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11:45 And he [the king of the north - the leader of Turkey- King of the North is Satan's army Jer 1:13-16] shall plant [place or establish] the tabernacles of his palace [a religious/political entity - Islamic Caliphate Government/ Headquarters] between the seas [Mediterranean and Dead (Red) Seas] in the glorious holy mountain [Jerusalem-mount of Olives-Dan 9:16; Isa 66:20; Eze 20:40; Joel 2:1; 3:17; Zech 8:3]; yet he [the king of the north] shall come to his end [Turkish] government (comes to his end under the 6th plaque- Eze 32:20) Jer 4:6-7], and none shall help him [The Christian Nations of Europe will no longer come to the rescue of Turkey. Something will happen that brings the rule of the king of the north to an end. Islam is brought to his end by papacy (after Israel has been destroyed) -Eze 32:11]. Ezekiel 32:30- confederacy called "Princes of the North" (KON)

**11:45** But Turkey shall plant the tents of his palace between the Mediterranean Sea and the Dead Sea, in the city of Jerusalem, yet he shall come to his end and none shall help him.

# Turkey Plants His Tabernacle & Comes to His End

Tabernacles = seat of government Bible Readings p. 222

Tabernacles (plural) represents a temporary dwelling (DA 448.2; Ex 25:9-10; Heb 11:9, 10)

**<u>He</u>** = the same spoken of in verses 40-44 (Turkey)

<u>Tabernacles</u> of <u>His Palace</u> = Caliphate Government/ Headquarters

<u>Between the Seas</u> = Between the Dead (Red) Sea and Mediterranean Sea

Holy Mountain = Jerusalem

<u>None shall help him</u> = The Christian Nations of Europe will no longer come to the rescue of Turkey

The Turkish power will come to its end AFTER Michael stands up (probation over- Daniel 12:1) during the 6<sup>th</sup> plague. The "man of sin" (Papacy) will continue until the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Jesus.

Jeremiah 50: 1, 3, 4 shows Babylon was destroyed by a nation from the north. Therefore, spiritual Babylon cannot be the king of the North because it is represented as being destroyed by the king of the north.

The climatic verse of this entire chapter are the events of verse 45; the sign when probation will soon close on the entire world. After the event takes place in verse 45, following after in Daniel Chapter 12:1, "Michael (Christ) shall stand up". "Stand up" means probation is in the process of closing!

Turkey has been established as the king of the north in verses 40 through 44. According to this last verse of Daniel Chapter 11, the time will come when Turkey will move his palace (its Caliphate government), between the seas—the

Dead Seas and the Mediterranean Sea—to the glorious holy mountain located in Palestine, also known as Jerusalem (Dan 9:16). As Turkey removes from Constantinople to the holy mountain in Jerusalem, and sets up his Caliphate, not democracy, but Caliphate government, he will destroy the Jews and take over Jerusalem. This will be **the sign** for mankind that



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probation is about to close and the plagues are to soon follow, executed by Islam under the 3<sup>rd</sup> woe upon the rejecters of God's mercy. [NOTE: As recorded in history, the Arab people, the Turks, executed the plagues under the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> woes of Revelation Chapters 8 and 9. And so the same will bring a scourge

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(via plagues) upon the world under the 3<sup>rd</sup> woe and then, the Turk will finally come to his end; his civil power will be removed during the 6th plague. None will help him. None of the countries that helped Turkey previously in the past will come to Turkey's aid.]





No date, in the Scriptures, is provided as to when Christ finishes his ministry in the most holy place, but the Bible foretells the event: Turkey moving from Constantinople to the holy mountain in Jerusalem, as a SIGN THAT PROBATION ON THE WORLD IS ABOUT TO CLOSE. Current event articles prove that Turkey is moving toward fulfilling this verse. So, what should the Christian's attitude be? This is a serious prophecy that needs close attention!

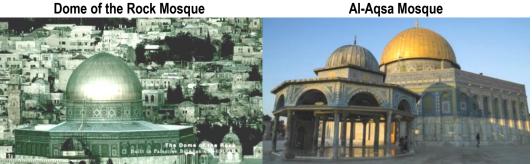


Question: What would be some possible reasons (among many others) for Turkey's move to Jerusalem? A couple of thoughts:

Number 1. Since the late 600's, their 2<sup>nd</sup> holiest mosque (also known as the Dome of the Rock) located in Jerusalem, is standing exactly where Solomon's temple stood and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Jewish temple (aka Herod's Temple) stood in the time of Christ until the latter was destroyed by Rome in A.D. 70.

Number 2. The Muslim's 3<sup>rd</sup> holiest mosque in the world (Al-Aqsa), is also in Jerusalem; not far from Dome of the Rock. The Muslims believe that Christ is coming back—not because they believe He's the Savior, but they believe He is a prophet of Allah. They believe He is going to come back to cleanse both of these mosques in Jerusalem, and then destroy the enemy. And the Muslims want to be present when this supposedly takes place.





From 70 A.D. to 1798, the Jews occupied territory elsewhere in the world except Jerusalem. During the 600's, the Muslims moved to Jerusalem and built the Dome of the Rock in the late 600's. Their first holiest mosque is located in Mecca, in the Middle East.

Mosque in Mecca



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# Abbas's Fatah: Israel planning to destroy Al-Aqsa Mosque

The Palestinians have since used the incident to revive their long-standing charge that Israel was planning to destroy the Al-Aqsa Mosque in order to rebuild the Third Tample.





The Muslims had resided in Jerusalem ever since the 600's. In 1948, a part of this territory, also known as Palestine, was taken from the Muslims and given to the Jews. In 2017, President Trump formally recognized Jerusalem as Israel's capital, saying it's time to "acknowledge the obvious" as he ordered the State Department to begin moving the U.S. Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. Prior to this Tel Aviv was the capital. Since this declaration from Trump, the Jews have been threatening to

destroy the Muslim mosques in order to rebuild the Jewish

temple. This will cause a holy war.



# Trump Recognizes Jerusalem as Israel's Capital and Orders U.S. Embassy to Move





Constantinople (Istanbul) below

Trump's declaration was against the wishes of the United Nations, who in October 2016, declared the holy mountain in Jerusalem as Muslim territory and not Jewish.

When Turkey finally moves from Istanbul to the holy mountain in Jerusalem, either by pressure or by leaving on its own, none-the-less, when this move happens, this world shall shortly come to an end.



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one spot, and has been for years. Turkey is known universally as the "Sick Man of the East (Eastern Europe. Turkey lost a lot of its power in the Eastern part of Europe)," and the only reason he does not die is because intoxicants

are administered, figuratively speaking, by first one nation then another. The time will

come when he will remove from Constantinople, and take up his abode in Palestine and his tabernacle between the Mediterranean and Dead Seas. Time and again the world has been brought to realize that the end of all things is near at hand, for all know that when the Turk steps out of Constantinople, there will be a general breaking up of Europe." {1901 SNH, SDP 247.3}



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On January 31st, 2020 BREXIT, Britain pulled out of the European Union. Europe is breaking up.





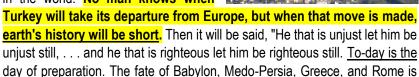


Revelation 7:1-3 is about to be fulfilled. "I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth. . . And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God; and he cried . . . saying, Hurt not the earth . . . till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. These angels now hold the winds of strife, waiting for the church of God to prepare for his coming.

