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PROPHETS, PREDICTORS, AND FORTUNE TELLERS

By: Jerry Warrington

We all would like to know the future. Businesses spend millions of dollars each year to try and decipher the economic trends and forecast the future. Every state, major city, bank and many businesses employ an economist for economic forecasting, and thousands of other economists sell their advice (predictions) to the public. The book Megatrends, 1982 was a nationwide bestseller during the eighties. It was on the New York Times Best Seller List for 60 weeks. In 1999 it was Megatrends 2000, FutureScope, American Renaissance, and Peter Drucker's, Managing In The Next Society. Millions of copies of "The National Enquirer," "Sun," and similar papers containing annual predictions sold each December and January. Every major newspaper carries the "Astrology." We are obsessed with knowing the future.

This is not new. In 600 B.C. King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon, ruler of the world, after a troubling dream called all his seers and astrologers for a recount of the dream and its interpretation. He also commanded that if they could not offer the recapitulation and interpretation they should be cut in pieces and their houses made a dung hill. But if they were able to tell the dream and the interpretation they should receive gifts, rewards and great honor.

Throughout history mankind has had a burning desire to know the future. Every tribe and culture in history has concerned itself with prophesy and predictions. The Jewish Nevi'im, the Christian Bible, the Hopi Indian Prophesies the Mayan/Aztec calendar, the writings of Nostradamus, all in current vogue, are but a few.

Today, more than ever, mankind is concerned with the future. What with Global Warming, ISIS, AIDS, the green-house effect, cocaine, famine, smog, rape, polluted: drinking water, milk, soil, etc., is it any wonder? We are in fear for the very survival of our space-ship earth as well as our immediate safety. Above all - we all want to survive. It is the supreme law of nature. And we all hope or feel that somehow, if we know what's going to happen, we can prepare for it.

How Accurate Are These Prophesies, Predictions and Astrologies?

"Business Week," says, "Yesterday's predictions are often good for a few grins." In speaking of the current crop of books on the future "Business Week," says, "The single most important point of agreement, of course, is the implicit assumption that the future can be foretold. And that's a contention that one need wait only an hour to prove completely and embarrassingly false."

David Hocking, in his radio broadcast, "Biola Bible Class," reported on a fascinating article entitled, "The Shattered Crystal Ball." This study analyzed the accuracy of the ten top psychics whose prophecies were published over a three-year period. The study compared all of the published predictions with their subsequent success or failure rate. The results were no better than now. Only two percent (2%) of their predictions were true. Ninety eight percent (98%) were wrong! Six out of the ten psychics were wrong 100% of the time. And the most accurate made only one (1) correct prediction each during the three-year study. Yet, we spend millions of dollars on this worthless rhetoric.
However, there is one collection of ancient documents that really stands out. It has been so incredibly accurate that you would think it would be more widely read. It is a collection of books by various ancient writers. It contains literally hundreds of predictions, curses and promises covering many centuries, and most have happened just as foretold. In fact its accuracy is its very trademark.

In 1500 B.C. it predicted the very year and season, May 14, 1948 A.D., when Israel would again become a nation. Several books in this set dating from 1000 to 500 B.C. predicted the birth of Christ. In 487 B.C. it predicted he would be betrayed for 30 pieces of silver, that the money would be used to buy a Potter's Field, and that his side would be pierced. In all, there are more than 40 events predicted about Christ, 500 years before he was born. The fulfillment of these predictions is documented in the New Testament as having happened just as predicted.

In 603 B.C. it predicted with amazing accuracy the successive world dominating political structures from Babylon of antiquity to the European Union and/or the G-10 of today. And it contains hundreds of predictions relating to the nature of the world at this time as well as the problems of today and what we must do to survive them. In fact, Mr. Grant R. Jeffery, an author, speaker and student of ancient prophesy, has calculated that the random odds of the events prophesied in this collection being correct by chance are in excess of a staggering one in 10 billion times a billion.

That collection of ancient documents is the well-known, little read, Bible.
The Precision of Prophecy

By: Grant Jeffrey in Armageddon -- Appointment with Destiny, 1988

“| am God, and there is none like me, Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure” (Isaiah 46:9-10).

One of the strongest evidences of the divine inspiration of Scripture is the phenomenon of fulfilled prophecy. The Bible is unique among the religious books of mankind in that it dares to predict future events in great detail. Other religious writings, such as the Koran or the Veda, do not contain detailed, specific prophecies. The reason for this is that it is impossible to consistently prophecy specific future events with real accuracy unless you are God. It is only when we come to examine the Bible that we find hundreds of detailed prophecies concerning various nations, events and individuals covering thousands of years.

When we examine the prophecies in the Bible we are confronted with a phenomenon of staggering mathematical proportions. The Bible contains hundreds of - incredibly accurate predictions of events, which historians and archeologists have verified. God declares boldly in His Word that these prophecies and their fulfillments are His signature upon the Bible and His verification that the Bible is truly the inspired Word of God.

God hurled forth His challenge to false prophets and false religions that has remained unanswered for over twenty-five hundred years:

“'Present your case', says the Lord. 'Set forth your arguments,' says Jacob's King. 'Bring in your idols, to tell us what is going to happen. Tell us what the former things were, so that we may consider them and know their final outcome. Or declare to us the things to come, tell us what the future holds, so we may know that you are gods' (Isaiah 41:22, 23).

The Lord declares that accurate prophecy belongs to God alone and that He alone can prophesy accurately the future of mankind. The precision of fulfilled prophecy thus becomes not only an irrefutable proof of God’s foreknowledge and sovereignty, but it also proves conclusively that the Bible is the revelation of God’s truth regarding man’s sinfulness and need for salvation. We are confronted with the claims of Christ regarding our sinful rebellion and His pardon, which He purchased for us by His death and resurrection.

“The Laws of Probability

Statistical theory shows that if the probability of one event occurring is one in five and the probability of another event occurring is one in ten, then the probability of both events being fulfilled in sequence is five multiplied by ten. Thus, the chance of both events occurring is one in fifty.

Consider one area of specific prophecy and its fulfillment. Throughout the Old Testament, there are hundreds of prophecies in which God promised that He would send a Messiah to save humanity
from their sins. To illustrate the precision of biblical prophecy, let us examine three specific predictions made by three different prophets and their detailed fulfillment in the life of Jesus Christ hundreds of years later. We also present the probability or odds of these events occurring by chance alone so that you can see how impossible it is that these prophecies were made by man’s wisdom.

The Prediction and the Event

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The Combined Probability: 12 Times 200 Times 50 Equals One Chance in 120 Thousand

Thus, there is only one chance in 120 thousand that any man would fulfill all three prophecies by chance. For those who believe that Jesus simply arranged the events of His life to fulfill these predictions, I would respectfully point out the difficulty most of us would have in arranging our ancestors, the particular city of our birth, and the exact price in silver of our betrayal.

The Prophecies about the Messiah and the Laws of Probability

Out of many hundreds of prophecies concerning the promised Messiah, some four dozen are quite specific. Including the three we have already mentioned, the following is an analysis of eleven Messianic predictions made more than four hundred years before they were fulfilled.

The odds I have assigned in this chapter are obviously arbitrary estimates. Some of my readers will find that the odds I have suggested are too liberal or too conservative in some cases. What odds would you assign for the accuracy of these predictions coming true by chance, rather than Divine sovereignty? If you have other suggestions for the odds for any particular predictions; work out the math along with me and develop your own mathematical probabilities for these eleven prophecies being fulfilled by chance alone. Regardless of your estimates, the combined mathematical probability is staggering.

The Eleven Predictions

1. **Be born in Bethlehem**

   Old Testament Prediction:
   “But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou he little among the thousands of Judah, yet
out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel” (Micah 5:2).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the King” (Matthew 2:1).

2. Be preceded by a messenger Probability: 1 in 20

Old Testament Prediction:
“The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God” (Isaiah 40:3).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, and saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matthew 3:1-2).

3. Enter Jerusalem on a colt Probability: 1 in 50

Old Testament Prediction:
“Rejoice greatly. 0h daughter of Zion; shout, 0h daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass” (Zechariah 9:9).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“And they brought him to Jesus: and they cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon. And as he went, they spread their clothes in the way. And when be was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all mighty works that they had seen” (Luke 19:35-37).

4. Be betrayed by a friend Probability: 1 in 10

Old Testament Prediction:
“Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread. hath lifted up his heel against me” (Psalms 41:9).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“And while he yet spoke, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people. Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; hold him fast. . . . and Jesus said unto him, ‘Friend, wherefore art thou come?’” (Matthew 26:47-50)

5. Have His hands and feet pierced Probability: 1 in 100

Old Testament Prediction:
“The assemblies of the wicked have enclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet” (Psalm 22:16).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left” (Luke 23:33).
6. Be Wounded and Whipped by His Enemies  
Probability: 1 in 25

Old Testament Prediction:
“But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and by his stripes we are healed” (Isaiah 53:5).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified” (Matthew 27:26).

7. Be Sold for Thirty Pieces of Silver  
Probability: 1 in 100

Old Testament Prediction:
“And I said unto them, if ye think good, give me my price; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for my price thirty pieces of silver” (Zechariah 11:12).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver” (Matthew 26:15).

8. Be spit upon and beaten  
Probability: 1 in 10

Old Testament Prediction:
“I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting” (Isaiah 50:6).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote him with the palms of their hands” (Matthew 26:67).

9. Have His betrayal money thrown in the Temple and given for a potter’s field.
Probability 1 in 200

Old Testament Prediction:
“And the Lord said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was prized at of them. And I took the thirty pieces of silver and cast them to the potter in the house of the Lord” (Zechariah 11:13),

New Testament Fulfillment:
“And he cast dawn the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself. And the chief priests took the silver pieces, and said, “It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood. And they took counsel, and bought with them the potter’s field, to bury strangers in” (Matthew 27: 5-7).

10. Be silent before His accusers  
Probability: 1 in 100

Old Testament Prediction:
“He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearsers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth” (Isaiah 53:7).
New Testament Fulfillment:
“And when he was accused of the chief priests and elders, he answered nothing. Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee? And he answered him never a word; in so much that the governor marveled greatly” (Matthew 27:12-14).

11. Be crucified with thieves  Probability: 1 in 100

Old Testament Prediction:
“He bath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors” (Isaiah 53:12).

New Testament Fulfillment:
“Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left” (Matthew 27:38).

The Combined Probability Is Equal To
One Chance in 10 to the 19th power

One Chance In 10,000,000,000,000,000,000

In other words, there is only one chance in 10 billion times a billion that the prophets could have accurately predicted these eleven specific prophecies by chance alone, or that any one man’s life could fulfill these detailed prophecies by chance alone; in fact, it is obviously impossible!

Regarding the estimates I have given for the probability of these specific events occurring purely by chance, let us consider the first prophecy of Micah’s that was written more than seven hundred years before its fulfillment, that the promised Messiah would be born in the insignificant village of Bethlehem. I have assigned a probability of one chance in two-hundred to the possibility of Israel’s King being born in this little village by chance alone. In Israel, as in all other countries with monarchies, virtually all of the kings were born in palaces in their capital, Jerusalem, and almost never in a small agricultural village. Let us assume then that the odds of a king being born in the country rather than in the capital city is one in ten, which is a very conservative estimate. Since Israel had thousands of small villages, the odds against picking the correct village by chance alone, is conservatively one in one thousand. Therefore, to be realistic, the odds against correctly predicting the birthplace of the promised King is one in ten; (the odds on the capital versus a rural village) to which we multiply one chance in one thousand; (the odds on picking the right village) which produces a combined probability on one chance in ten thousand. However, in an attempt to be very conservative, I have assigned the probability as only one chance in ten thousand, which could easily be justified.

The prophecy of Jesus having “his hands and feet pierced”, for example, is given odds of 1 in 100. This prediction in the Psalms was made more than 500 years before the Roman Empire invented crucifixion as an unusual and barbaric method of execution [The prophecy that He would be wounded and whipped by his enemies is given odds of 1 in 25. This also is very conservative in that few kings in history have been subjected to whipping by their enemies. The prophecy of His silence before His accusers is given odds of 1 in 100. The number of leaders and teachers who have been unjustly accused and executed, who have chosen to remain silent and not defend themselves is
miniscule. Most of us would loudly defend ourselves against our accusers if we were faced with torture, whipping and death by agonizing crucifixion, even if we were guilty, much less if we, like Christ, were innocent of the charges.

Another point should be considered by those who are mathematically inclined and who feel that my assigned probabilities are too high. Go ahead and assign the most conservative numbers possible to these combined prophetic probabilities about the life of Jesus the Messiah. You will still be confronted with a probability so staggering in its magnitude that it is impossible to honestly convince yourself that these things occurred by chance. In the unlikely event that you are still not convinced, you should consider that we have listed only eleven of the forty-eight major prophecies given in the Old Testament about the promised Messiah.

The Bible’s Precise Prophecies Prove That It alone is the Word of God

When we consider all forty-eight of the specific Messianic prophecies, the odds against any one life fulfilling these predictions by chance alone are simply astronomical. In order that we might grasp the reality of this prophetic proof that Jesus Christ is, in absolute certainty, the promised Messiah and Son of God, consider the following illustration:

1. The odds of the prophets of the Bible correctly guessing all eleven prophecies is: 1 chance in 10 to the 19th power.

Only one chance in 10 billion times 1 billion

2. Let each chance in 1 to the 19th power (10 billion times a billion) represent an area of the ocean floor only 1/20th of an inch squares (the size of one printed letter on this page). The entire remaining parts of the earth’s ocean floor will represent all of the other chances against Jesus fulfilling these eleven prophecies by chance.

3. To see just how “lucky” the biblical prophets had to be to predict those eleven significant events; imagine that someone dropped a diamond ring from a plane somewhere over one of the oceans. You enter a bet that you can locate it with just one try, using a long line and a fishhook. You can wander over earth’s oceans (197,000,000 square miles of surface) in your boat for as long as you like. When you feel lucky, stop, drop the line and try to hook the diamond ring that is lying thousands of feet below you on the ocean floor. You only get one try.

Your odds of finding the lost ring are precisely equal to the odds against the biblical prophets correctly predicting those eleven specific details in the life of Jesus Christ, the promised Messiah.

With such odds against you, would you bet one month’s salary that you would find the ring? I doubt that you would risk your money on such impossible odds. Yet, sadly, every year millions will die who have bet their lives and their eternal destinies on the “chance” that fulfilled prophecy and the Bible are not reliable, and they can therefore safely ignore the claims of Christ upon their lives.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God” (John 3:16,18).
The role of the prophet and his message is much broader than simply the prediction of spiritually significant future events. There are three words used in the Bible to describe a prophet — Ro‘eh, Hozeh and Nabi. In combination, they reveal that his role includes both that of the seer as well as an exhortation to personal and national righteousness. Prophecy includes a declaration of God’s sovereign design as it unfolds itself in human history and His call to our obedience to that revealed will, both individually and corporately. In summary, the message of the prophet is twofold: First, God’s coming judgment of sin, but secondly, it declares the hope in the immediate and ultimate triumph of God’s truth and purpose. Both the past amid the future are united together in the message of the prophet through the prophetic revelation that God is guiding human history toward that day when the kingdoms of this world will truly become the kingdoms of Christ.

