French President Nicholas Sarkozy is due to arrive in Damascus today for a meeting to discuss the recent progress made in the in direct talks between Israel and Syria. He will take part in a four-way summit tomorrow that will include the leaders of the states of Syria, Turkey and Qatar. Sarkozy's visit to Syria will be the first for a Western leader in five years, and follows the visit of President Bashar Assad to Paris for the inauguration of the Union for the

13th of this year. Tomorrow's talks are to focus on what the demarcation of the Syrian border will be following Israel's withdrawal from the territory, whether it will follow the 1948 armistice line or the original 1923 partition, which leaves Israel in control of both sides of lake Kinneret. According to a French source quoted by the London paper, Al Hayat, Sarkozy has expressed his interests in

## mediating

Mediterranean

between Israel and Syria, and France will be involved in direct negotiations between the two countries once they commence. He is also said to have told President Assad at the Paris summit that the

## path of peace

in the Middle East runs through France and Syria.

**Quote:** " The source told al-Hayat that Sarkozy is very interested in playing a role in future direct negotiations between Israel and Syria. The London-based al-Sharq al-Awsat newspaper reported that Paris received the green light from Washington and Jerusalem to mediate between Israel and Syria when the talks become direct. According to the report, Israel and the United States agreed to have France sponsor the talks alongside the US, and guarantee that the security-related side of the agreement is implemented.

Just as the Bible predicted, the European Union - of which France holds the presidency, is right at the forefront of peace in the Middle East. For the book of Daniel predicted that it would be the leader of a revived Roman Empire who would strengthen a covenant between Israel and many nations for a period of seven years (Daniel 9:26-27). Not only is the EU at the forefront of peace in the Middle East, but the man who currently represents the EU is of Jewish descent. Daniel again states that this leader who strengthens a covenant between Israel and many nations would not regard the God of his fathers (Daniel 11:37), and many students of Bible prophesy interpret that to mean that this man will be of Jewish descent. Not only that, but this same man has expressed a desire to bring about the reunification of the Middle East and Europe under the auspices of the

Union for the Mediterranean, thus re-establishing the old world order of the Roman Empire. And not only, that but Sarkozy himself is interested in

## brokering peace

between Israel and any of its neighbours, including Syria, Lebanon and the Palestinians.

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It is definitely interesting days we are living in. We won't know if Sarkozy is the man or not. But we do know that Bible prophecy is coming to pass. For God has put the desire into the hearts of men to fulfill His will until it shall be accomplished (Isaiah 45:1, Revelation 17:17). This God, Who has written down history for us in advance (Revelation 1:8), is also acquainted with every minute detail of your life. He created you. He loves you. He proved His love by sending His Son into the world to die for you upon a cross, so that your sins may be forgiven and you could have everlasting life with Him in heaven. Trust in Him for salvation today.

Job 22:21
Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace

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