

Bible Prophecy Concerning Iran

What will happen next?



God Exists

Exo 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.

Jer 10:10 But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation.

1Co 8:4-6 As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one. 5 For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) 6 But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.



The Bible – God’s Inspired Word

2Ti 3:16-17 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

2Pe 1:20-21 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.



The Future is Known to God

Amo 3:7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.

Dan 2:28 But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these;

Eze 24:14 I the LORD have spoken it: it shall come to pass, and I will do it; I will not go back, neither will I spare, neither will I repent; according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they judge thee, saith the Lord GOD.

Num 23:19 God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

Isa 46:10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:



A Promised Future Kingdom

Act 2:29-30 Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. 30 Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

Isa 2:1-4 The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Mat_24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.



The Purpose

Isa 42:5-9 Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein: I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images. Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them.

Hab 2:14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

PART ONE

History

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Ancient Persia



- Cyrus conquers Babylon (539 BC)
- The Edict of Cyrus (538 BC)
- For two centuries Judea was a small, semi-autonomous temple-state inside the Persian satrapy

Persia and its relationship with Israel

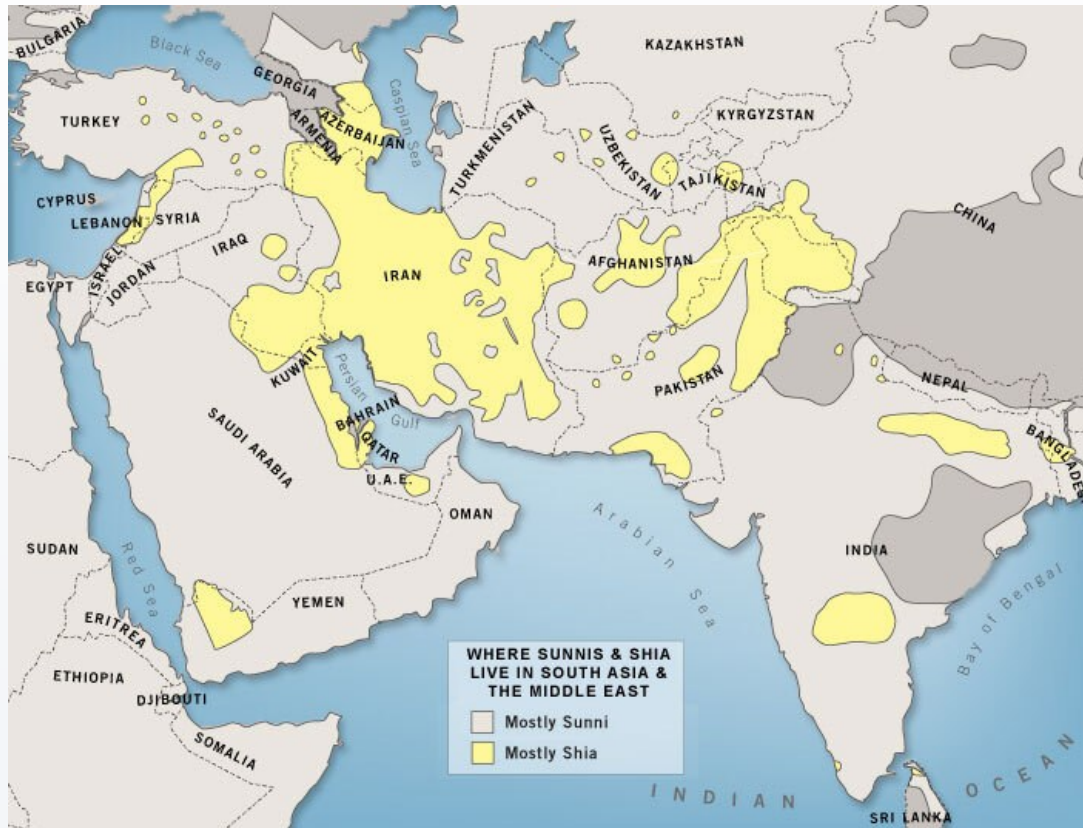
The Era of Alliance 1948-1979

The Periphery Doctrine: In 1950, Iran became the second Muslim-majority nation to recognize Israel. Under David Ben-Gurion's "Periphery Doctrine," Israel sought alliances with non-Arab nations (like Iran and Turkey) to counter hostility from Arab states. No War Involvement: Iran stayed entirely out of the major Arab-Israeli wars (1948, 1956, 1967, and 1973). Instead, Iran quietly supplied Israel with oil via the Eilat-Ashkelon pipeline and shared intelligence via the Shah's secret police (SAVAK) and Israel's Mossad.

