

North versus South

Jer 6:16 Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where *is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.*

Satan is a diligent Bible student. He knows that his time is short, and he seeks at every point to counterwork the work of the Lord upon this earth. It is impossible to give any idea of the experience of the people of God who shall be alive upon the earth when celestial glory and a repetition of the persecutions of the past are blended. They will walk in the light proceeding from the throne of God. By means of the angels there will be constant communication between heaven and earth. And Satan, surrounded by evil angels, and claiming to be God, will work miracles of all kinds, to deceive, if possible, the very elect. God's people will not find their safety in working miracles, for Satan will counterfeit the miracles that will be wrought. God's tried and tested people will find their power in the sign spoken of in Exodus 31:12-18. They are to take their stand on the living word: "It is written." This is the only foundation upon which they can stand securely. Those who have broken their covenant with God will in that day be without God and without hope. {9T 16.1}

Exo 31:12 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Exo 31:13 Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep: for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the LORD that doth sanctify you.

Exo 31:14 Ye shall keep the sabbath therefore; for it is holy unto you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth any work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

Exo 31:15 Six days may work be done; but in the seventh is the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.

Exo 31:16 Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant.

Exo 31:17 It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.

Exo 31:18 And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.

Martin Luther stated, "If you do not contend with your whole heart, against the impious government of the Pope, you cannot be saved. Whoever takes delight in the religion and worship of popery will be eternally lost in the world to come.

"If you reject it, (popery) you must expect to incur every kind of danger, even to lose your lives, but it is far better to be exposed to such perils in this world than to keep silence! So long as I live, I will denounce to my brethren the sore and the plague of Babylon for fear that many who are with us should fall back like the rest into the bottomless pit."

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The time of the end

Dan 11:40 And at 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.

Dan 11:41 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.

Dan 11:42 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries:
and **the land of Egypt shall not escape.**

Dan 11:43 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.*

Dan 11:44 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.

Dan 11:45 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.

Dan 11:45 He will pitch his royal tents between the seas at the beautiful holy mountain. Yet he will come to his end, and no one will help him. NIV

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The three themes of chapter eleven are thus:

1. Conflict between north and south
2. Alliance between north and south
3. Conflict with the people of God


Verses 5-39 thus describe the Hegelian sparring between two philosophical systems which have one collective aim – the destruction of God's people and the obliteration of true worship. The chapter is thus written as a merism.

Dan 11:27 And both these kings' hearts *shall be to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end shall be at the time appointed.*

Actions of the king of the north:

Dan 11:32 And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do *exploits*.

Dan 11:33 And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, *many days*.

A black and white photograph of a glass of water splashing, with white text overlaid. The text is arranged in two sections: the top section reads "NOAH WAS A CONSPIRACY THEORIST." and the bottom section reads "THEN IT STARTED TO RAIN." The background is a dark, blurred image of water splashing, with the glass itself in the center. The text is in a bold, sans-serif font.

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Dan 11:36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

Dan 11:37 Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.

Dan 11:38 But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.

Dan 11:39 Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge *and increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain.*

Both the kings of the north and the south are enemies of God so both must be under the control of the arch deceiver employing a Hegelian dialectic to induce a collective mindset conducive to his schemes.

Typologically the King of the North must represent the religio-political alliances that would attempt to force God's people to worship according to its dictates as Babylon tried to force the Hebrews to worship according to its dictates.

The King of the South (geographically Egypt) enslaved the people of God, refused to acknowledge JAHWE or the right of the Hebrews to worship Him according to their conscience but did not force them to worship the Egyptian deities.

The motives of the King of the South were thus secular whereas the motives of the King of the North were religio-political.

Signs of the End of the Age

Mat 24:3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

Mat 24:4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **Take heed that no man deceive you.**

Mat 24:5 For **many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ;** and shall deceive many.

Mat 24:6 And **ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars:** see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

Mat 24:7 For **nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:** and there shall be **famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes,** in divers places.

Mat 24:8 All these are the beginning of sorrows.

Mat 24:9 **Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.**

Mat 24:10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

Mat 24:11 And **many false prophets shall rise**, and shall deceive many.

Mat 24:12 And because **iniquity shall abound**, the love of many shall wax cold.

Mat 24:13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.


Mat 24:14 And this **gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations**; and then shall the end come.

Dan 12:1 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.

