

#1559 The Yom Kippur War and the Abomination of Desolation – Introduction and Overview

We are advancing from the series The role of the A-bomb in the Abomination of Desolation to the series The Yom Kippur War and the Abomination of Desolation.

Yom Kippur. In modern-day Israel, Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, is the holiest day of the Jewish calendar. Jews around the world fast and pray in synagogues as they seek forgiveness for



their actions over the past year.

Even though the majority of Israelis are not Orthodox, most nonetheless fast on Yom Kippur. The holiday is the only day of the year when all Israeli radio and TV broadcasts go off the air. While business continues as usual in Arab towns, shops and cafes in Jewish cities are closed, planes at the airport are grounded, and all public transportation is suspended. With rare exceptions, cars disappear and the nation's roads and highways become eerily empty. Yom Kippur begins at sundown on a Friday and ends at sundown on Saturday with a blast on the shofar, the traditional Jewish ram's horn, in each synagogue.

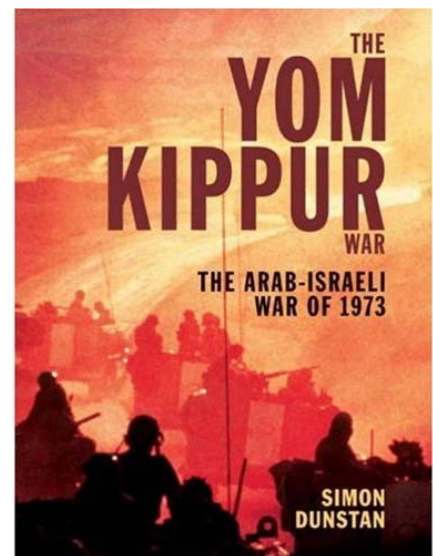


Key Understanding #1: The 4th Arab-Israeli War – the Yom Kippur War – is central to the understanding and the fulfillment of the Abomination of Desolation.

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A partial list of subjects that have been covered that reveal and confirm that the Yom Kippur War is a major part of the fulfillment of the Abomination of Desolation includes:

- **The Third Temple** – the Third Temple theme during the course of the Yom Kippur War.
- **Nuclear Weapons** – the potential use of Israel's 'Temple' nuclear weapons in conjunction with the Yom Kippur War.
- **Fourth Arab-Israeli War** – the Yom Kippur War was the 4th Arab-Israeli War.
- **Fourth Israeli Prime Minister** – the Prime Minister of Israel during the Yom Kippur War, Golda Meir, was the 4th Prime Minister of Israel.



However, what is shown *above* is just scratching the surface of why the Yom Kippur War is a major part of the fulfillment of the Abomination of Desolation. There is much more to come. For now, let's understand that . . .

Key Understanding #2: The major reason why the 1973 Yom Kippur War – which was named as such because it began with a surprise attack by Egypt and Syria on Israel on the holiest day on the Jewish calendar – was central in the Lord’s plan for revealing the Abomination of Desolation is the meaning of Yom Kippur itself.

Yom Kippur was the Day of Atonement. Prior to the Roman destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple, the high priest performed an elaborate sacrificial ceremony in the Temple, successively confessing his own sins, the sins of the priests, and the sins of all Israel. Allowed only on Yom Kippur, the high priest, clothed in white linen, then entered the Holy of Holies to sprinkle the blood of the sacrifice – a bullock (Numbers 29:8), not a pig sacrifice – and to offer incense. But that was a shadow of the Messiah.

Jesus Christ, upon his death on the cross, as the High Priest of high priests, entered the heavenly holy of holies to offer *himself* as a sacrifice for the sins of the people.

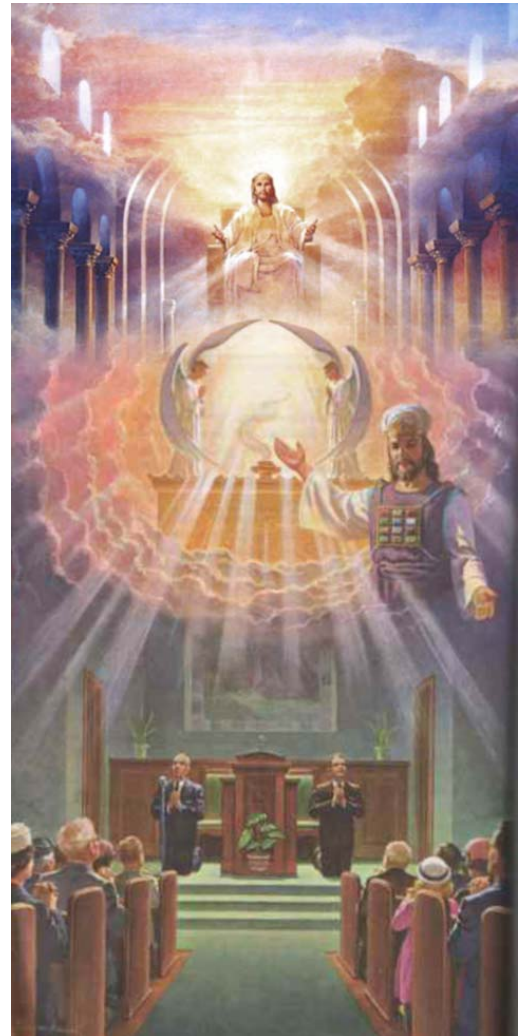
Jesus Christ is High Priest and King

*Hebrews 8:1-2 (KJV) Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: **We have such AN HIGH PRIEST, WHO IS SET ON THE RIGHT HAND OF THE THRONE OF THE MAJESTY IN THE HEAVENS;***

2 A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.

*Hebrews 9:24-25 (KJV) **FOR CHRIST IS NOT ENTERED INTO THE HOLY PLACES MADE WITH HANDS, WHICH ARE THE FIGURES OF THE TRUE; BUT INTO HEAVEN ITSELF, now to appear in the presence of God for us:***

*25 **Nor yet that he should offer himself often, AS THE HIGH PRIEST ENTERETH INTO THE HOLY PLACE EVERY YEAR WITH THE BLOOD OF OTHERS;***



However, in order to see the entire prophetic story of the Abomination of Desolation that leads to the 1973 Yom Kippur War, we must first go back to Alexander the Great.

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