## EUROPE

# THE KING OF THE SOUTH

## **& THE MIDDLE EAST**

#### WHICH MIDDLE EASTERN NATIONS WILL ALIGN WITH EUROPE? & WHICH WILL COMPRISE THE 'KING OF THE SOUTH'?



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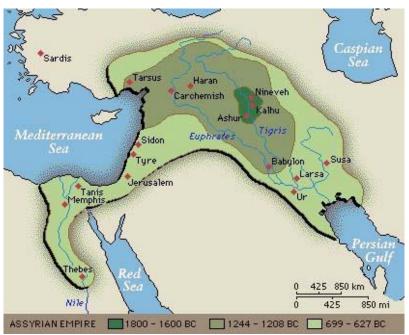
#### **Introductory Comments**

Who will be the 'King of the South' found in the famous prophecy of Daniel 11? Herbert W Armstrong's booklet, *The Middle East in Prophecy*, provides the single best summary and explanation of chapter 11 of Daniel – as well as information on this King of the South.

But questions remain concerning the various Arabic nations which are allied to Europe in certain prophecies. Why is this so and how do they differ, if at all, from the King of the South?

So, what I am attempting to show is that there may be a difference between the King of the South and other Middle Eastern peoples.<sup>1</sup>

What part do they play in prophecy and which current nations in northern Africa and the Middle East are identified in the prophecies of the Old Testament?



Assyria - the original 'King of the North'

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> My hand written notes extending back to about 1977/78 are, alas, packed in boxes, so I am forced to rely on memory and other bits I have written.

#### **European invasion of the Middle East**

In Daniel chapter 11 we are told about the historical conflicts that will lead to one final European invasion of the Middle East.

In brevity, Daniel 11 may be summarised below:

- Medo-Persian Empire (vv1-2)
- Greece and Alexander the Great with his Empire divided into four upon his death (vv3-12)
- Antiochus Epiphanes (vv13-39)
- Ethiopia and Mussolini (v40) (as a type of future events)
- Future fascist US of Europe and events leading to the return of the Messiah (vv41-45)

Of course, there is much duality here. For instance:

v20: "raiser of taxes" could be Kaiser Wilhelm II of the House of Hohenzollern (= raiser of taxes)

v21: while the 'vile person' could be Hitler

v22-45: the end-time Beast and the coming treaty he will have with the House of Israel and Judah

v31-39 are also prophecies of the Great False Church and persecution of the True Church in the Middle Ages

A brief scan of history will reveal a basic template or model of European invasion of North Africa and Palestine:

- Ancient Greece
- Roman Empire's invasion of Carthage and Near East
- Crusades
- Napoleon's invasion of Egypt as a stepping stone to India
- Germans assisting their Turkish allies in WWI
- Italian wars in Ethiopia in 1890s and 1930s
- Germany and Italy in WWII

The precedent has been set. A future invasion of northern Africa and Palestine/Israel is on the cards. A fascist European Union will invade the region in the years ahead.

But if they have allies (as did the Germans in WWI and WWII), which nations might be allied to Europe in future?



The Roman Empire, 14 and 117 C.E. At its fullest extent, the Roman Empire included the entire Mediterranean and Black Sea worlds and all of western Europe, as well as the ancient civilizations of Egypt and Mesopotamia.

#### The Roman Empire invaded North Africa and the Holy Land – continuation of the 'King of the North' tradition

In Psalms chapter eighty-three stands a vital prophecy, a pivotal prophecy if you wish, concerning certain peoples of the Middle East:

"Keep not Thou silence O God ...

For lo, Thine enemies make a tumult ...

They have taken crafty counsel against Thy people ...

They have said, 'Come and let us cut them off from being a nation: that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.'

They are confederate against thee:

The Tabernacles of Edom **[Turkey and Central Asia]**, and the Ishmaelites **[Saudi Arabia]**, Of Moab **[Jordan, with some in Syria and Iraq]** and the Hagarenes **[Saudi Arabia]**:

Gebal [in Lebanon] and Ammon [Jordan], and Amalek [Central Asians]: the Philistines [Berbers and possibly the Palestinians] with the inhabitants of Tyre [southern Italians, symbolic also of the U.S. of Europe]

Assur [Germany] also is joined with them" (Ps 83:1-8).

Notice: Germany is in the picture! And Egypt, Ethiopia and northern Africa are not mentioned as allies of Germany.

