

# Ezekiel 36–39

## The Middle East Meltdown 2022



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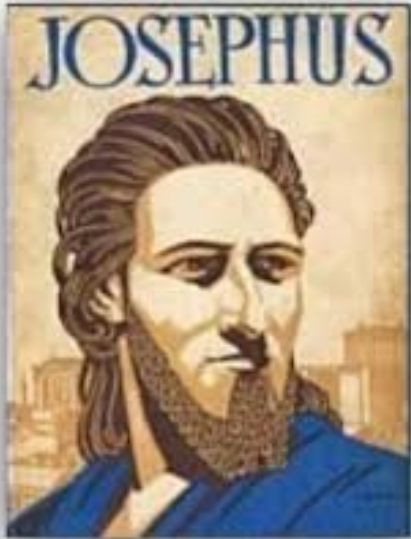
# Ancient Names From Ezekiel 38:1-9

1. Magog (Central Asia),
2. Rosh (Russia),
3. Meshec (Turkey),
4. Tubal (Turkey),
5. Persia (Iran),
6. Put (Libya),
7. Cush (Sudan),
8. Gomer (Turkey),
9. Togarmah (Turkey)
10. Sheba (Saudi Arabia)
11. Dedan (Saudi Arabia or Yemen)
12. Tarshish (Spain)
13. Merchants of Tarshish  
(Conglomeration of Western powers including Europe)
14. Israel



# Josephus

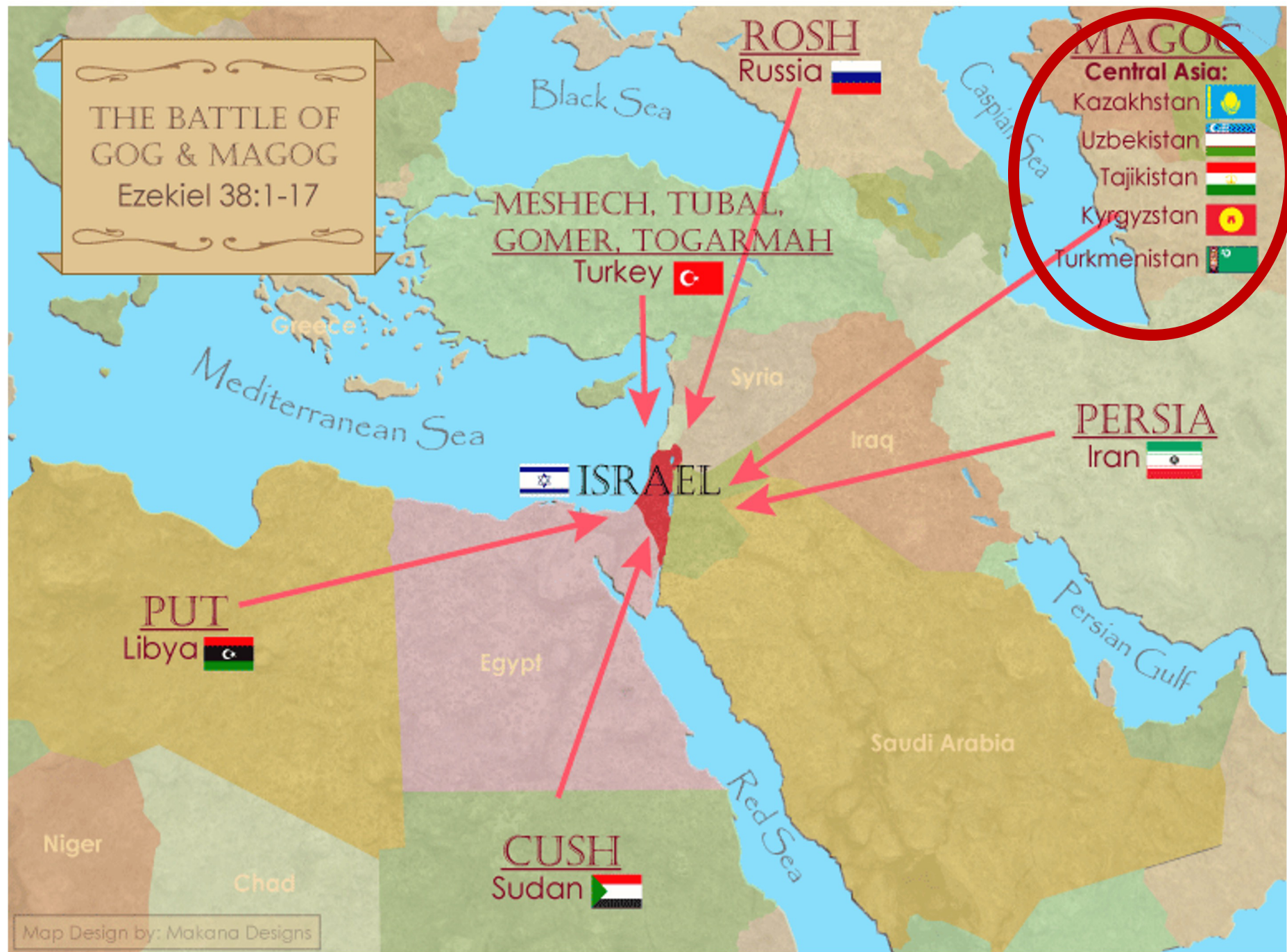
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"Magog founded those that from him were named Magogites, but who are by the Greeks called Scythians."



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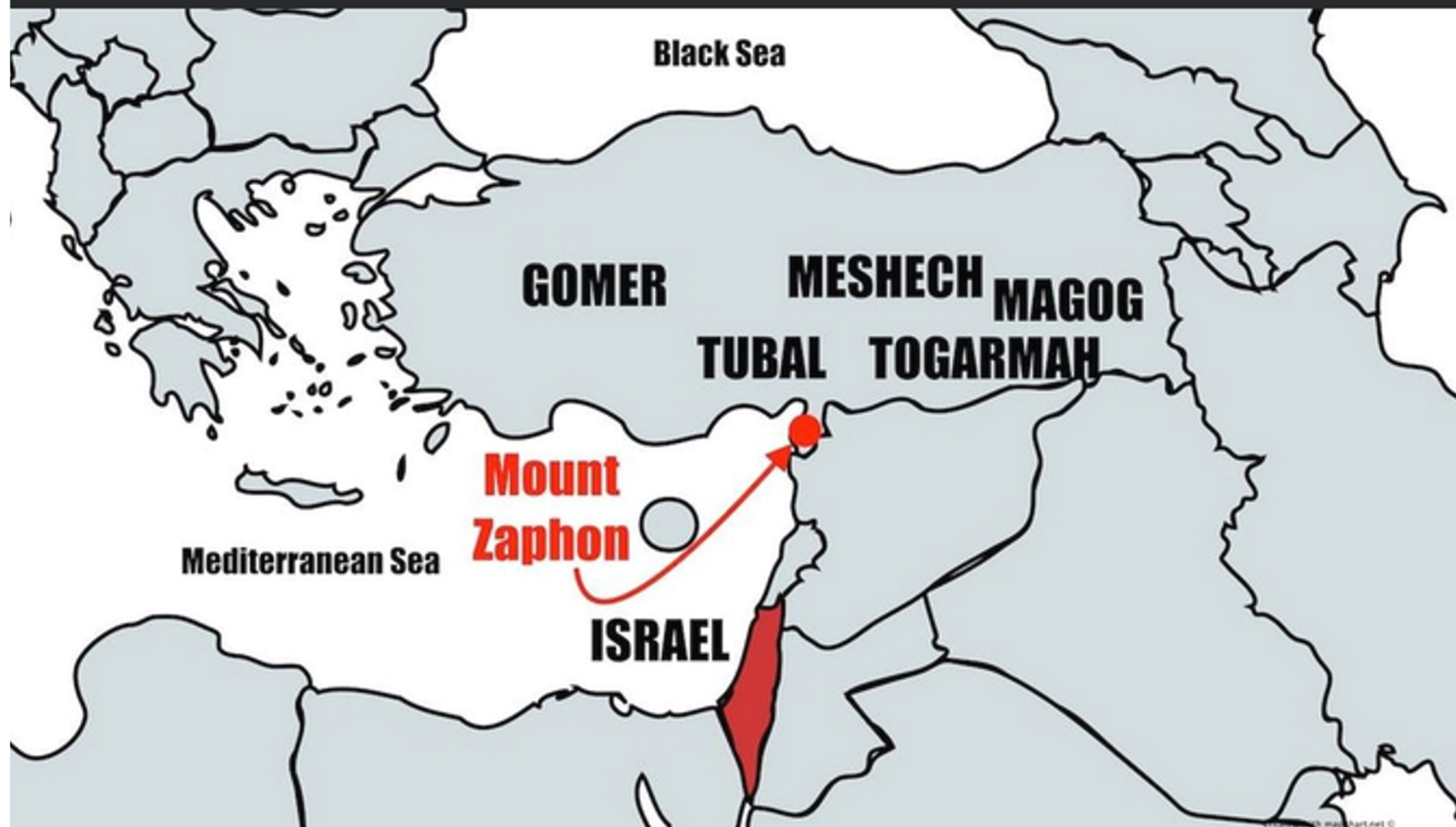
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Rough locations of the northern coalition of Gog in Ezekiel 38 and 39. Mount Zaphon (Hebrew /yarkete tsaphon/) is the "uttermost north."

No, Russia is not Magog. In Hebrew, /rosh/ means "head."





## Ezekiel 38:2 (KJV)

“Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him.”



## Ezekiel 38:2 (NASB/NASB95)

“Son of man, set your face toward Gog of the land of Magog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him.”



# Wilhelm Gesenius

*Gesenius' Hebrew and Chaldee Lexicon* (Samuel Bagster and Sons, 1847; reprint, Grand Rapids: Baker, 1987), 752.



"pr. n. of a northern nation, mentioned with Tubal and Meshech; undoubtedly the Russians, who are mentioned by the Byzantine writers of the tenth century, under the name *the Ros*, dwelling to the north of Taurus . . . as dwelling on the river Rha (*Wolga*)."



# Clyde Billington

Clyde E. Billington Jr., “The Rosh People in History and Prophecy (Part Two)” Michigan Theological Journal 3 (1992): 59, 61.

“Historical, ethnological, and archaeological evidence all favor the conclusion that the Rosh people of Ezekiel 38–39 were the ancestors of the Rus/Ros people of Europe and Asia. . . . Those Rosh people who lived to the north of the Black Sea in ancient and medieval times were called the Rus/Ros/Rox/Aorsi from very early times. . . . The Rosh people of the area north of the Black Sea formed the people known today as the Russians.”

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## Ezekiel 5:5

“Thus says the Lord God, ‘This is Jerusalem; I have set her at the center of the nations, with lands around her.’”



## Ezekiel 38:12

“to capture spoil and to seize plunder, to turn your hand against the waste places which are *now* inhabited, and against the people who are gathered from the nations, who have acquired cattle and goods, who live at the center of the world.”





