



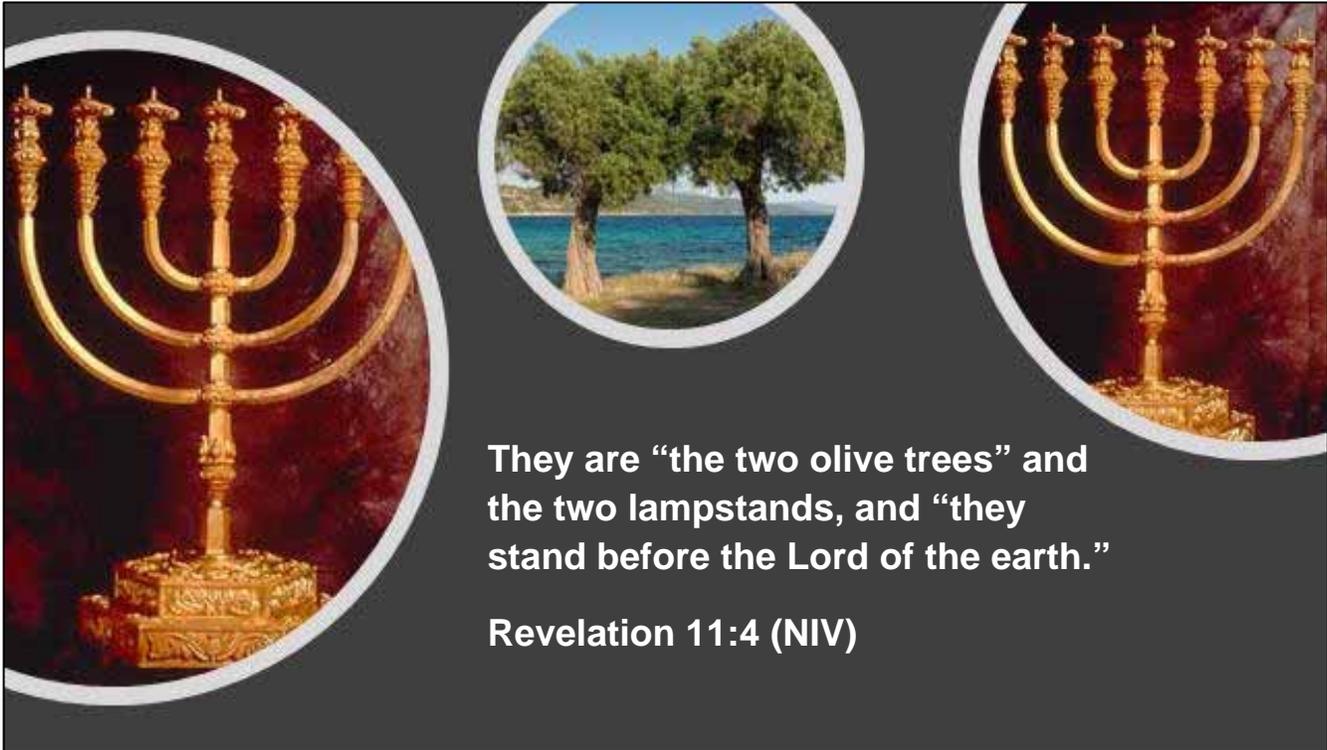
**THE BEAST FROM THE ABYSS KILLS THE TWO WITNESSES
JERUSALEM TRAMPLED FOR 42 MONTHS
REVELATION CHAPTER 11 VERSE BY VERSE COMMENTARY**

SUMMARY OF REVELATION CHAPTER 11

In Revelation chapter 11 John was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, “Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, with its worshipers. But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles.” The holy city is trampled for 42 months.

God appoints His two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days. They are “the two olive trees” and the two lampstands, and “they stand before the Lord of the earth.” When they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them.

The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever.”



Rev 11:1 I was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, “Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, with its worshipers.

Rev 11:2 But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles. They will trample on the holy city for 42 months.

To understand what John measured we must remember that there are two Greek words which are translated to “temple” in English: one (“hieron”) signifies the physical temple building, and the other (“naos”) is the sanctuary itself, the house of God, the Holy of Holies. We must also understand that John is looking into heaven, not at the physical earth. In the prior chapter, which is continuous to this present vision of John, John says he is seeing and hearing from heaven. (Revelation 10:1a “*Then I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven*” and Revelation 10:8a “*Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me once more.*”)

It is the second of these Greek words for temple which is used here by John. John uses “naos” to tell us the actual spiritual sanctuary of God is measured, together with the altar. We are not told which altar is intended. The reason John was commanded to measure the inner court and the spiritual temple was, to show that during all this period there were true believing Christians, who conformed to the rule and measure of God’s word and worship. The “measuring rod” is the Word of God.

In Revelation 11:1, John is told to “measure” the temple of God and the altar with its worshipers. But John is told to exclude the outer court and not to measure it because it has been given to the Gentiles, or in some translations, the “nations.” The Gentiles in their Islamic worship and practice, their prayer to Baal in the Kaaba, taking the mark of the Shahada, profaned it with heathenish superstition and idolatry. God was telling John to use the Word of God as the absolute measurement to determine the true church, the spiritual temple of God, and who the false church was.



Revelation 11:2 (NIV)



But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles. They will trample on the holy city for 42 months.

John was measuring the spiritual temple because John was looking into in heaven. All of Revelation prophecy after Revelation verse 4:1 is in heaven. (Revelation 4:1 *After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this."*) John wrote Revelation in 95 AD and the physical temple in Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 AD.

Measuring is "judging against a standard." When we measure a thing, we take something with a fixed proportion - like a length or a weight that is known or standardized - and we compare it to whatever we are trying to quantify or measure. We see how it measures up: how long it is, how wide it is, how tall it is, how heavy it is, etc. We can also see if it fits a pattern or a template that is necessary for the item to do its part. For entrance to heaven the Word of God is the measurement criteria. The true church acknowledges Jesus is the Son of God. The true words of Jesus will judge all mankind.

John 17:17 (NIV)

"Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth."

John 12:48 (NIV)

"There is a judge for the one who rejects me and does not accept my words; the very words I have spoken will condemn them at the last day."



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John 12:48 (NIV)

Those in the false church (Islam and the Qur'an) would seize the outer court (set up the blasphemous Dome of the Rock and the al-Aqsa Mosque) where the old temple stood before it was destroyed in 70 AD. Islam (the "Gentiles") would then trample Jerusalem for 42 months, or 1278.4 days/years from when the Dome of the Rock (the abomination) was set up in 688 and continue until 1967. The Bible gives no time limitation on possession of the outer court, as Islam still holds the Temple Mount today.

**USE THE BIBLE TRUTH AS “A REED LIKE A MEASURING ROD”
MEASURE FALSE TEACHINGS OF ISLAM BY THE TRUE WORD OF GOD**

Isaiah 28:16-17 (NIV)

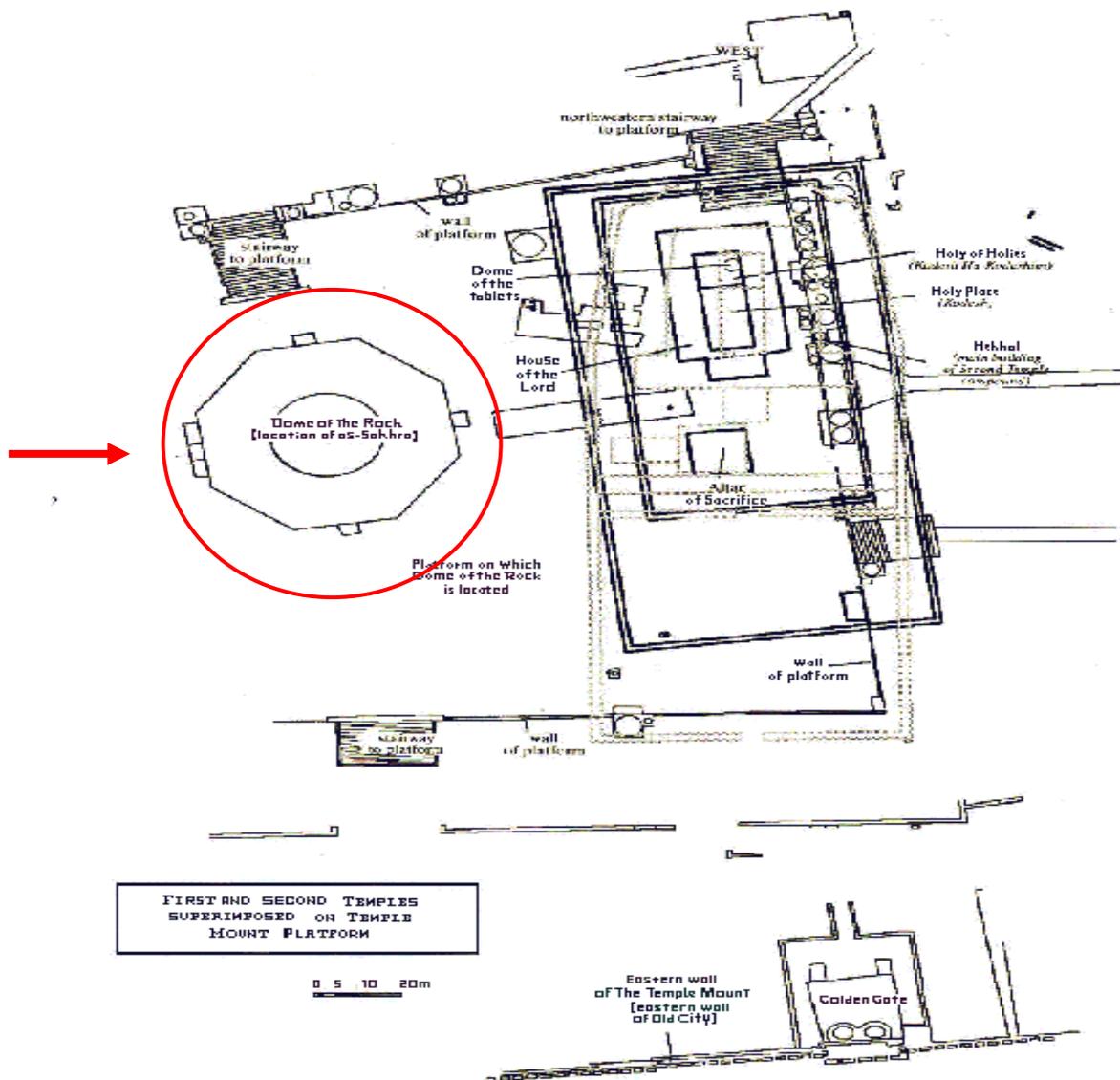
So this is what the Sovereign Lord says: “See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who relies on it will never be stricken with panic. I will make justice the measuring line and righteousness the plumb line; hail will sweep away your refuge, the lie, and water will overflow your hiding place.”

