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In the world news today, we see all nations lining up for war, and not just conventional war but nuclear wars that will darken the sun and burn the earth in one hour. This scenario is prophesied as well as confirmed by scientific tests. Notice the prophecy of what these bombs can do in this present prophesied generation.

First the Words of Yahshua Messiah:

MATTITHYAH 24:29

Immediately, *but* after the *great* tribulation of those days will the sun be darkened, and the moon will not give her light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

Bombs that can darken the sun? Scientific tests say yes! The following article and essay from *Discover* magazine deals directly with the consequences of nuclear war.

Dr. Thomas was one of the four American scientists who, at the invitation of Senators Edward Kennedy and Mark Hatfield, met in Washington in December for a three-hour open discussion with four Soviet counterparts. The subject of their discussion: the nuclear winter (DISCOVER).

Two scientific reports have recently been published, dealing with the probable effects of nuclear war upon the earth's climate and the life of the planet. The first discovery is already widely known within the scientific community of climatologists, geophysicists, and biologists here and abroad, and has



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Yahweh's Last Days' Anointed Witness, Yisrayl Hawkins, developed a love and passion for the Sacred Scriptures at an early age, which led him on his life-long path of studying and teaching the Laws and Prophecies found within those Scriptures.

As a dedicated teacher and long-time promoter of world peace, he witnessed to dozens of leaders in the United States and abroad concerning the direction the world was heading and the imminent dangers ahead.

He was an accomplished author, having written over 50 books and booklets relating to the Scriptures and world events, along with a monthly magazine, *The Prophetic Word*, and The House of Yahweh Newsletter. He also gave sermons and taped a program called *The Prophetic Word Program*, weekly.

Yisrayl Hawkins, the beloved Pastor and Overseer of The House of Yahweh, completed His work here on earth on Moshah 01, 2021 (10/08/2021) and is presently sleeping, awaiting the resurrection shown in Revelation 20. His work of serving The House of Yahweh congregations and community, the world at large, and the work that he lived for—bringing true peace, joy, and abundant living to all of mankind—is continuing throughout the world by his seed, the sons and daughters of the House of Yahweh as prophesied in Revelation 11:8-9.

All of his publications and broadcasts are available through The House of Yahweh.

BOOKS OF THE SACRED SCRIPTURES

As Written in The Book of Yahweh

The following information is given to assist you with the true names of the Apostles and Prophets within the Sacred Scriptures...

PART ONE "OLD TESTAMENT"					
Genesis	Genesis	II Chronicles	II Chronicles	Daniyl	Daniel
Exodus	Exodus	Ezrayah	Ezra	Hosheyah	Hosea
Leviticus	Leviticus	Nehemyah	Nehemiah	Yahyl	Joel
Numbers	Numbers	Hadassah	Megilla Esther	Amosyah	Amos
Deuteronomy	Deuteronomy	Yahshub/lyyob	Job	Obadyah	Obadiah
Yahshua	Joshua	Psalm	Psalm	Yahnah	Jonah
Judges	Judges	Proverbs	Proverbs	Micahyah	Micah
Riyyah	Ruth	Ecclesiastes	Ecclesiastes	Nachumyah	Nahum
I Samuyl	I Samuel	Song of Songs	Song of Solomon	Habakkuk	Habakkuk
II Samuyl	II Samuel	Isayah	Isaiah	Zephanyah	Zephaniah
I Kings	I Kings	Yeremyah	Jeremiah	Chagyah	Haggai
II Kings	II Kings	Lamentations	Lamentations	Zecharyah	Zechariah
I Chronicles	I Chronicles	Yechetzqyah	Ezekiel	Malakyah	Malachi

PART TWO "NEW TESTAMENT"					
Mattithyah	Matthew	Ephesians	Ephesians	Hebrews	Hebrews
Yahchanan Mark	Mark	Philippians	Philippians	Yaaqob	James
Luke	Luke	Colossians	Colossians	I Kepha	I Peter
Yahchanan	John	I Thessalonians	I Thessalonians	II Kepha	II Peter
Acts	Acts	II Thessalonians	II Thessalonians	I Yahchanan	I John
Romans	Romans	I Timayah	I Timothy	II Yahchanan	II John
I Corinthians	I Corinthians	II Timayah	II Timothy	III Yahchanan	III John
II Corinthians	II Corinthians	Titus	Titus	Yahdah	Jude
Galatians	Galatians	Philemon	Philemon	Revelation	Revelation

The Book of Yahweh, The Holy Scriptures is used exclusively throughout this article unless otherwise indicated.

