PERFECTION



In the beginning, God created.

He began with the imperfect and created the Masterpiece, first in the heavens and then on the earth. His work completed in just seven days; He would allow His Masterpiece to mature for millennium until it became His Perfection.

This is a journey of discovery and revelation of God's Grand Plan and Design, from creation through the End of the Age, then into a New Heaven and a New Earth.

This is a non-academic thesis on the reasons for WHAT God is doing in these Last Days and WHY He is doing it this way. My prayer is that, after reading this, everything you've wondered about the reasoning behind God's Plan for the world and your life, will fall into place.

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And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect."

Romans 12:2

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- INTRODUCTION -

IN SEARCH OF PERFECTION



"For we know in part and prophesy in part; but when the perfect comes, the partial will be done away with."

1 Corinthians 13:9-10

I am presenting a *very* brief and a *very* simple overview of a biblical time line, from the Creation to the New Heavens and the new earth which complete **God's Plan as found** in the Bible. *It will be an abbreviated history of how God has created the world, dealt with the people He created, and why the world has gone the way it has gone and how it will conclude.*

This is not designed to please everyone, and it will not fit every different denominational doctrine correct. Instead, this book is meant to

- Inform,
- Inspire, and to
- Ignite people to move toward the One Living God and to join Him in what He is doing!

I hope that my Christian friends, and others who read this, don't find this objectionable solely because I have omitted certain events. However, it is my intention to *inform and inspire*, NOT overwhelm the reader with volumes of information.

God's plan is unfolding exactly as He purposed; from The Creation, through the Garden of Eden and the Fall of Man to the Great Flood, the Tower of Babel, the Exodus from Egypt, the possessing of The Promised Land, the Destruction of the First Temple and the Captivity in Babylon, the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus, the Destruction of the Second Temple, our steady march through time has been exactly as Bible prophecy has foretold. We have entered an era leading to the destruction and, eventually, a rebirth of the heavens and the earth.

The Purpose of God's Eternal Plan is Perfection. He is maturing and perfecting His people into His image, ultimately to live in Perfect harmony with Him and with one another, in a New and Perfect heaven and earth.

Each and every chapter, verse and word in the Bible, when viewed within this context of God's Eternal Plan of Perfection, begins to make perfect sense.

The world has entered the final epoch of time, known by various names, such as, "<u>The Last Days</u>", "<u>The End The Age</u>" the "<u>Latter Days</u>" and "The Tribulation", which was

marked by the birth of Jesus. There are reportedly visible and observable signs and ancient writings to help you, if you believe in such things. However, most people either don't recognize the signs or writings or don't believe. Even among those who believe these prophecies are coming to pass and see the signs, few know what they are seeing, where they are leading or what to do in response.

The best description of the purpose, length and, outcome of this end time, also known as the Great Tribulation, (see <u>Matthew 24:21</u>, <u>Revelation 2:22</u> and <u>Revelation 7:14</u>) or the Wrath of the Lamb, (see <u>Revelation 6:16</u>), is found in <u>Daniel 12:1</u>,

"Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. Verse 2. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt. Verse 3. And those who have insight will shine like the glow of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. Verse 4. But as for you, Daniel, keep these words secret and seal up the book until the end of time; many will roam about, and knowledge will increase."

Verse 5. Then I, Daniel, looked, and behold, two others were standing, one on this bank of the stream and the other on that bank of the stream. Verse 6. And someone said to the man dressed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream, "How long will it be until the end of these wonders?" Verse 7. And I heard the man dressed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream, as he raised his right hand and his left toward heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever that it would be for a time, times, and half a time; and as soon as they finish smashing the power of the holy people, all these events will be completed.

Verse 8. But as for me, I heard but did not understand; so I said, "My lord, what will be the

outcome of these events?" Verse 9. And he said, "Go your way, Daniel, for these words will be kept secret and sealed up until the end time. Verse 10. Many will be purged, cleansed, and refined, but the wicked will act wickedly; and none of the wicked will understand, but those who have insight will understand. Verse 11. And from the time that the regular sacrifice is abolished and the abomination of desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days. Verse 12. Blessed is the one who is patient and attains to the 1,335 days! Verse 13. But as for you, go your way to the end; then you will rest and rise for your allotted portion at the end of the age."

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Not surprisingly, the main interest in this subject is in the sensationalism of the matter; and sadly, both fictional and religious writers are profiteering and capitalizing on the subject financially. All-the-while, assuming these things are true, they are grossly ignoring the urgency and the catastrophic ramifications which are being played out.

This subject is classified as "Eschatology", which is the study of final events of history, or the ultimate destiny of humanity. The word comes from the Greek word, $\xi_{\sigma\chi\alpha\tau\circ\varsigma}$, éschatos, meaning "last" and -logy meaning "the study of". Most of the major religious denominations which teach this doctrine believe it will come on the world suddenly, with an increasing intensity and will last for just seven years. This view is from a myopic view of the Bible's history time line, and the Bible seems to tell a much different version of these events.

A study of the 'long view' of the Bible on this subject, will show that the End of This Age was planned before creation. God, indeed "has a plan for your life" as He has had a plan for the entire world.

It has taken many millennium, and we may still have many years to go. But, I suppose when you are dealing with an Eternal God who has no beginning and no end, time is not a factor. God can take all the 'time' He wants to execute His plan.

WATCHING FOR THE CLUES

Please come with me and let's explore God's Plan for creation. First, let's consider the 'Beginning of All Things'. Then, as we travel together, we will uncover **clues to this mystery, this riddle of the 'End of the Age'**, evaluate writings and assimilate this information to decide - How did we get here and where is all of this going?

We are in search of His Perfection, and it could change your life and the way you live it.

PREFACE

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"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." Romans 12:2

Chapter 1

DOES GOD EXIST?



A good place to start is for you to decide if God really does exist. I am not equipped to deal with philosophy, existential thought or superstition. So, I will make this a short chapter by saying, "God Is". Why? Because those thousands who have seriously pursued God and have invested their entire lives to that end, have also recorded what they have found in a book. That book is the Bible, and the Bible says that GOD IS.

Hence, the basis, or foundation for my thesis: "GOD IS".

You may choose to go with the idea that Science is a more reliable source, and that is fine. But science is a relatively new field of study which has only recently explored the

beginning of all things through a theory called the Big Bang. That theory has been revised a number of times and, in fact, is currently being reevaluated for accuracy – since it does not adequately fit current scientific mathematical models. And, science largely, if not completely, dismisses the idea of GOD or any 'higher being' having a hand in the creation of everything.

The only things I, or you, can know about God is what we have personally experienced or what has been written by those who have experienced God. We find those records in the Bible. Therefore, I will use the Bible's extensive writings, original languages, as best I can, keeping this study in the Biblical context that says, "there is a beginning and there will be an end and there is a purpose and a reason for it all".

Chapter 2

IF THERE IS GOD



DID HE CREATE ALL OF THIS?

Genesis 1:1, says, "In the beginning God, (מִי הֹלֵּיִא, Elohim), created the heavens and the earth. Verse 2. And the earth was a formless and desolate emptiness, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters. Verse 3. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. Verse 4. God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. Verse 5. God called the light "day," and the darkness He called "night." And there was evening and there was morning, one day." (etcetera).

So, yes. God, (מי הל א, Elohim), created all of this.

I will say again, since there is no credible way to deny that GOD IS, then I will continue to base our thesis on that fact that GOD IS.

(NOTE: If you want to pursue a study on the existence of God, please do so. I would recommend studying the Bible with a good concordance. Also, find some serious theological studies which strive to fairly examine the existence of God and the manifest evidence that God exists. (Sort of like quarks and dark matter. You can't prove them experientially, but you know they exist by what occurs).

Chapter 3
THEN CAME MAN (kind)



The Bible clearly states that God, <u>created all there is that is seen</u>. There is a lot of speculation and conjecture and some good reasoning as to <u>why God created all things</u>, but there are no definitive statements in the Bible as to WHY God created the heavens and the earth in the first place. But, according to the Bible, He did create <u>all things</u>, <u>seen and unseen</u>. And, if that weren't enough, God also created humans, or, as the

Bible puts it, in Genesis 1:26, "Then God said, "Let Us make mankind in Our image, according to Our likeness."

THE MAJOR EVENT

This is a major event. The seminal event in all creation. God is making a creature He calls 'mankind' in His, (Their), own image and according to Their likeness.

Before we get to the creation of mankind, we see that God begins to set things in a specific order and to give them function and purpose in preparation for His Masterpiece work: the arrival of mankind; "and let them, (mankind), rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the livestock and over all the earth, and over every crawling thing that crawls on the earth."

AN ODD THING

In the midst of His creation work, **an odd thing occurs**. This is an event, an occurrence in the creation of mankind, which is completely overlooked by the vast majority, if not all, Bible teachers. This is a bit technical, but please pay particular attention, as this is a *game-changer*.

Genesis 1, Verse <u>27</u>. So, God created man **in His own image**, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

The wording of this verse, as it was written in the original Hebrew language, would be aligned as such:

Verse 27. "So created God, man in His own image, in the image of God, He created him, male and female, He created them."

So created = <u>bara'</u> = to shape, create, a formative process, to make fat.

God = Elohim = God; very great, mighty; Plural of 'elowahh; gods in the ordinary sense; but specifically used in the plural. Signifying, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

man = adam = from <u>'adam'</u>; man, mankind. ruddy i.e. A human being (an individual or the species, mankind.

In Him own image = tselem = an image; a mere, empty, image, semblance; image, vain show, from an unused root meaning to shade; a phantom, i.e., an illusion, a resemblance; hence, a representative figure, especially an idol, an image, a vain shew, of dubious character.

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Male = zakar = A male

 $Female = \underline{nagab} = female$, from the sexual form.

Genesis 1, Verse 27, with transliteration says, "So, God, very great and mighty, the plural of 'elowahh, specifically used in the plural, signifying that this is God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, created, shaped through a formative process to make fat, man, that is, mankind. ruddy i.e., a human being, an individual of the species of mankind, in His own image, in the image an image; a *mere, empty, image, semblance;* image, vain show, from an unused root meaning to shade; a phantom, i.e., an illusion, a resemblance; hence, a representative figure, especially an idol, an image, a vain shew, of dubious character, yet of God, having potential of being very great, mighty, and consisting as a plural in the ordinary sense, He created him, shaped, created, through a formative process, to make fat; male and female He created them."

What we see:

- 1. God, used in plural, representing God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, created, shaped and formed mankind.
- 2. God created mankind 'in His Own image' but, as a mere image of Himself; a vain show, just a shadow of the Original; an image, in icon, a phantom pattern, an illusion, a mere resemblance; a being of dubious nature. (God has deliberately made man and woman with a flaw, destined them to fail.)

PLEASE NOTE: This cannot be overemphasized. This is crucial to understanding the rest of creation, 'the fall', sin, death, redemption the coming of Christ and, ultimately, End of the Age, the destruction and the heavens and the earth and the making of a new heaven and a new earth.

Verse 28. God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth." Verse 29. Then God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you; Verse 30, and to every animal of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to everything that moves on the earth which has life, I have given every green plant for food"; and it was so. Verse 31. And God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day."

Genesis, chapter two, verses one through three, record the completion of creation.

ITS NOT SWAMP GOO

Then, beginning in verse four, the Bible recounts God's creation of man and woman in great detail. A careful study reveals some startling facts. Read with me:

Genesis 2, Verse 7, says, "Then the LORD God formed the man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living person."

Let's look at the words in this verse in the language of the Bible, which is Hebrew. (Please be patient and deliberate, here.)

The wording of this verse, written in Hebrew, would be aligned as such:

"And formed Yahweh God man (from) the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life and became the man a being living."

Now, let's add the Hebrew translations to these words to clarify their meaning (you can browse this if you like, because I will reassemble all this with its meaning and significance):

"And formed = <u>yatsar</u> = earthen, fashion, form, frame, maker, potter, purpose; Through the squeezing into shape; to mould into a form; especially as a potter; figuratively, to determine.

Yahweh = J ehovah, the Lord, = hayah = (the) self-Existent or Eternal; J ehovah, J ewish national name of God -- J ehovah, the Lord.

God = Elohim = God; very great, mighty; Plural of 'elowahh; gods in the ordinary sense; but specifically used in the plural. Signifying, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

man = adam = From <u>'adam</u>; ruddy; a human being, an individual or the species, mankind + hypocrite, + common sort, + low man, of mean, of low degree; a person.

(from) the dust = aphar = dust (as powdered or gray); hence, clay, earth, mud -- ashes, dust, earth, ground, mortar, powder, rubbish.

of the ground = 'adam' = soil (from its general redness) -- country, earth, ground, husband, husbandry, land.

and breathed = <u>naphach</u> = blow, breath, give up, cause to lose life, seething, snuff;

into his nostrils = anaph = a nostril, nose, face, anger; from the rapid breathing in passion,
ire, angry.

the breath = <u>nasham</u>; a puff, angry or vital breath, divine inspiration, intellect. blast, that breaths, inspiration, soul, spirit

of life = <u>chayah</u> = alive; hence, raw flesh; alive, with appetite, of a wild beast, lively.

and became = hayah = to fall out, come to pass, become, be.

the man = adam = from <u>'adam'</u>; man, mankind. ruddy i.e. A human being (an individual or the species, mankind.

a being = nephesh = from naphash; properly, a breathing creature.

Living = <u>chay</u> = from <u>chayah</u>; alive; living; hence, raw (flesh).

Genesis 2, Verse 7, with transliteration, says, "Then the LORD Jehovah, the Self-Existent, Eternal God, formed, fashion, and framed, as maker and potter, with purpose, through the squeezing into shape the man, a ruddy a human being, into an individual or the species, mankind, a hypocrite, a common sort, a low man, of mean and of low degree, a person, of dust, ashes, earth, mortar, powder and rubbish from the ground soil, from its general redness, as husbandry-land, and breathed breath, giving up part of Himself, causing Himself to lose life, as seething, and snuffing into nostrils, and the face, by rapid breathing, in passion, ire, and anger,

the breath, by an angry puff of vital breath, of divine inspiration and intellect, blasts of breaths of inspiration, soul and spirit, of life, hence, raw flesh came alive, with the appetites of a wild beast, lively; and the man, ruddy a human being, an individual of the species, mankind,

became a breathing creature a living person, alive, living, hence, raw flesh."

What we see:

- 1. God, has always existed and He is eternal.
- 2. He is the creator of life.
- 3. He creates with purpose and on purpose.
- 4. This creation has all the imagery of childbirth: ruddy, squeezed, passionate, violent, painful, raw and costly.
- A being of passion with a wild nature and base appetites is created.
 Mankind is created with flaws, destined to fail, condemned to death and separation of God.

The reasonable thing to do, here, would be to follow the sequence of events which follow: The fall of mankind, the pronouncement of the curse, their banishment from the Garden of Eden, their separation from God and the events that follow. But, all of that is recorded in the Bible for you to read. This is an overview of those events with the purpose of discovering how we got to where we are now, how this ends and what we are to do in response to these "Latter Days" leading to "The Last Days" and the "End This Age".

Chapter 4

THE POINT

SEQUENTIAL – RELEVANT



MANIFEST GROUNDWORK FOR THE CONCLUSION OF THE AGE

I could spend thousands of drudgerous hours trying to give examples of how everything throughout the history of earth and humankind points to its conclusion. Although historical events and occurrences may seem either unrelated, circumstantial or randomly sequential, they are related in the sense, they are the manifest groundwork for The Conclusion of the age. So, I will provide this chart for you to evaluate and I will stick with pointing out just the main events in history, as related to Bible prophecy, which are sequential and relevant to our journey and the previously stated purpose of this thesis.

THE CHART

(I, honestly, don't expect many people will read or study the following 'chart', which compares a world historical timeline with "Daniel's Seventy Weeks" as found in the Bible and a Biblical Historical Timeline. The point being made, however, is that the world historical timeline reflects or shows **the physical manifestation** of the Bible Timeline and of Biblical prophecy, (the Spiritual), all of which will lead to the greatest of all Points. Keep reading!)

"By faith we understand that the world has been created by the word of God so that what is seen has not been made out of things that are visible." Hebrews 11:3

THE POINT: The world historical time line reflects or shows the Bible time line and the fulfillment of prophecy. By reviewing this time line chart, you can see that what the Bible has prophesied has come to pass, and what the Bible says is yet to come, *will come to pass*.

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World Historical Time line	Daniel's Seventy Weeks -	Biblical Historical Time line
3000 BC Building of the Great Pyramid.		"In the beginning": Creation (Genesis 1) Very early: Adam and Eve (Genesis 2–3) Still quite early: Noah's flood

(Genesis 6–9) Around 2000 BC: Abraham and Sarah leave for their Promised Land in Canaan (Genesis 12–25) **Around 1250** (or 1450) BC: Moses leads the Israelites out of Egyptian slavery (Exodus 1– 15) **Around 1000 BC**: David begins ruling as Israel's King (2 Samuel) Around 950 BC: King Solomon, David's son, builds the Temple in Jerusalem (1 Kings 6–8) 776 BC Around 925 BC: Israel splits First Olympiad in Greece. into two kingdoms: Israel and Judah (1 Kings 12) 753 BC Foundation of Rome. **721 BC**: The northern kingdom of Israel is conquered and exiled by the Assyrians, becoming the Ten Lost Tribes

		of Israel (2 Kings 17)
	660 BC Daniel praying for Israel, acknowledging the nation's sins against God and asking for God's mercy. As Daniel prayed, the angel Gabriel appeared to him and gave him a vision of Israel's future - Daniel's 70 Weeks and the End of Days.	660 BC: Book of Daniel written - Daniel has the vision about the End of Days, confirmed by the angel Gabriel (Daniel 9) Around 622 BC: King Josiah enacts many religious reforms (2 Kings 22–23) 586 BC: The southern kingdom
World Historical Timeline	Gabriel said the Daniel's 70	of Judah is conquered and exiled by the Babylonians, which begins the Exilic Period
490 BC Greeks defeated the Persians at the Battle of Marathon.	Weeks would start at the time that a decree was issued to rebuild J erusalem. From the date of that decree 445BC, to the time of the Messiah, would be 483 years. (Seven "sevens" is 49 years; and sixty-two "sevens" is another 434 years; 49 years ± 434 years = 483 years or AD 30 the exact year of J esus crucifixion! Daniel's Seventy Weeks -	(2 Kings 25) 538 BC: King Cyrus of Persia allows the Jews to return to their homeland, which begins the Postexilic Period (2 Chronicles 36:22–23) 515 BC: The rebuilt Temple is dedicated under the leadership of the Judean governor, Zerubbabel, which begins the

	History	Second Temple Period (Ezra)
	445 BC the command to "restore	
	and rebuild Jerusalem" was given	
	by King Artaxerxes of Persia c.	
360 BC	445 B.C. (see <u>Nehemiah</u> <u>2:1-8</u>).	430 BC Period Silence. God is
The period of Aristotle and		silent; nothing new in
Plato.		Scriptures is written.
332 BC		Around 425 BC: Nehemiah
Egypt conquered by Alexander.	396 BC The first unit of 49 years	repairs the walls of Jerusalem,
	(seven "sevens") covers the time	and Ezra and Nehemiah enact
323 BC	that it took to rebuild Jerusalem,	religious reforms Nehemiah)
Alexander dies at Babylon.	"with streets and a trench, but	
	in times of trouble" (<u>Daniel</u>	
214 BC	9:25). This rebuilding is	
Work on the Great Wall of	chronicled in the book of	
China begins.	Nehemiah.	
nc nc		
55 BC		Around 165 BC: The
Julius Caesar attacks Great		Hasmoneans, under Judah
Britain.		Maccabee, rededicate the
		Temple, which is today
		celebrated as "Hanukkah" (1

		Maccabees 4)
4 BC Birth of Jesus Christ.	Around 6 BC: Jesus is born during the reign of Herod the Great, a Roman-appointed King	Around 6 BC: Jesus is born during the reign of Herod the Great, a Roman appointed
	of the Jews (Matthew 1 and Luke 2) The prophecy in Daniel g specifies that after the	King of the Jews (Matthew 1 and Luke 2)
	completion of the 483 years, "the Anointed One will be cut off" (verse 26). This was fulfilled	
	when Jesus was crucified, exactly 483 years from the decree!	
World Historical Timeline		Biblical Historical Timeline
	<u>Daniel's Seventy Weeks –</u> <u>History</u>	Around 30 AD: Jesus is crucified during the rule of Pontius Pilate, the Romanappointed governor of Syria-

Palestine (Matthew, Mark, AD 29: J esus gives a detailed Luke, and John) timeline of the tribulation *period / the times of distress* and the 70th Week of Daniel, THE GREAT TRIBULATION'S final 7 years in MATTHEW 24: AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation Seal - Global conquest and political intrigue AD 30 - 2020 The 2nd Tribulation Seal - Wars and **Around 46–64 (or 67) AD:** The Rumors of War apostle Paul's missionary journeys and letter writing AD 30 - 2020 The 3rd (Acts 13–28 and Pauline <u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Famine</u> Epistles) AD 30 - 2020 The 4th Tribulation Seal - Death AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 5th</u> <u>Tribulation Seal – Martyrs,</u> 29 AD persecution AD 30; Anti-Christ, Crucifixion of Jesus Christ. falling away Apostasy AD 30

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- Religious Crusades

 (1095 1291, Muslims vs

 Latin Church, almost 2
 million dead),
- WWI (1914 1918, 17
 million dead), and
- WW2 (1939 1945, over 70 million dead).

Famines

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Li st_of_famines intensifying

<u>2020</u>

AD? The 6th Tribulation Seal Sun darkened, moon turns red,
stars will fall, Trumpet of God,
Son of Man appears in the
heavens.

AD 30: Jesus is crucified during the rule of Pontius Pilate, the Roman-appointed governor of Syria-Palestine

Gabriel said the Daniel's 70

Weeks would start at the time that a decree was issued to rebuild Jerusalem. From the date of that decree 445BC, to the time of the Messiah, would be 483 years. (Seven "sevens" is 49 years; and sixty-two "sevens" is another 434 years; 49 years ± 434 years = 483 years or AD 30 the

World Historical Timeline

Earthquakes

http://ds.iris.edu/seismon/event list/index.phtml exact year of Jesus crucifixion!

THIS MARKS THE BEGINNING
OF THE tribulation period
SEALS 1 through 5, also known
as The TIMES OF DISTRESS

Around 46–64 AD (or 67 AD):

The apostle Paul's missionary journeys and letter writing (Acts 13–28 and Pauline Epistles)

Daniel's Seventy Weeks –

History

Daniel 9:26 continues with a prediction that, after the Messiah is killed, "the people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary." This was fulfilled with the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70. The "ruler who will come" is a reference to the Antichrist, who, it seems, will have some connection with Rome, since it was the Romans who destroyed Jerusalem.

70 AD: The destruction of the Jewish Temple by the Romans Around 95 AD: Revelation, the final book of the New Testament, is completed

"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of Grace"

- 1. (Daniel's 70 Weeks defined)
- 2. (Age of Grace defined)

75 AD

Huns' invasion of Europe.

570 AD

Prophet Mohammed born at

Mecca.

622 AD

Flight of Mohammed from

Mecca to Medina.

632 AD

Death of Mohammed; Beginning

of Hijiri Era.

711 AD

Arabs invade Spain.

1066 AD

Norman invasion of England;

Victory of William the

Conqueror over the English

King Harold II at Hastings.

1280 AD

Roger Bacon invents

gunpowder.

