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THE INVASION OF GOG AND MAGOG Ezekiel 38 - 39:1-20

As we study **Ezekiel** the **38th** and **39th** chapters tonight, we'll look at the **WHAT** -
- the **WHO** –the **WHERE** – and the **WHY** of this Invasion of Israel.

As I **prepared** this teaching, I came to the **realization** that some aspects of this topic are **quite** controversial.

Also, there is **so much** information on this subject that due to **time** constraints, I found myself being **much more concise** than I would have wanted.



Let's **begin** by answering the question - "**What are Gog and Magog?**"

Historically speaking -- **Magog** was a grandson of **Noah**. We find this in **Genesis 10:2**:

Genesis 10:2 (GWT) ²Japheth's descendants were Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras.

The descendants of **Magog** settled in the **far north** of Israel - most likely in Europe and northern Asia.

We find this in **Ezekiel 38:2**:

Ezekiel 38:2 (GWT) ²"Son of man, turn to Gog from the land of Magog. He is the

chief prince of the nations of Meshech and Tubal. Prophecy against him.

We'll take a **closer** look geographically at these nations shortly.

Magog seems to be **used** to refer to "*northern barbarians*" in general – **but also** has a connection to **Magog the person**.

It's **also** interesting that in **Ezekiel 38:15** the **people of Magog** are described as **skilled and fierce warriors**.

Ezekiel 38:15 (GWT) ¹⁵You will come from your place in the far north and many armies will be with you. All of you will ride on horses. You will be a large crowd and a mighty army.

Gog and Magog are referred to in Scripture both in **Ezekiel 38-39** and again in **Revelation 20:7-9**.

PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO REVELATION 20:7-9 READ PASSAGE

Revelation 20:7-9 (NASB) ⁷When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison, ⁸and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore. ⁹And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the **saints** and the beloved city, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them.

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In **Ezekiel's** prophecy, **Gog** will be the **leader** of a great army that **attacks** the land of Israel.

In **Ezekiel 38:2-3** Gog is described as *“of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh - Meshech - and Tubal.”*

for we hear this:...

Ezekiel 38:2-3 (NASB) ²“Son of man, set your face toward Gog of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him ³and say, “Thus says the Lord GOD, ““Behold, I am against you, O Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal.



PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 38:4-6 to see the **WHO** of this invasion

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Ezekiel 38:4-6 (NASB) ⁴“I will turn you about and put hooks into your jaws, and I will bring you out, and all your army, horses and horsemen, all of them splendidly attired, a great company *with* buckler and shield, all of them wielding swords; ⁵Persia, Ethiopia and Put with them, all of them *with* shield and helmet; ⁶Gomer with all its troops; Beth-togarmah *from* the remote parts of the north with all its troops——many peoples with you.

In **verses:1-4** the **attention** is centered on **Gog**, the **leader** of the *“land of Magog.”*

He is the **prince of Rosh – Meshech – and Tubal.**

Who **Gog** will be - can **only** be revealed at the time of the invasion.

Gog isn't a proper name but a title for the ruler of Magog –

– Just as the terms – **Pharoah – Kaiser – and Czar** are **titles** for rulers and **not** proper names.

Whoever is ruling this alliance at the time of the invasion, will be Ezekiel's Gog.

The **identification of Magog – Rosh – and Tubal** is established from the fact that these **tribes** of the ancient world –

– occupied the areas of **modern day Russia – Magog – Meshech – and Tubal** which were between the **Black and Caspian Seas** – which today is southern Russia.

The tribes of **Meshech and Tubal** later became **names to cities** that today have the names of **Moscow** Russia's capitol –

and **Tobolsk** is a **major city** in the **Urals** of Siberia. The “**Urals**” is the name of a **mountain range and river** between Russia a Europe.

– The name **Rosh** is the **basis** of the modern day Russia.

These names **then**, cover the territories of **Northern and Southern Russia** in Europe and Siberia and to the **east** in Asia.

The modern nation of **Russia** encompasses **all** the areas of **Ezekiel**.

To **avoid** any possible **doubt** - **verse:6** adds that **these** nations come from the **remote parts** *of the North*.