Overthrow of the Shah in 1979

Iran becomes an Islamic Republic. Iran has had three ayatollah: Khomeini (1979–89), Ali Khamenei (1989–2026) and Mojtaba Khamenei; notably Mojtaba's religious credentials have been contested, since he is a hojatoleslam, a mid-level cleric, rather than an ayatollah. Ayatollah Khomeini cut all ties, declared Israel an illegitimate state, and handed the Israeli embassy over to the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO). To avoid direct war with a stronger military, Iran established the "Axis of Resistance"—a network of regional proxies funded and armed by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC).

Sunni vs Shia Muslims

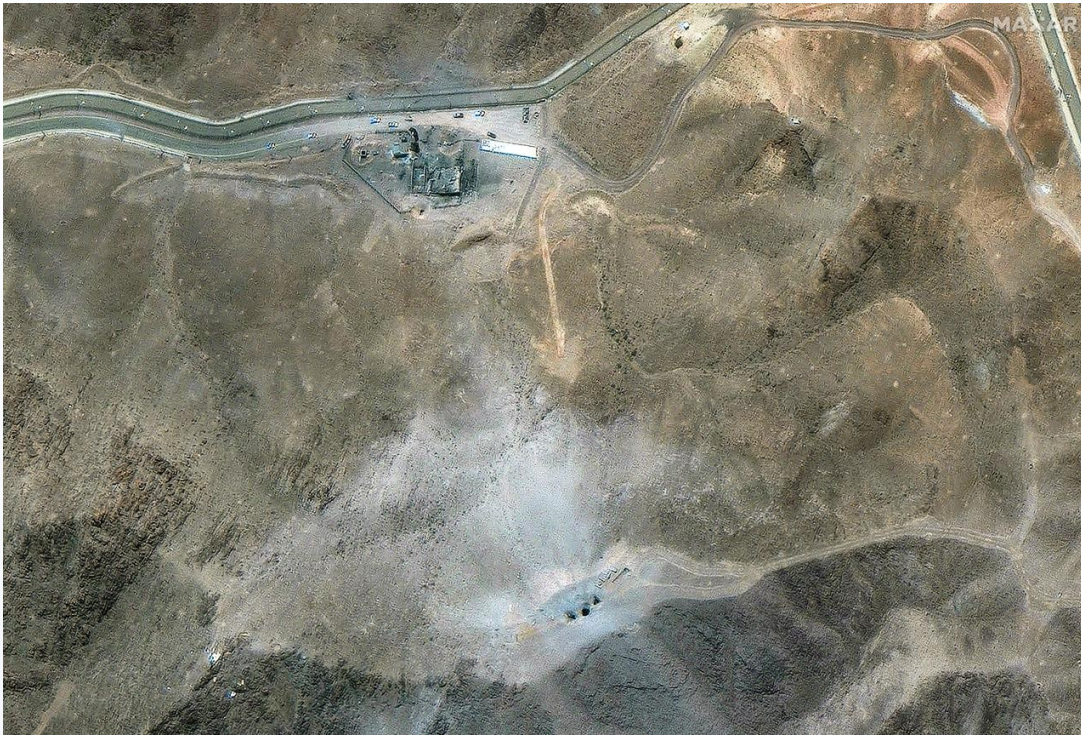


Shia Muslims are roughly 10–15 percent of the world's Muslims, but they are concentrated in one block: Iran (about 90 percent Shia), southern Iraq, Bahrain, Azerbaijan, and large minorities in Lebanon, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province, and Yemen. Everywhere around that block is Sunni: Turkey, the Arab states, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Central Asia. Iran is the only large Shia-majority state, which makes it both the natural leader of Shia communities abroad and a religious outsider among its neighbours.

PART TWO

Current Events

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June 2025 — US bombs Fordow, Natanz and Isfahan. On 22 June 2025, about 125 US aircraft, including seven B-2 bombers carrying 14 GBU-57 bunker-busters plus a submarine firing Tomahawks, struck Iran's three nuclear sites in Operation Midnight Hammer. This came ten days into the Israel–Iran "12-day war"; Israel had opened it on 13 June with surprise strikes on Natanz's centrifuge hall and power systems. Later assessments were mixed: reported destruction at Fordow was less than expected, raising concern the programme was set back only months rather than years.



