, the timing of this transition from Islamic terrorism in Israel to a distant land across the seas is concerning.

When Yahowah revealed that His Spirit was going to blow the invading Muslims out of Yisra'el, He said that this was going to occur prior to the approaching storm. Therefore, this continuing testimony appears to relate to that storm, to World War III, to the even more devastating aftermath of the Islamic attempt to conquer and loot God's Land. We have been given every reason to suspect that the nation that instigated the Syrian War, the nation that has played the greatest role in giving large swaths of Israel to the Muslims, the nation that built the weapons the Islamic nations will wield against Israel is the very nation which will act up again, pushing the rest of the world into war. It is what would have happened already if Putin hadn't prevented the United States from bombing Syria, a Russian and Chinese ally, by disposing of its chemical weapons in late 2013.

If you are a patriotic American, consider this your warning...

"Woe (howy – alas, expressing dissatisfaction and a warning) to the land ('erets – the realm, nation, and place) of whirling and buzzing (tsalatsal – of loud percussive flying things which swarm in on, buzzing weapons which devour and destroy, of the clangor of locust-like armies flying on) wings (kanaph – a structure with winged extremities like a bird which are used to fly and attack) which ('asher – relationally speaking) is from (min – out of) the region beyond ('eber – the place situated across from and on the opposite side of [from the perspective of Yisra'el]) the direction of (la) the rivers (nahary) of Kuwsh (Kuwsh – either the Nile Delta or Northern Mesopotamia)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 18:1)

Tsalatsal, translated "of whirling and buzzing," is from the verbal root, tsalal, which speaks of "quivering in fear." This, when combined with the image of "a loud percussive flying weapon which swarms in and destroys" paints a graphic picture similar to the paramount scene in Apocalypse Now. If you recall, before Robert Duvall tells us that he "loves the smell of Napalm in the morning," a swarm of Huey Helicopters, wings whirling, instill panic in a Vietnam village, with machine guns blazing and missles firing, collectively destroying everything in sight – all punctuated by the German March of the Valkyries blaring from their loud speakers. More fearsome still, and quintessentially American, Apache Gunships replete with menacing Gatling guns have instilled fear worldwide.

While it may have been unintended, "*kanaph* – wings" is from a primitive root which conveys "stealth," as in "to be hidden from view." Among military aircraft, this too is a quintessentially American concept.

Should you be interested, Kuwsh was Noah's grandson through Ham. In the Table of Nations found in *Bare'syth /* Genesis 10, Ham represents Africa and Asia, while his firstborn Kuwsh became the forefather of Babylon. Ham's other sons were Mitsraym (denoting Egypt), Put (the progenitor of Libya), and Canaan (addressing the tribes that occupied the Promised Land). Affirming Kuwsh's association with Mesopotamia, he fathered Nimrod, the Assyrian / Babylonian king who first popularized sun-god religious mythology. He was the first man to be considered the son of the Sun – the principle pagan deity – and thus a god. This aspect of the Babylonian religion, whereby the son of god was killed and resurrected, was later manifest in Tammuz, Osiris, Dionysus, Bacchus, and ultimately in the Christian "Jesus," deceiving so many people throughout the ages. Therefore, based upon this reference, the rivers of *Kuwsh* would have to include the region America invaded when it gave Iraq to Iran, thereby igniting the Syrian War.

While it is a stretch, since Nimrod was rumored to be of African descent, and since *kuwsh* means "black," Kuwsh is thought by some to be Africa. However, most lexicons, such as the *Dictionary of Biblical Languages*, designate Kuwsh as "an unknown land."

The first and only attempt to locate the rivers associated with the "land of Kuwsh" geographically in the Towrah is found in the reference to the position of the Garden of Eden in *Bare'syth |* Genesis 2:13. As we discovered, with a modicum of research, it becomes obvious that Eden was located in the eastern part of today's Turkey, near the headwaters of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers near Lake Van. In the *Bare'syth* account, the Gychown River "winds its way through the whole land of Kuwsh." Today we find a legacy of this name in the "Kusheh Dagh – Kuwsh Mountains" which tower above the Iranian city of Tabriz. The Kuwsh Range is less than two-hundred miles from the headwaters of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers, the best known tributaries associated with Eden.

Ignoring the Towrah's initial reference to the rivers flowing out of Eden and into Iraq and Iran, and then also disregarding the plural use of "nahary – rivers" (there is only one river in Egypt), religious scholars are wont to place the "land of Cush (as Kuwsh is often transliterated)" in the Upper Kingdom of Egypt along the Nile. Cush is also presented as "Ethiopia" in the King James Version, and thus in Strong's, even though no such country existed at the time, and Ethiopia was unknown to the Yisra'elites.

Other references in Yasha'yah tie Kuwsh and Mitsraym (Egypt) together, at least politically and militarily, because they align to wage war against the Yisra'elites (Yasha'yah 20:3 & 45:14). Egypt and Cush are also connected by Yachezq'el / Ezekiel in Yachezq'el 30:4 and King Dowd (David) in *Mizmowr* / Psalm 68:31. Then in Dany'el / Daniel 11:43, the people of *Kuwsh* are said to be rich as a result of business dealings with Egypt and Libya. Also in Amos 9:7, Yahowah calls the sons of Yisra'el, sons of *Kuwsh*, using the term to demean His people's affinity for human subjugation.

Therefore, the "rivers of Kuwsh" could either refer to the Nile Delta region of Egypt where the river divides into a number of tributaries or the region of Northern Mesopotamia, today's Iraq and Iran. And while this is all interesting, Yahowah isn't talking about Kuwsh *per se*, but instead about a nation which is beyond and opposite of the rivers of Kuwsh, a place situated on the opposite side of the world from either Northern Iraq and Iran or the Nile Delta of Egypt from the perspective of Yaruwshalaim.

Since Europe, Russia, the Middle East, and Africa are either included or are adjacent to one or the other of the Kuwsh candidates, they must all be excluded from consideration. But not the New World, which is opposite of the Old. Moreover, since Yahowah has twice mentioned "sea" in the prelude to this warning, since He is about to tell us that this nation will send its envoys across the sea, and since Israel's western border is the Mediterranean Sea, we may want to draw a line from Jerusalem, across the Mediterranean Sea and through the Straits of Gibraltar. That line intersects the northeastern corridor of the United States between Washington D.C. and New York City. But that's not all. If we start again in Jerusalem and then move our line down so that it passes through the Nile Delta, it intersects the southernmost part of Florida, Texas, and Hawaii. Then, keeping the starting point the city in which this prophecy was revealed, but placing the line over the rivers of Kuwsh beginning over Lake Van and moving southeast through northern Iraq and Iran, the extension of this line points to the northernmost part of Alaska. So, the epicenter is between Washington D.C. and New York City, but inclusive of everything from southern Florida, Texas, and Hawaii to northern Alaska. Therefore, the United States of America, and only the U.S., qualifies geographically when viewed from the perspective of Yisra'el.

America is also the nation best known for its winged military prowess, and most notably, helicopter gunships. These whirring wings—Apache and Black Hawk helicopters—swooping into lands far and wide are etched into the world's psyche, guns clattering in Vietnam, Somalia, Afghanistan, and Iraq. And since the terms used here remain applicable to any loud winged military aircraft, I dare say, that if I gave you the entirety of the paleo-Hebrew lexicon, you couldn't write a more adept description.

However, these are not the only clues that we have been given thus far. In context, this "howy – warning" is being directed toward the nation responsible for the destruction of Damascus, for thinning Israel at the waist, for equipping the Islamic terrorists flooding into the Land, empowering them to the point that Yahowah has to intervene to defend His people. And once again, the only common denominator is America, the nation that started the Syrian War by invading Iraq and giving the country to Iran. The United States is the principle broker of the land for peace deal that will sever Israel, making the nation indefensible. And America is the principle arms merchant to the Muslim world, currently providing Islamic nations with twenty-five times more weaponry than is made available to Israel. And today, the U.S. Department of State is threatening to cut off that supply, including replacement parts, entirely if Israel doesn't capitulate and surrender the West Bank to Muslims. So rather than having two clues directed at America, there have been five, most of which exclude any other option. Therefore, if you are an American, especially one who supports either political party and praises the military, you have been warned.

But Yahowah wasn't finished describing and thus identifying this nation, it's location, diverse racial composition, military prowess, diplomatic tendencies, attitude toward others, or its people. In His next statement, we are given between twenty-five and thirty additional clues, depending upon how completely the palette of terms Yahowah inspired is defined. Before us is a plethora of hints, many of which are profound. So since most every aspect of each descriptive term seems to point in one direction, identifying the culprit, I've elected to share every nuance with you, expanding these amplifications.

In the context of this prophecy, the nation responsible for precipitating the destruction of Damascus, the nation guilty of thinning Israel at the waist, the nation best known for its whirling wings, the nation beyond the "rivers of Kuwsh" from the perspective of a prophet living 2,700 years ago in Yahuwdah...

"It dispatches (ha shalach – it sends out to other places for a purpose of extending its influence) envoys (tsyr – authorized representatives to deliver messages) by way of the sea (ba ha yam). And so (wa) in floating vessels (ba kaly gome' – boats serving as weapons of war which appear like bulrush (the dark material used by the Egyptians and Phoenicians circa 750 BCE to construct the largest ships of the day)) on the surface ('al paneh – on the face) of the waters (maym) the messengers (mal'ak – the representatives who announce a position, those who are empowered to project the influence and authority) travel (halak – are escorted and transported) swiftly, indulgently, and immorally (qal / qol – speedily and frivolously, moving from one place to another in a short period of time without any regard for the consequences of their mission).

This nation of people from different races and places ('el gowy – this Gentile country's people (singular)) is tall, intoxicated, and immodest, and they have a propensity to take things away from others (mashak – deploying its massive force, it removes people from their land, initiating and directing the seizure, acquiring great wealth in the process, and prone to believe an altered state of reality while overextending and enriching themselves). They are scrubbed clean, smooth-skinned and completely shaven, and yet typically reckless (wa mowrat – they are well scoured and overly concerned about personal hygiene, their bodies are often so hairless they appear polished, most are beardless and many have shaved heads, they rush headlong and are headstrong, precipitating perverse actions).

These people ('el' 'am – this nation and its army) **are feared** (yare' – causing distress through astonishing intimidation and awesomely dreadful acts, but also respected and revered by some for their achievements, capabilities, and status) **from here to there and beyond in a future time** (min huw' wa hala'ah – from a considerable distance away and out of a distant future period).

This population which is comprised of many different races (gowy – the Gentile nation) routinely vomits up and spews out nonsense in a strange foreign language, talking down to others, mocking them, while continually marching off to war based on this condescending and moronic rhetoric (qaw – foolishly judges others in senseless speeches which parrot the same meaningless phrases), always trying to impose its influence, establishing the rules, while eagerly expecting to throw others out of their land (qow – hoping to bind others together in a common cause with the wicked steadfastly attempting to destroy the lives of the righteous). It aggressively subdues, trampling people down and kicking them out (wa mabuwcah – it treads others underfoot while imposing its will, subjugating those it can control, causing their downfall; from buwc – desecrating most everything of value like blind and oblivious children imposing their will, ruining lives while destroying countries). This ('asher) country ('erets – this land and territory) is divided (baza') by rivers (naharym)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 18:2)

Most all of the Hebrew terms used in this prophetic declaration give us a word's eye view of the prophet's distant future, our present. So we should not be surprised that they are rich in their implications and uncommon in their usage. Depending upon the way they are vocalized, there is a considerable range of connotations associated with each word. Therefore, I have sought to provide you with as comprehensive an assessment as possible of the nation Yahowah was describing.

We know from these words that this nation is on the far side of the world when viewed from Yaruwshalaim. It projects its influence using its fleet, so it should be noted that the United States has the largest navy in the history of the world. The nation deploys twelve massive aircraft carrier battle groups to swiftly project its power far and wide – more than the rest of the world combined. Two more are under construction. So we should not be surprised by the reference to rapid gunboat diplomacy. No nation has ever deployed a more capable or more fearsome arsenal of oceanic and airborne weapons than America. It is perhaps why the nation is both feared and revered, sometimes respected but often intimidating.

A few years ago, Wikileaks made thousands of cables between American ambassadors and the U.S. State Department available, revealing the "qol – arrogant and amoral" nature of the country's envoys. They revealed that the United States remains oblivious when it comes to the consequence of its actions. For example, very few Americans acknowledge that the country's invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq were based upon a web of lies and that both were counterproductive, making bad situations much worse. And yet this reality is why so many returning American troops are committing suicide. States representing forty percent of the U.S. population, documenting less than seventy percent of the military suicides in those states, report twenty-two per day, revealing that the actual number must be over eighty suicides daily. When this is extrapolated over the ten years since Americans began returning from Afghanistan and Iraq, it equates to an astonishing 300,000 American troops taking their own lives as a consequence of these foolish, immoral, deadly, and destructive invasions.

The world is filled with "gowym – Gentiles," but one nation, and only one, is known expressly for racial diversity: America – the "melting pot." It has grown by beckoning people from around the world. And in this prophecy, "gowy – a nation of many races" is singular, therefore warning one solitary country.

While many nations have a history of drug and alcohol abuse, the "War on Drugs" has become synonymous with the United States. Its citizens remain the leading consumer of mind-altering narcotics, prescribed, recreational, and deadly drugs. The U.S. prison population is the largest in the world in aggregate and per capita, with most inmates being incarcerated for drug related crimes. Americans are the leading consumers of cocaine. And according to the World Health Organization, overall drug use in the United States is the highest in the world. Recently, the U.S. D.E.A. announced that prescription drug abuse had become the nation's biggest and fastest growing problem.

It is interesting to note that while Americans are the most intoxicated people on earth, due to the prevalence and quality of treatment facilities, the nation ranks 29th worst out of 192 nations on overall deaths from illicit drug use. Should you be interested, the leaders in this awful fate include a number of Islamic nations where life isn't worth living among several of the most devotedly Christian

nations on earth: Afghanistan, Yemen, Guatemala, Laos, Cambodia, Morocco, Libya, Georgia, Somalia, Iraq, Pakistan, Kazakhstan, Tunisia, Lebanon, Tajikistan, Egypt, Serbia, Myanmar, Iran, Sudan, Austria, Syria, Ukraine, Bangladesh, UK, Nigeria, Russia, Bosnia, Ireland, and then the U.S.

Since it was mentioned, relative to height, nations which border the North and Baltic Seas are home to the tallest people on average. But after the frosty Netherlands, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Lithuania, Estonia, Finland, and Germany, with these hearty Baltic peoples averaging six feet, the United States boasts the world's tallest temperate zone population at nearly five foot eleven inches – over an inch taller than the average Israeli.

While I could not find a ranking for personal hygiene, I found ample evidence that Americans not only spend more money per capita on cleaning and cosmetic products, there is a growing emphasis on being clean-shaven, to the point of spending time and money to remove body hair most anywhere. A growing number of men have shaved chests and heads. So considering the propensity of Israel's principle foes, Arab Muslims, to be relatively short in stature, overly hairy, typically bearded, and inadequately bathed, Yasha'yah's descriptive terminology seems fitting for this new and different foe.

Having traveled throughout the world in nearly 150 countries, I've gained a perspective on how others view the United States. The first word which comes to mind is "arrogant." The second is "obnoxious." The third is "clueless." Recently, Russian President Vladimir Putin took U.S. President Barak Obama to task in an open letter published in the *New York Times* for promoting the egotistical notion of American exceptionalism – the idea that Americans were and remain superior to all other nations. Yes, there was once a time when the United States was the world's bank, the most prosperous nation on earth, but now having overextended itself, it is bankrupt, having squandered its children's future with an national debt soaring toward \$20 trillion. And while Americans are told that the nation is a force for good, the country's spy network, military, and diplomats have broken most everything they have touched internationally.

Americans think of themselves as the most generous nation, but historically, that isn't true. The first colonialists took America from the native peoples, often brutalizing them in the process. Then when Indian resistance to Manifest Destiny was finally broken, America stole Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California from Mexico by waging war against them. The Philippines were obtained the same way, this time in a war against the Spanish. And now the United States wants to take God's Land away from His people.