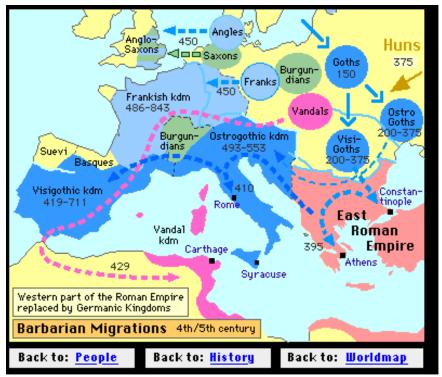
But Turkey, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq are.

Consider the historical precedence: in WWI, the Turks were close allies of the Axis forces as were many of the Arabs. In WWII, they maintained neutrality because of the impacts of the Great War. Should they have aligned with the Fascists militarily, there may have been a different outcome. If the Turks had combined with the Iraqis and Iranians (whose populace were German sympathizers), the Russian Caucasus and India would probably have fallen to them.

In any event, certain prophecies indicate that many of the Middle Eastern Arabs and Turks will once again be allies of the soon-coming National European Socialist Empire! That is why they will initially escape the wrath of Europe (Dan 11:41). But Egypt, Ethiopia and Libya (ie the northern African nations) or "King of the South" will be deemed enemies of Europe and worthy of invasion (Dan 11:42-43; Ezek 30:4-5; 32:17-24; Is 20:4-6; Nah 3:8-10).

It seems that later, Europe may even turn on their Arabian and other Middle Eastern allies, slaughtering and destroying the populace (see Is 16:7-8; 21:13-17; Jer 49:28-29; 47:1-4; Zech 9:5-6).

In this way God will punish the Arabs, as He will all nations, teaching them a lesson they will both deserve and never forget. Yet, upon the return of the Messiah, they will repent of their past deeds and learn to serve Him – as all peoples will.



Germanic tribes, including Assyrians, inherited the Roman Empire

## The Historical King of the South

Does the King of the South represent the Arabs? Not really: the historical King of the South has always been the descendants of Cush and other African peoples.

What about the Islamics and their nations extending from north Africa right through the Middle East, Central Asia, Pakistan, Malaysia and Indonesia (the latter is the largest Islamic nation on earth). Will they be part of the King of the South?

In the first instance it is important to realise that the King of the South represents races and nations – not a religion – although religion will no doubt be a major factor in this scenario.

So what does this mean in terms of prophecy and which nations are involved with this end-time power? Which nations comprise this combine and will they have other allies? Will the Islamic nations be consolidated and unified under a single leader? Will there be a temporary union of all the nations of northern Africa and the Middle East or at least two rival blocks among the Islamics?

Perhaps the latter: just as some Arab nations backed the USA in its invasion of Iraq; just as they are split ethnically; just as they are divided between Sunni and Shiite, so it seems that they will be divided into rival forces in the last days. One pro-European, the other antagonistic.

Currently the following views are extant regarding the identity of the King of the South:

- Ethiopia
- Northern Africa
- North Africa and much of the Middle East
- North Africa, the entire Middle East (including Iran) plus the Islamic nations of Pakistan, Malaysia and Indonesia

In considering which comprise the King of the South, we should, in the first instance, identify the King of the South in history.

Prophecy reveals a certain "King of the South" which vexes the "King of the North" (a German-led United Europe – modern Babylon or Tyre leading to the latter's invasion of northern Africa):

"At the time of the end the king of the South shall attack him; and the king of the North shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter the countries, overwhelm *them*, and pass through.

"He shall also enter the Glorious Land, and many *countries* shall be overthrown; but these shall escape from his hand: Edom **[Turkey]**, Moab **[Jordan with some in Syria and Iraq]**, and the prominent people of Ammon **[Jordan]**.

"He shall stretch out his hand against the countries, and the land of **Egypt** shall not escape.

"He shall have power over the treasures of gold and silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt; also the Libyans [Hebrew "Lubim" = the Fulbe and other northern Africans] and Ethiopians [Hebrew "Cush" = East Africa and also perhaps India] *shall follow* at his heels.

"But news from the east and the north shall trouble him; therefore he shall go out with great fury to destroy and annihilate many." (Dan 11:40-44)

According to this scripture the "King of the South" is comprised by Egypt, Sudan, Somalia, Ethiopia and perhaps various other African nations. So, a future "King of the South", then, will most likely be comprised of an alliance, albeit loose, of the nations of north and east Africa (this does not discount that they may have some allies in the Saudi Peninsula or that they may all be aligned together at first, prior to a falling out).