The sealing angel goes through Jerusalem (the church) to place the seal of the living God on the foreheads of the faithful, and while this work goes forward. Turkey stands as a national guidepost to the world, that men may know what is going on in the sanctuary above." {1901 SNH, SDP 248.1}

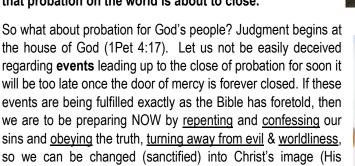


"God's eye is upon his people, and he never leaves himself without a witness in the world. No man knows when



recorded for the edification of the nations of to-day, and the lessons taught by all center in the events just before us. While the world watches Turkey, let the servant of God watch the movements of his great High Priest, whose ministry for sin is almost over." {1901 SNH, SDP 248.2}

Friends, here is an appeal: Let's continue to study these future events in depth, so we can be fully prepared to give the Loud Cry of the third angel's message. Our high priest is about to finish his ministry (probation to close) in the Most Holy Place. Then, the Seven Last Plagues will commence and from then, within a year, the second coming of Christ will follow under the 7th plague. We're almost home. Daniel 11:45 to 12:1 is the final landmark that we've been waiting for. This is the sign that probation on the world is about to close.



will be too late once the door of mercy is forever closed. If these events are being fulfilled exactly as the Bible has foretold, then we are to be preparing NOW by repenting and confessing our sins and obeying the truth, turning away from evil & worldliness, so we can be changed (sanctified) into Christ's image (His character). So when Christ gets to our name in the judgment, He will declare, "he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still." (Rev 22:11)





The events connected with the close of probation and the work of preparation for the time of trouble, are clearly brought to view. But multitudes have no more understanding of these important truths than if they had never been revealed. Satan watches to catch away every impression that would make them wise unto salvation, and the time of trouble will find them unready. {4SP 412.1}

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#### Verse 45

Hitherto is <u>history fulfilled</u>. Now we come to history future. Wonderful indeed are the events that have gone to make up the story just told; but marvelous in the extreme are the things just briefly touched in the next few verses. We pause for a moment to consider if we be ready to discuss so momentous a question as the close of this divine path of history traced by the prophet's pen. May the same spirit which indited the words of old lead the

mind of both writer and reader as we reverently

advance.

In the verse before us as in many others there are two and only two acts described:

"He shall plant the tabernacles of his palace:"
"He shall come to his end."

At the time when one of these two acts takes place Michael [Christ] stands up.

Which act is the signal for that great event? Let us study the revealed word.

We are told in Revelation of seven mighty plagues in which are "filled up" the wrath of God, and which are poured out without the mixture of mercy into the cup of his indignation.



Rev. 10:7. In the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall BEGIN to sound, the MYSTERY of GOD shall be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

Rev. 11:15-19. And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of

the dead, that they should be JUDGED, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which corrupt the earth.

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When the time comes that mercy is no longer mixed with the judgments of God, then indeed is probation for all the human race at an end. No man, not even our advocate and intercessor, "the man Christ Jesus," can enter the temple from the time when the eternal fiat has gone forth, "Go your ways and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth."

How long it takes from the first plague to the sixth we know not, but relying on Rev. 18: 8 it is likely that <u>one</u> prophetic day <u>or one literal year</u> will cover <u>the whole time of the seven last plagues</u>.

<u>The sixth angel</u> pours his vial on the great river Euphrates. There is no need of drying up the literal river in order for armies to cross, for many times armies have crossed and recrossed that stream even at the flood. Used metaphorically, then, it must be that the nation which rules in the country drained by the river Euphrates is to be "dried up" or come to its end in the sixth plague. But <u>that nation is Turkey</u>. The drying up process has been going on for some time and Turkey in Europe is only a fraction of what it once was.

If <u>Turkey comes to his end under the sixth plague</u>, and that plague does not fall till after probation ceases, and probation ceases when Christ ceases to intercede as a priest and stands up to rule as a king,—for he was once prophet, is now priest, and will be king,—then, the standing up of Christ cannot be at the "coming to his end" of Turkey but must be at the time of the other event named in the 45th verse. Stated otherwise, the expression "at that time" of Daniel 12:1 cannot mean the time that Turkey comes to his end, therefore "at that time" must refer to the time mentioned in verse 45 of the eleventh chapter, the time when "he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain." But will the Turk be driven from Europe? Most assuredly. He never belonged there, he has been a blot and a blotch ever since he was there. And when he is driven out, what more natural place than "the glorious holy mountain" of Jerusalem, "between the seas." And, too, what more fitting, that when that vilest of religions places its capital in the mountain in which the great and mighty and

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pure God once placed his name, that then Christ should throw down the censer and proclaim with the voice that shakes the heavens and the earth, "It is done!"

And what, dear reader, will that standing up mean to you and me? The nations will have "a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time," but how about the individual? Some are going to be delivered. Will you? Will I? The word of God defines particularly who are to have that joy. They are those whose names are "found written in the book," "the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." Is yours there? Not unless you have accepted that Lamb of God as your Saviour, your Intercessor, your King. If not, why not accept Him now, just now. He waits for you and for every unregenerate one. Whosoever will, let him come.

The last great acts in the mighty drama before the universe in this controversy between Christ and Satan will soon be performed. The readiness of Russia to take, the willingness of England to permit the taking of Constantinople, is common knowledge in many capitals of the world. The mighty forces at work in the Near East; the mighty awakening of the heathen of the Far East; the drying up of the Turkish nation to make ready the way of "the Kings from the sunrising;" have not these progressed far enough to stir our hearts to a preparedness we have never had before?

And then the joys that await the faithful! They arise to everlasting life. For them and them alone is the bright shining as the firmament; while they that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever. The brilliant suns that shed their light so far reaching that to us they glow like the diamonds in the night, are but tokens to the believers of the eternal glory which they themselves shall radiate through all the endless ages of eternity.

The end will come! The accounts which God keeps with the nations will close! But He who watches over the sparrow, will warn the doomed world. Like a thief in the night His coming will creep upon a sensual, wicked, drunken world, but His brethren are not in darkness that that day should overtake them as a thief. They are children of the light.

# IS YOUR NAME WRITTEN IN THE LAMBS BOOK OF LIFE?



He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his

Will you not, dear reader, be one of these? The words to Daniel were to shut up the book till the "time of the end." That is why not found out before. But now, in the time when knowledge has most marvelously increased, and men run to and fro from end to end of this

old earth, now are the words of Daniel opened for all to read and understand and let him that readeth, run to tell the word to others. "Seek ye the Lord, . . . . seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger."

https://youtu.be/jClf8IDByaM



{"The Eleventh of Daniel Narrated" pg. 83-89 by J. Grant Lamson 1909; archive from G.C. Library

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For I know that after my death ye will utterly corrupt [yourselves], and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you; and evil will befall you in the latter days; because ye will do evil in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands. Deut 31:29

"...Turkey...the time will come when he will remove from Constantinople, and take up his abode in Palestine; that is, plant his tabernacle between the Mediterranean and red seas..." {1901 SNH, SDP 247.3}

"Constantinople itself is between seas; but it is not "in the glorious [sic.] Holy mountain." the only place in the world that corresponds to the term "the glorious holy mountain," is Jerusalem. Among the Mohammedan peoples—Turks and Arabs—of that whole region, Jerusalem is called by the name El-kuds—the holy. And Jerusalem is "between the seas"—the Dead Sea and the Mediterranean. It is therefore plain that after the loss of Constantinople the Turkish capitol will be established ultimately, if not immediately, at Jerusalem." {July 24, 1906 ATJ, MEDM 27.2}

Verse 45 is referring to Turkey which will eventually come to his end. This verse is not referring to the papacy which

- "... Paul states plainly that the "man of sin" will continue until the Second Advent..." (GC 578.3)
- "...the man of sin, the papacy, was to change times and laws; {RH December 18, 1888, Art. A, par. 11}

#### None shall help him:

He has heretofore been helped, notably by England. The time will come, yea, even now has come when Turkey can look for that help no more.