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ROSH

Russia



MAGOG

Central Asia:

Kazakhstan



Uzbekistan



Tajikistan



Kyrgyzstan



Turkmenistan



MESHECH, TUBAL,  
GOMER, TOGARMAH

Turkey



PERSIA

Iran



ISRAEL



PUT

Libya



CUSH

Sudan

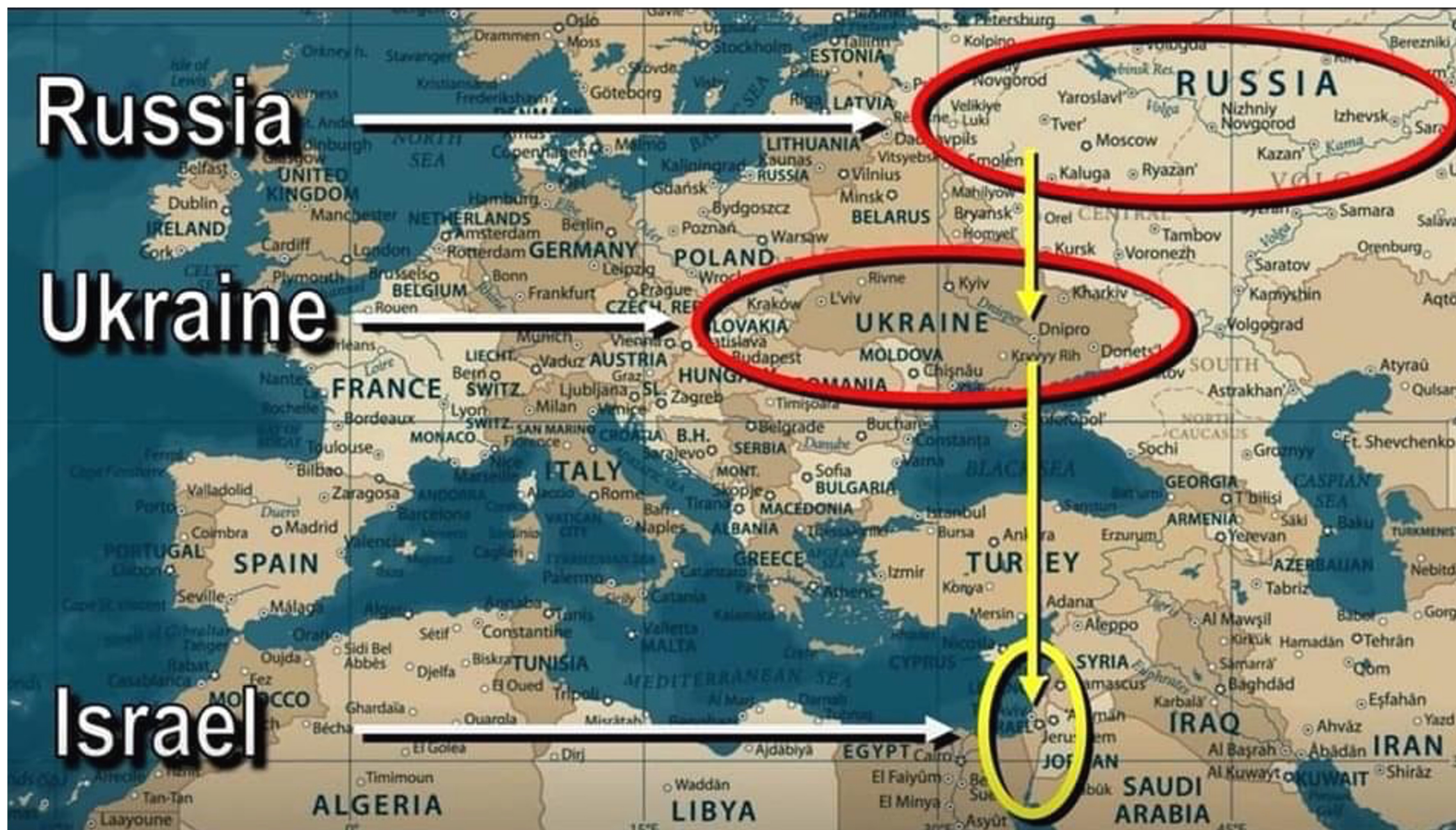




# Russia

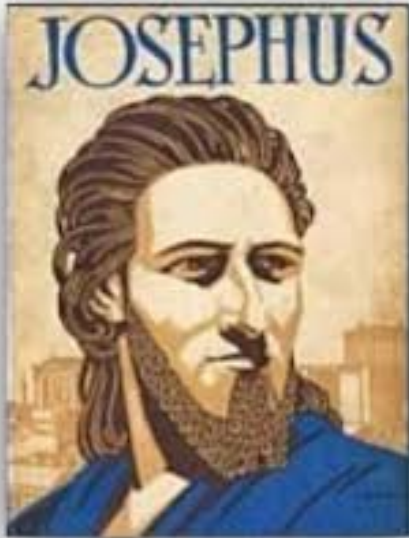
# Ukraine

# Israel



# Josephus

Josephus, *Antiquities*, 1.6.1.



"..and the Mosocheni were founded by Mosoch; now they are Cappadocians."



# 1 Peter 1:1

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who reside as aliens, scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, who are chosen...









## Herodotus, *Histories*, 3:93-94 (450 B.C.)

“The twelfth, the Bactrians as far as the land of the Aegli; these paid three hundred and sixty. The thirteenth, the Pactyic country and Armenia and the lands adjoining as far as the Euxine sea; these paid four hundred...The Moschi, Tibareni, Macrones, Mossynoeci, and Mares, the nineteenth province, were ordered to pay three hundred. The Indians made up the twentieth province. These are more in number than any nation of which we know, and they paid a greater tribute than any other province, namely three hundred and sixty talents of gold dust.”



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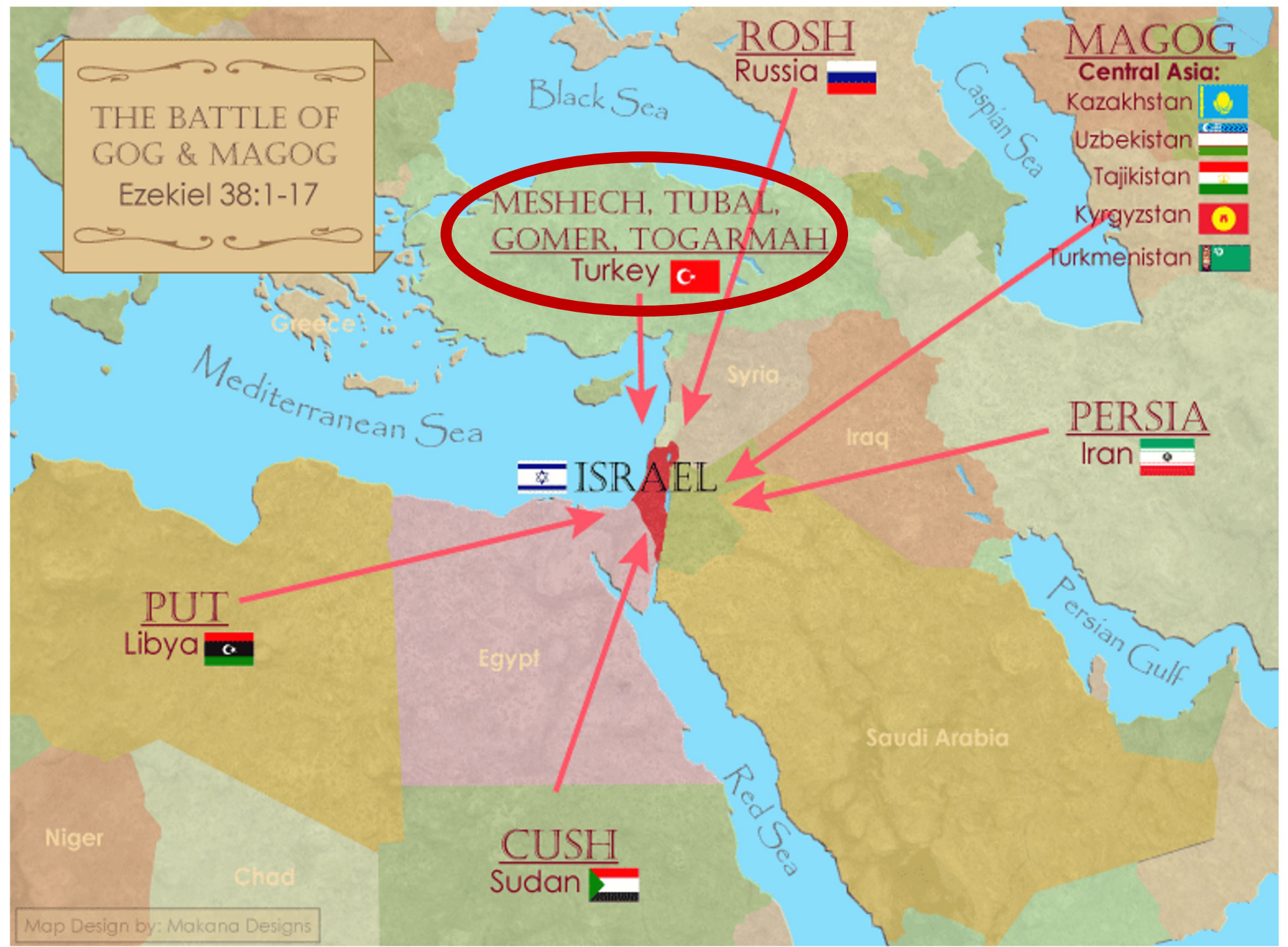
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# Frank Gaffney

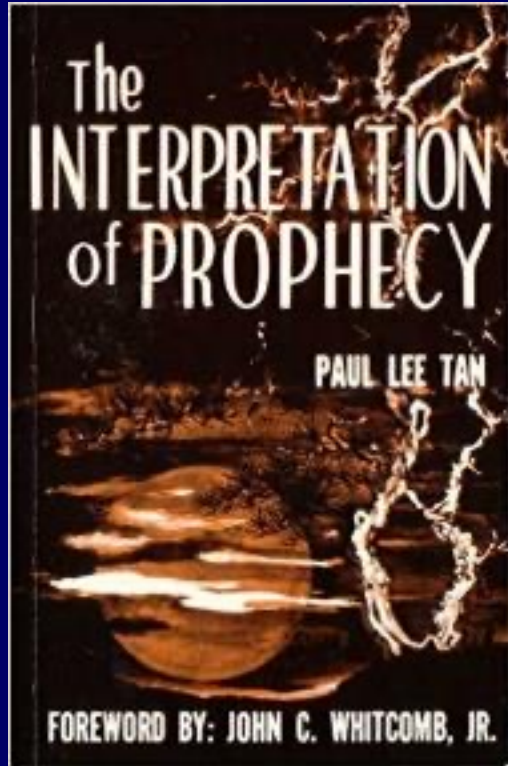
*War Footing* (Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 2006), 164. Cited in Rhodes, 177.



According to Frank Gaffney, President of the Center for Security Policy, Turkey is transitioning from “a secular democracy with a Muslim society into a state governed by a radical Islamic ideology hostile to Western values and freedoms.”

# Paul Lee Tan

*The Interpretation of Prophecy, 223-24*



“Interestingly, these prophesied military instruments though centuries old have not been made obsolete. The horse, for instance, is still used in warfare on certain kinds of terrain.”





## Charles L. Feinberg

*The Prophecy of Ezekiel: The Glory of the Lord*, Paperback ed.  
(Chicago: Moody, 1969; reprint, Chicago: Moody, 1984), 221.

“Some have found great difficulty in the references to armor, buckler, shield, sword and helmet, but even in our day of advanced weapons of warfare it is interesting to learn that in some parts of the world conflict is going on with primitive weapons. (And how else could an ancient writer have described warfare? He knew nothing of planes and guns.)”

## Ezekiel 39:2, 4

“<sup>2</sup> and I will turn you around, drive you on, take you up from the remotest parts of the north and bring you against the mountains of Israel...<sup>4</sup>You will fall on the mountains of Israel, you and all your troops and the peoples who are with you; I will give you as food to every kind of predatory bird and beast of the field.”





## Mountains of Israel?

Mark Hitchcock, *The Amazing Claims of Bible Prophecy: What You Need to Know in These Uncertain Times* (Harvest House: Eugene, OR, 2010), 211.

“According to Ezekiel 39:2, 4, Israel must possess the ‘mountains of Israel’ when this invasion occurs...The famous Six Day war in Israel in 1967 helped set the stage for this to be fulfilled. Before the Six Day War, all the mountains of Israel, with the exception of a small strip of west Jerusalem, were in the hands of the Jordanian Arabs. Only since 1967 have the mountains of Israel been in Israel, thus setting the stage for the fulfillment of this prophecy.”

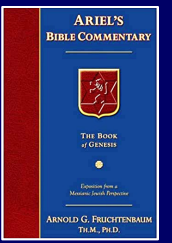




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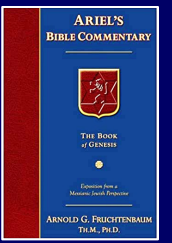
“But where in the Land of Israel will the invading armies be destroyed? The exact location is revealed in Ezekiel 39:2 and 4a: ‘and I will turn you about, and will lead you on, and will cause you to come up from the uttermost parts of the north; and I will bring you upon the mountains of Israel..you shall fall upon the mountains of Israel.’ The phrase ‘the mountains of Israel’ refers to the central mountain range that makes up the backbone of the country. In the Hebrew Scriptures, these mountains were known as the Hill Country of Ephraim and the Hill Country of Judah. Some of the famous biblical cities that lie within these mountains include Dothan, Shechem, Samaria, Shiloh, Bethel, Ai, Ramah, Bethlehem, Hebron, Debir, and most importantly, Jerusalem, which seems to be the target of the invading army. However, from 1948 until the Six-Day War in 1967, these mountains were not in Israel, but in Jordan.”



