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### *Introduction*

### *“Hearing the Call of the King”*

*The Call to Repentance, the Call to Returning Back to God:*

*Back to God’s Way, Back to God’s Truth, and Back to God’s Life, Doing it God’s Way . . .*

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**Opening:** In a nut-shell, *“The Little things in our Day are the Big things in our Life”* . . . . I want you to set your Alarm for the days ahead, like you may do every evening before going to bed, with the understanding, regarding end-time teaching, the little details are the major distinctions between *“being misled”* (Matthew 24:4) and *“the way being narrow and difficult to enable you to endure through each day ahead towards Salvation”* (Matthew 7:14); *equipping you with discernment of what is Good (teaching) and what is Evil (teaching)”*. Small details like *“Palm Sunday”* or *“Palm Saturday”* (Matthew 21:1-9, Mark 11:1-10, Luke 19:28-44, and John 12:12-16: If Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem were on Palm Sunday according to the “Christian” tradition, it would mean that Jesus would have made His journey from Jericho to Bethany (17 miles) on the Sabbath (Rest), definitely a violation of the Law. Jesus did not break the Law but walked it out as it was fulfilled/required – Matthew 5:17-18.) . . . . *“Good Friday”* or *“Passover, which fell on Wednesday of that year”* . . . . *“A Day and a Half in the Grave”* or *“Three Full Days and Three Full Nights in the Grave, like Jesus’ parallel in the illustrative Prophecy of Jonah”* (Matthew 12:40) . . . . *“The Day and Hour being Unknown”* or *“The Day and Hour being Known”* (Matthew 24:45-50) . . . . *“Jesus coming like a thief in the night”* or *“Jesus not coming like a thief in the night to those who are children of day and not children of the night”* (1 Thessalonians 5:4) . . . . *“Preparing for Jesus’ Coming at anytime”* or *“Preparing for Jesus’ Coming after the Great Falling Away and the Revealing of the Lawless-one and the Prophecies of Daniel being Fulfilled”* (Matthew 24:10, 15, 21, 29-31, Daniel 12:11, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-4) . . . . *“Jesus having fulfilled all of the Law and the Prophets”* or *“Jesus walking out all of the Law and the Prophets, understanding that not one Iota nor one Dot (the smallest details of God’s law) passing away until the establishment of a New Heaven and a New Earth at the conclusion of the Millennial Reign of Christ on the Earth”* (Matthew 5:17-20) . . . in which God’s Law will never pass away (Matthew 24:35) . . . . and one last unsettling one *“Jesus, the Reason for the Season”* or *“Jesus, our Future King”* (“The consolation of Israel” (Luke 2:25-35) was the coming of the Messiah “the Lord’s Anointed” (Matthew 1:1). This phrase was part of a familiar Jewish prayer formula: “May I see the consolation of Israel,” meaning, **“May I live to see the Messiah.”** This was the dream of every child of God. (2 Samuel 7:12; Isaiah 9:6; Zechariah 9:9-10 (Luke 19:28-40); Revelation 22:16) . . . . each of which followed to their conclusions are the difference between the True Prophetic Messiah and the many False Messiah’s we are Warned about, who Will Mislead you if you follow them to their conclusions . . .

### **9<sup>th</sup> of Av**

**Between the 17<sup>th</sup> of Tammuz and the 9<sup>th</sup> of Av on the Jewish calendar, the Jewish People are observing a period of three weeks to pause and reflect on why so many tragedies have come upon us throughout our history.**

**9<sup>th</sup> of Av: July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm – July 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm 2023 | 3 Weeks: July 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm to July 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm 2023**

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The "Three Weeks" between the fast days of 17th of Tammuz (i.e. 2023 – July 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm) and Tisha B'Av (i.e. 2023 – July 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm) have historically been days of misfortune and calamity for the Jewish people, in which God is so to speak more distant from His people.

On the 17th of Tammuz Moses broke the Tablets after the Sin of the Golden Calf, and the Romans breached the walls of Jerusalem (August 5, 70AD), among other tragedies. On the 9th of Av, the nation of the Exodus cried as a result of the negative report of the Spies, and both Temples were destroyed, among other tragedies.

**Torah Reading of the Week:**

**Deuteronomy 1:19-46; 2:2, 7**

***Israel's Refusal to Enter the Land (14-months after being Delivered out of Egypt)***

<sup>19</sup>“Then we set out from Horeb and went through all that great and terrifying wilderness that you saw, on the way to the hill country of the Amorites, as the LORD our God commanded us. And we came to Kadesh-barnea. <sup>20</sup>And I said to you, ‘You have come to the hill country of the Amorites, which the LORD our God is giving us. <sup>21</sup>See, the LORD your God has set the land before you. Go up, take possession, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has told you. Do not fear or be dismayed.’ <sup>22</sup>Then all of you came near me and said, ‘Let us send men before us, that they may explore the land for us and bring us word again of the way by which we must go up and the cities into which we shall come.’ <sup>23</sup>The thing seemed good to me, and I took twelve men from you, one man from each tribe. <sup>24</sup>And they turned and went up into the hill country, and came to the Valley of Eshcol and spied it out. <sup>25</sup>And they took in their hands some of the fruit of the land and brought it down to us, and brought us word again and said, ‘It is a good land that the LORD our God is giving us.’

<sup>26</sup>“Yet you would not go up, but rebelled against the command of the LORD your God. <sup>27</sup>And you murmured in your tents and said, ‘Because the LORD hated us he has brought us out of the land of Egypt, to give us into the hand of the Amorites, to destroy us. <sup>28</sup>Where are we going up? Our brothers have made our hearts melt, saying, “The people are greater and taller than we. The cities are great and fortified up to heaven. And besides, we have seen the sons of the Anakim there.”’ <sup>29</sup>Then I said to you, ‘Do not be in dread or afraid of them. <sup>30</sup>The LORD your God who goes before you will himself fight for you, just as he did for you in Egypt before your eyes, <sup>31</sup>and in the wilderness, where you have seen how the LORD your God carried you, as a man carries his son, all the way that you went until you came to this place.’ <sup>32</sup>Yet in spite of this word you did not believe the LORD your God, <sup>33</sup>who went before you in the way to seek you out a place to pitch your tents, in fire by night and in the cloud by day, to show you by what way you should go.

***The Penalty for Israel's Rebellion***

<sup>34</sup>“And the LORD heard your words and was angered, and he swore, <sup>35</sup>‘Not one of these men of this evil generation shall see the good land that I swore to give to your fathers, <sup>36</sup>except Caleb the son of Jephunneh. He shall see it, and to him and to his children I will give the land on which he has trodden, because he has wholly followed the LORD!’ <sup>37</sup>Even with me the LORD was angry on your account and said, ‘You also shall not go in there. <sup>38</sup>Joshua the son of Nun, who stands before you, he shall enter. Encourage him, for he shall cause Israel to inherit it. <sup>39</sup>And as for your little ones, who you said would become a prey, and your children, who today have no knowledge of good or evil, they shall go in there. And to them I will give it, and they shall possess it. <sup>40</sup>But as for you, turn, and journey into the wilderness in the direction of the Red Sea.’

<sup>41</sup>“Then you answered me, ‘We have sinned against the LORD. We ourselves will go up and fight, just as the LORD our God commanded us.’ And every one of you fastened on his weapons of war and thought it easy to go up into the hill country. <sup>42</sup>And the LORD said to me, ‘Say to them, Do not go up or fight, for I am not in your midst, lest you be defeated before your enemies.’ <sup>43</sup>So I spoke to you, and you would not listen; but you rebelled against the command of the LORD and presumptuously went up into the hill country. <sup>44</sup>Then the Amorites who lived in that hill country came out against you and chased you as bees do and beat you down in Seir as far

**Deuteronomy 1:44-46; 2:2, 7**

as Hormah. <sup>45</sup> And you returned and wept before the LORD, but the LORD did not listen to your voice or give ear to you. <sup>46</sup> So you remained at Kadesh many days, the days that you remained there.

***The Wilderness Years***

<sup>2</sup> <sup>2</sup> “Then we turned and journeyed into the wilderness . . . <sup>7</sup> For the LORD your God has blessed you in all the work of your hands. He knows your going through this great wilderness. These forty years the LORD your God has been with you. You have lacked nothing.”

We observe various aspects of mourning during this time, such as not celebrating weddings or cutting our hair. The mourning becomes more intense as it gets closer to Tisha B'Av.

On Shabbat during the Three Weeks, the Haftorahs are taken from chapters in Isaiah and Jeremiah dealing with the Temple's destruction and the exile of the Jewish people.

***Jeremiah 3:14-17 – a Remnant (a picture of Daniel 11:33 “And the wise among the people shall make many understand” & Daniel 12:3, “And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness.”)***

<sup>14</sup> Return, O faithless children,

declares the LORD;

for I am your master;

I will take you, one from a city and two from a family,

and I will bring you to Zion.

<sup>15</sup> ““And I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding. <sup>16</sup> And when you have multiplied and been fruitful in the land, in those days, declares the LORD, they shall no more say, “The ark of the covenant of the LORD.” It shall not come to mind or be remembered or missed; it shall not be made again. <sup>17</sup> At that time Jerusalem shall be called the throne of the LORD, and all nations shall gather to it, to the presence of the LORD in Jerusalem, and they shall no more stubbornly follow their own evil heart.

Agonizing over these events is meant to help us conquer those spiritual deficiencies which brought about these tragic events. Through the process of "teshuva" – self-introspection and a commitment to improve – we have the power to transform tragedy into joy. In fact, the Talmud says that after the future redemption of Israel and the rebuilding of the Temple, these days will be re-dedicated as days of rejoicing and festivity.

The story is told of Napoleon walking through the streets of Paris one Tisha B'Av (9<sup>th</sup> of Av). As he passed a synagogue he heard the sounds of mourning and crying. “*What’s this all about?*” Napoleon asked. An aide explained that the Jews were in mourning the loss of their Temple. “*When did this happen?*” Napoleon asked. The aide replied, “*About 1700 years ago.*” Napoleon said, “*Certainly a people which has mourned the loss of their Temple for so long, will merit to see it rebuilt!*”

<https://www.aish.com/1/9av/>

On each Sabbath that falls during these three weeks, we read special prophetic portions called **Haftarot of Admonition**, which are meant to disturb our false sense of peace. In fact, the word translated as admonition is **d’puranuta**, which means to disturb.

““For I am with you,’ says the Lord, ‘to save you; though I make a full end of all nations where I have scattered you, yet I will not make a complete end of you.’” **Jeremiah 30:11**

**Read God’s Call for us during this time:**

**Jeremiah 31:15-17**

Thus says the LORD:

“A voice is heard in Ramah,  
lamentation and bitter weeping.  
Rachel is weeping for her children;  
she refuses to be comforted for her children,  
because they are no more.”

<sup>16</sup> Thus says the LORD:

“Keep your voice from weeping,  
and your eyes from tears,  
for **there is a reward for your work**,  
declares the LORD,  
and they shall come back from the land of the enemy.  
<sup>17</sup> There is hope for your future,  
declares the LORD,  
and your children shall come back to their own country.

**Jeremiah 31:15-17**

***What is the Work that God is Wanting to Reward and Why?***

***Genesis 29***

*Jacob Marries Leah and Rachel*

<sup>1</sup> Then Jacob went on his journey and came to the land of the people of the east. <sup>2</sup> As he looked, he saw a well in the field, and behold, three flocks of sheep lying beside it, for out of that well the flocks were watered. The stone on the well's mouth was large, <sup>3</sup> and when all the flocks were gathered there, the shepherds would roll the stone from the mouth of the well and water the sheep, and put the stone back in its place over the mouth of the well. <sup>4</sup> Jacob said to them, “My brothers, where do you come from?” They said, “We are from Haran.” <sup>5</sup> He said to them, “Do you know Laban the son of Nahor?” They said, “We know him.” <sup>6</sup> He said to them, “Is it well with him?” They said, “It is well; and see, Rachel his daughter is coming with the sheep!” <sup>7</sup> He said, “Behold, it is still high day; it is not time for the livestock to be gathered together. Water the sheep and go, pasture them.” <sup>8</sup> But they said, “We cannot until all the flocks are gathered together and the stone is rolled from the mouth of the well; then we water the sheep.” <sup>9</sup> While he was still speaking with them, Rachel came with her father's sheep, for she was a shepherdess. <sup>10</sup> Now as soon as Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, Jacob came near and rolled the stone from the well's mouth and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother. <sup>11</sup> Then Jacob kissed Rachel and wept aloud. <sup>12</sup> And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's kinsman, and that he was Rebekah's son, and she ran and told her father.

The younger daughter of Laban and the wife of Jacob, Rachel is the mother of Joseph and Benjamin, who become two of the twelve tribes of Israel (Gen 35:24; 46:15–18). She spends much of her married life attempting to bear children for Jacob and eventually uses her maid Bilhah as a surrogate, but Rachel still craves biological children. She and her sister Leah, also Jacob’s wife, conspire so they both may have children with him, leading to the birth of Rachel’s son Joseph.

Rachel still . . . celebrated as a powerful intercessor for the people of Israel.

The infertility of the matriarchs has two effects: it heightens the drama of the birth of the eventual son, marking Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph as special; and it emphasizes that pregnancy is an act of God.

Rachel bears a son and names him Joseph (“he adds”). Her two explanations for the name reveal her state of mind: “God has taken away my reproach” and “may the Lord add to me another son!” (Gen 30:22–24). In the very moment of relief and joy, she is not satisfied: she wants more.

<https://jwa.org/encyclopedia/article/rachel-bible>

### **Genesis 30:22-24**

<sup>22</sup> Then God remembered Rachel, and God listened to her and opened her womb. <sup>23</sup> She conceived and bore a son and said, “God has taken away my reproach.” <sup>24</sup> And she called his name Joseph, saying, “May the LORD add to me another son!”

### **Genesis 35:16-21**

#### *The Deaths of Rachel and Isaac*

<sup>16</sup> Then they journeyed from Bethel. When they were still some distance from Ephrath, Rachel went into labor, and she had hard labor. <sup>17</sup> And when her labor was at its hardest, the midwife said to her, “Do not fear, for you have another son.” <sup>18</sup> And as her soul was departing (for she was dying), she called his name **Ben-oni** (*son of my sorrow, or son of my strength*); but his father called him **Benjamin** (*son of the right hand*). <sup>19</sup> So Rachel died, and she was buried on the way to Ephrath (that is, Bethlehem), <sup>20</sup> and Jacob set up a pillar over her tomb. It is the pillar of Rachel's tomb, which is there to this day. <sup>21</sup> Israel journeyed on and pitched his tent beyond the tower of Eder.

#### **Legacy**

There is one more twist to the story. Rachel, who died young, becomes an image of tragic womanhood. Her tomb remained as a landmark (see 1 Sam 10:2) and a testimony to her. She and Leah were remembered as the two “who together built up the house of Israel” (Ruth 4:11). Rachel was the ancestress of the Northern Kingdom, which was called Ephraim after Joseph’s son. After Ephraim and Benjamin were exiled by the Assyrians, Rachel was remembered as the classic mother who mourns and intercedes for her children.

More than a hundred years after the exile of the North, Jeremiah had a vision of Rachel still mourning, still grieving for her lost children. Moreover, he realized that her mourning served as an effective intercession, for God promised to reward her efforts and return her children (Jer 31:15–21). After the biblical period, “Mother Rachel” continued to be celebrated as a powerful intercessor for the people of Israel.

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### ***What is the Work that God is Wanting to Reward and Why?***

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***The Work is Repentance, Returning Back to God . . . God’s Way,  
God’s Truth, and God’s Life, Dong it God’s Way . . .***

#### ***Parallel Calling for the People of the End of the Age:***

In Ezekiel 9:4-6, the Lord gives us a bit of a frightening image of the last days:

***“<sup>4</sup> And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.”***

***<sup>5</sup> And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:***

*<sup>6</sup>Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.” (Ezekiel 9:4-6 – KJV)*

The tether of God's patience and tolerance has run out and He is about to exact judgment on the ungodly. But before His wrath is poured out, we see an act of mercy upon His children -

*...set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof. (v. 4, KJV)*

While the ungodly are to be slain, the Lord reiterates His instruction...

*...come not near any man upon whom is the mark.... (v. 6, KJV)*

But back to the ungodly...

*...begin at my sanctuary. (v. 6, KJV)*

Two things to notice here:

- 1) According to Ezekiel 9:6, judgment begins at the house of God, which is also confirmed in **1 Peter 4:17** (“*For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?*”).
- 2) **The mark is placed upon unique individuals. Notice the Lord does not say to do so for those who call on His name, but those “that sigh and cry for all the abominations in their midst.” Are we crying over the abominations in our midst today, or do we merely blush at sin in our presence? Are we so passionate for the righteousness and holiness of God that it tears us apart when we see lives being lived contrary to that?**

In **Joel 3:16**, we receive another frightening picture of these times -

*The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: (KJV)*

Remember the Israelites and nations at Sinai were terrified of the Lord's voice, so much so that they pleaded for only Moses to speak with God and Moses report back to them what He said. The Lord's voice breaks the cedars of Lebanon and shatters the mountains. This would indicate a truly terrifying moment. But the verse continues...

*...but the LORD will be the hope [place of harbor] of His people, and the strength of the children of Israel.*

***And the True Test of the Righteous and the Unrighteous:***

**Obey the Truth Contained in the Gospel (the Commands of Jesus)**

### **2 Thessalonians 1:7-10**

**“when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not *obey the gospel* of our Lord Jesus. They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away**

from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints . . .”

**obey the gospel** – “make disciples . . . teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you,” **Matthew 28:19-20**

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### *Part 1*

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### **Introduction:**

*Why do we study the Signs and Return of our Messiah every year during the time period of August/September? The reason for this is because this is the season in God’s Biblical Calendar that is known as “The King is in the Field,” a period of time when God’s people are expecting an engagement, a meeting, an appointment with the Lord of the Universe; His Coming to the Earth to Restore and Renew all things as they were Created, the Jubilee of all Jubilees, as prophesied in His first Coming, at the beginning of His ministry and His reading of Isaiah 61:1-2, speaking of this time of Jubilee, which bookmarked His First Coming and will bookend His Second Coming, during this same Season, when the King is in the Field, and His ultimate Rule on Earth as King of kings and Lord of lords during the prophesied Messianic Era of 1,000-years, to His final Judgment of all things.*

*This period of time begins on the first day of Elul, also beginning the 40-days of the year referred to as Yemei Ratzon – “Days of Favor”.*

**2023**, Elul begins Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, these **40** “Days of Favor”, when “The King is in the Field”, will run until Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm (the beginning of Yom Kippur/The Day of Atonement).

**2024**, Elul begins Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm, these **40** “Days of Favor”, when “The King is in the Field”, will run until Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm (the beginning of Yom Kippur/The Day of Atonement).

According to Jewish tradition, it was during this time that the Lord forgave the People of Israel following the sin of the Golden Calf . . . (*Pirke d’Reb Eliezar*) . . . a period also known as a time of 2<sup>nd</sup> Chances.

**It is during this period that we, therefore, repent and make confessions for our sins up to the 40th day with prayer, and on the 40th day, the holiest day of the year, a time of both prayer and fasting on Yom Kippur.**

Why 40 days?

The 11th century French rabbi, Rashi, a famous commentator in the Talmud (*a text of rabbinic teachings on the Bible*), links it with God’s call to Moses to ascend Mount Sinai on three different occasions, each time for 40 days.

**On the first occasion**, Moses received the Torah. Upon his return, he saw that the people had fallen into sin – the abomination of worshipping the Golden Calf.

In anger, he destroyed the two tablets of the law on the 17th of Tammuz and burned the calf the next day. (*Exodus 32:19; Deuteronomy 9:11*)

**He then ascended the mountain for a second time** to plead with God for His forgiveness, returning after 40 days, on the 29th of Av. (*Exodus 32:30–31; Deuteronomy 9:18*)

On the first of Elul, *he ascended the mountain for a third period* of 40 days to invoke mercy and complete atonement. **He descended the mountain on Tishri 10 or Yom Kippur, says Rashi, with the second set of tablets and the assurance of God’s forgiveness.** (*Exodus 34:1, 27–28; Deuteronomy 10:1–5*)

This 40-day period, therefore, represents a period of repentance and mercy following the incident of the Golden Calf.

It’s no coincidence that there are 40 days in these “Days of Favor”.

The **number 40** has *great significance* in Judaism; in addition to **repentance**, it is associated with **testing, judgment, renewal, and new beginnings**.

Although the Bible does not specifically state that this number is significant, the pattern of 40 is strong in Scripture.

- Forty days after their arriving at Mount Sinai, God transformed the Jews from a nation of Egyptian slaves to a nation of His people (**renewal**).
- For their rebellion, the Israelites wandered for 40 years in the wilderness (**judgment**).
- After 40 years of wandering, the next generation entered their Promised Land (**new beginning**).

We can also see the pattern of **judgment, renewal, and new beginning** in the 40-day period of rain at the time of the Ark.

This pattern even extends into the Brit Chadashah (New Testament):

- He emerged from this testing into a new ministry (**new beginning**) with a **mikvah** (immersion) and anointing by the Holy Spirit (**renewal**). (*Matthew 3:16*)
- Yeshua (Jesus) was tempted and tested for 40 days and nights. (*Matthew 4:2*)
- Yeshua spent 40 days between His resurrection (**renewal**) and ascension into heaven (**new beginning**). (*Acts 1:3*)

### **The King Is in the Field**

“Your procession, God, has come into view, the procession of my God and King into the sanctuary.”  
(*Psalms 68:24*)

Although **Elul is a month of repentance**, it is also a time to contemplate God’s mercy and forgiveness.

It is, in essence, a **period of renewal** – *an opportunity to draw close to God*.

**Traditionally, this period is considered to be a time when God is accessible, when . . .**

*“the King is in the field.”*

Rabbi Schneur Zalman, the founder of the Hassidic Chabad Orthodox branch of Judaism, explained that to meet with a king, one must go through “appropriate channels.” This generally means gaining the approval of a long line of bureaucrats before gaining access to the throne room.

*As well, one must meticulously prepare for the meeting, including proper dress.*

*There are, however, times when the King leaves his palace and goes out into the field.*

*At this time, anyone can approach him, and all usual decorum and bureaucratic requirements are suspended.*

*During the month of Elul, it is said that God makes Himself accessible in this way.*

Because of the King's presence, more time is spent in Torah study (*studying the ins and outs of the Coming of Mashiach*), in more fervent prayer, in greater generosity and giving. His presence has made the field a holier place. *(Chabad)*

This is the month in which . . . **we are experiencing a rendezvous (engagement, meeting, appointment) with the Lord of the Universe.** To prepare for this, we need to examine ourselves closely. Still we have the certainty that God will forgive us, no matter what our sins might be:

**2 Peter 3:9-13**

<sup>9</sup> *The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.* <sup>10</sup> *But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.*

<sup>11</sup> *Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, **what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness,*** <sup>12</sup> *waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!* <sup>13</sup> *But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.*

*These 40 days are a time of meeting with the King of kings – a time of Great Victory.*

*"Good judgment wins favor, but the way of the unfaithful leads to their destruction." (Proverbs 13:15)*

**First Lesson: The Wise Shall Understand the End of the Age and make many Understand.**

*(follow the paralleling #-ing for chronological and overlapping instructions)*

**Daniel 11**

<sup>30</sup> . . . he (the anti-Christ) . . . shall turn back and (#1) be enraged and take action against the holy covenant. He shall turn back and pay attention to those who forsake the holy covenant. <sup>31</sup> (#2) Forces from him shall appear and profane the temple and fortress, and shall take away the regular burnt offering. And (#3) they shall set up the abomination that makes desolate. <sup>32</sup> (#4) He shall seduce with flattery those who violate the covenant, (#5) but the people who know their God shall stand firm and take action. <sup>33</sup> (#6) And the wise among the people shall make many understand, though for some days they shall stumble by sword and flame, by captivity and plunder. <sup>34</sup> *When they stumble, they shall receive a little help.* (#4) And many shall join themselves to them with flattery, <sup>35</sup> and some of the wise shall stumble, so that they may be refined, purified, and made white, until the time of the end, for (#7) it still awaits the appointed time (the Feast of Trumpets & Atonement, on the exact days and as they have been appointed).

**Daniel 12**

***The Time of the End***

<sup>1</sup> "At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. (#1) And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. (#5) But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. <sup>2</sup> (#8) And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup> (#6) And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. <sup>4</sup> But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and (#9) knowledge shall increase."

<sup>5</sup> Then I, Daniel, looked, and behold, two others stood, one on this bank of the stream and one on that bank of the stream. <sup>6</sup> And someone said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the

stream, “How long shall it be till the end of these wonders?”<sup>7</sup> And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream; he raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven and swore by him who lives forever that (#10) it would be for a time, times, and half a time, and that (#1) when the shattering of the power of the holy people comes to an end all these things would be finished.<sup>8</sup> I heard, but I did not understand. Then I said, “O my lord, what shall be the outcome of these things?”<sup>9</sup> He said, “Go your way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end.”<sup>10</sup> (#6) Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, (#4) but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, (#6) but those who are wise shall understand.<sup>11</sup> And from (#3) the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, (#7) there shall be 1,290 days.<sup>12</sup> Blessed is he who waits and arrives at the 1,335 days.<sup>13</sup> But go your way till the end. (#8) And you shall rest and shall stand in your allotted place at the end of the days.”

## Second Lesson: We are Great Commissioned to Make Disciples Teaching them Everything Jesus Taught of the End-times.

*Matthew 28:18-20*

### *The Great Commission*

<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.”<sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,<sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you (which includes Jesus’ teaching, to His disciples, on the “end of the age”/end-times/His 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming). And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

*1 Chronicles 12:32*

Of Issachar, men who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do . . .

*John 16:1*

“I (Jesus) have said all these things to you to keep you from falling away.

## Third Lesson: The Appointed Times, as taught by Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration, is the Key to Unlocking the Timing of Jesus’ Return and the Events that Surround His Return, again, taught by Jesus Himself.

### Jesus’ first insights into His Second Coming Uncovered (Revelationed)

An Event that not only Revealed the details of Jesus’ Second Coming, but also the exact time and season of His Second Coming, in the future, six months prior to His Olivet Discourse, Death, and Resurrection. We will briefly discuss this portion of text here:

### *Lesson 29* *of A Journey with Jesus*

## **Listen to Jesus**

Matthew 17:1-13, Mark 9:1-13, Luke 9:28-36

### **The Transfiguration**

**Matthew 17:1-3, Mark 9:1-4, Luke 9:28-32**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

### **AD 30, September 16 – Feast of Trumpets\***

And some eight days after these sayings, it came about that He took along Peter and John and James, and went up to the mountain to pray. And while He was praying, the appearance of His face became different, and His clothing became white and gleaming. And behold, two men were talking with Him; and they were Moses and Elijah, who, appearing in glory, were speaking of His departure which He was about to

accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions had been overcome with sleep; but when they were fully awake, they saw His glory and the two men standing with Him.

\* **Feast of Trumpets.** Today Jews call this Rosh Hashanah (New Year) although the Biblical name is Yom Teruah (Day of Sounding the Trump or Day of Warning). This feast also has two other names that represent themes connected with it. They are Yom Hazikaron (Day of Memorial or Remembrance) and Yom Haddin (Day of Judgment). All of these names point to God's sovereignty and kingship while declaring that men should repent and prepare for His coming.

### **Matthew 17:4-13, Mark 9:5-13, Luke 9:33-36**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

And it came about, as these were parting from Him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; and let us make three tabernacles: one for You, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah" – not realizing what he was saying. And while he was saying this, a cloud formed and began to overshadow them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, ""This is My Son, My Chosen One; listen to Him!"" And when the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were much afraid. And Jesus came to them and touched them and said, "Arise, and do not be afraid."" And lifting up their eyes, they saw no one, except Jesus Himself alone. And as they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, "Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man has risen from the dead."" And they seized upon that statement, discussing with one another what rising from the dead might mean. And they asked Him, saying, "Why is it that the scribes say that Elijah must come first?" And He answered and said, "Elijah is coming and will restore all things; but I say to you, that Elijah already came, and they did not recognize him, but did to him whatever they wished. So also the Son of Man is going to suffer at their hands." Then the disciples understood that He had spoken to them about John the Baptist. And they kept silent, and reported to no one in those days any of the things which they had seen.

#### **The Commands:**

- ❖ **THIS IS MY SON, MY CHOSEN ONE; LISTEN TO HIM!**
- ❖ Arise, and do not be afraid.
- ❖ Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.

#### **The Lesson:**

As we begin this lesson we must remember that what the disciples saw was a **vision** . . . not the **real** thing. The vision was a portrayal of **future** events, much as was the vision given to the Apostle John on the Island of Patmos many years later. And without that revelation we would be limited in our understanding of what transpired on the Mount of Transfiguration just as the disciples were. However, by using the Book of Revelation we can gain a better understanding of those events.

When the disciples awoke from their sleep, they saw Moses and Elijah talking with Jesus. From this we can make several observations:

1. *Moses and Elijah are the two witnesses of the book of Revelation.* "And I will grant authority to my **two witnesses**, and they will prophesy for twelve hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth." (Revelation 11:3)
2. *Moses and Elijah are* "the two olive trees and two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth." (Revelation 11:4)
  - a) *The olive trees are referenced in the book of Zechariah.* He said to me, "What do you see?" And I said, "I see, and behold, a lampstand all of gold with its bowl on the top of it, and its seven lamps on it with seven spouts belonging to each of the lamps which are on the top of it; also **two olive trees by it, one on the right side of the bowl and the other on its left side.**" Then I said to the angel who was speaking with me saying, "What are these, my lord?" Then he said, "These are the **two anointed ones** who are **standing by the Lord** of the whole earth." (Zechariah 4:2-4 and 11)
  - b) *Moses and Elijah, as the witnesses are called lampstands because they represent the Law and the Prophets, which provide heavenly light to live by.*

3. *On the Mt of Transfiguration we see Moses, representing the Law and Elijah, representing the Prophets speaking with Jesus, the Word of God. Both Moses the Law and Elijah the Prophets testify of Jesus the Word of God.*
4. *As witnesses of Jesus, Moses and Elijah also represent the following:*

**Moses**

*The Father  
Truth  
Domestic Olive Tree  
Israel, who was given the Law  
Those who have died*

**Elijah**

*The Holy Spirit  
Spirit  
Wild Olive Tree  
Church, who was given the Spirit  
Those who are living*

Jesus had told the disciples that some of them would not die until they had **seen the kingdom of God, after it had come in power**. In the vision both Moses and Elijah appeared in their **glorified** state and the apostles knew their identities. This indicates that the time of the vision is **after** the two witnesses of the book of Revelation are killed and resurrected from the dead. (Revelation 11:7)

*“The kingdom of God after it has come in power” is just another way of describing the millennial reign of Christ on the earth.*

1. *Just as we have borne the image of the earthly, we will also bear the image of the heavenly. Now I say this, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will **all be changed**, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the **last trumpet**; for the trumpet will sound, and **the dead will be raised imperishable**, and we **will be changed**. For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable, and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, “DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY. (1 Corinthians 15:49-54)*
2. None of the disciples had seen Moses or Elijah on earth before, so they wouldn’t have known them on sight. However, the disciples did know who they were. This indicates that their heavenly identity was revealed to the apostles.
3. The book of Revelation also supports the time of the vision because the next major event to occur after the witnesses’ death and resurrection is the sounding of the seventh and last trump. With the blowing of the trumpet loud voices in heaven declare, “*The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ; and He will reign forever.*” This is the beginning of the millennial reign of Christ on earth or “the kingdom of God after it has come in power.”

Exactly when, Jesus will begin His reign on the earth has been a subject of much debate. The vision doesn’t tell us exactly when this event will take place but it does give the time of year for its occurrence . . . early in the seventh month of God’s calendar. This was derived from Peter’s statement about the construction of tabernacles (sukkahs) for Jesus, Moses and Elijah.

There are two significant feasts of the Lord that occur early in the seventh month of Tishri. On the first day of the month is Yom Teruah, the Day of Blowing the Trumpet and it is a Sabbath Day. The day is also called Rosh Ha Shannah (Head of the Year or New Years Day), Yom Hazikaron (Day of Remembrance) and Yom Haddin (Day of Judgment). On the tenth day of the month is Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. It is also a Sabbath Day and the only fast that God declared. Following these two feasts of the Lord is Tabernacles, which begins on the fifteenth day of the month. The first day of the feast and the eighth day are also Sabbath Days. From the evidence of Scripture I believe that the “transfiguration” occurred on Yom Teruah, the Day of Blowing the Trumpet. Hence the beginning of Jesus reign on earth would begin at the same time.

1. The book of Revelation says that His reign begins just prior to the sounding of the seventh and last trumpet blast. On Yom Teruah trumpets are blown throughout the day and as the day draws to a close the **last trump** is sounded with the note Tekiah Godola . . . an extended blast. In theory this note does not **end** until it is blown again ten days later at the end of the Day of Atonement.
2. The prophecy in chapter seven of the book of Daniel concerning the Son of Man supports Yom Teruah as well.
  - *I kept looking until thrones were set up, and the Ancient of Days took His seat; His vesture was like white snow and the hair of His head like pure wool. His throne was blaze with flames, its wheels were a burning fire. A river of fire was flowing and coming out from before Him; thousands upon thousands were attending Him, and myriads upon myriads were standing before Him; the court sat, and **the books were opened**. Then I kept looking because of the sound of the boastful words which the horn was speaking; I kept looking until the beast was slain, and its body was destroyed and given to the burning fire. As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but an extension of life was granted to them for an appointed period of time. I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, **with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming, and He came up to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him. And to Him was given dominion, glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations and men of every language might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; and His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed.***
  - The Hebrew teaching is that on Yom Teruah, God opens three books:
    - The Book of Life** – those who are found therein are sealed for life. (Ex 32:31-35; Rev 20:12)
    - The Book of the Dead** – those who are found therein are wicked and sealed for judgment. (Rev 20:12; Mal 3:12)
    - The Book of Repentance** – this book includes most people whose works are neither good nor bad and they have until Yom Kippur to repent. This is called the **sealing**. Jews wish each other a good sealing for the year to come, and then say, “Next year in Jerusalem.” (Malachi 3:16-18)
3. On the Mt of Transfiguration, God, himself spoke out loud saying, “*This is My Son, My chosen one, Listen to Him.*” This is the Ancient of Days bestowing dominion, glory and a kingdom upon His Son, the Son of Man.
4. The disciples didn’t come down from the mountain until the following day indicating that it might have been the Sabbath, therefore required to rest.
5. The “transfiguration” probably **didn’t** occur on the Day of Atonement because that would have given Jesus only one week of travel to reach Jerusalem by the middle of the feast of Tabernacles. The journey from Mt. Hermon would have been five or six days which makes it possible for Jesus to do. However, in order to accomplish the intervening events it would indicate a somewhat longer period of time.
6. On the day following the “transfiguration” we see that the disciples could not cast a demon out of one child. Jesus explains to them that that kind of demon did not come out but by prayer and fasting. This indicates that the disciples had not been in prayer and fasting on the previous day, which eliminates the Day of Atonement because both prayer and fasting are requirements of that feast day.

While Jesus, Moses and Elijah were speaking a **bright cloud** overshadowed the whole party. The cloud is called the **Shekinah** in Hebrew. It is the **cloud of glory** that surrounds God himself. This cloud is seen several times in Scripture. It was the cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night that led the Israelites out of Egypt. It was the smoke and fire the enveloped Mt Sinai from which the trumpets sounded and God voice was heard speaking the Ten Commandments. And it was the smoke that filled Solomon’s Temple at the dedication ceremony.

As the cloud began to descend upon the whole party God spoke a commandment to the disciples, “*This is My Son, My chosen one, **Listen\* to Him.***” The disciples fell on their faces and were terrified but they got the point; they needed to do the things that Jesus commanded them to do. Immediately, in the twinkling of an eye, Moses, Elijah and the cloud disappeared. This reminds us of the resurrection of the two witnesses in Revelation 11:12 “*And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up*

here.” Then **they went up into heaven in the cloud.**” When the vision ended Jesus touched His disciples and told them to get up and not be afraid.

\* *Listen – Hear and follow.*

**Questions to Consider:**

1. How does the Old Testament portion of scripture end? Read the last three verses (Malachi 4:4-6).
2. Why do you think Jesus told the disciples not to tell anyone the vision until after He had risen from the dead?
3. After Peter made his statement about building the three sukkahs, why do you think the Scriptures add this commentary, “not realizing what he was saying”?
  - Peter did not realize He was seeing a vision but thought it was real.
  - It was the Sabbath; therefore he would not be permitted to build the sukkahs.
  - The Day of Atonement had not come yet; therefore by tradition he should wait until the day following it before beginning his construction.

**The Point of the Lesson:**

Hear and obey Jesus now . . . before He returns!

**Application:**

Read Malachi 3:16-4:6; Daniel 7; Revelation 11

**Reflective Pause Between Prophecies**

The next Text is what God’s whole purpose in Prophecy, to draw all Man back to Himself, as we were created; and here Daniel’s Prayer encapsulates the full circle of Repentance (*aka Returning Back to God*), especially in light to Understanding End-times narratives:

**Fourth Lesson: God is Calling us to Pray, like Daniel, for all mankind, especially His own People, to turn from our iniquities and gain insight by the truth of these end-times, as these prophesied calamities are poured out upon ALL Mankind, especially on God’s people . . . *Read Bolded Text . . .***

**Daniel 9**

***Daniel’s Prayer for His People***

<sup>1</sup> In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, by descent a Mede, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans – <sup>2</sup> in the first year of his reign, **I, Daniel, perceived in the books the number of years that, according to the word of the LORD to Jeremiah the prophet, must pass before the end of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years.**

<sup>3</sup> **Then I turned my face to the Lord God, seeking him by prayer and pleas for mercy with fasting and sackcloth and ashes.** <sup>4</sup> **I prayed to the LORD my God and made confession, saying,**

*“O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, <sup>5</sup> we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. <sup>6</sup> We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. <sup>7</sup> To you, O Lord, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame, as at this day, to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to all Israel, those who are near and those who are far away, in all the lands to which you have driven them, because of the treachery that they have committed against you. <sup>8</sup> To us, O LORD, belongs open shame, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against you. <sup>9</sup> To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him <sup>10</sup> and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God by walking in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets. <sup>11</sup> All Israel has transgressed your law and turned aside, refusing to obey your voice. And the curse and oath that are written in the Law of Moses the servant of God have been poured out upon us, because we have sinned against him. <sup>12</sup> **He has confirmed his words, which he spoke against us and against our rulers who ruled us, by bringing upon us a great calamity. For under the whole heaven there has***



*not been done anything like what has been done against Jerusalem.* <sup>13</sup> *As it is written in the Law of Moses, all this calamity has come upon us; yet we have not entreated the favor of the LORD our God, turning from our iniquities and gaining insight by your truth.* <sup>14</sup> *Therefore the LORD has kept ready the calamity and has brought it upon us, for the LORD our God is righteous in all the works that he has done, and we have not obeyed his voice.* <sup>15</sup> *And now, O Lord our God, who brought your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and have made a name for yourself, as at this day, we have sinned, we have done wickedly.*

<sup>16</sup> *“O Lord, according to all your righteous acts, let your anger and your wrath turn away from your city Jerusalem, your holy hill, because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and your people have become a byword among all who are around us.* <sup>17</sup> *Now therefore, O our God, listen to the prayer of your servant and to his pleas for mercy, and for your own sake, O Lord, make your face to shine upon your sanctuary, which is desolate.* <sup>18</sup> *O my God, incline your ear and hear. Open your eyes and see our desolations, and the city that is called by your name. For we do not present our pleas before you because of our righteousness, but because of your great mercy.* <sup>19</sup> *O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act. Delay not, for your own sake, O my God, because your city and your people are called by your name.”*

***Gabriel Brings an Answer***

<sup>20</sup> While I was speaking and praying, confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my plea before the LORD my God for the holy hill of my God, <sup>21</sup> while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the first, came to me in swift flight at the time of the evening sacrifice. <sup>22</sup> **He made me understand, speaking with me and saying, “O Daniel, I have now come out to give you insight and understanding.** <sup>23</sup> **At the beginning of your pleas for mercy a word went out, and I have come to tell it to you, for you are greatly loved. Therefore consider the word and understand the vision.**

***The Seventy Weeks***

. . . <sup>27</sup> **And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.”**

**Outline to Jesus, the Gold Standard to End-time Prophecy Series:**

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## *Jesus, the Gold Standard to End-time Prophecy*

### *Part 2*

#### Jesus' End-time Outline

Matthew 24:3-8, Mark 13:5-8, Luke 21:8-11

### *“Looking at the Future” & “Do Not Be Misled”*

#### **KEY TEXT OF END TIME TEACHING:**

*“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”*

Matthew 24:3

*And He said, “See to it that **you** be not misled . . .”*

Matthew 24:4

#### *Part 2 – Message:*

#### **Five Pivotal Questions Asked of Jesus Regarding Prophecy & the End of the Age**

Now we can continue what Jesus began Uncovering 6-months earlier, Jesus' End-time Outline, or as we are calling it, “*Jesus, the Gold Standard to End-time Prophecy*”:

#### Jesus' End-time Outline

#### **Lesson 46**

*of A Journey with Jesus*

### **Looking at The Future**

#### **Introduction:**

Just prior to His crucifixion Jesus took the disciples aside and prophesied many things that would happen after His death. Bible theologians refer to this as the Olivet Discourse (*on the Mount of Olives – the Return location of the Prophesied Messiah – Zechariah 14:4, “On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east.”*). Along with the prophecies, Jesus issued several commands His disciples were to follow regarding the upcoming future events.