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1348 AD	million dead), and	
English faces Black Death	• WW2 (1939 – 1945, over 70	
Plague.	million dead).	
1453 AD Turks captured Constantinople; Renaissance in Europe.	Famines https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Li st_of_famines	
	Earthquakes	
	http://ds.iris.edu/seismon/event	
1492 AD	list/index.phtml	
Discovery of America by		
Columbus.		
	The events of the 1st through	
	4th Tribulation Seals will	
	continue and will intensify until	
11 1	the 6th Seal - found in <u>Matthew</u>	
World Historical Timeline	24:29 -	
0.40	"Immediately after the tribulation	"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of
1498 AD	,	Grace"
Sea-route to India discovered	of those days (Seals 1 through 5)	
by Vasco-de-Gama.	THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED,	

AND THE MOON WILL NOT

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	GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE	
1588 AD	STARS WILL FALL from the sky,	
Spanish Armada defeated.	and the powers of the heavens will	,
	<i>be shaken.</i> <u>30</u> "And then the sign	
1600 AD	of the Son of Man will appear in	
British East India Company	the sky, and then all the tribes	
established in India.	of the earth will mourn, and	
	they will see the S <i>ON OF MAN</i>	
1649 AD	COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF	
Execution of Charles I.	THE SKY with power and great	
	glory. 31"And He will send forth	
1660 AD	His angels with A GREAT	
Monarchy restored in England.	TRUMPET and THEY WILL	
	GATHER TOGETHER His elect	
1665 AD	from the four winds, from one end	<i>!</i>
The Great Plague of England.	of the sky to the other".	
1668	MATTHEW 24:	
Glorious Revolution in England.		
STOTIONS TO FORWARD IN ENGINEER.	AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation	
1704	Seal - Global conquest and	
Battle of Blenheim.	political intrigue	
1707	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> 2nd	
Union of England and Scotland.	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Wars and</u>	
omon or migrand and becomme.	Rumors of War	

1776	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> <u>3rd</u>	
Declaration of American	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Famine</u>	
Independence.		
	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 4th</u>	
1789	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Death</u>	
French Revolution; George		
Washington elected the first		
President of America.		
1805		
Battle of Trafalgar and Nelson's		"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of
death.		Grace"
deddi.		
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1815		
Battle of Waterloo; Napoleon		
exiled to St. Helena.		
1821		
Death of Napoleon.		
1832		
Reforms Bill passed in England.		
1837	"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Period of	
	Silence", "Age of Grace"	
Queen Victoria's accession to		
the throne of England.	MATTHEW 24:	

World Historical Timeline	AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation	
	Seal - Global conquest and	
1861	political intrigue	
Beginning of the American Civil		
War.	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> 2nd	
	<u>Tribulation Seal – Wars and</u>	
1863	Rumors of War	
Slavery abolished in USA		
	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 3rd</u>	
1865	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Famine</u>	
Assassination of Abraham		
Lincoln.	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 4th</u>	
	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Death</u>	
1869		
Opening of the Suez Canal for		
traffic.		
1895		
Roentgen discovered X-Rays.		
1896		
Marconi invented wireless.		
1904		"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age
Russian-Japan war.		Grace"

1005		
1905		
Japan defeated Russia;		
Discovery of the theory of		
Relativity by Einstein.		
1911		
Chinese Revolution.		
1912	1	
Republic of China established.	*	
1914		
Beginning of World War I.		
1917		
Russian Revolution.	"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Period of	
	Silence", "Age of Grace"	
1918		
End of World War I.	Daniel's Seventy Weeks -	
	History	
1919		
	MATTHEW 24:	
Treaty of Versailles signed.		
	AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation	
1920	Seal – Global conquest and	

Formation of the League of	political intrigue	
Nations.		
	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> <u>2nd</u>	
1923	<u>Tribulation Seal – Wars and</u>	
Turkey declared Republic.	Rumors of War	
1933	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> <u>3rd</u>	
Hitler became the Chancellor of	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Famine</u>	
Germany.		
	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 4th</u>	
World Historical Timeline	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Death</u>	
		"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of
1936		Grace"
Beginning of the Spanish Civil		
War.		
1939		
World War II begins.		
1941		
Russia invaded by Hitler; Pearl		
Harbor invaded by Japan.		
Japani		
1945		
Establishment of UNO; End of		
World War II; Hiroshima and		
world war ii, iiii Osiiiiia aiid		

Nagasaki experience the first		
dropping of the Atom Bomb;		
Death of President Roosevelt.		
1946		
Civil War in China.		
1948		
Burma and Ceylon get		
independence.		
1949	*	
Indonesia gets independence;		
The Communists capture power		
in China.		
1952		
General Eisenhower elected as	"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Period of	
the American President.	Silence", "Age of Grace"	
	Daniel's Seventy Weeks -	
1953	History	
Death of Stalin; Mt. Everest	TITOUT J	
conquered for the first time.	MATTHEW 24:	
	177777 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
1954	AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation	"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of
Military Aid Pact between China	Seal – Global conquest and	Grace"
	Som Giobai conquest and	

and Pakistan; Chou En-lai visits India. AD 30 - 2020 The 2nd 1955 Austria gets independence; Bandung Conference. AD 30 - 2020 The 3rd 1956 Suez Canal nationalized by President Nasser; Egypt attacked by the forces of Britain; France and Israel. 1957 First artificial satellite launched by Russia. 1958 Egypt and Syria united and renamed United Arab Republic AD 30 - 2020 The 2nd Rumors of War AD 30 - 2020 The 3rd Tribulation Seal - Famine Tribulation Seal - Death Tribulation Seal - Death First artificial satellite launched by Russia.
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renamed United Arab Republic
(UAR)
1959

Chinese capture Tibet; Dalai		
Lama flees to India; Sputnik		
launched by Russia.		
1960		
Explosion of an atom bomb		
device by France; Election of		
John F. Kennedy as President of		
USA		
1961		
Yuri Gagarin of USSR becomes		"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of
the first spaceman.		Grace"
1963		
Partial Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty		
signed; Malaysia established;		
John F. Kennedy assassinated.		
	"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of	
1965	Grace"	
Death of Sir Winston Churchill;		
Singapore becomes the	MATTHEW 24:	
sovereign independent nation;		
outbreak of Indo-Pak war.	AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation	
	Seal – Global conquest and	
1966	political intrigue	
	-	

Tashkent Pact; A Russian aircraft lands on moon.

AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 2nd</u>

1967

<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Wars and</u>

Rumors of War

Chinese explode hydrogen bomb; Arab-Israel War; Suez Canal closed.

AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 3rd</u>

<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – Famine

1971

AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 4th</u>

Tribulation Seal - Death

Outbreak of Indo-Pak war;

Birth of Bangladesh; Surrender of 93,000 Pakistani troops; Khrushchev died; Z.A. Bhutto new President of Pakistan.

1972

Sheikh Mujibur Rahman freed from Pakistani Jail and assumed the office of P.M. Bangladesh; Nixon of USA visited China; King Mahindra of Nepal died; USA and the USSR sign Strategic Arms Limitations Treaty.

"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of

1973

Outbreak of fourth Arab-Israeli

war; Fourth non-aligned		Grace"
summit in Algiers.		
1975		
Sheikh Mujibur Rahman,		
President of Bangladesh		
assassinated; King Faisal of		
Saudi Arabia, assassinated; Suez	"Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of	
Canal reopened; Red Cross	Grace"	
force Cambodia government to	Grace	
Surrender.	MATTHEW 24:	
World Historical Timeline	AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation	
	Seal – Global conquest and	
1976	political intrigue	
Chou-En Lai, P.M. of China,		
died; Seychelles gets	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> <u>2nd</u>	
independence; Viking I lands on	<u>Tribulation Seal – Wars and</u>	
Mars; Mao Tse-tung died;	Rumors of War	
Jimmy Carter elected President		
of USA	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> <u>3rd</u>	
	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Famine</u>	
1978		
Agreement between Israel and	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 4th</u>	
Egypt; Vietnam attacked	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Death</u>	
Cambodia; Z.A. Bhutto, former		

P.M. of Pakistan, sentenced to death; Bloody coup in Afghanistan; Mohammed Daoud assassinated: World's first testtube baby born. 1979 Chinese aggression in Vietnam; Cambodian rebels grab power in Phenom Penh; Mr. Z.A. Bhutto hanged; Mrs. Margaret Thatcher is the first woman P.M. of Britain. "Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of Grace" 1980 War starts between Iran and Iraq; Ronald Reagan elected USA President. 1982 Falklands, captured by Argentina; Israel attacks South "Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of Lebanon; Argentina forces Grace" surrender to British; P.L.O. MATTHEW 24: Chief Yasar Arafat leaves Beirut;

Bashir Gemyel, the President	AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation	
•		
elect of Lebanon, assassinated;	Seal – Global conquest and	
Soviet President breathes his	<u>political intrigue</u>	
last.		
	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> <u>2nd</u>	
1983	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Wars and</u>	
US attacks Grenada; USA	Rumors of War	
withdraws from UNESCO.		
	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 3rd</u>	
1985	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Famine</u>	
India gets Presidentship of UN		
Security Council; Soviet	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 4th</u>	
President, Mr. Konstantin	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Death</u>	
Chernenko, dies; Vietnam		
withdraws troops from	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> 5th	
Kampuchia.	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Martyrs</u> ,	
	persecution AD 30; Anti-Christ,	
1986	<u>falling away Apostasy AD 30</u>	
American air attack on Libya.	intensifying	
	<u>2020</u>	
1987		
Nuclear tests by USSR; Fresh		
proposal by Gorbachev; Group		
77 meet at Havana; Unsuccessful		
military coup in Philippines,		
Prime Minister of Lebanon		
THIR WITHOUT OF LEVATION		

killed.	
World Historical Timeline	"Enter Daniel's 70 th Week",
1988	"End of The Age of Grace"
WHO observes 7th of April as no	
smoking day, French President	
re-elected, Gen. Zia-ul-Haq	
killed in plane crash, Quake	
kills about 1,000 people in Bihar	
(India), George Bush elected	
President of USA, Arafat	
declares on independent state	
of Palestine, nearly 1,00,000	
people killed in earthquake in	
Armenia.	
1989	
The UN Peace keeping force	
starts implementation of UN	
Resolution 435 for the	
independence of Namibia.	
1990	
The Panamanian President	
surrenders to the United States.	

South Africa lifts lean on
African National Congress.
Lithuania declares
independence from the Soviet
Union. Namibia becomes a free
nation.

Iraq overruns Kuwait. East and West Germanys unite.

1991

War breaks out in the Gulf, With the defeat of Iraq and freedom of Kuwait, Gulf war ends.

1993

5 new members of security council START II treaty between Russian & US Presidents, Security Council resolution on Angola, Emergency in Zambia, Elections in Australia.

1994

South Africa emerged from apartheid regime with Nelson Mandela as its president. GATT "Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of Grace"

MATTHEW 24:

AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation
Seal - Global conquest and
political intrigue

AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 2nd</u>

<u>Tribulation Seal - Wars and</u>

<u>Rumors of War</u>

AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 3rd</u> <u>Tribulation Seal</u> - <u>Famine</u>

AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 4th</u> <u>Tribulation Seal - Death</u>

AD 30 - 2020 The 5th

Tribulation Seal - Martyrs,

persecution AD 30; Anti-Christ,
falling away Apostasy AD 30
intensifying

treaty signed to create World 2020 Trade Organization (WTO). 1995 WTO comes into existence. Nuclear test by France. Balkan peace accord signed. 1996 Kofi Annan new UN Secretary General. Clinton re-elected US President. India refuses to sign CTBT. Sheikh Hasina Wajed new PM of Bangladesh. Taliban capture Kabul and execute former communist President Najibullah. 1997 Tony Blair back in power in UK. Mohd. Khatami elected president of Iran. Hong Kong goes back to China after 99-year "Daniel's 70 Weeks", "Age of British rule. Grace" MATTHEW 24: 1998

Indonesian President Suharto	AD 30 - 2020 The 1st Tribulation	
resigns. Pakistan test fires	Seal – Global conquest and	
`Gauri' missile. US President	political intrigue	
Clinton faces impeachment.		
	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> <u>2nd</u>	
1999	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Wars</u> and	
G-15 Summit ends. Yugoslavia	Rumors of War	
accepts a peace plan for Kosovo.		
	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The</u> <u>3rd</u>	
2000	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Famine</u>	
Thai commander rescue 700		
hostages from a capital	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 4th</u>	
Ratchabuh. India-China sign	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Death</u>	
agreement on Information		
Technology, World Aids Day	AD 30 - 2020 <u>The 5th</u>	
observed.	<u>Tribulation Seal</u> – <u>Martyrs</u> ,	
	persecution AD 30; Anti-Christ,	
2001	falling away Apostasy AD 30	
George W. Bush, was sworn in	intensifying	
as the 43rd President of the	2020	
United States. Heritage destroy		
of Bamiyan Buddha in		
Afghanistan by Taliban.		
Massacred of Nepal Royal		
family. Terrorist attacks on		
America by Taliban Supremo		

Osama bin Laden.

2002

`Euro' becomes the official currency of 12 European countries. A new nation East Timor came into existence.

Switzerland and East Timor becomes the 190th & 191th member of the UN.

2003

Germany, Spain, Pakistan, Chile and Angola take rotating two-year seats on the UN Security Council; Iraq and the UN sign a 10-point agreement to facilitate the work of disarmament monitors; India-born American astronaut Kalpana Chawla and six other crew of the STS-107 space shuttle mission were killed as the US space shuttle Columbia disintegrates over Texas; name of Yugoslavia has been changed, it became Serbia

and Montenegro; Australia win ICC World Cup by defeating India, war between US and Iraq; International criminal court was launched. WTO ministerial conference held in Cancun.

World Historical Timeline

India and ASEAN signed three accord. Over 20,000 people are killed as a major earthquake destroys the Iranian Fort city Bam.

2004

India-Pakistan air links resume, the 12th SAARC Summit concludes in Islamabad after the signing of historic Agreement on Free Trade, Additional Protocol on Terrorism and Social Charter.

NASA announced that it would name the spot where the robot probe Spirit landed successfully, in the memory of

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heavens.

seven astronauts of the space shuttle Columbia. The US declares Mr. Saddam Hussein a prisoner of war. Pakistan has been readjusted to the common wealth. United States hand over political authority to Iraq. The 28th Olympics start in Athens. Russian Parliament ratifies the Kyoto Protocol, Yasser Arafat dies in Paris. Taslima Nasreen awarded UNESCO tolerance and non-violence Prize.

2005

India and Pakistan agree to allow travel by bus across the Line of Control between Srinagar and Muzaffarabad, Microsoft founder, The U.S. Senate approves Michael d. Griffin as NASA chief, Kuwaiti Parliament grants women the right to vote and run in elections, Latvia ratifies E.U. Constitution, The sixth book by

J. K. Rowling, Harry Potter and	
the Half Blood Prince, hits the	
stands worldwide, Junichiro	
Koizumi is reelected Japanese	
Premier by the new House of	
Representatives at a special	
session in Tokyo, The Dhaka	
Declaration decides to set up a	
SAARC poverty Alleviation Fund	
and to declare 2006-2015 the	
SAARC Decade of Poverty	
Alleviation, The Kyoto protocol	
on limiting pollution becomes	
fully operational, Evo Morales	
wins Bolivian presidential polls,	
The Galileo navigational	
telescope is launched from	
Kazakhstan.	
2006	
SAFTA comes into effect. Sirleaf	
sworn in as Liberian president.	
Chile elected socialist Michelle	
Bachelet to be its first woman	
president. 18th CWG held in	

World Historical Timeline

Melbourne (Australia). UNO
passed a resolution for new
Human Rights Council. UN
General Assembly has approved
Ban-Ki-Moon as the new
Secretary General. North Korea
conducted an underground
nuclear test. 15th Asian Games
were held in Doha (Qatar) in
December 2006.

2007

Bangladesh declares a state of emergency. Nepal's Parliament unanimously approves the interim Constitution. 14th
SAARC Summit held in New
Delhi (India). Australia won the
World Cup Cricket tournament,
2007. G-8 Summit held in
Heilligendamm, Berlin
(Germany). Viktor Zubkov has been appointed as a new Prime
Minister of Russia. Yasuo
Fukuda was sworn in as the

Prime Minister of Japan. India	
won the Twenty-20 World Cup	
Cricket Championship over	
Pakistan in South Africa. Nobel	
Prize 2007 has been announced.	
2008-2022	
The United Nations implements	
Global Socialist-Marxist	
program Agenda-2030.	
The Untied States falls into	
steep decline.	
Covid-19 virus released from	
Chinese laboratory, worldwide	
panic ensues, draconian	
measures implemented.	

THE POINT: This historical time line reflects or shows the correlation of a world historical time line with Daniel's 70 Weeks, the Bible historical time line and that of Biblical Prophecy.

In other words, we can trace the fulfillment of Biblical Prophecies throughout history. This gives us assurance that what the Bible says is yet to come, will come to pass.

"So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal." 2 Corinthians 4:18

IF YOU UNDERSTAND THESE HISTORICAL TIMELINES AS DESCRIBED IN
SECURLAR HISTORY, IN DANIEL'S SEVENTY WEEKS AND IN THE BIBLICAL
TIMELINES, YOU WILL UNDERSTAND WHERE HISTORY IS HEADED AND THAT WE
ARE IN THE FINAL DAYS OF THE FINAL WEEK BEFORE J ESUS RETURNS,
USHERING IN THE "GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD".

Chapter 5

CLUES POINTING TO THE END - CLUE #1

THE GREAT FLOOD - GENESIS 6



Now, we will explore *three of the greatest clues* by reviewing three major events that served as signposts in the historical world and in Biblical historical events which will guide us along a predetermined path to the. "<u>Latter Days</u>" leading to "<u>The Last Days</u>" and the "<u>End This Age</u>":

- #1. THE GREAT FLOOD, (a.k.a., "NOAH'S FLOOD")
- #2. THE TOWER OF BABEL.
- #3. THE COVENANTS

We are going on a trek to discover, (1), how we arrived where we are now, (2), where we are going, (3), how creation ends and, (4), what we should do in response.

THE GREAT FLOOD - GENESIS 6

Genesis 6:5, tells us, "Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. Verse 6.

The LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. Verse 7. The LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.

Books have been written, movies have been made and plays have been created about 'Noah and The Ark'. Is it true, a legend or a myth?

Once you get past the dramatic effects, the playwright's imagination, the stage drama, the literary license and production embellishments, there is a truth to be seen and a lesson to be learned. But the whole truth will only be found in the Bible.

The Bible gives great detail about Noah, his life, his family and his homeland. We get details about the reasons for the construction of The Ark and even greater detail about The Ark, itself.

We can find many lessons from the account of Noah's life, his relationship with God, the people of the earth, about God's intentions for His Own creation, about faith and obedience to God's Word and the cost of rebelliousness and sin toward God.

Who would have thought that we could find answers to a 21st Century quandary from an ancient, 4,800-year-old, event?

By all accounts, our twenty-first century world is full of the same "wickedness of man" was which prevalent during Noah's days. "Every intent of the thoughts of man's heart was only evil, continually". A careful, prayerful study of God's Word regarding the Last Days should lead you to see the concurrence of events pointing to the breaking of the breaking of the 6th Seal of the Tribulation judgment and the imminent return of Christ.

Jesus tells of these *concurrent events* in the twenty-fourth chapter of the book of Matthew and concludes His narration with the warning, *"For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah."* (Matthew 24:37)

- I. J UST LIKE IN THE DAYS OF NOAH Genesis 6:5, tells us, "Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. Verse 6. The LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. Verse 7. The LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.
- a) There can come a point when sin is so great, that God will blot out all mankind. We may have reached that point, again.

Verse 8. "But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD. 9 These are the records of the generations of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his time; Noah walked with God. 10 Noah became the father of three sons: Shem, Ham, and J apheth."

b) You can find favor with God, and He will consider you as "blameless".

However, the Bible tells us that "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" and that we can only be made Righteous "by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ J esus".

Genesis 6:11 "Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with violence. Verse 12. God looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth. Verse 13. Then God said to Noah, "The end of all flesh has come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence because of them; and behold, I am about to destroy them with the earth. Verse 14. "Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood; you shall make the ark with rooms, and shall cover it inside and out with pitch."

c) God always makes a way of escape for the Righteous.

Genesis 6:18, says, "But I will establish My covenant with you; and you shall enter the ark, you and your sons and your wife, and your sons' wives with you. Verse 19. "And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every kind into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. Verse 20. "Of the birds after their kind, and of the animals after their kind, of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every kind will come to you to keep them alive. Verse 21. "As for you, take for yourself some of all food which is edible, and gather it to yourself; and it shall be for food for you and for them." Verse 22. Thus, Noah did; according to all that God had commanded him, so he did."

d) Prepare to endure to the end, for it is the one who endures to the end who will be saved!

Genesis 7:1, tells us, "Then the LORD said to Noah, "Enter the ark, you and all of your household, for you alone I have seen to be righteous before Me in this time. Verse 2. "You shall take with you of every clean animal by sevens, a male and his female; and of the animals that are not clean two, a male and his female; Verse 3, also of the birds of the sky, by sevens, male and female, to keep offspring alive on the face of all the earth. Verse 4. "For after seven more days, I will send rain on the earth forty days and forty nights; and I will blot out from the face of the land every living thing that I have made." Verse 5. Noah did according to all that the LORD had commanded him.

e) Only those God sees as Righteous will be able to enter the Ark of His salvation, which is The New Covenant of His Blood.

II. OF THAT DAY AND HOUR

"No one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone." **Matthew**24:36

a) No one knows the day or the hour.

Verse 38. "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, verse 39, and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so, will the coming of the Son of Man be. Verse 40. "Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Verse 41. "Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one will be left."

b) "For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah. Matthew 24:37

Matthew 24:42 "Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming. Verse 43. "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. Verse 44. "For this reason, you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will."

c) You must be Ready for His Coming

III. CHRIST OR J UDGMENT

Hebrews 10:26, warns, "For if we go on sinning willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, verse 27, but a terrifying expectation

of judgment and THE FURY OF A FIRE WHICH WILL CONSUME THE ADVERSARIES. Verse 28. Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. Verse 29. How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace?"

a) "For if we go on sinning willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins.

"For we know Him who said, "VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY." And again, "THE LORD WILL J UDGE HIS PEOPLE." Hebrews 10:30

- b) The Christian's covenant duty, as we wait for Christ's return, is to 'endure to the end' and to 'overcome evil with good'.
- c) "It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God". (Hebrews 10:31)

Hebrews 10:32. "But remember the former days, when, after being enlightened, you endured a great conflict of sufferings, verse 33, partly by being made a public spectacle through reproaches and tribulations, and partly by becoming sharers with those who were so treated. Verse 34. For you showed sympathy to the prisoners and accepted joyfully the seizure of your property, knowing that you have for yourselves a better possession and a lasting one. Verse 35. Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. Verse 36. For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God, you may receive what was promised."

d) Keep your confidence in Christ and on His promises, for you have a need of endurance.

Hebrews 10:37, instructs, "FOR YET IN A VERY LITTLE WHILE, HE WHO IS COMING WILL COME, AND WILL NOT DELAY. Verse 38. "BUT MY RIGHTEOUS ONE SHALL LIVE BY FAITH; AND IF HE SHRINKS BACK, MY SOUL HAS NO PLEASURE IN HIM."

e) God gives a warning that in these Last Days,

IV. THE PROVING OF YOUR FAITH

The God and Father of our Lord J esus Christ, Who, according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of J esus Christ from the dead, (1 Peter 1:3)

- Verse 4. to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,
- verse 5. Who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed IN THE LAST TIME.
- verse 6. In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, verse 7, so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the 12 of J esus Christ; verse 8, and though you have not seen Him, you love Him, and though you do not see Him now, but believe in Him, you greatly rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory,
- verse 9. Obtaining as the outcome of your faith the salvation of your soul

"But we are not of those who shrink back to destruction, but of those who have faith to the preserving of the soul."

a) DO NOT SHRINK BACK

This, therefore, is how we prepare and conduct ourselves until "The Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words."

IF YOU UNDERSTAND GOD'S PURPOSE AND MEANING OF THE FLOOD AS

DESCRIBED IN THE BOOK OF GENESIS, YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE IN

THE FINAL DAYS OF THE FINAL WEEK BEFORE J ESUS RETURNS, USHERING IN

THE "GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD".

Chapter 6

THE GREAT FLOOD - DANIEL 9

(audio link)



(The 70 Weeks)

These verses provide a "timeline" that gives us an idea of when the Messiah, (Jesus), would come and some of the events that would accompany His appearance. The prophecy of the 70 weeks also summarizes what happens before Jesus sets up His millennial kingdom.

The "seventy weeks" prophecy, found in <u>Daniel chapter 9</u>, begins with Daniel praying for Israel, acknowledging the nation's sins against God and asking for God's mercy. As Daniel prayed, the angel Gabriel appeared to him and gave him a vision of Israel's future. In verse 24, Gabriel says, "Seventy sevens" are decreed for your people and your holy city." The seventy "sevens" should be understood as seventy "weeks" of years, in other words, a period of 490 years.

WE MUST BE READY

The prophecy divides the 490 years into three smaller units:

- one of 49 years,
- one of 434 years, and
- one 7 years.
 - o The final "week" of 7 years is further divided in half.

Verse 25 says, "From the time the word goes out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be

- seven 'sevens,' and
- sixty-two 'sevens.' "
 - (Seven "sevens" is 49 years, and sixty-two "sevens" is another 434 years:
 49 years + 434 years = 483 years

Prophecy tells us that there will be 490 years of prophecy to be fulfilled, leading to the End of the Age. 483 years of 'Daniel's 70 Weeks' prophecy have been fulfilled. We are now in, what some Bible teachers and theologians call, the "Age of Grace". God is giving the world a final period of time to come to Jesus for redemption and salvation.

The 'Age of Grace' is the period of time between the 483 years of completed prophecies leading to the End of the Age, also known as The Last Days, and the final 7 years of The Great Tribulation Period, which begins with the breaking of the 6th Tribulation Seal.

We are living in the Age of Grace now, and by all accounts we are in the 5th Tribulation Seal, waiting for the breaking of the 6th Seal. This will mark the end of the Age of Grace, the beginning of the Great Tribulation and the Great and Terrible Day of the Lord.

The Fulfillment of the 70 Weeks

Gabriel said the prophetic clock would start at the time that a decree was issued to rebuild Jerusalem. From the date of that decree to the time of the Messiah would be 483 years.