Islam was given the area of the outer court on the Temple Mount. We can “measure” the false teachings of the Qur’an and Islam from the false prophet Mohammad, using the true Word of God, and see that Islam is the most significant false church that Jesus warns us about in Revelation.

False Stories in the Koran

Truth	Bible Verse	Bible Text	Koran Verse	Opposite and False Koran Text
Jesus is the Son of God.	John 14:13	"Whatever you ask in My name, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son."	Koran 17:111	And say, "Praise to Allah , who has not taken a son and has had no partner in his dominion and has no need of a protector out of weakness; and glorify Allah with great glorification."
Jesus was crucified.	Matthew 27:35-37	When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots. And sitting down, they kept watch over him there. Above his head they placed the written charge against him: THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.	Koran 4:157	And for their saying, "Indeed, we have killed the Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, the messenger of Allah ." And they did not kill him, nor did they crucify him; but another was made to resemble him to them. And indeed, those who differ over it are in doubt about it. They have no knowledge of it except the following of assumption. And they did not kill him, for certain.
Jesus rose from the dead.	Matthew 28:5-6	The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.”	Koran 3:55	Allah said, "O Jesus, indeed I will take you and raise you to Myself and purify you from those who disbelieve and make those who follow you in submission to Allah alone superior to those who disbelieve until the Day of Resurrection. Then to Me is your return, and I will judge between you concerning that in which you used to differ.
Jesus is the only path to heaven.	John 14:6	Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”	Koran 4:59	O you who have believed, obey Allah and obey his Messenger [Mohammad] and those in authority among you. And if you disagree over anything, refer it to Allah and the Messenger, if you should believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is the best way and best in result.
The worst sin is blaspheming the Holy Spirit.	Matthew 12:31-32	"And so I tell you, every kind of sin and slander can be forgiven, but blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but anyone who speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come."	Koran 4:171	O People of the Scripture, do not commit excess in your religion or say about Allah except the truth. The Messiah, Jesus, the son of Mary, was but a messenger of Allah and His word which He directed to Mary and a soul created at a command from Him. So believe in Allah and His messengers. And do not say, "Three"; desist - it is better for you. Indeed, Allah is but one God. Exalted is He above having a son.
God first loved us.	1 John 4:19	We love because he first loved us.	Koran 51:56	And I did not create the jinn [angels] and mankind except to worship Me.
Jesus is the only begotten (unique, one of a kind) Son of God.	John 3:16	“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”	Koran 112:3	Allah begets not, nor is He begotten.
Jesus promised he would send the Holy Spirit-the spirit of truth.	John 14:26	"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."	Koran 61:6	Jesus, the son of Mary, said “O Children of Israel! Truly I am the Messenger of God unto you, confirming that which came before me in the Torah and bearing glad tidings of a Messenger to come after me whose name is Ahmad [Mohammad].”

GENTILE GIVEN THE OUTER COURT--THE DOME OF THE ROCK ABOMINATION IS IN THE OUTER COURT OF THE TEMPLE MOUNT



The Bible says to test each spirit to see if they acknowledge Jesus is the Son of God. Islam denies Jesus is the Son of God. The spiritual temple of God is truth. Jesus is truth.

1 John 4:1-3 (NIV)

Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.

John 1:17 (NIV)

For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

THE ABOMINATIONS: THE AL-AQSA MOSQUE AND THE DOME OF THE ROCK

The al-Aqsa mosque (706 AD) is the third holiest site in Sunni Islam and is located on the southern wing of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, along with the Dome of the Rock (688 AD). Both sites are important prophecy markers. Revelation 11:2 says Gentiles will trample the holy city for 42 months. This is 1278.4 day/years from 688 (Dome of the Rock) until Jerusalem was liberated in 1967. Revelation 11:3 and 12:6 tells us there will be 1260 days/years of prophecy and waiting in the wilderness. This was from 688 (Dome of the Rock) to 1948 (Israel restored).

Muslims believe that Mohammad was transported from the Kaaba in Mecca to the site of the Dome of the Rock during the "Night Journey." Mohammad led prayers towards this site until Allah re-directed prayer to the Kaaba. The change in prayer to the Kaaba was when *"The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority."* (Revelation 13:2b) The Kaaba in Mecca holds the Blackstone and the beast of Revelation dwells in the Kaaba.

“And on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.” Daniel 9:27b (NASB)

Besides the Dome of the Rock in the outer court, the al-Aqsa mosque on the wing is important as well. The al-Aqsa mosque sits on the southern wing of the Temple Mount. Daniel's abomination on the wing is the al-Aqsa mosque set up by Umar. Jesus tells the disciples that in the future an abomination spoken of by the prophet Daniel will stand in the holy place where it does not belong. When the people of Israel see it, they should head for the mountains ("wilderness"). Daniel's final seven stretches from 536 BC to 1948, with 706 the mid-point of the final seven. Jeremiah 31:2 tells us before the Jews return to Israel, they will wait in the wilderness for God to call them.



**“PRAISE BE TO ALLAH, WHO HATH NOT TAKEN UNTO HIMSELF A SON”
THE DOME OF THE ROCK INSCRIPTIONS DENY JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD
THIS IS WHY GOD EXCLUDES THE OUTER COURT**



“In the name of Allah, the Merciful the Compassionate. There is no God but Allah. He is One. He has no associate. Say: He is God, the One God!, the eternally Besought of all! He begets not nor was begotten. And there is none comparable unto Him. Mohammad is the Messenger of Allah, the blessing of Allah be on him.”

“In the name of Allah, the merciful the compassionate. There is no god but Allah. He is One. He has no associate. Mohammad is the Messenger of Allah. Lo! Allah and His angels shower blessings on the Prophet.”

“O ye who believe! Ask blessings on him and salute him with a worthy salutation. In the name of Allah, the Merciful the Compassionate. There is no god but Allah. He is One.”

“Praise be to Allah, who hath not taken unto Himself a son, and Who hath no partner in the Sovereignty, nor hath He any protecting friend through dependence. And magnify Him with all magnificence. Mohammad is the Messenger of Allah, the blessing of Allah be on him and the angels and His prophets, and peace be on him, and may Allah have mercy.”

DIFFERENT INTERPRETATIONS OF THE “TEMPLE” IN REVELATION 11

The three main views on the meaning of the “temple” in Revelation are the Preterist (everything was fulfilled by 70 AD), the Dispensational (a third physical temple will be built in the future and animal and grain sacrifices will return) and the Spiritual/Literal (the temple is spiritual with God, and the outer court and trampling of Jerusalem is literal by Islam in the earthly realm). This commentary focuses on the Spiritual/Literal view.

Both the Preterist view as well as the Dispensational view interprets this as a literal, physical temple standing in Jerusalem. The Preterist view is that the temple was the one destroyed in 70 AD, while the Dispensational view is that a third temple will be built. The problem with both these views is that every other reference to the temple by John in the book of Revelation has not been of a literal temple.

There have been some who wished to take this passage (Revelation 11:1) and to interpret it to refer to a literal temple in Jerusalem. But the problem is that it was not only the outer court that was trampled by the Gentiles, but the entire temple was trampled and even destroyed in 70 AD. Others have sought to make this refer to a future temple, but John does not say this is a rebuilt temple. The following chart summarizes the various views of this temple:

Preterist View	Spiritual/Literal View	Dispensational View
It refers to the literal first century temple that was destroyed by Titus.	It uses the symbol of the temple to refer to God’s people, the church.	It refers to a literal future temple to be constructed for an earthly kingdom.
The second physical temple (Herod)	A spiritual temple	A third future temple
The 42 months refer to the time of the Roman War to the fall of Jerusalem in 70 AD.	The 42 months are 1278.4 days/years in Jerusalem 688-1967	The 42 months refer to the halfway mark in a future great tribulation.

