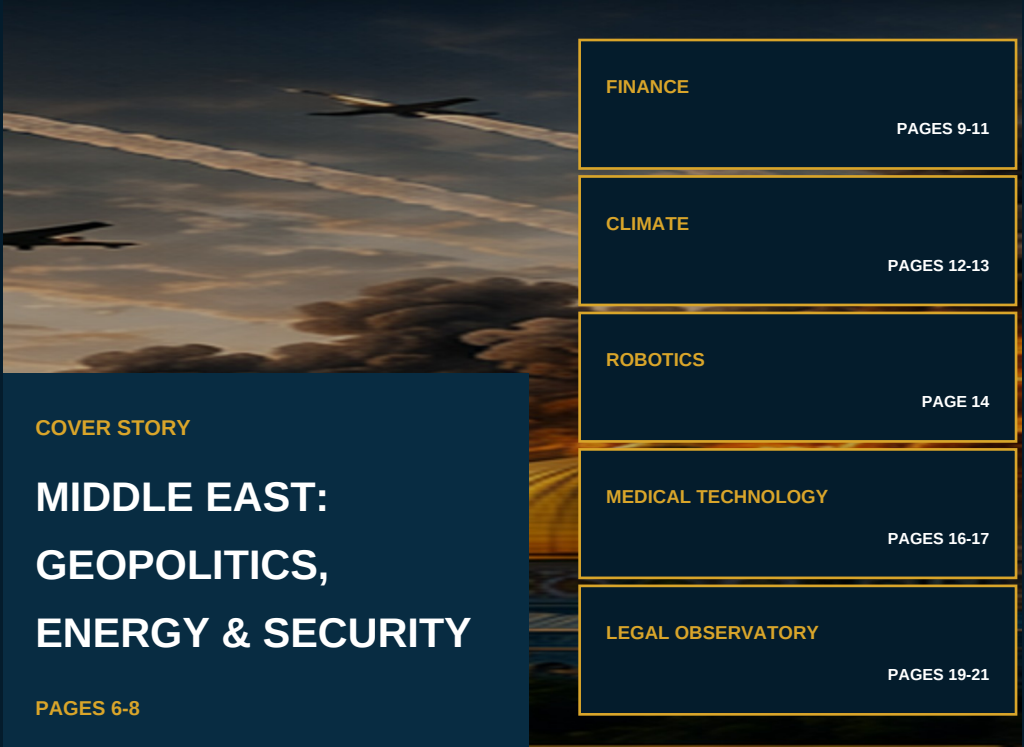


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READING GUIDE



International Affairs · Israel & Middle East · Finance · Climate · Robotics · Medical Technology · Chemical Technology · U.S. Legal Observatory · Biblical Review · Miscellany.

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The U.S. and Iran exchanged new military actions at the end of August. Geopolitical risk again connects security, energy, insurance, freight, inflation, and the cost of capital.



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The Russia-Ukraine war continues to affect cities, energy infrastructure, and logistics corridors. Watch ports, railways, agricultural exports, wheat, gas, and insurance.

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ISRAEL, IRAN, AND THE GULF



Escalation between Washington and Tehran again raised regional risk. Diplomatic efforts continue without a stable settlement. Prophetic interpretation remains separate from news reporting.

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STRAIT OF HORMUZ



Maritime incidents and disruption threats keep markets sensitive. A prolonged interruption could spread to fuels, petrochemicals, transport, fertilizers, insurance, and consumer prices.

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SYRIA AND REGIONAL REALIGNMENT



The United States removed Syria from its State Sponsors of Terrorism list in August. The change removes an important barrier but does not automatically eliminate other legal, financial, or security risks.

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MARKETS ENTERING SEPTEMBER



On September 1 sovereign yields rose sharply as oil advanced. Japan's 10-year yield reached 3% for the first time since 1996; the U.S. 10-year Treasury traded around 4.8%.

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INTEREST RATES



Markets are reassessing the Federal Reserve, ECB, and other central banks. Higher rates raise debt costs, pressure valuations, and demand greater discipline in capital-intensive projects.

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ENERGY, GOLD, AND THE DOLLAR



Geopolitical risk supported demand for defensive assets. There is no perfect safe haven: gold, the dollar, bonds, and cash react differently depending on the source of the shock.

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WATER, AGRICULTURE, AND INFRASTRUCTURE



Changes in rainfall and temperature affect water, agriculture, electricity, wildfire risk, insurance, and logistics. Projects should incorporate hydrological scenarios, energy redundancy, and continuity planning.



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CLIMATE RISK AND CAPITAL



Climate can alter CAPEX, OPEX, insurance, asset life, and construction schedules. Feasibility work should value physical exposure, water, access, and service resilience.



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DEXTEROUS HANDS AND COOPERATION



New designs combine tendons, linkages, sensors, and control. Dexterity may expand automation in assembly, laboratories, logistics, and assistance; durability, cost, and safety still require proof.



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ELECTRIFIED CEMENT



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CIRCULAR ENERGY STORAGE



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UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS



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THE SECURITY OF SALVATION



The security of salvation does not rest on claiming that the believer can never fail. It rests on recognizing that Christ never fails. John 19:30 · Romans 5:1 · John 5:24.

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SEALED AND KEPT



Ephesians 1:13-14 links hearing the gospel, believing, and being sealed with the Holy Spirit. John 10:27-30 presents Christ giving eternal life; Romans 8:38-39 says nothing separates us from God's love in Christ.

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FACTS AND INTERPRETATION



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SOURCES & WHAT TO WATCH



Reuters · Associated Press · World Meteorological Organization · FDA · The White House · U.S. Treasury · American Chemical Society · Cornell Chronicle · Scientific Reports · Research. Cutoff: SEP 1, 2026.

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We do not rest in our own ability never to fail. We rest in the sufficiency of the Savior, His finished sacrifice, His resurrection, and His faithfulness. Grace produces gratitude, worship, and life in the Spirit.

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THE SECURITY OF SALVATION

1

THE FINISHED WORK

John 19:30

Jesus declared His redemptive work finished. The believer's security rests on a completed work, not on something that still must be added.

2

JUSTIFIED BY FAITH

Romans 5:1

Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through Jesus Christ. Our standing before God is grounded in Christ.

3

ETERNAL LIFE

John 5:24

The one who hears Christ's word and believes the Father has eternal life, has passed from death to life, and does not remain under condemnation.

4

SEALED WITH THE SPIRIT

Ephesians 1:13-14

After hearing and believing the gospel, the believer is sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, the guarantee of our inheritance until redemption.

5

IN CHRIST'S HAND

John 10:27-30

Christ gives eternal life to His sheep. No one can snatch them from His hand or the Father's hand; divine care sustains the believer.

6

NOTHING CAN SEPARATE US

Romans 8:38-39

Neither death nor life, present or future powers, nor anything created can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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TRUTH · CONTEXT · DISCERNMENT

"Test all things; hold fast what is good." 1 Thessalonians 5:21