"...August 11, 1840. Since that time <u>Turkey</u> has been known everywhere as the "**Sick Man of the East.**" <u>Daniel prophesied concerning him, saying,</u> "<u>He shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him (Daniel 11:45 language)." At any moment, when the jealous powers of Europe can decide, either peaceably, or in battle, which one of them shall occupy Constantinople, the "Sick Man" will speedily take his departure from Europe. THAT MOVEMENT...WILL BE THE SIGN OF STILL MORE IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE HEAVENLY COURT." (1905 SNH, SSP 178.1) (See  $\rightarrow$  SDP 247.3-248.2)</u>

"The only thing that has kept the **Ottoman** Empire in place for about half a century has been the authority of the powers. Should that help be withdrawn, the Turkish Empire would be doomed. And this is precisely what will be done. This is foretold in the Word of God. "And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end and none shall help him." 5 Then says the prophets, "And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt." {1899 PTM, PRUS 182.1}

With the removal of the Turkish government from Constantinople to the glorious holy mountain, that is, to Jerusalem, there comes the "time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation, even to that same time." This trouble, then, is national trouble. {1899 PTM, PRUS 182.2}

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The world is stirred with the spirit of war. The prophecy of the eleventh chapter of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment. Soon the scenes of trouble spoken of in the prophecies will take place.--Testimonies, vol. 9, p. 14. {ChS 54.5}

It is <u>in a crisis that character is revealed</u>. When the earnest voice proclaimed at midnight, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him," and the sleeping virgins were roused from their slumbers, it was seen who had made preparation for the event. **Both parties were taken unawares; but one was prepared for the emergency, and the** 

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other was found without preparation. So now, a sudden and unlooked-for calamity, something that brings the soul face to face with death, will show whether there is any real faith in the promises of God. It will show whether the soul is sustained by grace. The great final test comes at the close of human probation, when it will be too late for the soul's need to be supplied. {COL 412.1}

#### Sunday law was adjudicated 1892 at the Chicago World's fair. All they have to do is put more teeth in it.

What is predicted about literal Israel?

Deut 31:29 Moses is speaking <u>to literal Israel</u> that God is going to destroy them since they will not accept the Son of God. Evil will befall them in the latter days.

Vs 16- they break covenant, go after strange gods

Vs 17- they will be devoured, many evils will befall them

Vs 18- will hide his face-- they turn to other gods

Vs 19- This is what is going to happen to literal Israel in the latter days

Daniel 10:14- Gabriel is come to make known to Daniel what will befall his people (literal Israel) in the latter days!

### Stephan N Haskell, 1908, The Story of Daniel, pg. 282

Every eye is centered on that spot, and has been for years. Turkey is known universally as the "Sick Man of the East," and the only reason he does not die is because intoxicants are administered, figuratively speaking, first by one nation then by another. The time will come when he will remove from Constantinople, and take up his abode in Palestine; that is, plant his tabernacles between the Mediterranean and Red Seas. Even the Turks themselves are looking forward to the time when they will have to remove their capital from Constantinople to Jerusalem. Time and again the world has been brought to realize that the end of all things is near at hand, for all know that when the Turk steps out of Constantinople, there will be a general breaking up of Europe. They may not name this impending conflict the battle of Armageddon, but God has so named it.

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The sealing angel goes through. Jerusalem (the church) to place the seal of the living God on the foreheads of the faithful, and while this work goes forward, Turkey stands as a national guide-post to the world, that men may know what is going on in the sanctuary above.

God's eye is upon His people, and He never leaves Himself without a witness in the world. No man knows when Turkey will take its departure from Europe, but when that move is made, earth's history will be short. Then the sealing angel that was commissioned to seal the servants of God will return to heaven with the message, "I have done as Thou hast commanded me." Our great High Priest will then cast His censer into the earth, and pronounce the irrevocable sentence, "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him "be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still." To-day is "the day of preparation." The fate of Babylon, MedoPersia, Greece, and Rome is recorded for the edification of the nations of to-day, and the lessons taught by all center in the events just before us. While the world watches Turkey, let the servant of God watch the movements of His great High Priest whose ministry for sin is almost over.

#### Uriah Smith, 1897; Daniel and the Revelation, pgs. 281, 282

We have now traced the prophecy of the 11th of Daniel down, step by step, and have thus far found events to fulfil all its predictions. It has all been wrought out into history except this last verse. The predictions of the preceding verse having been fulfilled within the memory of the generation now living, we are carried by this one past our own day into the future; for no power has yet performed the acts here described. But it is to be fulfilled; and its fulfilment must be accomplished by that power which has been continuously the subject of the prophecy from the 40th verse down to this 45th verse. If the application to which we have given the preference in passing over these verses, is correct, we must look to Turkey to make the move here indicated.

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#### Uriah Smith, 1897; Daniel and the Revelation, pg. 282

And mark, also, how applicable the language to that power: "He shall come to his end, and none shall help him." This expression plainly implies that this power has previously received help.

### James White, A Brief Exposition of the Angels of Revelation XIV; pg. 21

This testimony is sufficient proof that the wrath of God, threatened by the third angel, is the SEVEN LAST PLAGUES. These plagues are evidently shadowed forth by the plagues of Egypt, and will be as real and literal as those were. Compare Ex.7-12, with Rev. 16.

#### Uriah Smith, 1897; Daniel and the Revelation, pg. 292

A thrill of horror has run through Christendom, and a cry is rising from all lands, Let the Turk be driven out, and come to his end! And yet the selfishness of the nations, and their jealousy of each other, restrain their hands from arresting this carnival of slaughter and ruin, by unseating the Terrible Turk. How long, O Lord, how long? Thus all evidence goes to show that the Turk must soon leave Europe. Where will he then plant the tabernacles of his palace? In Jerusalem? That certainly is the most probable point. Newton on the Prophecies, pg. 318, says: "Between the seas in the glorious holy mountain must denote, as we have shown, some part of the Holy Land. There the Turk shall encamp with all his powers; yet he 'shall come to his end, and none shall help him,' — shall help him effectually, or deliver him." Time will soon determine this matter. And when this takes place, what follows? —events of the most momentous interest to all the inhabitants of this world, as the next chapter immediately shows.

### Stephan Haskell in his book The Bible Handbook;

Revelation 16:12, 16 The sixth plague,—drying up of the river Euphrates.

**Isaiah 8:7** A river, flowing through a country, is taken as a type of the country; hence, the drying up of the Euphrates would indicate the drying up of the Turkish empire under the sixth plague.

#### Uriah Smith, 1897; Daniel and the Revelation, pg. 648

These plagues, from the very nature of the case, must be manifestations of wrath and judgments upon men; but if the drying up of the literal Euphrates is all that is brought to view, this plague is not of such a nature, and turns out to be no serious affair, after all. ...

