

# Egypt, Palestine, Libya & Tunisia in Bible Prophecy

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*Since 2004 I have been saying that the United States will plant military bases in Israel. That we are currently at Daniel 11:44 that describes the war on Terror. Now, the events in Egypt, Libya, Tunisia and the Gaza strip are fulfilling prophecies that are leading up to that event of America and NATO Planting military bases in Israel. Isaiah 19 prophesied these events in Mizraim [Egypt], and eventually the occupation of Israel by America. How do I know Isaiah 19 is the events that are taking place today? Is God behind this? Are we seeing prophecy unfold before our eyes? Let's examine this prophecy!*

First, the Bible speaks of Egypt. In modern terms when we think of Egypt, we think of that one country to the west of modern day Israel. But the word for Egypt in the Bible is “Mizraim.” Mizraim consisted of 7 tribes, and all became separate nations side by side, as God says in Isaiah 19 “kingdom against kingdom.” There is more than one nation of Mizraim.

The peoples of Mizraim, consist of the modern day Egyptians as well as Libyans, Palestinians and Tunisians.

In Gen 10:13-14 lists the sons of Mizraim, “And Mizraim begat Ludim, and Anamim, and Lehabim, and Naphtuhim, “And Pathrusim, and Casluhim, (out of whom came Philistim,) and Caphtorim.”

Mizraim first settled on the northeast corner of the Mediterranean Sea. From there they spread through the Eastern Mediterranean isles and into Africa (see Encyclopedia Biblica, “Mizraim”). Colonies sprung, Egypt being the center “Mizraim geographically was the center from whence colonies went forth in the age just after the flood, the Philistines, the Lehabim (Libyans), etc” (Faucette’s Dictionary, under “Mizraim”).

### **Each Tribe today:**

#### **In Egypt:**

**The Pathrusim-** of Genesis 10:14 migrated from Asia Minor to central Egypt. Every prophecy shows Pathros to be a part of Egypt along the Nile (Jer.44:1-5 and Ezek.29:14).

**Naphtuhim-**“The Naphtuhim are in southern Egypt today. They were originally in the Nile Delta (or Lower Egypt) giving their name to it. It is they who were the Memphites—‘the people of the god Ptah.’ Memphis was originally known as Naph, and in more modern times as Abusir. The name “Memphis” (Μέμφις) is the Greek corruption of the Egyptian name, *Men-nefer*, which became, *Menfe* in Coptic. Later they migrated southwards founding the city of Napata in southern Egypt.”

#### **In Libya:**

**Lehabim-**“Inhabitants of Northern Africa 2Ch 12:3; 2Ch 16:8. The region they inhabited was called Phut” (Nave’s under “Lubim.”). Easton’s says, “The inhabitants of a thirsty or scorched land; the Lybians, an African nation under tribute to Egypt (2Ch 12:3; 2Ch 16:8). Their territory was apparently near Egypt. They were probably the Mizraite Lehabim.” Daniel 11:43 shows

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them in Africa with Ethiopia. Josephus confirms, Josephus writes, “*Phut also was the founder of Libya, and called the inhabitants Phutites, from himself: there is also a river in the country of Moors which bears that name; whence it is that we may see the greatest part of the Grecian historiographers mention that river and the adjoining country by the appellation of Phut: but the name it has now has been by change given it from one of the sons of Mesraim [Mizraim], who was called Lybyos*” (Josephus, *Antiquities* 1:6:2). Eventually Phut got pushed out of Libya, and Mizraim’s sons took it over. We see them together in Ezekiel 27:10, but in the end time we just see Libya, Daniel 11:43.

**Ludim**-“The Ludim (plural for Lud) appear to be very scattered. Seemingly known in later records as the Lubim, this people settled on the north coast of Africa and gave their name to the nation of Libya. They are known to have provided Egypt on more than one occasion with mercenary troops, the records that tell us this giving their name as the Lebu. Otherwise, Josephus records their destruction, or father defeat, in the Ethiopic War. “Robert Gayre locates them in Egypt, near the border with Libya.”

**Anamin**-“Anamin, the sons of Mizraim, could be located in Libya since a people of Cyrene called Anami mentioned in a cuneiform text of the time of Sargon II” (The Amazing History of the World's Races, p.16).

**Tunisia**- Today the Tunisians, “appear to have some elements from Casluh and Caphtor, the sons of Mizraim.” Certain African histories describe Goliath, a Philistine, as “Goliath the Berber” because many of these tribes claim descent from Jalut (the Goliath of the Bible). (*Tribes and Society in Rural Morocco*, which discusses the role of Goliath in Moroccan Berber genealogies).