Mat 24:22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

But as the church approaches her final deliverance, Satan is to work with greater power. He comes down “having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.” Revelation 12:12. He will work “with all power and signs and lying wonders.” 2 Thessalonians 2:9. For six thousand years that mastermind that once was highest among the angels of God has been wholly bent to the work of deception and ruin. And all the depths of satanic skill and subtlety acquired, all the cruelty developed, during these struggles of the ages, will be brought to bear against God’s people in the final conflict. And in this time of peril the followers of Christ are to bear to the world the warning of the Lord’s second advent; and a people are to be prepared to stand before Him at His coming, “without spot, and blameless.” 2 Peter 3:14. At this time the special endowment of divine grace and power is not less needful to the church than in apostolic days. { GC ix.4 }

The days in which we live are solemn and important. The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God. **The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous.** They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude. **The agencies of evil are combining their forces, and consolidating.** They are strengthening for the last great crisis. **Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones.**—Testimonies for the Church 9:11. { ChS 52.2}

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And **ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars**: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

Impending Destruction—The time is near when large cities will be swept away, and all should be warned of these coming judgments.⁷ { AH 136.5}

Oh, that God's people had a sense of the impending destruction of thousands of cities now almost given to idolatry!⁸ { AH 136.6}

A View of Great Destruction

Last Friday morning, just before I awoke, a very impressive scene was presented before me. I seemed to awake from sleep, but was not in my home. From the windows I could behold a terrible conflagration. Great balls of fire were falling upon houses, and from these balls fiery arrows were flying in every direction. It was impossible to check the fires that were kindled, and many places were being destroyed. The terror of the people was indescribable.—Evangelism, 29 (1906). { CL 8.5}



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WW3 fears erupt after satellite footage shows 5,000 Chinese troops mobilised for conflict

FEARS of all-out global war have been raised this week after shocking satellite footage revealed that China was mobilising its armed forces, with more than 5,000 troops ready for combat.

Fears of a volatile global war ramped up this week amid a tense stand-off between India and China at a disputed border. The crisis, which began in early May, escalated this week after terrifying satellite footage showed Chinese troops were amassing at the border. Indian media claimed that at least 5,000 Chinese troops had advanced along India's border, sparking fears of open conflict.

In retaliation, India is adding a similar number of troops as well as artillery guns along the border.

Beijing's state-controlled media said that the People's Liberation Army (PLA) had launched a powerful military response to "India's illegal trespassing incident".

At the weekend China announced that the PLA was going to deploy helicopter drones to monitor Indian movements along the disputed border

US President Donald Trump even waded in last night, offering to mediate the dispute.

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World War 3 MAPPED: The SIX places where WW3 could break out in 2020
WORLD WAR 3 fears were ignited across the globe just a few days into 2020 and now they have been sparked again. But which five places around the globe are the most likely to be the starting point for WW3?

[World War 3](#) concerns were triggered around the globe following the death of Iranian Major General Qassem Soleimani in a US airstrike in January. Now as a killer infection spreads across the globe and riots over police brutality have sparked across the world, leading to World War 3 concerns again. Given the tense relations between countries around the world, Express.co.uk has compiled a guide for the flashpoints where World War 3 is most likely to erupt in 2020.

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South China Sea: World War 3 alert as expert reveals most dangerous threat to US and China

CHINA-US rivalry in the South China sea is escalating due to the build-up of naval manoeuvres where vessels from both sides are sailing dangerously close to each other increasing the risk of a military clash.

In early July Beijing ordered its ships to perform a controversial naval drill near the Paracel Islands. The Paracel Islands are also known as the Xisha Islands by [China](#) are a contentious group of 130 small coral islands and reefs. This maritime region is strategically important as well as containing natural resources and has been controlled by China since they expelled the Vietnamese from the islands in January 1974.



China Warns US Against Intermediate-range Missile Deployment At Japan's Military Base

China warned the United States against the deployment of intermediate-range missiles in the Asia Pacific region after reports of negotiation with Japan emerged.

Written By **Kunal Gaurav**



China warned the United States against the deployment of intermediate-range [missiles](#) in the Asia Pacific region after reports of negotiation with Japan emerged recently. During a regular news briefing on June 24, Defence Ministry spokesperson Wu Qian said that China “firmly opposes” the deployment, adding that China will not sit idle and will take all necessary measures to counter.

Wu said that if the United States insists on deploying missiles at its military bases in Japan, it will be provoking China to take necessary measures to resolutely fight back. He also suggested Japan and other “relevant” countries proceed cautiously from the perspective of regional peace and stability and not fall “victim” to the geopolitical plot of the United States.

Meanwhile, the US has been challenging Beijing’s claim on the South China Sea and helping Taiwan militarily to boost its defence inventory.

Last month, Taiwan revealed that it is planning to buy [Harpoon](#) anti-ship missiles from the United States to deal with the rising threat from China.





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Japan could carry the day in a US-China conflict

Japan's military rise has been stealthy but strong and is increasingly concentrated on China's perceived threat

When Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe said last month that the Covid-19 pandemic was the biggest national crisis since World War II, it was widely overlooked that just weeks

earlier his government passed by far the nation's biggest defense budget passed by far the nation's biggest defense budget since the end of that conflict.