- We know from history that the command to "restore and rebuild Jerusalem" was given by King Artaxerxes of Persia c. 445 B.C. (see *Nehemiah 2:1-8*).
- The first unit of 49 years (seven "sevens") covers the time that it took to rebuild Jerusalem, "with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble" (*Daniel 9:25*). This rebuilding is chronicled in the book of Nehemiah.
- Using the Jewish custom of a 360-day year, 483 years after 445 B.C. places us at A.D. 30, which would coincide with Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem (*Matthew 21:1-9*). The prophecy in *Daniel 9* specifies that after the completion of the 483 years, "the Anointed One will be cut off" (verse 26). This was fulfilled when Jesus was crucified.
- Daniel 9:26 continues with a prediction that, after the Messiah is killed, "the people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary." This was fulfilled with the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70. The "ruler who will come" is a reference to the Antichrist, who, it seems, will have some connection with Rome, since it was the Romans who destroyed Jerusalem.

The Purpose of the 70 Weeks (i.e., the 490 years)

The prophecy contains a statement concerning God's *six-fold purpose in bringing these* events to pass. <u>Verse 24 says this purpose is:</u>

- 1) "to finish transgression," (that is, to end man's rebellion toward God)
- 2) "to put an end to sin," (that is, to bring an end to sin)
- 3) "to atone for wickedness," (that is, to make amends or reparation for wickedness)
- 4) "to bring in everlasting righteousness," (that is, the quality of being morally right or justifiable)
- 5) "to seal up vision and prophecy," and (that is, to confirm these prophetic visions)
- 6) "to anoint the most holy." (That is, to anoint, or to confer divine or holy office upon; in this case the Holy One, Jesus.)

Notice that the results of this <u>six-fold purpose</u> concerns the total eradication of sin and the establishing of righteousness.

The prophecy of the 70 weeks summarizes what happens before Jesus sets up His millennial kingdom.

Of special note is the third in the list of results: "to atone for wickedness." Jesus accomplished the <u>atonement</u> for sin by His death on the cross (<u>Romans 3:25; Hebrews</u> 2:17).

The Final Week of the 70 Weeks

- 1. Of the 70 "sevens," 69 have been fulfilled in history. This leaves one more "seven" yet to be fulfilled.
- 2. Most scholars believe that we are now living in a huge gap between the 69th week and the 70th week. The prophetic clock has been paused, as it were. The final "seven" of Daniel is what we usually call the *tribulation period*.

- 3. Daniel's prophecy reveals some actions of the *Antichrist*, the "ruler who will come." Verse 27 says, "He will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven." However, "in the middle of the 'seven,' he will set up an abomination that causes desolation" in the temple. Jesus warned of this event in *Matthew 24:15*. After the Antichrist breaks the covenant with Israel, a time of "great tribulation" begins (*Matthew 24:21, New King J ames Version*).
- 4. Daniel also predicts that the Antichrist will face judgment. He only rules "until the end that is decreed is poured out on him" (Daniel 9:27). God will only allow evil to go so far, and the judgment the Antichrist will face has already been planned out.

The prophecy of the 70 weeks is complex and detailed There are various interpretations, and most interpretations are unnecessarily convoluted to fit a particular denominational view. However, if you will put biased 'denominationalism' aside, and read the prophetic scriptures, first for their plain face-value, then secondly, read them in the context of the entire Bible, an amazingly clear picture emerges. You will find a *Pre-Wrath, pre-millennial view*. One thing is certain: God has a timetable, and He is keeping things on schedule. God tells us what He has planned from the beginning though the end (*Isaiah 46:10*), and we should always be looking for the triumphant return of our Lord (*Revelation 22:7*).

The "Final Week" (Daniel's Seventieth Week) of the 70 Weeks found in *Daniel 9:25, tells us, "So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild J erusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress. 26 "Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined. 27 "And he will make a firm covenant"*

with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate."

Remember, the "times of distress" is another name for the breaking of the 1st through the 5th Tribulation Seals, which began in AD 30. The "final week" of Daniel's 70 weeks, is the 7 years of The Great Tribulation, which will commence with the breaking of the 6th Seal of The Tribulation.

The middle of this final week, (which is 3 1/2 years after the breaking of the 6th Seal), is the Mid-Tribulation point and is found at the blowing of *the 7th Trumpet of God's*Wrath.

The flood, found in Daniel 9, verse 26, this time refers to "a flood of people", that is to say that Jerusalem and her temple would be destroyed again by an overwhelming army. (This occurred in AD 70 with the destruction of the 2nd Temple). This was foreshadowed by the Great Flood in Genesis "A flood" was repeated *in the Heavens by the old Dragon* and manifest on the earth in the crucifixion of Christ.

NOTE: Verse 26 says, "*And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined."* Each of the instances of "A Flood", thereafter, came devastation. Each time God used "a flood" for the purpose described in *Daniel 12:10*, "*Many will be purged, purified and refined" and made ready for the Kingdom of God.*"

CONCLUSION: The word "flood" is used about 28 times in the Bible. It is used eleven times in the Book of Genesis *and refers to God's J udgment on the world for sin by* way of the Great Flood.

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But I want us to focus on the mention of a flood in conjunction with God's Judgment and the "End of Days" as mentioned, in Daniel 9, Matthew 24 and Revelation 12. This will tell us about God's plan and your purpose and need for preparation to take part in His Plan,

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Chapter 7 THE GREAT FLOOD - MATTHEW 24



Chapter 7 - Clue #2 - Part 2 - Pointing to the End

"And they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so, will the coming of the Son of Man be. "Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken and one will be left." Matthew 24:39-40

NOTE: To adequately understand Prophetic Scriptures, you must look back in order to look forward! "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." Revelation 1:8

Jesus, in Matthew Chapter 24, gives us an amazing overview of the coming Day of the Lord, the Great Tribulation, the Rapture of the Church and much more.

THIS IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND BECAUSE THIS WILL HAPPEN IN A
MOMENT AND THERE WILL BE NO SECOND-CHANCES. THE TIME IS UPON US.

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Let's focus on the narrative of a flood in Matthew 24:37 which speaks specifically about the "Flood", comparing what is past and what coming.

The flood in Matthew 24:37 is a direct reference to the Great Flood of Noah's day, which "took them all away" who were not safe in the Ark.

Matthew uses the same wording and warnings as found in the Genesis Flood account:

Matthew 24:39, tells us, "And, they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so, will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Verse 40. "Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken and one will be left.

Verse 41. "Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one will be left.

Verse 42. "Therefore, be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming,

Verse 43. "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.

Verse 44. "For this reason, you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will.

Verse 45. "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?

Verse 46. "Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes."

Here is the "takeaway" and what we are to be "so doing when he comes".

- 1. In Noah's day, although Noah warned them, they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away.
- 2. So, it will be with the coming of "The Son of Man, which is Jesus. But now we understand the warnings and will have no excuse. Still, if you do not heed the warnings, you will be taken away.
- 3. The warning is, "those who are not ready will be left". They will be left. No excuses and no second chances, not even during the Tribulation.
- 4. "Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes:
 - Be on the alert; he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into
 - Be the faithful and sensible slave whom his master put in charge of his household to give them their food at the proper time.

This is to be our response. Get Ready and Stay Ready!

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Revelation 1:8

IF YOU UNDERSTAND THE PURPOSE OF THE FLOOD AS DESCRIBED BY

J ESUS IN MATTHEW 24, YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE IN THE FINAL

DAYS OF THE FINAL WEEK BEFORE J ESUS RETURNS, USHERING IN THE "GREAT

AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD".

Chapter 8

THE GREAT FLOOD – REVELATION 12 – Clue #2, Part 3



(The Flood, The Woman, The Dragon, The Child)

It is important to understand the events described in Revelation 12, 13, and 14 as a recap, and a panorama of God's Plan of salvation for the world from a 'Heavenly Perspective'.

The scenario in Revelation, chapter 12, begins with Israel, the Christ child and Satan's failed attempt to destroy this child, the Son of God. It culminates with Jesus' victorious war over the Evil one.

<u>Revelation 12:1–17</u> seems out of place in the account of The End of Days, The Tribulation and God's Judgments. But it is important to understand the events

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Revelation 12:13, says, "And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

Verse 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.

Verse 15. "And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

Verse 16. "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.

Verse 17. "And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of J esus Christ."

Revelation, chapter 12, starts with the words, "Now a great sign appeared". This is the first of seven signs that John relates, and is described as a "great sign", ("mega semeion", from the Greek language).

Revelation chapters 12, 13, and 14 the main figures of the Great Tribulation are described, and this great sign introduces the first of the seven.

- 1. The woman, representing Israel.
- 2. The dragon, representing Satan.
- 3. The man-child, referring to Jesus.
- 4. The angel Michael, head of the angelic host.
- 5. The offspring of the woman, representing Gentiles who come to faith in the Tribulation.
- 6. The beast out of the sea, representing the antichrist.
- 7. The beast out of the earth, representing the false prophet who promotes the antichrist.

Knowing and understanding "The Flood" in Revelation 12 will help you know the urgency of the day in which you live, why you need to get ready for His Return and that it is now time.

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YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE IN THE FINAL DAYS OF THE FINAL WEEK
BEFORE J ESUS RETURNS, USHERING IN THE "GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE
LORD".

Chapter 9

CLUES POINTING TO THE END - CLUE #3 THE TOWER OF BABEL



ONE WORLD?

The Bible tells of the beginnings of the idea of a One World Government and warns this system is coming again – in the Last Days.

"They said, 'Come, let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into heaven, and let us make for ourselves a name, otherwise we will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.'

"The LORD came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of men had built.

"The LORD said, "Behold, they are one people, and they all have the same language. And this is what they began to do, and now nothing which they purpose to do will be impossible for them." Genesis 11:4-6

DON'T BE DECEIVED

The agenda of this "migration" and Globalism or One World Government is not the stuff of just any book. It is stuff of THE BOOK, that is The Bible.

Genesis chapter 11 gives us the prophecy, the foreshadowing of the coming

One World Government.

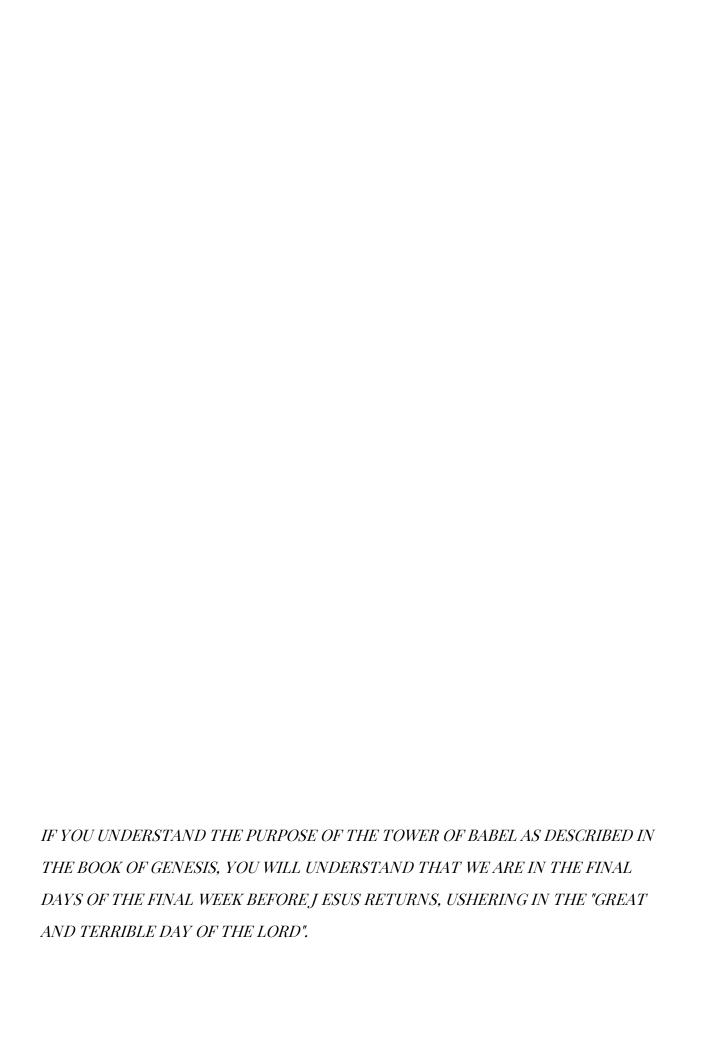
The Tower of Babel, built around 2242 B.C., was a post-Flood rebellion against God by Noah's descendants. As told about in Genesis 11:1-9, it is meant to explain why the world's peoples speak different languages. According to the account, a united humanity in the generations following the Great Flood, speaking a single language and migrating eastward, comes to the land of Shinar (ר.ע, ניש, ביש, ביש). There, they agree to build a city and a tower tall enough to reach heaven.

(NOTE: "tall enough to reach to heaven" can be a metaphor for "man reaching to heaven, making himself god, to accomplish his own desires. This is the 'Utopian dream' of the Socialist and Communist manifestos; the State being our god – from cradle to grave)

This effort of uniting in a global community has been underway for about 4,200 years, about 100 years after 'The Flood', but before Abraham was born.

This is 'forecast' or what is Prophesied in the Bible. Is it underway? Should we PREPARE? (More on this, later).

These are exciting times in which we live! But we must be prepared to 'endure to the end', most likely the end of the 5th Seal of Revelation, as Jesus said in Matthew 24. And by all accounts, it would seem we are at that stage! More on this, later, too.



Chapter 10

CLUES POINTING TO THE END - CLUE #3

THE COVENANTS



ALPHA ~ OMEGA

THE COVENANTS - HIS PERFECTION

(THE NECESSARY, ALBEIT, SLOW STEPS TO GOD'S PERFECT DESIGN)

(The following blue text, on this page, is taken as an excerpt from the **Gotquestions.org** website, "What is a Covenant")

The Bible speaks of seven different covenants, four of which (Abrahamic, Palestinian, Mosaic, Davidic) God made with the nation of Israel. Of those four, three are unconditional in nature; that is, regardless of Israel's obedience or disobedience, God

still will fulfill these covenants with Israel. One of the covenants, the Mosaic Covenant, is conditional in nature. That is, this covenant will bring either blessing or cursing depending on Israel's obedience or disobedience. Three of the covenants (Adamic, Noahic, New) are made between God and mankind in general, and are not limited to the nation of Israel.

- I. The <u>Adamic Covenant</u> can be thought of in two parts: (a) the Edenic Covenant (innocence) and (b) the Adamic Covenant (grace) (<u>Genesis 3:16-19</u>).

 The Edenic Covenant is found in <u>Genesis 1:26-30</u>; 2:16-17. The Edenic Covenant
 - Outlined man's responsibility toward creation and
 - God's directive regarding the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The Adamic Covenant included

- The curses pronounced against mankind for the sin of Adam and Eve, as well as
- God's provision for that sin (Genesis 3:15).

HIS PURPOSE IS HIS PERFECTION

This explanation tells us <u>about</u> the Adamic Covenant, but what we should be looking for is *the purpose of the covenant*, that is, where this covenant takes us, in time.

God is moving all of His creation, the heavens the earth, all the inhabitants and all of humankind toward perfection.

We should ask ourselves, why does God need to enact SEVEN covenants? Is He fickle? Did men and women out-think or outsmart God, so He would need to amend each previous Covenant as a response? No, to each of those questions.



Each covenant is a step toward God's perfection. It is God's design, as described in Matthew 5:48, for us to "be **perfect**, (teleio), even as He is **perfect**, (teleios)".

In Matthew 5:20, Jesus says, "For I say to you that unless your righteousness far surpasses *that* of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven."

Again, 1 Corinthians 13:9, tells us, "For we know in part and prophesy in part; verse 10, but when the **perfect**, (teleios), comes, the partial will be done away with."

Hebrews 6:1, commands us, "Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection (<u>teleiotés</u>); not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,"

Just as when God, as recorded in Genesis 6, "saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. The LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. The LORD said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made the", He will once again, judge the world, in a final judgment.

Satan, Sin, Evil, Death Eradicated

Revelation 20:7-15, says, "When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison, and will come out to deceive the nations which are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore. And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them. And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Judgment at the Throne of God

"Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds. And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them; and they were judged, each one of them according to their deeds. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire."

Perfection Attained – A New Heaven and Earth

Revelation 21:1-4, tells us, "Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer any sea. And I saw the holy city, new J erusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is

among the people, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away."

Verses 22-27, "I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God has illuminated it, and its lamp is the Lamb. he nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. In the daytime (for there will be no night there) its gates will never be closed; and they will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it; and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life."

THE NECESSARY, ALBEIT, SLOW STEPS TO GOD'S PERFECT DESIGN

It was because God had created mankind with the power of choice, with a free will and because God created man with a *dubious character (Genesis 1:27)*, **the Adamic Covenant** was the FIRST NECESSARY, ALBEIT, SLOW STEP toward perfection.

- 2. The <u>Noahic Covenant</u> was an unconditional covenant between God and Noah (specifically) and humanity (generally). After the Flood, God promised humanity that He would never again destroy all life on earth with a Flood (see Genesis chapter 9). God gave the rainbow as the sign of the covenant, a promise that the entire earth would never again flood and a reminder that God can and will judge sin (2 <u>Peter 2:5</u>).
- 3. <u>Abrahamic Covenant</u> (<u>Genesis 12:1-3, 6-7; 13:14-17; 15; 17:1-14; 22:15-18</u>). In this covenant, God promised many things to Abraham. He personally promised that He

would make Abraham's name great (<u>Genesis 12:2</u>), that Abraham would have numerous physical descendants (<u>Genesis 13:16</u>), and that he would be the father of a multitude of nations (<u>Genesis 17:4-5</u>). God also made promises regarding a nation called Israel. In fact, the geographical boundaries of the Abrahamic Covenant are laid out on more than one occasion in the book of Genesis (12:7; 13:14-15; 15:18-21). Another provision in the Abrahamic Covenant is that the families of the world will be blessed through the physical line of Abraham (<u>Genesis 12:3</u>; <u>22:18</u>). This is a reference to the Messiah, who would come from the line of Abraham.

- 4. <u>Palestinian Covenant</u> (<u>Deuteronomy 30:1-10</u>). The Palestinian Covenant, or Land Covenant, amplifies the land aspect that was detailed in the Abrahamic Covenant. According to the terms of this covenant, if the people disobeyed, God would cause them to be scattered around the world (<u>Deuteronomy 30:3-4</u>), but He would eventually restore the nation (verse 5). When the nation is restored, then they will obey Him perfectly (verse 8), and God will cause them to prosper (verse 9).
- 5. <u>Mosaic Covenant</u> (<u>Deuteronomy 11</u>; et al.). The Mosaic Covenant was a conditional covenant that either brought God's direct blessing for obedience or God's direct cursing for disobedience upon the nation of Israel. Part of the Mosaic Covenant was the Ten Commandments (<u>Exodus 20</u>) and the rest of the Law, which contained over 600 commands—roughly 300 positive and 300 negative. The history books of the Old Testament (Joshua–Esther) detail how Israel succeeded at obeying the Law or how Israel failed miserably at obeying the Law. <u>Deuteronomy 11:26–28</u> details the blessing/cursing motif.
- 6. <u>Davidic Covenant</u> (2 <u>Samuel 7:8–16</u>). The Davidic Covenant amplifies the "seed" aspect of the Abrahamic Covenant. The promises to David in this passage are

significant. God promised that David's lineage would last forever and that his kingdom would never pass away permanently (verse 16). Obviously, the Davidic throne has not been in place at all times. There will be a time, however, when someone from the line of David will again sit on the throne and rule as king. This future king is Jesus (<u>Luke 1:32-33</u>).

7. New Covenant (Jeremiah 31:31–34). The New Covenant is a covenant made first with the nation of Israel and, ultimately, with all mankind. In the New Covenant, God promises to forgive sin, and there will be *a universal knowledge of the Lord. J esus Christ came to fulfill the Law of Moses* (Matthew 5:17) and create a new covenant between God and His people. Now that we are under the New Covenant, both Jews and Gentiles can be free from the penalty of the Law. We are now given the opportunity to receive salvation as a free gift (Ephesians 2:8–9).

It is through this final Covenant in Christ that we find these words, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, this person is a new creation; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. (2 Corinthians 5:17)

In addition to the historical timeline chart, I have added a presentation named the "Alpha & Omega" which is a brief outline and overview of some of the important Biblical events we have discussed in chronological order. These add to our base of clues and strengthen our understanding of the timeline that leads us to The End of the Age.



I AM THE ALPHA AND THE OMEGA

"The First and The Last, The Beginning and The End"

Revelation 22:13

"A short, biblically oriented timeline from the beginning of creation to the end of the age"

Travel with me from creation, through the Garden of Eden and learn about the original sin. Then we will see the great global flood and the new covenant between God and His Chosen people.

We will read the prophecies of the Coming Christ, the New Covenant in Christ's Blood and the coming of the Kingdom of God. We will learn about the prophetic warnings of the coming apocalypse, the Rapture of the Church, the defeat of Satan and the New Heavens and the new earth.

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IF YOU UNDERSTAND THE PURPOSE OF "GOD'S PROGRESSIVE COVENANTS" AS

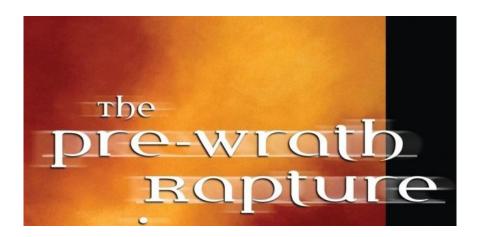
DESCRIBED IN THE BIBLE, YOU WILL BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE IN

THE FINAL DAYS OF THE FINAL WEEK BEFORE J ESUS RETURNS, USHERING IN

THE "GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD".

Chapter 11

THE PREMILLENNIAL PRE-WRATH RAPTURE



There are several eschatological views of the End Time and The End of The Age. The most traditional views, (which are in constant competition and conflict), are:

- <u>Dispensational</u> <u>Premillennialism</u>
- Historical Premillennialism
- Amillennialism
- Postmillennialism
 - *The Traditional Pre-tribulation Rapture* view says that the rapture will occur before the beginning of a seven-year tribulation period, *before the breaking of the first tribulation seal.*
 - It describes *the second coming of J esus as occurring* at the end of the Tribulation period, that is, it will occur after the 7 Seal judgments, the 7 Trumpet judgments and the 7 Bowl judgments.
 - *The Pre-tribulation Rapture* describes the rapture as Jesus coming for the church then, Jesus' second coming, as Him coming *with* the church.

The first three on this list adhere to the doctrine of the rapture and a fixed seven-year tribulation period. Postmillennialism omits the rapture.

• The Pre-wrath Pre-Tribulation Rapture

There is another, more recent view, similar to the other four in that it is called <u>The Pre-wrath Pre-Tribulation Rapture</u>. which is also Premillennial. This view suggests that the Last Days began in our around AD 30 to AD 69. This is confirmed by Jesus and several Apostles in <u>Matthew 24</u>, <u>Hebrews 1:2</u>, <u>Hebrews 9:26</u>, <u>Acts 2:14-17</u>, <u>2 Timothy 3:1</u>, <u>1</u> <u>Peter 1:20</u>, <u>1 Peter 4:7</u>, <u>2 Peter 3:3</u>.

(One of the first, most accurate, and most persistent advocates of the Pre-Wrath Rapture of the Church can be found at *Zion's Hope*, *with videos on this site*.)

Finally, in this 21st century, there are a few prominent Bible teachers who are now arriving at this same conclusions (John Piper, and Corrie Ten Boom)

The Pre-wrath Pre-Tribulation Rapture is the clearest explanation, by Jesus, of *The Day of the Lord* and the rapture.

- The Bible says, in plain language, that the rapture will occur after or during the
 6th tribulation seal.
- This view holds that the Great Tribulation (Matthew 24:21) or a Great Distress (Luke21:23) begins during the 6th seal, being Daniel's 7oth week, when the Antichrist is revealed in the temple. This is not a "mid-tribulation view" because it occurs after or during the 6th Seal, but, well before the three- and one-half-year mark of the Great Tribulation.
- Again, this period is defined, in the Bible, as the Great Tribulation or the time of Great Distress as opposed to "the tribulation" which began as early as AD 60.

The danger of the first four Tribulation and Rapture views are that they leave the believer in an unprepared state for the Tribulation and the Rapture. They teach that *a believer need to do nothing more than make a statement of faith,* and he or she will escape any and all of the Tribulation period. There is no further need <u>for preparation</u>, <u>evangelism</u> or 'enduring to the end', which are clearly spelled out in scriptures.

The Pre-wrath Pre-Tribulation Rapture teaches that the tribulation period began in or around AD 30 and tribulation seals 1 through 5 have been progressively broken to this day and the effects are overlapping continuing and intensifying. We are near the breaking of the 6th Tribulation Seal which marks the beginning of the Day of the Wrath of the Lamb, the sealing of the 144,000 of Israel, the Rapture of the Church and the pouring out of God's wrath on earth.

The Pre-wrath Pre-Tribulation Rapture teaches that

- You must get ready and stay in a state of readiness, because we do not know the
 day or the hour of His return, but that if you did know "you would not have
 allowed your house to be broken into".
- As a believer, you have responsibilities while you are waiting for Jesus' return.
 (If you die before His return, your efforts will be judged, later. <u>Matthew 24:42 Matthew 25:29</u>.
- You must 'endure to the end' which, for believers, is the Great and Terrible Day of the Lord, (a.k.a., the Wrath of the Lamb or the End of the Age).

