

**“Is the Bible from God?” (Psalm 119: Part 2)**

**Verses to Remember:** “Forever, O LORD, Your word is settled in heaven. Your faithfulness continues throughout all generations” (Psalm 119:89-90).

**Is the Bible from God?**

- The Bible makes the claim that it is inspired (breathed-out) by God (2 Tim 3:16; Ps 119:13, 72, 88), and it backs that claim up with the fingerprints of prophecies made hundreds of years in advance of their fulfillments (Is 46:9).

**Some of the amazing prophecies of the Bible are finding their fulfillment right now in the preservation and return of the nation of Israel.**

**1. The Promise of Land:**

- God made an unconditional promise to Abraham that he would give the “Promised Land” to his descendants (Gen 13:14-15).

**2. The Dispersal with Tribulation:**

- God promised that if Abraham’s descendants went after other gods that they would be removed from the land for a time and scattered to the ends of the earth while facing intense persecution (Deut 28:58, 64).

**3. The Preservation:**

- God promised that the children of Israel would be preserved as long as the moon and the stars existed (Jer 31:36; Is 49:6).

**4. The Return:**

- God promised that a second time (the first time being the return from Babylon) he would regather the children of Israel, and that the second time would be from all the ends of the earth (Is 11:11-12 cf. Deut 30:3; Is 43:6; Ez 34:11-13; 36:24; 37:1-14; Jer 16:14; 23:8). Since the nation of Israel was reestablished, more than 3 million Jews have returned to Israel from over 150 countries.

- It was prophesied the physical return would precede the spiritual return (Ez 37:7).

**5. Born in a Day**

- God said that the nation would be born in a day (Is 66:8). Modern Israel was born with a declaration on May 14, 1948.

**6. All Nations against Israel**

- It was prophesied that all nations would come against Israel (Zech 12:3; 14:2-4).

It is not hard to see how this will be fulfilled considering that in a recent UN resolution, 149 countries voted against Israel with only 1 country voting with Israel, and 23 abstaining.

**7. The Fruitfulness of the Land**

- God promised that the land of Israel would produce bountiful fruit in the desert (Amos 9:13-14; Is 27:6; 35:1). This is well on its way to happening now.