As the US ramps up Covid-19 inspired threats against China and fears of a possible armed conflict mount, many strategic analysts have speculated that the Asia-Pacific's strategic balance may have shifted in favor of China in sight of its fast rising military might and capabilities.

New spending will also go towards deploying Japan's first real aircraft carriers since World War II as well as enhancing its space security, including through research into using electronic waves to disrupt what the budget terms "enemy communication systems", likely meaning China's.

Some observers believe that the Japanese Navy is now as capable, and possibly superior, to any force in the Pacific including China.



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Japan's Building Aircraft Carriers, China's Thinking About Sinking Them



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'Izumo' and her escorts. JAPANESE MARITIME SELF-DEFENSE FORCE

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The Japanese navy's first aircraft carrier in 75 years is almost ready to deploy. A photo that appeared on Twitter on Wednesday depicts the helicopter carrier *Izumo* undergoing modification for fixed-wing operations, apparently at the Japan Marine United shipyard in Yokohama.

The Chinese military has already considered how it might sink the Japanese carriers. Which is not to say it would succeed. The \$28 million modifications underway at Yokohama will clear and reinforce *Izumo's* deck in order to transform the vessel from a helicopter carrier into a light aircraft carrier capable of supporting the Japanese air force's F-35B stealth jump jets. *Izumo's* sister vessel *Kaga* is slated to undergo the same modifications.

Of course, the Japanese fleet is hardly defenseless. Japan deploys more destroyers equipped with the latest Aegis air-defense system than any other country except the United States—seven.



Why this Japan-China island dispute could be Asia's next military flashpoint

For the first time in six years, two US Navy aircraft carriers are in the South China Sea, the latest show of military might from Washington as it pushes back against China's sweeping claim to much of the contested region.

The two US carriers arrived in the region as China wrapped up its own set of naval exercises near a disputed island chain, an apparent synchronicity not lost on Beijing's state media, which carried reports boasting of the country's readiness to repel any US attempt to challenge its claims.

That buildup, which included the launch of anti-ship missiles from an island during exercises last year, comes after Chinese President Xi Jinping pledged to then-US President Barack Obama in 2015 that the islands would not be militarized.



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Fiery Cross Reef: Permanent Base for ISR Aircraft in the South China Sea

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US-China tensions in the South China Sea are mounting due to oil drilling in Malaysia's EEZ.

In light of the military tension between the powers in the region, ISI detected a deployment of KQ-200

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The Cross Reef suggests that this base may be the home base of the Chinese ISR aircraft in the area.



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India-China skirmish in Galwan prompts fears of conflict: Report

HONG KONG: The violent stand-off between the Indian and Chinese border troops in Eastern Ladakh last month has raised questions about China's strategic calculations on the rise of India and also prompted fears about armed conflicts between the nuclear powers, according to an analytical piece published in South China Morning Post.

Shi Jingtao, a former diplomat and author of the article, said that China's attention was already fixed on a new [Cold War](#) with the United States when the new tension on the Line of Actual Control (LAC) with India erupted last month following the deadliest clash between the two sides in over 50 years.

While the two countries have shown interest in de-escalation and agreed to disengage, there is little sign so far that heightened tensions will dissipate soon.

Both sides have instead amassed large numbers of troops and weapons, along the LAC, since the Galwan valley clash. Along with an undisclosed number of Chinese casualties, twenty Indian soldiers were killed in the face-off in eastern Ladakh, where the two countries also fought their brief but bloody 1962 War.





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Größte Parade der russischen Geschichte: Putin lässt Sieg über Deutschland feiern

Mit Soldaten, Panzern, Raketen und internationalen Gästen feiert Kremlchef Wladimir Putin die größte Militärparade der russischen Geschichte.



Als Oberbefehlshaber der stolzen Atommacht läuft Russlands Präsident Wladimir Putin schon seit Tagen zur Höchstform auf. Gerade hat er zum 75. Jahrestag des Sieges der Sowjetunion über Hitler-Deutschland eine große Militärkirche eröffnet. Zudem schrieb er einen großen Aufsatz über die Lehren des Zweiten Weltkrieges. Darin warnte der 67-Jährige einmal mehr davor, die Verdienste der Roten Armee bei der Befreiung Europas von den Nazis in den Schmutz zu ziehen. Und nun trotz Corona-Pandemie der Höhepunkt des Kriegsgedenkens: die größte Militärparade der russischen Geschichte.

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USA und Türkei gründen einheitliches Kurdistan im Irak und Syrien



Es gibt ernsthafte Hinweise darauf, dass die Türkei und die USA die Gründung einer einheitlichen Kurdistanregion zwischen dem Nordirak und Ostsyrien anstreben. Diese würde sich aber gegen den Iran und Europa richten.

