

## **#530 The Rise of Michael the Archangel – Russia’s *Third Time of Troubles*: Boris Yeltsin-led Russia after the Fall of the Soviet Union**

**Russian President Vladimir Putin** (*pictured right*) has equated the post-Soviet Union period of time in Russia led by Boris Yeltsin from 1991-1999 as a *Time of Troubles*, drawing from the first two *Times of Troubles* in Russia’s history. During Yeltsin’s tenure, the economy was weak and the nation’s unity disintegrated. From Putin’s viewpoint, Yeltsin’s tenure represented a “crisis era between two stable periods,” with Putin’s reign representing an era of stability.



Others believe that the period of instability has *not* ended with Putin’s reign, and thus Russia is still in the midst of a *third Time of Troubles* until greater stability ensues.

To show the prominence of labeling the post-Soviet period as a *Time of Troubles*, and even specifically the *third Time of Troubles* in Russia’s history, here are examples of articles with titles describing it as such.

Here are **#530–Doc 1**, titled “Russia’s Time of Troubles”; **#530–Doc 2**, titled “New Russian Holiday harks back to the Time of Troubles”; **#530–Doc 3**, titled “The Russian Army in a Time of Troubles”.

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**Key Understanding:** *The post-Soviet Union ‘time of troubles.’* Comparing it to *The Time of Troubles* in the 1600’s, many in Russia labeled the period of time of great instability after the 1991 fall of the Soviet Union as another *Time of Troubles* in Russia’s history.

*Daniel 12:1 (KJV) And at that time **SHALL MICHAEL** [the Archangel] **STAND UP**, the great prince which standeth for **THE CHILDREN OF THY PEOPLE**; and **there shall be A TIME OF TROUBLE**, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: **and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.***

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