John saw the lampstand, an article of temple furniture, and was told that it represented the seven churches. Jesus promised in Revelation 3:12 to make the victorious a pillar in the temple of His God. The ones who come out of great tribulation are described as serving the Lord day and night in His heavenly temple (Revelation 7:15). At the end of chapter 11, the ark of the covenant will be seen in the temple of God which is in heaven (Revelation 11:19). The same language is used in Revelation 14:17 and 15:5. The uses of temple in Revelation are all in the spiritual realm.

When we see the vision of the New Jerusalem, we will read that there is no more temple because the Lord God and the Lamb are its temple (Revelation 21:22).

Rev 11:3 And I will appoint my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth.”

Rev 11:4 They are “the two olive trees” and the two lampstands, and “they stand before the Lord of the earth.”

The two witnesses’ prophecies of Revelation 11 have caused much speculation. Are they humans, symbolic or angels? Revelation chapter 11 prophecies about the two witnesses and the dead bodies coming back to life are connected to Daniel chapter 12 and Ezekiel chapter 37. There is very similar prophetic language in Ezekiel 37 (*“breathe into these slain, that they may live”*) and Daniel 12 (*“Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake”*) about seemingly dead slain Jewish bodies coming back to life. Many prophecy experts have viewed Ezekiel 37 as symbolic of Jewish people returning to Israel, but see Daniel 12 as a literal resurrection. Both Bible texts most likely are describing the same events that are described in even more detail in Revelation chapter 11.

Revelation is written in two dimensions, the spiritual realm and the earthy human realm. The two witnesses’ prophecy can be only understood when viewed in both dimensions.

The prophecies are fulfilled in both the human earthly realm with Jews trapped in Islamic countries for three and one half years (Operation Ezra and Nehemiah; May 1948 to the end of 1951), and a battle in the spiritual realm with the beast from the abyss overpowering the archangels Gabriel and Michael.

Ezekiel 37:9 (NIV)

Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.’”

Daniel 12:2 (NIV)

Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt.

1933		1945	1948	1951	1967
Hitler In Power	Holocaust	WW II Ends	Israel Restored	Operation Ezra & Nehemiah	Jerusalem Liberated

The remnant of saved believing Jews comes out of this migration back to Israel is the vision of Ezekiel chapter 37. Daniel says the believing Jews have everlasting life. (Daniel 12:2b *“some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt.”*) These events all were fulfilled right after the Holocaust when two thirds of the Jews were killed in the land. (Daniel 12:1; *“a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time.”* And Zechariah 13:8; *“In the whole land declares the Lord, two-thirds will be struck down and perish; yet one-third will be left in it.”*)

SPIRITUAL REALM



Michael and Gabriel Killed by the Beast

HUMAN EARTHLY REALM



Jews Trapped in Islamic Countries 3 ½ Years

THE VALLEY OF THE DRY BONES--EZEKIEL 37



Ezekiel 37: The Lord said “come up out of your graves”

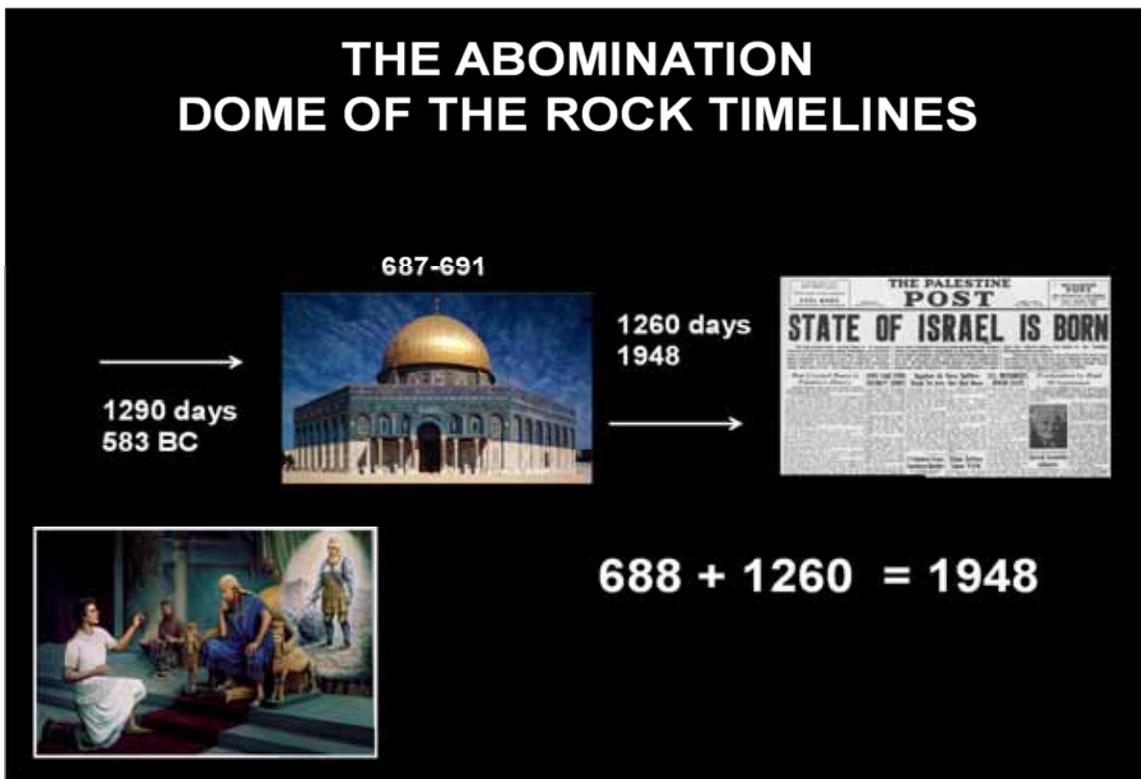
Ezekiel 37:1-6 (NASB)

The hand of the Lord was upon me, and He brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of the valley; and it was full of bones. He caused me to pass among them round about, and behold, there were very many on the surface of the valley; and lo, they were very dry. He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O Lord God, You know." Again He said to me, "Prophecy over these bones and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.' Thus says the Lord God to these bones, 'Behold, I will cause breath to enter you that you may come to life. I will put sinews on you, make flesh grow back on you, cover you with skin and put breath in you that you may come alive; and you will know that I am the Lord.'"

Ezekiel 37:12-13 (NASB)

Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God, "Behold, I will open your graves and cause you to come up out of your graves, My people; and I will bring you into the land of Israel. Then you will know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves and caused you to come up out of your graves, My people.'"

Daniel 12:11-12 tells us it will be 1290 days/years until the abomination is set up. This time period was 583 BC until 688 AD. Revelation 11:2 tells us that the non-believing Gentiles will be given the outer court of the Temple Mount, and this sets the timeline. This is the Islamic Dome of the Rock on the Temple Mount. It was constructed between 687 and 691 AD with a mid-point of 688/689. The Islamic writings on the Dome of the Rock blaspheme Christ by saying "God did not have a Son" and deny the Holy Spirit. Messianic Israel was in the wilderness for 1260 days/years until 1948. Israel was born May 14, 1948. Just one day later, on May 15, 1948 Islamic beast countries attacked Israel.



**WHO ARE THE TWO SPIRITUAL WITNESSES?
ENOCH, MOSES, ELIJAH, OR TWO GROUPS OF GOD'S PEOPLE?
OR IS IT MICHAEL AND GABRIEL THE ARCHANGELS?
OR IS IT BOTH SPIRITUAL AND ON EARTH?**

Revelation is written in two dimensions, the earthy human realm and the spiritual realm. The two witnesses' prophecy can be only understood in two dimensions. For nearly two thousand years there has been continual speculation about the identity of the two witnesses. Early Christians, such as Tertullian, Irenaeus, and Hippolytus of Rome, concluded that the two witnesses would be Enoch and Elijah, prophets who did not die because God "took" them. Others have proposed Moses as one of the witnesses, for his ability to turn water into blood and the power to plague the earth. Whoever they are, they would not be a previous prophet reincarnated since the Bible does not teach reincarnation.

Modern theologians, such as John Walvoord of the Dallas Theological Seminary have furthered the point of individualism by comparing the "two lampstands" and the "two olive trees" of Revelation 11 to the two golden pipes and two olive trees/branches of Zechariah 4. **But Zechariah saw the two as already being active in 520 BC!** Revelation was not written until some 600 years later.

By the identification of the two olive branches as "two anointed ones" or "two sons of the oil", in Zechariah, this reinforces the literalist interpretation that the two witnesses are two people. But the literalist would have trouble explaining why they were already active in 520 BC!! Walvoord also pointed out that because the Revelation passage does not specifically identify who the two witnesses are, it might be safer to conclude that they are not related to any previous human character.

