



The Full Gospel Church

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This past year has seen a lot of turmoil with more to come in the coming year. This is not a joyous message concerning coming events and the 2008 election. The world's situation is dark and glum. Look at what is happening around the world.

- Al-Qaida in Pakistan has just assassinated Benazir Bhutto—the only female prime minister candidate in an Islamic country. There is a lot of turmoil in Pakistan as a result of her murder. Radical Islam wants to create a society where they have total control over every aspect of their society including the subjugation of all women! Also they are preaching that Israel needs to be wiped off the face of the earth! Imagine if the radical Islamists get a hold of Pakistan's nuclear arsenal. Armageddon could be just around the corner, or even in 2008!
- Iran has been preaching the decimation of Israel for several years now. The Iranian government has stated that their first nuclear reactor will go on line in the middle of 2008!¹
- Russia has supplied nuclear fuel to Iran for their reactor!
- The world's economy seems to be in a state of flux and seems to be on the verge of a collapse. There are some banks and financial institutions that are on the verge of total failure! There are even web sites comparing 2007 with 1929 and the impending financial collapse.
- Finally, we are in the beginning of a Presidential campaign with the Iowa caucuses being held on Thursday January 3, 2008. The next president will have a lot to deal with and if we allow our emotions to determine who we elect,

the wrong individual surely will be in office.

When you look at the Middle East and you see both Iran and Pakistan with nuclear weapons being controlled by people who hate God's chosen people Israel and want nothing but to destroy the nation of Israel, we are living in perilous times as the Apostle Paul wrote to Timothy. We are also living in the days of the fulfillment of prophecy.

Ezekiel 38:1-23

1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
 2 Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and



1 <http://www.reuters.com/article/worldNews/>

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prophecy against him,

3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

4 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:

5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:

6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee.

7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.

8 After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them.

9 Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.

10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; It shall also come to pass, that at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an evil thought:

11 And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates,

12 To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people that are gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land.

13 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

14 Therefore, son of man, prophecy and say unto Gog,

Thus saith the Lord GOD; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?

15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army:

16 And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.

17 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days many years that I would bring thee against them?

18 And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face.

19 For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;

20 So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

21 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother.

22 And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

23 Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the LORD.

Many of you already realize that this prophecy is at the end of the millennial reign and not describing the Battle of Armageddon. I use this portion of scripture tonight to show that Russia is already aligning themselves with the enemies of Israel.

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Revelation 20:1-8

1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,

8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.

With all that is happening around the world, we are beginning to see the beginning of the third world war which the Bible calls Armageddon. The nations of the world are all preparing for the day when the kings of the East march across the Euphrates River with a 200,000,000 man army. They are already amassing the armaments and nuclear weapons to launch the attack.

The United States Presidential politicians are telling us that they will bring our troops home and pull out of the Middle East where we are presently preventing Armageddon from being initiated. When the President and Congress pull our troops out of Iraq and Afghanistan, Iran along with Osama Bin Laden will be ready to launch their nefarious attack upon Israel.

Russia is already supplying the nuclear weapons,

and we are seeing the demise of Pakistan that already has a nuclear arsenal. No matter what you hear on the news or read in the newspapers, Pakistan is about to fall into the hands of the extremists! When that happens, the Islamic extremist militants will have a nuclear arsenal to initiate Armageddon! The Pentagon and other agencies are just telling you that Pakistan's nuclear arsenal is safe. I do not believe a word that they are telling me.

Revelation 16:1-21

1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.

3 And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.

4 And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.

5 And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.

6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

7 And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.

8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

9 And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.

10 And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,

11 And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.

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.

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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.

It is time to make our calling and election sure! It is time that we turn with our whole heart to the Lord Jesus Christ. If there is any doubt in you heart concerning your salvation, now is the time to seek the Lord with all of your heart.

Acts 2:38-39

38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the LORD our God shall call.

We need to follow Peter's admonition just as 5,000 followed his advice at the close of his first sermon.

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