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2025 Year-End Message: War, Victory, and What's Next

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Hey, Shalom everyone. As 2025 comes to a close, I'm sitting here in my office at CONNECT reflecting on a year that was both extraordinarily challenging and deeply rewarding. A year in which God showed up in undeniable ways.

We began the year with Israel holding the upper hand in Lebanon, Hezbollah's leadership severely degraded, and the Assad regime in Syria collapsing. This followed Operation Arrow of Bashan in December of 2024, an extensive air campaign that dismantled much of the Syrian army's strategic capabilities. In Gaza, the situation was far more painful. The surviving hostages were in a desperate condition. Yet 2025 also brought hope, bolstered by a far more supportive administration in Washington, one that provided Israel the backing needed to fight, to prevail, and ultimately to secure a deal that brought all the living hostages home.

This year also saw a direct confrontation with Iran during the Rising Lion War. Its opening hour, Operation Red Wedding, eliminated all the top IRGC leadership and all the senior nuclear scientists. Later, we crippled Iran's missile program and eventually its nuclear sites, fundamentally reshaping the regional balance. Shortly after, Israel carried out a decisive operation in Yemen striking all the Houthi leadership and critical infrastructure. Since then, their direct attacks on Israel have ceased, forcing a clear reassessment on their part. And through it all, Israel's economy proved resilient, and major international agreements advanced. And the nation endured.

On the ministry front, this year was remarkable, though not without its trials. The Word went out across the world. Lives were strengthened. Faith was anchored. In the midst of war and

uncertainty, God remained faithful. At CONNECT Studio, we continued to fight the good fight on a global stage, creating impactful content every day. This past year, we launched a new exploration series, Truth Be Told, dedicated to uncovering timeless truths while continuing to deliver real-time updates on Israel, the Middle East, and the world.

Thanks to your unwavering support and partnership, our content is reaching more people than ever before. This year, we crossed the milestone of 1 million subscribers on YouTube, a powerful reminder that the truth resonates, and that together we are making a real impact. As Israel tours resumed, we faced missile threats from Yemen, and during the 12-day Rising Lion War with Iran, we were forced to urgently evacuate our young-adults-tour group from the country. I traveled extensively, teaching across Europe and the United States, and led conferences at sea from the Caribbean to Alaska. I also released three books, two New York Times bestsellers, and a third, co-authored with Barry Stagner, that saw unprecedented demand in its first week.

Moreover, I began responding more fully to the conviction the Lord placed on my heart following Charlie Kirk's assassination to prioritize the next generation with the truth about Israel, viewed through the lens of His Word and His Word alone.

I finish this year deeply grateful, but quite frankly, very tired. As 2026 begins, I'll be taking a short off-the-grid break to rest and recharge for 10 days. During this time, our informative and inspirational content will continue to air, but there will be no live broadcasts or news updates on my Telegram channel.

Looking ahead to 2026, we're preparing for the release of two new books, including a new thriller, the first in the new Nir Tavor series, and later a fascinating study focused on another Old Testament prophet. We will host two teaching cruises in Alaska and the Norwegian Fjords, several Israel Bible Experience Tours, and a 'Seven Churches and Footsteps of Paul' journey. This is in

addition to speaking tours in Asia, conferences across the US, and a 500-participant tour here in Israel.

If things unfold as planned, 2026 is shaping up to be my busiest year of ministry to date. Alongside these events, we will continue our nonstop news updates, Bible studies, public Scripture readings, online prayer meetings, and the launch of our new Young Adults Initiative, which will be announced very soon. As I prepare for what lies ahead, I'm reminded of King Solomon's words, **"²¹ There are many plans in a man's heart, nevertheless the LORD's counsel—that will stand."** (Proverbs 19:21) I find great assurance in this truth.

Thank you for walking with us through prayer, encouragement, and shared conviction. As we step into the year ahead, may the Lord direct our steps, guard His people, and use each of us for His purposes. Thank you and God bless.

* Scripture is taken from the New King James Version unless noted otherwise.

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