In support of the Pre-Wrath Rapture view, here's a quick scan of time and history as it relates to the Bible. Read carefully, and study.

WARS AND RUMORS OF WAR

Jesus says, in Matthew 24:6, "And you will be hearing of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for those things must take place, but that is not yet the end."

Jesus, in agreement with His statement in Matthew 24:6, again says in chapter Revelation chapter 6, "one who sat on a white horse had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.

"When J esus broke the second seal, the second living creature said, "Come!" And a red horse, went out; and to him who sat on it, it was granted to take peace from the earth, and that people would kill one another; and a large sword was given to him."

There have been thousands upon thousands of wars and conflicts since the time of Christ. Most notable for their scope and breadth are the

- Religious Crusades (1095 1291, Muslims vs Latin Church, almost 2 million dead),
- WWI (1914 1918, 17 million dead), and
- WW2 (1939 1945, over 70 million dead).

<u>Current wars and global conflicts, as of 2018 (link).</u>

"Wars and rumors of war" is nothing new. So, when Jesus says, in Matthew 24:6-8, "You will be hearing of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not frightened, for those things must take place, but that is not yet the end. "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and in various places there will be famines and earthquakes."

"But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs."

WHICH wars, rumors of wars, earthquakes and famines was Jesus referring to? Those in AD 30? Those in AD69? Those later wars? The answer is, 'No'. J esus was speaking

in the present about an unfolding present and future event. These wars, rumors of wars, earthquakes and famines were already occurring, have continued to occur and will increase with intensity until the end!

Look at it this way: When Hurricane Irma hit the U.S. it was a category 5 storm; As Irma progressed up the peninsula of Florida, it became a category 4 storm; then as it entered Alabama it became a category 3 storm; and finally as it entered Georgia, Irma became a tropical storm; and later as it entered Tennessee, it became a rain event.



To those in the various states which hurricane Irma entered, it would have appeared to them that Irma might have been 5 different storms, occurring consecutively; first a Category 5 storm, then, a Category 4 storm, then, a Category 3 hurricane, then, a Tropical storm, and, finally, a rain event. *But if viewed "From Above"* it was **ONE**CONTINUOUS STORM, progressively unfolding to its conclusion

FAMINES AND EARTHQUAKES

Again, famines and earthquakes are nothing new in history. So, how do we determine TO WHICH famines and earthquakes was Jesus referring?

Here is a continuing list of <u>Famines</u>: A <u>list of global famines</u> and <u>a historical list of global seismic activity</u>.

Compare what Jesus said, found in Matthew 24 and what John said in Revelation about these matters.

- But that is not yet the end...all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs.
- Wars and rumors of wars have been ongoing since the 1st century.
- The breaking of the 2nd Seal brings outright warfare on a Global Scale.
- We have now seen two world wars
- We have seen 'the sons of Ishmael' warring with 'the sons of Isaac' on a global scale since the time of Christ.

Once again, if we are not to endure these 'tribulations' why is J esus warning us to "endure to the end"?

Matthew 24:15 tells us, "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).

Verse 16: "Then those who are in J udea must flee to the mountains.

Verse 17: "Whoever is on the housetop must not go down to get the things out that are in his house.

Verse 18: "Whoever is in the field must not turn back to get his cloak.

Verse 19: "But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days!

Verse 20: "But pray that your flight will not be in the winter, or on a Sabbath.

Verse 21: "For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will.

Verse 22: "Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short."

The Prophetic Word of God will be manifested in the physical realms of the heavens and the earth.

There is one more important clue to the timing of the rapture and the beginning of the Great Tribulation period found in

2 Thessalonians 2:1 "Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, regarding the coming of our Lord J esus Christ and our gathering together to Him, verse 2, that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit, or a message, or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.

Verse 3. No one is to deceive you in any way! For it will not come unless the apostasy comes first,

and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, verse 4, 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."

We can also see references to these events in Matthew 24 Revelation chapter 6.

This is referring to the breaking of the 5th Tribulation Seal.

Chapter 12

THE 5TH TRIBULATION SEAL

The Apostasy, Martyrs, The Peace Treaty, The Antichrist



BE ALERT: We are witnessing the early Events of the 5th Tribulation Seal, which will include:

- o <u>The Great Apostasy</u>, falling away from the faith in Christ
- o A great persecution of Christians,
- o The signing of a peace treaty between Israel and her enemies.
- The revealing of the man of perdition

Revelation 6:9 tells us, "When the Lamb broke the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained;

Verse <u>10</u>. "And they cried out with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"

Verse 11. "And there was given to each of them a white robe; and they were told that they should rest for a little while longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brethren who were to be killed even as they had been, would be completed also."

I was having a conversation with a Christian friend and during our talk, he made these four points:

- 1. "I believe the return of Jesus is near".
- 2. "I am looking forward to the rapture".
- 3. "I believe the tribulation will begin as soon as the rapture happens".
- 4. "The antichrist will appear after the rapture and give the Mark of the Beast".

When I asked him to elaborate by telling me where he gets his information, he said, "From the Bible".

So, I pressed him a little, and asked "where in the Bible". And, he answers with "The Book of Revelation and elsewhere".

I decided to go to the 'full court press' and asked, "Yes, but, exactly where? And why do you believe what you have said?"

A bit exasperated, he responded with, "This is what I have always heard. It's what my pastor says. Read it for yourself".

I have had this same conversation with scores of well-meaning Christians, and it always ends the same way, "*Someone else told me*", but they cannot find it in scriptures or they find a reference and 'interpolate'.

Well, *I have read it for myself* - over and over for the last 10 years - I have studied eschatological matters and re-studied them, and used "good Bible study techniques and methods", and here is what I found (for the 'umpteenth time'):

PART I. WHEN "THE LAST DAYS" BEGAN - AROUND AD 30 to AD 60

Hebrews 1:2, says, "In these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

Hebrews 9:26, says, "For then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all *at the end of the ages* to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

The Book of Hebrews was written **around AD 60.** The reference to The End of the Age, therefore, was around AD 60. This is an important 'timeline clue'. I have written here, in red for your convenience.

Acts 2:14, says, "But Peter, taking his stand with the eleven, raised his voice and declared to them: "Men of Judea and all you who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you and give heed to my words. 15"For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day; 16but this is what was spoken of through the prophet Joel:

17'AND IT SHALL BE IN THE LAST DAYS,' God says,

'THAT I WILL POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL MANKIND;

AND YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHESY,

AND YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS.

AND YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS;

The Book of Acts was written **around AD 60.** The reference to The End of the Age, therefore, was around AD 60. This is an important 'timeline clue'. I have written here, in red for your convenience.

2 Timothy 3:1, says, "But realize this, that *in the last days* difficult times will come. 2 For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3 unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good, 4 treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; Avoid such men as these.

The Book of 2 Timothy was written **around AD 60.** The reference to The End of the Age, therefore, was around AD 60. This is an important 'timeline clue'. I have written here, in red for your convenience.

- **1 Peter 1:20,** says, "He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest *in the last times* for the sake of you".
- 1 Peter 4:7, says, "*The end of all things is at hand;* therefore, be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. <u>8</u> Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. <u>9</u> Show hospitality to one another without grumbling.
- **2 Peter 3:3** "Know this first of all, that *in the last days* mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts, 4and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming?"

The Books of 1st and 2nd Peter were written **around AD 60**. The reference to The End of the Age, therefore, was around AD 60. This is an important 'timeline clue'. I have

written here, in red for your convenience. The "LAST DAYS" began with the 1st Advent of Christ.

PART II. WHEN WILL THESE THINGS HAPPEN

Matthew 24:3 "tells us, "As J esus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things happen, and what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"

Verse 4. "And J esus answered and said to them, "See to it that no one misleads you.

Verse 5. "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will mislead many.

Verse 6. "You will be hearing of (1) wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not frightened, for those things must take place, but that is **not yet the end**.

Verse 7. "For (2) nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and in various places there will be (3) famines and (4) earthquakes.

Verse 8. "But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs (another term for "tribulation").

Verse 9. "Then they will deliver you to tribulation, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name." (5th Tribulation Seal)

III. WHEN IS J ESUS COMING BACK?

2 Thessalonians 2:1 tells us, "Now concerning the coming of our Lord J esus Christ and our being gathered together to him (i.e., "raptured") we ask you, brothers,

Verse 2. "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.

Verse 3. "Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, until the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed (i.e., the antichrist), the son of destruction,

Verse 4. "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.

Verse 5. "Do you not remember that when I was still with you, I told you these things?"

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

Verse 7. "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.

Verse <u>8</u>. "And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord J esus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming."

IV. WHAT'S NEXT?

Every event and all the prophecies regarding Jesus' 2nd Coming and the coming Great and Terrible Day of the Lord have been fulfilled up through the 5th tribulation seal - except for the revealing of the Antichrist and the rapture of the saints.

Chapter 13

COME REASON WITH ME



We have discussed the creation of the heavens and the earth, the existence of God, the Bible, Bible prophecy, three types of historical timelines to the present day and **clues** in the Bible about the purpose and significance of The Great Deluge, (a.k.a., Noah's Flood), the Tower of Babel and God's Covenant Promises.

I have tried to point out that all these and other events in the Bible, and in history, show that we are moving inexorably toward some kind of epic event, a conclusion of this age. All major events in our current day and in the days to come, are being affected in dramatic ways by this evolution in time. Some of these events are perplexing, some are dangerous, bordering on catastrophic. In any case, the world is changing in ways many would never expect.

It would seem possible that our world is being transformed, changed or, 'evolving' to a new stage or level of existence. Whether it is a new age of technology, discovery and enlightenment or, as the Bible states, God will create a new heaven and a new earth without evil, eternally good and in the presence of God, is yet to be seen. It seems that for now, however, that the evidence is stacking in favor of the Spiritual.

I will now, first, attempt to weave together the Bible prophecies which have, (1), already unfolded with, (2), the historical records. I will also attempt to identify relevant world events which coincide with and are concurrent with prophecies which are yet-to-be fulfilled. I will also do my best to stay within the bounds of historical accuracy, sound reason, accepted Biblical methods and principles of study and accuracy.

I will attempt these things in order to discover and reasonably conclude if Bible prophecy gives adequate and credible evidence of a coming cataclysm of the heavens and the earth which can be corroborated as a trajectory of past and present sequential events, leading to a future apocalyptic event. If these things prove reasonable, then we can proceed with confidence that, as the Bible says, God will also create and inhabit a new heaven and a new earth, perfect in every sense.

We will also explore our place on that time scale, both eschatologically and through natural and physical scientific reports. We will also review what these should look like based on what we find and how can navigate these exciting but extremely dangerous days.

THE CONSTRUCT AND PROGRESSION

FIRST: The 'construct and progression' of these events, throughout all of secular and Biblical history, have been developing through

- (1.) SOCIAL EVOLUTION,
- (2.) DEVLOPMENT OF NATURE,
- (3.) GOD'S INTERVENTION, and,
- (4.) POLITICAL CONSTRUCTS.

SECONDLY: We have also discussed three harbingers of the predicted "<u>Latter Days</u>", also known as, "<u>The Last Days</u>" or the "<u>End This Age</u>", all of which developed and followed this same progression:

THIRDLY:

- 1. THE GREAT FLOOD, (a.k.a., "NOAH'S FLOOD"), which began as a social disorder brought on by sin and wickedness, followed by God's intervention. That period was followed by natural consequences, (the deluge and the flood), which eventually led to a socio-political system, uniting people in the known world to build the Tower of Babel.
- 2. THE TOWER OF BABEL, began as a **social** plan to bring the known world into one community, which lead to **God's intervention** followed by **natural** consequences of collapse and chaos and a reordering of **global political systems**.

3. THE COVENANTS, began with God creating a social contract with Israel and ultimately social contracts with all people. God's intervention lead to social order which created a natural and political order. The Torah and The Bible gave us social spiritual and political blueprints and the final, "New Covenant" gave the world a Spiritual solution for sin, chaos, death and disorder though the Messiah, Jesus Christ. It also led to the creation of the Nation of Israel, and as the Bible says, "And the government shall be on His shoulders".

It is by following these patterns of development and progression, we will create our mosaic, our map of things to come and we may learn how we can respond, endure and survive.

Chapter 14 #1 – THE SOCIAL ORDER



WHERE IS IT GOING?

"I ust as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; and He will put the sheep on His right, but the goats on the left."

A study in sociology is not necessary to know that here have been thousands, if not millions, of social constructs since mankind was placed on this earth. The variations are mind boggling. Some have been successful and others have been abject failures when measured by the standard of human benefit.

The various outcomes of the myriad of social systems have been affected by many conditions ranging from the natural phenomenon to self-indulgence. But no condition has had a greater impact on our world than what the Bible calls 'sin'.

A careful reading and study on the creation of man, 'the fall of mankind' and his descent into chaos must lead the reader to recognize that most, if not all of our social ills, ensuing dilemmas and human tragedies emanate from this condition called 'sin'.

The origins, the etymology, of the word 'sin', is as instructive as it is interesting. Old Testament Hebrew, defines the word 'sin' as 'chata', pronounced, 'khaw-taw', and means "to miss or to go wrong, to sin".

The New Testament Greek word for 'sin' is 'hamartia', pronounced, 'ham-ar-tee'-ah', and means, to sin, a forfeiture because of *missing the mark*; it is the brand of sin that emphasizes its *self*-originated, *self*-empowered nature.

Both definitions and usages of the word, include the phrase, 'to miss the mark'. In other words, *sin is to miss the mark of God's planned perfection*.

The Christian Apostle Saint Paul, as recorded in Romans chapter 7, realized that sin, or evil, is present within all of us and causes all of us to *'miss the mark'* of God's Perfection, or to fail. Most, if not all of our social ills and ensuing dilemma emanate from this condition.

Man was made with a 'dubious character' with an inclination to sin. This was part of God's grand design in the creation of mankind. Paul realized that this sin was 'holding him prisoner' and that he was in desperate need of help and to be set free. (See Romans 7:21–24)

So, we have seen that, according to the Biblical record, God created mankind with the proclivity to fail, that is, to sin. On the other hand, the Bible tells us that God's plan is for perfection.

I said at the beginning of this book, I am not a philosopher, I am not superstitious and I know little-to-nothing about existentialism. So, I cannot even imagine why God's Grand Design reflects any concept of <u>Dualism</u>, a theory that considers reality to consist of two irreducible elements or modes or the quality or state of being dual or of having a dual nature. A view of that human beings, are constituted of two irreducible elements such as matter and spirit, good and evil.

The concept of Dualism is that that there are two separate entities, good and evil, which are equally powerful, "Christian" dualism, God represents the good entity and Satan represents the evil entity.

However, in Christianity, the truth is that even though Satan has some power, he is no equal to God Almighty, for he was created by God as an angel before he rebelled. Good, represented by God Almighty, is the most powerful force in the universe without exception. Evil, represented by Satan, is a lesser force that is no match for good. Evil will be defeated every time in any head-to-head match with good, for God Almighty, the essence of good, is all-powerful, whereas evil, represented by Satan, is not.

Whenever any doctrine portrays good and evil as two equal opposing forces, that doctrine contradicts the Biblical scriptural position that good, represented by God Almighty, is the dominant power in the universe. Since Satan was not, and never will be, equal to God, any doctrine that says he is can be marked as a false doctrine. (The fact that Satan was thrown out of heaven for trying to rise above God does not mean

Satan has given up trying to be equal or superior to God, as evidenced by the basic tenets of "dualism" that have come down largely through *the philosophical stem of human wisdom*.)

There can be no true 'dualism' existing in any corner of our universe. There is only one power that is overriding, and that power is God Almighty as revealed to us in the Bible. According to the scriptural evidence, there is only one power that is omnipotent, not two. Thus, any doctrine of dualism which contends that there are two equal powers opposing each other (good and evil) is false.

THE CONFLICT

Absent "true dualism in nature", there is, however, a self-evident conflict. A tension and a struggle between good and evil, life and death and a conflict between God and Satan.

(Again, I say, I will not debate the philosophers about the meaning of 'good and evil' or 'life and death'. Those things are self-evident and any further discussion about them are nothing but a tangled web of confusion and personal opinions by the high-minded. Lies and deceit.)

This on-going conflict can be seen from the time of creation, in the Garden of Eden, through the casting down of Lucifer and his rebellious angels from heaven, to the conflicts between the sons of Abraham, Isaac and Ishmael. We read about Angelic and demonic conflicts in the spiritual realms manifesting in earthly terms and we read about the great Crusades, a conflict between Christianity and Islamic forces. These types of conflicts continue and exist today.

Chapter 6 of the book of Ephesians tells us, "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly *places.*" These struggles then manifest in our natural bodies.

The Bible tells us that the complexity, the frequency and the intensity of this conflict and struggle will increase as we approach the climax of "<u>The Last Days</u>" and the "<u>End of This Age</u>".

The two choices are becoming clear: God's way or man's ways.

One of man's ways of organizing a society goes by the name of Socialism. It is a system in which major industries are owned and controlled by the government rather than by individual people and companies. It is a system of society or group living in which there is no private property and is a system or condition of society in which the means of production are owned and controlled by the state. Finally, and in brief, it is a stage of society in Marxist theory, that is, the principles of class division of society and class struggle where society has 'oppressors' and 'the oppressed'. The oppressed are eventually bound to revolt and build a new society and economy.

Socialism is the transitional point between <u>capitalism</u> and <u>communism</u> and distinguished by unequal distribution of goods and pay according to work done

According to Marx, <u>socialism is a stage on the way to communism</u>, which is the more advanced stage of human organization not yet achieved in China or the Soviet Union, even according to Lenin, *Stalin* and Mao. Many calling themselves socialist would like to stop with the nationalization of the means of production and not move on to

communism. They also often oppose the "dictatorship of the proletariat" in the name of democracy.

SOCIALISM and Communism

The quick 'n' easy way to remember the difference between Socialism and Communism is: Socialism is "from each according to their ability, to each according to their DEEDS," whereas Communism is "from each according to their ability to each according to their NEEDS."

Socialism is the stage between Capitalism and Communism. It builds upon the previous system (Capitalism) by nationalizing the "means of production" (i.e., corporations, resources, banks, etc.), but not by making everyone equal.

The Social Gospel: The 21st Century

In the United States, the Social Gospel is still influential in mainline Protestant denominations such as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, the Presbyterian Church USA, the United Church of Christ, and the United Methodist Church; it seems to be growing in the Episcopal Church as well, especially with that church's effort to support the ONE Campaign. In Canada, it is widely present in the United Church and in the Anglican Church. Social Gospel elements can also be found in many service and relief agencies associated with Protestant denominations and the Catholic Church in the United States. It also remains influential among Christian socialist circles in Britain in the Church of England, Methodist and Calvinist movements. In Catholicism,

liberation theology has similarities to the Social Gospel. In the Anglican Church, the social gospel has found expression in pacifism.

Christian Socialism - (From Wikipedia)

Christian socialism generally refers to those on the Christian left whose politics are both Christian and socialist and who see these two philosophies as being interrelated. This category can include Liberation theology and the doctrine of the social gospel. The term "Christian Socialism" is used in this sense by organizations such as the Christian Socialist Movement (CSM), a specifically Christian grouping affiliated with the British Labor Party.

Christian socialists draw parallels between what some have characterized as the egalitarian and anti-establishment message of Jesus, who — according to Christian Gospel — spoke against the religious authorities of his time, and the egalitarian, anti-establishment, and sometimes anti-clerical message of most contemporary socialisms. Some Christian Socialists have gone as far as to become active Communists (see Christian communism).

Let us now examine the question of the relationship of Christianity with Communism more precisely, to that particular form of communism which has now appeared as an attempt to realize the ideas of socialism. This form of communism emerged in history as a sworn and bitter enemy of Christianity. For its part, Christianity recognizes it as completely alien and inimical with itself. (from

http://www.orthodoxphotos.com/readings/law/christianity.shtml

The history of the Church in apostolic times reveals that, in those times, it had its own Christian form of 'communism', which was actually 'communalism'. The faithful held everything common, as the Acts of the Apostles says. Even now, this Christian communalism exists in the form of Koenobitic monasticism. Both the concept and reality of communal property is a bright, idealistically elevated type of Christian interrelationship, examples of which have always existed in the Orthodox Church.

How great is the difference between such Christian communalism and Soviet communism! One is as far from the other as the heavens are from the earth. Christian communalism is not an independent self-motivated goal to which Christianity might strive. Rather, it is an inheritance bred of that spirit of love by which the Church has breathed from the first. Moreover, Christian communalism is totally voluntary. No one says, "Give us what is yours, it belongs to us," rather, Christians themselves sacrificed so that *"none of them considered any of their possessions to be their own."*

The communalism of property in Soviet communism is a self-motivated goal which must be attained no matter what the consequences and regardless of any considerations. The builders of this type of communism are attaining it by purely violent means, not balking at any measure, even the slaughter of all those who do not agree... The bases of this communism are not freedom, as in Christian communism, but force; not sacrificial love, but envy and hatred.

In its struggle against religion, Soviet communism goes to such excesses that it excludes even that most elementary justice which is recognized by everyone. In its class ideology, Soviet communism tramples on all justice. The object of its work is not the common weal of all the citizens of the state, but only the interests of a single class. All the remaining state and social groupings of citizens are "thrown overboard,"

outside the care and protection of the communist government. The ruling class has no concern for them.

Socialism and Communism are the anathema of Christianity. The two cannot coexist with the third. They are incompatible. One must survive and the other must cease to exist.

The Christian doctrine of eschatology teaches the complete eradication of Socialism, Communism and their adherents.

Quotes on Communism by influential people:

"Communism has never come to power in a country that was not disrupted by war or corruption, or both." - <u>J ohn F. Kennedy</u>

"Communism is inequality, but not as property is. Property is exploitation of the weak by the strong. Communism is exploitation of the strong by the weak." - <u>Pierre J oseph</u>

Proudhon

"A common danger tends to concord. Communism is the exploitation of the strong by the weak. In Communism, inequality comes from placing mediocrity on a level with excellence."

- <u>Pierre J oseph Proudhon</u>

For us in Russia communism is a dead dog. For many people in the West, it is still a living lion." - *Alexander Solzhenitsyn*

"When we hang the capitalists, they will sell us the rope we use." - <u>J oseph Stalin</u>

"Let's not talk about Communism. Communism was just an idea, just pie in the sky." - <u>Boris</u> Yeltsin

"Communism is not love. Communism is a hammer which we use to crush the enemy." -Mao Zedong

"I am a communist because I believe that the Communist idea is a state form of Christianity." - Alexander Zhuravlyov

During his 1945 election campaign *Winston Churchill stated* that:

...a socialist policy is abhorrent to the British ideas of freedom. Socialism is inseparably interwoven with totalitarianism and the object worship of the state. It will prescribe for every one where they are to work, what they are to work at, where they may go and what they may say. Socialism is an attack on the right to breathe freely. No socialist system can be established without a political police. They would have to fall back on some form of Gestapo, no doubt very humanely directed in the first instance.

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A FINAL NOTE: When addressing the outcomes of the two sides of perceived dualism, I prefer to use the standard as outlined in the Bible and reflected in the American Declaration of Independence to describe the 'Good'. To Wit:

IN CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1776

The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen United States of America

When in the Course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to affect their Safety and Happiness. (for the full text and the entire document, click this link: The Declaration of Independence.)

IF YOU UNDERSTAND THE PURPOSE, CONSTRUCT AND PROGESSION OF THE SOCIAL ORDER, OF AS DESCRIBED IN THE BIBLE AND CONSTRATED WITH HUMANISM, SOCIALISM AND ALL ITS VARIANTS, YOU WILL BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE IN THE FINAL DAYS OF THE FINAL WEEK BEFORE J ESUS RETURNS, USHERING IN THE "GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD".

Chapter 15 A NEW WORLD ORDER



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The Bible tells us of a time when world events will collide in a world-wide cataclysm. We are seeing, what appears to be, the final acts of that event in our day.

The Bible warns of wars and rumors of wars, nations rising against nations, earthquakes, famines, drought, disease and death. We are warned of false Messiahs, a horrific persecution of Christians, world-wide and a great falling away from the faith. (Matthew chapter 24 and Revelation chapters 6 & 7).

All the things listed, have already occurred and are occurring, and in fact, have been ongoing, intensifying and overlapping, since the death and resurrection of Jesus, this is,

except for the Great Apostasy, a.k.a., the great falling away, but we now have signs that the Apostasy has begun.

We are told that "AFTER THE TRIBULATION OF THOSE DAYS", that is, after the first FIVE SCROLL SEALS are broken, as described above (also, see the Matthew chapter 24 and Revelation chapters 6 and 7), the world will witness great cosmic disturbances, as have never seen by mankind.

During these times, the Bible (Daniel and Revelation) foretells of coming a World Government, headed by a highly intelligent and charismatic individual who is able to lead a great and fierce army, conquering many. He will be able to deceive many and to do miraculous deeds, and will take control of a worldwide empire and the lives of every person on earth.