ISAYAH 34:16

Search out The Book of Yahweh, and read. Not one of these will be neglected. For it is written: Yahweh is their shepherd; for His mouth has commanded it, and His Spirit has gathered them.

The Book of Yahweh is the complete writings of the Inspired Prophets of Yahweh and the Apostles of Yahshua Messiah, all in one Book. However, many are unfamiliar with *The Book of Yahweh* because it was taken to Rome during the removal of The House of Yahweh (Temple) in Jerusalem, and hidden in Rome for over 1,500 years. Later, the Catholic Church was forced to let a rendition (*King James Version*) of it out to the public but only with the true Names of the Creator, Yahweh and the Savior, Yahshua replaced with the titles Lord and God.

Many years of research went into restoring *The Book of Yahweh*, which was made available in 1987 by The House of Yahweh in Abilene, Texas. For more information about the history behind the conspiracy of the Catholic Church to take away the pure word of Yahweh, call, write or email The House of Yahweh.

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- The Book of Yisrayl, Volumes 1-21
- The Book of Yisrayl, Special Edition 1-6
- The Book of Yisrayl, Special Legacy Edition
- The Book of Yisrayl, Children's Edition, Volumes 1-8
- The Mark of the Beast, Volumes 1 & 2
- La Marca De La Bestia
- The Two Witnesses
- The Lost Faith of the Apostles and prophets: History and Prophecy
- Why The Holy Garments?
- Deceptions Concerning Yahweh's Calendar of Events
- Did Yahshua Messiah Pre-Exist?
- Devil Worship...The Shocking Facts
- Unveiling Satan, Her True Identity Revealed
- Can We Avoid The Next Holocaust?
- In Search of a Savior
- There Is Someone Out There!
- The Peaceful Solution For All Nations
- The End
- Birth of the Nuclear Baby--The Explosion of Sin
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been confirmed in detail by scientists in the Soviet Union. Computer models demonstrate that a nuclear war involving the exchange of less than one third of the total American and Soviet arsenal will change the climate of the entire Northern Hemisphere, shifting it abruptly from its present seasonal state to a long, sunless, frozen night. This will be followed after some months by a settling of nuclear soot and dust, then by a new malignant kind of sunlight, with all of its ultraviolet band, capable of blinding most terrestrial animals, no longer shielded from the earth by the ozonosphere. In the same research, new calculations of the extent and intensity of radioactive fallout predict the exposure of large land areas to much more intense levels of radiation than expected. The report is referred to as TTAPS, an acronym derived from the investigators' names: Turco, Toon, Ackerman, Pollack, and Sagan.

The second piece of work, by Paul Ehrlich and 19 other distinguished biologists, demonstrates that the predictions of TTAPS mean nothing less than the extinction of much of the earth's biosphere, very possibly involving the Southern Hemisphere as well as the Northern.

Taken together, the two papers change everything in the world about the prospect of thermonuclear warfare. They have already received a careful and critical review by scientists representing the disciplines concerned, here and abroad, and there already appears to be an unprecedented degree of concurrence with the technical details as well as the conclusions drawn. In the view of some referees, the TTAPS report may even be understating the climatological damage implied by its data. The 20 biologists' paper, summarized by Professor Ehrlich, represents the consensus arrived at by 40 biological scientists at a meeting in Woods Hole, Massachusetts, last spring.

It is a new world, demanding a new kind of diplomacy and a new logic.

Up to now, the international community of statesmen, diplomats, and military analysts has tended to regard the prospect of nuclear war as a problem only for the adversaries in possession of the weapons. Arms control and the endless negotiations aimed at the reduction of nuclear explosives have been viewed as the responsibility, even the prerogative, of those few nations in actual confrontation. Now all that is changed. There is no nation on earth free of the jeopardy of destruction if any two countries, or groups of countries, embark upon a nuclear exchange. If the Soviet Union and the United States, and their respective allies in the Warsaw Pact and NATO, begin to launch their missiles beyond a still undetermined and ambiguous minimum, neutral states like Sweden and Switzerland are in for the same long-term

effects, the same slow death, as the actual participants. Australia and New Zealand, Brazil and South Africa, could have as much to worry about as West Germany if a full-scale exchange were to take place far to the north.

Up to now, we have all tended to regard any conflict with nuclear arms as an effort by paired adversaries to settle such issues as territorial dominance or ideological dispute. Now, with the new findings before us, it is clear that any territory gained will be, at the end, a barren wasteland, and any ideology will vanish in the death of civilization and the permanent loss of mankind's memory of culture.

The risks of this kind of war have conventionally been calculated by the numbers of dead human beings on either side at the end of the battle, armies and noncombatants together. The terms "acceptable" and "unacceptable," signifying so-and-so many million human casualties, have been used for making cool judgments about the need for new and more accurate weapon systems. From now on, things are different. Leave aside the already taken for granted estimate that in an all-out exchange of, say, 5,000 megatons, something like a billion people would be killed outright by blast, heat, and radiation. Set aside as well the likely fact that more than another billion would die later on, from the delayed effects of the climate and radioactive fallout.

Discover magazine, January/February, 1984

Darkening the sun is one thing these bombs will do but Yahshua Messiah shows it will be even worse. It will burn the earth. Yahshua even tells us how long it will take to do so. Read this:

REVELATION 18:8-10, 17, 19

8 Therefore, her plagues will come in one day—death, and mourning, and famine; and she will be utterly burned with fire; for strong *is* Father Yahweh Who judges her.

9 And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived luxuriously with her, will wail over her, and lament for her, when they will see the smoke of her burning—

10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying: Alas! Alas! That great city Babylon, that mighty city! For in one hour your judgment has come!

17 For in one hour such great riches came to nothing! And every sea captain, and all the company in ships, the sailors, and all who earn their living from the sea, stood afar off,

19 And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying: Alas! Alas, that great city, in which all who had ships in the sea were made rich through her wealth! For in one hour she is made desolate.

Burn the earth in one hour? Yes, read the following interview excerpt.

Atomic Armageddon is just 30 minutes away – former US Navy advisor

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Dr. Theodore Postol, former advisor to the U.S. Chief of Naval Operations, a professor at MIT, nuclear technology expert.

... US and Russia once again are pumping up their nuclear arsenal, and the Doomsday Clock shows it's just three minutes before midnight. Is nuclear destruction looming once again over humankind? ...could Atomic Armageddon happen by accident?...

Sophie Shevardnadze: ...*Ted, President Obama came into the White House calling for "Global Zero" - now, there are plans to spend a trillion dollars on an overall of entire nuclear arsenal. Why is this happening?*

Dr. Theodore Postol: I think this is a consequence of the domestic politics.

SS: *Now, do you believe the U.S. is readying its nuclear forces for direct confrontation with Russia? Do you think nuclear war is possible now? At any scenario, do you see that?*

Dr. TP: I do think that an accidental nuclear war between the U.S. and Russia is possible. ...I do think we are in danger.

SS: *What happens, hypothetically, if there is a nuclear war? Will a doctrine like a mutual destruction doctrine ever work again?*

Dr. TP: ...somebody makes a bad decision with incomplete information, which is almost certainly what happens in the real world - information is never complete - you could have a massive use of nuclear weapons, and that, of course, would end civilization as we know it...