America's military is the most massive in human history. It is larger than every other military on earth combined. The nation has wasted thirty trillion

dollars on its war machine over the past fifty years, leaving Americans less free and more vulnerable in the process. And after marching off and fighting 101 wars since Europeans first arrived in the New World, one war every four years, the warmongerering nation wants to take on God, forcing His Chosen People out of their homes. God is not amused which is why America has been warned.

I've mentioned this twice for two reasons. First, John Kerry is in Israel as I write these words. He's told the Israelis, as has Obama, that if they don't capitulate and accept the latest U.S. land for peace plan which gives the West Bank to the Muslims, that Israel will be delegitimized internationally and subject to debilitating sanctions. And second, historically and prophetically, Yahowah only comments on nations that interact with Israel, especially those which aid and abet the nation's demise. It all goes back to the promise Yahowah made to Abraham, whereby those who support Yisra'el and the Covenant would be blessed while those in opposition would be cursed. From God's perspective, the United States of America has become His people's most destructive adversary. And from this viewpoint, do not lose sight of the fact that in addition to the U.S. instigating the wars which are currently engulfing the Islamic world, especially the proxy war in Syria, it is the nation most responsible for thinning Israel at the waist. Further, the vast preponderance of the weapons that will be wielded at the Yisra'elites by the flood of Muslim terrorists and Islamic armies after the Syrian War will have been furnished by America.

It is an unpopular truth, but the fact remains that most everything the United States has done over the past fifty years militarily, politically, and economically has been ill conceived and counterproductive – all leading up to the two biggest blunders in the nation's history: the invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq. The U.S. military once again trampled people underfoot in an ill-fated attempt to impose the nation's will. And while these suicidal misappropriations of force made the U.S. more vulnerable, the realization that it will lead to America sacrificing Yisra'el to Muslims, throwing the rightful inhabitants out of their land, is what is engendering Yahowah's anger. And it will turn out to be irrecoverable – instigating World War III. This politically, economically, and militarily inspired capitulation to evil will be fatal.

Instrumental to this mistake in judgment is the nation's nonsensical rhetoric. The public discourse has become a stream of amoral misconceptions, unfounded opinions, and outright lies. The media is more prone to error than truth and if it weren't for lies, politicians would be mute. Teachers indoctrinate and generals propagandize. Clerics have become the worst of a bad lot, trading false hope for donations.

The final depiction, that of a land divided by rivers, also fits the United States. If it were "river" singular, the U.S. would have competition from Africa and

South America with the Nile and Amazon, but not when the term is plural. Nothing distinguishes North America more geographically from other continents more than its many voluminous and long rivers which divide the land. They include: the Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Arkansas, Colorado, Columbia, Rio Grande, Tennessee, Brazos, Yellowstone, St. Lawrence, Hudson, James, Shenandoah, Potomac, Rappahannock, Susquehanna, Snake, Kern, and Yukon to name a few.

So in summary, we know that the United States is a "melting pot" of peoples, and thus is quintessentially Gentile. More than any other country, it likes to meddle in other people's affairs. Americans think it is their obligation to the world and to their god to set the rules, which is why its military is used to impose democracy on others. Americans talk a lot, all too often projecting an altered state of reality, which is why political and religious talk radio is so influential in the culture. And patriotically, the U.S. marches off to wars – 101 of them – typically leaving the places the military has tread underfoot worse than they were before. Then there is the realization that in His prophetic letter to the last assembly in Revelation, Yahowsha' specifically called the democratic Laodicean Christians "vomit." Only one nation meets these criteria: America in the early days of the 21st century.

We'd be remiss if we didn't consider the reason Yahowah transitioned from warning the tidal wave of militant Muslims who will seek to terrorize, plunder, and destroy Israel that they will be destroyed to God admonishing the United States. How does rebuking and removing Islamic jihadists from the Promised Land lead to a highly unflattering rebuke of America? What will the nation do to engender God's explicit warning?

Some of the answers are posted prominently on the front pages of our newspapers. America's foolish and counterproductive invasion of Iraq led to the proxy war being fought in Syria. It not only empowered Iran, it armed both sides in a conflict which has become so deadly, Israel will be sacrificed by America in hopes of appeasing the Islamic terrorists it has assisted. Then following this miscalculation, it's already obvious that American weapons will be brought to bear against the Promised Land. And all the while we can expect to hear patriotic Americans bellowing "God Bless America." But as ugly a picture as this paints, I think there may be more to it than all of this.

Based upon this next announcement, God isn't just adverse to the United States; it appears as if He is going to oppose the United States. After warning America, and besmirching the nation, Yahowah is declaring that He is going to intervene and take a stand on behalf of those who dwell in the Promised Land. But since this follows God's denunciation of America, if not the United States,

who His banner is raised against and who is His Showphar blasted to warn the world about?

"All of (kol – the entirety of) those who inhabit (yashab – who live in) the Earth (tebel – the world), and also (wa) those who dwell in (shakan – who inhabit) the Land ('erets - the region or material realm (a metaphor for Yisra'el)), when (ka - similar to and in comparison to) the sign on the upright **pole** (nec – the banner and signal raised on a pole; from nacac – to lift up and display an ensign or sign) is lifted up (nasa' – born, raised, and accepted (scribed using the gal infinitive construct which means literally at this time it is raised to demonstrate God's purpose)) on the mountain (har – upon the mount), you all will see (ra'ah - all of you will literally experience and consistently witness, gaining a perspective to understand (scribed in the gal stem and imperfect conjugation)), and also (wa) when (ka – similar to and in comparison to) the **Showphar** (*showphar* – trumpet comprised of a ram's horn used for signaling) sounds (taga' – is blown (also in the gal infinitive which denotes that this is being done at this specific time to actually convey God's plan for)), you all will hear (shama' - all of you will listen, consistently receiving the message, paying attention to the invitation and summons (qal imperfect))." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 18:3)

Is God now battling man for the world He created? If so, it won't be much of a fight. Yahowah is not going leave any doubt in anyone's mind who will ultimately prevail. Everyone the world over, and especially those in the Land of Yisra'el, will see His banner raised upon the upright pole, one set atop the summit of Mount Mowryah. And every individual will hear the sound of His Showphar blaring out an undeniable message and pertinent warning. Those in opposition will be powerless before Him. And those who know Him, those who love Him and rely upon Him, will be protected by Him. This is breathtaking in its implications.

The symbolism laden in these terms is important. Yahowah's set-apart and diminished corporeal manifestation, Yahowsha', is the Upright One, the perfect Lamb of God who was affixed to the upright pole on Mount Mowryah on Passover. His willingness to stand up for us in this way and on this day will now become clearer to a world which has for too long sought to deny these associations. Yahowah is facilitating what He has been pleading with us to consider from the first day His Towrah was given to us as a gift to guide us home. The message is "shamar – closely examine and carefully consider" His Guidance. And in this light, the Showphar is an audible display of the power of the "Zarow'a – sacrificial Lamb."

For those who become observant, who come to know and understand who Yahowah is and what He is offering, the anticipation of His imminent return will

get them through the horrid days which will follow. So while God has intervened a second time to thwart the onslaught fraught against Yisra'el, He isn't going to linger. There is only so much of man's religious, political, and militaristic rubbish that He is willing to endure. And now, after making Himself known, He is returning to heaven.

"Indeed, because (ky - truly and surely), here and now at this point in time (koh - on this occasion is what), says ('amar – answers, promises, and declares (qal perfect)) Yahowah ($\text{PYP}\rightarrow$), 'As for Me ('el – concerning God), I will be silent and at peace, removed from the tribulation in a better place (shaqat shaqat – I will be at rest, tranquil, distancing Myself from the tumult and strife, quiet and calm in a vastly more favorable location (qal imperfect)).

Then (wa) I will look, choosing to always be observant (nabat – I will gaze upon, continually paying attention, anticipating My desired, unfolding, unending, and caring response where I and heaven benefit (the hiphil stem causes the object to share the action of the verb with the subject, the imperfect conjugation makes the action ongoing, while the cohortative mood expresses the desire of the subject)), in (ba) My dwelling place (makown – from the well-known location in space where the universe was established which is the basis for and the foundation of life; from kuwn – to prepare and firmly establish), in the manner of (ka – similar to) radiant and glowing (tsach – dazzling and beautiful, handsome and shimmering, clearly understandable source of illumination aglow with), warm and passionate (chom - aroused, growing ever more zealous with enthusiasm) as a result of the Almighty's ('al – by way of the mighty) light ('owr - total lack of darkness, shining brilliance and radiant energy), akin to (ka) an enveloping cloud ('ab – visible moisture suspended in the air covering objects) of **encompassing dew** (tal – condensed moisture on surfaces which condenses at night but lingers into the day; from talal – to cover) in (ba – during) the warmth and enthusiasm (chom – the passion and growing arousal) of the harvest (qasyr - time of reaping)."" (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 18:4)

Yahowah will dispatch His Spirit to remove the plague of Islam from His Land. He will dispatch His envoy to stop the world's militaries in the midst of a horrible and hellish storm, leaving no doubt among His people or the world at large, that He can be relied upon to protect those He loves. But once this is accomplished, Yahowah will spend the rest of the Tribulation in a better place, quiet in heaven, at peace, removed from the strife that will ensue.

Doing what He asks of us, and thus leading by example, He will be observant, always aware, as He contemplates His next move, one that expresses His heart's desire. In just a few years, He will be beaming, radiant, and glowing, enjoying a warm embrace with His children. The promise He made to Abraham, to Yitschaq, and to Ya'aqob will soon come to fruition, just three years hence, on the joyous

day known as "Yowm Kippurym – the Day of Reconciliations," the final and most beloved harvest.

This is how the Towrah and Prophets present Yahowah, our Heavenly Father. He is warm, approachable, encompassing, and glowing light. And He cannot wait to hold His children in His arms, as close to them as the dew is to the standing grain.

I have long suspected that the tormenting and terrible abuses endured during the Tribulation will be perpetrated by man, not God. And this prophetic statement seems to affirm this conclusion. Yahowah rarely intervenes, and only acts to fulfill His promises. He made an eternal pledge to Abraham, whereby the benefits of the Covenant would be everlasting. Had He not intervened to thwart mankind's assault against His people and place, the pledge would have been negated.

Brining these thoughts all together, along with a review of the events and villains which brought us to this place, we find...

"Woe, expressing dissatisfaction and a warning (howy) to the land ('erets) of whirling and buzzing (tsalatsal) wings (kanaph) which ('asher) is from (min) the region beyond, situated on the opposite side of ('eber) the direction of (la) the rivers (nahary) of Kuwsh (the Nile Delta and Northern Mesopotamia) (Kuwsh). (18:1)

It dispatches (ha shalach) envoys (tsyr) by way of the sea (ba ha yam). And so (wa) in floating vessels (ba kaly gome') on the surface ('al paneh) of the waters (maym) the messengers (mal'ak) travel (halak) swiftly, indulgently, and immorally without any regard for the consequences of their mission (qal / qol).

This nation of people from different races and places ('el gowy) is tall, intoxicated, and immodest, and they have a propensity to take things away from others (mashak). They are scrubbed clean, smooth-skinned and completely shaven, any yet typically reckless (wa mowrat). These people ('el 'am) are feared for causing distress through intimidation and awesomely dreadful acts, but are also respected by some for their achievements and capabilities (yare') from here to there and beyond in a future time (min huw' wa hala'ah).

This population which is comprised of many different races (gowy) routinely vomits up and spews out nonsense in a strange foreign language, talking down to others, mocking them, while continually marching off to war based on this condescending and moronic rhetoric (qaw), always trying to impose its influence, establishing the rules, while eagerly expecting to throw inhabitants out of their land (qow). It aggressively subdues others, trampling

them down (wa mabuwcah). This ('asher) country ('erets) is divided (baza') by rivers (naharym). (18:2)

All of (kol) those who inhabit (yashab) the Earth (tebel), and also (wa) those who dwell in (shakan) the Land ('erets), when (ka) the sign on the upright pole (nec) is lifted up to demonstrate My purpose (nasa') on the Mount (har), you all will actually see, gaining a perspective to genuinely understand (ra'ah), and also (wa) when (ka) the Showphar Ram's Horn Trumpet (showphar) sounds at this specific time to convey this plan (taqa'), you all will listen, paying attention (shama'). (18:3)

Indeed, because (ky), here and now at this point in time (koh) says ('amar) Yahowah (\mathfrak{PYP}), 'As for Me ('el), I will be silent and at peace, removed from the tribulation in a better place $(shaqat\ shaqat)$. Then (wa) I will look, choosing to always be observant, anticipating My desired, unending, and caring response where I and heaven will benefit (nabat) in (ba) My dwelling place, from the well known location in space where the universe was established which is the basis for and the foundation of life (makown), in the manner of (ka) radiant and glowing (tsach) warm and passionate (chom) light (owr), akin to (ka) an enveloping cloud (ab) of encompassing dew (tal) in (ba) the warmth and enthusiasm (chom) of the harvest (assyr)." (18:4)

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While this is wonderful news for the Children of the Covenant, and especially for Yisra'el and Yahuwdah, sadly, Yasha'yah had some more bad news for the land across the sea divided by rivers, for the air and sea power of this day, for the nation feared and revered, and yet insignificant and worthless from God's perspective. They will be dealt with, taken down, and destroyed just before the final harvest, during the time Yisra'elites are being prepared to embrace the Covenant. Listen:

"Indeed (ky), before the approaching presence (la paneh – the means to approach the appearance and characteristics) of the harvest (qasyr – the reaping and gathering in during the right season), as (ka) the budding blossoms (perach – new tender sprouts and shoots) form and become completely perfect (taman – are prepared, becoming entirely upright and established; from tamym – whole and sound, entirely perfect, totally innocent and completely vindicated), then (wa) the hardened and unfit (bocer – the immature, un-harvestable, and especially sour) will be dealt with (gamal – are treated in the way they deserve) for becoming (hayah) clusters of wild birds of prey, glistening eagles, falcons, and hawks

(netsah – unclean yet shimmering vultures or a collection of wild sprigs in budding plant structure). And (wa) the insignificant and worthless who squander and trivialize (ha zalzalym – the despised sprigs and contemptuous tendrils; from zalal – the gluttonous, vile, and meaningless) will be stopped, taken down, and banished (karat – they will be severed, cut off, and excluded, ceasing to exist, having failed, they will be destroyed) snuffed out with a sharp implement (ba ha mazmerah – an iron tool used to cut away, put out, and separate, no longer combusting, their fires put out and cut off with a knife or shears).

So then (*wa*) with regard to ('*eth* – concerning and against) the forsaken castaways (*ha natyshowth* – the spreading branches and rejected stems of a climbing plant which has spread out and must be cut back; from *natash* – the cast off, left behind, and abandoned), they will be completely rejected and totally removed (*suwr* – they will absolutely be turned and taken away, forsaken and abolished (hiphil perfect)), cut off and separated (*tazaz*)." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 18:5)

This begins by telling us that Yisra'elites and Yahuwdym will be prepared so that they can be gathered in by Yahowah on the Day of Reconciliations, the day when God will restore and reaffirm His Covenant relationship with His Chosen People. They will be perfected and completed in the knowledge that Yahowah is God and that He honors His promises. By this time, these individuals will have embraced the conditions of the Covenant by having distanced themselves from their prior religious and political affiliations. They will have come to trust and rely upon Yahowah based upon what they have witnessed Him doing on their behalf. And they will finally observe the *Miqra'ey* as they were intended, walking to their Heavenly Father while being perfected in the process.

But there will be others, a vast number who remain hardened and sour, unfit for heaven. They will be dealt with, receiving what they deserve, which is to be banished and excluded from fellowship. At this time, which is deep into the second half of the Tribulation, and for the crime of overtly trying to destroy His land and people, it is likely that these souls will be destined for She'owl. This pronouncement and the one which follows suggests eternal separation.