THE GREAT GLOBAL RESET



'THE GREAT RESET'

A slick and powerful, multifaceted global government propaganda cabal, is pushing THE SOCIALIST AGENDA ACROSS THE GLOBE. (*The Capitalist*, Published June 26, 2020 (Excerpt))

"Quietly, while the coronavirus pandemic distracted the world, a group of liberal "key global governmental and business leaders" met in Switzerland and planned the next coup d'état to take over the global economy. Many call it The Great Reset. It also means "dangerous times for those who support individual liberties and free markets."

The World Economic Forum will hold a summit next year to further their initiative.

According to them, "The Great Reset is a commitment to jointly and urgently build the foundations of our economic and social system for a more fair, sustainable and resilient future. It requires a new social contract centered on human dignity, social justice and where societal progress does not fall behind economic development."

"What it's really trying to accomplish is using the coronavirus pandemic as a cover. They're aiming for a renewed push for socialism and climate change initiatives."



The New American - Europe » UN-Backed "Great Reset" to Usher in New World Order, July 15, 2020, Alex Newman, (Excerpt)

"Get ready for a lot less freedom and prosperity, and a lot more government — at least if the elites get their way. After peddling coronavirus lockdowns that crushed the economy and funding riots that terrorized the public under the guise of fighting "systemic racism," Deep State globalists are stepping in to offer their proposed "solution" to the crises they themselves unleashed: A "Great Reset" to transform the world and everything in it, supposedly for the benefit of the masses, but really for the benefit of the ruling classes.

"Top leaders of Big Business, Big Globalism, and Big Government worldwide — including royalty and mass-murdering communist tyrants — are jumping on the bandwagon. But even before the scheme is fully outlined and understood, resistance is growing quickly.

"Every country, from the United States to China, must participate, and every industry, from oil and gas to tech, must be transformed," added Schwab, calling for even "stronger and more effective" government. "We must build entirely new foundations for our economic and social systems." And there is no other choice but to submit, he and others declared."

"In short, what remains of the tattered free-market system is set to be tossed out—along with the vibrant middle class it sustained. In its place will rise technocratic governance based on nebulous "social" and "environmental" goals set by the technocrats."

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https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2016/11/8-predictions-for-the-world-in-2030/



INTRODUCING

THE GREAT RESET

World Leaders' radical plan to transform the economy, by J ustin Haskins – Beating Back the Great Reset.

"For decades, progressives have attempted to use climate change to justify liberal policy changes. But their latest attempt – a new proposal called the "Great Reset" – is the most ambitious and radical plan the world has seen in more than a generation.

"At a virtual meeting earlier in J une hosted by the World Economic Forum, some of the planet's most powerful business leaders, government officials and activists announced a proposal to "reset" the global economy. Instead of traditional capitalism, the high-profile group said the world should adopt more socialistic policies, such as wealth taxes, additional regulations and massive Green New Deal-like government programs.

"Every country, from the United States to China, must participate, and every industry, from oil and gas to tech, must be transformed," wrote Klaus Schwab, the founder and executive

chairman of the World Economic Forum, in an article published on World Economic Forum's website. "In short, we need a 'Great Reset' of capitalism.

"Although many details about the Great Reset won't be rolled out until the World Economic Forum meets in Davos in J anuary 2021, the general principles of the plan are clear: The world needs massive new government programs and far-reaching policies comparable to those offered by American socialists such as Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.), and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) in their Green New Deal plan.

"Or, put another way, we need a form of socialism – a word the World Economic Forum has deliberately avoided using, all while calling for countless socialist and progressive plans."

Now you have an idea how the <u>U.S. National Institute of Health help fund Chinese</u> research on the Corona Virus, which was 'accidentally leaked' from a lab in communist Wu Han, China, gave the Democrat party in America and Globalist-Marxists around the world, a gift of sorts. An opportunity and an avenue to promote and accelerate their efforts create, politicized, weaponized and manipulate a 'pandemic' for Globalist-Marxists goals. Now you know more about what this so-called Corona Virus pandemic is really all about.



And now, perhaps you can better understand what is meant by, 'How and why <u>The Tower of Babel is being rebuilt</u>

Chapter 16

THE 21ST CENTURY

TOWER OF BABEL REBUILT

Agenda 21



<u>United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (U.N.C.E.D. 1992)</u>

Agenda 21 is a comprehensive plan of action to be taken globally, nationally and locally by organizations of the United Nations System, Governments, and Major Groups in every area in which human impacts on the environment. (A cover for population control and a One World autocratic governance).

Agenda 21, the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, and the Statement of principles for the Sustainable Management of Forests were adopted by more than 178 Governments at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (U.N.C.E.D.) held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 3 to 14 June 1992.

The Commission on Sustainable Development (C.S.D.) was created in December 1992 to ensure effective follow-up of <u>U.N.C.E.D.</u>, to monitor and report on implementation of the agreements at the local, national, regional and international levels.

Where did it originate?

Produced by the United Nations World Commission on Environmental and Development, authored by Gro Harlem Brundtland, VP of the <u>World Socialist Party</u>, the term Sustainable Development was first introduced to the world in the pages of a 1987 report (Our Common Future).

The term was first offered as official U.N. policy in 1992, in a document called <u>UN</u>

<u>Sustainable Development Agenda 21</u>, issued at the U.N.'s Earth Summit, today referred to simply as Agenda 21.

The full implementation of Agenda 21, the Program for Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Commitments to the Rio principles, were strongly reaffirmed at the World Summit on Sustainable Development (W.S.S.D.) held in Johannesburg, South Africa from 26 August to 4 September 2002. The actual and basic goals of the United Nation's Agentda-21 and the W.S.S.D are hidden behind the stated goals of, which will be reaffirmed at a world summit in 2022.

What is <u>Sustainable Development?</u>

According to its authors, the objective of sustainable development is to integrate economic, social and environmental policies in order to achieve reduced consumption, social equity, and the preservation and restoration of biodiversity. "Sustainablists" insist that every societal decision be based on environmental impact, focusing on three components; global land use, global education, and global population control and reduction.

Social Equity, Economic Diversity.

Staying true to form, Agenda 21 describes "Social Justice" as the right and opportunity of all people to benefit equally from the resources afforded us by society and the environment." They go on to say that "Redistribution of wealth. *Private property is a social injustice*, since not everyone can build wealth from it. National sovereignty is a social injustice." Universal health care is a social justice. All part of Agenda 21 policy.

If you ever wondered where the American Democrat Party got its party platforms, now you know. They and their platform are Marxist and Communist. The enemy of America, in the White House and in control of Congress.

WHY THE BIG PUSH TO USE ALL THE COVID-19 VACCINATIONS?

Public Private Partnerships (P.P.P.) are special dealings between government and certain chosen corporations which get tax breaks, grants and the government's power of Eminent Domain to implement sustainable policy. Government-sanctioned monopolies.

Some 'private sector initiatives' benefiting from <u>Public Private Partnerships (P.P.P.)</u> are Smart Growth, Wild Lands Project, Resilient Cities, Regional Visioning Projects, STAR Sustainable Communities, Green jobs, Green Building Codes, "Going Green," Alternative Energy, Local Visioning, facilitators, regional planning, historic preservation, conservation easements, development rights, sustainable farming, comprehensive planning, growth management, and others, which are liberal progressive programs initiated to implement the United Nation's Agenda-21 programs of ultimately creating a One World Government..

Shaping Minds around Sustainable Development

As a global ideology, young minds must be indoctrinated. A U.N. initiated curricula has been launched worldwide. In the US, it is based on principles found in the <u>Education</u> for <u>Sustainable Development Toolkit</u>

Most importantly, this curriculum is centered on removing analytics, reason, and, cause and effect. Higher levels of education are not sustainable. From the Education for Sustainable Development Toolkit:

"Generally, more highly educated people, who have higher incomes, consume more resources than poorly educated people, who tend to have lower incomes. In this case, more education increases the threat to sustainability

In the case of the United States, more education has not led to sustainability. Clearly, simply educating the citizenry to higher levels is not sufficient for creating sustainable societies. The challenge is to raise the education levels without creating an ever-growing demand for resources and consumer goods and the accompanying production of pollutants."

This is the 21st Century version of the communist's 're-education camps' promoting the 'dumbing down' of America.

WHO IS BEHIND IT ALL?

I.C.L.E.I. – Local Governments for Sustainability (formally, International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives). Communities like Cary pay I.C.L.E.I. dues to provide "local" community plans, software, training, etc. Addition groups include American Planning Council, The Renaissance Planning Group, International City/ County
 Management Group, aided by U.S. Mayors Conference, National Governors Association,

National League of Cities, National Association of County Administrators and many more private organizations and official government agencies. Foundation and government grants drive the process.

What provides authority?

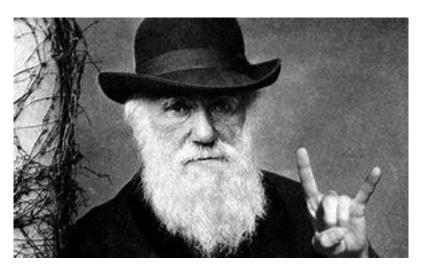
More than 178 nations, including the United States, adopted the United Nations Agenda 21 as official policy during a signing ceremony at the Earth Summit. <u>US president</u> George H.W. Bush signed the document for the US. In signing, each nation pledge to adopt the goals of Agenda 21. In 1995, <u>President Bill Clinton</u>, in compliance with Agenda 21, signed Executive Order #12852, effectively bypassing Congress, to create the President's Council on Sustainable Development in order to "harmonize" U.S. environmental policy with U.N. directives as outlined in Agenda 21. The executive order directed all agencies of the Federal Government to work with state and local community governments in a joint effort "reinvent" government using the guidelines outlined in Agenda 21. We are under an illegal (international) law, ruling and dictating our future.

Here is a comprehensive list of the U.S. Cities operating as surrogates for the American Democrat implemented, Socialist takeover of America: <u>Local U.S. State and City Governments for Sustainability.</u> For additional detail and further reading, go to the website: <u>Downtown Cary.</u>

Chapter 17

THE NATURAL ORDER

CHARLES SAYS



"NO!"

The course and development of nature is important in following our timeline of events from creation to the <u>End of the Age</u> in order to discover and reasonably conclude,

- (1). If Bible prophecy gives adequate and credible evidence of a coming cataclysm of the heavens and the earth which can be corroborated as a trajectory of past and present sequential events, leading to a future apocalyptic event, and
- (2). To determine if God actually exists and is the Creator, otherwise we are truly careening though time and space with no direction, no meaning and no hope, and,
- (3). To determine why the Globalist-Marxist movement insists on aggressively promoting climate initiatives ahead of democracy and human rights initiatives.

If we are right, that the Globalist-Marxist and United Nation's agenda includes mischaracterizing and politicizing climate change to achieve their goals of world domination (see <u>Agenda 2030</u>), then we can proceed with confidence with what the Bible says.

The Bible says the climate is changing according to God's predetermined plan to suit His agenda which is to exact judgement on the earth through nature. It is God's stated intent, after judging the earth and its inhabitants, to destroy the existing heavens and earth and to create and inhabit a new heaven and a new earth – perfect in every sense.

We are exploring our place on that time scale, both eschatologically and through natural and physical scientific reports. We are reviewing what these should look like based on what we find and how can navigate these exciting but extremely dangerous days.

At the root of the long running debate, which is more like a war, raging over creation versus evolution is a denial of and an attack on the existence of God. In other words, did God create the heavens, the earth and everything in the earth, or did everything just appear and evolve into what we see today? The Communist manifesto states clearly that any concept of God cannot exist for Global Marxism to survive.

Men like Charles Darwin, (1809–1882), and Carl Sagan, (1934–1986), have vehemently proposed and propounded the theory of evolution as superior to, and if fact, in place of the Biblical account of creation. So vehement are they, that the debate has become a full-scale assault on God, Christianity and the Bible.

As we have previously stated, the 'construct and progression' of these events, throughout all of secular and Biblical history, have been framed by:

- (1.) SOCIAL EVOLUTION,
- (2.) THE COURSE AND DEVELOPMENT OF NATURE,
- (3.) GOD'S INTERVENTION,
- (4.) POLITICAL CONSTRUCTS.

We have briefly covered the concept of Social Evolution, now we will review The Development of Nature, and we will start with Evolution, the darling of the Globalist-Marxist:

(Blue italicized text on this page is an excerpt taken from AllAboutScience.org)

Darwin's Theory of Evolution is the widely held notion that all life is related and has descended from a common ancestor: the birds and the bananas, the fishes and the flowers – all related. Darwin's general theory presumes the development of life from non-life and stresses a purely naturalistic (undirected) "descent with modification". That is, complex creatures evolve from more simplistic ancestors naturally over time. In a nutshell, as random genetic mutations occur within an organism's genetic code, the beneficial mutations are preserved because they aid survival – a process known as "natural selection." These beneficial mutations are passed on to the next generation. Over time, beneficial mutations accumulate and the result is an entirely different organism (not just a variation of the original, but an entirely different creature).

Darwin's Theory of Evolution is a slow gradual process. Darwin wrote, "...Natural selection acts only by taking advantage of slight successive variations; she can never take a great and sudden leap, but must advance by short and sure, though slow steps." [1] Thus, Darwin conceded that, "If it could be demonstrated that any complex organ existed, which could not possibly have been formed by numerous, successive, slight modifications, my theory would absolutely break down." [2] Such a complex organ would be known as an "irreducibly complex system". An irreducibly complex system is one composed of multiple parts, all of which are necessary for the system to function. If even one part is missing, the entire system will fail to function. Every individual part is integral. [3] Thus, such a system could not have evolved slowly, piece by piece. The common mousetrap is an everyday non-biological example of irreducible complexity. It is composed of five basic parts: a catch (to hold the bait), a powerful spring, a thin rod called "the hammer," a holding bar to secure the hammer in place, and a platform to mount the trap. If any one of these parts is missing, the mechanism will not work. Each individual part is integral. The mousetrap is irreducibly complex.

"Darwin's Theory of Evolution is a theory in crisis in light of the tremendous advances we've made in molecular biology, biochemistry and genetics over the past fifty years. We now know that there are in fact tens of thousands of irreducibly complex systems on the cellular level. Specified complexity pervades the microscopic biological world. Molecular biologist Michael Denton wrote, "Although the tiniest bacterial cells are incredibly small, weighing less than 10⁻¹² grams, each is in effect a veritable micro-miniaturized factory containing thousands of exquisitely designed pieces of intricate molecular machinery, made up altogether of one hundred thousand million atoms, far more complicated than any machinery built by man and absolutely without parallel in the non-living world.

"And we don't need a microscope to observe irreducible complexity. The eye, the ear and the heart are all examples of irreducible complexity, though they were not recognized as such in Darwin's day. Nevertheless, Darwin confessed, "To suppose that the eye with all its inimitable contrivances for adjusting the focus to different distances, for admitting different amounts of light, and for the correction of spherical and chromatic aberration, could have been formed by natural selection, seems, I freely confess, absurd in the highest degree."

Chapter 18

SCIENCE SAYS NO



IS NATURE WARNING US?

- Red Alerts Arctic Lands Grow Greener.
- Scientist Find Record Warm Water in Antarctica, Cause of Glacier Melt.
- Sea Level Rise could Reshape the United States, Trigger Migration.
- Climate researchers can now detect the fingerprint of global warming in daily weather observations at the global scale.
- Groundwater depletion in America's West.
- Climate warming disrupts tree seed production.
- Climate warming speeding up earth's ocean currents.
- A worldwide push toward One World Government (Globalism).
- Worldwide anarchy, wars and rumors of war.
- Climate changes of historic proportions.
- Strange new and threatening diseases.
- Global Pandemics.
- Droughts, famines and increasing frequency of earthquakes.

With all that is going on in the news, it is easy to overlook a recent article appeared on a Fox News feed, (excerpts)

"The Arctic is figuratively and literally on fire — it's warming much faster than we thought it would in response to rising levels of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, and this warming is leading to a rapid meltdown and increase in wildfires," University of Michigan environmental school dean J onathan Overpeck, a climate scientist, said in an email."

"The record warming in Siberia is a warning sign of major proportions," Overpeck wrote.

"Persistently warm weather, especially if coupled with wildfires, causes permafrost to thaw faster, which in turn exacerbates global warming by releasing large amounts of methane, a potent greenhouse gas that's 28 times stronger than carbon dioxide, said Katey Walter Anthony, a University of Alaska Fairbanks expert on methane release from frozen Arctic soil."

"Methane escaping from permafrost thaw sites enters the atmosphere and circulates around the globe," she said. "Methane that originates in the Arctic does not stay in the Arctic. It has global ramifications."

"That seems to weaken and sometimes even stall the jet stream, meaning weather systems such as those bringing extreme heat or rain can stay parked over places for days on end, Cohen said."

FEAR-MONGERING or FACT?

The weather channel has an article saying "<u>A new study has found the Gulf Stream is</u> <u>circulating at its slowest rate in at least 1,600 years</u>, contradicting reports to the contrary. Climate change is to blame for the slowdown, the study concluded. *If the circulation stops completely, it would have catastrophic impacts on our weather.*"

The article briefly states that "some scientists who weren't involved in the study agreed with the findings, but others said a lack of data left them skeptical of the study. MIT professor Carl Wunsch said the study's "assertions of weakening are conceivable, but unsupported by any data" in an interview with the AP.

"A separate study, also released in the journal "Nature", claims the 150-year slowdown of the *Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation*, (AMOC). is a result of natural changes, *not man-made climate change*. But both conclude the slowdown is occurring, and it could impact our weather in the coming years."

Most leftist Politicians, liberal politically-progressive scientists and meteorologists like to blame humans and modern technology for the variations in the weather and climatological changes, pronouncing these meteorological variations as a dooms-day for earth. The have alternately called it 'global warming' or 'climate change', predicting catastrophic effects for the earth and humanity.

Their solution, of course, is to limit technology, raise taxes, redistribute nation's wealth to underdeveloped countries, implement Socialist-Marxist ideologies and practices of the U.N.'s "Agenda-2030". It is the Socialist-Marxist's grandest plan of subterfuge, deceit and lies.

Because their doctrines and belief systems forbid it, they exclude two-thousand-yearold warnings from the Bible about the weather:

A 2000-YEAR-OLD WEATHER FORECAST:

"Revelation 7:1, says, "After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, so that no wind would blow on the earth or on the sea or on any tree."

Here is an example of *the manifest effects of the God's judgment on the world, through nature* and what would happen if the winds stopped blowing, (and the Bible says, at a given and specific point, the winds are going to stop blowing):

"It would rarely rain in inland locations (wind moves moist air over dry spots and falls as rain). All land not near a body of water would turn into a desert.

"There would be more extreme temperatures (the warm/cold air over the ground would not be replaced by the steady temperature air of the oceans and seas).

"The trade winds would no longer exist, and ocean stream currents would eventually stop.

This would to serious climate changes. (The Gulf Stream keeps Europe warm)."

"After a few days the problem arrives. Without wind systems, warm, moist air won't move around. Water might still evaporate, but it won't travel, meaning anywhere away from a large body of water will dry up. Lakes might be alright as the evaporating water will fall back into them and the sea will be fine but anywhere else will get very dry, very quickly. Plants, animals and humans will slowly die from dehydration with most water inaccessible as salt water or ice. Even if we survive this, the problems don't stop. The equator will no longer shed its heat as quickly, so it will become very warm, mountains may remain cool enough to be habitable but nowhere else will. At the same time, the poles, deprived of heat from the equator, will freeze solid."

Chapter 19 GOD SAYS - THE BIBLE SAYS



THE BIBLE IS ALSO WARNING US

Why is knowing the timing and sequence of a Biblical explanation of the tribulation period important in relation to a historical timeline. The answer is that it is because historical events, both which have already occurred and those which are yet take place,

- (1), will be the direct results of Bible prophecy unfolding in this natural realm, and,
- (2), we will have a physical historical timeline which we can identify, and finally,
- (3), we will be greatly affected by these coming events and advanced knowledge of them and their approximate timing gives us the opportunity to respond as the Bible teaches so we can endure and survive these calamitous and catastrophic events.

Matthew chapter 24 and Revelations chapters 6 through 16 of The New Testament of the Bible, tells of a period of time known by various names such as "<u>The Tribulation</u>", "<u>The Last Days</u> or the "<u>Latter Days</u>", and warns and gives great details of a coming period of Great Tribulation, cataclysmic in size and scope, both cosmic and terrestrial in nature, followed by "<u>The End The Age</u>". (Also see <u>Studylight.org</u>; <u>Also see Revelation 19-22</u>).

This has been a great mystery throughout history. But it no long needs to be. Here is the Tribulation Timeline, in summary (Pre-Wrath, Pretribulation):

Section A.1.

The Last Days began in our around AD 30 to AD 69 as confirmed by Jesus and several Apostles in <u>Matthew 24</u>, <u>Hebrews 1:2</u>, <u>Hebrews 9:26</u>, <u>Acts 2:14-17</u>, <u>2 Timothy 3:1</u>, <u>1 Peter 1:20</u>, <u>1 Peter 4:7</u>, <u>2 Peter 3:3</u>.

(One of the first, most accurate, and most persistent advocates of the Pre-Wrath Rapture of the Church can be found at *Zion's Hope, with videos on this site*).

Finally, in this 21st century, there are a few prominent Bible teachers who are now arriving at this same conclusions (John Piper, and Corrie Ten Boom).

The <u>opening of Tribulation Seal ONE began between AD 60 and AD 3000, and perhaps as</u>
<u>early as AD1.</u> Seals ONE through FIVE have been broken, progressively, up until this day.

We are now standing at the precipice of the breaking **of** 6th Tribulation Seal.

Section A.2.

With the breaking of the <u>6th Tribulation Seal</u> we will see that THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL

FALL from the sky, 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. "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. (Matthew 24:29-31 & Revelation 6:12-16)

Section A.3.

Sometime after the rapture of the church, which occurs at the 6th Seal, the Antichrist enters a treaty with Israel. This begins the seven-year tribulation.

Section A.4.

At the midpoint of the tribulation (1,260 days later), the Antichrist breaks the treaty, desecrates the temple, and begins to persecute the J ews.

Section A.5.

At the end of the tribulation (1,260 days after the desecration of the temple), J esus Christ returns to earth and defeats the forces of the Antichrist.

Section A.6.

During the next 30 days (leading up to 1,290 days after the desecration of the temple), Israel is rebuilt and the earth is restored.

Section A.7.

During the next 45 days (leading up to 1,335 days after the desecration of the temple), the Gentile nations are judged for their treatment of Israel.

Section A.8.

The dispensation of the millennium begins, and it will last for 1,000 years (Revelation 20:3, 5-6).

Here is a more complete and detailed description of the Tribulation Timeline.

Concern yourself with the first SIX SEALS.

Section B.1.

The 'tribulation period of birth pangs' (Matthew 24:8 & Revelation 6) begins with the breaking of the 1st Tribulation Seal and continues through the 5th Tribulation Seal, during which time we will see the

- Apostasy,
- the great persecution of Christians,
- o the revealing of the man of perdition and
- \circ the signing of a peace treaty between Israel and her enemies.

The 1st Seal of the tribulation was being broken just after the death and resurrection of Christ and the succeeding seals (Seals 2 - 5) have been broken at various periods of time since AD 30 and that we have now entered the time of the breaking 5th Tribulation Seal. J esus refers to this period, the breaking of the tribulation Seals ONE through FIVE as "the beginning of the birth pangs", and He points out that "this is not yet the end".

Section B.2.

Then, with the breaking of the <u>6th Tribulation Seal</u>, THE GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY
OF THE LORD, THE GREAT TRIBULATION, BEGINS. (<u>Matthew 24:29</u>, & <u>Revelation 6:12</u>)

As witnessed by, Matthew 24:29 "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 the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. verse 30. "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. verse 31. "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."

Section B.3.

The "7 years of Great Tribulation", (also known as Daniel's 70th week,) begins with the breaking of the 6th tribulation seal, and, will reach the mid-point of the tribulation period, (after 3.5 years) with the sounding of the 6th Trumpet of the Great Tribulation.

Section B.4.

Then, the Great Tribulation will end with the pouring out of the 7 Bowls of Wrath.

- THE TRIBULATION JUDGMENTS LEAD TO THE END OF THE AGE -

The world has endured, and is enduring, the first 4 tribulation seals, and is now experiencing the beginning of the 5th tribulation seal. Concern yourself with being ready before the <u>breaking of the Tribulation 6th Seal</u> and <u>the Great and Terrible day of the Lord!</u>

Here is a short outline comparing Jesus' account of the Tribulation period both in the Book of Revelation and in the Book of Matthew:

Revelation Ch. 6 - as corresponding to - Matthew Chapter 24

the 1st Tribulation Seal - Global conquest and political intrigue

the 2nd Tribulation Seal - Wars and Rumors of War

the 3rd Tribulation Seal - Famine

the 4th Tribulation Seal - Death

the 5th Tribulation Seal - Martyrs, persecution, Anti-Christ, falling away

The Opening of the 6th Tribulation Seal is The BEGINNING OF the 7 years of "THE GREAT TRIBULATION" period.

the 6th Tribulation Seal - Cosmic disturbances, blood moon, darkened sun

- Sealing of the 144,000
- The Rapture
- Multitude from the tribulation before the Throne of God

All of these things and this historic time had been recorded, in various books of the Bible and is foretold in great and frightening detail, particularly in the Book of Revelation. You simply need the "eyes to see" and "the ears to hear".

