

Olmert Hopes for "Eternal Covenant" With Arabs

Inside the White House

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Israel's Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said Monday in his address to the Israeli Knesset that [he hopes an "eternal covenant" could soon be signed between Israel and its neighbors.](#)

["Israel didn't want these confrontations; on the contrary, we did our utmost to avoid them by withdrawing to borders recognized by the international community,"](#) said the prime minister.

Olmert added that Israel has no business involving itself with the internal struggles within Lebanon and the Palestinian Authority, adding, ["Our problem is with the terrorists attacking us from those territories."](#)

Hearing Olmert make this statement was truly a remarkable moment. Moreover, [a peace covenant is much more possible with the terror groups eliminated and/or greatly reduced.](#)

Could this lead to the Bible's final seven-year covenant as written in Daniel 9:27 (NASV)? ("And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.")

If the dismantling of Hezbollah and Hamas doesn't lead to the Daniel 9:27 covenant, we certainly appear to be getting closer to a peace deal of some sort. The stage is also conceptually set for the Antichrist to come forward with a solution at some point.

Additionally, [the Gog-Magog force of Ezekiel 38-39 that comes against Israel does not have Syria included.](#) Does that mean Damascus will be devastated? At least two biblical prophecies seem to indicate that this will happen prior to that war: **"Behold, Damascus will cease from (being) a city, and it will be a ruinous heap" (Isaiah 17:1, NKJV)** and **"I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall consume the palaces of Ben-Hadad" (Jeremiah 49:27).**

Perspective: Where we are prophetically will be determined by the actions of Russia, China, Iran and Syria in the next few weeks, months and year.

Syria missing – Damascus destroyed

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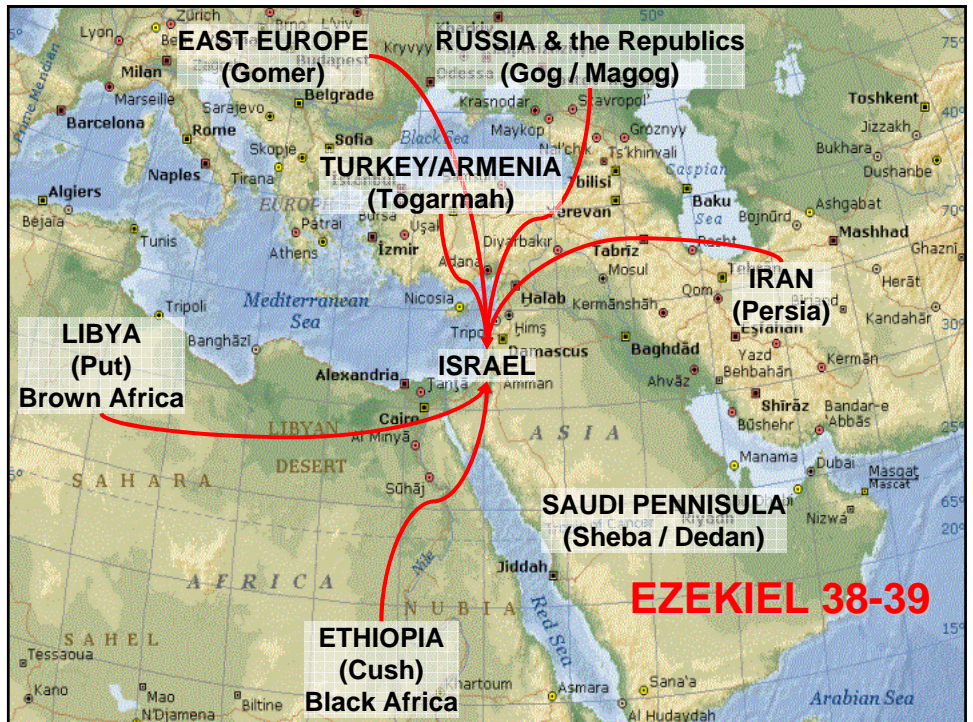
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The Magog Invasion Allies

Ezekiel 38 & 39

Eze 38:2 Son of man, set thy face against **Gog**, the **land of Magog**, the chief prince of **Meshech** and **Tubal**, and prophesy against him,

Eze 38:15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts,

- **Gog of Magog:** Leader of Russia
- **Meshech:** Moscow: E of Urals
- **Tubal:** Tubolsk: W of Urals ??

Eze 38:5 **Persia**, **Ethiopia**, and **Libya**

- **Persia:** Iran
- **Cush:** Ethiopia / Sudan
- **Phut:** Libya

Eze 38:6 **Gomer**, and all his bands; the house of **Togarmah** of the north quarters, and all his bands: *and* many people with thee.

- **Gomer:** Eastern Europe
- **Togarmah:** Turkey / Armenia

Eze 38:13 **Sheba**, and **Dedan**, and the merchants of **Tarshish**, with all the **young lions** thereof,

- **Sheba and Dedan:** Saudi Arabian Peninsula nations ???
- **Tarshish with all the young lions thereof** British Commonwealth nations ???

Eze 39:6 And I will send a fire on Magog, and among **them that dwell carelessly in the isles**: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

- **Them that dwell carelessly in the isles** Western Hemisphere: USA ???

Who is missing?

- **Babylon:** Iraq
- **Syria, Lebanon, Jordan**
- **Kings of the East:** Far Eastern nations
- **Western Europe:** Area already under anti-christ's span of control