The two witnesses have been interpreted as representing the Church or a similar concept. The 1599 Geneva Study Bible has asserted that the two witnesses are the exclusive purview of the church. Matthew Henry's Complete Commentary on the Whole Bible states the two groups are believing Jews and saved Gentiles. John Wesley in his commentary on Revelation 11 suggests a more spiritual, almost ambiguous, application. Ross Taylor's Verse by Verse Commentary on Revelation defines the Church as the "two olive trees and the two lampstands."

Most likely, the two witnesses in the earthly realm can be identified as Israel and the Christian Church. The olive tree in the Scripture signifies Israel. The "witness of the Church" is signified by the two lampstands, whose identity was disclosed by the seven golden lampstands (i.e., candlesticks) revealed in Revelation 1-3 as the "churches." Revelation 1:19-20 makes clear the golden lampstands are churches and not a single person. But there is a second dimension--the spiritual world as well. We must explain how the beast from the Abyss (Baal) was able to overpower them and kill them (temporarily). This battle took place in the spiritual world, not on earth with humans.

Revelation 1: 19-20 (NIV)

"Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later. The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

GABRIEL AND MICHAEL ARE THE "TWO WITNESSES" IN THE SPIRITUAL WORLD

The prophecies of the two witnesses have an earthy (human) component and a spiritual (angelic) component simultaneously. Gabriel and Michael are the only two named angels in the Bible (other than Satan/Lucifer and Baal). Gabriel and Michael are the only two "archangels." The two witnesses are active at the time Israel was restored in 1948, and have an impact on earthly events during the three and one half years of Operation Ezra and Nehemiah (1948-1951), when Jews held in Islamic countries were miraculously airlifted to Israel after being trapped since 1948. Yet Zechariah (520 BC) saw the spiritual two witnesses as active even then in his vision. The two witnesses' actions are coming from the archangels Michael and Gabriel.

We must also examine the spiritual world aspect of the two witnesses. The way the Bible describes them, they cannot be human. If we understand they are two angels greatly favored by God, the prophecies of their actions are much easier to understand. The Bible verses describe them as clearly superhuman. Zechariah saw them in action already serving the Lord (Zechariah 4:14 *"These are the two who are anointed to serve the Lord of all the earth"*) and Zechariah was written some 600 years before Revelation.

Revelation 11:4 (NIV)

They are "the two olive trees" and the two lampstands, and "they stand before the Lord of the earth."

Zechariah 4:11-14 (NIV)

Then I asked the angel, "What are these two olive trees on the right and the left of the lampstand?" Again I asked him, "What are these two olive branches beside the two gold pipes that pour out golden oil?" He replied, "Do you not know what these are?" "No, my lord," I said. So he said, "These are the two who are anointed to serve the Lord of all the earth."

By the time Zechariah wrote this about 520 BC, Enoch, Moses and Elijah had already lived. In reality, there are no two humans that are so special that they could qualify to be spoken of as "the two who are anointed to serve the Lord of all the earth." The Bible does not teach reincarnation.

Consider not only where these two stand, but the "anointing of God" (the Holy Spirit) flows through them. How many prophets in the Bible ever qualified for a "global ministry" and that could torment the whole earth with prophecy for 1260 days/years? It is also true that no human prophets ever had fire come out of their mouths. God could give these powers to anyone He chooses. But how many humans did God equip this way so far that we know of? There have been none.

Revelation 11:5-6 (NIV)

"If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die. They have power to shut up the heavens so that it will not rain during the time they are prophesying; and they have power to turn the waters into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague as often as they want."

A VERSE IN THE QUR'AN ABOUT GABRIEL AND MICHAEL GIVES A CLUE

The Qur'an contains many statements about Jesus that are not true. The Qur'an says that Jesus is not God, was not crucified, is obedient to Allah, Allah has all power over him, and Jesus does not take away anyone's sin. These are all lies, and the Bible contradicts all these statements completely.

The Qur'an also mentions Gabriel and Michael in a passage. The Qur'an has a passage about "*Whoever is an enemy to Allah*" (2:98) that goes on to state: "*His messengers and Gabriel and Michael.*" The Qur'an passage separates Gabriel and Michael from other angels as if there is something different about them. The Qur'an seems to move them more into the category of "messengers." It is true that Gabriel and Michael are archangels, and therefore different from regular angels, but perhaps the Qur'an isolates them because of the battle with Baal, the beast, with the two witnesses. The passage falsely implies Gabriel and Michael "belong" to Allah (much like Jesus is subject to Allah in the Qur'an). The passage could also be there because Allah (really Satan the dragon) knows that the beast overpowered (temporarily) Gabriel and Michael.

Qur'an 2:98

Whoever is an enemy to Allah and His angels and His messengers **and Gabriel and Michael** - then indeed, Allah is an enemy to the disbelievers.

THE BIBLE SAYS THE BEAST IS THE MOST POWERFUL DEMONIC SPIRIT

The Bible tells us the beast is the most powerful demonic spirit. In Revelation 13:2 we learn the beast has Satan's power, throne and great authority. In Revelation 17:12-13 we learn that the 10 demonic kings also give the beast all their power and authority. In Revelation 11:7 we learn the beast now has enough power to kill the two witnesses when they finish their testimony. The Bible does not say, but perhaps the beast physically incorporates all their spiritual world powers into himself. The beast even believes he now has enough power to "*wage war against the Lamb*", (Revelation 17:14).

Revelation 13:2b (NIV)

The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority.

Revelation 17:12-13 (NIV)

"The ten horns you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but who for one hour will receive authority as kings along with the beast. They have one purpose and will give their power and authority to the beast."

Revelation 11:7 (NIV)

Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them and overpower and kill them.

Revelation 17:14 (NIV)

"They will wage war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will triumph over them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings—and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers."

MICHAEL BATTLES SATAN; PROTECTS ISRAEL AFTER THE HOLOCAUST

The archangel Michael has many battles with Satan and other demonic princes. Jude tells us Michael fought with Satan for the body of Moses. When Jude wrote *"But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses"*, Jude was referring to the Testament of Moses, which is not canon Bible text, but Jude thought it as scripturally correct. Revelation 12:7-9 tells us in the spiritual realm Michael played a large role forcing Satan to be removed from heaven.

Jude 1:8-9 (NIV)

In the very same way, on the strength of their dreams these ungodly people pollute their own bodies, reject authority and heap abuse on celestial beings. But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not himself dare to condemn him for slander but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"

Revelation 12:7-9 (NIV)

Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

Michael stood with Gabriel to struggle against the demonic princes of Persia and Greece. These are kingdoms number four and five in the "Seven Heads" of the beast. They followed Baal of Babylon—the third head. Baal is the "prince who is to come" in Daniel 9:26-27. Baal was sent to Sheol—the Abyss. Baal was the both third and eighth head. Baal "comes out of the seven" and "has a fatal wound that is healed" (Revelation chapters 13-17).

The eight demonic kingdoms and kings are: 1) Egypt, 2) Assyria, 3) Babylon (Baal sent to Sheol when Babylon fell), 4) Persia, 5) Seleucid Greeks, 6) Rome, 7) Demonic King—rules only a short time—this was Abaddon from the Abyss, and 8) Baal released from the Abyss, who was also the third.

Daniel 10:12-14 (NIV)

Then he continued, "Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them. But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia. Now I have come to explain to you what will happen to your people in the future, for the vision concerns a time yet to come."

Daniel 10:20-21 (NIV)

So he said, "Do you know why I have come to you? Soon I will return to fight against the prince of Persia, and when I go, the prince of Greece will come; but first I will tell you what is written in the Book of Truth. (No one supports me against them except Michael, your prince.)"

The holocaust was the worst time of distress for Jews in their history. Two thirds (67%) were killed in the lands controlled by the Nazis (fulfills Zechariah 13:8). The Bible (Daniel 12:1) says Michael will arise after this distress.

Country	Pre-Final Solution Jewish Population	Jewish Population Killed in Final Solution	Percent Killed
Poland	3,300,000	3,000,000	91%
Baltic Countries	253,000	228,000	90%
Germany/Austria	240,000	210,000	88%
Protectorate	90,000	80,000	89%
Slovakia	90,000	75,000	83%
Greece	70,000	54,000	77%
The Netherlands	140,000	105,000	75%
Hungary	650,000	450,000	69%
White Russia	375,000	245,000	65%
Ukraine (est)	1,500,000	900,000	60%
Belgium	65,000	40,000	62%
Yugoslavia	43,000	26,000	60%
Romania	600,000	300,000	50%
Norway	1,800	900	50%
France	350,000	90,000	26%
Bulgaria	64,000	14,000	22%
Italy	40,000	8,000	20%
Luxembourg	5,000	1,000	20%
Russia (est)	975,000	107,000	11%
Denmark	8,000	--	n/a
Finland	2,000	--	n/a
Total	8,861,800	5,933,900	67%

Source : <http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Holocaust/killedtable.html>

Daniel 12:1 (NIV)

At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered.

Gabriel was sent to Zechariah, John the Baptist's father to tell of John the Baptist. Gabriel was sent to Mary to tell her about the Messiah, Jesus. Gabriel was a trusted messenger of God.

Luke 1:18-19 (NIV)

Zechariah asked the angel, “How can I be sure of this? I am an old man and my wife is well along in years.” The angel said to him, “I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to tell you this good news.”

