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VOICEOVER:

The Key of David, with Gerald Flurry.

GERALD FLURRY:

Greetings, everyone.

Did you know that the prophet Daniel discussed World War III and when it would start? And he also talked about *who* would start it, of all things! Well, can you imagine that? And he also told us how it would *end*, and it would be the most *wonderful* ending that a man could *ever imagine*. But why is it we don't hear more churches talk, or Christian churches talk about these prophecies of the Bible? I mean the Bible is full of prophecies about warfare, and rising and falling empires, and you hear almost *nothing* about it, it seems to me, in this age. Why is that? Because that *is*, after all, what is in the Bible, and I'll show you along with these prophecies that there is a *hidden* prophecy there that ties right in to this World War III prophecy, and it's hidden and basically because of what it does *not* say, and I'll show you what I mean in a moment.

Winston Churchill said that "The history of man is the history of war." Now *that* is reality, and the Bible deals with reality. The Bible deals with the *real* world. How selective it seems like religious people are, in believing the Bible. It's sort of taking and selecting certain verses that they like, but what about *all* of those prophecies? One-third of your Bible is prophecy, one-third of it, so surely God wants us to be talking about it a great deal.

There is an inspiring end to all this, and even the events that you see building around you today are leading up to and are a part of that leading up to World War III and directly tied to the return of Jesus Christ to this earth. And as I said, there's a hidden prophecy there that I think you'll find fascinating because, well, it's there, you can understand it by what it does *not* say, and that's something we ought to be concerned about, as well.

Notice Daniel 11 and verse 40. Daniel 11 and verse 40, "And at the time of the end," The time of the end, "shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over."

So this is at the "time of the end," and there's going to be a king of the south there, that is pushing. Now, if we are God's very elect we have to understand these prophecies. It's for this end time, and we must understand it. If we don't understand it, then what does that

say about our Christianity, when Christ said we ought to “live by every word” of this book. That’s what Christ said.

So who understands all these prophecies, and who even talks about them in this end time? And why is this so important, this prophecy right here? Why is it so important, this clash between two empires? Well, it’s important because it leads directly and *starts*—actually *starts*—World War III. That’s right, and Daniel tells you who these empires are, and we’ve been telling you that for quite a number of years.

Notice this quote from the *Washington Report on Middle East Affairs*. It said, *Apparently, the Iranians are calculating exactly how far they can PUSH their neighbors*. June 1991.

And here’s also a comment that we made in our booklet on *The King of the South*, which we will offer you today, and all of our literature is free.

But here’s what *Gesinius Hebrew Chaldee Lexicon* says, *The word “push” means to strike, used of horned animals, or to push with a horn. It is used figuratively of a victor who PROSTRATES the nations before him. It also means to wage war. Push is a violent word.*

And then I wrote, *This push no doubt revolves around Jerusalem and biblical Judah, called Israel today, just as the clashes in the time of the Crusades did. That city is the third most Holy city in the Islamic world. Pope John Paul II publicly talked of possibly moving the Roman Catholic Church headquarters there.*

So you can see how important this city is to Islam, and to Catholicism, and to others.

Iran has been pushing people around for a long time and Iran IS that king of the south. Along with some other nations that support them. But we’ve been saying that for some fifteen years now, and it’s really pretty easy to prove.

Warren Christopher said in 1994 that, *The world’s most significant state sponsor of terrorism is Iran.*

See, we know and we can see that, and we can see *why* they’re king, *why* that Iran is the king because they are just *terrorizing* much of the world. And yet nobody has the courage to stand up to them, at least *yet*, not to this point. Nobody will stand up to them, and anybody that knows *anything* about foreign policy ought to realize that when you commit acts of terrorism against other nations, that those are acts of war. But somehow, Iran always gets away with it—so far. But that’s about to change. That is about to change.

Here this nation, this king of the south, is close to Jerusalem, Egypt, Ethiopia, and Libya. So who else *could* it be in this end time in that area but Iran? Who else could it be? Now we can prove this very easily, but you know that is the only really *pushy* nation there in the Middle East. Syria supports them in many ways, and is somewhat like a puppet. But it’s Iran that pulls all the strings. And where is it leading? Where is it leading? I mean these are events that are being fulfilled right now, and where is it all leading? I’ll tell

you—it's leading to World War III! That's what your Bible says. Can you believe your Bible? Well, that certainly is what it says.

Here you have a nation willing to commit terrorist acts, and they've been doing that for, well, for many years, and to have, really, a peace pact, and to establish peace is contrary to their nature. That doesn't fit into their goals at all. Do you realize that terrorism in the Middle East originated with Iran? It *originated* with them, and they've been doing it ever since because, well, it's been so *productive* for them. It's really paid off for them, and nobody seems to want to take them on and tell them that, "Well, look, that's an act of war and we're going to deal with it accordingly."

