

Pastor Lucas Cunningham Southside Baptist Church Sunday, March 13, 2022

1.	WHAT ARE THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES? 1. Wars and rumors of wars 2. Plagues 3 4. Earthquakes 5. The Anti-Christ 6. The of Israel Ezekiel 37 7. A of nations invading Israel Ezekiel 38
2.	IS THE WAR BETWEEN RUSSIA & UKRAINE THE END OF THE WORLD? ANSWER: NO, BUT I BELIEVE IT IS A SETUP FOR A IN <i>EZEKIEL 38</i> .
A.	is a person. Whoever Gog is, he is from the land of Magog and is the leader of Tubal and Meshek. (Some translations add "Rosh" to the list.)
В.	They are in a confederacy of other nations: Persia, Cush, Put, Gomer, and Beth Togarmah. <i>Ezekiel 38:5-6</i>
C.	The nations with Russia for this military endeavor are Persia (modern-day Iran), Put (modern-day Libya), Cush (modern-day Sudan), Gomer (part of modern-day Turkey), and Beth Togarmah (Armenia).
D.	 Magog is a land "in the far north" from Israel's point of view Ezekiel 38:15; 39:2 Most Bible commentators interpret "Magog" as Russia - and, indeed, Russia is of Israel, all the way up to the Arctic Circle. According to this view, "Rosh" is a reference to Russia, "Meshek" is either Moscow or the people north of the Black Sea (the area of sourthern Russia and Ukraine), and "Tubal," which is always listed with Meshek in Scripture, is identified as a city in Siberia or an area in central Turkey.
E.	God promises to Gog's army. Ezekiel 38:22
3.	THE GOOD NEWS & BAD NEWS ABOUT THE FUTURE A. The Rapture should us. B. The Rapture delivers the church from C. There will be a time of & persecution.

Connection Group Questions

Further Study on the Sermon from March 13, 2022

1.	In the recent past, there have been a ton of movies and shows about the
	apocalypse. Which ones stand out in your mind, and what was unique
	about them?

- 2. Do you think we are experiencing any of the "Signs of the Times?"
- 3. Does the thought of the Rapture comfort you, scare you, or encourage you?
- 4. Are you more concerned about prepping for retirement or prepping for eternity?
- 5. Look Up: The Rapture is the subject of three main passages in the New Testament. *John 14:1-3; 1 Corinthians 15:51-54; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17*
- 6. **2 Peter 3:3-4** says, "Most importantly, I want to remind you that in the last days scoffers will come, mocking the truth and following their own desires. ⁴They will say, 'What happened to the promise that Jesus is coming again? From before the times of our ancestors, everything has remained the same since the world was first created."
 - How can you prepare your family to deal with being mocked for being a follower of Jesus?
- 7. Please take this time to pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia.