



# The Trumpeter

Ezek 33:3 If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;

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## Record Flooding - Nashville, Tennessee

The recent Nashville and Middle Tennessee flooding, (most everyone has seen pictures by now), produced some heartbreaking pictures and videos of loss of property and life. The record rainfall turned rivers and creeks into lakes. The rushing water destroyed roads and bridges, businesses and infrastructure, and claimed 33 lives. Weeks later many hundreds of property owners are finding themselves with mortgages on structures that either no longer exist, or are condemned, and wondering what to do! The cost to recover from this disaster has been estimated at two billion dollars. It is the most disastrous weather event on record in Tennessee!

This weather event started in the Gulf of Mexico on Friday morning, April 30, 2010, when strong winds stirred up, blowing the oil slick from the leaking BP oil platform toward the Gulf beaches. Those strong winds also brought with them the moisture that created the flooding in Tennessee on May 1st & 2nd. It is strangely interesting that at the same time on Friday when the strong winds first stirred, the Obama administration told Israel to abandon 23 settlements in the West Bank, return to the peace talks, negotiate on Jerusalem, and make way for the new Palestinian state inside the borders of Israel.

It is absolutely amazing to observe the United States involved in Middle east politics to start with! Who do we think we are? What right do we have telling another sovereign nation where they can build inside their own borders? Can't we just position ourselves on the sidelines and tell Israel and the Palestinians to handle the problems themselves and offer our support if needed?

Amos, chapter 4 makes it very clear that God will use weather events to deal with nations. Additionally, Joel 3:2 is the Scripture where God declares that He will retaliate against anyone who divides His Land. Also, God has declared that in the end times, "***I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples; all who lift it will be severely injured. ...And all the nations of the earth will be gathered against it.***" (Zech 12:3). Again, God will not be mocked. (Galatians 6:7). God is speaking today. He is telling all who will listen, "GET YOUR HANDS Off MY LAND, **ESPECIALLY MY CITY, JERUSALEM!**" The United States has positioned herself in a very bad position with God in this regard! Since these are the times in which God is restoring Israel, there cannot be politicians or nations that get in the way of His plan! Stay tuned.

## Israeli officials: Obama to call world summit if Mideast peace talks fail

- Haaretz.com - April 30, 2010  
- U.S. President Barack Obama has told several European leaders that if Israeli-Palestinian talks remain stalemated into September or October, he will convene an international summit on achieving Mideast peace, senior Israeli officials told Haaretz on Thursday. The officials said the conference would be run by the Quartet of Middle East peacemakers - the United States, European Union, United Nations and Russia - in a bid to forge a united global front for creating a Palestinian state. The summit, they said, would address such core issues as borders, security arrangements, Palestinian refugees and the status of Jerusalem. Obama is determined to exert his influence to establish a Palestinian state, the officials said, and several European leaders have vowed that the EU would support any peace plan proposed by Washington.

**Comment:** God only knows what is in store for the USA whom God will hold responsible for leading the charge among the nations who are intent on dividing Israel and Jerusalem and giving it to Israel's enemies! Amos 4 makes the case that God uses weather to get a nation's attention or discipline a nation to turn back to Him. If the "perfect storm" in 1991 wasn't enough; if Hurricane Andrew in 1992 wasn't enough; if Hurricane Georges of 1998 wasn't enough; if Hurricane Dennis of 1999 wasn't enough; if Hurricane Floyd of 1999 wasn't enough; if Tropical Storm Allison of 2001 wasn't enough; if Hurricane Katrina of 2005 wasn't enough; if our "economic meltdown" of 2008 wasn't enough; if the now recent flooding of Middle Tennessee wasn't enough, what will be? As the US State Department's demands on Israel get more bold, the Lord's retaliation gets more severe. We cannot as a nation survive turning our backs on Israel! Neither can we survive forcing them to do something that is totally against the will of God!!! We have entered a time predicted in the Bible when God would restore the nation of Israel. (Isaiah 11 for example). Considering His intentions to restore Israel, God will not tolerate politicians who try to give it away! Forcing Israel to give up her land comes with a curse from God (Joel 3:2). We will be anxiously watching to see what further develops.