Several important principles of Biblical prophetic interpretation are reflected in this book and have developed from many years of Bible study and teaching: (1) Take all Scripture in its ordinary, usual and common sense meaning unless the context makes it clear that the statement is symbolic. (2) Symbolic language is usually interpreted in a clear fashion in another biblical passage. (3) God has consistently prophesied and set appointed times for Israel amid the nations, which have been fulfilled to the exact day as predicted. The Lord has always dealt with Israel in terms of specifically appointed time periods and the Promised Land. (4) However, in dealing with the Church. Scripture reveals no appointed time period pinpointing the “day or the hour” of the Rapture, [but does give us one near reference Daniel 12:12] when Christ takes the believers to heaven. (5) The message of the prophet is both for his own time and for all the generations which will follow him. Its purpose is not simply to provide information, but rather to challenge our behavior and our life priorities in light of Christ’s lordship of our present as well as our future.

While it is certainly true that many details in the unfolding plan of God in history will not be known until they come to pass, four factors encourage us to examine those prophecies, which point to the events leading up to the time of Christ’s return to set up His Kingdom: (1) the importance that God puts on His prophecies: over one quarter of the Bible is prophetic and He directs us to study it: (2) Fulfilled prophecies, such as the ones below, encourage us to believe that future prophecies will be fulfilled in a similar, “literal” manner; (3) Christ criticized the religious leaders of His day for failing to pay attention to the prophecies and failing to “discern the signs of the times”; (4) the Apostle Paul specifically reminds Christians that while it is true that, “the Day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night” to unbelievers, he immediately goes on to declare an important truth: “But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others: but let us watch and be sober” (1 Thessalonians 5: 4-6).

These factors encourage us to carefully and prudently examine those prophecies, which clearly relate to our generation.

In the following we will look into some exciting prophecies that have already been fulfilled to the exact day. However, the final events should prove very interesting as we look into those prophecies that still remain to be fulfilled in our generation.

God will continue to fulfill His ancient prophecies as He has in the past. The Lord Himself says, “For I am the Lord, I change not” (Malachi 3:6) We will also analyze those appointments with destiny that God has set for Israel and the nations, based on the ancient biblical calendar, and discover indications of when these final events will come to pass.
God’s Desire
By: Marvin Byers in The Final Victory . . ., 1991

The voice of the air traffic controller crackled in my headphones. I could barely hear him, because we were still 200 miles from shore, over the Gulf of Mexico, on a direct flight from Guatemala, Central America, to Houston, Texas. I could hardly hear, but also hardly believe what I was hearing. He asked, “Have you been advised of Sigmet Charlie?” In aviation the word “Sigmet” is short for “significant meteorological conditions.” In simple English it means “bad weather,” real bad. So bad, in fact, the airliners either detour around it, or ground it. It was just a little too late for us to consider either of those options. We were over water, and so low on fuel that even a small detour was out of the question!

My wife and I, along with our passengers, were flying at 18,000 feet in a beautiful pressurized twin-engine airplane. We found ourselves in this very dangerous situation because my preflight briefer had been mistaken on two important points. He had said we would have a tail wind along the entire route of flight, and that Houston had good weather. He couldn’t have been more wrong! There was a solid line of huge thunderstorms between our position and the Houston airport. And due to a continual in route head wind, we were still one hour out of Houston, with fuel remaining for only one hour and fifteen minutes of flight. Normally, pilots plan to land with at least an hour of fuel remaining. We would have reserves of only fifteen minutes.

To make matters worse, there was a solid cloud cover over Houston. It began at just 300 feet above the ground. This meant that if we survived the horrendous experience of passing through a thunderstorm, we would then have to do an instrument approach in heavy air traffic. Under normal conditions, this can involve a landing delay of up to one hour, the minimum being twenty minutes, just five minutes longer than our fuel would last! Even if the controller would show us great kindness and bring us straight in, giving us priority over the other flights, we faced still another grave problem. We could not do a missed approach. Our first attempt to land in low clouds had to be done correctly. We didn’t have enough fuel to try it again!

Every loose object in the cabin literally hit the ceiling as we passed through what appeared to be the weakest thunderstorm on our radar screen. We learned there is no such thing as a weak thunderstorm. For the last half hour of our flight the only scenery was the inside of clouds, but God showed us great mercy. We safely overcame the first hurdle, the line of thunderstorms! I told the controller we were low on fuel. Again God showed us mercy; the controller gave us direct routing to the final approach course. Once again the Lord helped. I was able to “keep the needles centered,” as pilots say, on the instrument landing system. Therefore, one approach to landing was all we needed. That day I saw one of the most beautiful sights ever during my years of flying: Houston’s runway indicator lights, as we broke out of the clouds at 300 feet above the ground!

Statistics show that the two principal causes of aviation accidents are bad weather and fuel exhaustion. We faced them both on one flight! What went wrong? Why did we find ourselves in one of the most dangerous situations possible in aviation? For two very clear reasons. One, we didn’t know what was ahead. And two, we had been misinformed.

Do you know what is ahead? Is it possible that you have been misinformed as to what you will encounter in these last days? Though my briefer was completely sincere, and honestly believed what he told me that day, that didn’t change the facts. Neither the weather nor the wind were even slightly altered because of his sincerity, or because of my ill-founded confidence. Maybe your “spiritual briefer” has encouraged you, with complete sincerity, that clear skies are ahead. How can
you be sure the information is correct? Or, maybe the “voices” coming through are giving conflicting reports. Possibly you are flying without any “preflight briefer.” What are your chances of having a safe landing?

The Bible shows us that God wants us to understand what is ahead, because it is extremely urgent that we know what we face in the end! Having a deep assurance of this in our hearts is a very important key to understanding the end. Some may wonder how this could be a key. But if we do not have this certainty in our hearts, why should we waste our time reading books that deal with this subject? We need a deep conviction that 1) the Lord wants us to have a clear understanding of this subject, and 2) it is vital that we understand these truths in this hour more than at any other time in history. Then we will seek Him earnestly with open hearts for truth. We will believe that He desires to speak to our hearts and reveal His secrets concerning this most important matter!

**Man’s Desire to Know**

Most people have a great interest in understanding the future. God Himself has planted that interest in man’s heart. Sadly, some seek to satisfy that desire by turning to spiritist mediums, fortune-tellers, and palm readers. Others have sought to do so through the multitude of Bible-based teachings and writings found in the Church today. However, often the searching souls have received such confusing and conflicting doctrines about the last days that they have given up all hope of ever knowing the truth concerning the end. In Matthew 24 the disciples of Jesus asked Him about the future. We can well understand why His first response was, “Take heed that no man deceives you.” This is a clear warning that deception in this area of truth would indeed enter the Church. However, it is also clear that it need not work in our hearts! Note that the answer Jesus gave was not the typical “Oh, it’s not all that important! Just be ready for whatever. You don’t really need to understand those things.” To the contrary, He entered one of the longest discourses of His entire ministry! He undoubtedly wanted us to understand the truth about the end.

**One Truth, One Revelation**

Jesus declares there is only one Truth. He is a Person, the One who said, “I am the way, the truth, and the life” (John 14:6).

Therefore, there can exist only one true doctrine regarding the last days. Many conflicting doctrines about the end exist today. This confirms that the “spirit of error,” referred to in I John 4:6, has succeeded in deceiving many in this very important area of truth!

For years there has been so much deception bombarding the Church that even many leaders have come to take lightly these precious truths. Some even speak as though it were impossible to know the Truth about the end!

One-half of the precious ministries of the Holy Spirit spoken of by Christ in John 16:13 is to lead us into all truth. Have we forgotten that the other half mentioned there is “and he will show you things to come”? Let’s note carefully that one of the main ministries of the Holy Spirit is to show us the future! From this we draw two conclusions. One, God Himself has given us a desire to know the future, the Holy Spirit leading us into that knowledge. Two, other spirits have entered a false “ministry” in this area, bringing much error and deception into the Church! Some say that at least one-third of the Bible is directly related to the last days. (I believe that the proportion is actually much higher than that.) Therefore, if we do not understand the last days, we lack understanding of at least one-third of the Bible! The Spirit of Truth desires to lead us into truth in this area also!
Isn’t it sad that so many Christians today have little or no idea of where the Body of Christ is headed, much less of how we are going to get there? I say “so many” because most conflicting ideas that have been presented concerning the last days can claim their group of followers. Yet only one revelation of how the end will unfold can possibly be true! Only one revelation will indeed be fulfilled. That revelation is neither “ours” nor “theirs” but His, as Revelation 1:1 tells us, “The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass.”

That revelation of the end was given to Jesus by the Father. It was then given to John the Beloved by a messenger that Christ sent to him. And if we ever hope to understand it today, as John did on that isle of Patmos, it must be given to us also by divine decree and Heaven’s grace; but grace is given to the humble. Therefore, let us humble ourselves before Him today as never before! Understanding is still given by grace to whomsoever He chooses. In no way do we pretend to have the clarity of revelation that John received! However, we know in our hearts that we have received a few small keys that can open some of the doors of understanding, keys that are so desperately needed in these last days.

Amos 3:7 tells us, “Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he reveals his secret unto his servants the prophets.” This gives us an idea of the degree to which the Lord wants to reveal His secrets, and how much of the future He wants to show us! Every detail will be revealed to someone! He will do nothing without first sharing His secret with His friends! God must have a far deeper reason for this than simply satisfying our curiosity, or giving us an impressive, foretelling ministry. Yes, there are several reasons why God wants us to understand the future.

1. John 1:17 says that grace and truth come through Jesus Christ. Therefore, without grace there will be no truth. The “Spirit of Truth” is also called the “Spirit of Grace.” We can’t have one without the other.

Why He Wants Us to Understand the Future Protection

First, we find in Proverbs 22:3, “A prudent man foresees the evil, and hides himself; but the simple pass on, and are punished.” If God were to reveal that a nuclear bomb was going to completely destroy my city tomorrow, along with that revelation I would probably also get “a feeling,” or an impression, that God would want me to relocate, at least for the time being! I doubt that I would continue making appointments for the next day! In these days of tremendous chaos and upheaval, “filled with violence,” we desperately need to understand what is coming. Then we can hide ourselves as does the prudent man of Proverbs!
Time, Times and the Dividing of Time
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Contrary to what many assume, we are not just drifting through time. Prior to 1948, Israel last existed as an independent nation in 606 B.C. when the first captives of Israel were taken by Nebuchadnezzar. The destruction of Israel at the hands of the Babylonians was completed in 587 B.C. with the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple. For 70 biblical years (approximately 69 years on the Gregorian calendar), the Jewish people were held as captives in Babylon. In 537 B.C., the Persian King Cyrus conquered Babylon and issued a decree for the Jews to return to their land and rebuild the Temple. It was during the Babylonian captivity and this return to Israel that Ezekiel appeared as a prophet and provided the following information on the future existence of Israel as an independent nation:

“No now lie on your left side and place the sins of Israel on yourself. You are to bear their sins for the number of days you lie there on your side. You will bear Israel’s sins for 390 days — one day for each year of their sin. After that, turn over and lie on your right side for 40 days — one day for each year of Judah’s sin.” Ezekiel 4:4-6

According to this passage, the people of Israel would not be free until this period of punishment passed. This time is known as the “Servitude of the Nation,” and the time allotted by God is 430 years. However, 70 years of atonement for their sins had already been served during the Babylonian captivity, so only 360 years of punishment remained. The Jews who returned to Israel in 537 B.C. refused to repent of their sins as Ezekiel warned. As a result, Israel continued to be ruled by foreign powers: the Persians, the Greeks, and the Romans. In A.D. 70, Titus and the Roman legions destroyed the Temple and scattered the Jewish people as slaves among the various provinces of the Roman Empire. The year 176 B.C. had come and gone, yet Israel never emerged as an independent nation. So what happened? Was the Bible wrong? Did God change his mind?

Absolutely not!

Several earlier Old Testament passages shed light on this mystery. In the Book of Leviticus, they reveal that if, upon their return to the land of Israel, the people refused to obey God, he would increase their punishments seven-fold. This is repeated several times:

“And if in spite of this, you still disobey me, I will punish you for your sins seven times over.” Leviticus 26:18

“If even then you remain hostile toward me and refuse to obey, I will inflict you with seven more disasters for your sins.” Leviticus 26:21

“And if you fail to learn a lesson from this and continue your hostility toward me, then I myself will be hostile toward you, and I will personally strike you seven times over for your sins.” Leviticus 26:23-24

“If after this you still refuse to listen and still remain hostile toward me, then I will give full vent to my hostility. I will punish you seven times over for your sins.” Leviticus 26:27-28
In the year 537 B.C., 360 years of punishment remained on God’s timetable. However, when the people of Israel refused to repent of their sins, this punishment was multiplied seven-fold from 360 years to 2,520 years. 360 days comprise a biblical year, so the allotted time equaled 907,200 days.

However, in modern times, we don’t use the Jewish calendar, but rather the Gregorian calendar, which has 365.2425 days in a year. If the 907,200 days are divided by 365.2425, we get approximately 2,483.8292 years.

Historians have established that Cyrus the Persian issued his proclamation to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem sometime in the first half of the year 537 B.C. We don’t know the exact day of the proclamation, but the Bible reveals that it had to be prior to the seventh month on the Jewish calendar because in that month, “the Israelites had settled in their towns, all the people assembled together as one person in Jerusalem.” 

Ezra 3:1

Without an exact starting date, it’s more accurate to count backward 907,200 days from the day of Israel’s restoration. Israel declared its status as an independent nation on May 14, 1948. The following online calendar conversion tool is available for counting days as well as converting between the Gregorian calendar and the Jewish calendar.

**Calendar Conversion Tool**

Subtracting 907,200 days from the Gregorian date of May 14, 1948, the calculator reveals a date of July 15, 537 B.C.

Gregorian Calendar: **14 May 1948 A.D.**

Jewish Calendar: **5 Iyyar 5708**

-907,200 days (360 days x 2,520 years)

Gregorian Calendar: **15 July 537 B.C.**

Jewish Calendar: **15 Av 3224**

Does this reconcile with the Biblical statement that the Jews had resettled in Jerusalem in the seventh month of 537 B.C.?

The equivalent date on the Jewish calendar is 15 Av 3224 – the fifteenth day of the fifth month. Since approximately 900 miles separate Babylon and Jerusalem (the geographical distance is less, but the ancient travel route is estimated at 900 miles), and ancient caravans rarely traveled more than 20 miles per day, this date doesn’t seem to contradict the biblical account. The Jews would have had only 74 days to make their trip. Accounting for the Sabbath day of rest, that leaves approximately 63 actual travel days to reach Jerusalem before the end of the seventh month. To cover 900 miles in that time, they needed to average 14.29 miles/per day, 6 days per week – a task well within reach.

It also seems highly likely that Cyrus made his proclamation in this part of the year, because the Jewish holiday Tisha B’Av, a three week fast commemorating the destruction of the Temple 50 years earlier ends on the 9th of Av. 9 Av 537 B.C. was within a one week of the 50th anniversary of the Temple’s destruction, a fitting time for a king’s proclamation to rebuild it.

Although July 15, 537 B.C. cannot be verified by outside sources as the exact day of Cyrus’s proclamation, we do know that 537 B.C. was the year in which he made it. As such, we can know for certain that the Bible, in one of the most remarkable prophecies in history, accurately foresaw the year of Israel’s restoration as an independent nation some two thousand five hundred years before the event occurred.
The Last Generation
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After Israel was destroyed by the Roman General Titus in 70 A.D. it did not exist again as a nation until May, 1948. Here is the scripture, which prophesies about the last generation:

“Teacher,” they asked, “when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are about to take place?” (Luke 21:7).