**Palestinians**-The Philistines have always been an enemy of Israel. The Philistines were known to the Assyrians as the *Palashtu*, and to the Greeks as ‘*he Palaistine*’ - hence the later name of Palestine. After the Assyrian conquest of the 8<sup>th</sup> Century BC, however, the Philistines effectively disappear as a coherent nation. They came from Crete, originally Caphtor. They migrated into Canaan and fought many wars against Israel. These are still there today. In an end time prophecy of Judah migrating to Israel, God says, “Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast, the nation of the Cherethites! the word of the LORD *Is* against you; O Canaan, the land of the Philistines, I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.” (Zephaniah 2:5).

“Cherethites-the Cretans, a name applied to the Philistines as sprung from Crete (Deut 2:23; Jer 47:4; Amo 9:7). *Philistine* means ‘an emigrant.’” (JFB Commentary). So when one reads of Mizraim, it is mentioning not only Egypt, but these other nations as well.

### **Time of the End**

Now that we *know* where we are in prophecy, “The time of the End,” (Daniel 11:40), many of these prophecies are beginning to unfold. Prophecies do not happen as fast as you read them. Events take days, months and sometimes years to be fulfilled.

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In Jeremiah, God pronounces the coming Judgment of the Nations. God told Jeremiah, “For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.

“And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.

“Then took I the cup at the LORD'S hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me:” (25:15-17). God lists the nations and “Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people;” (v.19), is one of the nations of people God is going to judge in this end time, for these judgments are for the latter days.

Jeremiah 46 is a dual prophecy of the invasion of Egypt by Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, but it also has elements of the end time. As it can be seen in these verses, “For this *is* the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood: for the Lord GOD of hosts hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates...Also her hired men *are* in the midst of her like fatted bullocks; for they also are turned back, *and* are fled away together: they did not stand, because the day of their calamity was come upon them, *and* the time of their visitation... The daughter [latter generation] of Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north... and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD....But fear not thou, O my servant Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel: for, behold, I will save thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make *him* afraid...Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the LORD: for I *am* with thee; for I will make a full end of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I not leave thee wholly unpunished.” (vv.10, 21, 24, 26-28). Verses 27-28, really show the time setting of this prophecy. The exact words are used of the second coming of Jesus and the Exodus of Israel into the Promised Land (see Jeremiah 30:7, 10, 11). These events prophesied by Jeremiah can also be found in Isaiah the 19<sup>th</sup> chapter

Isaiah 19 is a “burden of Egypt.” Clearly in the last verses of this chapter we see the kingdom of God set up, with Egypt, Assyria, and Israel worshipping the Lord Together. The time setting is obvious. Many historical settings for the oracle have been considered but none seem to fit, because of the passage in v.17 that says, “the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt...” “as it does not seem to correspond to any event in history” (The Prophecy Knowledge Handbook by John F. Walvoord, p.102). But now it can be understood! ***Verse 17 is the key to understanding that this prophecy is happening right now!*** That and knowing that we are at Daniel 11:44, moving into v.45. (Read our booklet Middle East in Prophecy for details).

God says, “The burden of Egypt. Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.” (v.1). “Jehovah rides upon clouds when He is about to reveal Himself in His judicial majesty (Psalm 18:11); and in this instance He rides upon a light cloud, because it will take place rapidly” (K&D Commentary).

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“Yahweh is often thus represented as riding on a cloud, especially when he comes for purposes of vengeance or punishment:” (Barnes Notes). This is the same statement God made in the days of Moses, when judgment was coming on Egypt, see Exodus 12:12.

This is also the second coming of Christ, see Daniel 7:13; Matthew 24:30; Ezekiel 38:20.

But this first verse is a “...short introduction, condensing the whole of the substance of the first half into a *few weighty words* - an art in which Isaiah peculiarly excelled.” (ibid). The first verse is a consummation of what will happen in the end of the events, *not* the beginning of the events.

Verse 2 is the beginning of the events in Egypt that will lead to the second coming of Jesus. So the time setting of this prophecy is clear, it is the time of the end.

