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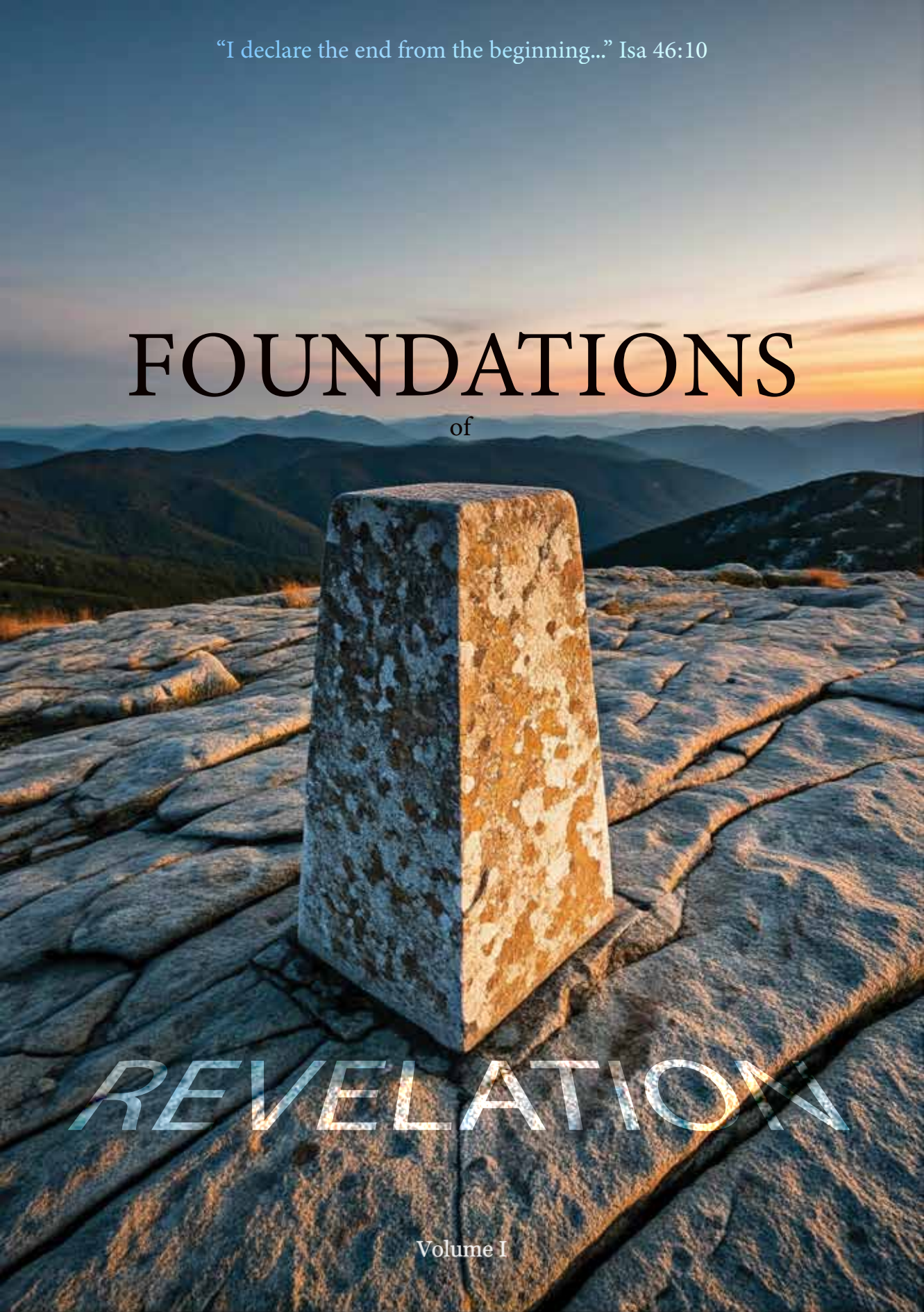

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To my Lord and Savior, my wife, my children, and my parents:

Thank you for your undeserved love. My heart will always be yours and I will never stop loving you. For a thousand years, and more….

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Introduction:

The people were confused. They did not have the background on the subject. The Apostle Peter was inspired by the Holy Spirit with what to do. He wrote, in reference to the writings of Paul:

[2Pe 3:14-18 NKJV] 14 Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; 15 and consider [that] the longsuffering of our Lord [is] salvation--as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, 16 as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable [people] twist to their own destruction, as [they do] also the rest of the Scriptures. 17 You therefore, beloved, since you know [this] beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; 18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him [be] the glory both now and forever. Amen.

Peter had just finished describing the end times. The Last Days of this age. Even in his day, almost two thousand years ago, he noticed how people were taking Paul's writings, which were based on the Old Testament, the only Testament that they had, and, in a carnal way, twisting it to fit their own ideas and assumptions.

Have you noticed, in at least the modern western society and Christian culture, people are still doing that today? Or better yet, (worse yet?) they completely ignore the Old Testament and jump to the end of the New Testament to, "Read how it all ends," as though the book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ exists in a vacuum. Almost as though it is placed there for them to decide what it really means, dragon, harlot, and all. As if there was no grounding in anything other than what the Father revealed to John and it is our job to fill in the blanks.

I like to call it "Star Wars" exegesis. Why is that? Well, anyone born before 1999, watched Star Wars episode 4, 5, and 6 first. Then fifteen years went by of people making up different ideas of what happened in episode 1, 2, and 3. Some really good ideas and some terrible. Finally, in 1999, Episode 1 came out, followed by 2, and then 3. Some ideas were confirmed while others were laid to rest. The reality is, if we had simply had the opportunity to watch 1, 2, and 3 first, then Episodes 4, 5, and 6 (I refuse to acknowledge Episodes 7, 8, and 9) would not have been as confusing or as intense, or in some cases shocking. There still would be surprises, but there would not be 15 years of ideas of what might have happened, only the truth of what did. This is what happens when we ignore the Old Testament, or we marginalize it, and only focus on the New Testament.

I admit it. That was me. As a child and teen, who grew up in the modern pentecostal church of the 80's and 90's, I had a smattering of the Old Testament. I had some broad strokes of the Apostle Paul. I had seen the "Greatest Story Ever

Told," at least once per year. Sometimes even twice! Essentially, I was pretty much a Bible scholar. Alas, in my teens attending youth group, I look back now and realize Jesus was not the Lord of my life. My eschatology was basically, "I'm not sure I'll get raptured, so I better not take the mark. And I better choose death before I deny Jesus, because that sounds like the ticket to doing what I want and going to heaven too." Skip forward about a few decades and I was 33, my selfish life choices had destroyed my life. Now at rock bottom, I relented, for a lack of a better term. I told Jesus, "I quit! You are in charge, cuz I'm ruining everything!" In His loving mercy, He saved me..... He saved my family. He is my Lord and King. All glory to Him! There is not a day that goes by that I don't thank Him. That was twelve years ago and I'll never look back (Luke 9:61-62.)

Anyway, I digress. Early in my Christian walk, I kind of just breezed through Revelation, like most, made my own assumptions and moved on. But as the end draws nearer everyday, and if you are reading this, you can feel it too, I realized I lacked understanding. For various reasons that I can only attribute to the Holy Spirit, my studies and concerns began to shift. The more I read the Bible, the more I saw the book of Revelation everywhere in it. It turns out that for every single verse that mentions Jesus first coming, it speaks of His second coming EIGHT TIMES. (McArthur) There is a saying, "Whatever the Bible shouts, we should shout. Whatever the Bible whispers, we should whisper. Whatever the Bible is silent on, we should be silent."

The goal of this book, ideally by the power of the Holy Spirit, is to shout about all the references to the book of Revelation that can be found in the Old Testament. After much prayer and study, I have felt led to pen this book. (Update from the future finished author: "This book" became two volumes!)

This book (these volumes) is not a replacement for the Bible, although I hope that it contains a massive amount of Scripture. There is concern that this could fall into the realm of the "adding or taking away" that Revelation speaks against. Never the less, I am compelled to write it. There is peace in my heart about it as an educational tool. That is all. When I started, I was not completely sure what sort of book I was writing. As it developed, it became clear that it is a comprehensive, cross referenced intertextural commentary. More simply, a study of the Old Testament in relation to the Book of Revelation with some brief (and some not so brief) commentary from the author.

My desire for you would bethat you read the entirety of the Old Testament with Revelation in mind. Unfortunately, I know precious few of you would do that. This book will not solve all end times riddles or make clear everything that is to come. This is meant to show you where these ideas originated. It is meant to show you that these are things the Father has been saying from the very beginning. And, whatever this is, it has come to life after scouring the Old Testament repeatedly, and comparing it to Revelation, and consulting many and varied commentaries. My hope is this is your one stop shop for all things (or as many things as I was led to) Old Testament that are related to Revelation. I

also consulted various translations in Hebrew, Greek, and Aramaic. While my goal is to supply you with everything, it would be the height of foolishness to say that this is "everything." I am still learning too, and the “Word of God is living and active.” I would not be shocked to find that I have missed something. I am a human just like you. But, like the scholars of old, I prayed much. I read and re-read for more than a year. This is where the Spirit has led. My prayer is that He reveals the truth of His word to you, through this work. Daniel was told, “seal up the words until the time of the end.” Daniel 12:4. I believe the time of the end is near, and John was told “Blessed is he who hears the words of this prophecy, and keeps those things which are written in it, for the time of the end is near.” (Revelation 1:3.)

Instructions:

Now, a bit about how this book should work. We will go chapter by chapter through the book of Revelation. Volume One covers chapters 1-16. Volume Two covers 17-22. You will first be able to read everything that is from the OT that relates to the chapter we are highlighting from Revelation. Old Testament scriptures will be presented chronologically, ordered by the historical dating of their composition rather than their canonical order in the Bible, reflecting the progressive revelation of God's plan. This was admittedly more difficult to accomplish than leaving it in the canonical order that I am personally quite happy with. However, from the very beginning of the process, I felt strongly impressed to do it this way. My normal stance is that God ordained the order of His Scripture. I do not seek to change that. I also cannot ignore what I feel was a leading of the Spirit. This is just a personal note, but oftentimes, you know you are hearing from the Lord because you are being told something you do not want to hear. This is one of those instances to me. The chapter of Revelation we highlight will be written in the NKJV from the Tyndale Life Application Bible which comes from a Greek translation. Also included is the Hebrew translation of the highlighted chapter of Revelation that is transcribed from C.U.L. Ms. Oo.1.16, fol. 102r. "The Hebrew Revelation." This Hebrew translation of Revelation is very interesting as the writer/translator makes a very good case for the idea that the book of Revelation was originally in Hebrew and translated into Greek. That is completely counter to the majority of scholarly thought on the subject. I am not here to lend an opinion one way or another. I do find it to be an excellent and eye opening translation nonetheless. *(While I am not affiliated in any way with that author, I still highly recommend his book "The Hebrew Revelation James and Jude" | www.HebrewGospels.com.)* The OT is predominantly written in Hebrew with a small amount of Aramaic (specifically Daniel 2:4-7:28.) As such, you will be able to see where a Hebrew to Hebrew comparison (even in English) can sometimes be more clear to the reader. Additionally, in the Hebrew translation, verse numbers marked in manuscript mostly correspond to standard numbering in English translations. When the verse number in this manuscript differs from the standard numbering, the standard verse number is placed in brackets. E.g. verse 9 in this manuscript corresponds to verse [10] in standard Bibles. The verse numbered [9] in standard Bibles is absent in this ms.

If a verse in the OT references multiple chapters of Revelation, I will include the full verse in the first chapter it is related to. Thereafter, since you have already read it, I will simply place the verse reference in its proper chronological order. For example: Gen 49:1, 8-12 references Revelation 5, 14, and 19 (as well as Isa 63.) When you get to Revelation Chapter 5, the full verse of Gen:49:1, 8-12 will be written out. When you arrive at Revelation 14, only the reference "Gen 49:1, 8-12" will be placed with a note of the page it is on. The verse itself will be unwritten as you've already read it once. I reserve the right to include it in its

entirety again if I feel led to.

Any italicized words in parentheses within quoted scripture text are for emphasis added by the author.

I think this would be a good place to point out that I hold a "historical premillennialist" view point. You can feel free to run a search on that, but essentially, it is "historic" as it appears many early church fathers held this view. And it is "premillennial" as I believe the millennium, Jesus One Thousand Year Reign, has not happened yet. The only other real defining feature of this belief is that the Gentile Christian Church has not replaced Israel. As Paul says, we are, "grafted in." There are many, varied, and nuanced opinions in all areas of the various sects of Christianity's eschatalogical beliefs. I will not address any of them. That is not the scope of this book. I thought it important to know, in advance, where my belief as the author stands. I will not divide with you, unless you do not hold to the core doctrinal beliefs such as the ones found in the Apostles creed. Now, let's crack on, shall we?

There will be a few sections where I offer personal insights, historical facts, and possible alternative interpretations that I have gathered or been inspired to place. Prophecy is pattern, and there may be many partial fulfillments, or even multiple fulfillments for the same text/prophecy prior to the "ultimate" fulfillment. Often, western common practice is to look at a particular event in the OT and declare it "fulfilled." Our mindset needs to change though. We need to see that **WE** do not declare something fulfilled, the Father does. When ultimate fulfillment has happened, there will be no confusion or interpretation necessary.

In light of that idea, and as 2 Cor 13:1b KJV states "In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established," let us, very briefly, cover Biblically what I mean.

Firstly, in Acts chapter 2, Peter, referencing Pentecost, which had just taken place, declares, "this is that spoken of by the prophet Joel." He is referring to Joel 2:28-29 (NKJV) 28 "And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. 29 And also on [My] menservants and on [My] maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days."" ... Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at hand: 2 A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning [clouds] spread over the mountains. A people [come], great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor will there ever be any [such] after them, Even for many successive generations." Clearly, a reference to the end of this age, very possibly the Second Coming, and closely related to last days events. But, the Apostle Peter is claiming that Pentecost is Joel 2:28-29 being fulfilled. I am not going to argue with Peter, and I am also not going to argue with Joel. The only harmonization of this is that Joel 2 was fulfilled at Pentecost, and it will be fulfilled again, and ultimately at the time of the end.

Secondly, when Jesus reads Isaiah 61 in the synagogue. You probably know the story, but just in case, He reads:

> [Isa 61:1-2 KJV] "1 The Spirit of the Lord GOD [is] upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to [them that are] bound; 2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD."

And then HE just sits down and says:

> [Luk 4:21b KJV] "21 ... This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears."

He blatantly leaves off the 2nd half of Isa 61:2 which says:

> [Isa 61:2b KJV] "and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn."

HE declares this prophecy is fulfilled. If Jesus says it, I believe it. But He very clearly leaves off the second half of the prophecy. I trust Jesus. Part of that prophecy is fulfilled, and now there has been about a two thousand year gap RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE VERSE. The last part will be fulfilled at His Second Coming, when He will bring the vengeance of our God. *(Note: there is a case to be made that when Jesus comes again, He will again bind up broken hearted people. He will release captive Jews and Christians imprisoned by the Antichrist during the tribulation. Some have referred to this as the "Second Exodus." But that is another book. If you are interested in that subject just read Isa 40-52. Those passages are peppered with it. It is a regathering that has not happened yet in the way described.)* Supporting this idea is Ecc 1:9 "that which has been is what will be," and 3:15 "that which is, has already been."

Let us look at these scriptures with new eyes. All scholarly thought on Biblical prophecy is interpretation, very well educated best guesses, and speaking in possibilities until the Father and His time reveal what is fully intended. My intent is not to denigrate scholarship. I hope to be able to study the Bible enough and retain it in order to be counted among scholarship one day. I do want to avoid the dogmaticness that can sometimes come from "professional" Biblical education. I believe we should all approach the word of God with great humility. Let us be unlike most of the religious leaders of Jesus day. They held a preconceived idea in their minds of what the Messiah would look like and how he would behave. They were wrong. Jesus said:

> [Mat 11:25-26 NKJV] 25 At that time Jesus answered and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things

from [the] wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes. 26 “Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight.