SS: *Now, Ted, tell me something. Explain to an amateur, to me, how does one launch a nuclear weapon? Is it as easy as pressing a button? How long does it take for a nuclear missile to reach its target?*

Dr. TP: The ballistic missile could be fired, basically, within 50 or 60 seconds, more or less, after alert being given to the operators. The rocket will then ignite...then it would release warheads. The warheads would float in the near vacuum of

space under the influence of gravity and momentum, and in about 20-28 minutes would arrive at their targets, re-enter the atmosphere and explode. So the world could be, basically, finished off in anywhere from half hour to an hour upon the arrival of these warheads. ...most nuclear warheads would be delivered in a very short time, probably **within half hour or an hour** interval.

Yahshua Messiah inspired **Revelation 18** to be written in the year 96 A.Y. Neither the knowledge, nor the bombs were available to mankind until 1934, but they were prophesied 3,385 years before they even started. These prophecies prove themselves true, and you should start believing the Scriptures—every Word.

Yahshua also said:

LUKE 24:25

Then He said to them: O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the Prophets have spoken!

The prophesied increase in knowledge and the bombs started in the same year, 1934.

The Evolution of the Modern Computer. An Open Source Graphical History (1934 to 1950)

This is the home of the Computer Evolution File. This file attempts to provide a comprehensive graphical representation of the evolution of the modern computer for the period 1934 to 1950.

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NUCLEAR ABILITY ALSO STARTED IN 1934 Leo Szilard - Patenting the Atomic Bomb

Hungarian physicist, Leo Szilard was the first person to conceive of the nuclear chain reaction and the atomic bomb. He was noted for his contributions to the fields of thermodynamics, biophysics, nuclear physics, and the development of atomic energy.

Leo Szilard was part of the group of scientists that invented the atomic bomb as part of the Manhattan Project.

Leo Szilard - Nuclear Chain Reaction Patent:

On July 4, 1934 Leo Szilard filed the first patent application for the method of producing a nuclear chain reaction aka nuclear explosion. His British patent included a description of a "neutron induced chain reactions to create explosions", and the concept of critical mass. The patent was given to the British War Office as part of the war effort.

nuclearweaponarchive.org

Yahshua inspired the **Book of Revelation** to be written in 96 A.Y., but notice the increase in knowledge and that the bomb didn't start until 1934. That was 1,838 years after the burning of the earth prophecy was given. Both are scientifically accurate.

Read the increase in knowledge prophecy in:

DANIYL 12:4

But you, O Daniyl, shut up the words, and seal the book to the time of The End; many will run to and fro, and knowledge will be increased.

Daniyl 12 was written 534 B.Y. (Before Yahshua). That was 2,468 years before the knowledge increase started in 1934.

Mankind now has the knowledge and the bombs prophesied. The next and last thing on the agenda is the destruction. That will come with the grab for oil and the push for "peace".

REVELATION 6:6

And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying: A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see you do not hurt the oil and the wine.

DANIYL 8:25

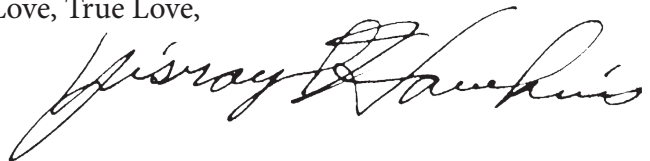
And through his policy, he will also cause craft; *deceit and fraud*, to succeed in his hand; and he will magnify *himself* in his heart, and by peace will destroy many...

Full details of what's occurring in the Middle East are written in our books, *The Mark of the Beast*, Volumes 1 and 2; *The End*, and *Birth of the Nuclear Baby*. *The Mark of the Beast* was written in the 1970s and published in 1985. The 1991 sermon series, *Prophecies For The Middle East*, also gives details concerning the prophecies that are being fulfilled right before our eyes.

Call, write or email for information on these prophecies and the prophesied place of protection. Yes! There is also a prophesied place of protection.

Yahweh bless your understanding.