⁶Gomer with all its troops; Beth-togarmah *from* the remote parts of the north with all its troops — many peoples with you.

We see the same thing also in: Ezekiel 38:15 and Ezekiel 39:2

Ezekiel 38:15 (NASB) ¹⁵“You will come from your place out of the remote parts of the north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great assembly and a mighty army;

Ezekiel 39:2 (NASB) ²and I will turn you around, drive you on, take you up from the remotest parts of the north and bring you against the mountains of Israel.

So we can accurately determine that Russia is the leader of the Northern Confederacy with Gog as the leader of Russia.

But Russia is not alone in the invasion of Israel – she is part of a Confederacy but the leader of it.

There are other nations that are involved and they're listed in verses:5-6.

⁵Persia, Ethiopia and Put with them, all of them *with* shield and helmet; ⁶Gomer with all its troops; Beth-togarmah *from* the remote parts of the north with all its troops——many peoples with you.

Involved in this Confederation is Persia, or present day Iran.

There was time that Iran was generally pro-western and pro-Israel -
but after the Khomeini revolution - Iran became anti-western and anti-Israel and more and more came under the influence of Russia.

Today, Israel considers Iran as its most dangerous enemy.

Another nation involved in this invasion is Cush.

There were two places that had that name. One was in Mesopotamia or Gihon.

But all other usages of this name refers to Ethiopia.

When we consider current events - it's tempting to identify it with the Mesopotamian countries of Syria – and Iraq.

But if we're going to be consistent with other Scripture- we must identify *Cush* with Ethiopia.

***Put* is mentioned next, which isn't Libya as some think but is Somaliland or Somalia. And Somalia borders *Ethiopia*.**

This is followed by ***Gomer*** which is located in present-day **Germany**.

The **final** name is ***Togarmah*** which is present-day **Armenia**.

And in **verse:6** the phrase is **added-** “and many peoples with you.”

This phrase may **simply refer to** the numbers of the nations already mentioned, or it may include **other nations** that aren't mentioned.

One very **interesting** note is that **not a single Arab** nation participates in the invasion.

While **some** of the nations that I mention are **Muslem** – **none** are Arab.

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Let me give you a **disclaimer** – the **nations** that I mentioned are **lining up** in a **confederacy** – but current events may **quickly change**, so may the **scenario**.

So it's too early to say **“This is it!”**

While the **names** of these geographical areas have **changed** over the centuries

and may change again –

– the **geography** itself **remains** the same.

Also, a common **mistake** is to **assume** that this is a **communist** invasion.

The **fall of communism** in Eastern Europe has caused many to **rethink** their **interpretation** about Russia **leading** the invasion.

But there's **no need** to do so. We've got to **understand** that the **text never** describes **when** this invasion occurs.

The **focus** is on **geography** and **not the type** of government.

We must also remember the **“cup of iniquity”** of Russia is **almost full**.

And **with this** invasion it will **overflow**.

And once this event happens it will **thrust** God's judgment on Russia!

Remember, it's **God who is control**. And it is **He** who is **bringing** this invasion about.

So - while we **study** this passage - we should be **highly aware** of the **sovereignty** of God in this invasion.

This will be the **means by which** God will **punish** Russia for her **sins**.

The **main sin** is her long history of **anti-Semitism** - a problem that **continues** in Russia to this day.

God knows the **plans** of the **enemy** even **thousands of years ahead of time**.

But - He has a **plan to deliver** His people - which should give **great comfort** to those who **believe and trust** in His Son Yeshua (Jesus)

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The next part of this passage answers the question as to **WHERE** the invasion takes place.

PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 38:7-9 READ PASSAGE

Ezekiel 38:7-9 (NASB) ⁷“Be prepared, and prepare yourself, you and all your companies that are assembled about you, and be a guard for them. ⁸“After many days you will be summoned; in the latter years you will come into the land that is restored from the sword, *whose inhabitants* have been gathered from many nations to the mountains of Israel which had been a continual waste; but its people were brought out from the nations, and they are living securely, all of them. ⁹“You will go up, you will come like a storm; you will be like a cloud covering the land, you and all your troops, and many peoples with you.””

