<u>#384 The Deadly Wound of the Beast, Phase II – The 'Red River' Rise of Communist Red</u> <u>China and its impact on the Vietnam Conflict</u>

Key Understanding: *The rising Red River of Communism.* The confrontation of the United States vs. Ho Chi Minh's North Vietnam came as a direct result of China becoming *Communist Red* China. The Vietnam War reflected the rise of Communist Red China. The Lord ordained that just as the Red River flowed from Red China to North Vietnam, help from Red China would flow to 'Red' North Vietnam. The Red River was symbolic of the rising "Red River of Communism" in China and North Vietnam.

Shortly after World War II ended, the United States appeared somewhat neutral in decisions to support France in its re-establishment of colonial power over Vietnam versus supporting Ho Chi Minh's Viet Minh. France was its European ally, yet the United States was not strongly supportive of European colonialism. As concerns Ho Chi Minh, he even quoted the United States Declaration of Independence on September 2,



1945, as he was declaring Vietnam's independence from both France and Japan. Ho's new government was controlled by the Communist Vietminh, but was supported by many non-Communists who did not desire a return to French colonial rule. On December 19, 1946, Vietminh forces attacked the French in Hanoi, and the Indochina War began.



Mao Tse Tung

What tipped the scales to a polarization in the region was the victory of Mao Tse Tung in China in 1949. A full-scale civil war had raged in China from 1946-1949, between Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist government and Mao's revolutionary Communists. On October 1, 1949, Mao proclaimed the People's Republic of China. In December of that year, Chiang Kai-shek and his followers fled to the island of Taiwan. In the meantime, by mid-1949, the French had formed the State of Vietnam to oppose

Ho Chi Minh's Vietminh-controlled



Chiang Kai-shek

Democratic Republic of Vietnam in the north. Western allies of France supported the State of Vietnam, while Communist governments, now stronger through the rise of Red China, supported Ho. Both governments claimed to represent all of Vietnam.

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[But suddenly, an important prophetic question is, was the rise of Red China the rising of the "Kings of the East," and thus associated with another river, the Euphrates?]

Revelation 16:12 (KJV) And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon THE GREAT RIVER EUPHRATES; and THE WATER THEREOF WAS DRIED UP, that the way of <u>THE KINGS OF THE EAST</u> might be prepared.

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