

# Do Empires Rise or Fall Based on How They Treat Israel? A Biblical Pattern Reexamined

The theory dominates prophecy conferences and social media: the Antichrist will be a Muslim caliph who rides Islam's current momentum to global power. Israeli Bible teacher Amir Tsarfati rejects that view outright.

"Many prophecy teachers think the Antichrist will be a Muslim," Tsarfati stated in a teaching released last week. "They point to Islam's global rise and aggression toward Israel. But this popular theory misses critical biblical truths which I will reveal today."

Tsarfati does not downplay the present danger. Radical Islam is executing a documented, multi-front strategy against the West and Israel. "Jihad takes many forms," he said. "Immigration is one. ... Islamic leaders use immigration strategically to establish footholds in Western nations. Starting with mosques, then schools, creating parallel societies."

He cites London's radical imams, Paris no-go zones, and Germany's unchecked migrant enclaves as proof that Sharia is already displacing national law in pockets of Europe.

Yet Tsarfati declares with certainty: the final Antichrist cannot emerge from Islam. Three biblical facts make it impossible.

1. The Antichrist will be worshiped by every tribe, tongue and nation (Rev. 13:7-8). "This simply couldn't happen with an openly Muslim leader," Tsarfati said.

No non-Muslim population will bow to a figure who demands

submission to Allah.

2. The Antichrist will confirm a seven-year covenant with Israel and permit Jewish temple sacrifice on the Temple Mount (Dan. 9:27). "Something no Muslim would ever permit," Tsarfati stated.

Rebuilding the Jewish temple beside or in place of the Dome of the Rock remains blasphemous to Islamic theology under any circumstance.

3. Islam's military and religious credibility will be destroyed before the Antichrist appears. Ezekiel 38 details a coalition—Iran (Persia), Turkey (Togarmah), Libya and others, led by Russia—that invades Israel. God annihilates it with earthquake, fire and pestilence.

"When Russia, Iran, Turkey, and others are supernaturally defeated," Tsarfati said, "Islam as a dominant world religion will be severely weakened. Hundreds of millions of Muslims will be searching for answers."

That vacuum, not Islamic triumph, is what the Antichrist will exploit. Daniel 11:38 states he will honor "a god which his fathers did not know"—neither Allah nor the God of the Bible.



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Current Islamic aggression, therefore, is not the rise of the final empire. It is the prelude to its public humiliation on the mountains of Israel. Only after that defeat will the man of sin step onto the stage, offering a new religious system to a world whose Islamic hopes have just been shattered by the manifest power of Israel's God.

Christians who invert this order are reading tomorrow's headlines into yesterday's verses. Tsarfati's conclusion is blunt: "When we see radical Islam rising today, we're not

watching the Antichrist system emerging. We're watching the stage being set for God to demonstrate his power for Israel."

The biblical sequence is fixed. Islam will attack. God will answer. Then, and only then, the great deception begins.

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## **Something Prophetic Just Happened in Jerusalem for the First Time in 2,000 Years**

Something remarkable is unfolding in Jerusalem. Piece by piece, preparations for the Third Temple are taking shape, and one of the most significant milestones has now been reached: the completion of a menorah fully fit for Temple service.

This is not a display replica. The Temple Institute revealed that after "more than ten years of research and investigation" involving halachic, historical, archaeological and technical study, they produced a menorah that fulfills the biblical command. They noted that every detail was examined, from Torah descriptions to rabbinic commentary, and even the expertise of "metallurgical experts, goldsmiths, metal workers and electroplating experts."

Despite skepticism and criticism, Israel continues to rebuild the items required for Temple worship. Priestly families are being trained, Temple vessels are being fashioned and support among Israelis for rebuilding is rising. Critics scoff, but Scripture is unfolding right in front of us.

The menorah is more than a ceremonial object. It is a prophetic marker, proof that Israel is not waiting for global approval but is pressing forward with what God commanded. The Institute emphasized a "thick, unified... surface of gold... especially developed for the creation of the golden menorah," because this object has a destiny.



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We truly are witnessing prophecy become tangible. Something once thought impossible is now real, visible, and ready for use. A generation is watching the Bible step off the page and into history.

God's Word does not bend to human opinion. Every piece being put in place is another reminder that His promises stand. The menorah whispers a message without words:

Prophecy is moving. Momentum is growing. Truth always prevails.

What an incredible time to watch and believe.