### The Egyptian, Libyan, Tunisian Crisis

The prophecy says, “And I will set the Egyptians [Mizraim] against the Egyptians [Mizraim]: and they shall fight every one against his brother, and every one against his neighbour; city against city, and kingdom against kingdom.” (v.2). The Good News Bible translates it, “The LORD says, ‘I will stir up civil war in Egypt and turn brother against brother and neighbor against neighbor. Rival cities will fight each other, and rival kings will struggle for power.’” The civil unrest in Egypt is happening right before our eyes. I knew, because of this prophecy that Egypt would explode. In the beginning, it was just the protesters out on the streets, but the bible says there will be civil unrest, and sure enough we have it now. Tunisia, Libya, have all had civil unrest. Gaddafi is now struggling to hold on to power. His cities are divided, east versus west. Over 1000 people have been killed, and the bloodshed is not over yet. Libya, Tunisia, Egypt, and Palestine will eventually fight each other. Look for these events to occur next!

Verse 3 says, “And the spirit of Egypt shall fail in the midst thereof; and ***I will destroy the counsel thereof***: and they shall seek to the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to the wizards.” “The ‘spirit’ of Egypt means, ‘*wisdom*’... answering to ‘counsel’ in the parallel clause” (JFB Commentary & Gill’s Commentary).

It shall “fail” meaning “literally, ‘be poured out,’ that is, be made void (Jer 19:7).” (ibid). God said in verse one, the heart of Egypt shall “melt.” Have you noticed how quickly the governments of Mubarak and Gaddhafi were so quick to fold? How quickly they ended? The ambassadors of these nations that were stationed around the world were so quick to turn on their leaders and quit! The governments just melted away, made void and destroyed into nothing.

Then God says Egypt will look to its religion for help. Islam! “they shall seek to the idols, and to the charmers, and to them that have familiar spirits, and to the wizards.” Allah of course is the moon god Hubal or Baal whom the Arabians worship, (*Read our booklet [The Plain Truth About Islam for more details](#)*). Not to mention Muhammad is practically worship in the religion as well. The Christian Coptic Church with all its statues and manmade Christianity is also another large part of the religion in Egypt. The “charmers and wizards,” and those who seek “familiar spirits,” can all be found in the Islamic religion. Charmers are those who “to mutter, to make a gentle

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noise;” which they do reciting the Kalima. Jinn worship is all over the Koran. Also Muhammad spoke to the dead during his ministry. These are people who seek familiar spirits.

“Wizards,” when we think of this word we think of Harry Potter and the Druid type of wizardry, but “The Hebrew word means a wise man, a soothsayer, a magician (יִדְעֵי־עוֹלָמוֹת yîdî’ônîym from יָדַע yâda’ “to know;” (ibid). The Muslims will seek the Imams for knowledge and Muhammad was known to have the mark of a soothsayer.

Already they are speaking of Sharia law to be enforced if the people want it. They are seeking for solutions in their religion. BBC reports, “Sharia law in Egypt if a majority ‘allows it’” (Feb. 1st, 2011).

Fox News writes, “Put simply, Egyptians support Islam, its expanded role in the country’s civic life, as well as Shariah.

“A broad based analysis of Egyptian public opinion by Lisa Blaydes and Drew Linzerhow bears this conclusion out. They concluded that 60 percent of Egyptians have fundamentalist views, while just 20 percent are secular in their orientation.

“Egyptians also support a more expansive role for Islam in Egyptian life. In Pew polling conducted last year, almost half (48 percent) say that Islam plays a large role in politics in Egypt, and an overwhelming majority – 85 percent – say Islam’s influence in politics is positive. Only 2 percent say its influence is negative. Not surprisingly, almost two-thirds of Egyptians told Zogby that Egyptian life would improve when clerics play a more central role in the political life of the country.

“Egyptians also support the central elements of Shariah Law. For example, 84 percent say that apostates, or those who forsake Islam, should face the death penalty and 77 percent say thieves should have their hands cut off. A majority (54 percent) says men and women should be segregated in the workplace....Their leader, Muhammed Badi, has not surprisingly said the Koran should be law in Egypt and that jihad was essential” (Why the Muslim Brotherhood Will Win By Doug Schoen, Published February 10, 2011).