**Note:** All of the above disasters are a list from many from the years 1991 through the present. All of these events were directly related to US State Department policy to force Israel to give up land and make concessions to her enemies. The corresponding disaster would usually occur on the same day and many times occur at the same moment. Is this coincidence? No! For a detailed discussion of these issues and a more detailed list of events, see Bill Koenig's book **Eye To Eye**. (See offer in response section on page four).

# Current Events and Bible Prophecy

**U.S. ups pressure on Israel** - Associated Press - March 15, 2010 - The U.S. is pressing Israel to scrap a contentious east Jerusalem building project whose approval has touched off the most serious diplomatic feud with Washington in years, American and Israeli officials said Monday. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, however, gave no indication he intended to cancel construction of the 1,600 housing units, despite condemnation from a string of U.S. officials. Netanyahu offered a defense of his country's building in the city's eastern sector, which the Palestinians want as their future capital, and noted that Israel has been building there for more than 40 years. "The building of those Jewish neighborhoods did not hurt in any way the Arabs of east Jerusalem and did not come at their expense," he said Monday.

**Deadly storm sparks headaches for commuters** - MSNBC - March 15, 2010 - A torrential rainstorm that brought heavy winds to the Northeast, causing damage and flooding, created some minor headaches for commuters Monday. At least eight people died in storm-related accidents over the weekend, and nearly half a million people were without electricity in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and Connecticut at the peak of the storm.

**Northeast Pounded by Deadly Storm Leaving Many Powerless** - Foxnews.com - March 15, 2010 - A torrential rainstorm that brought heavy winds to the Northeast, downing trees, flooding roadways and knocking out power, continued to pour rain on New England on Monday. At least nine people died in storm-related accidents, and nearly half a million people were without electricity in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York and Connecticut at the peak of the storm. The ferocious storm led to near-record numbers of 911 calls in New York. New York City experienced the second-highest volume of 911 calls ever. It got 65,000 calls between 11 PM. Friday and 11 PM. Saturday, second only to the 96,000 calls made during the 2003 blackout. While the rain tapered off south of New York on Monday morning, wind-whipped precipitation continued to fall in New England.

**Comment:** Again, these natural disasters related to political pressure on Israel to give up her land, have gotten so common and predictable, they have become more than coincidence! Best that we would stop forcing Israel to give up land that God says He is going to restore to the Jewish people! The Land restored to the Jewish people is one prophecy that is stated over, and over, and over in the Bible. (See Isaiah 11, Ezekiel 36, Amos 9: 14-15 for examples). God, is saying to the U.S. and to the world, "**GET YOUR HANDS OFF OF MY LAND**". We would do well to listen! If nothing else, our economy is not going to survive these one-after-another disasters.

**UK authority: Western Wall not in Israel** - ynetnews.com - April 14, 2010 - The British Advertising Standards Authority (ASA) criticized Israel for including pictures of the Western Wall in a tourism advertisement, claiming that the holy site is technically not located within the country's borders, the Independent reported Wednesday. "We told the Israeli Tourist Office not to imply

that places in the Occupied Territories were part of the state of Israel," ASA, which is a public organization but not government-funded, said in a statement.

**Icelandic volcano eruption intensifies** - Reuters - Apr 15, 2010 - A volcanic eruption in Iceland, which has thrown up a 6-km (3.7 mile) high plume of ash and disrupted air traffic across northern Europe, has grown more intense, an expert said on Thursday.

**Comment:** God has spoken again concerning His Land. In this event, thousands of flights were cancelled all across Europe and the economic consequence was in the billions.