Before any of us, as Jesus' disciples, can obey Him we must have a basic understanding of what He is talking about concerning these events. Many Christians in today's world are confused when it comes to the future so we will use this lesson to clarify the contexts in which Jesus spoke and look closely at what He said. So let's begin.

**Confusion** about end time events begins when most popular Christian teachers and writers today declare that Jesus' Olivet Discourse was given in response to two questions that His disciples asked Him. But after careful study of the Scripture passages involved we can see that the disciples asked Him a total of **five** questions. Jesus responded to **two** questions asked by His disciples as they are leaving the Temple (*This conversation probably occurred in the open area between the Temple and the eastern (Golden) gate.*). And after crossing the Kidron Valley Jesus responded to **three** more questions asked by Peter, James, John and Andrew when they came to Him privately while He was seated on the Mount of Olives.

**Parts** of the Olivet Discourse are contained in all three of the synoptic gospels: Matthew, Mark and Luke. When read individually the texts seem to be saying similar but different things so the reader can become confused. However, by studying the separate texts in side-by-side comparison a clear picture of future events unfolds.

Confusion surrounding future events also occurs when the reader fails to consider **personal** pronouns. Who is Jesus talking to or about? Is it: **1)** we, us, our and ours, **2)** you, your and yours or **3)** they, them,

their and theirs. Adding to this confusion is the reader's lack of knowledge concerning historical references and Hebraic (Jewish) terms and concepts.

To make it easier for you the reader to understand what Jesus is saying I have taken the liberty of combining the three gospel accounts of the Olivet Discourse into one sequential reading. It is divided into two scenes: 1) Leaving the Temple Mount and 2) sitting on the Mount of Olives. The five questions that Jesus is asked by His disciples are addressed, personal pronouns within the text are in **bold** print and historical notes or points of clarification are footnoted. Following what Jesus has to say about future events, I've included the Apostle Paul's commentary on these same events.

### Scripture References:

**Matthew 24:1-25:46, Mark 13:1-37, Luke 21:5-36**

### **Scene 1: The Temple Mount**

#### **Those Present**

1. Jesus.
2. **All** of his disciples.

#### **Location**

Walking out of the Temple, after having observed the widow putting her two mites into the treasury.

### **The Temple in Jerusalem Will Be Torn Down**

**Matthew 24:1-2, Mark 13:1-2, Luke 21:5-7**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

**31 AD, April 21<sup>st</sup>, Monday Afternoon – Abib/Nisan 12** [2<sup>nd</sup> day of the week] (*1-day before the Last Supper*)  
And as *He was going out of the temple*, one of His disciples said to Him, "Teacher, behold what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings! And Jesus said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? *Not one stone shall be left upon another which will not be torn down.*" And they questioned Him, saying, "Teacher, *when therefore will these things be?* And what will be the sign *when these things are about to take place?*"

*Jesus had left the Temple* and was probably exiting through the eastern (Golden) gate headed for the Mount of Olives, which lies directly across the Kidron Valley.

*The Temple will be torn down.* This was fulfilled by Titus, the eldest son of the Roman emperor, Vespasian, on the ninth of Ab (late August) in 70 AD.

*Teacher, WHEN therefore will these things be?* This is the disciple's **first** question.

*Today, there are many professing Believers, in a mirid of denominations and cults (such a many Reformed Christian Churches, Church of Christ, Jehovah Witnesses, and the World Mission Society Church of God), that teach that what Jesus was teaching about the Abomination of Desolation was fulfilled in the Destruction of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple in 70AD, but the problem with this teaching was that the Destruction of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple was prophesied by Jesus just outside of the Temple with all of His Disciples, followed latter on by Jesus answering the final Three Questions related to the "End of the Age," which contextually related to a much later future event, related to a Third Temple, and an anti-Christ appearing on the scene with a prophesied time stamp of 1,290-days from his appearance to the Second Coming of Jesus. Once again, these details are the differences between the True Messiah and the many False messiah's Jesus first Instructed His Disciples about in response to the question of the details of the "End of the Age" in which Jesus' very first Instruction to this question was, "Do Not Be Misedad." Jesus here makes it very clear that at the "End of the Age" this prophecy of Daniel would be the center of much debate leading to His prophesied "Great Falling Away" of followers of God, identifying a very specific timestamp of 1,290-days prior to His Second Coming, which we will uncover in this teaching.*

*“teach that what Jesus was teaching about the Abomination of Desolation was fulfilled in the Destruction of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple in 70AD” – this teaching is known as Preterism (and is an actual movement called, the Preterist Movement) – which essentially teaches that all the end-times prophecies of the New Testament were fulfilled in AD 70 when the Romans attacked and destroyed Jerusalem. Preterism teaches (which includes today, some Presbyterian churches, some Church of Christ churches (Full Preterism arose in North America during the 1950s and 60s within Church of Christ circles), and cults such as Mormonism, Jehovah Witnesses, World Mission Society Church of God) that every event normally associated with the end times – Christ’s second coming, the tribulation, the resurrection of the dead, the final judgment – has already happened. (In the case of the final judgment, it still is in the process of being fulfilled.) Jesus’ return to earth will be a “spiritual” return, not a physical one.*

Preterism teaches that the Law was fulfilled in AD 70 and God’s covenant with Israel was ended. The “*new heavens and new earth*” spoken of in Revelation 21:1 is, to the preterist, a description of the world under the New Covenant. Just as a Christian is made a “*new creation*” (2 Corinthians 5:17), so the world under the New Covenant is a “*new earth*.” This aspect of preterism can easily lead to a belief in replacement theology.

<https://www.gotquestions.org/preterist.html>

**What will be the SIGN when these things are about to take place?** This is the disciple’s second question.

**The Beginning of Birth Pangs**  
**Matthew 24:4-8, Mark 13:5-8, Luke 21:8-11**  
*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

And He said, “See to it that you be not misled; for many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am He,’ and, ‘The time is at hand’; do not go after them. And when **you** hear of wars and disturbances, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end does not follow immediately.” Then He continued by saying to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be great earthquakes, and in various places plagues and famines; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs.”

**Transition: AGAIN . . .** Confusion surrounding future events also occurs when the reader fails to consider **personal** pronouns. Who is Jesus talking to or about? Is it: **1)** we, us, our and ours, **2)** you, your and yours or **3)** they, them, their and theirs. Adding to this confusion is the reader’s lack of knowledge concerning historical references and *Hebraic (Jewish) terms and concepts*.

**Answer to Question #1**

**When?** – The Apostolic Witness: Mark 13:9-11, Luke 21:12-19

**But Before All These Things**  
*(the time before the destruction of the Temple in 70AD)*  
**Mark 13:9-13, Luke 21:12-19**  
*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

But before all *these things*, **they** will lay their hands on **you** and will persecute **you**, delivering **you** to the synagogues and prisons, bringing **you** before kings and governors for My name’s sake. It will lead to an opportunity for **your** testimony. And the gospel must first be preached to all the nations. And when they arrest **you** and deliver **you** up, do not be anxious beforehand about what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour; for it is not **you** who speak, but it is the Holy Spirit. But **you** will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put some of **you** to death, and you will be hated by all on account of My name. “Yet not a hair of your head will perish. By **your** endurance **you** will gain **your** lives.”

*These things* refer to the other events (*wars, plagues, famines, etc.*) that **Jesus described while answering their first questions about the Temple**: when it would be torn down and the sign associated with it.

## Answer to Question #2

**What Will Be the Sign?** – Desolation of Jerusalem: Luke 21:20-24

### **The Times of the Gentiles**

#### **Luke 21:20-24**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

“But when **you** see *Jerusalem surrounded by armies*, then recognize that **her** desolation is at hand. Then let **those** who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let **those** who are *in the midst of the city depart*, and let not **those** who are in the country enter the city; because these are days of vengeance, in order that all things which are written may be fulfilled. Woe to those who are with child and to those who nurse babes in those days; for there will be great distress upon the land, and **wrath to this people**, and **they** will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the *times of the Gentiles* be fulfilled.”

**Jerusalem surrounded by armies** (Desolation of Jerusalem). Roman legions under Titus, the eldest son of the Roman emperor Vespasian, conquered the city of Jerusalem and tore the Temple down on the ninth of Ab (late August) in 70 AD.

**In the midst of the city depart**. Titus and his Roman legions surrounded the city of Jerusalem in the spring of 70 AD. When they temporarily withdrew from their siege the Christians **fled the city** and went to Pella, a city on the eastern side of the Jordan River in current day Jordan.

**Wrath to this people**. According to Josephus Flavius, the Jewish historian, 1,000,000 Jews were slain and 97,000 were carried away captive as slaves by the Romans in the war of 66-70 AD.

**The times of the Gentiles**. After the Romans destroyed Jerusalem in 70 AD, Jews were allowed to remain there until the Bar Kokhba Revolt (131-135 AD). They were expelled from the city of Jerusalem in 134 AD and it was renamed Aelia Capitolina. The city remained under foreign (Gentile) control until June 8, 1967 when it was liberated from Jordan in the Six Day War. In 1980, a proclamation was issued that declared Jerusalem a united city under Israeli sovereignty.

## Matthew 24:3-28, Mark 13:3-23

### **Scene 2: The Mount of Olives**

#### **Those Present**

1. Jesus.
2. **Only** Peter, James, John and Andrew.

#### **Location**

Sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the Temple.

#### **The Disciple's Three Questions**

1. **When** will this time of false prophets and birth pangs be?
2. **What** will be the **sign** of your coming?
3. **What** will be the sign of the end of the age?

### **The Olivet Discourse**

#### **Matthew 24:3, Mark 13:3-4**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

And as He was *sitting on the Mount of Olives* opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew were *questioning Him privately*, saying, “Tell us, when will *these things be*, and *what will be the sign of Your coming*, and of *the end of the age*?”

**Sitting on the Mount of Olives**. This was probably the Garden of Gethsemane, which is located on the lower portion of the Mount of Olives directly across from the eastern (Golden) gate.

**Questioning Him privately.** When Jesus left the Temple all of His disciples were with Him and they asked Him the first two questions about the future. Here we see only Peter, James, John and Andrew continue privately questioning Jesus while He is sitting on the Mount of Olives. They asked Him three more questions about the future. Therefore the disciples actually asked Jesus a total of five questions.

**These things** refer to the other events (wars, plagues, famines, etc.) that **Jesus described while answering their first questions about the Temple**: when it would be torn down and the sign associated with it. Like us these four disciples were curious about these “other things” and came to Him privately asking more questions.

**Be.** When will these things **be**? This is Peter, James, John and Andrew’s **first** question to Jesus while He is seated on the Mount of Olives. It is also the **third** overall question disciples asked Jesus about the future that day.

**What will be the sign of Your coming?** This is Peter, James, John and Andrew’s **second** question to Jesus while He is seated on the Mount of Olives. It is also the **fourth** overall question disciples asked Jesus about the future that day.

**The end of the age.** What will be the sign of the end of the age? This is Peter, James, John and Andrew’s **third** question to Jesus while He is seated on the Mount of Olives. It is also the **fifth** overall question disciples asked Jesus about the future that day.

### The Beginning of Birth Pangs

Matthew 24:4-8, Mark 13:5-8, Luke 21:8-11

Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”

And He said, “**See to it that you be not misled**; for many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am He,’ and, ‘The time is at hand’; **do not go after them** . . .

**‘I am He’.** Some of those who claimed to be the Christ (messiah) after Jesus were: the Sicarii, Theudas (44-46 AD), Menahem ben Judah and Simon bar Kokhba (135 AD). In the five hundred year period from 1500 – 2000 AD there have been over forty individuals who claimed to be the Christ.

i.e. At work, in asking a customer, a younger man in his late 20s to early 30s, what the need of his Suit purchase inquiry was for, I was told for Church. I asked what Church he attended, and he told me “*The World Mission Society Church of God*” which I was not familiar with, but proceeded by him explaining that they believe in “God the Mother.” I had heard people say this phrase before, but was unfamiliar with its context, but was told that God’s creation is a reflection of who He is, and since God created Man and Woman (*not recognizing that Woman was Created out of Man, not Independent of Man*), then God consisted of both God the Father and God the Mother, who is the core of their faith and the figure that guides them. The young man kindly invited me to join him in Bible study to learn of this Revelation, of which I accepted to bring Truth to Jesus’ teaching regarding End-times, which cautions us to “see to it that no one misleads you . . . For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will mislead many.” Immediately after our exchange, I then looked up the backstory of *the World Mission Society Church of God*, and what they believed?:

**The World Mission Society Church of God (WMSCOG) was founded by a man named Ahn Sahng-Hong in South Korea in 1964. He was born in 1918 to Buddhist parents and spent many years with the Seventh-day Adventists. He claimed to have rebuilt the Church of God – the same Church that Jesus established and with the same truths of the Early Church. Ahn Sahng-Hong died in 1985.**

**The World Mission Society Church of God believes in God the Father and God the Mother, who came to earth in the flesh.** Ahn Sahng-Hong’s **spiritual wife**, Zahng Gil-Jah, is known as “**the Heavenly Mother**” (*who they claim is the “true” bride of Christ*). According *the World Mission Society Church of God*, “**God the Mother is the core of our faith and the figure that guides us. . . . God the Mother stands by and prays for us whenever we face hardships.**” The Bible does not teach the existence of a “heavenly mother.” God is consistently referred to as our Father. **Revelation 21:2** describes the New Jerusalem as a beautifully adorned bride. But verses 9–10 show that the “*wife of the Lamb*” and the “*New Jerusalem*” are synonymous terms. Obviously, **the New Jerusalem is a city, not a person. In this case, the city is the church, the redeemed of the Lord living in God’s heavenly city. The Lamb’s “wife,” then, is figurative, not literal . . .**

*The World Mission Society Church of God* believes that Jehovah is the Father, Jesus is the

Son, and **Ahn Sahng-Hong is the Holy Spirit**. The Bible tells us that the Holy Spirit is a divine Person, a being with a mind, emotions, and a will. The fact that the Holy Spirit is God is clearly seen in many Scriptures, including Acts 5:3–4. For any man to declare he is the Holy Spirit is blasphemy.

*The World Mission Society Church of God teaches that salvation is in the names of Jehovah, Jesus, and Ahn Sahng-Hong, and that baptism is required for salvation.* The Bible declares that salvation is through Jesus Christ alone (Acts 4:12; John 14:6). Salvation is in the name of Jesus Christ. To claim salvation in the name of Ahn Sahng-Hong is blasphemy.

*The World Mission Society Church of God claims that “Christ Ahn Sahng-Hong” came as the Savior in the age of the Holy Spirit and was truly the Second Coming of Christ.* This teaching conflicts with what the Bible says about the second coming in Revelation 19: “*He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God*” (verses 12–13). To claim to be the very Word of God is blasphemy.

**Ahn Sahng-Hong was a false prophet. He predicted Christ would return in 1967, then changed the date to 1988. The World Mission Society Church of God believed the world would end in 1967, then 1988, and then at the end of 2012.** History has proved Ahn Sahng-Hong wrong. **It is noteworthy that one of the signs of the end times is the increase in false prophets and false messiahs. Ahn Sahng-Hong clearly falls into the category of false prophet and false messiah.**

*The beliefs of the World Mission Society Church of God are not compatible with Christianity.*  
<https://www.gotquestions.org/World-Mission-Society-Church-of-God.html>

This encounter could not have happened at a better time, and illustrates Jesus’ first Command to be mindful of when it comes to the End of the Age and the Last Days; “*not to be misled.*” Here, therefore, affirming **Jesus as the Gold Standard of End-times Teaching.** *Let’s continue: Matthew 24:4-8 and Mark 13:5-8.*

### **The Beginning of Birth Pangs** **Matthew 24:4-8, Mark 13:5-8, Luke 21:8-11** *Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

*(continued)* . . . And when **you** hear of wars and disturbances, **do not be terrified**; for these things must take place first, but the end does not follow immediately.” Then He continued by saying to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be great earthquakes, and in various places plagues and famines; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs.”

### **Answer to Question #3**

**When? – The Apostasy: Matthew 24:9-14, Mark 13:12-13**

### **The Apostasy** **\*\*\*\*\* Time Stamp, just Following the Removal of Satan from Heaven of Revelation 12 and the Abomination of Desolation \*\*\*\*\*** **Matthew 24:9-14, Mark 13:12-13** *Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

“**Then they** will deliver **you** to **tribulation**, and will kill **you**, and **you** will be hated by all nations on account of My name. And at that time many false **prophets** will arise, and will **mislead many**. And because lawlessness is increased, most people’s love will grow cold. But the **one** who endures to the end, **he** shall be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world for a witness to all the nations, and then the end shall come.”

**Tribulation.** Many people confuse two Biblical concepts: tribulation and God’s wrath. Tribulation is affliction or suffering endured by the saints in this world at the hands of men. (Ref: Jn 16:33) The wrath of God refers to the anger of God poured out on the ungodly. (Ref: 1 Th 5:9-10)

## Obey the Truth Contained in the Gospel (the Commands of Jesus)

### 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10

“when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not **obey the gospel** of our Lord Jesus. They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints . . .”

**obey the gospel** – “make disciples . . . teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you,” **Matthew 28:19-20**

**Real Tribulation Story:** On a spring day in 2020, Islamist insurgents in Mozambique gathered everyone in Pastor Matateu’s village to ask them a single question: “What is your religion?”

Those who answered “Christian” were decapitated, and pastors and their families were killed in even more torturous ways. In all, 70 villagers were killed before the insurgents reportedly raised an Islamic flag and declared the establishment of Sharia.

Amid the heartbreak of losing Christian neighbors in his village as well as losing his home, Pastor Matateu perseveres in his new environment because he is certain God is still in control.

*“What could separate me from God?” Pastor Matateu asked. “Death? No! The war? No! So of course I will continue to serve my God. Because He gave Himself, I will always give myself. The people out there, I need to give them hope and counsel and my testimony. I have lost everything just like them. When I fled, I left my food [and] my house was burned down. **But Jesus was not cut out of me; He was not burned out of me.** So I continue to encourage and serve.”*

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*Subject: "I have lost everything. But Jesus was not burned out of me."*

**Prophets.** A prophet is one who is supposed to declare God’s will to people. In the Old Testament a prophet was considered false when he came in the name of the Lord and **1)** told people to serve other gods or **2)** the sign (miracle, prophecy, etc.) he declared did not come to pass. Jesus added another test when He told his disciples to discern the prophet’s fruit (character): was his behavior producing the fruit of the Holy Spirit.

**Mislead.** The word used here is apostasy, which means defection from truth, falling away, forsake; simply defined as a breaking of one covenant and the establishment of a new covenant, of one whom was not the original covenant with. This would be the same word usage as “*Adultery*” in human terms, but “*Idolatry*” in faith terms, understanding that one cannot fall away from a covenant that was never there in the first place, but rather in this context, those who obey the teaching and instruction of Jesus Christ, ultimately walking in His ways, and then stopped obeying the teaching and instruction of Jesus Christ, and no longer walked in His ways (as Paul teaches in Romans 6:16, “*Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?*”). Some New Testament references to this concept can be found in: Mat 7:21-29, Ga 1:6-9, 2 Th 1:7-10, 1Ti 4:1-3, He 3:12, He 6:4-6, 2 Pt 2:1-3, 2 Pt 3:17-18, 1Jn 2:3-6, 18-19, Jude 3-4, (Rev 22:14 (KJV)). Following is the actual Greek definition of this English translated word “*mislead*”:

**Mislead: 4624. Skandalizó – to put a snare (in the way), hence to cause to stumble, to give offense;** to entrap (**apostasy** (defection – revolt) – literally, “**a leaving, from a previous standing**” – (make to) offend). (biblehub.com/greek/4624.htm)

**Cognate (related definition):** 4624 *skandalizō* – properly, *set a snare* (“*stumbling-block*”); (figuratively) “to hinder right conduct or thought; *to cause to stumble*” – **literally, “to fall into a trap**”. See 4625 (*skandalon* – properly, the trigger of a trap (the mechanism closing a trap down on the unsuspecting victim); (figuratively) an *offense*, putting a *negative cause-and-effect relationship* into motion (ex. “the stick in the trap that springs and closes the trap when the animal touches it”).

*b.* “to cause a person **to begin to distrust and desert one whom he ought to trust and obey; to cause to fall away,**” and in the passive, **to fall away** (John 6:61; Matthew 13:21; MATTHEW 24:10; Matthew 26:33, Mark 4:17, Mark 14:29; John 16:1). i.e. 2 Thessalonians 2:1-16 (Paul re-enforces Jesus’ Teaching on this same Event) – “<sup>3</sup> Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the **rebellion** (*apostasía* (646) – **apostasy, defection, revolt** – **literally, “a leaving, from a previous standing” or “a falling away”**) comes first, *and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction*”; **Mark 3:28-29**, (Matthew 12:31-32, Luke 12:10) “<sup>28</sup> Truly I tell you, people will be



forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup> but whoever **blasphemes** against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin.” (biblehub.com/greek/988.htm)

**BLASPHEMES** (*Strongs No. 988 – blasphemía*): “switches” right for wrong (wrong for right), i.e. calls what God *disapproves*, “right” which “*exchanges the truth of God for a lie*” (Ro 1:25) (Isa 5:20 – “you who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness”). Literally, slow (sluggish) to call something *good* (that really is good) – and slow to identify what is truly bad (that really is evil). (*Thayer’s Greek Lexicon – βλασφημία*, railing, reviling): a. universally, slander, detraction, speech injurious to another’s good name. (*Understanding the difference between “the unpardonable sin” or “the blasphemy against the Holy Spirit” and “the forgivable blasphemy” is that the “unpardonable blasphemy” is calling what is good evil and what is evil good (“There is only one who is good – (God alone),” Matt 19:17 and “whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven” Matt 12:32), whereas the “forgivable blasphemy” is being slow to call something good or evil (i.e. Matt 12:31, “people will be forgiven for every sin and blasphemy” (Mk 3:28-29, Lk 12:10).)*)

## Jesus’ End-time Teaching (*continued*)

### *Lesson 47* *of A Journey with Jesus* **Do Not Be Misled**

#### **The Lesson:**

Being misled deals with the issue of **leadership**. An individual is misled when he follows or listens to someone who is not his leader. On the previous day Jesus taught His disciples a lesson about leadership. He instructed them not to be called leaders, rabbi (teacher) or father. **Each** of them was responsible to **1)** follow Jesus, the Word of God, **2)** be taught by the Holy Spirit and **3)** be servants of their Father in heaven alone.

Having begun His discourses with the words “*see to it that you are not misled*”, Jesus is quite aware that His statement has raised some common questions in the disciples’ minds. As He continues the discourses Jesus answers their anticipated queries.

- **Who would try to mislead us?** In previous teachings Jesus had warned his followers about deceivers (*Lesson 17: Fruit Inspection & Lesson 37: Freedom from Fear*): wolves in sheep’s clothing. He had addressed false prophets and false teachers but now reveals a new threat yet to come: false messiahs.
- **Why would we be following them?** Jesus explains that many people will come claiming to be the Christ, who is sent by God. Within one hundred years of Jesus’ death one group of people, the Sicarii and three individuals laid claim to the title of Messiah. And in the 500-year span from 1500 AD to 2000 AD more than forty people have claimed to be the Messiah.
- **How will they try to influence us?** Since people are always concerned about the future, Jesus said that these false messiahs would be declaring, “*The time is near.*” In other words, the end is near and judgment is coming.
- **What should we do?** Jesus said, “*Do not go after them.*”
- **Jesus, since you are concerned that we are capable of being misled, then how will we recognize the real thing?** This is the crux of the matter so He spends the rest of the discourse explaining how they will know.

Jesus lays out a road map of the future and places markers along the way so His disciples won’t be confused about the route it is going to take. That way they won’t be misled.

- **Route Marker #1** – The apostles will be sent out to give their testimony of Jesus. He commands them, “*So make up your minds not to prepare beforehand to defend yourselves; for I will give you utterance and wisdom which none of your opponents will be able to resist or refute.*”
- **Route Marker #2** – Jerusalem will be taken over by the Gentiles for a period of time. Jesus said, “*When you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then recognize that her desolation is at hand.*”
- **Route Marker #3 – Hearing** of wars and rumors of war. Jesus said, “*See that you are not frightened, for those things must take place, but that is not yet the end.*”
- **Route Marker #4** – Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and in various places there will be famines and earthquakes. Jesus said, “*But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs.*”

As the end approaches Jesus narrows the focus of His discourse from a broad world perspective to things directly affecting His disciples (Christians).

- **Route Marker #5** – Jesus’ disciples will be delivered into **tribulation**, killed and hated by all nations on account of His name (The Lord Jesus Christ).

**Tribulation:** (*thlipsis* – STRONGS NT 2347 – θλίψις) – properly, *pressure* (what constricts or rubs together – ref. 2 Corinthians 4:8-11, “<sup>8</sup> *We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; <sup>9</sup> persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; <sup>10</sup> always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. <sup>11</sup> For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.*”), used of a narrow place that “hems someone in”; *tribulation*, especially *internal pressure* that causes someone to feel confined (restricted, “without options” or “no way of escape” – ref. Hosea 2:14-15, “<sup>14</sup> *Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak tenderly to her. <sup>15</sup> And there I will give her her vineyards and make the Valley of Achor (or trouble) a door of hope.*”) – (**Thayer’s Greek Lexicon**); **contextual meaning** – Matthew 24:15-22, Mark 13:14-20, “Therefore when you see the ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand) . . . for then **there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever shall**; Matthew 5:10-12 – “**Blessed** are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven . . . **Rejoice and be glad; i.e. Testimony of one Tortured for Christ:**

One of our workers in the Underground Church was a young girl. The Communist police discovered that she secretly spread the Gospel and taught children about Christ. They decided to arrest her. But to make the arrest as agonizing and painful as they would they decided to delay her arrest a few weeks, until the day she was to be married. On her wedding day, the girl was dressed as a bride – the most wonderful, joyous day in a girl’s life! Suddenly, the door burst open and the secret police rushed in.

When the bride saw the secret police, she held out her arms toward them to be handcuffed. They roughly put the manacles on her wrists. She looked toward her beloved, then kissed the chains and said, “I thank my heavenly Bridegroom for this jewel He has presented to me on my marriage day. I thank Him that I am worthy to suffer for Him.” She was dragged off, with weeping Christians and weeping bridegroom left behind. They knew what happens to young Christian girls in the hands of Communist guards. Her bridegroom faithfully waited for her. After five years she was released – a destroyed, broken woman, looking thirty years older. She said it was the least she could do for her Christ. – *Tortured for Christ, Richard Wurmbrand, VOM*

- **Route Marker #6** – Many disciples will **fall away** from their faith, hate and betray one another.

**Fall away.** The word used here is apostasy, which means defection from truth, falling away, forsake; simply defined as a breaking of one covenant and the establishment of a new covenant, of one whom

was not the original covenant with. This would be the same word usage as “*Adultery*” in human terms, but “*Idolatry*” in faith terms, understanding that one cannot fall away from a covenant that was never there in the first place, but rather in this context, those who obey the teaching and instruction of Jesus Christ, ultimately walking in His ways, and then stopped obeying the teaching and instruction of Jesus Christ, and no longer walked in His ways (as Paul teaches in Romans 6:16, “*Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?*”). Some New Testament references to this concept can be found in: Mat 7:21-29, Ga 1:6-9, 2 Th 1:7-10, 1Ti 4:1-3, He 3:12, He 6:4-6, 2 Pt 2:1-3, 2 Pt 3:17-18, 1Jn 2:3-6, 18-19, Jude 3-4, (Rev 22:14 (KJV)).

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- **Route Marker #9** – The gospel (*the Gospel/Great Commission: “teaching them everything Jesus’ Commanded to be put into practice without delay”*) of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world for a witness to all the nations. Jesus said, “*Then the end shall come.*”

**The Point of the Lesson:**

Follow Jesus’ instructions and you won’t be misled.

**Application:**

Around 1600 AD, John Calvin developed a system of theology that has been condensed to a single statement used by many evangelical Christians: “Once saved, always saved.”

If this is so, why was Jesus concerned about His disciples being misled?

If this is so, who are the many who will fall away?

Today, many people are writing books and teaching what they believe about end time events. Much of the teaching ignores what Jesus said or it is relegated to secondary importance. Remember, being misled deals with leadership. Whom do you believe or whom do you follow or whom do you listen to concerning future events?

Are any of these whom you are listening to the head of the Church or your leader?

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## Part 3

### Jesus' End-time Outline

Matthew 24:15-22, Mark 13:14-20

**“Signs” (continued) . . .**

***The Abomination of Desolation & Daniel’s Interpretation of the Dream***

#### **KEY TEXT OF END TIME TEACHING:**

*“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”*

**Matthew 24:3**

*And He said, “See to it that you be not misled . . .”*

**Matthew 24:4**

### **Part 3 – Message:**

#### **The Route Markers (continued):**

#### **Lesson 48 of A Journey with Jesus**

### **Signs**

- **Route Marker #10** – The Abomination of Desolation. Jesus said, *“Let the reader understand.”*

Up to this time the signs that Jesus used tended to be general in nature. However the Abomination of Desolation is very specific and when it occurs it marks a series of apocalyptic events leading to the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. According to Jesus, this single event must be understood. (. . . **Lesson 48 continues on page 38 . . .**)

#### **The Abomination of Desolation and Great Tribulation**

**Matthew 24:15-22, Mark 13:14-20**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

“Therefore when **you** see the **ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION** which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the *holy place* (**let the reader understand**),

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#### **Daniel 2:31-35 – Daniel Interprets the Dream**

<sup>31</sup>“You saw, O king, and behold, a great image. This image, mighty and of exceeding

brightness, stood before you, and its appearance was frightening. <sup>32</sup> **The head of this image was of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its middle and thighs of bronze,** <sup>33</sup> **its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay.** <sup>34</sup> As you looked, **a stone was cut out by no human hand, and it struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.** <sup>35</sup> Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold, all together were broken in pieces, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, so that not a trace of them could be found. But the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

### **The Interpretation of Nebuchadnezzar's Dream An Overview of the Statue – Daniel 2:36-45**

The **statue** is made up of five sections depicted by types of metals. As you go down the statue, the metals become less precious.

Each section of the statue represents a kingdom. Even though there are five sections, sections four and five seem to be related to one another. This is why many scholars believe the statue only represents four kingdoms.

**The statue also acts like a timeline starting with Babylon** and highlighting major kingdoms that rose to power after Babylon.

It is amazing how accurate this statue portrays the kingdoms it represents, which I'll further explain as we closely examine each portion of the statue. God's word always comes to pass, and this dream is no exception.

So which kingdoms are represented in Nebuchadnezzar's Dream?

#### **1. The Head of Gold – Daniel 2:37-38 – The Kingdom of Babylon**

Nebuchadnezzar was the king of the second rise of the kingdom of Babylon known as the Neo-Babylonian Empire, which lasted from 626 BC to 539 BC.

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The Medes rose to power in the 7<sup>th</sup> century BC with the capture of Assur, which was considered the heart of Assyrian Empire. In 606 BC, the Medes also helped the Babylonians destroy the Assyrian capital, Nineveh.

By 550 BC, king Cyrus of the Persians had conquered the Medes, which created the Medo-Persian Empire.

It was this empire that conquered Babylon in 539 BC at the battle of Opis. Cyrus and his army developed a plan to divert the Euphrates River so they could get into the city of Babylon underneath the walls. Many historians say the city was taken without a fight.

#### **How Was Medo-Persia Inferior?**

The Medo-Persian military power wasn't inferior to the Babylonians because they defeated them. So, in what way was the Medo-Persian kingdom *inferior* to the Babylonian kingdom?

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The Medo-Persian empire, also known as the Achaemenid empire, lasted about 230 years.

### **3. The Belly and Thighs of Bronze – Daniel 2:39 – The Kingdom of Greece**

***“ . . . then another, a third kingdom of bronze, which shall rule over all the earth.” Daniel 2:39***

Just like the second kingdom in this passage of scripture, Daniel doesn't elaborate on the third kingdom in Daniel 2.

We get a clearer picture of this third kingdom in Daniel 8 . . .

In Daniel chapter 8 Daniel had a vision of a ram with two horns and a male goat. As we discussed earlier, the ram with two horns represents the Medo-Persia empire.

After Daniel saw the ram grow strong, he saw the male goat attack the ram, break the two horns, and trample it . . . *“And the male goat is the kingdom of Greece.”*

So, the belly and thighs of bronze in Nebuchadnezzar's dream must represent the kingdom of Greece, also known as the Macedonian Empire.

#### **When Did Greece Conquer Medo-Persia?**

Alexander the Great defeated Darius III at the battle of Gaugamela in 331 BC. A year later, Alexander had Artaxerxes V executed and became the ruler over the Medo-Persian empire.

#### **Did Greece Rule Over All the Earth?**

The Greece-Macedonian empire did rule over the whole known earth of that time, which fulfilled Daniel's prophecy about the third kingdom.

Alexander the Great led his army on a series of campaigns which successfully conquered the then-known world from Macedon, through Greece, down to Egypt, across Persia, to India.

### **The Greek Culture**

Another way Greece impacted the whole earth was through its culture. In fact, the Hellenization of the world was one of the most significant things Alexander the Great did.

He not only took over territories, but also spread the Greek culture in the places he conquered.

Even after the Greek empire fell, the Greek culture was adopted by the Roman empire and continued to thrive.

Even today, you can see the great influence the Greek culture in many nations. The United States used Greek ideology to develop their democracy and the city-states.

The whole New Testament is written in Greek, which should tell you just how influential the Greek culture and ideas have been on the entire earth.

Daniel could not have described the Greek empire more perfectly with these words: “which shall rule over all the earth.”

### **Further Evidence Greece is the Third Kingdom**

After Alexander’s death in 323 BC, the Greek empire was divided among his four generals, which further proves that Greece is the third kingdom of the Daniel 2 prophecy:

“And the male goat is the kingdom of Greece. The large horn that is between its eyes is the first king. As for the broken horn and the four that stood up in its place, four kingdoms shall arise out of that nation, but not with its power.” Daniel 8:21-22

It truly is amazing how accurate the statue prophecy is. History 100% corroborates everything Daniel shared in his interpretation to king Nebuchadnezzar.

It’s also no coincidence that Daniel’s vision in Daniel 8 perfectly complements the statue from Daniel 2, filling in the missing information on the second and third kingdom.

By 146 BC the Greek empire fell and was annexed by Rome, which is the fourth kingdom in Nebuchadnezzar’s dream.

## **4. The Legs of Iron – Daniel 2:40 – The Kingdom of Rome**

***“And the fourth kingdom shall be as strong as iron, inasmuch as iron breaks in pieces and shatters everything; and like iron that crushes, that kingdom will break in pieces and crush all the others.” Daniel 2:40***

The Roman Republic, after winning the second Punic war against Carthage, started its siege on the Greek-Macedonia territory.

After several battles, the Romans defeated the Greeks with the destruction of the city of Corinth in 146 BC. This led to the end of the Greek empire and the permanent establishment of the Romans in that region.

***Rome did exactly as Daniel stated: they crushed their opponents in battle, including Greece with the destruction of Corinth.***

### **How Big Was The Roman Empire?**

At its peak, the Roman empire covered 1.9 million square miles. It stretched from England, down into North Africa, and as far east as Mesopotamia.

Most of the land of the current day European Union was a part of the Roman Empire.

### **Roman Empire Split in Two**

The Roman empire become too large to govern from one place. Diocletian, the Roman emperor In 285 AD, decided to split the empire into an eastern half and western half.

This split is perfectly represented in Nebuchadnezzar's statue by the two legs.

Western Rome fell in 476 AD, but Eastern Rome, also known as the Byzantine empire, lasted until 1453 AD.

Many of the commentaries and articles on Daniel 2 teach the statue only represents four kingdoms, and Rome is both the legs of iron and the feet of iron mixed with clay.

In my opinion, that is an inaccurate representation of the statue...

So if the feet of iron and clay don't represent the Roman empire, what kingdom is represented by the feet?

***Here we are going to focus on this 5<sup>th</sup> Kingdom, as it is the one that Jesus is wanting us to Understand:***

### **5. The Feet of Iron and Clay – Daniel 2:41-43 – The Kingdom of the Holy Roman Empire**

*“And as you saw the feet and toes, partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, it shall be a divided kingdom, but some of the firmness of iron shall be in it, just as you saw iron mixed with the soft clay. And as the toes of the feet were partly iron and partly clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong and partly brittle.” Daniel 2:41-42*

#### **Is This Kingdom Different From The Fourth?**

Yes . . . Daniel 2 is clear that this kingdom represented by the feet will be present on the earth when Jesus returns and establishes His kingdom.

*“. . . just as you saw that a stone was cut from a mountain by no human hand, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold.” Daniel 2:45*

The stone cut out without hands strikes the statue directly at the feet, breaking it into pieces. In other words, Jesus is going to destroy this kingdom upon his second coming.

So, the kingdom that is represented by the feet and toes can't be the same as the fourth kingdom because the Roman empire fell in 1453 AD.

#### **Which Kingdom Do the Feet and Toes Represent?**

One clue we have in Daniel 2 is the statue itself. Did you notice how each section is a completely different metal, except for the last section?

The feet have iron in them, meaning *this final kingdom will have similar characteristics to the Roman empire.*



**The Holy Roman empire fits the description that Daniel gave us for the feet:**

It was a collection of different countries that elected an emperor, with limited power. So, it truly was a divided kingdom.

It had the strength of the iron in it because the various nations could pull together an army for the emperor's cause, especially if it was for the Roman Catholic church.

*There was a church-state union with the Pope of the Roman Catholic church and the chosen emperor, which could be how the iron is mixed with clay.*

**The problem is the Holy Roman empire fell apart in 1806 AD.**

**Could the Holy Roman empire rise again?**

I believe we *have* witnessing the **rebirth of the Holy Roman empire in the form of the European Union.**

. . . The **European Union** is basically made up of all the same countries that were a part of the original western Roman Empire/**Holy Roman Empire**.

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**What To Watch For...**

**The EU is . . . the fifth kingdom of the statue, but it's still developing...**

It will eventually have ten notable leaders, which resemble the ten toes of the statue.

It will take on all the sovereignty of the nations that are apart . . .

*Potential Signs of the Creation of the Fourth Beast of the Book of Revelation (Chapter 13) and Daniel 2:41-43, and a Unified Nation of 10-kings, from which the Anti-christ will come out of:*

*More Bureaucracy! Macron Calls for a New Europe-Wide Political Organization  
On Top of the European Union*

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*Potential Signs of the the Strengthening of a Israeli Peace Accord Prophesied in Daniel 9:27:*

**“Special importance in bringing French leadership and newly reelected French President Emmanuel Macron into the Abraham Accords process.”**

***“I do believe it would be beneficial for him (President Macron of France) to be involved in strengthening the Abraham Accords.”***

*– Ruth Wasserman-Lande, member of the Knesset for the Blue and White party*

***... The Pope will start to play a bigger role eventually setting up the recognized religion for the EU, which will end up being the one-world-religion.***

It will work towards setting up its own armed forces.

**What Does Daniel 2:43 Mean?**

The last description we get from Daniel concerning this fifth kingdom is hard to understand:

***“As you saw iron mixed with ceramic clay, they will mingle with the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, just as iron does not mix with clay.”***

**Intermarriage**

*Intermarriage* is the best understanding of this fifth kingdom . . . referring to the kings of this kingdom *intermarrying* with the religious element of this union, as it was first created . . .

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**God’s Command Regarding this Idea of Intermarriage with Nations/People:**

*Deuteronomy 7*

*A Chosen People*

<sup>1</sup> “When the LORD your God brings you into the land that you are entering to take possession of it, and clears away many nations before you . . . <sup>2</sup> and when the LORD your God gives them over to you, and you defeat them, then you must devote them to complete destruction. **You shall make no covenant with them** and show no mercy to them. <sup>3</sup> **You shall not intermarry with them**, giving your daughters to their sons or taking their daughters for your sons, <sup>4</sup> for they would turn away your sons from following me, to serve other gods. Then the anger of the LORD would be kindled against you, and he would destroy you quickly. <sup>5</sup> But thus shall you deal with them: you shall break down their altars and dash in pieces their pillars and chop down their Asherim and burn their carved images with fire.

<sup>6</sup> “For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. <sup>7</sup> It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the LORD set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, <sup>8</sup> but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. <sup>9</sup> Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations . . .

***... The Holy Roman Empire was actually born in 800 A.D., when Pope Leo III placed the crown on the head of Charlemagne, announcing that he was now the emperor of the Holy Roman Empire. So, when the Bible depicts the Feet or Iron Mingled with Clay (Daniel 2:41-43), the Iron was the Roman element, but the Clay was the Religious element.***

ON NOVEMBER 3, 2009, THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE WAS, IN FACT, REBORN JUST LIKE THE PROPHECY OF DANIEL 2, JUST LIKE THE PROPHECY OF REVELATION CHAPTER 17.

And the leaders that ruled the *Holy Roman Empire* were always a Dual Leadership.

Always the Political Leader from Europe and the Spiritual Leader every single time from Italy.

It was a combination of the Political Leader and the Spiritual Leader, and of course, the Spiritual Leader was always the Pope of the Roman Catholic Church, of the Vatican.

The Iron Mingled with Clay symbolizes the *Holy Roman Empire*. So this tells us that the *Holy Roman Empire* has to be in power at the time of the Messiah coming to put down the thrones of men and to establish His Kingdom.

This teaches us that Jesus will Return to this Earth during the time of the *Holy Roman Empire*. However, a lot of people say the *Holy Roman Empire* ceased to exist in 1806 with the last Empire decaying, the last element of the *Holy Roman Empire*.

The Holy Roman Empire was declared dead in 1806, however, it was Reborn on November 3, 2009.

The Prophecy says that during this Era that Jesus Christ will Come Back to this Earth, that the anti-Christ will have his 3 ½ reign, that the False-prophet will rule with him and that Jesus Christ will Come.

Commentary Notes from "[THE REBORN HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE](#)" teaching of the late Irvin Baxter of Endtime Ministries

### **The Kingdom of God – Daniel 2:44-45**

*“And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall the kingdom be left to another people. It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever, just as you saw that a stone was cut from a mountain by no human hand, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold.” Daniel 2:44-45*

It will be during the reign of the 10 kings that Jesus Comes Back and sets up his Millennial Kingdom, which is further explained in Revelation 20.

When Jesus Comes Back, not only will he destroy the fifth kingdom, but he will also destroy the whole statue.

### **Does Jesus Destroy Kingdoms That No Longer Exist?**

The only physical kingdom that Jesus will destroy upon his return in the one world government, partly represented by the ten toes of the statue.

In order to destroy the rest of the statue, Jesus will eliminate the very spirit and attitude the statue represents.

Jesus will destroy the self-serving, power hungry spirit that this statue so aptly represents.

Look at the nations represented by the statue. Each one only cared about power, only concerned themselves with riches, and elevated themselves to be like God.

Jesus will destroy this mindset when he locks the Devil up for 1000 years. Satan will no longer be able to deceive anyone on earth for the whole 1000-year reign of Jesus on Earth.

### **Why is the Daniel 2 Statue So Important for Us Today?**

*The reason Nebuchadnezzar's dream is so important for our lives is because it lays out a timeline of end time events.*

Of course, it is just a general overview, which is further explained in the rest of Daniel, Revelation, and other prophetic books of the Bible.

The point in fully understanding this dream is to prepare your spirit and mind for what is going to happen in our lifetime.

We need to be prepared for the Second Coming of Jesus *and be about the Great Commission of "Making Disciples"*.

Jesus will establish his kingdom on Earth when he returns. This time he won't come to earth as a baby, he is coming as the glorious King. **No one will miss his Second Coming**, it will literally be an event like no other.

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#### **Review:**

#### **Following are a couple profound take-a-ways from Part 3:**

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**Moving Further From God**

So, could the interpretation mean that each kingdom would progressively become more earthly or worldly, moving further and further away from God?

Notice how Nebuchadnezzar, in Daniel chapter 4, gave honor and praise to the one true God. In Daniel 6:25-27, Darius the Mede gave his respect to God with a decree honoring Him.

King Cyrus, In Ezra chapter one, permitted the Israelites to go back to their home and begin to rebuild. However, notice that neither Darius nor Cyrus praised God the way Nebuchadnezzar did.

After King Cyrus, the rulers became progressively more worldly moving further from God, which you can clearly see with the Roman empire that crucified Jesus and eventually destroyed the second temple.

***Part 4 – Message:***

**Lesson 48 “Signs” (continued):**

- **Route Marker #10 (a Review of the Last Lesson) – The Abomination of Desolation.** Jesus said, “*Let the reader understand.*”

Up to this time the signs that Jesus used tended to be general in nature. However the Abomination of Desolation is very specific and when it occurs it marks a series of apocalyptic events leading to the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. According to Jesus, this single event must be understood.

**The Abomination of Desolation and Great Tribulation**

**Matthew 24:15-22, Mark 13:14-20**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

“Therefore when **you** see the **ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION** which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the *holy place* (**let the reader understand**),

**Note: Just a side note before we continue, if you have not noticed yet, using Jesus as the Gold Standard to End-time Prophecy, Jesus has yet taught about the Rapture of the Church in His End-time Outline . . .**

***Transition: Let’s continue to Uncover the Prophecies of Daniel:***

**Daniel 9:20-27**

*The Seventy-Weeks Prophecy*

<sup>20</sup> Now while I was speaking, praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God, <sup>21</sup> yes, while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, reached me about the time of the evening offering. <sup>22</sup> And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, **“O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you skill to understand. <sup>23</sup> At the beginning of your supplications the command went out, and I have come to tell you, for you are greatly beloved; therefore consider the matter, and understand the vision:**

<sup>24</sup> **“Seventy weeks are determined  
For your people and for your holy city,  
To finish the transgression,  
To make an end of sins,  
To make reconciliation for iniquity,  
To bring in everlasting righteousness,  
To seal up vision and prophecy,  
And to anoint the Most Holy.**

**to anoint the Most Holy.** The Feast of Trumpets (anointing a King); The Feast of Atonement (to hold accountable the origin of the sin of all mankind); The Feast of Tabernacles (To seal up Vision and Prophecy . . . the Eighth Day, the Revelation of a New Heaven and a New Earth, the fulfillment of all Prophecy)

<sup>25</sup> **“Know therefore and understand,**  
That from the going forth of the command  
To restore and build Jerusalem  
**Until Messiah the Prince,**  
*There shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks;*  
The street shall be built again, and the wall,  
Even in troublesome times.

<sup>26</sup> **“And after the sixty-two weeks  
Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself;  
And the people of the prince who is to come**

*Isaiah 9:6*

**For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called  
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,  
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.  
The end of it *shall be* with a flood,  
And till the end of the war desolations are determined.

<sup>27</sup> **Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering.**

And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even until the consummation, which is determined,  
Is poured out on the desolate.”

**Daniel 9:24-27**

**The Seventy Weeks**

<sup>24</sup>“Seventy weeks (or 490 years) are decreed about your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place.”

Seventy (70) Week Prophecy = 490 Total Years of Prophecy

**Daniel 9:25**

<sup>25</sup> **Know therefore and understand that from the going out of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks (or 49 years).**

7 Week Prophecy = 49 years of the total 490-year Prophecy (leaving 441 total years remaining of the fulfillment of the Prophecy)

- (640-609BC) – 49-years/7-weeks: Scroll Found, Prophecy Given to Exile – to the Word to Restore Jerusalem, and 483-years to the Cutting Off of the Messiah: 458BC (3303 Biblical Calendar Date) – “Josiah renovated the “Holy Temple” – (“I have found the Book of the Law in the house of the Lord” 2 Chronicles 34:15)
- (626-586BC) (3031 Biblical Calendar Date) – Jeremiah persisted in prophesying calamity (Jeremiah 2, 3:13, 4:1-2)
- (593-571BC) (3032 Biblical Calendar Date) – Ezekiel prophesied in exile (Ezekiel 47)
- (587/586BC) – The first Holy Temple was destroyed – The 9<sup>th</sup> of Av on the Biblical Calendar

**Solomon's Temple**, also known as the **First Temple** (Hebrew: *בֵּית-הַמִּקְדָּשׁ הָרִאשׁוֹן*, romanized: *Bēt hamMīqdāš hārī'šōn*, lit. 'First House of the Sanctum'), is the name of a temple in Jerusalem, which, according to the Hebrew Bible, was built during the reign of King Solomon (conventionally 10th century BCE). It was destroyed in 587/586 BCE by the Neo-Babylonian Empire under the second Babylonian king, Nebuchadnezzar II.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Solomon%27s\\_Temple](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Solomon%27s_Temple)

**635BC to 586BC = 49-years (7-weeks)**

**Daniel 9:25**

<sup>25</sup> . . . **Then for sixty-two weeks (or 483 years) it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time.**

62 Week Prophecy = 434 years of the total 490-year Prophecy (leaving 7 total years remaining of the fulfillment of the Prophecy)

- 602BC (3040 Biblical Calendar Date) – Daniel interpreted Nebuchadnezzar’s Dream (Daniel 2)
- 593-571BC (3052 Biblical Calendar Date) – Ezekiel prophesied about the future “Holy Temple” (Ezekiel 40-48) – (the end of the 7 Week Prophecy and the beginning of the 62 Week Prophecy)
- 539BC (3089 Biblical Calendar Date) – Belshazzar, in the third year of his reign, a hand appeared and wrote a mysterious inscription on the wall, the Daniel Interpreted\*

Daniel 5:22-20 – <sup>22</sup> And you his son, Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart, though you knew all this (about his Father Nebuchadnezzar), <sup>23</sup> but you have lifted up yourself against the Lord of heaven. And the vessels of his house have been brought in before you, and you and your lords, your wives, and your concubines have drunk wine from them. And you have praised the gods of silver and gold, of bronze, iron, wood, and stone, which do not see or hear or know, but the God in whose hand is your breath, and whose are all your ways, you have not honored.

<sup>24</sup> “Then from his presence the hand was sent, and this writing was inscribed. <sup>25</sup> And this is the writing that was inscribed: **MENE, MENE, TEKEL, and PARSIN.** <sup>26</sup> This is the interpretation of the matter: **MENE**, God has numbered the days of your kingdom and brought it to an end; <sup>27</sup> **TEKEL**, you have been weighed in the balances and found wanting; <sup>28</sup> **PERES**, your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians.”

<sup>29</sup> Then Belshazzar gave the command, and Daniel was clothed with purple, a chain of gold was put around his neck, and a proclamation was made about him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

<sup>30</sup> That very night Belshazzar the Chaldean king was killed. <sup>31</sup> And Darius the Mede received the kingdom, being about sixty-two years old.



Belshazzar does not live out the night. The Persians capture the city that night and Belshazzar is killed. In Daniel 5:30 we there are no details, simply the statement the king was dead and Persia was in control. According to Xenophon the city of Babylon was captured without much resistance while the inhabitants were celebrating a festival (Herodotus 1.191 and Xenophon (*Cyropedia* VII v. 15-31).

As early as Isaiah 21:9 the prophets announced with joy “Babylon is Fallen” and the vision in Daniel 2 made declared the empire would not last long after the death of the “head of gold” Nebuchadnezzar. Daniel 5 declares those prophecies are fulfilled in a spectacular manner. On a theological level, the book of Daniel is clear God established Babylon as an empire and has replaced Babylon with Persia.

<https://readingacts.com/2020/02/01/daniel-55-12-what-was-the-meaning-of-the-handwriting-on-the-wall/>

- 539-331BC (3089-3413 Biblical Calendar Date) – Persia/Media
- 538-520BC (3090 Biblical Calendar Date) – Zerubbabel led the return to the Land of Israel
- 370BC (3091 Biblical Calendar Date) – Building of Second “Holy Temple” commenced, then halted
- 362BC (3399 Biblical Calendar Date) – Esther was taken to the palace (369-355BC (3393-3406 Biblical Calendar Date) Story of Purim (14-year span))
- 357BC (3404 Biblical Calendar Date) – Esther took action against Haman’s decree
- 355BC (3406 Biblical Calendar Date) – Mordechai proclaimed the celebration of Purim (*forshadowing of the prophecy by Jesus “not on the Sabbath or in Winter” regarding the coming of the Anit-christ*) . . . in which Purim cannot be celebrated on a Sabbath and falls every years around the same period as the beginning of Spring, “not in winter.”
- 349BC (3412 Biblical Calendar Date) – Temple in Jerusalem is completed

403BC to 31AD = (441-years) 434-years (62-weeks)

#### **Daniel 9:26**

<sup>26</sup> And **after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off** and shall have nothing. **And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed.**

*“After the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off” Prophecy Event*

- 31AD (3792 Biblical Calendar Date) – Jesus is Crucified (the end of the 62 Week Prophecy and the beginning of the “an anointed one shall be cut off” Prophecy)
- 70AD – 2<sup>nd</sup> Temple Destroyed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Av (the fulfillment of the Prophecy of “**And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war,**” Daniel 9:26)

*Isaiah 9:6*

For to us a child is born,  
to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called  
**Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,**  
**Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

#### **Daniel 9:27**

<sup>27</sup> And he shall make **a strong covenant with many for one week (or 7 years), and for half of the week (or 3 ½ years) he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.**”

The pronoun “**he**” in verse 27 agrees with the nearest antecedent, “**the ruler who will come**” (the Roman prince) of verse 26b, not the Anointed One of verse 26a . . .

Other texts indicate that the abominations of Daniel 9:27 (which include the abomination of desolation) are eschatological and perpetrated by Antichrist (Dan. 12:11; Matt. 24:15). **The description of the**

**person in Daniel 9:27 parallels that of the evil ruler who persecutes the saints in the book of Daniel and elsewhere in Scripture** (cf. Dan. 7:25; 11:36-12:1; 2 Thess. 2:1-12; Rev. 13:1-10). This ruler is yet to come for he will be judged at Christ's return (cf. Dan. 7:11, 26; 11:45; 2 Thess. 2:8; Rev. 19:20. "The end that is decreed is poured out on him" is specifically described in Daniel 7:11, 26; and 11:45-12:1. **Accordingly, the person who makes the covenant and persecutes the saints is the eschatological Antichrist. He will continue his tyranny until Christ returns and judges him.**

<https://www.mabts.edu/sites/all/themes/midamerica/uploads/Miller%20article%20The%20Seventy%20Weeks%20of%20Daniel.pdf>

#### **Revelation 13:5-8**

<sup>5</sup> And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months. <sup>6</sup> It opened its mouth to utter blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in heaven. <sup>7</sup> Also it was **allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them.** And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation, <sup>8</sup> and all who dwell on earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain.

#### **Revelation 12:12-13**

Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. But woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! **For the DEVIL is come down unto you, HAVING GREAT WRATH,** because **he knows that he has but a short time.** And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman (Israel) which brought forth the man child.

#### **Daniel 7:25**

<sup>25</sup> He shall speak words against the Most High, and shall **wear out the saints** of the Most High, and shall think to change the times and the law; and **they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time** (3 ½-years).

#### **Matthew 24:9-13**

<sup>9</sup> **"Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake.** <sup>10</sup> **And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another.** <sup>11</sup> **And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray.** <sup>12</sup> **And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold.** <sup>13</sup> **But the one who endures to the end will be saved.**

#### **Matthew 24:21**

<sup>21</sup> For then **there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now,** no, and never will be.

***1 Week Prophecy = 7 years of the total 490-year Prophecy (a time which includes the "half of the week" or 3 ½ years which will include the ending of sacrifices and offering, and leaving the remaining 3 ½ years of the 7 year prophecy to "the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate" and "the decreed end is poured out on the desolator" – concluding the 70 total Prophesied Weeks "to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophecy, and to anoint a most holy place" – The Beginning of the 1,000 year Messianic Age on Earth)***

- ***2020-2021 (5781 Biblical Calendar Date) – Present Day (a proto-type and possible future frame work of the prophesied "STRONG COVENANT" that will include many nations, being signed during the exact same time-period of the "Feast of Trumpets" (early-to-mid September), seven-years out from the Coming of the Messiah (which will occur during the period of the "Feast of Trumpets"), like the prophesied beginning of the Final Week Prophecy in Daniel 9 – "he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week" – "The Abrahamic Accords")***
- The original ***Abraham Accords*** were signed by the UAE's Foreign Minister Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Bahrain's Foreign Minister Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, and U.S. President Donald Trump on September 15, 2020, at the South Lawn of the White House in Washington, D.C.
- ***The Feast of Trumpets was September 19 in 2020.***

## The Continuation of Daniel's Pre-requests to the Coming of Mashiach . . .

### Daniel 9:27

#### The Seventy Weeks

<sup>27</sup> And he (the anti-Christ) shall make a **strong** (confirm, put to more strength, strengthen, be stronger) covenant (implying there will be a covenant already in place to Strengthen) with many for one week (7-years), and for half of the week (3 ½-years) he (the anti-Christ) shall put an end to sacrifice and offering (a Temple on the existing Temple Mount must be in exists for sacrifices and offering to be able to be made). And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator (1,290-days/3-years and 7-months – Daniel 12:11).”

### Daniel 11:31

<sup>31</sup> Forces from him shall appear and profane the temple and fortress, and shall take away the regular burnt offering. And they shall set up the abomination that makes desolate.

### Daniel 12:11

<sup>11</sup> And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be 1,290 days.

**Holy Place.** Many Christians confuse the Desolation of Jerusalem (conquering and controlling the City of Jerusalem by the Gentiles) prophesied in Daniel 9:26 with the Abomination of Desolation (desecration of the Holy Place by Antichrist) in Daniel 9:27. **Jesus even cautioned the readers to be discerning about this issue.**

**In order for the Abomination of Desolation to take place either a Tabernacle or Temple has to be in existence.** The abomination occurs when something is placed, erected or established in the Holy Place portion of the Tabernacle or Temple. In the original Tabernacle only three furnishings were permitted to be in the Holy Place: The golden altar (altar of incense), the seven-branched golden lampstand and the table of showbread with its twelve loaves of bread (in this prophecy there would have to be a fourth object that is an abomination within the Holy Place, described in Scripture to be an image, an idol, given power, by the prophesied False Prophet, to even speak, as accounted of in Revelation 13:15, “And it was allowed to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast might even speak and might cause those who would not worship the image of the beast to be slain.”). The prophecies also indicate that the **regular** sacrifices and offerings to God will be stopped.

**Regular** – The Hebrew word for “regular” is Tamid, which means eternal or continuously ongoing. These sacrifices consist of two offerings to restore communion with God, the sin offering (ignorant sins against God) and the trespass offering (ignorant sins against others), and five offerings taken in communion with God, the burnt offering (service or devotion to God – brought once in the morning and once in the evening), the peace offering (praise and thanksgiving to God – could be brought anytime), the incense offering (prayer – brought once in the morning and once in the evening), and **the meat and drink offerings (bread and wine – to worship God and acknowledge complete dependence on God for ones needs each day).**

### Third Temple and Sacrifices have no Eternal Impact . . . we are no longer Under the Law?

In a discussion recently, regarding the importance of the relevance of the Third Temple and Temple Sacrifices, which once again, is argued that they have no Eternal Impact on us as Followers of Jesus Christ, as we are no longer Under the Law (simply defined as Lawless) and will not be around for any of those events, as the Church will have already been Raptured; I challenged the idea and teaching, explaining first of all, Jesus in fact teaches us to understand the prophecies of Daniel (which includes specifically a Third Temple and Temple Sacrifices) and teach others that we may not be misled and fall away from the Faith, regarding these specific prophecies, directly from the Olivet Discourse in Matthew 24, in which He commands us to Understand the Prophecies in Daniel, which describes a Lawless One, one who will contradict the Law of God, which includes the instructions of a Temple and Sacrifices, in which the Lawless One will oppose, doing things contrary to God’s teaching and instruction, as well as profaning God’s name, by first entering an existing Temple (the prophesied 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple), secondly, stopping the Sacrifices (which God commanded are required with at Temple, including the activities of the Priests), thirdly, performing signs and wonders by the power of Satan, and finally, erecting an image of himself in the Temple for worship. Now if we use the current argument of the Church that we are no longer under the Law and the Temple and the Sacrifices have no Eternal consequence for any of Jesus’ followers, than why did Jesus tell us to understand these

prophecies, to preach everything He commanded until His return, and that we are not to be misled by false teachings on the End-times that will cause many to fall away from the Faith in the Church. The fact of the matter is that if we know the Law of the Temple and the Law of the Sacrifices, then we, the Followers of Jesus will not be misled and will be able to endure, if not us personally, then those we teach who will experience these events, understanding once again Jesus' teaching in Matthew 5:17-20, regarding the relevance of the Law and the Prophets today, and the distinguishing of holy and common, and clean and unclean, that we may not be misled, even if a teacher, prophet or messiah comes, declares themselves God or a messenger of God, affirming the current False Teaching in the Church today on End-times, including the teaching that we are no longer under the Law (*we are Lawless*), the 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple and Temple Sacrifices are no longer relevant and must be stopped by an unbelieving people, the Jews, resulting in the conditioning of the Church being deceived by the Lawless one, empowered by Satan himself, with Signs and Wonders, to even deceive the Saints if that were even possible; as Paul affirms in 2 Thessalonians, because Signs and Wonders are what the Church is seeking after, like the Egyptian Magicians in the Exodus story, and not seekers of the Truth, the Word of God, and the Prophecies that have been given to help us not be misled. Let's once again read Jesus' teaching in Matthew 5:17-20, regarding the relevance of all of God's Law and Prophecies today:

**Matthew 5:17-20**

***Christ Came to Fulfill the Law***

<sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to **fulfill** (*walk it out as it should be walked out, and not complete*) them. <sup>18</sup>For truly, I say to you, until **heaven and earth pass away** (*this is an event that has not occurred yet, heaven and earth still exist, but is prophesied to pass away at the end of the millennial reign of the Messiah, therefore, the Law and the Prophets are still relevant today and into eternity*), not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, **unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees** (*the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees that are being identified here is what Jesus was calling out of the religious leaders of His days, “You leave the commandments of God and hold to the tradition of men,” Mark 7:6-9*), you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

***Prophetic Picture within the Abrahamic Accords, of the Prophetic Future 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple (Ezekiel 46-48):***

**Abrahamic Family House is Abu Dhabi**

*The United Arab Emirates unveiled plans this weekend for an interfaith complex in Abu Dhabi that will unite a church, a synagogue and a mosque, all on one property, similarly to what the Biblical Prophecies speak of on the Temple Mount.*

**October 1, 2021**

*Prototype of Future End Time Prophecy that will be a Sign that we are in the Final 7-years of the Return of the Messiah, and road marker that will set the stage for the Abomination of Desolation.*

The month of October 2021 uncovered a portion of the Mysteries of the Future End Time Prophecies of the Final 7-years, prophetically presented by the nation of United Arab Emirates through the construction of this Abrahamic Family House project inspired by the 2019 Document on Human Fraternity (*the state of feeling of friendship and mutual support within a group.*); closely followed by Pope Francis and the Grand Imam Ahmed el-Tayeb of al-Azhar, who endorsed the design.

A little deeper insight into this unique event is the revelation that the United Arab Emirates was one of the original signers of the "**Abraham Accord**" on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 on the front lawn of the White House, which included Donald Trump of the United States and Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel for a united Peace Plan towards shared Economies, a shared vision of the Temple Mount as a place of Prayer for all Nations, and a shared value of a home land for both Israel and the Palestine. And although both of these events are not the fulfillment of End Time Prophecy, they are prototypes of what these End Time prophecies will look like, not just in word form only, but now in visual form to

prepare our hearts to Return to our Father and Follow Him through these Difficult times ahead. Following are just a couple of the these written End Time Prophecies:

### **7-year Covenant & Abomination of Desolation**

*"And he (the Anti-christ) shall make a strong covenant with many for one week (the sign of the final seven years before the "Return of the Messiah"), and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator."*

**Daniel 9:27**

### **Third Temple**

*"Rise and measure the temple of God and the altar and those who worship there, but do not measure the court outside the temple; leave that out, for it is given over to the nations, and they will trample the holy city for forty-two months. And I will grant authority to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth."*

**Revelation 11:1-3**

### **Inauguration of the anti-Christ & the False Prophet**

*"Then I saw another beast rising out of the earth. It had two horns like a lamb and it spoke like a dragon (the False Prophet - "The Pope" coming out of the re-born Holy Roman Empire). It exercises all the authority of the first beast in its presence, and makes the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast . . . It performs great signs, even making fire come down from heaven to earth (the inauguration of the anti-Christ within the Third Temple) in front of people, and by the signs that it is allowed to work in the presence of the beast it deceives those who dwell on earth, telling them to make an image for the beast that was wounded by the sword and yet lived. And it was allowed to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast might even speak and might cause those who would not worship the image of the beast to be slain."*

**Revelation 13:1-15**

### **Rabbis from Israel Discover 22 Red Heifers in Texas**

Reported as a *First-hand* Account from End Time Ministries – March 17, 2022

Hear news of Rabbis from Israel discovering 22 Red Heifers in Texas late last month (from a *first-hand* account from End Time Ministries), with five of them being brought back to Israel to keep for the appointed time, as they are only 2/3 months old, with the sacrificial age of 2-years and 1-month needing to be the age of a Pure Red Heifer, which would put the potential dedication of a 3rd Temple around January 2024.

*Though this is not a prediction, it is a plausible analysis and anticipated standard of measure that Daniel 12 is expecting God's people to implore in their interpretation of "End Time" prophecy ("<sup>3</sup> And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever . . . <sup>10</sup> And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand." Daniel 12:1-12) of "Mashiach's Coming" not like a thief in the night, but rather his coming like the day, not being surprised like a thief in the night (1 Thessalonians 5:1-4).*

### **ISRAEL365 EXCLUSIVE: RED HEIFERS ARRIVE IN ISRAEL**

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*"This is the ritual law that Hashem has commanded: Instruct B'nei Yisrael to bring you a red cow without blemish, in which there is no defect and on which no yoke has been laid.*

**Numbers 19:2** (The Israel Bible™)

The Temple Institute and Boneh Israel made a huge step towards reinstating the Temple service on Thursday when five red heifers landed at Ben Gurion International Airport.

The red heifer was the main component in the Biblically mandated process of ritual purification for impurity that results from proximity or contact with a dead body. Because the elements needed for this ceremony have been lacking since the destruction of the Second Temple, all Jews today are

considered ritually impure, thereby preventing the return of the Temple service. The Temple Institute launched its Red Heifer program about a decade ago, led by Rabbi Azariah Ariel. But even in Temple times, an animal that fulfilled the Biblical requirements was exceedingly rare. Failing to produce a suitable candidate from ranchers in Israel, The Temple Institute began investigating alternative sources for a red heifer.

**Boneh Israel**, an organization that connects Christian lovers of Israel to the Holy Land, stepped in to help. Led by Byron Stinson, a native Texan, Boneh Israel understood ranchers.

“I didn’t set out to do this, but right now, I am probably the best red heifer hunter in Texas,” Byron quipped. “The Bible says to bring a red cow to purify Israel, and I may not understand it, but I am just doing what the Bible said.”

“The prophecies came true, and the Jews are back in Israel,” Byron said. “Now they need to build a Temple. But it’s like buying a really nice car. If you don’t have the key, you aren’t going anywhere. The red heifer is the key to making the Temple work like it’s supposed to.”

Boneh Israel took out full-page ads in ranching magazines, explaining the situation to ranchers. They requested that any red calves be set aside.

“Several years ago, the farmer is a devout Christian who became intensely interested in the Biblical commandment,” Stinson explained to *Isrased365 News*. “He began breeding cattle for this trait. So when my team and I set out to search ranches in Texas for a red heifer, his were already better suited.”

One of the major difficulties was that the government requires tagging calves right after birth. The ear tag creates a hole in the calf’s ear, a blemish that disqualifies the calf for the Mitzvah. The farmer explained that because of COVID, the employee who normally puts in the tags did not come to the farm when these five calves were born.

A team of **rabbis from the Temple Institute flew out to inspect the calves last year**. The requirements are incredibly demanding, requiring that there be no more than two non-red hairs on the entire calf. It must also never have been used for any labor or have been impregnated. The heifer must be two years and one day old to be suitable for the ceremony. Sometimes, a calf that is perfectly red when it is young develops black or white hairs as it grows older or may develop a blemish. Sometimes, the colored hairs fall out or disappear. Certifying the calf requires a complete and intensive inspection in which a rabbi knowledgeable in the laws goes over the entire calf with a magnifying glass.

Chanan Kupietzky, an Orthodox Jewish resident of Efrat, is the liaison between Boneh Israel and the rabbis of The Temple Institute.

“The Jews don’t need to be pure to build the Temple or to bring the public sacrifices,” Chanan explained. “On the other hand, purity will take it to the next level and will facilitate rebuilding the Temple and doing the service.”

“Education is essential to move forward, for the Jews and non-Jews,” Chanan said. “Boneh Israel is an Israeli organization whose main goal is education.”

The cows were between 5-8 months old. To be suitable for the red heifer ceremony, the cow must be two years and one day old so these heifers will be raised in Israel until they reach the proper age.

Chanan pointed out that last year was 5781 in the Hebrew calendar.

“In Hebrew numerology, this is תשפא. That is an acronym for פרה אדומה (it will be the year of the red heifer). The cows we are looking at now were conceived last year,” Kupietzky said. “This year is תשפב, an acronym for פרה בישראל (It will be a year for the heifer in Israel). In two weeks, we will begin תשפג, the year in which the ceremony of the

Red Heifer will be performed. This is an acronym for תהיה שנה פרה גאולה (It will be a year of the Red Heifer of redemption).”



(Left to right) Rabbi Azariah Ariel, rabbi Yisrael Ariel, Joshua Wander

Rabbi Israel Ariel is one of the paratroopers who was involved in the liberation of the Temple Mount in 1967. He developed a passion for the rebuilding of the Temple, and is the founder of The Temple Institute.

The Talmud has a precedent for the red heifer being provided by a non-Jew. The Talmud (Kiddushin 31a) tells the story of the non-Jew named Dama who would not wake his father, Netina, to get to the key under his pillow to retrieve the stones to sell for the breastplate of the High Priest at a price of 600,000 dinars. Dama forfeited this great sum simply so as not to disturb his father’s sleep. He was rewarded the following year by finding in his flock and selling a rare red heifer to the rabbis for the same sum.

From the time of Moses, who personally prepared the first heifer, until the destruction of the Temple, only nine red heifers were prepared. Nonetheless, this was sufficient to maintain the ritual purity of the entire nation for almost 2,000 years. According to Jewish tradition, there will only be ten red heifers in human history with the tenth heifer ushering in the Messianic era. Rabbi Moshe ben Maimon (Maimonides), the most renowned medieval Jewish scholar known by the acronym Rambam, wrote in his explanation of the *mitzvah* that “the tenth red heifer will be accomplished by the king, the Messiah; may he be revealed speedily, Amen, May it be God’s will.”

**Again**, a type of this abomination occurred once before but not for the full duration indicated in the prophecies of Daniel (8:9-14 and 12:11-12). In 167 BC, Antiochus IV - Epiphanes (God Manifest) set up a likeness of himself in the Temple, stopped the sacrifices and sacrificed a pig on the altar of burnt offerings. The Temple was cleansed and rededicated to God a little over three years later in 164 BC. The original story is found in the book of 1 Maccabees 4:36-61. The eight-day Jewish feast of Hanukkah celebrates the rededication of the Temple. Also prophesied in Daniel Chapter 8.

The Apostle Paul also refers to the Abomination of Desolation in 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4. “*Let no one in any way deceive you, for it [The Day of the Lord] will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God*”

**Seat.** There was only one seat in the Tabernacle or Temple and that was the Mercy Seat. It was where the presence of God dwelt above the Ark of the Covenant. Will this man be so bold as to actually sit on the Mercy Seat himself?

**The Day of the Lord** is a 1000-year period of time that commences with the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ to rule and reign on the earth. At that time Jesus’ disciples will be gathered to Him (*raptured to Jerusalem*), as read in **Zechariah 14:**

#### **The Coming Day of the LORD**

*<sup>2</sup> For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women raped. Half of the city shall go out into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city. <sup>3</sup> Then the LORD will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle (this is the conclusion of the Battle of Armageddon*

prophesied in Ezekiel 38-39, Joel 3:2, 12-14, Daniel 11:40, Revelation 14:20, 16:14-16, 17:14, 19:11-21, 20:1-3). <sup>4</sup> **On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east**, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley, so that one half of the Mount shall move northward, and the other half southward. <sup>5</sup> And you shall flee to the valley of my mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal. And you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. **Then the LORD my God will come, and all the holy ones with him** (angels, and can also be referenced to as the saints).

<sup>6</sup> On that day there shall be no light, cold, or frost. <sup>7</sup> And there shall be a unique day, which is known to the LORD, neither day nor night, but at evening time there shall be light.

<sup>8</sup> On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of them to the eastern sea and half of them to the western sea (as prophesied in Ezekiel 47). It shall continue in summer as in winter.

<sup>9</sup> **And the LORD will be king over all the earth. On that day the LORD will be ONE and his name ONE.**

<sup>10</sup> The whole land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem. But Jerusalem shall remain aloft on its site from the Gate of Benjamin to the place of the former gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses. <sup>11</sup> And it shall be inhabited, for there shall never again be a decree of utter destruction. Jerusalem shall dwell in security.

<sup>12</sup> **And this shall be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the peoples that wage war against Jerusalem: their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet, their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongues will rot in their mouths.**

<sup>13</sup> **And on that day a great panic from the LORD shall fall on them, so that each will seize the hand of another, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other.** <sup>14</sup> Even Judah will fight at Jerusalem. And the wealth of all the surrounding nations shall be collected, gold, silver, and garments in great abundance. <sup>15</sup> And a plague like this plague shall fall on the horses, the mules, the camels, the donkeys, and whatever beasts may be in those camps.

<sup>16</sup> **Then everyone who survives of all the nations that have come against Jerusalem shall go up year after year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Booths.**

**The Day of the Lord . . . (continued) . . .** At that time Jesus' disciples will be gathered to Him . . . and the wrath of God will be poured out on the wicked (as read in **2 Peter 3**):

#### **The Day of the Lord Will Come**

<sup>1</sup> . . . ***I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder,*** <sup>2</sup> that you should remember the predictions of the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles, <sup>3</sup> knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires. <sup>4</sup> They will say, "Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation." <sup>5</sup> For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God, <sup>6</sup> and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished. <sup>7</sup> **But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.**

<sup>8</sup> **But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day [The Day of the Lord].** <sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. <sup>10</sup> **But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away (this is the 8<sup>th</sup> day of the Feast of Tabernacles, which will be observed throughout the Millennial Reign of Christ, and conclude with the Prophesied passing away of Heaven and Earth, the end of all prophecy), with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed .**



<sup>11</sup> Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, **what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness,** <sup>12</sup> waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which **the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!** <sup>13</sup> **But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.**

The Thessalonians, to whom Paul was writing in 51 AD, were concerned that the Day of the Lord had already come in their time. Though some of Jesus' signs had come to pass by then, such as the rise of false prophets and tribulation, Paul said that their gathering to Jesus could not happen until after the Abomination of Desolation had *occurred*:

### ***Paul's Teaching Against the Doctrine of Eminency***

#### **The Second Coming & The Rapture are One Simultaneous Event**

##### **2 Thessalonians 2:1-9**

*The Man of Lawlessness*

<sup>1</sup> **Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together** to him, we ask you, brothers, <sup>2</sup> **not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed**, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect **that the day of the Lord has come.** <sup>3</sup> **Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed,** the son of destruction, <sup>4</sup> who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. <sup>5</sup> Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? <sup>6</sup> And you know what is **restraining him** now so that he may be revealed in his time. <sup>7</sup> For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only **he who now restrains** it will do so until he is out of the way. <sup>8</sup> And then **the lawless one** will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and **bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming.** <sup>9</sup> The coming of **the lawless one** is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders.

*Verse(s) Breakdown of 2 Thessalonians 2:1-9:*

<sup>1</sup> **Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together** to him, we ask you, brothers,

**Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together**

– Paul here is teaching against the doctrine of Eminency, *that Jesus can come at anytime*; and rather taught that the Second Coming and the Rapture are one simultaneous event that must follow several prior events, as listed in the continuing passage of 2 Thess 2:1-9.

**the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ** – The Second Coming

**our being gathered together** – The Rapture; and the two, The Second Coming & The Rapture being as one simultaneous event.

*One Simultaneous Event* – Jesus said, **“Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man . . . and they will gather his elect from the four winds,”** **Matthew 24:29-31**

**Revelation 6:12-17**

<sup>12</sup> When he opened **the sixth seal**, I looked, and **behold**, there was a **great earthquake**, and the **sun became black** as sackcloth, the full **moon became like blood**, <sup>13</sup> and the **stars of the sky fell** to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale. <sup>14</sup> **The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up**, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. <sup>15</sup> Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, <sup>16</sup> calling to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from **the wrath of the Lamb**,” <sup>17</sup> **for the great day of their wrath has come**, and who can stand?”

**the sixth seal**, I looked, and **behold**, there was a **great earthquake**, and the **sun became black** as sackcloth, the full **moon became like blood**, <sup>13</sup> and the **stars of the sky fell** to the earth – **The Signs that MUST preceding the Second Coming.**

**Matthew 24:29-31: The Coming of the Son of Man – the sixth seal**

<sup>29</sup> “**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. <sup>30</sup> Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man.”

**The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up** – The Actual Second Coming of the Messiah.

**the wrath of the Lamb**, for the great day of their wrath has come – The Wrath of God that preludes the Messiah’s (Jesus’) Second Coming, just after the Sealing of God’s people (Ezekiel 9:4-6), beginning just prior to the Battle of Armageddon and continues just after the Feast of Atonement for an additional 35-days (1335-days following the Abomination of Desolation – Daniel 12:11-12).

In *Ezekiel 9:4-6*, the Lord gives us a bit of a frightening image of the last days:

*“<sup>4</sup> And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.*

*<sup>5</sup> And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:*

*<sup>6</sup> Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.” (Ezekiel 9:4-6 – KJV)*

The tether of God's patience and tolerance has run out and He is about to exact judgment on the ungodly. But before His wrath is poured out, we see an act of mercy upon His children...