I lean into this idea as should we all. We are watchmen/women on the wall. Jesus told us to watch. Watchmen do not stare at only one section of the horizon, they try to watch the ENTIRE horizon. There is an understandable tendency in us, when someone of higher education tells you to notice one section of the horizon, to stare at that location and exclude all else, but that’s not what a good watcher does. Be aware of the whole horizon until what is coming makes itself clear. We need to look at scripture AWARE of other possibilities. If they do present themselves, instead of dismissing them, we can compare them to the Word of God, and ask the Holy Spirit to lead us into all truth (John 16:13.) His ways are higher than our ways. I would say that anyone who speaks in absolutes about Biblical prophecy and the future should be handled with care. Test all the spirits as 1st John 4:1 says. I will definitely make clear my personal opinions and point to the references for what shapes my views. As any true follower of Christ, I do not seek to be right. I only seek the truth. Now, as we explore the Word of God together, with the Holy Spirit as our guide, we will see how He has declared “the end from the beginning,” Isa 46:10 and that the Old Testament is the Foundations of Revelation.

CHRONOLOGY

Note: All dates are the approximate date range when written/compiled, not necessarily when the events took place.

Historical/Wisdom Literature

Job	2000-1800 BC *
Genesis	1450-1410 BC *
Exodus	1450-1410 BC *
Leviticus	1450-1410 BC *
Numbers	1450-1410 BC *
Deuteronomy	1450-1410 BC *
Joshua	1400-1370's BC ****
Judges	1375-1055 BC **
Ruth	after 1375-1050 BC*
Psalms	1440-586 BC *
Proverbs	970 BC *
Song of Sol.	965 BC *
Ecclesiastes	935 BC *
1 Samuel	930-700 BC * **
2 Samuel	930-700 BC * **
1 Kings	874-853 BC *
2 Kings	874-853 BC *
Ester	470 BC *
Nehemiah	445-432 BC *
Ezra	538-450 BC ***
1 Chronicles	430 BC *
2 Chronicles	430 BC *

Prophets Of Israel

Jonah	810-790 BC ***
Joel	790-760 BC ***
Hosea	785-725 BC ***
Amos	780-760 BC ***
Isaiah	750-695 BC ***
Micah	745-725 BC ***

Prophets Of Judah

Nahum	660-630 BC ***
Zephaniah	630-620 BC ***
Jeremiah	628-588 BC ***
Lamentations	586 BC *
Habakkuk	620-610 BC ***

Prophets of Babylonian Captivity

Daniel	606-534 BC ***
Obadiah	587 BC ***
Ezekiel	596-574 BC ***

Prophets of the Return to Jerusalem

Haggai	520-518 BC ***
Zechariah	520-510 BC ***
Malachi	420-397 BC ***

*	(Nelson)
**	(Carson)
***	(Prophets Chronology)
****	(Edson)

"3 Blessed [is] he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time [is] near."
Revelation 1:3

CHAPTER 1
Revelation 1, OT passages

Note: "Earth versus land."

There is something I want us to consider whilst we are reading the whole of Revelation. The words "earth" versus "land"... In both the OT and the NT, oftentimes, wherever you see the word "land" or the word "earth," know that they are interchangeable. Or, the word itself is not present at all (as in Gen 1:9,) but is assumed rightfully in the context of the verse. However, for our purposes, we are more concerned about where it ***is*** *present. In Hebrew, the word is "'eres." Pronounced eh'-rets. This means both earth or land. In the OT alone Its Biblical usage is: land-1,543 times, earth-712 times, country-140 times, ground-98 times, world-4 times, way-3 times, common-1 time, field-1 time, nations-1 time, wilderness (with H4057)-1 time. Or "ădâmâh," ad-aw-maw'; soil (from its general redness):—country, earth, ground, husband(-man) (-ry), land. ("BLB"). This is what we find in Hebrew in the OT.*

In the NT we find the word "gē" from the Greek, pronounced "ghay." As you would guess, this also means "earth" or "land." Its Biblical usage is: earth (188x), land (42x), ground (18x), country (2x), world (1x), earthly (with G1537) (with G3588) (1x) ("BLB").

So, earth, land, who cares? I know. But if I told you that all throughout the land, it rained yesterday. Or it rained in the whole land, would you conclude I meant the entire world? No, just the general area where I live. The translators literally take a very educated guess when they decide whether or not to say the whole "land," or the whole "earth" based on the assumed context of the verses they are working with. Here is a good example taken from Revelation 16:

> [Rev 16:12-14 NKJV] 12 Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the

kings from the east might be prepared. 13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [coming] out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. 14 For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, [which] go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. (Nelson)

Here you have both the world and earth mentioned. There is little difference in the English meaning of those words, however, the word "earth" is the Greek "gē," and the word "world" is the Greek "oikoumenē," which is used for the "world" and one time for "earth"! What makes more sense, to "double up" the meaning and say, "the kings of the earth and the kings of the world," which is exactly the same, or to say "kings of the land," which implies the general area around Israel, and also "the kings of all the rest of the entire world."

I think this is relevant to keep in mind when comparing Eze 38 and Revelation 12, and other OT/NT discussions of the Gog/Antichrist/the Beast. As well as, the Biblical descriptions of the scope of what and where he will rule. The entire earth? Or the whole land? I'm not saying we can actually know either way. But consider, is the Antichrist going to force uncontacted tribes in the Amazon rainforest to get the mark, so they can trade fruit and fish? I personally still have a hard time believing that EVERYONE in Texas or Oklahoma is going to just start worshipping the Beast/Antichrist whether they are Christians or not. By and large, the Bible is very Middle Eastern centric. While I believe it is correct to think that much, if not all, of what is alluded to in Revelation involves the entire world, there is room to think that some of it may deal only with "the land" being the Middle East. Perhaps extending into Asia Minor, North Africa, and as far as India. I just want you to keep the interchangeability of those two words in mind when reading Revelation."

[Job 26:6 NKJV] 6 Sheol (*Hades in Greek*) is naked before Him. And Destruction (*Appolyon in the Greek, Abaddon in the Hebrew*) has no covering.

[Job 28:22 NKJV] 22 Destruction (*Appolyon in the Greek, Abaddon in the Hebrew*) and Death (*thanatos in Greek*) say, "We have heard a report about it with our ears." *(Note: This is chronologically the first time both Destruction and Death are mentioned as entities (proper nouns) as opposed to verbs.)*

[Exo 19:6 NKJV] 6 'And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These [are] the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."

[Exo 25:37 NKJV] 37 "You shall make seven lamps for it, and they shall arrange its lamps so that they give light in front of it.

[Exo 37:17-24 NKJV] 17 He also made the lampstand of pure gold; of

hammered work he made the lampstand. Its shaft, its branches, its bowls, its [ornamental] knobs, and its flowers were of the same piece. 18 And six branches came out of its sides: three branches of the lampstand out of one side, and three branches of the lampstand out of the other side. 19 There were three bowls made like almond [blossoms] on one branch, with an [ornamental] knob and a flower, and three bowls made like almond [blossoms] on the other branch, with an [ornamental] knob and a flower--and so for the six branches coming out of the lampstand. 20 And on the lampstand itself [were] four bowls made like almond [blossoms, each with] its [ornamental] knob and flower. 21 [There was] a knob under the [first] two branches of the same, a knob under the [second] two branches of the same, and a knob under the [third] two branches of the same, according to the six branches extending from it. 22 Their knobs and their branches were of one piece; all of it [was] one hammered piece of pure gold. 23 And he made its seven lamps, its wick-trimmers, and its trays of pure gold. 24 Of a talent of pure gold he made it, with all its utensils.

[Deu 33:26 NKJV] 26 "[There is] no one like the God of Jeshurun, [Who] rides the heavens to help you, And in His excellency on the clouds.

[Psa 29:1-11 NKJV] 1 A Psalm of David. Give unto the LORD, O you mighty ones, Give unto the LORD glory and strength. 2 Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness. 3 The voice of the LORD [is] over the waters; The God of glory thunders; The LORD [is] over many waters. 4 The voice of the LORD [is] powerful; The voice of the LORD [is] full of majesty. 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars, Yes, the LORD splinters the cedars of Lebanon. 6 He makes them also skip like a calf, Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild ox. 7 The voice of the LORD divides the flames of fire. 8 The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; The LORD shakes the Wilderness of Kadesh. 9 The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth, And strips the forests bare; And in His temple everyone says, "Glory!" 10 The LORD sat [enthroned] at the Flood, And the LORD sits as King forever. 11 The LORD will give strength to His people; The LORD will bless His people with peace.

[Psa 68:3-4, 34-35 NKJV] 3 But let the righteous be glad; Let them rejoice before God; Yes, let them rejoice exceedingly. 4 Sing to God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds, By His name YAH, And rejoice before Him. ... 34 Ascribe strength to God; His excellence [is] over Israel, And His strength [is] in the clouds. 35 O God, [You are] more awesome than Your holy places. The God of Israel [is] He who gives strength and power to [His] people. Blessed [be] God!

[Psa 132:9-12, 16-18 NKJV] 9 Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness, And let Your saints shout for joy. 10 For Your servant David's sake, Do not turn away the face of Your Anointed. 11 The LORD has sworn [in] truth to David; He will not turn from it: "I will set upon your throne the fruit of your body. 12

If your sons will keep My covenant And My testimony which I shall teach them, Their sons also shall sit upon your throne forevermore." ... 16 I will also clothe her priests with salvation, And her saints shall shout aloud for joy. 17 There I will make the horn of David grow; I will prepare a lamp for My Anointed. 18 His enemies I will clothe with shame, But upon Himself His crown shall flourish." (*Note: Jesus is called "Son of David." Jesus and Paul referred to us as brothers of Jesus (Mark 3:34, Romans 8:29) and heirs with Him (Romans 8:16-17) as did the author of Hebrews 2:11. Further, we call God "Father" just as Jesus did and Paul and Jesus confirm we should do this (Matt 6:9 Rom 8:15 & Gal 4:4-6.) Accordingly, we (Christ followers), are sons of David and sons of the Father. Also applies to Jer 33:14-26)*

[Psa 149:6 NKJV] 6 [Let] the high praises of God [be] in their mouth, And a two-edged sword in their hand,

[Pro 15:11 NKJV] 11 Hell [*Hades in Greek*] and Destruction [*Apollyon in Greek, Abaddon in Hebrew*] [are] before the LORD; So how much more the hearts of the sons of men.

[Pro 27:20 NKJV] 20 Hell [*Hades in Greek*] and Destruction [*Appolyon in Greek, Abaddon in Hebrew*] are never full; So the eyes of man are never satisfied.

[Joel 2:12-13 NKJV] 12 "Now, therefore," says the LORD, "Turn to Me with all your heart, With fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." 13 So rend your heart, and not your garments; Return to the LORD your God, For He [is] gracious and merciful, Slow to anger, and of great kindness; And He relents from doing harm.

[Hos 13:14 NKJV] 14 "I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death. O Death, I will be your plagues! O Grave, I will be your destruction! Pity is hidden from My eyes."

[Isa 19:1-4 NKJV] 1 The burden against Egypt. Behold, the LORD rides on a swift cloud, And will come into Egypt; The idols of Egypt will totter at His presence, And the heart of Egypt will melt in its midst.

[Isa 40:5 NKJV] 5 The glory of the LORD shall be revealed, And all flesh shall see [it] together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

[Isa 41:1-4 NKJV] 1 "Keep silence before Me, O coastlands, And let the people renew [their] strength! Let them come near, then let them speak; Let us come near together for judgment. 2 "Who raised up one from the east? Who in righteousness called him to His feet? Who gave the nations before him, And made [him] rule over kings? Who gave [them] as the dust [to] his sword, As driven stubble to his bow? 3 Who pursued them, [and] passed safely By the way [that] he had not gone with his feet? 4 Who has performed and done [it], Calling

the generations from the beginning? 'I, the LORD, am the first; And with the last I [am] He.' "

[Isa 44:6-7 NKJV] 6 "Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, And his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: 'I [am] the First and I [am] the Last; Besides Me [there is] no God. 7 And who can proclaim as I do? Then let him declare it and set it in order for Me, Since I appointed the ancient people. And the things that are coming and shall come, Let them show these to them.

[Isa 48:12 NKJV] 12 "Listen to Me, O Jacob, And Israel, My called: I [am] He, I [am] the First, I [am] also the Last.

[Isa 61:6 NKJV] "6 But you shall be named the priests of the LORD, They shall call you the servants of our God. You shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, And in their glory you shall boast.

[Mic 5:2 NKJV] 2 "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, [Though] you are little among the thousands of Judah, [Yet] out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth [are] from of old, From everlasting."

[Jer 33:14-26 NKJV] 14 'Behold, the days are coming,' says the LORD, 'that I will perform that good thing which I have promised to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah: 15 'In those days and at that time I will cause to grow up to David A Branch of righteousness; He shall execute judgment and righteousness in the earth. 16 In those days Judah will be saved, And Jerusalem will dwell safely. And this [is the name] by which she will be called: THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.' 17 "For thus says the LORD: 'David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel; 18 'nor shall the priests, the Levites, lack a man to offer burnt offerings before Me, to kindle grain offerings, and to sacrifice continually.' " 19 And the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying, 20 "Thus says the LORD: 'If you can break My covenant with the day and My covenant with the night, so that there will not be day and night in their season, 21 'then My covenant may also be broken with David My servant, so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne, and with the Levites, the priests, My ministers. 22 'As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, nor the sand of the sea measured, so will I multiply the descendants of David My servant and the Levites who minister to Me.' " 23 Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying, 24 "Have you not considered what these people have spoken, saying, 'The two families which the LORD has chosen, He has also cast them off'? Thus they have despised My people, as if they should no more be a nation before them. 25 "Thus says the LORD: 'If My covenant [is] not with day and night, [and if] I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth, 26 'then I will cast away the descendants of Jacob and David My servant, [so] that I will not take [any] of his descendants [to be] rulers over the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. For I will cause their captives to return, and will have

mercy on them.' "

[Jer 51:16 NKJV] 16 When He utters [His] voice--[There is] a multitude of waters in the heavens: "He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightnings for the rain; He brings the wind out of His treasuries."

[Hab 2:2-3 NKJV] 2 Then the LORD answered me and said: "Write the vision And make [it] plain on tablets, That he may run who reads it. 3 For the vision [is] yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry.

[Dan 7:9, NKJV] "I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment [was] white as snow, And the hair of His head [was] like pure wool. His throne [was] a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire;"

[Dan 7:13 NKJV] "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, [One] like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him.

[Dan 8:17-18 NKJV] 17 So he came near where I stood, and when he came I was afraid and fell on my face; but he said to me, "Understand, son of man, that the vision [refers] to the time of the end." 18 Now, as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep with my face to the ground; but he touched me, and stood me upright.

[Dan 10:4-12 NKJV] 4 Now on the twenty-fourth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great river, that [is], the Tigris, 5 I lifted my eyes and looked, and behold, a certain man clothed in linen, whose waist [was] girded with gold of Uphaz! 6 His body [was] like beryl, his face like the appearance of lightning, his eyes like torches of fire, his arms and feet like burnished bronze in color, and the sound of his words like the voice of a multitude. 7 And I, Daniel, alone saw the vision, for the men who were with me did not see the vision; but a great terror fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves. 8 Therefore I was left alone when I saw this great vision, and no strength remained in me; for my vigor was turned to frailty in me, and I retained no strength. 9 Yet I heard the sound of his words; and while I heard the sound of his words I was in a deep sleep on my face, with my face to the ground. 10 Suddenly, a hand touched me, which made me tremble on my knees and [on] the palms of my hands. 11 And he said to me, "O Daniel, man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for I have now been sent to you." While he was speaking this word to me, I stood trembling. 12 Then he said to me, "Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard; and I have come because of your words.

[Eze 1:26-28 NKJV] 26 And above the firmament over their heads [was] the likeness of a throne, in appearance like a sapphire stone; on the likeness of the throne [was] a likeness with the appearance of a man high above it. 27 Also from the appearance of His waist and upward I saw, as it were, the color of amber with the appearance of fire all around within it; and from the appearance of His waist and downward I saw, as it were, the appearance of fire with brightness all around. 28 Like the appearance of a rainbow in a cloud on a rainy day, so [was] the appearance of the brightness all around it. This [was] the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. So when I saw [it], I fell on my face, and I heard a voice of One speaking.

[Eze 43:1-3 NKJV] 1 Afterward he brought me to the gate, the gate that faces toward the east. 2 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east. His voice [was] like the sound of many waters; and the earth shone with His glory. 3 [It was] like the appearance of the vision which I saw--like the vision which I saw when I came to destroy the city. The visions [were] like the vision which I saw by the River Chebar; and I fell on my face.