Luke 1:26-28 (NIV)

In the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin’s name was Mary. The angel went to her and said, “Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.”

Rev 11:5 If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die.

Rev 11:6 They have power to shut up the heavens so that it will not rain during the time they are prophesying; and they have power to turn the waters into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague as often as they want.

Fire coming out of the mouth is not something any humans have been able to do. But God can destroy any angels or spirits with fire if they disobey Him. This happened with the demonic spirit ruling over Tyre in Ezekiel chapter 28. (*“So I made a fire come out from you, and it consumed you, and I reduced you to ashes on the ground in the sight of all who were watching.”*)

Although Tyre is not one of the seven kingdoms, the demonic price of Tyre was completely destroyed by God. It again shows God is sovereign and may completely destroy one of the "sons of God" if it is part of His plan. This destruction allows us to contrast what happened to the prince of Babylon—who was placed in Sheol and not completely destroyed.

Ezekiel 28:11-19 (NIV)

The word of the Lord came to me: “Son of man, take up a lament concerning the king of Tyre and say to him: ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says:

“You were the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone adorned you: carnelian, chrysolite and emerald, topaz, onyx and jasper, lapis lazuli, turquoise and beryl. Your settings and mountings were made of gold; on the day you were created they were prepared.

You were anointed as a guardian cherub, for so I ordained you. You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones. You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you.

Through your widespread trade you were filled with violence, and you sinned. So I drove you in disgrace from the mount of God, and I expelled you, guardian cherub, from among the fiery stones. Your heart became proud on account of your beauty, and you corrupted your wisdom because of your splendor.

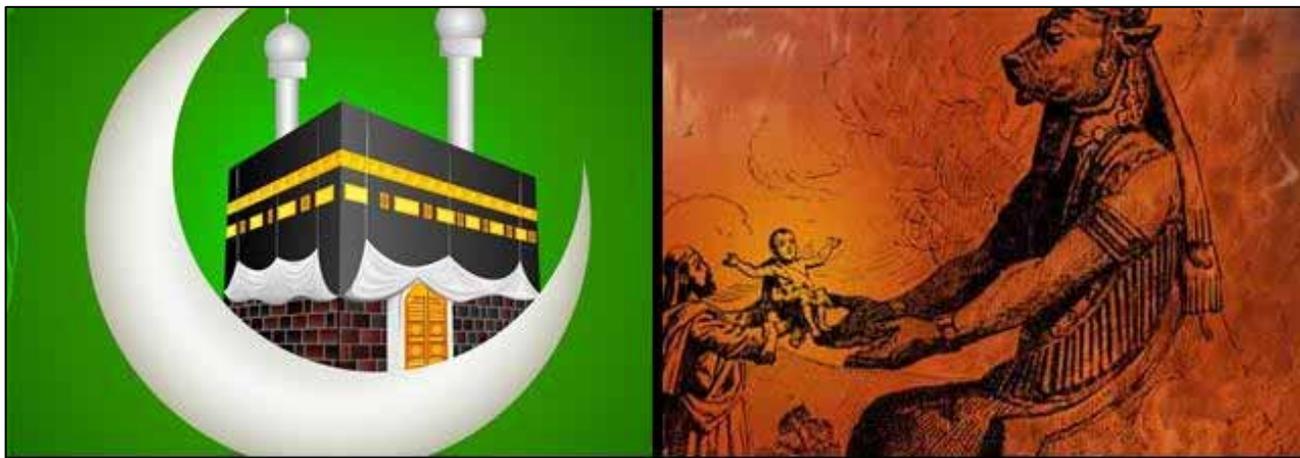
So I threw you to the earth; I made a spectacle of you before kings. By your many sins and dishonest trade you have desecrated your sanctuaries. So I made a fire come out from you, and it consumed you, and I reduced you to ashes on the ground in the sight of all who were watching. All the nations who knew you are appalled at you; you have come to a horrible end and will be no more.”

The two olive trees have the keys of the kingdom of heaven given them, and whatever they bind or loose on earth is bound or loosed in heaven; or in other words, Michael and Gabriel have the true knowledge in doctrine and spiritual discipline.

Rev 11:7 Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them.

“Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them.” The Bible tells us the beast is the most powerful demonic spirit. In Revelation 13:2, God says the beast has Satan’s power, throne and great authority. In Revelation 17:12-13, God says the 10 demonic kings also give the beast all their power and authority for one hour. Gabriel and Michael wrestled with the prince of Persia for 21 days. (Daniel 10:12-14) This is just one demonic spirit. Imagine the power of Satan, Baal and the 10 kings all rolled into one beast!

Now John tells us the beast now has enough power to kill the two witnesses when they finish their testimony. The Bible does not say, but perhaps the beast physically incorporates all their spiritual world powers into himself. The beast believes he now has enough power to wage war with even Jesus directly (Revelation 17:14).



Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them.

Revelation 11:7 (NIV)

The prophet Habakkuk in chapter 2 warns us about the future demonic prince of Babylon *“the proud one, his soul is not right within him”* and *“He also gathers to himself all nations and collects to himself all peoples.”* This demonic prince is Baal dwelling in the Kaaba today. Baal has gathered and been given enough power to temporarily overpower and kill Michael and Gabriel.

Habakkuk 2:4-5 (NASB)

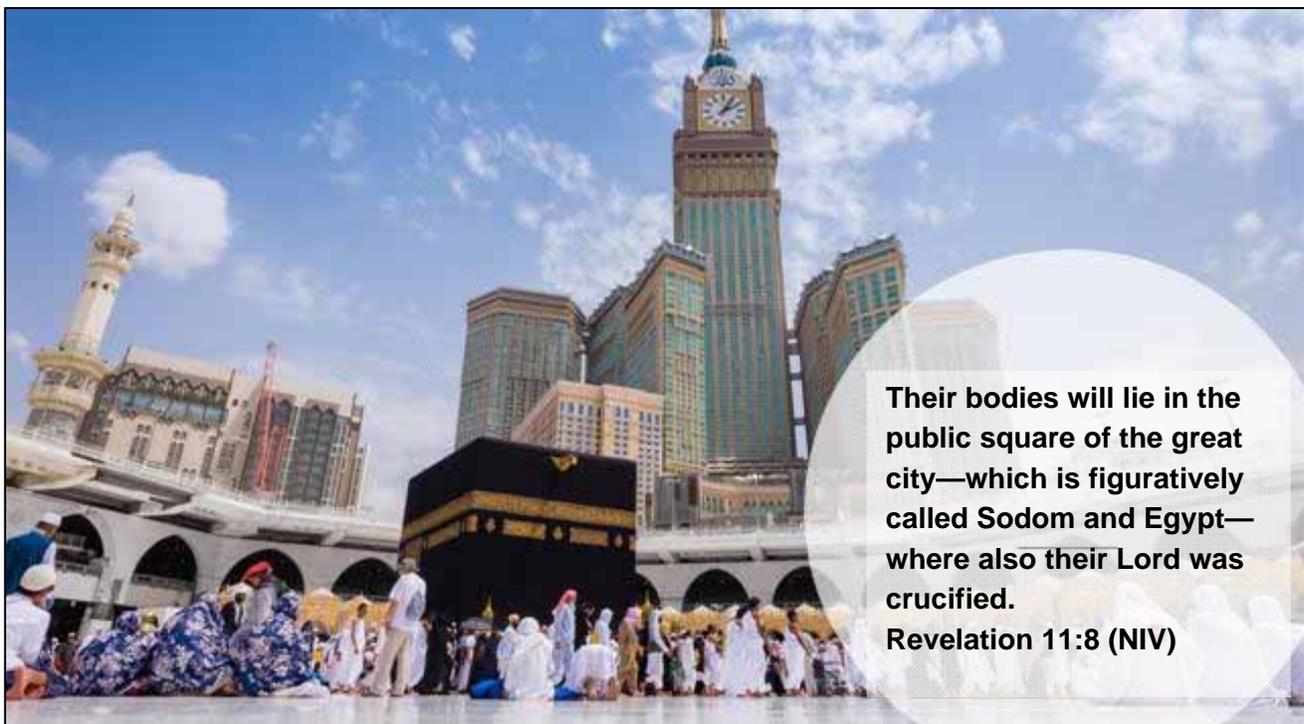
Behold, as for the proud one, his soul is not right within him; but the righteous will live by his faith. Furthermore, wine betrays the haughty man, so that he does not stay at home. He enlarges his appetite like Sheol, and he is like death, never satisfied. He also gathers to himself all nations and collects to himself all peoples.

Rev 11:8 Their bodies will lie in the public square of the great city—which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt—where also their Lord was crucified.

“Their bodies will lie in the public square of the great city—which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt—where also their Lord was crucified.” When examining the meaning of *“their bodies”*, it is important to look at both the human earthly realm (Jews trapped in Islamic countries; Operation Ezra and Nehemiah 1948-1951) and in the spiritual world of the archangels Gabriel and Michael.

