



Discussion Guide

For the week of March 1, 2026

Prophecy Update, Operation Epic Fury | Ezekiel 36-39

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Summary

Pastor Jim addresses the recent military operation against Iran's leadership in light of biblical prophecy, specifically examining Ezekiel 36-39. He explains how Israel's rebirth in 1948 fulfilled the prophecy of the valley of dry bones, and discusses the coming invasion from the north (Russia and coalition nations) that will attack Israel. He emphasizes that while we're living in end times with signs pointing to the imminent rapture of the church, Christians should not fear but remain focused on their mission to preach the gospel and make disciples. He highlights that all preparations for the Third Temple are complete, including red heifers, priestly garments, and identified Levites, setting the stage for end times events.

Intro Prayer

Heavenly Father, we come before You today with hearts open to Your Word and Your truth. As we gather to discuss the times we're living in and Your prophetic Word, we ask that You would speak to each of us individually. Help us to set aside our preconceptions and fears, and instead focus on what You want us to learn and apply to our lives today. Give us wisdom to understand Your Word and courage to live it out. We pray that our discussion would draw us closer to You and to one another. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Ice Breaker

If you could have lived in any time period in history, when would it have been and why?

Key Verses

- Ezekiel 36:8-15
- Ezekiel 37:1-14
- Ezekiel 38:1-6
- Ezekiel 39:1-8
- Zechariah 14:12
- 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

Questions

- How does understanding biblical prophecy affect your daily walk with Christ and your perspective on current events?
- What does it mean to you personally that God is not done with Israel, and how does this demonstrate His faithfulness?
- Pastor Jim mentioned that we should be 'stoked' rather than scared about end times events. How do you typically respond to troubling world news, and how might this perspective change your response?

- Pastor Jim emphasized that our job is not to speculate about prophecy but to make disciples. How can we balance staying informed about world events while remaining focused on our mission?
- What does the prophecy of the valley of dry bones teach us about God's ability to bring life from death, both nationally and personally?
- How should the reality of the rapture being 'any moment' affect how we live our daily lives and treat others?
- Pastor Jim said we should 'care about the Russian and the Iranian and the Israeli and the American.' How can we practically show Christ's love to people from different nations and backgrounds?
- What are some ways we can be bold in sharing the gospel with people who are living in fear about current world events?

Life Application

This week, identify one person in your life who seems anxious or fearful about current world events. Instead of engaging in speculation about prophecy, focus on sharing the hope and peace that comes from knowing Jesus Christ. Pray for an opportunity to have a meaningful conversation about faith, and be prepared to share how your relationship with Christ gives you peace in uncertain times.

Key Takeaways

- Biblical prophecy is reliable and trustworthy - over 1800 prophecies exist and none will fail to be fulfilled
- Israel's rebirth in 1948 after 2000 years of dispersion was a miraculous fulfillment of Ezekiel's prophecy
- Current world events may be setting the stage for end times prophecies, but our focus should remain on the Great Commission
- Christians should not fear current events but be encouraged that we're closer than ever to Christ's return
- Our primary job is to preach the gospel and make disciples, not to speculate about specific prophetic timelines

Ending Prayer

Lord Jesus, thank You for Your Word that gives us hope and direction in uncertain times. Help us to live with eternal perspective, knowing that You are in control of all world events and that Your plans will be fulfilled. Give us boldness to share the gospel with those around us who need hope. Help us to be people of peace in a world filled with anxiety and fear. May we be faithful to the mission You've given us until You return. We look forward to that day when we will see You face to face. Come quickly, Lord Jesus. In Your precious name we pray, Amen.