

**Series: 2009! Could This be the Time?!**

**Sermon: The Coming Invasion!**

**Scripture: Ezekiel 38-39 (NKJV)**

**1. The Prediction of the Invasion** Ezekiel 38:8-9, 16 (NKJV)

8 After many days you will be visited. In the latter years you will come into the land of those brought back from the sword and gathered from many people on the mountains of Israel, which had long been desolate; they were brought out of the nations, and now all of them dwell safely. 9 You will ascend, coming like a storm, covering the land like a cloud, you and all your troops and many peoples with you."

. . . 16 You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me, when I am hallowed in you, O Gog, before their eyes."

- **The Rapture** 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18 (NKJV)
- **The Great Tribulation** Matthew 24:15, 21 (NKJV)
- **The Second Coming of Christ** Revelation 19:11 (NKJV)
- **The Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ.** Revelation 20:2-4 (NKJV)

**2. The Participants in the Invasion** Ezekiel 38:1-6, 15-16 (NKJV)

Ancient Nations	Modern Nations	Scripture Reference
Gog	Ruler*	Ezekiel 38:2
Magog, Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal	Russia and the former Soviet republics	Ezekiel 38:2
Persia	Iran	Ezekiel 38:5
Cush	Sudan, Ethiopia, and possibly Iritrea	Ezekiel 38:5
Put	Libya, Algeria, and Tunisia	Ezekiel 38:5
Gomer	Turkey and possibly Germany and Austria	Ezekiel 38:6
Beth-togarmah	Turkey, Armenia, and the Turkic-speaking peoples of Asia Minor and central Asia	Ezekiel 38:6
Countries with mountainous borders with Israel	Syria, Lebanon, and Northern Jordan	Ezekiel 38:8
Many peoples with you	Possible additional Islamic allies	Ezekiel 38:6

\* - "Gog is an exception on Ezekiel's list. Gog is not one of the descendants of Noah listed in Genesis 10. This name, however, is found 12 times in Ezekiel 38-39. It is not the name of a nation, but rather that of a ruler. In fact, the word Gog means 'ruler' or 'the man on top.'" (Dr. David Jeremiah, "What in the World is Going On?", page. 163.)

### 3. The Plan of the Invaders

Ezekiel 38:11-13, 16 (NKJV)

- **To Seize Israel's Land** Ezekiel 38:12 (NKJV)  
12 . . . to stretch out your hand against the waste places that are again inhabited, . . .
- **To Seize Israel's Wealth** Ezekiel 38:12-13 (NKJV)  
12 to take plunder and to take booty, to stretch out your hand . . . against a people gathered from the nations, who have acquired livestock and goods, who dwell in the midst of the land.  
13 . . . to carry away silver and gold, to take away livestock and goods, to take great plunder?
- **To Slaughter Israel's People** Ezekiel 38:11-12, 16 (NKJV)  
11 You will say, 'I will go up against a land of unwalled villages; I will go to a peaceful people, who dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates' — 12 . . . to stretch out your hand against . . . a people gathered from the nations, . . .  
16 You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. . .

### 4. God's Protection of Israel

Ezekiel 38:4 (NKJV)

- **God will Intercept this Invasion!** Ezekiel 38:4 (NKJV)  
4 I will turn you around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out, with all your army, horses, and horsemen, all splendidly clothed, a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords.
- **God will Inform the World of who He is!** Ezekiel 38:16 (NKJV)  
16 You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me, when I am hallowed in you, O Gog, before their eyes."
- **God will Invoke His Fury!** Ezekiel 38:18-19 (NKJV)  
18 "And it will come to pass at the same time, when Gog comes against the land of Israel," says the Lord God, "that My fury will show in My face. 19 For in My jealousy and in the fire of My wrath I have spoken: 'Surely in that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel,

#### Ezekiel 38:20 (NKJV)

20 so that the fish of the sea, the birds of the heavens, the beasts of the field, all creeping things that creep on the earth, and all men who are on the face of the earth shall shake at My presence. The mountains shall be thrown down, the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.'

#### Ezekiel 38:22-23 (NKJV)

22 And I will bring him to judgment with pestilence and bloodshed; I will rain down on him, on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, flooding rain, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. 23 Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the Lord."