*...set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof. (v. 4, KJV)*

While the ungodly are to be slain, the Lord reiterates His instruction...

*...come not near any man upon whom is the mark... (v. 6, KJV)*

But back to the ungodly...

*...begin at my sanctuary. (v. 6, KJV)*

Two things to notice here:

- 1) According to Ezekiel 9:6, judgment begins at the house of God, which is also confirmed in **1 Peter 4:17** (“For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?”).
- 2) **The mark is placed upon unique individuals. Notice the Lord does not say to do so for those who call on His name, but those “that sigh and cry for all the abominations in their midst.”** Are we crying over the abominations in our midst today, or do we merely blush at sin in our presence? Are we so passionate for the righteousness and holiness of God that it tears us apart when we see lives being lived contrary to that?

In *Joel 3:16*, we receive another frightening picture of these times...

*The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: (KJV)*

Remember the Israelites and nations at Sinai were terrified of the Lord's voice, so much so that they pleaded for only Moses to speak with God and Moses report back to them what He said. The Lord's voice breaks the cedars of Lebanon and shatters the mountains. This would indicate a truly terrifying moment. But the verse continues...

...but the LORD will be the hope [place of harbor] of His people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

*And the True Test of the Righteous and the Unrighteous:*

**Obey the Truth Contained in the Gospel (the Commands of Jesus)**

**2 Thessalonians 1:7-10**

“when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on (#1) those who do not know God and on (#2) those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints . . .”

**obey the gospel** – “make disciples . . . teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you,” **Matthew 28:19-20**

*Verse(s) Breakdown of 2 Thessalonians 2:1-9:*

<sup>2</sup> **not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed**, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect **that the day of the Lord has come**.

**not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed . . . that the day of the Lord has come** – Again, Paul here reiterates the false teaching against the doctrine of Eminency, *that Jesus can come at anytime*; and rather continues his teaching that the Second Coming and the Rapture are one simultaneous event that must follow several prior events, as listed in this passage of 2 Thessalonians 2:1-9.

*Verse(s) Breakdown of 2 Thessalonians 2:1-9:*

<sup>3</sup> **Let no one deceive you in any way**. For **that day will not come, unless** the rebellion comes first, and **the man of lawlessness is revealed**, the son of destruction,

**Let no one deceive you in any way** – False Teachers, False Messiahs, False Prophets, found teaching in the Church, wolves in sheep’s clothing.

“And Jesus answered them, “See that **no one leads you astray**.” **Matthew 24:4**

“For many will come in my name, saying, ‘**I am the Christ**,’ and they will **lead many astray**.” **Matthew 24:5**

“And many **false prophets** will arise and **lead many astray**.” **Matthew 24:11**

“Beware of false prophets, who **come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves**.” **Matthew 7:15**

**that day will not come, unless** – The Second Coming and the Rapture will not come until after 1) The Great Apostasy (Falling Away – the Breaking of Covenant of the Saints), 2) The man of lawlessness, the anti-Christ, is revealed, followed by him seating himself in the Third Temple, yet to be built, on the Temple Mount, proclaiming himself to be God.

**the rebellion come first** – “Then they will deliver you up to **tribulation** and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. And then **many will fall away** and betray one another and hate one another.” **Matthew 24:9-10**

**tribulation** – (The Coming of the Son of Man)<sup>29</sup> “**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.”<sup>30</sup> *Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man.*” **Matthew 24:29-30**

**Immediately after the tribulation of those days** – (the Church is going to be here during the Great Tribulation):

“As I looked, **this horn made war with the saints and prevailed over them** (*one Bride one Church*).” **Daniel 7:21**

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” I said to him, “Sir, you know.” And he said to me, “**These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**” **Revelation 7:13-14**

“And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. <sup>12</sup> Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for **the devil has come down to you in great wrath**, because he knows that his time is short!” . . . <sup>17</sup> **Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.**” **Revelation 12:11-17**

“Also **it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them**. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation.” **Revelation 13:7**

**Verse(s) Breakdown of 2 Thessalonians 2:1-9:**

<sup>4</sup> who opposes and exalts **himself** against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.

**himself** – The man of lawlessness, the anti-Christ, is revealed, followed by him seating himself in the Third Temple, yet to be built, on the Temple Mount, proclaiming himself to be God:

**The Abomination of Desolation**

<sup>15</sup> “So when you see **the abomination of desolation** spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), <sup>16</sup> then **let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains**. <sup>17</sup> Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, <sup>18</sup> and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. <sup>19</sup> And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! <sup>20</sup> Pray that your flight may **not be in winter or on a Sabbath**. <sup>21</sup> For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. <sup>22</sup> And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. <sup>23</sup> **Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There he is!’ do not believe it.** <sup>24</sup> *For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect.* <sup>25</sup> See, I have told you beforehand. <sup>26</sup> So, if they say to you, ‘Look, he is in the wilderness,’ do not go out. If they say, ‘Look, he is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe it. <sup>27</sup> For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. **Matthew 24:15-27**

**the abomination of desolation** – (*The time of the End*) <sup>11</sup> And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and **the abomination that makes desolate** is set up, there shall be **1,290 days** (*Abomination to Messiah’s Return*). <sup>12</sup> Blessed is he who waits and arrives at the **1,335 days** (*Abomination to the end of the Wrath of God on the Earth*). <sup>13</sup> But go your way till the end. And you shall rest and shall stand in your allotted place at the end of the days.” **Daniel 12:1-13**

**let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains** – there were no Jews in Judaea until 1967, for nearly 2,000 years, and today there are nearly 450,000 Jews now occupy Judaea, not including those who have moved into East Jerusalem. Under the proposed “Trump Peace Plan”, there will be a Palestinian State in Judaea, **fulfillment of Jesus’ Prophecy** (Matthew 24:15-16: *flee*), that halfway through the **one-week covenant** (Daniel 9:27: *one-week = seven years*) before Armageddon, Jews will be chased out of Judea following the Abomination of Desolation, as most of Judea will be under Palestinian rule, as proposed in the “Trump Peace Plan”. In

addition, as proposed in the Peace Plan, the Temple Mount will be under a shared arrangement as an International place of worship for all faiths, which is also prophesied in Revelation 11:1-2, that the Third Temple will be on the Temple Mount **under shared arrangement**, trodden outside of the Third Temple by the Gentiles (nations) for 42 months (3 ½ years) into the Battle of Armageddon.

**fulfillment of Jesus' Prophecy** – “So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),<sup>16</sup> then **let those who are in Judea flee** to the mountains.” **Matthew 24:15-16**

**one-week covenant** – (mark of the final 7 years) – “And he (*the anti-Christ*) shall confirm **the covenant with many for one week**: and **in the midst of the week** (3 ½-years) he (*the anti-Christ*) shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he (*the anti-Christ*) shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.” **Daniel 9:27**

**under shared arrangement** – <sup>1</sup>“Then I was given a measuring rod like a staff, and I was told, ‘Rise and measure **the temple of God** and the alter and those who worship there, <sup>2</sup>but do not measure the court outside the temple; leave that out, for **it is given over to the Gentiles** (nations), and they **will trample the holy city for forty-two months** (3 ½ years).” **Revelation 11:1-2**

**not be in winter or on a Sabbath** – during the Feast of Purim, the beginning of Spring.

**“on a Sabbath”** – this could indicate the weekly Sabbath (about 6 pm Friday evening until about 6 pm on Saturday evening) or any one of the seven Sabbaths within the Feasts of the Lord (*aka* the “*Appointed Times of the Lord*,” (Genesis 1:14; Leviticus 23) designed by God to be exact days and times in the future that God set on His timeline, that He would reveal Himself and redeem those who choose to follow Him, as was prophetically fulfilled by Yeshua, our Messiah, through the “*Appointed Times*” of Passover, Unleavened Bread, First Fruits, and Weeks (*Pentecost*), on the exact days that God appointed, where God offered redemption to all mankind. Therein lies the future fulfillment of an “*Appointed Time*” that falls “*not in the Winter*” and “*not on a Sabbath*” in God’s unique appointed feast time known as “*Purim*” (“*obliging them to keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same, year by year . . . these days of Purim should be observed at their appointed seasons,*” Esther 9:20-31; a **mystery appointed time** (“*nothing is hidden, except to be revealed; nor has anything been secret, but that it should come to light.*” Mark 4:22; Hebrews 4:13; Colossians 2:-23; 1 Samuel 2:8) like the mystery appointed time of Hanukkah, which reveals the prophetic light of the conception of our Messiah, prophesied in Daniel 8; the feast of *Purim*, in like manner, reveals the future prophetic, exact day and hour, of the beginning of the “*Abomination of Desolation*,” prophesied in Daniel 9-12, which includes an extraordinary timeline that aligns with the “*Feast of Trumpets*”; in this book of Esther, that does not directly mention God one time, yet clearly reveals God at work.) which falls at the beginning of Spring, just after the season of Winter, and cannot be celebrated on a Sabbath, in addition, 30-days out from the “*Feast of Passover*” (Revelation 11:3), and 1,290-days (Daniel 12:11) out from the “*Feast of Trumpets*,” the prophetic Feast and “*Appointed Time*” of the Return of the Messiah and Coronation as King, throughout the Millennial Reign and into Eternity.

**Verse(s) Breakdown of 2 Thessalonians 2:1-9:**

<sup>5</sup> Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things?

<sup>6</sup> And you know what is **restraining him now** so that he may be **revealed in his time**.

**restraining him now** – God’s own timeline dictates it (**ἄρτι**, – STRONGS NT 737: “suggested reference to some other time or to some **expectation**” – *set time/appointed time*). (<https://biblehub.com/greek/737.htm>)

**him** – (**αὐτός**, – pronoun – STRONGS NT 846) In itself it signifies nothing but applies to what has either been previously mentioned or, when the whole discourse is looked at . . . When used to express Opposition or Distinction, it is added to the subjects implied in the *verb* (*contextual verbs: restraining, revealed*), with the personal pronouns being omitted. (<https://biblehub.com/greek/846.htm>)

Ultimately a decision as to the identity of the restrainer will be made on the basis of answering the question, *Who is powerful enough to hold back Satan?* The obvious and only answer to that question is God. Therefore, the restrainer must be God Himself. In this view the neuter in verse 6 would remind us of the power of God in general, and the masculine in verse 7 would point to the person of God.

<https://bible.org/book/export/html/6262>

**revealed** – (**ἀποκαλύπτω** – verb – STRONGS NT 601) (from **575** /*apó*, “away from” and **2572** /*kalýptō*, “to cover”) – properly, uncover, *revealing* what is hidden (veiled, obstructed), especially its *inner* make-up; (figuratively) to make plain (manifest), particularly what is *immaterial* (*invisible*). An internal disclosure, to the believer. (<https://biblehub.com/greek/601.htm>)

**in his time** – “*But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law.*” Galatians 4:4

**time** – (**καιρός** – noun, Masculine – STRONGS NT 2540) *kairós* – *time as opportunity* . . . 2540 /*kairós* (“*opportune time*”) is derived from *kara* (“head”) referring to things “coming to a head” to take full-advantage of . . . 2540 (*kairós*) is “the *suitable time, the right moment* (e.g. Soph., *El.* 1292), a *favorable moment*” (*DNTT*, 3, 833). (<https://biblehub.com/greek/2540.htm>)

ὁ καιρός alone, **the time when things are brought to a crisis, the decisive epoch waited for:** so of the time when the Messiah will visibly return from heaven.

<https://biblehub.com/greek/2540.htm>

**Verse(s) Breakdown of 2 Thessalonians 2:1-9:**

<sup>7</sup> For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only **he who now restrains** it will do so until he is out of the way.

**he who now restrains** – God’s own timeline dictates it (**ἄρτι**, – STRONGS NT 737: “suggested reference to some other time or to some **expectation**” (*set time/appointed time*)).

<sup>8</sup> And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and **bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming.**

**bring to nothing by the appearance OF HIS COMING** – The Second Coming.

**bring to nothing:**

“**And the beast was captured**, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur.” **Revelation 19:20**

**And the beast was captured** – a time described at Jesus’ Second Coming at the Atoning Sacrifice at the “*Feast of Atonement*”.

**Verse(s) Breakdown of 2 Thessalonians 2:1-9:**

<sup>9</sup> The coming of **the lawless one** is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders.

**The lawless one** – the anti-Christ, performing FALSE signs and wonders.

**The Generation that sees all these things shall not pass, until everything is fulfilled!**

“Truly, I say to you, **this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.**”  
Matthew 24:34-35

**this generation will not pass away until all these things take place** – *Which Generation?* The generation of “*The times of the Gentiles*” – “and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles until the **times of the Gentiles** be fulfilled,”  
Luke 21:24.

**times of the Gentiles** – After the Romans destroyed Jerusalem in 70 AD, Jews were allowed to remain there until the Bar Kokhba Revolt (131-135 AD). They were expelled from the city of Jerusalem in 134 AD and it was renamed Aelia Capitolina. The city remained under foreign (Gentile) control until June 8, 1967 when it was liberated from Jordan in the Six Day War. In 1980, a proclamation was issued that declared Jerusalem a united city under Israeli sovereignty.

**Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away** – this time period will follow the Millennial reign of Christ on the Earth, the concluding fulfillment of the “*Feast of Tabernacles*”, which includes the “*Great White Throne Judgment*”, the establishment of a “*New Heaven and New Earth*”, and the culmination of the “*The Wedding Feast of the Lamb*”.

Why did Jesus give us these Prophecies? – to tell us, so that we might understand, that we are the people of the end times.

The end time has now arrived, a time Jesus spoke of 2,000 years ago.

Jesus’ disciples will know beforehand that the Abomination of Desolation is going to occur because Jesus commands them to pray that it will not occur in the wintertime or on a Sabbath. And once it does occur, He commands that the disciples living in Judea flee to the mountains immediately.

The Abomination of Desolation marks the beginning of a period of **great** tribulation, known in the Old Testament as the time of Jacob’s trouble (*Jeremiah 30:7*). Messianic fervor will be in vogue, as many people will be expecting the Messiah. That is why Jesus warns His disciples that false Christs and false prophets will appear during this period of time. And **they will even be performing great signs and wonders**. Jesus cautions His disciples not to go after them because His coming will be obvious to everyone.

**Outline to Jesus, the Gold Standard to End-time Prophecy Series:**

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**Part 5**

**Jesus' End-time Outline**

**Matthew 24:15-31, Mark 13:14-28, Luke 21:25-28**

**“Signs” (continued) . . .**

***The Appointed Times of the Lord & The Sign of the Son of Man***

**KEY TEXT OF END TIME TEACHING:**

*“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”*

**Matthew 24:3**

*And He said, “See to it that **you** be not misled . . .”*

**Matthew 24:4**

**Introduction:**

*Why do we study the Signs and Return of our Messiah every year during the same period of time, August/September? The reason for this is because this is the season in God's Biblical Calendar that is known as “The King is in the Field,” a period of time when God's people are expecting an engagement, a meeting, an appointment with the Lord of the Universe; His Coming to the Earth to Restore and Renew all things as they were Created, the Jubilee of all Jubilees, as prophesied in His first Coming, at the beginning of His ministry and His reading of Isaiah 61:1-2, speaking of this time of Jubilee, which bookmarked His First Coming and will bookend His Second Coming, during this same Season, when the King is in the Field, and his ultimate Rule on Earth as King of kings and Lord of lords during the prophesied Messianic Era of 1,000-years, to His final Judgment of all things.*

**Part 5 – Message:**

***Jesus' Outline of End-times Continues . . .***

**The Abomination of Desolation and Great Tribulation**

**Matthew 24:15-22, Mark 13:14-20**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

*(continued) . . . then let **those who are in Judea** (Judea. At the time of Jesus, Judea was an area falling within a thirty-five mile radius of its capitol, Jerusalem.) **flee to the mountains; let him who is on the housetop not go down to get the things out that are in his house; and let him who is in the field not turn back to get his cloak.** But woe to **those** who are with child and to those who nurse babes in those days! **But pray that your** (a message for Disciples, not a message to non-followers of Jesus/Disciples) flight may **not be in the winter, or on a Sabbath (this is the Appointed Time of the Feast of Purim, which falls just following Winter, 30-days out from Passover, and 1,290-days prior to the Feast of Trumpets and the Coming of the Messiah)** . . .*

***The KEY to Unlocking the End-time Timeline, “The Appointed Times of the Lord/Feasts of the Lord):***

**Genesis 1:14**

<sup>14</sup> And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for **signs** and for **seasons**, and for days and years, <sup>15</sup> and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. <sup>16</sup> And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. <sup>17</sup> And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, <sup>18</sup> to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. <sup>19</sup> And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

**Signs:** 226. **oth:** a sign, a witness, a pledge (*signs, tokens* of changes of **weather** & **times** Genesis 1:14 . . .).

**Seasons:** 4150. **moed:** **appointed time**, place, or meeting (translations used: **appointed feasts, appointed times, fixed festivals, set time, times appointed.**)

**Note:** It is most probable that in Genesis 1:14 (P), where אֹתָם מָ"מ, the reference is to the sacred seasons as fixed by moon's appearance; and so also לַמַּעַרְבָּיִם יָרָחָהּ לַמַּעַרְבָּיִם *he made the moon for sacred seasons* Psalms 104:19,



“He made the moon to mark the seasons (the appointed times – Genesis 1:14);  
the sun knows its time for setting.”  
*Psalm 104:19*

### Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance

Or moled {mo-ade’}; or (feminine) mowedah (2 Chronicles 8:13) {mo-aw-daw’}; from ya’ad; properly, an appointment, i.e. A fixed time or season; conventionally (regularly) a year; an assembly (as convened for a definite purpose); also a signal (as appointed beforehand).

**Note:** It is here in **Genesis 1:14**, that we learn that God put the “Redemption of Mankind” in the signs and seasons (sun, moon, stars, and seasons), “The Appointed Times”, of his creation, Day 4, a number symbolizing “Rest & Refreshment”, before He had even created man, and even before man had even fallen, and needed God’s Redemption. God had a perfect plan and purpose He created from the beginning of time for the Redemption and Salvation of all things (Matthew 5:8, Ephesians 1:10). This also speaks of God being the Author and Finisher (Hebrews 12:2, John 1:1-4), the Beginning and the End (Revelation 22:13), and the focus and goal of our faith (Hebrews 12:2).

“You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky,  
but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?” **Luke 12:56**

### *Leviticus 23:1-2* *Feasts of the Lord*

**The Lord spoke to Moses**, saying, “Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, These are the appointed (fixed festivals) feasts (an exact divine appointment) of the Lord that you shall proclaim (attract the attention of and detain (someone) in conversation) as holy (set apart for a most holy thing) convocations (rehearsal, assembly, reading); they are my appointed feasts.” **Leviticus 23:1-2**

### **1 Thessalonians 5:1**

#### *The Day of the Lord*

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you.

**times:** (*chronos* – 5550 Strong’s) – exact time (plural joined with *kairós*).

**5550** *xrónos* – *time* (in general), especially viewed *in sequence* (a “*succession of moments*”); *time in duration* in the *physical-space world*, sovereignly apportioned by God to each person; especially expresses time *quantitatively* (with regard to the quantity of something rather than its quality).

**seasons/epochs:** (*kairós* – 2540 Strong’s) – a fixed and definite time, appointed times, an occasion, set or proper time, for a certain time only, for the season of an hour, i.e. for a short season.

**2540** *kairós* – *time as opportunity*. 2540 /*kairós* (“*opportune time*”) is derived from *kara* (“*head*”) referring to things “*coming to a head*” to take full-advantage of. 2540 (*kairós*) is “*the suitable time, the right moment* (e.g. Soph., *El.* 1292), a *favorable moment*” (*DNTT*, 3, 833).

### **Satan’s Strategy before the Coming of Mashiach**

#### **Daniel 7:25**

<sup>25</sup> He shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time (*3 ½-years*).

**times:** (*zeman* – 2166 Strong’s) – festival seasons (festival), appointed periods, epochs

**law:** (*dath* – 1882 Strong’s) – **absolute law, law(s) of God.** (*which includes the “Feasts of the Lord” aka the “Appointed Times of the Lord”*)

## The Prophetic Picture and Proto-type of End-time Prophecy being known during the time of the End of the Age:

### The Feast of PURIM (an Annual Appointed Time) “For Such a Time as This!”

One of the most joyous of all the Biblical festivals, **Purim** (*Festival of Lots*), celebrations **the exemplary leadership and bravery of Hadassah (Esther), a Jewish girl who rose to become ancient Persia's Queen Esther. As the queen, Esther risked death to uncover and overturn a plot to murder the Jewish People in Persia.** Purim is a “*Celebration of Forgetting*” – forgetting our enemy’s plan for our destruction and our remembering God’s plan for his destruction instead – **VICTORY OVER DEATH** (“*blot out the memory of Amalek,*” Exodus 17:14, “*you shall blot out the memory of Amalek,*” Deuteronomy 25:19). Haman, the villain who wickedly plots to destroy the Jewish People, was a descendant of Agag, the king of the Amalekites, representing pure evil or those who have “*given themselves over*” to the dark side of impurity. Indeed, the name Amalek symbolically is an eye, meaning “*doubt*” and “*haughty*”, therefore represents “*the evil eye of doubt*”, understood in this way, Amalek represents spiritual blindness acting arrogantly in the world, and therefore the Lord vowed perpetual warfare against Amalek” (Ex 17:16). Concerning this verse, it suggests that God’s rule will be incomplete until the powers of darkness are totally wiped off the face of the earth (*by the hand of Jesus our Lord; see Revelation 19-20*). Amalek embodies the principle of “*the evil eye of doubt*”, the lack of the fear of God, and therefore represents the power of darkness and evil in the world.

**Like Esther, who submitted herself to a prolonged preparation time for the king, Believers, continuously dedicate themselves in preparation to meet Jesus their Messiah.** This process begins with the anointing of the Holy Spirit, who washes and renews us (*Titus 3:5*), brings us into unity (*Ephesians 4:3*) and enables us to obey the truth (*1 Peter 1:22*), among other important works. And like Esther who was **faithful, beautiful, pure, and courageous**, even to the point of being willing to lose her life to save her brethren, with the help of the Spirit, the Bride of Messiah is called to be faithful to God's word, beautifully pure in spirit, and courageous in sharing the truth of who Jesus is. As a result of their courage, many Believers, past, present, and future, suffer and will suffer severe persecution, even death. Relying on God and not her own talents and natural abilities, Esther, like Believers, know they cannot accomplish anything for the kingdom of God without relying totally on God's leading and protection. Carrying the full authority of the King and the seal of his signet ring, Esther too is able to issue decrees that cannot be revoked (*Esther 8:8*), in the same manner, Jesus gives His followers the authority to defeat the works of the enemy (*Luke 10:19*).

**The Holiday of PURIM always begin 30-days out from the Feast of Passover, annually during the same time of the beginning of Spring.** Like Esther, are you called **FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS?**

*“For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch.” Isaiah 62:1*

**“Future Prophetic Fulfillment” of the Feast of Purim/Lots:** will be fulfilled at the unveiling of the worker of lawlessness who will erect an image of himself in the Temple, during what has been prophesied as the “**Abomination of Desolation**” (“*So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand)*” – Dan 7:25, 9:26-27, 11:3, Matt 24:15-28, 2 Thess 2:4, Rev 11:7, 13:5-6). And this, at an **Appointed Time**, as Jesus instructed, “*Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath,*” Matthew 24:20, which describes a specific time, during a certain **Feast/Appointed Time**, the **Feast of Purim**, “*the Jews firmly obligated themselves and their offspring and all who joined them, that without fail they would keep these two days according to what was written and at the time Appointed every year, that these days should be remembered and kept throughout*

every generation, in every clan, province, and city, and that these days of Purim should never fall into disuse among the Jews, nor should the commemoration of these days cease among their descendants,” Esther 9:27-28, which falls exactly 30-days before the Feast of Passover, but even more significantly, **falls most years, at the beginning of Spring, “not in winter or on a Sabbath”**. And like Hamon in the story of Esther, the anti-Christ's plan is to destroy God's people, either by deception (“The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, and with all wicked deception,” 2 Thess 2:9-12) or persecution (“For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be,” Matthew 24:21).

**“not . . . on a Sabbath”** – Therein lies the future fulfillment of an “Appointed Time” that falls “not in the Winter” and “not on a Sabbath” in God’s unique appointed feast time known as **“Purim”** (“obliging them to keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same, year by year . . . these days of Purim should be observed at their appointed seasons,” Esther 9:20-31); a **mystery appointed time** (“nothing is hidden, except to be revealed; nor has anything been secret, but that it should come to light,” Mark 4:22; Hebrews 4:13; Colossians 2:-23; 1 Samuel 2:8) like the mystery appointed time of Hanukkah, which reveals the prophetic light of the conception of our Messiah, prophesied in Daniel 8; the feast of Purim, in like manner, reveals the future prophetic, exact day and hour, of the beginning of the “Abomination of Desolation,” prophesied in Daniel 9-12, which includes an extraordinary timeline that aligns with the “Feast of Trumpets”; in this book of Esther, that does not directly mention God one time, yet clearly reveals God at work.) **which** falls at the beginning of Spring, just after the season of Winter, and cannot be celebrated on a Sabbath, in addition, 30-days out from the “Feast of Passover” (1,260-days - Revelation 11:3), and 1,290-days (Daniel 12:11) out from the “Feast of Trumpets,” the prophetic Feast and “Appointed Time” of the Return of the Messiah and Coronation as King, throughout the Millennial Reign and into Eternity.

### The Abomination of Desolation and Great Tribulation Matthew 24:15-22, Mark 13:14-20

Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”

(continued) for then there will be a **great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever shall** (unprecedented tribulation/persecution unmatched to anytime ever in history). And unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but **for the sake of the elect those days shall be cut short** (cut short 35-days of the 1,335-days of Daniel’s Prophecy . . . which will begin at the closing gate ceremony of ‘The Feast of Atonement’, 10-days following Daniel’s Prophesied 1,290, which is the ‘Feast of Trumpets’ – i.e. 2 Peter 3:7, “But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly”).”

**great tribulation** – “At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. **And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time.** But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found **written in the book** (this is a key Hebraic term giving us a specific timestamp of the Feast of Atonement, when it is taught that the Books are Open – the Book of Life, the Book of the Dead, and the Book of Remembrance – Malachi 3, during the time of “The Day of the Lord”). **Daniel 12:1-4**

#### Malachi 3

“Behold, I send my messenger (Elijah/The Two Witnesses (Moses & Elijah – Matthew 17 . . . see Lesson 29 – “Listen to Jesus” of “A Journey with Jesus” on page 12)), and he will prepare the way before me. **And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.** <sup>2</sup> But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. <sup>3</sup> He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the LORD. <sup>4</sup> **Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.**<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> “<sup>1</sup> **the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple . . . <sup>4</sup> Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years**” (Malachi 3:1,4) – In a discussion recently, regarding the importance of the relevance of the **Third Temple** and **Temple Sacrifices**, which once again, is argued that they have no Eternal Impact on us as Followers of Jesus Christ, as we are “No Longer Under the Law” (simply defined as Lawless) and will not be around for any of those events, as the Church will have already been Raptured; I

**Malachi 3 (continued)**

<sup>5</sup>“**Then I will draw near to you for judgment.** I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

**Robbing God**

<sup>6</sup>“**For I the LORD do not change;** therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed. <sup>7</sup>From the days of your fathers you have turned aside from my statutes and have not kept them. **Return to me, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts.** But you say, ‘How shall we return?’ <sup>8</sup>Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, ‘How have we robbed you?’ In your tithes and contributions. <sup>9</sup>You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you. <sup>10</sup>Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. <sup>11</sup>I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of your soil, and your vine in the field shall not fail to bear, says the LORD of hosts. <sup>12</sup>Then all nations will call you blessed, for you will be a land of delight, says the LORD of hosts.

<sup>13</sup>“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against you?’ <sup>14</sup>You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts?’ <sup>15</sup>And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.”

challenged the idea and teaching, explaining first of all, Jesus in fact teaches us how to understand and teach others that we may not be misled and fall away from the Faith, directly from the Olivet Discourse in Matthew 24, in which He commands us to “*Understand the Prophecies in Daniel*”, which describes a Lawless One, one who will contradict the Law of God, which includes the instructions of a Temple and Sacrifices, in which the Lawless One will oppose, doing things contrary to God’s teaching and instruction, as well as profaning God’s name, by first entering an existing Temple (*the prophesied 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple*), secondly, stopping the Sacrifices (*which God commanded are required with at Temple, including the activities of the Priests*), thirdly, performing signs and wonders by the power of Satan, and finally, erecting an image of himself in the Temple for worship. Now if we use the current argument of the Church, that we are “*No Longer Under the Law*” and the Temple and the Sacrifices have not Eternal consequence for any of Jesus’ followers, than why did Jesus tell us to understand these prophecies, to preach everything He commanded until His return, and that we are not to be misled by false teachings on the End-times that will cause many to fall away from the Faith in the Church. The fact of the matter is that if we know the Law of the Temple and the Law of the Sacrifices, then we, the Followers of Jesus will not be misled and will be able to endure, if not us personally, then those we teach who will experience these events, understanding once again Jesus’ teaching in Matthew 5:17-20, regarding the relevance of the Law and the Prophets today, and the distinguishing of holy and common, and clean and unclean (Ezekiel 44:23), that we may not be misled, even if a teacher, prophet or messiah comes, declares themselves God or a messenger of God, affirming the current False Teaching in the Church today on End-times, we are “*No Longer Under the Law*” (*simply defined as Lawless*), including that the Third Temple and Temple Sacrifices are no longer relevant and must be stopped by an unbelieving people, the Jews, and now conditioned to be deceived by the Lawless one, empowered by Satan himself, with Signs and Wonders, to even deceive the Saints if that were even possible, as Paul affirms in 2 Thessalonians, because Signs and Wonders are what the Church is seeking after being deceived, like the Egyptians Magnesians in the Exodus story, and not seekers of the Truth, the Word of God, and the Prophecies that have been given to help us not be misled. Let’s once again read Jesus’ teaching in Matthew 5:17-20, regarding the relevance of all of God’s Law and Prophecies today:

**Matthew 5:17-20**

**Christ Came to Fulfill the Law**

<sup>17</sup>“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to **fulfill** (*walk it out as it should be walked out, and not complete*) them. <sup>18</sup>For truly, I say to you, until **heaven and earth pass away** (*this is an event that has not occurred yet, heaven and earth still exist, but is prophesied to pass away at the end of the millennial reign of the Messiah, therefore, the Law and the Prophets are still relevant today and into eternity*), not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. <sup>19</sup>Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>20</sup>For I tell you, **unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees** (*the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees that are being identified here is what Jesus was calling out of the religious leaders of His days, “You leave the commandments of God and hold to the tradition of men,” Mark 7:6-9*), you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

*Malachi 3 (continued)*

**The Book of Remembrance**

<sup>16</sup>Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and **a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name.** <sup>17</sup>“They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. <sup>18</sup>Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

**Book(s)** – <sup>12</sup>“And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and **books were opened** (*books – book of the dead and book of remembrance*). Then **another book was opened, which is the book of life.** And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. <sup>13</sup>And **the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades** (*Hades is the general reference to the resting place of both the righteous and the wicked*) gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. <sup>14</sup>Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. <sup>15</sup>And if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire. **Revelation 20:12-15**

**the sea gave up the dead who were in it** – <sup>2</sup>“And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. <sup>4</sup>But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the **book**, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.” **Daniel 12:1-4**

**Another unique book is opened during this same “Appointed Time”<sup>2</sup> (the “Feast of Atonement”<sup>3</sup>), the Book of Jonah, known in the Prophecy of Luke 11:29-32 and Matthew 12:38-42 as “the sign of Jonah”:**

<sup>2</sup> **One of the Themes of this season is a reminder and acknowledgement that God REMEMBERS to punish the wicked and reward the good.** The concept is that **this day serves as a warning for people to Repent.** It is said that on this day God opens three books:

“But now, if you will forgive their sin – but if not, please blot me out of your **book** that you have written.” But the Lord said to Moses, “Whoever has sinned against me, I will blot out of my **book.**” **Exodus 32:32-33**

“the **books** were opened.” **Daniel 7:10**, “everyone whose name shall be found written in the **book.**” **Daniel 12:1**

“Then those who feared the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord paid attention and heard them, and a **book** of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the Lord and esteemed his name. “They shall be mine, says the Lord of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.” **Malachi 3:16-18**

“everyone whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the **book of life** of the Lamb who was slain.” **Revelation 13:8**

“The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to rise from the bottomless pit and go to destruction. And the dwellers on earth whose names have not been written in the **book of life** from the foundation of the world will marvel to see the beast, because it was and is not and is to come.” **Revelation 17:8**

1. **The Book of Life** – those who are found therein are **sealed** for life.
2. **The Book of Repentance** – this book includes most people whose works are neither good nor bad and they have until Yom Kippur to repent. This is called the **sealing**. Jews wish each other a good sealing for the year to come, and then say, “Next year in Jerusalem.”
3. **The Book of the Dead** – those who are found therein are wicked and **sealed** for judgment.

*These Sealings culminate in the Final Judgment of All Man-Kind, following the 1,000 year reign of the Messiah:*

“And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and **books were opened.** Then **another book was opened,** which is the **book of life.** And the dead were judged by what was written in the **books,** according to what they had done.” **Revelation 20:12**

<sup>3</sup> **Feast of Atonement** is the only day of the year on which the Ark of the Covenant can be seen; therefore it serves as a marker to the readers of the book of Revelation as to when events are occurring:

“he (Jesus) began to say, “This generation is an evil generation. It seeks for a sign, but *no sign will be given to it except **the sign of Jonah***. For as Jonah became a sign to the people of Nineveh, so will the Son of Man be to this generation.” **Luke 11:29-30**

“*the sign of Jonah*” would be two-fold within the life of “Jonah”, with the prophetic context that this was a prophet from the territory of Galilee, from which the Messiah would also come from (Isaiah 9:1-7; Mark 1:9), with additional contextual parallels to Jonah, where at the conclusion of Jesus’ first coming, through the parallel prophecy being fulfilled of Jonah and Jesus being in the Fish (Jonah 1:17) and the parallel Grave (Matthew 12:40) for three-full-days and three-full-nights, fulfilling the prophecy of Jonah; and *the second*, just following the Messiah’s second coming through the parallel prophecy being fulfilled of Jonah and the Messiah (Yeshua/Jesus) in “*all of Nineveh*” coming to faith in *one day* (Jonah 3:6-10) and the parallel, “*all of Israel*” being saved/coming to faith in one day (Romans 11:25-27; Isaiah 59:20), **on the day of Atonement**<sup>4</sup> (which also corresponds to the appointment and enactment of Jubilee (simply defined as the restoration of God’s people and land) at the end of every seven Shemittah cycles (49-years) – Leviticus 25:8-55), **at which time, every year, all of Israel reads the book of Jonah on this very day**; both being prophetic signs that God ordained **to be signs** of the *first* and *second coming*, as well as the subsequent equivalent of Jonah’s name meaning Dove, and the dove that appears three times as a *sign* to identify the time of God’s restored covenant in the story of Noah (Genesis 8:12) and the prophetic parallel of the end of days being as the days of Noah (Matthew 24:37-39), as will be the coming of the “*Son of Man*” (Messiah/Yeshua/Jesus), the same sign of the dove present at Jesus’ baptism, just prior to the beginning of His ministry for the super-natural empowerment to do the work of the ministry of reconciliation back to doing life God’s way and not our own ways, once again, “*the sign of Jonah*”, of a prophet who would come to redeem and restore a kingdom of men back to “*the Kingdom of God*”, ultimately to rule as King of all creation once again, through His thousand-year reign (Revelation 20:1-6), also known as the “*Day of the Lord*” (“*But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.*” 2 Peter 3:8-9).

**Malachi 4** (reading of Malachi continued)

*The Great Day of the LORD*

<sup>1</sup> “For behold, **the day is coming, burning like an oven**, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. <sup>2</sup> But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing

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*And I saw **heaven opened**, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war. His eyes are a flame of fire, and on His head are many diadems; and He has a name written on Him which no one knows except Himself. He is **clothed with a robe dipped in blood**, and His name is called The Word of God.” **Revelation 19:11-13***

**The high priest conducts the afternoon service (Minah) at which time the Book of Jonah is read**. It stands as a constant reminder to them of God’s great love for lost people and is actually a picture of the gospel being preached.

<sup>4</sup> **Day of Atonement (Yom HaKippurim in Hebrew)** is set to occur on the tenth day of the seventh month (Ethanin or Tishri) of God’s **sacred** calendar and is considered the most holy day of the year. It is the time when **God cleanses us of our sins**, both individually and corporately, **then removes our guilt**. There is significance in the choosing of the tenth day. We might ask ourselves, what else happened on the 10th of a month? And the answer is that on 10th day of the 1st month a lamb was chosen to be sacrificed as the Pesach. And judgment for sin was to be placed upon this lamb. This lamb’s life was to be taken, in place of the life of the firstborn in the house. Its blood was placed on the doorposts and lintel of the house, signaling the death angel not to strike dead the firstborn in that house. Essentially, the death and blood of the lamb provided protection against death for those who obeyed the command.

In both the first month and the seventh month, the tenth day is essentially a day of judgment. The lamb was chosen on this day in the first month and was shortly thereafter slain in a judgment for sin. Likewise, the animal chosen on the 10th day of 7th month – a goat – was chosen to be sacrificed. Its life was taken in substitute for the life of another – the nation of Israel. And judgment for sin was placed upon this goat.

[www.bibletruth.cc/DayofAtonement.htm#The\\_Commandment\\_to\\_Observe\\_Yom\\_Kippurim](http://www.bibletruth.cc/DayofAtonement.htm#The_Commandment_to_Observe_Yom_Kippurim)

in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. <sup>3</sup> And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

<sup>4</sup> **“Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.**

<sup>5</sup> **“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.** *(one of the two witnesses of Rev 11, Zech 4:1-13, Matt 17:1-11, Mk 9:2-9, Lk 9:28-36)* <sup>6</sup> **And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers,** lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

**“he will turn the hearts of the father to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers”** – Calling all mankind to Return to their Heavenly Father through Repentance *(the same ministry and message that John the Baptist brought, with the same mantel of Elijah as read in Malachi 4:5-6; Matthew 3:1-6; Matthew 17:9-13).*

### False Christs and False Prophets

**Matthew 24:23-28, Mark 13:21-23**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

“Then if anyone says to **you** *(a message for Disciples, not a message to non-followers of Jesus/Disciples)*, ‘Behold, here is the Christ,’ or ‘There He is,’ **do not believe him**. For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect *(Paul affirms this prophecy in 2 Thessalonians 2, <sup>9</sup>“The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, <sup>10</sup> and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. <sup>11</sup> Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, <sup>12</sup> in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.”)*. **Behold**, I have told **you** *(a message for Disciples, not a message to non-followers of Jesus/Disciples)* in advance. If therefore they say to **you** *(a message for Disciples, not a message to non-followers of Jesus/Disciples)*, ‘Behold, He is in the wilderness,’ **do not go forth**, or, ‘Behold, He is in the inner rooms,’ **do not believe them** *(this would include the elimination of the anti-Christ of Daniel 9:27 as he declares himself the Messiah/God in the Temple)*. For just as the lightening comes from the east, and flashes even to the west, so shall **the coming of the Son of Man be**. Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.”

**the coming of the Son of Man be** – The coming of the Jesus will not be in secret. However, his coming will occur suddenly, from the sky, transpire quickly and will be noticeable to all just like a lightning flash.

### The Son of Man is Coming

**Matthew 24:29-31, Mark 13:24-27, Luke 21:25-28**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

**“But immediately after the tribulation of those days** *(Jesus here clarifies His coming immediately after 42-months of Great Tribulation, unmatched to anytime in history, from v. 21)* there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and upon the earth dismay among nations, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting from fear and the expectation of the things which are coming upon the world; **THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL FALL** from the sky *(God will shut off the lights in the heavens to make the appearing of the Messiah as Visible as the Sun, Moon and Stars in the heavens)*, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken . . .

### Lesson 48 “Signs” *(continued)*:

- **Route Marker #11** – Signs in the Heavens. Jesus said, **“But when these things *begin* to take place, *straighten up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.*”**

According to Jesus these heavenly signs begin to occur **after** the “*great tribulation*”. They mark events that immediately precede **the Day of the Lord**, are well documented in the Old Testament and consist of:

1. The sun will be darkened.

2. The moon will not give its light.
3. The stars will fall from the sky.
4. The powers of heaven will be shaken.

*“Behold, **the day of the LORD** is coming, cruel, with fury and burning anger, to make the land a desolation; and He will exterminate its sinners from it. For the stars of heaven and their constellations will not flash forth their light; the sun will be dark when it rises and the moon will not shed its light. Thus I will punish the world for its evil and the wicked for their iniquity; I will also put an end to the arrogance of the proud and abase the haughtiness of the ruthless. I will make mortal man scarcer than pure gold and mankind than the gold of Ophir. Therefore I will make the heavens tremble, and the earth will be shaken from its place at the fury of the LORD of hosts in the day of His burning anger.”* (Isaiah 13:9-13)

*“I will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, blood, fire and columns of smoke. The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon into blood **before** the great and awesome **day of the LORD** comes.”* (Joel 2:30-31)

*The Day of the Lord* is a 1000-year period of time that commences with the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ to rule and reign on the earth. At that time Jesus’ disciples will be gathered to Him (*raptured to Jerusalem*), as read in **Zechariah 14** . . . see “*the Day of the Lord*” reference on page 107.

#### Answer to Question #4

**What Will Be the Sign of Christ’s Coming? – The Son of Man is Coming: Matthew 24:29-31, Mark 13:24-27, Luke 21:25-28**

#### **The Son of Man is Coming (continued) Matthew 24:29-31, Mark 13:24-27, Luke 21:25-28 Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”**

**“But immediately after the tribulation of those days** there will be signs in sun and moon and stars . . . and the powers of the heavens will be shaken, and then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and **they** will see the **SON OF MAN COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF THE SKY** with power and great glory . . .”

**SON OF MAN** – The Son of Man is a reference Jesus used concerning himself and is found in **Daniel 7:13-14**, “Son of Man Coming on the clouds of the sky.”

**COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF THE SKY** – The sign of Jesus’ return is His appearance in the cloud. In Acts 1:9-11 two angels tell Jesus disciples that they will see Him return to the earth in the same manner in which He ascended into heaven (*on the Mount of Olives*). The specific cloud that is being talked about in Hebrew is called the Sh’khinah: the cloud of glory. It is the same cloud that led the Israelites in their wilderness wanderings, became a pillar of fire at night and filled the Temple of God. It always indicates the presence of God.

#### ***Zechariah 14:2-16***

#### ***The Coming Day of the LORD***

<sup>2</sup> For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women raped. Half of the city shall go out into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city. <sup>3</sup> **Then the LORD will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle** (this is the conclusion of the Battle of Armageddon prophesied in Ezekiel 38-39, Joel 3:2, 12-14, Daniel 11:40, Revelation 14:20, 16:14-16, 17:14, 19:11-21, 20:1-3). <sup>4</sup> **On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east**, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley, so that one half of the Mount shall move northward, and the other half southward. <sup>5</sup> And you shall flee to the valley of my mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal. And you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. **Then the LORD my God will come, and all the holy ones with him** (angels, and can also be referenced to as the saints).



<sup>6</sup> On that day there shall be no light, cold, or frost. <sup>7</sup> And there shall be a unique day, which is known to the LORD, neither day nor night, but at evening time there shall be light.

<sup>8</sup> On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of them to the eastern sea and half of them to the western sea (as prophesied in Ezekiel 47). It shall continue in summer as in winter.

<sup>9</sup> **And the LORD will be king over all the earth. On that day the LORD will be ONE and his name ONE.**

<sup>10</sup> The whole land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem. But Jerusalem shall remain aloft on its site from the Gate of Benjamin to the place of the former gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses. <sup>11</sup> And it shall be inhabited, for there shall never again be a decree of utter destruction. Jerusalem shall dwell in security.

<sup>12</sup> **And this shall be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the peoples that wage war against Jerusalem: their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet, their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongues will rot in their mouths.**

<sup>13</sup> **And on that day a great panic from the LORD shall fall on them, so that each will seize the hand of another, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other.** <sup>14</sup> Even Judah will fight at Jerusalem. And the wealth of all the surrounding nations shall be collected, gold, silver, and garments in great abundance. <sup>15</sup> And a plague like this plague shall fall on the horses, the mules, the camels, the donkeys, and whatever beasts may be in those camps.

<sup>16</sup> **Then everyone who survives of all the nations that have come against Jerusalem shall go up year after year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Booths.**

- **Route Marker #12** – The sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky.

The sign of the Son of Man is the **final** sign that the disciples of Jesus are looking for. We know they will be looking for this sign because Jesus had commanded them to straighten up (be prepared) and lift up their heads (look into the sky) when the heavenly signs begin to appear.

Many people are confused as to what this sign is but from Scripture it is quite clear. The term “Son of Man” is derived from Daniel 7:13-14. It is a direct Hebraic reference to the Messiah and Jesus continually used it in referring to himself.

*“I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, **with the clouds of heaven** One like a **Son of Man** was coming, and He came up to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him. And to Him was given dominion, glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations and men of every language might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; and His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed.” (Daniel 7:13-14)*

The sign that Jesus’ disciples are looking for are “**the clouds of heaven**”. As Christians we should be aware of this because it was written in the book of Acts 1:9-11 concerning the ascension of Jesus into heaven.

*“And after He had said these things, He was lifted up while they were looking on, and **a cloud** received Him out of their sight. And **as they were gazing intently into the sky** while He was going, behold, two men in white clothing stood beside them. They also said, “Men of Galilee, **why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven.**”*

This is no ordinary cloud. It is the Sh’khinah or cloud of glory. It is the same cloud that led the Israelites in their wilderness wanderings, became a pillar of fire at night and filled the Temple of God. It always indicates the presence of God. Jesus said that at this time the earth would be darkened. So the appearance of this cloud cannot be mistaken for any other as it is filled with light. Jesus also said that His coming would appear as a lighting flash across the heavens. It’s going to be obvious!

Then the Lord will send forth His angels with a Great Trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other. The great trumpet is also called the “trump of God” in 1 Thessalonians 4:16 and the “last trump” in 1 Corinthians 15:52. The trumpet itself is a *shofar*. It is made from the horns of a ram because God provided a ram in the place of Isaac when Abraham was about to offer him as a sacrifice. So when it is sounded, the people of God are reminded of His provision for them.

The *shofar* is sounded at two of the Feasts (appointed times) of the Lord.

- *Yom Teruah* – Day of Blowing (*the horn*) or Day of Warning is the biblical name of the first feast. Jews also refer to this day as *Rosh Hashanah* or “head of the year” since it is the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the seventh month. They also refer to it as *Yom Hazikaron* – Day of Remembrance and *Yom Haddin* – Day of Judgment. (See Joel 2:1-14)
- *Yom Kippur* - The Day of Atonement is the second feast. (See Joel 2:15-17)
- These two feasts mark the beginning and end of a ten-day period of people’s repentance towards God called *Yamim Noraim* – The Days of Awe.

When Jesus referred to the great trumpet some translate those words to mean “with a great sound of a trumpet”. The “great sound” translation works well because it refers to the last note that is played on the shofar: “*Tekiah Gedola*” – the extended blast. The note **begins** at the end of the Day of Blowing. It is **completed** during the “closing of the gate” ceremony at the end of the Day of Atonement in the year of Jubilee. This trump is blown for an extended amount of time insuring that anyone desiring to repent of his sins will be given opportunity to do so. Since no man can play a note for that length of time (10 days) it is also considered the trump of God.

When the Apostle Paul refers to the “last trump” he has three things in mind.

- The last note being played.
- The last Jubilee: when people are released from bondage, their debts are canceled and their land is returned.
- The Hebrew tradition: that the Lord preserved the two horns from the sacrificial ram given in the place of Isaac. He sounded one horn (the first) at Mount Sinai and will sound the other (the last) when He redeems His people by the coming of Messiah at the end of the age.

#### **Answer to Question #4 (continued)**

**What Will Be the Sign of Christ’s Coming?** – The Son of Man is Coming: Matthew 24:29-31, Mark 13:24-27, Luke 21:25-28

#### **The Son of Man is Coming (continued)** **Matthew 24:29-31, Mark 13:24-27, Luke 21:25-28** *Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

**“But immediately after the tribulation of those days** (*Jesus here clarifies His coming immediately after 42-months of Great Tribulation, unmatched to anytime in history, from v. 21*) **there will be signs in sun and moon and stars**, and upon the earth dismay among nations, . . . **And He will send forth His angels with A GREAT TRUMPET THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other. But when these things begin to take place, straighten up and lift up your heads**, because your redemption is drawing near.”

**A GREAT TRUMPET** – The trumpet referred to is a Shofar: a ram’s horn. The shofar is sounded at two Feasts (appointed times) of the Lord: The Day of Blowing (the horn) and The Day of Atonement. These feasts mark the beginning and end of a period of time in which people are called to repentance toward God. The “last or “great trump” is known by the note it sounds: a “*Tekiah Gedola*”. The note begins at the end of the Day of Blowing and is completed **10-days later** during the “closing of the gate” ceremony at the end of the Day of

Atonement. This trump is blown for an extended amount of time insuring that anyone desiring to repent of his sins will be given opportunity to do so.

**THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER – Isaiah 27:12-13.** “And He will send forth His angels with a Great Trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.”

*... and this is the Rapture of those Believers that will be on the Earth, as well as all those, past and present who have been killed for their faith (Revelation 20:4-5, “I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. <sup>5</sup>The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection.”), who will come to Rule on the Earth with the Messiah during the Millennial Reign of the Messiah . . . Let’s read it in Context here in Revelation:*

#### **Revelation 19:11-21**

##### *The Rider on a White Horse*

<sup>11</sup> Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. <sup>12</sup> His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. <sup>13</sup> He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. <sup>14</sup> And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. <sup>15</sup> From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. <sup>16</sup> On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

<sup>17</sup> Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, “Come, gather for the great supper of God, <sup>18</sup> to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great.” <sup>19</sup> And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. <sup>20</sup> And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. <sup>21</sup> And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

#### **Revelation 20:1-6**

##### *The Thousand Years*

<sup>1</sup> Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. <sup>2</sup> And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, <sup>3</sup> and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

<sup>4</sup> Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also **I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.** <sup>5</sup> **The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection.** <sup>6</sup> Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

**The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.** Following is Jesus’ teaching on “*The rest of the dead*”:

#### **The Son of Man in His Glory**

*(Matthew 25:31-46)*

"But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. And all the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; and He will put the sheep on His right, and the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 'For I was hungry,

and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, and feed You, or thirsty, and give You drink? 'And when did we see You a stranger, and invite You in, or naked, and clothe You? 'And when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' And the King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.' Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry, and you gave Me nothing to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me nothing to drink; I was a stranger, and you did not invite Me in; naked, and you did not clothe Me; sick, and in prison, and you did not visit Me.' Then they themselves also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not take care of You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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**“Be Alert”**

**KEY TEXT OF END TIME TEACHING:**

*“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”*

**Matthew 24:3**

*And He said, “See to it that **you** be not misled . . .”*

**Matthew 24:4**

**Introduction:**

*Why do we study the Signs and Return of our Messiah every year during the same period of time, August/September? The reason for this is because this is the season in God's Biblical Calendar that is known as “The King is in the Field,” a period of time when God's people are expecting an engagement, a meeting, an appointment with the Lord of the Universe; His Coming to the Earth to Restore and Renew all things as they were Created, the Jubilee of all Jubilees, as prophesied in His first Coming, at the beginning of His ministry and His reading of Isaiah 61:1-2, speaking of this time of Jubilee, which bookmarked His First Coming and will bookend His Second Coming, during this same Season, when the King is in the Field, and his ultimate Rule on Earth as King of kings and Lord of lords during the prophesied Messianic Era of 1,000-years, to His final Judgment of all things.*

**Part 6 – Message:**

**Lesson 49**  
*of A Journey with Jesus*

**Be Alert**

**Introduction:**

Jesus is concerned about the future. He wants His disciples to be prepared to meet its challenges. So He begins the Olivet Discourse cautioning His disciples not to be misled, then gives them the map of the future with road markers along the way and finishes by telling them to stay alert.

Jesus is adamant about staying alert. During the Olivet Discourse He issues twenty instructions that His disciples are to obey. The last ten deal with the issue of **alertness**.

**Pre-Tribulation Rapture:**

Currently within the United States there is a prevailing view of eschatology (study of end time events). It is popularly called the “Pre-trib Rapture” and arises from a system of theology known as Dispensationalism. The Dispensational system of theology began to be developed by John Nelson Darby of England in 1827. He inserted a pre-tribulation rapture view of eschatology after hearing a prophecy given by Margaret Macdonald in the spring of 1830. Darby's dispensational views gained ground in the United States when C.I. Scofield included it in his reference Bible of 1917. After that, it began to be taught at Dallas Theological Seminary and one of its students; Hal Lindsey made it popular with his book, *The Late Great Planet Earth* (1970).

Four major components of the Pre-tribulation Rapture position are:

1. That Christians will be raptured (caught up to meet the Lord in the air) **before** a seven-year tribulation period.
2. That the rapture occurs **before** the second coming of Jesus Christ.
3. That the rapture is “**secret**”. (It will not be visible to anyone. Those who remain are either Jews or unbelievers and they will discover that all the Christians have disappeared in the twinkling of an eye.)
4. That the rapture is **imminent**. (It can occur at any time. No signs have to precede its occurrence.)

**Questions to Consider:**

Based on the Pre-tribulation Rapture position as stated above please answer the following questions:

1. If Jesus’ return was imminent (could occur at any time)
  - a. Why didn’t He say so?
  - b. Why did He bother to tell His disciples about specific future events?
  - c. Why did He caution them not to be misled?
  - d. Why did He issue specific commands to the disciples when they observed the events happening?
  - e. Since according to this scheme no signs are required to precede the Rapture, why did the Apostle Paul say that our gathering together to Jesus would not occur until after the apostasy and the man of lawlessness was revealed?
2. Jesus commanded His disciples to be alert.
  - a. Why?
  - b. What difference does it make if a believer is alert or not, since the rapture is a secret?
  - c. What are they to be alert for?
3. If the rapture of Christians occurs before Christ’s coming why didn’t Jesus or any of the apostles or prophets tell anyone or write it down?

**Lesson 49 “Be Alert” (continued):**

**The Parable of the Fig Tree**  
**Matthew 24:32-33, Mark 13:28-29, Luke 21:29-31**  
*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

<sup>32</sup> “Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender, and puts forth its leaves, **you** know that summer is near; <sup>33</sup> even so **you** too, when **you** see all *these things*, recognize that He is near, right at the door. Truly I say to **you**, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.”

**These things** – refer to the previous passage of Scripture concerning “signs in the heavens” since Luke’s account, after departing from Matthew and Mark’s, picks up in harmony with them again at this point.

Immediately telling His disciples how He will return to earth, Jesus instructs them to learn the parable of the fig tree. Talk about using a parable for effect! Just hours before, the disciples had walked by a fig tree that Jesus had cursed the day before and noticed it had completely withered from the roots up in one day.

The reason Jesus cursed the fig tree was that it gave a **false sign**. The time of year was April. Normally, fig trees don’t put forth their leaves until July or August and the fruit becomes ripe in October. However, with the coming of its leaves the fig tree also puts forth its fruit at the same time. So Jesus walked over to the tree to see if there was any fruit on it. Since there was no fruit on the tree Jesus knew it was an aberration and cursed it.

**fruit on it** – The fruit would have been green and hidden among the leaves so closer inspection was required.

**no fruit** – For the tree is known by its fruit. (Matthew 12:33) John the Baptist used a similar analogy when he confronted the Pharisees and Sadducees who came to him for baptism. He told them, “*Therefore bear fruit in keeping with repentance. The axe is already laid at the root of the trees; therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.*” (Matthew 3:8 and 10)

**it was an aberration** – The tree was an aberration because it did not follow the pattern that God created for the fig tree. In other words the tree was in rebellion against God and its own nature. It failed on two counts: **1)** it put forth leaves at the wrong time and **2)** it didn't produce fruit with the leaves, which provided Jesus with a two-fold witness against the tree. Therefore, it was worthy of being cursed. The cursing of the fig tree also serves as a sign and warning to hypocrites who themselves are an aberration (i.e. those who say they are Christians but do not produce the fruit of the Holy Spirit). The hypocrite's curse is that they will be assigned to a place where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. (Matthew 24:51)

It was common knowledge in the Jewish culture that a fig tree put forth its leaves in the summer time. So it served as a practical sign to all the people that summer was near, at hand or right at the door. In the same way Jesus wants His disciples to have common knowledge concerning the time of His coming. The signs in the heavens: the sun and moon not giving their light and the stars falling from heaven are to serve as a sign, **like the fig tree**, of His soon return. It is near, at hand or right at the door. There should be no doubt about the validity of these heavenly signs being a precursor to Christ's return, as all three of the synoptic gospels record the signs in the heavens immediately followed by the parable of the fig tree.

*“like the fig tree” – I looked when He broke the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole moon became like blood; and the stars of the sky fell to the earth, as a fig tree casts its unripe figs when shaken by a great wind. (Revelation 6:12-13)*

The issue of alertness revolves around the parable of the fig tree. Jesus knows that a person cannot be vigilant 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and He is not telling His disciples to do it either. However, He is telling them **when** to become alert. Like the fig tree, when you see the signs in the heavens **begin** to come to pass be alert, your redemption is drawing near. In fact, Jesus said that from the time that the heavenly signs begin occurring until His coming would occur within one generation.

**Answer to Question #5 . . . this is the Last of 5 Questions asked by the Disciples regarding the Signs of the End-times and the End of the Age . . .**

**What Will Be the Sign of the End of the Age? – When Heaven and Earth Pass Away: Matthew 24:32-34, Mark 13:28-30, Luke 21:29-32**

***When Heaven and Earth Pass Away***  
**Matthew 24:34-36, Mark 13:30-32, Luke 21:32-33**  
*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

<sup>34</sup> “Truly I say to you, this generation will **not pass away** until all these things take place.<sup>35</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words shall not pass away. <sup>36</sup> But of **that day** and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, **nor the Son**, but the Father alone.”

**not pass away** – The sign of the end of the age is when “heaven and earth pass away” at the great white throne judgment. According to the book of Revelation this does not occur until after the 1000-year reign of Christ on earth.

**that day** – Referring to the day heaven and earth pass away and is known only by the Father. Also on that day a new heaven and earth will be created. The statement here “*not knowing the day and hour*” can be explained in the natural as meaning, there are always two days and twenty-four hours coexisting on planet earth at any given moment; or prophetically meaning, Hossana Rabbah (“the Great day of Salvation”), followed by *Shemini Atzeret* (“the eighth [day] of assembly”), and its dual counter day *Simchat Torah* (“rejoicing in the Torah”) spanning a 48-hour period, but it is referred to as “one long day”. There is only one of two instances in the biblical year when there is a 48-hour period known as “one long day”. The other is *Rosh HaShanah*, which spans the first and second days of Tishrei (also known as “one long day” and “the day and hour unknown”). *Shemini Atzeret* and *Simchat Torah* were given by God to teach us how things will be following the Messianic age or the Millennium when the world will enter into eternity (Isaiah 66:22-23), again, corresponding to the “eighth day” of the Feast of Tabernacles (our early-September to mid-October timeframe). Though connected to Tabernacles, the “eighth day” is technically not part of it because the “appointed time” of Tabernacles lasts for only seven days, however, the “eighth day” is a **Sabbath** day, a day known in prophecy as the day of the Great White Throne Judgment when

heaven and earth pass away and ends with God creating a new heaven and earth (Rev 20:11-21:1). The mystery of the “eighth day” is that it represents the beginning of a new cycle. Jesus spoke of this day, in Matt 25:35-36, **“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away. But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.”** Hoshana Rabbah is the day on which the judgement was sealed on Yom Kippur is “delivered.”

The Day of the Lord is the primary subject of the Book of Revelation, as the Apostle John was in the Spirit on the Lord’s Day. It is in this Day that he is describing events that occur throughout the day, following the “Day of Atonement”, a day of warnings, judgments, resurrection of the dead (Hosea 6:2, Rev 20:4-6), binding of Satan (Rev 20:1-3), marriage supper of the lamb (Rev 19:6-10 and 21:9-27), and the reign of Christ on earth (Zech 14). It is this day, The Day of the Lord, the “eighth day”, a Sabbath, that he accounts the release of Satan to deceive the nations again (Rev 20:7-8), Heaven and earth passing away (Rev 21:1), the great white throne judgment taking place (Rev 20:12-15) and God creating a new heaven and earth (Rev 21:1-8).

Here we also find a dual Prophetic fulfillment of the “Eighth Day” (also known here as **“that day’ and hour no one knows,”** Matt 24:34-36, Mk 13:30-32, Lk 21:32-33): Mary waited the prescribed 40 days for her purification (Lev 12:1-4) from the blood of childbirth before presenting her son, Jesus at the Temple (“And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses,” Lk 1:22-38). It was Thursday, Tishri 21, of the Jewish year 3756 or our October 23, 5 BCE; the Jewish people call the day Hossana Rabba or “The Great Day of Salvation” (“my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel,” Lk 2:30-32). It is the last day of the Feast of Tabernacles (Sukkoth).

**Nor the Son.** Some manuscripts omit “nor the Son” (i.e. KJV: “But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.” Matthew 24:36). But when used, “son”, the word usage in Greek is *hyiós* (Strong’s #5207) – properly, a son (by birth or adoption – (“son”) emphasizes *likeness of the believer to the heavenly Father*, i.e. *resembling His character more and more by living in faith* (additional word study – *the root of the word “faith” in Hebrew is Emunah, “Faith”, Emun “Practice”, Ne’eman “Loyalty”, simply defined as “practicing loyalty to God”*)); (figuratively) anyone sharing the *same nature* as their Father. For the believer, becoming a son of God begins with being reborn (*adopted*) by the heavenly Father – Christ (the work of the *eternal Son*). In the NT, 5207 *hyiós* (“son”) equally refers to female believers (Gal 3:28). (<https://biblehub.com/greek/5207.htm>)

### ***Like the Days of Noah and Lot***

#### **Matthew 24:37-41, Luke 17:28-37**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

“For the coming of the Son of Man will be **just like the days of Noah**. For as in those days before the flood **they** were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and **they** did not understand until the flood came and took **them** all away. It was the same as happened in the days of Lot: they were eating, they were drinking, they were buying, they were selling, they were planting, they were building; but on the day that Lot went out from Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. It will be just the same on the day that the Son of Man is revealed. On that day, the one who is on the house top and whose goods are in the house must not go down to take them out; and likewise the one who is in the field must not turn back. *Remember Lot’s wife*. Whoever seeks to keep his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it. I tell you, on that night there will be two in one bed; one will be taken and the other will be left. There will be two women grinding at the same place; one will be taken and the other will be left. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other will be left.’ And answering they said to Him, ‘Where, Lord?’ And He said to them, ‘Where the body is, there also the vultures will be gathered.’”

**just like the days of Noah** – To get an understanding for **“the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah,”** there are **two points** to be considered in its interpretation. The **first** point is found right within the Matthew text, which states, **“for as in those days which were before the flood they were (“corrupt in God’s eyes,” Genesis 6:1 & Matthew 24:12) eating and drinking, they were marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,”** or simply stated, **“the lawlessness of man will be as business as usual with no awareness of the importance of the times.”** The **second** point is not as obvious within the text of Matthew 24:37-41, but is better understood within the Genesis 5-7 account of “The Great Flood”, in which we learn that



Noah's grandfather, Methuselah's (meaning "his death will send") name was a prophecy that on the day of his death, "his death will send" the flood. And in fact, God tells Noah, "In another seven days, I will make it rain upon the earth" Genesis 6:6, of which the sages explain, that God was waiting for the end of the seven days of mourning for Noah's grandfather (Talmud, Sanhedrin 108b), whose death was the sign to Noah of "The Great Flood" coming.

Though Noah had finished building the Ark he did not have to become "alert" or "ready" until Methuselah died, which was his prophetic sign that the flood was approaching. Then came the Word of God for Noah to enter the Ark through which he and his household would be saved from the impending wrath of God to come. In like manner, Christians are to become "alert" or "ready" upon observing the heavenly signs, recognizing that God's judgment is approaching. Then the Word of God (Jesus Christ) will come to save His household from the impending wrath of God to come.

In context then, Jesus is teaching His disciples that the signs of His coming will be "lawlessness increasing" and "business as usual" amongst mankind on the earth, while for those who are children of light, He will not come like a "Thief in the Night" and "On a Day and Hour Unknown" 1 Thessalonians 5:2-6 & Matthew 24:44, 25:13, which prophetically is on "The Feast of Trumpets", which is the **only** feast that is known for the High Priest (Hebrews 4:14-16) being called "The Thief in the Night" and "Day and Hour Unknown" (1 Thessalonians 5:4-6 & Revelation 16:15, 3:14, 18), as it is celebrated over two days, and also known as "One Long Day". In addition to these two notable points, we cannot leave out two of the more obvious parallels to each account, "The Great Flood" and "The Second Coming", and that is, God's Wrath will be poured out upon the entire earth (1 Thessalonians 5:9 & 2 Peter 3:5-13), but like the Ark, we too, God's righteous, will be Raptured (Matthew 24:29-31) above the Wrath of God, to return to the Earth to be under His Millennial Reign as "King of kings and Lord of lords" (Zechariah 14 & Revelation 19:11-16, 20:1-6), before "The Great White Throne", "Final Judgment", and the "New Heaven and New Earth" (Revelation 20:7-21:8).

**remember Lot's wife** – When the Lord was about to destroy Sodom, Lot, his wife, Ado and their two virgin daughters escaped the devastation by leaving with the two angels the Lord had sent to them. However, Ado looked back to see the destruction of the cities, for her compassion was moved on account of her married daughters who remained in Sodom, for they did not go with her. And when she looked back she became a pillar of salt, and it is yet in that place unto this day. (Genesis 19 and the book of Jasher 19:51-52).

### *Jesus' Outline of End-times Continues . . .*

#### ***Be Alert***

#### **Matthew 24:42-44**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

**Therefore be on the alert**, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming. **But be sure of this**, that if the head of the house had known at what time of the night the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into. **For this reason you be ready too**; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will."

#### ***Keep On the Alert***

#### **Mark 13:33-37**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

**"Take heed, keep on the alert**; for you do not know when the appointed time is. It is like a man, away on a journey, who upon leaving his house and putting his slaves in charge, assigning to each one his task, also commanded the doorkeeper to stay on the alert. **Therefore, be on the alert**-- for you do not know when the master of the house is coming, whether in the evening, at midnight, at **cockcrowing**, or in the morning-- lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all, **'Be on the alert!'**"

**cockcrowing** – The third of the Roman night watches known as "cock-crowing" ended at 3:00 AM.

#### ***Faithful or Unfaithful***

#### **Matthew 24:45-51**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

‘Who then is the faithful and sensible slave whom his master put in charge of his household to give them their food at the proper time? Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes. Truly I say to you, that he will put him in charge of all his possessions. But if that evil slave says in his heart, ‘My master is not coming for a long time,’ and shall begin to beat his fellow slaves and eat and drink with drunkards; the master of that slave will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour which he does not know, and shall cut him in pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites; weeping shall be there and the gnashing of teeth.’

***Parable of the Ten Virgins***

**Matthew 25:1-13**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten virgins, who took their lamps, and went out to meet the bridegroom. And five of them were foolish, and five were prudent. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the prudent took oil in flasks along with their lamps. Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose, and trimmed (*prepared for use*) their lamps. And the foolish said to the prudent, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the prudent answered, saying, 'No, there will not be enough for us and you too; go instead to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut. And later the other virgins also came, saying, 'Lord, lord, open up for us.' But he answered and said, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.' **Be on the alert then,** for you do not know the day n“For it is just like a man about to go on a journey, who called his own slaves, and entrusted his possessions to them. And to one he gave five talents, to another, two, and to another, one, each according to his own ability; and he went on his journey. Immediately the one who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and gained five more talents. In the same manner the one who had received the two talents gained two more. But he who received the one talent went away and dug in the ground, and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. And the one who had received the five talents came up and brought five more talents, saying, 'Master, you entrusted five talents to me; see, I have gained five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave; you were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things, enter into the joy of your master.' The one also who had received the two talents came up and said, 'Master, you entrusted to me two talents; see, I have gained two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful slave; you were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one also who had received the one talent came up and said, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed. 'And I was afraid, and went away and hid your talent in the ground; see, you have what is yours.' But his master answered and said to him, 'You wicked, lazy slave, you knew that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I scattered no seed. 'Then you ought to have put my money in the bank, and on my arrival I would have received my money back with interest. 'Therefore take away the talent from him, and give it to the one who has the ten talents.' For to everyone who has shall more be given, and he shall have an abundance; but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away. And cast out the worthless slave into the outer darkness; in that place there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

***The Son of Man in His Glory***

**Matthew 25:31-46**

*Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”*

"But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. And all the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; and He will put the sheep on His right, and the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed of My

Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 'For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me.' Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, and feed You, or thirsty, and give You drink?' 'And when did we see You a stranger, and invite You in, or naked, and clothe You?' 'And when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' And the King will answer and say to them, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.' Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry, and you gave Me nothing to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me nothing to drink; I was a stranger, and you did not invite Me in; naked, and you did not clothe Me; sick, and in prison, and you did not visit Me.' Then they themselves also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, or thirsty, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not take care of You?' Then He will answer them, saying, 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

***Be On Guard***

**Luke 21:34-38**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

**"Be on guard**, that your hearts may not be weighted down with dissipation (*Excess*) and drunkenness and the worries of life, and that day come on you suddenly like a trap; for it will come upon all those who dwell on the face of all the earth. **But keep on the alert at all times, praying** in order that you may have strength to escape all these things that are about to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man." Now during the day He was teaching in the temple, but at evening He would go out and spend the night on the mount that is called Olivet. And all the people would get up early in the morning to come to Him in the temple to listen to Him.

**The Point of the Lesson:**

Be Alert, Expectant, and Watchful at God's Appointed Signs and Times, in the meantime, be about the Father's business of Making Disciples to the Ends of the Earth, and then the End will come . . .

***The Apostasy***

*. . . the Last instruction given in Jesus' Outline (Matthew 24:1-14) of the Jesus' 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming . . .*

**Matthew 24:9-14, Mark 13:12-13**

*Scripture excerpts from "Follow Me: A Message from God"*

**" . . . And this gospel of the kingdom** shall be preached in the whole world for a witness to all the nations, and then the end shall come."

**this gospel of the kingdom.** This gospel is the **Great Commission**, ". . . Go therefore and **make disciples** of all the nations . . . **teaching them to observe all that I commanded you . . .**" Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-19, Luke 24:44-53, Acts 1:3-12

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## **Part 7**

# **Four Accounts of the Second Coming**

### **KEY TEXT OF END TIME TEACHING:**

*“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”*

**Matthew 24:3**

*And He said, “See to it that you be not misled . . .”*

**Matthew 24:4**

#### **Introduction:**

*Why do we study the Signs and Return of our Messiah every year during the same period of time, August/September? The reason for this is because this is the season in God’s Biblical Calendar that is known as “The King is in the Field,” a period of time when God’s people are expecting an engagement, a meeting, an appointment with the Lord of the Universe; His Coming to the Earth to Restore and Renew all things as they were Created, the Jubilee of all Jubilees, as prophesied in His first Coming, at the beginning of His ministry and His reading of Isaiah 61:1-2, speaking of this time of Jubilee, which bookmarked His First Coming and will bookend His Second Coming, during this same Season, when the King is in the Field, and his ultimate Rule on Earth as King of kings and Lord of lords during the prophesied Messianic Era of 1,000-years, to His final Judgment of all things.*

#### **Part 7 – Message:**

### **The Book of Revelation Uncovered**

The book of Revelation is not in chronological order. The seals are the long story, the trumpets are the short story, and the vials are the real short story. They are three vantage points of the end time. You can view them in comparison with the synoptic gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. We know this is true because the 6th and 7th seal, the 7th trumpet, and the 7th vial all record the same event, the second coming of Jesus Christ. Also if the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ in Revelation 11:15, it would not make sense for the Antichrist to begin his rule in Revelation 13.

<https://www.endtime.com/blog/book-revelation-chronological-order/>

### **Seals, Trumpets, and Vials**

The Book of Revelation is such an exciting book because it deals mostly with the events that are to occur in the end times. The Book of Revelation is not really the Book of Revelation. The first verse of the first chapter says, “The revelation of Jesus Christ.” The word revelation comes from the Greek word apocalypsis, which means the revealing, or the “unveiling”

The “Unveiling of Jesus Christ” is the design of the entire Book of Revelation. Revelation contains four very dramatic and exciting accounts of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ back to this earth.

The theme of the entire Book of Revelation is found in this passage, “Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen,” (Revelation 1:7).

### **THE THREE SECTIONS OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION**

In order to really understand the Book of Revelation, we need to know it is recorded in three sections. They are defined for us in the following verse, “Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter,” (Revelation 1:19).

1. The “things which thou hast seen” are recorded in chapter 1.
2. The “things which are” are recorded in chapters 2 and 3.
3. The “things which shall be hereafter” are recorded in chapters 4–22.

Let's take a closer look at these three sections of the Book of Revelation.

### 1. Things Thou Hast Seen

John saw the Lord, and the Lord introduced Himself to John saying, "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty," (Revelation 1:8). He further reveals Himself as being Jesus Christ when John says, "And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death," (Revelation 1:17-18). These are the "**things which thou hast seen.**"

### 2. Things Which Are

The "**things which are**" are contained in chapters 2 and 3. These are the messages to the seven churches of Asia Minor which existed at that particular time. The churches were Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea. History records after John was released from exile on the Isle of Patmos, he returned to Asia Minor, which today is Turkey. He was the overseer of the seven churches. Almighty God gave John specific messages to each of those seven churches to present to them, which he did after he was liberated from the exile.

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*Here is the Vision John saw:*

#### **Revelation 1:9-16**

#### *Vision of the Son of Man*

"<sup>9</sup>I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. <sup>10</sup>I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet <sup>11</sup>saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

<sup>12</sup>Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, <sup>13</sup>and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. <sup>14</sup>The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, <sup>15</sup>his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. <sup>16</sup>In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength."

### **The Seven Churches**

In about 100 AD, the Apostle John, while under house arrest on the island of **Patmos**, received a vision from God. He was told to write in a book the things he saw and send it to the seven churches that were in Asia: Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea. The written copy of that vision we now call **the Book** of Revelation.

The island of **Patmos** is 35 miles off the coast of Turkey and is about 7 1/2 miles long and 5 miles wide.

**The book** was intended as an encyclical as it was addressed to all the individuals of a group. John's original writing was sent to each of the cities in turn starting with Ephesus. After being read, the church in each city probably copied the contents for their own use.

In the vision the Lord Jesus Christ is seen standing in the midst of seven golden **lampstands** while holding seven stars in his right hand. The Lord reveals the mystery of the stars and lampstands by telling John that the stars were the messengers of the seven churches and that the lampstands were the seven

churches. Immediately after that the Lord gives an individual message for each one of the seven churches. Following are some observations concerning the seven churches:

This is a vivid picture of the menorah, the seven-branched **lampstand** that stands in the temple of God.

1. The churches were actually seven distinct churches located in Asia Minor (Turkey) during the time of the Apostle John. They represent all the believers in the individual community, not just one particular fellowship or group. Therefore, there were marked distinguishing factors common to all the fellowships and groups within the city that the apostle is addressing.
2. The names of the cities seem to have meaning in connection with the individual message from the Lord to that city.
3. Because of the use of the number seven, which indicates a spiritual completion (the total completed work of God in a particular area or task), it appears that these seven churches stand as representatives of the total Church.
  - All individuals who are members of Christ's body, the Church should find themselves being a member of one these seven churches and subsequently should hear what the Spirit is saying to him as a member of that particular church.
  - It appears that all the churches have existed continuously throughout the Church Age.
  - As there really is only one church it appears that the seven individual churches might also represent changes that the Church as a whole undergoes throughout its existence. Therefore, it would be indicative of a peculiar part of church history.
  - Using the same reasoning the churches would also represent periods of growth within an individual, who also can be considered the church. Therefore, it behooves the individual to heed what the Spirit says throughout his life.

### **The Kingdom Parables**

Soon after giving the Sermon on the Mount Jesus told His disciples eight parables concerning the Kingdom of God. These parables are listed in Matthew 13 and Mark 4. By looking back over the history of the church we can see that these parables fit it well. When the parables are taken in chronological order they mirror the significant characteristics of specific time periods within the church's history.

### **Ages of The Church**

Biblical scholars have noted that the church has undergone several significant changes throughout its history. Each of these changes was precipitated by an event or series of closely associated events that would characterize the church for a period of time. These periods of time became known as church ages. Let me give you an example.

The first church age is called the Apostolic. The reason for this is that it was the period of time in which the twelve original apostles of Jesus Christ were the major sphere of influence upon the church. This period lasted from 31 AD following Jesus' death until about 100 AD when it is supposed the last apostle, John died.

### **Timeline of the Church Ages – The Seven Churches**

#### **The Church At Ephesus #1**

*The Meaning of the Name: "Beloved"*

#### **Revelation 2:1-7**

**Church Age:** *Church Age: Apostolic (31 - 100 AD)*

**Parallelism:** Matthew 13:3-8 – The Parable of the Sower and the Soils

- When taken as a whole the **eight** parables that Jesus spoke to the multitudes form a broad view of the kingdom of God. They show how it starts (the Sower and the soils) . . .

The disciples were wise to ask Jesus what He meant because it was the key to unlocking the hidden things concerning the kingdom of God. Jesus began His reply by saying, "*Do you not understand this parable? And how will you understand all the parables?*" He is alluding to the fact that it is essential to understand the first parable, if they are to understand other parables. They must grasp its concepts and word interpretations. He tells them, "*Hear then the parable of the sower.*" Jesus wants them to hear with understanding, to meditate upon His words and discover the truths of the kingdom of God.

Based on the parable of the sower, which the disciples have just heard, this command takes on new force. The words they are hearing with their ears are to be planted and remain in the fertile soil of their hearts. Then the words will grow and produce more words for planting in other hearts.

Because the soil of a disciple's heart is fertile, Jesus issues a caution. "*Take care what you listen to.*" In other words, be selective in the things you allow to be planted and remain in your heart. Why? Because whatever words are planted and remain in the heart whether good or evil will grow to produce the words that you will speak. And everything you allow to grow will be multiplied.

**Characteristics:** Spreading the Gospel throughout the world and establishing foundational truths (doctrine). This Church is seen in action throughout the book of Acts.

**Criticism:** *But I have this against you, that you have left your first love.* This Church may have lost its desire to spread the good news of Jesus Christ by quenching the Spirit and becoming institutionalized. We know that there was a major change that began in the Church between 70 and 100 AD.

**Instruction:** *Remember therefore from where you have fallen, and repent and do the deeds you did at first.* (Spread the Gospel!)

## **The Church At Smyrna #2**

The Meaning of the Name: "Myrrh" or "bitterness"

### **Revelation 2:8-11**

**Church Age:** Ante Nicene (*before the Council of Nicea*) – (100 -325 AD)

**Parallelism:** Mark 4:26-29 – The Parable of the Growing Plant

- When taken as a whole the **eight** parables that Jesus spoke to the multitudes form a broad view of the kingdom of God. They show here . . . how it grows (*the growing plant*) . . .