The first ten or eleven words Yahowah selected paint a clear picture. There are two distinct groups of people. On one side we witness those who are beginning their life in the Covenant. They are just starting to blossom and grow as a result of finally recognizing Yahowah and answering His invitation to participate in His family. But on the other hand we see individuals who remain unreceptive, indeed unfit and rotten.

From this point, the text becomes a bit more challenging. What are we to make of the rotten and hardheaded sourpusses who have become unfit for the impending harvest? Why must they be dealt with in a manner consistent with what they deserve? Why are these castaways stopped and taken down, then rejected and removed?

It is assumed by most scholars, that since this message has deployed agricultural metaphors, including standing grain, olives, branches, vines, blossoms, and fruit, that *netsah* should be translated as if it were "*perach* – budding blossoms." But why change words if both mean "blossom?"

While most words are common to God's testimony, because Yasha'yah was trying to describe something he'd never seen or even imagined, this is the only time *netsah* is deployed throughout the Torah and Prophets. Its root, *nets*, however appears four times. It is used to present "unclean birds of prey, specifically hawks, falcons, eagles, raptures, and vultures." In fact, netsah is simply the feminine version of nets – which is not surprising since ships and planes are typically referred to using feminine pronouns. Further, *nets* is related to natsats, which describes something that "shines, sparkling and shimmering in the light." This suggests that those who have earned condemnation are flying birds of prey. These just so happen to be the names the U.S. military selected to describe its fighter, attack helicopter, and surveillance aircraft. The United States deploys F-15 Eagles (473 of these fighters are currently active), F-16 Falcons (1,245 are currently deployed as fighters), F-22 Raptors (195 highly advanced fighters are currently deployed), HH-60 Pave Hawks (103 helicopters), MH/SH-60 Seahawks (589 currently active attack helicopters), and UH-60 Black Hawks (1,500 helicopters are currently deployed), in addion to E-3 Hawkeyes (67 surveillance aircraft). And to this list of birds of prey, the Army is planning to deploy 133 MQ-1C Grey Eagle drones, while the Air Force is flying a fleet of 165 MQ-1 Predator drones, 152 RQ-4 Global Hawk drones, and another aptly named 500 MQ-9 Reaper drones. I rather doubt it is a coincidence, especially since there is a reference to them being taken down, their engines snuffed out.

While these references to the whirling wings of attack helicopters and the birds of prey that denote fighter aircraft may be intended as symbolic, the more literal interpretation is intriguing. And it is certainly consistent with the rhetoric God has deployed thus far to describe the United States. It even serves to explain the reason Yahowah will engage again to protect Israel. But beyond all of this, it ties up an important lose end. It would be unlike Yahowah to denounce a nation without also revealing its fate. America's military will be taken down while its people are forsaken as castaways, removed from God's presence, separated and discarded. It is after all, what those who have abetted the pillaging and destruction of Yahowah's Chosen People and Promised Land deserve.

While there is some indication that Yahowah is responsible, it is equally plausible considering how this fate is presented, that America fails for other reasons as it has so many times recently. Something as simple as an Electromagnetic Pulse would make the nation's guidance, communications, and spy satellites inoperative, blinding the nation's birds of prey.

Also curious considering this inauspicious conclusion to a once proud nation is the growing dichotomy between American public rhetoric and the country's backroom maneuvering relative to Israel. A case could be made that no U.S. president has actually supported Jews against Muslims. But the most recent presidents, George Bush and Barrack Obama, have orchestrated massive sales of the most sophisticated weapons systems to the Islamic nations surrounding Israel while at the same time constraining the flow of these same weapons to America's supposed ally. Worse, the current administration has inspired Muslims, telling them that this is their time and that America will stand with them, not against them.

This overt empowerment of Israel's Islamic enemies and simultaneous erosion of Israel's credibility has been accomplished in large part by sleight of hand. First, a mythical people called "Palestinians" and a mythical land called "Palestine" has been invented to give the impression that Jews are the aggressors and oppressors, when the opposite is true. Then, America's leadership has concocted a war against a tactic, "terrorism," rather than Islam, naming one of countless expressions of the religion, "al-Qaeda," the enemy.

There is yet another word in this prophecy which appears nowhere else in the whole of Yah's testimony. However, since *zalzalym*, translated "the insignificant and worthless who squander and trivialize," is considered a "reduplication of *zalal*," a word which is used on eight occasions, we can more reliable define it. These who are "*zalzalym* – despised for being contemptuous" are "*zalal* – the gluttonous and vile, meaningless and insignificant" because they have "associated with a bad crowd" from God's perspective. They "lavishly squander" their wealth and opportunity" while "trivializing" that which actually matters. As a result, they will be cut off and discarded. This is exactly what Yahowah told Abraham would happen to those who harm Yisra'el.

Further, *zaham* means "to be abhorred for offering the kind of food which makes people sick." *Zul* defines those who "lavish money on worthless idols." Someone who is *zulah* is "separated," and a *zahah* is "cut loose and removed." A *zua* is a "terrorist and fear monger." And a *zahal* is someone who "crawls on the ground and prostrates themselves in fear." It all seems to fit.

The previous statement affirms that at this point in the Tribulation there will only be two groups of people left on earth: "Yisra'elites – Individuals who

Engage and Endure with God" who have become "Yahuwdym – Related to Yahowah" and those who are neither. The latter will be cut off and separated. This is affirmed with words which describe eternal anguish in She'owl as demons torment those they had played for fools...

"They shall actually be continually abandoned and forever forsaken ('azab – they will be eternally rejected and damned, estranged to associate with demonic spirits (scribed in the niphal stem, the subject is actually neglected and in the imperfect which reveals that this fate will be ongoing and continual) all together, completely, and all at once (yahdaw – totally and at the same time, treated alike as one group with a common nature and accord) for (la) the birds of prey ('ayt – flying creatures which hunt and kill, preying on the dead; rapid, vicious, violent, ravenous, voracious, and deadly creatures who will swoop in, notably: eagles, falcons, hawks, and raptors) in high places (har – of the hills and mountains, sometimes used as a metaphor for those in high places, for political, religious, and military leaders), and (wa) for (la) the beasts (bahemah – wild animals) of the realm ('erets – land or region).

And (wa) they will be abruptly awakened in the summer with vexing and exasperating action taken against them (qyts 'al – they will be roused from the realm of the dead, consciously grieving, with others loathing them, goading them with thorns in an extremely hot and vehement manner (the qal stem means that this will actually occur while the perfect conjugation modified by the consecutive mood conveys that the awakened state and grief will be continual and thus eternal as a result of the choices which have been made)). All kinds of (kol) birds of **prey** ('ayt – flying creatures which hunt and kill living things and then prey on the dead; rapid, vicious, violent, ravenous, voracious, and deadly creatures who will swoop in) and also (wa) all manner of beasts (kol bahemah – all kinds of wild animals) of the realm ('erets) will be among, upon, and against them during the autumn and winter, continually ridiculing and taunting them for actually being irrational and consistently confused ('al charaph – spending the harvest time reproaching and scorning them, vilifying them, mocking and insulting them, and actually treating them with contempt for being unable to think properly and making poor choices (qal imperfect))." (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 18:6)

In the whole of the Hebrew lexicon there is no more "damning" word than "'azab – rejected and estranged," especially when scribed in the niphal imperfect because such individuals "are actually forsaken in such a way that they will find themselves literally disassociated" from the Covenant and "eternally separated" from God. This damning experience is what is being presented in the words which follow.

An interesting aspect of 'azab is that it is a double entendre. It conveys the idea of "being set free and being released." That sounds good up to the point we realize that souls are being set free from Yahowah and released from the Covenant. The word confirms that those who choose not to be with God, those who reject Him, will get their wish. They will be sent on their way and damned, which means separated.

"Yahdaw 'azab — once completely forsaken and eternally damned, these estranged and separated" souls will be forever tormented by the most menacing of "bahemah — beasts" and "'ayt — flying creatures who prey upon the dead." Yahowah is speaking of Satan and his cadre of demons. He is depicting an eternity in She'owl — the realm of questioning. Those who end up there by being in opposition to God will find themselves among kindred spirits — albeit depraved ones.

Based upon the implications associated with *yahdaw*, everyone will be similarly religious, political, patriotic, and militaristic. The inhabitants will all be treated alike, which is to say that there will be no distinctions, status, or hierarchy. While most of those imprisoned in She'owl will have come from "har – high places," they will be brought down to the same level, a distinction these religious clerics, government leaders, and military officers as well as fallen messengers will find particularly horrifying. The experience will be universally nauseating and miserable, with Satan's fallen envoys similarly incarcerated and described as we'd expect them to be: "bahemah 'ayt – flying creatures acting like wild beasts preying upon the living dead." These two words were carefully selected to convey the kind of year-round torment that awaits those who thought they could successfully oppose God.

Qyts scribed in the qal perfect consecutive reveals that those who have died in open hostility to Yisra'el will be abruptly awakened to a totally new and eternal reality. They will wish that they could have remained dead, because the perpetually damned will find themselves loathed by those who beguiled them and continually vexed, annoyed and aggravated to the point of total exasperation. Also, while there is a hint of "hot" in the term, it is addressing the vehement attitude displayed by Satan's little helpers, not the temperature of the place. But it also speaks of the time of year, when spring turns to summer. And since *charaph* addresses the period of autumn leading to winter, we know that this torment will be year round without intermission. But perhaps the most telling indication of all is found in the consecutive mood, because it reveals that these living dead will be in this horrible situation because of the choices they made during their lives.

God's hellish depiction of the realm of the forsaken and damned was advanced by *charaph*, which as I've mentioned conveys that the inmates of She'owl "will endure a fall and winter of their discontent." They will be "*charaph*

– taunted and ridiculed," something political and religious elitists will find particularly excruciating. "Scorned and vilified" for their pathetic attempts to thwart God's people, place, and purpose, the once proud and powerful will now "be mocked and insulted for the confused and irrational rhetoric they spewed at the unsuspecting." They are being held accountable for the millions if not billions of lives they shortchanged. Further, scribed in the qal imperfect, while they did not choose this fate, they are actually going to have to endure it for an eternity because of the irrational decisions these living dead made during their rise to power.

There has been no indication that the subject nation has changed since Yahowah described the United States of America in the first two stanzas of this prophetic declaration. Therefore, it would be reasonable to assume that America will be brought down while its political and military leadership is given an express ticket to hell.

Reminding us that the offending nation remains the same, Yahowah revealed...

"At this time (ba ha 'eth — on this occasion) She (ha hy' — referencing the feminine Ruwach / Spirit) shall direct and guide him, delivering him (yabal — shall instruct him (as in Ya'aqob), showing him the way, leading him and carrying him, bringing him (the hophal stem means that passively by the work of the She / the Spirit, he will be brought, or literally carried from one place to another, according to the guidance and capacity to uplift that She provides, while the imperfect conjugation reveals that Her directions and deliverance will continue and prevail forever) as a gift which is agreeable, one borne out of reverence and respect (shy — as a present which is in accord with; from shawah — which is in agreement with, resembles, and becomes like, even equivalent) to approach (la) Yahowah ("YY">—) of the vast array of spiritual implements (tsaba' — hosts of conscripts, who devoid of freewill, serve, doing what they are instructed similar to the command and control regimen of the military).

People who have become family ('am – a nation, now kin), who were arrogant but now are in an altered state and willing to follow (mashak – who were belligerent when removed from their land, who have acquired great wealth in the process, but are now distancing themselves from these things so that they can be drawn out and carried away (the pual stem reveals that the former state has been altered so that as a result they have been influenced and changed while the participle form serves as a descriptive modifier)) and (wa) who were perverse, but have now been scrubbed clean (mowrat – were reckless and impetuous, but have now been scoured and polished (pual stem which passively brings about a different state and participle form which makes this a verbal adjective)) will come out of a nation (wa min 'am – will be removed from a people) feared (yare' –

intimidating and distressful whom some respect (niphal participle)) from here to there and beyond in this future time (min huw' wa hala'ah - from a considerable distance away and out of a distant future period), a population which is comprised of many different races from different places (gowy - a Gentile nation) with a strange foreign language, talking down to others while continually marching off to war based on their condescending rhetoric (gaw - foolishly judging others in senseless speeches which parrot the same meaningless phrases), always trying to impose its influence, establishing the rules, eagerly throwing inhabitants out of their land (qow - hoping to bind others together in a common cause with the wicked steadfastly attempting to destroy the lives of the righteous), aggressively subduing others (wa mabuwcah - treading others underfoot while imposing its will, subjugating those it can control, causing their downfall) whose ('asher) country ('erets - land and territory) is divided (baza') by rivers (naharym) brought to ('el) the place (maqowm – site and home) of the name (shem – personal and proper designation, renown, and reputation) of Yahowah (4744), of the vast array of spiritual **implements** (tsaba' – hosts of conscripts, who devoid of freewill, serve, doing what they are instructed similar to the command and control regimen of the military): **Mount** (har) **Tsyown** (Tsyown – Sign Posted on the Way, the means to communicate and identify the proper path and place)," (Yasha'yah / Salvation is from Yahowah / Isaiah 18:7)

There are two entirely different ways to interpret this prophetic pronouncement. The individuals who have been removed from America could be prisoners summoned to stand trial for what they have done to weaken Yisra'el and ravage humankind. But they have already been incarcerated in the previous verse, there is no reference to a trial, and presenting them as a "gift" under these circumstances would be incompatible with Yahowah's character. Moreover, it would be counterproductive. God has consistently striven to cleanse Yisra'el of those in opposition to Him and His people. Therefore, a different, considerably more favorable interpretation seems more appropriate. But since I'm not infallible, I'd like to share my reasoning.

There are 6,014,300 Yisra'elites living in the Promised Land today. That figure represents 44% of the current population. It wasn't until this year, 2014, that Jews residing in Israel came to exceed those living in the United States. And since we have just been told that Yisra'eli Jews will change their attitude toward Yahowah and will be embraced by Him as a result, it would be in character for Yahowah to rescue the 5,525,000 Yisra'elites living in America, because they represent 42% of the world's population. They will come home too – both figuratively and literally. Previously estranged from the Covenant and distanced from the Land, they will leave America in a mass exodus, perhaps even as a result

of being expelled as a plague of anti-Semitism sweeps the globe. But with the aid of the Spirit, they will be presented as a gift to Yahowah upon their arrival in the Promised Land. It is a vow that He has made and intends to keep.

Should you be curious, Jews represent a scant 0.19% of the world's population with less than fourteen million Yisra'elites living today. And had Yahowah's prophecy targeted events leading up to 1933 rather than 2033, by far the largest concentration of Jews, 9.5 million of them, would have resided in Europe. But now on the precipice of His return, less than a half a million Jews live in France, representing just 3.5% of the total worldwide population. 2.7% live in Canada, 2.1% in England, 1.4% in Russia, with 1.0 % in Germany and Argentina. No other country hosts so much as a single percentage of the Jewish people. So there is yet another reason to reference the United States in the midst of this prophecy regarding the future of Yisra'el. Yahowah is calling all of His children home, back to Him and to His Covenant. The reconciliation of His relationship with Yisra'el and Yahuwdah is imminent. And there would be no better place to witness His return than this vantage point, Tsyown, where Yahowah has posted His sign along the way, designating and identifying the proper path to His home.

During this time, I would also expect that Jews living in France, England, Russia, and Canada, where Muslims represent 10%, 3.2%, 4.8%, and 14% of the populations, respectively, and where Islam is the second most popular religion, to be blamed for all of the carnage that has occurred worldwide, even though they have been victims, not aggressors. Eventually, the non Muslim population will turn on them too in hopes of avoiding more terrorist attacks because jihadists will continue to blame the people Allah despises, justifying the unjustifiable. And since this seems inevitable, should Yahowah evacuate His people from these five countries, including America, 96% of the worldwide Yisra'elite population will be more secure in the one place on earth Yahowah is committed to saving them.

So now that we know what is going to happen in Yisra'el and to Yisra'elites, what do you suppose is going to occur in the rest of the world? Said another way, if Yahowah removed His Covenant children so that they would not have to endure the physical pain and mental anguish that has already transpired in the Middle East, how much worse do you suppose it is going to get in North America, Europe, and Russia to necessitate this action from our Heavenly Father?