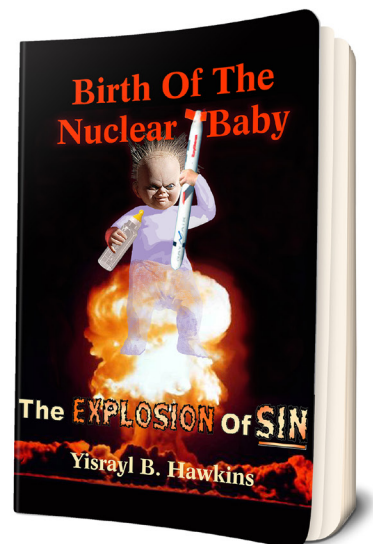
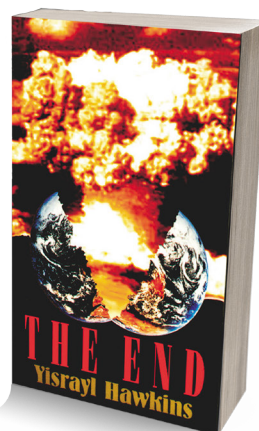
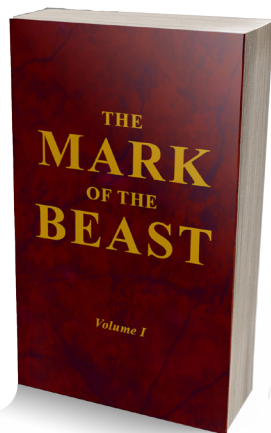
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NUCLEAR WAR IS SOON TO START. NUCLEAR WAR AS SEEN IN THE EYES OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND PROPHECY. 12/09/17

4 You're seeing events from the news shown in action, so to speak, because these news clippings are of live and current events. We see the nations lining up. The war is coming. The nuclear war is very close. The prophecies, there are still a lot of prophecies here to be fulfilled. Eventually we'll cover them all. You have the God worshipers that are preparing for war. President Trump is doing what he has been programmed to do, the king of the north. I hope you're catching all this because if you don't you won't understand the rest of it that will come after and what is planned.

5 There is a trumpet of God, a trumpet of the Gods, the tree of righteousness and evil. Remember evil like the Gods. These things concerning the nations are shown in **Revelation 6** if you'd just look at the moves that the nations have made and are making. Henry Kissinger actually sees them. I don't know if he knows anything about the prophecies or not, probably doesn't.

6 You also have the Trump of Yahweh in the same time period. The information was just handed to me that in 1973 the Name of Yahweh's Work, The House of Yahweh, was revealed by *Biblical Archeology Review*. That was in 1973. This will be brought out in detail later. One of the women will probably be bringing more on that next Sabbath. That was in 1973.

7 In 1974, you had the agreement between President Nixon and the Saudi Arabian king accepting the petrodollar. Much more will be brought on this petrodollar very soon. You've got to acquaint yourself with what is going on here and the oil that they're saying, "Don't hurt." There are seven nations that they have plans to take over to secure the oil.

8 Iran is actually going to be the one that brings the great wars to action which will lead to the expansion of Israel's borders. If you remember the sermons on the

wars in the Middle East [available in *The Seventh Book of Yisrayl*, Part II], I know I brought this information out years ago about how Israel's borders are going to be expanded. That's what you're going to see next with these wars.

14 YAHWEH's Work is reaching the people with the warnings to the world about the preparation of the wars taking place. The Trump of YAHWEH, which is The House of YAHWEH in these Last Days, is taking the Warning of YAHWEH against the Gods, against the house of God. We're saying, your way is going to bring you total destruction. It won't put you in charge. It won't kill the "other side" of the people, only some other group. It's going to kill all sinners. It's going to burn up all sinners. That's what Malakyah says.

15 If you have a King James Version, they call him Malachi because they took the Name of YAHWEH off his name. They did that in the King James Version and all other versions. That's the power of the beast, the house of the Gods. That's their power in order to deceive.

18 *Trump's Speech Recognizing Jerusalem as the Capital of Israel...* I hope you remember that. You might even get your copy and study what he said. I want to point out just a few things. He says, *...Today I am delivering. I've judged this course of action to be in the best interests of the United States of America and the pursuit of peace...* Notice, they keep saying they're in pursuit of peace.