After a full explanation, which is recorded by three separate witnesses, at Matthew 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21, he continued:

“He told them this parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

I tell you the truth; this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you unexpectedly like a trap; for it will come upon all those who live on the face of the whole earth.

[Remember this warning! Remember, who it is being warned, the apostles themselves! And particularly note the events being warned about. It will be important to your understanding later.]

Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.” (Luke 21:29-36 NIV)

Now here is the interpretation:

The fig tree is allegorically Israel. This may seem a stretch for the non-Christian or the unreligious. But for a Christian student of the word it will seem clear. It is in such subtleties that Jesus’ saying about such is proved true, e.g., Luke 10:21:

In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight.

A concordant search of “fig tree” throughout the bible with particular attention to its use in prophetic books and passages will reveal the close association between Israel and the allegorical fig tree as used in Jesus’ prophesy referenced above.

Therefore, assuming Jesus was making a reference to Israel’s restoration as well as a general statement about world events, times and biblical prophecy, as most mainstream biblical scholars agree, then the restoration of Israel as a nation in 1948 is the beginning point of the end.
So, then “Who” is “this generation?” That question has occupied Christian theologians for quite some time. This word is of very varied meaning and corresponds to two Hebrew terms: dôr and tôledôth. The word generation is used in the following principal senses.

- It designates a definite period of time, with a special reference to the average length of man's life. It is in this sense, for example, that, during the long-lived patriarchal age, a "generation" is rated as a period of 100 years (Genesis 15:16, compared with Genesis 15:13, and Exodus 12:40), and that, at a later date, it is represented as of only 30 to 40 years.
- The word generation is used to mean an indefinite period of time: of time past, as in Deuteronomy 32:7, where we read: "Remember the days of old, think upon every generation", and in Isaiah 58:12, etc.; of time future, as in Psalm 44:18, etc.
- In a concrete sense, generation designates the men who lived in the same period of time, who were contemporaries, as for instance in Genesis 6:9: "Noah was a just and perfect man in his generations"; see also: Numbers 32:13; Deuteronomy 1:35; Matthew 24:34; etc.
- Independently of the idea of time, generation is employed to mean a race or class of men as characterized by the same recurring condition or quality. In this sense, the Bible speaks of a "just generation", literally "generation of the just" [Psalm 13:6; etc.], a "perverse generation", and equivalent to: "generation of the wicked" [Deuteronomy 32:5; Mark 9:18; etc.].
- Lastly, in Isaiah 38:12, the word generation is used to designate a dwelling place or habitation, probably from the circular form of the nomad tent. Whence it can be readily seen that, in its various principal acceptations, the word generation (usually in the Septuagint and in the Greek New Testament: genea) preserves something of the primitive meaning of "circuit", "period", conveyed by the Hebrew term dôr.
- 100 -120 years based on the maximum life expectancy of mankind, such as the life of Moses Deuteronomy 34:7
- A life-span of 70 to 80 years based on Psalms 90:10
- 40 years based on Numbers 32:13, "So Jehovah's anger blazed against Israel and he made them wander about in the wilderness forty years, until all the generation that was doing evil in the eyes of Jehovah came to their end."
- 36 ½-40 years, being the length of time from the preaching of Jesus to the fall of Jerusalem, and the average of human life in the 1800's
- 33 years based on quotes such as in Webster's unabridged dictionary; "The average lifetime of man, or the ordinary period of time at which one rank follows another, or father is succeeded by child; an age. A generation is usually taken to be about 33 years."
- an unspecified length of time
- overlapping lifetimes

In the allegory of the fig tree at Luke 21:32 the most obvious and natural interpretation is that Jesus was speaking and referring to the same generation — people his own age, or at the very least, those who were children at the time he was preaching. The second best interpretation would be that the words were put in Jesus’ mouth by Mark, so they refer to the generation of Mark’s audience [the generation of about 60 A.D.].

It’s obvious, though, that all of those generations passed away long ago without the “End” having arrived. That this would occur became apparent very early on to Christian leaders who had to quickly reinterpret the passage, although none have done so very successfully.

Moreover, why does Jesus claim that heaven will pass away like the Earth will? It’s certainly not a part of Christian orthodoxy that heaven is a temporary existence? The answer, by process of elimination, seems to be that “this generation” was applicable to the generation that sees these events
begin to transpire at the end of the age will be the same generation that would see the culmination and conclusion of these events. In other words, all the events prophesied would be fulfilled within the same generation and the beginning event would be the putting forth of new leaves by Israel, e.g., its reformation as a nation in 1948.

Accepting that this hypothesis is true, and there is none other that appears rational, then the final generation is alive right now. If this “generation” was 40 years or less in duration, the Mid-east peace treaty (Dan. 9:27), which benchmarks the beginning of the ending events, would have occurred in 1988. Since it did not, we are left, through the process of elimination, with a longer definition of generation, e.g., Psalms 90:10, which tell us the length of men’s days, are 70 to 80 years. Therefore, if the beginning point was 1948 and one generation was to see it all, then the concluding point would have to be between 2018 and 2028. Moreover, if the ending events occur over, say, 10.5 years, as evidence will be shown for in the following chapters, then the beginning point of the ending events would begin between 2007 and 2018.

No Mid East Peace Treaty in 2012. The US ups pressure on Israel in 2015, but Obama says, he foresees no treaty during his term, which ends in 2016. However, the U.N. is prepared to force a treaty on Israel in 2017 or 2018.

Now, if you are skeptical of the conclusions and interpretations about Israel, the fig tree and the “generation to see it all,” and conclude that such interpretations are vague at best, then just consider secular events going on right now. The Islamization of Europe, the promotion of sexual deviancy, the natural disasters, the denial of Christ’s teachings in public schools and on T.V. In documentaries and at public events, the drug problem, etc., etc.

The bible says, the events of the end of this age begin with a covenant between Israel and many of its neighbors and this occurs within a generation of Israel’s rebirth as a nation. We are now 68 years since Israel’s rebirth (as of 2016), and what concerns the news weekly but Mideast war and a peace treaty between Israel and its neighbors?

A page dominant editorial on Israel and its landmark change in attitude toward a peace agreement appeared in the Wall Street Journal on 5/18/2011 and 5/27/2015. To the world it basically went unnoticed; to eschatologist it was a landmark event, a precursor to a Mid-east peace treaty in the next year or two and a 7-year countdown to the rapture or 10.5 years to the end of this civilization and the installation of Christ’s millennial reign on earth.

Once the treaty is signed and confirmed the world will be on a 10.5-year time-track to end this civilization and have Christ establish his rule here on earth for the next 1000 years.
The End of the Age

By: Jerry Warrington

Now that we have a general understanding of where we are in the scheme of things let’s take a closer look at the ending events, beginning at Daniel 9:24-27:

"Seventy ‘sevens’ are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy.

"Know and understand this: From the issuing of the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One, the ruler, comes, there will be seven ‘sevens,’ and sixty-two ‘sevens.’ It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble. 26 After the sixty-two ‘sevens,’ the Anointed One will be cut off and will have nothing. The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed. 27 He will confirm a covenant with many for one ‘seven.’ In the middle of the ‘seven’ he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on a wing [of the temple] he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him."

In reading the biblical paragraph above, one would generally assume that the seven-year culmination of this civilization at verse 24 is the same. However, a further study of end-of-age biblical prophecy will make it abundantly clear that they are two different ‘sevens’. The events of each period are not the same, and the starting and/or ending times/events are not the same. We shall examine ample evidence of the fact.

Those assuming that the two ‘sevens’ are synonymous and have gone elsewhere to try to make other scripture fit have led to a world of misinterpretation, misinformation and omissions of relevant scripture that won’t fit with the erroneous assumption. Erroneously believing that the two sevens of Daniel 9:24 and Daniel 9:27, “the time of the end” and the “time of the peace treaty” are the same, has created the second great error. That the 1260 days of Rev 11:1-3 and Rev 12:6 & 14 and described at Dan 11:29-12:13, “the time of wrath,” somehow has to be within the erroneously assumed “70th week of Daniel 9:24.” This is because if one makes the assumption that the ‘seven’ of Dan. 9:24 and the ‘seven’ of Dan. 9:27 are assumed to be the same and subsequent scripture talks about a Seven Year Covenant and a 42-month (3.5-yrs.) Great Tribulation period and you only have one seven year period to put it in, you have to double up somewhere along the timeline. Instead of ferreting out the erroneous assumption, these people have created an illogical heresy. This then, plus believing the seven-year covenant is seven years of tribulation, which is nowhere to be found in the bible, leads to total pre-trib heresy concerning the end of the age.

As we will see, the time from the confirmation of the covenant to the establishment of Jesus’ reign on earth, is not 7-years, but 10.5-years made up of three 3.5-year periods, or two 7-year periods overlapping each other by 3.5 years. The three are: 1) The first 3-years of The Seven Year Covenant of Dan. 9:27. 2) From the midpoint of the Seven Year Covenant where sacrifice and offering is prohibited, Dan. 9:27, to the end of the Seven Year Covenant, and 3) the 3.5-year reign of the antichrist or the time of “Great Tribulation.”
The “time of the end” spoken of at Daniel 9:24, “Daniel’s 70th Week,” begins at the mid-point of the Seven Year Covenant (or Mideast peace treaty) when sacrifice is abolished (See Dan. 8:11-15). It then extends through the 3.5-year remainder of the Seven Year Covenant and through the 3.5 year Great Tribulation. The last 3.5 years of time is biblically called the Great Tribulation or Day of the Lord, or Day of Wrath, or Day of God’s Wrath (Rev 11:2-3, 12:5 & 14, 13:5).

### Time Line from Mideast Peace Treaty to Establishment of Christ’s Kingdom on Earth

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**Daniel’s 70th Week (Dan 9:24)**

Leaves 2300 days till temple re-consecrated (Dan 8:14)

The end will not come in one fell swoop; everything will continue as before: marriage, divorce, planting, harvesting, etc. (Luke 17:26-29); however, 6000 years of civilization will come to an end in 10.5 years, and throughout those years, war with all its horrors will be rampant (Matt 24:6-8).

“The people (the antichrist’s people) of the ruler who will come” (The Antichrist, The Beast of Revelation, the dominant world ruler) will confirm a covenant with many for 7-years,” just as Antiochus Epiphanes may have in the second century B.C. The antichrist will be one of many signers of a Mideast Peace Treaty. However, he is likely to be one who “confirms” or gives strength to the treaty. However, at the time of the signing, it will not be known which of the signers is to be revealed in the future as “The Antichrist,” the one whose image is set up on a wing of the restored Jewish Temple in Jerusalem and requires everyone to pay homage to it. The Antichrist, the Beast of Revelation, who will become the world dominant ruler will commit the Abomination of Desolation at the end of the 7-year Mideast Peace Treaty (Dan 12:11 & 12).

Notice that we, The Church, will not know who the Antichrist is until he puts an end to sacrifice and offering, which event does not occur until the midpoint in the Seven Year Covenant (Dan 9:27 and 12:11 & 12). And even then, it will evidently not be perfectly clear until he commits the abomination of desolation at the end of the Seven Year Covenant.

(2 Thessalonians 2:3-4) *Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that*
day [the rapture of the saved] will not come until the rebellion occurs [the abomination of desolation (Desolation: The condition of a place or thing that has been damaged in such a way that it is no longer suitable for people to live in or worship in) and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God.

Notice that the Church is still here, and notice the introductory warning at the time of the abomination of desolation.

There are four compounding subordinate problems in understanding the chronology and the heresy:

First, due to non-biblical, dispensational-period preaching, which cannot be supported by the bible, a false assumption has been planted in the collective consciousness of the evangelist religions. That is, that The Seven Year Covenant is generally, though erroneously, thought of as “The 7-years of Tribulation” (trouble or distress). However, nowhere, again: NOWHERE in the bible is there a mention of a time period called or referred to as 7-years of tribulation.

Secondly, contrary to scripture, dispensationalist have taught and embedded in the collective consciousness of the evangelists, that the Church is not appointed unto tribulation. (See: Acts 14:22, Romans 5:1-9, 1 Corinthians 4:9, 1 Thessalonians 3:3-4, Revelation 7:14). The Church is indeed appointed unto Tribulation, but not unto Wrath (Rev 6:17; Zeph. 1; Rom 2:5).

Thirdly, dispensationalist have embedded in the collective consciousness of the evangelists that the 3.5-year ”Day of God’s Wrath” or “Day of the Lord” (The seventh seal of Rev 8) occurs during the last one-half of the Seven Year Covenant (which again they erroneously refer to as the 7-years of Tribulation). They fail to understand that the Seven Year Covenant and the Time of Great-Tribulation, and/or Day of Wrath are consecutive time periods.

Clearly, the rapture of the Church takes place under the 6th Seal of Rev 7 following the sealing of the 144,000 “firstfruits,” and this, after the abomination of desolation, which scripturally occurs at the end of the Seven Year Covenant, or interpretably, the Mideast Peace Treaty. And not before it, as would be required if the 1260 days of the Great Tribulation began just after the midpoint of the Seven Year Covenant instead of after the expiration of the Seven Year Covenant, which is what these fellows believe. Which, in turn creates a number of conflicts with scripture which they somehow ignore.

The beginning of The Time of Wrath, or Great Tribulation (1260 days of Rev 11:1-3 & 12:14), the reign of the antichrist, occurs under the seventh and last seal. The “seals” of Revelation are literary devices to separate times and/or events, but show their sequence, indicating here, clearly, that events of the antichrist’s reign are in a different period from the 7-year covenant with a different set of events from the Seven Year Covenant, but clearly follow the Seven Year Covenant.

Fourthly, to make their theory fit, dispensationalist have disregarded numerous biblical passages that would be contrary to their false assumptions. They ignore how Dan 8:13-26 and Dan 12:12 fit into their time line. They fail to grasp the fact that in their time-line structure of the rapture occurring at Revelation 4, before the scroll with 7-seals is even revealed, they are placing the rapture of the Church-at-Large, which actually occurs at Rev 7:9 and is recapitulated at Rev. 14:14 and at Rev.19:1) before the rapture of the Firstfruits (Rev 7:1-8 & 14:1-5). Note that the thread about the “firstfruits” runs throughout the book of Revelation to help with understanding the chronology.
Moreover, Pre Trib. rapturist erroneously propose that the rapture as foretold at Rev 7:9 and 14:14, which follows the rapture of the “firstfruits,” is the rapture of a horde of believers from the Tribulation Period, i.e., erroneously the Seven Year Covenant. Totally illogical since the rapture of the Church follows the rapture of the firstfruits the rapture of the Church it could not have occurred at Revelation 4 when John was called into heaven as they suppose, because it would place the rapture of the Church before the rapture of the firstfruits! Totally idiotic.

Moreover yet, in describing the events of the Time of Wrath, the bible reveals there are no multitudes raptured during the Great Tribulation, See Rev. 9:20, 16:9, 10 & 11.

Know and understand, there is a period called “Jacob’s trouble” (Jer. 30:7) and a period called the “Great Tribulation” (Rev. 7:14). Both of these refer to the same period, which is also referred to as a “Time of Wrath” (Rev 6:17), “Day of Wrath” (Zeph. 1:15), “Day of the LORD’s Wrath (Zeph. 1:17 & 2:2), and “Day of God’s Wrath” (Rom. 2:5). All of which refer to a period after the abomination of desolation, which abomination occurs at the end of the seven year peace treaty of Daniel 9:27. And which begins the 1260-day reign of the Antichrist (about 3.5 years) beyond the Abomination of Desolation. (Dan 9:27 & 12:11; Rev 11:1-4, 12:4-6, 13:5). This period is the time and events described under the “Seventh Seal” beginning at Rev 8.

