The United States in Bible Prophecy



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Most Bible prophecy teachers teach that the United States is not in Bible prophecy. I disagree. I believe the United States is mentioned specifically, scores of times, and is described in great detail. I know I will receive a lot of mail on this, so my only request is that before you tell me that I am wrong, first tell me who this nation could possibly be... other than the U.S.!

The words "United States" or "America" are not in scripture. But often buried within scriptural text is a parallel subject revelation or dual fulfillment.

Obvious examples of this double reference are in Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28. In Isaiah 14:4, the text begins with references to the "king of Babylon," but gradually changes into comments about Satan:

"How you have fallen from heaven"
Is 14:12.

The same is true with Ezekiel 28 where verse 11 speaks of the "king of Tyre," but the following verse moves into



specific traits and characteristics of Satan: "you were in the garden of God." It's from these two chapters that many of Satan's characteristics are revealed, yet we had to dig a little first before we could uncover the scriptural jewels buried therein.

"It is the glory of God to conceal a matter..." Prov 25:2

If we are living in the final decades, years or days of the Church Age, the United States, still the #1 power in the world, should logically be in the Bible somewhere.

Applying the above principle of "Double Reference," or

"Duel Fulfillment," there are numerous verses in the Bible that may give us some insight into what ultimately happens to the United States in the future.



Below is a list of the characteristics of an end-time, latter-day nation. I'll challenge you to find another country, other than the United States, that fully fits this description!

Who Is This Nation?

The Bible calls this unnamed nation, "Babylon," and sometimes refers to it as the "Daughter of Babylon." These characteristics of Babylon are taken from verses in Jeremiah 50, 51, Isaiah 18, 47 and Revelation 17, 18.

These scriptures record a fascinating description of a nation that has much wisdom, wealth and knowledge, thinks it is secure and invincible, but is suddenly totally destroyed.



Bordered By Many Waters

"O you who dwell by many waters," Jer 51:13

"The sea has come up over Babylon; She has been engulfed with its

tumultuous waves." Jer 51:42

This is a nation who is bordered by "many waters." Later you will see that it also imports primarily by ships. It is important to note that Babylon in Iraq has two relatively small ports on only one ocean. In comparison, the U.S. is virtually surrounded by water. It has no less than 15 major ports, on three oceans, 5 Great Lakes and the Mississippi River.



Has A Mother Nation

"Your mother will be greatly ashamed, she who gave you birth will be humiliated. Behold, she will be the (youngest) of the nations" Jer 50:12

This nation has a mother nation . . . like the U.S. has a mother nation - Great Britain. And this nation is the youngest of the world's superpowers at the end of the Church Age.



Militarily Strong

"How the hammer of the whole earth...has been cut off and broken!" Jeremiah 50:23

He says, "You are My war-club, My weapon of war;" Jer 51:20

This nation is the military hammer of the earth.



Large Importing Nation

"Come to her from the farthest border; open up her barns," Jer 50:26

"And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn over her, because no one buys their cargoes any more . . ." Rev 18:11



A Wealthy Nation

"...all who had ships at sea became rich by her wealth" Rev 18:19

"....such great wealth..." Rev 18:17

This nation is agriculturally abundant, wealthy, has world-wide influence and is a large importing nation via the sea.



An Educated Nation

"A sword against . . . her wise men!" Jer 50:35

This nation is very educated.



Population Diversity

"A sword against... all the foreigners who are in the midst of her," Jer 50:37

This nation is full of foreigners, legal and/or illegal. The King James Version calls it a "Mingled-People Nation." The U.S. is about as "mingled" as a nation can get!

Abundant in Natural Resources

"... A sword against her treasures, . . . " Jer 50:37b

"Abundant in treasures, . . ."
Jer 51:13

This nation had been blessed by God.





A Nation Full of Idols

". . . Her images have been put to shame, her idols have been shattered." Jer 50:2d

". . . it is the land of graven images, and they are mad upon their idols." Jeremiah 50:38

The nation in question has a lot of "images." How would Isaiah describe TV, movies, or the Internet 3000 years

ago? And, any way you define "idol," the United States is full of them. An idol is anything that you put before God.

Money, cars, sex, TV, football, pornography, self, etc., would certainly qualify as "idols." Amazingly, one of the top TV shows in the United States is named American Idol!, and we have a national magazine titled "SELF." If the shoe fits...



Space Program?

"Though Babylon should ascend to the heavens." Jer 51:53

If that is a reference to this nation taking space shots, it certainly narrows the field of prospective countries that could qualify!