19 If you remember **Daniyl 8**, it shows you that in the Last Days through peace they will destroy many. He specifies in that Chapter that sin must reach its peak. Sin must reach its peak before the destruction takes place. Then "by peace" the houses of Gods will bring these wars to destroy the many. These are what the nations are seeing and fearing.

20 Back to Trump's speech. *...and the pursuit of peace between Israel and the Palestinians. This is a long overdue step to advance the peace process...*

22 Trump says, *...to advance the peace process and to work towards a lasting agreement...* They agree but then their agreements don't last long. After they get home and do a little bookwork, then they change their minds. So Trump is working towards something. *...to advance the peace process and to work towards a lasting agreement.*

23 *...Israel is a sovereign nation...* You can see that Trump knows what he's up against at this time. There are things that have been brought forth in the past that won't just go away. There is an agreement that was prophesied to take place and did take place. YAHWEH gives their every move. He even told them their peace plan would be shut down and when it would shut down. It would only be in operation for three and a half years and then it would be shut down.

27 *...Israel is a sovereign nation with the right, like every other sovereign nation, to determine its own capital...* This sounds great in words but the other side is saying, "No, it's already capitalized in Tel Aviv. Jerusalem belongs to us," the Palestinians say. "It doesn't belong to Israel. Israel was taken out of this land and we took over, so Jerusalem is our capital. Israel can't take it. You're taking it by force. You're taking it illegally." See, this is the can of worms he's opened up here.

28 Trump says, *...Acknowledging this as a fact is a necessary condition for achieving peace...* "By peace" he will destroy many. Remember that. **Daniyl 8.** This is just another move YAHWEH told you about. He forecast it. *...It was 70 years ago that the United States under President Truman recognized the state of Israel...* It was 70 years ago that he recognized it.

34 The United States is making moves, has been making many moves all along in taking over these nations under the guidelines of the Catholic Church or the Vatican. For many years, this has been going on. The other two nations, China and Russia have been building up weapons of defense for their nations, hoping they can survive. They're like the people who are digging holes in the ground and putting three days of food supply down there. I know it's a laugh!

35 If they knew what the Scriptures say and could see it in their mind's eye, they would see the earth like

Hiroshima and Nagasaki. That's what's going to be left of the earth except the tiny place that YAHWEH protects until this thing is over and He moves us to another earth for 1,000 years before we're sent back. It'll take 1,000 years for the earth to clean itself. Try putting something on Hiroshima and Nagasaki and you'll understand what I mean by 1,000 years.

39 *The coming war will be so severe that only one superpower can win, and that's us folks...* Speaking of the United States. I've told you that the United States is prophesied to stay strong clear up to the very end. They're going to stay strong. They're the strongest nation. The United States was set up for The House of YAHWEH so we could teach from here. That's what YAHWEH said and that's what we're doing. We're teaching all nations. How do you think that came about? It couldn't be done in any other nation. Not even the surrounding territories here would have allowed it. Canada and the other nations to the south and west of us would never have allowed it. The United States is held by the laws put in order when they wrote the Constitution.

42 *...and that's us folks. This is why the EU...* Get this. *... This is why the EU is in such a hurry to form a complete superstate because they know what is coming, and to survive, Europe will have to be one whole cohesive state...* The problem is, there's going to be nothing left of Europe except what YAHWEH has made preparations for to begin with, who are individuals, and not land. They're going to come over to you at that time.

43 They know this, he says. He says Europe is going to have to be a really strong superpower in order to keep their lands. This is what he's saying. *...Their urgency tells me that they know full well that the big showdown is upon us. O how I have dreamed of this delightful moment...* This is Henry Kissinger.

44 *... "Control oil and you control nations... These are his words. ...control food and you control the people..."* **Revelation 6** says the same thing. It tells you this is about the oil supply that they want to control. You've heard the news about the petrodollar and the move against it. Well, the strongest nation on earth is the one that has that.