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# Oxford's Word of the Year Says More About Us Than We Realize

The Oxford Dictionary named “rage bait” as its 2025 Word of the Year, a term CNN describes as “content deliberately designed to elicit anger to increase engagement.” Its selection captures a cultural shift in which provocation, hostility and digital outrage have become standard features of life in the West.

CNN noted that “use of the term has increased threefold this year,” with Oxford explaining that people recognize “they are being drawn ever more quickly into polarizing debates and arguments as a response to social media algorithms and the addictive nature of outrage content.” The rise of rage-driven media now shapes not only online behavior but the language people use daily.

Sometimes this material may appear harmless, such as “a recipe that contains disgusting food combinations or someone annoying their pet, partner or sibling.” But CNN reported that rage bait “has also entered political discourse, with outrage used to boost politicians’ profiles and provoke a chain of reaction and counter-reaction.” In other words, outrage is no longer a byproduct of cultural friction; it is a commodity.



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This is more than a linguistic trend. It exposes the moral direction of a society increasingly comfortable with sowing anger rather than pursuing peace. For a culture once shaped by

biblical principles, the celebration of “rage bait” as a defining concept reveals how far Western norms have drifted from the call to restraint, wisdom and self-control.

Scripture consistently warns against elevating anger as a tool for influence. Proverbs teaches that “a harsh word stirs up anger” (Prov. 15:1) and that “an angry man stirs up strife” (Prov. 29:22). When provocation becomes entertainment. Outrage becomes strategy; it mirrors what the Bible calls the work of those who “sow discord among brethren” (Prov. 6:19).

The normalization of rage as engagement also contradicts the New Testament call to live differently. Believers are urged to be “slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God” (James 1:19-20). Yet the digital economy rewards wrath precisely because it fuels attention. Western culture increasingly treats what Scripture warns against as a profitable virtue.

Even more directly, the spirit behind rage bait stands in contrast to the command of Ephesians 4:31: “Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor and evil speaking be put away from you.” Instead of putting these things away, society packages and promotes them.

Oxford’s word choice simply reflects the deeper reality: a world growing more comfortable with outrage than compassion, more animated by provocation than peace. As culture drifts further from the grounding truth of Scripture, the fruit becomes increasingly visible in the habits, values and vocabulary people celebrate.

The Word of the Year is not just a label. It is a mirror. It shows us who we are becoming and why a return to God’s wisdom is not only needed but urgent.

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## **Ezekiel 38 Nations Move Into Place Amid Peace Talks and War Rumors**

*If you want to see the clips discussed and understand the full context, watch the complete reaction in the video above.*

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## **Scientists Warn of 'Brain Weapons' as Scripture Warns**

# of a Time of Unprecedented Deception

Warnings about global deception have become increasingly common in Christian media, especially as technology blurs the line between manipulation and control. A new report by two leading scientists raises fresh concerns that align with biblical descriptions of a world vulnerable to powerful deception.

As reported by the Daily Mail, experts now believe mind-altering weapons are moving from theory to reality. Scientists have issued “an ominous warning over mind-altering ‘brain weapons’ that can target your perception, memory, and even behavior.”

Dr. Michael Crowley and Professor Malcolm Dando of Bradford University argue that recent advancements should be a “wake-up call.” Dando cautioned, “The same knowledge that helps us treat neurological disorders could be used to disrupt cognition, induce compliance, or even, in the future, turn people into unwitting agents.”

Major powers – including the U.S., China, Russia, and the U.K. – have researched central nervous system (CNS) weapons since the 1950s. The Daily Mail notes historical efforts such as America’s BZ compound and China’s “narcosis-gun.” The only confirmed battlefield use came in 2002, when Russian forces deployed a fentanyl-derived agent during the Moscow theater siege, killing 120 hostages.



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What alarms researchers now is how precise these tools have become. “We are entering an era where the brain itself could become a battlefield,” Dando said. “The tools to manipulate

the central nervous system... are becoming more precise, more accessible, and more attractive to states.”

The scientists warn that CNS-targeting weapons fall into a regulatory “loophole” under chemical weapons law, which bans harmful chemicals in warfare but allows certain substances for law enforcement. This gap, they argue, could embolden governments to pursue mind-altering weapons legally.

This conversation echoes Scripture’s description of widespread deception in the last days. Jesus warned, “See that no one deceives you,” a command that takes on new weight as technologies emerge that can influence perception and decision-making.

While these developments do not fulfill prophecy directly, they point toward a world increasingly shaped by manipulation – a world the Bible describes with striking clarity. As concerns rise over “brain weapons,” the need for discernment becomes more urgent in an age where the battleground may shift to the human mind itself.

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