In **verse:7** - this passage **continues** to address **Gog** as the **leader** of this confederacy.

In **verse:8** - the **specific place** where the **invasion** takes place is shown to be the land of Israel – more **specifically** the mountains of Israel.

Then we see in **verse:9** - the **massiveness** of the invasion.

It's pictured as a **huge storm cloud** that covers the entire land.

I find it **quite interesting** that this is **another** passage that shows the **necessity** of the **establishment** of the Jewish State and its **regathering** in **unbelief**.

It **doesn't** matter what your viewpoint is on **WHEN** the invasion occurs - but each

viewpoint does require the preexistence of a Jewish State.

Another interesting point is that in this passage is that Israel is **regathered** in **unbelief**.

It's **after** this invasion that **many** Jewish people turn to the Lord.

In **Verse:8** - **Ezekiel also describes** a Jewish State as being a land **brought back** from the sword –

A **land** that is **gathered** out of many peoples;

A **land** with **mountains** that has been a continual **wasteland**;

Ezekiel isn't describing an Israel that has ever **existed** in ancient times – but are true statements of **present day** Israel.

This **began occurring** toward the **end** of the **19th** century – **culminating** with Israel's **Statehood** in 1948.

Since then, the **waste places** have been **rebuilt** and **resettled** on a more massive scale.

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I guess the **next** question we ought to **ask** ourselves is **WHY** this invasion takes place on the **part** of Russia.

PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 38:10-13

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I believe that the **answer to WHY Russia invades Israel** is given to us in **verses:10-13 –**

Ezekiel 38:10-13 (NASB) ¹⁰“Thus says the Lord GOD, ““It will come about on that day, that thoughts will come into your mind and you will devise an evil plan, ¹¹and you will say, “I will go up against the land of unwalled villages. I will go against those who are at rest, that live securely, all of them living without walls and having no bars or gates, ¹²to capture spoil and to seize plunder, to turn your hand against the waste places which are *now* inhabited, and against the people who are gathered from the nations, who have acquired cattle and goods, who live at the center of the world.” ¹³“Sheba and Dedan and the merchants of Tarshish with all its villages will say to you, “Have you come to capture spoil? Have you assembled your company to seize plunder, to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to capture great spoil?””””

What **exactly Israel has** and is **wanted by Russia** is **not** given to us in the text. The text only mentions **cattle and goods - silver and gold**, but these are **Older Testament** references for *“spoil of war.”*

There’s a lot of **speculation** on what Russia would want from Israel.

One of the **more popular** reasons is the **Dead Sea**.

The Dead Sea contains **45 billion tons of sodium - chlorine - sulfur - potassium - calcium - magnesium - and bromide**.

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Another **reason** for the invasion might be that a **Russian takeover** of Israel would give Russia a solid **“foothold”** in the Middle East.

A **Russian takeover** of Israel will **not overly** upset **all Arabs** – since **most** would be in **favor** of the **destruction** of Israel –

– even if it would mean a Russian army in the area.

But not all Arabs would look favorably on a Russian occupation in the Middle-east.

In verse:13 – a **Second** group is listed in **protesting** this invasion.

¹³“Sheba and Dedan and the merchants of Tarshish with all its villages will say to you, “Have you come to capture spoil? Have you assembled your company to seize plunder, to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to capture great spoil?”

Sheba and Dedan are countries in **northern Arabia** – which shows us that at least **some** of the Arabs will not favor Russia’s presence in the Middle-east.

They will recognize that it’s an invasion for “spoil” and **nothing** else.

Another nation that is mentioned in this verse is – “**Tarshish.**”

Interesting enough - is that the **King James Version** of the Bible states **after** the word **Tarshish** – “*with all the young lions thereof.*”

Personally, I haven’t found another **version** of the Bible that states this. **Most** Bibles like the New American Standard Version that I use says – “all it’s villages.”

The phrase - “all it’s villages.” is much more accurate.

The real issue is the **identity** from which the **other** nations come out of.