### **The Cruel Lord (Dictatorship)**

The Prophecy continues, “And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them, saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts.” (v.4). “The prophecy does not relate to a foreign conqueror... but to a native despot” (K&D Commentary). Out of all the civil strife and unrest, a fierce king will rule Egypt. The Egyptians are looking for freedom, and democracy, but what happened in Iran in 1979, will happen in Egypt, and a fierce despot and dictator will take over once again. As Barnes notes says, “The Egyptian nation; the entire people, though divided into factions and contending with each other. ‘Will I give over’ - Margin, ‘Shut up.’ The Hebrew word (סָאָר sākār) usually has the sense of shutting up, or closing. Here it means that these contentions would be ‘closed’ or concluded by their being delivered to of a single master.” The conclusion of this chaos will be a single dictator will rise in Egypt, Libya, Palestine and Tunisia, and take them over. An Islamic Caliphate! What will this mean for the United States

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and Israel? What we will see is another Sadaam Hussein arise, another Khomeini, another Taliban, in Egypt. Another Islamic dictator to deal with in the Middle East, a second Saladin. But notice, this is the *conclusion* of the matter! After all these events, in the end this dictator will arise! So as we continue, *after this verse*, the events being described are happening BEFORE the dictator rises!

Verses 5-10 of this prophecy are basically the collapsing economy of Egypt.

One of the main things the Egyptian economy depends on is Agriculture, which God will hit, by drying up the Nile. Unemployment is rampant, and food prices are through the roof. Many reports have shown Egypt has taken a hit also in tourism and the ships that go through the Suez Canal. Estimates of over 3 billion dollars have been lost in the economy of Egypt.

Libya suffers now, with oil production ground to a halt. Foreign workers leaving, and sky rocketing prices.

### **The Feckless Governments**

The Prophecy continues, “Surely the princes of Zoan are fools, the counsel of the wise counsellors of Pharaoh is become brutish: how say ye unto Pharaoh, I am the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings?”

“Where are they? where are thy wise men? and let them tell thee now, and let them know what the LORD of hosts hath purposed upon Egypt.

“The princes of Zoan are become fools, the princes of Noph [“Memphis” Gill] are deceived; they have also seduced Egypt, even they that are the stay of the tribes thereof.

“The LORD hath mingled a perverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken man staggereth in his vomit.

“Neither shall there be any work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or rush, may do.” (vv.11-15). “The word ‘princes’ here is taken evidently for the rulers or counselors of state.” (Barnes).

None of them know what God is doing to Egypt because none are Bible believing Christians, but Muslims.

Pharaoh is just a “generic title for Egyptian kings” (Strong’s #6547). The counsel of Mubarak gave him bad advice. Also appealing to his vanity saying that his rule is sacred and untouchable.

They have “seduced” Egypt meaning, “they have by their counsels caused it to err, and have led it into its present embarrassment.” (Barnes Notes). Seeing interviews on T.V. of the protestors, they all blame Mubarak and his regime for their problems and how they have ran things in the country.

The Bible goes on to say, “even they that are the *stay* of the tribes thereof.” These leaders have been the “stay” the “cornerstone” that has kept the tribes from warring against each other. They have kept a stranglehold on the populations for decades. However, they are “brutish” and “fools.” The governments are feckless, they are irresponsible, incompetent, inept, and have no purpose for the nation.

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Gaddhafi has claimed that the youth in his country are high and delusional. This could be the case. God says a perverse spirit God has mingled in their populations, and they are like drunken men staggering in their own vomit. And no matter what they do, neither “head” nor “tail” meaning the people or the leaders they will not be able to get out of the mess they are in.

“*In that day* shall Egypt be like unto women: and it shall be afraid and fear because of the shaking of the hand of the LORD of hosts, which he shaketh over it.” (v.16). Because of all the calamities of Egypt, it will be like a “woman” meaning “The swinging (tenuphâh) of the hand (Isa 30:32) points back to the foregoing judgments, which have fallen upon Egypt blow after blow. These humiliations make the Egyptians as soft and timid as women.” (emphasis mine), and “helpless (Jer 51:30; Nah 3:13).” (JFB Commentary). These are the judgments on Egypt of civil war and economic breakdown.

The Judgments of God will cause Egypt, Libya, and Tunisia and Palestine to be in a helpless state. The next verse explains why God puts them in that state, so his people can move into Egypt and take it over. This will be BEFORE the fierce king takes over Egypt, according to the context of this verse. “In that day” and “hand of the LORD of hosts, which he shaketh over it.”

### The Land of Judah and the King of the North

Here is the most important verse in this whole prophecy, “And the land of Judah shall be a terror unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof [Judah] shall be afraid in himself, because of the counsel of the LORD of hosts, which he hath determined against it [Egypt].” (v.17) is this the situation now? Does Egypt, or Libya, fear Judah, the Jews? No! Currently there are at peace with the current military government. They have the largest army in the Arab world today. Right now they are involved in the Mediterranean dialogue with NATO.

