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Nuclear Wars Ahead

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That's right! It's right there in your Bible. This world is headed straight for, not one, but two nuclear wars!

Does the Bible really prophesy two nuclear wars for the times ahead? The prophecy in Zechariah 14 details events that will occur in the world's last war, Armageddon. Verse 12 unmistakably teaches that nuclear weapons will be used in this last battle:

"And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth."

The physical symptoms that this passage states will be suffered by those who come against Jerusalem at Armageddon are the exact symptoms experienced by victims of nuclear radiation: eyes consumed in their sockets, tongues in their mouths and flesh falling off the bones.

It is the world's worst kept secret that Israel has a significant nuclear arsenal. Jane's Intelligence Report places the number of Israel's nuclear missiles at around 200. The Israelis have promised that they will never

resort to their nuclear option unless the existence of the state is threatened.

Israel's nuclear capacity is known as the 'Samson Option.' Why the Samson Option?

Samson begged God to allow his great strength to return to him one last time. God granted Samson's request. As a result, he pulled down the house of the Philistine lords, killing himself and 3,000 of the enemy's leaders.

When Israel picked the name, the Samson Option, she was notifying the world that, if she goes down, she will take her enemies down with her. Apparently, things will become so bad during Armageddon that Israel will resort to the Samson Option. The world's last

war will be nuclear.

THE OTHER NUCLEAR WAR

At least three and one-half years before Armageddon, maybe longer, another war will occur. The prophecy foretelling this war is found in Revelation 9:13-16. It does not explicitly state that this war will be nuclear, but the results of the war indicate that it will have to be.



"So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and

month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind. Now the number of the army of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them.” (NKJV)

The prophecy states that a war is coming, which will kill one-third of mankind. Taken at face value, this means that two billion people will die in this war. There is only one weapon presently available to mankind that could wreak this level of death and devastation—the nuclear bomb.

We are also told that one of the armies involved in this war will number 200 million soldiers. The other army that will participate in the war will almost certainly be the only nation on earth that has the nuclear arsenal capable of wreaking this kind of death and destruction—the United States. This prophesied conflict will obviously be the biggest, most horrible war that has ever occurred. Up until now, World War II has been the most destructive war by far. It resulted in 52 million deaths. This coming war will kill 40 times that many!

WHERE WILL THE 6TH TRUMPET WAR LEAD?

All of us agree that the world has not been the same since the 3,000 fatalities of 9/11. What quantum changes will undoubtedly occur when mankind awakens to the unbelievable chaos of two billion corpses? Be assured that our world will be changed forever.

The cries will be deafening for a world government with teeth that can prevent war from ever happening again. The horror of what has happened will create the perfect platform for the Antichrist and the False Prophet to ride to power.

The same unprecedented destruction, that will drive millions into the arms of the Antichrist, will drive others toward a true relationship with God. The Bible Christians will be motivated to levels of total commitment not witnessed on earth since the early church. The result will be great revival.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?

The unspeakable conditions that

will result from this prophesied war are capable of striking horror in the heart of the bravest among us. Is it time to ‘head for the hills?’ What should be the mindset of Christians at this unprecedented juncture in human history?

Jesus said that we are the salt of the earth. He said that we are the light of the world. Is it time to remove the light just when the world is going to need it the most? Of course not! Jesus

sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.”

The world is once again in darkness as we near the Second Coming. Of our time, Daniel prophesied:

“And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he (the Antichrist) corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits. And they that understand among the people shall instruct many...” (Daniel 11:32-33).



told us that where sin abounds, grace will much more abound.

The world was in great darkness when Jesus came to earth the first time. Matthew 4:16 spoke of that time and concerning the coming of Jesus: “The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which

In the troubled times that lie just ahead, the true church of Jesus Christ will be able to hold forth the wonderful promise of eternal life in a world awash in death. When the final chapter of the church age is finally written, the caption will undoubtedly read, “It was their finest hour.”