



## REVELATION AND THE RESURRECTION OF PERSIA

**W**e are definitely living in the last days. We are living in the time where we are seeing the resurrection of the Persian Empire. Ever since the Persian Empire was conquered by Alexander the Great, the Persians have dreamed of becoming a world power once again. We are currently seeing Iran work on a nuclear enrichment program with the sole purpose of attacking Israel.

The ancient Persian Empire is described in the Bible. Daniel, Ezekiel, Esther, Nehemiah along with other writers were present and had great influence during the Persian Empire. Today we are seeing the rebirth of the Ancient Persian Empire where it is now called Iran. Iran is becoming a world power once again with their development of nuclear weapons.

Almost every day we hear about Iran's developments on the news. Now where does the Bible tell us that Iran (Persia) will be a key player in the last days?

### **Revelation 16:12-21**

12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them

to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

17 And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

18 And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.

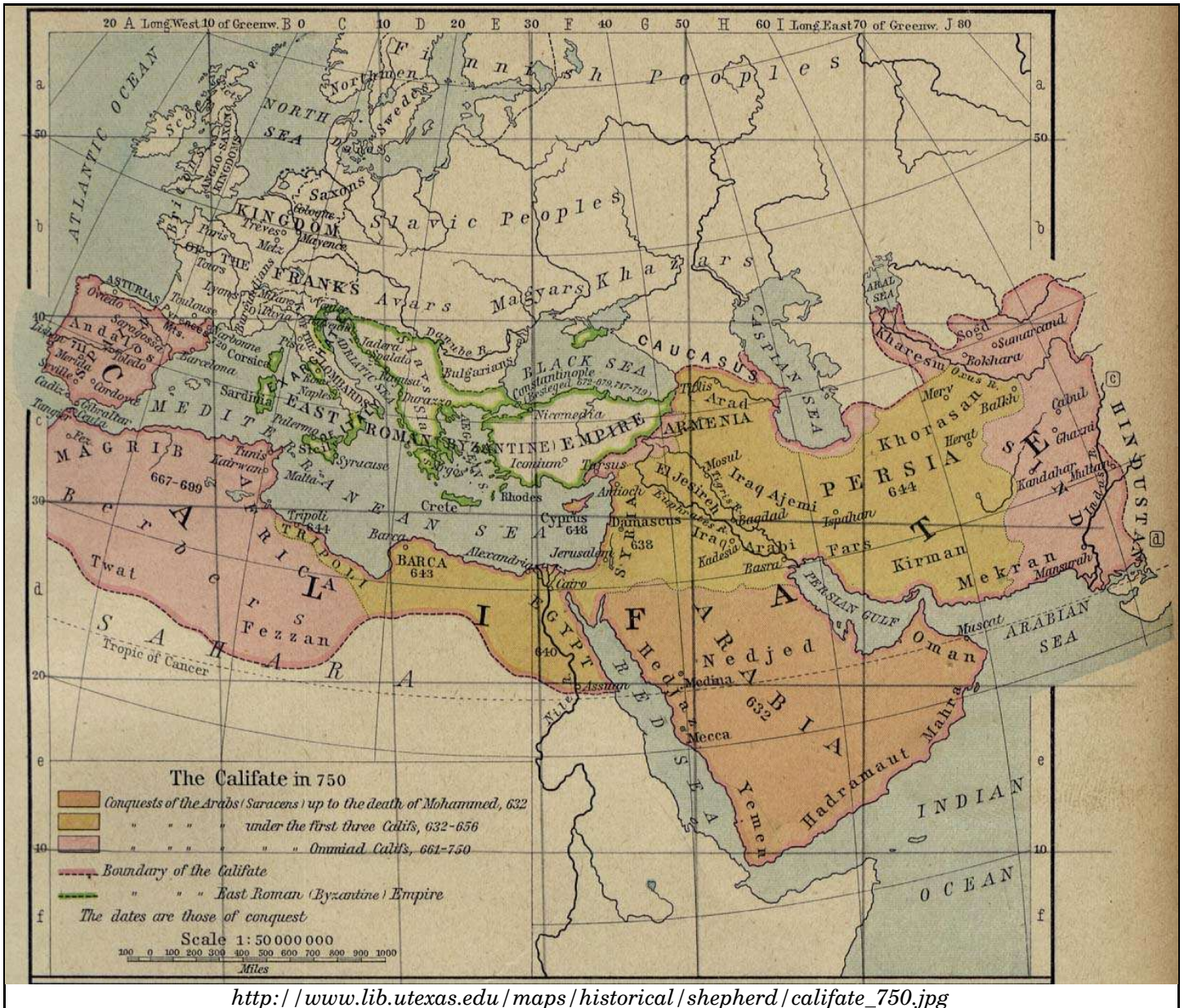
19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