Notice: there is no mention of Iran, Saudi Arabia or other Middle Eastern nations as antagonists toward Europe in Daniel 11. To the contrary, Turkey, Jordan and others are portrayed as allies of the King of the North.



The EU – genesis of a fascist anti-Anglo-Saxon, European Empire. The new 'King of the North'

#### Comparison of Psalm 83 with Daniel 11

Below are a list of prophecies on the nations of northern Africa and the Middle East. Look up each one of them and see what God's Word reveals about them (extracted from *In Search of ... the Origin of Nations*):

Psalm 83	Daniel 11	Other Prophecies	Comment
Assur	King of the North		German-led Europe
	King of the South		North & East Africa
	Egypt	Isa 20:1-6; Ezek 29:1-12; 30:1-5, 6-26; 31:2-3, 10-12; 32:1-16; Jer 46:1-24; Nah 3:8-10 and Isa 19:1-25; Jer 25:19; Hos 7:16; 9:6; 12:1; Joel 3:19; Amos 2:10; 3:1; Nah 3:9; Zech 10:11; Ps 68:31; Jer 44:1; Ezek 29:14; Deut 2:43; Amos 9:7	Egyptians
	Phut	Ezek. 27;10; 30:5; 38:5; Dan 11:43; Jer 46:9	Black Africans
	Cush	Psa. 68:31; 72:10; 87:4; Isa. 11:11. See also Is. 20:3-5; 43:3; 45:14; Ezek. 29:10; 30:4-5, 9; 38:5; Jer. 46:9; Dan 11:43; Amos 9:7; Hab. 3:7; Nah. 3:9; Zeph. 2:12.	East Africans
	Lubim	Dan. 11:43	Fulbe
Edom	Edom		Turkey
Moab	Moab		Jordan, some in Syria & Iraq
Ammon	Ammon	Is 11:14; 16:1-5, 13-14; Jer 9:26; 12:5; 25:21; 27:3; 48:9-11; 49:1-3, 6-9; 50:44; Ezek 25:1-10; 21:30; Zeph 2:8-11; Zech 11:3; Amos 2:1-3	Jordan
Ishmael		Jer 2:10; 3:2; 25:23-24; 49:28; Ezek 29:21; ls 42:11; 60:7	Saudi Arabia and Northern Egypt
Hagarenes			Saudi Arabia
Gebal		Lebanon: ls 10:34; 14:18; 29:17; 33:9; 37:24; 40:16; 60:13; Ezek 26:5; Jer 47:4;	Lebanon

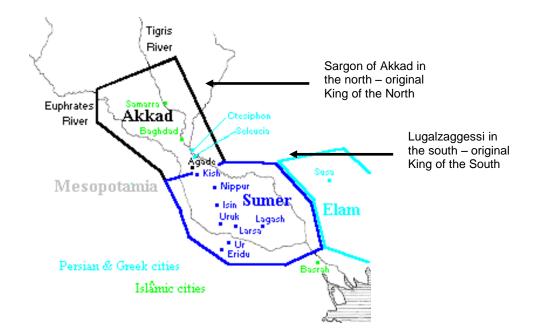
	Hab 2:17; Zech 11:1-6	
Amalek		Central Asiatics
Philistines		Berbers (possibly also the Palestinians)
Tyre		Southern Italy & southern Europe

A study synchronising the above will be released in due course.

Historically, the Ptolemaic Kingdom (King of the South) was confined to Egypt, Libya, northern Ethiopia or Sudan and Sinai. It never included Jordan, Syria, Iraq, Saudi Arabia or Iran.

It may be of interest to the reader that the earliest leader after the Flood of Noah, who ruled the Cushites in the south of Mesopotamia (there were no Arabs or Iranians at that time), was Lugalzaggessi, the son of Ukush. This may have been Nimrod, son of Cush. Mesopotamian accounts record how Lugalzaggessi was conquered by Sargon of Akkad from the north, who was likely Assur himself (this is discussed in more detail in the paper *Ancient Roots of the King of the North and King of the South*).

This commenced the king of the north versus king of the south tensions which continues into the last days. So it was back then; so it was in the time of Mussolini; and so it will be again.



## **Concluding Remarks**

It is clear that there is a difference between the King of the South and other Middle Eastern nations referred to in various prophecies. The precise dividing line between them cannot be detected with precision at the moment, but clarity is bound to emerge over time.



Ein Volk ein Reich ein Führer? Will another Hitler arise to unite Europe into a single military superpower?

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