[Zec 4:1-2 NKJV] 1 Now the angel who talked with me came back and wakened me, as a man who is wakened out of his sleep. 2 And he said to me, "What do you see?" So I said, "I am looking, and there [is] a lampstand of solid gold with a bowl on top of it, and on the [stand] seven lamps with seven pipes to the seven lamps.

[Zec 12:10-14 NKJV] 10 "And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for [his] only [son], and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn. 11 "In that day there shall be a great mourning in Jerusalem, like the mourning at Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo. 12 "And the land shall mourn, every family by itself: the family of the house of David by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of the house of Nathan by itself, and their wives by themselves; 13 "the family of the house of Levi by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of Shimei by itself, and their wives by themselves; 14 "all the families that remain, every family by itself, and their wives by themselves.

REVELATION 1
(N K J V - From Greek)

The Nicolaitans were apparently believers who had compromised their faith in order to enjoy some sinful practices of Ephesian society. (Nelson 2909) Clement of Alexandria says, "They abandoned themselves to pleasure like goats, leading a life of self-indulgence." Their origins are, for all intents and purposes, mysterious with differing possibilities.

The seven churches reside in modern day Turkey which Biblically is known as Greece, Javan, and also Ionia.

[Rev 1:1-20 NKJV] 1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants--things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified [it] by His angel to His servant John, 2 who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw. 3 Blessed [is] he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time [is] near.

4 John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, 5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, 6 and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him [be] glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

7 Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. 8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, [the] Beginning and [the] End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

9 I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet, 11 saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last," and, "What you see, write in a book and send [it] to the seven churches which are in Asia: to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea."

12 Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and in the midst of the seven lampstands [One] like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about

the chest with a golden band. 14 His head and hair [were] white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire; 15 His feet [were] like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters; 16 He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance [was] like the sun shining in its strength. 17 And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, “Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last. 18 “I [am] He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death. 19 “Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this. 20 “The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches.

REVELATION 1
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 These are the confidential counsels which Yahweh gave to Yeshua Ha-Mashiach, to show his servants what will happen soon. And he sent them by means of his messenger to his servant Yochanan –2 the witness of the word of Yahweh, and of the testimony of Yeshua Ha-Mashiach, of that which he saw. 3 Blessed is he who reads out loud, and those who hear this prophecy and establish that which is written. 4 Yochanan, [to] the seven elders in Asia: Steadfast love and shalom be with you, from him who was and is and will be, and from the seven Ruchot who are at his throne. 5 And from Yeshua Ha-Mashiach the faithful witness, and the first who stood up from the dead ones, and the ruler and commander over the earth – who is our love, and our washing from our iniquities with his blood, 6 and made us into kings and priests before Yahweh even his Father – to him be honor and glory, from everlasting and unto everlasting, Amein.

7 Look! He will come with the clouds, and those who pierced him, they will see him, and all the families of the earth will weep, yes amein! 8 "I am the first and the last, the beginning and the end," says the mighty Adon, who was and is and will be.

9 I, Yochanan was on the island called Patmos,because of the word of Yahweh and the testimony of Yeshua Ha-Mashiach.10 As Ruach Ha-Qodesh was resting on me, I heard behind me a great voice.11 And it said, "I am the first and the last, and everything that you see, write in a scroll, and send it to the elders in Asia, both to Ephesus and also to Smyrna, and to Pergamos and also to Thyatira, and to Sardis and also to Philadelphia and Laodicea."

12 So I turned about to see the voice which was speaking with me, and when I had turned about, I saw seven menorot of gold. 13 And among them, one like the appearance of a man, and he was clothed in white garments, and girded over the chest with a girdle of gold.

14 But his head, even his hair was white like white wool, and his eyes like a flame of fire. 15 And his feet were like copper, and his voice like the noise of great waters.16 And seven stars were in his right hand, and out of his mouth went a double-edged sword, and his appearance shone like the sun.

17 And when I saw him, I fell down at his feet like a dead one. But he laid his right hand on me, and said to me, "Do not fear, I am the first and the last. 18 And look! I was dead, but now I am alive, from everlasting and unto everlasting. And

I have the keys of the death and Gei-Hinnom. 19 Write what you have seen, and what will be after this. 20 Now the confidential counsel of he seven stars which you saw in my right hand, and the seven menorot of gold, so it is: The seven stars, they are seven messengers, and the seven menorot are seven elders.

CHAPTER 2
Revelation 2, OT Passages

[Gen 2:8-10 NKJV] 8 The LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed. 9 And out of the ground the LORD God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life [was] also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. 10 Now a river went out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it parted and became four riverheads.

[Gen 17:4-6 NKJV] 4 "As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be a father of many nations. 5 "No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you a father of many nations. 6 "I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you." (*The Father gives a new name*.)

[Exo 16:4 NKJV] 4 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain bread from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a certain quota every day, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My law or not.

[Exo 16:31 NKJV] 31 And the house of Israel called its name Manna. And it [was] like white coriander seed, and the taste of it [was] like wafers [made] with honey.

[Exo 32:16 NKJV] 16 Now the tablets [were] the work of God, and the writing [was] the writing of God engraved on the tablets. (*The Father writes on stones*.)

[Num 22:4-6 NKJV] 4 So Moab said to the elders of Midian, "Now this company will lick up everything around us, as an ox licks up the grass of the field." And Balak the son of Zippor [was] king of the Moabites at that time. 5 Then he sent messengers to Balaam the son of Beor at Pethor, which [is] near the River in the land of the sons of his people, to call him, saying: "Look, a people has come from Egypt. See, they cover the face of the earth, and are settling next to me! 6 "Therefore please come at once, curse this people for me, for they [are] too mighty for me. Perhaps I shall be able to defeat them and drive them out of the land, for I know that he whom you bless [is] blessed, and he whom you curse is cursed."

[Num 24:17 NKJV] 17 "I see Him, but not now; I behold Him, but not near; A Star shall come out of Jacob; A Scepter shall rise out of Israel, And batter the brow of Moab, And destroy all the sons of tumult. (*prophecy of Balaam*)

[Num 31:8 NKJV] 8 They killed the kings of Midian with [the rest of] those who were killed--Evi, Rekem, Zur, Hur, and Reba, the five kings of Midian. Balaam the son of Beor they also killed with the sword.

[Num 31:16 NKJV] 16 "Look, these [women] caused the children of Isra-

el, through the counsel of Balaam, to trespass against the LORD in the incident of Peor, and there was a plague among the congregation of the LORD.

[Deu 8:3 NKJV] 3 "So He humbled you, allowed you to hunger, and fed you with manna which you did not know nor did your fathers know, that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every [word] that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.

[Deu 27:2-3 NKJV] 2 "And it shall be, on the day when you cross over the Jordan to the land which the LORD your God is giving you, that you shall set up for yourselves large stones, and whitewash them with lime. 3 "You shall write on them all the words of this law, when you have crossed over, that you may enter the land which the LORD your God is giving you, 'a land flowing with milk and honey,' just as the LORD God of your fathers promised you.

[Jos 4:1-8 NKJV] 1 And it came to pass, when all the people had completely crossed over the Jordan, that the LORD spoke to Joshua, saying: 2 "Take for yourselves twelve men from the people, one man from every tribe, 3 and command them, saying, 'Take for yourselves twelve stones from here, out of the midst of the Jordan, from the place where the priests' feet stood firm. You shall carry them over with you and leave them in the lodging place where you lodge tonight.' " 4 Then Joshua called the twelve men whom he had appointed from the children of Israel, one man from every tribe; 5 and Joshua said to them: "Cross over before the ark of the LORD your God into the midst of the Jordan, and each one of you take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, 6 "that this may be a sign among you when your children ask in time to come, saying, 'What do these stones [mean] to you?' 7 "Then you shall answer them that the waters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD; when it crossed over the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. And these stones shall be for a memorial to the children of Israel forever." 8 And the children of Israel did so, just as Joshua commanded, and took up twelve stones from the midst of the Jordan, as the LORD had spoken to Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them over with them to the place where they lodged, and laid them down there. *(Note: Each stone represented a tribe of Israel, by extension each stone had a name attributed to it.)*

[Jos 24:10 NKJV] 10 'But I would not listen to Balaam; therefore he continued to bless you. So I delivered you out of his hand.

[Psa 2:6-12 NKJV] 6 "Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion." 7 "I will declare the decree: The LORD has said to Me, 'You [are] My Son, Today I have begotten You. 8 Ask of Me, and I will give [You] The nations [for] Your inheritance, And the ends of the earth [for] Your possession. 9 You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.' " 10

Now therefore, be wise, O kings; Be instructed, you judges of the earth. 11 Serve the LORD with fear, And rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, And you perish [in] the way, When His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed [are] all those who put their trust in Him.

[Psa 7:9 NKJV] 9 Oh, let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end, But establish the just; For the righteous God tests the hearts and minds.

[Psa 24:6 NKJV] 6 This [is] Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, Who seek Your face. Selah

(Note: "Those Who Say They Are Jews"

In Revelation 2 and 3 "those who say they are Jews, but are not," are discussed. Here we see who truly is of Jacob, and by extension Abraham, and Isaac. Those who seek God's face. You cannot deny Jesus and say you are seeking God's face. Jesus said if you deny me you deny the Father. So being a blood descendant of Jacob does not make you OF Jacob, seeking God's face makes you of Jacob. This ties into the idea of being "circumcised of heart." I am of the opinion that it references people who are Jewish by blood, but do not seek God's face, just their own desires. In John 8 Jesus references them being Jewish but not being descendants of Abraham based on their actions:

> [Jhn 8:39-40, 44 NKJV] 39 They answered and said to Him, "Abraham is our father." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham. 40 "But now you seek to kill Me, a Man who has told you the truth which I heard from God. Abraham did not do this. ... 44 "You are of [your] father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do *(Satan wants us to sin, to do what our flesh wants to do, as opposed to following Gods will. In this way, until we come to Jesus, we are all children of Satan.*) He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own [resources], for he is a liar and the father of it.

Paul also writes in Romans:

> [Rom 2:27-29 NKJV] 27 And will not the physically uncircumcised, if he fulfills the law, judge you who, [even] with [your] written [code] and circumcision, [are] a transgressor of the law? 28 For he is not a Jew who [is one] outwardly, nor [is] circumcision that which [is] outward in the flesh; 29 but [he is] a Jew who [is one] inwardly; and circumcision [is that] of the heart, in the Spirit, not in the letter; whose praise [is] not from men but from God.

> [Rom 9:6-8 NKJV] 6 But it is not that the word of God has taken no effect. For they [are] not all Israel who [are] of Israel, 7 nor [are they]

all children because they are the seed of Abraham; but, "In Isaac your seed shall be called." 8 That is, those who [are] the children of the flesh, these [are] not the children of God; but the children of the promise are counted as the seed.

I am not pointing out these passages to in any way displace the Jewish people from the love and covenant of God. The Bible is clear that there will be a remnant of bloodline Jewish people who will be saved. God knows who it will be, He judges the heart of all. What seems clear to me, is that believers in Christ will be counted as bloodline Jews who believe in Jesus/Yeshua. I think that is what David is pointing to in this Psalm.)

[Psa 66:10-12 NKJV] 10 For You, O God, have tested us; You have refined us as silver is refined. 11 You brought us into the net; You laid affliction on our backs. 12 You have caused men to ride over our heads; We went through fire and through water; But You brought us out to rich [fulfillment].

[Psa 149:6 NKJV] *See page 4*

[Pro 24:12 NKJV] 12 If you say, "Surely we did not know this," Does not He who weighs the hearts consider [it]? He who keeps your soul, does He [not] know [it]? And will He [not] render to [each] man according to his deeds?

[2Sa 23:4 NKJV] 4 And [he shall be] like the light of the morning [when] the sun rises, A morning without clouds, [Like] the tender grass [springing] out of the earth, By clear shining after rain.' *(Note: In Hebrew "the morning star," can be dawn, or light of the morning, or light* ("BLB"). *This may make more sense because Lucifer means "day star" and is called the son of the morning in:*

[Isa 14:12 NKJV] 12 "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! [How] you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations!"

We do not want to receive Lucifer obviously. But, we do want to receive "the light" as stated in the Hebrew translation of Revelation 2.

[1Ki 16:31 NKJV] 31 And it came to pass, as though it had been a trivial thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, that he took as wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal, king of the Sidonians; and he went and served Baal and worshiped him.

[1Ki 18:4 NKJV] 4 For so it was, while Jezebel massacred the prophets of the LORD, that Obadiah had taken one hundred prophets and hidden them, fifty to a cave, and had fed them with bread and water.)

[1Ki 21:23 NKJV] 23 "And concerning Jezebel the LORD also spoke, saying, 'The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel.'

[2Ki 9:30-37 NKJV] 30 Now when Jehu had come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard [of it]; and she put paint on her eyes and adorned her head, and looked through a window. 31 Then, as Jehu entered at the gate, she said, "[Is it] peace, Zimri, murderer of your master?" 32 And he looked up at the window, and said, "Who [is] on my side? Who?" So two [or] three eunuchs looked out at him. 33 Then he said, "Throw her down." So they threw her down, and [some] of her blood spattered on the wall and on the horses; and he trampled her underfoot. 34 And when he had gone in, he ate and drank. Then he said, "Go now, see to this accursed [woman], and bury her, for she was a king's daughter." 35 So they went to bury her, but they found no more of her than the skull and the feet and the palms of [her] hands. 36 Therefore they came back and told him. And he said, "This [is] the word of the LORD, which He spoke by His servant Elijah the Tishbite, saying, 'On the plot [of ground] at Jezreel dogs shall eat the flesh of Jezebel; 37 'and the corpse of Jezebel shall be as refuse on the surface of the field, in the plot at Jezreel, so that they shall not say, "Here [lies] Jezebel."

[Isa 11:2-5 NKJV] 2 The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. 3 His delight [is] in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears; 4 But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. 5 Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist.

[Isa 41:1-4 NKJV] *See Page 4*

[Isa 44:6-7 NKJV] *See Page 5*

[Isa 49:2 NKJV] 2 And He has made My mouth like a sharp sword; In the shadow of His hand He has hidden Me, And made Me a polished shaft; In His quiver He has hidden Me."

[Isa 58:8 NKJV] 8 Then your light shall break forth like the morning, Your healing shall spring forth speedily, And your righteousness shall go before you; The glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. *(Note: Again the Hebrew for "morning star" can be dawn and so forth.*"

[Isa 59:18 NKJV] 18 According to [their] deeds, accordingly He will repay, Fury to His adversaries, Recompense to His enemies; The coastlands He will fully repay.

[Isa 60:1 NKJV] 1 Arise, shine; For your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you. *(Note: "your light" this is similar to the light that will be given in the Hebrew translation of Revelation 2.)*

[Isa 62:2-3 NKJV] 2 The Gentiles shall see your righteousness, And all kings your glory. You shall be called by a new name, Which the mouth of the LORD will name. 3 You shall also be a crown of glory In the hand of the LORD,

And a royal diadem In the hand of your God.

[Isa 63:16 NKJV] 16 Doubtless You [are] our Father, Though Abraham was ignorant of us, And Israel does not acknowledge us. You, O LORD, [are] our Father; Our Redeemer from Everlasting [is] Your name.

(Note: "Circumcised In Heart"

The lament, "Israel does not acknowledge us," in comparison to, " those who are Jews, but are not," along with the calls throughout the Bible about being "circumcised in heart" underscore the idea of who actually is God's people. For our intents and purposes, those who do not believe Jesus is the Messiah and follow Him are not circumcised in heart. Physical circumcision is merely a sign between God and Abraham that you belong to the Abrahamic Covenant. This is what identifies you as a descendant of Abraham as far as the covenant is concerned. If you are circumcised in heart, then your heart is of the Abrahamic covenant and you are heir to the rights and privileges of it. This is why Paul spoke so vehemently against forcing Gentiles to be physically circumcised. The appearance of your flesh did not dictate whether or not you belonged to God, but rather the condition of your heart. Israel does not acknowledge me as chosen of the Lord. Nevertheless my heart belongs to Him, it is circumcised in His eyes.)

[Isaiah 65:15 (NKJV] You shall leave your name as a curse to My chosen; For the Lord GOD will slay you, And call His servants by another name;

[Isa 66:5 NKJV] 5 Hear the word of the LORD, You who tremble at His word: "Your brethren who hated you, Who cast you out for My name's sake, said, 'Let the LORD be glorified, That we may see your joy.' But they shall be ashamed."

