

TURKEY NEEDS TO DECIDE

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June 11, 2010. *U.S. Congressman Mike Pence said:* “Turkey needs to decide.... “As a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, I have been a strong supporter of the U.S.-Turkish alliance. I have been to Ankara, Turkey. I have met with officials there. I knew the president before he was president of Turkey...And so you can imagine my dismay, Mr. Speaker, with the recent aggressive action by Turkey toward our most cherished ally, Israel. The complicity of Turkey in launching a flotilla to challenge the blockade in Gaza, the ensuing violence that occurred, the grievous loss of life, is deeply troubling to those of us who have supported the U.S.-Turkish alliance in the past.

A few things need to be said. We grieve the loss of life, but Israel has a right to defend itself. And Turkey must know that America will stand with Israel in her inviolate right to defend herself ... **There is no humanitarian crisis in Gaza. Ten thousand tons of food and medical supplies are transferred into Gaza every single week.** And the blockade has saved lives... Hamas used the Gaza strip to launch vicious and brutal attacks, thousands of rockets on civilians. It cost lives in Gaza, it cost lives in Israel. Turkey needs to count the cost. Turkey needs to decide whether its present course is in its long-term interest...But America will stand with Israel.”

God says: “**A day of Yahweh is coming ... I will gather all the nations to Jerusalem to fight against it; the city will be captured, the houses ransacked, and the women raped. Half of the city will go into exile, but the rest of the people will not be taken from the city.**”... “**When the power of the holy people has been broken, all these things will be completed.**” ... “**At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.**” (*Zechariah 14:1-2; Daniel 12:7b; Luke 21:27-28*)

Make no mistake, Israel will increasingly become a liability to the United States. The 93 congressmen that recently signed a pro-Palestinian declaration indicate that the likes of Mike Pence will be the exception rather than the rule in the not to distant future.

The Arab/Muslim world is already a declared enemy. The European Union and many in Latin America are making ever louder anti-Israel noises. Anti-Semitism is on a rapid rise world-wide, including American academia. The mainline Christian denominations and the evangelical left are owned by the anti-Zionist crowd. Traditional evangelicals are afraid to speak positively of Israel for fear of a “politically correct” backlash.

You can be equally certain that this all-out onslaught against Israel and the Jews will eventually morph into a persecution of Bible believing Christians. “When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

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