Now there's also a king of the north here. A king in the north is going to "come against him like a whirlwind." That means like a fierce storm that leaves people terror-stricken. Now *somebody's* about to deal with Iran in the only way they *understand*, but it's not America. It's a power from Europe, and we can prove that to you very easily. But this is a blitzkrieg-type warfare that you saw in World War II, and it's once again coming out of Europe, and they're going to come against them like a fierce storm, and no doubt a nuclear storm that is going to start World War III. Once you get into that kind of warfare, it's going to just continue to snowball, and nobody's going to be able to stop it.

This is the world in which we live. This is the world that Jesus Christ prophesied some 2000 years ago, that would end exactly this way. But it gets so bad that there would be "no flesh saved alive" it says in Matthew 24 and verse 21 from the Moffat translation. It would end that way *unless* Jesus Christ returned to cut it short so that didn't happen to mankind.

All of this is tied to the second coming of Jesus Christ, or the coming of the Messiah. *All* of it is tied to that. So in this power play here, these power brokers, where is the U.S.? See, this *is* the hidden prophecy. Well, where is America? The number one superpower of the world! Where are they? Well, I'll tell you, it speaks volumes here by what it does *not* say, by what it does *not* say.

Now, we have a booklet on *The Holy Roman Empire* that we will send to you, and it will explain all of that to you, and it will be something that will just *astonish* you if you've never read that booklet before. There's material there that we *do need* to understand.

This is a powerful prophecy here that really *is* talking by what it *doesn't* say about the world's number one superpower. Where is America? What happened with all these problems, like the financial structure and all of that? Is that a part of it? Is this really an ominous prophecy about America? I mean after all these are God's prophecies and we can't escape that. The only thing we can do that is logical is to face these prophecies, and of course, God then begins to bring many blessings into your life; that's the way it works.

Notice verse 41. Verse 41, "He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many *countries* shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, *even* Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon."

So here Jerusalem is undoubtedly triggering all this because they enter into the glorious land, and the war is mainly about Jerusalem, probably. But after the king of the north moves in there, many nations are prostrate before him, or just absolutely at his feet. That's the power that this European empire has, that's the kind of power they have.

Now you see, even if leaders of nations today knew this was all going to happen, and they wanted to try to do something to change it, they really cannot do it because this all fits into God's Master Plan, and these are prophecies that are going to be fulfilled because God said they're going to be fulfilled, and it shows—this fulfilled prophecy—shows that God rules! He rules! He rules the whole universe, He rules anything that He wants to, and that's why you need to understand fulfilled prophecy, because if you understand that, you *know* that God rules and everything is working out according to His Master Plan. And mankind is going to be taught some very harsh lessons, and they could make it a lot easier for themselves if they'd listen now, but that's not normally the way people do things.

Notice verse 42 and 43, "He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape."

Well, Egypt is allied with the king of the south, and that's not the case today.

Verse 43, "But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps."

So Egypt is going to be at his steps and going to be taken over by this power in Europe. And yet today, Egypt is speaking out in subtle ways, and maybe *not* so subtle ways against the foreign policy of Iran, and Egypt is going to change that philosophy. They're going to get allied with the king of the south. Now I can tell you that based on this prophecy. It hasn't happened right now. I'm going to show you that Egypt is actually speaking out *against* the policy of Iran. But inside of Egypt is an opposition party called the Muslim Brotherhood, and they're going to get control of Egypt. I don't see how else this could happen. So Egypt, then, becomes allied with Iran. But they're not that way now, and how can I know that that's going to change? Well, because of this prophecy, and it is going to change very soon. Just as these two powers have developed before our eyes and we told you even before they were real powers.

Notice what it says here in the *Reuter's* from Cairo August 17, 2009, and here's what Mr. Hosni Mubarak, the president of Egypt, said: '*I affirmed to U.S. President Barak Obama in Cairo that the Arab initiative offers recognition of Israel and normalization with it after and not before achieving a just and comprehensive peace,*' Mubarak told *Al Haran*.

So Iran, as you know, is not going to recognize Israel. If you know anything about what they've been saying, they're not going to have normal relations with Israel. They're not going to recognize them. They've been saying for *years* that they're going to wipe Israel off the map!

Now, that means that these two powers are going to have difficulties here, and the Muslim Brotherhood are going to get control of Egypt. Undoubtedly, it will be that group because they're the most powerful today, and they are *solidly* backed by Iran.