[Dan 1:12 NKJV] 12 "Please test your servants for ten days, and let them give us vegetables to eat and water to drink.

[Dan 7:15-18 NKJV] 15 I, Daniel, was grieved in my spirit within [my] body, and the visions of my head troubled me. 16 "I came near to one of those who stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of these things: 17 'Those great beasts, which are four, [are] four kings [which] arise out of the earth. 18 'But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.

[Dan 10:4-12 NKJV] 4 Now on the twenty-fourth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great river, that [is], the Tigris, 5 I lifted my eyes and looked, and behold, a certain man clothed in linen, whose waist [was] girded with gold of Uphaz! 6 His body [was] like beryl, his face like the appearance of lightning, his eyes like torches of fire, his arms and feet like burnished bronze in color, and the sound of his words like the voice of a multitude. 7 And I, Daniel, alone saw the vision, for the men who were with me did not see the vision; but a great terror fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves. 8 Therefore I

was left alone when I saw this great vision, and no strength remained in me; for my vigor was turned to frailty in me, and I retained no strength. 9 Yet I heard the sound of his words; and while I heard the sound of his words I was in a deep sleep on my face, with my face to the ground. 10 Suddenly, a hand touched me, which made me tremble on my knees and [on] the palms of my hands. 11 And he said to me, "O Daniel, man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for I have now been sent to you." While he was speaking this word to me, I stood trembling. 12 Then he said to me, "Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard; and I have come because of your words.

[Eze 2:1-2 NKJV] 1 And He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak to you." 2 Then the Spirit entered me when He spoke to me, and set me on my feet; and I heard Him who spoke to me.

[Eze 3:10 NKJV] 10 Moreover He said to me: "Son of man, receive into your heart all My words that I speak to you, and hear with your ears.

[Eze 3:27 NKJV] 27 "But when I speak with you, I will open your mouth, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD.' He who hears, let him hear; and he who refuses, let him refuse; for they [are] a rebellious house.

[Zec 3:9 NKJV] 9 For behold, the stone that I have laid before Joshua: Upon the stone [are] seven eyes. Behold, I will engrave its inscription,' Says the LORD of hosts, 'And I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

R E V E L A T I O N 2
(N K J V - From Greek)

Note: " To Overcome."

Jesus advises all seven of these churches to "overcome." Just as in many of Jesus' earthly parables and teachings, He reveals the key to it at the very end. I believe Jesus reveals the key to what He is saying to the churches at the very end of His letters to the churches. Jesus finishes speaking to the seven churches at the end of chapter 3. In Revelation 3:21 He states,

[Rev 3:21-22 NKJV] 21 "To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. 22 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

Now, I would ask you, what did Jesus do before He sat down at the right hand of His Father. How did He overcome? He died. This is not a popular idea as you would well imagine. So, the $1 million question is He saying expects us to be prepared to die in order to receive the things He is talking about. Now, I do not want you to think I am seeking martyrdom. I am not. I am, however, going to be faithful with the text.

Let us track through the idea of "overcome/overcame" in Revelation after 3:21.

> [Rev 11:7 NKJV] 7 When they finish their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit will make war against them, *overcome them, and kill them.*
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> [Rev 12:10-11 NKJV] 10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. 11 *"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.*
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> [Rev 13:7-10 NKJV] 7 It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation. 8 All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. 9 If anyone has an ear, let him hear. 10 He who leads into captivity shall go into captivity; *he who kills with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.*

[Rev 13:11, 15 NKJV] 11 Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon. … 15 He was granted [power] to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause *as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed.*

[Rev 17:14 NKJV] *14 "These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them,* for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those [who are] with Him [are] called, chosen, and faithful."

[Rev 20:4 NKJV] *4 And I saw thrones, a*nd they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then [I saw] the souls o*f those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God,* who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received [his] mark on their foreheads or on their hands. *And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. (underlined are mine.)*

If you also consider Jesus' words in the Olivette Discourse in Matt 24, with its accompanying accounts in Mark 13 and Luke 21, this concept does harmonize with it effectively.

Well… If you have not slammed the book shut, I thank you. There are probably very valid arguments running through your head right now. They ran through mine as well. They still do. I am not saying I am right. I am saying look at the text and consider. I am also saying that, often, what we would like is not what is true. If this idea is correct, then mental preparation for it (and far more important, spiritual preparation) will be key. Test this. Bring it before the Lord. I had to talk about it right now as we are getting into all the "he who overcomes" parts. Ok, back to the Word.

[Rev 2:1-29 NKJV] 1 "To the angel of the church of Ephesus write, 'These things says He who holds the seven stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands: 2 "I know your works, your labor, your patience, and that you cannot bear those who are evil. And you have tested those who say they are apostles and are not, and have found them liars; 3 "and you have persevered and have patience, and have labored for My name's sake and have not become weary. 4 "Nevertheless I have [this] against you, that you have left your first love. 5 "Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place--unless you repent. 6 "But this you have, that you hate the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

7 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from the tree of life, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God." '

8 “And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write, ‘These things says the First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life: 9 “I know your works, tribulation, and poverty (but you are rich); and [I know] the blasphemy of those who say they are Jews and are not, but [are] a synagogue of Satan *(See Note.2 below)*. 10 “Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw [some] of you into prison, that you may be tested, and you will have tribulation ten days. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life. 11 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.” ‘

(Note: “The Second Death”

The Second Death is the Great White Throne Judgement in Revelation 20. It takes place at the end of the One Thousand Year Reign. The “Second Death” is being thrown into the lake of fire. If you overcome, the “First” death is still an issue to be dealt with apparently, which I would consider to be the loss of this earthly life.)

(Note.2 Synagogue of Satan who say they are Jews but are not: see Romans 9:6-7 (NKJV) 6 But it is not that the word of God has taken no effect. For they [are] not all Israel who [are] of Israel, 7 nor [are they] all children because they are the seed of Abraham; but, “In Isaac your seed shall be called.” It is believed this is a group of unbelieving Jews who were persecuting the Christians in both Smyrna and also in Philadelphia in Revelation 3. My personal opinion is this title can also be attributed to anyone who believes they are doing God’s will when persecuting Christ’s disciples. See John 16:2. A modern day example of this could be Muslim extremists who believe killing Christians is a service to God.)

12 “And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write, ‘These things says He who has the sharp two-edged sword: 13 “I know your works, and where you dwell, where Satan’s throne [is]. And you hold fast to My name, and did not deny My faith even in the days in which Antipas [was] My faithful martyr, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. 14 “But I have a few things against you, because you have there those who hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed to idols, and to commit sexual immorality. 15 “Thus you also have those who hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate. 16 “Repent, or else I will come to you quickly and will fight against them with the sword of My mouth. 17 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give some of the hidden manna to eat. And I will give him a white stone, and on the stone a new name written which no one knows except him who receives [it].” ‘

18 “And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write, ‘These things says the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like fine brass: 19 “I know

your works, love, service, faith, and your patience; and [as] for your works, the last [are] more than the first. 20 “Nevertheless I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols. 21 “And I gave her time to repent of her sexual immorality, and she did not repent. 22 “Indeed I will cast her into a sickbed, and those who commit adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they repent of their deeds. 23 “I will kill her children with death, and all the churches shall know that I am He who searches the minds and hearts. And I will give to each one of you according to your works.

24 “Now to you I say, and to the rest in Thyatira, as many as do not have this doctrine, who have not known the depths of Satan, as they say, I will put on you no other burden. 25 “But hold fast what you have till I come. 26 “And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations--

27 ‘He shall rule them with a rod of iron; They shall be dashed to pieces like the potter’s vessels’--as I also have received from My Father; 28 “and I will give him the morning star. 29 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

REVELATION 2
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 "And to the messenger of the assembly of Ephesus write: Thus says he who has the seven stars in his right hand, who walks amidst the seven menorot of gold, 2 'I know your works and your hope; and that you are not able to bear the wicked ones, so you tested those who say that they are prophets while they are not, and found that they are deceivers; 3 and your hope and your trouble – all of which is because of my name. 4 However, I am amazed because of what you yourself forsook – the first love. 5 Remember who you were, and do repentance, and do your first works. But if not, your menorah will be thrust away hastily from its place – if you do not do repentance.

6 [7] Whosoever has ears must hear what the Ruach says to the assembly! Whosoever overcomes, will eat from the tree of life, which is in Gan 'Eden.'"
7 [8] "And to the messenger of the assembly of Smyrna write: Thus says the first and the last, who died and stood up, 8 [9] 'I know your works and your sufferings, and the reproach of those who say that they are Yehudim while they are not, but are of the sons of Ha-Satan. 9 [10] Do not be afraid of them, look, Ha-Satan will take some of [you] in captivity in order to test you, and you will have suffering for ten days. Be faithful unto the day of your death, that I may give you the crown of life.

10 [11] Whosoever has ears must hear what the Ruach says to the assembly! Whosoever overcomes will not have suffering from the last death.'"

11 [12] "And to the messenger of the assembly of Pergamos write: Thus says he who has a double-edged sword, 12 [13] 'I know your works – although your place is at the place where the throne of Ha-Satan is, yet you believe in my name and in my faithfulness, also in the times when my faithful joined-one Antipas was killed near you, at the place where Ha-Satan dwells. 13 [14] But you must also hate those who teach the teaching of Bil'am, who taught by means of Balaq to do evil to the children of Yisrael, to cause them to sin by fornication; 14 [15] and you must also hate the teaching of the Nicolaitans; for I also hate these. 15 [16] Do repentance! – And if not, I myself will come with haste to make war with you by the sword which is in my mouth. 16 [17] Whosoever has ears must hear what the Ruach says to the assembly! Whosoever overcomes, I will be pleased to give him to eat of the hidden manna, and also to give him a good testimony – and on this testimony, a new name will be written, which no one is able to read, except he who received it.'"

17 [18] "And to the messenger of the assembly of Thyatira write: Thus says the

Son of Yahweh, whose eyes are just like a flame of fire, and his feet like copper, 18 [19] 'I know your works and your love and your service and your faithfulness and your hope, and that you always work more. 19 [20] But I have a small thing against you – that you allow the woman Izevel, who says that she is a prophetess; and those who teach and seduce my servants to commit fornication. 20 [22] Look, I am about to bring over her – and over him who lies with her – great suffering, unless they do repentance concerning their works. 21 (And I did give her time to do repentance.) 22 [23] And her sons will be put to death, and all the assembly will recognize that I am he who tests kidneys and heart. And every one – according to his measures it will be rewarded to him."

23 [24] But to you (that is, to the others who are in Thyatira) I say, that I will not bring more suffering over you, because you did not learn of the teaching of Ha-Satan; 24 [25] but you must hold on to this which you have until I come. 25 [26] And whosoever overcomes, I will give nations as his inheritance, 26 [27] and he will lead them with a rod of iron, and you will shatter them like a potter's vessel. 27 And like I received from my Father, [28] so I will give him the light. 28 [29] Whosoever has ears must hear what the Ruach says to the assembly!'

CHAPTER 3
Revelation 3, OT Passages

[Gen 17:4-6 NKJV] *See Page 12*
[Gen 28:22 NKJV] 22 "And this stone which I have set as a pillar shall be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give a tenth to You."

[Exo 32:33 NKJV] 33 And the LORD said to Moses, "Whoever has sinned against Me, I will blot him out of My book.

[Jos 4:1-8 NKJV] *See page 13*

[Psa 24:6 NKJV] *See page 14*
[Psa 66:10-12 NKJV] *See Page 15*
[Psa 69:28 NKJV] 28 Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, And not be written with the righteous.
[Psa 75:3 NKJV] 3 The earth and all its inhabitants are dissolved; I set up its pillars firmly. Selah
[Psa 91:9-14 NKJV] 9 Because you have made the LORD, [who is] my refuge, [Even] the Most High, your dwelling place, 10 No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; 11 For He shall give His angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways. 12 In [their] hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. 13 You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra, The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot. 14 "Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name.
[Psa 139:16 NKJV] 16 Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When [as yet there were] none of them.

[Hosea 3:4-5 NKJV] 4 For the children of Israel shall abide many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or [sacred] pillar, without ephod or teraphim. 5 Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They shall fear the LORD and His goodness in the latter days.

[Isa 22:20-25 NKJV] 20 'Then it shall be in that day, That I will call My servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah; 21 I will clothe him with your robe And strengthen him with your belt; I will commit your responsibility into his hand. He shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem And to the house of Judah. 22 The key of the house of David I will lay on his shoulder; So he shall open, and

no one shall shut; And he shall shut, and no one shall open. 23 I will fasten him [as] a peg in a secure place, And he will become a glorious throne to his father's house. 24 'They will hang on him all the glory of his father's house, the offspring and the posterity, all vessels of small quantity, from the cups to all the pitchers. 25 'In that day,' says the LORD of hosts, 'the peg that is fastened in the secure place will be removed and be cut down and fall, and the burden that [was] on it will be cut off; for the LORD has spoken.' "

(Note: "Cut Down"

This may also be an allusion to the first coming of the Messiah. The whole Bible is about Jesus, right? We learn, starting in verse 15, that Shebna was in charge of the palace. He was the steward. God was unhappy with his materialistic nature and with making a burial place for himself there, possibly in the palace. Though that would be against the law, but nonetheless the location is "on high," and in a place above his station.

Eliakim "My servant," will take his place, become a throne, and receive all the glory and authority. He then will be cut down, fall, and no longer bear the burden.

Now walk with me. Satan took authority from man in the garden as steward of the world (Luke 4:5-7.) He sought to:

> [Isa 14:13-14 NKJV] 13 For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.'

However, Jesus comes, and is "granted all authority in heaven and earth" Matt 28. He has all glory bestowed on Him by the Father. He is also burdened with the sins of the people of the world, both past, present, and future. AND He is also cut down, but in that cutting down, the burden of our sins is both removed from Him and us. Glory to Jesus!

[Isa 60:14 NKJV] 14 Also the sons of those who afflicted you Shall come bowing to you, And all those who despised you shall fall prostrate at the soles of your feet; And they shall call you The City of the LORD, Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

[Isa 61:10 NKJV] I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, My soul shall be joyful in my God; For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks [himself] with ornaments, And as a bride adorns [herself] with her jewels.

[Isa 63:16 NKJV] *See page 17*

[Zep 2:3 NKJV] 3 Seek the LORD, all you meek of the earth, Who have upheld His justice. Seek righteousness, seek humility. It may be that you will be hidden In the day of the LORD's anger.

[Jer 33:14-26 NKJV] *See page 5*

[Dan 11:33-35 NKJV] 33 "And those of the people who understand shall instruct many; yet [for many] days they shall fall by sword and flame, by captivity and plundering. 34 "Now when they fall, they shall be aided with a little help; but many shall join with them by intrigue. 35 "And [some] of those of understanding shall fall, to refine them, purify [them], and make [them] white, [until] the time of the end; because [it is] still for the appointed time.

[Dan 12:1 NKJV] 1 "At that time Michael shall stand up, The great prince who stands [watch] over the sons of your people; And there shall be a time of trouble, Such as never was since there was a nation, [Even] to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, Everyone who is found written in the book.

[Dan 12:9-10 NKJV] 9 And he said, "Go [your way], Daniel, for the words [are] closed up and sealed till the time of the end. 10 "Many shall be purified, made white, and refined, but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand.

[Eze 3:10, 27 NKJV] *See page 18*

[Eze 9:4 NKJV] 4 and the LORD said to him, "Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and cry over all the abominations that are done within it."

[Zec 3:1-5 NKJV] 1 Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him. 2 And the LORD said to Satan, "The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! [Is] this not a brand plucked from the fire?" 3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and was standing before the Angel. 4 Then He answered and spoke to those who stood before Him, saying, "Take away the filthy garments from him." And to him He said, "See, I have removed your iniquity from you, and I will clothe you with rich robes." 5 And I said, "Let them put a clean turban on his head." So they put a clean turban on his head, and they put the clothes on him. And the Angel of the LORD stood by.