21 And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

Iran is east of the Euphrates River. Also I have seen mentioned in the news Armageddon along with the Iranian arms buildup.

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The map above shows the Islamic Caliphate's conquests, and the Islamic world is waiting for the 12<sup>th</sup> Caliph who is supposed to be their messiah. The President of Iran has been making speeches about causing the return of the 12<sup>th</sup> Caliph by attacking Jerusalem. We are living in a day where we are seeing Bible prophecy being fulfilled before our eyes. We see the news media claim that Iran will cause

Armageddon by attacking Israel. We see the speeches by the President Ahmadinejad of Iran saying that he will bring about the 12<sup>th</sup> Caliph. He is telling the world what he believes and what he is planning on doing.<sup>1</sup> The world seems to be paying very little attention to him just like they paid no attention to Adolph Hitler in the 1920's and 1930's. The world will

<sup>1</sup> <http://newsbusters.org/node/7781>



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have to wake up when Iran eventually attacks Israel and initiates the Battle of Armageddon.

When the despots of the world tell us their plans and we do not listen, is it any wonder that World War III is coming? The world is just like England's Prime Minister Chamberlain declaring, "Peace in our time." Hitler told the world what his plans were in Mein Kampf and the world did not listen. When both the Ayatollah Khamenei and Iran's President Ahmadinejad are telling us their plans to initiate Armageddon, we better wake up before it is too late.

Already they have announced their plans and the world has done zilch! Iran is on the way to becoming a superpower and we are doing nothing to stop them. They see Europe, Africa, Asia Minor and the rest of the world all worshipping Allah under Islamic rule. They have already started ethnic cleansing in Africa and are working on the French and Russians. Armageddon is on the way! There will be nothing that we can do to prevent it because we wanted to sleep and have peace in our time.

It is time for the Christian to prepare for the assault by putting on the whole armor of God.

## **Ephesians 6:11-18**

11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done

all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

We are truly fighting for our life! We are facing the battle described in the Bible! The governments of the world will do nothing to stop the battle along with the rise of the Antichrist and false prophet. We are seeing the demon-controlled world look at Iran as just hot air. But if you do not have the whole armor of God, you will be powerless on the day of the great battle. The whole world will be drawn in to the battle, and only those with God's armor will survive.

If you are not fully protected by Jesus Christ's armor, then you need to seek the Lord with all of your heart and strength. The evil day is upon us and we need God's protection! With the wicked of the world proclaiming that it is their intention to start the Battle of Armageddon, we need to be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. This evil day that the Apostle Paul prophesied about is now upon the world. We are facing perilous times in the near future.

Are you prepared to face a future where the Iranian government starts World War III? Are you prepared for the apocalyptic chaos

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described in Revelation? The day of the Lord is coming! We are standing on the threshold of the era described in the Bible. Ahmadinejad believes that he is being directed by God and he is telling the world of his wicked intentions.

The only hope for any of us is to have the total protection of the Lord. We need to have on the whole armor of God. If just one piece of the armor is missing, we will fall prey to the Antichrist and the false prophet. To be able to stand against all of the lies, deception, and wickedness, we need the total protection of the Lord.

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