**Netanyahu: Ezekiel 37 Fulfilled in Israel** - CBN News - February 03, 2010 - Speaking on the 65th anniversary of the liberation of the Nazi concentration camp at Auschwitz in Poland last week, Israeli Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu proclaimed the fulfillment of the prophet Ezekiel's vision of the valley of dry bones. "The Jewish people rose from ashes and destruction, from a terrible pain that can never be healed," Netanyahu said at the ceremony. "Armed with the Jewish spirit, the justice of man, and the vision of the prophets, we sprouted new branches and grew deep roots. Dry bones became covered with flesh, a spirit filled them, and they lived and stood on their own feet, as Ezekiel prophesied: *'Then He said to me, 'Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!' Therefore prophesy and say to them, thus says the Lord God, 'Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves and bring you into the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves.'*"

**Comment:** This prophecy is being fulfilled. We rejoice that Israel has a Prime Minister that recognizes that God is presently involved in establishing the modern State of Israel. (See next).

**Israel at 62: Population of 7,587,000** - Ynetnews.com - April 18, 2010 - Two days before Independence Day, the population of the State of Israel stands at 7,587,000 people, data from the Central Bureau of Statistics revealed Sunday. According to the CBS, the Jewish population in Israel numbers some 5,726,000 residents (75.7% of the entire population). The Arab population numbers some 1,548,000 residents (20.4% of the population).

**Not just Zionism: Lousy economy pushes more U.S. Jews to move to Israel** - Haaretz.com - 02/03/2010 - When Nisan and Gilan Gertz stepped off the plane at Ben-Gurion International Airport with their children last August, they were seven of almost 4,000 North Americans to make aliyah in 2009 - the largest number to do so in a single year since 1983. There were a lot of reasons that the Gertzes chose to move their new home in Beit Shemesh, some 25 miles west of Jerusalem, from their home in Passaic, N.J. There was "inspiration and spirituality," as Nisan describes it. "For the first time in 2,000 years, we can live in a sovereign nation that's Jewish."

**Comment:** One of the most prolific prophecies in the Bible is the one that says the children of Israel and Judah would come back to their land in the end times. Ezekiel 37: 21-22 is classic. *"This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I will take the Israelites out of the nations where they have gone. I will gather them from all around and bring them back into their own land. I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel"*.

**Moscow to build nuke plant in Turkey** - Jerusalem Post - May 13, 2010 - While Jerusalem lashed out against Moscow on Wednesday for wanting to include Hamas in the diplomatic process, it took a much more low-key approach to news that Russia would build a nuclear reactor in Turkey, and was considering doing the same in Syria...Turkey and Russia signed 17 cooperation agreements on Wednesday, including one for the construction of Turkey's first nuclear power plant near the Mediterranean coastal town of Akkuyu. The construction was expected to take seven years, Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan said. Russia plans to build four reactors at the plant at a cost of about \$20 billion.

**Report: Russia signs arms deal with Syria** - Reuters - May 14, 2010 - Russia has signed deals with Syria under which it will sell it warplanes, anti-tank weapons and air defense systems, Itar-Tass news agency quoted a senior Russian arms trader as saying on Friday. Mikhail Dmitriyev, head of the Federal Service for Military-Technical Cooperation, said Russia would supply Syria with MiG-29 fighters and truck-mounted Pantsir short-range surface-to-air missiles and anti-aircraft artillery systems.

**Comment:** Russia is busy in the Middle East neighborhood making allies of these nations. Foretold 2,500 years ago, Ezekiel 38 records a future destruction of the Russian and Turkish ("Beth-togarmah") armies together on the Golan Heights (very close to Syria) when they come against Israel. Other allies listed in Ezekiel 38:6 include Iran, Libya, Gomer (probably the Muslim break-away nations of the old Soviet Union), and the Muslim north-African nations. The destruction of Damascus is also recorded in Isaiah 17:1. It is very possible that the destruction for all will occur at the same time. To see them allied together and engaged in activity that is hostile to Israel is no surprise and suggests that their Biblical fate draws near.