Many commentators make this “great city” to be Jerusalem, since Jesus was physically and literally crucified in Jerusalem. But the great city of Revelation chapters 17-18 is not Jerusalem, it is Mecca. John is communicating a non-literal meaning, which is why he writes: *“which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt.”* What is meant by the *“public square of the great city”*? Jerusalem has a marginal public square, and only since the 20th century. The public square in Jerusalem is called Zion Square (Hebrew: כיכר ציון, Kikar Tziyon). It is a public square in Jerusalem located at the intersection of Jaffa Road, Ben Yehuda Street, Herbert Samuel Street, and Yoel Moshe Salomon Street. British Mandate officials developed the field into a triangular district bordered by Jaffa Road, Ben Yehuda Street (constructed by the British in 1922) and King George Street (constructed by the British in 1924).

In Mecca there is a public square unlike any other. Land there today sells for \$18,000 per square foot. Mecca holds all the demons of the spiritual realm. All Muslims in the world praying to the beast face this public square every day. This is the Kaaba in Mecca, the “wicked house” in Zechariah 5:5-11. The beast Baal dwells in the Kaaba. The great city merchants are rich.



The Bible in Revelation 18:2 tells us that the great city, Mecca, is *“a dwelling for demons and a haunt for every impure spirit.”* In the spiritual world the demons and impure spirits would rejoice at seeing the dead bodies of archangels Michael and Gabriel in the public square of Mecca at the Kaaba.

Revelation 18:2 (NIV)

With a mighty voice he shouted: “‘Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great!’ She has become a dwelling for demons and a haunt for every impure spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable animal.

The meaning of the word “figurative” used by John is given as follows in Webster’s’ Dictionary: **departing from a literal use of words; metaphorical.** Thus John wants us to not look at a literal crucifixion of Christ in the physical sense, but rather in a metaphorical sense. The first question is who ultimately was behind the killing of Christ? Who wants to “crucify” the Gospel of Jesus? Satan was behind the killing of Christ. We know that Satan entered Judas to betray Jesus.

Luke 22:3 (NIV)

Then Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, one of the Twelve.

John 13:27 (NIV)

As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him. So Jesus told him, “What you are about to do, do quickly.”

We also know the people who destroyed the second temple and Jerusalem in 70 AD were the people that would later worship Baal when the beast was released from the abyss. The Roman general Titus tried to save the temple. The Jerusalem battle was conducted by four main Roman legions, the 5th, 10th, 12th and 15th. The composition of the soldiers and auxiliaries were drawn from the surrounding countries around Israel. These peoples are all Islamic today and nearly all worship the beast (Baal in the Kaaba) and the dragon (Satan). Baal is the “*prince who is to come*” of Daniel 9:26.

Daniel 9:26 (NASB)

Then after the sixty-two weeks [unit of sevens] the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined.

By the time of the battle for Jerusalem began all four of these legions would have consisted of a majority of Eastern soldiers; Arabs, Syrians, Egyptians etc. Even Legion 5 Macedonia, although possibly stationed in Moesia -- or modern day Kosovo and Bulgaria -- also would have consisted of a majority of Eastern soldiers by the time they arrived at Jerusalem. Thus Satan and Baal (Baal was to come out of the abyss) were behind the killing of Christ and the destruction of Jerusalem.

The “figurative” great city in Revelation 11:8 is the city of the spiritual harlot, which is Mecca. The great city is not the same as “*They will trample on the holy city for 42 months*” in Revelation 11:2, which is Jerusalem. The holy city of Jerusalem was trampled by Islam for 42 months (1278.4 years) from 688 to 1967. Using the Dome of the Rock construction (687-691) as a marker in time in Revelation 11:1-2, Gentiles trampled and controlled the Holy City until Jerusalem’s liberation in 1967. The 42 months of trampling (1278.4 days/years) mentioned in Revelation 11 stretches precisely from the midpoint of the Dome construction until Israeli troops liberated Jerusalem on June 7, 1967.

John gives four locations, not three. The first is the “great city”, the second is “Sodom”, the third is “Egypt”, and the fourth is “where also their Lord was crucified.” The mystery of God is the reason the real name is not given to it; but such descriptions are applied as are designed give the reader an understanding as to what is intended. God will reveal His mystery at a time of His choosing.

The dragon and beast wish to “crucify” Christ a second time and destroy the Gospel. They gave Mohammad the false gospel of the Qur’an. “Where also our Lord was crucified” - If this is literal it refers to Jerusalem; but if symbolic, it is to be understood as meaning that Jesus was practically crucified by having His Gospel truth rejected or even modified into a false Gospel (the Qur’an).

John gives a larger figurative meaning by including two named locations, “which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt.” “Sodom” was distinguished for its wickedness, and especially for that vice to which its abominations have given Sodom’s name. The harlot of Revelation 17:2 and its spiritual immorality is being referenced here.

Revelation 17:2 (NIV)

“With her the kings of the earth committed adultery, and the inhabitants of the earth were intoxicated with the wine of her adulteries.”

The Jewish historian Josephus identifies the Dead Sea in geographic proximity to the ancient biblical city of Sodom. Thus the physical local of Sodom is in Judea or Jordan, northeast of the Dead Sea. Jordan is one of the countries that the majority of inhabitants pray to Baal in the Kaaba. Jordan is also a country in the human earthly realm where a large number of Jews were trapped after the 1948 war.

“And Egypt” - That is, it would have such a character that the name Egypt might be properly given to it. Egypt is known in the Scriptures as the land of oppression - the land where the Israelites, the people of God, were held in cruel bondage. We see this played out in Exodus chapters 1-15 and also in Ezekiel 23:8. The figurative concept is that the “city” referred to would be characterized by acts of oppression and wrong toward the people of God.

So far as the language is concerned, it might apply to Jerusalem, Rome or Mecca, but especially Mecca. All three were eminently characterized by such acts of oppression toward the true children of God as to make it proper to compare their cruelties with those which were inflicted on the Israelites by the Egyptians. Mecca is the great city and a home for all unclean spirits.

John has effectively combined all four locations into the world-wide Islamic anti-Gospel coalition, led by Satan and Baal. This is spiritual geography on display, in addition to physical Islamic geography. In this same geography location more than one million Jews were trapped for three and one half years (1948-1951) after Israel became a state in 1948. Jews were trapped in nearly every Islamic country, and also even Jerusalem.

ISRAEL'S INDEPENDENCE PUTS JEWS IN ISLAMIC COUNTRIES IN GRAVE DANGER

Rev 11:9 For three and a half days some from every people, tribe, language and nation will gaze on their bodies and refuse them burial.

Rev 11:10 The inhabitants of the earth will gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts, because these two prophets had tormented those who live on the earth.

In the human earthly realm, miraculous events were also happening to the "dead bodies" as well. Historically, Jews and Jewish communities existed fairly peacefully in the Middle East, North Africa and the Gulf region for more than 2,500 years, in such countries as Morocco, Algeria, Libya, Tunisia, Egypt, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Iran, Yemen and Aden. Today nearly 99% of Jews have left Islamic countries as compared to their 1948 populations. The three and one half years between 1948 and 1951 witnessed the largest migration ever to reach modern Israel and doubled the Jewish population.

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STATE OF ISRAEL IS BORN

The first independent Jewish State in 19 centuries was born in Tel Aviv as the British Mandate over Palestine came to an end at midnight on Friday, and it was immediately subjected to the test of fire. As "Medinat Yisrael" (State of Israel) was proclaimed, the battle for Jerusalem raged, with most of the city falling to the Jews. At the

Most Crowded Hours in Palestine's History

Between Thursday night and this morning Palestine went through what by all standards must be among the most crowded hours in its history.

For the Jewish population there was the anguish over the fate of the few hundred Hagannah men and women in the Kfar Etzion bloc of settlements near Hebron. Their surrender to a fully equipped superior foreign force desperately in need of a victory was a foregone conclusion. What could not be known, with no communications since Thursday morning, was whether and to what extent the Red Cross and the Truce Comaule would secure civilized conditions for prisoners and wounded, and proper respect for the dead. Doubts on some of these anxious questions have now been resolved.

On Friday afternoon, from Tel Aviv, came the expected announcement of the Jewish State, and its official naming at birth, "Medinat Yisrael"—State of Israel, with the swearing in of the first Council of Government. The proclamation of the State was made at midnight, coinciding with the sailing from Haifa of Britain's last High Commissioner. Within the hour, President Truman announced in Washington that the Government of the United States had decided to give *de facto* recognition to the Jewish State, with

same time, President Truman announced that the United States would accord recognition to the new State. A few hours later, Palestine was invaded by Moslem armies from the south, east and north, and Tel Aviv was raided from the air. On Friday the United Nations Special Assembly adjourned after adopting a resolution to appoint a mediator but without taking any action on the Partition Resolution of November 29.

Yesterday the battle for the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road was still under way, and two Arab villages were taken. In the north, Acre town was captured, and the Jewish Army consolidated its positions in Western Galilee.

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JEWIS TAKE OVER SECURITY ZONES

The Battle for Jerusalem, which began when the British forces withdrew on Friday morning, continued all day Friday and yesterday. The crackle of small-arms fire and explosions of mortar shells were still being heard in the early hours of this morning as the battle entered its third day.

Repeated efforts on Friday evening and again on Saturday by the U.N. Truce Commission to bring about a "cease fire" were brought to naught when the Arab representatives failed to agree within the specified time limit.

