

InVest: 48 – Arm for Armageddon

Armageddon is mentioned only once in the Holy Bible in Revelation 16:16: “And he gathered [many kings] together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.” At this place will be the holy battle of good versus evil. To understand this, we interpret it in the context of the entire 16th chapter of Revelation -- this gathering of kings (earthly rulers of mortal consciousness) occurs after the sixth angel of crucifixion-resurrection pours out his vial of cleansing and transmutation on all peoples of Earth.

In English, Armageddon comes from the Hebrew word *har-Megiddon*. *Har* means “hill, mount or mountain.” *Megiddo(n)* is a “fortified hill or low mountain.” Thus, Armageddon is Mt. Megiddo. *Megiddo(n)* means “place of many organisms; place of troops for predatory incursions; rendezvous; place of great abundance; most fortunate place.” Physically, Megiddo is at the end of a strategic pass in northern Israel, through which in ancient days a key trade route carried goods from the Mediterranean coast of Israel through the Carmel Mountains on the way to the countries to the East, such as modern day Jordan, Iraq and Iran. Whoever controlled this pass controlled the flow of wealth and power in the entire Middle East.

Mt. Megiddo was fortified, such that anyone passing through had to pass right by it. Stretching before this fort on a hill was a vast plain or valley, which in ancient days before modern irrigation would have been somewhat like a desert. (This was what I was shown in my dream with El Morya, which I shared recently.) Many kings/armies gathered there to fight one another.

Therefore, when John was taken up in the spirit and was told of Armageddon, it was a readily recognized symbol of war, conflict and fighting for power and control. In his time, all those who read Revelation would have known this and interpreted it symbolically in this fashion. Currently, it would be like saying to any American that the End Days or time of purification is like the Battle of Gettysburg, where opposing armies fight, brother against brother (sister versus sister).

However, this battle, war or fight is not primarily of the physical realm, although it does manifest in that way, too. More so, it is the war within each person between good and evil, between love and hate, between those kings/rulers/egos that live in peace and those who wish to conquer and dominate others. Each of us is a king, ruler and governor of our own thoughts, feelings, memories and physical form and actions. We are to rule with peace, love, cooperation and coordination, starting within our own world and then with each other child of God. This is the War of Armageddon on all levels of consciousness in every Megiddo all around the planet.

Charles Fillmore, co-founder of Unity, gives the following interpretation in Unity's *Metaphysical Bible Dictionary* of Megiddo (Armageddon): “The gathering together of the hordes of error thoughts in consciousness (which sometimes seem to be countless) to make war against the truer and higher thoughts and ideals of the individual (*place of many organisms, place of troops, i.e., for predatory incursions, rendezvous*). If the higher thoughts are not true to their spiritual ideals they are sometimes overcome by these errors, as is suggested by the metaphysical significance of the kings of Judah who were slain at Megiddo, yet it is really a *most fortunate place* because it affords an excellent opportunity for the individual to obtain a

great and sweeping victory over errors (Sisera and his hosts were defeated there), and thus to bring forth precious fruit (*place of great abundance*) for growth in righteousness and truth.”

This is why we now arm ourselves anew for the War of Armageddon that we see being waged within and without, and why we give our utmost attention, effort and sacrifice to this. Each of us and the whole planet is at the pass of Megiddo, at the place where we pass from mortal to immortal consciousness. This is crucifixion-resurrection, a great cleansing and purification. No one has ever said that crucifixion was easy or that we would like it. But the rewards of resurrection make it more than worth everything it takes to get there.

How do we arm for Armageddon? Are we to go out and buy guns and armaments? For most of us, the clear answer is no. Our so-called weapons are light, love, peace, cooperation and coordination. Our most powerful tool is forgiveness, the active and positive turning of the other cheek, to give back love for anything less than love. In other words, we arm ourselves with the sword of truth, which we hold in our spiritual arm and hand. Our shoulder, arm and hand reflect and express our I Am power of power. With this spiritual power and mastery, we have all that we need to defeat and transmute the power of darkness within ourselves and all others.

When it comes to terrorists worldwide who refuse to change and want only to dominate others, some individuals are called to fight them physically. We give such warriors of light our love, support and thanks. They are not fighting to dominate but rather to protect us and to cut out crystallized error. It always has been so throughout the known history of humankind on Earth.

If a murderous thief broke into my home and threatened to kill me, my wife and/or other loved ones, I would use all means, including physical force, to deal with this threat. In nearly all other instances where the battle is mostly at a mental, emotional and psychic level, we use the sword of truth, and wield it with peace and love. We are not to be martyrs, to let others run over us, to be victims of murderous ones, but rather to be warriors of love and victors of light. Each soul has to understand and decide how best to do this; to be wise as a serpent, gentle as a dove.

In the final analysis, the only person that anyone truly can change is himself/herself. We have no lasting power to force change in others. Our responsibility is not to shoulder the burden of changing others. Rather, with power, love and grace, we see the Christ within everyone and call forth this I Am king to rule over and through the person’s mind, body and soul. At Mt. Megiddo or Armageddon, we rise to, and become fortified in, I Am consciousness. On this mount, we are transfigured in the light, armed with our body of light, and fight all battles for the light.

Visualization: Surround yourself in a protective cocoon of impenetrable Christ light. This is your protective armor by which you arm yourself with peace, love, cooperation and coordination. Nothing negative can invade your force field and defeat you unless you allow it.

Above you is a sword of light, held by Lord Michael, Archangel of the First Ray of Will and Power, leader and protector extraordinaire. When he determines you are ready and capable of wielding the sword, he lowers it into your force field. Reach up with your hand and grasp its handle. Feel it. Know that it is there. Now you are armed for Armageddon, to do all that Spirit would have you do to separate the wheat from the chaff. Forward to victory! So be it.