As Jesus tells His disciples the parable of the growing plant more truths become evident. The primary point of the parable is that the kingdom of God grows. This growth can be observed individually and corporately. According to the parable a word planted in the heart takes time to grow before it reaches maturity and it grows in three identifiable stages. The three stages of growth are referred to as the blade, the head, and the mature grain in the head. These growth stages correspond to those who have believed the word of salvation. The apostle John in his first epistle identifies these three stages as children, young men and fathers. It is at maturity that new seed is formed and reproduction occurs.

What are some other truths that can be ascertained from the parable of the growing plant?

- a. Initially there is no evidence that a word is going to grow so it takes faith on the part of the sower to believe that it will.
- b. Since growth takes time it requires patience on the part of the sower to see the words he has spoken bear fruit.
- c. Watering begins soon after the seed is planted and continues throughout the entire growth period.
- d. Sunlight only comes into play after the blade has been exposed.
- e. Weeding occurs when both species of plants can be distinguished.

**Characteristics:** The enemy and his works are revealed. During this period of time the Church battled against accusations from Jews, persecution by the government and false teaching by heretical groups, such as the Gnostics. Christ said they would be in tribulation for ten days.

**Criticism:** None.

**Instruction:** *Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death. Do not fear the tribulation that will come upon you. Remain faithful in your testimony of Me.*

### The Church At Pergamum #3

The Meaning of the Name: “Fortified” or “High Tower” or “Thoroughly Married”

Revelation 2:12-17

**Church Age:** Post Nicene (*after Nicea*) – (325 – 780AD)

**Parallelism:** Matthew 13:31-32 – The Parable of the Mustard Seed

- When taken as a whole the **eight** parables that Jesus spoke to the multitudes form a broad view of the kingdom of God. They show how here . . . how the growth of the kingdom is occurring both visibly (*the mustard seed*) and internally (the leaven) at the same time . . .

The parable of the mustard seed demonstrates that the kingdom of God starts out extremely small but grows to great size. In Israel, the mustard plant can obtain a height of up to fifteen feet thus giving it the appearance of a tree. It is a well-known fact that birds are attracted to the mustard plant and actually build their nests in its branches. However, Jesus is referring to something else.

Remember, that in the parable of the Sower the birds represented Satan. When the kingdom of God is in seed form Satan can easily devour it. But when full-grown as illustrated by the mustard tree he can no longer destroy it. But once the kingdom of God has become large Satan can make his home there and devour the seed that is produced by it. Birds usually build their nests in the forks of a tree or where a new branch is formed. Where division in the Church occurs Satan can be found.

#### Characteristics:

A time of great external growth but worldly alliances are made. With the rise of Constantine as Emperor of the Roman Empire the persecution of the Church ceased and actually came into his favor. Constantine eventually was baptized into the faith on his deathbed in 337 AD. During his period of rule a marriage of Church and State developed. Constantine got deeply involved in Church affairs at the First General Council of the Church at Nicea in 325 AD. He virtually imposed the understanding we have of the Trinity today in opposition to the Arian belief. Also at this time Sunday was declared the day of rest and the date of Easter was set. At one time Constantine claimed to be a bishop of the Church for external affairs, believing that God had called him to regulate the Church’s life. Progressively Constantine saw Christianity as the state religion. In 391 AD Emperor Theodosius made Christianity the State religion and Church membership mandatory.

**Criticism:** *But I have a few things against you, because you have there some who hold the teaching of Balaam, who kept teaching Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit acts of immorality. Thus you also have some who in the same way hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans.*

**Instruction:** *Repent therefore.* Change your mind; do not allow this to continue.

### The Church At Thyatira #4

The Meaning of the Name: “Perpetual sacrifice” or “continual offering”

Revelation 2:18-29

**Church Age:** Medieval (780 – 1517 AD)

**Parallelism:** Matthew 13:33 – The Parable of the Leaven

- When taken as a whole the **eight** parables that Jesus spoke to the multitudes form a broad view of the kingdom of God. They show here . . . how the of the kingdom is occurring both visibly (the mustard seed) and internally (*the leaven*) . . .



The parable of the leaven illustrates that the kingdom of God changes everything it comes in contact with. Many Christians believe that leaven represents sin. However, there is a more accurate view. Leaven is a change agent. It changes the characteristics of all that it is put into. Jesus would later equate teaching with leaven when He tells the disciples to “*beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees*” (Matthew 16:11-12). Teaching, whether true or false corrupts or changes the mind, either for good or evil.

In the parable, leaven was put in three portions of meal. The three portions represent the whole thing that was leavened. The Hebrew standard whole unit of dry measure is the ephah and it takes three seahs to equal one ephah. By this Jesus is indicating that every human being consists of three parts: spirit, soul, and body. When the leaven or the kingdom of God in this case, is introduced into each of the parts the entire nature of the person will be changed.

**Characteristics:** The Church is corrupted from within and the corruption comes in three parts: worship, doctrine, and leadership.

**Criticism:** *But I have this against you, that you tolerate the woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, and she teaches and leads My bond-servants astray, so that they commit acts of immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols. 'And I gave her time to repent; and she does not want to repent of her immorality.* A woman with the name of Jezebel cannot be identified with the Church in any literal sense, however her identity can be discovered on a spiritual level by using information from the Bible concerning her. The woman is Empress Irene of the Eastern Roman Empire who led the Church to worship graven images. In history books the events surrounding image worship are called The Iconoclastic Controversy.

**Instruction:** *But I say to you, the rest who are in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not known the deep things of Satan, as they call them – I place no other burden on you. 'Nevertheless what you have, hold fast until I come. Keep doing what you were doing and don't become involved in this teaching.*

### The Church At Sardis #5

The Meaning of the Name: “Those escaping” or “renovation”

#### Revelation 3:1-6

**Church Age:** Reformation (1517- 1726)

**Parallelism:** Matthew 13:44 – The Parable of the Wheat and Tares

- When taken as a whole the **eight** parables that Jesus spoke to the multitudes form a broad view of the kingdom of God. They show here . . . how it ends (*the wheat and tares*) . . .

The parable read this way, “*But while men were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed tares also among the wheat, and went away. But when the wheat sprang up and bore grain, then the tares became evident also.*” The following observations can be made from His statement:

1. The term while men were sleeping is just a way of saying men were unaware of what was going on or they weren't paying attention.
2. Jesus declares that the enemy of the son of man is the devil. The term devil means **accuser**. The devil is also called Satan, which means **opponent**.
3. Sowing tares in an enemy's wheat fields was common practice in ancient times. The tares Jesus is talking about are “bearded darnel” a poisonous rye grass which remains indistinguishable from wheat until the grain appears in the head at maturity. According to the ancients, tares are not a different kind of seed, but only a degenerate kind of wheat. Sowing tares results in a decreased wheat crop, as the tares tend to strangle the wheat and take up the nutrients in the soil. It also demands more work of the farmer to separate the wheat from the tares.

4. From this parable we learn that the devil uses the same method of sowing his seed as the son of man: by **speaking**. The devil corrupts the earth, from which man is made, by his words. When Satan's words are believed in the heart of man they produce an offspring of the devil who in turn produces more words to be sown in the hearts of other men. According to Jesus, the devil's offspring are those who cause others to stumble and those who are a law unto themselves (Matthew 13:40-42).

The final line of the parable reads this way, "Allow the wheat and the tares to grow together until the harvest; and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers, first gather up the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them up; but gather the wheat into my barn." The following observations can be made from Jesus' statement:

1. By allowing the wheat and tares to grow together indicates that good and evil coexist in this world until the harvest.
2. The reapers are described as the son of man's angels. The word angel means messenger. These **messengers** can be either heavenly or human.
3. Jesus said the harvest is the end of the age (world). The Greek word used for age or world is **aion**. It indicates a period of existence.
4. In one sense, the age ends when the word of God, which has been planted in the heart of an individual, grows to maturity and is harvested. This results in a new creation and is known in Christian circles as being born again.
5. In a corporate sense, the age ends when God creates a new heaven and new earth as described in the book of Revelation 20:11-15 and 21:1. This event should not be confused with the return of the Lord Jesus Christ occurring a thousand years previously.

**Characteristics:** This Church is characterized by reform. The Protestant Reformation is usually marked from 1517 AD, when Martin Luther (1483 - 1546 AD), a Catholic monk nailed his 95 theses to the door of Wittenberg Church. He sparked a change in the hearts of men to reform the errors of doctrine developed by the papacy and to correct the abuses of the leadership.

**Criticism:** *I know your deeds, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead.* This Church has gone to sleep on its reputation.

**Instruction:** *Wake up, and strengthen the things that remain, which were about to die; for I have not found your deeds completed in the sight of My God. Remember therefore what you have received and heard; and keep it, and repent.*

1. Quit sleeping and exercise your faith to reform yourselves.
2. Originally, you recognized what was wrong with the Church, you repented of its deeds and reformed that which was wrong, therefore continue to allow yourselves to be transformed.

### **The Church At Philadelphia #6**

The Meaning of the Name: "**Brotherly love**"

#### **Revelation 3:7-13**

**Church Age:** Missionary (1726 - 1948 AD)

**Parallelism:** Matthew 13:45-46 – The Parable of the Treasure in the Field

- When taken as a whole the **eight** parables that Jesus spoke to the multitudes form a broad view of the kingdom of God. They show here . . . the value of the kingdom of God is not readily seen (**treasure hidden in the field**) yet its worth is unsurpassed (pearl of great price) . . .

The parable of the treasure hidden in the field reveals more truths concerning the kingdom of God. Treasure indicates that it is valuable. The field represents the world. The kingdom of God was hidden in the soil of the field, which represents the heart of man. In the parable a man was looking for the treasure, discovered it. The man represents Jesus Christ, the Son of Man. After discovering the treasure he hid it again. Then he gave his life, which was everything he had, to purchase the world.

The treasure that Jesus was looking for in the hearts of men was the belief that He was the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus would discover this treasure in the heart of Peter when He asked the disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” Peter replied that He was the Christ, the Son of the living God. Then Jesus told him, “*Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven* (Matthew 16:17). Jesus hid this treasure again when He told the disciples that they should tell no one that He was the Christ.

**Characteristics:** These times are filled with revival (renewal) and missions (spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world). People went in the door to be in the presence of God to be refreshed and to enjoy Him. They went out the door into the harvest field of the world to sow the seeds of life and to bring in the harvest of souls.

The Great Awakening experienced in America began in 1726 and has been followed by several other renewals such as the Welsh Revival and Azusa Street. People opened their hearts to God, to worship Him and then to be used by Him. This love for God sparked people to go onto mission fields in record numbers, literally taking the gospel to the ends of the earth. Intense love for one’s fellow man spurred people to heroic deeds: converting people to faith in Christ and challenging social evils and issues of the day.

**Criticism:** None

**Instruction:** *I am coming quickly; hold fast what you have, in order that no one take your crown. Keep doing what you are doing don’t let anyone cause you to change.*

#### **The Church At Laodicea #7**

The Meaning of the Name: “**The people ruling or speaking**” or “**the judgment of the people**”  
or “**human rights**”  
**Revelation 3:14-22**

**Church Age:** Knowledgeable (1948 - The Second Coming of Christ)

**Parallelism:** Matthew 13:47-50 – The Parable of the Pearl of Great Price

- When taken as a whole the **eight** parables that Jesus spoke to the multitudes form a broad view of the kingdom of God. They show how . . . here . . . the value of the kingdom of God is not readily seen (treasure hidden in the field) yet its worth is unsurpassed (*pearl of great price*) . . .

The parable of the pearl of great price establishes the fact that the kingdom of God is the most valuable thing that anyone can possess. A merchant is one who makes a living from buying and selling. He is a savvy businessman and knows the value of his merchandise. When he finds the most valuable thing that he can possess, he sells everything he owns to obtain it. At the moment of purchase the merchant is out of business, he has nothing more to barter with. What would be the sense in selling the pearl of great price to obtain other pearls of less value again?

The merchant represents anyone in this world who is seeking after valuable things in this life. To possess the kingdom of God requires that an individual give up everything he has considered valuable in exchange for it. At that point why should anyone renounce the kingdom of God in order to obtain back the things he had before.

A second interpretation of the parable of the pearl of great price also has merit. In this scenario the merchant is the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God is best expressed today as working through the Church. So it might be said that the Church is looking for something to invest itself in or to possess. The pearl of great price represents the ultimate thing that can be obtained. In fact it is so valuable that the Church should be seeking after it. What is it? The patriarch Job gives the answer during his discourse on wisdom in chapter 28 of the book bearing his name. In verse 18 he says, “*Coral and crystal are not to be mentioned; and the acquisition of wisdom is above that of pearls.*” The analogy is clear; the pearl of great price is wisdom! Job concludes his discourse by defining what

wisdom is. *"Behold, the fear of the Lord, that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding."* (Job 28:28)

• **The Other Parables:**

The parable of the dragnet cast into the sea reveals that the kingdom of God is not selective in this age. In the parable, fish represent people. This conclusion is derived from Jesus' calling of Peter, Andrew, James and John the four fishermen. Jesus said that from then on they would be catching men. The kingdom of God, as best represented as working through the Church today, draws all kinds of people to itself.

As the net is pulled through the water the fisherman cannot see what is being caught and it is not until the net is pulled ashore that the type of fish can be determined. The Jews would then separate their catch into two groups, those that were clean could be eaten and those that were unclean were discarded. Clean fish were those having both scales and fins while the unclean fish were those that lacked one of these characteristics or the other. Prior to the coming of the next age in which a new heaven and earth will be revealed there will be a separation of individuals drawn into the kingdom of God. The righteous will be preserved and the unrighteous will be discarded.

**Characteristics:** Jesus Christ is put out of the Church and its members become the source of its direction.

**Criticism:** *I know your deeds, that you are neither cold (refreshing) nor hot (healing) (in simple terms this is saying . . . you are no longer relevant . . .); I would that you were cold (refreshing) or hot (healing). You are lukewarm (spiritually sick). This Church is apathetic and self satisfied but not satisfying to Christ. It is far from its source, either a hot spring or cold spring, which is why it is lukewarm. It exists only for itself, blends with the world (a friend of the world, and as Jesus says, and therefore an enemy of God – James 4:4) and is meaningless to others. It doesn't provide refreshment by being cold, to those who are hot and thirsty or by being hot, to those who are cold and in need of healing.*

**Instruction:** *Because you say, "I am rich, and have become wealthy, and have need of nothing," and you do not know that you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked, I advise you to buy from Me gold refined by fire, that you may become rich, and white garments, that you may clothe yourself, and that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and eye salve to anoint your eyes, that you may see. "Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline; be zealous therefore, and repent.*

1. Change the way you think. You think you have become rich because you base wealth on what you think has value. But I am the source of true wealth for the Church. You have even shut Me (The Word of God) out of my own house (the Church).
2. You trust in your gold to be successful but you need My work on the cross to deliver you. (Faith – simply defined as practicing loyalty to God – making God's Word (teaching and instruction) our greatest investment in our lives)
3. You trust in your clothes to adorn your body but you need my righteousness to cover you. (Hope – simply defined as not *"leaning on our own understanding, but rather acknowledging God in all our ways and He will direct our paths"* – Proverbs 3:5-6 – *"white garments"* here is simply defined as *"keeping His commandments"*)
4. You trust in your eyes to lead you but you are in need of My Spirit to guide you. (Love – simply defined as being full of the Spirit of God, *"if you love me you will put into practice immediately without delay my commandments"* John 14:15, empowered to discern right from wrong, good from evil)
5. Because I love you, I will reprove you (show you what is wrong) and discipline you (teach you what is correct). Therefore, return (passionately/jealously for what God is jealous for, holiness – *"pursue holiness, because without it the world cannot see God"* Hebrews 12:14) to Me (*repent – simply defined as, "stop doing it your way and start doing it God's way"*) so you can acquire what you need. I want you to love Me and will be glad to share My love with you if you desire it.

**Penalty:** *So because you are lukewarm (spiritually sick), and neither hot (healing) nor cold (refreshing) (in simple terms this is saying . . . you are no longer relevant . . .), I will spit you out of My mouth. You will not have any part in Me if you do not return to Me.*

**Promise:** *Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with Me. He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. I will share everything that is Mine with you. Everything in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.*

Michael Gibson, Key2Changes.com

### 3. Things Which shall be Hereafter

Now we come to the larger part of the Book of Revelation. These are the **“things which shall be hereafter”** found in chapters 4–22. **The prophetic portion of the Book of Revelation begins in chapter 4**, “After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, **Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter,**” (Revelation 4:1).

## FOUR ACCOUNTS OF THE SECOND COMING

We need to understand another very important fact as we are taking this overview of the entire Book of Revelation. Revelation contains four different accounts of the Second Coming of Jesus, or we might say four different accounts of the “unveiling” of Jesus. The entire book is about the “Unveiling of Jesus Christ,” or the “revealing of Jesus Christ” to the world at the time of the Second Coming.

### First Account

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### Second Account

We find this account in Revelation 8:2 through Revelation 11:19. This is where the Seven Trumpets are recorded, leading up to the Second Coming, but concludes once again with the Second Coming. Also, Revelation 11:15-19 is the second of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.

### Third Account

In chapter 12, God reveals to us more events from a totally different perspective. Revelation 12–14 again, from a different perspective, tells us the story of the events that lead up to the dramatic “Unveiling of Jesus Christ” which happens in Revelation 14:14-20. Also, Revelation 14:14-16 is the third of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.

### Fourth Account

The Book of Revelation starts over again in chapter 15 and gives us a record of the Seven Vials . . . Also, Revelation 19:7-11 is the fourth of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation. These events culminate in chapter 19:

- Heavens departing
- Jesus comes to earth
- Fights the Battle of Armageddon
- Antichrist and False Prophet thrown into the Lake of Fire
- Satan is bound for 1,000 years
- Kingdom of God is established

The second piece of crucial information to remember is, there, *again*, are three divisions of the Book of Revelation.

### Three Divisions of the Book of Revelation

- Things which thou hast seen
- Things which are
- Things which shall be hereafter

Why did God write the Book of Revelation like this? It appears He was looking forward with great excitement to the culmination of everything! I'm talking about Calvary; I'm talking about His ministry; I'm talking about the church age. Everything is all going to culminate with this ultimate goal — the Second Coming or the Unveiling of Jesus to the earth!

*Let's go back to the theme of the Book of Revelation, "Behold, He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen," (Revelation 1:7).*

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### Review for Next Lesson:

#### Overview of events occurring from Here to the Battle of Armageddon Seals, Trumpets, and Vials | Endtime Ministries with Irvin Baxter

*"The seals are the long story, the trumpets are the short story, and the vials are the real short story."*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0C3dtPXCsk>

The book of Revelation is not in chronological order. The seals are the long story, the trumpets are the short story, and the vials are the real short story. They are three vantage points of the end time. You can view them in comparison with the synoptic gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. We know this is true because the 6th and 7th seal, the 7th trumpet, and the 7th vial all record the same event, the second coming of Jesus Christ. Also if the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ in Revelation 11:15, it would not make sense for the Antichrist to begin his rule in Revelation 13.

<https://www.endtime.com/blog/book-revelation-chronological-order/>

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## Part 8

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#### KEY TEXT OF END TIME TEACHING:

*“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”*

Matthew 24:3

*And He said, “See to it that **you** be not misled . . .”*

Matthew 24:4

#### Introduction:

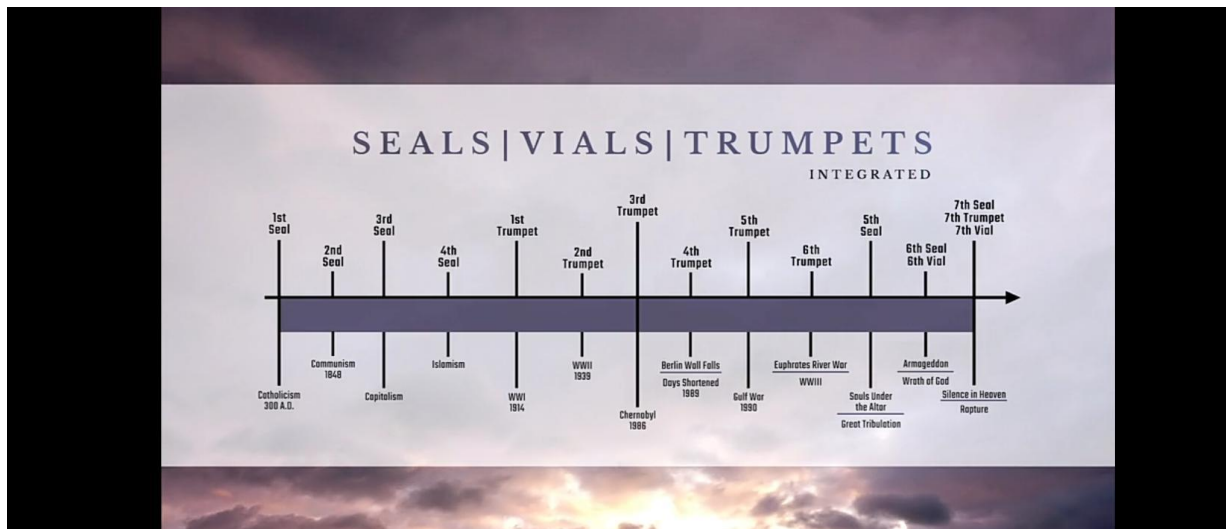
Why do we study the Signs and Return of our Messiah every year during the same period of time, August/September? The reason for this is because this is the season in God’s Biblical Calendar that is known as “The King is in the Field,” a period of time when God’s people are expecting an engagement, a meeting, an appointment with the Lord of the Universe; His Coming to the Earth to Restore and Renew all things as they were Created, the Jubilee of all Jubilees, as prophesied in His first Coming, at the beginning of His ministry and His reading of Isaiah 61:1-2, speaking of this time of Jubilee, which bookmarked His First Coming and will bookend His Second Coming, during this same Season, when the King is in the Field, and his ultimate Rule on Earth as King of kings and Lord of lords during the prophesied Messianic Era of 1,000-years, to His final Judgment of all things.

#### Part 8 – Message:

#### A. The Timeline

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Let’s start here and allow Scripture to Interpret and Validate Scripture; **Revelation 6:1-8** the same account **Zechariah 6:1-8**, same verses, read in Context to get a full picture of what these “Seals” mean. Two Books written 600 years apart, same author, God being the author, of both Books, the only difference, a different secretary . . . *the first thing we must do to understand the context of these two Key End-time narratives is to understand who these “Horses” are, which we learn in Zechariah 6:4:*

### Zechariah 6:4

#### A Vision of Four Chariots

. . . <sup>4</sup>Then I answered and said to the angel who talked with me, “What are these, my lord?” <sup>5</sup>And the angel answered and said to me, “These are going out to the four winds (four spirits) of heaven, after presenting themselves before the Lord of all the earth . . .”

### Revelation 6:1-8

#### The Seven Seals

<sup>1</sup>Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, “Come!” <sup>2</sup>And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer . . .

<sup>3</sup>When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, “Come!” <sup>4</sup>And out came another horse, bright red. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword.

<sup>5</sup>When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, “Come!” And I looked, and behold, a black horse! And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand. <sup>6</sup>And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, “A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wine!”

<sup>7</sup>When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, “Come!” <sup>8</sup>And I looked, and behold, a pale (green) horse! And its rider's name was Death, and Hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth.

### Zechariah 6:1-5

#### A Vision of Four Chariots

<sup>1</sup>Again I lifted my eyes and saw, and behold, four chariots came out from between two mountains (“came out between two kingdoms / powers”). And the mountains were mountains of bronze (The bronze mountains could symbolize the kingdom of God, sending out judgment to the nations). <sup>2</sup>The first chariot had red horses, the



second **black horses**,<sup>3</sup> the third **white horses**, and the fourth chariot **dappled (pale or green) horses** – all of them strong.<sup>4</sup> Then I answered and said to the angel who talked with me, “**What are these, my lord?**”<sup>5</sup> **And the angel answered and said to me, “These are going out to the four winds (four spirits) of heaven, after presenting themselves before the Lord of all the earth . . .**

**Transition:** The Lamb opens the seals – every time a seal was open a horse came out *aka* spirit.

**Seven Seals:** Effecting the Earth Today.

### Review of Revelation 6:1-8 & Zechariah 6:1-8

There are “**Three**” Powers (belief systems, spirits) that dominate the World, all wars are fought with these Powers: 1. Communism, 2. Democracy, 3. Catholicism. It is these “**Three**” Powers vying for the “**One World Order**”.

#### Seal 1: White Horse(s)

“*And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer.*” **Revelation 6:2**

“*the third white horses, . . .<sup>4</sup> Then I answered and said to the angel who talked with me, “What are these, my lord?”<sup>5</sup> And the angel answered and said to me, “These are going out to the four winds (four spirits) of heaven, after presenting themselves before the Lord of all the earth . . . The chariot with the black horses goes toward the north country, the white ones go after them . . .*

<sup>8</sup> *Then he cried to me, “Behold, those who go toward the north country have set my Spirit at rest.”* **Zechariah 6:3-6, 8**

#### White Horse(s) (the color for Catholicism/the Pope) = The Catholic Power (Governance / Rule)

A leader who has a bow/scepter (a weapon (a bow) that does not fire live ammunition) and a crown (Pope Gregory I (590-604) wore a papal crown for the first time, although first mentioned in the vita of Pope Constantine (8<sup>th</sup> Century), said to have engraved Vicarius Filii Dei (Latin for “Vicar of the Son of God”)), with the purpose of conquering, and to conquer.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pope\\_Gregory\\_I](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pope_Gregory_I)

We see accounted in Zechariah that the *chariot* with the white horses (popes dress in white and all travel in white vehicles and airplanes, i.e. white horses) goes towards the Black horse, the north country.

***The 1<sup>st</sup> Seal, the “White Horse”, of the Revelation 6 and Zechariah 6 prophecies is . . .*** The *Holy Roman Empire* was actually born in 800 A.D., when Pope Leo III placed the crown on the head of Charlemagne, announcing that he was now the emperor of the *Holy Roman Empire*. So, when the Bible depicts the Feet or Iron Mingled with Clay (Daniel 2:41-43), the Iron was the Roman element, but the Clay was the Religious element.

***Following are Commentary Notes from “THE REBORN HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE” teaching of the late Irvin Baxter of Endtime Ministries:***

- . . . ON NOVEMBER 3, 2009, THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE WAS, IN FACT, REBORN JUST LIKE THE PROPHECY OF DANIEL 2, JUST LIKE THE PROPHECY OF REVELATION CHAPTER 17.

And the leaders that ruled the *Holy Roman Empire* were always a Dual Leadership.

Always the Political Leader from Europe and the Spiritual Leader every single time from Italy.

It was a combination of the Political Leader and the Spiritual Leader, and of course, the Spiritual Leader was always the Pope of the Roman Catholic Church, of the Vatican.

The Iron Mingled with Clay symbolizes the *Holy Roman Empire*. So this tells us that the *Holy Roman Empire* has to be in power at the time of the Messiah coming to put down the thrones of men and to establish His Kingdom.

This teaches us that Jesus will Return to this Earth during the time of the *Holy Roman Empire*. However, a lot of people say the *Holy Roman Empire* ceased to exist in 1806 with the last Empire decaying, the last element of the *Holy Roman Empire*.

The Holy Roman Empire was declared dead in 1806, however, it was Reborn on November 3, 2009.

The Prophecy says that during this Era that Jesus Christ will Come Back to this Earth, that the anti-Christ will have his 3 ½ reign, that the False-prophet will rule with him and that Jesus Christ will Come.

### Seal 2: Red Horse(s)

*“When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, ‘Come!’”<sup>4</sup> And out came **another horse, bright red**. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword.” **Revelation 6:3-4***

*“The first chariot had **red horses**. . . .<sup>4</sup> Then I answered and said to the angel who talked with me, ‘What are these, my lord?’<sup>5</sup> And the angel answered and said to me, ‘These are going out to the four winds (four spirits) of heaven, after presenting themselves before the Lord of all the earth.’” **Zechariah 6:2, 4-5***

**Red Horse(s) (the color for Communism, i.e. Russia, China, ex.) = The Communist Power (Governance / Rule)**

The Communist Party took peace from the earth, killing one another with sword (i.e. Stalin killed 60 million in the Communist political purge through both World Wars).

### Seal 3: Black Horse(s)

*“When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, ‘Come!’ And I looked, and behold, a **black horse!** And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand.”<sup>6</sup> And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, ‘A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wine!’” **Revelation 6:5-6***

*“. . . the second (chariot) **black horses**, . . . .<sup>4</sup> Then I answered and said to the angel who talked with me, ‘What are these, my lord?’<sup>5</sup> And the angel answered and said to me, ‘These are going out to the four winds (four spirits) of heaven, after presenting themselves before the Lord of all the earth . . . The chariot with the **black horses** goes toward the north country. . . .<sup>8</sup> Then he cried to me, ‘Behold, those who go toward the north country have set my Spirit at rest.’” **Zechariah 6:2, 4-6, 8***

**Black Horse(s) (the color for Democracy (i.e. Most of Europe, U.S., etc.) = The Capitalist Power (Governance / Rule)**

Grand Coalition: Dec 6, 1966, Socialist and Democratic parties came together between the **Red** (socialism (economic system) – Communism (political ideology) and the **Black** (capitalist (economic system) – democracy (political ideology)), with “**Scales**” symbolizing Trade (don’t hurt the economy system – “The Oil and the Wine”, i.e. Global Stock Market, Global Market(s)).

On 1 December 1966, the government was formed by the Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD) and the Christian Democratic Union of Germany (CDU), the two major political parties in the Federal Republic of Germany. It was the result of arguments about tax increases between the CDU/CSU (Christian Social Union)–FDP (Freedom Democratic Party) coalition of the time. The FDP ministers stood down and a new government was formed with the SPD under Kurt Georg Kiesinger of the CDU. The grand coalition was in control of 90% of the Bundestag (468 of 518 seats), leaving some politically active students disillusioned; this disillusionment led to the formation of the Außerparlamentarische Opposition which formed a core of the German student movement. The Kiesinger grand coalition lasted until 1969.

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*Most of the Northern Hemisphere - Nationalists are Capitalists. The White Horse(s) (The Catholic Power) goes after them (the Black Horse(s) - The “Capitalist” Power), using them as a model of governance. It is under this rule or governance model that God’s Spirit is quitted, as a result of too many spiritual revivals (i.e. too busy making money, serving other god’s).*

#### **Seal 4: Pail (Green) Horse(s)**

*“when he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, ‘come!’  
<sup>8</sup> and I looked, and behold, a pale (green) horse! And its rider's name was death, and hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth.” **Revelation 6:7-8***

*“. . . the fourth chariot dappled (pale or green) horses - all of them strong . . .  
<sup>7</sup> When the strong horses came out,  
they were impatient to go and patrol the earth.” **Zechariah 6:3, 7***

#### **Pail (Green) Horse(s) (the color for Islam (i.e. Iran, Iraq, Syria, etc.) = The Islamic Power (Governance / Rule)**

This spirit of this kingdom/power is “Death” and “Hell” (not paradise) follows those who follow its kingdom/power.

The Red Power, Communism, has been replaced by the Green Power, Islam.

The Islamic Power will rule over a fourth of the earth. Islam, presently, has over 1.7 billion people following them in the Earth.

Islam’s sword kills the Christian, Jew, and Infidel (those who do not practice Islam), they Glorify Death (i.e. to die for the cause of Allah, one will go straight to paradise), and Hell followed (not paradise).

The Forth Chariot had *strong* Horses (spirits); Islam is a very strong, authoritative religion.

These spirits go to-and-fro through the whole world, with no territorial boundaries.

**Seal 5:** No more Horses (spirits), referred to in the remaining three “Seal(s)”, but rather, “Souls” here in the “*Fifth Seal*”:

*“When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne,” **Revelation 6:9**, the “Souls” of those who have been “Persecuted” in the past, and those who will be “Persecuted/Killed” during the Great Tribulation:*

“They cried out with a loud voice, ‘O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?’

<sup>11</sup> Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, **until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.**” Revelation 6:10-11

**Revelation 12:7-17 – (Satan Thrown Down to Earth)** <sup>7</sup> Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, <sup>8</sup> but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup> And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world – he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. <sup>10</sup> And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. <sup>11</sup> And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. <sup>12</sup> Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!”

<sup>13</sup> And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. <sup>14</sup> But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, and times, and half a time (3 ½ years) . . . <sup>17</sup> Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

**Time Stamp:** just Following the Removal of Satan from Heaven of Revelation 12 and the Abomination of Desolation of Matthew 24:9-14 & Mark 13:12-13 . . . **the Prophesied “Beginning of Apostasy/Great Falling Away”** . . .

### The Apostasy

Matthew 24:9-14, Mark 13:12-13

Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”

“Then they will deliver you to **tribulation**, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations on account of My name. And at that time many false prophets will arise, and will **mislead many**.

### The Abomination of Desolation and Great Tribulation

Matthew 24:15-22, Mark 13:14-20

Scripture excerpts from “Follow Me: A Message from God”

. . . for then there will be a **great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever shall** (unprecedented tribulation/persecution unmatched to anytime ever in history). And unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but **for the sake of the elect those days shall be cut short** (cut short from the 1335-days of Daniel’s Prophecy . . . which will begin at the closing gate ceremony of ‘The Feast of Atonement’, 10-days following Daniel’s Propheesied 1,290, which will fall on ‘The Feast of Trumpets’).”

**Great Tribulation.** “At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. **And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book** (this is a key Hebraic term giving us a specific timestamp of the Feast of Atonement, when it is taught that the Books are Open – the Book of Life, the Book of the Dead, and the Book of Remembrance – Malachi 3, during the time of “The Day of the Lord”). **Daniel 12:1-4**

**Seal 6:** Heavens open like a Scroll and Jesus Appear in the Sky:

“When he opened the **sixth seal**, I looked, and behold, there was a **great earthquake**, and the **sun became black as sackcloth**, the **full moon became like blood**, <sup>13</sup> and **the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale**. <sup>14</sup> The sky vanished like a scroll that

is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. <sup>15</sup> Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, <sup>16</sup> calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, <sup>17</sup> for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?" **Revelation 6:12-17**

**Seal 7: 7 Seal, 7 Trumpet, 7 Vial** (7<sup>th</sup> Seal - Rev 8:4-5, 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet - Rev 8:6-11:19, 7<sup>th</sup> Vial - Rev 16:1-18) – all culminate together at the at the Battle of Armageddon and Jesus' Return (2<sup>nd</sup> Coming):

The Book of Revelation is built around three groups of seven – seven seals, seven trumpets and seven vials. These three groups of seven all end at the same time with the same event. They all end with the Battle of Armageddon and the Second Coming of Jesus to the earth.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Seal

#### Revelation 8:1-5

##### *The Seventh Seal and the Golden Censer*

“When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. <sup>2</sup> Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. <sup>3</sup> And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer, and he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar before the throne, <sup>4</sup> and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel. <sup>5</sup> Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth, and there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake.”

### 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet

#### *The Seventh Trumpet*

##### Revelation 11:19

“Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple (only one time a year is the ark of the covenant seen, during the Feast of Atonement, late September to early October). There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.”

### 7<sup>th</sup> Vial

#### Revelation 16:17-18

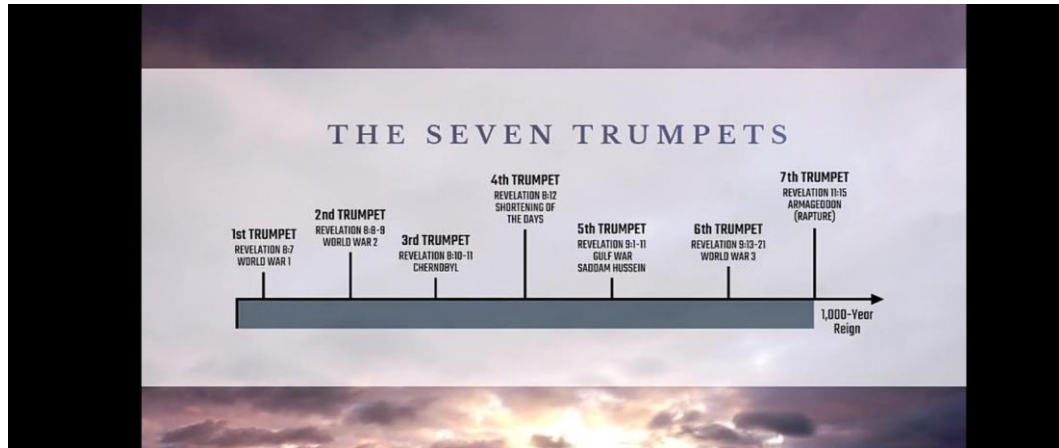
##### *The Seventh Bowl*

“The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, “It is done!” <sup>18</sup> And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake.”

## 2. Account Number Two of the Book of Revelation – The Seven Trumpets

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### A. First Trumpet = July 28, 1914 to November 11, 1918: World War I

#### Revelation 8:7

*The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.*

#### 1. World War I

- 8.2 million killed
- Scorched earth policy
- Bombs dropped by airplanes

### B. Second Trumpet = September 1, 1939 to September 2, 1945: World War II

#### Revelation 8:8-9

*<sup>8</sup>And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood; <sup>9</sup>And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.*

#### 1. World War II

- One-third part of the ships were destroyed.
- 105,127 ships participated in this war.
- 36,387 ships were destroyed.

### C. Third Trumpet = April 26, 1986: Chernobyl

#### Revelation 8:10-11

*And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; And the name of the star is Wormwood, because they were made bitter.*

#### 1. Wormwood prophecy

- Chernobyl nuclear accident in 1986
- Russian word for wormwood is Chernobyl

#### 2. World's worst nuclear accident occurred April 26, 1986

#### 3. Librarian suggested a book called "The Truth About Chernobyl," written by a scientist in Ukraine who was on duty during morning of explosion.

4. **Ten times as much radiation as was produced by bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki during WWII**
5. **Many men died because of the waters.**

**D. Fourth Trumpet = November 9, 1989: Berlin Wall Torn Down**

*Revelation 8:12-13*

<sup>12</sup>The **fourth angel blew his trumpet**, and a third of the sun was struck, and a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of their light might be darkened, and a third of the day might be kept from shining, and likewise a third of the night.

<sup>13</sup>Then I looked, and I heard an eagle crying with a loud voice as it flew directly overhead, “Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, at the blasts of the other trumpets that the three angels are about to blow!”

1. **November 9, 1989: Berlin Wall Torn Down, beginning of the “New World Order”**
2. **Two Germany’s Reunited**
3. **November 9, 1999 - Merrill Lynch Published Article – “‘Happy Birthday World’ – the World is 10 years old”**
4. **They believed we moved into a new World on November 9, 1989**
5. **Sped up World Historical Time, but it neither marked its end or its beginning**  
*“The Post 1989 era is quicker, stronger, and faster. We have seen the acceleration of means of organizing, politics, economics, and social life, but not their re-formulations,” The London School of Economics Web Page*
6. **I have speeded everything up . . .**  
**Days Shortened - Einstein’s theory of Relativity: that time and speed are relative, when one changes so does the other.**
7. **Number of Days Shortened or the Length of Day Shortened**

*Matthew 24:22*

<sup>22</sup> And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.

8. **Abomination to Kingdom of God on Earth**

*Daniel 12:1-13*

*The Time of the End*

<sup>11</sup> And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be **1,290 days** (Abomination to Messiah’s Return). <sup>12</sup> Blessed is he who waits and arrives at the **1,335 days** (Abomination to Kingdom of God on Earth). <sup>13</sup> But go your way till the end. And you shall rest and shall stand in your allotted place at the end of the days.”

