

Prophecy Unfolds on the Temple Mount as Thousands Gather on Tisha B'Av

The eyes of the world are once again drawn to the Temple Mount, a place where history, faith and prophecy converge.

On the Jewish fast day of Tisha B'Av, which mourns the destruction of the First and Second Temples, extraordinary events unfolded that highlight both the rising hunger of the Jewish people to worship on the Mount and the undeniable march of biblical prophecy toward fulfillment.

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National Security Minister Itamar Ben-Gvir ascended the Temple Mount on Sunday, joining thousands of Jewish visitors expected to come throughout the day. Under his policy, Israeli police allowed Jewish visitors to do something unprecedented: “sing, pray in the eastern section of the mount, and even prostrate,” a significant departure from the long-held restrictions that prohibited overt Jewish worship.

According to i24 News, videos captured the moment as “dozens of Jewish worshippers [were] singing and dancing openly on the mount,” with police making no effort to intervene. Associates of Ben-Gvir hailed the moment as “a monumental change that hasn’t happened in a thousand years,” affirming his belief that there can be “no law permitting racist discrimination against Jews on the Temple Mount or anywhere else in Israel.”



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At the same time, the Temple Institute reported a powerful surge in Jewish participation. In their words: "More than 4,000 Jews made their way to the Temple Mount on Tish'a b'Av, despite the limited hours of permitted entry. Meanwhile, at the foot of the Temple Mount many tens of thousands of Jews gathered in the Western Wall Plaza to pray for the rebuilding of the Holy Temple."