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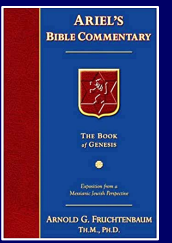
“They are now referred to politically as the West Bank. In 1948, Jordanian forces took over these mountains and annexed them as part of Jordan. All Israel had was a small corridor leading west to Jerusalem. The border between Israel and Jordan ran down the foot of these mountains, then cut into the mountains, dividing Jerusalem in two, and then went out again and continued along the foot of these mountains. Israel had maybe five percent or less of the mountains, while the rest belonged to Jordan. Only since 1967 have the mountains of Israel been in Israel. Besides the Temple compound falling into Jewish hands, another by-product of the Six-Day War was that these mountains also fell under Israeli sovereignty. Therefore, not only could this prophecy not have been fulfilled before 1948, but it could also not have been fulfilled before 1967.”



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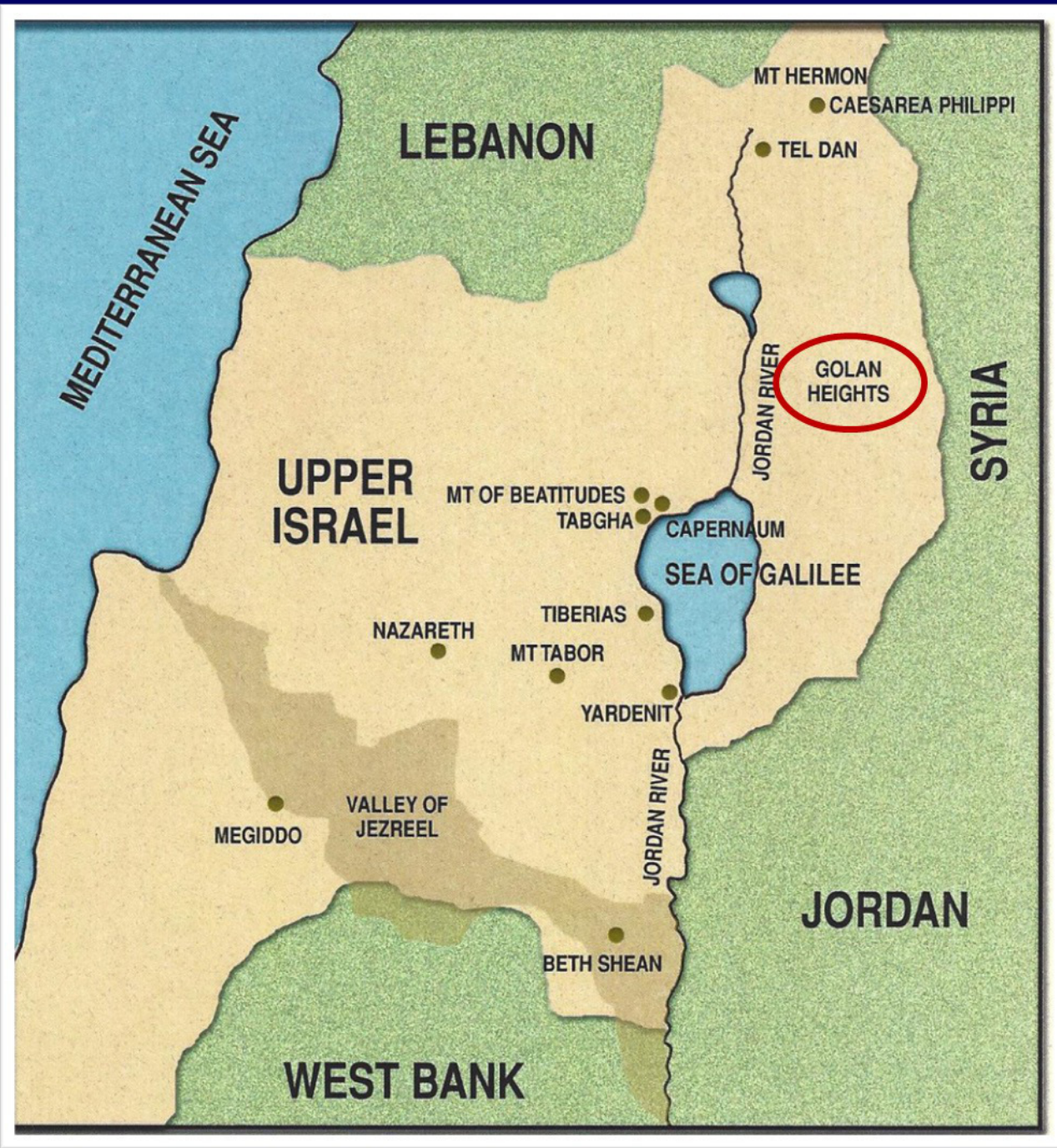
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“The mountains of Israel (the West Bank) are yet to have a very important and relevant role in Bible prophecy. As for the present State of Israel, they became part of Israel in 1967. This is yet another way the modern Jewish State fits within Bible prophecy.”