All in all, there are 196 uses of the word “wrath” in the New International Version of the bible. A study of these will reveal that about one-half refer to a future event or time when Israel and the world will be punished, which Jesus referred to most emphatically in Mark 13:14:26: (emphasis added)

“*When you see the abomination that causes desolation* standing where it does not belong [The image of the world leader standing on a wing of the restored Jewish Temple in Jerusalem]—*let the reader understand*—then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let no one on the roof of his house go down or enter the house to take anything out. Let no one in the field go back to get his cloak.

*How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that this will not take place in winter, because those will be days of distress unequalled from the beginning, when God created the world, until now—and never to be equaled again.*

*If the Lord had not cut short those days, no one would survive. But for the sake of the elect, whom he has chosen, he has shortened them.* [i.e., they will be raptured out of it]

*[Most important to understanding, notice that the elect are still here at the moment in mind]*

*At that time [the day of the LORD] if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or, 'Look, there he is!' Do not believe it. For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform signs and miracles to deceive the elect—if that were possible. So be on your guard; I have told you everything ahead of time.*
More on The
3 End of Age Time Periods
By: Jerry Warrington

In Daniel 9:27 an angel is speaking to Daniel in response to his prayer about his people, Israel. Now, contrary to the teachings of dispensationalism, the fact that Israel is the subject does not eliminate the Church as dispensationalism would have you believe. Keep in mind, that at this point in time (about 600 BC) there is no church apart from Israel and the language is universal. The angel is recorded by Daniel as having said, “...He will confirm a covenant with many for one `seven.' In the middle of the `seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on a wing of the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.”

Now, refer to Daniel 11:31-36 where the essence of the dialog is continued:

“His armed forces will rise up to desecrate the temple fortress and will abolish the daily sacrifice. Then they will set up the abomination that causes desolation. With flattery he will corrupt those who have violated the covenant, but the people who know their God will firmly resist him.”
“Those who are wise will instruct many, though for a time they will fall by the sword or be burned or captured or plundered.

When they fall, they will receive a little help, and many who are not sincere will join them. Some of the wise will stumble, so that they may be refined, purified and made spotless until the time of the end, for it will come at the appointed time.” [Notice that the Redeemed are still here and what we will endure] “The king will do as he pleases. He will exalt and magnify himself above every god and will say unheard-of things against the God of gods.” He will be successful until the time of wrath is completed [1260 days or 42 months or 3.5 years after the Abomination of Desolation that occurs at the end of the 7-year peace treaty—Revelation 11:2&3; 12:6&14; 13:5], for what has been determined must take place.”

Study will confirm that these 1260 days are the same period spoken of in the following passages from Revelation and is a literal time period due to 3 different synonymous syntaxes:

Revelation 11:1-4  [After the rapture at Revelation 6:12-7:17 and under the Seventh Seal of the Seven Seals and after the 5th of the Seven Trumpets under the Seventh Seal and the first of three “Woes”] I was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, “Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, and count the worshipers there. But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles. They will trample on the holy city for 42 months. And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth.”

It’s clear here that the 1260 days of wrath is a separate period after the rapture. The preceding scripture is a like a side vision. It looks at the 1260 days following the rapture telling us how long they will testify. Then the scripture below looks at the events, which transpire during their 1260-day testimony. Then the reader is brought up to date in the telling, letting him know that the finish of the 1260 days is at the second woe or 6th Trumpet of the Seventh Seal or just before the one last final event of God’s conclusion to this civilization]

These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth. Rev 11:5-14

If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die. These men have power to shut up the sky so that it will not rain during
the time they are prophesying; and they have power to turn the waters
into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague as often as
they want.

Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up
from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them. Their
bodies will lie in the street of the great city, which is figuratively called
Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified. For three and a
half days men from every people, tribe, language and nation will gaze on
their bodies and refuse them burial. The inhabitants of the earth will
gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts, because
these two prophets had tormented those who live on the earth.

But after the three and a half days a breath of life from God entered
them, and they stood on their feet, and terror struck those who saw them.
Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up
here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked
on.

At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city
collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the
survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

The second woe has passed; the third woe is coming soon.

Revelation 12:6: "And her child [by interpretation, the 144,000 firstfruits of
the RAPTURE; neither Jesus nor the church are subjects in the allegory which is a
recapitulation of events for Israel in the end times] was snatched up to God
and to his throne. The woman [Israel] fled into the desert to a place
prepared for her by God, where she might be taken care of for 1260
days." [1260 days equal 42 months or 3.5 years, it is the Period of Wrath or Great
Tribulation following the 7-year peace treaty of Dan 9:27]

Revelation 12:14: "The woman [Israel] was given the two wings
[Military designation of a large compliment of aircraft] of a great eagle
[The US Air Force?], so that she might fly to the place prepared for her
in the desert, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and a half a time . . . \[1x + 2x + .5x = 3.5x.\] Taken in context with Revelation 12:6 we know that 'x' = years. It is a retelling with a mystery for emphasis and clarification.]

Revelation 13:5: "The beast [from my study, assuredly, the Islamic Caliphate] was given a mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies and to exercise his authority for forty-two months [1260 days or 3.5-yrs. beginning with the abomination of desolation at the end of the 7 year peace treaty of Dan 9:27] He opened his mouth to blaspheme God, and to slander his name and his dwelling place and those who live in Heaven. He was given power to make war against the saints and to conquer them. [From the setting up of the abomination of desolation and the mark of the beast until the rapture 45 days later; Dan 12:11&12] All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast — all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world. He who has an ear, let him hear. If anyone is to go into captivity, into captivity he will go. If anyone is to be killed with the sword, with the sword he will be killed. This calls for patient endurance on the part of the saints."

[Note that in the context time-in-mind of this prophesy the antichrist has been revealed, the abomination of desolation has occurred, but the saints are still here. However, they cannot buy or sell due to their refusal to take the mark of the beast. (We shall see though that they will be here for only 45 days after the abomination of desolation.)]

Now, lets go back to our time line and read Dan 11:31-36 and Dan 12:11 to insure the continuity of time frames and events.

Dan 11:31-36: "His armed forces will rise up to desecrate the temple fortress and will abolish the daily sacrifice. [This happens 3.5 years into the 7 year peace treaty and marks the beginning of Daniel’s 70th Week of Dan 9:24] Then they will set up the abomination that causes desolation. With flattery he will corrupt those who have violated the covenant, but the people who know their God will firmly resist him. [. . . until they are raptured; We shall see that this is for 45 days]"
"Those who are wise will instruct many, though for a time they will fall by the sword or be burned or captured or plundered. When they fall, they will receive a little help, and many who are not sincere will join them. Some of the wise will stumble, so that they may be refined, purified and made spotless until the time of the end, for it will still come at the appointed time.

"The king will do as he pleases. He will exalt and magnify himself above every god and will say unheard-of things against the God of gods. He will be successful until the time of wrath [1260 days following the 7-year covenant] is completed, for what has been determined must take place.

Dan 12:1: "From the time that the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1290 days." [We know from Dan 9:27 that this, a portion within a 7-year peace treaty period, therefore is literally 1290 days]

Dan 12:10-12 Many shall purify themselves, and make themselves white, and be refined; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand; but those who are wise shall understand.

From the time that the continual burnt offering shall be taken away, and the abomination that makes desolate set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred ninety days.

Blessed is he who waits, and comes to the one thousand three hundred thirty-five days. [1335-1290 = 45 or 45 days into the Great Tribulation Period]

Summary

This “Time of Wrath” is clearly a period beyond the seven year peace treaty of Daniel 9:27. We know from the quote above that this period is “the Time of Wrath.” And we know from the previous quotes from Revelation that it is a period of 1260 days or 3.5 years, not the 1290 days or 3.5 years from the midpoint of the 7-year Covenant to the Abomination of Desolation. We can also know from the tenses of the language that the Church is still here at the onset of this period following the abomination of desolation and the mark of the beast that occurs at the end of the 7-year Mideast peace treaty.
The character of the Time of Wrath is poetically captured by Zephaniah 1:14-18:

Zeph. 1:14 “The great day of the LORD is near-
near and coming quickly.

Listen! The cry on the day of the LORD will be bitter,
the shouting of the warrior there.
That day will be a day of wrath,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of trouble and ruin,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and blackness,
a day of trumpet and battle cry
against the fortified cities
and against the corner towers.
I will bring distress on the people
and they will walk like blind men,
because they have sinned against the LORD.
Their blood will be poured out like dust
and their entrails like filth.
Neither their silver nor their gold
will be able to save them
on the day of the LORD’s wrath.
In the fire of his jealousy
the whole world will be consumed,
for he will make a sudden end
of all who live in the earth.”

You notice, no doubt, that all five of the Revelation quotes concerning the Time of Wrath equal exactly 1260 days. It is therefore clear that the 1260 days are not synonymous with the number of days given for the other two periods of the 7-year peace treaty. But when one examines the content of activity within each period, which activity for the 1260 days is recapitulated over 8 chapters in Revelation, namely chapters 8-11 and 15-18, it becomes unequivocally clear this is a separate period of time, transpiring after the abomination of desolation, which event ends the seven-year peace treaty referred to in Daniel 9:27.
The events of Rev 8-11, the 1260 days, are described in Revelation as “the seventh seal.” This “seventh seal” time period begins in Revelation after the abomination of desolation followed a short time later by the rapture, and continues until the very end of the age. The seventh seal [Rev 8:1-6] consists of and is broken down into seven trumpet judgments that occur during this 1260 days or 42 months or 3.5 years of the Time of Wrath or The Day of the LORD, or the Great-tribulation. The use of “seals,” “trumpets” and “ woes” as literary devices are obviously to insure an understanding of sequential events in a set; particularly in this beginning to end elaboration, which will be enlarged and expounded upon in whole and in part in succeeding chapters of Revelation.

Therefore, accordingly, the 1260 days follows the 7 year peace treaty described in Daniel 9:27 is a distinct time period unto itself. Therefore, our time line can now be extended 1260 days or 3.5 years to encompass the Time of Wrath which is also referred to as Great Tribulation, The Day of the Lord, etc., and is the only biblical reference to a specific time frame of tribulation contrary to popular belief.

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This time line, no doubt, is a shock to the collective consciousness of the Church in which dispensationalism and 7-years of tribulation are embedded, and, therefore, hard to accept. However, in addition to the abundant evidence already presented, here is the capstone:

Daniel Dan 8:13-18 Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to him, "How long will it take for the vision to be fulfilled-the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, the rebellion that causes desolation, and the surrender of the sanctuary and of the host that will be trampled underfoot?"

He said to me, "It will take 2,300 evenings and mornings; then the sanctuary will be re-consecrated."

While I, Daniel, was watching the vision and trying to understand it, there before me stood one who looked like a man. And I heard a man's voice from the Ulai calling, "Gabriel, tell this man the meaning of the vision."

As he came near the place where I was standing, I was terrified and fell prostrate. "Son of man," he said to me, "understand that the vision concerns the time of the end."
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[--------2300 offering days (6.38 years) ------------------------]

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Scripture would not fit if the non-biblical 7-years of tribulation began with the Seven Year Covenant and the prophesied Great Tribulation was the last one-half of that seven years. As many noted bible scholars of the 19th and 20th century, like Scofield, have erroneously and totally illogically proclaimed. For it would

- Have the rapture of the church preceding the rapture of the first fruits (Rev 14),
- It would have the re-consecration of the Temple in Jerusalem not occurring until 3.5 years or so into the millennial reign of Christ on earth Daniel 8:11-15.
- It would be in contradiction of Jesus’s words at Matthew 24: 15-30
- It would be in contradiction of Paul’s words at 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5.
- And totally contrary to prophetic harmony as revealed in the attached Part II of this thesis.
The Rapture of the Church

Dispensationalist would have everyone believe that the Church is apart from the judgments to befall Israel, therefore they discount much of Daniel and Revelation and all of the Gospels’ account of the apocalypse as not applicable to the Church. Of course, this is pure heresy. First, dispensationalism is not a biblical doctrine; secondly, when dispensationalist come up with their rhetoric about applicability, they never seem to get to what Paul The Apostle said, much less what Jesus said about such conjecture.

It is generally recognized that Matthew and Mark were gospels to the Jews, but that Luke was the gospel to the Gentiles. However, you will find no deviation of events between Matthew 24, Luke 21, Mark 13 (which purport to be the recorded words of Jesus by three different witnesses to the direct question, “What will be the signs of the end of the age?”) Nor will you find any conflict with Daniel 9-12, Revelation 6 and 14, Joel 2:30, Isaiah 13 or Zephaniah 1. But, most importantly you will find no deviation from this theme in 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5 where Paul, the recognized exclusive missionary to the Gentiles, in responding to the same heretic thought of today said:

2 Thes 2:1-5 with emphasis added:

“Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers, not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by some prophecy, report or letter supposed to have come from us, saying that the day of the Lord has already come.

Don’t let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshipped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God. Don’t you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things?”

[So, Paul too expounds on the fact that the rapture will not occur until after the abomination of desolation, which occurs at the end of the seven year peace treaty of Daniel 9:27, (which dispensationalist erroneously refer to as the “time of tribulation.” And believe they will be raptured in advance of). As you can plainly see now, such conjecture is absolutely, unequivocally contrary to scripture and logic]
# The Gospels in Regard to End Time Events

Here is an outline of the gospel events regarding end times. Notice that it corresponds exactly to what has previously been analyzed:

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Let’s start with Joel’s poetic vision:

Joel 2 & 3: Joel 2:1-5:
Blow the trumpet in Zion;
sound the alarm on my holy hill.
Let all who live in the land tremble,
for the day of the LORD is coming.
It is close at hand—
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and blackness.
Like dawn spreading across the mountains
a large and mighty army comes,
such as never was of old
nor ever will be in ages to come.

Before them fire devours,
behind them a flame blazes.
Before them the land is like the garden of Eden,
behind them, a desert waste—
nothing escapes them.
They have the appearance of horses;
they gallop along like cavalry.
With a noise like that of chariots
they leap over the mountaintops,
like a crackling fire consuming stubble,
like a mighty army drawn up for battle.

... Joel 2:10-11
fore them the earth shakes,
the sky trembles,
the sun and moon are darkened,
and the stars no longer shine.
The LORD thunders
at the head of his army;
his forces are beyond number,
and mighty are those who obey his command.
The day of the LORD is great;
it is dreadful.
Who can endure it?

... Joel 3:1-3
In those days and at that time,
when I restore the fortunes of Judah and Jerusalem,
I will gather all nations
and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat.
There I will enter into judgment against them
concerning my inheritance, my people Israel,
for they scattered my people among the nations
and divided up my land.
They cast lots for my people
and traded boys for prostitutes;
they sold girls for wine
that they might drink.

... Joel 3:14-16
Multitudes, multitudes
in the valley of decision!
For the day of the LORD is near
in the valley of decision.
The sun and moon will be darkened,
and the stars no longer shine.
The LORD will roar from Zion
and thunder from Jerusalem;
the earth and the sky will tremble.
But the LORD will be a refuge for his people,
a stronghold for the people of Israel.
Now Let's Look at the Core Verses in the Gospels about the Rapture:

Matthew 24: 15-31

"So when you see standing in the holy place the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel-let the reader understand- then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let no one on the roof of his house go down to take anything out of the house. Let no one in the field go back to get his cloak. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now-and never to be equaled again. If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened [e.g., the Church will be raptured]. At that time [Abomination of desolation] if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or, 'There he is!' do not believe it. For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and miracles to deceive even the elect-if that were possible. See, I have told you ahead of time.

