

# Last Days Bible Prophecy

## Israel restored

- “...Thus says the Lord GOD: 'Surely I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, wherever they have gone, and will gather them from every side and bring them into their own land; and I will make them one nation in the land on the mountains of Israel and one king shall be over them all.” Ezek.37:21-22

The Bible predicted over 2500 years ago that in the **latter years** (Ezek.ch38:8) the Jews would return to their original homeland. In 1948 the Jewish state of Israel was officially recognised, and the influx of Jews from all over the world increased, so that today, there are over 5,000,000 in the land with many more still to return. When you think about it, the chances of a particular race of people retaining their racial identity and then returning to their original homeland after nearly 2000 years wandering the globe, is astounding, and could only happen with God's guidance.

## God's Plan with Israel is certain

- “...For I will bring them back into their land which I gave to their fathers. Behold, I will send for many fishermen, says the LORD, and they shall fish them; and afterward I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain and every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.” Jer.16:15-16

- “For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land.” Ezek.36:24

Also Isa.11:11-12; Jer.30:18-24; Zech.8:4-8; Ezek.28:24-26, ch38:8,v16, ch39:25-29.

The determination that God has to gather all the Jews back to their land can be seen in the above words of the prophet Jeremiah. God has promised that in Jesus' coming kingdom, **the Jews will be converted**, and the nation of Israel will be well treated by all the Gentile nations. See also Zech.12:10-14; Isa.ch60-ch62 inclusive; Rev.1:7.

## God's witnesses

- “Therefore you are My witnesses,' says the LORD, that I am God.” Isa.43:12 See also Isa.43:10, ch44:8

God indicates in the verse above that the Jews are His witnesses and **proof that He is God**. Even in 'unbelief' the Jew is a witness to God's existence by the fact that unwittingly they have fulfilled Bible prophecy in their wanderings and later their return to the land of Israel.

## Selfish human behaviour

You may be surprised at the incredible detail predicted in Scripture about selfish human behaviour in the last days:

- “...in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away.” 2 Tim.3:1-5

See also Luke 17:26-30; Rom.1:18-32; Jude v14-16

All Scripture quoted on this sheet is from the N.K.J.V.

## Religious fables

The following is a Bible prophecy describing how people would depart from the true faith in the last days and accept fables, “signs and wonders”, instead of God's truth:

- “For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers, and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.” 2 Tim.4:3-4

See also 1 Tim.4:1-3.

Jesus also warned about falsehood:

- “For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.” Matt.24:24 See also Matt.24:4-5; 2 Thess.2:3-12; 2 Pet. 2:1-2.

## National unrest

- “...a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation, even to that time.” Dan.12:1

The national unrest we are witnessing today was predicted long ago by the prophet Daniel as a time of trouble, unsurpassed in human history. He also foresaw the nations as an unsatisfactory mix of iron and clay in the last days just prior to Jesus' return:

- “As you saw iron mixed with ceramic clay, they will mingle with the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, just as iron does not mix with clay.” Dan.2:43

## Fear in men's hearts

### Terrorism, local crime and violence

- “And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.”

Luke 21:25-27

The last sign of Jesus return mentioned above is taking shape worldwide. **Men's hearts are in fear** as they do not know where and when terrorism will strike again. This is a new experience for a troubled world, because unlike straight out warfare, terrorism is **completely unpredictable** and is not dependent on powerful weaponry or large armies. Middle Eastern terrorism mostly from Israel's immediate neighbours is described by the prophet Ezekiel as, “a prickling brier” and “a painful thorn for the house of Israel” (Ezek.28:24). Even on the local scene there is increased apprehension due to unprecedented property crime and violence. Parents can no longer feel relaxed in public for the safety of their children. All of this, because people in general no longer **know God** and refuse to **obey Jesus' Gospel**. The world at large will be punished for this neglect when Jesus returns.

- “...when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Thess.1:8-9