Has Become Arrogant

". . . For she has become arrogant against the LORD, against the Holy One of Israel." Jer 50:29
"Behold, I am against you, O arrogant one," declares the Lord GOD of hosts, for your day has



come, the time when I will punish you." Jer 50:31

This nation "has become arrogant against the Lord," indicating that at one time the nation was once humble to

the Lord. Not just arrogant against God, but specifically arrogant against Jesus Christ, the "Holy One of Israel."

Maybe the 50 million deaths of innocent babies via abortion, being the pornography distribution center of the world, and taking God out of the classroom had something to do with it.

Daughter of Babylon

". . . Against you, O daughter of Babylon." Jer 50:42c

This nation is also referred to as the "daughter" of Babylon. Not the original Babylon, but another country.



Attacked from the North

"a nation has come up against her out of the north;" Jer 50:3

"For the destroyers will come to her from the north," Jer 51:48

The nation is attacked from the north. Interestingly, Russia (Gog) is aligned with Iran (Persia) in the Ezekiel 38/39 post-Rapture invasion of Israel. If the U.S. did receive a nuclear attack from Russia, it would come to the United States over the North pole, "from the north."

The U.S. could be the "coastlands" (Ezek 39:6) who also get attacked in the Gog invasion.



Rapture Related?

"At the shout, 'Babylon has been seized!' the earth is shaken, and an outcry is heard among the nations." Jer 50:46 This "shout" might be a reference to the Rapture (I Thess 4:16), indicating it is still a future event. The earth will definitely be

shaken at the Rapture.



God Allowed Luxury, Culture and Industry

"The fruit you long for has gone from you, and all things that were luxurious and splendid have passed away from you and men will no longer find them." Rev 18:14



"And the sound of harpists and musicians and flute-players and trumpeters will not be heard in you any longer; and no craftsman of any craft will be found in you any longer; and the sound of a mill will not be heard in you any longer;" Rev 18:22

"Babylon has been a golden cup in the hand of the LORD, intoxicating all the earth. The nations have drunk of her wine;" Jer 51:7

This nation lives in luxury and splendor

with many musicians, craftsmen and mills/factories. It is quite an advanced nation, allowed by God Himself.

Worldwide Merchants

"...your merchants were the great men of the earth.." Rev 18:23

This nation reaches the far corners of the earth with her dominating trade.





Happens Without Warning

"Suddenly Babylon has fallen and been broken;" Jeremiah 51:8

"for in one hour such great wealth has been laid waste!" Revelation 18:17

"these things shall come on you suddenly in one day..." Is 47:9

"...destruction about which you do not know will come on you suddenly." Isaiah 47:11

"Suddenly" could be another reference to the Rapture or possibly a post-Rapture nuclear attack that takes out this nation. The phrase "in one hour" could also be translated "in a moment." The Greek word used there, "hora" was translated "moment" in two other places in the Bible. So it too could be a reference to the Rapture.

Has Good And Bad

"For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: "The daughter of Babylon is like a threshing floor At the time it is stamped firm; Yet in a little while the time of harvest will come for her." Jeremiah

This nation is compared to a "threshing floor." It is a nation that for the moment has both good and bad people, but eventually God promises to come get the good (cleansed by Jesus' blood--at Rapture).



51:33

Lots of Whirring

"Alas, oh land of whirring wings..." Is 18:1

This nation has a lot of "whirring" going on. Airplanes, helicopters, and other engines make a whirring sound

Sends Diplomats Worldwide

"Which sends envoys by the sea, Even in papyrus vessels on the surface of the waters.

Go, swift messengers, to a nation tall and smooth, To a people feared far and wide, A powerful and oppressive nation whose land the rivers divide." Isaiah 18:2



This end-time nation sends diplomats around the world, is considered "tall and smooth," is known worldwide and has plenty of water due to many rivers dividing the land.

So, for those that insist that Babylon MUST be rebuilt in Iraq to fulfill Bible prophecy, I submit Iraq doesn't fit the above scriptures. Iraq is not bordered on many waters, it is not the world's military hammer, it is not full of wise men, it is not a mingled people nation, it is not the world's largest importer, it is not a new/young nation, it does not have plenty of water and certainly doesn't take space shots!

This nation, whoever it is, is wiped out in one hour, either by the Rapture or a nuclear attack soon after the Rapture. Could this be the United States? With the Church gone, and nothing but liberal non-Believers left, in God's perfect timing, it sure seems to fit!

But in the meantime, God bless America!

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