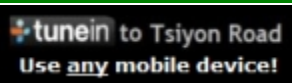


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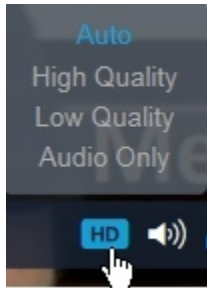
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From Eliyahu

Greetings Friends,



The year was 480 B.C. and the Persians were invading Greece. Herodotus claimed that the invading Persian force, in total, numbered 2.6 million military personnel, accompanied by an equivalent number of support personnel. Modern scholars, astounded by such numbers, estimate the Persians to have had several hundred thousand fighters - still an overwhelming force.

How long would you expect that a small Greek force of a few thousand men, out-numbered thousands to 1, could hold off such a massive onslaught? Could they last a minute? Seven minutes? Would you believe, seven DAYS?

The place for this unlikely event was Thermopylae.

Thermopylae is a mountain pass near the sea in northern Greece which was the site of a famous battle between Persians and Greeks in August 480 B.C. The pass of Thermopylae, located 150 km north of Athens was an excellent choice for defense with steep mountains running down into the sea leaving only a narrow marshy area along the coast. It was here, at a

15 meter wide gap with a sheer cliff protecting their left flank and the sea on their right, that the Greeks chose to make a stand against the invading Persian army.

the Persian king Xerxes, who led the invasion in person, first waited four days in expectation that the Greeks would flee in panic. When the Greeks held their position, Xerxes once again sent envoys to offer the defenders a last chance to surrender without bloodshed if the Greeks would only lay down their arms. King Leonidas' fearless response to Xerxes request was 'molōn labe' or 'come and get them' and so battle commenced.

In the close quarters of the pass, the longer spears, heavier swords, better armor, and rigid discipline of the Spartan phalanx formation meant that the Greek fighters had the immediate advantage, and in the narrow confines of the terrain, the vastly superior numbers of the Persian fighters were greatly hampered.

On the first day the Persians sent in waves of fresh soldiers, and even their most elite troops. Yet, the Greeks surprised the Persians with their disciplined mobility and fearless staying-power in the face of the withering assault.

The second day followed the pattern of the first, and the small Greek force continued to hold the pass. However, an unscrupulous traitor, seeking reward from Xerxes, informed the Persians of an alternate route by which they could outflank and surround the Greeks. The Persians sent an army to take advantage of the traitor's information.

Leonidas, seeing what was happening, dismissed the majority of his troops from the impending blood-bath, and chose to continue the battle to the end with his 300 Spartans and a few hundred others.

The Spartan king, on the third day of the battle, rallied his small force - and made a rearguard stand to defend the pass to the last man in the hope of delaying the Persian's progress. Early in the morning, the fearless Greeks once more met the enemy, but this time Xerxes could attack from both front and rear. Leonidas moved his troops to the widest part of the pass to utilize all of his men at once, and in the ensuing clash the Spartan king was killed. Soon after the Persian force made their hard-won victory complete, by a barrage of Persian arrows.

Counting the four day wait and then the three days of battle, Leonidas and his small but courageous band had held back the multi-million-man Persian army for an entire week!

That week may have been crucial, allowing the Greeks additional time to organize and strategically position their naval armada, by which the vastly larger Persian armada was soundly defeated at the Battle of Salamis, which paved the way for the total defeat of the Persian invasion. Thus, an entirely unlikely outcome, disastrous for the Persians while favorable to the Greeks, is what actually occurred.

All of this is to say that the events of life are largely unpredictable, as Scripture indicates.

"I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favor to men of skill; but time and chance happen to them all." Eccl 9:11



So often our plans seem to be good, until some unknown factor arises to send us back to the drawing-board. Truly, life is uncertain and is largely beyond our control. Not knowing what even the next moment may hold, how should we best use our time and resources? Surely, walking in His ways, and doing His will, is the only effective response to the uncertainty of life.

More about this tonight, with the live presentation entitled "Time and Chance."

Shalom, Eliyahu

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Russian nuclear-capable Iskander missiles deployed in Syria

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Russia has deployed its most advanced tactical missile system, the Iskander-M, in Syria in the last few days, debkafile reports exclusively from its military and intelligence sources. The Russian Iskander is capable of carrying a nuclear warhead and has never been made available to any foreign army for operational use.



No nuclear-capable surface missiles were deployed in any Arab country bordering on Israel since 2007 when Chinese DF-21 missiles were installed in Saudi Arabia.

The Russian missiles (NATO codenamed SS-26) have a range of 500 kilometers (see map).

The Iskander's transfer to the Kaliningrad enclave in the Baltic Sea in 2015, putting it in range of Central and Western Europe, was a mark of heightened tensions with the West over Russia's intervention in Ukraine.

Its deployment in Syria, amid a bloody five-year civil war, is a game changer in terms of the balance of strength in the Middle East. Its range - from the Russian Hmeimim base in western Syria - covers all of Israel up to the southern town of Beersheba, points in Turkey up to the outskirts of Ankara and the eastern and central Mediterranean including Cyprus.

The Russian decision to scale down its forces in Syria was only part of the picture: Warplanes and bombers are being pulled out, but as fast as they leave, they are being replaced by the most advanced missile systems in the Russian arsenal.

