The Blessed Hope!

"Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;" –(Titus 2:13)

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Current Events through a Biblical World View!

Iran Ups the Cost of Reprisal by an Order of Magnitude. Israel Deliberates.

I'm sure we'll know very soon what they decided.

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Iran has upped its threat to ten times what it just did if Israel responds to the weekend war. Israel has already promised a rapid response but indicated it would take 24 hours to consider all of its options. That ticking clock, since the statement was made, would place a response close to the time you receive this edition of The Daily Doom. So, you may know the response or the opening salvos by the time you read this.

Since the weekend article was a big read for everyone and a big job putting it together, I'm going to go light this afternoon, but there are lots of news headlines today, particularly about the Israel-Iran war, available to all. I'll let the following quote give some idea of how Israel's conversations might be going as we wait to see what they decide.

After my Sunday "Apoceclipse article" about the weekend's Israel-Iran explosion into full Middle-Eastern war and the war's eerie connections to the solar eclipse that same week, I received the following information by email this morning as we all wait to see whether the war blows up into a wider regional conflict with Israel at the center or settles down. It presents one prior insider's point of view on why Israel's response was not immediate (though there is no reason it needed to be immediate, but even Israel says it needs to be quick in coming):

According to former Israeli Intelligence official and regional analyst Avi Melamed ... Israel's war cabinet's seeming indecision reflects the many complexities its

calculating in its counterstrike, balancing it with its desire for diplomatic support for its Rafah operation while also restoring its deterrence capacity with Iran.

Melamed shared:

"Israel's war cabinet's seeming indecision reflects the many complex calculations it must make as it plans its response to Iran's aggression. While the U.S. is not wrong in stating that the aerial defense and the consolidation of the coalition in Israel's defense was a great success for Israel against Iran during the Saturday night/Sunday morning attack, the region, including Iran is watching to see if Israel is capable of mounting a response, and a failure to do so will result in added risk for Israel of future attacks from Iran and other enemies.

In Middle East geopolitics, perception is key, as is projection of power and deterrence capacity. That being said, for the moment, the U.S. has advocated for Israel not to launch a wide-scale attack on Iran and Israel has the opportunity to use that U.S. priority to its advantage in pushing the U.S. for the diplomatic support of its incursion into Rafah and dismantling of the Iranian proxies- Hamas and the Palestinian Islamic Jihad there. Likely, these conversations have already started and it's clear that following Iran's attack, Israel has already mobilized additional reserve forces to deploy to Gaza.

It's very possible that Israel will respond to the direct attack with a series of covert operations within Iranian borders, telegraphing Israel's deterrence capabilities, while highlighting Iranian exposure to Israel's military and intelligence prowess. These operations are likely to start in the near future."

We'll probably know by how Israel responds Tuesday, and Iran just said any response from Israel will receive another response from Iran, not in days this time, but in seconds.

[[Although Israeli sources have diminished the Iranian attack by stating that 99% of Iran's rockets, drones, and missiles were destroyed and minimal damage has been done. Former Marine intelligence officer Major Scott Ritter reported that Israeli leadership are panicked by the fact that Iran showed the Netanyahu government Iran is able to reach out and touch Israel by the two targets it did hit were serious targets. One was a U.S. radar installation with the ability to "look over the horizon" radar and the other was an Israel air base where Israeli F-35s were based.

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anti-missile defenses in the world, was impotent in the face of the Iranian attack. For all those trying to spin yesterday's events as an Israeli victory, chew on that fact: The best missile defense system in the world could not protect the sites they were tasked with protecting from attacks by Iranian missiles. Who has deterrence supremacy? It ain't Israel.

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Iran has according to intelligence sources been able to send a message to Israel that they can simply at any time "reach out and touch Israel" at any time they want and with a ten-fold measure of response. Scott Ritter was unwilling to comment about the actions of the Netanyahu government given that when people are desperate they make desperate decisions hence their unpredictable actions can be costly mistakes. At this point, what occurred over the weekend has become a potential extinction sign of what Iran is capable of doing.

The Third World War and the Inheritance of the New World was planned decades ago.

In January 2010, Project Camelot received 11 pages of information from an insider who was physically present at a meeting of Senior Freemasons in the City of London, in 2005. What was discussed is chilling.

