

Ezekiel 38

¹And Jesus came to me, saying,

²Human, turn to face the Czar, the land of Russia, the ruler of Moscow and Tobolsk, and prophesy against him, ³and say,

The Lord God says,

Watch out, I'm going to deal with you, o Czar, the ruler of Moscow and Tobolsk.

⁴I'm going to turn you around and put hooks into your jaws, and I'll drag you out with all your army, with tanks and aircraft, everyone in all kinds of armor. They'll be a huge company with light and heavy armor, all well-armed. ⁵Iran, Sudan and Libya are with them, all of them with armor and helmets. ⁶Europeans(?) and all their troops, Turkey from the far north and all their troops, and many people with you. ⁷Prepare yourself, and be ready, you and all who are with you, and take command and protection over them. ⁸After a long time, you will be conscripted. In the latter years, you'll come into the land that has been rebuilt after a war and has been gathered from many countries. You'll come against the mountains of Israel, which was a perpetual wasteland. But its people have been brought there from the nations of the world, and all of them will live in safety. ⁹You'll go up like a storm and will cover the land like a cloud, you and all your armies and many people with you.

¹⁰The Lord God says,

It'll come to pass at that very time, that ideas will come into your head and you'll invent an evil plan. ¹¹And you'll say,

I'll go up to the land of open villages, I'll go to them who are at peace, all of them living without city walls and without locks or gates, ¹²to pillage and take captives, to attack the ruins that have been rebuilt and the people that have immigrated from around the world. They have livestock and goods, that live in the center of the world.

¹³Arabia and the traders of England, with all her colonies will say to you,

Have you come to pillage? Have you gathered this great company to seize plunder? To take away silver and gold, to take away livestock and goods and lots of booty?

¹⁴Therefore human, prophesy and say to the Czar,

The Lord God says,

In that day, when my people of Israel live securely, it'll drive you nuts. ¹⁵And you'll come from your place in the far north, you and many people with you, all of them riding in vehicles, a huge company and a mighty army. ¹⁶And you'll come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud covers the land. It'll be in the later days, and I'll bring you against my land, that the world may know me, when I'll be made special through you, o Czar, as they watch.

¹⁷The Lord God says,

You're the one that I spoke of in ancient times by my servants, the prophets of Israel. They prophesied way back then, that I'd make you attack them. ¹⁸And it'll happen at the very time that the Czar will attack the land of Israel that my fury will fill my face,

says the Lord God.

¹⁹For in my jealousy and in the fire of my anger I've declared that in that day there'll be a great earthquake in the land of Israel. ²⁰So that the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the animals in the fields, and those that creep on the ground, and all people throughout the world, will tremble at my presence. The mountains will be thrown down, the cliffs will crumble, and every wall will fall to the ground. ²¹I'll declare war against him throughout all my mountains,

says the Lord God.

Every man's weapon will be turned on his companion. ²²I'll execute judgement with blood and the air will kill people. I'll rain down on him, his companions and many people with him torrential rain and great hailstones, fire and burning sulfur. ²³And so, I'll make myself famous and set myself apart, and be recognized in the eyes of many nations, and they'll know that I am the Lord God.

Ezekiel 39

¹Therefore human, prophesy against the Czar and say, the Lord God says

Watch out, I'm going to deal with you, o Czar, the ruler of Moscow and Tobolsk.

²I'm going to turn you around and make you come up from the north and I'll bring you onto the mountains of Israel. ³I'm going to smash the weapon out of your hand and make you drop your ammunition. ⁴You'll die on the mountains of Israel with all your armies and the people who are with you. I'm going to feed you to all kinds of ravenous birds and wild animals. ⁵You'll die on the open fields, because I have declared it,

says the Lord God.

⁶I'm going to send a fire on Russia and on those who live without a care overseas. And so, they'll recognize that I'm the Lord. ⁷So, I'll make my holy name known among the Jews and I won't let them defile my holy name any more. And the whole world will know that I am the Lord, the Holy One in Israel. ⁸Be astonished, this has come about, and has been fulfilled,

says the Lord God.

This is the day I told you about. ⁹Those who live in the cities of Israel will go out and set on fire and burn the armaments – both light and heavy armor, weapons and ammunition and so on and they'll burn them for seven years. ¹⁰They won't gather wood from the fields or cut down any forests, because they'll burn the military equipment with fire, and they'll plunder those who plundered them and rob those who robbed them

says the Lord God.

¹¹And it'll happen on that day, that I'll give the Czar a burial ground in Israel, in the travelers' valley east of the sea of Galilee. It'll block the travelers, and there they'll bury the Czar and all his armies, and they'll call it the valley of the Czar's hordes.

¹²For seven months, Israel will be burying them, to purify the land. ¹³That's right, all the people of the land will bury them, and that day will be remembered when I glorified myself,

says the Lord God.

¹⁴They'll employ professionals to go through the land with the travelers, to bury those who remain on the ground – to purify it. At the end of seven months, they'll search. ¹⁵And those traveling through the land, when they see someone's bone, will mark it until the undertakers have buried it in the valley of the Czar's hordes.

¹⁶And so, the name of the city will be Hamonah (the horde). And so, they'll purify the land.

¹⁷And you, human, the Lord God says,

Speak to every kind of bird and wild animal,

Get together and around my sacrifice, that I've prepared for you, such a great sacrifice on the mountains of Israel, that you may eat flesh and drink blood. ¹⁸You'll eat the flesh of heroes and drink the blood of the rulers of the world, of rams and lambs, goats, and bulls – all of them fattened in the Golan. ¹⁹You'll eat juicy meat until you're full, and drink blood until you're drunk, from the sacrifice I've prepared for you. ²⁰And so, you'll be filled at my table with animals of war and heroes, and with all the soldiers,

says the Lord God.

²¹And I'll become famous throughout the world, and the world will see the judgement that I've executed, and my direct intervention. ²²So, the Jews will know that I am the Lord their God from that day on. ²³And the whole world will know that the Jews were captured because of their sins – because they were unfaithful towards me. That's why I hid myself from them and handed them over to their enemies. And so, I allowed their holocausts. ²⁴I've treated them according to their godless ways and their sins and hidden my presence from them.

²⁵And so, the Lord God says,

Now I'll restore the Jewish captives and be compassionate with all the Jews, and will defend my holy name, ²⁶after they've endured their shame, and all their sins, by which they've offended me when they lived safely in the land without fear. ²⁷When I've restored them from throughout the world and gathered them out of their enemies' nations and am made holy through them in the sight of many nations, ²⁸then they'll know that I'm the Lord their God, who scattered them in exile throughout the world, but I've gathered them into their own land, leaving none behind. ²⁹I'll no longer hide my face from them, because I've poured out my spirit over the Jews,

declares the Lord God.