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Without interruptions, here again is the prophetic portrait of the world's future:

"A prophetic pronouncement regarding (masa') Damascus (Drameseq): behold (hineh), Damascus (Drameseq) is revolting and corrupt and will be removed from among inhabited cities. It is degenerate and unrestrained and shall be abolished (suwr min iyr). And (wa) she shall actually become (hayah) a twisted and tangled (ma'iy) heap of rubble (mapalah). (17:1)

Abandoned and forsaken, deserted and destroyed will be ('azab) the inhabited regions and populated cities ('iyr) of 'Arow'er, speaking of the outcasts in Jordan and Lebanon ('arow'er). For there will be (la hayah) roaming animals fighting in militant militias failing miserably ('ader), but then (wa) there will be no one to terrorize ('ayn charad). (17:2)

Then (wa) the fortified places and defensive structures (mibtsa'r) will cease to exist (shabath) on account of (min) the Northern Kingdom ('Ephraym), along with (wa) the government (mamlakah) out of (min) Damascus (Drameseq), including (wa) the remnant (sa'ar) of Syria ('Aram), for being similarly (ka) vehement and burdensome, fanatical and onerous, dimwitted and enraged (kabowd).

The children (beny) of Yisra'el, those Individuals who Engage and Endure with God (Yisra'el), shall actually continue to exist (hayah), prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (१९११-) of vast array of spiritual messengers and envoys (shaba'). (17:3)

And (wa) it will actually come to pass (hayah) in that day (ba ha yowm) that the size of (ha huw' kabowd) Ya'aqob, a synonym for Israel (Ya'aqob), shall be decreased to the point of no longer being sustainable (dalal), and (wa) the fattest, best protected, and most vital midsection (mashman) of his body (basar) shall be leaned, shrinking in size (razeh). (17:4)

Then (wa) it shall be (hayah) like (ka) gathering in and receiving ('acaph) of a harvest, of reaping the grain from the chaff in season, cutting it away so as to remove it from a vexing time of grief (qatsyr), thereby establishing and validating the standing grain (qamah). And with (wa) His Sacrificial Lamb, His strong arm and ability to shoulder burdens, His visible appearance as light (zarowa'), He will collect and harvest (qatsyr) the first fruits (shibolym). But (wa) it shall be (hayah) as (ka) a gleaning, a smaller secondary harvest (laqat) of ears of grain (shibolym) in (ba) the valley ('emeq) of Rapha'ym, in the midst of souls destined to die (Raphq'ym). (17:5)

So (wa) in him [speaking of Ya'aqob, and thus Yisra'elites and the Children of the Covenant] (ba), there will be those who leave based upon the

choices they have made (sha'ar), gleanings, smaller, secondary harvests ('olelah), as in going around, encompassing, and shaking them off as a means of harvesting (ka naqap) an olive tree (zayth): two or three (shanaym shalowsh) ripe olives (gargar) in the top, uppermost (ba ro'sh), branch ('amyr), four or five ('arba' chamesh) on her fruitful branches which have been separated (ba ca'yph parah), prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (\PYP-), the Mighty One ('elohym) of Yisra'el, of those individuals who engage and endure with God (Yisra'el). (17:6)

In that specific day (ba ha yowm ha huw'), this man who is a descendent of Adam (ha 'adam) will genuinely regard and always accept (sha'ah) the Almighty ('al), his Maker ('asah), and (wa) his eyes ('ayn) will actually and continually look (ra'ah) toward God ('el), the Set-Apart One (qadowsh) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el). (17:7)

So then (wa) he shall never regard, accept, consider, nor look (lo' sha'ah) upon ('al) the religious altars (ha mizbeach), these works (ma'aseh) which fingers have made ('asher 'asah 'etsba'). They will not focus upon (lo' ra'ah) either ('ow) the Asherah, the religious myth representing the Mother of God and Queen of Heaven who is associated with the Lord, Ba'al, with Easter, Christmas, and Christianity (ha 'Asherah) or the (wa ha) worship of sun god images and resulting religious monuments (chaman). (17:8)

In that specific day (ba ha yowm ha huw'), it shall come to be (hayah) that the cities of ('iyr) his [still addressing Ya'aqob's, and thus Yisra'el's] refuge and defensive fortifications (ma'owz) shall be abandoned ('azab) like an occult presence in the thicket and as if drugged with mind-altering incantations or biological agents (ka cheresh). And then (wa) the uppermost branch of the olive ('amyr) therefore ('asher) will be completely deserted for a time ('azab) because of (min) the presence of (paneh) the children (ben – sons) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el). And so (wa) appalling desolation and stupefying ruin, a stunning deforestation, horrible devastation leaving these places uninhabitable and deserted (shamamah) will exist for a time as a result of the choices made (hayah). (17:9)

Indeed, because, rather branded by another (ky), you have completely ignored and have actually forgotten, becoming totally ignorant of (sakah) the God ('elohym) of your salvation and deliverance – your Savior (yasha') and (wa) the Rock (tsuwr) of your protection and refuge (ma'owz). You do not remember nor mention (lo'zakar) the Most High ('al).

Therefore (ken), you plant (nata') the Lord's (na'amanym) vines (neta'). And you continually sow (zara') an illegitimate, unauthorized, and loathsome means to estrangement (wa zar) by way of a vine branch that needs to be

pruned (zamowrah). (17:10) In that day (ba yowm), you raise (suwg) your garden (neta'). And in the (wa ba ha) early part of the day (boqer), your seed (zera') will bud and sprout (parach), reaping (qasyr) a shaken and corrupt heap which is piled up and will be thrust aside (ned).

In the daytime (ba yowm), there will be weakness, affliction, and tribulation (chalah) including (wa) the influence of incurable and incapacitating ('anash) physical pain and mental anguish (ka'eb). (17:11)

So woe, be wary of (howy) a great many nations (rabym 'amym) roaring like hoards of agitated terrorists, these multitudes of confused and loudmouthed militants flaunting what they possess (hamown), similar to (ka) the chaotic uproar of loudly snarling and growling (hamah) seas (yamym). They will wail in agitated and anguished screams (hamah), and (wa) the roar of the societal chaos (sha'own) of the people of these nations (la'om) will be like (ka) the horrible uproar (sha'own) of floodwaters (maym). Intensely and in great numbers with grating passion (kabyr), they will continually strive to desolate and lay waste (sha'ah). (17:12)

This massive number of people who gather together (la'om) will be like (ka) the horrible chaos and riotous roar (sha'own) of floodwaters (maym). Massively great, widespread, and abundant (rab) shall be their desire to destroy everything, giddy in the process as they crash into the land as a raging storm (sha'ah).

But (wa) He will rebuke them, issuing a warning against them while criticizing their corruption (ga'ar ba). And so (wa) they will be forced to flee, taking flight as a result of being driven back, ultimately ceasing to exist (nuwc) on account of being alienated (min merchaq). They will be chased, pursued and driven away (wa radaph), similar to the chaff that dies and is discarded (ka mowts) on the hills (harym) before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the Spirit (ruwach), and like (wa ka) the chariot wheels of troop transports rolling like tumbleweeds (galgal) before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the storm (cuwphah). (17:13)

Approaching the point in time (la 'eth) of the darkness of the Arab sunset ('ereb), then behold (wa hineh): terrorism – the deliberate and dreadful mauling and murder of civilians to promote a political and religious objective (balahah). In the time before (ba terem) the dawn (boqer), it is over and for naught ('ayn). This (zeth) is the fate of those deceived regarding their merits, the result of flattering propaganda, the reward for those coveting booty (cheleq) who engage in a military conquest to plunder and pillage us (shacah), and (wa) the lot, recompense and retribution (gowral) coming to those (la) who seek to conquer us, carrying off the spoils of war (bazaz). (17:14)

Woe, expressing dissatisfaction and a warning (howy) to the land ('erets) of whirling and buzzing (tsalatsal) wings (kanaph) which ('asher) is from (min) the region beyond, situated on the opposite side of ('eber) the direction of (la) the rivers (nahary) of Kuwsh (the Nile Delta and Northern Mesopotamia) (Kuwsh). (18:1)

It dispatches (ha shalach) envoys (tsyr) by way of the sea (ba ha yam). And so (wa) in floating vessels (ba kaly gome') on the surface ('al paneh) of the waters (maym) the messengers (mal'ak) travel (halak) swiftly, indulgently, and immorally without any regard for the consequences of their mission (qal / qol).

This nation of people from different races and places ('el gowy) is tall, intoxicated, and immodest, and they have a propensity to take things away from others (mashak). They are scrubbed clean, smooth-skinned and completely shaven, any yet typically reckless (wa mowrat). These people ('el 'am) are feared for causing distress through intimidation and awesomely dreadful acts, but are also respected by some for their achievements and capabilities (yare') from here to there and beyond in a future time (min huw' wa hala'ah).

This population which is comprised of many different races (gowy) routinely vomits up and spews out nonsense in a strange foreign language, talking down to others, mocking them, while continually marching off to war based on this condescending and moronic rhetoric (qaw), always trying to impose its influence, establishing the rules, while eagerly expecting to throw inhabitants out of their land (qow). It aggressively subdues others, trampling them down $(wa\ mabuwcah)$. This (`asher) country (`erets) is divided (baza') by rivers (naharym). (18:2)

All of (kol) those who inhabit (yashab) the Earth (tebel), and also (wa) those who dwell in (shakan) the Land ('erets), when (ka) the sign on the upright pole (nec) is lifted up to demonstrate My purpose (nasa') on the Mount (har), you all will actually see, gaining a perspective to genuinely understand (ra'ah), and also (wa) when (ka) the Showphar Ram's Horn Trumpet (showphar) sounds at this specific time to convey this plan (taqa'), you all will listen, paying attention (shama'). (18:3)

Indeed, because (ky), here and now at this point in time (koh) says ('amar) Yahowah (ᡩY) 'As for Me ('el), I will be silent and at peace, removed from the tribulation in a better place (shaqat shaqat). Then (wa) I will look, choosing to always be observant, anticipating My desired, unending, and caring response where I and heaven will benefit (nabat) in (ba) My dwelling place, from the well known location in space where the universe was

established which is the basis for and the foundation of life (makown), in the manner of (ka) radiant and glowing (tsach) warm and passionate (chom) light ('owr), akin to (ka) an enveloping cloud ('ab) of encompassing dew (tal) in (ba) the warmth and enthusiasm (chom) of the harvest (qasyr).' (18:4)

Indeed (ky), before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the harvest (qasyr), as (ka) the budding blossoms (perach) form and become completely perfect (taman), then (wa) the hardened and unfit (bocer) will be dealt with (gamal) for becoming (hayah) clusters of wild birds of prey, glistening eagles, falcons, and hawks (netsah). And (wa) the insignificant and worthless who squander and trivialize (ha zalzalym) will be stopped, taken down, and banished (karat) snuffed out with a sharp implement (ba ha mazmerah). So then (wa) with regard to ('eth) the forsaken castaways (ha natyshowth), they will be rejected and removed (suwr), cut off and separated (tazaz). (18:5)

They shall actually be continually abandoned and forever forsaken ('azab) all together, completely, and all at once (yahdaw) for (la) the birds of prey in high places (har 'ayt), and (wa) for (la) the beasts (bahemah) of the realm ('erets).

And (wa) they will be abruptly awakened in the summer with vexing and exasperating action taken against them $(qyts \ 'al)$. All manner of (kol) birds of prey ('ayt) and also (wa) every kind of beast $(kol \ bahemah)$ of the realm ('erets) will be among, upon, and against them during the autumn and winter continually ridiculing and taunting them for actually being irrational and consistently confused $('al \ charaph)$. (18:6)

At this time (ba ha 'eth), She (ha hy') shall direct and guide him, delivering him (yabal) as a gift which is agreeable, one borne out of reverence and respect (shy) to approach (la) Yahowah (५५५५) of the vast array of spiritual implements (tsaba').

People who have become family ('am) who were arrogant but now are in an altered state and willing to follow, enabling them to be drawn out and carried away (mashak), and (wa) who were perverse, but have now been scrubbed clean (mowrat) will come out of a nation (wa min 'am) feared (yare') from here to there and beyond in this future time (min huw' wa hala'ah), a population which is comprised of many different races from different places (gowy) with a strange foreign language, talking down to others while continually marching off to war based on their condescending rhetoric (qaw), always trying to impose its influence, establishing the rules, eagerly throwing inhabitants out of their land (qow), aggressively subduing others (wa mabuwcah) whose ('asher) country ('erets) is divided (baza') by rivers (naharym) brought to ('el) the place (maqowm) of the name (shem) of

Yahowah (약약사), of the vast array of spiritual implements (tsaba'): Mount (har) Tsyown – the Sign Posted to Identify the Way (Tsyown)." (18:7)

Now if I may, I'd like to propose a journey through this compelling prediction once again, this time emphasizing the order of events and the conclusions which can be drawn from its sweeping implications. While it may be at times redundant, when Yahowah reveals something this dramatic, this far reaching, this relevant and unexpected, I'm fixated, unable, or at least unwilling to let it go until I've derived all I'm capable of learning from His prophetic dissertation. If you are similarly intrigued, here again is Yasha'yah 17 and 18.

"A prophetic pronouncement regarding (masa') Damascus (Drameseq): behold (hineh), Damascus (Drameseq) is revolting and corrupt and will be removed from among inhabited cities. It is degenerate and unrestrained and shall be abolished (suwr min iyr). And (wa) she shall actually become (hayah) a twisted and tangled (ma'iy) heap of rubble (mapalah). (17:1)

It is hard to fathom, but 2750 years ago, during a time that this land was alternately controlled by the Hittites, Yisra'elites, Phoenicians, Egyptians, Assyrians, and Babylonians, and would later be conquered by the Persians, Greeks, Romans, Byzantines, Ottomans, and British, Yahowah predicted that Damascus, the capital of Syria, the longest continuously inhabited city in the world, would fall, becoming a heap of twisted rubble during the last days as the catalyst to a far more egregious war. He foretold that the government of Syria would collapse as well. His choice of words reflected today's reality, namely that the city's revolting and corrupt inhabitants would be as degenerate and unrestrained as the terrorists assaulting them.

Abandoned and forsaken, deserted and destroyed will be ('azab) the inhabited regions and populated cities ('iyr) of 'Arow'er, speaking of the outcasts in Jordan and Lebanon ('arow'er). For there will be (la hayah) roaming animals fighting in militant militias failing miserably ('ader), but then (wa) there will be no one to terrorize ('ayn charad). (17:2)

God predicted that during this war, the refugees in Jordan and Lebanon would succumb as collateral damage. Addressing the outcasts erroneously claiming to be "Palestinians," the very terrorists tormenting Israel, Yahowah foretold that the refugee camps they would inhabit in these neighboring countries would be abandoned and depopulated. This will occur, God said, at the hands of roaming bands of militant militias. These terrorists, Yah revealed, will act more like animals than humans.

Then (wa) the fortified places and defensive structures (mibtsa'r) will cease to exist (shabath) on account of (min) the Northern Kingdom ('Ephraym), along with (wa) the government (mamlakah) out of (min)

Damascus (*Drameseq*), including (*wa*) the remnant (*sa'ar*) of Syria (*'Aram*), for being similarly (*ka*) vehement and burdensome, fanatical and onerous, dimwitted and enraged (*kabowd*).

Since Yahowah has foretold the outcome of this war, we know that the Sunni jihadists who out man the Shia Muslims four to one and out gun them tenfold based upon the combined military expenditures on both sides (\$165 billion annually for the Sunni nations versus \$17 billion for the majority Shia countries) will prevail after a long fight – perhaps lasting a decade or more – culminating between 2020 and 2025. The civilian populations will be devastated in the process. Islam will be red in tooth and claw, vehement, fanatical, dimwitted, and enraged. This, of course, means that the peace process will fail as will diplomacy. Assad, who is currently winning this war, will lose. The carnage will grow from hundreds of thousands to millions.