MEDITERRANEAN SEA

LEBANON

MT HERMON  
● CAESAREA PHILIPPI  
● TEL DAN

GOLAN HEIGHTS

SYRIA

UPPER ISRAEL

MT OF BEATITUDES ●  
TABGHA ● CAPERNAUM

SEA OF GALILEE

NAZARETH ●  
TIBERIAS ●  
MT TABOR ●

YARDENIT ●

MEGIDDO ●  
VALLEY OF JEZREEL

BETH SHEAN ●

JORDAN

WEST BANK





# Identification of the Four Kingdoms



Vision in Daniel: Ch. 2

Vision in Ch. 7

Vision in Ch. 8

IDENTIFICATION

BABYLON 2:48

HEAD of GOLD

LION

CHEST and ARMS of SILVER

BEAR

RAM

MEDO-PERSIA 8:20

BELLY and THIGHS of BRONZE

LEOPARD

GOAT

GREECE 8:21

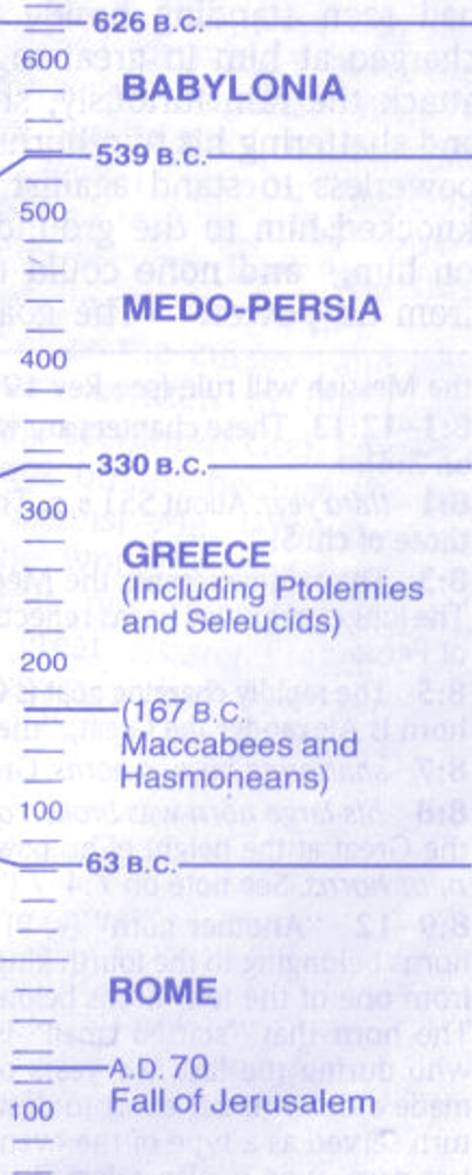
LEGS of IRON

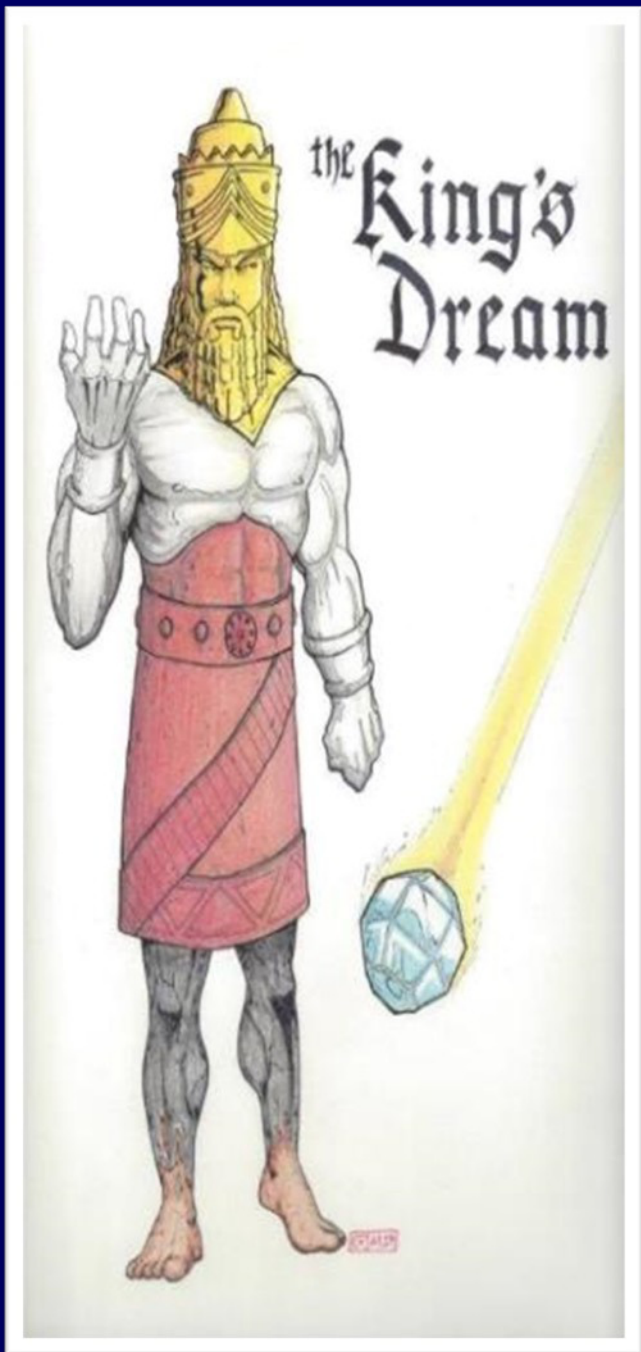
TERRIFYING and FRIGHTENING BEAST

ROME

FEET of CLAY

# Chronology of Major Empires in Daniel





# Statue & Stone

2. A Statue and a Stone



Statue is destroyed by a great stone, which represents Jesus Christ



HEAD  
**GOLD**

WORLD POWER  
**BABYLON**  
606-539

CHEST AND ARMS  
**SILVER**

WORLD POWER  
**PERSIA**  
539-331

STOMACH AND THIGHS  
**BRASS**

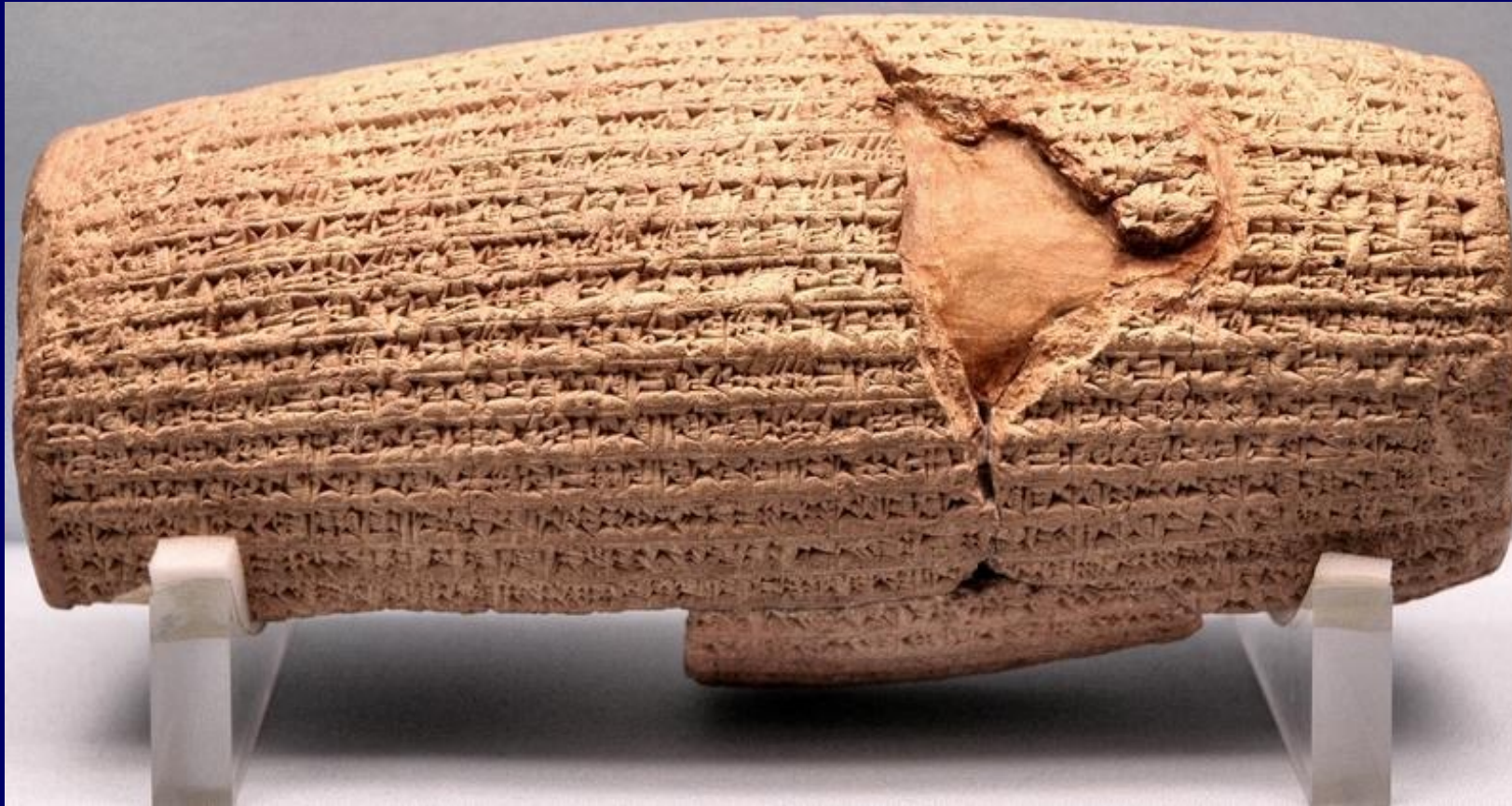
WORLD POWER  
**GREECE**  
331-323

LEGS AND FEET  
**IRON & CLAY**

WORLD POWER  
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322 B.C. — A.D. 476  
FUTURE



# Cyrus Cylinder

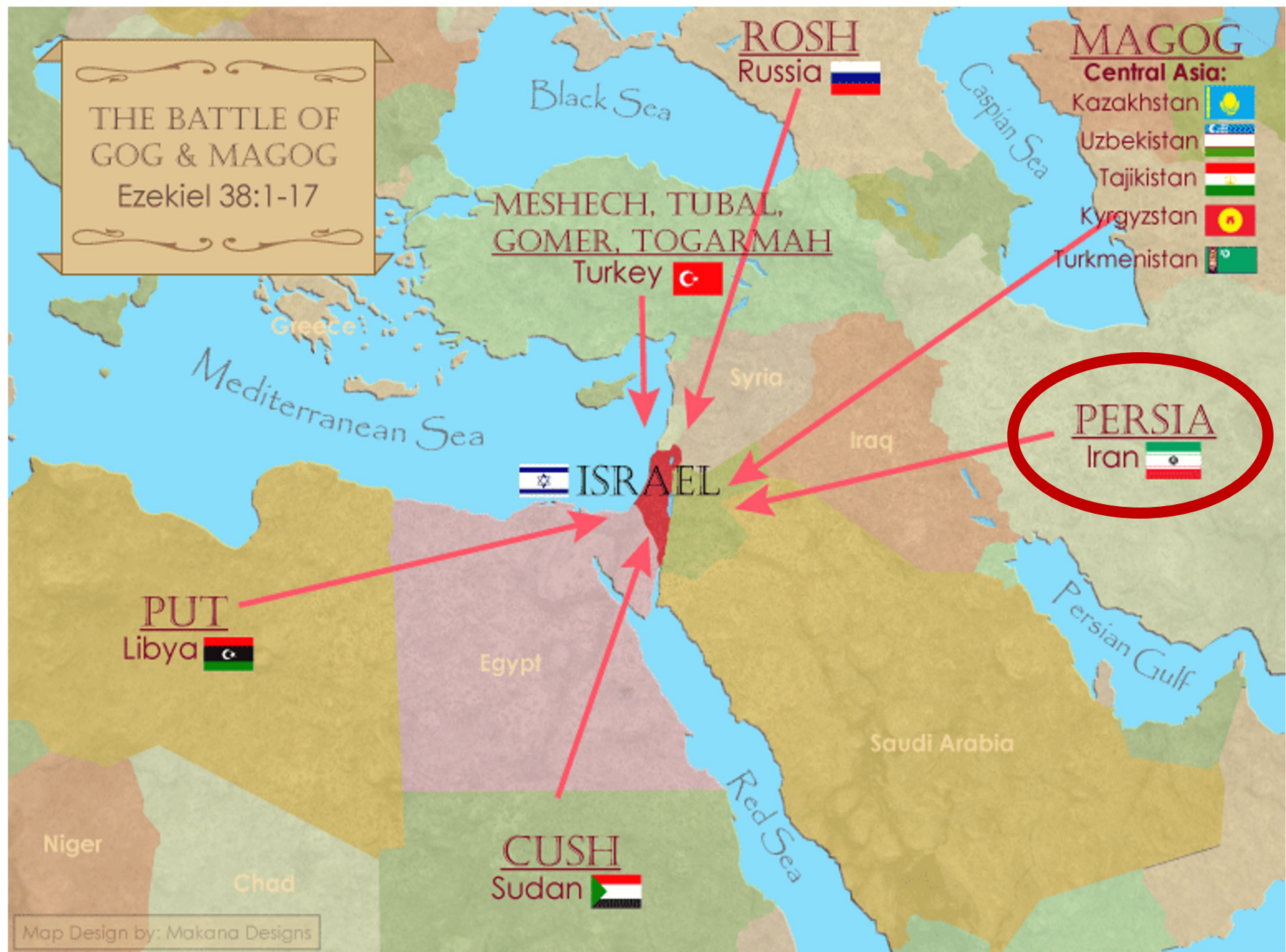




# Three Returns

	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DURATION</b>	<b>PERSIAN KING</b>	<b>JEWISH LEADER</b>	<b>SCRIPTURE</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>NUMBER OF RETURNEES</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> return</b>	<b>538–515 B.C.</b>	<b>23 years</b>	<b>Cyrus (Isa 44:28–45:1)</b>	<b>Zerubbabel</b>	<b>Ezra 1–6; Isaiah 44:28</b>	<b>Rebuilding the temple</b>	<b>50,000</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> return</b>	<b>458–457 B.C.</b>	<b>2 years</b>	<b>Artaxerxes</b>	<b>Ezra</b>	<b>Ezra 7–10</b>	<b>Adorning of the temple and reforming the people</b>	<b>2,000</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> return</b>	<b>444–432 B.C.</b>	<b>8 years</b>	<b>Artaxerxes</b>	<b>Nehemiah</b>	<b>Nehemiah</b>	<b>Rebuilding the wall</b>	

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IRAN BEFORE ISLAMIC REVOLUTION



AND AFTER



# Yoram Ettinger

“Iran's School Textbooks—Can Congress Afford to Ignore It?,” online: <http://theettingerreport.com/Iran-and-MidEast/Iran-s-School-Textbooks-%E2%80%93-can-Congress-afford-to-i.aspx>, May 29, 2015, accessed 30 May 2015.

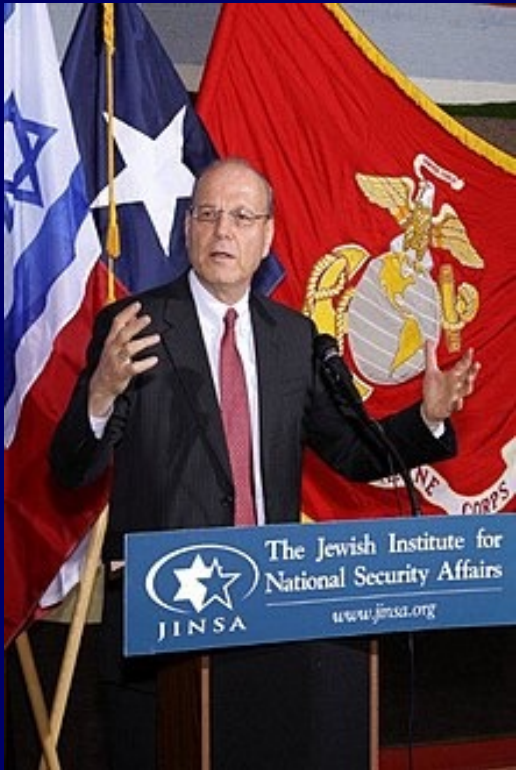


“Iranian school textbooks, such as *The Qur'an and Life* (Grade 12, p. 125) prepare Iranian children for the Ayatollahs' sublime goal: the apocalyptic, horrifying, millenarian, military battle against the USA and other "arrogant oppressors of the world," which are ostensibly led by "idolatrous devils." While the "savior" – the infallible, immortal, divinely ordained and eventual global leader, the Mahdi – has not surfaced yet, Iranian children are taught that the battle is already raging throughout the world, awaiting their sacrifice. School . . .



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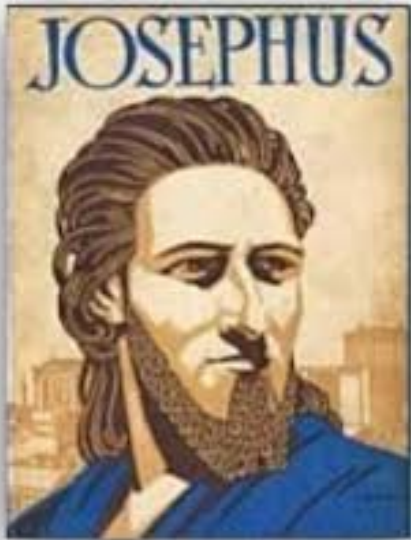
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. . .textbooks of Western democracies are the most authentic reflection of peoples' values and worldview. School textbooks of tyrannies are the most authentic reflection of the nature and mission of the regimes. Iranian school textbooks reflect the strategy and tactics of the Ayatollahs, much more authentically than speeches, interviews, diplomatic statements and conversations conducted by President Rouhani and Foreign Minister Zarif.”

# Josephus

Josephus, *Antiquities*, 1.6.2.



"For of the four sons of Ham, time has not at all hurt the name of Cush; for the Ethiopians, over whom he reigned, are even at this day, both by themselves and by all men in Asia, called Cushites."