If there was no other verse, this one verse tells all readers that the rapture does not occur before the abomination of desolation that ends the Seven Year Peace Treaty and the events therein:

"So if anyone tells you, 'There he is, out in the desert,' do not go out; or, 'Here he is, in the inner rooms,' do not believe it. For as lightning that comes from the east is visible even in the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Wherever there is a carcass, there the vultures will gather. [It is clear hear that the elect are still here and not yet raptured]

"Immediately after the distress of those days
"the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light;
the stars will fall from the sky,
and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.'

"At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call,
and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.  *Clearly, here is the rapture, though dispensationalist would have us believe this is Christ returning for a second rapture for those saved in the “Tribulation” in spite of the fact that scripture repeatedly tells us none will be saved after the rapture. [Matt 24: 38-40, 50-51, Matt 25, 2 Thess 2:11-12, Rev 9:20, 16:9 & 11]*

**Mark 13:24**

"When you see 'the abomination that causes desolation' standing where it does not belong—let the reader understand—then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let no one on the roof of his house go down or enter the house to take anything out. Let no one in the field go back to get his cloak. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that this will not take place in winter, because those will be days of distress unequaled from the beginning, when God created the world, until now—and never to be equaled again.

If the Lord had not cut short those days, no one would survive. But for the sake of the elect, whom he has chosen, he has shortened them. [Most importantly to understanding, notice that the elect are still here at the moment in mind]

At that time if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or, 'Look, there he is!' Do not believe it. For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform signs and miracles to deceive the elect—if that were possible. So be on your guard; I have told you everything ahead of time.

[At the time of these events the Church will be desperately looking for Christ]

**Luke 21:20-28 [The gospel to the Gentiles]**

"When you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, you will know that its desolation is near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city. For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! There will be great distress in the land and wrath against this people. They will fall by the sword and will be taken as
prisoners to all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

"There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Jesus is hear speaking to his apostles, The Church, who are, vision wise/time-wise, after the abomination of desolation and in the midst of Great-Tribulation and are given a reassurance of Hope that they will be raptured out of it.

Now let’s go back to Daniel and see where exactly the rapture occurs:

Daniel 12: 11 & 12

From the time that the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days. Blessed is the one who waits for and reaches the end of the 1,335 days.

Notice that 1335 days are 45 days after the abomination of desolation. It is here that the rapture occurs, 45 days into the 3.5 years of the “Time of Wrath” which is in harmony with the three gospels, Paul’s teachings in first and second Thessalonians, Joel 2 &3, the three or more repetitive narratives of Revelation, and is not in conflict with any passage in the bible. At that point will be the fulfillment of the promise spoken of by Jesus as recorded by Matthew at 24:21-22:

For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now-and never to be equaled again. If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened.

Our time line can now be updated to include the rapture:
Scriptural Time Line of End-of-Age Events

Great Tribulation

Islamic Israeli Peace Treaty

Day of the Lord; Time of Wrath

Christ Returns, Battle of Armageddon, Temple

Desolation Re-consecrated

Abomination of the Covenant

 Confirmation

Sacrifice Abolished


1230 Days

1290 Days (Dan 12:11-12)

45 Days

1260 Days (Rev 12-14)

Dan 12:1, 11, 12

2 Thes 2:1-6

 Dan 8:14

10.5 year

After the rapture the Church will be in heaven at the “Marriage Supper of the Lamb” to complete Daniel’s 70th Week of Daniel 9:24 [See also Rev 19].
Things Discovered to be remembered:

1. **Nowhere** does the bible speak of Seven Years of Tribulation.

2. **Nowhere** in the bible is the Seven Year Covenant of Daniel 9:27 referred to as a time of Tribulation.

3. **Daniel's 70th week of Dan 9:24 and Daniel's Peace Treaty of Dan 9:27 are not synonymous.** The beginning of Daniel’s 70th Week at Dan 9:24 is not detailed, but the end is. The beginning and ending of the 7-year peace treaty is revealed. Moreover, the ending of Daniel’s 70th week of Dan 9:24, includes the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, an event after the rapture that takes place in heaven ending the 70th week, which one can then backtrack to its beginning at the midpoint of the 7-year covenant.

4. Dan 8: tells us about the antichrist. Dan 8:11&12 tells us he will abolish the continual Burnt Offering. That presupposes there must be a restored temple.

5. Dan 8:13&14 tell us it will be 2300 days or 6.3 years before the temple is re-consecrated.

6. Dan 9:24-26 tells us the last “week,” the 70th week, ends with the end of the age.

7. Dan 9:27 Tells us there will be a Seven Year Covenant, that sacrifice and offering will be abolished in the middle and sometime later will come one who makes desolate and insinuates a period of time beyond to the “full end.” We can now deduce that if the “last week” begins in the middle of the Seven Year Covenant and continues for 6.3 years extending thru the remaining 1290 days, or about 3.5 years, of the Seven Year Covenant period and then thru the 1260 days of the Great Tribulation. So, now, the framework has been established, we can start drawing time lines and look for further enlargement.

8. Dan 11 is more information (enlargement) on the antichrist and Great Tribulation. Rev 11:4 gives us more info on the Great Tribulation period and a time frame of 42 months or 3.5 years.

9. Dan 12: 1 (a continuation of the revelation) Begins with “At that time . . .” which is a hermeneutic synonym for “The Day of the LORD,” or “Time of Great Tribulation” or “Day of the LORD’S Wrath” which is also a contraction or summary looking back at Dan 11 on the antichrist. The verse tells us unequivocally that the Rapture will occur in this period. There are several other references to the saved, being saved out of the Great Tribulation.

10. Dan 12:11-13 tells us that the Abomination of Desolation occurs at 3.5 years after the Abolishment of Sacrifice and Offering. So, when we recall the information from Dan 8 & 9 above we now know unequivocally that the Abomination of Desolation comes at the END of the Seven Year Covenant.
11. Dan 12:12 coupled with Dan 12:1 gives us a strong indication that the Rapture occurs 45 days into the Great Tribulation which follows the Seven Year Covenant. Moreover,

12. 2 Thes. 2:1-5 Tells us that the Rapture will not occur until After the Abomination of Desolation, which occurs at the End of the Seven Year Covenant, which so-called “pre-tribbers” erroneously call The Seven Year Tribulation Period.

13. Matt 24:15:24-31 tells us that the Raptures will not occur until After the Abomination of Desolation, which occurs at the End of the Seven Year Covenant.

14. Mark 13:14-27 tells us that the Rapture will not occur until After the Abomination of Desolation, which occurs at the End of the Seven Year Covenant.

15. Luke 21:20-28 tells us that the Rapture will occur After the Desolation of Jerusalem, giving us more synchronization.

16. There are four (4) revelations of the Rapture in Revelation: Rev 7: 9, Rev 12:10-12, Rev 14: 14-16, Between Rev 18:24 and Rev 19:1, all follow the rapture of the “144,000 firstfruits” which distinguish it as “the rapture of the Church.” Revelation’s format is repetition and enlargement; they all correspond with the series of events detailed in Daniel 12, Matthew 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21

17. The “great tribulation,” “The day of God’s wrath,” “The Day of the Lord,” “Jacob’s trouble,” is one distinct time period of 1260 days, or 3½ years that follows the Seven Year Covenant (Mideast peace treaty) of Daniel 9:27, which 7-year treaty ends with the abomination of desolation. See Matthew 24:15; therefore, Dan 9:27 is not about Antiochus Epiphanies of 164 B.C! Also see 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4.

18. The Rapture occurs 45-days after the abomination of desolation and into the 3½ year Day of the Lord or time of Great-Tribulation, Dan 12:1,11,12

19. There are no converts after the rapture until the end of the great tribulation: Rev. 15:8-9; 16:21 & 11:13. The salvation of multitudes during the Great Tribulation is not scriptural!

20. In the book of Revelation, the term “tribulation” or “great tribulation” does not appear in the opening of the scroll with seven seals, which is the outline for end of age events, until Revelation 7:14, when the saints are in heaven. The term does not appear again in scripture; but the Wrath of God takes over, appearing thirteen times from Revelation 6:16 to Revelation 19:15, during which time "they repented not" is repeated three times. – Mary Stewart Relfe, PhD, “When Your Money Fails”
The Book of Revelation and the Rapture

To understand the events in Revelation, one must first understand the repetitious literary format of the book.

In that regard let us take a cursory macro look at the book and examine some of its passages.

Revelation is the story of civilization with concentration on the end of the civilization that has existed since Noah, and the installation of a new order of things where righteousness rules.

Revelation is a repetitious book, based on revelation and enlargement. Its major theme is outlined with sequential sequencers. The balance is repeated in whole or in part three or more times. Each theme is depicted from a different perspective or literary style and contains new revelations and unique events, but also contains key common elements to allow the earnest student to synchronize and merge the collective events in each theme.

Revelation chapters 4-11 is the telling and sequencing of the major events. Revelation 12 is sort of a recapitulation and a bridge between the major theme and the enlargement that follows and centers on Israel and the 144,000. Revelation 13-16 is a second telling and enlargement of the main theme with different allegoric figures and additional information. Revelation 17 begins a third recapitulation, enlargement and emphasis.

In the first telling the rapture occurs under the sixth seal; “pretribulationist” have been taught that it occurs under the fourth seal and this is deeply embedded in the collective consciousness, but we have already seen that is wrong.

The first theme is clear. It is the story of an allegorical scroll with seven seals representing this civilization. As each seal is broken a set of events is/are revealed. When the seventh seal is broken, there is a subset of seven trumpets sounded, and following each one a set of events. Finally there are three woes for emphasis that correspond with the last three trumpets whose events are of the very end of this world order.

The second telling, Revelation 13-16, begins with a detail of the dragon and the beast, reveals that the saints are still present, talks about the 144,000 firstfruits being sealed and then depicts the rapture and alludes to the battle of Armageddon.

In the third telling, the rapture has just occurred at the beginning of Chapter 19, simultaneously with the destruction of the corrupt remains of the major religious institution on earth at the end of Chapter 18 [the Catholic Church Politic now without any saved souls following the rapture]. Check it out!

The major events of Revelation are the culminating events of 6,000 years of civilization. To avoid any misinterpretation by his children, God has seen to it that the major events are told over and over, each with a different literary style and/or from a different observation point; One from heaven, one from earth, another in a different format, one factual, one allegoric, another in metaphor. And they are interwoven so that one helps interpret the other.

One of the first things to notice about Revelation and the rapture is how the Second Coming will appear.

Rev 1:7 Look, he is coming with the clouds,
and every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him.

So shall it be! Amen.

This also corresponds with what Jesus said at Matt 24: 29-31: Matt 24:29-31

"Immediately after the distress of those days
the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light;
the stars will fall from the sky,
and the heavenly bodies will be shaken."

"At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the
nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on
the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. And he will send his
angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four
winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

In Revelation 4, after the message to the seven churches in Asia, John, the author of Revelation,
is invited into heaven. It is at this point that “Pre-tribulation Rapturist” suppose the church is
raptured. This scripture is as follows:

Revelation 4:1-11 (first iteration of end time events in allegory)

After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in
heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said,
“Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.” At once
I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in Heaven with
someone sitting on it . . .

Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on
them were twenty-four elders. . . . In the center surrounding the throne were
four living creatures.

Then I saw . . . a scroll sealed with seven seals. [Notice the scroll is still
sealed]
Then I saw a Lamb . . .
Then I heard the voice of many angels numbering thousands upon
thousands . . .
Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them singing... [Notice that the multitude in white robes is not present].

I watched as the Lamb opened the first of the seven seals...

Now compare the preceding with the following:

Revelation 6:9:

When the Lamb opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain... [Note that they are not around the throne, have not yet been dressed in white robes and have no crowns]

Revelation 6:12: I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as late figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. The sky receded like a scroll, rolling up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. [Just like in the gospels]

Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and every slave and every free man hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains...


Revelation 7:1: After this I saw four angels... holding back the four winds. Then I saw another angel having the seal of the living God... Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000... [Remember this sequence: earthquake, sun black, moon blood red, meteor shower, then the sealing of the 144,000.]

Revelation 7:9: After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice... [Note that this event followed the sealing of the 144,000 and note that they, the subject, are wearing white robes and are before the throne and with the “Lamb.” Now compare Rev 4:1-11 and Rev 7:1-9 back and forth and see clearly which one describes the rapture in your own mind. Do it now.]

Now, clearly, this last paragraph, at Revelation 7:9, is where the rapture takes place. Here it is
in harmony with the events of Joel 2&3, Daniel 12:11&12, Matthew 24:29-31, Mark 13:24, Luke 21:25-28, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5 and Rev 1:7 as precursors of the rapture and Revelation 14, which is a summary repeat of the end age events in allegory [check it out now!]. To wit: [Notice the sequence of events again in the following, Revelation 14, with particular reference to the 144,000. Notice the parallel with Revelation 7, but particularly note the new information in Revelation 14, i.e. speaking of the 144,000, "these are the firstfruits." They could not be the first fruits if the rapture had occurred earlier as “Pre-Tribulationist and dispensationalists” suppose!]

Revelation 14:1; Second iteration of end time events; details of the rapture:

Then I looked and there before me was the Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. . . They were purchased from among men and offered as firstfruits to God and the Lamb . . .

Then I saw another angel flying in mid-air, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth... [The Church is still here]

A second angel followed and said “Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great. [The Church is still here]

A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: “If anyone worships the beast and his image and receives his mark on the forehead or the hand, he, too, will drink of the wine of God's fury, which has been poured full strength into the cup of his wrath... [The Church is still here]

Then I heard a voice from heaven say, “Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on...” [between abomination of desolation and rapture; 45 days. See Dan 12:11&12]

Verse 14: I looked, and there before me was a white cloud, and seated on the cloud was one “like a son of man” with a crown of gold on his head and a sharp sickle in his hand. Then another angel came out of the temple and called in a loud voice to him who was sitting on the cloud, “Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is ripe.” So he who was seated on the cloud swung his sickle over the earth, and the earth was harvested. [RAPTURE]

Another angel came out of the temple in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle. Still another angel, who had charge of the fire, came from the altar and called in a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, “Take you sharp sickle and gather the clusters of grapes from the earth’s vine, because its grapes are ripe.” The angel swung his sickle on the earth, gathered its
grapes and threw them into the great winepress of God’s wrath [the remaining 1215 days of the Day of God’s Wrath]. They were trampled in the winepress outside the city, and blood flowed out of the press, rising as high as the horses’ bridles for a distance of 1,600 stadia. [The approximate length of Palestine (Israel), about 182 miles]

I saw in heaven another great and marvelous sign: seven angels with the seven last plagues . . .

Notice that the seven seals are separated from the seven trumpets, before and after the rapture, and the events before the rapture in Revelation 14 are separated from the seven plagues after the rapture. Notice that the 144,000 are the firstfruits and their rapture is immediately before the rapture of the church as depicted in both Revelation 7 and Revelation 14, notice that both chapters are God’s number for completeness. Coincidence? Maybe, maybe not . . .