The exact location of **Tarshish** is **unknown** - but, some commentators believe that **Tarshish** is referring to the **British Commonwealth of Nations.**

But, regardless of the exact identity of Tarshish it's the group that protests Russia's Invasion of Israel.

We know that the Russian Army succeeds in invading - but is disposed of with no help from the protesters.

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PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 38:14-16 READ PASSAGE

Ezekiel 38:14-16 (NASB) ¹⁴“Therefore prophesy, son of man, and say to Gog, “Thus says the Lord GOD, ““On that day when My people Israel are living securely, will you not know *it*? ¹⁵“You will come from your place out of the remote parts of the north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great assembly and a mighty army; ¹⁶and you will come up against My people Israel like a cloud to cover the land. It shall come about in the last days that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me when I am sanctified through you before their eyes, O Gog.””

In this passage the invasion begins and the confederate army covers the land like a storm cloud in massive swarms. This is the initial part of Russia's invasion.

In the last part of verse:16 - we see God's reason for allowing this invasion – that He might be sanctified in the eyes of the nations in light of what is about to happen.

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PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 38:17-23 READ PASSAGE

Ezekiel 38:17-23 (NASB) ¹⁷“Thus says the Lord GOD, ““Are you the one of whom I spoke in former days through My servants the prophets of Israel, who prophesied in those days for *many* years that I would bring you against them? ¹⁸“It will come about on that day, when Gog comes against the land of Israel,”” declares the Lord GOD, ““that My fury will mount up in My anger. ¹⁹“In My zeal and in My blazing wrath I declare *that* on that day there will surely be a great earthquake in the land of Israel. ²⁰“The fish of the sea, the birds of the heavens, the beasts of the field, all the creeping things that creep on the earth, and all the men who are on the face of the earth will shake at My presence; the mountains also will be thrown down, the steep pathways will collapse and every wall will fall to the ground. ²¹“I will call for a sword against him on all My mountains,”” declares the Lord GOD. ““Every man’s sword will be against his brother. ²²“With pestilence and with blood I will enter into judgment with him; and I will rain on him and on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, a torrential rain, with hailstones, fire and brimstone. ²³“I will magnify Myself, sanctify Myself, and make Myself known in the sight of many nations; and they will know that I am the LORD.””

With Russia's invasion of Israel the cup of iniquity is full. for the Apple of God's Eve is touched – and the Wife of Jehovah is violated.

In verses:17-18 - God's anger is aroused so that He acts in judgement to destroy the invading army.

We're then given in verses:19-20 how God disposes and destroys the invaders

Several causes are listed: a great earthquake.

Verse:21 - informs us that civil war breaks out among the invading soldiers -

and Pestilence - blood - flood - hailstones - fire and brimstone in verse:22.

These things totally destroy the invaders without the help of other nations.

**And in verse:23 - God's purpose is seen as succeeding in its objective –
– God is indeed sanctified in the eyes of many people.**

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PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 39:1-6 READ PASSAGE

Ezekiel 39:1-6 (NASB) ¹“And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog and say, “Thus says the Lord GOD, “Behold, I am against you, O Gog, prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal; ²and I will turn you around, drive you on, take you up from the remotest parts of the north and bring you against the mountains of Israel. ³“I will strike your bow from your left hand and dash down your arrows from your right hand. ⁴“You will fall on the mountains of Israel, you and all your troops and the peoples who are with you; I will give you as food to every kind of predatory bird and beast of the field. ⁵“You will fall on the open field; for it is I who have spoken,” declares the Lord GOD. ⁶“And I will send fire upon Magog and those who inhabit the coastlands in safety; and they will know that I am the LORD.

The Lord gives us added information that are found in verses: 2 & 4 where the armies are said to fall specifically on the “mountains of Israel.”

These mountains extend the length of the center of the country -

- beginning at the south point of the “Valley of Jezreel,” at the town of Jenen in Galilee –

and they continue south until they disappear at a point north of Beersheba in the Negev desert.

These mountains contain the famous biblical cities of

Dothan - Shechem - Shiloh - Samaria - Bethel - Ai Ramah - Bethlehem - Hebron - Debir - and most importantly – Jerusalem.