November 2025 — Tanker seizures and a collapsing budget. The IRGC Navy seized the tanker Talara on 14 November, and US special forces intercepted a Chinese military-equipment shipment bound for Iran in the Indian Ocean. Oil revenue, the government's main income, met only about 16 percent of the year's target.



December 2025 — Bazaar strike ignites nationwide protests. Demonstrations began on 28 December amid a deepening economic crisis, following a sharp fall in the rial and rising inflation. The rial had lost more than 40 percent of its value since the June conflict, on top of a roughly 90 percent collapse since 2018.



January 2026 — Deadly crackdown and an internet blackout. Protests spread to all 31 provinces; a rights group counted 62 dead and more than 2,300 detained by 10 January, and the country went largely offline. The rial hit 1.42 million to the dollar, a 56 percent drop in six months, with food prices up 72 percent year on year. By mid-January the protests had quietened after deaths and mass detentions.



February 2026 — War begins; Khamenei killed. Protests resurged on 21 February. Formal US–Iran nuclear talks were under way in Geneva with Oman mediating when the US and Israel attacked. Operation Epic Fury (Israel's Roaring Lion) began at about 2:30 a.m. ET on 28 February; Israeli strikes on the Leadership House compound killed Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei, adviser Ali Shamkhani and IRGC chief Mohammad Pakpour. A missile also hit a girls' school beside a naval base in Minab, killing about 170 people.



March 2026 — Mojtaba Khamenei named Supreme Leader; Hormuz closed. State media announced Mojtaba Khamenei as the new Supreme Leader on 9 March. Iran retaliated on 1 March and closed the Strait of Hormuz. Within a month the war had widened into Lebanon, the Gulf and Iraq, with independent estimates of 3,500–6,900 dead in Iran.



April 2026 — Pakistan brokers a ceasefire. A two-week US–Iran ceasefire took effect on 8 April; Islamabad talks failed, the US imposed a naval blockade, and on 21 April Trump extended the ceasefire indefinitely.



May 2026 — Epic Fury formally ends. The US operation concluded on 5 May. Fighting paused but the blockade and Hormuz standoff continued.



June 2026 — The Islamabad Memorandum. New ceasefire terms were agreed on 12 June, and on 17 June the two presidents signed a memorandum setting a 60-day window to negotiate a final deal. Pezeshkian signed in Islamabad; Trump signed at Versailles after the G7, and Pakistan said the deal meant Hormuz would reopen and the US blockade would lift.



July 2026 — Iran fires on tankers; truce collapses. The IRGC struck three ships on 6–7 July as they transited along the Omani coast on a US-recommended route; Trump declared the truce over on 7 July. The US reinstated its naval blockade on 14 July. On 18 July Iran suspended its MoU commitments.



August 2026 — MoU deadline passes; mine-clearing and new strikes. The 60-day deadline for a final deal lapsed on 17 August. US officials said on 25 August the Navy had cleared mines from the Hormuz traffic lanes, with over 100 suspected mines found by underwater drones. On 30 August CENTCOM hit IRGC minelaying forces; the IRGC answered with attacks on US bases in Jordan. CENTCOM had redirected 75 ships under the blockade by 28 August, and Trump said the war would go on "as long as necessary."



September 2026 — Stalemate and a new nuclear warning. Trump warned Iran over reported activity at the "Pickaxe Mountain" site, more than a year after Midnight Hammer. The Hormuz standoff and low-level US–Iran exchanges continue, with an Iran–Oman proposal to reopen the strait under discussion.



September 2026 — Saudi Arabia pressured to find allies to deal with the Houthi rebels in Yemen, approach Israel for support.

PART THREE

Prophecy

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Order of Events

1. Jews return to the land of Israel
2. Alignment of nations
3. Christ returns to earth – Judgement Seat
4. Peace in Israel
5. Armageddon - Wheat harvest - Jesus and the Saints intervene
6. Vine harvest
7. Eternal Kingdom of God on earth



Armageddon

12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. 13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. 14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue **Armageddon**. (Rev 16:12-16 KJV)



Armageddon

1 For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem, 2 I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the **valley of Jehoshaphat**, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.

9 Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up: 10 Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong. 11 Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O LORD. 12 Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the **valley of Jehoshaphat**: for there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about. 13 Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press is full, the fats overflow; for their wickedness is great. 14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision. 15 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.