Notice that if the rapture took place at Revelation 4, as “pre-tribulation rapturist” erroneously proclaim, the rapture of the church would precede the rapture of the “firstfruits,” as well as being in disharmony with Joel 2&3, Daniel 12:11&12, Matthew 24:29-31, Mark 13:24, Luke 21:25-28, 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5 and Rev 1:7 as precursors of the rapture. Notice the true rapture at Revelation 7:

“After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: ‘Salvation belongs to our God, who sits of the throne, and to the Lamb.’ All the angels were standing around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying: ‘Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!’

Then one of elders asked me ‘These in white robes - who are they, and where did they come from?’ I answered, ‘Sir, you know.’ And he said, ‘These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

[Keep in mind there is only one resurrection and rapture of the just and that is after
the abomination of desolation (2 Thes. 2:1-4) occurring after the end of the 7-year peace treaty of Dan 9:27, and in fact, as we have seen and we shall see, 45-days into the Period of Wrath (Dan. 12:11-12). The resurrection of the lost is the only other resurrection and that doesn’t occur until after the thousand years of millennial reign (Rev. 20: 7-15) following the 3.5-year Great Tribulation and/or end of this civilization or age]
Summary of End Times Events from Peace Treaty to Rapture

By: John Cunningham and Jerry Warrington

Jer 30:7 [Regarding The Day of the Lord]

How awful that day will be!
None will be like it.
It will be a time of trouble for Jacob, [Israel]
but he will be saved out of it.

The eighth chapter of Daniel records the activities of a little horn. Daniel 8 is usually regarded by so-called pre tribulation rapturist as a prophecy of Antiochus Epiphanies fulfilled in 167 BC. Because they cannot make it fit with the time periods as they suppose them. John Cunningham, a leading eschatologist of the Church of God had this to say:

“Since these events are to take place in the last days, historicist interpretations of the 2300 days of Dan 8:14 are ruled out of the question. But what period is actually indicated by this expression? We have to confess that we have the greatest difficulty in reconciling this period with the other time-periods under consideration. The expression translated “days” is “evenings, mornings” and most take this to refer to days. On this view the whole period lasts for a little over six years.

Despite the opinion of some eschatologist several verses in this chapter show that the prophecy is about the end of the age. “The vision belongs to the time of the end” (v. 17). “I will make you know what shall be in the latter time of the indignation; for at the time appointed the end shall be” (v. 19). “And in the latter time of their Kingdom when the transgressors are come to the full” (v. 23). “Shut up the vision for it belongs to many days to come” (v. 26).

The identity of the little horn of chapter seven with the little horn of chapter eight has been recognized by a number of writers. Both horns exist at the same time, the end of the age. Both speak blasphemies against God and persecute God’s people. Both overthrow divine laws, the little horn of chapter 7 “thinking to change times and laws,” while the little horn of chapter 8 takes away the daily sacrifice and defiles the sanctuary by means of the “abomination of desolation.” The career of both is terminated by the arrival of the Kingdom of God. One writer who advocated the identity of these two horns was S. P. Tregelles who wrote: “The non-identity of the two would involve difficulties of the greatest magnitude — so great that the supposition may be regarded as a moral impossibility.” In other words, they are one and the same.

So, Are the events spoken of in Dan. 9:27; “He will confirm a covenant with many for one ‘seven.’ In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on a wing [of the temple] he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.” inclusive in the 70 weeks referred to in verse 24 “Seventy 'sevens' are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy?” Or, is it inclusive in the so-called
Church Age, which is excluded from the count? Is verse 27 just added information about a particular week of the end times? Or, is it part of the 70 specific weeks? Or, will the events of verse 24, "to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy" be completed for the Church at “The Marriage Supper of the Lamb in heaven, after the rapture, while the time of wrath is being completed on earth?

It is believed, based on all the preceding with emphasis on Dan 8:13-18 and the gospel accounts of Matthew 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21, that although the week described in verse 27 begins with the confirmation of a peace treaty, the events included in verse 24, e.g., the 70th Week, don’t begin until 3.5 year later when sacrifice and offering is stopped in the middle of the “7-year covenant.”

From the confirmation of the peace treaty no significant events happen until about 3.5 years later when sacrifice and offering is halted. Then 1290 days later (about 3.5-years), the abomination of desolation occurs, 45 days later the Church is raptured and is in heaven at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb where Jesus is crowned, while on earth the roughly 3.5 years of Great Tribulation or Time of Wrath is transpiring.

Therefore, it is believed that the week of Dan 9:24 and Dan 9:27 are not the same. The week of Dan 9:24 is not time lined in the scripture; the week of Dan 9:27 is about a peace treaty, it is time lined. If Dan 9:24 started where Dan 9:27 starts it would end before the Church is Raptured, Jesus is crowned and everlasting righteousness is ushered in. Dan 9:27 is about a peace treaty not time generally as verse 24 is.

Moreover, eschatologists, those who study prophetic scripture, have discovered that when Israel is out of the land the prophetic clock is “time out, After the abomination of desolation Israel is forced to flee into the desert. So, does that make Dan 9:24 and 27 synonymous?

The only way the scriptures fit is as follows: Prove it to yourself without leaving any out.

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Biblical Prophetic Chronology; End of Age Time Line

| ←-------------------Dan. 9:27: 7-Year Covenant----------------> | ←----Great-Tribulation----->|

(Week of Dan 9:27 above and 9:24 below are not synonymous as generally assumed)

The Confirmation of the Covenant  Sacrifice Abolished  Abomination of Desolation  Temple Re-consecrated

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| 1230 Days | 1290 Days (Dan 12:1, 11& 12) | 45 Days | 1260 Days (Rev 13:5-10) 45 Days | 1260 Days (Rev 13:5-10) 45 Days |
| Dan 12:1, 11,12; 2 Thes 2:3, Mat. 24:29-31, Rev 7:9, 14:16, 18:19-19:1 |

| ←-----Dan. 8:14: 2300 days till temple re-consecrated ----> |

| ←-------------------Dan. 9:24: Dan’s 70th Week [7-years]--------> | ←Church in Heaven at The Marriage Supper Of the Lamb Rev 19-|
**Things Discovered to be remembered:**

1. Daniel’s 70th week of Dan 9:24 and Daniel’s covenant of Dan 9:27 are not synonymous. The beginning of Daniel’s 70th Week at Dan 9:24 is not detailed but its end and duration is. The beginning and ending of the 7-year peace treaty is revealed. The ending of Daniel’s 70th Week of Dan 9:24 includes the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, an event after the rapture that takes place in heaven ending the 70th Week, which one can backtrack to its beginning at the midpoint of the 7-year Covenant.

2. There is no mention in the bible of 7-years of tribulation.

3. There are four revelations of the Rapture in Revelation: Rev: 7: 9; 12:10-12; 14:14-16; between 18:24 and 19:1, all four follow the rapture of the “144,000 firstfruits, therefore, distinguishing the event as the rapture of the Church. Revelation’s format is repetition and enlargement. They all correspond with the series of events detailed in Matt 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21.

4. The “great tribulation,” “The day of God’s wrath,” “The Day of the Lord,” “Jacob’s trouble,” is one distinct time period of 1260 days, or 3½ years that follows the 7-year peace treaty of Daniel 9:27, which 7-year treaty culminates with the abomination of desolation. See Matt 24:15; Dan 12:11-12 is not about Antiochus Epiphanes. Also see 2 Thes 2:3-4.

5. The Rapture occurs 45-days after the abomination of desolation and into the 3½ year period of Wrath or Day of the Lord or time of Great-Tribulation. See Dan 12:1 & 12:11-12 and 2 Thess 2:1-5.

6. There are no converts after the rapture. Only “They repented not” is repeated four times, until the “remnant” at very end: Rev 9:20; 15:8; 16:9 & 21; 11:13.

7. The only time period spoken of in the bible as a time of tribulation is the Great Tribulation of 3.5 years that begins not with the seven year peace treaty of Daniel 9:27, but after the end of the seven year treaty, which ends with the abomination of desolation and begins 3.5 years of great tribulation which the church will be raptured out of after 45 days. Scripture will not fit otherwise!
The Rapture

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The Wrath of God

The Wrath of God is a distinct time period. It is also referred to as the Great Tribulation and the Day of the Lord. We will see that we are born unto tribulation. During this time God chastens, permits afflictions, persecutions, and tribulations to try, purge, and make white, even as silver is refined in the furnace, but, we are instructed to "wait for His Son from Heaven . . . even Jesus, which hath delivered us from the wrath to come." I Thessalonians 1:10. The term "delivered" in Greek is rhuomai, meaning "to rescue." His coming is therefore "to rescue: us from the wrath to come;

WEB uses this rendering: "9 For God didn’t appoint us to wrath, but to the obtaining of salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him." I Thessalonians 5:9&11. Why? For we have received salvation from the "Wrath of God!"

Referencing this term, Wrath of God," will firmly establish these premises which here have been reduced to a bare minimum.

1. That this was a distinct period of time yet in the future alluded to more than a hundred times by many different terms in Hebrew and Greek, and which was translated many different ways, including the "Day of the Lord."

2. That it was to begin in Revelation 6:17; "For the great day of His wrath is come, and who shall be able to stand?"

3. That it is referred to as the great tribulation of the saints and has a duration of "time, times, and the dividing of time;" 42-months or three and one-half years. "I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws; and they shall be given into his hand until a time, and times, and the dividing of time." Daniel 7:21&25. [See Matt 24:22 for the elect the days will be cut short]

4. There is much confusion in the church about the duration of the Tribulation period, which is commonly thought of as 7-years in duration, but no were in the bible is it so defined. The idea believed arising from the duration of the peace treaty of Daniel 9:27, which is made up of two roughly 3.5-year periods and followed by another roughly 3.5 year Period of Wrath or Great Tribulation on earth while the saints are in Heaven at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.]

Rev 13:5-7: And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. And
he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in Heaven. And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds and tongues, and nations."

Luke 17:26-29: "And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day the Noe entered into the ark and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from Heaven and destroyed them all.

A research of each scriptural reference about the days of Noah and Lot will conclude:

1. There would be food and drink available to the very day of Christ's return! In other words, no worldwide famine will herald His return; only: famines in different places.” Matthew 24:7.

2. There would be people falling in love and marrying to the very day of His coming. There would be no generalized thought in their minds of an imminent end to the age. Marriage denotes long-term planning; establishing homes, having children . . . counting on tomorrow as today.

3. There would be subcultures (Sodom) that would eat and drink, but notably missing from their culture would be marriage, presupposing sexually perverted societies.

4. There would be "buying and selling;" indicating there would be goods and means with which to buy them to the very day of His return. Contrast this to Ezekiel 7:19.

5. There would be planting to the day of His return; planting with the thoughts of harvesting in a few months.

6. There would be building; building expecting to live in the houses for years. There would be absolutely no thoughts of a sudden "end of this age" in the mind of the world; but, as Noah and Lot knew all about it, so will the Church.

7. To the people of the world, Christ will come as a "thief in the night." Noah, a believer knew about the end of his age, but could not convince the world. The flood came as a shock to the old world, though they were exposed to the truth! As Lot, a believer, was apprised of the end, so will the Christians be apprised. And as Lot could not persuade even his sons-in-law who mocked him in disbelief, Christians will be unable to convince even members of their own families who will mock in disbelief even to the very day of Christ's return.

He will therefore come as a thief in the night to the world (although often exposed to the truth), but not as a thief in the night to the believers. I Thessalonians 5:1-4, "But of
the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they (the world) shall say, peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them (the world), as travail upon a woman with child; and they (the world) shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief." Note: the thief in the night in verse two is "they;" whereas the believer in verse four is "you brethren."

8. ". . . until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all." Not one person other than Noah and his family was saved. The day representing Christ's coming for the church; Noah, representing the believer, entered into the ark, representing the place prepared for us; the flood, representing the wrath of God, came and destroyed them all, representing a doomed world. The remainder of the world immediately received the Wrath of God from which there was no escape.

9. The same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from Heaven and destroyed them all. The day (analogizing the day of Christ's coming) Lot (analogizing the believer) went out of Sodom (the corrupt world) it rained fire and brimstone (analogizing the Wrath of God from Heaven) and destroyed them all (analogizing the doomed world)! No exceptions! No more repentance. No one "giving their life for their testimony!"

Jesus Christ gave only two precedents as analogies of His coming for His Church; Noah and Lot.

When this great concept is understood; that whenever Christ comes for His Bride, there will be no one else saved, you will begin to detach yourself from the false teachings of the millions who are going to be saved after the "catching away."

**Tribulation**

The word Tribulation, "Thilipsis," in Greek, literally means, and can be translated, pressure, affliction and persecution. You may be surprised to learn that the Church has been in it in varying degrees since the healing of the lame man by the gate Beautiful, in Acts 3. Here are a few references to consider:

*In the world ye shall have tribulation.* John 16:33.

"We must through much tribulation enter into the Kingdom of God." Acts 14:22.

*We glory in tribulation or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword . . . Romans 8:35.*

*Who comforts us in all our tribulation that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble . . . For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abounds by Christ. For we would not, brethren have you*
ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that we were pressed out of measure, above strength, insomuch that we despaired even of life; But, we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead; Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver, in whom we trust that He will yet deliver us." || Corinthians 1:4,5,8,9,10.

"I am exceeding joyful in all our tribulation." For when we were come into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but we were troubled on every side; without were fightings, within were fears." || Corinthians 7:4-5

"I desire that ye faint not at my tribulation for you." Ephesians 3:13.

"That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto. For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation, even as it came to pass, and ye know. For this cause when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempters have tempted you, and our labour be in vain." || Thessalonians 3:3-5. Note here, tribulations are the product of evil (Satan).

"So that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure: which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the Kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer." || Thessalonians 1:4-5.

"I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ." Revelation 1:9.

"... these are they which came out of great tribulation. [time of wrath]"
Revelation 7:14.

In the book of Revelation, the term “tribulation” or “great tribulation” does not appear in the opening of the scroll with seven seals, which is the outline for end of age events, until Revelation 7:14, when the saints are in heaven. The term does not appear again in scripture; but the Wrath of God takes over, appearing thirteen times from Revelation 6:16 to Revelation 19:15, during which time "they repented not" is repeated three times.
The Resurrection

The Pre-Tribulation [Pre Daniel’s Peace Treaty] Theory has no resurrection! The resurrection of the just of Revelation 20:4-6 is the only resurrection of the just, for the only coming of Christ for the Church. (His coming back to the earth is with all of the saints.) Zechariah 14:5. Many have manufactured aberrations of the scriptures. Here is what scripture says:

"Marvel not at this for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice. And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation." John 5:28-29.

"For thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just." Luke 14:14

"...And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust."

Jesus here taught about (1) the resurrection of life and the resurrection of damnation. (2) The Resurrection of the just. (3) Paul here taught: "there would" be a resurrection of the just, and a resurrection of the unjust. The indefinite articles "the and a" are singular and denote - one of its kind!

When the Principle of Harmony is applied to every parallel passage about the resurrection, all must agree. When one takes an unabridged concordance and checks out every reference, one will discover that there is a resurrection of the just, and a resurrection of the unjust.

"And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them, that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years." Revelation 20:4-6. NOTE: The saints, whom the Antichrist warred against and overcame, are in this first resurrection! The only resurrection left is one thousand years later.

Look at the resurrection in I Corinthians 15:51-52:

"Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound,
and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed."

When does this occur? "At the last trump." Since it says the "last trump" there could not be a later one. Since there is only one resurrection for the just, it is here at the "last trump." Some [erroneously] say that this "catching away" is at the beginning of Daniel's Peace Treaty Week. They have, therefore, used the "last trump," and the "only resurrection" for the just.