**Israel Seeks to Return Assets to Heirs of Holocaust Victims** - Jpost.com - 4-25-2010 - For the past four years, the Petach Tikva based organization appropriately named "Restitution of Holocaust Victims' Assets", has been scouring the world in search of heirs of Holocaust victims. Their goal is a simple one – return Israel based assets belonging to the families of Nazi victims. The Company, a non-profit organization, formed by decree of the Knesset in 2006, launched a campaign in North America this month in selected Jewish media outlets designed to get people to log onto their website ([www.hashava.org.il/eng](http://www.hashava.org.il/eng)) and have a look through the list of some 60,000 assets.

**Comment:** Through the work of the Jewish Claims Conference, there are a lot of "assets" to return to the Jewish people. **The return of these assets is huge news!** Why? Because God said that the day would come when the spoil taken from Israel would be returned to them (Zechariah 14:1). The return of those "spoils" would be closely followed by the Lord's return to this earth to establish His Kingdom (Zechariah 14:1-4). To date, more than \$60 billion dollars have been distributed to Holocaust victims and their survivors. Since the return of these assets precede Jesus return to this earth, we therefore see the return of Jesus coming into view. Since we believe that the Rapture of the Church precedes the Lord's return to earth by seven years, how close must the Rapture be?

**Note:** It is a good time to be right with your Maker. Ask the Lord to come into your life (Romans 10:9) and start serving Him today, without compromise, until we see Him face-to-face.

**USGS Says Israel Has 1.7 Billion Barrels of Oil** - April 12, 2010 - The United States Geological Service released a report last week on Israel's Levant Basin, stating that the area contains 1.689 billion barrels of undiscovered oil and 122.4 trillion cubic feet of undiscovered natural gas. The Levant Basin lies both onshore and offshore and includes most of middle and northern Israel and coastal Lebanon and Syria. The basin includes the exploration areas of Noble Energy offshore and Zion Oil & Gas onshore. Although the USGS released its report just last week, most of the data it contained came from research conducted between 2000 and 2008 by Dr. Michael Gardosh, a researcher at the Geophysical Institute of Israel, and Dr. Yehezkel Druckman, who until a few years ago was Petroleum Israel's Commissioner. Dr. Druckman now serves on the Zion Oil & Gas Board of Directors.

**Israel set to become gas exporter** - Jerusalem Post - June 3, 2010 - A consortium led by billionaire Yitzhak Tshuva announced on Thursday that it has struck natural gas in a field called 'Leviathan' off the coast of Israel. The field is estimated to contain 15 trillion cubic feet of gas and is the second large scale gas find in a month. Last month's find, in a field called 'Tamar', is thought to contain enough gas to supply Israel for the next twenty years. Speaking to Channel 2 news, Uzi Landau, Minister of National Infrastructure said that "we have enough gas to supply all our needs for the next 50 to 70 years". Mr Yitzhak Tshuva is the owner of the Delek Group and a major player in the consortium which made the latest find. Other partners include Noble Energy and Razio. Noble Energy are based in Houston, Texas and say the neighboring Tamar field probably contains more than previously estimated, about 8.4 trillion cubic feet, a 33 percent increase in the earlier estimate. Tshuva also says there may be an oil field beneath the gas.

**Oil in Israel - Signs of Oil at Meged 5 Site** - Haaretz.com - May 27, 2010 - The Givat Olam oil exploration company said Thursday that they had found signs of oil in the Meged 5 oil well near Rosh Ha'ayin. The company said that liquid had flowed for three hours, and that oil was expected to flow in the aftermath of the first liquid release. The company said that the current results were not indicative of what they believed the full potential of the well to be.

**Comment:** The two largest natural gas wells in the world were discovered off the coast of Israel in January of 2009. There are also several companies drilling for oil on the mainland of Israel. They believe the oil will be found and they know that wherever natural gas is found, oil is present. **This news comes at an interesting time!** At present, the U.S. is experiencing the largest oil spill in history in the Gulf of Mexico. The spill has raised more than concern about future drilling. Here is some food for thought:

1.) If Israel discovers the largest oil well in the world, with Israel being a faithful U.S. ally, would our need for local drilling even be necessary?

2.) During Russia's future invasion of Israel, Russia is asked in Ezekiel 38:13 if she has come to "take a spoil". Wealth brought to Israel through this oil discovery would certainly be an attractive "spoil"!

