The Bear is Coming Out of Hibernation!

After many days you (Gog of Magog) will be called to arms. In future years you (Gog of Magog) will invade a land that has recovered from war, whose people were gathered from many nations to the mountains of Israel, which had long been desolate. They had been brought out from the nations, and now all of them live in safety.

-Ezekiel 38:8- Russian led battle against Israel

The prophet Ezekiel foretold an end time war where a Russian led coalition would invade the nation of Israel. Are we near that time? Definitely! Just Google the words “Russian jets intercepted” and 323,000 responses will come back. Russia is definitely spreading its wings and testing the waters! But just who are the nations that join up with Russia to invade Israel? The prophet Ezekiel calls them by name, but he used ancient names so unless you are a history buff, you probably wouldn’t make heads or tails of some of the nations mentioned in this battle. However, Bible scholars have identified these ancient nations as:

1. Magog (Scythians- Central Asia)

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For many centuries, Ezekiel’s prophecy has gone unfulfilled and almost seemed improbable before 1948! But once Israel became a nation, the prophetic timepiece was in place, and the world stage is now being set for this soon coming battle. For a while many questioned Russian involvement, but in 2015, it is undeniably clear that this “bear” is awakening and coming out of hibernation. When bears come out of hibernation, they enter a period called “walking hibernation.” During walking hibernation, the bear has reemerged from its den but is not up to full capacity. This is a relatively short phase, and soon the bear is back to its old self. For a time Russia was our chief problem (think Cold War) then Russia became quiet. But Russia is reentering the world scene, and like its mascot, the bear, this ancient country is fierce. Today, as I was reading (yet again) about Russian military jets flying curiously close to United States air space, I had some thoughts that I felt to write down. But first I want to preface this with a statement: I don’t look to the world headlines to interpret Bible prophecy, but I study the Bible first, and then with eyes and ears of the Spirit I interpret the unique times we are living in.

With that in mind, I have typed up a prayerful response to the consistent and audacious military flybys of the Russian military in United States airspace and abroad:

What in the World is Russia Up to?

1. Russia is purposeful in their constant “close” calls of entering our airspace.
2. Russia is testing our military’s response time.
3. Russia is testing the strength of our military. They want to see how much of a response we will send.
4. Russian is testing the quality of our military. Is our equipment superior or inferior to theirs? They want to see what type of response team we will send to intercept their military.
5. Russia is distracting us from their real intent. What is this? Well, long term Russia plans to invade our ally, Israel. Short term? They want to expose our military’s weaknesses, taunt us, and see how much they can get away with! Sounds a little like a familiar foe a.k.a Satan—doesn’t it?
6. Russia is gaining intel on the strength and weaknesses of our borders.
7. Russia wants Alaska back! Not long ago, Russians asked Putin to take Russia back, and he responded by saying, “Not now it’s still too cold there!” Code for: We’re not ready to invade just yet.

So, what can we do? America’s watchman need to wake up, take their positions on the “wall” and:

1. Intercede for our borders
2. Intercede for the U.S. military
3. Intercede for Israel, and,
4. Seek wisdom & the Most High’s intervention

We can’t stop Ezekiel’s prophecy from coming to pass! If we could, God’s word would be unreliable. But we can pray for the peace of OUR nation, and ultimately the peace of GOD’s city, Jerusalem! The people who know their God can take great courage in this exciting promise:

“I will magnify Myself, sanctify Myself, and make Myself known in the sight of many nations; and they will know that I am the LORD (Ezekiel 38:23).”

More Proof the Bear is Awakening:

http://www.thelocal.se/20150704/swedish-jets-monitor-russian-activity-off-gotland
https://www.washingtonpost.com/apps/g/page/world/two-days-of-russian-aircraft-intercepts/1422/
http://www.cnn.com/2015/05/06/politics/pentagon-intercepts-russian-aircraft/
http://www.westernjournalism.com/russia-wants-alaska-back/

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