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Here is an example where the **Six-Day War** in **1967** has “set the stage” for the fulfillment of prophecy.

Up to the Six-Day War all of the mountains of Israel were **entirely in the hands** of the **Jordanian Arabs**.

But, **since 1967** the mountains in Israel **have been IN** Israel.– which is “setting the stage” for the fulfillment of **verses 2 & 4**.

I **also** found it interesting -- is the **mistranslation** found in the King James Bible.

The King James Version **indicates** that **one-sixth** of the invading army is left alive.

This is **not** found in the Hebrew text **whatsoever!**. And once again **all other** translations of the Bible have **never been** translated that way.

PLEASE LOOK AGAIN TO VERSE: 6 READ VERSE

Ezekiel 39:6 (NASB) ⁶“And I will send fire upon Magog and those who inhabit the coastlands in safety; and they will know that I am the LORD.

Not only is the **Russian** and **allied** army **destroyed** in Israel – but the **land** of **Russia** itself is **devastated** by the **raining** of fire and brimstone.

This will **cause** much **destruction** to the nation itself.

It will cause to **cease being** a **political force** in world affairs.

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PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 39:7-8 READ PASSAGE

Ezekiel 39:7-8 (NASB) ⁷“My holy name I will make known in the midst of My people Israel; and I will not let My holy name be profaned anymore. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel. ⁸“Behold, it is coming and it shall be done,” declares the Lord GOD. ““That is the day of which I have spoken.

This passage adds that not only will God’s Name be sanctified among the Gentile Nations – but in Israel as well.

Due to this a revival will occur in Israel - causing my people to turn to the Lord.

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The rest of **this section** provides us with the Grand Finale of the invasion.

PLEASE LOOK WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 39:9-10 READ PASSAGE

Ezekiel 39:9-10 (NASB) ⁹“Then those who inhabit the cities of Israel will go out and make fires with the weapons and burn *them*, both shields and bucklers, bows and arrows, war clubs and spears, and for seven years they will make fires of them. ¹⁰“They will not take wood from the field or gather firewood from the forests, for they will make fires with the weapons; and they will take the spoil of those who despoiled them and seize the plunder of those who plundered them,” declares the Lord GOD.

In these two verses - it states that it will take seven-years to dismantle all the military equipment that’s left behind - which will be used for fuel.

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PLEASE LOOK WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 39:11-16

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Finally in verses: 11-16 - there's a description of the burying of the dead for seven months.

Ezekiel 39:11-16 (NASB) ¹¹“On that day I will give Gog a burial ground there in Israel, the valley of those who pass by east of the sea, and it will block off those who would pass by. So they will bury Gog there with all his horde, and they will call *it* the valley of Hamon-gog. ¹²“For seven months the house of Israel will be burying them in order to cleanse the land. ¹³“Even all the people of the land will bury *them*; and it will be to their **renown** on the day that I glorify Myself,” declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁴“They will set apart men who will constantly pass through the land, burying those who were passing through, even those left on the surface of the ground, in order to cleanse it. At the end of seven months they will make a search. ¹⁵“As those who pass through the land pass through and anyone sees a man’s bone, then he will set up a marker by it until the buriers have buried it in the valley of Hamon-gog. ¹⁶“And even *the* name of *the* city will be Hamonah. So they will cleanse the land.”””

The sudden destruction of this great army will leave behind a multitude of dead bodies as well as a huge amount of military material.

We aren't told how much other damage was done by the great storm that God sent –

– but it's clear that the land had to be cleansed.

People from the cities of Israel will go out and gather and burn the weapons and supplies left by Gog's defeated army.

The ancient military equipment listed in this passage includes hand shields and body shields – bows and arrows, and clubs and spears.

These aren't weapons of a modern army - but remember that Ezekiel used the language of his day.

If he had written about jet planes and rockets, people wouldn't understand what he was talking about.

It's interesting though that many theologians find ways to explain that the weapons are to be made of wood, so that they'll not have trouble in burning them.

These are not my sentiments, but the collection of weapons and equipment will be so large that the people will use it for fuel for seven years.

