

Strategic Prayer and Prophetic Warning Before Purim 2024 and Solar Eclipse

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In the shadow of unfolding global events and signs in the heavens, the approach of Purim 2024 calls us to a time of strategic prayer and heightened spiritual awareness. In the year of the “double door,” it should come as no surprise that we face an increase in spiritual warfare or “double attacks.”

Recent political developments, coupled with the upcoming total solar eclipse, suggest a pivotal moment in both the natural and spiritual realms, urging believers to discern the times with wisdom and respond with intercession.

A Prophetic Call to Prayer: Understanding the Times

The recent memorandum issued by U.S. President Joe Biden on Feb. 8, linking American military aid globally to adherence to international humanitarian law, including for Israel, has stirred significant concern. The directive, which deems the Israeli Defense Forces’ operations in Gaza as “over the top,” introduces a conditionality to military aid that hinges on compliance with international humanitarian standards.

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Nations benefiting from such aid, Israel included, are given a 45-day ultimatum to assure the U.S. of their adherence or face a suspension of military support. This deadline happens to coincide with Purim 2024 (Esth. 3:13), a period of significant

spiritual importance, marking a time when the Jewish people celebrate deliverance from the annihilation plans of Haman, who was of Amalekite descent.

This alignment of geopolitical tension with a moment of historical and spiritual deliverance cannot be overlooked. It is time for the faithful to accept a posture of vigilance, strategic prayer and seeking of God's divine intervention in the affairs of nations and the protection of Israel. This call to prayer is not merely for the preservation of military aid but for the protection and blessing of the United States as well (Gen. 12:3).

Significance of the Amalekite Spirit

The enmity between Israel and Amalek was a perpetual struggle, as recounted in Exodus 17 and reiterated in Deuteronomy 25, where God commands Israel to remember Amalek's treachery and to "blot out" their memory from under heaven. This instruction underscores the depth of Amalek's oppression and the enduring nature of his threat. The saga of Amalek reemerges centuries later with King Saul's failure to completely annihilate the Amalekites, sparing King Agag and the best of their livestock, directly against God's clear instruction, resulting in his rejection by God and the eventual rise of Haman, a descendant of Agag, in the Persian Empire (1 Sam. 15).

Haman's plot against the Jews during the reign of Xerxes is a direct consequence of this choice. Haman, identified as "the son of Hammedatha the Agagite," symbolizes the enduring animosity of Amalek toward Israel, seeking to perpetrate genocide against the Jewish people. We see a pattern of aggression rooted in deep-seated enmity from this spirit. The biblical account of Amalekites serves as an important reminder of the persistent threats faced by God's people and our battle against the Amalekite spirit.

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Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu referenced Amalek recently, saying Israelis are united in their fight against Hamas, whom he described as an enemy of incomparable cruelty, then added, "You must remember what Amalek has done to you, says our Holy Bible. And we do remember."

"Remember what Amalek did to you on the way as you were coming out of Egypt, how he met you on the way and attacked your rear ranks, all the stragglers at your rear, when you were tired and weary; and he did not fear God. Therefore it shall be, when the Lord your God has given you rest from your enemies all around, in the land which the Lord your God is giving you to possess as an inheritance, *that* you will blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven. You shall not forget" (Deut. 25:17-19, ESV).

Join Curt Landry Ministries in prayer during this season and make plans to join us to celebrate Purim either in-house or online on March 22, 2024.{eoa}

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