[2Ch 5:12 NKJV] 12 and the Levites [who were] the singers, all those of Asaph and Heman and Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren, stood at the east end of the altar, clothed in white linen, having cymbals, stringed instruments and harps, and with them one hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets–

[2Ch 23:13 NKJV] 13 When she looked, there was the king standing by his pillar at the entrance; and the leaders and the trumpeters [were] by the king. All the people of the land were rejoicing and blowing trumpets, also the singers with musical instruments, and those who led in praise. So Athaliah tore her

clothes and said, “Treason! Treason!” *(Note: “HIS PILLAR.” I include this verse as this points to the king having his own pillar in the Temple of the Lord.)*

[Mal 3:16-18 NKJV] 16 Then those who feared the LORD spoke to one another, And the LORD listened and heard [them]; So a book of remembrance was written before Him For those who fear the LORD And who meditate on His name. 17 “They shall be Mine,” says the LORD of hosts, “On the day that I make them My jewels. And I will spare them As a man spares his own son who serves him.” 18 Then you shall again discern Between the righteous and the wicked, Between one who serves God And one who does not serve Him.

REVELATION 3
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 3:1-22 NKJV] 1 "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write, 'These things says He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars: "I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead. 2 "Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die, for I have not found your works perfect before God. 3 "Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and repent. Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you. 4 "You have a few names even in Sardis who have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with Me in white, for they are worthy. 5 "He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels. 6 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches." '

7 "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, 'These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens": 8 "I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name. 9 "Indeed I will make [those] of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie--indeed I will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you. 10 "Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. 11 "Behold, I am coming quickly! Hold fast what you have, that no one may take your crown. 12 "He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And [I will write on him] My new name. 13 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

(Note: "Worship"

There has been some confusion about the word "worship" here. The modern implication being to "bow down and treat someone as a god." However, this word in the Greek is "proskyneō." It is where we derive the word "prostrate" from. According to the "Strongs Definitions" this word can mean both to actually worship, or to pay homage to, or to reverence (I paraphrase.) This particular word for worship is used 22 times in Revelation. Considering the dual nature of its meaning, there will be both instances of literal worship, but also paying respect. I'm of the opinion that many people will actually worship the beast.

But I believe the OT makes a case that the Antichrist will not be universally worshipped, but he will receive the respect of most all the earth as a conqueror. Actually, Revelations also makes this case as well, specifically Revelation 16:10 where a bowl of Gods wrath is poured out specifically "on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom…" After the other bowls have been poured on the earth (or land) and the sea and so forth. Let me not get ahead of myself. The point here is we, disciples of Christ, who will be priests and kings according to Revelation, will not be worshipped like gods. We will just be afforded the respect and honor of our position, being children of the King and ruling and reigning with Him. Additional support for this idea is in the Hebrew translation of Revelation. It uses the word "supplication," a very different idea from worship.)
(Note 2.0: "keep you from the hour of trial [LXX]." Oftentimes, this section is pointed to as an evidence of the pre-tribulation rapture. That is possible, but as we consider all possibilities, this word in the Greek is "tēreō." The Outline of Biblical Usage "G5083 - tēreō - Strong's Greek Lexicon [NKJV]" points to: "to attend to carefully, take care of, to guard, metaph. to keep, one in the state in which he is, to observe, to reserve: to undergo something. ("BLB")*" If one is to cite this passage as evidence of a departure prior to the Tribulation, in the very least, it is not the best example as it involves leaving someone in place and protecting them. It lends itself more to when you preserve something in a jar, or as firefighters would say, "to defend in place." That means leaving the people on the fire floor, but protecting them from the fire.)*

14 "And to the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write, 'These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God: 15 "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. 16 "So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth. 17 "Because you say, 'I am rich, have become wealthy, and have need of nothing'--and do not know that you are wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked-- 18 "I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, [that] the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see. 19 "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent. 20 "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. 21 "To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne *(see note at beginning of Chapter 2)*. 22 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches." ' " *(Note: "I stand at the door and knock." This is generally considered to be about inviting Jesus into our heart. I agree that in one instance it is, but is that the overall context of this passage or chapter? He knocks, if you allow Him in, He then enters into where the believer is and eats with Him there. He does not take the believer somewhere else to eat.*

In an end times context, after just speaking about coming quickly and keeping us from trial, it is interesting to notice that this involves an arrival and a staying, not a taking away."

REVELATION 3
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 “And to the messenger of the assembly of Sardis write: Thus says he who has the Ruchoti of Yahweh, and the seven stars, ‘I know your works – that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead. 2 Therefore, do not sleep but strengthen that which wants to die – for I have not found your works complete before Yahweh. 3 And now, remember how you have received and heard; and establish them, and do repentance. But if not, I myself will come upon you like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come.

4 And also your name is heard in Sardis – of those who did not soil their garments, and they, they will walk with me in white garments, for they are worthy of this. 5 And whosoever overcomes, he will walk in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the scroll of life, but I will confess his name before my Father and before his messengers. 6 Whosoever has ears must hear what the Ruach says to the assembly!’

7 “And to the messenger of the assembly of Philadelphia write: Thus says the Qadosh and the Faithful, he who has the key of Dawid, who opens and no one is able to shut, who shuts and no one is able to open – 8 ‘I know your works. Look, I have given before you an open door and no one is able to shut it – for you have little strength, yet you have kept my word, and have not denied my name. 9 Look, I will give to those who are of the company of Ha-Satan, who say that they are Yehudim while they are not – only deceivers –look, I am pleased to make that they will come to do supplication at your feet, and to acknowledge that I have loved you. 10 Because you have kept the word of my hope, so I will keep you from the time of testing, which will come on the earth to test those who dwell on the earth. 11 Look, I will come with haste! – Guard what you have, that no one takes your crown. 12 Whosoever overcomes, I will write upon him the name of my Elohim, and the name of the new Yerushalayim, the city of my Elohim which will come from the heavens to the earth from my Elohim – and also my new name. 13 Whosoever has ears must hear what the Ruach says to the assembly!’”

14 “And to the messenger of the assembly of Laodicea write: Thus says Amein the faithful witness, the beginning of the creation, 15 ‘I know your works, that you are neither cold nor warm – if only you could be cold or warm! 16 But because you are neither cold nor warm, because of this I will spit you from my mouth. 17 Yet you say, ‘I am rich and have sufficient and there is no need for anything,’ but you do not know that you are poor and needy. 18 Now, let me give you my counsel: that you buy gold from me, and clothe yourself with white garments, and anoint your eyes with oil, that you may be able to see. 19 I discipline

those whom I love, therefore do repentance. 20 Look! – I stand before the door and knock on it, and if one will hear my voice and will open the door, to this one I will come. 21 Whosoever overcomes, to him I will give to sit down with me by my throne, like I overcame and sat down with my Father by his throne. 22 Whosoever has ears must hear what the Ruach says!'"

CHAPTER 4
Revelation 4, OT passages

[Gen 9:11-16 NKJV] 11 "Thus I establish My covenant with you: Never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood; never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." 12 And God said: "This [is] the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living creature that [is] with you, for perpetual generations: 13 "I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. 14 "It shall be, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the rainbow shall be seen in the cloud; 15 "and I will remember My covenant which [is] between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 "The rainbow shall be in the cloud, and I will look on it to remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that [is] on the earth."

[Exo 19:16-20 NKJV] 16 Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who [were] in the camp trembled. 17 And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain. 18 Now Mount Sinai [was] completely in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly. 19 And when the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by voice. 20 Then the LORD came down upon Mount Sinai, on the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

[Exo 20:18-21 NKJV] 18 Now all the people witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw [it], they trembled and stood afar off. 19 Then they said to Moses, "You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die." 20 And Moses said to the people, "Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that His fear may be before you, so that you may not sin." 21 So the people stood afar off, but Moses drew near the thick darkness where God [was].

[Exo 24:9-11 NKJV] 9 Then Moses went up, also Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, 10 and they saw the God of Israel. And [there was] under His feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and it was like the very heavens in [its] clarity. 11 But on the nobles of the children of Israel He did not lay His hand. So they saw God, and they ate and drank.

[Isa 6:1-4 NKJV] 1 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His [robe] filled the temple. 2 Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet and with two he flew. 3 And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy [is] the LORD of hosts; The whole earth [is] full of His glory!" 4 And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. *(Note: The word for "feet" here is "reḡel" the word is used as a euphemism for "genitals. (*Strong and Kohlenberger*) I point this out as most of my life I thought it strange that they covered their feet. Knowing the Hebrew here makes so much more sense.)*

[Eze 1:5-28 NKJV] 5 Also from within it [came] the likeness of four living creatures. And this [was] their appearance: they had the likeness of a man. 6 Each one had four faces, and each one had four wings. 7 Their legs [were] straight, and the soles of their feet [were] like the soles of calves' feet. They sparkled like the color of burnished bronze. 8 The hands of a man [were] under their wings on their four sides; and each of the four had faces and wings. 9 Their wings touched one another. [The creatures] did not turn when they went, but each one went straight forward. 10 As for the likeness of their faces, [each] had the face of a man; each of the four had the face of a lion on the right side, each of the four had the face of an ox on the left side, and each of the four had the face of an eagle. 11 Thus [were] their faces. Their wings stretched upward; two [wings] of each one touched one another, and two covered their bodies. 12 And each one went straight forward; they went wherever the spirit wanted to go, and they did not turn when they went. 13 As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance [was] like burning coals of fire, like the appearance of torches going back and forth among the living creatures. The fire was bright, and out of the fire went lightning. 14 And the living creatures ran back and forth, in appearance like a flash of lightning. 15 Now as I looked at the living creatures, behold, a wheel [was] on the earth beside each living creature with its four faces. 16 The appearance of the wheels and their workings [was] like the color of beryl, and all four had the same likeness. The appearance of their workings [was], as it were, a wheel in the middle of a wheel. 17 When they moved, they went toward any one of four directions; they did not turn aside when they went. 18 As for their rims, they were so high they were awesome; and their rims [were] full of eyes, all around the four of them. 19 When the living creatures went, the wheels went beside them; and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up. 20 Wherever the spirit wanted to go, they went, [because] there the spirit went; and the wheels were lifted together with them, for the spirit of the living creatures [was] in the wheels. 21 When those went, [these] went; when those stood, [these] stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up together with them, for the spirit of the living creatures [was] in the wheels. 22 The likeness of the firmament above the heads of the

living creatures [was] like the color of an awesome crystal, stretched out over their heads. 23 And under the firmament their wings [spread out] straight, one toward another. Each one had two which covered one side, and each one had two which covered the other side of the body. 24 When they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of many waters, like the voice of the Almighty, a tumult like the noise of an army; and when they stood still, they let down their wings. 25 A voice came from above the firmament that [was] over their heads; whenever they stood, they let down their wings. 26 And above the firmament over their heads [was] the likeness of a throne, in appearance like a sapphire stone; on the likeness of the throne [was] a likeness with the appearance of a man high above it. 27 Also from the appearance of His waist and upward I saw, as it were, the color of amber with the appearance of fire all around within it; and from the appearance of His waist and downward I saw, as it were, the appearance of fire with brightness all around. 28 Like the appearance of a rainbow in a cloud on a rainy day, so [was] the appearance of the brightness all around it. This [was] the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. So when I saw [it], I fell on my face, and I heard a voice of One speaking.

[Eze 3:12-14 NKJV] 12 Then the Spirit lifted me up, and I heard behind me a great thunderous voice: "Blessed [is] the glory of the LORD from His place!" 13 [I] also [heard] the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and the noise of the wheels beside them, and a great thunderous noise. 14 So the Spirit lifted me up and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

[Eze 10:1-8 NKJV] 1 And I looked, and there in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubim, there appeared something like a sapphire stone, having the appearance of the likeness of a throne. 2 Then He spoke to the man clothed with linen, and said, "Go in among the wheels, under the cherub, fill your hands with coals of fire from among the cherubim, and scatter [them] over the city." And he went in as I watched. 3 Now the cherubim were standing on the south side of the temple when the man went in, and the cloud filled the inner court. 4 Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, [and paused] over the threshold of the temple; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD's glory. 5 And the sound of the wings of the cherubim was heard [even] in the outer court, like the voice of Almighty God when He speaks. 6 Then it happened, when He commanded the man clothed in linen, saying, "Take fire from among the wheels, from among the cherubim," that he went in and stood beside the wheels. 7 And the cherub stretched out his hand from among the cherubim to the fire that [was] among the cherubim, and took [some of it] and put [it] into the hands of the [man] clothed with linen, who took [it] and went out. 8 The cherubim appeared to have the form of a man's hand under their wings.

[Eze 43:2-3 NKJV] 2 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east. His voice [was] like the sound of many waters; and the

earth shone with His glory. 3 [It was] like the appearance of the vision which I saw--like the vision which I saw when I came to destroy the city. The visions [were] like the vision which I saw by the River Chebar; and I fell on my face.

[1Ch 24:1-19 NKJV] 1 Now [these are] the divisions of the sons of Aaron. The sons of Aaron [were] Nadab, Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar. 2 And Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no children; therefore Eleazar and Ithamar ministered as priests. 3 Then David with Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, divided them according to the schedule of their service. 4 There were more leaders found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar, and [thus] they were divided. Among the sons of Eleazar [were] sixteen heads of [their] fathers' houses, and eight heads of their fathers' houses among the sons of Ithamar. 5 Thus they were divided by lot, one group as another, for there were officials of the sanctuary and officials [of the house] of God, from the sons of Eleazar and from the sons of Ithamar. 6 And the scribe, Shemaiah the son of Nethanel, [one of] the Levites, wrote them down before the king, the leaders, Zadok the priest, Ahimelech the son of Abiathar, and the heads of the fathers' [houses] of the priests and Levites, one father's house taken for Eleazar and [one] for Ithamar. 7 Now the first lot fell to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah, 8 the third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim, 9 the fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin, 10 the seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah, 11 the ninth to Jeshua, the tenth to Shecaniah, 12 the eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim, 13 the thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab, 14 the fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer, 15 the seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Happizzez, 16 the nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezekel, 17 the twenty-first to Jachin, the twenty-second to Gamul, 18 the twenty-third to Delaiah, the twenty-fourth to Maaziah. 19 This [was] the schedule of their service for coming into the house of the LORD according to their ordinance by the hand of Aaron their father, as the LORD God of Israel had commanded him. *(Note: This is the original "24 Elders." There is no telling if they are the same "24 Elders" on high. I would imagine there is a study out there that attempts to tackle their identity. I just have not felt led to investigate it.)*

[Zec 4:2 NKJV] 2 And he said to me, "What do you see?" So I said, "I am looking, and there [is] a lampstand of solid gold with a bowl on top of it, and on the [stand] seven lamps with seven pipes to the seven lamps.

REVELATION 4
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 4:1-11 NKJV] 1 After these things I looked, and behold, a door [standing] open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard [was] like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this."

2 Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and [One] sat on the throne. 3 And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and [there was] a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald. 4 Around the throne [were] twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twenty-four elders sitting, clothed in white robes; and they had crowns of gold on their heads. 5 And from the throne proceeded lightnings, thunderings, and voices. Seven lamps of fire [were] burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

6 Before the throne [there was] a sea of glass, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne, and around the throne, [were] four living creatures full of eyes in front and in back. 7 The first living creature [was] like a lion, the second living creature like a calf, the third living creature had a face like a man, and the fourth living creature [was] like a flying eagle. 8 [The] four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying:

> "Holy, holy, holy,
> Lord God Almighty,
> Who was and is and is to come!"

9 Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying:

> 11 "You are worthy, O Lord,
> To receive glory and honor and power;
> For You created all things,
> And by Your will they exist and were created."

REVELATION 4
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 And after this I saw that a door was opened in the heavens, and the first voice which I had heard – that spoke with me like the sound of a shophar – said to me, "Come here and I want to show you what will happen after this."

2 And forthwith and immediately Ruach Ha-Qodesh rested on me, and I saw a throne sitting in the heavens, and one sitting on the throne. 3 And he who sat on it, his appearance was like the appearance of the stone sapphire and jasper, and around the throne was a bow like turquoise.

4 And around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and twenty-four elders sat on them, clothed in white garments, and on their heads was a crown of gold. 5 And from the throne there went out, voices and thunders and lightnings, and seven lamps were before the throne (and these are the seven Ruchot of Yahweh).

6 And before the throne was a sea of glass, like the appearance of crystal. And in the midst of the throne and around the throne were four living creatures, full of eyes at their front and at their back. 7 And the first living creature was like the appearance of a lion, and the second like a bull, and the third like a man, and the fourth like an eagle. 8 And each one had six wings, also on the inside they were filled with eyes. And they do not have rest, day or night, but say continually, "Qadosh, qadosh, qadosh, is Yahweh Tseva'ot, the Mighty, who was and is and will be."

