

~TUBAL 2 (77) (Tu'bal)

- A people or a land usually mentioned along with Meshech, the name of another of Japheth's sons. **Tubal**, along with Javan and Meshech, engaged in trading with Tyre, dealing in slaves and copper articles.
- Javan, **Tubal** and Meshech themselves were your traders. For the souls of mankind and articles of copper your articles of exchange were given. (**Ezekiel 27:13**)
- In Ezekiel's dirge over Egypt, **Tubal** was included among the **uncircumcised** ones with whom the Egyptians would lie in Sheol, because of the terror they had wrought.
- There is where Meshech and **Tubal** and all her crowd are. Her burial places are round about him. All of them are uncircumcised, pierced through by the sword, because they have caused their terror in the land of those alive. (**Ezekiel 32:26**)
- And will they not lie down with mighty ones, falling from among the uncircumcised, who have gone down to Sheol with their weapons of war? And they will put their swords under their heads, and their errors will come to be upon their bones, because mighty ones were a terror in the land of those alive. (**Ezekiel 32:27**)
- The people of **Tubal** also are included among those uniting with **Gog of the land of Magog** who is called the head chieftain of Meshech and **Tubal** and who comes storming out of the remotest parts of the north in a fierce attack against Yehowah's people.
- Son of man, set your face against Gog of the land of Magog, the head chieftain of Meshech and **Tubal**, and prophesy against him. (**Ezekiel 38:2**)
- And you must say; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said; Here I am against you, O Gog, you head chieftain of Meshech and **Tubal**. (**Ezekiel 38:3**)
- And as regards you, O son of man, prophesy against Gog, and you

must say; This is what the Sovereign Lord Yehowah has said;
Here I am against you, O Gog, you head chieftain of Meshech and **Tubal**. (**Ezekiel 39:1**)

- And I will turn you around and lead you on and cause you to come up from the remotest parts of the north and bring you in upon the mountains of Israel. (**Ezekiel 39:2**)
- In another prophecy, Yehowah foretells that he will send envoys to proclaim his glory to **Tubal**, Javan, and other lands.
- And I will set among them a sign, and I will send some of those who are escaped to the nations, to Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, those drawing the bow, **Tubal** and Javan, the faraway islands, who have not heard a report about me or seen my glory, and they will for certain tell about my glory among the nations. (**Isaiah 66:19**)

See Also GOG 2

- **Tubal** thus lay to the North of Israel but not so distant as to be out of commercial contact with Tyre in Phoenicia. Most scholars consider the name to refer to the same people as the *TabaLu* of Assyrian inscriptions, where *TabaLu* and *Mushku*, evidently Meshech, are mentioned together. [*Ancient Near Eastern Texts*, edited by J. Pritchard, 1974, p. 284]
- Some centuries later, *Herodotus* [III, 94] also listed them together as the **Tibareni** and the **Moschi**. On this basis the land of **Tubal** is considered to have been situated, at least in Assyrian times, to the Northeast of Cilicia in eastern Asia Minor. The existence of copper mines in this region coincides with the Bible account.