

# CBN Founder Pat Robertson Weighs in on Russia and Its Place in Prophecy

CBN Founder Pat Robertson made a special appearance on The 700 Club Monday to talk about Russia's shocking invasion of Ukraine and how it all might fit into biblical end-times prophecy.

He cited key passages from the prophet Ezekiel regarding nations coming together one day to rise up against Israel—specifically pointing to what Russia is doing in Ukraine as a precursor to that event:

“Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying, ‘Son of man, set your face toward Gog of the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, And say, “This is what the Lord God says: ‘Behold, I am against you, Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. So I will turn you around and put hooks into your jaws, and I will bring you out, and all your army, horses and horsemen, all of them magnificently dressed, a great contingent with shield and buckler, all of them wielding swords; Persia, Cush, and Put with them, all of them with buckler and helmet; Gomer with all its troops; Beth-Togarmah from the remote parts of the north with all its troops— many peoples with you'”” (Ezek. 38:1-6, NASB).

Referring to a map showing the location of Ukraine, Robertson pointed to a “choke point” between Bulgaria, Turkey and Greece and why Russia might eventually be aiming to control that point.

He continued reading from Ezekiel 38:

“‘It will come about on that day, when Gog comes against the land of Israel,’ declares the Lord God, ‘That my fury will

mount up in my anger. In my zeal and in my blazing wrath I declare that on that day there will certainly be a great earthquake in the land of Israel. The fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the animals of the field, all the crawling things that crawl on the earth, and all mankind who are on the face of the earth will shake at my presence; and the mountains will be thrown down, the steep pathways will collapse, and every wall will fall to the ground. And I will call for a sword against him on all my mountains,' declares the Lord God. 'Every man's sword will be against his brother. With plague and with blood I will enter into judgment with him; and I will rain on him and on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, a torrential rain, hailstones, fire, and brimstone'" (Ezek. 38:18-22).

Robertson also showed a map explaining which biblical names correspond to the modern-day countries.

Gomer = Ukraine

Rosh = Russia

Magog = Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Armenia and Azerbaijan

Persia = Iran

Togarmah and Tubal = Turkey and Syria

Put = Libya

Cush = North Sudan and Egypt

"North Sudan is so-called Cush," Robertson said. "All of those troops there are going to be coming against Israel in the latter days. And God says, 'I am going to take care of it.'"

"But is Putin insane?" he asked. "Well, yes and no. Because he is being driven to move against Israel because God says, 'I'm going to put hooks in your jaws and I'm going to bring you

down on them.' Now you get the picture."

Robertson said Putin and Turkish President Erdoğan's troops will one day work together to make up a tremendous army in the latter days.

"And I think you can say, 'Well, Putin is out of his mind,' and yes, maybe so. But at the same time, he's being compelled by God," CBN's founder said. "He went into Ukraine, but that wasn't his goal. His goal was to move against Israel ultimately. And he will link up with Turkey across the little (land) bridge, and they will come together. And then, you look down into North Sudan, you've got a Muslim country down there, and there they all are. Persia, of course, is Iran."

"And there is the land that is set up in Ezekiel 38 and you see how Ukraine is key because you see the land bridge between Bulgaria, Greece and Turkey. And all of that area is going to be mobilized against Israel in the latter days. And God says, 'I am going to deal with it,'" Robertson said.

"So you can look at your map. You can read your newspapers. You can listen to your news. But know of a fact that God is bringing to pass what He prophesied years ago through His servant Ezekiel," he explained. "And you read it in the 38th passage of Ezekiel, one through six, it's all there. And God is getting ready to do something amazing and that will be fulfilled." {eoa}

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