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Japan becomes the latest country that's preparing to fight World War III in space

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe has announced plans to form a defence unit designed to wage war in space. The Space Domain Mission Unit will launch in April as part of Japan's Air Self-Defense Force, Abe said in a policy speech marking the start of the year's parliamentary session today. He said Japan

must also defend itself from threats in cyberspace and protects its satellites. **A number of nations are now developing space weapons, with concerns growing that China and Russia are seeking ways to interfere, disable or destroy spacecraft.**

Japan will 'drastically bolster capability and system in order to secure superiority' in those areas, Abe said. The unit will cooperate with the US Space Command that Trump established in August, as well as Japan's space exploration agency, Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency. Abe has pushed for Japan's Self-Defense Force to expand its international role and capability by bolstering cooperation and weapons compatibility with the US.



Shinzo Abe delivers a policy speech in Tokyo on Monday, Jan. 20 (Provider: AP)

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The UK needs to build a space force and get ready to fight terrorists and wage war in the heavens, industry leaders have warned. In the future, terrorists and nation-states will be able to wreak economic havoc by targeting communications satellites. The incoming president of UK Space, Will Whitehorn, has said 'we will see and should see the creation of a space force in the UK' to help protect the nation against these new threats. Speaking at the UK Space Conference in Newport, the former president of Virgin Galactic said: 'My view is that as we go forward, there clearly has to be a complete and utter co-ordination of the way that government at all levels responds to the industrialisation of space. **'We are about to go through an industrial revolution in space, and it will be nothing short of that. 'We are at the stage where a lot of technologies have been developed that can do many of the things – that if you were listening to Greta at the UN yesterday, or you see what is going on in the reality of climate change – a lot of the industrial processes or necessities that we will need are going to be up there, in that hostile environment in space. 'If we do that then we have to be able to defend ourselves in space, if we know there are non-state and state actors who may be inclined to disrupt in the future the ability of any nation state to operate commercially in space.'** Whitehorn said that a time was coming when having 'a co-ordinated approach to space across all of our military is going to be important'.

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ROSCOSMOS is a State Corporation that was established in August 2015 to oversee and implement a comprehensive reform of the Russian space industry.

State Space Corporation ROSCOSMOS ensures the implementation of the Russian government's space program and its legal regulation. ROSCOSMOS is also placing orders for the development, manufacture and supply of space equipment and space infrastructure objects.

The state corporation is also responsible for international space cooperation and tasked with setting the stage for the future use of results of space activities in the social and economic development of Russia.

SPACENEWS

by [Ajey Lele](#) — May 28, 2019

Op-ed | India needs its own space force

India is setting up a military space agency called the Defence Space agency (DSA) that's expected to command of all the space assets of India's army, navy and air force.

The idea of DSA was mooted a few years back, possibly with a view to make an incremental increase in the space-related defense infrastructure. Hence, instead of having a Space Command headed by a three-star general, it was thought suitable to create a DSA headed by a two-star general. All these structures had a relevance when India was not a military power with anti-satellite (ASAT) capability. However, now that India successfully conducted its March 27 ASAT, can DSA take India's military space agenda further, or there is a need to establish a separate ecosystem for this?

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The U.S. Space Force (USSF) is a new branch of the Armed Forces. It was established on December 20, 2019 with enactment of the Fiscal Year 2020 National Defense Authorization Act and will be stood-up over the next 18 months. The USSF was established within the Department of the Air Force, meaning the [Secretary of the Air Force](#) has overall responsibility for the USSF, under the guidance and direction of the Secretary of Defense. Additionally, a four-star general known as the [Chief of Space Operations](#) (CSO) serves as the senior military member of the USSF. The CSO is a full member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Mission

The USSF is a military service that organizes, trains, and equips space forces in order to protect U.S. and allied interests in space and to provide space capabilities to the joint force. USSF responsibilities include developing military space professionals, acquiring military space systems, maturing the military doctrine for space power, and organizing space forces to present to our Combatant Commands.



China wants to dominate space, and the US must take countermeasures

China is determined to replace the U.S. as the dominant power in space. While proclaiming its peaceful intentions, Beijing's doctrine considers space a military domain, and it is investing

heavily in space infrastructure designed to secure both economic and military advantages.

Currently, China is second only to the U.S. in the number of operational satellites in orbit, with 363 as of March 31, 2020.

These capabilities are a cause for concern because of Beijing's concurrent investment in space weapons. The Pentagon recently warned China has developed and fielded ground- and space-based anti-satellite, directed-energy, and electronic warfare capabilities that place the peaceful use of international space at risk.

China's counter-space efforts have forced the U.S. to take measures to protect itself against what Secretary of Defense Mark Esper accurately labeled the weaponization of space.

Meanwhile, China is already preparing for its next launch, the Tianwen-1 Mars mission, scheduled for July.