Again, verse 17 of Isaiah has never happened in history. As MacArthur’s Bible Commentary says, “These features have not been true to Egypt, yet” (p.782). Why would Egypt be terrified of Judah? As of now, Egypt’s population alone can overrun Israel. Israel population is just over 7 million people, whereas Egypt’s population well over 80 million. Both have armies.

The primary root word for “terror” is “châgag” and it means, “A primitive root (compare H2283, H2328); *properly to move in a circle, that is, (specifically) to march in a sacred procession, to observe a festival; by implication to be giddy: - celebrate, dance, (keep, hold) a (solemn) feast (holiday), reel to and fro.*” (Strong’s # 2287). When in the Bible, have we seen a sacred procession of military troops moving in a circle? The battle of Jericho in Joshua’s day!

The Egyptians are going to see Israelite armies marching from the land of Judah into the land of Egypt, and “every one that maketh mention thereof [Judah] shall be afraid in himself.” The Hebrew word “afraid” is “pâchad.” It means, “A primitive root; *to be startled* (by a sudden alarm); hence *to fear* in general: - be afraid, stand in awe, (be in) fear, make to shake.” (Strong’s #6342).

The Ferrar Fenton translates, “Judah’s land shall **bring** terror [marching of troops] to Mitzer.” But again the Egyptians do not fear the Jewish army. What Israelite army will they fear? The



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American Army! NATO'S ARMIES! The KING OF THE NORTH! They will fear because they have all seen the might of the American Army in the Gulf War, Afghanistan and so on, now they see them at their border in the Negev desert "between the seas" (Daniel 11:45), marching into their land.

Another prophecy in Isaiah 14, clearly in the end time, and the same language is used for the people of Philistia, and family of Mizraim, and it says, "Howl, O gate; cry, O city; thou, whole Palestina, art dissolved: for there shall come from the *north a smoke, and none shall be alone in his appointed times.*

"What shall *one* then answer the messengers of the nation? That the LORD hath founded Zion, and the poor of his people shall trust in it." (vv.31-32). Out of the North shall come a "smoke" meaning an army, and the latter end of that verse means, "the army shall advance in close military array, and in dense columns" (Barnes). When the Palestinians see this they will dissolve, or melt, like the prophecy of Isaiah 19, the heart of Mizraim will melt.

Jeremiah 46 also states, that, "The daughter [latter generation] of Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north." (v.24).

This army is coming from the NORTH, THE KING OF THE NORTH! The reason why they are coming? To save Judah and make Judah safe for the Jews, (Isaiah 14:32).

As I have said, we are between Daniel 11:44-45 (Read our booklet Middle East in Prophecy).

The King of the North has not planted his military bases in Israel yet, but will. This is what this verse is telling us. *Verse 17 is showing us the move from Daniel 11:44 (where we are now) to verse 45 (the planting of the American Armies in Israel). This is why I know that these events in Egypt, Libya, Tunisia are fulfilling the prophecies of Isaiah 19.* More proof?

### The Book of Obadiah

In Obadiah, we read of Jacob in Jerusalem, and his "forces" are being taken away in Jerusalem along with Judah, "For thy violence against thy brother Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever.

"In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou wast as one of them.

"But thou shouldest not have looked on the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger; neither shouldest thou have rejoiced over the children of Judah in the day of their destruction; neither shouldest thou have spoken proudly in the day of distress.

"Thou shouldest not have entered into the gate of my people in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity, nor have laid hands on their substance in the day of their calamity;" (chapter 1. vv.10-13). *Notice Jacob, and Judah.*

Jacob is of course Ephraim and Manasseh who bear the name Israel/Jacob, see Gen 48. These were to become a "nation and a company of nations" (Gen 35:10-11), in the end time. These

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nations are the United States and the British Commonwealth of nations (read our book USA and the British in Prophecy for details). They are occupying Judah in an alliance with the Jews. It is the “day of their calamity.” Jacob’s trouble, the Great tribulation! For their forces to be there, they must be set up BEFORE the tribulation. What forces do we find BEFORE the tribulation in Daniel 11:45? The King of the North, NATO. *Afterwards*, he shall come to his “end.”

Then in Daniel 12:1 “At that time” when he comes to his end, then comes “a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time.” It all fits. Isaiah 19:17 is describing when the King of the North is moving into Judah.

