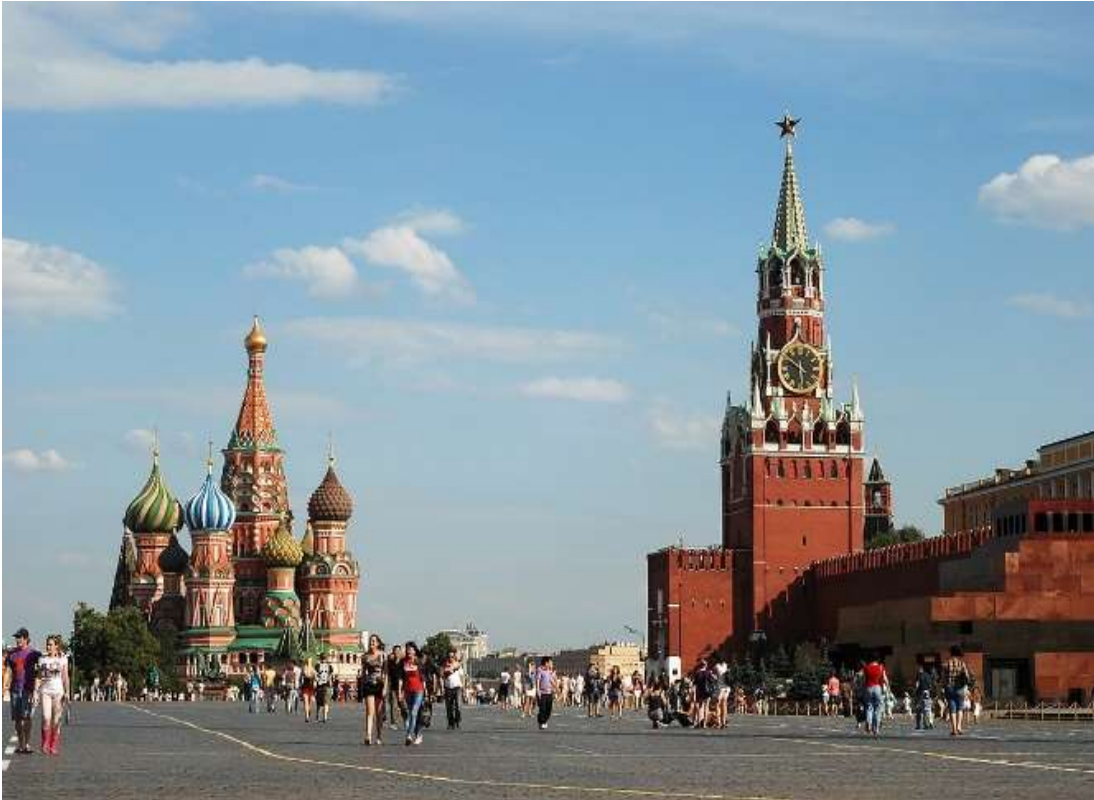


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RED SQUARE

This photo shows a part of Red Square in Russia. The ornate, multi spires belong to Basil Cathedral (and is now a museum.) On the right are the red walls of the Kremlin and under the clock tower is the burial building where Vladimir Lenin, the founder of the Red Revolution lies in state. He died in the early 1920's.

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8 Some years ago, I was again in Moscow, Russia, one of my favorite cities
9 in Russia. I was there to film some of the short Y-LINE TV shows used
10 by TBN on their vast network. The Soviet Government somehow let us
11 into the Kremlin for several days. I stood within 100 feet of Putin’s office
12 to talk about Jesus and His mercy to lost humanity.

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14 I love Russia and find Red Square to be a delight - the beauty, the history,
15 the pageantry are simply soul-stirring.

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17 AND ALSO SHOCKING WHEN I THINK OF WHAT GOD HAS
18 PLANNED FOR THAT NATION ONE DAY –
19 AND I THINK IT’S NOT THAT FAR OFF.

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21 Long ago, Ezekiel, while still a prisoner of Babylon, received God’s Word
22 on what would happen eventually to Russia; he wrote the information
23 down in the book of his name, Ezekiel. It was profound.

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25 Ezekiel 38:1-7

26 *And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, [2] Son of man, set thy*
27 *face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and*
28 *Tubal, and prophesy against him, [3] And say, Thus saith the Lord God;*
29 *Behold I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and*
30 *Tubal: [4] And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I*
31 *will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of*
32 *them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with*
33 *bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: [5] Persia, Ethiopia,*
34 *and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: [6] Gomer,*

1 *and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all*
2 *his bands: and many people with thee. [7] Be thou prepared, and*
3 *prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto*
4 *thee, and be thou a guard unto them.*

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6 During the seven year Tribulation, the Antichrist will rule over most of
7 the world which will be divided into four basic regions:

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9 ➤ Jerusalem / Israel - the very center of everything
10 ➤ The Kingdom to the North – Russia
11 ➤ The Kingdom to the South - North Africa / Egypt
12 ➤ The Kingdom to the West - probably the European Union

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14 You will notice that Israel will be the very heart of everything.