The drying up of the river in this sense would be the consumption of the Turkish Empire, accompanied with more or less destruction of its subjects. Thus we should have literal judgments upon men as the result of this plague, as in the case of all the others.

#### 1899 Percy T Megan, The Peril of the Republic of the United States of America, pgs. 180, 181

The event for which all the nations are waiting before they can be gathered together to this great conflict is stated in the Scriptures as being the drying up of the waters of the great river Euphrates. ... The term "river Euphrates" is therefore only a sign, or symbol, of the power occupying or holding possession of the territory through which that river runs, and this power is the Ottoman, or Turkish, empire.

#### Revelation 14:6-7

And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

#### Hebrews 4:14

Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast [our] profession.

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## Story of Daniel the Prophet, Stephen Haskell pgs. 245-248

"At the time of the end (1798) the kings of the north and the south again contended. From the founding of Constantinople by Constantine in 330, the power which held that city had maintained control of the Mediterranean, for Constantinople is recognized by all nations as the key to both Asia and Europe. In the time of the end, history will again center about this city. As in times past, so again we are obliged to trace far back to find the source of events which now appear in full view. About the time that the papacy was growing into a full-fledged monarchy, recognized among nations of the earth, another power had birth. This new work of Satan came in the form of Mohammedanism... The new doctrine originated in Arabia, from whence it spread as a smoke from the bottomless pit. Syria fell under its power, but Egypt became the center of its influences. Egypt has felt every evil influence, and the banks of the Nile have fed every form of idolatry. {1901 SNH, SDP 245.3}

Mohammedanism is but another form of Egyptian darkness. By the power of the sword the followers of Mohammed strove to enter Europe. The western horn of the Crescent, the Moslem symbol, was extended into Spain in the early part of the eighth century, and for a time all Europe was threatened, but the battle of Tours (732) stopped the progress of the conquerors. In 1453, however, Constantinople was captured, and has since remained in the hands of the Turks, the boldest advocates of the doctrine of Mohammed. As the founding of Constantinople is a guidepost in history, so the capture of that city in 1453 is another landmark. One of the greatest checks received by the papacy was due to the influx into Italy of Greek scholars, driven from Constantinople by the incoming Mohammedans. The discovery of America was due to the closing of the eastern passage to the rich islands of the Indian Ocean by the Mohammedans in Constantinople and Asia Minor, and so in more ways than is usually thought, God worked to advance truth through those who were ignorant of his truth. {1901 SNH, SDP 246.1}

Not only Egypt, but **Syria and <u>Turkey</u>** in Europe, **belonged to the <u>Mohammedans</u>**, **and he has entered the "glorious land,"** and a <u>Moslem mosque</u> occupies the site where once stood the temple of Solomon..."{1901 SNH, SDP 247.1} The ambition of Napoleon to establish the authority of Europe in Egypt might have been the beginning of the last struggle between the north and the south. Even in his day Russia and France made friends, but the time had not yet come for the <u>Turk</u> to take his departure from Europe, and England took the part of Egypt against the arms of Napoleon. Napoleon recognized the strength of Constantinople, so also did Russia, and there has been constant jealousy among the nations of Europe lest one should outwit the others, and become the possessor of that stronghold. {1901 SNH, SDP 247.2}

Every eye is centered on that one spot, and has been for years. Turkey is known universally as the "sick man of the east...the time will come when he will remove from Constantinople, and take up his abode in Palestine; that is, plant his tabernacle between the Mediterranean and red seas...{1901 SNH, SDP 247.3}

"is saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth.... And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God; and he cried... Saying, hurt not the earth.... Till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads." these angels now hold the winds of strife, waiting for the church of god to prepare for his coming. The sealing angel goes through Jerusalem (the church) to place the seal of the living God on the foreheads of the faithful, and while this work goes forward, Turkey stands as a national guidepost to the world, that men may know what is going on in the sanctuary above. {1901 SNH, SDP 248.1} God's eye is upon his people, and he never leaves himself without a witness in the world. No man knows when Turkey will take its departure from europe, but when that move is made, earth's history will be short. Then it will be said, "he that is unjust let him be unjust still, ... And he that is righteous let him be righteous still." to-day is "the day of preparation...while the world watches Turkey, let the servant of God watch the movements of his great high priest, whose ministry for sin is almost over." (1901 SNH, SDP 248.2)

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"Between the seas in the glorious holy mountain" is, without a doubt, some part of the Holy Land. That area called Palestine, as it has been known for centuries. It was ruled over at different times by different kings/kingdoms. It was a part of the Ottoman Empire of Turkey for centuries. This is Israel, as we know it today.

Here the king of the north, that power occupying and in control of the northern territory of Alexander the Greats divided Empire shall encamp the "tabernacles of his palace"; that is possess and control, Palestine (Israel). Turkey is that nation which has been the king of the north since the 40th verse and it remains so today.

"And none shall help him" implies that this power has received help in the past and Turkey certainly meets this specification. It would not exist today, as a nation, had it not been for the intervention of the European powers on August 11, 1840. This is only one of many such examples of aid rendered to Turkey to sustain it as a Nation and protect it from Russia and others attempting to conquer the "Straits of Turkey".

It is in Daniel 11:3-5 where we are told of the specifications that determine the identity of the king of the north. The four winds of heaven, north, east, south and west and the powers that control those four areas are the kings the prophecy specifies. Since the northern kingdom in time absorbed the eastern and western kingdoms, from that point the prophecy concerns itself with only the king of the north and south. Today these are Turkey in the north and Egypt in the south, as has been the case for centuries.

The northern king, in fulfillment of Daniel 11:45 will stand up against and conquer Palestine (Israel). That area "between the seas in the glorious holy mountain" is Israel. In the records of history, we find that Palestine has been under the control of the king of the north, on and off for centuries. But the king of the north has never established the seat of its government within that area. To fulfill verse 45 this must be done. Not just subdue or control that area, but plant the tabernacles of its palaces in that place, its headquarters. In over 2,000 years, Daniel's prophecy has been consistently fulfilled. You can be confident this last verse will be fulfilled just as the specifications call for, in due time.

When we consider prophecy it does not matter how possible or impossible the specifications for fulfillment at any point in time may appear to be, or not be. The more impossible it may appear the more glory will be given to God when it comes to pass as mankind will know such an impossible event must surely be of God.

After the northern king has conquered Israel "He shall come to his end". This is the last literal king/kingdom of record in Daniels prophecy, but it is not the last king or kingdom on earth at the time this king comes to his end. This fact is established by the prophecy itself, which says no other nations, peoples, kings or kingdoms will come to the aid of the king of the north; for "none shall help him".

Turkey has previously received help largely because the European Nations needed to protect the "Turkish Straits" providing access to the Black Sea. Should one country alone, as Russia has long desired to do, control this access it would have a major negative impact on global commerce. If Turkey were to abandon Istanbul (Constantinople) and move its headquarters to Palestine then some other power (Russia?) or combination of powers (U.N.?) would then control the "Turkish Straits".

Hence, the former incentive to help Turkey in order to allow international access to the "Turkish Straits" will have been removed. For this reason and perhaps others, no one comes to help him, currently Turkey, and the king of the north comes to his end. Another possibility is that the world is at that time so embroiled in a global conflict (world war) that an Israeli-Turkish conflict pales in comparison to the larger strategic requirements of a world war.