The children (beny) of Yisra'el, those Individuals who Engage and Endure with God (Yisra'el), shall actually continue to exist (hayah), prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (१९११) of vast array of spiritual messengers and envoys (shaba'). (17:3)

The region associated with the Northern Kingdom will be at risk, but as a nation Israel will survive the Syrian war. So while Iran may nuke Damascus as a parting gift for the Sunni mujahedeen who drove them out of town, based upon Yahowah's witness there is no possibility that the Iranians will deploy a nuclear bomb in the Promised Land, causing it to be uninhabitable. And since Yahowah calls the Islamic assailants "vehement and burdensome, fanatical and onerous, dimwitted and enraged," these fundamentalist Islamic jihadists will be savages.

And (wa) it will actually come to pass (hayah) in that day (ba ha yowm) that the size of (ha huw' kabowd) Ya'aqob, a synonym for Israel (Ya'aqob), shall be decreased to the point of no longer being sustainable (dalal), and (wa) the fattest, best protected, and most vital midsection (mashman) of his body (basar) shall be leaned, shrinking in size (razeh). (17:4)

The prophecy doesn't explain how the proxy war being fought in Syria leads to the divestiture of Israeli land, but we have a historical analog from which to draw conclusions. A similar war was fought in Afghanistan from 1978 through 1992, when America rented and then armed the Taliban and al-Qaeda from the Pakistanis. These Islamic jihadists recruited and deployed sympathetic Sunni Muslims from all around the world to fight a proxy war against the pro Soviet government. The fighting between the Islamic mujahedeen and communists was so savage, over one million Afghani civilians were killed, and another five million were forced to seek asylum in Pakistan and Iran. Their country, which was all but

destroyed during the war, was further ravaged by the Taliban who replaced the deposed secular government.

This is set to play out again in Syria, ostensibly because the world never seems to learn from history. But this time the population is much larger, the location is more vital, and the weapons are more powerful. So we should expect that what happened in the aftermath of the Great Jihad in Afghanistan will occur again, but to a greater extent. And if you recall, in the decade after the Sunni jihadist victory in Afghanistan, once the tens of thousands of international terrorists returned home, going back to Africa, Asia, the Americas, Russia, and Europe, they continued to be terrorists. They struck savagely on every continent – carrying out some of the most horrendous terrorist attacks ever witnessed. And this lead us right back to Israel because the next wave of Islamic terrorism, consistent with the previous one, will be orchestrated by religious fundamentalists who will cite their Qur'anic-inspired hatred of Israel to justify their atrocities. They will ultimately seek to destroy the nation they blame for their poverty. And internationally, support for Israel will be increasingly seen as an invitation to be attacked. This time, however, when the Sunni jihadists return to their homes after prevailing in Syria, the carnage is going to occur on a much more massive scale. Israel will be sacrificed to appease the most ignorant, irrational, intolerant, immoral, indoctrinated, enraged, destructive, and deadly people on earth. Since past behavior is most always the most accurate predictor of future behavior, this is the most likely scenario. The devastating conclusion of the proxy war in Syria will lead to a tsunami of terrorism sweeping the globe, and then to Israeli land being sacrificed in a desperate plea for peace.

Another affirmation of this tortured justification for abandoning the Promised Land comes by way of the Iraq Study Group. In the midst of that war, with Shia and Sunni jihadists streaming into the country in the midst of the American invasion, a precursor to the current proxy war irrupted, killing tens of thousands. The solution, reasoned the American politicians and generals, was to force Israel to surrender Gaza, the West Bank, and Jerusalem to the Muslims, thinking that this would somehow satiate their bloodlust. The first phase of that plan has already been carried out. Gaza has been sheered off.

With America and Europe supplying all manner of weapons through Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey to the Sunni Jihadists fighting in Syria, and the Russians and Chinese abetting the Syrian and Iranian governments, the consequence of the Syrian War will be so great, the United States will seek to broker a lasting peace by tearing Israel into pieces. It is inevitable.

As we now know, this outcome is already in process. But the final divestiture of land is not going to occur on the timeline currently demanded by the Obama Administration. It will happen in a decade or so, only after the Syrian War is

ostensibly over. This timing is further underscored because elements of this peace treaty appear to be referenced in Dany'el / Daniel in conjunction with the commencement of the Tribulation.

There is another analog for what this prophecy portends which we have mentioned previously: Neville Chamberlain's forfeiture of the high ground of Czechoslovakia to achieve "peace in our time." The British politician's horrific miscalculation quickly engulfed the world in war. The same thing is going to occur in concert with this colossal blunder.

Vulnerable and no longer defensible, Muslims will void the treaty with Israel, just as Muhammad had done in the seventh-century to justify his conquest of Mecca. Then after promising to be peaceful for a decade in the Treaty of Hudaybiyah, in the Ninth Surah of the Qur'an Muhammad's wannabe god revealed that "treaties between Muslims and infidels are not binding on Muslims." So with his god's approval, Muhammad set the example (or "sunnah" from which Sunni is derived) that all good Muslims follow today. The following year Islam's lone prophet reneged on the terms of the agreement he had signed and ordered his fellow mujahedeen to seize a now defenseless Mecca. Better armed and with many more jihadists the first Islamic jihadists forced Arabs into submission, also known as Islam, beheading those who did not surrender. This is precisely what the Almighty is predicting is going to reoccur, but this time in Israel, just over a dozen years from now.

Yahowah stated that the treaty that emasculates Israel will not only decrease the nation's size at its midsection, but that the result will leave the Jewish state unsustainable. If America and the Muslims it is brokering this agreement on behalf of get their way, Israel will be less than five miles wide northwest of Jerusalem and east of Tel Aviv where seventy percent of today's Yisra'elites reside. It is an invitation for invasion.

Then (wa) it shall be (hayah) like (ka) gathering in and receiving ('acaph) of a harvest, of reaping the grain from the chaff in season, cutting it away so as to remove it from a vexing time of grief (qatsyr), thereby establishing and validating the standing grain (qamah). And with (wa) His Sacrificial Lamb, His strong arm and ability to shoulder burdens, His visible appearance as light (zarowa'), He will collect and harvest (qatsyr) the first fruits (shibolym). But (wa) it shall be (hayah) as (ka) a gleaning, a smaller secondary harvest (laqat) of ears of grain (shibolym) in (ba) the valley ('emeq) of Rapha'ym, in the midst of souls destined to die (Raphq'ym). (17:5)

But right before they attack, Yahowah will do the Fatherly thing, removing the Covenant's children from the vexing time of grief that is to come. This will occur on *Yowm Taruw'ah*, the first day of the seventh month on Yahowah's

calendar. And since God transitioned from His declaration regarding the impending destruction of Syria to the immediate divestiture of Israeli land using the phrase "in that day," these events will play out in swift succession – most likely in the same year. Once the Syrian War is over, once Damascus becomes an uninhabited twisted pile of rubble, once the Assad regime falls, once the refugees who are outcasts in Jordan and Lebanon are swallowed up in this deadly affair, once Israel is thinned, becoming unsustainable, be prepared to go if you are a participant in the Covenant. And if not, you may want to consider its conditions and engage before it is too late.

Yahowah will accomplish this reaping of His beloved family, His FirstFruits, with His strong arm, His Sacrificial Lamb, also known as Yahowsha'. This smaller and secondary harvest will remove the children of the Covenant from the Valley of Death – the killing fields of the Tribulation. We can expect between two and three thousand naturally born Yisra'elies to be included along with four to five thousand *Gowym* – those who have been adopted into God's family. Throughout His testimony our Heavenly Father makes this naturally born descendent of Abraham and adopted foreigner distinction regarding participation in His Covenant. So this day will represent yet another promise Yahowah will honor, this one facilitating the benefits associated with the fifth of seven *Miqra'ey* – Invitations to be Called Out and Meet with God. The Father's troubadours are being called home.

So (wa) in him [speaking of Ya'aqob, and thus Yisra'elites and the Children of the Covenant] (ba), there will be those who leave based upon the choices they have made (sha'ar), gleanings, smaller, secondary harvests ('olelah), as in going around, encompassing, and shaking them off as a means of harvesting $(ka\ naqap)$ an olive tree (zayth): two or three $(shanaym\ shalowsh)$ ripe olives (gargar) in the top, uppermost $(ba\ ro'sh)$, branch ('amyr), four or five $('arba'\ chamesh)$ on her fruitful branches which have been separated $(ba\ ca'yph\ parah)$, prophetically declares (na'um) Yahowah (\rat{YY}) , the Mighty One ('elohym) of Yisra'el, of those individuals who engage and endure with God (Yisra'el). (17:6)

Those who are called out of the world at this time are described as standing grain and then as ripe olives. The initial metaphor reveals that God's children are upright, established in the relationship. It also reveals that they have answered the invitations to meet with God in the spring, as barley is beginning to ripen, when Passover, Un-Yeasted Bread, and Firstborn Children (also known as FirstFruits) are celebrated. The standing grain is distinguished from the chaff which is tossed aside and blown away.

Olives produced oil that was burned in lanterns to pierce the darkness and illuminate homes. This oil was used to nourish and to heal. Its light enabled

parents to read and recite Yah's Towrah to their children. And further advancing the metaphor, the olive tree was not only firmly rooted in the land, it is among the world's longest living organisms.

On this occasion, the Covenant's children are being "removed from a vexing time of grief" at what appears to be the last possible moment. Yahowah is allowing His witnesses to remain and share His message with the world right up to the point that prolonging His children's stay would put His family in harm's way. The future for the vast preponderance of those who remain, of those left behind, is to die estranged from God.

In that specific day (ba ha yowm ha huw'), this man who is a descendent of Adam (ha 'adam) will genuinely regard and always accept (sha'ah) the Almighty ('al), his Maker ('asah), and (wa) his eyes ('ayn) will actually and continually look (ra'ah) toward God ('el), the Set-Apart One (qadowsh) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el). (17:7) So then (wa) he shall never regard, accept, consider, nor look (lo' sha'ah) upon ('al) the religious altars (ha mizbeach), these works (ma'aseh) which fingers have made ('asher 'asah 'etsba'). They will not focus upon (lo' ra'ah) either ('ow) the Asherah, the religious myth representing the Mother of God and Queen of Heaven who is associated with the Lord, Ba'al, with Easter, Christmas, and Christianity (ha 'Asherah) or the (wa ha) worship of sun god images and resulting religious monuments (chaman). (17:8)

Yahowah reminds those left behind that those who have been called home will find heaven devoid of religion. Good riddance. It is vital that humankind finally comes to understand this life and death distinction, which is why it is being reinforced at this juncture. The Earth will be miserable because of religion and it is the lack of religion that will make Heaven so enjoyable.

The contrast will be palpable. Just as the world's most menacing religion, the faith founded upon deceit, death, and destruction, intensifies its indoctrination of jihadists, inspiring them to believe that killing and pillaging are a service to their god, the Almighty will be removing those who have chosen to trust Him from this religious battlefield. But let's not forget about the billions of Christians who will be left behind, wallowing blindly in all manner of Astarte and sun-god imagery. The Rapture they anticipated occurred, but under a different name and on a different day, all so that those who have disassociated themselves from their Church could be part of a Covenant these Christians thought had been replaced. But alas, since this will be a small, secondary harvest without a single Christian along for the ride, the faithful might not even notice. And those who notice the disappearance of seven thousand souls, those who bring this to the attention of religious and political leaders questioning why it occurred, will be misled by those who have crafted corruption into an art form.

Collectively, these realizations underscore a stark truth the religious are unable to process. If God allowed them into Heaven, eternity would be no different than what we are currently enduring. All of the grief, the perversions, the confusion, the conflicts, the pain and suffering religion has brought to Earth would be transferred to Heaven, making eternal life miserable, which is why the religious cannot be allowed in. Yasha'yah's proclamation is further evidence that religions are not spokes on a wheel that lead to God but instead, through centrifugal force, away from Him.

Those who are gleaned on this day will have the Covenant in common. Each will have walked away from religion, from politics, patriotism, and militarism. Each will have chosen to trust and rely exclusively on Yahowah instead of their country. These descendants of Adam will be gathered together and invited home on this day, *Taruw'ah*, because they answered Yahowah's Invitations to be Called Out and Meet with Him on *Pesach*, *Matsah*, *Bikuwrym*, and *Shabuw'ah* – walking to their Heavenly Father along the path He provided. Each will have these things in common because they will be observant, closely examining and carefully considering the terms and conditions of the Covenant, embracing all five of them. And every man will be circumcised. There will be no exceptions.

In that specific day (ba ha yowm ha huw'), it shall come to be (hayah) that the cities of ('iyr) his [still addressing Ya'aqob's, and thus Yisra'el's] refuge and defensive fortifications (ma'owz) shall be abandoned ('azab) like an occult presence in the thicket and as if drugged with mind-altering incantations or biological agents (ka cheresh). And then (wa) the uppermost branch of the olive ('amyr) therefore ('asher) will be completely deserted for a time ('azab) because of (min) the presence of (paneh) the children (ben – sons) of Yisra'el (Yisra'el). And so (wa) appalling desolation and stupefying ruin, a stunning deforestation, horrible devastation leaving these places uninhabitable and deserted (shamamah) will exist for a time as a result of the choices made (hayah). (17:9)

With the restraining influence of Yahowah's Spirit-filled troubadours now gone, all hell will break loose. And since the defensive fortifications surrounding the cities which will abandoned as a result of religious incantations and chemical agents are delineated as "his," this pronoun is likely referencing Ya'aqob. Therefore, should this be the case, Israel's defensives will immediately fail and many cities, towns, and settlements will be overrun. Much of the Land will be abandoned as it is deforested and poisoned with chemical and biological agents wielded by those intoxicated by their satanic religion.

That said, there is the possibility that "his" could be addressing "ha 'adam." If so, it's mankind's population centers and military prowess which will become desolate and impotent, suggesting that the carnage may be global.

The argument against this more pervasive option, however, is that "ha 'adam – the man" being described is now in Heaven, having been rescued by the Sacrificial Lamb. Also, what follows speaks of having "forgotten your Savior." Yahowah introduced Himself to Yisra'elites in His Towrah and saved them from slavery in Egypt, the crucible of human religious oppression. Christians, Muslims, Hindus, and Secular Humanists have never known Yahowah and thus could not have forgotten Him. They have never been saved by Him either. Furthermore, God has just said that Ya'aqob will become vulnerable as a result of being thinned, and He is about to describe an Islamic invasion of Israel. As a result, we'd be wise to see Israel's defenses and cities faltering and succumbing at this juncture.

But that does not mean that these options are exclusive, with one precluding the other. When more than one possibility exists, more times than not, God wants us to consider each of them. In this vein, the specific things excluded from Heaven are germane to Christianity, not Judaism, and thus to the U.S. and E.U., not Israel. Further, God has delineated two groups of individuals who will be gleaned, most of whom are Gowym, not Yahuwdym. So from this perspective, the warning directed against America in the opening line of the next chapter could simultaneously reflect parallel and sequential events. After all, the United States has been complicit up to this point, having caused the Syrian War, having armed the Muslim combatants, and having led to parade to thin the Promised Land. This being the case, life will become unbearable for all humankind, and especially for the nation that earns Yahowah's ire.

This prediction was once again prefaced with "in that specific day," so this too will happen in quick succession. The most overtly occult of popular religions will pour into the Promised Land like a plague of death. The resulting devastation and desolation will be stupefying, leaving much of Israel deserted and uninhabitable. This, Yahowah reveals, will be endured because most Yisra'elites have forgotten what He has done for them. They remain ignorant in part because they favor rabbinic Talmud arguments over Yahowah's Towrah teaching. And as a result of having rejected the Covenant's terms, they are estranged and thus unprotected and vulnerable. Having chosen to depend upon their weapons and training rather than their God and Savior, they will experience the mind-altering incantations of evil.