Now I want to read you something about Anwar Sadat, who was the Egyptian president *before* Mubarak, and I want to read you about what he said, and how it ended up causing him to be assassinated. Here's what it says in our booklet on *The King of the South*. I wrote this, *A few years before the fall of the shah of Iran, Anwar al-Sadat was the warrior leader of Egypt and the Middle East. For example, he was the key leader of the Arab world in the Yom Kippur War against the Jews. In 1981 Mike Wallace of the television program 60 Minutes interviewed Ayatollah Khomeini (who had come to power only two years before). He told the ayatollah that Sadat had called him a 'lunatic.' Almost immediately afterward, within just days, President Sadat was assassinated!*

Because this ayatollah in charge of Iran had it done, and nobody seems to doubt that.

I concluded here, *When the Sadat assassination occurred, Mr. Armstrong [Herbert Armstrong] said it was a turning point in Middle East history! And that was almost an understatement. But virtually nobody in the media saw—or they refused to see—what a world-changing event that was!*

Iran's terrorist network was working frighteningly well.

Mr. Sadat was in the process of changing the Middle East for the good of the world.

But do you see why Iran is the king of the south?

Here's what Mr. Mubarak also said recently, *Egypt has a major role in the Israeli-Palestinian peace process, he said, noting Cairo is trying to reconcile a deep divide between the rival Palestinian factions, Fatah and Hamas.*

Now Hamas is just an arm of the Iranian nation in Gaza, an arm of Iranian terrorism, and they're not *about* to change their policy. I mean, Mr. Mubarak is just out of touch with reality. That's just wishful thinking, it isn't going to happen. But he knows that the Middle East is in trouble if Iran keeps moving the way they are, and certainly somebody is going to have to stop them or they're going to take over the Middle East very quickly.

But are you going to stop people like this that are so bloody and violent? And they've been doing that for years and years and years. Are you going to really stop them from achieving their goals, which is to rule the Middle East and a lot more? I mean you can see that the power brokers are beginning to change in the Middle East.

Now, this is all leading up to the very second coming of Jesus Christ, Himself, and you can prove that from your Bible! These are just truly *phenomenal* prophecies that we *all* ought to be eager to understand, and it's all happening just as your Bible said it would! All of those prophecies that are being ignored by religions, and certainly Christianity, for the most part, are being fulfilled right now. Ninety percent of them are being fulfilled

TODAY in this end time, and a good number of them have *already* been fulfilled, frankly.

So a change of government is coming very soon in Egypt.

But notice verse 44. We can see this leading into World War III, leading *more* into it, I should say. “But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.”

So this north-east would be Russia and China. You know, where those great powers there, and they’re part of those armies that are going to go and lead right into Armageddon, along with the king of the north, and they’re going to be ready to battle each other, and then Christ is going to turn them around and bring them down to Jerusalem and destroy ALL of them. And at that time, blood is going to be up to the horses’ bridle in the Valley of Jehoshaphat for many, many miles.

Now do you really know how close we are to these violent times? I mean the signs are all around us, and the prophecies tell us that these things are going to be fulfilled, that these prophecies will be fulfilled. Notice verse 45, “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.”

That is a great religion that is going to go to Jerusalem, but it’s not going to work out. The violence keeps spreading and spreading and spreading.

Notice Daniel 12 and verse 1, “And at that time” At THAT time, you see, this end time, “shall Michael,” Well, who is Michael? Well, this is an archangel for God, *of* God’s, “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.”

So here is the worst trouble ever! It’s worse than World War II! Well, this is World War III; that’s why the Bible says that.

You can go on down to verse 9. It says these things were all sealed until the time of the end. Well, let me tell you, what I’m talking to you about today is *unsealed*. We’re obviously in the time of the end! And yet in that verse 1 God says He will protect His people. He will protect those that are obedient and loyal to Him.

But how much do you know about the great archangel Michael? How much do you know about Lucifer, the fallen Lucifer, and Satan fighting against Gabriel and Michael in Daniel chapter 10? Do you know about that angelic world and the demon world that the Bible talks about and prophesies about?

Notice verse 11. Verse 11 of chapter 12, “And from the time *that* the daily...shall be taken away,” It *should* read ‘daily’ or God’s work taken away, “and the abomination,”

That's that king of the north, "that maketh desolate set up, *there shall be* a thousand two hundred and ninety days." That length of time until the second coming of Jesus Christ.

Now Christ is going to return and destroy that abomination of desolation, or those European armies, and going to destroy those Russian and Chinese armies, and He's going to then establish His government, and we will have peace and joy and abundance forever! That's what is at stake here! And that is what it's all building to! It's not bad news, it's the best news you have ever heard in your life! And you can go on in the rest of those verses and see that already, God says, we ought to be even counting the DAYS—the DAYS until that wonderful event is reality!

Until next week, this is Gerald Flurry. Goodbye, friends.

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