**Transition: Following are “Example Models” for us to consider as we see The End of the Age Timeline Unfold:**

**2027**

**Trumpets** (Prophetic 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming) – **October 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>**

Atonement (Prophetic Jubilee) – October 11<sup>th</sup>

Sukkot (Prophetic Beginning of the Millennial Reign) – October 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Day (Prophetic New Heaven & New Earth) – October 23<sup>rd</sup>

Spring Begins – March 19<sup>th</sup>

**2027 | Trumpets** (Prophetic 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming) – **October 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>**

# of days	3 years	6 months	3 ½ Prophecy	Purim 2024	Actual Dates
1260	1095	23wks + 4days	March 19, 2024	March 23-24, 2024	September 1-2, 2027
<b>1290</b>	1095	27wks + 6days	March 19, 2024	March 23-24, 2024	<b>October 2-3, 2027</b>
1335	1095	34wks + 2days	March 19, 2024	March 23-24, 2024	November 15-16, 2027

**2028**

Trumpets (Prophetic 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming) – September 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>

Atonement (Prophetic Jubilee) – **September 30<sup>th</sup>**

Sukkot (Prophetic Beginning of the Millennial Reign) – October 5<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Day (Prophetic New Heaven & New Earth) – October 12<sup>th</sup>

Spring Begins – March 20<sup>th</sup>

# of days	3 years	6 months	3 ½ Prophecy	Purim 2025	Actual Dates
1260	1095	23wks + 4days	March 20, 2025	March 13-14, 2025	August 31, 2028
<b>1290</b>	1095	27wks + 6days	March 20, 2025	March 13-14, 2025	<b>September 30, 2028</b>
1335	1095	34wks + 2days	March 20, 2025	March 13-14, 2025	November 14, 2028

**2029**

Trumpets (Prophetic 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming) – September 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>

Atonement (Prophetic Jubilee) – September 19<sup>th</sup>

Sukkot (Prophetic Beginning of the Millennial Reign) – October 15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Day (Prophetic New Heaven & New Earth) – October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Spring Begins – March 20<sup>th</sup>

# of days	3 years	6 months	3 ½ Prophecy	Purim 2026	Actual Dates
1260	1095	23wks + 4days	March 20, 2026	March 2-3, 2026	September 1, 2029
1290	1095	27wks + 6days	March 20, 2026	March 2-3, 2026	October 1, 2029
1335	1095	34wks + 2days	March 20, 2026	March 2-3, 2026	November 15, 2029

**2030**

Trumpets (Prophetic 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming) – **September 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>**

Atonement (Prophetic Jubilee) – October 7<sup>th</sup>

Sukkot (Prophetic Beginning of the Millennial Reign) – October 12<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Day (Prophetic New Heaven & New Earth) – October 19<sup>th</sup>

Spring Begins – March 20<sup>th</sup> (a Sabbath)

# of days	3 years	6 months	3 ½ Prophecy	Purim 2027	Actual Dates
1260	1095	23wks + 4days	March 20, 2027	March 22-23, 2027	September 1, 2030
<b>1290</b>	1095	27wks + 6days	March 20, 2027	March 22-23, 2027	<b>October 1, 2030</b>
1335	1095	34wks + 2days	March 20, 2027	March 22-23, 2027	November 15, 2030

**E. Fifth Trumpet = August 2, 1990 to February 28, 1991: Gulf War**

**Revelation 9:1-11**

*And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven upon the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit. And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit. And there came power. And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads. And to them it was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man. And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots with horses rushing into battle. They have tails and stings like scorpions, and their power to hurt people for five months is in their tails. They have as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.*

**1. Gulf War of 1991**

a. Approximately 700 oil wells were set on fire and fires blazed for over nine months.

The **Kuwaiti oil fires** were caused by Iraqi military forces setting fire to a reported 605 to 732 oil wells along with an unspecified number of oil filled low-lying areas, such as oil lakes and fire trenches, as part of a scorched earth policy while retreating from Kuwait in 1991 due to the advances of US-led coalition forces in the Persian Gulf War. The fires



were started in January and February 1991, and the first well fires were extinguished in early April 1991, with the last well capped on November 6, 1991.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kuwaiti\\_oil\\_fires](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kuwaiti_oil_fires)

- b. The sun and sky were not seen because it was as dark in Kuwait at noon as it was at midnight.
- c. Saddam means “the destroyer”.
- d. His mother named him Saddam because he almost destroyed her.

**Transition:**

**Two Future Prophesied Events in the Near Future**

- **Sixth Trumpet War (World War III) – 6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet**
- **Peace Agreement between Israelis and Palestinians (begins 7-year countdown to the 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet – during the Season of the Feast of Trumpets) – 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet**

**F. Sixth Trumpet = Between the time of the Signing of the Middle East Peace Agreement in Israel and Before the Building of the Third Temple on the Temple Mount**

**Revelation 9:13-21**

<sup>13</sup> And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, <sup>14</sup> Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. <sup>15</sup> And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men (over 2 billion). <sup>16</sup> And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand (200 million): and I heard the number of them. <sup>17</sup> And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. <sup>18</sup> By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths. <sup>19</sup> For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

<sup>20</sup> And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk: <sup>21</sup> Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

**1. Three things we should notice about this prophecy:**

- a. One-third of mankind will die in this war.
- b. War begins from area of Euphrates River
- c. An army of 200 million soldiers

**2. Over 2 billion to die**

- a. World War I – 8.2 million died
- b. World War II – 52 million died
- c. World War III – Over 2 billion to die

**3. Two hundred million man army**

- a. China
- b. India
- c. Islam

**4. Euphrates River controlled by Islam**

- a. Islam will be in this war.
- b. United States, China and Russia will more than likely be involved in this war.
- c. Outcome of this war will be catastrophic!
- d. Does the Bible indicate a time for the Sixth Trumpet War?

**5. Aftermath of World War III**

- a. The Antichrist will offer his leadership to the world.
- b. One-world government will be in place.

- c. One-third of mankind will be killed.
- d. The power of Islam will be greatly reduced, if not eliminated.
- c. World revival.

**6. What happens to America?**

**Revelation 12:14**

*And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.*

- a. The eagle is shown protecting the woman with 12 stars.
- b. The U.S. defends Israel against the Antichrist.
- c. The U.S. will be a place of refuge.

**G. Seventh Trumpet = Seven years following “the covenant with many for one week” (Israeli-Palestinian Peace Agreement) Daniel 9:27 – falling on the “Feast of Trumpets”, also known as the Feast that “no one knows the day or the hour”.**

*“the covenant with many for one week”* – This is one of the few prophecies with a timeline attached to it. The Bible specifically says that when this agreement is struck the Final Seven Years to Armageddon will begin – culminating at the Battle of Armageddon and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ!

**Revelation 11:15-19**

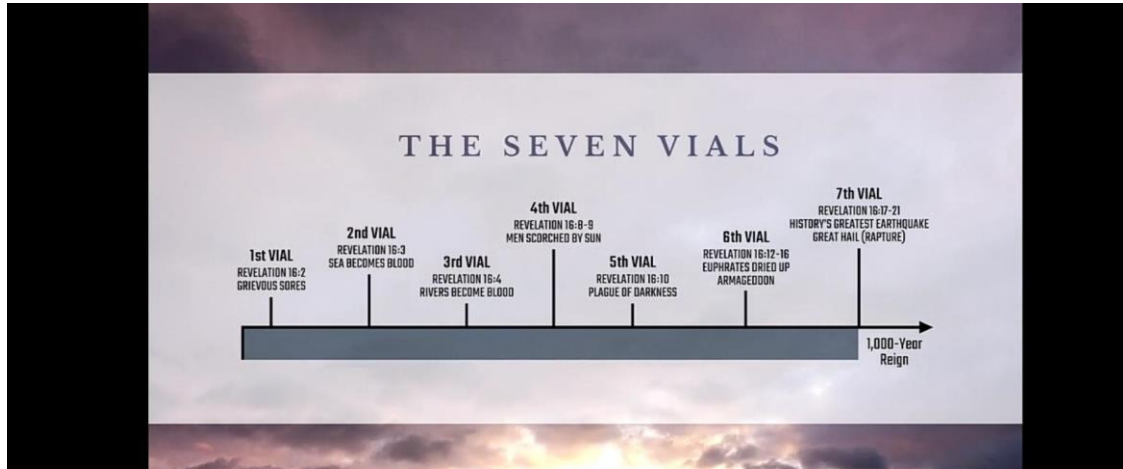
*And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God, Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned. And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth. And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.*

**3. Account Number Four of the Book of Revelation – The Seven Vials**

The Book of Revelation starts over again in chapter 15 and gives us a record of the Seven Vials . . . Also, Revelation 19:7-11 is the fourth of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.

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#### ***Biblical Revelation of Armageddon, found in:***

#### **Revelation 16**

#### ***The Seven Bowls of God's Wrath***

<sup>1</sup> Then I heard a loud voice from the temple telling the seven angels, “Go and pour out on the earth the **seven bowls** of the **wrath of God.**”

<sup>2</sup> So **the FIRST angel went and poured out his BOWL on the EARTH**, and **harmful and painful sores** (6<sup>th</sup> Plague – Exodus 9:9) came **upon the people who bore the mark of the beast and worshiped its image.**

<sup>3</sup> **The SECOND angel poured out his BOWL into the SEA**, and **it became like the blood of a corpse, and every living thing died that was in the sea** (1<sup>st</sup> Plague – Exodus 7:20). (Revelations 7:2-3 – God’s People not hurt during God’s Wrath – Revelation 6:15-23 – example Exodus 8:22 – Goshen)

### **ONCE AGAIN . . . THE FOUR ACCOUNTS OF THE SECOND COMING**

We need to understand another very important fact as we are taking this overview of the entire Book of Revelation. Revelation contains four different accounts of the Second Coming of Jesus, or we might say four different accounts of the “unveiling” of Jesus. The entire book is about the “Unveiling of Jesus Christ,” or the “revealing of Jesus Christ” to the world at the time of the Second Coming.

#### **First Account**

It begins in Revelation 4 and concludes in Revelation 8:5. This is where the **Seven Seals** are recorded, concluding with the Second Coming. Also, **Revelation 8:5 is the first of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.**

#### **Second Account**

We find this account in Revelation 8:2 through Revelation 11:19. This is where the **Seven Trumpets** are recorded, leading up to the Second Coming, but concludes once again with the Second Coming. Also, **Revelation 11:15-19 is the second of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.**

#### **Third Account**

In chapter 12, God reveals to us more events from a totally different perspective. Revelation 12–14 again, from a different perspective, tells us the story of the events that lead up to the dramatic “Unveiling of Jesus Christ” which happens in Revelation 14:14-20. Also, **Revelation 14:14-16 is the third of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.**

#### Fourth Account

The Book of Revelation starts over again in chapter 15 and gives us a record of the Seven Vials. . . Also, Revelation 9:7-11 is the fourth of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation. These events culminate in chapter 19:

- Heavens departing
- Jesus comes to earth
- Fights the Battle of Armageddon
- Antichrist and False Prophet thrown into the Lake of Fire
- Satan is bound for 1,000 years
- Kingdom of God is established

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***These Portions of Revelation 7 and 16 are two of the four accounts of Revelation, being both the First Account and Fourth Account:***

**Revelations 7:2-3** – <sup>2</sup> Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, <sup>3</sup> saying, “**Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have SEALED THE SERVANTS OF OUR GOD ON THEIR FOREHEADS.**”

**Revelations 7:15** – “. . . he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.”

In **Ezekiel 9:4-6**, the Lord gives us a bit of a frightening image of the last days:

<sup>4</sup> *And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.*

<sup>5</sup> *And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:*

<sup>6</sup> *Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.” (Ezekiel 9:4-6 – KJV)*

The tether of God's patience and tolerance has run out and He is about to exact judgment on the ungodly. But before His wrath is poured out, we see an act of mercy upon His children -

*...set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof. (v. 4, KJV)*

While the ungodly are to be slain, the Lord reiterates His instruction...

*...come not near any man upon whom is the mark.... (v. 6, KJV)*

But back to the ungodly...

*...begin at my sanctuary. (v. 6, KJV)*

Two things to notice here:

- 1) According to Ezekiel 9:6, judgment begins at the house of God, which is also confirmed in **1 Peter 4:17** (“*For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?*”).
- 2) **The mark is placed upon unique individuals. Notice the Lord does not say to do so for those who call on His name, but those “that sigh and cry for all the abominations in their midst.” Are we crying over the abominations in our midst today, or do we merely blush at sin in our presence? Are we so passionate for the righteousness and holiness of God that it tears us apart when we see lives being lived contrary to that?**

In **Joel 3:16**, we receive another frightening picture of these times:

*The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: (KJV)*

Remember the Israelites and nations at Sinai were terrified of the Lord's voice, so much so that they pleaded for only Moses to speak with God and Moses report back to them what He said. The Lord's voice breaks the cedars of Lebanon and shatters the mountains. This would indicate a truly terrifying moment. But the verse continues...

*...but the LORD will be the hope [place of harbor] of His people, and the strength of the children of Israel.*

**And the True Test of the Righteous and the Unrighteous:**

**Obey the Truth Contained in the Gospel (the Commands of Jesus)**

#### **2 Thessalonians 1:7-10**

“when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not **obey the gospel** of our Lord Jesus. They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints . . .”

**obey the gospel** – “*make disciples . . . teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you,*”  
**Matthew 28:19-20**

**The Past is a Prophetic Picture of the Future Wrath of God on the Earth:**

**Genesis 7:15-16** – <sup>15</sup>“They went into the **ark** with Noah, two and two of all flesh in which there was the breath of life. <sup>16</sup> And those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as God had commanded him. **And the LORD shut him in.**”

**Exodus 8:22** – “But on that day **I will set apart the land of Goshen, where my people dwell, so that no swarms of flies shall be there, that you may know that I am the LORD** in the midst of the earth.”

**1 Thessalonians 5:9** – “**For God has not destined us for wrath**, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**Revelation 6:15-23** – <sup>15</sup>“Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, <sup>16</sup> calling to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from **the wrath of the Lamb,** <sup>17</sup> **for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?**”

#### **Revelation 16:4-6**

**<sup>4</sup>The THIRD angel poured out his BOWL into the RIVERS and the SPRINGS of WATER, and they became blood** (*1<sup>st</sup> Plague (Repeat) – Exodus 7:20*). <sup>5</sup> And I heard the angel in charge of the waters say,

“Just are you, O Holy One, who is and who was,  
for you brought these judgments.  
<sup>6</sup> **For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets** (Saints Killed during the Great Tribulation),  
and you have given them blood to drink.  
It is what they deserve!”

**Revelation 12:7-17** – (Satan Thrown Down to Earth) <sup>7</sup> Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, <sup>8</sup> but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. <sup>9</sup> And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world – he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. <sup>10</sup> And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, “Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. <sup>11</sup> And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. <sup>12</sup> Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! **But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!**”

<sup>13</sup> And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. <sup>14</sup> But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, and times, and half a time (3 ½ years) . . . <sup>17</sup> **Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.**

**Matthew 24:15-31** – (The Abomination of Desolation) <sup>15</sup> “So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), <sup>16</sup> then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. <sup>17</sup> Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, <sup>18</sup> and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. <sup>19</sup> And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! <sup>20</sup> Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath. <sup>21</sup> For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be. <sup>22</sup> And if those days had not been cut short, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. <sup>23</sup> Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There he is!’ do not believe it. <sup>24</sup> For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. <sup>25</sup> See, I have told you beforehand. <sup>26</sup> So, if they say to you, ‘Look, he is in the wilderness,’ do not go out. If they say, ‘Look, he is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe it. <sup>27</sup> For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>28</sup> Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

#### **The Coming of the Son of Man**

<sup>29</sup> “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. <sup>30</sup> Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. <sup>31</sup> And he will send out his angels with a **loud trumpet call**, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

**Revelations 14:9-13** – <sup>9</sup> And another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a loud voice, “**If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, <sup>10</sup> he also will drink the wine of God's wrath, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. <sup>11</sup> And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever, and they**

have no rest, day or night, these worshipers of the beast and its image, and whoever receives the mark of its name.”

<sup>12</sup> Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus.

<sup>13</sup> And I heard a voice from heaven saying, “Write this: **Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.**” “Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit, “that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!”

#### **Revelation 16 (continued) v. 7-8**

<sup>7</sup> And I heard the altar saying,  
“Yes, Lord God the Almighty,  
true and just are your judgments!”

<sup>8</sup> **The FOURTH angel poured out his BOWL on the SUN, and it was allowed to scorch people with fire.** <sup>9</sup> They were scorched by the fierce heat, and they cursed the name of God who had power over these plagues. They did not repent and give him glory.

#### **2 Peter 3**

##### *The Day of the Lord Will Come*

<sup>1</sup> This is now the second letter that I am writing to you, beloved. In both of them I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder, <sup>2</sup> that you should remember the predictions of the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles, <sup>3</sup> knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires. <sup>4</sup> They will say, “Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation.” <sup>5</sup> For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God, <sup>6</sup> and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished. <sup>7</sup> **But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are STORED UP FOR FIRE, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.**

<sup>8</sup> But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. <sup>9</sup> **The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.** <sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

<sup>11</sup> Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, <sup>12</sup> waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! <sup>13</sup> But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

##### *Final Words*

<sup>14</sup> Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace. <sup>15</sup> And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him, <sup>16</sup> as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do the other Scriptures. <sup>17</sup> You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability. <sup>18</sup> But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

**Revelation 16 (continued) v. 9-16**

<sup>10</sup> The FIFTH angel poured out his BOWL on THE THRONE OF THE BEAST, and its kingdom was plunged into darkness (*9<sup>th</sup> Plague – Exodus 10:21*). People gnawed their tongues in anguish <sup>11</sup> and cursed the God of heaven for their pain and sores. They did not repent of their deeds.

<sup>12</sup> The SIXTH angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, to prepare the way for the kings from the east. <sup>13</sup> And I saw, coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs (*What is this spirit(s)? – Daniel 7:20 – “and about the ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn that came up and before which three of them fell, the horn that had eyes and a mouth that spoke great things, and that seemed greater than its companions.”*). <sup>14</sup> For they are demonic spirits, performing signs, who go abroad to the kings of the whole world, to assemble them for battle on the great day of God the Almighty. <sup>15</sup> (“Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on (i.e. Revelation 22:14, “Blessed are they that do his commandments (who wash their robes), that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.), that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!”) <sup>16</sup> And they assembled them at the place that in Hebrew is called **ARMAGEDDON**.

*Ezekiel 38:14-18*

<sup>14</sup> “Therefore, son of man, prophesy, and say to Gog, Thus says the Lord GOD: On that day when my people Israel are dwelling securely, will you not know it? <sup>15</sup> You will come from your place out of the uttermost parts of the north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great host, a mighty army. <sup>16</sup> You will come up against my people Israel, like a cloud covering the land. In the latter days **I will bring you** against my land, that the nations may know me, when **through you, O Gog, I vindicate my holiness** before their eyes.

<sup>17</sup> “Thus says the Lord GOD: Are you he of whom I spoke in former days by my servants the prophets of Israel, who in those days prophesied for years that I would bring you against them? <sup>18</sup> **But on that day, the day that Gog shall come against the land of Israel, declares the Lord GOD, my wrath will be roused in my anger.**

**Revelation 16 (continued) v. 17-18**

*The Seventh Bowl*

<sup>17</sup> The SEVENTH angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, “It is done!” <sup>18</sup> And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake. (*supporting prophecy: Ezekiel 38:22 – “With pestilence and bloodshed I will enter into judgment with him, and I will rain upon him and his hordes and the many peoples who are with him torrential rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur.”*)

*Following are the Seven Plagues that Lead-up to the Coming of the Messiah and the Events sounding the Feast of Atonement and the Day of the Lord (the 1,000-year Millennial Reign of the Messiah):*

**Revelation 15:1-4 (8)**

*The Seven Angels with Seven Plagues*

<sup>1</sup> Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and amazing, seven angels with seven plagues, which are the last, for with them the **wrath of God is finished**.

<sup>2</sup> And I saw what appeared to be a sea of glass mingled with fire – and also those who had conquered the beast and its image and the number of its name, standing beside the sea of glass with harps of God in their hands. <sup>3</sup> And they sing the **song of Moses** (*Deuteronomy 32 – right before Israel was about to cross the Jordan into the Promise Land, with Joshua (Yeshua – Jesus) being our Leader who victoriously leads us into the Promise Land*), the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying,

“Great and amazing are your deeds,  
O Lord God the Almighty!  
Just and true are your ways,  
O King of the nations!  
<sup>4</sup> Who will not fear, O Lord,  
and glorify your name?  
For you alone are holy.  
All nations will come



and worship you,  
for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

**Revelation 15:3**

**The Seven Angels with Seven Plagues**

<sup>3</sup> And they **sing the song of Moses** (*Deuteronomy 32 – right before Israel was about to cross the Jordan into the Promise Land, with Joshua (Yeshua – Jesus) being our Leader who victoriously leads us into the Promise Land*), the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying:

**Deuteronomy 32**

(Full Version)

**The Song of Moses**

<sup>1</sup> **“Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak,  
and let the earth hear the words of my mouth.**

<sup>2</sup> **May my teaching drop as the rain,  
my speech distill as the dew,  
like gentle rain upon the tender grass,  
and like showers upon the herb.**

**Deuteronomy 32 (continues)**

(Full Version)

**The Song of Moses**

<sup>3</sup> For I will proclaim the name of the LORD;  
ascribe greatness to our God!

<sup>4</sup> “The Rock, his work is perfect,  
for all his ways are justice.

<sup>4</sup> . . . A God of faithfulness and without iniquity,  
just and upright is he.

<sup>5</sup> They have dealt corruptly with him;  
they are no longer his children because they are blemished;  
they are a crooked and twisted generation.

<sup>6</sup> Do you thus repay the LORD,  
you foolish and senseless people?

Is not he your father, who created you,  
who made you and established you? <sup>7</sup> **Remember the days of old;  
consider the years of many generations;**

<sup>7</sup> . . . **ask your father, and he will show you,  
your elders, and they will tell you.**

<sup>8</sup> When the Most High gave to the nations their inheritance,  
when he divided mankind,  
he fixed the borders of the peoples  
according to the number of the sons of God.

<sup>9</sup> But the LORD's portion is his people,  
Jacob his allotted heritage.

<sup>10</sup> “He found him in a desert land,  
and in the howling waste of the wilderness;  
he encircled him, he cared for him,  
he kept him as the apple of his eye.

<sup>11</sup> **Like an eagle that stirs up its nest,  
that flutters over its young,  
spreading out its wings, catching them,  
bearing them on its pinions,  
<sup>12</sup> the LORD alone guided him,  
no foreign god was with him.**

<sup>13</sup> He made him ride on the high places of the land,  
and he ate the produce of the field,  
and he suckled him with honey out of the rock,  
and oil out of the flinty rock.

<sup>14</sup> Curds from the herd, and milk from the flock,

with fat of lambs,  
rams of Bashan and goats,  
with the very finest of the wheat—  
and you drank foaming wine made from the blood of the grape.

<sup>15</sup>“But Jeshurun (*Jeshurun: Israel*) grew fat, and kicked;  
you grew fat, stout, and sleek;  
then he forsook God who made him  
and scoffed at the Rock of his salvation.

<sup>16</sup>They stirred him to jealousy with strange gods;  
with abominations they provoked him to anger.

<sup>17</sup>They sacrificed to demons that were no gods,  
to gods they had never known,  
to new gods that had come recently,  
whom your fathers had never dreaded.

<sup>18</sup>You were unmindful of the Rock that bore you,  
and you forgot the God who gave you birth.

<sup>19</sup>“The LORD saw it and spurned them,  
because of the provocation of his sons and his daughters.

**Deuteronomy 32** (*continues*)

(*Full Version*)

***The Song of Moses***

<sup>20</sup> And he said, ‘I will hide my face from them;  
I will see what their end will be,  
for they are a perverse generation,  
children in whom is no faithfulness.

<sup>21</sup> **They have made me jealous with what is no god;  
they have provoked me to anger with their idols.**

**So I will make them jealous with those who are no people; I will provoke them to anger with a  
foolish nation.**

<sup>22</sup> For a fire is kindled by my anger,  
and it burns to the depths of Sheol,  
devours the earth and its increase,  
and sets on fire the foundations of the mountains.

<sup>23</sup> “**And I will heap disasters upon them;  
I will spend my arrows on them;**

<sup>24</sup> they shall be wasted with hunger,  
and devoured by plague  
and poisonous pestilence;

I will send the teeth of beasts against them,  
with the venom of things that crawl in the dust.

<sup>25</sup> Outdoors the sword shall bereave,  
and indoors terror,

for young man and woman alike,  
the nursing child with the man of gray hairs.  
<sup>26</sup> I would have said, “I will cut them to pieces;  
I will wipe them from human memory,”

<sup>27</sup> had I not feared provocation by the enemy,  
lest their adversaries should misunderstand,  
lest they should say, “Our hand is triumphant,  
it was not the LORD who did all this.”

<sup>28</sup> “For they are a nation void of counsel,  
and there is no understanding in them.

<sup>29</sup> If they were wise, they would understand this;  
they would discern their latter end!

<sup>30</sup> How could one have chased a thousand,  
and two have put ten thousand to flight,  
unless their Rock had sold them,  
and the LORD had given them up?

<sup>31</sup> For their rock is not as our Rock;  
our enemies are by themselves.  
<sup>32</sup> For their vine comes from the vine of Sodom  
and from the fields of Gomorrah;  
their grapes are grapes of poison;  
their clusters are bitter;  
<sup>33</sup> their wine is the poison of serpents  
and the cruel venom of asps.  
<sup>34</sup> “Is not this laid up in store with me,  
sealed up in my treasures?  
<sup>35</sup> Vengeance is mine, and recompense,  
for the time when their foot shall slip;  
for the day of their their calamity is at hand,  
and doom comes swiftly.’  
<sup>36</sup> **For the LORD will vindicate his people and have compassion on his servants,  
when he sees that their power is  
gone and there is none remaining, bond or free.**

**Deuteronomy 32** (*continues*)

(*Full Version*)

***The Song of Moses***

<sup>37</sup> Then he will say, ‘Where are their gods,  
the rock in which they took refuge,  
<sup>38</sup> who ate the fat of their sacrifices  
and drank the wine of their drink offering?  
Let them rise up and help you;  
let them be your protection!  
<sup>39</sup> “See now that I, even I, am he,  
and there is no god beside me;  
I kill and I make alive;  
I wound and I heal;  
and there is none that can deliver out of my hand.  
<sup>40</sup> For I lift up my hand to heaven  
and swear, As I live forever,  
<sup>41</sup> if I sharpen my flashing sword  
and my hand takes hold on judgment,  
I will take vengeance on my adversaries  
and will repay those who hate me.  
<sup>42</sup> I will make my arrows drunk with blood,  
and my sword shall devour flesh –  
with the blood of the slain and the captives,  
from the long-haired heads of the enemy.’  
<sup>43</sup> “Rejoice with him, O heavens;  
bow down to him, all gods,  
for he avenges the blood of his children  
and takes vengeance on his adversaries.  
<sup>43</sup> He repays those who hate him  
and cleanses his people's land.”

<sup>44</sup> Moses came and recited all the words of this song in the hearing of the people, he and Joshua the son of Nun. <sup>45</sup> And when Moses had finished speaking all these words to all Israel, <sup>46</sup> he said to them, **“Take to heart all the words by which I am warning you today, that you may command them to your children, that they may be careful to do all the words of this law.”** <sup>47</sup> For it is no empty word for you, but your very life, and by this word you shall live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess.”

**Revelation 15** (*continued*) v. 5-8 – (“*The Feast of Atonement*” – *Exodus 34; Leviticus 16 and 23:26-32; Luke 4:14-30 (Isaiah 61)*)

<sup>5</sup> After this I looked, and the sanctuary of the **tent of witness in heaven was opened**, <sup>6</sup> and out of the sanctuary came the seven angels with the seven plagues, **clothed in pure, bright linen, with golden sashes around their**

chests. <sup>7</sup> And one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels **seven golden bowls full of the wrath of God** who lives forever and ever, <sup>8</sup> and **the sanctuary was filled with smoke** from the glory of God and from his power, and **no one could enter the sanctuary until the seven plagues of the seven angels were finished.**

**Revelation 16 (continued) v. 19-20**

<sup>19</sup> **The great city was split into three parts** (*Revelation 11:13 – Earthquake & 7,000 men destroyed; Zachariah 14:4, 19 - Earthquake*), and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath. <sup>20</sup> And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found (*Revelation 6:14*).

**Revelation 11:13** – *And at that hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell (city: Jerusalem). Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.*

**Revelation 6:14** – The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and **every mountain and island was removed from its place.**

**Ezekiel 38:19-23** – <sup>19</sup> For in my jealousy and in my blazing wrath I declare, On that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel. <sup>20</sup> The fish of the sea and the birds of the heavens and the beasts of the field and all creeping things that creep on the ground, and all the people who are on the face of the earth, shall quake at my presence. And the mountains shall be thrown down, and the cliffs shall fall, and every wall shall tumble to the ground. <sup>21</sup> I will summon a sword against Gog on all my mountains, declares the Lord GOD. Every man's sword will be against his brother. <sup>22</sup> With pestilence and bloodshed I will enter into judgment with him, and I will rain upon him and his hordes and the many peoples who are with him torrential rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur. <sup>23</sup> So I will show my greatness and my holiness and make myself known in the eyes of many nations. Then they will know that I am the LORD.

**Zechariah 14:1-9**

**The Coming Day of the LORD**

<sup>1</sup> Behold, a day is coming for the LORD, when the spoil taken from you will be divided in your midst. <sup>2</sup> For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women raped. Half of the city shall go out into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city. <sup>3</sup> Then the LORD will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle. <sup>4</sup> **On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley** (“<sup>10</sup> And while they were gazing into heaven (on the Mount of Olives) as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, <sup>11</sup> and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, **will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven** (on the Mount of Olives).” Acts 1:10-11), so that one half of the Mount shall move northward, and the other half southward. <sup>5</sup> And you shall flee to the valley of my mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal. And you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the LORD my God will come, and all the holy ones with him.

<sup>6</sup> On that day there shall be no light, cold, or frost. <sup>7</sup> And there shall be a unique day, which is known to the LORD, neither day nor night, but at evening time there shall be light.

<sup>8</sup> On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of them to the eastern sea and half of them to the western sea. It shall continue in summer as in winter.

<sup>9</sup> And the LORD will be king over all the earth. **On that day the LORD** will be one and his name one.

### Understanding “the Day of the Lord”:

For many Christians **the Day of the Lord** is a confusing term and difficult to describe. The following observations should make understanding the term and end time events a little easier.

1. The Day of the Lord is 1,000 years long. The Apostle Peter states, “*But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.*” (2 Peter 3:8)
2. The Day of the Lord is the seventh 1,000-year day from creation. It is the Sabbath, a rest for the people of God because the Kingdom of God will be established in the earth, which begins with the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ to rule and reign and ends prior to the release of Satan to deceive the nations again. It is the 8th day, corresponding to the 8th day of the Feast of Tabernacles (October) that Heaven and earth pass away, the great white throne judgment takes place and God creates a new heaven and earth. Following is a brief synopsis of the historical breakdown of the historical context of each one of these 8-days:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> day – Adam to Noah
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> day – Noah to Abraham
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> day – Abraham to David
  - 4<sup>th</sup> day – David, the lesser light to Jesus Christ, the greater light
  - 5<sup>th</sup> day – One of the last days
  - 6<sup>th</sup> day – One of the last days
  - 7<sup>th</sup> day – The Day of the Lord, a Sabbath which begins with the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ to rule and reign and ends prior to the release of Satan to deceive the nations again.
  - 8<sup>th</sup> day – Heaven and earth pass away, the great white throne judgment takes place and God creates a new heaven and earth.
3. The Day of the Lord is referred to throughout Scripture in different ways such as: the day, that day, the Lord’s Day, and the 1,000-year reign of Christ.
4. The Day of the Lord is the primary subject of the Book of Revelation, as the Apostle John was in the Spirit on the Lord’s Day. He is describing events that occur throughout the day: warnings, judgments, resurrection of the dead, binding of Satan, marriage supper of the lamb, and the reign of Christ on earth.
5. Jesus will fulfill the final three Feasts (appointed times) of the Lord: Day of Blowing (the shofar), The Day of Atonement and the Feast of Tabernacles.
6. Note: Jesus has fulfilled the first four Feasts (appointed times) of the Lord: The Lord’s Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread, Feast of Firstfruits and Feast of Seven Sevens (Weeks or Pentecost).
7. The Day of the Lord is also resurrection day for it is written in Hosea 6:2: “*He will revive us after two days; He will raise us up on the third day, that we may live before Him.*” It is the third 1,000-year day from the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the firstfruits.

**One Event, the Three Sevens: 7<sup>th</sup> Seal, 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet, 7<sup>th</sup> Vial** (7<sup>th</sup> Seal – Rev 8:1-5, 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet – Rev 11:15-19, 7<sup>th</sup> Vial – Rev 16:17-18) – all culminate together at the end of the Battle of Armageddon and Jesus’ Return (2<sup>nd</sup> Coming):

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Seal**

##### ***The Seventh Seal and the Golden Censer***

##### **Revelation 8:1-5**

“When the Lamb opened the **seventh seal**, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. <sup>2</sup> Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. <sup>3</sup> And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer, and he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar before the throne, <sup>4</sup> and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel. <sup>5</sup> Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth, and **there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake.**”

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet**

##### ***The Seventh Trumpet***

##### **Revelation 11:19**

“Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple (only one time a year is the ark of the covenant seen, during the Feast of Atonement, late September to early October). There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.”

### *The Seventh Trumpet*

#### **Revelation 11:1-19**

#### *The Two Witnesses*

<sup>1</sup> Then I was given a measuring rod like a staff, and I was told, “Rise and measure the temple of God and the altar and those who worship there, <sup>2</sup> but do not measure the court outside the temple; leave that out, for it is given over to the nations, and they will trample the holy city for forty-two months. <sup>3</sup> And I will grant authority to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth.”

<sup>4</sup> These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth. <sup>5</sup> And if anyone would harm them, fire pours from their mouth and consumes their foes. If anyone would harm them, this is how he is doomed to be killed. <sup>6</sup> They have the power to shut the sky, that no rain may fall during the days of their prophesying, and they have power over the waters to turn them into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague, as often as they desire. <sup>7</sup> And when they have finished their testimony, the beast that rises from the bottomless pit will make war on them and conquer them and kill them, <sup>8</sup> and their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city that symbolically is called Sodom and Egypt, where their Lord was crucified. <sup>9</sup> For three and a half days some from the peoples and tribes and languages and nations will gaze at their dead bodies and refuse to let them be placed in a tomb, <sup>10</sup> and those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them and make merry and exchange presents, because these two prophets had been a torment to those who dwell on the earth. <sup>11</sup> But after the three and a half days a breath of life from God entered them, and they stood up on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. <sup>12</sup> Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, “Come up here!” And they went up to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies watched them. <sup>13</sup> And at that hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

<sup>14</sup> The second woe has passed; behold, the third woe is soon to come.

<sup>15</sup> Then **THE SEVENTH angel blew his TRUMPET**, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “*The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.*” <sup>16</sup> And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, <sup>17</sup> saying,

“We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,  
who is and who was,  
for you have taken your great power  
and begun to reign.  
<sup>18</sup> The nations raged,  
but your wrath came,  
and (#1) the time for the dead to be judged,  
and for (#2) rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints,  
and those who fear your name,  
both small and great,  
and for (#3) destroying the destroyers of the earth.”

<sup>19</sup> Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple (This is the description of the Feast of Atonement – a Time Stamp in the Prophetic Timeline, around mid-September to early-October – only one time a year is the ark of the covenant seen, during the “Feast of Atonement”). There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

### **7<sup>th</sup> Vial**

#### *The Seventh Bowl*

#### **Revelation 16:17-18**

“The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, “It is done!”<sup>18</sup> And there were **flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder**, and a **great earthquake** such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake.”

*Following are the Characteristic Events Representative of the 1,000-year Millennial Reign of the Messiah, from beginning to end:*

### **Revelation 19**

#### ***Rejoicing in Heaven***

<sup>1</sup> After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying out, “Hallelujah!

Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,

<sup>2</sup> for his judgments are true and just;

for he has judged the great prostitute

who corrupted the earth with her immorality,

and has avenged on her the blood of his servants.”

<sup>3</sup> Once more they cried out,

**Revelation 19** (continues)

“Hallelujah!

The smoke from her goes up forever and ever.”

<sup>4</sup> And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who was seated on the throne, saying, “Amen. Hallelujah!”<sup>5</sup> And from the throne came a voice saying,

“Praise our God,  
all you his servants,  
you who fear him,  
small and great.”

#### ***The Marriage Supper of the Lamb***

<sup>6</sup> Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out,

“Hallelujah!

For the Lord our God

the Almighty reigns.

<sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and exult

and give him the glory,

for the marriage of the Lamb has come,

and his Bride has made herself ready;

<sup>8</sup> it was granted her to clothe herself

with **fine linen** (the time of the “Feast of Atonement”), bright and pure”—

for the **fine linen** is the righteous deeds of the saints.

<sup>9</sup> And the angel said to me, “Write this: *Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.*” And he said to me, “These are the true words of God.”<sup>10</sup> Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, “You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God.” For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

#### ***The Rider on a White Horse***

<sup>11</sup> Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war.<sup>12</sup> His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but

himself. <sup>13</sup> He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. <sup>14</sup> And the armies of heaven, **arrayed in fine linen**, white and pure, were following him on white horses. <sup>15</sup> From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. **He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty.** <sup>16</sup> On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

<sup>17</sup> Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, “*Come, gather for the great supper of God,* <sup>18</sup> *to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men (the time of the End of the “Battle of Armageddon”), both free and slave, both small and great.*” <sup>19</sup> And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. <sup>20</sup> **And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image.** These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. <sup>21</sup> And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

*Revelation 17-18 – Judgment of Mystery Babylon.*

**Revelation 16 (continued) v. 21**

<sup>21</sup> And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail (*7<sup>th</sup> Plague – Exodus 10:21*), because the plague was so severe (*Ezekiel 38:18-23*).

**AND THE THUNDERS AND HAIL CEASED, AND THE RAIN WAS NO LONGER Poured UPON THE EARTH (Exodus 9:33)** The hailstones which were on the way down when Moses prayed were suspended in midair, and did not reach the earth. When did they descend? In the days of Joshua they descended upon the Amorites, as it is written (Joshua 10:11): “*And it came to pass, as they fled from before Israel . . . that G-d cast down great stones from heaven upon them.*” **The remainder will descend in the days of Gog and Magog.** (*Midrash Rabbah*)

**Ezekiel 38:14-23**

<sup>14</sup> “*Therefore, son of man, prophesy, and say to Gog, Thus says the Lord GOD: On that day when my people Israel are dwelling securely, will you not know it?* <sup>15</sup> *You will come from your place out of the uttermost parts of the north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great host, a mighty army.* <sup>16</sup> *You will come up against my people Israel, like a cloud covering the land. In the latter days I will bring you against my land, that the nations may know me, when through you, O Gog, I vindicate my holiness before their eyes.*

<sup>17</sup> “*Thus says the Lord GOD: Are you he of whom I spoke in former days by my servants the prophets of Israel, who in those days prophesied for years that I would bring you against them?* <sup>18</sup> ***But on that day, the day that Gog shall come against the land of Israel, declares the Lord GOD, my wrath will be roused in my anger.*** <sup>19</sup> *For in my jealousy and in my blazing wrath I declare, On that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel.* <sup>20</sup> *The fish of the sea and the birds of the heavens and the beasts of the field and all creeping things that creep on the ground, and all the people who are on the face of the earth, shall quake at my presence. And the mountains shall be thrown down, and the cliffs shall fall, and every wall shall tumble to the ground.* <sup>21</sup> *I will summon a sword against Gog on all my mountains, declares the Lord GOD. Every man's sword will be against his brother.* <sup>22</sup> *With pestilence and bloodshed I will enter into judgment with him, and I will rain upon him and his hordes and the many peoples who are with him torrential rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur.* <sup>23</sup> ***So I will show my greatness and my holiness and make myself known in the eyes of many nations. Then they will know that I am the LORD.***



## The Conclusion of the Battle of Armageddon:

### **Ezekiel 39:1-29**

<sup>1</sup> “And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog and say, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. <sup>2</sup> And I will turn you about and drive you forward, and bring you up from the uttermost parts of the north, and lead you against the mountains of Israel. <sup>3</sup> Then I will strike your bow from your left hand, and will make your arrows drop out of your right hand. <sup>4</sup> You shall fall on the mountains of Israel, you and all your hordes and the peoples who are with you. I will give you to birds of prey of every sort and to the beasts of the field to be devoured. <sup>5</sup> You shall fall in the open field, for I have spoken, declares the Lord GOD. <sup>6</sup> **I will send fire on Magog and on those who dwell securely in the coastlands, and they shall know that I am the LORD.**

<sup>7</sup> **“And my holy name I will make known in the midst of my people Israel, and I will not let my holy name be profaned anymore. And the nations shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel. Behold, it is coming and it will be brought about, declares the Lord GOD. That is the day of which I have spoken.”**

<sup>9</sup> **“Then those who dwell in the cities of Israel will go out and make fires of the weapons and burn them, shields and bucklers, bow and arrows, clubs and spears; and they will make fires of them for seven years,** <sup>10</sup> so that they will not need to take wood out of the field or cut down any out of the forests, for they will make their fires of the weapons. They will seize the spoil of those who despoiled them, and plunder those who plundered them, declares the Lord GOD.