Indeed, because, rather branded by another (ky), you have completely ignored and have actually forgotten, becoming totally ignorant of (sakah) the God ('elohym) of your salvation and deliverance – your Savior (yasha') and (wa) the Rock (tsuwr) of your protection and refuge (ma'owz). You do not remember nor mention $(lo'\ zakar)$ the Most High ('al). Therefore (ken), you plant (nata') the Lord's (na'amanym) vines (neta'). And you continually sow (zara') an illegitimate, unauthorized, and loathsome means to estrangement

(wa zar) by way of a vine branch that needs to be pruned (zamowrah). (17:10) In that day (ba yowm), you raise (suwg) your garden (neta'). And in the (wa ba ha) early part of the day (boqer), your seed (zera') will bud and sprout (parach), reaping (qasyr) a shaken and corrupt heap which is piled up and will be thrust aside (ned). In the daytime (ba yowm), there will be weakness, affliction, and tribulation (chalah) including (wa) the influence of incurable and incapacitating ('anash) physical pain and mental anguish (ka'eb). (17:11)

There is a myth, one being actively promoted by hundreds of thousands of Ultra-Orthodox Jews today, especially in Israel, that religious Jews are Torah observant. But according to evidence, to reason, and to Yahowah, this isn't accurate. Orthodox Jews have made religion their profession – spending every waking hour obeying the laws rabbis have imposed upon them. Their scripture is found in the Oral Law, in the Talmud and the Mishnah. In minions, they thoughtlessly bob their heads while reciting rabbinical prayers from rote. There isn't one among them that knows Yahowah or follows His guidance.

Sadly, this is only the beginning of the bloodbath they will endure as a direct result of their religion. The birth pangs are now over and this is now the onset of the Great Tribulation. But none of this should be seen as God judging the world. Based upon His own testimony, He is currently celebrating this time with His family. God's focus is elsewhere. Yahowah isn't orchestrating this affair nor micromanaging these events. He is simply going to allow this to occur. In fact, it is in the remaining Yisra'elites interest to have these appalling events progress to the point that they finally realize that they are incapable of stopping the horror they are experiencing, and to a great degree have brought upon themselves. It is only then that a remnant will come to their senses and acknowledge that neither their nation, their religion, their intellect, their ingenuity, their wealth, nor their military can save them. And that will be the first step in the right direction – the acceptance of the first codicil of the Covenant.

Speaking of Israel's assailants, very few know, but it is nonetheless true, if it were not for rabbis, Islam would not exist. According to the Hadith, and confirmed in the Qur'an, rabbis in Yathrib, today's Medina, sold Talmud citations to Muhammad which he then incorporated into his Qur'an. Without these stories, the resulting book would have been too dark and depraved to fool anyone.

Also telling, while many hundreds of thousands of Ultra-Orthodox Israelis are opposed to their nation's military, and have fought politically to keep from having to serve in it, others will perceive that the Israel Defense Forces and Israeli economic ingenuity are prevailing, as least for a while. Initially, the desert will bloom and the enemy will be kept at bay. But those blossoms of hope will wither and fade away. Yahowah has affirmed that Yisra'elites have been doing the work of the Lord, also known as Satan, the Adversary. They will be pruned. These

discarded and short-lived twigs will be tossed aside because the disease infecting them is deemed infectious and incurable. This day will usher in the Tribulation, a time of great affliction, seven long years of incapacitating physical pain and mental anguish.

When we consider these statements as part of the whole fabric of Yahowah's prophetic testimony, it would be reasonable to conclude that this dismissal of Israeli industry and allegiance brings us to the Spring of 2027, some four to six months after the affirmation of the peace treaty finalizing the emasculation of the Promised Land. And at this time, Muslims by the millions from nations the world over, sensing the enemy of Allah's vulnerability, will arrive roaring "Allahu-Akbar." It will be a tidal wave of terrorists.

During what is almost assuredly the onslaught of the Magog War, mujahedeen will flood into the land from all directions. But this time the Israeli defenses will be unable to stop them. Agitated and anguished screams will lead to societal chaos, as the Promised Land is inundated with those who seek to destroy it on behalf of their demonic deity.

So woe, be wary of (howy) a great many nations (rabym 'amym) roaring like hoards of agitated terrorists, these multitudes of confused and loudmouthed militants flaunting what they possess (hamown), similar to (ka) the chaotic uproar of loudly snarling and growling (hamah) seas (yamym). They will wail in agitated and anguished screams (hamah), and (wa) the roar of the societal chaos (sha'own) of the people of these nations (la'om) will be like (ka) the horrible uproar (sha'own) of floodwaters (maym). Intensely and in great numbers with grating passion (kabyr), they will continually strive to desolate and lay waste (sha'ah). (17:12)

At this point we are confronted with the first of the two "howy – woe" warnings that Yahowah has integrated into this dire prophecy. A great many nations will dispatch a veritable sea of Islamic jihadists. Over one-hundred million mujahedeen will emerge from the fifty fiefdoms with a Muslim majority. These horrible places serving as breeding grounds for death and destruction include: Afghanistan (which is 99.8% Muslim / with a 29,047 x1,000 Islamic population), Albania (82% / 2,601), Algeria (98% / 34,780), Azerbaijan (98% / 8,795), Bahrain (81% / 655), Bangladesh (90% / 148,607), Brunei (52% / 211), Burkina Faso (59% / 9,600), Chad (56% / 6,404), Comoros (98% / 679), Djibouti (97% / 853), Egypt (95% / 80,024), Gambia (95% / 1,669), Guinea (84% / 8,693), Indonesia (88% / 204,847), Iran (99.7% / 74,819), Iraq (98.9% / 31,108), Jordan (98.8% / 6,397), Kazakhstan (56% / 8,887), Kosovo (92% / 2,104), Kuwait (86% / 2,636), Kyrgyzstan 89% / 4,927), Lebanon (60% / 2,542), Libya (97% / 6,325), Malaysia (61% / 17,139), Maldives (98% / 309), Mali 92% / 12,316), Mauritania (99.2% / 3,338), Mayotte (98.8% / 197), Morocco (99.9% / 32,381), Niger (98% /

15,627), Nigeria (50% / 75,728), Oman (88% / 2,547), Pakistan (96% / 178,097), Palestinian Authority (98% / 4,298), Qatar (78% / 1,168), Saudi Arabia (97% / 25,493), Senegal (96% / 12,333), Sierra Leone (72% / 4,171), Somalia (98.6% / 9,213), Sudan (71% / 30,855), Syria (93% / 20,895), Tajikistan (99% / 7,006), Tunisia (99.8% / 10,349), Turkey (98.6% / 74,660), Turkmenistan (93% / 4,830), United Arabs Emirates (76% / 3,577), Uzbekistan (97% / 26,833), Western Sahara (99.6% / 528), and Yemen (99% / 24,023).

The average age of the rapidly rising Islamic population of 1,275,000,000 in these fifty countries is twenty-two, with more than two-thirds of fighting age, which would be between fifteen and fifty. Since ninety percent of jihadists are male and since seventy to eighty percent of Muslims are fundamentalists in places like this and thus predisposed religiously to be mujahedeen, if only one in three of those who are eligible to fight are motivated by their clerics, political potentates, media, and peers to do so, these nations alone will dispatch an estimated 130 million fighters in Allah's Cause. And since those who might otherwise defer would be defined as hypocrites by the Qur'an's 9th surah, and would be killed by fellow Muslims as apostates, as many as half of the fundamentalist Muslim men of appropriate age may seek to earn paradise points with their god. Moreover, life isn't worth living in most of these places. There is little or no hope for a better tomorrow. Lies prevail and truth is a casualty. As a result, the number of enraged religious fanatics could reach 200 million individuals. There simply wouldn't be enough bullets or bombs to stop them.

But that would not be the end of the militants. The thirty nations where collectively another 285 million Muslims reside, which boast a significant percentage of Allah devotees, will also send millions of mujahedeen. These include: Benin (25% / 2,259), Bosnia-Herzegovina (42% / 1,564), Bulgaria (13% / 1,002), Cameroon (18% / 3,598), Central African Republic (9% / 403), Cyprus (23% / 200), Eritrea (37% / 1,909), Ethiopia (34% / 28,724), France (9% / 5,300), Gabon (10% / 145), Georgia (11% / 442), Ghana (16% / 3,906), Guinea Bissau (43% / 705), India (15% / 177,286), Israel (18% / 1,287), Ivory Coast (37% / 7,960), Kenya (8% / 2,968), Liberia (13% / 523), Macedonia (35% / 713), Malawi (13% / 2,011), Mauritius (17% / 216), Montenegro (19% / 116), Mozambique (23% / 5,340), Russia (12% / 16,379), Singapore (15% / 721), Sri Lanka (9% / 1,725), Suriname (16% / 84), Tanzania (30% / 13,450), Togo (12% / 827), and Uganda (12% / 4,060).

The percentage Muslims in these places who are religious fundamentalists and who choose to fight will be considerably less because as a minority population, Islam cannot be imposed. Accurate information is available, thinking is somewhat encouraged, and life is worth living. Therefore, as few as ten percent of the eligible jihadists may elect to engage. But this would still yield another ten

million mujahedeen – more enraged fighters than there are Jews in the Promised Land.

Also, based upon the description Yahowah has provided, additional jihadists will flow out of nations with a relatively small percentage of Muslims. The thirty-three un-Islamic countries from which mujahedeen will emerge include: Argentina (3% / 1,000), Australia (2% / 400), Austria (6% / 475), Belgium (6% / 638), Burma (4% / 1,900), Burundi (2% / 184), Canada (3% / 940), China (2% / 23,308), Congo (2% / 969), Denmark (4% / 226), Equatorial Guinea (4% / 28), Fiji (6% / 54), Germany (5% / 4,119), Greece (5% / 527), Guyana (7% / 55), Italy (3% / 1,583), Mongolia (5% / 120), Nepal (4% / 1,253), Netherlands (6% / 914), Norway (3% / 144), Philippines (5% / 4,737), Rwanda (2% / 188), Serbia (4% / 280), Slovenia (3% / 50), South Africa (2% / 737), Spain (2% / 1,021), Sweden (5% / 451), Switzerland (6% / 433), Thailand (6% / 3,952), Trinidad (6% / 78), Ukraine (1% / 393), United Kingdom (5% / 2,869), and finally the United States (1% / 2,595).

There are fifty-five million Muslims living in these overwhelmingly un-Islamic nations. And since the voice of their clerics is substantially muted in these places, and since Muslims have little influence in the government, military, and media, we should expect as few as one in twenty fundamentalist Muslim men between fifteen and fifty to join the Great Jihad from these places. And while that is only three-quarters of a million mujahedeen, it's what happens in the aftermath of their devastating loss that should be alarming. The Muslims they leave behind will likely seek revenge and become terrorists.

Based upon this analysis, we should expect that the vast preponderance of jihadists, somewhere between 130 and 200 million mujahedeen, will come from the fifty nations with an Islamic majority. The sixty-three countries with a smaller percentage of Muslims may send ten million more jihadists. This veritable sea of religious rage will flood into Israel from all directions. Multitudes will approach via the Caspian, Black, and Marmara Seas. Others shall sail across the Mediterranean. Many will traverse the Aegean. Armed hoards will roar across the Nile Delta and Suez Canal. Some will circumnavigate the Arabian Peninsula via the Red Sea. Many more will flood into eastern Israel across the Jordan, the Dead Sea, and the Sea of Galilee. Like a swarm of locusts devouring everything in their path, screaming "Allahu Akbar" in the Land of Yahowah, the death brigade of Muslims will appear unstoppable. To be a Jew in Israel at this moment would be terrifying.

Yahowah deployed *hamown* in this context to convey that these "hoards of agitated terrorists who are confused and loudmouthed, will roar" into Yisra'el "flaunting the weapons they possess." It is an appropriate depiction of today's Islamic jihadists. With "anguished screams, snarling and growing" they will bring

their unique "hamah – societal chaos" to the one part of the Middle East they have been thus far been prevented from corrupting. Militants will flood into Yisra'el, eroding the Promised Land with each successive and relentless wave. In "kabyr – great numbers and with grating passion" they "sha'ah – will lay waste." It will be the greatest tsunami of terror the world has ever witnessed.

This massive number of people who gather together (la'om) will be like (ka) the horrible chaos and riotous roar (sha'own) of floodwaters (maym). Massively great, widespread, and abundant (rab) shall be their desire to destroy everything, giddy in the process as they crash into the land as a raging storm (sha'ah). But (wa) He will rebuke them, issuing a warning against them while criticizing their corruption (ga'ar ba). And so (wa) they will be forced to flee, taking flight as a result of being driven back, ultimately ceasing to exist (nuwc) on account of being alienated (min merchaq). They will be chased, pursued and driven away (wa radaph), similar to the chaff that dies and is discarded (ka mowts) on the hills (harym) before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the Spirit (ruwach), and like (wa ka) the chariot wheels of troop transports rolling like tumbleweeds (galgal) before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the storm (cuwphah). (17:13)

This assault will be comprised of a "la'om – multitude of people" from "rabym 'amym – a great many nations." I suspect it will be the most massive and misguided force ever assembled by man.

Muslims, moronically believing that Allah is god, and that he wants them to kill Jews for him, will be confronted by Yahowah, who actually is God. After rebuking these Muslims, in essence affirming that they are ignorant, irrational, and immoral, He will deploy His Spirit to blow them away in a fatal blow to Islamic aspirations. On the positive side, the most deadly, destructive, and demonic plague the world has known will be eradicated.

By saying that He is going to "ga'ar – rebuke them, criticizing their corruption," God is shattering a common religious misconception. Muslims bristle and often strike when their religion is criticized. They, like most Christians, falsely believe that religion is godly, divinely inspired, and beyond reproach. Even if the evidence wielded against their belief system is indisputable, even if the citations brought to bear against their faith are derived exclusively from their most trusted scriptural sources, even if the rationale is irrefutable, the religious universally slander the messenger as being disrespectful, hateful, and demonic. And yet since God is doing the very thing the religious universally despise, this is further proof that religious gods are the antithesis of the real One.

While it will be too late for these wannabe killers, Yahowah's rebuke will benefit others. Those with an open mind, those who remain receptive to listening

to what God has to say to these religious assailants, may turn to Yahowah and His Towrah for answers. His Covenant may suddenly seem appealing – the most reasonable and beneficial option.

The scene is vividly described by Yahowah. The Muslims who have sought to kill His children and confiscate His land, "nuwc – will retreat, taking flight as they forced to flee" for having "min merchaq – been in opposition" to God. The jihadists "radaph – will be pursued and driven away" like "mowts – dead and discarded chaff." And while Yahowah will not be visible at this time, the approach of His "ruwach – Spirit" will be sufficient to cause tanks and troop transports to appear as tumbleweeds. And while that is bad news for Islam, for the rest of the world, there is an approaching storm – a war more deadly and universal than the one Yahowah just ended. But more on this in a moment.

Approaching the point in time $(la\ 'eth)$ of the darkness of the Arab sunset (`ereb), then behold $(wa\ hineh)$: terrorism – the deliberate and dreadful mauling and murder of civilians to promote a political and religious objective (balahah). In the time before $(ba\ terem)$ the dawn (boqer), it is over and for naught (`ayn). This (zeth) is the fate of those deceived regarding their merits, the result of flattering propaganda, the reward for those coveting booty (cheleq) who engage in a military conquest to plunder and pillage us (shacah), and (wa) the lot, recompense and retribution (gowral) coming to those (la) who seek to conquer us, carrying off the spoils of war (bazaz). (17:14)

Islam has been so deceitful and destructive, so deadly and debilitating, indeed, so overtly satanic, Yahowah devotes the closing paragraph of this chapter to denounce the religion. During a period when ill-informed journalists are referring to holocaust of violence exploding around the Muslim world as the "Arab Spring," Yahowah correctly identifies this time as the "darkness of the Arab sunset." God even acknowledges the religion's signature act: "balahah – terrorism in Allah's name, the deliberate and dreadful mauling and murder of civilians to promote a political and religious objective." Islam and terrorism have indistinguishable, with fundamentalist Muslims committing over 99% of all terrorist acts worldwide.