But, let's suppose that the weapons are wooden - would they last that long?

Could that many people heat their homes, factories and businesses for seven years by burning bows and arrows, clubs, spears and shields?

And will the Israelis during that future time be heating buildings with fireplaces and wood-burning stoves?

– and wouldn't the dead soldiers ceremonially defile most of the equipment?

Also, the burning of the equipment simply says that the Jewish people didn't keep it to use themselves and they destroyed it so nobody else could use it.

PLEASE LOOK AGAIN EZEKIEL 39:9-10 READ PASSAGE

⁹“Then those who inhabit the cities of Israel will go out and make fires with the weapons and burn *them*, both shields and bucklers, bows and arrows, war clubs and spears, and for seven years they will make fires of them. ¹⁰“They will not take wood from the field or gather firewood from the forests, for they will make fires with the weapons; and they will take the spoil of those who despoiled them and

seize the plunder of those who plundered them,” declares the Lord GOD.

Gog and his army came to “spoil” Israel – but Israel “spoiled” them!

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The land **now** had to be **cleansed** of the corpses.

– **the fact** that the Jewish people show **respect** for their **enemies** and give the dead a **decent burial** as a testimony to their kindness.

Of course, exposed corpses defile the land - so it was **necessary** to remove them as **soon as possible** – but it will take **seven months** to finish the job.

And even then, **special crews of workers** will **continue** to search for bodies or bones that **may have** been overlooked.

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It's **likely** that the city called “**Hamonah**” - which means “**horde**,” is referring to the “**horde**” of soldiers that were slain.

The Nation of Israel will **remember this Great Day of deliverance** and perhaps make it an annual day of **celebration** to the Lord.

If you remember that **verse:13** informed us that:

¹³“Even all the people of the land will bury *them*; and it will be to their **renown** on the day that I glorify Myself,” declares the Lord GOD.

Where is the cemetery for this vast “horde” of **dead soldiers**?

We know from **verse:11** that the **graves** will be in a **location** where people **travel**.

– **In fact, there will be so many corpses** that the burial operation will block the traffic.

Some **students** believe the burial place will be **east of the Dead Sea** in an area known as *“The Valley of the Travelers.”*

But- the **new name** will be the *“Valley of Gog’s Hordes.”*

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PLEASE LOOK WITH ME TO EZEKIEL 39:17-20 **READ PASSAGE**

Ezekiel 39:17-20 (NASB) ¹⁷“As for you, son of man, thus says the Lord GOD, “Speak to every kind of bird and to every beast of the field, “Assemble and come, gather from every side to My sacrifice which I am going to sacrifice for you, as a great sacrifice on the mountains of Israel, that you may eat flesh and drink blood. ¹⁸“You will eat the flesh of mighty men and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, as *though they were* rams, lambs, goats and bulls, all of them fatlings of Bashan. ¹⁹“So you will eat fat until you are gluttoned, and drink blood until you are drunk, from My sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you. ²⁰“You will be gluttoned at My table with horses and charioteers, with mighty men and all the men of war,”” declares the Lord GOD.

Not all the corpses can be buried immediately. –

– so the **carrion eating birds and animals** will enjoy a **feast** at the **invitation** of the Lord.

– **but the bones that are left behind** will be buried.

This **invitation to a feast** is **frequently** a **biblical image** for the **judgment** of God, and the **victory** over His enemies

A similar invitation will be given after the Great Campaign of Armageddon.

PLEASE TURN WITH ME TO REVELATION 19:17-19 READ PASSAGE

Revelation 19:17-19 (NASB) ¹⁷Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and he cried out with a loud voice, saying to all the birds which fly in midheaven, **“Come, assemble for the great supper of God, ¹⁸so that you may eat the flesh of kings and the flesh of commanders and the flesh of mighty men and the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them and the flesh of all men, both free men and slaves, and small and great.”** ¹⁹And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.

I can't even phantom how great the humiliation will be for Gog and his allies.

The arrogantly entered Israel as proud soldiers but would be buried like slaughtered animals.

Such is the fleeting greatness of man.