How can they invent another trump later than the last trump or another resurrection other than the only one for the just? The multiple resurrection theory is as fabricated as purgatory and papal infallibility.

"For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with a voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
Wherefore comfort one another with these words: 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18.

[This coming for the Church is going to be accompanied by a shout, Voice of the archangel, and the trump of God . . . ("the last trump"). In the margins of almost every reference Bible is written out beside Matthew 24:31, a reference to I Corinthians 15:52; I Thessalonians 4:16, Last Trump, indicating these three Scriptures speak of the same event, the coming of Christ for the Church.

"And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. [The trumpet and sound are one and the same with the trumpet and sound of I Corinthians 15:51 and I Thessalonians 4:16; and further amplification is made in Thompson's New Chain Reference that the trump of Matthew 24:31, means 'last trump' of I Thessalonians 4:16!]

Actually the Greek term Salpinx from which all these references are translated includes: trump, shout and great voice." This is indeed the Feast of Trumpets. Thus the "catching away" of the Church is sequenced just as our Lord taught it in Matthew 24:29.

"Immediately after the tribulation of those days [after the abomination of desolation] . . . there shall appear the sign of the Son of man in Heaven . . . and He shall send His angels with a great sound . . ." The "catching away" after the tribulation of those days synchronizes with the "first resurrection" of Revelation 20:4-6!

The 24 "Elders"

One of the two pivot points of Pre-Tribulation Rapture [Pre Daniel’s 70th Week] Theory is based upon Revelation 4:1 where it is conjectured that the calling of John to "come up hither" and the appearance of the twenty-four elders around the throne in Revelation 5:9 represents the rapture of the Church. As has been seen, this cannot be the true case because it would not fit with what the
gospels recorded that Jesus taught regarding the sequence of end time events, or with what Daniel or Joel 2:31 recorded, or, as we just saw, with what Paul taught about the resurrection. Nor will it fit with Rev 6:12 to 7:14 where the rapture of the Church is indeed portrayed.

Furthermore, this pivot point fails because it is predicated on an error in the King James translation from which this erroneous theory arose! Look at the twenty-four elders (the supposed Church) in the King James Version.

"And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou was slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And hast made us unto our God Kings and Priests: and we shall reign on the earth." Revelation 5:9.

The entire Pre-Tribulation Rapture Theory is predicated on these pronouns, redeemed "us," made "us," "we" shall reign. Every pronoun is a King James Version translation error!

All subsequent versions, which are too numerous to name, corrected this error, and correctly translates the pronouns into either second or third person. Typical is the Revised Standard Version, which says: "ransom men," "gathered them," and "they" (not "we") shall reign. The 24 Elders are clearly of the heavenly realm, The Church is clearly not present:

"And they sang a new song, saying, 'Worthy art Thou to take the book, and to break its seals; for Thou was slain, and didst purchase for God with Thy blood men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. And Thou has made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth.'"

The true rapture of the Church, which is begun to be portrayed at Revelation 6:9-11 is in harmony with all other scripture:

"And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow-servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled." Revelation 6:9-11.

The multitudes who had been martyrs throughout the ages right up to the time of the Great Tribulation, but specifically excluding those yet to be martyred by the Antichrist; compare Revelation 6:9, with Revelation 20:4, where the first part of 20:4 includes the class of martyrs of 6:9; then the conjunction and; which then distinguishes the Antichrist's martyrs in addition.

"And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his
image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. Revelation 20:4.

Christ comes after the opening of the Sixth Seal in Revelation 6:12; which corresponds to His coming in Isaiah 24, Joel 2:30-32, Daniel 9:27 and 12:11-13, Matthew 24:30; Mark 13:24, Luke 21:27, I Thessalonians 4:16, I Corinthians 15:51, etc., all hermeneutically harmonious. (Read them now! Prove it to yourself!)

Immediately, after His coming in Revelation 6:16, people began to pray to the mountains to hide them from the Wrath of the Lamb; "for the great day of His Wrath is come, and who shall be able to stand?" Daniel’s 70th Week ends with the abomination of Desolation and the Wrath of God ensues. the Church is "caught up;" but, the Wrath of God, (the flood of Noah's day from which no one escaped) is come, and will destroy the doomed world.

Seeing that there will be no one else saved (Matthew 25:11-12, Luke 13:23-27), God seals the 144,000. He seals them in Revelation 7. They are seen again on Mt. Sion with Christ in Revelation 14:1; but their number has remained fixed! There is no Scripture to indicate that they become evangelists and win millions during this period. Moreover, at Rev 14:4 it is said, “They are offered as firstfruits to God and the Lamb.” The rapture of the Church immediately follows. A few Jews (one-half of one-third or 17%) will go into the Millennium in their physical bodies. Zechariah 13:8 to 14:3; Ezekiel 37.

The two witnesses these last three and one-half years during the Period of Wrath have no converts. Only "they repented not" three times occurs after the Church is taken out.

The church is seen in heaven the first time in Revelation 7:14-17. Christ comes back "with all his saints: three and one-half years later (after the Wrath of God is finished, as seen in Revelation 19, Jude 14, and Zechariah 14:5). No saints have been on earth during this time! There are no saints here to greet Him! He brings "all the saints" back with Him.

The Church of Philadelphia

The other major pivot point of the erroneous Pre-Tribulation Theory is the misinterpretation of the promise to the Church of Philadelphia to be kept from the hour of temptation.

"Because thou has kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." Revelation 3:10.

Moffat says:

"It is impossible from the grammar and difficult from the sense to decide whether "tereinen" means successful endurance (pregnant sense as in John 17:15 where Jesus prayed ['I pray not that you should take them out of the world, but that you should keep them from the evil]; or absolute immunity (cf. II Peter 2:9 [The Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:']).

Safe emergence from the trial or escape from it entirely."

Kenneth Taylor says in Living Prophecies,

"The inference is not clear in the Greek, as to whether this means 'kept from' or
The language here is certainly not absolute. It must, therefore, be taken in harmony with other scripture.

Paul's Problem with Misinterpretation

No one can begin to interpret scripture unless there is a willingness to first leave it in context where you cannot manipulate it, but it can manipulate you. Jesus in Matthew 24:3 was asked these SPECIFIC QUESTIONS,

1. "Tell us WHEN shall these things be; and"

2. "WHAT shall be the SIGN of thy coming, and"

3. "The end of the Age?"

His answers were so simply sequenced that a child could understand. Question #1 concerning the WHEN of the destruction of the Temple "when one stone would not be left upon another, and Jerusalem’s house would be left desolate.; He replied, "All these things shall come upon YOU (this generation)." Matthew 23:35-38. Some 37 to 44 years later the Roman General Titus fulfilled this prophecy.

To question #2 He answered, "Immediately after the tribulation of those days . . . (Matt 24:29), referring to his previous discourse of events, “THEN shall appear the SIGN of the Son of Man . . . (to) gather together His elect (saved souls) from the four winds . . .” Matthew 24:29 (not the coming back to earth when ALL saints are already with Him - Zechariah 14:5). If this discourse were all we had and we were willing to leave it in context, it would be sufficient for anyone to properly sequence the Lord's return.

I Thessalonians:

In I Thessalonians, Paul was not endeavoring primarily to sequence the events of the Day of the Lord having not been pointedly asked as Jesus had, "When and what?" The occasion which precipitated Paul's first letter was practical first, and only incidentally eschatological. Any Bible Commentary will give the purpose of this letter. Zondervan's Bible Dictionary states:

"Some of the church members had died, causing the rest to worry whether their departed friends would share in the return of Christ" (4:13. "Still others, anticipating the Second Advent, had given up all regular employment and were idly waiting for the Lord to appear" (4:9-12).

"THE EPISTLE WAS INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE THE THESALONIAN'S GROWTH AS CHRISTIANS AND TO SETTLE THE QUESTIONS THAT WERE TROUBLING THEM."

It appears the furthest thing from Paul's mind was whether or not the Church would escape the Great Tribulation at the end of the Age; namely because the Church was in such great tribulation, that many believed they were already in it, and were overly anticipating the Lord's immediate return to rescue them out of it, and to "deliver them from the Wrath to come." I Thessalonians 1:10.

Thiessen's Lectures in Systematic Theology states, "One gets the impression that early believers identified their persecutions with the predicted period of Tribulation."

The AFFLICTION they were enduring, and the ADVENT they were anticipating resulted in
inordinate behavior. Increasing numbers of them, devoid of gainful employment, became idle, waiting for the Advent.

“That no man should be moved by these afflictions [tribulations]: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto. For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know. And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you; That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing." | Thessalonians 3:3-4; 4:11-12.

Paul’s purpose was to: (1) Gently nudge them to get back to work; endure, knowing that God had not appointed them to wrath, but salvation” (I Thessalonians 5:9); (2) Encourage them to sorrow not for their deceased loved ones, because God would bring these with Him when "He descends from Heaven . . ." The intent of this letter was to deal with a very practical and delicate problem, which if not corrected, would destroy the viability of this body of believers; not to delineate the sequential order of the Day of the Lord.

II Thessalonians:
Instead of receiving Paul's first letter in context, they, like many since, lifted out a phrase of I Thessalonians 4:15:

"This we say unto you by the word of the Lord that WE WHICH ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN UNTO THE COMING OF THE LORD shall not prevent them which are asleep."

Unfortunately, those charged with reading the letter (I Thessalonians 5:27) decided to "edit it." They taught that Paul said, "All of US aren't going to die. Some of US are going to be alive and remain until Christ comes. Here it is! Paul said it was the word of the Lord to us!" Classic "text without a context"—only a pretext. The months following saw the same conditions Paul endeavored to correct with the first letter grow worse.

Unemployment increased, dependency accelerated; idleness brought on gossip.

"Why build a house? We'll just get married and live with Mom and Dad. Christ will surely come before we could finish it. Why plant a crop this Spring: He'll probably be back before harvest time."

The latter state was worse than the first; which necessitated the second letter (II Thessalonians) only months after the first.

"Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to be with him: I beg you, brothers, do not be so easily confused in your thinking or upset by the claim that the Day of the Lord has come. Perhaps this was said by someone prophesying, or by someone preaching. Or it may have been said that we wrote this in a letter. Do not let anyone fool you in any way.

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Paul was declaring with all the emphasis he could that the day of Christ to which he had referred in 1 Thessalonians 4:16 could not come until two (2) things took place: The falling away, and the Antichrist revealed, e.g., the abomination of desolation.

Paul firmly establishes his point in this second letter by declaring the fallacy of looking for Christ before one looks for two things which must precede Him; (1) The falling away, and (2) The antichrist revealed, sitting in the Temple declaring himself to be God – The Abomination of Desolation.

It is absurd that the problem Paul endeavored to correct with this letter is still prevalent today. Much of Christianity is still falsely declaring Christ could come at any moment without these two prerequisites. Small wonder that Paul prefaces this verse with: "LET NO MAN DECEIVE YOU BY ANY MEANS." Millions today who profess to interpret the Bible literally are as deceived as the Thessalonians because of their failure to critically read and understand the scripture for themselves.
PART II

Bible Hermeneutics Regarding the End of the Age

A Sequential Scriptural Harmony of End of Age Events

By: Jerry Warrington
Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen.

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

9 I, John, your brother and companion in the sufferings and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. 10 On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, 11 which said: "Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea."
12 I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and among the lampstands was someone "like a son of man," dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. 14 His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. 15 His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. 16 In his right hand he held seven stars, and out of his mouth came a sharp double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. 18 I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I
RE Israel, ISIS, the Vatican and the WEU

Rev 12:1-17
1 A great and wondrous sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head.
2 She was pregnant and cried out in pain as she was about to give birth. [Israel is the world’s fastest growing nation]
3 Then another sign appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on his heads. [The Western European Union (WEU) or the like]
4 His tail swept a third...
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<td>of the stars [religious leaders] out of the sky and flung them to the earth. The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that he might devour her child [the 144,000 Jews] the moment it was born.</td>
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<td>11 There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.</td>
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<td>There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. 8 All these are the beginning of birth pains. [of a new era, the millennial reign of Christ on earth]</td>
<td>4 Then another horse came out, a fiery red one. Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make men slay each other. To him was given a large sword.</td>
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<td>12 &quot;But before all this, they will lay hands on you and persecute you.</td>
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<td>6 Then I heard what sounded like a voice among the four living creatures, saying, &quot;A quart of wheat for a day's wages, and three quarts of barley for a day's wages, and do not damage the oil and the wine!&quot;</td>
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They will deliver you to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of my name. 13 This will result in your being witnesses to them. 14 But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. 15 For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. 16 You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers, relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. 17 All men will hate you because of me, 18 but not a hair of your head will perish. 19 By standing firm you will gain life.

9 "You must be on your guard. You will be handed over to the local councils and flogged in the synagogues. On account of me you will stand before governors and kings as witnesses to them. 10 And the gospel must first be preached to all nations. 11 Whenever you are arrested and brought to trial, do not worry beforehand about what to say. Just say whatever is given you at the time, for it is not you speaking, but the Holy Spirit. 12 "Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child. Children will rebel against their parents and have them put to death. 13 All men will hate you because of me, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved.

9 "Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. 10 At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, 11 and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. 12 Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, 13 but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony they had maintained. 10 They called out in a loud voice, "How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?" 11 Then each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to wait a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and brothers who were to be killed as they had been was completed.

1 And the dragon [the allegoric Devil] stood on the shore of the sea. And I saw a beast coming out of the sea. He had ten horns and seven heads, with ten crowns on his horns, [not his head; signifying a ten crown power over him] and on each head a blasphemous name. [Islamic Caliphate] 2 The beast I saw resembled a leopard, but had feet like those of a bear and a mouth like that of a lion. [Characteristics of the various countries of the Middle East in scripture allegory] The dragon [the Western European Unions (WEU) or the like] gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority. 3 One of the heads of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound [The Islamic Caliphate - Impelled by their new Islamic faith, in the 7th and 8th centuries Arab armies created one of the largest empires known]
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<td>15 &quot;So when you see standing in the holy place 'THE ABOMINATION THAT CAUSES DESOLATION' spoken of through the prophet Daniel — let the reader understand—</td>
<td>12 I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, 13 and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as late figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind.</td>
<td>15 I will send you ahead of me to a desert. There I will speak to you. 16 I will send you to them and their kings, to their provinces and to their armies, to the nations of the earth, to the languages, to the kings of the earth and of the whole world.</td>
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22 For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform signs and miracles to deceive the elect — if that were possible. 
23 So be on your guard; I have told you everything ahead of time.

Matt 24 (Cont'd)  
equalled again. 22 If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened. 23 At that time if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or, 'There he is!' do not believe it. 
24 For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and miracles to deceive even the elect — if that were possible. 
25 See, I have told you ahead of time.

Rev 6 (Cont'd)  
17 For the great day of their wrath [1260 days of Rev 11:2-3, 12:6&14, 13:5] has come, and who can stand?"

Rev 12 (Cont’d)  
was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation.

Rev 13 (Cont’d)  
All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast — all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world. 
9 He who has an ear, let him hear. 
10 If anyone is to go into captivity, into captivity he will go. If anyone is to be killed with the sword, with the sword he will be killed. This calls for patient endurance and faithfulness on the part of the saints.