On Friday morning, Jewish forces entered the Russian Compound and Zone C to re-occupy the buildings requisitioned from Jews last year. This operation was almost bloodless, but beyond the western edge of Zone C, Arabs engaged the Jews in Jaffa Road. The Arabs were forced back and the Barclays Bank area was taken.

In other parts of the city fighting flared up. Jews overran one after another the areas evacuated by the British. By last night, the quarters and

Egyptian Air Force Spitfires Bomb Tel Aviv; One Shot Down

Kol Israel, the Tel Aviv broadcasting station, reported at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon that Tel Aviv had been bombed three times in the previous evening and morning, and that one plane had been shot down and its Egyptian pilot taken prisoner.

In the first raid, four planes attacked from a height of 300 feet. Two dropped bombs, while the others strafed the city. Little damage was caused. In the second attack two hours later, the airport to the north of the city was bombed, and an Air France plane parked there was damaged. The third raid was launched shortly before midnight, but the planes were driven off without causing any damage.

Two settlements in the Negev had also been attacked from the air, the radio reported.

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Proclamation by Head Of Government

The first act of the Council of Government, as announced by its head, was to annul all legislation of the 1939 White Paper of the Mandatory Power, particularly the Ordinance and Orders relating to immigration and land transfer.

In the declaration of independence, Mr. Ben Gurion called on the Arabs of Palestine to restore peace, assuring them full civic rights and full representation in all governmental organs of the State.

Mr. Ben Gurion prefaced the declaration with a review of the historic connections of the Jewish people with the Land of Israel and of their efforts to return, which never ceased throughout the generations of their dispersal, until the Nazi holocaust proved anew the urgency of the need for a Jewish State.

The Balfour Declaration of 1917, confirmed by the League of Nations, had given explicit international recognition to the state of the Jewish

2 Columns Cross Southern Border

By WALTER COLLINS
U.P. Correspondent
CAIRO, Saturday.—A con-

Etzion Settlers Taken P.O.W.

Fighting in the Kfar Etzion bloc continued throughout Friday, after Kfar Etzion

Special Assembly Adjourns

PLUSHING MEADOWS, Saturday.—The Special U.N. Assembly, called four weeks ago to discuss the U.S. propo-



David Ben Gurion, Prime Minister

Fully 1,000 years, before Satan created Islam in 610, Jews in substantial numbers resided in what are today Islamic countries. Following the Muslim conquest of the region, for centuries under Islamic rule, Jews were permitted limited religious, educational, professional, and business opportunities. But when Israel became independent in 1948, things immediately turned much worse for them.

This influx began at a time when the state was in the throes of its greatest struggle for survival, the War of Independence, and continued throughout a period troubled by both security concerns and economic hardship. The immigrants of the country's first decade radically altered the demographic landscape of Israeli society as well as the balance between Israel and the Jewish Diaspora.

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Particularly noteworthy is that while Heykal Pasha spoke at the United Nations, he continuously mentioned the Jews “in other Muslim countries” and “all the Islamic Arab states,” suggesting a level of coordination among the Islamic governments. Just four days after his statement, Iraq's Foreign Minister Fadil Jamali declared at the United Nations that “interreligious prejudice and hatred” would bring about a great deterioration in the Arab-Jewish relationship in Iraq and throughout the Islamic Arab world. In less than a generation almost all Jews were driven out of Islamic countries, where they had lived for some 2,500 years. Most were gone by late 1951.

The re-creation of the State of Israel on May 14, 1948 immediately placed all Jews in Islamic countries at great risk. During the next three years and one-half years over one million Jews were trapped. Their citizenship was revoked. Some Jews were killed and all were terrorized. Their property was stolen from them by many Islamic governments. In Iraq alone nearly \$100 billion, in today's dollars, was taken from them.

“The inhabitants of the earth will gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts.”
When Jews left Iraq they left behind 2,000 square kilometers of land in Iraq. Islamic governments congratulated themselves and kept the wealth purportedly to reimburse Palestinians leaving Israel. But in most cases they kept the money and actually sent each other gifts. Iraq gave Iran \$450,000 of confiscated Jewish money in 1950.

JEWIS IN GRAVE DANGER IN ALL MOSLEM LANDS

By MALLORY BROWNE
Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., May 15—For nearly four months, the United Nations has had before it an appeal for "immediate and urgent" consideration of the case of the Jewish populations in Arab and Moslem countries stretching from Morocco to India.

Even four months ago, it was the Zionist view that Jews residing in the Near and Middle East were in "extreme and imminent danger." Now that the end of the mandate has precipitated civil war or even worse developments in Palestine, it is feared that the repercussions of this in Moslem countries will put the Jewish populations in many of these states in mortal peril.

Reports from the Middle East make it clear that there is serious tension in all Arab countries. The Jewish populations there are gravely worried at the prospect that an Arab-Jewish war may break out suddenly at any moment.

Feeling Runs High

Already in some Moslem states such as Syria and Lebanon there is a tendency to regard all Jews as Zionist agents and "fifth columnists." There have been violent incidents with feeling running

Nine Hundred Thousand in Africa and Asia Face Wrath of Their Foes

This plea arose to some extent from statements, made by Arab spokesmen during the General Assembly session last autumn, to the effect that if the partition resolution was put into effect, they would not be able to guarantee the safety of the Jews in any Arab land.

The memorandum of the World Jewish Congress went into considerable detail on this danger. It cited the text of a law drafted by the Political Committee of the Arab League which was intended to govern the legal status of Jewish residents in all Arab League countries.

It provides that beginning on an unspecified date all Jews except citizens of non-Arab states, would be considered "members of the Jewish minority state of Palestine." Their bank accounts would be frozen and used to finance resistance to "Zionist ambitions in Palestine." Jews believed to be active Zionists would be interned and their assets confiscated.

The memorandum gave many

details of instances of persecution of Jewish individuals and whole communities. It listed the following tabulation of the Jewish residents in Arab countries:

French Morocco	190,000
Iraq	130,000
Algeria	120,000
Iran	90,000
Egypt	80,000
Tunisia	80,000
Turkey	75,000
Yemen	40,000
Libya	30,000
Spanish Morocco and Tangier	30,000
Syria	11,000
Lebanon	7,000
Aden (including refugees from Yemen)	8,000
Afghanistan (including refugees in India)	5,000
Other countries (Hadrasmuth, Sudan, Bahrein)	3,000
Total	899,000

Later information submitted to the Economic and Social Council was to the effect that:

In Syria a policy of economic discrimination is in effect against Jews. "Virtually all" Jewish civil

servants in the employ of the Syrian Government have been discharged. Freedom of movement has been "practically abolished." Special frontier posts have been established to control movements of Jews.

In Iraq no Jew is permitted to leave the country unless he deposits £5,000 (\$20,000) with the Government to guarantee his return. No foreign Jew is allowed to enter Iraq even in transit.

In Lebanon Jews have been forced to contribute financially to the fight against the United Nations partition resolution on Palestine. Acts of violence against Jews are openly admitted by the press, which accuses Jews of "poisoning wells," etc.

Danger Emphasized

Giving many other details of persecution, this report declares that "the very survival of the Jewish communities in certain Arab and Moslem countries is in serious danger unless preventative action is taken without delay."

Today, with a Jewish State an established fact, Jewish spokesmen at Lake Success do not conceal their anxiety that this danger to the survival of the Jewish populations of the Arab countries is even

The two spiritual witnesses are killed by the beast from the Abyss. They lie in the square of the great city—which is Mecca. On earth, Jews were trapped in all Islamic countries, including Jerusalem. Mecca is home to the Kaaba and where the beast has his throne. This is the spiritual world.

Michael and Gabriel had to fight the prince of Persia for 21 days, and then the prince of Greece (Daniel 10:12-21). The beast (Baal) is much stronger than the princes of Persia and Greece (Satan "gave the beast his power, and his throne and great authority"), so Baal could overpower Michael and Gabriel for three and one half years/days from 1948-1951.