THE ENTIRE EARTH IS GROANING (link).

For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God.

For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

"For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now. And not only this, but also, we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body. For in hope, we have been saved, but hope that is seen is not hope; for who hopes for what he already sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we wait eagerly for it." (Romans 8:19-25)

Chapter 20

UPDATE TO AGENDA-21

THE SOCIALIST-MARXIST



(Click on Logo for "The Agenda")

What began as Agenda-21 (the "21" represents the 21st century), has developed into what is now known as Agenda-2030, and has brazenly *stated it will have accomplished all its Socialist utopian goals by the year 2030*. It has and is achieving what the people could not have imagined possible just a few decades ago.

For the Christian or any serious student of prophecies, this could be considered as the rebuilding of "The Tower of Babel", an event recorded in the Bible, in *Genesis 11:1-9*, which tells about humanity as proposing, "Come, let's build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into heaven, and let's make a name for ourselves; otherwise, we will be scattered abroad over the face of all the earth." Now the Lord came down to see the city and the tower which the men had built. And the Lord said, "Behold, they are one people, and they all have the same language. And this is what they have started to do, and now nothing which they plan to do will be impossible for them."

Few, if any, in the United Nation's Globalist-Marxists movement would recognize or admit their efforts are a continuation of the humanist effort to replace God and become a god of their own design.

The Tower of Babel, from the Christian perspective, is described in Genesis 11:1–9.

After the Flood, God commanded humanity to "increase in number and fill the earth" (Genesis 9:1). *Humanity decided to do the exact opposite*, "Then they said, 'Come, let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves and not be scattered over the face of the whole earth" (Genesis 11:4). Humanity decided to build a great city and all congregate there. They decided to build a gigantic tower as a symbol of their power, to make a name for themselves (Genesis 11:4). This tower is remembered as the Tower of Babel.

In response, God confused the languages of humanity so that they could no longer communicate with each other (Genesis 11:7). The result was that people congregated with other people who spoke the same language, and then went together and settled in other parts of the world (Genesis 11:8–9). God confused the languages at the Tower of Babel to enforce His command for humanity to spread throughout the entire world.

Four thousand two-hundred years after the Tower of Babel, *the 'Spirit of The Tower'* has lingered, survived and reemerged on the world stage. Humankind is still determined to defy God and build that tower!

In the spirit and with the determination to fulfill the goal of creating a Global Community, the <u>Commission on Global Governance</u> was established in 1992 with the full support of United Nations Secretary-General Boutros-Ghali.

The Commission on Global Governance is an organization co-chaired by Swedish Prime Minister Ingvar Carlsson, and former Commonwealth Secretary<u>General Shridath Ramphal</u>, that produced a report, <u>Our Global Neighborhood</u>, in 1995, calling for <u>United Nations</u> reforms that would increase its power.

The commission made a standard definition of *global governance* stating that "Governance is the sum of many ways individuals and institutions, public and private, manage their common affairs. It is a continuing process through which conflicting or diverse interests may be accommodated and co-operative action taken. It includes formal institutions and regimes empowered to enforce compliance."

"FOREIGN TO AND IGNORES IDEAS PRECIOUS TO THE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE"

The <u>Commission on Global Governance</u> has publicly stated that when their <u>Agenda-21</u> <u>plan</u> is fully implemented, "it will bring all the people of the world into a global neighborhood managed by a world-wide bureaucracy, under the direct authority of a minute handful of appointed individuals, and policed by thousands of individuals, paid by accredited NGOs, certified to support a belief system which contains ideas that are foreign to the American experience, and ignores other values and ideas that are precious to the American experience."

The United Nations Conference on Environment & Development, in June 1992 in Rio de Janerio, Brazil, drafted the *Agenda-21*, which claims far reaching global goals, while hiding or obscuring their Marxists methodology. They are organizing international cooperation to accelerate sustainable development in developing countries and related domestic policies at the cost of personal human rights and freedoms, the dismantling of democracies around the globe and other goals which are anti-Christian and malevolent to the Jewish Nation and people.

Here are some examples of what the Agenda-21 claims to be their goals:

- 1. Combating poverty.
- 2. Changing consumption patterns.
- 3. Protecting and promoting human health conditions.
- 4. Promoting sustainable human settlement development.
- 5. Integrating environment and development in decision-making.
- 6. Protection of the atmosphere.
- 7. Integrated approach to the planning and management of land resources.
- 8. Combating deforestation.
- 9. Managing fragile ecosystems: combating desertification and drought.
- 10. Managing fragile ecosystems: sustainable mountain development.
- 11. Promoting sustainable agriculture and rural development.
- 12. Conservation of biological diversity.
- 13. Environmentally sound management of biotechnology.
- 14. Protection of the oceans, seas, and coastal areas, etc., and more.

Use this link to view the entire, (albeit misleading), updated United Nations <u>Agenda-2030 Sustainable Development document.</u>

THESE HIGH-AND-NOBLE-SOUNDING GOALS COME AT THE COST OF THE IDIVIDUAL, LOSS OF PERSONAL FREEDOMS AND NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY – YOU BECOME EITHER A 'SERVANT OF THE GLOBAL STATE', A 'WARD OF THE STATE', OR A KEEPER OF THE STATE. FREEDOM OF CHOICE AND FREEWILL ARE TO BE ERASED 'FOR THE GREATER GOOD'.

You now have just a glimpse of what has and is happening in every country, in every city, village and borough around the world. The question should be, "What can you and I do about it"?

There are many capable and willing people fighting this spreading Global Marxist threat but, it is my opinion that we have been awakened too late. The deed is done, the plan is in place. It is no longer a question of, "What can I do about it", rather, we should ask, "What do I do now and how can I prepare or resist?"

Please believe me when I tell you that this current United Nations Global <u>Socialist-Marxist movement</u> and power grab has been in the heart of man and in the planning stage for over 4,000 years, (see The Tower of Babel). It has emerged from time to time in history under different names, but make no mistake, this time it is thorough, established and in control of your life (See "<u>The History and Establishment of Socialism in America</u>".)

The ONLY response and the ONLY defense to this evil menace is God and His Word. The Bible lays out the perfect plan of resistance and counter attack. This is why the Marxists, Communists, Socialists, Leninists, et al, hate the God of the Bible, Christians and Jews and seek to eradicate every vestige of God and His Principles from our minds and from our planet.

WHERE ARE WE, NOW?

What comes next the long and complex Agenda 2030 for sustainable development manifesto. I am reprinting it in its entirety with comments explaining their real intentions and their time-proven dictatorial methodologies.

Their goals are lofty sounding but the methods on implementation are demanding, unyielding, harsh and even deadly for those who will not yield or cooperate. This has always been the way of Globalist and Marxists.

Most importantly, I will also add footnotes explaining the Biblical and prophetic relevance of each article in their Declaration.

(Click here for <u>Addendum 1, Agenda 2030</u>)
(Click here for <u>Supplementary note to Addendum 1 on Funding</u>)
(Click here for <u>Agenda 2030, The U.N., Global Marxism and the United States</u>)

Chapter 21

WHERE ARE WE NOW?

THE TENTACLES OF THE SOCIALIST-MARXIST TAKEOVER



(It is already in your home, government, schools, hospitals, churches and food production. It is in your Federal, State and local governments.)

The United Nations - The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural
Organization - The Commission on Global Governance - The United Nations Globalist
Great Reset - Agenda 21 - Agenda 2030 - The Global Community - The Council on
Sustainable Development - U.N.C.E.D. - International Council for Local Environmental
Initiatives - The Social Security Administration - The Internal Revenue Service - etc.

Explosive documents have surfaced which exposed a planned genocide based on a Malthusian population control method, in order to save the planet from a depletion of resources due to overpopulation.

Was the release of the Corona-19 virus and the resulting 'pandemic' an accident, or was it a carefully executed plan of population reduction? Before you cry, "Oh, just another conspiracy theorist nut", do your homework.

The LEFT, that is progressives, liberals, democrats and socialists, Marxists all, have been propounding population control, in concert with Communist China, for the last 75 years. They have pushed for population control through birth control methods, abortion, legalized euthanasia, by encouraging and endorsing homosexuality, transgenderism and wars. But, with the continued growth of world population, the worldwide Globalist-Marxist movement has activated and unleashed the most insidious and evil plan to date.

Their reasoning is based on the argument that the world is overpopulated and that the only way to save the planet from environmental doomsday is to force people to have fewer children, which has been the rallying cry for Stalinist population control measures around the world. Their methodology is based on extreme <u>Malthusianism</u>.

"Malthusianism is the idea that <u>population growth is potentially exponential</u> while the growth of the <u>food supply</u> or other <u>resources</u> is <u>linear</u>, which eventually reduces living standards to the point of triggering a <u>population die off</u>.

Deo-Malthusianism is the advocacy of <u>human population planning</u> to ensure resources and environmental integrities for current and future human populations as well as for other species. (<u>Source, Wikipedia</u>)

Stephen Moore, a columnist for The Washington Times, and a senior fellow at The Heritage Foundation and an economic consultant with FreedomWorks, writes in a Washington Times article, "China took the population control crusade to a whole new level when it instituted its notorious one-child policy. To this day there are tens of millions

of females demographically missing in China. The homicidal environmental policy was cheered on by the United Nations and many of the same left-wing activists and organizations that preach "reproductive freedom" and women's rights. Similarly brutish population control programs were implemented in Africa, India, Egypt and many South American nations. To save the planet, babies had to be prevented.

Fortunately, scholars like the late J ulian Simon of the University of Illinois proved that human beings do not deplete the world's resources, but help discover and create them. A larger number of human beings — especially when combined with freedom and free enterprise — leave the planet materially and environmentally better off not worse off.

Simon also showed that freedom and prosperity are the best forms of contraception.

Population growth happened because we found ways to conquer early death — with infant mortality rates falling by 70 percent and 80 percent — and eradicate killer diseases like small pox and tuberculosis.



Poverty - Where it all Started - A Video

The Malthusians were not just immoral; they were dead wrong on their population projections.

All of those population forecasting models that predicted standing room only on the planet over the next 25-50 years were lies. In the 1970s, the left predicted a population by today of more than 10 billion people. The number is closer to 7.5 billion.

These doomsday demographic models of the future were about as accurate as the climate change models predicting catastrophic temperature changes have been.

What the population control crowd didn't see happening was that population growth has radically slowed down — and not because of government edicts. As people get richer and freer, couples have chosen to have fewer, but healthier children. In most countries of the world today — including in China — the tragedy is not too many children, but too few.

But at its core, the radical greens really do believe that the fundamental problem with the human race is that there are too many of us. People are the pollution. Celebrities like Miley Cyrus and Prince Harry are urging people to have fewer or no kids. Rep. Alexandria Ocasia-Cortez wondered earlier this year whether young women should feel ethically bound to not have children so as to help prevent climate change. At the end of the day, she rejected that lunacy idea, but the very idea that liberals had to ask the question shows how antihuman the left has become.

This is a fundamentally anti-J udeo-Christian ideology that disrespects human life and — as history proves all too well — can lead to dastardly consequences for basic human rights and economic progress. Human ingenuity is the solution to, not the cause of, environmental problems, and the constantly changing climate of our planet." (Full article at "Democrats Embrace Population Control")

An article by Human Life International, the world's largest pro-life and pro-family Catholic advocate, Dr. Brian Clowes, PhD, explains that "the United States National Security Council, highest decision-making body regarding foreign policy in the United States, on December 10, 1974, completed a top-secret document entitled National Security Study Memorandum or NSSM-200, also called The Kissinger Report, since Henry Kissinger was Secretary of State at the time it was written.

"The Subject of NSSM-200 is "Implications of Worldwide Population Growth for U.S.

Security and Overseas Interests." This document, published shortly after the first major international population conference in Bucharest, was the result of collaboration among the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), and the Departments of State, Defense and Agriculture.

"NSSM-200 was made public when it was declassified and was transferred to the U.S. National Archives in 1990.

"Although the United States government has issued hundreds of policy papers dealing with various aspects of American national security since 1974, The Kissinger Report continues to be the foundational document on U.S. government population control. It therefore continues to represent official United States policy on government population control and, in fact, is still posted on the USAID website.

"NSSM-200 is critically important to pro-life workers all over the world, because it completely exposes the unsavory and unethical motivations and methods of the population control movement. We can use this valuable document to lay bare the strategies used by unscrupulous governments and "aid" agencies that are used to bend developing nations to their wills. Their rote denials will be useless in the face of this evidence."

"According to The Kissinger Report, elements of the implementation of government population control programs could include the legalization of abortion, financial incentives for countries to increase their abortion, sterilization and contraception-use rates, indoctrination of children, and mandatory population control and coercion of other forms, such as withholding disaster and food aid unless an LDC implements population control programs.

"This last strategy, force and coercion applied to developing countries, is currently used by the population control cartel to push not only abortion, sterilization and birth control, but other evils such as homosexuality and transgenderism.

"There are dozens of examples of this kind of blatant injustice, including the following:

- When Nigeria refused to legalize contraception and homosexuality, the United States withdrew financial and military aid that would allow it to combat the Islamic terror group Boko Harem, which has murdered and kidnapped tens of thousands of people in that nation.¹
- When Ecuador declined to legalize abortion, the United Nations refused to provide any aid for it to battle COVID-19, condemning many more Ecuadorians to death.²
- When Kenyan pro-lifers collected irrefutable evidence that Marie Stopes

 International (MSI), one of the largest abortionists in the world, were committing illegal and dangerous abortions on a vast scale, MSI demanded that they be either muzzled or jailed.³
- The United Nations Population Fund halted food and other aid to millions of starving Yemenis because the nation refused to legalize abortion.⁴
- When Zambia refused to legalize sodomy, the United States withdrew much-needed foreign aid to help alleviate the 11% national HIV infection rate and to care for 250,000 AIDS orphans.⁵

• The Joint United Nations Program on AIDS [UNAIDS] threatened to withdraw all of its aid from the Caribbean Island of St. Lucia unless it approved language supporting abortion and homosexuality in a political declaration on HIV/AIDS.⁶"(It is important to read this full article. Go to <u>Human Life International</u> – population control).

Although the global fertility rate is in a steep decline, the Globalists Marxists and Communists, through the United Nations, have decided that in order to reach their proposed goals by the date they had set, the year 2030, they needed to accelerate the process of negative population growth. So, it appears they have taken matters into their own hands and in 2019, early news reports pointed to a virology lab in Wuhan, China, which may have released the Corona-19 virus. Since that time, a cover story has emerged and spread throughout the liberal and Leftist media, worldwide, claiming the Corona-19 virus was transmitted from either bats or a pangolins, (scaly ant eaters).

It was reported widely in the news media that democrats in America were using the phrase, "Don't let a good pandemic go to waste". So, we should ask if the Covid-19 pandemic was the Globalist's opportunity to accelerate their Agenda 2030 completion? (see <u>COVID-19</u> <u>& GLOBALISM</u>).

The United Nations Global Movement is a complexity of a myriad of sub-organizations, (tentacles), hiding behind many names under the control and direction of the Unite Nations. It is the United Nations which formulated the Agenda 21, which claims to be a comprehensive plan of action to be taken globally, nationally and locally by organizations of the United Nations System, Governments, and Major Groups in every area in which human impacts on the environment. Its lofty sounding goals and programs are designed to deceive the observer and obscure the nefarious Marxists methodology and end game.

Now, what began **as** Agenda-21 (the "21" represents the 21st century), has evolved into what is now known as Agenda-2030, and has brazenly stated it will have accomplished all its goals by the year 2030. It has and is achieving what the people could not have imagined possible just a few decades ago.

There is much more to be written and said on these matters, but I will leave you with some important links for further information and study on the enemies we face and solutions.

1. The Heartland Organization is one of the world's leading conservative free-market think tanks. It is a national nonprofit research and education organization based in Arlington Heights, Illinois. Its mission since its founding in 1984 is to discover, develop, and promote free-market solutions to social and economic problems.

The Heartland Organization is an "action tank" as well as a "think tank," and we measure our success by the impact we have in the real world. The Heartland Institute plays an essential role in the national (and increasingly in the international) movement for personal liberty and limited government. We are the pipeline between the freedom movement's leading writers and thinkers and the nation's 8,400 national and state elected officials.

2. Human Life International is a Catholic, Pro-Life mission, teaching the world to value life and to follow God's plan for the family. In1972, Fr. Paul Marx, O.S.B founded the Human Life Center to fight the spread of abortion and breakdown of the family. In 1981, the Human Life Center became Human Life International.

Now we travel the world helping local leaders build a pro-life culture in their families, communities, and countries. The anti-life movement is huge. But we save lives and souls every day with the help of our amazing supporters. Together, we can build a culture that values life at every stage. Legal abortion will never end unless we can change the way our culture treats sexuality and marriage.

- America Under Siege And What the Bible Says About It
- Agenda-21, What is it?
- The Agenda-21 Course (detailed).
- Agenda-21 A Cover for the One World Government.
- Global Fertility Collapse and Rate.
- I Thought Communism was Dead?
- The Lie called "The Social Gospel".
- The New World Order and President Bush
- The Overthrow of America by Socialism Since 1939?
- Escaping the Marxist Dialectic What Marx and Lenin Say

Chapter 22

WHERE ARE WE NOW?

THE 5^{TH} TRIBULATION SEAL – THE GREAT APOSTASY



2 Thessalonians 2:1 "Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, regarding the coming of our Lord J esus Christ and our gathering together to Him, verse 2, that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit, or a message, or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.

Verse 3. No one is to deceive you in any way! For it will not come unless the apostasy comes first,

and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, verse 4, 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."

Outlined, verse by verse, makes this easier to understand; just read slowly and take it at face value.

- 1. With regard to the coming of our Lord and the gathering together to Him
- 2. Do not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.
- 3. Let no one in any way deceive you
- *4. For **the day of our Lord** and the gathering together to Him will not come unless **the apostasy** comes first
- *5. For the day of our Lord and the gathering together to Him will not come unless **the** man of lawlessness is revealed
- 6. **The man of lawlessness** is the son of destruction, <u>4</u> who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship,
- 7. He takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God.

WHAT IS THE APOSTASY: In Christianity, Apostasy is the rejection of Christianity by someone who formerly was a Christian.

The title of this article might suggest that misbehavior and apostasy is a recent malaise of the church. Apostasy, from the Greek word, "apostasia", means "a defiance of an established system or authority; a rebellion; an abandonment or breach of faith."

The term apostasy comes from the Greek word apostasia ("ἀποστασία") meaning defection, departure, revolt or rebellion. It has been described as "a willful falling away from, or rebellion against, Christianity.

In the first-century world, apostasy was a technical term for political revolt or defection. Actually, just like in the first century, spiritual apostasy threatens the Body of Christ today.

Revelation 6:9, tells us, that, "When the Lamb broke the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained; Verse 10, and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" Verse 11. And there was given to each of them a white robe; and they were told that they should rest for a little while longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brethren who were to be killed even as they had been, would be completed also."

Matthew 24:9, also tells us that one sign the 5th Tribulation Seal is being broken and reason for a 'falling away from the faith' is, "Then they will hand you over to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name. Verse 10. And at that time many will fall away from the faith, and they will betray one another and hate one another. Verse 11, And many false prophets will rise up and mislead many people. Verse 12. And because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will become cold."

Even now, before the great persecution of Christians has reached the Western world, Pew Research and Barna Research, both, are revealing what the corporate Church is unwilling to admit, that many are leaving the church and are not returning. But, the other half of this 'equation' is that many are LEAVING THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS - falling away from the faith - but are staying in the church.

This "falling away from the faith", as told by Pew and Barna research, alone, may not signal what prophetic scriptures has foretold regarding the "Great Falling Away" (The

Great Apostasy) but, considering all has already come to pass (the breaking of the first four Tribulation Seals) you can be confident this is what is prophesied.

Just prior to this falling away from the faith, Jesus warns, "See to it that no one misleads you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will mislead many people", (Matthew 24:4-5). False teachers may not say the exact words, "I am Jesus", but they will claim to represent Jesus and His Gospel, and will mislead many people. Institutional deception is our greatest threat.

I have personally experienced pulpit bullies, false teachers, apostates and heretics in our postmodern church. Many of these men seem to have started right, but, over time, their 'true selves' emerged, and they are the ravenous wolves which scriptures warn about:

Matthew 7:15-23 says, "Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. "You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes nor figs from thistles, are they? "So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. "A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. "So then, you will know them by their fruits."

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter. "Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?" "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; DEPART FROM ME, YOU WHO PRACTICE LAWLESSNESS."

Before I go further, please watch the first 15 minutes of Pastor Trent Casto's sermon broadcast (Senior pastor of Covenant Naples Church, Naples, Florida) to get additional

background and context. (For your convenience and brevity, I have cued this video to start at **4:42 minute mark of this video to the 13:35 minute mark.**)



https://youtu.be/QxN8BlnDLsI?t=282

(NOTE: Use of this video in no way asserts or assumes Pastor Casto or Covenant Naples Church agrees with or endorses the content or the context of this book.)

The men, (and, now, women), as referred to in Pastor Casto's sermon, are in pulpits and on TV screens, leading thousands and tens of thousands astray.

Finally, please, familiarize yourself with what the Bible says, since it is the way to life! Many in the pastorate or speaking from our church pulpits and through various media are not scripturally qualified to assume an office of pastor, teacher, evangelist, elder or deacon and have gone astray. You must be discerning. I have copied the following text from the website from the website GotQuestions.org as an excellent resource for details on the Biblical qualifications of a pastor.

All of this should be considered as signs pointing to the 5th tribulation Seal.

(Please listen, ALL OF YOU WHO ARE Pastors, teachers, Bible "scholars" and all of you Christians: Please, adhere to the Gospel Message of Jesus our Christ; get off your religious and denominational 'high horses' and sound the Shofar!)

THE FIFTH TRIBULATION SEAL IS NOW BEING BROKEN and the GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD and the Rapture are near.

The SIXTH SEAL of Tribulation will be broken soon, and it will be too late for those who are procrastinating or for those who think they are saved but have never surrendered their lives to Christ as Lord.

Chapter 23

WHAT IS NEXT?

THE COMING ANTI-CHRIST



The Son of Destruction – The Man of lawlessness – The Anti-Christ

2 Thessalonians 2:1 "Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, regarding the coming of our Lord J esus Christ and our gathering together to Him, verse 2, that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit, or a message, or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.

Verse 3. No one is to deceive you in any way! For it will not come unless the apostasy comes first,

and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, verse 4, 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."

1John 2:18, tells us that since the first century many antichrists have come and gone, "Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour."

1John 4:3, informs us that you can identify this spirit of antichrist because that person will not confess Jesus is from God and we learn that the spirit of antichrist is already in the world, "and every spirit that does not confess J esus is not from God; this is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming, and now it is already in the world."

2 John 1:7-19, tells us that "Many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not acknowledge J esus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the antichrist.

"Watch yourselves, that you do not lose what we have accomplished, but that you may receive a full reward. Anyone who goes too far and does not remain in the teaching of Christ, does not have God; the one who remains in the teaching has both the Father and the Son.

"If anyone comes to you and does not bring this teaching, do not receive him into your house, and do not give him a greeting; for the one who gives him a greeting participates in his evil deeds."

Daniel 9:24-27, gives an overview or a panorama of the timing of the coming and the actions of the antichrist.

Verse 24. "Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the wrongdoing, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for guilt, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy Place.

Verse 25. "So you are to know and understand that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild J erusalem, until Messiah the Prince, there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with streets and moat, even in times of distress.

Verse 26. "Then after the sixty-two weeks, the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined.

Verse 27. "And he will confirm a covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come the one who makes desolate, until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, gushes forth on the one who makes desolate."

The 'middle of the week' is a reference to the 3½ year point of the final 7 years of the tribulation period, a.k.a., the Great Tribulation. Therefore, we can reasonably assume that at the mid-point of the final 7 years, the Antichrist will already have been revealed and will take his place in prophecy.

This antichrist is referred to as "The Beast" in chapter 13 of the book of the Revelation. These verses give us a terrifying, although symbolic, look at this monster. One valuable clue is found in Revelation 13:3, which says, "*I saw* one of his heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed." Whether this is an actual wound on the head of a person or a mortal blow to a world power, such as a ten-nation confederation, either way, he or it, will be 'healed' and this Beast will, for a period, bring a reign of terror and death.

Finally, Matthew 24:15–16, also warns. "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 — then those who are in J udea must flee to the mountains."

Although this was a direct message and waring to those in Israel, just prior to the destruction of the Temple in AD 70, it is also a foreshadowing of a yet-to-come destruction. The timing placement in scriptures regarding this warning given by Jesus, follows the breaking of the 5th Tribulation Seal and the reference to the "*the middle of the week*" would indicate it the midpoint of the final 7 years of Daniel's 70th week or the Great Tribulation period. So, we can rightly assume these events will take place after the antichrist has been revealed and at the midpoint of the Great Tribulation.

No one knows who the Antichrist will be, but we do know that when he is revealed he will not be a frightening figure. In fact, he will be just the opposite until he has gained power.