Do we find the Great Tribulation in Isaiah 19? Yes!

“In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt speak the language of Canaan, and swear to the LORD of hosts; one shall be called, The city of destruction” (v.18). The “language of Canaan” anciently was Phoenician, the language spoken by the ancient Israelites. “Phoenician was a language originally spoken in the coastal region then called ‘Canaan’” (Wikipedia, Phoenician).

English, Greek, Latin, derives from the Phoenician, therefore God’s speaking of these languages that the Hebrews speak today! What is prophesied in this passage is the occupation of the European/American NATO armies into Egypt. Why? America will have to protect their interest, fight terrorism, and the Suez Canal, which is vital to the economies of the west! Also, verse 16 says Egypt and Libya, and Tunisia will be in a state of chaos, civil war, no government. NATO for humanitarian purposes will go into these lands that are all part of this Mediterranean Dialogue.

The “city of destruction” the Fenton translates it the “Town of Salvation.” Egypt will comply with NATO’s occupying forces. These cities taken over by America will “swear to the LORD of hosts;” There is going to be a resurgence of Christianity and Judaism in the West and Israel. As predicted, the King of the North will also occupy the “Temple mount.” (Dan 11:45). Why? For the building of the Temple, see Rev 11:1. This Zeal for God they will take into Egypt and establish the worship of God there.

“In that day shall there be an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, and a pillar at the border thereof to the LORD.” (v.19). Gill’s Commentary says, “The phrase denotes a public profession of Christ, and a setting up of his worship; it is used in allusion to the patriarchs, who, wherever they came, set up an altar to the Lord, and worshipped him: “ Places of worship will be set up for Christ, Barnes Notes, also agrees.

“An ‘altar’ is properly a place on which sacrifices are offered. According to the Mosaic law, but one great altar was to be erected for sacrifices. But the word ‘altar’ is often used in another sense to denote a place of “memorial;” or a place of worship in general (Josh 22:22-26). It is clear that Isaiah did not intend that this should be taken ‘literally,’ or that there should be a rival temple and altar erected in Egypt, but his description is evidently taken in part from the account of the religion of the patriarchs who erected altars and pillars and monuments to mark the places of the worship of the true God. The parallelism here, where ‘pillars’ are mentioned, shows in what sense the word ‘altar’ is used. *It means that the worship of the true God would be established in*

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*Egypt, and that certain "places" should be set apart to his service. 'Altars' were among the first places reared as connected with the worship of God (see Gen 8:20; Gen 12:7; Gen 35:1; Ex 17:15). (Barnes Notes, emphasis added).*

**"And a pillar** - That is, a memorial to God. Thus Jacob set up the stone on which he had lain 'for a pillar,' and poured oil on it Gen\_28:18. Again Gen 35:14, he set up a pillar to mark the place where God met him and talked with him (compare Gen 31:13; Lev 26:1; Deut 16:22). The word 'pillar,' when thus used denotes a stone, or column of wood, erected as a monument or memorial; and especially a memorial of some manifestation of God or of his favor. Before temples were known, such pillars would naturally be erected; and the description here means simply that *Yahweh would be worshipped in Egypt.*" *And who only but the Israelites of today do this!*

*"And it shall be for a sign and for a witness unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt."* (Isaiah 17:20). These events are a sign and a witness as JFB Commentary puts it, "of the fulfillment of prophecy." Proof that the Bible is true and God stands by his words! Now comes the part of the verse that shows that this will take place BEFORE the tribulation, *therefore proof of what we established in verse 17.*

*"for they shall cry unto the LORD because of the oppressors, and he shall send them a saviour, and a great one, and he shall deliver them."* (v.20). God sends the Savior to save Israel in the end time. All Commentators acknowledge this means Christ. Christ saves his people in Egypt see Isaiah 11. Who will cry to the Lord for being oppressed? Not the Egyptians. They are not converted yet. That happens AFTERWARDS. Only those who set up the worship of God in Egypt can this mean. The American and Israelis are the ones who will cry to God. ***This is the fierce King that will rise and take over Egypt;*** he will attack American and Israelis troops from the south. Remember, the fierce king arises at the conclusion of the chaos in Egypt. In the North, from Judah, the Assyrian will come and attack them from the north, see Micah 5, Isaiah 8.

### **A German Led-Beast Coming**

The Bible says that the Assyrian (German) will lead the 10 nation beast against Judah in the end time. This Beast will mix itself with the "miry clay" nations of tribes of Ham. These nations are the north African Nations of Libya, Egypt etc...and the Black African nations as well.

