

# *Ninth Mystery: God fights for Jerusalem, for Israel, for the sake of His chosen people:*

In 1967, the nations around Israel surround them, determined to wipe them out, and get back the Land given to them as an inheritance by God Himself. In six days, Israel had defeated them all. How was this possible? Again in 1973, as revenge for their humiliation, Egypt and Syria decided to attack Israel on two fronts, just on the feast of Yom Kippur. Israel was unprepared, but still managed to defeat them, even gaining territory in the process.

When we look at certain aspects of what events unfolded; decisions taken by the other nations, the swiftness of Israel's armies, their fighter jets, their tactics; we see similarities between the battle of Jericho, battles against the Philistines and other nations – God discomfited them, confused them, and made their enemies to make mistakes.

In the recent battles, Israel moved armies overnight, and attacked nations when they were not expecting them. When it looked as if they would be suffering from their losses, that is the time God tells them to move. Like the rustle of the mulberry bushes, even with a few in number (Gideon's army), God tells them when to move, and fights for them.

He discomfits the enemy by noise; they marched around Jericho for seven days, and shouted on the seventh day; God thundered with thunder and lightnings and discomfited them; God made them hear the sound of battle, of armies, of horses; and more recently, they dropped bottles to make the sound of explosions.

Each time the battle was won, they sang a song; the Song of Moses, the Song of Deborah and Barak, Miriam led the song and dances after defeating the Egyptians. Even today, the Jewish armies sing praises to God in their camps, rejoicing that God is fighting for them. This truly is a strange and wonderful people that God has chosen for Himself.

It is the same style of battle that God has been using (and taught Israel) since Biblical times; even with all the modern methods of warfare, They continue to follow the same thinking and practices that they did from the time they left Egypt. Each time they have a war, it is followed by a feast. When will the rest of the world's nations learn? They cannot be destroyed or defeated until the time prophesied by the Bible