# Cush = Sudan

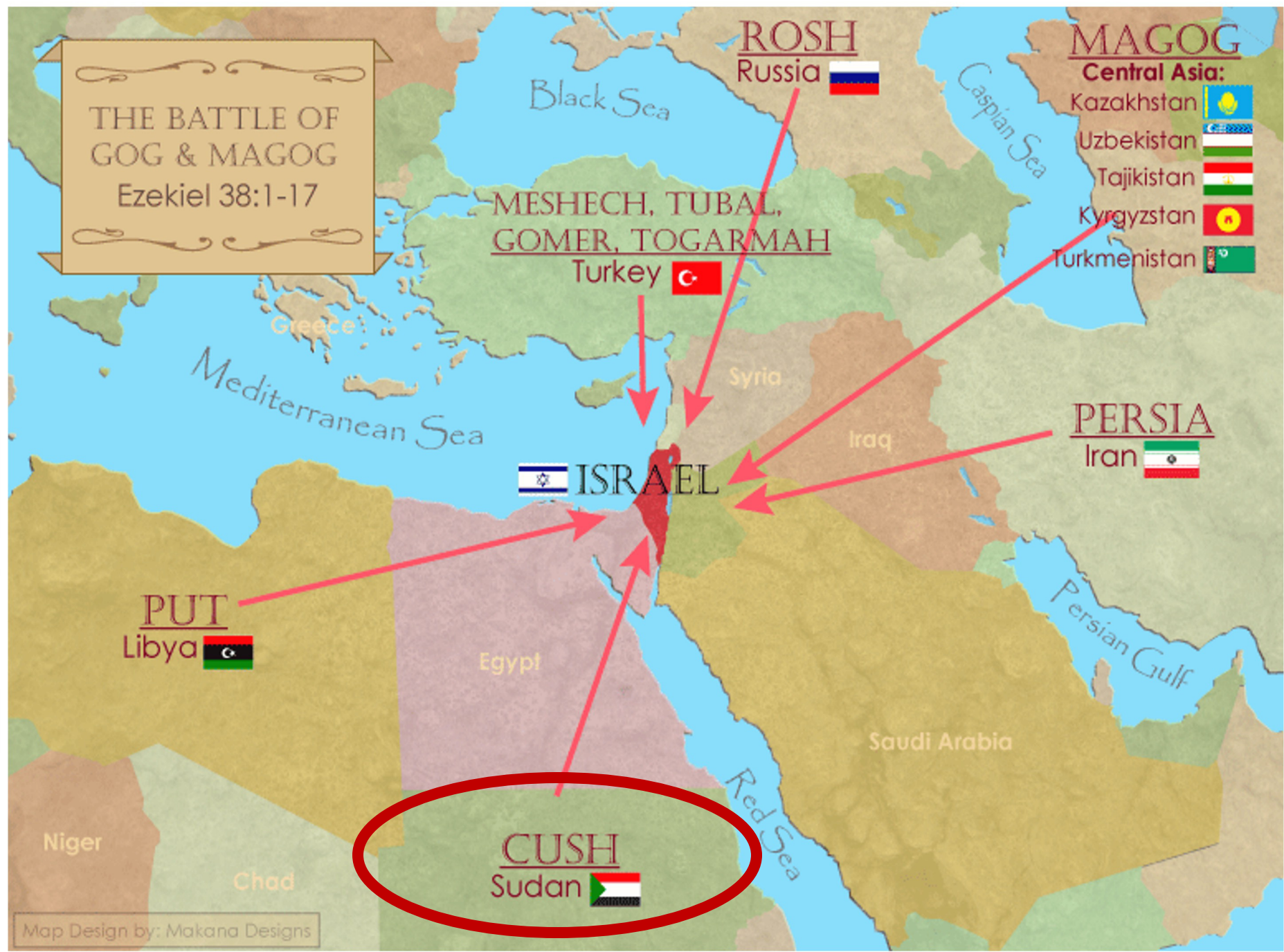
Philip C. Johnson, "Cush," in Wycliffe Bible Encyclopedia, ed. Howard F. Vos, Charles F. Pfeiffer, John Rea (Chicago: Moody, 1975), p. 1.411.



"The designation, Ethiopia, is misleading for it did not refer to the modern state of Ethiopia...Cush... bordered Egypt on the South,...or modern Sudan."



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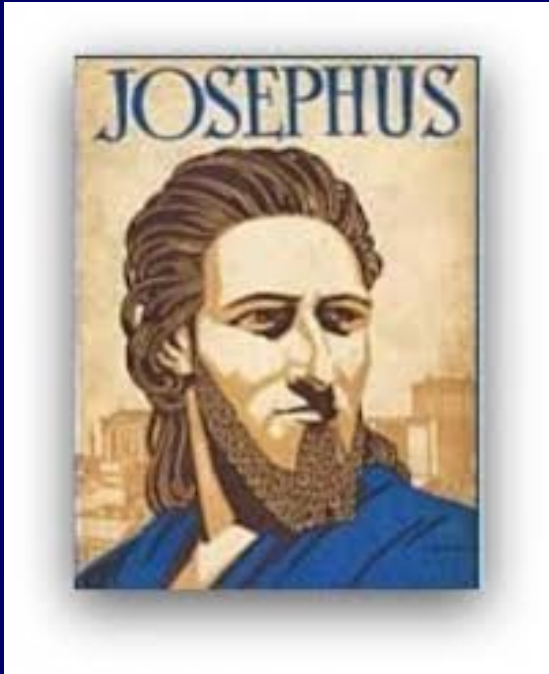
## Renald Showers

Renald Showers, *The Coming Apocalypse: A Study of Replacement Theology Vs. God's Faithfulness in the End Times* (Bellmawr, NJ: Friends of Israel, 2009), p. 92.

“Sudan is dominated by a brutal Arab Islamic fundamentalist government that murders, rapes, and enslaves Christians and animists and is slaughtering the black Muslims in Darfur in an attempt to establish a pure Islamic state.”

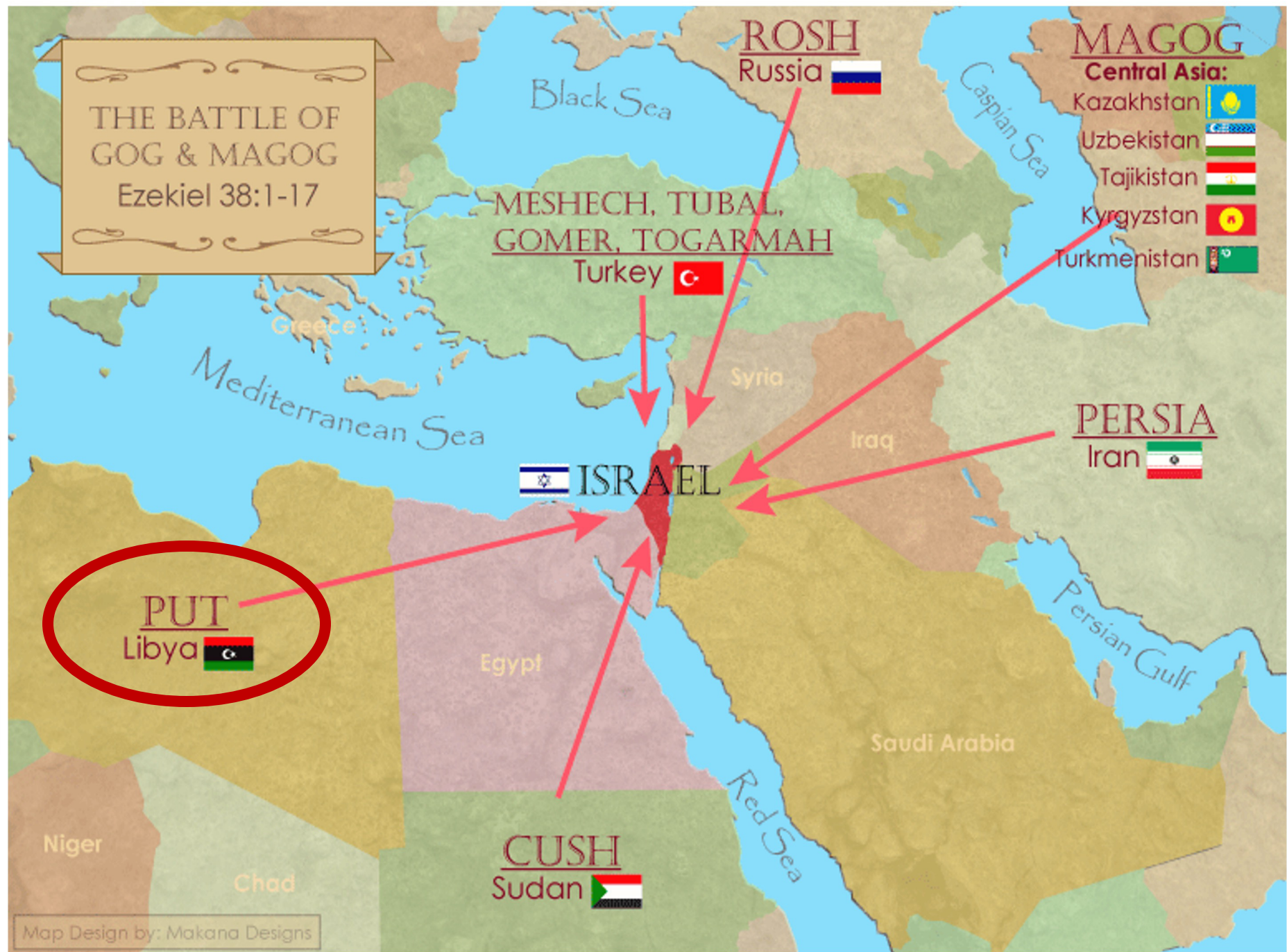
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Josephus, *Antiquities*, 1.6.2.



"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, who was called Lybyos."

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# Gaddafi

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1986\\_Berlin\\_discotheque\\_bombing](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1986_Berlin_discotheque_bombing);  
Internet; accessed 27 May 2015.

“On April 5, 1986 three people were killed and around 230 injured when La Belle discothèque was bombed in West Berlin. The entertainment venue was commonly frequented by United States soldiers, and two of the dead and 79 of the injured were American servicemen... Libya was accused of sponsoring the bombing by the US government, and US President Ronald Reagan ordered retaliatory strikes on Tripoli and Benghazi in Libya ten days later. The strikes reportedly killed at least 15 people, including Colonel Gaddafi’s adopted daughter. A 2001 trial in the US found that the bombing had been ‘planned by the Libyan secret service and the Libyan Embassy.’”