The prophecy does not tell us specifically how he comes to his end; only that he does. Many prophetic events will then begin when this final verse is fulfilled. Daniel 12 adds detail of what will happen following Daniel 11:45. The book of Revelation adds significant details to these "end of time" events as well; note the sixth of seven seals, the seventh trumpet, the seven last plagues and the mark of the beast for example. Both Daniel and Revelation end the prophecy with the return of Christ, the destruction of all remaining earthly kingdoms and the establishment of Gods everlasting kingdom. This is the "stone cut out without hands" that smashes the feet of the statue in Daniel 2:45 and terminates all remaining earthly powers.

What lies just ahead with the fulfillment of Daniel 11:45? Daniel 12:1 announces the close of probation for mankind. That time when the destiny of every person that has ever lived, or is then living has been decided for eternity. A time of trouble such as the world has never seen will begin, Armageddon commence, the end of all things is at hand and the soon establishment of Christ's kingdom is imminent. All this will happen; on this we have the sure word of prophecy!

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"And he", the king of the north, the current leader of Turkey (the northern division of Alexander's divided Empire, see Daniel 11:3-5), will "plant" (place or establish) his headquarters (the tabernacles of his palace) between the Mediterranean and Dead Seas, "in the glorious holy mountain". This is Jerusalem. After he has done this, he will come to his end because "none shall help him".

The king of the north, currently Turkey, will establish his headquarters in Israel, which can only mean Israel has been conquered. This then is the answer to the "Eastern Question" the world has been asking for over a hundred years!

At this time we can only offer conjecture as to many of the details on the Eastern Question (verse 45). It seems reasonable to conclude the fulfillment of this verse begins sometime after the "image" to the beast has been set up by the "two-horned beast", America. The oppressive laws which will accompany this image will be contrary to God's commandments and civil penalties for disobedience to them will be increasingly severe. Those with only a surface faith will lay down the cross. This great shaking of Gods people, a terrible ordeal, will purify His Church.

When it is over, only two groups on earth will remain; those who have chosen to honor God's commandments, even at the cost of life itself, and those who have chosen to accept the "mark" of the beast.

It is at some point during or at this time frame (a National Sunday law, the invasion of Israel and the king of the north establishing his headquarters in Palestine) that the close of probation will become imminent. The time frame then is while verse 45 **is in the process of being fulfilled**. We are not told when probation will actually close. But by the signs and the waymarks, we can know, as Satan will also know, that the time is very near. This will add great impetus to the final efforts to warn the world of the soon coming Savior. In a similar manner as when the remarkable fulfillment of the 391-year prophecy of Revelation 9:15 in 1840 gave great impetus to the Millerite's "Mid Night Cry" message.

Satan's anger and desperation are also greatly increased, knowing his time is very, very short. Thus, it is reasonable to conclude that it is within this time frame that Satan will appear in many different places around the world, impersonating Christ. He will work apparent miracles, seemingly raising the dead and even calling down fire from the heavens. This delusion will be so powerful that if it were possible, even the very elect would be deceived.

#### Only those who have fortified their mind with the truth will be able to discern this is a false Christ.

The king of the north comes to his end because **all** of the world will wonder after this impersonation of Christ, this beast. Apostate Christianity, Muslim, Hindu, atheist, all will be "converted", that is, will choose to honor and obey this false Christ. "None shall help him" because all are deceived and become followers of this false Christ. Satan's impersonation of Christ is one of a three-fold union: Spiritualism, apostate Christianity (image to the beast) and the papacy (the beast itself).

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#### Turkey had received help in the past, but will not receive help again:

"...Turkey...the time will come when he will remove from Constantinople, and take up his abode in Palestine; that is, plant his tabernacle between the Mediterranean and Red seas..." {1901 SNH, SDP 247.3}

"Constantinople itself is between seas; but it is not "in the glorious [sic.] Holy mountain." the only place in the world that corresponds to the term "the glorious holy mountain," is Jerusalem. Among the Mohammedan peoples—Turks and Arabs—of that whole region, Jerusalem is called by the name El-kuds—the holy. And Jerusalem is "between the seas"—the Dead Sea and the Mediterranean. It is therefore plain that after the loss of Constantinople the Turkish capitol will be established ultimately, if not immediately, at Jerusalem." {July 24, 1906 ATJ, MEDM 27.2}

None shall help him-"...August 11, 1840. Since that time Turkey has been known everywhere as the "Sick Man of the East." Daniel prophesied concerning him, saying, "He shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him (Daniel 11:45 language)." At any moment, when the jealous powers of Europe can decide, either peaceably, or in battle, which one of them shall occupy Constantinople, the "Sick Man" will speedily take his departure from Europe. THAT MOVEMENT...WILL BE THE SIGN OF STILL MORE IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE HEAVENLY COURT." [1905 SNH, SSP 178.1]

#### In the past, Christian nations would come to the aid of Turkey:

Turkey Lost:	
Algeria and Greece	in 1830
Servia, Rumania, Montenegro and Cyprus	in 1878
Tunis	in 1881
Egypt	in 1882
Crete	in 1898
Eastern Rumelia with Bulgaria and Bosnia and Herzegovina in 1911	

WARS HELPED BY:
1798 with France England and Russia

1838-40 with EgyptEngland, Russia Prussia, Austria1853-56 with RussiaEngland, France, Sardinia1877-79 with RussiaAll the other powers of Europe

"The only thing that has kept the Ottoman Empire in place for about half a century has been the authority of the powers. Should that help be withdrawn, the Turkish Empire would be doomed. And this is precisely what will be done. This is foretold in the Word of God. "And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end and none shall help him." 5 Then says the prophets, "And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt." {1899 PTM, PRUS 182.1}

With the removal of the Turkish government from Constantinople to the glorious holy mountain, that is, to Jerusalem, there comes the "time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation, even to that same time." This trouble, then, is national trouble. {1899 PTM, PRUS 182.2}

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### How Does Turkey Come to its End from Daniel 11:45 to Revelation 16:12?

How does Turkey come to its end in Daniel 11:45 **BEFORE** probation closes and comes to its end in Revelation 16:12 **AFTER** probation closes?

This was a puzzling question for me and a dear Brother in the message explained his understanding that Turkey gradually comes to its end; it's a process. This made sense to some degree as it was the best possible explanation I had heard, but Daniel 11:45 does not state that Turkey GRADUALLY comes to its end; it just simply states that he will come to his end.

Going back to Daniel 11:45 and reading the text more carefully.....

And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; **yet he shall** come to his end, and none shall help him. Daniel 11:45

... the words "yet he shall" stood out. This is stating that this coming to his (Turkey) end is still in the FUTURE <u>after</u> he plants his tabernacle (seat of government) in the glorious holy mountain (Jerusalem).

Looking up the word, "yet" throughout its usage in other parts of the Bible means, "in the future" from the statement previously made.