3.) Isaiah 60:5 & 11 call for Israel to receive the wealth of the nations in the end times. What a better way for God to accomplish this than to have kept the oil hidden until now.

4.) If oil had been discovered in Israel before 1948, would she have ever been founded as a nation?

**Jerusalem named top travel destination** - Jerusalem Post - May 14, 2010 - Jerusalem has been named one of the world's top 10 travel destinations for culture and sightseeing. The TripAdvisor Travelers' Choice award for Jerusalem, the only city in the Middle East and Africa to receive the honor, was announced Wednesday. TripAdvisor lists several sites in Jerusalem as must-see for travelers, including the Western Wall, Temple Mount, Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and the City of David. About 317,000 visitors entered Israel in April, a 26 percent increase over the same month last year.

**Comment:** Tourism to Israel is predicted in the Bible in Ezekiel 36: 35. The passersby (tourists), will say "this land has become like the Garden of Eden , and the waste, desolate, and ruined cities are fortified and inhabited. This is what we see in Israel today. We are the only generation in 2,000 years that has seen it develop.

**Note:**

This newsletter has been almost exclusively about Israel. The reason: Israel and what is going on there is the greatest indicator of where we are on God's timeline. We are told over and over in the Bible that when God establishes Israel in the last days, He will send their Messiah. His name is Yehsua (Jesus). **His coming is soon!**

## Problems with a Muslim Antichrist:

Some are teaching that the coming world leader, Antichrist, will be a Muslim. Here are some reasons why we do not believe this can be so:

1) He shows no regard for the God of his fathers - he magnifies himself above them all (Dan. 11:37). This would be against the first pillar of Islam. All followers must state that there is no God but Allah. No Muslim can declare himself to be god, especially in a Jewish Temple in Jerusalem as the Antichrist will in II Thessalonians 2. If one did, the 1.2 billion Muslims around the world would have him beheaded before the sun sets.

2) It appears that the world is about to witness the collapse of Islam. Inside the Muslim world there is desperation. This Allah is supposed to be greater, but 1.2 billion Muslims are witnessing that Allah cannot expel the Jewish people (7 million, present population) from Israel for the last 60 years. He is not greater and history is proving it. Jehovah is greater!

3) Daniel declares that the Antichrist will come from the people who destroyed the city (Jerusalem) and the Sanctuary (Temple) in Daniel 9:26. We know that Titus and the Roman 5th Legion who were in charge of the operation against the Jews and the Temple in 70 A.D., were Italian Roman. The orders came from Rome, Italy. Those who destroyed the Temple were loyal to Caesar and Rome, Italy.

4) A strong point: All this is interesting to ponder, but in the end, if one believes in a Rapture before the Tribulation, WE ARE NOT GOING TO BE HERE!!! The Antichrist cannot be revealed until He that now restrains him is taken out of the way and that will be during the coming Tribulation. (II Thessalonians 2:7).

**Not sure you're going in the Rapture? Do what is recorded in Romans 10:9 today and you can be sure. Ask the Lord into your life today!**



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- \*Wayne County Bible Center - Waynesboro, TN June 13, 2010
- \*Faith Community Church - Whitesburg, KY - Sept. 1--12, 2010
- \*Trinity Baptist Church - Clarksville, TN - Aug. 1, 2010
- \*Feast of Tabernacles Celebration. - October 2, 2010 - Clarksville, TN.
- \*Eleventh Lion of Judah Tour of Israel - December 29, 2010-Jan. 9th, 2011.

Note: A great feature of this tour will be taking communion on the Mediterranean on New Year's Eve. See details on the Website, or call and request a color brochure.

\*Nineteenth Annual Pre-Trib Research Association - Dec. 6-8, 2010

\*Note: The Pre-Trib Research Association is made up of seminary professors, communicators, teachers, pastors, and church leaders. It was founded by Tim LaHaye for the purpose of defending the any-moment return of Jesus. It is an honor for me to be a member.

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