Hamas-Israeli War

Four Major Themes:

- The history of Israel from it's conception to present day.
- Geographical locations of Muslim terror groups.
- The Hamas-Israeli War.
- Is this the making of Armageddon?

The History of Israel from It's conception to Present Day

- Israel's Patriarchs
 - o Abraham-2165 B.C.
 - o Ishmael 2079 B.C.
 - Isaac 2065 B.C.
 - Jacob 2006 B.C.=12 Tribes of Israel
- Egyptian Empire -12 Tribes of Israel in Egypt 1875-1445 (Genesis 12:41)
- 12 Tribes of Israel Occupy Canaan 1405-931.
- Israel and Judah Split 931. B.C.
- Assyrian Empire-722-612 B.C.
- Babylonian Empire-605 (597)-538 B.C.
- Medo-Persian Empire-538-443 B.C. (538-Cyrus-Jews to return to Jerusalem).
- Greek Empire-330-146 B.C.
- Roman Empire-638-63 B.C.
- Byzantine Rule 313-611 A.D.
- Persian Rule 611-628 A.D.
- Muslim Arab Rule 636-1099 A.D.
- Crusades 1098-1187 A.D.
- Ottoman Empire-1260-1917 A.D.
- 1917-1947-Balfour Declaration-Israel would become a Jewish home in Palestine.
- May 14-1948-Israel become and independent state-1st time since 597 B.C.
- Palestinian War-May 15,1948-Israel invaded by Jordan, Iraq, Syria, and Lebanon.
- 1956 Suez War-Egyptian President Nasser seizes Suez Canal-Israel invades.
- 1967 War (Six-Day War) Israel preemptive strike-Egypt, Syria, and Jordan.
- 1973 War-Egypt attacks Israel.
- Today-Golan Heights, West Bank (split), Gaza-Israeli buffer Zone

Geographical Locations of Muslim Radical Groups

- **Hamas**-2 million Palestinians in the Gaza Strip.
- **Hezbollah**-Iran-Backed Shiite Muslim political party in Lebanon.
- Al-Qaeda Osama bin Laden today is based in Afghanistan-9/11 attack.
- <u>Taliban</u>-Afghanistan-ultraconservative political and religious group.

- <u>Isis</u>-(IS)-Islamic State, (ISIS-Islamic State of Iraq and Syria), (ISIL-Islamic State
 of Iraq and the Levant)
- **Sunni**-Muslim majority in Saudi Arabia-chooses the best leader.
- **Shia**-Muslim majority in Iran (Persia)-chooses leader from lineage of Mohamad.

The Hamas-Israeli War

- World War I-Central Powers (Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey) land locked.
- World War II-Axis Powers (Germany, Italy, Japan) land locked.
- Middle East Participants (Russia, China, Iran) religion and land
- What If? What if Russia, China, and Iran make a combined pact?
- 1988-Hamas called for destruction of Israel.
- PLO Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin-Oslo Accords (PA)
- Hamas-designated terrorist entity-aid cut off by U.S. and E.U.
- Today-Iran biggest benefactor of funds, weapons, and training for Hamas
- Hamas' Israeli assault on October 7, 2023, is called "Operation Al-Aqsa Storm".
- The raid was launched on the last day of the Feast of Booths.
- Israel declared war on Hamas -ordered the evacuation of northern Gaza City.
- Hezbollah of Lebanon launched a northern attack.
- 3,600 people killed on both sides and more than 9,042 wounded.
- A ground offensive by Israel may involve other parts of the Middle East.

Is the Hamas-Israeli War the Start of Armageddon? Short Answer-No

Events Before Armageddon

- The Disciples ask about the end of the age (Matthew 24:1-8).
- Matthew chapters 24-25 answers the disciples' questions in 24:3.
- The Rapture (1 Corinthians 15:51-52, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-5, 9)
- The rise of the Antichrist-peace and war (Daniel 9:27)
- The Antichrist will defile the temple (Matthew 24:15-22).
- Sometime during the first 3 ½ years the Antichrist will plan an attack on Israel.
- The Old Roman Empire will be revived Daniel chapter 2.

The Battle of Armageddon

- The Battle Begins (Ezekiel 38:18-19).
- The Armies of the world will assemble at Armageddon (Revelation 16:12-16).
- Jesus' second coming will stop the battle (Zechariah 14:1-5).

Does the Hamas-Israeli War Play a Part in End Times?

- It could be the beginning of end time events (Matthew 24:6-8)
- It could be a model of the real battle of Armageddon.

End Result-Revelation 22:20-21