

# What Is China's Role in Biblical Prophecy?

A headline from the New York Times caught my attention a few years ago: "Iraq Suffers as the Euphrates River Dwindles."

It resonated deeply, not because of my interest in climate patterns but because of my focus on Scripture. The article drew a striking connection between this natural event and a prophecy from Revelation:

*The shrinking of the Euphrates, a river so crucial to the birth of civilization that the Book of Revelation prophesied its drying up as a sign of the end times, has decimated farms along its banks, left fishermen impoverished, and depleted riverside towns.*

This acknowledgment in a prominent publication was remarkable. The prophecy referenced is found in Revelation:

"Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the kings from the East might be prepared," (Rev. 16:12).

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The drying of the Euphrates is not an isolated prediction, but one tied to significant eschatological events. The text implies that this phenomenon prepares the way for an immense army from the East—an army that John, in another vision, described in striking detail:

"The number of the army of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them," (Rev. 9:16).

In John's time, the global population was roughly 100 million,

making the idea of an army of 200 million inconceivable. Yet by 1965, China reported a standing militia of precisely this number, confirming the astounding accuracy of John's prophecy.

The colors described—fiery red, hyacinth blue and sulfur yellow—are strikingly similar to those associated with modern China and its military branches. This precise alignment of ancient prophecy with modern reality is both awe-inspiring and sobering.

### **Demonic Imagery and Modern Implications**

John's description of this army goes beyond the physical, suggesting supernatural or demonic elements. The soldiers' breastplates and the fire, smoke, and sulfur issuing from their mouths evoke imagery often associated with divine judgment.

Scholars speculate that these descriptions could point to future technological or genetic advancements.

Recent reports from China's military research institutions validate these concerns. Chinese researchers are exploring biotechnology to create "biologically enhanced" soldiers with heightened physical and mental capabilities. General Zhang Shibo of the People's Liberation Army has openly discussed synthetic pathogens that are "more toxic, more contagious and more resistant."

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Such developments not only align with the apocalyptic vision but also raise significant ethical and geopolitical questions.

China's genetic ambitions extend beyond military enhancements. The National Counterintelligence and Security Center has raised alarms about China's collection of genomic data. Through cyberattacks, acquisitions of biotech companies, and offers like COVID-19 testing labs, China has amassed a vast

database of genetic information.

Former U.S. counterintelligence official Bill Evanina warned that this data could be weaponized, enabling China to exploit vulnerabilities or create tailored bioweapons. These developments are not merely speculative; they illustrate the increasing relevance of John's prophetic vision.

### **Economic and Agricultural Influence**

China's influence is not limited to genetics and technology. Its strategic acquisitions of U.S. farmland have sparked national security concerns. As of 2021, China owned over 384,000 acres of American farmland. Critics argue that such control over food production poses a significant risk, allowing China to manipulate supply chains and exert economic pressure.

Furthermore, Chinese investors now account for 25% of foreign real estate purchases in the U.S., increasing their influence over American infrastructure.

These economic maneuvers underscore a broader strategy to assert dominance, aligning with the biblical narrative of the "kings of the East" wielding global power.

### **The Underground Church in China**

Amid these alarming developments, an extraordinary movement is taking place within China's underground church. Despite decades of oppression, the Christian population in China is estimated to exceed 350 million—a number comparable to the population of the United States. These believers operate outside state-controlled religious institutions, often at great personal risk.

Isaiah's prophecy offers hope for China's believers:

"That You may say to the prisoners, 'Go forth,' to those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves' ... For He who has mercy on

them will lead them, even by the springs of water He will guide them ... Surely these shall come from afar ... from the land of Sinim [China],” (Isa. 49:9-12).

This passage affirms God’s mercy and guidance for His people, even in the most oppressive regimes.

The underground church’s resilience demonstrates the power of faith to flourish in adversity. Jesus’ promise that “the gates of hell shall not prevail” (Matt. 16:18) continues to hold true.

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## **The Agenda of Communism**

Communism’s legacy is one of control and destruction. Under Mao Zedong, China experienced atrocities on an unprecedented scale, with over 50 million deaths attributed to policies like the Great Leap Forward and the Cultural Revolution. Globally, Communist regimes have been responsible for the deaths of an estimated 80 million people through genocides, purges and artificial famines.

In China, the state-sponsored church operates under government control, restricting religious expression and banning teachings on Revelation. The regime’s fear of the prophetic message—that earthly kingdoms will fall before Christ’s return—is a testament to Scripture’s transformative power.

## **Prophetic Fulfillment and the Future**

The narrative of Revelation is not merely a prediction but a call to recognize the spiritual realities shaping our world. Psalm 2 captures the defiance of earthly rulers against God:

“Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take

counsel together, against the Lord and against His Anointed, saying, "Let us break Their bonds in pieces and cast away Their cords from us," (Ps. 2:1-3).