Rev 17-19  
I will explain to you the mystery of the woman and of the beast she rides, which has the seven heads and ten horns. [the Islamic Caliphate] 8 The beast, which you saw, once was, now is not, and will come out of the Abyss and go to his destruction. The inhabitants of the earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the creation of the world will be astonished when they see the beast, because he once was, now is not, and yet will come.

9 "This calls for a mind with wisdom. The seven heads are seven hills on which the woman sits [Rome]. 10 They are also seven kings. Five have fallen [Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece] one is [Rome], the other has not yet come [the Caliphate]: but when he does come, he must remain for a little while. 11 The beast who once was, and now is not, is an eighth king. He belongs to the seven and is going to his destruction.
Mark 13 (Cont’d)

24 “But in those days, following that distress,

Matt 24 (Cont’d)

29 “Immediately after the distress of those days

Rev 12 (Cont’d)

Rev 13 (Cont’d)
wound had been healed.
13 And he performed great and miraculous signs, even causing fire to come down from heaven to earth in full view of men.
14 Because of the signs he was given power to do on behalf of the first beast, he deceived the inhabitants of the earth. He ordered them to set up an image in honor of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived.
15 He was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that it could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed.
16 He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead, 17 so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name.

Rev 17 (Cont’d)
13 They have one purpose and will give their power and authority to the beast. [the Caliphate] 14 They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings — and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers."
15 Then the angel said to me, "The waters you saw, where the prostitute sits [the Vatican], are peoples, multitudes, nations and languages. 16 The beast [Islamic Caliphate] and the ten horns [future U.N.] you saw will hate the prostitute [the Vatican]. They will bring her to ruin and leave her naked; they will eat her flesh and burn her with fire. 17 For God has put it into their hearts to accomplish his purpose by agreeing to give the beast their power to rule, until God's words are fulfilled.
18 The woman you saw is the great city that rules over the kings of the earth." [the Vatican]

Rev 18
1 After this I saw another angel coming down from
After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth to prevent any wind from blowing on the land or on the sea or on any tree.

Then I saw another angel coming up from the east, having the seal of the living God. He called out in a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm the land and the sea:

"Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God."

Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000 from all the tribes of Israel.

From the tribe of Judah 12,000 were sealed, from the tribe of Reuben 12,000, from the tribe of Gad 12,000, from the tribe of Asher 12,000, from the tribe of Naphtali 12,000, from the tribe of heaven. He had great authority, and the earth was illuminated by his splendor. With a mighty voice he shouted: "Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great! She has become a home for demons and a haunt for every evil spirit, a haunt for every unclean and detestable bird. For all the nations have drunk the maddening wine of her adulteries. The kings of the earth committed adultery with her, and the merchants of the earth grew rich from her excessive luxuries."

Then I heard another voice from heaven say: "Come out of her, my people, so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues; for her sins are piled up to heaven, and God has remembered her crimes. Give back to her as she has given; pay her back double for what she has done. Mix her a double portion from her own cup. Give her as much torture and grief as the glory and luxury she gave herself. In her heart
25 "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. 26 Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken.

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Evil is like the smoke of a fire, like the smoke of a fireplace. It takes away the sons of men and leaves the Bones of the dead behind. Put your trust in the Lord and he will be your strong foundation.
Luke 21 (Cont’d)
Mark 13 (Cont’d)
Matthew 24 (Cont’d)
Rev 1:1-17 (Cont’d)

Rev 12 (Cont’d)
10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. For the accuser of our brothers, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.

11 They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.

12 Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short.”

13 When the dragon saw that he had been hurled to the earth, he pursued the woman [Israel] who had given birth to the male child [the 144,000 firstfruits]

Rev 14:1-20
5 No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless.
6 Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth-- to every nation, tribe, language and people.

7 He said in a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

8 A second angel followed and said, “Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great, [For details see Rev 17 in last column] which made all the nations drink the maddening wine of her adulteries.”

9 A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: “If anyone worships the beast and his image and receives his mark on the forehead or on the hand, 10 he, too, will drink of the wine of God’s fury, which has been poured full

Rev 18 (Cont’d)
flour and wheat; cattle and sheep; horses and carriages; and bodies and souls of men.
14 “They will say, ‘The fruit you longed for is gone from you. All your riches and splendor have vanished, never to be recovered.’”
15 The merchants who sold these things and gained their wealth from her will stand far off, terrified at her torment. They will weep and mourn 16 and cry out: Woe! Woe, O great city, dressed in fine linen, purple and scarlet, and glittering with gold, precious stones and pearls! 17 In one hour such great wealth has been brought to ruin!’
"Every sea captain, and all who travel by ship, the sailors, and all who earn their living from the sea, will stand far off. 18 When they see the smoke of her burning, they will exclaim, ‘Was there ever a city like this great city?’ 19 They will throw dust on their heads, and with weeping and mourning cry out: ‘Woe! Woe, O great city, where all who had ships on the sea became rich through her
At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

28 When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Mark 13 (Cont’d)

26 "At that time men will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.

30 "At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory.

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Revelation 12 (Cont’d)

14 Then from his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river, to overtake the woman and sweep her away with the torrent.
16 But the earth helped the woman by opening its mouth and swallowing the river that the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.

17 Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to make war against the rest of her offspring, those who obey God's commandments and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

18 for the time has come for judgment, and the dead are being judged according to their works,
19 that they may receive their recompense, with joy and everlasting life. But sin and death entered the world through the man Adam, so that sin and death spread to all people because all sinned.

20 The sin of this one man brought death, so the reward of the one man, Adam, brought death to many; so also the gift of one man, Jesus Christ, brought eternal life, so that sin and death are judged by the one man, Adam, so also the reward of the one man, Jesus Christ, brings eternal life, so that sin and death are judged by the one man, Adam.

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21 Then a mighty angel picked up a boulder the size of a large millstone and threw it into the sea, and said:
22 "With such violence the great city of Babylon will be thrown down never to be found again. The music of harpists and musicians, flute players and trumpeters, will never be heard in you again. No workman of any trade will ever be found in you again. The sound of a millstone will never be heard in you again. The light of a lamp will never shine in you again. The voice of bridegroom and bride will never be heard in you again. Your merchants were the world's great men. By your magic spell all the nations were led astray. In her was found the blood of prophets and of the saints, and of all who have been killed on the earth."
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<td>who was sitting on the loud, &quot;Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is ripe.&quot;</td>
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Rev 7 (Cont'd)

9 After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. 10 And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." 11 All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They cried:

Rev 12 Closing Comment

[Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, 2 for true and just are his judgments. He has condemned the great prostitute who corrupted the earth by her adulteries. He has avenged on her the blood of his servants.

3 And again they shouted: "Hallelujah! The smoke from her goes up for ever and ever." 4 The twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God, who was seated on the throne. And they cried:

"Amen, Hallelujah!"

5 Then a voice came from the throne, saying:
7 saw in heaven another great and marvelous sign: seven angels with the seven last plagues — last, because with them God's wrath is completed. 2 And I saw what looked like a sea of glass mixed with fire and, standing beside the sea, those who had been victorious over the beast and his image and over the number of his name. They held harps given them by God 3 and sang the song of Moses the servant of God and the song of the Lamb: "Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the ages. 4 Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."

15 Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes— who are they, and where did they come from?"
16 I answered, "Sir, you know." And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 17 Therefore, "they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. 18 Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. 19 For the Lamb at the center of the throne in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle.

10 At this I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "Do not do it! I am a fellow servant with your servants, who fear him, both small and great!"

6 Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. 7 Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. 8 Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear." (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.)

9 Then the angel said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!'" And he added, "These are the true words of God."
Rev 7 (Cont’d)
will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

Rev 8:1 to 9:21
1 When he opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. 2 And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets. 3 Another angel, who had a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense to offer, with the prayers of all the saints, on the golden altar before the throne. 4 The smoke of the incense, together with the prayers of the saints, went up before God from the angel’s hand. 5 Then the angel took the censer, filled it

Rev 15 (Cont’d)
5 After this I looked and in heaven the temple, that is, the tabernacle of the Testimony, was opened. 6 Out of the temple came the seven angels with the seven plagues. They were dressed in clean, shining linen and wore golden sashes around their chests. 7 Then one of the four living

Rev 14 (Cont’d)
18 Still another angel, who had charge of the fire, came from the altar and called in a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, "Take your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of grapes from the earth’s vine, because its grapes are ripe.” 19 The angel swung his sickle on the earth, gathered its grapes and threw them into the great winepress of God’s wrath. 20 They were trampled in the winepress outside the city, and blood flowed out of the press, rising as high as the horses’ bridles for a distance of 1,600 stadia [184 miles].

[Rev 14 ends at v. 20 with recap. of Rev 8 telling. Chapter 15 is an intro to Rev 16, a retelling and enlargement of the story.]

Rev 19 (Cont’d)
you and with your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”

11 I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True.
with fire from the altar, and hurled it on the earth; and there came peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning and an earthquake.

6 Then the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared to sound them.

7 The first angel sounded his trumpet, and there came hail and fire mixed with blood, and it was hurled down upon the earth. A third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up.

8 The second angel sounded his trumpet, and
something like a huge mountain, all ablaze, was thrown into the sea. A third of the sea turned into blood.

9 a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed, and every living thing in the sea died.

10 The third angel sounded his trumpet, and a great star, blazing like a torch, fell from the sky on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water--

11 the name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters turned bitter, and many people died from the waters that had become bitter.

2 The fourth angel sounded his trumpet, and

4 The third angel poured out his bowl on the rivers and springs of water, and they became blood.

5 Then I heard the angel in charge of the waters say: "You are just in these judgments, you who are and who were, the Holy One, because you have so judged;

6 for they have shed the blood of your saints and prophets, and you have given them blood to drink as they deserve."

7 And I heard the altar respond: "Yes, Lord God Almighty, true and just are your judgments."

8 The fourth angel poured out

4 The sea, and it turned into blood like that of a dead man

2 The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. 15 Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. 16 On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written:

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<td>a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them turned dark. A third of the day was without light, and also a third of the night. 13 As I watched, I heard an eagle that was flying in midair call out in a loud voice: &quot;Woe! Woe! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the trumpet blasts about to be sounded by the other three angels!&quot;</td>
<td>his bowl on the sun, and it was given to him to scorch men with fire. 9 People were scorched with great heat, and people blasphemed the name of God who has the power over these plagues. They didn’t repent and give him glory.</td>
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<td>10 The fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom was plunged into darkness. <strong>Men gnawed their tongues</strong> 11 and they blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores. They didn’t repent of their works.</td>
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that of scorpions of the earth.
4 They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any plant or tree, but only those people who did not have the seal of God on their foreheads.
5 They were not given power to kill them, but only to torture them for five months. And the agony they suffered was like that of the sting of a scorpion when it strikes a man.
6 During those days men will seek death, but will not find it; they will long to die, but death will elude them.
7 The locusts looked like horses prepared for battle. On their heads they wore something like crowns of gold, and their faces resembled human faces.
8 Their hair was like women's hair, and their teeth were like lions' teeth.
9 They had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the thundering of many horses and
10 They had tails and stings like scorpions, and in their tails they had power to torment people for five months.
11 They had as king over them the angel of the Abyss, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in Greek, Apollyon.
12 The first woe is past; two other woes are yet to come.

13 The sixth angel sounded his trumpet, and I heard a voice coming from the horns of the golden altar that is before God.
14 It said to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates."
15 And the four angels who had been kept ready for this very hour and day and month and year were released to kill a third of mankind.
16 The number of the mounted troops was two hundred million. I
Rev 9 (Cont’d)
heard their number.
17 The horses and riders I saw in my vision looked like this: Their breastplates were fiery red, dark blue, and yellow as sulfur. The heads of the horses resembled the heads of lions, and out of their mouths came fire, smoke and sulfur.
18 A third of mankind was killed by the three plagues of fire, smoke and sulfur that came out of their mouths.
19 The power of the horses was in their mouths and in their tails; for their tails were like snakes, having heads with which they inflict injury.
20 The rest of mankind that were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands; they did not stop worshiping demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood-- idols that cannot see or hear or walk.
21 Nor did they repent of their murders, their magic arts, their sexual immorality or...
their thefts.

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Rev 10:1-11

10 Then I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven. He was robed in a cloud, with a rainbow above his head; his face was like the sun, and his legs were like fiery pillars.  
2 He was holding a little scroll, which lay open in his hand. He planted his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land,  
3 and he gave a loud shout like the roar of a lion. When he shouted, the voices of the seven thunders spoke.  
4 And when the seven thunders spoke, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven say, "Seal up what the seven thunders have said and do not write it down."  
5 Then the angel I had seen standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven.  
6 And he swore by him who lives for ever
and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, 'There will be no more delay!'

But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets.'

Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me once more: 'Go, take the scroll that lies open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land.'

So I went to the angel and asked him to give me the little scroll. He said to me, 'Take it and eat it. It will turn your stomach sour, but in your mouth it will be as sweet as honey.'

I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it. It tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it, my stomach turned sour.

Then I was told,
"You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, languages and kings."

Rev 11:1-19

1 I was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, "Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, and count the worshipers there.
2 But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles. They will trample on the holy city for 42 months.
3 And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth."

4 These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth.
5 If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die.
6 These men have
power to shut up the sky so that it will not rain during the time they are prophesying; and they have power to turn the waters into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague as often as they want.
7 Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them.
8 Their bodies will lie in the street of the great city, which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified.
9 For three and a half days men from every people, tribe, language and nation will gaze on their bodies and refuse them burial.
10 The inhabitants of the earth will gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts, because these two prophets had tormented those who live on the earth.
11 But after the three and a half days a breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on
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their feet, and terror struck those who saw them.

12 Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.

13 At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

14 The second woe has passed; the third woe is coming soon.

15 THE SEVENTH ANGEL sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever."

16 And the twenty-four elders, who were seated on their thrones before God, fell on their faces and worshiped God,

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16 Then they gathered the kings together to the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon.

[See Ezekial 38-39 for details of the war]

17 THE SEVENTH ANGEL poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!" 18 Then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since man has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. 19 The great city

Rev 19 (Cont’d)
Rev 11 (Cont’d)
17 saying: “We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign.
18 The nations were angry; and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your saints and those who reverence your name, both small and great--and for destroying those who destroy the earth.”
19 Then God’s temple in heaven was opened, and within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant.

End of Rev 11

Rev 16 (Cont’d)
split into three parts, and the cities of the nations collapsed. God remembered Babylon the Great[the Vatican] and gave her the cup filled with the wine of the fury of his wrath. 20 Every island fled away and the mountains could not be found. 21 From the sky huge hailstones of about a hundred pounds each fell upon men. And they cursed God on account of the plague of hail, because the plague was so terrible.

End of Rev 16

[Rev 17 begins after the 2 Thes 2:3 quote at the beginning of the last column. It is the story of the details of the identity and destruction of “Mystery Babylon” after the rapture of the sanctified.]

NOTE:
Temple in Heaven closed at Rev 15:8 and not opened during the 1260 day Time of Wrath following the Rapture until the final event at right. See also Rev 11:13 &16:21.

Rev 19 (Cont’d)
[Armageddon; See Ezekiel 38-39 for details]
And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, "Come, gather together for the great supper of God, 18 so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals, and mighty men, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, small and great."

Then I saw the beast [Islamic Caliphate] and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to make war against the rider on the horse [Jesus] and his army. 20 But the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet [the Pope?: the Madi?] who had performed the miraculous signs on his behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. 21 The rest of them were killed with the sword that came out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.