This made complete sense! And connects perfectly with Revelation 16:12 when he comes to his end when Daniel 11:45 is read IN **TWO PARTS** IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

**Daniel 11:45, Part ONE (BEFORE probation closes in Daniel 12:1):** And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain;

**Daniel 11:45, Part TWO (AFTER probation closes & under the 6**<sup>th</sup> **plague of Revelation 16:12)**: <u>yet</u> he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

With the above understanding, the order of this event makes more sense:

- 1) Part ONE: And <u>he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain;</u> Daniel 11:45
- 2) And <u>at that time shall Michael stand up</u>, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and <u>there</u> shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation [even] to that same time... Dan 12:1
- 3) FIRST 5 PLAGUES POURED OUT: Revelation 16:1-11
- 4) TURKEY COMES TO ITS END UNDER THE  $6^{TH}$  PLAGUE: Daniel 11:45 & Revelation 16:12 fulfilling the second part of Daniel 11:45:

<u>yet he shall come to his end</u>, and none shall help him. Daniel 11:45

And the **sixth angel** poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. Revelation 16:12

I will cite one example of the unanimous teaching from our pioneers on this subject:

... the consumption will go on until the territory watered by the Euphrates will also be wrenched from his grasp, and he will have come to his end [Dan 11:45, Rev 16:12]. This absorption of the Turkish possessions will arouse the hostility or cupidity of all nations, and their respective military forces, now training for that very emergency, will be called into action. It is distinctly stated in the prophecy that the drying up of the Euphrates prepares the way for the kings of the East. This is the Eastern Question, and the crisis will surely come. {The Eastern Question by H. E. Robinson, 1897 Review & Herald Publishing, Page 168-169}

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#### Daniel and the Revelation (1897), Uriah Smith pg. 281-292

We have now traced the prophecy of the 11th of Daniel down, step by step, and have thus far found events to fulfill all its predictions. It has all been wrought out into history except this last verse. The predictions of the preceding verse having been fulfilled within the memory of the generation now living, we are carried by this one past our own day into the future; for no power has yet performed the acts here described. But it is to be fulfilled; and its fulfillment must be accomplished by that power which has been continuously the subject of the prophecy from the 40th verse down to this 45th verse. If the application to which we have given the preference in passing over these verses, is correct, we must look to Turkey to make the move here indicated.

And let it be noted how readily this could be done. Palestine, which contains the "glorious holy mountain," the mountain on which Jerusalem stands, "between the seas," the Dead Sea and the Mediterranean, is a <u>Turkish</u> province; and if the Turk should be obliged to retire hastily from Europe, he could easily go to any point within his own dominions to establish his temporary headquarters, here appropriately described as the tabernacles, movable dwellings, of his palace; but he could not go beyond them. The most notable point within the limit of <u>Turkey</u> in Asia, is Jerusalem.

And mark, also, how applicable the language to that power: "He shall come to his end, and none shall help him." This expression plainly implies that this power has previously received help. And what are the facts? — In the war against France in 1798-1801, England and Russia assisted the sultan. In the war between Turkey and Egypt in 1838-1840, England, Russia, Austria, and Prussia intervened in behalf of Turkey. In the Crimean war in 1853-1856, England, France, and Sardinia supported the Turks. And in the late Russo-Turkish war, the great powers of Europe interfered to arrest the progress of Russia. And without the help received in all these instances, Turkey would probably have failed to maintain her position. And it is a notorious fact that since the fall of the Ottoman supremacy in 1840, the empire has existed only through the sufferance of the great powers of Europe. Without their pledged support, she would not be long able to maintain even a nominal existence; and when that is withdrawn, she must come to the ground. So the prophecy says the king comes to his end and none help him; and he comes to his end, as we may naturally infer because none help him, — because the support previously rendered is withdrawn.

Have we any indications that this part of the prophecy is soon to be fulfilled? As we raise this inquiry, we look, not to dim and distant ages in the past, whose events, so long ago transferred to the page of history, now interest only the few, but to the present living, moving world. Are the nations which are now on the stage of action, with their disciplined armies and their multiplied weapons of war, making any movement looking to this end?

All eyes are now turned with interest toward <u>Turkev</u>; and the unanimous opinion of statesmen is, that the <u>Turk</u> is destined soon to be driven from Europe. Some years since, a correspondent of the New York *Tribune*, writing from the East, said: "<u>Russia</u> is arming to the teeth... to be avenged on <u>Turkev</u>... Two campaigns of the <u>Russia</u> army will <u>drive the Turks out of Europe</u>." Carleton, formerly a correspondent of the Boston *Journal*, writing from Paris under the head of "The <u>EASTERN QUESTION</u>," said: —

"The theme of conversation during the last week has not been concerning the Exposition, but the 'Eastern Question.' To what will it grow? Will there be war? What is Russia going to do? What position are the Western powers going to take? These are questions discussed not only in the cafés and restaurants, but in the Corps Legislatif. Perhaps I cannot render better service at the present time than to group together some facts in regard to this question, which, according to present indications, are to engage the immediate attention of the world. What is the 'Eastern Question'? It is not easy to give a definition; for to Russia it may mean one thing, to France another, and to Austria still another; but sifted of every side issue, it may be reduced to this, — the driving of the Turk into Asia, and a scramble for his territory."

Again he says: -

"Surely the indications are that the sultan is destined soon to see the western border of his dominions break off, piece by piece.

ut what will follow? Are Roumania, Servia, Bosnia, and Albania to set up as an independent sovereignty together, and take position among the nations? or is there to be a grand rush for the estate of the **Ottoman**? But that is of the future, a future not far distant."

Shortly after the foregoing extracts were written, an astonishing revolution took place in Europe. France, one of the parties, if not the chief one, in the alliance to uphold the **Ottoman** throne, was crushed by Prussia in the Franco-Prussian war of 1870. Prussia, another party, was too much in sympathy with Russia to interfere with her movements against the **Turk**. England, a third, in an embarrassed condition financially could not think of entering into any contest in behalf of **Turkev** without the alliance of France. Austria had not recovered from the blow she received in her preceding war with Prussia; and Italy was busy with the matter of stripping the pope of his temporal power, and making Rome the capital of the nation. A writer in the New York *Tribune* remarked that if **Turkev** should become involved in difficulty with **Russia**, she could count on the prompt "assistance of Austria, France, and England." But none of these powers, nor any others who would be likely to assist **Turkey**, were at the time referred

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to in any condition to do so, owing principally to the sudden and unexpected humiliation of the French nation, as stated above. Russia then saw that her opportunity had come. She accordingly startled all the powers of Europe in the fall of the same memorable year, 1870, by stepping forth and deliberately announcing that she designed to regard no longer the stipulations of the treaty of 1856. This treaty, concluded at the termination of the Crimean war, restricted the warlike operations of Russia in the Black Sea. But Russia must have the privilege of using those waters for military purposes, if she would carry out her designs against Turkey; hence her determination to disregard that treaty just at the time when none of the powers were in a condition to enforce it.

The ostensible reason urged by Russia for her movements in this direction, was, that she might have a sea front and harbors in a warmer climate than the shores of the Baltic; but the real design was against Turkey. Thus the Churchman, of Hartford, Conn., in an able article on the present "European Medley," states that Russia in her encroachments upon Turkey, "is not merely seeking a sea frontier, and harbors lying on the great highways of commerce, unclosed by arctic winters, but that, with a feeling akin to that which inspired the Crusades, she is actuated by an intense desire to drive the Crescent from the soil of Europe." This desire on the part of Russia has been cherished as a sacred legacy since the days of Peter the Great. That famous prince, becoming sole emperor of Russia in 1688, at the age of sixteen, enjoyed a prosperous reign of thirty-seven years, to 1725, and left to his successors a celebrated "last will and testament," imparting certain important instructions for their constant observance. The 9th article of that "will" enjoined the following policy: —

"To take every possible means of gaining **Constantinople** and the Indies (for he who rules there will be the true sovereign of the world); excite war continually in **Turkey** and Persia; establish fortresses in the Black Sea; get control of the sea by degrees, and also of the Baltic, which is a double point, necessary to the realization of our project; accelerate as much as possible the decay of Persia; penetrate to the Persian Gulf; re-establish, if possible, by the way of Syria, the ancient commerce of the Levant; advance to the Indies, which are the great depot of the world. Once there, we can do without the gold of England."