# EMBASSIES UNDER SIEGE



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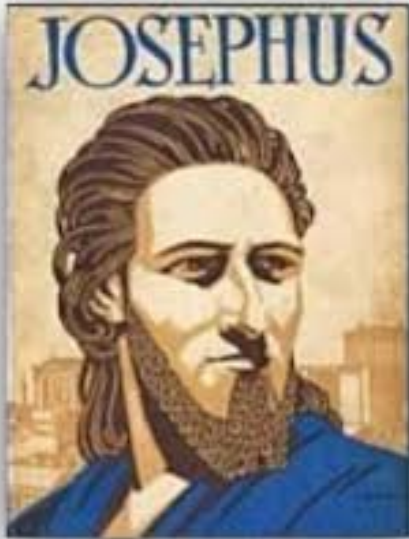
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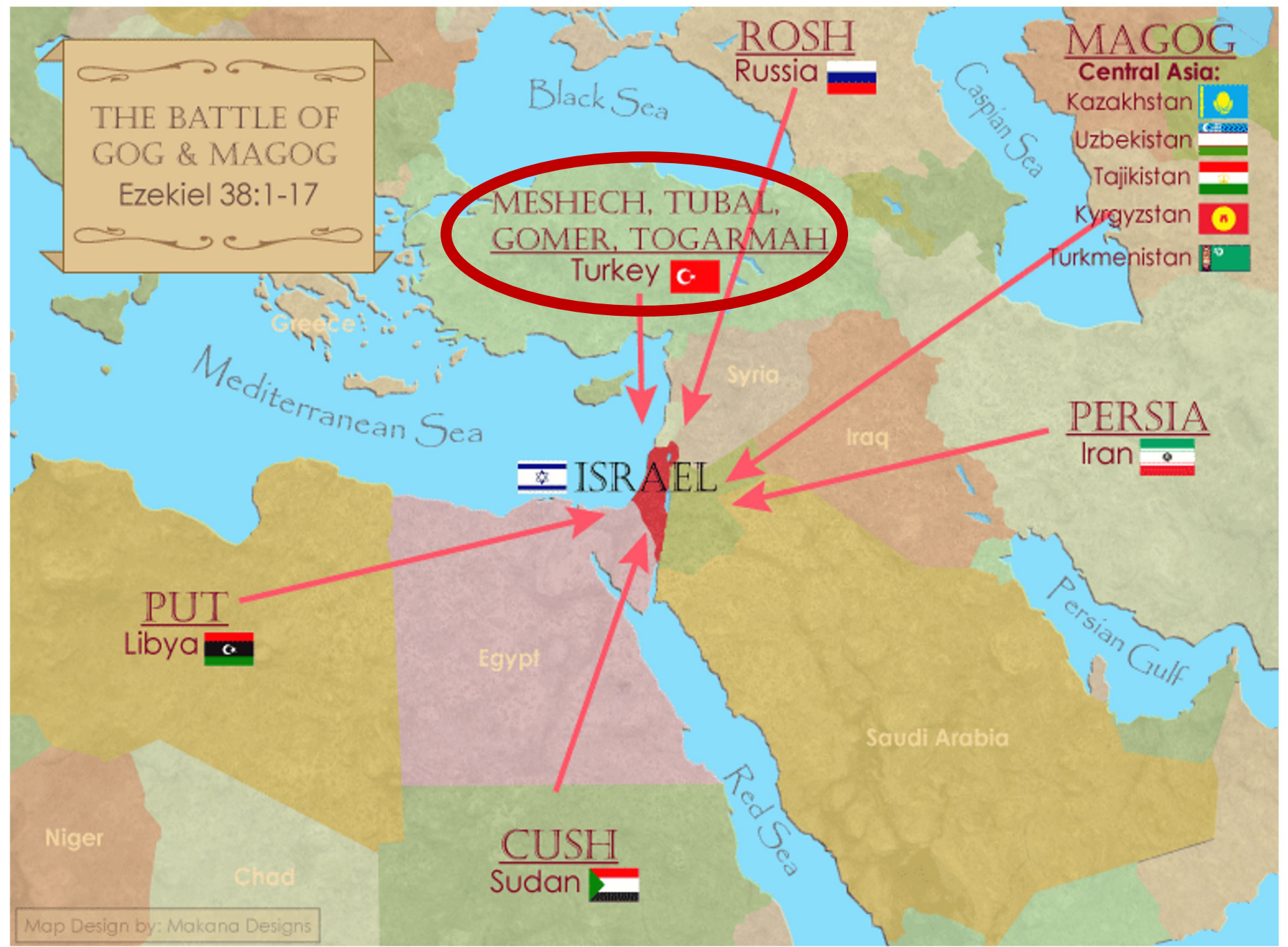
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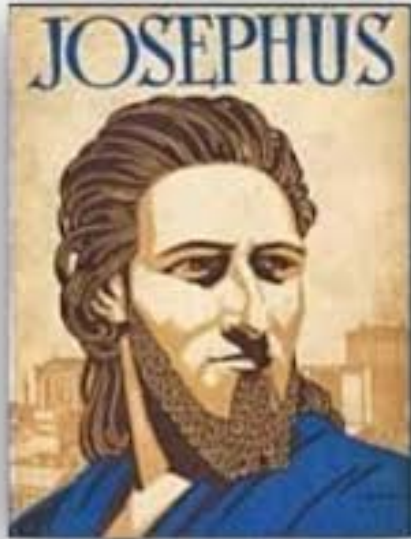
PUT  
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Sudan



# Josephus

Josephus, *Antiquities*, 1.6.1.



"...Thrugramma the Thrugrammeans, who, as the Greeks resolved, were named Phrygians."

## Acts 16:6

“They passed through the Phrygian and Galatian region, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia.”









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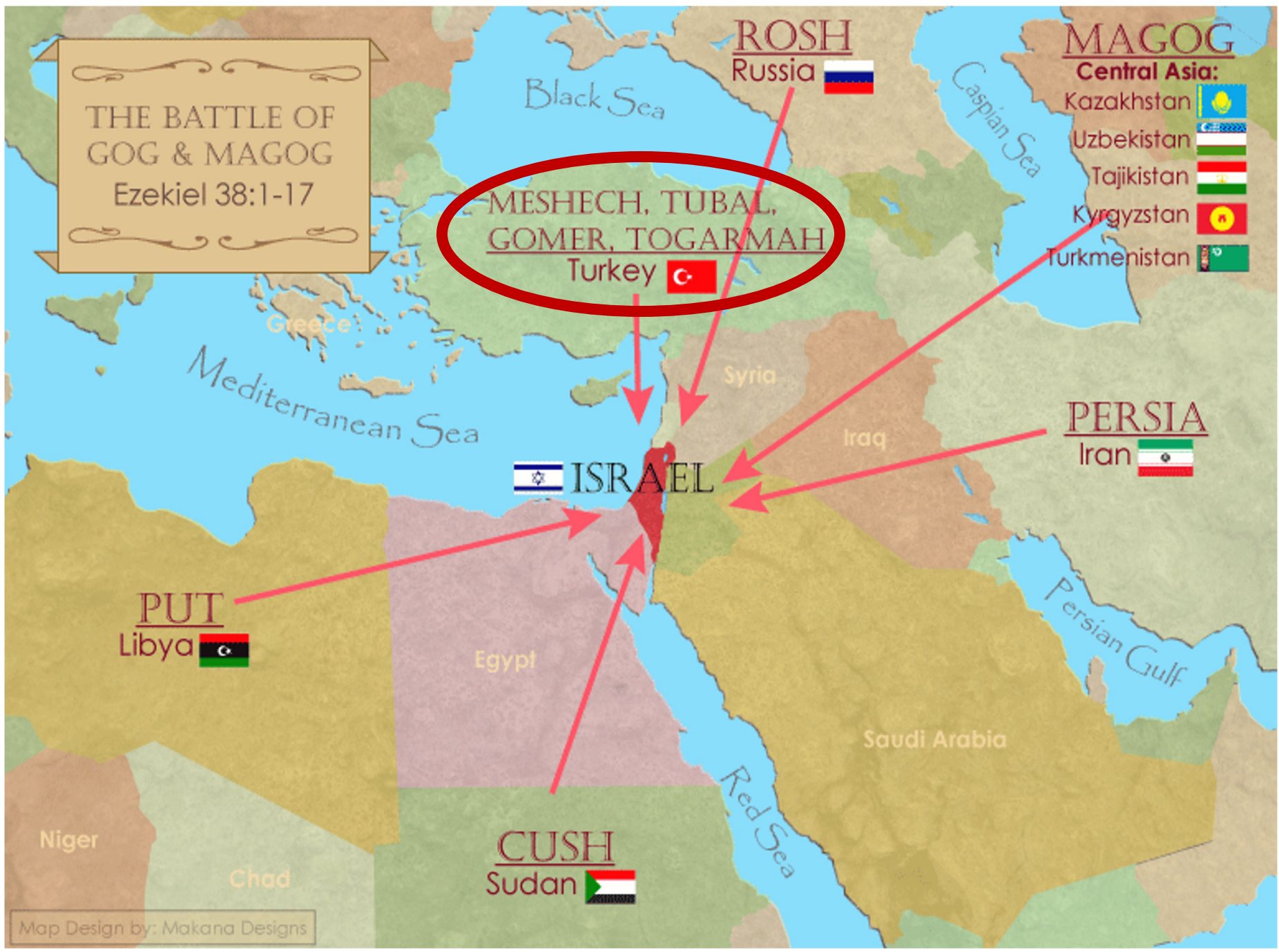
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# Turkish President Assumes New Sweeping Powers

<http://www.israelislamandendtimes.com/turkish-president-and-pm-we-will-gather-together-all-of-the-muslim-world-and-invade-jerusalem/>, July 09, 2018, accessed 01 August 2018.



“Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has assumed sweeping new powers as the country transitions to an executive presidency... Erdogan's new presidential powers are considerable. He can issue decrees with the enforcement of the law and appoint ministers who directly report to him. Erdogan also chooses nine of the 12 constitutional court charges. Under the new system, the post of prime minister is abolished.”

## Turkish President and PM:

'We Will Gather Together All Of The Muslim World and Invade Jerusalem,'"

<http://www.israelislamandentimes.com/turkish-president-and-pm-we-will-gather-together-all-of-the-muslim-world-and-invade-jerusalem/>, May 30, 2015, accessed 30 May 2015.



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## Ezekiel 38:12

“to capture spoil and to seize plunder, to turn your hand against the waste places which are *now* inhabited, and against the people who are gathered from the nations, who have acquired cattle and goods, who live at the center of the world.”



## Ezekiel 5:5

“Thus says the Lord God, ‘This is Jerusalem; I have set her at the center of the nations, with lands around her.’”





THE BATTLE OF  
GOG & MAGOG  
Ezekiel 38:1-17

ROSH

Russia



MAGOG

Central Asia:

Kazakhstan



Uzbekistan



Tajikistan



Kyrgyzstan



Turkmenistan



MESHECH, TUBAL,  
GOMER, TOGARMAH

Turkey



PERSIA

Iran



ISRAEL



PUT

Libya



CUSH

Sudan







## Charles L. Feinberg

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“The area of origin was stated as out of the uttermost parts, the farthest reaches, of the north. It is well known who has been dominant in this region of the world ever since the end of the last global conflict, an area which has actually kept the entire world in turmoil constantly. Russia is a power that must be reckoned with now, and surely will figure largely in the events that lie ahead, especially when the church is raptured to her risen Lord.”

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## Ancient Names From Ezekiel 38:1-9

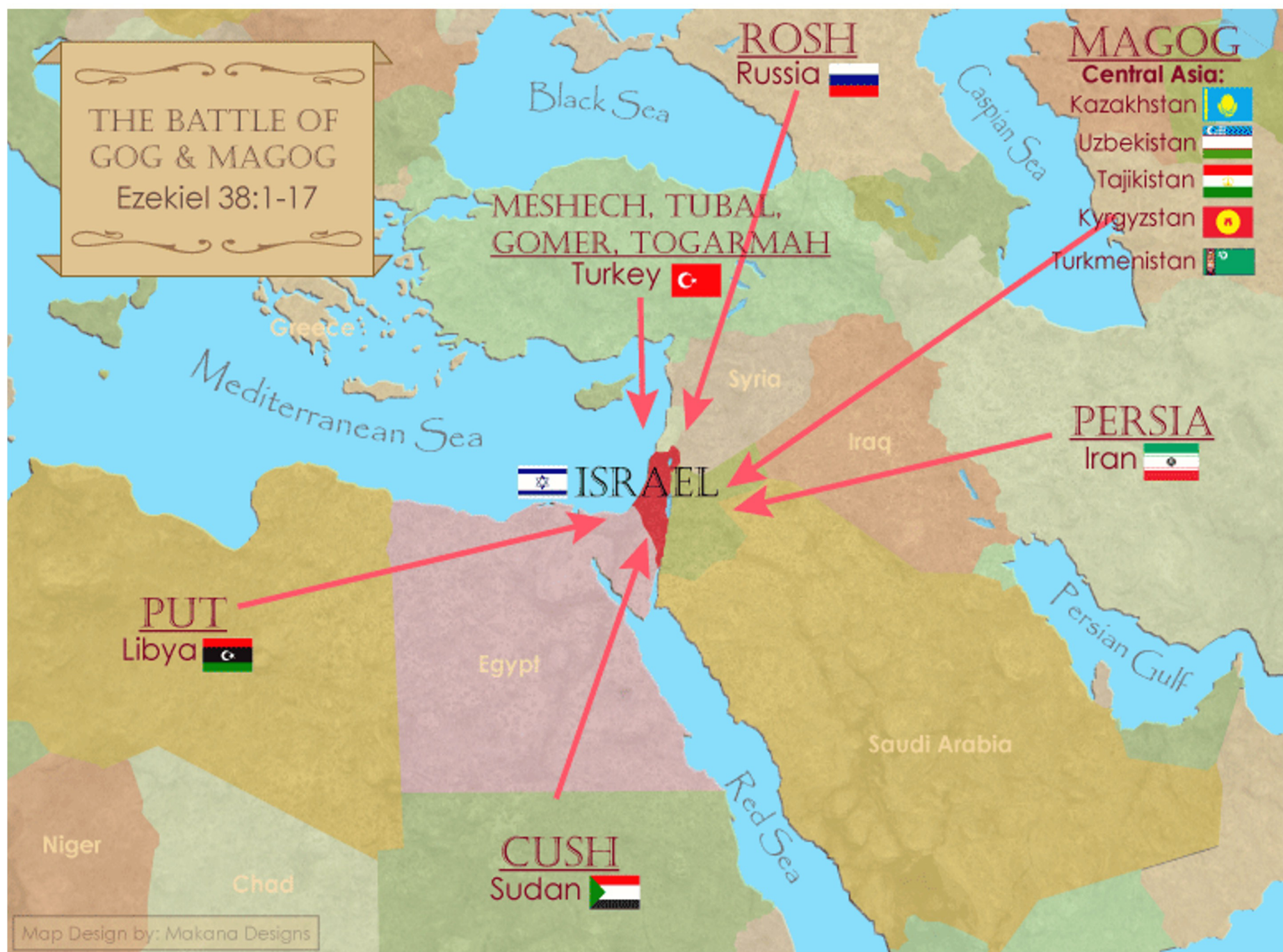
1. Magog (Central Asia),
2. Rosh (Russia),
3. Meshec (Turkey),
4. Tubal (Turkey),
5. Persia (Iran),
6. Put (Libya),
7. Cush (Sudan),
8. Gomer (Turkey),