Ezekiel 30 speaks of these miry clay nations allied with Egypt, "Son of man, prophesy and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Howl ye, Woe worth the day!

"For the day *is* near, even the day of the LORD *is* near, a cloudy day; it shall be the time of the heathen.

"And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great pain shall be in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down. ***Ethiopia, and Libya, and Lydia, and all the mingled people, and Chub, and the men of the land that is in league,*** shall fall with them by the sword." (vv.2-5). The "league" is, "people among the allies of Egypt," (Pulpit Commentary).

Chub are "Caba, in Mauretania, or Cobe, in Ethiopia." (Bullinger's Companion Bible).

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Another source says, “It evidently denotes some ally of Egypt, possibly Nubia.”(Ellicott’s Commentary for English Readers). An African nation if meant.

The time setting is, “the day of the Lord,” “it shall be the time of the heathen.” (v.2). The Pulpit Commentary says, “Of it Ezekiel says, following in the footsteps of Joel (Joel 2:2), that it shall be **a day of cloud**, *i.e.* of darkness and trouble; **a day of the heathen**, *i.e.* a time in which the heathen who had exulted in the punishment of Israel should know that the Lord was their Judge also, that he had his ‘day’ appointed for them.” (emphasis theirs; see also Gaebelain Concise Commentary, pp.621-622). This is an end time prophecy. These miry clay nations will fight Christ at his coming along with the beast, “These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him *are* called, and chosen, and faithful.” (Rev 17:14)

Ezekiel 30:4-6 says, “And the sword shall come upon Egypt, and great pain shall be in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down.

“Ethiopia, and Libya, and Lydia, and all the mingled people, and Chub, and the men of the land that is in league, shall fall with them by the sword.

“Thus saith the LORD; They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down: from the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.” The sword is the “sword of the Lord” that comes out of the mouth of Christ (Rev 19:15), for “he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.”

Notice verse 6 that says, “They also that uphold Egypt shall fall” This is the beast power that is in an alliance with her, the Iron mixed with the miry clay (see Daniel 2).

Jeremiah prophesied the same event, “Egypt riseth up like a flood, and *his* waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, I will go up, *and* will cover the earth; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof.

“Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the mighty men come forth; *the Ethiopians and the Libyans, that handle the shield; and the Lydians, that handle and bend the bow.*

“*For this is the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood: for the Lord GOD of hosts hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates.*” (46:8-10). These prophecies were partially fulfilled by the King of Babylon, but obviously there is a duality to these prophecies, the day of the Lord is spoken of over again, and it says, “Thus will I execute judgments in Egypt: *and they shall know that I am the LORD.*” (Ezekiel 30:19). Do they know God today, or even in ancient times? No! But when Christ comes, they will!

### Assyria and Egypt Allied Together

In Isaiah 7, the prophecy is given of the virgin who will conceive and bear a son “Immanuel” (v.14) speaking of Jesus. Then it says, “And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the LORD shall hiss for the fly that *is* in the uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that *is* in the land of Assyria.

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“And they shall come, and shall rest all of them in the desolate valleys, and in the holes of the rocks, and upon all thorns, and upon all bushes.

“In the same day shall the Lord shave with a razor that is hired, *namely*, by them beyond the river, by the king of Assyria...”(vv.18-20). Egypt and Assyria will come from the north and south and attack the land of Israel.

Isaiah chapter 8 continues this prophecy, “Now therefore, behold, the Lord bringeth up upon them the waters of the river, strong and many, *even* the king of Assyria, and all his glory: and he shall come up over all his channels, and go over all his banks:

“And he shall pass through Judah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach *even* to the neck; and the stretching out of his wings *shall fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel*” (vv.7-8).

Micah 5 speaks of this same invasion by the Assyrian (German) led Beast in an alliance with the fierce king of Egypt. (Read our booklet Who, What is the Beast of Revelation for details).

Both Isaiah and Micah prophesied that Jesus, and that Jesus will “deliver” Judah out of the hands of the “Assyrian” (Micah 5:1-7).

The American and Israeli troops stationed in Egypt and in Israel when the tribulation begins, see Obadiah v.10-12 will be “oppressed.” In Isaiah 19:20 they go from occupiers to being conquered. The time setting is obvious.

