

[End Time Wars - #7-8 Antichrist and Armageddon](#)



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The Bible describes nine separate end time wars. In this "End Time Wars" series we have looked at the first six of these conflicts covering the time period just around the Rapture and into the middle of the upcoming 7-year Tribulation. The following two end time wars will take place throughout and at the end of the Tribulation, culminating in the Battle of Armageddon.

7) The Middle East Campaign of the Antichrist — Daniel 11

[Daniel 11:40-45](#) describes a military campaign of the Antichrist in the Middle East that occurs at the end of the Tribulation.

These verses and related verses in Revelation could very well indicate that when the Antichrist becomes insanely obsessed with destroying the Jews and the Saints, the nations of the world will see an opportunity to rebel against him. The nations in the Middle East will be led by the *"king of the North"* (most likely Syria) and the *"king of the South"* (Egypt). The Antichrist responds by invading *"the Beautiful Land"* and subduing all the area except Jordan.

But just as he seems to be completely victorious, he hears *"rumors from the East and from the North"* that deeply disturb him. He retreats with his armies to the area *"between the seas"* where *"he will come to his end."* The geographical description here of a location between the Mediterranean Sea and the Sea of Galilee corresponds to the Valley of Armageddon.

I believe the rumors that frighten him are, in part, the news that *"the kings from the East"* ([Revelation 16:12](#)) who are bringing huge armies from Asia have arrived at the Euphrates River and are ready to cross into Israel to challenge him. The rumors from the North could relate to a reconstituted rebellious army from Russia.

8) The Battle of Armageddon — Joel 3, Zechariah 14, and Revelation 19

It appears that just as the armies from the East and the North start arriving in the Valley of Armageddon to challenge the Antichrist, the Lord breaks from the heavens, returns to the Mount of Olives, speaks a supernatural word, and all the armies are instantly destroyed.



The Valley of Armageddon looking east from the top of Mount Carmel

In other words, there really is no such thing as the "Battle of Armageddon." The armies are assembled to do battle, but the Lord annihilates all of them in a microsecond *"with the breath of His mouth"* ([2 Thessalonians 2:8](#)).

[Joel 3:16](#) says the Lord will *"roar from Zion"* and *"utter His voice from Jerusalem."* [Isaiah 10:16](#) says the result will be *"a wasting disease."* [Zechariah 14:12](#) says it will be a plague that will cause the flesh of the soldiers *"to rot while they stand on their feet."* Their eyes will rot in their sockets and their tongues will rot in their mouths. It will be like the explosion of a neutron bomb.

In the sixth and final installment of this "End Time Wars" series, we will look at the very last war the Bible says will occur in human history. With this last war completed, the hope that war will finally cease on Earth will finally be realized.