But it will be for naught, just has been the entire 1400-year history of Islam. Muslims will continue to destroy everything they touch, including themselves. Those who have been deceived, devouring the religious propaganda, believing their wannabe prophet and god when they declared in the Eighth Surah of their Qur'an, suitably named, "The Spoils of War," that "Booty is lawful and good," will find otherwise. Coveting pillage and plunder, they will discover that these things will cost them their souls. The would be conquerors will be vanquished. The horrid history of this destructive and deadly religion will come to a fitting conclusion with God annihilating its most adherent hosts. The fate of those who

have been deceived regarding their merits is to be considered worthless. The destiny of those influenced by self-aggrandizing propaganda is to be silenced. The fitting recompense for those who have been beguiled into believing that confiscating booty through military conquest is authorized by God is to be defeated and disinherited. Those who sought paradise and the spoils of war will vanish, their souls either ceasing to exist or forever incarcerated.

The Magog War over, Islam defeated by Yahowah, the storm is now on the horizon. And that should be of grave concern to the nation described in the eighteenth chapter of Yasha'yah – America. The United States is thoroughly depicted in unflattering and irrefutable terms. And while we aren't told why America makes its prophetic début at this point, it's not good.

In the context of the prophecy and current world history, we know that the United States is the reason Damascus will be destroyed and Syria will fall. The proxy war that has ravaged the region is a direct result of America's foolish and counterproductive invasion of Iraq, in effect giving Iraq to Iran. The influence of Iran and Shia Islam surged, threatening the surrounding Sunni fiefdoms. In response, they recruited Islamic jihadists and transferred U.S. weapons, igniting a catastrophic proxy war in Syria. Ultimately, the Sunni mujahedeen will prevail. They outnumber Shia Muslims four to one, and the forty-six majority Sunni nations outspend the four Shia countries ten to one: \$155,000,000,000,000 to \$15,000,000,000. But bringing down the Assad regime will serve to exacerbate the world's problems.

The victorious Sunni jihadists will return to the nations from which they have come and a reign of terror will commence around the world. Moreover, the mujahedeen who remain in Syria will be unrestrained, turning their religious rage against Israel. Not only has the United States sold well over one hundred billion dollars of deadly weaponry to the Sunni Islamic countries that supported the rebels, supplying twenty-five times more military hardware to Israel's foes than the Israelis themselves, the U.S. has built entire armies for the Iraqis and Afghanis, the Egyptians and Pakistanis. The flame of war has been kindled and the United States has been caught supplying the fuel and holding the match.

And if that were not enough to earn Yahowah's wrath at this critical juncture in history, America has taken the lead in brokering an irrational peace treaty that will cost Israel dearly, forcing the nation to surrender land to the Muslims who continue to seek the obliteration of the Promised Land. Seizing upon the opportunity while wielding weapons supplied by the United States, Islamic militants by the tens of millions will seek to plunder the Promised Land. And while they will fail, with Yahowah's Spirit blowing them away, that is just the calm before the storm.

Woe, expressing dissatisfaction and a warning (howy) to the land (érets) of whirling and buzzing (tsalatsal) wings (kanaph) which (éasher) is from (min) the region beyond, situated on the opposite side of (éeber) the direction of (la) the rivers (nahary) of Kuwsh (the Nile Delta and Northern Mesopotamia) (Kuwsh). (18:1)

In the midst of this chronology of events, Yahowah "howy – expresses His dissatisfaction" toward the United States. American belligerence and malfeasance may become intolerable, reaching a destructive and deadly crescendo. Reading between the lines, I suspect that American politicians and generals will be miffed that their weapons will be rebuffed so easily. With an unrealistic estimate of the nation's worth, America's leadership will be unwilling to admit that they were trumped by God. Still clinging to the notion of American exceptionalism, the U.S. fleet will sail off to war. America and Europe will face off against Russia and China, with the United States projecting a far greater force than all of the others combined. But unlike its previous failures, this will be its last.

It is also possible, even likely, that "howy – woe" was deployed as a "warning," specifically alerting Americans that they will endure the worst the impending Tribulation has to offer. This will be a horrible time for all mankind, but, based upon this admonition, especially for those living in the United States. And since it isn't in Yahowah's nature to torment people, no matter how repulsive they may have become, other causes, some suggested by current events and some depicted in prophecy will transpire.

On the human side, just as the Nazis bombed Britain after Chamberlain's foolish attempt to appease them, we should expect Muslims to ravage America after its failed attempt to stem Islamic terrorism by awarding the perpetrators the preponderance of Israel. This escalation of jihadi ambitions was predicted in Yahowsha's Olivet Discourse as He described the birth pangs associated with the last days.

Economically, it's only a matter of time before the United States implodes under the massive burden of its accumulated debt. The welfare entitlement state is not sustainable, nor is the nation's massive military expenditures. There will come a time within the next fifteen years that America's debt will become unserviceable, bankrupting the nation and resulting in anarchy. The dollar will become worthless and all debts, public and private will be forgiven as a ploy to coax desperate individuals into relying on a new leader, a new plan, and a new electronic currency manipulated by the great deceiver.

World war is also on America's horizon. Obama nearly fired the opening salvo when he wanted to bomb Damascus, sending cruise missles and bombers over the protective Russian fleet. The prophets speak of the elements melting under intense heat and resulting obscuration of the atmosphere – perhaps a reference to nuclear holocaust. A third of the earth will be scorched and become uninhabitable, with North America likely included in the devastation. This war, of nation rising against nation, was also mentioned by Yahowsha' as He described the calamitous events before His return.

What's more, according to Yahowsha', Apophis, the near earth asteroid designated 2004 MN that is predicted to very narrowly miss the Earth on Friday, April 13, 2029 in the midst of the Tribulation, is going to collide, impacting the planet. NASA is so concerned about this eventuality, it is investing billions trying to devise a means to more accurately track the asteroid during its elongated orbit and then to deflect it as it approaches Earth. Simultaneously, and also according to Yahowsha's prediction, this impact will cause the land that is currently slipping on the slopes of one or both volcanoes, Cumbre Vieja on La Palma at the western end of the Canary Islands off the coast of Spain or Kilauea on the eastern edge of the Big Island of Hawaii, to give way, generating tsunamis of an unimaginable scale, both impacting the United States.

Another, albeit related Tribulation's birth pang that will grow in frequency and magnitude before Yahowsha's return, are *megas seismos*, earthquakes, hurricanes, and tornados, all of which frequent the United States. Life will become untenable.

But even beyond experiencing the most horrendous terrorist attacks in history, beyond total economic collapse and resulting anarchy, beyond nuclear war and its nuclear winter, beyond asteroid strikes and landslides that propel mountainous tsunamis, beyond the impending assault of 8.0 magnitude earthquakes, F5 tornados, and Category 5 hurricanes, America is being admonished for the ultimate crime: harassing God's Chosen People. Based upon the conclusion of the 18th chapter of Yasha'yah, it's apparent that to save a remnant of His children, Yahowah is going to rescue them from America. One of God's earliest warnings is directed at those who would curse the heirs to the Covenant.

The inference here is that Americans have brought many of these calamities upon themselves by being belligerent and antagonistic. God says that the U.S. is the "*erets* – land" of "*tsalatsal kanaph* – whirling and buzzing wings," an obvious reference to the nation's Air Force, and in particular, its attack helicopters. They, along with the birds of prey that He will speak of later in this prophecy, have become synonymous with America's destructive prowess.

Yahowah even locates the United States, revealing that it "min 'eber – is situated on the opposite side of the world" from the perspective of His prophet, "from the region beyond" the "nahary – rivers" of Kuwsh. Kuwsh, as Noah's grandson, was born in Eastern Turkey, but in accord with the Towrah's

accounting and affirmed by the mountain range which bears his name, spent much of his life in Northern Mesopotamia. Using this region as a reference, a line drawn from Jerusalem through it intersects Alaska on the far side of the world. But since the Writings and Prophets also depict Kuwsh in proximity to Egypt as a result of the migration of the descendants of this man whose name means "black," the rivers of Kuwsh would also include the Nile Delta. This realization is further reinforced by the fact that Mitsraym was known as the "Black Land" to the Egyptians as a result of the rich sediment deposited annually by the flooding of the Nile. And a line drawn from Jerusalem through the Nile Delta intersects the Florida Keys and the Southern tip of Hawaii. Further, if one were to sail straight across the Mediterranean Sea from Israel through the Straits of Gibraltar, they would make landfall somewhere between Washington, D.C. and New York City.

It dispatches (ha shalach) envoys (tsyr) by way of the sea (ba ha yam). And so (wa) in floating vessels (ba kaly gome') on the surface ('al paneh) of the waters (maym) the messengers (mal'ak) travel (halak) swiftly, indulgently, and immorally without any regard for the consequences of their mission (qal / qol).... (18:2)

The United States has built twelve enormous Battle Groups around its fleet of massive aircraft carriers. Two additional floating behemoths are under construction. This capacity to project a force "ba kaly gome' – in floating vessels" on the "paneh maym – surface of the waters" is unparalleled in human history. It is in this way that America's "mal'ak – messengers and envoys" travel "qal – swiftly and indulgently on the missions" presidents have declared are in the country's national interests. While their reasoning is dubious at best, the globe has become America's playground.

Since there isn't another nation with a single vessel with as much as a third of the capacity and capability of a Nimitz-class carrier, since the U.S. Navy boasts more aircraft carriers than the rest of the world combined, and since they are by far the most effective way to send a message that won't be missed, there may be no better way than this to distinguish United States from other nations. Also, as if striving to comply with the prediction, U.S. Secretary of Defense announced in early 2014 that he was substantially reducing troop strength in the Army so that he could build more ships capable of projecting American naval superiority across the seas.

This nation of people from different races and places ('el gowy) is tall, intoxicated, and immodest, and they have a propensity to take things away from others (mashak). They are scrubbed clean, smooth-skinned and completely shaven, any yet typically reckless (wa mowrat). These people ('el 'am) are feared for causing distress through intimidation and awesomely dreadful acts, but are also respected by some for their achievements and

capabilities (yare') from here to there and beyond in a future time (min huw' wa hala'ah).... (18:2)

While most countries are formed on the basis of a single ethnicity, there are a few places accurately described as "gowy – a nation of people from different races and places." But one particular country is regarded as a melting pot, as an asylum for the masses, as home to more "ethnicities and cultures" than any other. America is a compilation of nations, an identity which serves as the country's trademark. In its listing of accomplished Americans by ethnic or national origin, Wikipedia presents people from 175 distinct places and cultures.

But *gowy* is just the first of many descriptive terms Yahowah deployed to warn those living during the Syrian War, during the time Israel is being reduced in size, during the time when a tidal wave of Islamic terrorists are poised to flood into the Promised Land, that one nation above all others is of particular concern. In this time in history, in this flow of events, from this perspective, there is but one qualifying candidate – something affirmed by the fact that *gowy* is singular, not plural.

Second only to the countries surrounding the Baltic Sea, the "mashak – tallest people" on the planet live in the United States, a place where the superstars in politics and athletics often loom over ordinary individuals. But above all, Americans are "mashak – immodest," the super power known far and wide for its "superiority complex and condescending arrogance." Considering itself the richest nation on earth, America is the most in debt. Considering itself the freest place on earth, America incarcerates the highest percentage of its population. Considering itself a peacemaker, America boasts and deploys the most menacing military in human history. Considering itself moral, no nation is more plagued by drug addiction, both prescribed and illicit. Combined with alcohol abuse, Americans are especially prone to "intoxication."

And yet it is America's propensity to "confiscate the property of others" that distinguishes this nation as especially *mashak*. First it was the indigenous people of the continent who were ravaged by westward conquest. Then it was the Mexicans in the southwest and Spanish in the southeast. Even the Hawaiians and Eskimos fell victim to America's lust from Manifest Destiny. And yet from Yahowah's perspective, nothing the United States has done has been more diabolical than leading the charge to take His land away from His people. And in this context, considering the transition from the Syrian War leading to the divestiture of Israel, we would be wise to see America's role in both travesties as the reason Yahowah deployed *mashak* in conjunction with His condemnation of the United States.

In order to lure in new conscripts, the U.S. Navy presents itself in its commercials as "a force for good." And yet it has been "mowrat – typically deployed in a reckless manner." It contributed to the destruction of Afghanistan and Iraq, making two bad situations much worse. But even in its most acclaimed moment, the United States carelessly sacrificed one hundred additional troops for every one of the three thousand sailors who were needlessly killed at Pearl Harbor.

Reckless, which presupposes exasperating and unexpected consequences of a thoughtless and improperly planned, ignorant, or irrational approach, defines America today, economically, politically, diplomatically, and militarily. The nation has devalued its currency with irresponsible spending, and unable to pay its bills has become a bankrupt debtor. Politically, its leaders tongue lash the world, dictating standards of behavior that the nation itself does not uphold. Recent victims include China, Russia, and of course, Israel. And knowing that it is disliked and distrusted, America's National Security Administration has broken its own Constitution to unlawfully spy on its citizens as well as supposed allies. The disclosures by Wikileaks further demonstrate that the nation's diplomats are morally bankrupt, habitually putting Americans in league with the least reputable people and institutions on earth. And never in the history of man, has a nation's military been so consistently counterproductive, endangering lives rather than protecting them by making one bad situation after another much worse.

And yet nothing any nation has ever done has been as "mowrat – irresponsible, indeed ignorant, irrational, and immoral," as the ill-advised invasion of Iraq which set everything Yahowah has described in this prophecy into motion – including the dismemberment of Israel. Even if that consequence was unintended, there is no excuse because every consequence was foreseeable.

As for *mowrat*'s more benign attributes, they are also applicable. More than most, Americans are clean-shaven. In fact, the current craze is to remove all body hair. And when it comes to personal hygiene and health care, Americans spend over \$800 / month on average, leading the world in this category.

Yare', which can be translated "revere" or "fear," and can speak of "earning respect to terrorizing intimidation," is another apt depiction of the United States circa 2014. There are those who admire America's early economic achievements and current military capabilities. But others dread the nation's intimidating and frightening displays of shock and awe.

Let there be no mistake. Yahowah wasn't describing the aspiring and declining superpowers extant during this writing: Egypt, Assyria, or Babylonia. He isn't depicting those in the prophet's future and our past: Persia, Greece, or Rome. This isn't about the Mongols, Byzantines, or Ottomans. There was no

nation of Syria to destroy during their time. And Yisra'el wouldn't be whole again until long after they were gone. God is therefore speaking of today, of a "hala'ah – distant future time" – our time.

This population which is comprised of many different races (gowy) routinely vomits up and spews out nonsense in a strange foreign language, talking down to others, mocking them, while continually marching off to war based on this condescending and moronic rhetoric (qaw), always trying to impose its influence, establishing the rules, while eagerly expecting to throw inhabitants out of their land (qow). It aggressively subdues others, trampling them down $(wa\ mabuwcah)$. This (`asher) country (`erets) is divided (baza') by rivers (naharym). (18:2)

Reminding us that He is addressing a "single nation comprised of people from different ethnicities and cultures," *gowy* is repeated before *qaw* is deployed to address America's "strange amalgamated language and nonsensical rhetoric." The sheer volume veritable vomit spewed out of the mouths of American politicians, pastors, generals, journalists, professors, and economists boggles the mind. Collectively, they have made a mockery of the truth, especially when they attempt to justify America's penchant for marching off to war.

While United States presidents have stood on more than their share of soapboxes and asserted themselves, Barak Hussein Obama may be the most imposing and verbose of all time. It is as if he believes he's the conductor and the world is his orchestra. Play and sing along, acquiesce to his terms, fall in line and capitulate, or else. Such is the case with his condescending attitude toward Benjamin Netanyahu and Israel, the issue of greatest concern to Yahowah because he is threatening to throw Jews out of their homes. But do not dismiss the devastating consequence of his speech to Muslims from the birthplace of the Muslim Brotherhood, Al-Azhar University in Cairo, Egypt. His "A New Beginning" proclamation inspired an Islamic reformation, thereby lighting the fuse for the next world war.

America was built "mabuwcah – aggressively subduing and trampling down" in native population. The nation was born ugly, merciless, ruthless, and violent. From the time the first European profiteer invaded the continent, just four hundred years ago, the colonists and the country's citizens thereafter, have waged 101 wars – one every four years.

The North American continent is "baza' naharym – divided by rivers." It is one of the most distinguishing aspects of this land, thereby continuing to affirm that God is addressing the United States, warning the nation of impending doom while chastising it for egregious behavior.