Traits of the Antichrist Described in the Bible

- **Intelligent:** Revelation 13:18; Daniel 7:8.
- Charismatic Speaker: Daniel 7:8 Revelation 13:5.
- **Crafty Politician:** Daniel 9:27; Revelation 17:12, 13, 17.
- **Distinct Physical Appearance:** Daniel 7:20.
- Military Genius: Revelation 4; 17:14; 19:19.
- Economic Genius: Daniel 11:38.
- **Blasphemer:** Revelation 13:6.
- Utterly Lawless: 2 Thessalonians 2:8.
- Selfish, Ambitious Egomaniac: Daniel 11:36, 37; 2 Thessalonians 2:4.

- **Greedy Materialist:** Daniel 11:38.
- Controlling: Daniel 7:25.
- Proud and Self-exalting Above God and Everything: Daniel 11:36; 2
 Thessalonians. 2:4.

What is the purpose of the Antichrist?

His purpose is to deceive. The **Antichrist** is a person prophesied by the Bible to oppose Christ and substitute himself in Christ's place before the Second Coming.

There is a reference in <u>Daniel 11:21</u> comparing Antiochus Epiphanes to a type of antichrist, who is one of the most brutal rulers known in history, easily eclipsing the horrors of Adolph Hitler and his Third Reich.

But, the horrors of Antiochus Epiphanes will pale in comparison to the brutality and horror of the coming Antichrist.

ANOTHER BEAST - The False Prophet

Revelation 13:11 says, "*Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth*, and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke as a dragon.

- He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence.
- And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.
- **He performs great signs**, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men.

- And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who *had the wound of the sword and has come to life.
- And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed.
- And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the
 free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their
 forehead,
- and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name.

"Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six." Revelation 13:11-18.

He will doom anyone who receives his "mark" and worships him to suffer God's Wrath. "So the first angel went and poured out his bowl on the earth; and it became a loathsome and malignant sore on the people who had the mark of the beast and who worshiped his image." Revelation 16:2

Those which he deceived, those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image, **are thrown alive into the lake of fire** which burns with brimstone. Revelation 19:20

Chapter 24 THE MARK OF THE BEAST



"And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed.

"And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name.

"Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six." Revelation 13:15-18

No one knows what 'the mark' will actually look like. There is speculation that it could be an image (icon) or a microchip or a tattooed type of barcode used in place of money or credit cards for tracking, commerce and trade. But, from scriptures we do know...

WHEN WILL THIS BEAST GIVE HIS MARK?

The most popular idea is that the Antichrist will <u>"cause all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, verse 17. and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his <u>name." from, Revelation 13:16-17</u> sometime before the rapture of the Church.</u>

HOWEVER, the Bible tells us that the Antichrist will be revealed **before the rapture** of the church.

2 Thessalonians2:3 tells us, "Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, verse 4. 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".

This is sometime during the 5th Tribulation Seal period, or just at the beginning of the 6th Tribulation Seal.

And according to the Bible, the Antichrist gives his 'Mark' after the Seal J udgments, after the Rapture, and just after the 6th Tribulation Trumpet Judgment or during the 7th Trumpet Judgment, which is the Mid-Point of the Great Tribulation, which is after three- and one-half years of the final 7 years of the Great Tribulation period.

Revelation 13:16-17 tells us when the Antichrist "causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand

or on their forehead, Verse 17. and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name."

As I have proposed on numerous occasions, the Tribulation Seal Judgments 1 through 4 (wars and rumors of war, famines, plagues, earthquakes, spread of new diseases) began in or around AD 30. (click this link for "When Does Daniel's 70th Week, also known as, the 7 Years of Great Tribulation, begin).

We have seen *the 5th Tribulation Seal* being opened in our lifetime, the great apostasy or falling away from the faith, false messiahs, great deceptions, a.k.a. the 'deluding influence' and alienation from one another, and it is become more pronounced as time passes.

What this likely means to you and to me is that some of us will have the opportunity to suffer awhile before God takes us away in the Rapture. How do we know this? The Bible says so:

<u>1 Peter1:3</u> says, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

- verse 4 to *obtain* an inheritance *which* is imperishable and undefiled and will not
 fade away, reserved in heaven for you,
- verse 5. who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be *revealed in the last time*.
- verse 6. In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if
 necessary, you have been distressed by various trials, 7so that the proof of your
 faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by

fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

Revelation 6:9 tells us that, "When the Lamb broke the fifth seal,

- I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained, verse 10. and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"
- Verse 11. And there was given to each of them a white robe; and they were told
 that they should rest for a little while longer, until the number of their fellow
 servants and their brethren who were to be killed even as they had been, would
 be completed also.

The 'times of distress' encompass Tribulation Seals 1 through 5.

The Great Tribulation also known as <u>The Wrath of God</u>, that is <u>the Wrath of the Lamb</u>, begins with the breaking or opening of the **6th Seal** of the Tribulation.

NOTE: The final 7 years of Daniel's 70 Weeks, also known as the 7 Years of the Great Tribulation will begin with the Breaking of the Sixth Tribulation Seal. It will reach the midpoint (3 1/2 years) at the Blowing of the 7th Trumpet J udgment and will conclude with the pouring out of the 7th Bowl J udgment.

Be comforted by this, that God has not appointed us to His Wrath but to obtain His salvation!

Chapter 25
DIGITAL CURRENCY





DIGITAL CURRENCY & THE MARK OF THE BEAST.

Digital currency is a form of currency that is available only in digital or electronic form. It is also called digital money, electronic money, electronic currency, or cybercash.

Digital currency is a money-like asset that is primarily managed, stored or exchanged on digital computer systems, especially over the <u>internet</u>. Digital currency may be recorded on a <u>distributed database</u> on the internet, a centralized electronic <u>computer database</u> owned by a company or bank, within <u>digital files</u> or even on a <u>stored-value card</u>.

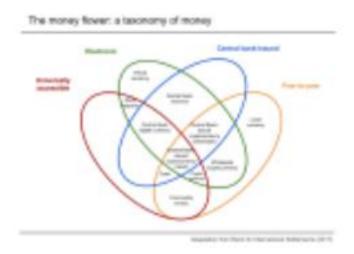
Digital currencies exhibit properties similar to traditional currencies, but generally do not have a physical form, unlike currencies with printed <u>banknotes</u> or minted <u>coins</u>. This lack of physical form allows nearly instantaneous transactions over the internet and removes the cost associated with distributing notes and coins.

Usually not issued by a governmental body, virtual currencies are not considered a <u>legal tender</u>, and they enable <u>ownership</u> transfer across governmental <u>borders</u>. This will undoubtedly be challenged by world governments for a myriad of reasons.

These types of currencies may be used to buy physical goods and services.

Digital money can either be centralized, where there is a central point of control over the money supply (for instance, a bank), or <u>decentralized</u>, where the control over the money supply is predetermined or agreed upon democratically. (excerpts taken from Wikipedia).

(Caution to the reader: anytime you see the term 'democratically' used by any world government when it comes to your money, beware!)



So, what's the problem with digital currency?

1. Complete loss of privacy. Perhaps you read or heard, recently, that the Biden administration is working to require financial institutions to report any deposit over \$600.00 made by or received by the average citizen. "Why", you might ask. Control of

your money and finances, control over your buying or selling, and oversight of your every move.

IMPORTANT NOTE: This is one of the two final stages of the establishment of the Globalist-Marxist One World Government and the precursor of the coming anti-Christ, also known as The Beast in the Bible. The other stage is control of your health care and health care system, which is complete (see social security and medicare).

2. A digital or cashless economy appears to be a precursor or 'a conditioning' for what is to come – a time when people must accept a *MARK*, *i.e.*, "an engraving or an etching, a stamp, a sign or an image, either on his or her right hand or forehead, to be able to buy or sell.

What has Digital Currency to do with, what some consider a myth, about "The Mark of The Beast", as found in the Bible? You read and decide (and, I will help.)

Chapter 26
WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?



No one can accurately predict the future course of world events. We can speculate what is coming or what will happen next, but we are usually wrong, at least in the details.

We can, however, see what Bible prophecy tells us is coming, but correlating prophecy to the details of current day events is risky and usually unproductive.

These next chapters will show the course of prophetic events yet to come. We can only speculate which actual currents events are harbingers of these prophecies, but we can use our knowledge of these prophecies to prepare for what is coming.

I will deal with just three major unfulfilled prophetic events with which we need to concern ourselves in the next several chapter: The Great Apostasy and the revealing of the Anti-Christ and the rapture of the Church. I will give details of each event, what they mean to people on earth, how we should prepare, and the consequences of each event.

Then, I will conclude with detailed information about what happens after the rapture. The last section will be interesting, but the first half will exclude Christians who have followed Jesus as believers. The rest of humanity will be given one last, although very slim, chance to escape the final judgment and wrath of God, during the Great Tribulation, but most will not escape and will be doomed to spend eternity in the lake of fire.

The second half of these concluding chapters will deal with what happens to Christians after the rapture. (NOTE: Not everyone who calls themselves 'Christian' is known by Jesus as 'one of His'. Some go about under that moniker but have denied and have been denier the power therein. I urge every person calling themselves Christians to prayerfully visit our addendum page, "What it means to be a Christian".)

Chapter 27

A CONVERGENCE & CONCURRENCE OF EVENTS



"The simultaneous occurrence of events or circumstances"

There is a convergence of events and prophecies as never before. Alarming events have, from time to time, caused people to wonder if the End of Days as spoken of in the Bible had arrived. But, never, have events coincided with prophetic fulfillment as we now see.

When people read the Bible about eschatology, that is the matters about the End Times and the Tribulation period (the books of Matthew chapter 24 and the book of The Revelation), most tend to read it as one would read a 'story' or a novel. Most assume it is written in chronological order, a sequence of events, one event beginning as the previous event is ending. THIS IS NOT CORRECT.

When a Tribulation Seal is broken, an event or a series of events occur and will last for certain periods of time. Most events will continue until the "Consummation of the Age".

Secondly, *the book of Revelation is not written in chronological order.* Description of events and timelines are repeated in various chapters and are not in a linear order. For example, Revelation chapters six and seven tell us about the breaking of the Sixth Tribulation Seal, cosmic disturbances, great earthquakes, the Rapture and the Sealing of the 144,000 thousand from the Tribes of Israel. THEN, in Revelation chapters 12, 13 and 14 we read the details and outcomes of these events.

In other words, once a Tribulation event begins, it may continue for days, weeks, months, years or decades. Then, as a second or third event occurs, events may overlap and occur simultaneously.

Revelation 1:8, says, "I Am The Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come". This mean that ACCORDING TO BIBLICAL ESCHATOLOGY, WHAT HAS ALREADY HAPPENED; AND IS NOW HAPPENING; AND IS YET TO (will continue to) HAPPEN.

<u>THE PROPHECY - The "Forewarnings", in 8 B.C.</u>

Joel 1:1 tells us, "The word of the LORD that came to J oel, the son of Pethuel:

Verse 2. "Hear this, O elders, And listen, all inhabitants of the land. Has anything like this happened in your days Or in your fathers' days?

Verse 3. "Tell your sons about it, And let your sons tell their sons, And their sons the next generation.

Joel 2:1. "Blow a trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm on My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, For the day of the LORD is coming; Surely it is near,

Verse 2. "A day of darkness and gloom, A day of clouds and thick darkness. As the dawn is spread over the mountains, So there is a great and mighty people; There has never been anything like it, Nor will there be again after it To the years of many generations.

Joel 2:28 continues with, "It will come about after this That I will pour out My Spirit on all mankind; And your sons and daughters will prophesy, Your old men will dream dreams, Your young men will see visions.

Verse 29. "Even on the male and female servants I will pour out My Spirit in those days."

Verse 30. "I will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, Blood, fire and columns of smoke.

Verse 31. "The sun will be turned into darkness And the moon into blood Before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.

Verse 32. "And it will come about that whoever calls on the name of the LORD Will be delivered; For on Mount Zion and in J erusalem There will be those who escape, As the LORD has said, Even among the survivors whom the LORD calls.

Joel 3:9 says, "Proclaim this among the nations: Prepare a war; rouse the mighty men! Let all the soldiers draw near, let them come up!

Verse 10. "Beat your plowshares into swords And your pruning hooks into spears; Let the weak say, "I am a mighty man."

THE SIGNS: The Prophecy - The Announcement (1 AD)

Acts 2:1 -21. "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

"And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance.

"Now there were J ews living in J erusalem, devout men from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, the crowd came together, and were bewildered because each one of them was hearing them speak in his own language. They were amazed and astonished, saying, "Why, are not all these who are speaking Galileans? "And how is it that we each hear them in our own language to which we were born? "Parthians and Medes and Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, J udea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya around Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both J ews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs — we hear them in our own tongues speaking of the mighty deeds of God."

"And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others were mocking and saying, "They are full of sweet wine."

"But Peter, taking his stand with the eleven, raised his voice and declared to them: "Men of J udea and all you who live in J erusalem, let this be known to you and give heed to my words. For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day;

"but this is what was spoken of through the prophet J oel:

" 'AND IT SHALL BE <u>IN</u> <u>THE LAST DAYS</u>,' God says, 'THAT I WILL POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL MANKIND; AND YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL

PROPHESY, AND YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS, AND YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS;

"EVEN ON MY BONDSLAVES, BOTH MEN AND WOMEN, I WILL IN THOSE DAYS POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT And they shall prophesy.

" 'AND I WILL GRANT WONDERS IN THE SKY ABOVE AND SIGNS ON THE EARTH BELOW, BLOOD, AND FIRE, AND VAPOR OF SMOKE.

'THE SUN WILL BE TURNED INTO DARKNESS AND THE MOON INTO BLOOD, BEFORE THE GREAT AND GLORIOUS DAY OF THE LORD SHALL COME.

" 'AND IT SHALL BE THAT EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.' "

THE PROPHECY - Past, Present & Future Fulfillments

<u>The First Seal</u> — Rider on White Horse - Political Intrigue & Conquest (Ongoing since AD 30)

All of these events were prophesied in the book of Joel 3 and confirmed by the Apostle Peter in Acts 2. We have seen these events progressively occurring since AD 30.

Matthew 24:7, says, "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and in various places there will be famines and earthquakes. 8 "But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs."

Correlating verse

Revelation 6:1, says, "Then I saw when the Lamb broke one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying as with a voice of thunder, "Come." Verse

2. I looked, and behold, a white horse, and he who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer."

The Second Sea 1 — Wars and Rumors of War (Ongoing since AD 30)

Revelation6:3, "When He broke the second seal, I heard the second living creature saying, "Come." verse 4. And another, a red horse, went out; and to him who sat on it, it was granted to take peace from the earth, and that *men* would slay one another; and a great sword was given to him.

The Third Sea 1— Famine (Ongoing since AD 30 - growing in intensity)

Revelation 6:5, "When He broke the third seal, I heard the third living creature saying, "Come." I looked, and behold, a black horse; and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand. verse 6. And I heard *something* like a voice in the center of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not damage the oil and the wine."

<u>The Fourth Seal</u> — Death (Have been occurring since AD 30 - growing in intensity)

Revelation 6:7, "When the Lamb broke the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, "Come." Verse 8. I looked, and behold, an ashen horse; and he who sat on it had the name Death; and Hades was following with him. Authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by the wild beasts of the earth.

<u>The Fifth Seal</u> — Martyrs (Has been occurring since AD 30 - The great Apostasy, the great Falling Away from the faith has now begun)

verse **9**. When the Lamb broke the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained; verse **10**. and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" verse **11**. And there was given to each of them a white robe; and they were told that they should rest for a little while longer, until *the number of* their fellow servants and their brethren who were to be killed even as they had been, would be completed also.

The Sixth Seal — Terror (coming soon)

Verse 12. 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; verse 13. and the stars of the sky fell to the earth, as a fig tree casts its unripe figs when shaken by a great wind. verse 14. The sky was split apart like a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. verse 15. Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; verse 16. and they said to the mountains and to the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; verse 17. for the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

An Interlude

Revelation 7:1 After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, so that no wind would blow on the earth or on the sea or on any tree. verse 2. And I saw another angel ascending from the rising of

the sun, having the seal of the living God; and he cried out with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, verse 3. saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees until we have sealed the bond-servants of our God on their foreheads."

THE PROPHECY - Globalism and The Tower of Babel

Do not be deceived. These are events that must come to pass. They have been foretold, foreshadowed and are coming to pass in our days. They are of a supernatural nature which is manifest in this natural world, and they must be dealt with on both the natural and supernatural levels. IF YOU SCOFF AT THIS, YOU DO SO AT YOUR OWN PERIL.

WHAT ARE WE TO DO?

This is 'forecast' or what is Prophesied in the Bible. It will occur. It is underway. You and I must PREPARE.

- 1. Surrender to J esus as Lord and for Salvation, and He will give you wisdom, strength, courage and knowledge.
- 2. Repent and enter the Kingdom of God. "From that time J esus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Matthew 4:17 This Kingdom is a very real place. It is described by metaphor but it is no metaphor. It is a real place we must possess in these last days. J esus centers His teaching to His disciples around this Truth, telling them they must enter the Kingdom of God and continue His Works until He returns. (more on this in an upcoming article)

- 2. Educate yourself. Become Bible literate. "Also, it causes all, both small and great, both rich and poor, both free and slave, to be marked on the right hand or the forehead, so that no one can buy or sell unless he has the mark, that is, the name of the beast or the number of its name. This calls for wisdom..." Revelation 13:16–18
- 3. "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; 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." "Therefore, be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming. For this reason, you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will."
- 4. "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

These are real and serious matters and you must know that...

Economics may or may not help, but they will not save you.

- Stockpiles of food and water may help and shelter will help for a while but they will disappear and will not save you.
- Medicines may help for a while, but they will run out and will not save you.
- Guns and politics may help or hurt your efforts, but they will not save you.
- Technology may help in some ways, but it will not save you.

Understanding the power of Knowing Jesus as your LORD and your Savior will give

you strength and confidence when and where you need them, guidance and wisdom

along the way and eternal security. Please, just do it.

These are exciting times in which we live! We must be prepared and 'endure to the

end' (most likely the end of the 5th Seal of Revelation) as Jesus said in Matthew 24. And

by all accounts, it would seem we are at that stage!

The Rapture Revealed: A Presentation

Chapter 28 $\label{eq:THE 6^{TH} TRIBULATION SEAL}$



The Opening of the 6th Tribulation Seal

Is the beginning of the 7 years of "The Great Tribulation".

- Cosmic disturbances,
- Blood moon,
- Darkened sun
- *Sealing of the 144,000*
- The Rapture occurs at the end of the 5th Seal at the beginning of the 6th Seal as these events unfold and overlap, briefly.
- Multitude from the tribulation before the Throne of God

Matthew 24 distinguishes between the tribulation period, a.k.a., 'the beginning of sorrows' or 'times of distress', and 'the Great Tribulation', also known as "THE GREAT AND TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD".

Revelation 7:13 "Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" verse 14. "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."

WHAT AM I TO BE DOING?

- <u>1 Peter 4:7</u>, tells us, "The end of all things is near; therefore,
- (a) Be of sound judgment and sober spirit for the purpose of prayer.
- (b) verse <u>8</u>. "Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins.
- (c) verse **9**. "Be hospitable to one another without complaint. verse **10**. "As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.
- (d) verse 11. "Whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God; whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through J esus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.
- (e) verse 10. "Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might.
- (f) verse 11. "Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. verse 12. "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places."

- (g) verse 13. "Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.
- (h) verse 14. "Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, verse 15. "and having shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE; verse 16. "in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. verse 17. "And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.
- (i) verse 18. "With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints,
- (j) Matthew 10:7 And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'
- (k) verse <u>8.</u> " "Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons.
- (l) verse 19. "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations,
- (m) baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,
- (n) verse <u>20</u>. "teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

I have tried my best to make this simple and clear: we are at the end, the precipice of THE LAST DAYS. Denominational bias and clutter have clouded these matters. Although still obscured by denominationalism, it is becoming plain. And now many well-known and credible Bible scholars, Bible teachers and pastors are shaking off the heavy cloak of denominationalism and coming to this revealed Truth.

Chapter 29 CONFRONTING EVIL IN THIS DAY AND TIME



Kings 18:40, tells us that "Elijah said to the people of Israel, "Seize the prophets of Baal; do not let one of them escape." So they seized them; and Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slaughtered them there."

1 Samuel 15:1-3, tells us, "Then Samuel said to Saul, "The Lord sent me to anoint you as king over His people, over Israel; now therefore, listen to the words of the Lord. This is what the Lord of armies says: 'I will punish Amalek for what he did to Israel, in that he obstructed him on the way while he was coming up from Egypt. Now go and strike Amalek and completely destroy everything that he has, and do not spare him; but put to death both man and woman, child and infant, ox and sheep, camel and donkey."

However, Matthew 5:39-42, tells us of a very different approach, "But I, (J esus), say to you, do not show opposition against an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other toward him also. And if anyone wants to sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak also. Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you. You

have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you."

The difference between how God instructed His people to confront evil before the advent of Christ, is stark. We see the men and women of God, in the Old Testament, stand up to evil and when called upon to do so, they would physically destroy every last vestige of evil, including men, women, children, animals and properties.

Jesus, on the other hand, called on His followers to love their enemies and to do good to those who persecuted them.

Why this sudden shift when it comes to dealing with evil and with evil people? Here are three reasons for this shift in paradigm.

- (#1). Jesus makes a distinction between sin and the sinner, or evil and the one perpetrating evil. God sent His Only Begotten Son, Jesus, to save the world, not to condemn the world. But, Jesus came to show us the way to defeat the evil one, and He will destroy every last vestige of evil.
- (#2). We have new weapons for this warfare. Spiritual weapons, which are much more powerful than man made weapons. Because we are carnal creatures, we love to take matters into our own hands. But the physical world is the final manifestation of the Spiritual world. We must believe and know the battle is to be fought and won in the Spiritual realm, first. Then, whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven.
- (#3). The shift is away from the temporal or the physical manifestation of evil, and onto the source and root cause of evil which is being fought in the heavens or the spiritual world, so it would not manifest in the physical world.

"You have heard that it was said, 'Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.' verse 39. But I say to you, do not show opposition against an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other toward him also. Verse 40, And if anyone wants to sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak also. Verse 41. Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Verse 42. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you.

Verse 43. "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' verse 44. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, verse 45, so that you may prove yourselves to be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. Verse 46. For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Even the tax collectors, do they not do the same? Verse 47. And if you greet only your brothers and sisters, what more are you doing than others? Even the Gentiles, do they not do the same? Verse 48. Therefore, you shall be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

If you entangle yourself in a physical struggle with evil, you must know that Jesus warned, in Mark 9:29, that there are times when *"This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."*

Don't be confused. We are still called to resist the devil, (James 4:7), and to destroy all manner of evil, (2 Corinthians 10:3-6) "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not wage battle according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. We are destroying arguments and all arrogance raised against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ, and we are ready to punish all disobedience, whenever your obedience is complete." (Also see, Ephesians 6:10-17).

Just like the first disciples and Apostles, we are to lift the name and person of Christ, in how we live and what we say. We are to present the Living Word and call all people to Christ.

At the same time, we are to confront evil wherever it is found and to pull down the strongholds of evil, silence the ignorance of the foolish, take captive every thought through the spoken Word of God.

Having done all this, we are to continue to stand strong, trusting in the Lord, and He will exact His righteous justice and vengeance toward the unrepentant and the wicked.

Although there may be times when God will call upon you as His instrument of judgment, be very cautious. Anything more that we may do on our part is an assumption that we can replace God by taking matters into our own hands.

WHAT THIS WOULD LOOK LIKE

It was for this reason that Jesus came into the world:

1. TO TESTIFY TO THE TRUTH

John 18:37 "Therefore Pilate said to Him, "So You are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say correctly that I am a king. For this purpose I have been born, and for this I have come into the world: to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to My voice."

2. TO BRING A SWORD

Matthew 10:34, "Do not think that I came to bring peace on the earth; I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. Verse 35, For I came to TURN A MAN AGAINST HIS FATHER, AND A DAUGHTER AGAINST HER MOTHER, AND A DAUGHTER-IN-LAW AGAINST

HER MOTHER-IN-LAW; verse <u>36</u>, and A PERSON'S ENEMIES WILL BE THE MEMBERS OF HIS HOUSEHOLD."

3. TO FULFILL THE LAW

Matthew 5:17 "Do not presume that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill the Law and the Prophets."

4. TO CALL SINNERS

Mark 2:17 "And hearing this, Jesus *said to them, "It is not those who are healthy who need a physician, but those who are sick; I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

5. TO SAVE THE WORLD

John 12:47 "If anyone hears My teachings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world, but to save the world."

6. TO CAST FIRE & BRING DIVISION UPON THE EARTH

Luke 12:49 "I have come to cast fire upon the earth; and how I wish it were already kindled! Verse 50, But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished! Verse 51, Do you think that I came to provide peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather to create division; "

"WHAT HE REALLY MEANT?"

Jesus has told us, in John 14:12, "Truly, truly I say to you, the one who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater works than these he will do; because I am going to the Father. Verse 13. And whatever you ask in My name, this I will do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. Verse 14. If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it."