What the source reported is this:

- There is a planned Third World War, which will be nuclear and biological.
- It is planned to begin with a strike by Israel on Iran. Either Iran or China will be provoked into a nuclear response. After a brief nuclear exchange, there will be a ceasefire. The world will be thrown into fear and chaos all carefully engineered.
- The extreme state of tension will be used to justify heavy social and military controls in all western first world nations. Plans are already in place for that.
- During the nuclear ceasefire, there is planned to be a covert release of biological weapons. These will initially be targeted against the Chinese. As our source chillingly told us, "China will catch a cold". Biological warfare will spread further, to the West. Infrastructure will be critically weakened.
- This is intended to be just the beginning. After this, a full nuclear exchange would be triggered: the "real" war, with widespread destruction and loss of life. Our source tells us that the planned population reduction through these combined means is 50%. He heard this figure stated in the meeting.

This horrific scenario has been planned for generations. The first two world wars were part of the set-up for this final apocalypse - as is the centralization of financial resources that was precipitated with the equally well-planned financial collapse of October 2008.

As we reflect on the Iranian attack, the implications are that we are on the precipice of the Ezekiel 38/39 war of Gog and Magog. The events of recent weeks have clarified the "big" picture regarding the imminent fulfillment of Ezekiel 38/39. The focus reveals that God is wrapping up History leading up to the 70th Week of Daniel. The Tribulation is casting its shadow as a prefigurement of what is coming. Iran is not secretive any longer about its goal. Just like Dr. Chuck Missler once said, "When you see Christmas decorations in the stores in October, you know that Christmas is coming", but even more important that Thanksgiving is even closer. I suggest that if you are not ready to be delivered from this chaos, you might not have much time to make your decision!

Such is the case with events unfolding before our eyes at this time; we know that the Rapture comes before the Second Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. God

was as Ezekiel 38/39 states bringing events together in such a way that guide our understanding that believers will be called home and God will confirm that it will be God who delivers Israel from an impossible "extinction level event!"

You will only makes sense of all this by understanding Bible Prophecy as History being told in advance. The information by Project Camelot was originally posted on the Internet back in 2005 long before anyone talked about HRH Prince Charles as THE senior Freemason and Head of the Order of the Garter. I repeat the proof of what I am talking about by noting that 8,362 predictive verses of the Bible have been fulfilled or are being fulfilled in our day and the days to come in rapid succession. -Pastor Bob]]

Iran's strike on Israel was Much More Successful Than It Seems. Here's Why!

On the night of April 14, Iran and its proxy forces launched a series of cruise missile and kamikaze drone strikes on Israeli territory. The attacks did not come as a surprise. Tehran had warned that it would respond to the Israeli airstrike on Iran's consulate in Damascus, Syria, on April 1, which killed several high-ranking officers of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), including two generals. The retaliatory strike was called Operation True Promise.

There is still much debate on whether Iran's retaliatory strike was successful. Most military experts agree that there was nothing unusual about Tehran's actions, except that this was Iran's first direct attack on Israel. From a technical point of view, the strategy was simple and correct: Iran first suppressed the enemy's air defense systems with drones and then launched hypersonic missiles which the Israelis and Americans were not able to intercept. Incidentally, in light of this, Ukraine's statements about shooting down Russian Kinzhal hypersonic missiles sound ridiculous.

Do not jump to conclusions

Many experts were skeptical about Iran's strike and hastened to say that the retaliation did not live up to expectations. Given the clip thinking of most commentators, this reaction is hardly surprising. Their reasoning resembles a Hollywood blockbuster stuffed with special effects, where the end of the world and its miraculous salvation fit into 90-120 minutes, with a love scene in the middle. In real life, things are different. As Sun Tzu wrote in ancient times, to fight 100 battles and win 100 battles is not the height of skill. The best way to win is not to fight at all. This is Iran's strategy. Its strike against Israel was not so much a military response as a grandmaster's move in a big chess game. And the game is not over yet.

After the attack on the Iranian consulate in Syria's capital, Tehran found itself in a tough situation. It had to respond in a way that would look convincing and would achieve specific military goals, but would not start World War III.

To achieve the first point, Iran had to carry out a direct strike without resorting exclusively to proxy forces – and that is indeed how it acted. Regarding the second point, even though most of the missiles and drones were indeed shot down, some managed to penetrate Israeli air space and hit military targets. The Chief of Staff of the Iranian Armed Forces, Mohammad Bagheri, said that the information center on the Israeli-Syrian border and Israel's Nevatim air base were hit. And finally, as to the third point – war didn't happen. This resembled the situation in 2020, when the Iranians hit U.S. bases in Iraq in response to the assassination of General Soleimani.