16 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel. 17 So shall ye know that I am the LORD your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more. (Joe 3:1-2, 9-15, 16-17 KJV)



Armageddon

18 And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face. 19 For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel; (Eze 38:18-19 KJV)

21 And I will set my glory among the heathen, and all the heathen shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them. 22 So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day and forward. (Eze 39:21 KJV)



Peace in Israel before Armageddon

8 After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and **they shall dwell safely all of them.** (Eze 38:8 KJV)

11 And thou shalt say, I will go up to the land of **unwalled villages**; I will go to them that are **at rest**, that **dwell safely**, all of them dwelling **without walls**, and having **neither bars nor gates**, 12 To take a spoil, and to take a prey; to turn thine hand upon the desolate places that are now inhabited, and upon the people that are gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land. (Eze 38:11-12 KJV)

14 Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In that day when my people of Israel **dwelleth safely**, shalt thou not know it? (Eze 38:14 KJV)



Peace in Israel before Armageddon

24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. 25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and **by peace** shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand. (Dan 8:24-25 KJV)

1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 3 For when they shall say, **Peace and safety**; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. (1The 5:1-3 KJV)



Alignment of Nations

14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the **kings of the earth** and of the **whole world**, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. (Rev 16:14 KJV)

2 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. 3 And in that day will I make **Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people**: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all **the people of the earth** be gathered together against it. (Zec 12:2-3 KJV)



Alignment of Nations

2 Son of man, set thy face against **Gog**, the **land of Magog**, the **chief** prince of **Meshech** and **Tubal**, and prophesy against him, 3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: 4 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: 5 **Persia**, **Ethiopia**, and **Libya** with them; all of them with shield and helmet: 6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of **Togarmah** of the **north quarters**, and all his bands: and many people with thee. (Eze 38:2-6 KJV)



Alignment of Nations

13 **Sheba**, and **Dedan**, and the **merchants of Tarshish**, with all the **young lions** thereof, shall say unto thee, Art thou come to take a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil? (Eze 38:13 KJV)

Embedded Prophetic Patterns

Scripture provides countless examples of stories that contains specific details which are lessons, or symbolic patterns for future events. Many of these are Messianic, and many point forward to the future Kingdom of God.

- Hagar and Sarah (Gen 16, 21): Paul says "these things may be taken figuratively" and maps the two women to two covenants, two mountains, and two Jerusalems (Gal 4:21–31).
- The Passover lamb, blood on the doorposts, no bone broken → Christ's death (1 Cor 5:7; John 19:36 explicitly cites the "no bone broken" rule; John 1:29)
- Crossing the Red Sea under the cloud → baptism into Christ (1 Cor 10:1)
- Jonah: three days in the fish → Jesus' three days in the tomb, and Nineveh's repentance → judgment on Jesus' generation (Matt 12:39–41).

Four Prophecies Identify Persian Connection

Dan 2:36-45	Dan 7:1-14	Dan 11:40-12:3	Eze 38-39
Nebuchadnezzar's dream	Daniel's dream, four beasts	Two Kings	Gogian Confederacy
Persia	Persia	Persia	Persia
Whole Image	All four beasts	King of the North	Out of the North
War	War	War	War
Kingdom of God	Kingdom of God	Kingdom of God	Kingdom of God



Resurrection with Persian Connection

Dan 10:1 In the **third year of Cyrus king of Persia** a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing was true, but the time appointed was long: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision.

Dan 10:7 And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a **great quaking** fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves. 8 Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there **remained no strength in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.** 9 Yet heard I the voice of his words: and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I **in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward the ground.** 10 And, behold, an hand touched me, which **set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands.** 11 And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, **and stand upright:** for unto thee am I now sent. And when he had spoken this word unto me, **I stood trembling.** 12 Then said he unto me, **Fear not,** Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. 13 But **the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days:** but, lo, **Michael, one of the chief princes,** came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia. 14 Now I am come to make thee understand what shall **befall thy people in the latter days:** for yet the vision is for many days. (Dan 10:1, 7-14 KJV)

PART FOUR

What's Next?

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The Near Future

What we know:

- Iran will not be destroyed because it is part of the nations that will successfully invade Israel (Armageddon).
- Israel can only have peace and security if there is no imminent threat of attack from its neighbours.

How it might occur:

- Iran will change its position, and a treaty will be created with Israel.
- Or Iran will be so diminished that it will be impossible for them to attack Israel or their neighbours.
- This will include an end of hostilities with Hezbollah (Lebanon), Houthi (Yemen), Hamas (Gaza)



Jesus' Speaking to the Jews

Luk 21:25-28 And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; 26 Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. 27 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.