I have heard so many preachers, bible teachers and detractors alike, try to justify or explain away these Words of Jesus because they just cannot fathom the gentle and sweet 'dashboard Jesus' saying such things as we find in the verses cited. These same confused preachers really get tied in a knot over John 14:12. They will begin their commentary of teaching it with, "what this really means is...".

Jesus said what He meant and meant exactly what He said. He is our model for our counter cultural resistance to the growing global threat of Communist-Marxist-Globalism, And we need to get on with it.

Fianlly, a personal story: I was asked to testify as a character witness for my neighbors, who were going through a divorce. When the attorney arrived, he began by giving me instructions on what to say on behalf of the wife. After he finished with his instructions, he asked if I had any questions. I said I had one question. He nodded for me to continue.

I asked him, "If you were to die today, do you have any assurance of where your soul would go?"

The attorney rolled his eyes and said, derisively, "I'm not going to answer that!"

I responded with, "Then, I will not proceed."

Feeling trapped, he said, "Okay. I have no idea. I think I am a good person, so I hope I would go to heaven. How's that?", he finished

I went on to explain how he could know for certain, by God's grace and through faith in Christ Jesus. I asked him if he would like to pray. He declined. I encouraged him to consider what we had talked about, I thanked him for his consideration and proceeded to the deposition.

There was a judge, two attorneys, my friends, and a court reporter present. I was sworn in and asked to give a testimony about my friend and neighbor. I started with, "First, I want you to know that both my neighbors are good people. But I am here on behalf of the wife, so I will testify to her good character.

"I also want you to know that the One who ordained the sanctity of marriage, that is God, and He hates divorce and what divorce does to people and the children of those people. So, I am certain that God would be unhappy with these proceedings.

"Furthermore, I want you to know that God loves both of my neighbors and would want nothing less than reconciliation and healing for them. And, in fact, God loves every one of you in this room today, and I would encourage you to come to know Him personally." I then gave my friend an endorsement.

The judge sighed heavily and said, "Do you realize we have to read that entire account in open court?!"

I answered, "No, sir, I did not. But I am pleased to hear it." With that, the proceedings were complete.

I have always wondered if any wanted me metaphorically dead, sort like with Stephen, or if any might have gotten saved at some point, like with Paul? Only God knows.

Regardless of the challenge or the potential outcome, God and the Bible tell us that our struggle is not against flesh and blood. Our struggle is against the rulers the powers, the world forces of this darkness and the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.

We, therefore, are to take up the full armor of God, so that we will be able to resist on the evil day, and having done that, we are to stand firm.

We are to stand firm, having belted our waist with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having strapped on our feet the preparation of the gospel of peace; in addition to all this, we are to take up the shield of faith to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Additionally, we are to put on the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Let's take up our place and fulfill our calling, confronting evil wherever it is found and pulling down the strongholds of evil, silencing the ignorance of the foolish, take captive every thought through the spoken Word of God, knowing that the Word of God will accomplish the very thing He sent it out to do and will not return void!

Chapter 30 "BE READY FOR HIS COMING"



'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the Lord of hosts." Zechariah 4:6

READINESS

Matthew 24:1-2 says, "J esus came out from the temple and was going away when His disciples came up to point out the temple buildings to Him. And He (J esus) said to them (His disciples), "Do you not see all these things? Truly I say to you, not one stone here will be left upon another, which will not be torn down."

Verse 3. "As He was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things happen, and what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?" Verse 4. "And J esus answered and said to them (His disciples), "See to it that no one misleads you."

These foregoing words of Jesus were spoken to, and are meant for, His disciples.

(See Matthew chapter 24 verses 1-4. (This may seem like a 'long read' or podcast, depending on how you choose to follow along, but these are the very Words of Jesus and He answers all the key questions of being ready for His return, and, it's worth your time.),

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO "BE READY"?

Matthew 24:32-51 and Matthew 25:1-46

Parable of the Fig Tree

Verse 32. "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; verse 33. so, you too, when you see all these things, recognize that He is near, *right* at the door. Verse 34. "Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Verse 35. "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

Verse <u>36</u>. "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone. Verse <u>37</u>. "For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah."

What Those Days Will Be Like?

- Verse <u>38</u>. "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,
- Verse 39. and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away;

• so will the coming of the Son of Man be. Verse <u>40</u>. "Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Verse <u>41</u>. "Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one will be left."

I. What Should You Do to be Ready for His Coming - The reason for Readiness

(Compare these 4 parables for the answer)

- Matthew 24, Verse 42. "Therefore, be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming.
- Verse 43. "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.
- Verse 44. "For this reason you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will."

Benefits of Readiness

• Matthew 24, Verse 45. "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? Verse 46. "Blessed is that slave whom his master finds so doing when he comes. Verse 47. "Truly I say to you that he will put him in charge of all his possessions."

Consequences for Carelessness regarding His Coming

- Verse <u>48</u>. "But if that evil slave says in his heart, 'My master is not coming for a long time,' Verse <u>49</u>. and begins to beat his fellow slaves and eat and drink with drunkards;
- Verse <u>50</u>. 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.

• Verse 51. and will cut him in pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

II. What Should You Do to be Ready for His Coming - The reason for Readiness

Parable of Ten Virgins

Matthew 25:1-46 says, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be comparable to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

- Verse 2. "Five of them were foolish, and five were prudent. Verse 3. "For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, verse 4. but the prudent took oil in flasks along with their lamps.
- Verse 5. "Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep. Verse 6. "But at midnight there was a shout, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet' Verse 7. "Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps.
- Verse <u>8</u>. "The foolish said to the prudent, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' Verse <u>9</u>. "But the prudent answered, 'No, there will not be enough for us and you too; go instead to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.'

Benefits of Readiness

• Verse 10. "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.

Consequences for Carelessness regarding His Coming

• Verse 11. "Later the other virgins also came, saying, 'Lord, lord, open up for us.'

Verse 12. "But he answered, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.'

• Verse 13. "Be on the alert then, for you do not know the day nor the hour.

III. What Should You Do to be Ready for His Coming - The reason for Readiness

Parable of the Talents

- Matthew 25:14. "For it is just like a man about to go on a journey, who called his own slaves and entrusted his possessions to them. Verse 15. "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.
- Verse 16. "Immediately the one who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and gained five more talents. Verse 17. "In the same manner the one who had received the two talents gained two more. Verse 18. "But he who received the one talent went away, and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

Benefits of Readiness

- Verse 19. "Now after a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Verse 20. "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.'
- Verse 21. "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.'
- Verse 22. "Also, the one who had received the two talents came up and said, 'Master, you entrusted two talents to me. See, I have gained two more talents.' Verse 23. "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.'

Consequences for Carelessness regarding His Coming

- Verse 24. "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 Verse 25. 'And I was afraid, and went away and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is yours.'
- Verse <u>26</u>. "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 Verse <u>27</u>. 'Then you ought to have put my money in the bank, and on my arrival I would have received my money back with interest. Verse <u>28</u>. 'Therefore take away the talent from him, and give it to the one who has the ten talents.'
- Verse 29. "For to everyone who has, more shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but from the one who does not have, even what he does have shall be taken away.
- Verse 30. "Throw out the worthless slave into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

IV. What Should You Do to be Ready for His Coming - The reason for Readiness The Judgment

Matthew 25:31, "But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. 32 "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; 33 and He will put the sheep on His right, and the goats on the left.

• Verse 34. "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.

Verse 35. 'For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and

- you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; Verse <u>36</u>. naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me.'
- Verse 37. "Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, and feed You, or thirsty, and give You something to drink? Verse 38. 'And when did we see You a stranger, and invite You in, or naked, and clothe You? Verse 39. 'When did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?'

Benefits of Readiness

• Verse <u>40</u>. "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, eventhe least of them, you did it to Me.'

Consequences for Carelessness regarding His Coming

- Verse 41. "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;
- Verse 42. for I was hungry, and you gave Me nothing to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me nothing to drink; Verse 43. 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.'
- Verse 44. "Then they themselves also will answer, '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?"
- Verse 45. "Then He will answer them, '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.' Verse 46. "These will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Please take note of the consistency of these parables. Each scenario tells of a coming judgment and either a reward for the faithful servant or the punishment of perishing for the unfaithful and unprepared servants.

(PLEASE NOTE: This is not a matter to be argued, such as "once saved, always saved" or "they were never saved in the first place". This is a matter of being a prepared and of being a faithful servant or, of being a person who is unprepared and just "going through the motions" of Christianity.)

The foregoing Words of Jesus, from Matthew, chapters 24 and 25, are written to His disciples (Christians). So, if you are not a Christian, a disciple of Jesus, you probably don't understand what He is saying, and most likely, consider all this as foolishness, as, God has told us that spiritual matters are Spiritually discerned and you must have the Spirit of God within you to understand.

If you have any sense of the gravity of this message, you can turn to God now, and, confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

Where Are We Now?

The date, at the time of this writing, is August 22, 2021. There is a convergence and concurrence of global events, as never been seen before, in alignment with Bible prophecy. The branch of the olive tree has become tender and is putting forth its leaves, so, you know that summer is near; so, too, when you see all these things, recognize that Jesus is near, *right* at the door!

Where Do We Go From Here?

The Bible shows us the Spiritual War that has been raging for millennia, first in the spiritual realm and then on earth. That war is intensifying and the final Judgments of God are soon to follow. After these judgments, Jesus and His armies of heaven will appear to defeat the Beast and the False Prophet. Until that final day, we, who are on earth, are commanded to join the battle. This is critical.

We are told that our first line of defense and our most effective offense is to trust in the Lord our God.

Next in order of priority is to be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might and to put on the full armor of God, so that we will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. (Ephesians 6:10–17)

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. (*Ephesians* 6:10–17)

FULL ARMOR OF GOD: Therefore, we are to take up the full armor of God,

RESIST IN THE EVIL DAY: So that we will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything,

STAND FIRM: Stand firm. Stand firm therefore,

PUT ON TRUTH: HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and

PUT ON RIGHTEOUSNESS: HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, and

PREPARE WITH THE GOSPEL OF PEACE: having shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE;

FAITH: In addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil *one*. And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

PRAY: With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints,

HowShall We Do It?

Readiness and your response become a matter of faith, obedience to His Word, walking in His Spirit and speaking His Word.

Understand the meaning of: "<u>J eremiah 12:5</u>, "If you have **run with** footmen and **the**y have tired you out, **The**n how can you compete **with horses**? If you fall down in a land of peace, How will you do in **the** thicket of **the** J ordan?"

DO THESE THINGS

(Note: Luke 15 contains the description of the first five Tribulation Seals which began around AD 30, and those who are alive on earth during these times, must endure.)

"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. 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.

"But you will be betrayed 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 because of My name.

"Yet not a hair of your head will perish.

"By your endurance you will gain your lives."



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- I will give you utterance and wisdom which none of your opponents will be able to resist or refute.
- Yet not a hair of your head will perish.
- By your endurance you will gain your lives.

Isaiah 54:17 says, "No weapon that is formed against you will prosper; And every tongue that accuses you in judgment you will condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, And their vindication is from Me," declares the Lord.



- No weapon that is formed against you will prosper;
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Matthew 21:21 says, "And J esus answered and said to them, "Truly I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what was done to the fig tree, but even if you say to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' it will happen."



- have faith and do not doubt
- if you ... it will happen

<u>John 15:7-8</u> says, "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so [d]prove to be My disciples."



- If you abide in Me, and
- My words abide in you,
- ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

Revelation 12:10-11 says, "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 brethren has been thrown down, he who accuses them before our God day and night. And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death.



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- And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and
- they did not love their life even when faced with death.

Thus says the Lord.

Although, the things I listed below will not 'save you', they are some things we should consider doing while we expectantly await His Return to take us to our Eternal Home:

- <u>Prepare the Storehouse for the Saints</u> (Bible reference <u>Matthew 24:42-46</u>).
- <u>Come Together in Community</u> (Bible reference <u>Hebrews 10:25</u>).
- <u>Make Disciples</u> (Bible reference <u>Matthew 28:16-20</u>).
- Find and connect with Christians (Bible reference Hebrews 10:25).
- Plan and coordinate with families (Bible reference Matthew 24:42-46).
- Organize "readiness" training classes, and more...Until He returns to take us to our Eternal Home. (Bible reference Acts 2:42-47).

STAY FOCUSED

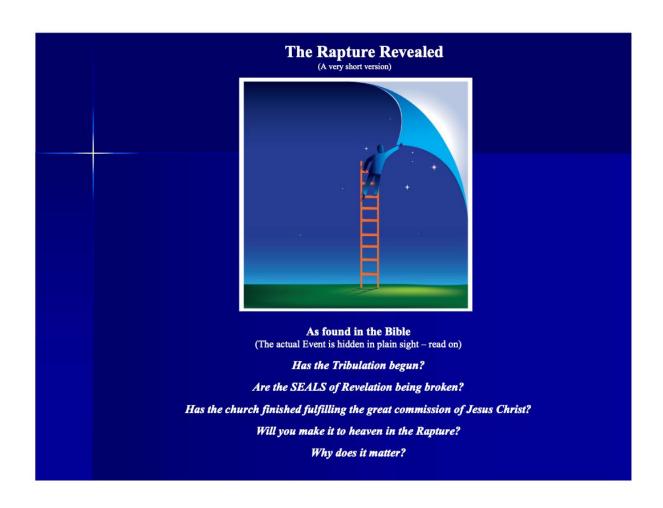
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"We Must Be Ready - The Presentation

Chapter 31

AFTER ALL THESE THINGS



Knowing the identity of "the Dragon, the Beast which comes out of the sea and the Beast which comes out of the earth" will help you understand (1) the chronology of End Times events, (2) The ferocity of the Last Days Judgments (3) How to prepare (4) The timing of the Rapture (5) The timing of the Mark of the Beast (666), without which, no one will be able to buy or sell.

Please, understand, that Bible prophecy has been 100% accurate to this point in history. It is 100% certain that what the Bible teaches is yet to come, will happen. Read, learn and prepare.

Scriptures teach, in Matthew 24: 31, "J esus 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", that is, those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life, from Revelation 13:8, tells us that "only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life" will enter into the new heaven, the New J erusalem. And, Revelation 21:27, says that, "nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

It would then appear that those who are left behind may have one more chance at redemption, but many will die and suffer greatly in the Great Tribulation through the sounding of the 6th Trumpet. There will be cosmic disturbances, asteroids will crash into the earth and the earth is set ablaze. The seas and rivers will be contaminated and polluted so that many will die. The sun and the moon are darkened and fierce creatures will come out of the great bottomless pit to torment and hurt many.

If a person dies during this time without having found redemption, they will be lost forever in the outer darkness and then cast into the lake of fire.

Finally, after the sounding of the 5th Trumpet, God will pour out His final wrath, and no one will be saved from the eternal death, thereafter.

Know what is coming and get ready.

I have tried to find a balance between keeping a very complex subject as short as possible and simple enough to read and understand, yet comprehensive enough to give full disclosure of the important points. Still, to some, this has been a long read, but I pray that it has been well worth your time.

RECAP - WHAT IS COMING

Revelation 13 introduces the DRAGON, THE BEAST FROM THE SEA AND THE BEAST FROM THE EARTH. Then, I will give a chronology of the Bible, leading up to Revelation 13, and to the end of the Book of The Revelation, to help frame the timing of these events.



THE DRAGON (Satan)

Revelation 13:1

1. "And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore.



THE FIRST BEAST (The Anti-Christ)

Revelation 13

- 1. Verse 1. "... Then I saw a **beast**
- 2. coming up out of the sea,
- 3. having ten horns and seven heads, and
- 4. on his horns were ten diadems, and

- 5. on his heads *were blasphemous* names.
- 6. Verse 2. And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like *those of* a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion.
- 7. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority.
- 8. Verse 3. *I saw* one of his heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed.
- 9. And the whole earth was amazed *and followed after* the beast;
- 10. Verse 4. they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast;
- 11. and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?"
- 12. Verse 5. There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and
- 13. authority to act for forty-two months(3.5 years) was given to him.
- 14. Verse 6. And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, *that is*, those who dwell in heaven.
- 15. Verse 7. It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and
- 16. authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him.
- 17. Verse 8. All who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain.
- 18. Verse 9. If anyone has an ear, let him hear. 10 If anyone *is destined* for captivity, to captivity he goes; if anyone kills with the sword, with the sword he must be killed. *Here is the perseverance and the faith of the saints.*



THE SECOND BEAST (The False Prophet)

Revelation 13:11

- 1. Verse 11. Then I saw *another beast*
- 2. coming up *out of the earth*, and
- 3. he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke as a dragon.
- 4. Verse 12. He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And
- 5. he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.
- 6. Verse 13. He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men.
- 7. Verse 14. And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast,

8. telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who *had the

wound of the sword and has come to life.

9. Verse 15. And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that

the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship

the image of the beast to be killed.

10. Verse 16. And *he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor,*

and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on

their forehead.

11. Verse 17.and *he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one*

who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name.

12. Verse 18. Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number

of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and

sixty-six.

WHEN DOES THIS OCCUR?

You can see when the Beasts of Revelation appear and when the "Mark of The Beast" is

given, by following this chronological outline of the Book of The Revelation:

We will start with THE TRIBULATION SEALS: "The SCROLL OF THE SEALS", found

in Revelation 5:1, which represents "that which has been hidden and is now being"

revealed".

Revelation: (The Greek word, "apokalupsis"): an uncovering.

Transliteration: apokalupsis.

Phonetic Spelling: ap-ok-al'-oop-sis.

Definition: an uncovering.

Usage: an unveiling, uncovering, revealing, revelation.

apokálypsis – "revelation, unveiling" – is principally used of the *revelation* of Jesus Christ (the *Word*), especially a *particular spiritual manifestation* of Christ (His will) previously unknown to this extent, because it has been "veiled and covered".

THE SEALS of THE SCROLL: Revelation chapters 6, 7, 8:1

SEALS, 1 through 4, have been successively and progressively open (revealed) since around AD 30 through the current day. It appears that the fifth SEAL is now in the process of being opened. The sixth seal is too opened at a future date, which appears to be in the not-distant-future.

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1st Seal - Rider on the White Horse (continuously since AD 30)
2nd Seal - War (continuously since AD 30)
3rd Seal - Famine (continuously since AD 30)
4th Seal - Death (continuously since AD 30)
5th Seal - Martyrs (progressively occurring now)
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- The Interlude
- The sealing of the 144,000

6th Seal - Terror, Cosmic disturbances (Yet to come, soon)

• The Multitude from the Tribulation in Heaven (**The Rapture**)

7th Seal - Silence in Heaven for 'half an hour'.

THE TRUMPETS: Revelation chapter 8:1 - chapter 9

1st Trumpet - hail and fire, mixed with blood - a third of the earth was burned

2nd Trumpet - something like a great mountain burning - a third of the sea became blood; and a third of the creatures died; a third of the ships destroyed.

3rd Trumpet – a great star called Wormwood fell from heaven, fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of waters; a third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the waters, because they were made bitter.

4th Trumpet - a third of the sun and a third of the moon and a third of the stars were struck, so that a third of them would be darkened, and the day would not shine for a third of it, and the night in the same way.

5th Trumpet - The Bottomless Pit a star from heaven which had fallen to the earth; and the key of the bottomless pit was given to him. He opened the bottomless pit; smoke, of a great furnace; the sun, the air were darkened; came locusts, and they hurt only the men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads.

Revelation 9:12 "The first woe is past; behold, two woes are still coming after these things."

NOTE: The Scroll Seals, 1 through 5, mark the 'days of distress' leading up to the beginning of the 7-year Great Tribulation (also known as "Daniel's Seventieth Week").

The 7 years of Great Tribulation (Daniel's 70th Week) begins with the opening of the 6th Tribulation Seal and will reach the halfway mark, 3.5 years, at the sounding of the 6th Trumpet.

The "first woe" is complete at the end of the 5th Trumpet, and, just before the sounding of the 6th trumpet.

The second half (3.5 years) of the 7 years of the Great Tribulation will begin with the pouring out of God's Wrath on earth (the bowl judgments).

6th Trumpet - The Army from the East

- The Angel and the Little Book
- The Two Witnesses

Revelation 9:20 says, "The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; verse 21. And they did not repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts."

Revelation 11:14 The second woe is past; behold, the third woe is coming quickly.

*The Second Woe comes and ends with the sounding of the 6th Trumpet (Revelation 11:14).

The 7th Trumpet marks the beginning of the second half of the 7 years of Great Tribulation and the beginning of the Third Woe. Christ's Reign Foreseen

Revelation 12

The Red Dragon

The Male Child Christ

The Angel, Michael

(Revelation 13:1 And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore.)

Revelation 14

A Scene of Heaven

The Lamb and the 144,000 on Mount Zion

Vision of the Angel with the Gospel

Doom for Worshipers of the Beast

The Reapers

Revelation 15

Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous, seven angels who had seven plagues, *which are* the last, because in them the wrath of God is finished.

Revelation 16

Six Bowls of Wrath

 $\boldsymbol{\iota}^{st}$ Bowl of Wrath - loathsome and malignant sores

 2^{nd} Bowl of Wrath - the sea became blood

 $3^{\rm rd}$ Bowl of Wrath - the rivers and the springs of waters became blood.

4th Bowl of Wrath - the sun scorched men with fire.

 $5^{ ext{th}}$ Bowl of Wrath – it became dark 6^{th} Bowl of Wrath – the Euphrates and its water was dried up Armageddon 7th Bowl of Wrath - "It is done." Revelation 17 The Doom of Babylon Victory for the Lamb Revelation 18 Babylon Is Fallen Lament for Babylon The Fourfold Hallelujah Revelation 19 Marriage of the Lamb

The Coming of Christ

Doom of the Beast and False Prophet
Revelation 20
Satan Bound
Satan Freed, Doomed
Judgment at the Throne of God
Revelation 21
The New Heaven and Earth
The New Jerusalem
Revelation 22
The River and the Tree of Life
The Final Message

Revelation 22: 21The grace of the Lord J esus be with all. Amen.

EPILOGUE

The scriptures encourage us to "Be Berean", that is to hold Scripture in such a high regard that it becomes your daily pursuit, your source of truth and the only reference book or material you would read in search of what is true.



You probably already know the perceived condition of America in our current day, as well as the state of the world. Some are saying we are in a state of political and social chaos. New diseases, wars, political intrigue and poverty, to name a few things that are holding our attention and draining our treasury.

Despite the fact that the Pew Research Center, which tracks "trust in the media", shows that less than half of Americans trust the news, and 72% of U.S. adults say news organizations do an insufficient job revealing their funding sources, many people are still turning to News Media outlets, (ABC, NBC, CBS, FOX, CNN, etc.) for information and to find direction. Approximately 31 million people watched one of the three national network evening news broadcasts between March 16, 2021 and April 7, 2021. That's a 42% increase from a year ago.

Many more people, however, are turning to God and the Church for answers.

Approximately 52 million "attend church" in one of the 300,000 plus churches in America, at least once a week each month.

The Answer? Follow the pattern and method established by Jesus. Nothing more, nothing less. In fact, why not try starting with something simple but profound: "Matthew 3:16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life." Say it often. Say it with both, passion and compassion.

Still, I can hear some people and pastors saying, "But, all the things we are already doing are the necessary parts of our ministry." And I say, "Yes? But J esus did not say to do it your way and He did not do it your way. Everything else you might say about J esus, and those things which flow from Him, may be "Necessary, but they are Secondary". Jesus, alone, is the MAIN THING!

I have prepared a lengthy, 19-part series, on "Effective Spiritual Warfare" on how we can resist and fight back. It is the only way, according to the Bible, you and I can endure to the end and overcome this evil, as we await the return of Jesus and the day when He will completely conquer and destroy the works of the enemy. Click on this text or the image below to go to this dynamic and instructional Tutorial on Effective Spiritual Warfare.

A TUTORIAL ON EFFECTIVE SPIRITUAL WARFARE - Preface

I toured the Revolutionary Museum and some American Revolutionary War battlefield sites in Yorktown, Virginia. The tour guides and docents were well-informed and helpful. The postings and literature at the various sites which was written by experts on the Revolutionary war, was also helpful and informative. This information was written by highly educated and informed people. But, as expert as these sources seemed to be, none of them could actually wage a war. They could not implement the tactics of Revolutionary warfare nor could they establish an



PREFACE

And now may the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. And may God give you His peace in your going out and in your coming in, in your lying down and in your rising up, in your labor and in your leisure, in your laughter and in your tears, until you come to stand before J esus in that day in which there is no sunset and no dawning. Amen.

Your Brother and Friend,

Mike Young



Michael J. Young, Sr.

I am a practicing Christian, a disciple of J esus, a husband of over 50 years, a father and a grandfather, a business man, a veteran and a friend to all who will have me. I have served or am serving, at various times, as an Evangelist, a Pulpit fill pastor, an Associate Pastor of Evangelism and as Senior Pastor of a church plant. My passion is for practicing and teaching the Bible, building small groups, reaching the lost with the message of the Gospel of J esus, recovering the straying Sheep of God and the gathering together the Called of God, in neighborhoods, business settings and in churches by equipping other Christians. I have authored a few small books and I have a background in professional business management, finance and investments. I am glad to meet you, even if it is virtually. Write me at any time and let's become friends. Whitestonefellowshipt@protonmail.com

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