The eleventh article reads: "Interest the House of Austria in the expulsion of the Turks from Europe, and quiet their dissensions at the moment of the conquest of Constantinople (having excited war among the old states of Europe), by giving to Austria a portion of the conquest, which afterward will or can be reclaimed."

The following facts in Russia history will show how persistently this line of policy has been followed: —

"In 1696, Peter the Great wrested the Sea of Azov from the Turks, and kept it. Next, Catharine the Great won the Crimea. In 1812, by the peace of Bucharest, Alexander I obtained Moldavia, and the prettily-named province of Bessarabia, with its apples, peaches, and cherries. Then came the great Nicholas, who won the right of the free navigation of the Black Sea, the Dardanelles, and the Danube, but whose inordinate greed led him into the Crimean war, by which he lost Moldavia, and the right of navigating the Danube, and the unrestricted navigation of the Black Sea. This was no doubt a severe repulse to Russia but it did not extinguish the designs upon the Ottoman power, nor did it contribute in any essential degree to the stability of the Ottoman empire. Patiently biding her time, Russia has been watching and waiting, and in 1870, when all the Western nations were watching the Franco-Prussian war, she announced to the powers that she would be no longer bound by the treaty of 1856, which restricted her use of the Black Sea; and since that time that sea has been, as it was one thousand years ago, to all intents and purposes, a mare Russicum." — San Francisco Chronicle.

Napoleon Bonaparte well understood the designs of Russia, and the importance of her contemplated movements. While a prisoner on the island of St. Helena, in conversation with his governor, Sir Hudson Lowe, he gave utterance to the following opinion: —

"In the course of a few years <u>Russia</u> will have <u>Constantinople</u>, part of <u>Turkey</u>, and all of Greece. This I hold to be as certain as if it had already taken place. All the cajolery and flattery that Alexander practiced upon me was to gain my consent to effect that object. I would not give it, foreseeing that the equilibrium of Europe would be destroyed. Once mistress of <u>Constantinople</u>, <u>Russia</u> gets all the commerce of the Mediterranean, becomes a naval power, and then God knows what may happen. The object of my invasion of <u>Russia</u> was to prevent this, by the interposition between her and <u>Turkey</u> of a new state, which I meant to call into existence as a barrier to her Eastern encroachments."

Kossuth, also, took the same view of the political board, when he said: "In Turkey will be decided the fate of the world."

The words of Bonaparte, quoted above, in reference to the destruction of "the equilibrium of Europe," reveal the motive which has induced the great powers to tolerate so long the existence on the Continent of a nation which is false in religion, destitute of humanity, and a disgrace to modern civilization. **Constantinople** is regarded, by general consent, as the grand strategic point of Europe; and the powers have each sagacity or jealousy enough to see, or think they see, the fact that if any one of the European powers gains permanent possession of that point, as **Russia** desires to do, that power will be able to dictate terms to the rest of Europe. This position no one of the powers is willing that any other power should possess; and the only apparent way to prevent

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it is for them all to combine, by tacit or express agreement, to keep each other out, and suffer the unspeakable <u>Turk</u> to drag along his sickly Asiatic existence on the soil of Europe. This is preserving that "balance of power" over which they are all so sensitive. But this cannot always continue. "He shall come to his end and none shall help him." The sick man seems determined to reduce himself most speedily to such a degree of offensiveness that Europe will be obliged to drive him into Asia, as a matter of safety to its own civilization.

When <u>Russia</u>, in 1870, announced her intention to disregard the treaty of 1856, the other powers, though incapable of doing anything, nevertheless, as was becoming their ideas of their own importance, made quite a show of offended dignity. A congress of nations was demanded, and the demand was granted. The congress was held, and proved, as everybody expected it would prove, simply a farce so far as restraining <u>Russia</u> was concerned. The San Francisco *Chronicle* of March, 1871, had this paragraph touching "<u>The Eastern-Question Congress</u>:" —

"It is quite evident that, as far as directing or controlling the action of the Muscovite government is concerned, the congress is little better than a farce. England originated the idea of the congress, simply because it afforded her an opportunity of abandoning, without actual dishonor, a position she had assumed rather too hastily, and Russia was complacent enough to join in the 'little game,' feeling satisfied that she would lose nothing by her courtesy. Turkey is the only aggrieved party in this dexterous arrangement. She is left face to face with her hereditary and implacable enemy; for the nations that previously assisted her, ostensibly through friendship and love of justice, but really through motives of self-interest, have evaded the challenge so openly flung into the arena by the Northern Colossus. It is easy to foresee the end of this conference. Russia will get all she requires, another step will be taken toward the realization of Peter the Great's will, and the sultan will receive a foretaste of his apparently inevitable doom — expulsion from Europe."

From that point the smoldering fires of the "Eastern Question" continued to agitate and alarm the nations of Europe, till in 1877 the flames burst forth anew. On the 24th of April in that year, Russia declared war against Turkey, ostensibly to defend the Christians against the inhuman barbarity of the Turks, really to make another trial to carry out her long-cherished determination to drive the Turk from Europe. The events and the results of that war of 1877-1878, are of such recent date that the general reader can easily recall them. It was evident from the first that Turkey was overmatched. Russia pushed her approaches till the very outposts of Constantinople were occupied by her forces. But diplomacy on the part of the alarmed nations of Europe again stepped in to suspend for awhile the contest. The Berlin Congress was held Jan. 25, 1878. Turkey agreed to sign conditions of peace. The conditions were that the straits of the Dardanelles should be open to Russian ships; that Russians should occupy Batoum, Kars, and Erzeroum; that Turkey should pay Russia £20,000,000 sterling (nearly \$100,000,000), as a war indemnity; and that the treaty should be signed at Constantinople. In making this announcement, the Allgemeine Zeitung added: "The eventual entry of the Russians into Constantinople cannot longer be regarded as impracticable."

The Detroit Evening News of Feb 20, 1878, said: —

"According to the latest version of the peace conditions, <u>Turkey</u> — besides her territorial losses, the surrender of a few ironclads, the repairs of the month of the Danube, the reimbursement of <u>Russian</u> capital invested in <u>Turkish</u> securities, the indemnity to <u>Russian</u> subjects in <u>Constantinople</u> for war losses, and the maintenance of about 100,000 prisoners of war — will have to pay to <u>Russia</u>, in round figures, a sum equivalent to about \$552,000,000 in our money. The unestimated items will easily increase this to six hundred million. With her taxable territory reduced almost to poverty-stricken Asia Minor, and with her finances at present in a condition of absolute chaos, it is difficult to see where she is going to get the money, however ready her present rulers may be to sign the contract.

"The proposition amounts to giving the czar a permanent mortgage on the whole empire, and contains an implied threat that he may foreclose at any time, by the seizure of the remainder of European Turkey. In this last aspect, all Europe has a vital interest in the matter, and particularly England, even if the conditions were not in themselves calculated to drive English creditors crazy, by destroying their last hope of ever getting a cent of their large investments in Turkish bonds. It makes Russia a preferred creditor of the bankrupt Porte, with the additional advantage of being assignee in possession, leaving creditors with prior claims out in the cold."

