



# NORTHEAST ASIA:



# WAR, PEACE, OR BOTH?





**Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven.**

***Revelation 12:7-8***





## **North Korea: Why Do We Care?**

- ✓ **Vital National Security Interest: Threat to our Homeland**
  - ✓ **Formal Treaty Commitment**
  - ✓ **Moral Obligation**
  - ✓ **Global Commons**
  - ✓ **Pure Economics**
- 
- 

# The Players

Russia

China

Japan



North and South Korea and the United States



**The Players: This Is Not A Game!**

**Immediately after the tribulation of those days  
the sun will be darkened, and the moon will  
not give its light, and the stars will fall from  
heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be  
shaken.**

*Matthew 24:29*





## South Korea

- ✓ **53 Million People in Half of Indiana**
- ✓ **Young Democracy**
- ✓ **Vibrant Economy**
- ✓ **28% Christian; 16% Buddhism; 56 % No Religion**
- ✓ **“Surrounded”**



# What Does South Korea Want?

- ✓ **Peace (But at what Price?)**
  - ✓ **Economic Growth**
  - ✓ **Reunification**
- 





# What Does North Korea Want?

- ✓ **Regime Survival – Prime Directive**
  - ✓ **Military First Economy**
  - ✓ **An Enemy**
  - ✓ **Peace Treaty with U.S.**
  - ✓ **Reunification**
  - ✓ **Concessions through Provocations**
- 







## What Does China Want?

- ✓ **Status Quo**
- ✓ **Divided Korea**
- ✓ **U.S. Pinned Down**
- ✓ **Economic and Political Mastery over Koreas**
- ✓ **Freedom of Strategic Maneuver**


# The Prize China Seeks

Straights of Malacca





## **What Does the U.S. Want?**

- ✓ **Protect Vital National Interests**
    - **Protect the Homeland**
    - **Meet Treaty Obligations**
    - **Protect Global Commons**
  - ✓ **Support Democracies / Freedom**
  - ✓ **Meet Moral Obligations**
- 



## **So, Where Is There Common Ground?**

- ✓ **U.S. – Protect the Homeland and Support our Ally South Korea**
  - ✓ **China – Status Quo and Expansion in Pacific**
  - ✓ **North Korea – Regime Survival and Unified Communist Korea**
  - ✓ **South Korea – Peace and Continued Economic / Democratic Growth**
- 



## Where To From Here?

- ✓ **Peace Through Strength!**
  - ✓ **Pressure China**
    - **Sanctions**
    - **U.S. Pacific Military Build-Up**
    - **PASTO**
- 
- 



## Where To From Here?

- ✓ **Sanction North Korea**
  - ✓ **Theater and Ballistic Missile Defense**
  - ✓ **No Early Negotiations**
- 
- 



**... In the last time there will be scoffers, following their own ungodly passions.” It is these who cause divisions, worldly people, devoid of the Spirit**

***June 1:18-19***