However, it is still too early to speculate as to whether Iran's attack was a success or not. The big question now is how Israel will respond.

What Iran has accomplished

It's important to emphasize that Iran's operation carried more political than military weight. In this sense, it was carried out subtly and was a success. Obviously, the Iranians did not want to start a war which would involve the U.S., even though that is what Netanyahu wanted. In other words, Israel didn't manage to provoke Iran.

It is also obvious that the Islamic Republic possesses more powerful drones and missiles than those used in the attack on April 14. However, even the less advanced drones and missiles were able to penetrate Israeli air space and inflict economic damage, since Israel spent much more money on shooting down the missiles and drones than Iran spent on launching them.

Tehran has once again demonstrated that Israel is not invulnerable, and it is possible to attack it. As for the degree of inflicted damage, which some commentators were unsatisfied with, it largely depends on the type of missiles and drones used in the attack – and Iran has a lot of military equipment.

Finally, Iran's main achievement is that it has managed to confuse Israel in the same way that it was confused after the October 7 Hamas attack. The country has to respond. But how? Should Israel strike Iranian proxy forces? This is possible, but Israel does it all the time without much result. Should it hit Iran directly? But that would start a war which no one is prepared for, including the U.S.

Conclusion

The ball is now in Israel's court, and the country faces the same challenges that the Islamic Republic did after April 1. But will Israel be able to solve these challenges as efficiently?

It is noteworthy that IRGC Commander-in-Chief, Hossein Salami, said that from now on, if Israel attacks the interests of Iran and Iranian citizens, Tehran will strike it again.

This is an important statement. Essentially, the attack carried out by Iran on April 14 was not just a retaliatory strike, but established a new order. Iran demonstrated that it is ready to resort to new means of influence in a situation where words are not sufficient. It attacked Israel directly not in order to start a war, but to demonstrate what could happen if all other methods of pressure on Israel fail.

A new option has been put forward. Israel may be deprived of its most important advantage – absolute impunity, which until recently had been guaranteed by the U.S.

Israel Army Officials Announce To Iran: We Will Respond With ACTIONS, Not Words – Retaliation Could Occur At Any Time



IDF Spokesperson RAdm. Daniel Hagari

Israel officials announced on Sunday, April 14, that it will respond to Iran's unprecedented attack "with actions, not words" in an unspecified retaliation to the drones and cruise missiles launched overnight by Tehran from Iranian soil.

The Revolutionary Guard, the elite force of the Islamic Republic, confirmed that the Iranian action was in response to the aggression attributed to the Jewish state against its diplomatic facilities in Damascus earlier this month.

To Iran International, an Iranian exiled broadcaster, a spokesperson for the Israeli Defense Forces said that the country will respond "with action, not words". Earlier, Rear Admiral and Army spokesperson Daniel Hagari, quoted by The Guardian, stated that they are "ready to do whatever is necessary for the defense of Israel."

Mr. Hagari said, "We have plans, the situation is fully underway."

Haaretz reported that the War Cabinet met on Sunday at the Defense Headquarters in Tel Aviv to determine the response. According to Channel 12, the group received authorization from the Security Cabinet to make retaliatory decisions, eliminating the need for prior approval and expediting the process.

During the meeting, Benny Gantz, a member of the war cabinet quoted by The Guardian, stated in a release that the "price" to Iran will be exacted "in the manner and at the time that is right for us," and Defense Minister Yoav Gallant took the opportunity to forge an alliance against the Iranian threat, according to Haaretz.

Blessings,

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Admit that you sin.

Your sin separates you from God For all have sinned, and and keeps you from Heaven. Every sin must be punished. Your punishment for sin is Hell.

Romans 3:10 · Revelation 21:8



come short of the glory of God

Romans 3:23 For the wages of sin is death...

Romans 6:23a



Believe in Jesus.

Jesus Christ, God's own Son, came to die for your sins. His death on the cross can replace your death in Hell. He only asks that you believe Him.

John 3:16 • 2 Corinthians 5:21 • Isaiah 53:5-6



. . . but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord

Romans 6:23b But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us

Romans 5:8



Choose to allow Jesus to save you.

God is waiting for you to receive His gift of salvation. If you ask Him, God will remove your sin and give you a home in Heaven!

John 14:1-2 · Titus 3:5-7 · John 1:12



For with the heart man believeth unto righteous ness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation

Romans 10:10 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved

Romans 10:13