<sup>11</sup> *“On that day I will give to Gog a place for burial in Israel, the Valley of the Travelers, east of the sea. It will block the travelers, for there Gog and all his multitude will be buried. It will be called the Valley of Hamon-gog.* <sup>12</sup> **For seven months the house of Israel will be burying them, in order to cleanse the land.** <sup>13</sup> **All the people of the land will bury them, and it will bring them renown on the day that I show my glory, declares the Lord GOD.**

*Future Hidden Prophecy to be Fulfilled, “For seven months the house of Israel will be burying them, in order to cleanse the land,” which from the Coming of the Messiah, in the prophetic month of Tishri (September), seven-months later, on the day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Passover, exactly 30-days after the beginning of the annual Passover, we see this prophecy of 2<sup>nd</sup> Passover being fulfilled:*

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Passover – Our Second Chance**

*(30 Days from the Beginning of Passover every year)*

#### **Numbers 9:9-14**

<sup>9</sup> *The LORD spoke to Moses, saying,* <sup>10</sup> *“Speak to the people of Israel, saying, **If any one of you or of your descendants is unclean through touching a dead body, or is on a long journey, he shall still keep the Passover to the LORD.** <sup>11</sup> **In the second month on the fourteenth day at twilight they shall keep it. They shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.** <sup>12</sup> *They shall leave none of it until the morning, nor break any of its bones; according to all the statute for the Passover they shall keep it.* <sup>13</sup> *But if anyone who is clean and is not on a journey fails to keep the Passover, that person shall be cut off from his people because he did not bring the LORD's offering at its appointed time; that man shall bear his sin.* <sup>14</sup> *And if a stranger sojourns among you and would keep the Passover to the LORD, according to the statute of the Passover and according to its rule, so shall he do. **You shall have one statute, both for the sojourner and for the native.”****

**Future Hidden Prophecy to be Fulfilled (2<sup>nd</sup> Passover)** – in the words of Jesus, “until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, (iota/dot explained: not the least of God's commands will pass away) will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.” Matthew 5:18.

### **Ezekiel 39 (continued)**

<sup>14</sup> They will set apart men to travel through the land regularly and bury those travelers remaining on the face of the land, so as to cleanse it. At the end of seven months they will make their search. <sup>15</sup> And when these travel through the land and anyone sees a human bone, then he shall set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the Valley of Hamon-gog. <sup>16</sup> (Hamonah is also the name of the city.) Thus shall they cleanse the land.

<sup>17</sup> “As for you, son of man, thus says the Lord GOD: Speak to the birds of every sort and to all beasts of the field: ‘Assemble and come, gather from all around to the sacrificial feast that I am preparing for you, a great sacrificial feast on the mountains of Israel, and you shall eat flesh and drink blood. <sup>18</sup> You shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth—of rams, of lambs, and of he-goats, of bulls,

all of them fat beasts of Bashan. <sup>19</sup> And you shall eat fat till you are filled, and drink blood till you are drunk, at the sacrificial feast that I am preparing for you. <sup>20</sup> And you shall be filled at my table with horses and charioteers, with mighty men and all kinds of warriors,' declares the Lord GOD.

<sup>21</sup> "And I will set my glory among the nations, and all the nations shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid on them. <sup>22</sup> The house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God, from that day forward. <sup>23</sup> And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity, because they dealt so treacherously with me that I hid my face from them and gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they all fell by the sword. <sup>24</sup> I dealt with them according to their uncleanness and their transgressions, and hid my face from them.

***The LORD Will Restore Israel***

<sup>25</sup> "Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: **Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel, and I will be jealous for my holy name.** <sup>26</sup> They shall forget their shame and all the treachery they have practiced against me, when they dwell securely in their land with none to make them afraid, <sup>27</sup> when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies' lands, and through them have vindicated my holiness in the sight of many nations. <sup>28</sup> Then they shall know that I am the LORD their God, because I sent them into exile among the nations and then assembled them into their own land. I will leave none of them remaining among the nations anymore. <sup>29</sup> **And I will not hide my face anymore from them, when I pour out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, declares the Lord GOD."**

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## Part 9

### Overview of events occurring from Here to the Battle of Armageddon

*“The seals are the long story, the trumpets are the short story,  
and the vials are the real short story.”*

#### **KEY TEXT OF END TIME TEACHING:**

*“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”*

**Matthew 24:3**

*And He said, “See to it that you be not misled . . .”*

**Matthew 24:4**

#### **Introduction:**

*Why do we study the Signs and Return of our Messiah every year during the same period of time, August/September? The reason for this is because this is the season in God’s Biblical Calendar that is known as “The King is in the Field,” a period of time when God’s people are expecting an engagement, a meeting, an appointment with the Lord of the Universe; His Coming to the Earth to Restore and Renew all things as they were Created, the Jubilee of all Jubilees, as prophesied in His first Coming, at the beginning of His ministry and His reading of Isaiah 61:1-2, speaking of this time of Jubilee, which bookmarked His First Coming and will bookend His Second Coming, during this same Season, when the King is in the Field, and his ultimate Rule on Earth as King of kings and Lord of lords during the prophesied Messianic Era of 1,000-years, to His final Judgment of all things.*

#### **Review:**

- **Three Divisions of the Book of Revelation**

- Things which thou hast seen
- Things which are
- Things which shall be hereafter

- **Four Accounts of the Second Coming**

We need to understand another very important fact as we are taking this overview of the entire Book of Revelation. Revelation contains four different accounts of the Second Coming of Jesus, or we might say four different accounts of the “unveiling” of Jesus. The entire book is about the “Unveiling of Jesus Christ,” or the “revealing of Jesus Christ” to the world at the time of the Second Coming.

- **First Account**

It begins in Revelation 4 and concludes in Revelation 8:5. This is where the Seven Seals are recorded, concluding with the Second Coming. Also, Revelation 8:5 is the first of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.

- **Second Account**

We find this account in Revelation 8:2 through Revelation 11:19. This is where the Seven Trumpets are recorded, leading up to the Second Coming, but concludes once again with the Second Coming. Also, Revelation 11:15-19 is the second of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.

- **Third Account**

In chapter 12, God reveals to us more events from a totally different perspective. Revelation 12–14 again, from a different perspective, tells us the story of the events that lead up to the dramatic “Unveiling of Jesus Christ” which happens in Revelation 14:14-20. Also, Revelation 14:14-16 is the third of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation.

• **Fourth Account**

The Book of Revelation starts over again in chapter 15 and gives us a record of the Seven Vials . . . Also, Revelation 19:7-11 is the fourth of four accounts of the Rapture in Revelation. These events culminate in chapter 19:

- Heavens departing
- Jesus comes to earth
- Fights the Battle of Armageddon
- Antichrist and False Prophet thrown into the Lake of Fire
- Satan is bound for 1,000 years
- Kingdom of God is established

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*Part 9 – Message:*

**Overview of events occurring from here to the Battle of Armageddon**



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**1. Overview of events occurring from here to the Battle of Armageddon**

- Sixth Trumpet War – occurs when sixth trumpet of Revelation sounds
- Book of Revelation – seven seals, seven trumpets, and seven vials
  - War starts from Euphrates River
  - One-third of mankind destroyed. It is going to be World War III!
  - Army of 200 million will participate in this war. There are only three entities on the planet that can fulfill this:
    - China
    - India
    - Islam

**2. Middle East Peace Agreement**

- Palestinian-Israeli interim peace agreement
- Antichrist to confirm covenant

**Daniel 9:27**

*And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the*

overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

c. Abrahamic covenant

**Genesis 15:18**

*In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt upon the great river, the river Euphrates*

...

**Current Events:**

**Abrahamic Accords (9/20):** <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/trump-israel-uae-peace-agreement?fbclid=IwAR0C9if2fZcwawNUAWyu35UiImkTcHjrX61AJyHXFF6GXBJRBzjwnJJbTVk>

**Prophetic Picture Number One** is the Birth of an Actual Covenant and not just a Peace Agreement that was Proclaimed during the Feast of Trumpets, September 2020 on the White House Lawn with the President of the United States, Donald Trump, the Prime Minister of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu, and the Leaders of Two Muslim Nations, not to establish a Peace Plan, but rather a Covenant Agreement to Normalize Relations between the Jews and Muslims, mutually economically, relationally, and in faith, with one Major focal point of a United Place of Worship on the Temple Mount, as a place of Prayer and Worship of All Nations, which we will see being understood and realized in the Following Current Event below . . .

**Abrahamic Family Houses (2/21 – broke grown 2021, completed 2/16/2023):**  
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**Prophetic Picture Number Two** is the understanding and prototype of one of the major focal points of the actual Abrahamic Covenant above, as Envisioned on for the Temple Mount in Jerusalem, in one of the Muslim Nation Signers above of the Abrahamic Accords, the United Arab Emirates, broke grown on the Abrahamic Family Houses in Abu Dhabi October 2021, where March 1, 2023, a center for a One World Religion will open, with the mutual agreement of Pope Francis and Grand Imam Ahmed Al-Tayeb, consisting of a mosque, church, synagogue, and educational center. The purpose as described by its founders, is to be “a beacon of mutual understanding, harmonious coexistence, and peace among people of faith and goodwill. Through its design, it captures the values shared between Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, and serves as a powerful platform for inspiring and nurturing understanding and acceptance between people of goodwill.”

**Abrahamic Family House Inaugurated in Dubai (2/16/2023):**

**Prophetic Picture Number Two (continued) . . .**



The Abrahamic Family House, a compound that houses the Imam Al Tayeb Mosque, St. Francis Church, and Moses Ben Maimon Synagogue described as the “first purpose-built synagogue in the United Arab Emirates”, **was inaugurated on Saadiyat Island in Dubai on Thursday (February 16, 2023)**. It will open to the public on March 1, opening its doors daily from 10 AM to bookings in advance.

Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the UAE President, released a statement on the occasion.

“As the Abrahamic Family House in Abu Dhabi is inaugurated, we remain committed to harnessing the power of mutual respect, understanding, and diversity to achieve shared progress,” he said.

The Abrahamic Family House aims to serve as a community for inter-religious dialogue and exchange and be a physical manifestation of the Document on Human Fraternity, also known as the Abu Dhabi declaration, a joint statement signed by Pope Francis and Sheikh Ahmed el-Tayeb, the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar, in February 2019 in Abu Dhabi. The complex, designed by Ghanaian architect Sir David Adjaye, seeks to represent interfaith co-existence, preserves the unique character of the religions represented, and builds bridges between human civilization and the Abrahamic messages . . .

[https://www.israel365news.com/367134/the-abrahamic-family-house-inaugurated-in-dubai/?utm\\_source=ActiveCampaign&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=The+Abrahamic+Family+House+Inaugurated+in+Dubai+and+Today+s+Top+Stories&utm\\_campaign=I3N++AM++February+17%2C+2023&vgo\\_ee=Gg7yl7AEzu1rIQJfbONvltSYFmrMikCwIKFARSZoYAo%3D](https://www.israel365news.com/367134/the-abrahamic-family-house-inaugurated-in-dubai/?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=The+Abrahamic+Family+House+Inaugurated+in+Dubai+and+Today+s+Top+Stories&utm_campaign=I3N++AM++February+17%2C+2023&vgo_ee=Gg7yl7AEzu1rIQJfbONvltSYFmrMikCwIKFARSZoYAo%3D) – (video of the inauguration included in this LINK)

***Tree of Life – World Religion*** (9/22 – broke ground to be completed 10/2023):

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***Prophetic Picture Number Three*** is the seventh meeting of the Congress of World and Traditional Religions, started back in 2003, as they together utilize the singular global unifying religious figure, the Pope, for a future One World Religion, met on September 14-15, 2022 announcing plans to complete the Peace and Reconciliation Park construction along the Esil River in Nursultan city, the capital of Kazakhstan, of “*The Tree of Life*” monument, which will be the focal point of the park, and a key foundation piece of the future envisioned “One World Religion”, by 2023. As a commentary note, if the Enemy, Satan, were to create a “One World Religion, as prophesied in Revelation 13, “Then I saw another beast rising out of the earth. It had two horns like a lamb and it spoke like a dragon. It exercises all the authority of the first beast in its presence, and make the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast (the dragon/Satan – v. 4) . . . and by the signs that it is allowed to work in the presence of the beast it deceives those who dwell on the earth . . .,” unified under one Faith, where would the story start, but at the Garden of Eden and the “Tree of Life,” the story that started it all in the Book of Genesis and ends it all in the Book of Revelation. This “One World Religion is the Prophesied 2<sup>nd</sup> Beast of the two Beast Alliance of the Anti-Christ and False Prophet of the End of the Age Prophecy just prior to the Messiah’s Return.

***The Year of the Red Heifer – September 2021 to September – 21 Potential Red Heifers discovered in Texas:***

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***Prophetic Picture Number Four*** is the discovery of 21 Potential Red Heifers discovered in Texas with the help of a Christian Rancher in Texas, partnered with the Temple Institute in Jerusalem, who have purposed to recreate and reestablish the prophesied 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. Over the course of the past nearly 20-years, the Temple Institute have Biblically recreated all of the furnishing needed for the Temple of God, the Dressings for the Priests, the identification and training of the blood line of the Aaronic Priesthood, training of the Biblical sacrificial system, blueprint and building plans for the prophesied 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple, and lastly the search for the 10<sup>th</sup> and final Red Heifer just prior to Mashiach and the Messianic Era. The Red Heifer is one of the essential pieces to the implementation of a 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple and the ordination necessary for the services within the a 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple (Numbers 19:2). The last known Red Heifer found was over 2,000 years ago. Though the discovery of these 21-Red Heifers do not verify the fulfillment of this prophecy, two-years and one-day following their birth, falling around late 2023 and early 2024, will ultimately provide proof needed for this necessary End-time prophecy to be fulfilled, when

finally inspected to determine if any of them meet the required no-more than two non-Red-hairs, no blemishes, and no yoke ever put on the animal, of which five of these known Red Heifers have been personally selected by highly qualified priests of Israel and the Temple Institute to be flown back to Israel to be closely inspected until their sacrificial age.

Equally as interesting is that in Hebrew numerology, the acronym of the Hebrew year **5781** (September 2021 to September 2022) is “*The Year of the Red Heifer*”. The following Hebrew numerological acronym of the Hebrew years **5782** (September 2022 to September 2023) is “*The Year for the Heifer in Israel*”. And the following Hebrew numerological acronym of the Hebrew year **5783** (September 2023 to September 2024) is “*The Year of the Red Heifer of Redemption*”. Coincidence or Biblical Prophecy being Fulfilled?

**3. Final Seven Years to Armageddon**

This is one of the few prophecies with a timeline attached to it. The Bible specifically says that when this agreement is struck the Final Seven Years to Armageddon will begin – culminating at the Battle of Armageddon and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ!

**4. Palestinian State will be Created in the West Bank (Judea/Samaria)**

- a. Jordan occupied this territory in the 1948-49 War of Independence.
- b. Jordan attacked Israel in the 1967 War and Israel counter-attacked.
- c. They drove Jordan out and took control of the land we now call the West Bank. Jews in Judea will be allowed to stay as a Jewish minority under the new Palestinian government.

**Current Events:**

*The way is being paved for the Hashemite Kingdom of Palestine plan Israel, Jordan and the PLO/PA seem to be moving along on the Hashemite Kingdom of Palestine plans. Can it be? (7/29/2022):*

Israeli Prime Minister Yair Lapid’s meeting with King Abdullah on 27 July could see negotiations being announced shortly between Israel and Jordan to create a single territorial entity encompassing Jordan, Gaza and parts of the West Bank.

This newly created entity, designated The **Hashemite** (a member of an Arab princely family claiming descent from Hashim, great-grandfather of Muhammad.) Kingdom of Palestine –together with Israel – will constitute the elusive and previously unattainable two-state solution – pursued by:

- the Mandate for Palestine (1922)
- The Peel Commission (1937)
- UN Resolution 181 (III) (1947)
- Venice Declaration (1980)
- Oslo Accords (1993)
- Saudi Peace Plan (1982)
- Revised Saudi Peace Plan (2002)
- Bush Roadmap (2002)
- Trump Peace Plan (2020)

... finally ending the conflict over the division of former Palestine between Arabs and Jews begun with the defeat of Turkey in World War 1.

The plan to create The Hashemite Kingdom of Palestine was first announced in *Al-Arabiya news* –owned by the Saudi Royal family –on 8 June in an article written by Ali Shihabi – a close confidante of Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman – Saudi Arabia’s heir apparent to the Saudi throne and the driving force behind Neom – a \$500 billion

megacity of the future to be built from the ground up in an area of northern Saudi Arabia equal to the size of Israel. It was hardly noticed by the media.

A tweet issued by King Abdullah's Palace confirms that the King and Lapid discussed the subject of a two-state solution and it seems inconceivable that they would have discussed any plan other than this Saudi solution since the old version has been dead in the water for years.

It would appear that back channel negotiations have been going on since the release of the Saudi plan on 8 June to refine it to reflect – with more precision – the starting positions of Jordan, Israel and the PLO in any negotiations.

Those agreed starting positions include:

- The Hashemite Kingdom of Palestine will be ruled by Jordan's current Hashemite ruler King Abdullah – which Hashemite dynasty has ruled Jordan for the last 100 years.
- The right of return to Israel by Palestinian Arab refugees will not be pursued. Instead The Hashemite Kingdom of Palestine will integrate those refugees within its borders
- The borders of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan will include
  - Jordan with its current borders
  - The Gaza Strip
  - Areas of the 'West Bank' inhabited by Palestinian Arabs and bordering Jordan that are contiguous and not divided into islands
  - The retention by Israel of the Jordan Valley and other areas of the 'West Bank' such as Oslo-designated Area C, where all the Jews in the region live, will be resolved in the negotiations
  - Neither the Arabs nor the Muslims will seek to expel Israel from Jerusalem. However it remains as a bargaining chip in the hands of the Palestinian Arabs in securing any agreement and giving the Holy Places in Jerusalem a special status.

Any agreement will need to be ratified by a free popular referendum by Arab voter constituencies consisting of all Jordanians and residents of the 'West Bank' and Gaza Strip and those who are stateless such as the residents of the refugee camps in Lebanon and Syria. Palestinian Arabs who are settled in other countries and who enjoy full citizenship will have no vote.

The rationale for creating The Hashemite Kingdom of Palestine is based on the fact that Jordanians and Palestinians are Sunni Arabs from the same region and integrating them will not cause any ethnic or sectarian fault lines in the long run.

Jordan has received a flurry of visits from Mohammed Bin Salman, PLO Leader Mahmoud Abbas and Israel's President Herzog, since the Saudi Plan was published.

Lapid's visit now when he is only caretaker Prime Minister is highly significant. It could indicate the commencement of negotiations is supported by the majority of Israel's political parties even though nothing can go forward until after the next government is formed post November elections.

And then - let the negotiations begin.

<https://www.israelnationalnews.com/news/357310>

**Former Prime Minister of Israel (*at the time*), Benjamin Netanyahu, on a recent Interview with Ben Shapiro (8/14/2022):**

Benjamin Netanyahu brought clarity to the Abrahamic Accords during the development and implementation of the Abrahamic Accords in 2020 with Donald Trump, in which he explained that the currently agreed upon Accords gives Israel authority to develop and rule 30% of Judea, which includes Jerusalem and the Temple Mount, meaning they could actually begin building the 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple today. Currently, Benjamin Netanyahu is



putting together another run for the Prime Minister role in Israel, which would once again Strengthen the Abrahamic Accords towards Normalization with the surrounding Muslim nations, including Saudi Arabia (*personal note: which could be the straw that breaks the camels back with Iran, beginning what is Biblically known as the 6th Trumpet War (World War III)*).

## 5. Temple Mount Placed Under a Sharing Arrangement

- a. Under international supervision (probably UN)

### **Revelation 11:1-2**

*And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.*

- b. Unable to settle the dispute over Jerusalem

- Palestinians: “If we don’t have our capital in East Jerusalem, no deal.”
- Jews: “That’s our eternal capital. It’s going to stay undivided. We annexed it in 1980, we’ll never surrender it.”

- c. International Community

- Implement a Palestinian state
- Settle the Temple Mount problem
- Bring the Jerusalem issue back seven years later
- Israel retains control of Jerusalem during the Final Seven Years.

## 6. Israel’s Third Temple

### **Daniel 11:31**

*And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily sacrifice, and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate.*

## 7. War in Heaven

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

*And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.*

- a. Satan is banished from Heaven.

## 8. Satan Confined to the Earth – (*the Great Tribulation is the Great Wrath of Satan*)

### **Revelation 12:12-13**

*Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. But woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! **For the DEVIL is come down unto you, HAVING GREAT WRATH**, because **he knows that he has but a short time**. And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman (Israel) which brought forth the man child.*

- a. **This triggers the Great Tribulation.**

## 9. The Antichrist Revealed

### **2 Thessalonians 2:3-4**

*Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.*

## 10. The Abomination of Desolation

### **Matthew 24:15-18**

*When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them*

*which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.*

- a. The Antichrist will stand on the Temple Mount saying, "I'm in charge here."
- b. Jews in Judea must flee

## **11. Great Tribulation Begins**

### ***Matthew 24:21***

*For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.*

- a. Great Tribulation = 3 ½ years

### ***Revelation 13:5***

*And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.*

## **12. Antichrist Stands in Temple Claiming to be God**

- a. Abomination of Desolation
- b. The False Prophet will support the Antichrist.

### ***Revelation 13:11-12***

*And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.*

## **13. Two Rulers on Earth**

- a. Political leader and spiritual leader
- b. Antichrist and False Prophet

### ***Revelation 13:7-8***

*And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.*

Make sure your name is in the Lamb's Book of Life!

## **14. Deception vs Truth**

- a. The Antichrist will continue for 42 months (3 ½ years).
- b. The Two Witnesses will prophesy for 3 ½ years.
- c. God will send two prophets to preach the truth.

### ***Revelation 11:3***

*And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.*

## **15. The Mark of the Beast**

### ***Revelation 13:16-18***

*And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.*

- a. You must have a number to participate in the economy.
- b. You will not receive the mark if you don't worship the beast, the world government.

## **16. The Seven-Year Interim Agreement Expires**

- a. Status of Jerusalem must be settled
  - Israel still refuses to surrender Jerusalem.
  - The UN passes a resolution demanding Israel surrender east Jerusalem.
  - Israel refuses to comply – this leads to Armageddon.

- b. World government invades Israel
  - World Community will think invading Israel is their idea. However, it is God's idea.
  - God will gather the nations.
  - This will be a showdown between God and the governments of this world.

***Zechariah 14:2***

*<sup>2</sup>For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women raped. Half of the city shall go out into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city.*

**17. The Sixth Vile**

- a. The Kings of the East
  - Euphrates River dried up to prepare the way.
  - Mechanism in place to facilitate the invasion of Israel.
  - Oratory is key to world leadership.
  - The Antichrist and False Prophet will work miracles and influence nations.
  - Demonic spirits draw the world's leaders to Israel.

***Revelation 16:12-14***

*And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.*

**18. Last Minute Warning**

- a. This warning is to the saints just before the Second Coming of Jesus.

***Revelation 16:15***

*Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. (This is the description of the Feast of Trumpets – a Time Stamp in the Prophetic Timeline, September/early-October)*

**19. Armageddon**

- a. Armageddon comes from two words: Har Megiddo = Hill of Megiddo.

***Revelation 16:16***

*And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.*

- b. Who are the "Kings of the East?"
  - Ezekiel 38-39 gives us a detailed account of the Battle of Armageddon.
  - Mescheg: Root word for Moscow
  - Persia: Iran
  - Togarmah: Turkey
  - Russia, Iran, Turkey, Ethiopia, Lybia will all participate in the invasion of Israel.

***Ezekiel 38:2-6***

*<sup>2</sup>“Son of man, set your face toward Gog, of the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him <sup>3</sup>and say, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. <sup>4</sup>And I will turn you about and put hooks into your jaws, and I will bring you out, and all your army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed in full armor, a great host, all of them with buckler and shield, wielding swords. <sup>5</sup>Persia, Cush, and Put are with them, all of them with shield and helmet; <sup>6</sup>Gomer and all his hordes; Beth-togarmah from the uttermost parts of the north with all his hordes – a many peoples are with you.*

**20. God's fury will come up in His face**

- a. God will be jealous for Israel.
- b. He will pour out His wrath on the armies invading Israel.
- c. There will be a great shaking in the land of Israel.

***Ezekiel 38:18-19***

<sup>7</sup> “Be ready and keep ready, you and all your hosts that are assembled about you, and be a guard for them. <sup>8</sup>After many days you will be mustered. In the latter years you will go against the land that is restored from war, the land whose people were gathered from many peoples upon the mountains of Israel, which had been a continual waste. Its people were brought out from the peoples and now dwell securely, all of them.

## 21. A great earthquake

- a. Kingdoms of the world are toppled.
- b. Earthquake happens during the Battle of Armageddon.
- c. Seven thousand will be killed in Jerusalem.
- d. Kingdom of God established and the end of human government.

### **Revelation 11:13**

*And at that hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.*

### **Revelation 11:15**

*And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

## 22. Mountains shall be thrown down

- a. Every wall shall fall to the ground.
- b. All creatures of the earth and men shall shake at His presence.

### **Ezekiel 38:20, 22**

<sup>20</sup> *The fish of the sea and the birds of the heavens and the beasts of the field and all creeping things that creep on the ground, and all the people who are on the face of the earth, shall quake at my presence. And the mountains shall be thrown down, and the cliffs shall fall, and every wall shall tumble to the ground.*

<sup>22</sup> *With pestilence and bloodshed I will enter into judgment with him, and I will rain upon him and his hordes and the many peoples who are with him torrential rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur.*

## 23. I will plead against Russia with great hailstones

- a. These hailstones are the vials of God’s wrath being poured out.

### **Revelation 16:21**

*“And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.”*

- b. Same seven vials found in Revelation 16 are the same vials described in Ezekiel 38.

## 24. The Seventh Vial

- a. God’s wrath is poured out upon the earth.
  - History’s greatest earthquake
  - Islands and mountains moved
  - Armies will not be prepared for this great hail.
  - Great hail will weigh 1 talent each.
  - Fire and brimstone

### **Revelation 16:17-18, 20-21**

*And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.*

## 25. I will be known in the eyes of the nations

- a. They shall know that I am the LORD!
- b. All mankind will know there is one God and Jesus Christ is that one God!

### **Ezekiel 38:23**

*Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord.*

**26. All but a sixth of Russia will be destroyed**

- a. I will bring you upon the mountains of Israel.
- b. God will bring Russia up from the north.
- c. There is no doubt the Battle of Armageddon will culminate in the mountains of Israel.

***Ezekiel 39:1-2***

*“And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog and say, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. <sup>2</sup> And I will turn you about and drive you forward, and bring you up from the uttermost parts of the north, and lead you against the mountains of Israel.*

**27. I will make My holy name known**

- a. I won't let Israel pollute My holy name anymore.
- b. The heathen will know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.

***Ezekiel 39:7***

*“And my holy name I will make known in the midst of my people Israel, and I will not let my holy name be profaned anymore. And the nations shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.*

**28. Russia will have its own cemetery in Israel**

- a. Israel will bury the dead of Russia for seven months.
- b. This burial happens after the Battle of Armageddon.
- c. Men will work full-time burying the Russian dead.
- d. The dead will be buried in the valley of Hamongog.

***Ezekiel 39:11-15***

*<sup>11</sup> “On that day I will give to Gog a place for burial in Israel, the Valley of the Travelers, east of the sea. It will block the travelers, for there Gog and all his multitude will be buried. It will be called the Valley of Hamon-gog. <sup>12</sup> For seven months the house of Israel will be burying them, in order to cleanse the land. <sup>13</sup> All the people of the land will bury them, and it will bring them renown on the day that I show my glory, declares the Lord GOD. <sup>14</sup> They will set apart men to travel through the land regularly and bury those travelers remaining on the face of the land, so as to cleanse it. At the end of seven months they will make their search. <sup>15</sup> And when these travel through the land and anyone sees a human bone, then he shall set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the Valley of Hamon-gog.*

**29. Proof the War of Ezekiel 38-39 is Armageddon**

***Ezekiel 39:17-20***

*<sup>17</sup> “As for you, son of man, thus says the Lord GOD: Speak to the birds of every sort and to all beasts of the field: ‘Assemble and come, gather from all around to the sacrificial feast that I am preparing for you, a great sacrificial feast on the mountains of Israel, and you shall eat flesh and drink blood. <sup>18</sup> You shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth—of rams, of lambs, and of he-goats, of bulls, all of them fat beasts of Bashan. <sup>19</sup> And you shall eat fat till you are filled, and drink blood till you are drunk, at the sacrificial feast that I am preparing for you. <sup>20</sup> And you shall be filled at my table with horses and charioteers, with mighty men and all kinds of warriors,’ declares the Lord GOD.*

- a. Ezekiel account of Armageddon
  - God's great sacrifice for the beast and the fowls.
  - You will eat the flesh of the mighty and drink the blood of the princes of the earth.
  - Ezekiel 39:17-20 is the same account of Armageddon as in Revelation 19:17-18.
- b. Revelation account of Armageddon

- Supper of the great God.
- That you may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of the mighty men.
- Revelation 19:17-18 is the same account as Ezekiel 39:17-20.

**Revelation 19:17-18**

*<sup>17</sup> Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, "Come, gather for the great supper of God, <sup>18</sup> to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great."*

**30. Battle will begin in the Plain of Megiddo**

- a. The armies of Russia, Iran, Turkey, Ethiopia, Lybia and other nations will invade Israel in the north.
- b. This valley is a natural theater for war.
  - Many famous battles have fought at Megiddo.
  - Gideon's battle with the Midianites was fought at Megiddo (Valley of Jezreel).
  - King Saul and his sons died on Mount Gilboa during a battle at Megiddo.
  - WWI – Great Britain's Lord Allenby thought he was fighting the Battle of Armageddon at Megiddo.
  - Allenby was called Lord of Armageddon.

**31. Israel Makes its Last Stand at Jerusalem**

**Zechariah 14:2**

*For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.*

- a. UN will represent all the nations in the world.
- b. UN will bring its international army down against Israel for the Battle of Armageddon.

**Revelation 16:16**

*And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.*

- c. She's (Israel) going to defend the holy city, Jerusalem. The place where God says 37 times, "I will put my name there."
- d. Half of Jerusalem will fall to UN armies (Antichrist forces).
- e. Israel appears to be on the brink of being wiped off the map.

**32. Jews cry for their Messiah to come**

- a. Jews have been taught their Messiah will come when they need Him most.
- b. The Jewish soldiers will look up and cry for their Messiah to come.
- c. When Israel is on the brink of defeat, Jesus will descend from Heaven.

**33. Jesus Descends onto the Mount of Olives**

- a. They knew their Messiah would come when they needed Him the most.

**Revelation 11:13**

*And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.*

**Zechariah 14:3-4**

*Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in the day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.*

**"The glory of the Lord entered the temple through the gate facing east . . . I heard someone speaking to me from inside the temple. He said: 'Son of man, this is the place of**

my throne and the place for the soles of my feet. **This is where I will live among the Israelites forever.**” Ezekiel 43:4–7

#### *Ezekiel 47*

##### *The River from the Temple*

<sup>1</sup>Then he brought me back to the door of the temple, and behold, **water was issuing from below the threshold of the temple toward the east** (for the temple faced east). **The water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the temple, south of the altar.** <sup>2</sup>Then he brought me out by way of **the north gate** and led me around on the outside to the outer gate that faces toward the east; and behold, **the water was trickling out on the south side.**

<sup>3</sup>Going on eastward with a measuring line in his hand, the man measured a thousand cubits, and then led me through the water, and it was ankle-deep. <sup>4</sup>Again he measured a thousand, and led me through the water, and it was knee-deep. Again he measured a thousand, and led me through the water, and it was waist-deep. <sup>5</sup>Again he measured a thousand, and it was a river that I could not pass through, for the water had risen. It was deep enough to swim in, a river that could not be passed through. <sup>6</sup>And he said to me, “Son of man, have you seen this?”

Then he led me back to the bank of the river. <sup>7</sup>As I went back, I saw on the bank of the river very many trees on the one side and on the other. <sup>8</sup>And he said to me, “This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, and enters the sea; **when the water flows into the sea, the water will become fresh.** <sup>9</sup>And **wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live**, and there will be very many fish. **For this water goes there, that the waters of the sea may become fresh; so everything will live where the river goes.** <sup>10</sup>Fishermen will stand beside the sea. From Engedi to Eneglaim it will be a place for the spreading of nets. Its fish will be of very many kinds, like the fish of the Great Sea. <sup>11</sup>But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt. <sup>12</sup>And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but **they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary.** Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.”

##### *Division of the Land*

<sup>13</sup>Thus says the Lord God: “This is the boundary by which you shall divide the land for inheritance among the twelve tribes of Israel. Joseph shall have two portions. <sup>14</sup>And you shall divide equally what I swore to give to your fathers. This land shall fall to you as your inheritance.

<sup>15</sup>“This shall be the boundary of the land: On the north side, from the Great Sea by way of Hethlon to Lebo-hamath, and on to Zedad, <sup>16</sup>Berothah, Sibraim (which lies on the border between Damascus and Hamath), as far as Hazer-hatticon, which is on the border of Hauran. <sup>17</sup>So the boundary shall run from the sea to Hazar-enan, which is on the northern border of Damascus, with the border of Hamath to the north. This shall be the north side.

<sup>18</sup>“On the east side, the boundary shall run between Hauran and Damascus; along the Jordan between Gilead and the land of Israel; to the eastern sea and as far as Tamar. This shall be the east side.

<sup>19</sup>“On the south side, it shall run from Tamar as far as the waters of Meribah-kadesh, from there along the Brook of Egypt to the Great Sea. This shall be the south side.

<sup>20</sup>“On the west side, the Great Sea shall be the boundary to a point opposite Lebo-hamath. This shall be the west side.

<sup>21</sup>“So you shall divide this land among you according to the tribes of Israel. <sup>22</sup>You shall allot it as an inheritance for yourselves and for the sojourners who reside among you and have had children among you. They shall be to you as native-born children of Israel. With you they shall be allotted an inheritance among the tribes of Israel. <sup>23</sup>In whatever tribe the sojourner resides, there you shall assign him his inheritance, declares the Lord God.

##### *Revelation 12:16-17*

And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth. And the dragon was wroth (angry) with the woman (Israel), and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ (True Christians – True to Jesus Christ).

**Revelation 11:13**

And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted and gave glory to the God of heaven.

- b. The Jewish people rush out to meet their Messiah.

**Zechariah 12:9-10**

<sup>9</sup> And on that day I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.

*Him Whom They Have Pierced*

<sup>10</sup> “And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

**Zechariah 13:6**

And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.

- c. They notice the wounds in His hands and His feet.
- d. Where did you get these wounds?
- e. Two thousand years of blindness falls from their eyes.
- f. Jesus forgives them and all of Israel is saved.

**Romans 11:25-26**

For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, there shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob.

**34. The governments of this world will be destroyed**

- a. End of human government on earth
- b. The Kingdom of God will be established.

**Daniel 7:9**

“As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of Days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire.

**Revelation 11:15**

“Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, ‘The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.’”

**35. Jesus Sends Antichrist and False Prophet to the Lake of Fire**

**Revelation 19:20**

And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

**36. Satan is Cast into the Bottomless Pit for the Next 1,000 Years**

**Revelation 20:1-3**

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. <sup>2</sup> And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, <sup>3</sup> and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.



**Revelation 21:1-2**

*And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.*

**37. We Crown Jesus King of kings and Lord of lords**

**Revelation 17:14**

*These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.*

The people He will have with Him – the called, chosen and faithful.

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**Conclusion:**

In a nut-shell, *“The Little things in our Day are the Big things in our Life”* . . . . I want you to set your Alarm for the days ahead, like you may do every evening before going to bed, with the understanding, regarding end-time teaching, the little details are the major distinctions between *“being misled”* (Matthew 24:4) and *“the way being narrow and difficult to enable you to endure through each day ahead towards Salvation”* (Matthew 7:14); *equipping you with discernment of what is Good (teaching) and what is Evil (teaching)”*. Small details like *“Palm Sunday”* or *“Palm Saturday”* (Matthew 21:1-9, Mark 11:1-10, Luke 19:28-44, and John 12:12-16: If Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem were on Palm Sunday according to the *“Christian”* tradition, it would mean that Jesus would have made His journey from Jericho to Bethany (17 miles) on the Sabbath (Rest), definitely a violation of the Law. Jesus did not break the Law but walked it out as it was fulfilled/required – Matthew 5:17-18.) . . . . *“Good Friday”* or *“Passover, which fell on Wednesday of that year”* . . . . *“A Day and a Half in the Grave”* or *“Three Full Days and Three Full Nights in the Grave, like Jesus’ parallel in the illustrative Prophecy of Jonah”* (Matthew 12:40) . . . . *“The Day and Hour being Unknown”* or *“The Day and Hour being Known”* (Matthew 24:45-50) . . . . *“Jesus coming like a thief in the night”* or *“Jesus not coming like a thief in the night to those who are children of day and not children of the night”* (1 Thessalonians 5:4) . . . . *“Preparing for Jesus’ Coming at anytime”* or *“Preparing for Jesus’ Coming after the Great Falling Away and the Revealing of the Lawless-one and the Prophecies of Daniel being Fulfilled”* (Matthew 24:10, 15, 21, 29-31, Daniel 12:11, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-4) . . . . *“Jesus having fulfilled all of the Law and the Prophets”* or *“Jesus walking out all of the Law and the Prophets, understanding that not one Iota nor one Dot (the smallest details of God’s law) passing away until the establishment of a New Heaven and a New Earth at the conclusion of the Millennial Reign of Christ on the Earth”* (Matthew 5:17-20) . . . in which God’s Law will never pass away (Matthew 24:35) . . . . and one last unsettling one *“Jesus, the Reason for the Season”* or *“Jesus, our Future King”* (“The consolation of Israel” (Luke 2:25-35) was the coming of the Messiah “the Lord’s Anointed” (Matthew 1:1). This phrase was part of a familiar Jewish prayer formula: “May I see the consolation of Israel,” meaning, **“May I live to see the Messiah.”** This was the dream of every child of God. (2 Samuel 7:12; Isaiah 9:6; Zechariah 9:9-10 (Luke 19:28-40); Revelation 22:16) . . . . each of which followed to their conclusions are the difference between the True Prophetic Messiah and the many False Messiah’s we are Warned about, who Will Mislead you if you follow them to their conclusions . . .

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