This rebellion mirrors the modern resistance to Christ's authority. Yet Scripture assures us that God's plan will prevail. The underground church in China, despite persecution, exemplifies the power of God's kingdom to thrive under oppression.

As the "kings of the East" prepare for their role in the final act of history, believers are called to remain vigilant, discerning the signs of the times and standing firm in faith.

The prophetic significance of China in biblical prophecy serves as a reminder of God's sovereignty over nations and His ultimate plan for redemption.

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delivers a prophetic word brimming with both challenge and hope. He speaks to the body of Christ with clarity, urging us to brace for a season of intense warfare but also to rise in faith, equipped with God's promises.

Renner begins with a reminder of the apostle Paul's instruction to Timothy in 1 Timothy 1:18: "Remember the prophecies which went before on thee, that thou by them mightest wage a good warfare." He emphasizes that prophetic words are tools for spiritual battle, declaring, "God has given you everything you need to walk in victory in 2025."

## **A Season of Intense Warfare**

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### **Tongue of Angels: Unveiling the Mystery of Heavenly Communication**

In a recent teaching, evangelist Perry Stone delved into a fascinating topic in the Bible—the "tongue of angels" mentioned in 1 Corinthians 13:1.

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels and have not love, I am a sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal," Stone quotes, pointing to the apostle Paul's declaration. According to Stone, this verse opens a line of discussion not only on the necessity of love but also on the spiritual dimensions of language.

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**What Is This 'Mystery Fog' Causing Panic Across America?**

Has there been an unusual amount of fog in your area lately? If so, did a lot of people in your area start getting sick after the fog arrived? All of a sudden, fog has become one of the hottest topics on social media, and even the mainstream media is now talking about this phenomenon.

But is there any validity to this story? I am going to try to be balanced and I am going to share information from both sides of the debate. I would encourage you to read this entire article all the way to the end, because there is a twist that not a lot of people are talking about right now.

Earlier today, the Daily Mail published an article about this story which was quickly picked up by the Drudge Report.

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In an exclusive interview with Charisma Media, prophetic voice Joseph Z shared what the Lord has spoken to him about for what the church can expect this upcoming year.

In 2024, Z prophesied that it would be a do-over year, paralleling 2020. As we saw this do-over year come to pass with the election cycle and even both the Dodgers and the Kansas City Chiefs taking victories in the sports arena, what happens now in 2025 after the do-over is critical.

“The Lord is speaking to me very clearly about what is to come, and I sense because of this do-over, because of the way the Lord has done things, there is unfinished business that needs to take place,” Z says. “I believe we are going into a time of generational quaking and generational building.”

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Jacobs underscores the precarious state of the U.S. economy. “Last I heard, I think we’re about \$35 trillion in debt,” she says, pointing to the alarming rate at which the national debt has grown. “I was told by a trusted friend that that goes up by a trillion dollars every 100 days. We cannot keep on that course. No nation can survive with that... This is very, very critical.” Her call is that believers must intercede for leaders with the wisdom to govern economically, as the fate of the global economy hangs in the balance.

“Who gets hurt?” Jacobs asks. “The people... Everyday people, us, not people that have large means... So what do we do? We pray.”

## **Intercession as the Solution**

Jacobs recounts the Reformation Prayer Network’s quiet yet powerful history of intercession. “We have many times gone and prayed to stabilize the economy,” she shares, adding recent efforts include prayers for Wall Street and the banking system. “This would not be the first time that we have seen a great potential of economic disasters, and we have taken it to earnest prayer.” She believes these prayers can avert disaster: “I felt like the Lord said to me that there would be a severe course correction, but if we prayed, it would not fall into what we know as a Great Depression.”

## **Aligning with Israel**

History has shown that nations suffer when they turn against Israel, Jacobs warns. “Every time in history that we have gone

against Israel, the nation has plummeted... People are blessed when they bless Israel, and they're cursed when they curse it." She then issues a simple plea to pray that the U.S. maintains its alliance with Israel. "We don't want to come against God; we want to do what is right."

Best-selling author Rabbi Jonathan Cahn's powerful sermon on the signs of the coming apocalypse provides a sobering yet hope-filled reminder of the times we are living in. From ancient prophecies to modern realities, Cahn weaves together Scripture, history and current events to reveal the urgent need for the church to stay vigilant.

"The Antichrist will declare himself God in the Holy Place," Cahn warned, drawing from Matthew 24:15, where Jesus references Daniel's prophecy about the abomination of desolation. Cahn explained that this Holy Place points to the Temple in Jerusalem, the epicenter of God's prophetic timeline.

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