9 And when the living creatures give lauding and thanks to him who sits on the throne, and who lives from everlasting and unto everlasting, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before him and pray to him who lives from everlasting and unto everlasting, and they cast their crowns before him and say, 11 "Adon, you are worthy to receive honor and glory, for you are the Creator of everything, and by your will everything was made.

CHAPTER 5
Revelation 5, OT passages

[Gen 49:1, 8-12 NKJV] 1 And Jacob called his sons and said, "Gather together, that I may tell you what shall befall you in the last days: ... 8 "Judah, you [are he] whom your brothers shall praise; Your hand [shall be] on the neck of your enemies; Your father's children shall bow down before you. 9 Judah [is] a lion's whelp; From the prey, my son, you have gone up. He bows down, he lies down as a lion; And as a lion, who shall rouse him? 10 The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes; And to Him [shall be] the obedience of the people. 11 Binding his donkey to the vine, And his donkey's colt to the choice vine, He washed his garments in wine, And his clothes in the blood of grapes. 12 His eyes [are] darker than wine, And his teeth whiter than milk. *(Note: (Shiloh is where the wilderness tabernacle was placed in Israel after the Exodus once the Israelites had taken over the Promised Land.)*

[Exo 11:1-10 NKJV] 1 And the LORD said to Moses, "I will bring one more plague on Pharaoh and on Egypt. Afterward he will let you go from here. When he lets [you] go, he will surely drive you out of here altogether. 2 "Speak now in the hearing of the people, and let every man ask from his neighbor and every woman from her neighbor, articles of silver and articles of gold." 3 And the LORD gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man Moses [was] very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants and in the sight of the people.

4 Then Moses said, "Thus says the LORD: 'About midnight I will go out into the midst of Egypt; 5 'and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the female servant who [is] behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the animals. 6 'Then there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as was not like it [before], nor shall be like it again. 7 'But against none of the children of Israel shall a dog move its tongue, against man or beast, that you may know that the LORD does make a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.' 8 "And all these your servants shall come down to me and bow down to me, saying, 'Get out, and all the people who follow you!' After that I will go out." Then he went out from Pharaoh in great anger.

9 But the LORD said to Moses, "Pharaoh will not heed you, so that My wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt." 10 So Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh; and the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

[Exo 12:1-13 NKJV] 1 Now the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron in the

land of Egypt, saying, 2 “This month [shall be] your beginning of months; it [shall be] the first month of the year to you. 3 “Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: ‘On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of [his] father, a lamb for a household. 4 ‘And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take [it] according to the number of the persons; according to each man’s need you shall make your count for the lamb. 5 ‘Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take [it] from the sheep or from the goats. 6 ‘Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. 7 ‘And they shall take [some] of the blood and put [it] on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it. 8 ‘Then they shall eat the flesh on that night; roasted in fire, with unleavened bread [and] with bitter [herbs] they shall eat it. 9 ‘Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire--its head with its legs and its entrails. 10 ‘You shall let none of it remain until morning, and what remains of it until morning you shall burn with fire. 11 ‘And thus you shall eat it: [with] a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It [is] the LORD’s Passover. 12 ‘For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I [am] the LORD. 13 ‘Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you [are]. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy [you] when I strike the land of Egypt.

[Exo 19:6 NKJV] 6 ‘And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These [are] the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel.”

[Num 24:7-9 NKJV] 7 He shall pour water from his buckets, And his seed [shall be] in many waters. “His king shall be higher than Agag, And his kingdom shall be exalted. 8 “God brings him out of Egypt; He has strength like a wild ox; He shall consume the nations, his enemies; He shall break their bones And pierce [them] with his arrows. 9 ‘He bows down, he lies down as a lion; And as a lion, who shall rouse him?’ “Blessed [is] he who blesses you, And cursed [is] he who curses you.”

*(Note**:** “Agag/Gog”*

The name “Agag” here in the Hebrew is translated as “Gog” in the Greek Septuagint. The Septuagint was translated in approximately 300 BC by 72 respected men from the 12 tribes of Israel (6 per tribe.) The reason we refer to it as the “LXX” is due to the number of men. “LXX” is “70” in Latin. But I digress. Gog is well known from Ezekiel 38. In reference to Gog it says:

> [Eze 38:17 NKJV] “17 Thus says the Lord GOD: “Are [you] he of whom I have spoken in former days by My servants the prophets of Israel, who

prophesied for years in those days that I would bring you against them?"

Ezekiel is written approximately 900 years after Moses records the book of Numbers. I find it fascinating and eye opening that learned, Hebrew scholars would connect the two individuals as the same person. While it is not important in Revelation 5, it is included here due to it being a part of the reference to Israel's king being like a lion.

[Deu 33:1-5 NKJV] 1 Now this [is] the blessing with which Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death. 2 And he said: "The LORD came from Sinai, And dawned on them from Seir; He shone forth from Mount Paran, And He came with ten thousands of saints; From His right hand [Came] a fiery law for them. 3 Yes, He loves the people; All His saints [are] in Your hand; They sit down at Your feet; [Everyone] receives Your words. 4 Moses commanded a law for us, A heritage of the congregation of Jacob. 5 And He was King in Jeshurun, When the leaders of the people were gathered, All the tribes of Israel together.

(Note: "Choose Your Tense"

The verbs "came, dawned," and "shown" in this verse are in the Hebrew perfect tense. The perfect tense can denote past, present, or future tenses. "However, in Hebrew there really is no "past tense," only action that is regarded as completed.....The simple perfect is the most common use of the perfect, and it simply states that an act is completed (in English past time), or it may be stated with a present tense or future usage. ("BLB") This is relevant as I stated earlier, I believe there can be multiple fulfillments prior to an ultimate fulfillment. To paraphrase Joel Richardson, translators have to choose a tense based on what they think the context of the passage is stating. It seems reasonable to make this past tense, however, it can be future. For more on that, I'd recommend Mr. Richardson's book, "Sinai to Zion." This concept of speech harmonizes very well with the God that refers to His own name in a timeless fashion. The " I am." Who was and is and is to come. HE created time and exists outside of it (arguably there is a Biblical sense in which He has moved His realm into ours, but that's another book.) The verbs of the language of His chosen people do not submit to time, just a sense of completion. Once the I am says it, it is done, whether it has happened yet or not. On our plane of linear time, this can get confusing to us. May this always be the case? I do not know, but it is something to keep in mind as possible.)

[Psa 22:22-23 NKJV] 22 I will declare Your name to My brethren; In the midst of the assembly I will praise You. 23 You who fear the LORD, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, glorify Him, And fear Him, all you offspring of Israel!

[Psa 68:3-4 NKJV] *See page 3*

[Psa 132:9-12 NKJV] *See page 3*

[Psa 141:2 NKJV] 2 Let my prayer be set before You [as] incense, The lifting up of my hands [as] the evening sacrifice.

[Psa 149:1-6 NKJV] 1 Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song, [And] His praise in the assembly of saints. 2 Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; Let the children of Zion be joyful in their King. 3 Let them praise His name with the dance; Let them sing praises to Him with the timbrel and harp. 4 For the LORD takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation. 5 Let the saints be joyful in glory; Let them sing aloud on their beds. 6 [Let] the high praises of God [be] in their mouth, And a two-edged sword in their hand,

[Isa 11:1 NKJV] 1 There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

[Isa 42:10-12 NKJV] 10 Sing to the LORD a new song, [And] His praise from the ends of the earth, You who go down to the sea, and all that is in it, You coastlands and you inhabitants of them! 11 Let the wilderness and its cities lift up [their voice], The villages [that] Kedar inhabits. Let the inhabitants of Sela sing, Let them shout from the top of the mountains. 12 Let them give glory to the LORD, And declare His praise in the coastlands.

[Isa 53:7-12 NKJV] 7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth. 8 He was taken from prison and from judgment, And who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living; For the transgressions of My people He was stricken. 9 And they made His grave with the wicked--But with the rich at His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor [was any] deceit in His mouth. 10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him; He has put [Him] to grief. When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see [His] seed, He shall prolong [His] days, And the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand. 11 He shall see the labor of His soul, [and] be satisfied. By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities. 12 Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong, Because He poured out His soul unto death, And He was numbered with the transgressors, And He bore the sin of many, And made intercession for the transgressors.

[Zep 3:9-11 NKJV] 9 "For then I will restore to the peoples a pure language, That they all may call on the name of the LORD, To serve Him with one accord. 10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia My worshipers, The daughter of My dispersed ones, Shall bring My offering. 11 In that day you shall not be shamed for any of your deeds In which you transgress against Me; For then I will take away from your midst Those who rejoice in your pride, And you shall no longer be haughty In My holy mountain. *(Note: "Pure language." This is just an unfounded opinion. I think this will be whatever language was spoken before*

the Tower of Babel.)

[Jer 30:9 NKJV] 9 But they shall serve the LORD their God, And David their king, Whom I will raise up for them.

[Jer 33:14-26 NKJV] *See page 5*

[Dan 7:9-10, 13-14, 18, 22 NKJV] 9 "I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment [was] white as snow, And the hair of His head [was] like pure wool. His throne [was] a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire; 10 A fiery stream issued And came forth from before Him. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, And the books were opened. … 13 "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, [One] like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him. 14 Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, That all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion [is] an everlasting dominion, Which shall not pass away, And His kingdom [the one] Which shall not be destroyed… 18 'But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.'… 22 "until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made [in favor] of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom.

[Eze 2:8-10 NKJV] 8 "But you, son of man, hear what I say to you. Do not be rebellious like that rebellious house; open your mouth and eat what I give you." 9 Now when I looked, there was a hand stretched out to me; and behold, a scroll of a book [was] in it. 10 Then He spread it before me; and [there was] writing on the inside and on the outside, and written on it [were] lamentations and mourning and woe.

[Zec 3:6-9 NKJV] 6 Then the Angel of the LORD admonished Joshua, saying, 7 "Thus says the LORD of hosts: 'If you will walk in My ways, And if you will keep My command, Then you shall also judge My house, And likewise have charge of My courts; I will give you places to walk Among these who stand here. 8 'Hear, O Joshua, the high priest, You and your companions who sit before you, For they are a wondrous sign; For behold, I am bringing forth My Servant the BRANCH. 9 For behold, the stone That I have laid before Joshua: Upon the stone [are] seven eyes. Behold, I will engrave its inscription,' Says the LORD of hosts, 'And I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day. *(Note. The Hebrew name Joshua (pronounced "Yeshua," is the Greek name Iesous. The Greek transliteration is Jesus in English. Jesus' name is "Yeshua/Joshua."* ("BLB")

[Zec 5:1-4 NKJV] 1 Then I turned and raised my eyes, and saw there a

flying scroll. 2 And he said to me, “What do you see?” So I answered, “I see a flying scroll. Its length [is] twenty cubits and its width ten cubits.” 3 Then he said to me, “This [is] the curse that goes out over the face of the whole earth: ‘Every thief shall be expelled,’ according [to] this side of [the scroll]; and, ‘Every perjurer shall be expelled,’ according [to] that side of it.” 4 “I will send out [the curse],” says the LORD of hosts; “It shall enter the house of the thief And the house of the one who swears falsely by My name. It shall remain in the midst of his house And consume it, with its timber and stones.”

[1Ch 24:1-19 NKJV] *See page 37*

REVELATION 5
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 5:1-14 NKJV] 1 And I saw in the right [hand] of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals. 2 Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?" 3 And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it.

4 So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it. 5 But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals."

6 And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. 7 Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne.

8 Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 And they sang a new song, saying:

> "You are worthy to take the scroll,
> And to open its seals;
> For You were slain,
> And have redeemed us to God by Your blood
> Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,
> 10 And have made us kings and priests to our God;
> And we shall reign on the earth."

11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, 12 saying with a loud voice:

> "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
> To receive power and riches and wisdom,
> And strength and honor and glory and blessing!"

13 And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth
and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying:

> “Blessing and honor and glory and power
> [Be] to Him who sits on the throne,
> And to the Lamb, forever and ever!”

14 Then the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the twenty-four elders fell
down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever.

REVELATION 5
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 And he who sat on the throne – I saw a scroll in his right hand, and it was sealed with seals on the inside and on the outside, with seven seals. 2 And I saw a messenger crying out with a great voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to break its seals?" 3 But no one in the heavens or on the earth was able to open the scroll and to look in it. 4 Now, I was weeping exceedingly because no one was found who was worthy of this matter. 5 But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep, look! – The Lion who is from the family of Yehudah, from the root of Dawid, has overcome to open the scroll and to break the seven seals."

6 Then I saw that in the midst of the throne and the living creatures and the twenty-four elders, there stood a Lamb, like he had been slain. And he had seven horns and seven eyes (and these are the seven Ruchot of Yahweh, sent into all the earth). 7 So he came and took the scroll from the right hand (103r) of him who sat on the throne. 8 And when he took the scroll, the four living creatures and twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, and in their hands were lyres and fire pans full of incense (and this is the prayer of the set-apart ones). 9 And they sang a new song and said, "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain and bought us with your blood, 10 and you made us priests and kings, that we may be kings over the earth."

11 Then I saw and I heard many voices of the messengers around the throne – and their number was twenty million. 12 And they said with a great voice, "The Lamb who was slain is worthy of power and honor and glory and praises!" 13 And all the creations which are in the heavens and on the earth and under the earth and in the sea, I heard saying, "To him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be honor and praises and lauding, from everlasting and unto everlasting."

14 So the four living creatures answered "Amein," and the twenty four elders fell down and prayed to him who lives from everlasting and unto everlasting.

CHAPTER 6
Revelation 6, OT passages

In spite of the fact that this is a very long chapter, I have struggled as to where the Holy Spirit would want me to place two passages. Genesis 3:14-15 and Numbers 24:14-24. They relate to the coming Messiah and how He will crush the head of Satan and His enemies. This idea can easily be placed in several places in the book of Revelation. I am honestly antsy to get these in here, as these two prophecies greatly excite me, simply based on how old they are, and how early our Father revealed them. Accordingly, I am under the impression that I should place it here as this is the first mention in Revelation of the wicked realizing that they are actually facing, without question, the wrath of the Lamb and of Him who sits on the throne. Regardless of placement, it is enough to note that both of the passages relate to the end times and Revelation. They will receive multiple placements in these volumes.

Note 2.0 There is a possibility that Revelation does not recount events specifically in a linear, or chronological order. Many scholars and teachers have attempted to organize what happens in Revelation in a myriad of ways. While, generally speaking, I agree with this concept, I will attempt no such organization in these volumes. I will not give you some crazy, mind blowing, timeline map, that while fun, is most likely wrong in some way. The Holy Spirit inspired John to write it in the order he wrote it. Smart move to listen to the Holy Spirit, John. But, with this consideration, we will notice that many OT writings seem to apply to several different places in the chapters of Revelation. You may see certain passages in here that may seem like a stretch for Revelation 6. My goal is to bring these passages to light at the earliest possible connection to Revelation. That way it is in your mind already, when the connection rears its head again.

[Gen 1:14 NKJV] 14 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; *(sixth seal)*

[Gen 3:14-15 NKJV] 14 So the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, You [are] cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life. 15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel."

[Gen 21:14, 20 NKJV] 14 So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water; and putting [it] on her shoulder, he gave [it] and the boy to Hagar, and sent her away. Then she departed and wandered in the

Wilderness of Beersheba. … 20 So God was with the lad; and he grew and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer. *(Note: This is about Ishmael.)*

[Gen 27:1-3 NKJV] 1 Now it came to pass, when Isaac was old and his eyes were so dim that he could not see, that he called Esau his older son and said to him, "My son." And he answered him, "Here I am." 2 Then he said, "Behold now, I am old. I do not know the day of my death. 3 "Now therefore, please take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field and hunt game for me.

[Exo 11:1-10 NKJV] *See page 40*

[Exo 12:1-13 NKJV] *See page 40*

[Exo 30:1-10 NKJV] 1 "You shall make an altar to burn incense on; you shall make it of acacia wood. 2 "A cubit [shall be] its length and a cubit its width--it shall be square--and two cubits [shall be] its height. Its horns [shall be] of one piece with it. 3 "And you shall overlay its top, its sides all around, and its horns with pure gold; and you shall make for it a molding of gold all around. 4 "Two gold rings you shall make for it, under the molding on both its sides. You shall place [them] on its two sides, and they will be holders for the poles with which to bear it. 5 "You shall make the poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold. 6 "And you shall put it before the veil that [is] before the ark of the Testimony, before the mercy seat that [is] over the Testimony, where I will meet with you. 7 "Aaron shall burn on it sweet incense every morning; when he tends the lamps, he shall burn incense on it. 8 "And when Aaron lights the lamps at twilight, he shall burn incense on it, a perpetual incense before the LORD throughout your generations. 9 "You shall not offer strange incense on it, or a burnt offering, or a grain offering; nor shall you pour a drink offering on it. 10 "And Aaron shall make atonement upon its horns once a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonement; once a year he shall make atonement upon it throughout your generations. It [is] most holy to the LORD."

