

# THE CAMPAIGN OF ARMAGGEDON IN EZEKIEL, DANIEL & REVELATION:

[ADAPTED FROM: THINGS TO COME; A STUDY IN BIBLICAL ESCHATOLOGY; J. DWIGHT PENTECOST: ZONDERVAN, GRAND RAPIDS, 1964] COMPILED BY: ANDREW MOLLOY, 9.2021, HOLLY HILLS BIBLE CHURCH

## WHO:

The Beast, together with the 10 kingdom Federation, (10-toed/10-horned from Book of Daniel) yet future; A world empire; a Western Alliance; a revived, Romanish Empire which includes every country everywhere which there is a claim to Apostate Christianity (The woman harlot). It will most likely include: North America; South America; very likely the United Kingdom, France, Spain the Scandanavian countries. The Beast, a world-wide ruler eliminates 3 heads of state to gain power.

VS.: (at various times and places)

## WHO:

**The Northern Confederacy** (see Eze. 38:1-39:25; Dan. 11:40; Joel 2:1-27; Isa. 10:12 & 3:-31-33; 31:8-9) . . . Gog and Magog. The Prince of Rosh = Gog = the Leader of the No. Confederacy, his land is Magog which has 3 parts: Rosh, Meshech and Tubal.

- A. ROSH = Russia... Prince of Rosh = Prince or King of Russia. This is well-researched and authenticated.
- B. Another Federated with Russia is Persia (Eze. 38:5); now Iran
- C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ally: Cush: referred to as Ethiopia, but most likely not the African Ethiopia we know today but a country contiguous to Iran [which could be: Afghanistan, Pakistan, Turkmenistan, Iraq]
- D. PUT = the 3<sup>rd</sup> ally – referred to as Libya, but maybe not the African country, but another that is contiguous to Iran
- E. GOMER = Germany = 4<sup>th</sup> Ally
- F. TURKEY = Togarmah = 5<sup>th</sup> Ally

Northern Confederacy then is: [Russia-Iran-*Ethiopia(?)*-*Libya(?)*-Germany-Turkey]

## WHO:

**Armies of the East** = a confederation of Asiatic countries from beyond the Euphrates to the East

## WHO:

**The King of the South** = Egypt

## WHAT:

ARMAGEDDON = the battle of that Great Day of God Almighty. Battle = *polemos*; meaning war or campaign. Not: *machē* (a single battle or combat)

## WHERE:

Various places in and around Israel. 5 places:

1. **Hill of Megiddo** = 10 miles south of Nazareth and 15 miles east (inland) from the coast, on the Plain of Esdraelon. Many, many battles have been fought here, and many military encampments settle here. Deborah & Barak; Gideon; Saul slain here; Ahaziah slain by Jehu; Josiah slain by the Egyptians. Timeframe: from Nebakkanezer to Napoleon.
2. **Valley of Jehosaphat** = 2<sup>nd</sup> locale. An extended area east of Jerusalem = Valley of Passengers. Present day, thought to be the Kidron Valley (deep ravine between the Temple Mount and Mt. Olives). But could refer to a new giant valley carved when Christ touches the Mount on His 2<sup>nd</sup> coming.
3. **Edom** = South of Jerusalem. (Christ comes from the south in judgment) (Isa. 34 & 63)

4. **Jerusalem** = itself the city. A large swath of it. Ezekiel: Armageddon will 'cover the land'. Blood will flow for 1,600 furlongs up to the level of a horse's bridle. 1,600 furlongs is the entire length of Palestine.

#### **PARTICIPANTS:**

1. The Beast & the 10 Nation Federation
2. Northern Federation
3. The Southern Alliance
4. Kings of the East
5. The Lord Jesus Christ and His Saints from Heaven

#### **THE BACKGROUND:**

The Antichrist has made a Seven Year covenant with Israel, restoring her place as a nation-state, guaranteed by the Antichrist and the 10 Nation Federation. An attack on one is an attack on all. This is a satanic imitation of the fulfilment of the Abrahamic Covenant = the White Horse in Revelation = Peace imitation.

#### **PART I: of the Campaign of Armageddon**

At the 3.5 year mark after the Rapture of the saints, Satan is cast out of Heaven. He goes forth in great wrath to attack Israel and the Tribulation saints (Rev. 16:13-14). The Northern Federation and South Alliance invade Palestine in all the chaos, seeking a spoil, and Israel seems like easy prey (Dan. 11:40).

This First campaign of Armageddon is described in Ez. 38:1 through 39:24. A protest is made to the invasion, but it is unheeded. Finally, the Lord intervenes and destroys the armies of the North and South through some sort of supernatural convulsion of nature. This is a sign to the nations and to Israel, and for Israel to believe in God.

As a result, the Antichrist breaks the covenant with Israel. The Lord's intervention is the activating cause of the abrogation of the covenant. This Part I of the Armageddon campaign is described as the Battle of Gog, or the punishment of Israel by the Assyrian.

#### **THE PROGRESSION:**

A 3.5 year campaign commences: armies are moved and situated toward the Beast & Israel terminating at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ. Then, with the destruction of the Northern Federation, the Beast can move his Western Federation into Palestine, initially in defense of Israel against the Northern Confederacy and the King of the North.

#### **PART II: of the Campaign of Armageddon**

Now the Beast and his full army is poised and positioned in Palestine (Dan. 11:41) He is extending his dominion into Egypt (11:44).

(a.) A report he gets alarms him, perhaps it's the approach of the Kings of the East (Rev. 16:12). They come because God miraculously dried up the Euphrates, giving them passage to challenge the Beast.

The Beast and the Kings of the East are about to battle, but there appears the sign of the Son of Man from heaven, which turns the Armies of the Beast and the Kings of the East from about to fight each other (Rev. 19:19),

#### **FINAL EVENT:**

to fight against the Lord and His army, at which point they are destroyed by the Lord, by the sword of His mouth (19:21)