All of (kol) those who inhabit (yashab) the Earth (tebel), and also (wa) those who dwell in (shakan) the Land ('erets), when (ka) the sign on the upright pole (nec) is lifted up to demonstrate My purpose (nasa') on the Mount (har), you all will actually see, gaining a perspective to genuinely understand (ra'ah), and also (wa) when (ka) the Showphar Ram's Horn Trumpet (showphar) sounds at this specific time to convey this plan (taqa'), you all will listen, paying attention (shama'). (18:3)

It behooves us to consider why Yahowah would juxtapose this critical review of American behavior between His personal involvement in the demise of Islam and raising His banner while sounding His Showphar in Jerusalem for all the world to see and hear. If America played no role in the former and wasn't the cause of the later, there would be no reason to include its depiction in this flow of prophetic events.

But the fact is, America inspired and fueled the Islamic reformation that led to the Arab sunset. The fuse was lit by Barak Hussein Obama on June 4th 2009 when he aligned the United States with Islamic ambitions and encouraged Muslims to seize their opportunity – doing so at the birthplace of the Muslim Brotherhood. Invading Iraq was, of course, a horrific blunder which empowered Iran and led to the Syrian War. But equally absurd was partnering with Pakistan to fight their Taliban in Afghanistan. Bombing Libya to replace a secular government with a collection of terrorists served only to create a marketplace for military hardware, much of it used by Islamic jihadists to murder civilians throughout Northern and Central Africa.

Funding the Egyptian military so that they could murder all of the leaders of their popularly elected government wasn't the America's brightest hour. And speaking of murder, the annihilation of four thousand Muslim civilians with American drones served to manufacture one hundred jihadists for every one that was killed. Siding with the Sunni mujahedeen in Syria was similarly counterproductive, because they are far more religious and ruthless than the Assad regime. Yahowah referred to the rebels America armed as animals.

Then as we move forward to the next conflict delineated in the prophecy, the Islamic assault against Israel, the vast preponderance of the weapons that will be wielded by "balahah – Allah's mauling murderers" who will flood into the land will be supplied by the United States. In effect, the conclusion of this war will become a confrontation between Yahowah's Spirit and the destructive capability of hundreds of billions of dollars of American firepower. I suspect God, who has seen our future, noticed who made the deadly machines. And He wants us to know that He knows the supplier of the bullets and bombs that will be brought to bear against His people. Furthermore, Yahowah has just expressed His condemning evaluation of the very militants America has armed.

But then these things, while egregious, are of less concern to God than looting the Promised Land to garner favor with Israel's avowed enemies, the Islamic OPEC fiefdoms. This realization is underscored by Yahowah, whose parting comment prior to condemning America was to say: "This is the fate of those deceived regarding their merits, the result of flattering propaganda, the reward for those coveting what belongs to others, who engage in a military conquest to plunder and pillage us, and the recompense coming to those who seek to carrying off the spoils of war." Since there are no chapter or verse designations in the revealed text, one statement flows into the next. The condemnation explains and necessitates the warning.

Yes, it is undoubtedly true that Yahowah was summarizing Islam's failures in the wake of the religion's demise. But since America's fingerprints will be all over this war, and since this assessment of liability directly precedes the warning directed at the United States, God wants the world to know that He thwarted American ambitions. The nation that believed it was blessed by God, became an adversary to be reckoned with.

When this prophecy is properly considered as Yahowah's commentary on related chronological events, and as cause, effect, and consequence, then it becomes apparent that God is holding the United States of America accountable for things which will transpire as a result of the Syrian War – the event which serves as the catalyst for the Tribulation. And while that explains why Yah is opposed to America, it does not explain what is going to happen to the wayward and annoying nation. But this we know for sure: the most pontificating, most condescending, most manipulative, most aggressive, most militaristic, and most powerful nation on earth will suffer to such a degree that it is specifically called out at this time.

Immediately after blowing Islam away literally and linguistically, in Spirit and Word, Yahowah reveals to everyone on "tebel – Earth," including those living in His "'erets – land," that He has engaged to honor the promises He made to Abraham and the Children of the Covenant. Even those opposed to Him will know that He has taken a stand on behalf of His people, that He stood up for them, thereby "nasa' – lifting them up while demonstrating His purpose." His "nec – insignia" will be unmistakable, a "ra'ah – sign for all the world to see." Mankind will be without excuse. Each and every remaining individual will have one last opportunity to decide whose side they want to be on: mankind's or God's. It will be a referendum between religion and relationship, conspiracy and the Covenant, weapons of war and the Word.

For those willing to consider what God did for us as the "nec – Upright One on the upright pillar" on His "har – Mount," for those willing to "shama' – listen to and consider" the call to action "showphar – sounded by the Ram's Horn

Trumpet," this will be a time of reflection leading to reconciliation. If you witness these things, stop whatever you are doing and pay attention. This will be the last invitation Yahowah will provide to participate in the Covenant. Find a copy of the Towrah, read it and act upon it. The decision you make on this day will determine the eternal fate of your soul. This prophecy suggests, as do others, that from this point in the Tribulation until its conclusion, there will be no neutral parties. Every soul will be seen as either with God or against Him. And that means that death leading to the dissipation of one's soul will no longer be an option. From this point forward, it is either Heaven or Hell.

While it is hearsay testimony, the widow of Ron Wyatt, the man who actually found the Ark of the Covenant, said something intriguing about this moment in time, especially the nature of the sign that would be lifted up on the Mount. According to her husband, the "mal'ak – spiritual messenger" protecting the Ark of the Covenant and its contents beneath Mount Mowryah said that his next call to duty would be to hold up the two tablets containing the Ten Statements Yahowah etched in stone so that the whole world would be able to read and consider them. They explain the Covenant and point readers to the Towrah and its Author.

Having saved Yisra'el. Having blown Islam away. Having explained the reasons for doing so. Having clearly identified Himself, Yahowah retreats to Heaven to attend to the recent arrival of seven thousand sons and daughters.

Indeed, because (ky), here and now at this point in time (koh) says ('amar) Yahowah (\mathfrak{PYP}), 'As for Me ('el), I will be silent and at peace, removed from the tribulation in a better place $(shaqat\ shaqat)$. Then (wa) I will look, choosing to always be observant, anticipating My desired, unending, and caring response where I and heaven will benefit (nabat) in (ba) My dwelling place, from the well known location in space where the universe was established which is the basis for and the foundation of life (makown), in the manner of (ka) radiant and glowing (tsach) warm and passionate (chom) light (owr), akin to (ka) an enveloping cloud (ab) of encompassing dew (tal) in (ba) the warmth and enthusiasm (chom) of the harvest (assyr).' (18:4)

This not only presents Yahowah as a loving and attentive Father, it reveals that the horrors the world will endure during the midst of the Tribulation are of man's making. The Christian and Islamic notion that their religious god is actively engaged in world affairs and in their lives, micromanaging and judging everything and everyone, is torn asunder. While the religious perception is illogical, indeed impossible and irrational, this statement doesn't suggest that Yahowah is disengaged, uncaring, or aloof. He will act when the fate of Yisra'el is at stake. He will explain why He will do so. He will make Himself known. He will see to it that His Instructions are raised so that everyone will be able to see them. But then, He will do what all loving fathers do: focus on His children.

Here on Earth, if you want to experience Yahowah's love, if you want to feel His presence, if you want to know His will for your life, if you want to understand what He is offering, if you want to engage in a relationship with Him, if you want to be saved by Him and lead others to Him: "shamar towrah – closely examine His Guidance, carefully consider His Teaching, and thoughtfully observe His Instructions." Act on the Covenant and accept His Invitations, meeting with Him on His schedule.

But if you pray to Him and ask for any of these things without first becoming Torah Observant, He will ignore you. God is not interested in the lives of those who disregard what He has said and done. And He has no interest in the religious or in minutia. "As for Yahowah, He will be silent and at peace, removed from the tribulation in a better place."

God consistently does what He asks of us and what He says of Himself. He wants us to be observant, so He is observant. He wants us to view Him as a loving Father who cares for His children, building a beneficial home for them, so He is actively engaged, doing these very things. He wants us to live with Him so He has established the foundation for life. He is light and love, radiant and glowing, warm and passionate. And He is close to His children, enthusiastically enveloping and encompassing their souls, His nurturing nature as near as the dew is to the harvest.

But this gleaning isn't for all. Most will be left behind. Some will blossom and become perfect in Yahowah's eyes, able to approach His presence. However, those who remain unreceptive will endure a different fate.

Indeed (ky), before the approaching presence (la paneh) of the harvest (qasyr), as (ka) the budding blossoms (perach) form and become completely perfect (taman), then (wa) the hardened and unfit (bocer) will be dealt with (gamal) for becoming (hayah) clusters of wild birds of prey, glistening eagles, falcons, and hawks (netsah). And (wa) the insignificant and worthless who squander and trivialize (ha zalzalym) will be stopped, taken down, and banished (karat) snuffed out with a sharp implement (ba ha mazmerah). So then (wa) with regard to ('eth) the forsaken castaways (ha natyshowth), they will be rejected and removed (suwr), cut off and separated (tazaz). (18:5)

While there is far more to it than this, if I were to synthesize what differs between those who are saved and those who are not, it would be prioritization and receptiveness. Does a person actually want to know Yahowah to the point that they are willing to devote the time and focus required to "shamar towrah – closely examine and carefully consider His Towrah." And are they willing to accept what God says, even when, especially when, His testimony is in conflict

with their religious beliefs. Those who are hardheaded, clinging to popular myths, remain unfit.

As is the case with much of what Yahowah says, there are multiple messages woven into His testimony. The metaphor of hardened buds being consumed by birds of prey is simple and enlightening. They could have flowered and flourished, but unreceptive to Yahowah's nurturing nature, they will have squandered their potential and die. But the "netsah – glistening eagles, falcons, and hawks" could also represent American warplanes doing what they were designed to accomplish. Man will kill man as he has done throughout the millennia.

Those who die will be unknown to God. Having rejected His gift, they will be considered worthless. Having squandered the benefits of the Covenant, including its inheritance, their lives will be irrelevant from God's perspective. Having trivialized His Word, their souls will have no value. Having alienated themselves and the faithful from the Towrah and having become estranged from Yahowah, or worse, in opposition to Him, some will have their souls snuffed out while most will be banished, cast away into She'owl, eternally separated from God.

Then in one of the few glimpses we are given of what it will be like to be incarcerated forever, Yahowah reveals...

They shall actually be continually abandoned and forever forsaken ('azab) all together, completely, and all at once (yahdaw) for (la) the birds of prey in high places (har 'ayt), and (wa) for (la) the beasts (bahemah) of the realm ('erets). And (wa) they will be abruptly awakened in the summer with vexing and exasperating action taken against them (qyts 'al). All manner of (kol) birds of prey ('ayt) and also (wa) every kind of beast (kol bahemah) of the realm ('erets) will be among, upon, and against them during the autumn and winter continually ridiculing and taunting them for actually being irrational and consistently confused ('al charaph). (18:6)

To be in She'owl is to be eternally forsaken. It is the place of the damned - a lightless prison for those who have led souls away from God, from His Torah and Covenant. But that is not to say that She'owl is abandoned. It will be filled with formally powerful people who have been abruptly awakened from the slumber of death. Once treated as if they were important, with their every whim catered to, with their every word considered, they will find their eternal residence vexing and exasperating.

It is as it should be, as we would expect it to be. Those whose institutions were opposed to God, those in league with the Adversary, will be taunted by Satan. Those who irrationally ridiculed Yahowah's Towrah Instructions will be ridiculed. The beasts of this realm are fallen *mal'ak*, more commonly known as

demons. And here, the authors of confusion will constantly demean one another. Hell indeed.

Sadly, a disproportionate percentage of the formerly high and mighty, and now damned, will come from America. You see, Hell will be a very religious place. It will also be filled with politicians, bankers, and generals. I do not say this to disparage the United States, but instead to bring your attention to the fact, the nation will become so evil, so deadly and destructive, that Yahowah will have to reengage to save His children from this place. Listen...

At this time (ba ha 'eth), She (ha hy') shall direct and guide him, delivering him (yabal) as a gift which is agreeable, one borne out of reverence and respect (shy) to approach (la) Yahowah (LYY) of the vast array of spiritual implements (tsaba'). People who have become family ('am) who were arrogant but now are in an altered state and willing to follow, enabling them to be drawn out and carried away (mashak), and (wa) who were perverse, but have now been scrubbed clean (mowrat) will come out of a nation (wa min 'am) feared (yare') from here to there and beyond in this future time (min huw' wa hala'ah), a population which is comprised of many different races from different places (gowy) with a strange foreign language, talking down to others while continually marching off to war based on their condescending rhetoric (qaw), always trying to impose its influence, establishing the rules, eagerly throwing inhabitants out of their land (qow), aggressively subduing others (wa mabuwcah) whose ('asher) country ('erets) is divided (baza') by rivers (naharym) brought to ('el) the place (magowm) of the name (shem) of Yahowah (ຯҮ♀), of the vast array of spiritual implements (tsaba'): Mount (har) Tsyown - the Sign Posted to Identify the Way (Tsyown)." (18:7)

When things get so bad that God has to intervene to save His family, it may finally dawn on folks that God is not a Christian and that He has not and will not bless America. Over forty percent of the world's Yisra'elites currently live in the United States. It will no longer be a safe haven for them. The remnant which has survived will be brought home so that they can join the descendants of Ya'aqob as they welcome Yahowah back to the Promised Land.

And you can join them. Walk away from your country, from religion too, and then follow the signs Yahowah has posted to identify the way.

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The song that will be sung on this day...

"Let's choose to walk (halak – let's go about, traveling on our feet (qal imperative), electing to consistently sing for joy (ranan – choosing of our own volition to rejoice in song, expressing ourselves using lyrics set to a melody (piel imperfect cohortative), while approaching (la) Yahowah ($\mathfrak{PYP}\rightarrow$). Of our own volition, triumphantly proclaim our feelings (ruwa' – let's loudly signal our exaltation, trumpeting the message (hiphil imperfect cohortative)) to approach (la – on behalf of and to come near) the Rock (tsuwr) of our Salvation (yasha' – our deliverance). (95:1)

Let us encounter His presence ($qadam\ paneh$ – let us choose to meet Him, engaging in His presence, confronting Him face to face (piel imperfect cohortative)) in thanksgiving ($ba\ towdah$ – by expressing and extolling His character and deeds while expressing our appreciation) with songs ($ba\ zamyr$ – by singing). Of our own volition, let's loudly signal our exaltation, trumpeting the joyous message (ruwa' – triumphantly proclaiming our feelings (hiphil imperfect cohortative)) to approach Him (la – on His behalf and to come near Him). (95:2)

For indeed (ky), Yahowah (भूभभ्र) is a great (qadowl) God ('el), a counselor and advisor (melek – the authorized, capable, and empowered), a God ('al) greater (gadowl) than any and all (kol) gods ('elohym). (95:3)

Relationally and beneficially ('asher), in His hand (ba yad) are the unexplored mysteries (mechqar) of the earth ('erets – material realm) and the most empowering of Mounts (wa towa'powth harym – and the peaks of the mountains best hills, especially those associated this the power of the ram's horn) to approach Him (la). (Psalm 95:4)

To beneficially approach Him ('asher la) is the water (yam) and (wa) what He acts upon (huw' 'asah – how He engages), even (wa) the land (yabesheth) His hand (yad) has formed (yatsar). (Psalm 95:5)

Come (bow'), let us choose to continually make an informed declaration (chawah – let us of our own volition consistently make an announcement using words to explain and inform (hishtafel imperfect cohortative)), electing to kneel down to drink (kara' – choosing to lap water into our mouths (qal imperfect cohortative)), choosing to be genuinely and always blessed (barak – electing to invoke divine favor (qal imperfect cohortative)) while approaching the presence of (la paneh – to face and appear before) Yahowah (YYY), our Maker ('asah – the One who acts and actually engages on our behalf)." (Mizmowr / Song / Psalm 95:6)