(Note: "Incense Not Sacrifice"

Based on the description in Chapter 5, we are in the heavenly throne room of God. I am under the impression then that the altar mentioned in Chapter 6 and throughout Revelation is the Altar of Incense. This is the altar that the saints/set apart ones are under in the Fifth Seal and throughout. When you consider that it is known that the earthly tabernacle is based on a heavenly one, then this is the altar that is before God's throne. Made of gold, and inside the tabernacle/temple directly in front of the veil of the Holy of Holies, which houses the Ark of the Covenant, is God's throne in heaven and His footstool here on earth. The altar of sacrifice is outside the tabernacle/temple and Solomon made his of bronze. Also of note is that all the temples after the tabernacle used the same Altar of Incense, they did not rebuild or make a new one. In size comparison, very humble as well. The bronze Altar of Sacrifice was 20 cubits square and 10 cubits tall. For some reason, realizing all this makes the consideration of prayer time even more important to me. Fifth Seal)

[Exo 37:25-29 NKJV] 25 He made the incense altar of acacia wood. Its length [was] a cubit and its width a cubit--[it was] square--and two cubits [was] its height. Its horns were [of one piece] with it. 26 And he overlaid it with pure gold: its top, its sides all around, and its horns. He also made for it a molding of gold all around it. 27 He made two rings of gold for it under its molding, by its two corners on both sides, as holders for the poles with which to bear it. 28 And he made the poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold. 29 He also made the holy anointing oil and the pure incense of sweet spices, according to the work of the perfumer.

[Num 24:7-9 NKJV] *See page 41*

[Num 24:14-24 NKJV] 14 "And now, indeed, I am going to my people. Come, I will advise you what this people will do to your people in the latter days." 15 So he took up his oracle and said: "The utterance of Balaam the son of Beor, And the utterance of the man whose eyes are opened; 16 The utterance of him who hears the words of God, And has the knowledge of the Most High, [Who] sees the vision of the Almighty, [Who] falls down, with eyes wide open: 17 "I see Him, but not now; I behold Him, but not near; A Star shall come out of Jacob; A Scepter shall rise out of Israel, And batter the brow of Moab, And destroy all the sons of tumult. 18 "And Edom shall be a possession; Seir also, his enemies, shall be a possession, While Israel does valiantly. 19 Out of Jacob One shall have dominion, And destroy the remains of the city." 20 Then he looked on Amalek, and he took up his oracle and said: "Amalek [was] first among the nations, But [shall be] last until he perishes." 21 Then he looked on the Kenites, and he took up his oracle and said: "Firm is your dwelling place, And your nest is set in the rock; 22 Nevertheless Kain shall be burned. How long until Asshur carries you away captive?" 23 Then he took up his oracle and said: "Alas! Who shall live when God does this? 24 But ships [shall come] from the coasts of Cyprus [Kittim], And they shall afflict Asshur and afflict Eber, And so shall [Amalek], until he perishes."

(Note 2.0: [Gen 36:8 NKJV] "8 So Esau dwelt in Mount Seir. Esau [is] Edom." ("BLB")

[Jos 10:16, 22, 26 NKJV] 16 But these five kings had fled and hidden themselves in a cave at Makkedah. ... 22 Then Joshua said, "Open the mouth of the cave, and bring out those five kings to me from the cave." ... 26 And afterward Joshua struck them and killed them, and hanged them on five trees; and they were hanging on the trees until evening. *(Note: Kings/people hiding from the wrath of Joshua (Hebrew for the name Jesus) in a cave.)*

[Jdg 5:3-5 NKJV] 3 "Hear, O kings! Give ear, O princes! I, [even] I, will sing to the LORD; I will sing praise to the LORD God of Israel. 4 "LORD, when You went out from Seir, When You marched from the field of Edom, The earth

trembled and the heavens poured, The clouds also poured water; 5 The mountains gushed before the LORD, This Sinai, before the LORD God of Israel. *(another example of the "perfect tense" verb. sixth seal)*

[Psa 2:1-5 NKJV] 1 Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing? 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed, [saying], 3 "Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us." 4 He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The Lord shall hold them in derision. 5 Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, And distress them in His deep displeasure: *(sixth seal)*

[Psa 9:12 NKJV] 12 When He avenges blood, He remembers them; He does not forget the cry of the humble. *(fifth seal)*

[Psa 18:7-15 NKJV] 7 Then the earth shook and trembled; The foundations of the hills also quaked and were shaken, Because He was angry. 8 Smoke went up from His nostrils, And devouring fire from His mouth; Coals were kindled by it. 9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down With darkness under His feet. 10 And He rode upon a cherub, and flew; He flew upon the wings of the wind. 11 He made darkness His secret place; His canopy around Him [was] dark waters [And] thick clouds of the skies. 12 From the brightness before Him, His thick clouds passed with hailstones and coals of fire. 13 The LORD thundered from heaven, And the Most High uttered His voice, Hailstones and coals of fire. 14 He sent out His arrows and scattered the foe, Lightnings in abundance, and He vanquished them. 15 Then the channels of the sea were seen, The foundations of the world were uncovered At Your rebuke, O LORD, At the blast of the breath of Your nostrils. *(sixth seal)*

[Psa 46:1-3 NKJV] 1 To the Chief Musician. [A Psalm] of the sons of Korah. A Song for Alamoth. God [is] our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble. 2 Therefore we will not fear, Even though the earth be removed, And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; 3 [Though] its waters roar [and] be troubled, [Though] the mountains shake with its swelling. Selah *(sixth seal)*

[Psa 48:4-8 NKJV] 4 For behold, the kings assembled, They passed by together. 5 They saw [it, and] so they marveled; They were troubled, they hastened away. 6 Fear took hold of them there, [And] pain, as of a woman in birth pangs, 7 [As when] You break the ships of Tarshish With an east wind. 8 As we have heard, So we have seen In the city of the LORD of hosts, In the city of our God: God will establish it forever. Selah

[Psa 68:1-2 NKJV] 1 To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. A Song. Let God arise, Let His enemies be scattered; Let those also who hate Him flee before Him. 2 As smoke is driven away, So drive [them] away; As wax melts before the fire, [So] let the wicked perish at the presence of God. *(sixth seal)*

[Psa 68:7-10 NKJV] 7 O God, when You went out before Your people, When You marched through the wilderness, Selah 8 The earth shook; The heav-

ens also dropped [rain] at the presence of God; Sinai itself [was moved] at the presence of God, the God of Israel. 9 You, O God, sent a plentiful rain, Whereby You confirmed Your inheritance, When it was weary. 10 Your congregation dwelt in it; You, O God, provided from Your goodness for the poor. *(Note: Perfect tense sixth seal)*

[Psa 68:11-14 NKJV] 11 The Lord gave the word; Great [was] the company of those who proclaimed [it]: 12 "Kings of armies flee, they flee, And she who remains at home divides the spoil. 13 Though you lie down among the sheepfolds, [You will be] like the wings of a dove covered with silver, And her feathers with yellow gold." 14 When the Almighty scattered kings in it, It was [white] as snow in Zalmon. (*Note: Sheepfold. The word here essentially relates to hooks. Hooks in a cattle or sheep pen based on Ezekiel 40:43. This is interesting here as some scholars believe in the last days, the Jews will escape Jerusalem when it is under attack and flee to Petra. Petra, which was built in the 3rd Century BC, well after this psalm, is near ancient Bozrah (approx 40 miles.) Bozrah means "sheepfold." Revelation 12 describes this running into the wilderness on "on two wings of a great eagle, to a place prepared for her."sixth seal)*

[Psa 76:1-12 NKJV] 1 To the Chief Musician. On stringed instruments. A Psalm of Asaph. A Song. In Judah God [is] known; His name [is] great in Israel. 2 In Salem also is His tabernacle, And His dwelling place in Zion. 3 There He broke the arrows of the bow, The shield and sword of battle. Selah 4 You [are] more glorious and excellent [Than] the mountains of prey. 5 The stouthearted were plundered; They have sunk into their sleep; And none of the mighty men have found the use of their hands. 6 At Your rebuke, O God of Jacob, Both the chariot and horse were cast into a dead sleep. 7 You, Yourself, [are] to be feared; And who may stand in Your presence When once You are angry? 8 You caused judgment to be heard from heaven; The earth feared and was still, 9 When God arose to judgment, To deliver all the oppressed of the earth. Selah 10 Surely the wrath of man shall praise You; With the remainder of wrath You shall gird Yourself. 11 Make vows to the LORD your God, and pay [them]; Let all who are around Him bring presents to Him who ought to be feared. 12 He shall cut off the spirit of princes; [He is] awesome to the kings of the earth. *(sixth seal)*

[Psa 89:46-48 NKJV] 46 How long, LORD? Will You hide Yourself forever? Will Your wrath burn like fire? 47 Remember how short my time is; For what futility have You created all the children of men? 48 What man can live and not see death? Can he deliver his life from the power of the grave? Selah *(Note: this seems similar to the cry of the souls under the altar."*

[Psa 90:13 NKJV] 13 Return, O LORD! How long? And have compassion on Your servants.

[Psa 91:1-10 NKJV] 1 He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say of the LORD, "[He is] my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust." 3 Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler [And] from the perilous pestilence. 4

He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth [shall be your] shield and buckler. 5 You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, [Nor] of the arrow [that] flies by day, 6 [Nor] of the pestilence [that] walks in darkness, [Nor] of the destruction [that] lays waste at noonday. 7 A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; [But] it shall not come near you. 8 Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked. 9 Because you have made the LORD, [who is] my refuge, [Even] the Most High, your dwelling place, 10 No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; *(Note: I believe this passage is for us, the believers, when these end times seem crazy. We will face persecution, but we are not "appointed" to the wrath of God. See 1 Thes 5:9. Second and fourth seal)*

[Psa 94:1-4 NKJV] 1 O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongs--O God, to whom vengeance belongs, shine forth! 2 Rise up, O Judge of the earth; Render punishment to the proud. 3 LORD, how long will the wicked, How long will the wicked triumph? 4 They utter speech, [and] speak insolent things; All the workers of iniquity boast in themselves. *(fifth seal)*

[Psa 116:11, 15 NKJV] 11 I said in my haste, "All men [are] liars." ... 15 Precious in the sight of the LORD [Is] the death of His saints. *(fifth seal)*

[Joe 1:11-12 NKJV] 11 Be ashamed, you farmers, Wail, you vinedressers, For the wheat and the barley; Because the harvest of the field has perished. 12 The vine has dried up, And the fig tree has withered; The pomegranate tree, The palm tree also, And the apple tree--All the trees of the field are withered; Surely joy has withered away from the sons of men. *(third seal and first trumpet)*

[Joe 1:15-20 NKJV] 15 Alas for the day! For the day of the LORD [is] at hand; It shall come as destruction from the Almighty. 16 Is not the food cut off before our eyes, Joy and gladness from the house of our God? 17 The seed shrivels under the clods, Storehouses are in shambles; Barns are broken down, For the grain has withered. 18 How the animals groan! The herds of cattle are restless, Because they have no pasture; Even the flocks of sheep suffer punishment. 19 O LORD, to You I cry out; For fire has devoured the open pastures, And a flame has burned all the trees of the field. 20 The beasts of the field also cry out to You, For the water brooks are dried up, And fire has devoured the open pastures. *(Note: third seal, this also contains references to the 1st trumpet, and the 2 witnesses shutting up heaven.)*

[Joe 2:1-2 NKJV] 1 Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at hand: 2 A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning [clouds] spread over the mountains. A people [come], great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor will there ever be any [such] after them, Even for many successive generations. *(sixth seal)*

[Joe 2:30-32 NKJV] 30 "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in

the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. 31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. 32 And it shall come to pass [That] whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, As the LORD has said, Among the remnant whom the LORD calls. *(sixth seal)*

[Joe 3:15-16 NKJV] 15 The sun and moon will grow dark, And the stars will diminish their brightness. 16 The LORD also will roar from Zion, And utter His voice from Jerusalem; The heavens and earth will shake; But the LORD will be a shelter for His people, And the strength of the children of Israel. *(sixth seal)*

[Hos 8:1 NKJV] 1 "[Set] the trumpet to your mouth! [He shall come] like an eagle *(same word as vulture)* against the house of the LORD, Because they have transgressed My covenant And rebelled against My law. *(Note: possibly the first seal, "he" being the white horse rider.)*

[Hos 9:7 NKJV] 7 The days of punishment have come; The days of recompense have come. Israel knows! The prophet [is] a fool, The spiritual man [is] insane, Because of the greatness of your iniquity and great enmity.*(sixth seal)*

[Hos 10:7-9 NKJV] 7 [As for] Samaria, her king is cut off Like a twig on the water. 8 Also the high places of Aven, the sin of Israel, Shall be destroyed. The thorn and thistle shall grow on their altars; They shall say to the mountains, "Cover us!" And to the hills, "Fall on us!" 9 "O Israel, you have sinned from the days of Gibeah; There they stood. The battle in Gibeah against the children of iniquity Did not overtake them.*(sixth seal)*

[Hos 13:14 NKJV] 14 "I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death. O Death, I will be your plagues! O Grave, I will be your destruction! Pity is hidden from My eyes." *(fourth seal)*

[Amo 5:8 NKJV] 8 He made the Pleiades and Orion; He turns the shadow of death into morning And makes the day dark as night; He calls for the waters of the sea And pours them out on the face of the earth; The LORD [is] His name. *(sixth seal)*

[Amo 5:18-20 NKJV] 18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! For what good [is] the day of the LORD to you? It [will be] darkness, and not light. 19 It [will be] as though a man fled from a lion, And a bear met him! Or [as though] he went into the house, Leaned his hand on the wall, And a serpent bit him! 20 [Is] not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light? [Is it not] very dark, with no brightness in it? *(sixth seal)*

[Amo 8:9 NKJV] 9 "And it shall come to pass in that day," says the Lord GOD, "That I will make the sun go down at noon, And I will darken the earth in broad daylight; *(sixth seal)*

[Amo 9:1-3 NKJV] 1 I saw the Lord standing by the altar, and He said: "Strike the doorposts, that the thresholds may shake, And break them on the

heads of them all. I will slay the last of them with the sword. He who flees from them shall not get away, And he who escapes from them shall not be delivered. 2 “Though they dig into hell, From there My hand shall take them; Though they climb up to heaven, From there I will bring them down; 3 And though they hide themselves on top of Carmel, From there I will search and take them; Though they hide from My sight at the bottom of the sea, From there I will command the serpent, and it shall bite them; *(sixth seal)*

[Isa 2:10-21 NKJV] 10 Enter into the rock, and hide in the dust, From the terror of the LORD And the glory of His majesty. 11 The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, The haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, And the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day. 12 For the day of the LORD of hosts [Shall come] upon everything proud and lofty, Upon everything lifted up--And it shall be brought low-- 13 Upon all the cedars of Lebanon [that are] high and lifted up, And upon all the oaks of Bashan; 14 Upon all the high mountains, And upon all the hills [that are] lifted up; 15 Upon every high tower, And upon every fortified wall; 16 Upon all the ships of Tarshish, And upon all the beautiful sloops. 17 The loftiness of man shall be bowed down, And the haughtiness of men shall be brought low; The LORD alone will be exalted in that day, 18 But the idols He shall utterly abolish. 19 They shall go into the holes of the rocks, And into the caves of the earth, From the terror of the LORD And the glory of His majesty, When He arises to shake the earth mightily. 20 In that day a man will cast away his idols of silver And his idols of gold, Which they made, [each] for himself to worship, To the moles and bats, 21 To go into the clefts of the rocks, And into the crags of the rugged rocks, From the terror of the LORD And the glory of His majesty, When He arises to shake the earth mightily. *(sixth seal)*