45 ...Mr. Kissinger then added: "If you are an ordinary person, then you can prepare yourself for war by moving to the countryside and building a farm... I wonder where he was referring to and if he knows anything about us or not. These were his words. ...but you must take guns with you, as the hordes of starving will be roaming. Also, even though the elite will have their safe havens and specialist shelters, they must be just as careful during the war as the ordinary civilians, because their shelters can be compromised."

46 ...After pausing for a few minutes to collect his thoughts, Mr. Kissinger, carried on: "We told the military that we would have to **take over seven Middle Eastern countries**... That was reported to us back a few years ago when a man from here, from Baird, went to Washington and came back with this bit of information. He said he cried when he saw what they were going to do to this

country, the United States and the plans they're putting together.

47 ... We told the military that we would have to take over seven Middle Eastern countries for their resources and they have nearly completed their job... That is, the military has nearly completed its job. ... We all know what I think of the military, but I have to say they have obeyed orders superfluously this time. It is just that **last stepping-stone, i.e. Iran which will really tip the balance**. How long can China and Russia stand by and watch America clean up? The great Russian bear and the Chinese sickle will be roused from their slumber and this is when Israel will have to fight with all its might and weapons... Yes, Israel is going to be hit hard also by many nations. ...to kill as many Arabs as it can. Hopefully if all goes well, half the Middle East will be Israeli... That's the plan. Their borders will be expanded but not for long.

AMY GOODMAN: Today, an exclusive hour with General Wesley Clark, the retired four-star general. He was Supreme Allied Commander of NATO during the Kosovo War. He has been awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom. In 2004, he unsuccessfully ran for the Democratic presidential nomination. He recently edited a series of books about famous US generals, including Dwight Eisenhower and Ulysses Grant, both of whom became president after their military careers ended.

AMY GOODMAN: Now, let's talk about Iran. You have a whole website devoted to stopping war.

GEN. WESLEY CLARK: www.stopiranwar.com.

AMY GOODMAN: Do you see a replay in what happened in the lead-up to the war with Iraq — the allegations of the weapons of mass destruction, the media leaping onto the bandwagon?

GEN. WESLEY CLARK: Well, in a way. But, you know, history doesn't repeat itself exactly twice. What I did warn about when I testified in front of Congress in 2002, I said if you want to worry about a state, it shouldn't be Iraq, it should be Iran. But this government, our administration, wanted to worry about Iraq, not Iran.

I knew why, because I had been through the Pentagon right after 9/11. About ten days after 9/11, I went through the Pentagon and I saw Secretary Rumsfeld and Deputy Secretary Wolfowitz. I went downstairs just to say hello to some of the people on the Joint Staff who used to work for me, and one of the generals called me in. He said, "Sir, you've got to come in and talk to me a second." I said, "Well, you're too busy." He said, "No, no." He says, "We've made the decision we're going to war with Iraq." This was on or about the 20th of September. I said, "We're going to war with Iraq? Why?" He said, "I don't know." He said, "I guess they don't know what else to do." So I said, "Well, did they find some information connecting Saddam to al-Qaeda?" He said, "No, no." He says, "There's nothing new that way. They just made the decision to go to war with Iraq." He said, "I guess it's like we don't know what to do about terrorists, but we've got a good military and we can take down governments." And he said, "I guess if the only tool you have is a hammer, every problem has to look like a nail." So I came back to see him a few weeks later, and by that time we were bombing in Afghanistan. I said, "Are we still going to war with Iraq?" And he said, "Oh, it's worse than that." He reached over on his desk. He picked up a piece of paper. And he said, "I just got this down from upstairs" — meaning the Secretary of Defense's office — "today." And he said, "This is a memo that describes how we're going to **take out seven countries** in five years, starting with **Iraq**, and then **Syria, Lebanon, Libya, Somalia, Sudan** and, **finishing off, Iran**." I said, "Is it classified?" He said, "Yes, sir." I said, "Well, don't show it to me." And I saw him a year or so ago, and I said, "You remember that?" He said, "Sir, I didn't show you that memo! I didn't show it to you!"

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