The following paragraph taken from the Philadelphia *Public Ledger*, August, 1878, sets forth an instructive and very suggestive exhibit of the shrinkage of <u>Turkish</u> territory within the past sixty years, and especially as the result of the war of 1877: —

"Anyone who will take the trouble to look at a map of <u>Turkey in Europe</u> dating back about sixty years, and compare that with the new map sketched by the treaty of San Stefano as modified by the Berlin Congress, will be able to form a judgment of the march of progress that is pressing the <u>Ottoman</u> power out of Europe. Then, the northern boundary of <u>Turkey</u> extended to the Carpathian Mountains, and eastward of the River Sereth it embraced Moldavia as far north nearly as the 47th degree of north latitude. That map embraced also what is now the kingdom of Greece. It covered all of Servia and Bosnia. But by the year 1830 the northern frontier of <u>Turkey</u> was driven back from the Carpathians to the south bank of the Danube, the principalities of Moldavia and

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Wallachia being emancipated from Turkish domination, and subject only to the payment of an annual tribute in money to the Porte. South of the Danube, the Servians had won a similar emancipation for their country. Greece also had been enabled to establish her independence. Then, as recently, the Turk was truculent and obstinate. Russia and Great Britain proposed to make Greece a tributary state, retaining the sovereignty of the Porte. This was refused, and the result was the utter destruction of the powerful Turkish fleet at Navarino, and the erection of the independent kingdom of Greece. Thus Turkey in Europe was pressed back on all sides. Now, the northern boundary, which was so recently at the Danube, has been driven south to the Balkans. Roumania and Servia have ceased even to be tributary, and have taken their place among independent states. Bosnia has gone under the protection of Austria, as Roumania did under that of Russia in 1829. 'Rectified' boundaries give Turkish territory to Servia, Montenegro, and Greece. Bulgaria takes the place of Roumania as a self-governing principality, having no dependence on the Porte, and paying only an annual tribute. Even south of the Balkans the power of the Turk is crippled, for Roumelia is to have 'home rule' under a Christian governor. And so again the frontier of <u>Turkey</u> in Europe is pressed back on all sides, until the territory left is but the shadow of what it was sixty years ago. To produce this result has been the policy and the battle of Russia for more than half a century; for nearly that space of time it has been the struggle of some of the other 'powers' to maintain the 'integrity' of the Turkish empire. Which policy has succeeded, and which failed, a comparison of maps at intervals of twenty-five years will show. Turkey in Europe has been shriveled up in the last half century. It is shrinking back and back toward Asia, and, though all the 'powers' but Russia should unite their forces to maintain the Ottoman system in Europe, there is a manifest destiny visible in the history of the last fifty years that must defeat them."

A correspondent of the Christian Union, writing from Constantinople under date of Oct. 8, 1878, said: —

"When we consider the difficulties which now beset this feeble and tottering government, the only wonder is that it can stand for a day. Aside from the funded debt of \$1,000,000,000 upon which it pays no interest, it has an enormous floating debt representing all the expenses of the war; its employees are unpaid; its army has not been disbanded or even reduced; and its paper money has become almost worthless. The people have lost heart, and expect every day some new revolution or a renewal of the war. The government does not know which to distrust most, its friends or its enemies."

Since 1878 the tendency of all movements in the East has been in the same direction, foreboding greater pressure upon the <u>Turkish government</u> in the direction of its expulsion from the soil of Europe. The occupation of Egypt by the English, which took place in 1883, is another step toward the inevitable result, and furnishes a movement which the *Independent*, of New York, ventures to call "the beginning of the end."

In 1895 the world was startled by the report of the terrible atrocities inflicted by the <u>Turks</u> and Kurds upon the Armenians. Reliable reports show that many thousands have been slaughtered, with every circumstance of fiendish cruelty. The nations through their ambassadors protest and threaten; the sultan promises, but does nothing. He evidently has not the disposition, if he has the power, to stay the tide of blood. Fanatical Moslems seem seized with a frenzy to destroy all the Armenian men and take their wives and children to slavery or a more lamentable fate. At this writing (January, 1897) thousands of widows and orphans are said to be wandering in the mountains of Armenia, perishing of cold and hunger; and they stretch out despairing hands to England and America to save them from total destruction. A thrill of horror has run through Christendom, and a cry is rising from all lands, <u>Let the Turk be driven out</u>, and come to his end! And <u>yet the selfishness of the nations</u>, and their <u>iealousy of each other</u>, <u>restrain their hands from arresting this carnival of slaughter and ruin</u>, by unseating the terrible <u>Turk</u>. How long, O Lord, how long?

Thus all evidence goes to show that the <u>Turk</u> must soon leave Europe. Where will he then plant the tabernacles of his palace? In Jerusalem? That certainly is the most probable point. Newton on the Prophecies, p. 318, says: "Between the seas in the glorious holy mountain must denote, as we have shown, some part of the Holy Land. There the <u>Turk</u> shall encamp with all his powers; yet he 'shall come to his end, and none shall help him,' — shall help him effectually, or deliver him."

Time will soon determine this matter; and it may be but a few months. And when this takes place, what follows? — Events of the most momentous interest to all the inhabitants of this world, as the next chapter immediately shows.

Note. — Since the foregoing was written, the situation in <u>Turkev</u> has grown continually worse. Armenian massacres have continued, and between January and September, 1896, rebellion against the <u>Turk</u> broke out in Crete and Macedonia. Besides this, fanatical Moslems themselves show signs of dissatisfaction with the sultan, and threaten revolution. Serious disturbance has just taken place (September, 1896) in <u>Constantinople</u>, resulting in the slaughter of some two thousand Armenians. The crownheads of Europe are now in consultation in regard to the disposition of the affairs of <u>Turkey</u>, with the prospect that some determination will be reached, and thus the only obstacle in the way of the dissolution of the <u>Turkish empire be removed</u>."(DAR 281-292)

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### In the News

#### April 16, 2017



Turkey's Prime Minister Binali Yildirim declared victory in the referendum bid to convert Turkey from a parliamentary to a strong president system of government. The historic referendum, which passed by a narrow margin, grants more power to President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, who promised when he was elected in 2014 to be a "different kind of president."

But even as Erdogan's supporters set off fireworks to celebrate their victory, Turkey's main opposition party said they will challenge many of the votes.

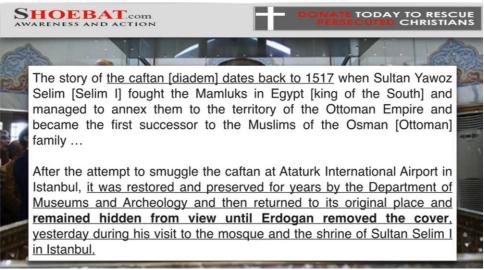
Erdogan said he hopes the referendum results would benefit Turkey, and that the nation made a "historic decision," in an address after Yildirim's declaration.





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Notes were compiled from many sources which uphold the unanimous teachings of our pioneers on this subject. Some of the sources used:

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It is my sincere prayer and heartfelt desire that this message will be spread like the leaves of autumn to one and all; to warn the world to prepare their hearts for a soon coming Saviour. May this message of the third angel be the first and foremost of importance in all our discourses as "to allow nothing else is to absorb their attention" (Ms53-1910.6), for the time of our visitation is at hand!

In His Service.

M. Harris