9. Togarmah (Turkey)
10. Sheba (Saudi Arabia)
11. Dedan (Saudi Arabia or Yemen)
12. Tarshish (Spain)
13. Merchants of Tarshish (Conglomeration of Western powers including Europe)
14. Israel



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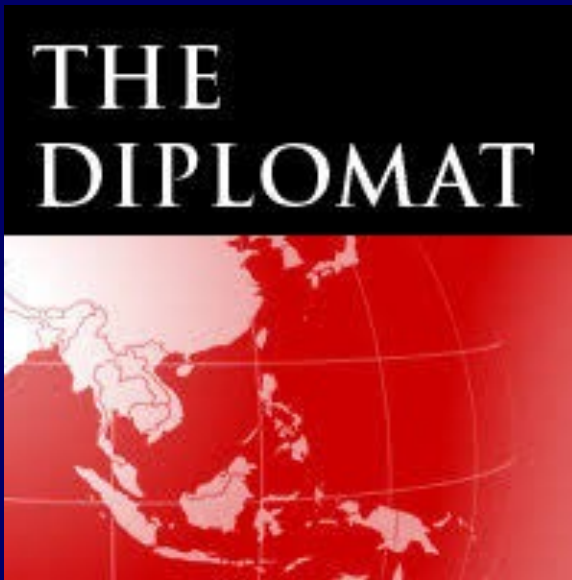


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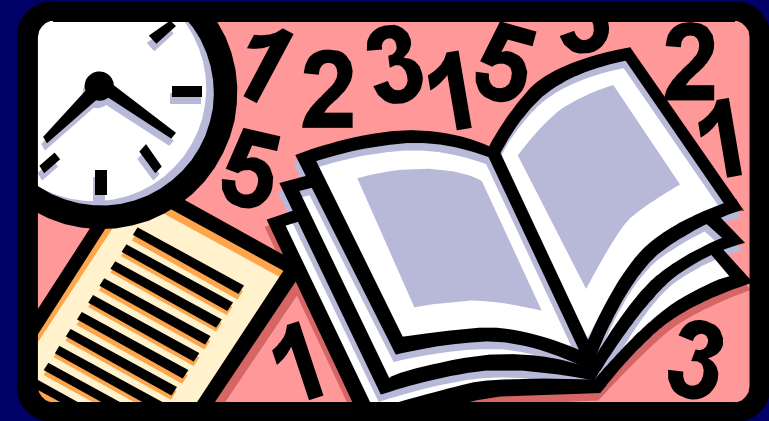
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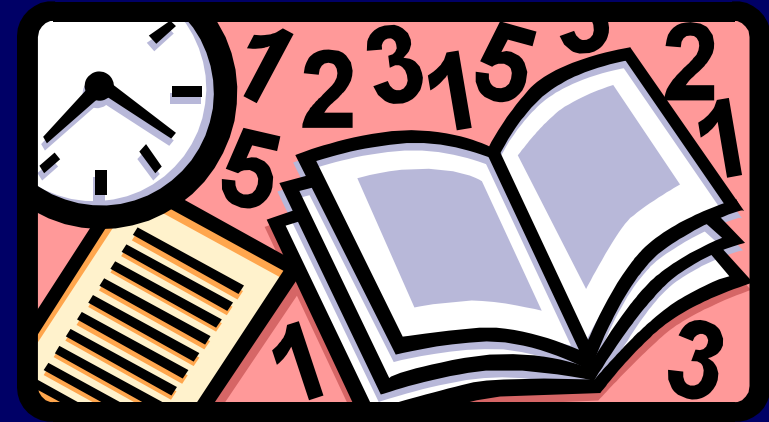
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- Witnesses (32:1)
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# Israel's Judgments

- Division of the kingdom in 931 B.C. (1 Kgs. 12)
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## *Quran Surah (or chapter) 24:55*

“Allah has promised those who have believed among you and done righteous deeds that He will surely grant them succession [Caliphate] upon the earth just as He granted it to those before them and that He will surely establish for them [therein] their religion which He has preferred for them and that He will surely substitute for them, after their fear, security, [for] they worship Me, not associating anything with Me. But whoever disbelieves after that - then those are the defiantly disobedient.”

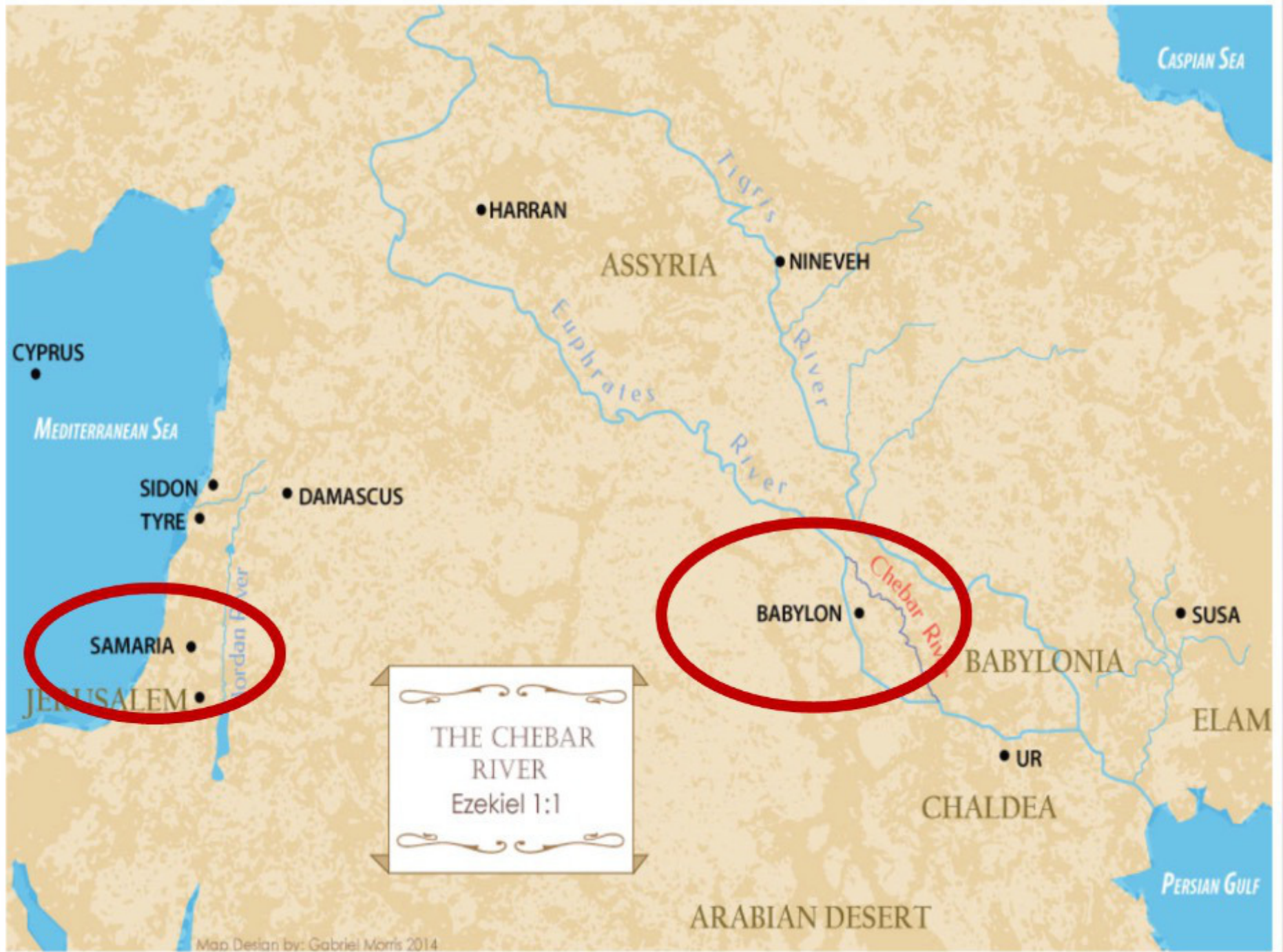




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## Ezekiel 39:2, 4

“<sup>2</sup> and I will turn you around, drive you on, take you up from the remotest parts of the north and bring you against the mountains of Israel...<sup>4</sup>You will fall on the mountains of Israel, you and all your troops and the peoples who are with you; I will give you as food to every kind of predatory bird and beast of the field.”





## Mountains of Israel?

Mark Hitchcock, *The Amazing Claims of Bible Prophecy: What You Need to Know in These Uncertain Times* (Harvest House: Eugene, OR, 2010), 211.

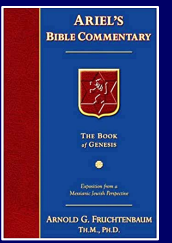
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“But where in the Land of Israel will the invading armies be destroyed? The exact location is revealed in Ezekiel 39:2 and 4a: ‘and I will turn you about, and will lead you on, and will cause you to come up from the uttermost parts of the north; and I will bring you upon the mountains of Israel...you shall fall upon the mountains of Israel.’ The phrase ‘the mountains of Israel’ refers to the central mountain range that makes up the backbone of the country. In the Hebrew Scriptures, these mountains were known as the Hill Country of Ephraim and the Hill Country of Judah. Some of the famous biblical cities that lie within these mountains include Dothan, Shechem, Samaria, Shiloh, Bethel, Ai, Ramah, Bethlehem, Hebron, Debir, and most importantly, Jerusalem, which seems to be the target of the invading army. However, from 1948 until the Six-Day War in 1967, these mountains were not in Israel, but in Jordan.”

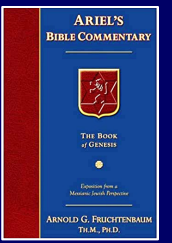




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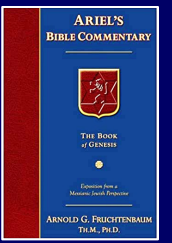
“They are now referred to politically as the West Bank. In 1948, Jordanian forces took over these mountains and annexed them as part of Jordan. All Israel had was a small corridor leading west to Jerusalem. The border between Israel and Jordan ran down the foot of these mountains, then cut into the mountains, dividing Jerusalem in two, and then went out again and continued along the foot of these mountains. Israel had maybe five percent or less of the mountains, while the rest belonged to Jordan. Only since 1967 have the mountains of Israel been in Israel. Besides the Temple compound falling into Jewish hands, another by-product of the Six-Day War was that these mountains also fell under Israeli sovereignty. Therefore, not only could this prophecy not have been fulfilled before 1948, but it could also not have been fulfilled before 1967.”