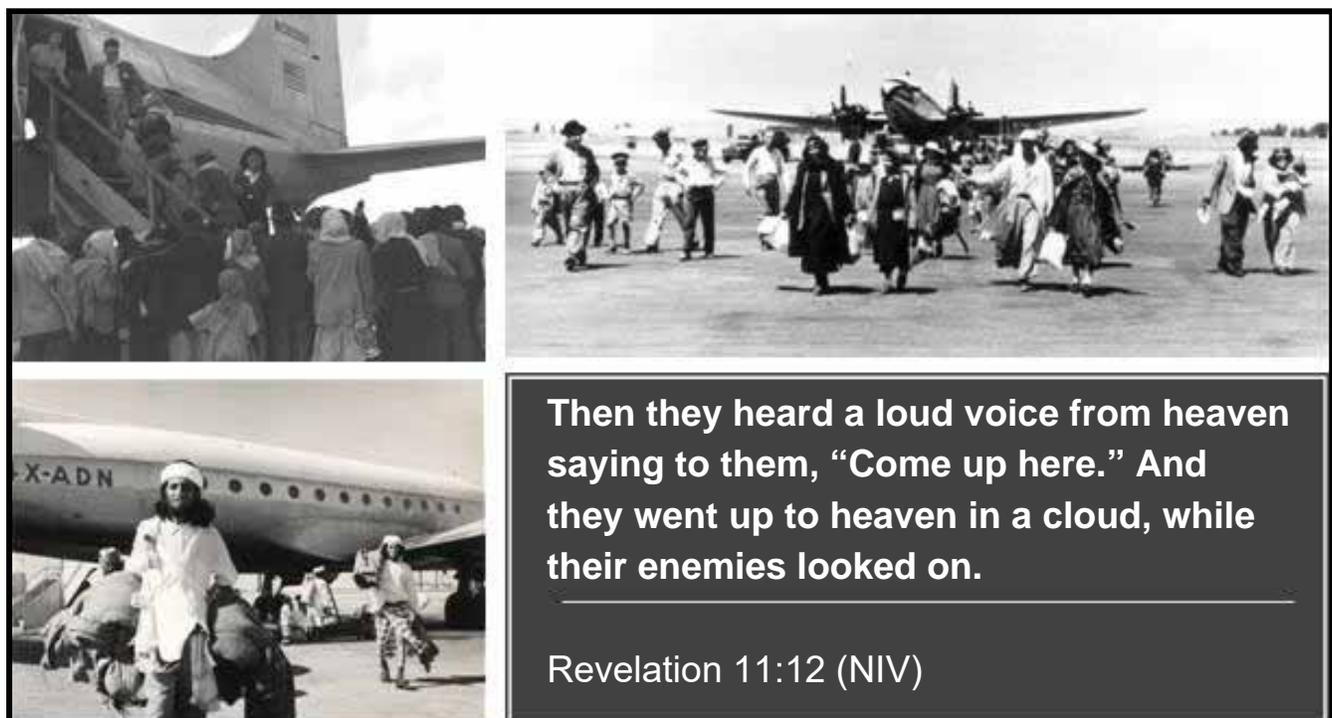
In Yemen (Operation Magic Carpet) 60,000 escaped by air. In Iraq alone more than 180,000 Jews fled out of the country in 1950-1951. Thus, the Jews "went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on" just as Revelation said. God had to intervene to bring Michael and Gabriel back to life. At the same time on earth, by 1951 Operation Ezra and Nehemiah was complete, and more than one million Jews trapped in Islamic countries (and Jerusalem "where also their Lord was crucified") made it out safely to Israel.



Rev 11:11-12 But after the three and a half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and terror struck those who saw them. Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up here.” And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.

In the earthly realm, in a fantastic series of miracles most of the Jews did indeed "rise up to their feet" and leave the Islamic countries despite overwhelming odds. In the spiritual realm, Gabriel and Michael were brought back to life.

Islamic Country or Territory	1948 Jewish population	1967 Jewish population	1948-1967 reduction	2015 Jewish population	1948-2015 reduction
Aden	8,000	0	-100%	0	-100%
Afghanistan	5,000	500	-90%	0	-100%
Algeria	140,000	1,000	-99%	0	-100%
Bahrain	1,000	0	-100%	0	-100%
Egypt	80,000	500	-99%	100	-100%
Iran	175,000	60,000	-66%	4,000	-98%
Iraq	180,000	500	-100%	50	-100%
Lebanon	20,000	2,000	-90%	1,000	-95%
Libya	44,000	50	-100%	50	-100%
Morocco	265,000	31,000	-88%	2,000	-99%
Pakistan	2,500	250	-90%	0	-100%
Palestine	10,000	0	-100%	0	-100%
Sudan	1,500	0	-100%	0	-100%
Syria	30,000	4,000	-87%	100	-100%
Tunisia	102,000	8,000	-92%	800	-99%
Turkey	80,000	20,000	-75%	5,000	-94%
Yemen	61,000	500	-99%	40	-100%
Totals	1,205,000	128,300	-89%	13,140	-99%



Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up here.” And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.

Revelation 11:12 (NIV)

THE “GREAT EARTHQUAKE” WAS THE DEATH OF THE SUPREME MUSLIM COMMANDER
Rev 11:13 At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

Rev 11:14 The second woe has passed; the third woe is coming soon.

“At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed.” That is, the tenth part of that which is represented by the "city" - the persecuting power of Islam.

Revelation prophecy says there would be a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city would collapse. Jordan was one of the ten nation Islamic countries surrounding Israel. The “severe earthquake” or upheaval was the assigation of the supreme Islamic Arab commander of the 1948 Islamic invasion of Israel.

Just at the peak time (“at that very hour”) as the Jews were emigrating from Islamic countries into Israel in July 1951, the King of Jordan, Abdullah I, was shot and killed on the Temple Mount by an Islamic jihadist who felt the king was secretly making a peace treaty with Israel.



MUSLIM SUPREME LEADER KING ABDULLAH

On July 20, 1951, while visiting the al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem, King Abdullah was assassinated by a Palestinian jihadist afraid that the old king would make a separate peace with Israel. Thus the beast commander was struck down by God by the Al-Aqsa Mosque the abomination on the wing for attacking Israel. King Abdullah had the title Supreme Commander of the Arab Legion, the strongest Arab army involved in the war.

Abdullah's role in the 1948 Arab attacking Israel war was substantial. He was the supreme commander of the Arab forces and persuaded the Arab League to appoint him to this position. Through his leadership, the Arabs fought the 1948 war to meet Abdullah's political goals.

King Abdullah, despite being the supreme commander during the 1948 war, later desired peace with Israel. He planned to sign a separate peace agreement but for the Islamic Arab League's militant opposition. On account of this, and because of his dream for a Greater Syria comprising Jordan, Syria, and Iraq under the Hashemite dynasty, many Arab countries distrusted Abdullah.



KING ABDULLAH ON THE TEMPLE MOUNT THE DAY HE WAS KILLED IN 1951

“Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.” According to www.onwar.com, the number of Islamic soldiers killed in the 1948 war with Israel was exactly 7,000.

Islamic State	Combat Forces	Losses
Egypt + Mecca	300,000	2,000
Jordan	60,000	1,000
Palestine	50,000	3,000
Syria	300,000	1,000
www.onwar.com	Totals	7,000

It is estimated Israel lost 6,373 people, about 1% of its population in the war. About 4,000 were soldiers and the rest were civilians. Around 2,000 of the dead were Holocaust survivors.

After the initial emigration at the end of 1951, the number of Jews in Baghdad decreased from 100,000 to 5,000. Today fewer than 50 Jews remain. After the initial post World war II influx of European Jews in 1945-1948, the percentage of Jews entering Israel coming from Islamic countries increased considerably (1948 = 14.4%, 1949 = 47.3%, 1950 = 49.6%, 1951 = 71.0%). During 1950 and 1951, the special operations that were undertaken to bring over Jewish communities perceived to be in serious danger: the Jews of Yemen and Aden (Operation Magic Carpet) and the Jewish community in Iraq (Operation Ezra and Nehemiah) were a miracle. During the same period, the vast majority of Libyan Jews came to the country. Considerable numbers of Jews immigrated from Turkey and Iran as well as from other North African countries (Morocco, Tunisia and Algeria).

God kept his promise and delivered the Jews from their Islamic enemies. These events were accurately foretold in Revelation 11, Daniel 12 and Ezekiel 37. In the spiritual world, Gabriel and Michael are the two "anointed ones" of the Lord in Revelation 11 and Zechariah 4.

Rev 11:15 The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever.”

With the seventh trumpet the Day of the Lord draws near! The war between Satan and Baal against the Lamb (Jesus) is not for the kingdoms, the separate nationalities and varying political systems, but rather the contest is for the spiritual control of the world. Satan was willing to surrender the kingdoms of the world to our Lord during the temptation of Jesus which would have left him still in possession of the kingdom of the world. But now the close of the struggle is the overthrow of the kingdom of evil, the establishment of the kingdom of truth, and Jesus shall reign for ever and ever.

Rev 11:16 And the twenty-four elders, who were seated on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God,

Rev 11:17 saying: “We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign.

Rev 11:18 The nations were angry, and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your people who revere your name, both great and small—and for destroying those who destroy the earth.”

The twenty four elders are the same as in Revelation 4:4 (*“Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads.”*). These elders represent the Church of God in all ages; they sit with Christ in heavenly places, even while they are toiling and sorrowing on earth; every one of the true children of the kingdom appear before God at His throne.

“The nations were angry, and your wrath has come.” The nonbelievers had shown their ongoing opposition to his laws; by persecuting his people; by slaying his witnesses; by all the attempts which they had made to destroy his authority on the earth. They believed the false prophet Mohammad, his Qur’an, his Kaaba, his Shahada and his crescent moon for the beast Baal. God's law was laid aside, and made void by Hadith traditions and Sharia decrees; the Scriptures were locked up from the people, but now they are brought to the view of all.

Rev 11:19 Then God’s temple in heaven was opened, and within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant. And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a severe hailstorm.

The meaning of this, when read by the light of the measuring of the spiritual temple in 11:1, seems to be that now the secret abode of the true children of God was revealed. This is the sanctuary of God. Despite the false teaching of Islam (the Dome of the Rock in the outer court), the faithful found their strength and protection in the shadow of the Almighty; they were regarded by God as His true living temple, and in them He dwelt, as they, too, found their complete protection in Him. Hail in Revelation represents angels, and the severe hailstorm indicates many angels were released.