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## PLAYERS IN THE LAST DAYS

The recent news along with the political campaign for president indicate that we are living in the days prophesied in the Bible. On talk radio I heard one preacher claim that Barak Obama is the Antichrist. There is grave concern in Israel that if Obama becomes president they would have to fight a nuclear foe. Iran has been threatening to wipe Israel off of the face of the earth.

China and Russia have been supplying Iran with hardware for their nuclear program. The Bible tells us that the kings of the east will cross the Euphrates River with a 200,000,000-man army which will kill a third of the world's population!

### **Revelation 9:1-21**

1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

3 And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

5 And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

6 And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and

death shall flee from them.

7 And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.

8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.

9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.

10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months.

11 And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.

12 One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.

13 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,

14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.

15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

16 And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.

17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke

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and brimstone.

18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

21 Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

When you read the book of Revelation and you read the news you can see that we are living in the days just prior to the rise of the Antichrist. The players that will participate in the last days will probably be Russia, China, Iran, and Pakistan, all attacking Israel. The Bible calls this war Armageddon. If the next President of the United States pulls our troops out of Iraq, Armageddon will definitely happen. Look at what is happening just north of Iran in Georgia this weekend. The Russians are on the move! Will Russia stop at Georgia, or will Russia continue to march through Armenia and join up with the Iranian Army?

Reading Biblical prophecy seems to indicate that China, Russia, and Iran will be the key players in the battle of Armageddon against Israel and its Allies. Our troops in Iraq are acting as a buffer preventing the kings of the east from marching across the Euphrates River and attacking Israel. All of the Arab nations are waiting for the right time to attack Israel. The battle of Armageddon will be the right time to attack for all of the Satanic forces will be compelling them to annihilate Israel.

Only God will defend Israel against their enemies. Israel's only allies are the born again Christians and the Jews who do not live in Israel. As Christians we need to prepare for the Battle of Armageddon. We need to be ready when we see the

### Troubled Neighbors

Separatist struggles in South Ossetia and Abkhazia divide Georgia. Russia has backed both separatist movements to protect its strategic interests in the area.

1991: The Soviet Union dissolves and Georgia wins independence. Violence breaks out as South Ossetia attempts to secede from Georgia.

July 1992: Russian President Boris Yeltsin mediates a cease-fire. He deploys a Russian peacekeeping force to South Ossetia.

1994: A Russian-enforced cease-fire brings an end to conflict in Abkhazia. Russian troops are stationed there permanently.

August 1995: Georgian President Shevardnadze narrowly escapes an assassination attempt allegedly planned by the Russian government. He survives another attempt in February 1998.

September 2006: South Ossetian militia forces fire at a helicopter flying over the Georgian-Ossetian conflict zone with the Georgian defense minister on board.



Georgian troops near Tskhinvali on Friday.



September 2006: Georgian-Russian relations deteriorate further when the Georgian government detains four Russian military officers on charges of espionage. Both nations engage in shows of military and diplomatic force.

Thursday 2008: Georgian military forces fight their way into the capital of the breakaway region of South Ossetia. Russian tanks enter the region as Georgian forces fight for control of the regional capital Tskhinvali.

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massive army march across the Euphrates River in an attempt to wipe Israel off of the face of the earth.

### 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.

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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.

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.

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