Before this however, NATO breaks apart see Jer 30:14; Daniel 11:45. Who will do this? China! (Read our booklet China in Prophecy for Details) “And ships shall come from the coast of Chittim, [China] and shall afflict Asshur, [Germany] and shall afflict Eber, [Israelite and other Abrahamic Nations in Europe] and he [Chittim, China] also shall perish for ever.” (Numbers 24:24). NATO breaks apart, the Beast will Rise out of nowhere “botomless pit,” and Asshur-Germany will lead a European beast into Judah and lead America and its troops into slavery and captivity! (Read our booklet Germany in Prophecy and the Beast).

Although NATO breaks up, America can still protect its interests with its military power alone. And what we see in prophecy is exactly what he does until the Beast is formed, the Abomination is set up in the temple and the Great Tribulation occurs. Egypt attacks from the South led by the fierce king, NATO is dissolve, and alliances are broken. China will then invade North America! Sounds farfetched? No one could have predicted, neither the CIA FBI, the events in Egypt, but it happened!

Joel 3:18-21 also reveals Israel and Judah’s persecution, “And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the LORD, and shall water the valley of Shittim.

“*Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence against the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their [Egypt and West Bank Palestine & Turkey] land.*

“But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.

“For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the LORD dwelleth in Zion.” The

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Egyptians will betray and persecute them in Egypt when the Great Tribulation happens along with the Beast in Judah.

Isaiah 11 clearly shows Christ rescuing Israel in Egypt, “And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from *Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush...*” (v.11). Israelites will be in captivity by these nations, oppressed and persecuted.

### **Before the Tribulation:**

1. Here are the events to look for in the future:
2. The King of the North [NATO] sets up his troops, in Israel and Egypt, Daniel 11:45; Isaiah 19:17-18
3. Jacob and Judah will have troops in Judah and Jerusalem, Obadiah 10-12
4. Egypt terrorized by the land of Judah before the tribulation by NATO troops
5. The Land of Egypt invaded by English (Phoenician) speaking peoples and establishes the Israelite religion Isaiah 19:17-18

Can this get any plainer? NATO is going to move into Israel. American influence is diminishing in the Middle East. As I have preached over and over again, because of “Tidings” (Daniel 11:44) out of the east and the north that will trouble the USA. America will plant military bases in Israel. These we have identified as Iran, ISIS Alqiada etc....

As of now America has a radar base in the Negev designed to track ballistic missiles. It only has 120 military personnel. Not a full military base fully equipped for war. No, America will move in and occupy the Holy land from the Negev “between the seas” and in the glorious “holy Mountain” [Jerusalem]. This has not happened yet but it will. When that happens, he will “come to his end.” The Fall of America and Britain as world powers!

### **Egypt Repents**

Then a great conversion is going to take place, Egypt, Libya, Tunisia will turn back to God. These areas were Christian in the days of the Apostles. These were Phoenician colonies in those days, and churches were set up in Carthage, Alexandria etc...Fallen away from the truth, then the Arabs invaded, and they converted to Islam.

“And the LORD shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the LORD in that day, and shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a vow unto the LORD, and perform it.” (Isaiah 19:21). They don’t know God today. But they will know God in the future and establish the worship of God in Egypt so they can learn his ways and laws see also Zachariah 14:18-19; Isaiah 2

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“And the LORD shall smite Egypt: he shall smite and heal *it*: and they shall return *even* to the LORD, and he shall be intreated of them, and shall heal them.” (v.22). First God will smite Egypt, Chastise it so they learn their lesson, once humbled they can be healed. Egypt will be desolate for 40 years. This is the time of the chastisement of Egypt. Scattered among the nations, then God will bring them back, Ezekiel 29:12-13.

Jeremiah says of Egypt, “...and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD.” (46:26).

“In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and the Assyrian shall come into Egypt, and the Egyptian into Assyria, and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians.

“In that day shall Israel be the third [alliance] with Egypt and with Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the land:

“Whom the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed be Egypt my people, and Assyria the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance.” (Isaiah 19:23-25). This, with Isaiah 11, showing the second coming of Jesus, and the highway in which the Israelites in captivity will use to go back to Palestine and worship the Lord and come back into the land promised to Abraham and their seed, to live, and worship God, “And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt...And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt.” (Isa 11:11,16). Great events are beginning to happen. You are witnessing right now is the Judgment of Egypt and its eventual conversion to God. The great tribulation is coming in a few short years. Look for the United States to plant its military bases in Israel shortly. This work of the Watchman is more important than ever we need **TO DO THAT WORK NOW, WILL YOU JOIN!**