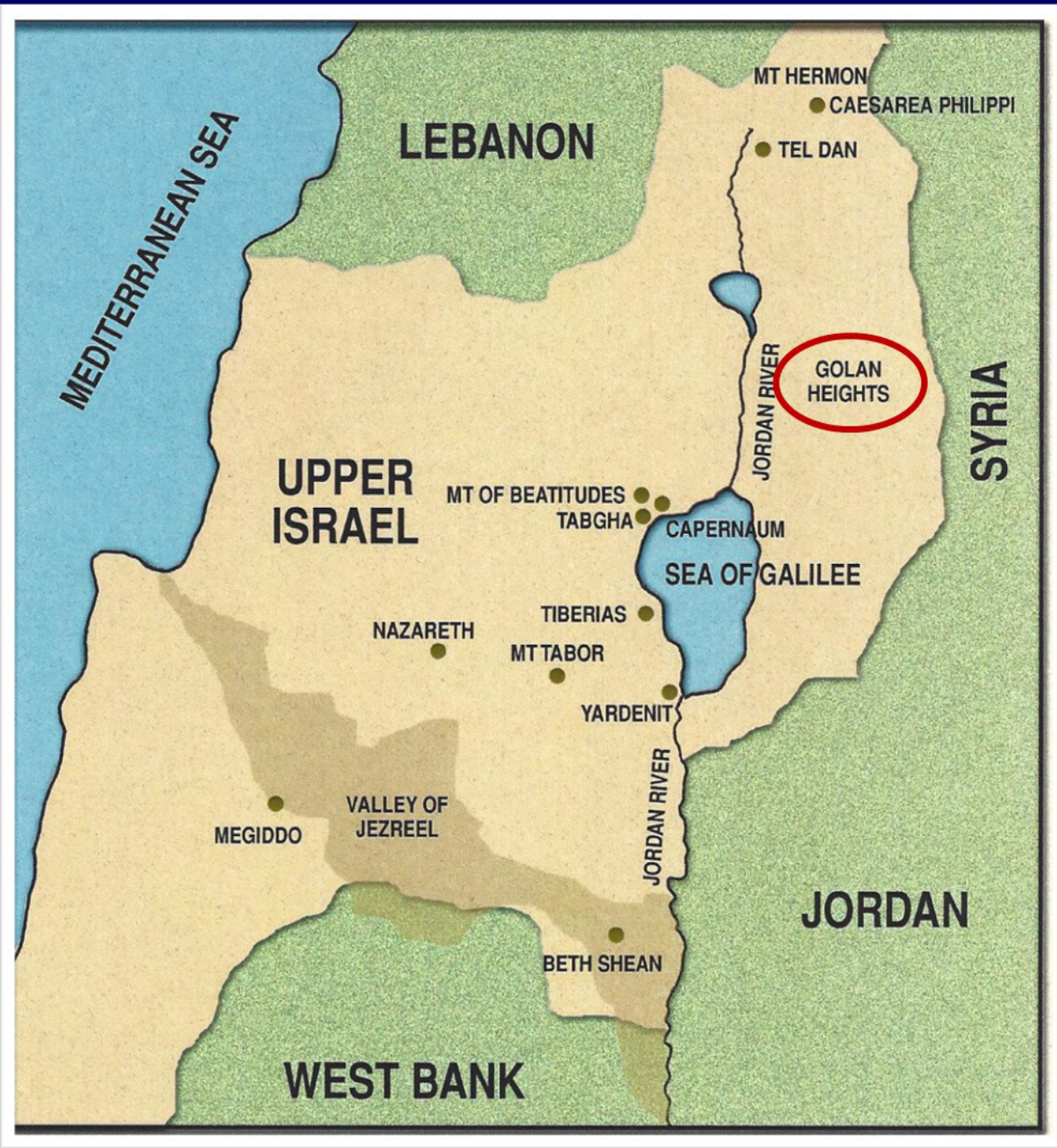
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MEDITERRANEAN SEA

LEBANON

MT HERMON  
● CAESAREA PHILIPPI  
● TEL DAN

GOLAN HEIGHTS

SYRIA

UPPER ISRAEL

MT OF BEATITUDES ●  
TABGHA ●  
CAPERNAUM ●

SEA OF GALILEE

TIBERIAS ●  
NAZARETH ●  
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## Leviticus 26:43

“For the land will be abandoned by them, and will make up for its sabbaths while it is made desolate without **them**. They, meanwhile, will be making amends for their iniquity, because they rejected My ordinances and their soul abhorred My statutes.”





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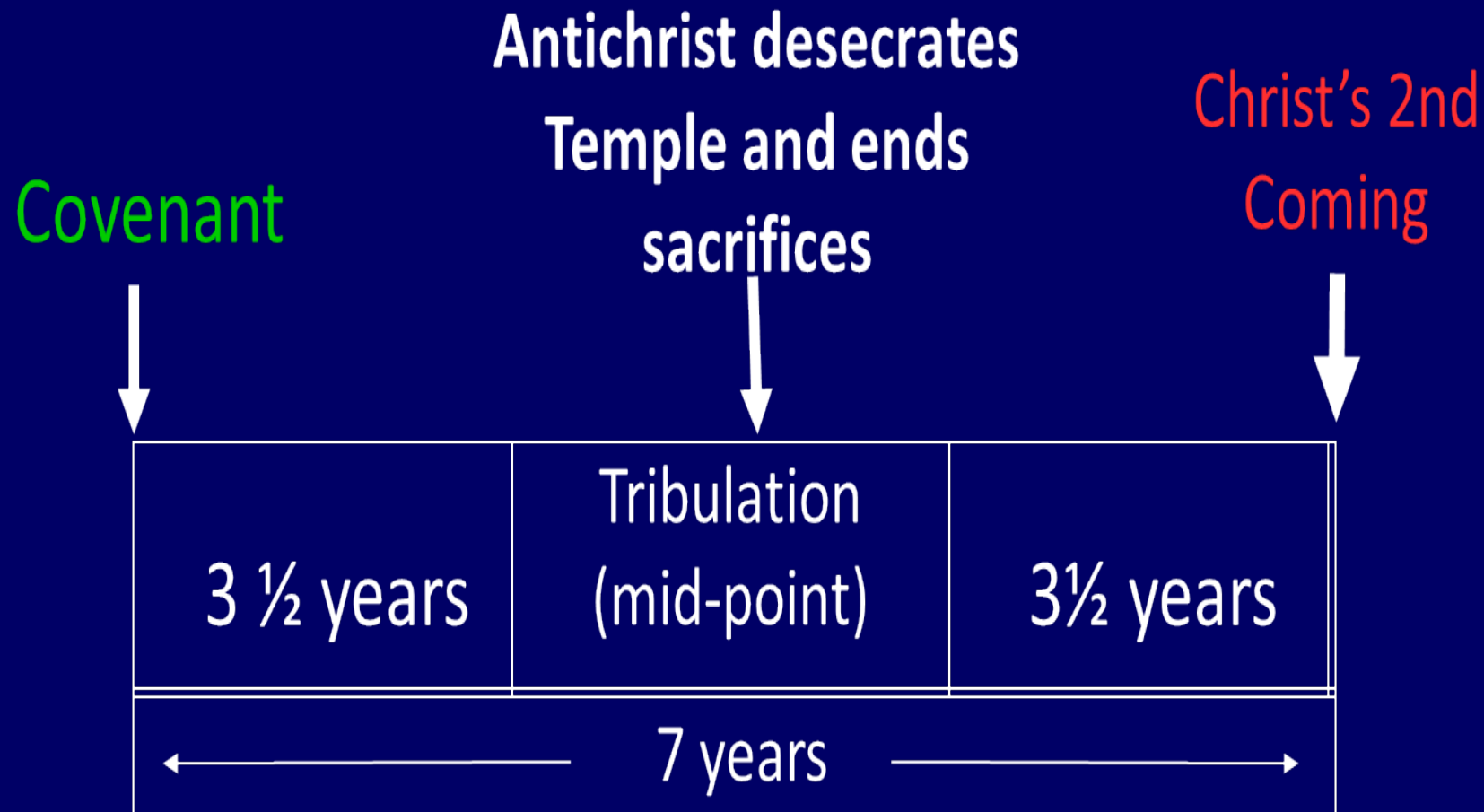


## Daniel 9:27

And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations *will come* one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.

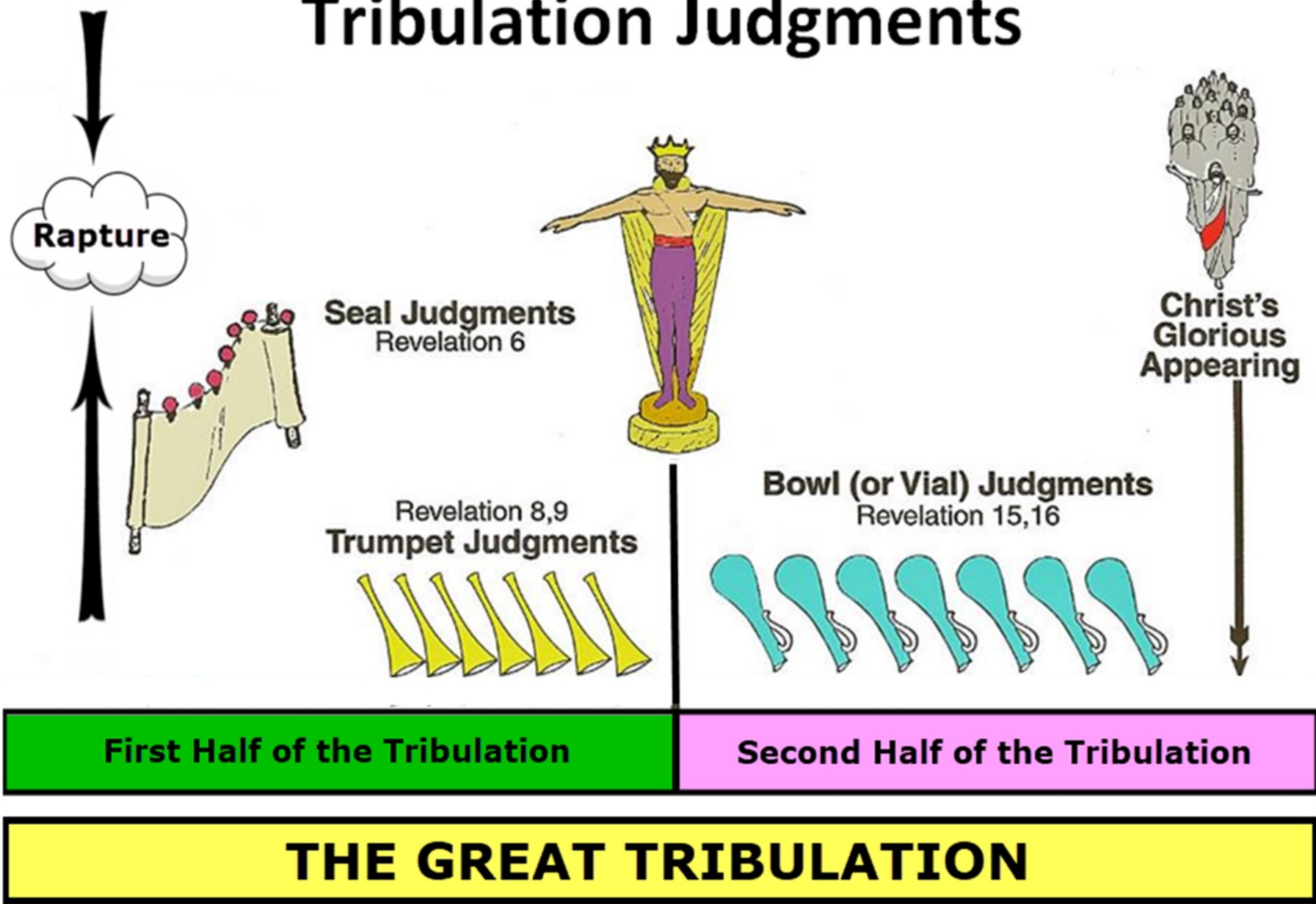


# DAN 9:27 OVERVIEW OF TRIBULATION PERIOD





# Tribulation Judgments



## Isaiah 28:15, 18

“<sup>15</sup> Because you have said, “We have made a covenant with death, And with Sheol we have made a pact. The overwhelming scourge will not reach us when it passes by, For we have made falsehood our refuge and we have concealed ourselves with deception.”... <sup>18</sup> Your covenant with death will be canceled, And your pact with Sheol will not stand; When the overwhelming scourge passes through, Then you become its trampling place.”





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CONCLUSION

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B. Gog's intention (10-13)



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