On March 15, Moscow announced that the formidable S-400 ground-to-air missiles would stay in Syria after the withdrawal. Ten days later, on March 25, the Iskander-M systems were in place. The Iskander-M is rated the top short-range ballistic missile in the world.

The combination, say debkafile's military sources, makes the Hmeimim base the hub of the most sophisticated missiles in the Middle East. Its mobile launching vehicle carries two missiles. It only takes a few minutes to prepare them for launch; each may be fired separately. In flight, its operating team can retarget the weapon, adjusting it if necessary to hit moving targets such as missile launchers, tank columns or supply convoys.

Another special feature of the Iskander-M is the control of its warhead by an encoded radio signal that even UAVs or AWACS cannot intercept. The missile can therefore lock on the target without being shot down. The missile's computer receives an image of the target, locks on it and zooms toward the target at supersonic speed.

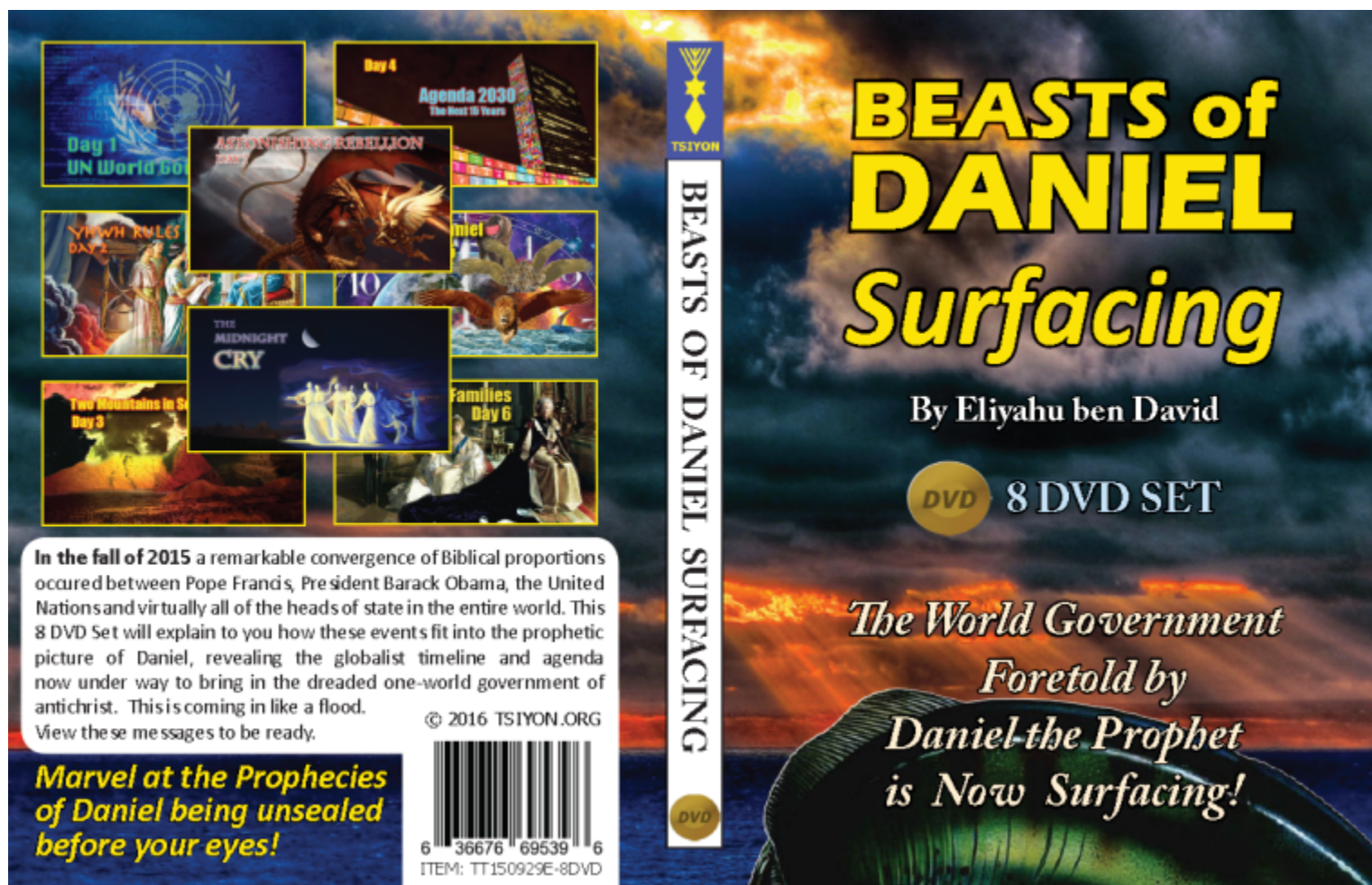
The Iskander-M is adaptable for use against small or large targets and can easily evade air defense batteries. Its targets can be set by satellites, surveillance planes, intelligence mechanisms or even field soldiers directing artillery fire from images scanned to their computers. Furthermore, its independent navigation system is not affected by poor weather conditions, including fog or darkness, like other ballistic missiles. It is moreover almost impossible to pre-empt the launch of the Iskander-M due to the mobility of its launching system.

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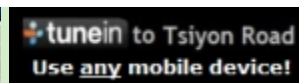
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