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16 God's commitment to Israel if the Jews would be true to Him:

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18 Ezekiel 36:7-10

19 *Therefore thus saith the Lord God; I have lifted up mine hand, Surely*
20 *the heathen that are about you, they shall bear their shame. [8] But ye,*
21 *O mountains of Israel, ye shall shoot forth your branches, and yield*
22 *your fruit to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come. [9] For,*
23 *behold, I am for you, and I will turn unto you, and ye shall be tilled and*
24 *sown: [10] And I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel,*
25 *even all of it: and the cities shall be inhabited, and the wastes shall be*
26 *builded...*

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28 Ezekiel 36:24

29 *For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all*
30 *countries, and will bring you into your own land.*

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32 Politicians will not appreciate God's intention; however, His Word is true
33 and binding. I believe Israel will have a very tough time early in the
34 Tribulation as the people buy into the lies of Antichrist:

1 Rev. 6:1-2

2 *And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it*
3 *were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.*
4 *[2] And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a*
5 *bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering,*
6 *and to conquer.*

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8 This is the first seal broken from God's scroll of judgment. It promises
9 the arrival of Antichrist:

10 – a white horse - promising peace

11 – a bow, but no arrows

12 – Israelis, longing for peace at just about any price, will join
13 his efforts

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15 **EZEKIEL'S VALLEY OF DRY BONES**

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17 Ezekiel 37:1-14

18 *The hand of the Lord was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of*
19 *the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of*
20 *bones, [2] And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold,*
21 *there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry. [3]*
22 *And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered,*
23 *O Lord God, thou knowest. [4] Again he said unto me, Prophecy upon*
24 *these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the*
25 *Lord. [5] Thus saith the Lord God unto these bones; Behold, I will cause*
26 *breath to enter into you, and ye shall live: [6] And I will lay sinews upon*
27 *you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put*
28 *breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the Lord.*
29 *[7] So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was*
30 *a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his*
31 *bone. [8] And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon*
32 *them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them.*
33 *[9] Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophesy, son of*
34 *man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord God; Come from the four*

1 *winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live. [10]*
2 *So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them,*
3 *and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.*
4 *[11] Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house*
5 *of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we*
6 *are cut off for our parts. [12] Therefore prophesy and say unto them,*
7 *Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves,*
8 *and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the*
9 *land of Israel. [13] And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have*
10 *opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your*
11 *graves, [14] And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall*
12 *place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I the Lord have*
13 *spoken it, and performed it, saith the Lord.*

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15 So though Israel will go through perilous times in the Millennium, all will
16 end well and the dry bones will live again.

17 18 **RUSSIA'S LAST HURRAH**

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20 Satan will make one last lunge at Israel before God annihilates the
21 approaching amalgamation of:

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23 Ezekiel 38:3-6
24 *And say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold I am against thee, O Gog, the*
25 *chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: [4] And I will turn thee back, and*
26 *put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army,*
27 *horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even*
28 *a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:*
29 *[5] Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and*
30 *helmet: [6] Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the*
31 *north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee.*

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33 Chapter 38 of Ezekiel clearly points out what God will do to Russia when
34 she and her allies attack the Holy Land:

1 Ezekiel 38:18-23

2 *And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against*
3 *the land of Israel, saith the Lord God, that my fury shall come up in my*
4 *face. [19] For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken,*
5 *Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;*
6 *[20] So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the*
7 *beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and*
8 *all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my*
9 *presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places*
10 *shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground. [21] And I will call for*
11 *a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord God:*
12 *every man's sword shall be against his brother. [22] And I will plead*
13 *against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him,*
14 *and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an*
15 *overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. [23] Thus*
16 *will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the*
17 *eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord.*

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19 Ezekiel 39:11-13

20 *And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place*
21 *there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the*
22 *sea: and it shall stop the noses of the passengers: and there shall they*
23 *bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it The valley of*
24 *Hamon-gog. [12] And seven months shall the house of Israel be burying*
25 *of them, that they may cleanse the land. [13] Yea, all the people of the*
26 *land shall bury them; and it shall be to them a renown the day that I*
27 *shall be glorified, saith the Lord God.*

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29 Keep your eyes on Israel, to be sure - and Russia. It won't be long until
30 God fulfills His will on all of the world.