[Isa 13:6-13 NKJV] 6 Wail, for the day of the LORD [is] at hand! It will come as destruction from the Almighty. 7 Therefore all hands will be limp, Every man’s heart will melt, 8 And they will be afraid. Pangs and sorrows will take hold of [them]; They will be in pain as a woman in childbirth; They will be amazed at one another; Their faces [will be like] flames. 9 Behold, the day of the LORD comes, Cruel, with both wrath and fierce anger, To lay the land desolate; And He will destroy its sinners from it. 10 For the stars of heaven and their constellations Will not give their light; The sun will be darkened in its going forth, And the moon will not cause its light to shine. 11 “I will punish the world for [its] evil, And the wicked for their iniquity; I will halt the arrogance of the proud, And will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible. 12 I will make a mortal more rare than fine gold, A man more than the golden wedge of Ophir. 13 Therefore I will shake the heavens, And the earth will move out of her place, In the wrath of the LORD of hosts And in the day of His fierce anger. *(sixth seal)*

[Isa 24:1-6 NKJV] 1 Behold, the LORD makes the earth *(erez)* empty and makes it waste, Distorts its surface And scatters abroad its inhabitants. 2 And it shall be: As with the people, so with the priest; As with the servant, so with his

master; As with the maid, so with her mistress; As with the buyer, so with the seller; As with the lender, so with the borrower; As with the creditor, so with the debtor. 3 The land shall be entirely emptied and utterly plundered, For the LORD has spoken this word. 4 The earth mourns [and] fades away, The world languishes [and] fades away; The haughty people of the earth languish. 5 The earth is also defiled under its inhabitants, Because they have transgressed the laws, Changed the ordinance, Broken the everlasting covenant. 6 Therefore the curse has devoured the earth, And those who dwell in it are desolate. Therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, And few men [are] left. *(Note: You will read it later, but I have to connect it here:*

> [Daniel 7:25 NKJV] "He shall speak pompous words against the Most High, Shall persecute the saints of the Most High, And shall intend to change times and law. Then the saints shall be given into his hand For a time and times and half a time." *sixth seal)*

[Isa 24:18-20 NKJV] 18 And it shall be [That] he who flees from the noise of the fear Shall fall into the pit, And he who comes up from the midst of the pit Shall be caught in the snare; For the windows from on high are open, And the foundations of the earth are shaken. 19 The earth is violently broken, The earth is split open, The earth is shaken exceedingly. 20 The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, And shall totter like a hut; Its transgression shall be heavy upon it, And it will fall, and not rise again. *(sixth seal)*
[Isa 28:2, 17, 19, 21-22 NKJV] 2 Behold, the Lord has a mighty and strong one, Like a tempest of hail and a destroying storm, Like a flood of mighty waters overflowing, Who will bring [them] down to the earth with [His] hand. ... 17 Also I will make justice the measuring line, And righteousness the plummet; The hail will sweep away the refuge of lies, And the waters will overflow the hiding place. ... 19 As often as it goes out it will take you; For morning by morning it will pass over, And by day and by night; It will be a terror just to understand the report." ... 21 For the LORD will rise up as [at] Mount Perazim, He will be angry as in the Valley of Gibeon--That He may do His work, His awesome work, And bring to pass His act, His unusual act. 22 Now therefore, do not be mockers, Lest your bonds be made strong; For I have heard from the Lord GOD of hosts, A destruction determined even upon the whole earth *(earth or land: "erez".) (Note: (first seal, white horse rider, and sixth seal) (Note: At Mount Perazim the Lord broke forth like water 2 Samuel 5:20, and in the valley of Gibeon, God sent down great stones to kill the Amorites, and made the sun and moon stand still for Joshua/Yeshua Joshua 10:11-14.)*

[Isa 29:5-7 NKJV] 5 "Moreover the multitude of your foes Shall be like fine dust, And the multitude of the terrible ones Like chaff that passes away; Yes, it shall be in an instant, suddenly. 6 You will be punished by the LORD of hosts With thunder and earthquake and great noise, [With] storm and tempest And

the flame of devouring fire. 7 The multitude of all the nations who fight against Ariel, Even all who fight against her and her fortress, And distress her, Shall be as a dream of a night vision. *(Note: sixth seal. Ariel, or Ari El is another name for Jerusalem, can mean "Hearth of God" or "lion of God." Specifically an altar hearth, suggesting a place of sacrifice.* ("BLB") (Strong and Kohlenberger 741*)*

[Isa 34:1-8 NKJV] 1 Come near, you nations, to hear; And heed, you people! Let the earth hear, and all that is in it, The world and all things that come forth from it. 2 For the indignation of the LORD [is] against all nations, And [His] fury against all their armies; He has utterly destroyed them, He has given them over to the slaughter. 3 Also their slain shall be thrown out; Their stench shall rise from their corpses, And the mountains shall be melted with their blood. 4 All the host of heaven shall be dissolved, And the heavens shall be rolled up like a scroll; All their host shall fall down As the leaf falls from the vine, And as [fruit] falling from a fig tree. 5 "For My sword shall be bathed in heaven; Indeed it shall come down on Edom, And on the people of My curse, for judgment. 6 The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, It is made overflowing with fatness, With the blood of lambs and goats, With the fat of the kidneys of rams. For the LORD has a sacrifice in Bozrah, And a great slaughter in the land of Edom. 7 The wild oxen shall come down with them, And the young bulls with the mighty bulls; Their land shall be soaked with blood, And their dust saturated with fatness." 8 For [it is] the day of the LORD's vengeance, The year of recompense for the cause of Zion *(Mount). (sixth seal)*

[Isa 40:3-4 NKJV] 3 The voice of one crying in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the LORD; Make straight in the desert A highway for our God. 4 Every valley shall be exalted And every mountain and hill brought low; The crooked places shall be made straight And the rough places smooth; *(Note: sixth seal, also related to Jesus 1st Coming and John the Baptist. Also references earthquakes that level the ground perhaps at/during His 2nd Coming. Not to get ahead, but the Bible does not say He "lands" on the Mount of Olives as many assume. It says when He "places His feet on it." He could traverse the landscape, coming up from the south, leading a 2nd Exodus of prisoners during some sort of divine campaign of battle and freeing captives. Alas, that is someone else's book.)*

[Isa 51:5, 13 NKJV] 5 My righteousness [is] near, My salvation has gone forth, And My arms will judge the peoples; The coastlands will wait upon Me, And on My arm they will trust. … 13 And you forget the LORD your Maker, Who stretched out the heavens And laid the foundations of the earth; You have feared continually every day Because of the fury of the oppressor, When [he has] prepared to destroy. And where [is] the fury of the oppressor? *(Note: first and sixth seal. Also, the term "Coastlands" in the Bible often refers to distant lands or regions situated along the sea. These areas are frequently mentioned in the prophetic and poetic books of the Old Testament, symbolizing the far reaches of the known world and the diverse peoples inhabiting them. The Hebrew word*

often translated as "coastlands" is "□□□" (i), which can also mean "islands" or "distant lands." (Bible Hub)

[Isa 51:17-20 NKJV] 17 Awake, awake! Stand up, O Jerusalem, You who have drunk at the hand of the LORD The cup of His fury; You have drunk the dregs of the cup of trembling, [And] drained [it] out. 18 [There is] no one to guide her Among all the sons she has brought forth; Nor [is there any] who takes her by the hand Among all the sons she has brought up. 19 These two [things] have come to you; Who will be sorry for you?--Desolation and destruction, famine and sword--By whom will I comfort you? 20 Your sons have fainted, They lie at the head of all the streets, Like an antelope in a net; They are full of the fury of the LORD, The rebuke of your God. *(second and fourth seal)*

[Isa 60:2 NKJV] 2 For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, And deep darkness the people; But the LORD will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you. *(sixth seal)*

[Isa 61:1-2 NKJV] 1 "The Spirit of the Lord GOD [is] upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to [those who are] bound; 2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn,..." *(fifth and sixth seal)*

[Isa 64:1-3 NKJV] 1 Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down! That the mountains might shake at Your presence-- 2 As fire burns brushwood, As fire causes water to boil--To make Your name known to Your adversaries, [That] the nations may tremble at Your presence! 3 When You did awesome things [for which] we did not look, You came down, The mountains shook at Your presence. *(sixth seal)*

[Mic 1:2-4 NKJV] 2 Hear, all you peoples! Listen, O earth, and all that is in it! Let the Lord GOD be a witness against you, The Lord from His holy temple. 3 For behold, the LORD is coming out of His place; He will come down And tread on the high places of the earth. 4 The mountains will melt under Him, And the valleys will split Like wax before the fire, Like waters poured down a steep place. *(sixth seal)*

[Nah 1:1-6 NKJV] 1 The burden against Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite. 2 God [is] jealous, and the LORD avenges; The LORD avenges and [is] furious. The LORD will take vengeance on His adversaries, And He reserves [wrath] for His enemies; 3 The LORD [is] slow to anger and great in power, And will not at all acquit [the wicked]. The LORD has His way In the whirlwind and in the storm, And the clouds [are] the dust of His feet. 4 He rebukes the sea and makes it dry, And dries up all the rivers. Bashan and Carmel wither, And the flower of Lebanon wilts. 5 The mountains quake before Him, The hills melt, And the earth heaves at His presence, Yes, the world and all who

dwell in it. 6 Who can stand before His indignation? And who can endure the fierceness of His anger? His fury is poured out like fire, And the rocks are thrown down by Him. *(sixth seal)*

[Zep 1:2-3, 14-18 NKJV] 2 "I will utterly consume everything From the face of the land," Says the LORD; 3 "I will consume man and beast; I will consume the birds of the heavens, The fish of the sea, And the stumbling blocks along with the wicked. I will cut off man from the face of the land," Says the LORD. ... 14 The great day of the LORD [is] near; [It is] near and hastens quickly. The noise of the day of the LORD is bitter; There the mighty men shall cry out. 15 That day [is] a day of wrath, A day of trouble and distress, A day of devastation and desolation, A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 A day of trumpet and alarm Against the fortified cities And against the high towers. 17 "I will bring distress upon men, And they shall walk like blind men, Because they have sinned against the LORD; Their blood shall be poured out like dust, And their flesh like refuse." 18 Neither their silver nor their gold Shall be able to deliver them In the day of the LORD's wrath; But the whole land shall be devoured By the fire of His jealousy, For He will make speedy riddance Of all those who dwell in the land. *(sixth seal)*

[Zep 2:2-3 NKJV] 2 Before the decree is issued, [Or] the day passes like chaff, Before the LORD's fierce anger comes upon you, Before the day of the LORD's anger comes upon you! 3 Seek the LORD, all you meek of the earth, Who have upheld His justice. Seek righteousness, seek humility. It may be that you will be hidden In the day of the LORD's anger. *(sixth seal)*

[Jer 4:6-7, 11-13, 15-16, 24, 28 NKJV] 6 Set up the standard toward Zion. Take refuge! Do not delay! For I will bring disaster from the north, And great destruction." 7 The lion has come up from his thicket, And the destroyer of nations is on his way. He has gone forth from his place To make your land desolate. Your cities will be laid waste, Without inhabitant. ... 11 At that time it will be said To this people and to Jerusalem, "A dry wind of the desolate heights [blows] in the wilderness Toward the daughter of My people--Not to fan or to cleanse-- 12 A wind too strong for these will come for Me; Now I will also speak judgment against them." 13 "Behold, he shall come up like clouds, And his chariots like a whirlwind. His horses are swifter than eagles. Woe to us, for we are plundered!" ... 15 For a voice declares from Dan And proclaims affliction from Mount Ephraim: 16 "Make mention to the nations, Yes, proclaim against Jerusalem, [That] watchers come from a far country And raise their voice against the cities of Judah. ... 24 I beheld the mountains, and indeed they trembled, And all the hills moved back and forth. ... 28 For this shall the earth mourn, And the heavens above be black, Because I have spoken. I have purposed and will not relent, Nor will I turn back from it. *(first seal rider, sixth seal)*

[Jer 9:25-26 NKJV] 25 "Behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "that I will punish all [who are] circumcised with the uncircumcised-- 26 "Egypt,

Judah, Edom, the people of Ammon, Moab, and all [who are] in the farthest corners, who dwell in the wilderness. For all [these] nations [are] uncircumcised, and all the house of Israel [are] uncircumcised in the heart." *(sixth seal)*

[Jer 14:12, 18 NKJV] 12 "When they fast, I will not hear their cry; and when they offer burnt offering and grain offering, I will not accept them. But I will consume them by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence." ... 18 If I go out to the field, Then behold, those slain with the sword! And if I enter the city, Then behold, those sick from famine! Yes, both prophet and priest go about in a land they do not know.' " *(fourth seal)*

[Jer 15:1-3 NKJV] 1 Then the LORD said to me, "[Even] if Moses and Samuel stood before Me, My mind [would] not [be] favorable toward this people. Cast [them] out of My sight, and let them go forth. 2 "And it shall be, if they say to you, 'Where should we go?' then you shall tell them, 'Thus says the LORD: "Such as [are] for death, to death; And such as [are] for the sword, to the sword; And such as [are] for the famine, to the famine; And such as [are] for the captivity, to the captivity." ' 3 "And I will appoint over them four forms [of destruction]," says the LORD: "the sword to slay, the dogs to drag, the birds of the heavens and the beasts of the earth to devour and destroy. *(fourth seal)*

[Jer 23:18-20 NKJV] 18 For who has stood in the counsel of the LORD, And has perceived and heard His word? Who has marked His word and heard [it]? 19 Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD has gone forth in fury--A violent whirlwind! It will fall violently on the head of the wicked. 20 The anger of the LORD will not turn back Until He has executed and performed the thoughts of His heart. In the latter days you will understand it perfectly.

[Jer 30:1-7 NKJV] 1 The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, 2 "Thus speaks the LORD God of Israel, saying: 'Write in a book for yourself all the words that I have spoken to you. 3 'For behold, the days are coming,' says the LORD, 'that I will bring back from captivity My people Israel and Judah,' says the LORD. 'And I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.' " 4 Now these [are] the words that the LORD spoke concerning Israel and Judah. 5 "For thus says the LORD: 'We have heard a voice of trembling, Of fear, and not of peace. 6 Ask now, and see, Whether a man is ever in labor with child? So why do I see every man [with] his hands on his loins Like a woman in labor, And all faces turned pale? 7 Alas! For that day [is] great, So that none [is] like it; And it [is] the time of Jacob's trouble, But he shall be saved out of it.

(Note: "Aliyahs"

Some may be tempted to say that this is the various "Aliyah's" or "goings up" to Jerusalem (as Jerusalem is one of the higher points in Israel,) of Jews throughout the last 75 years, but, careful and literal reading of the verse points to the reality that Jeremiah is talking about people who are literal prisoners in these other places. The people that we have witnessed returning, by and large, have not been "captives" or prisoners in the countries they are re-

turning from. There is also no great fear in any people or men in general behaving like they are about to go into labor (which personally sounds terrifying to me as a man.) On the contrary, often times when these events have taken place, people celebrate it. Once again, I feel this is pointing to some 2nd Exodus yet to come. sixth seal)

[Jer 30:23-24 NKJV] 23 Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD Goes forth with fury, A continuing whirlwind; It will fall violently on the head of the wicked. 24 The fierce anger of the LORD will not return until He has done it, And until He has performed the intents of His heart. In the latter days you will consider it. *(sixth seal)*

[Jer 46:9-10 NKJV] 9 Come up, O horses, and rage, O chariots! And let the mighty men come forth: The Ethiopians and the Libyans who handle the shield, And the Lydians who handle [and] bend the bow. 10 For this [is] the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, A day of vengeance, That He may avenge Himself on His adversaries. The sword shall devour; It shall be satiated and made drunk with their blood; For the Lord GOD of hosts has a sacrifice In the north country by the River Euphrates. *(sixth seal)*

[Dan 8:8-27 NKJV] 8 Therefore the male goat grew very great; but when he became strong, the large horn was broken, and in place of it four notable ones came up toward the four winds of heaven. 9 And out of one of them came a little horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Glorious [Land]. 10 And it grew up to the host of heaven; and it cast down [some] of the host and [some] of the stars to the ground, and trampled them. 11 He even exalted [himself] as high as the Prince of the host; and by him the daily [sacrifices] were taken away, and the place of His sanctuary was cast down. 12 Because of transgression, an army was given over [to the horn] to oppose the daily [sacrifices]; and he cast truth down to the ground. He did [all this] and prospered. 13 Then I heard a holy one speaking; and [another] holy one said to that certain [one] who was speaking, "How long [will] the vision [be, concerning] the daily [sacrifices] and the transgression of desolation, the giving of both the sanctuary and the host to be trampled underfoot?" 14 And he said to me, "For two thousand three hundred days; then the sanctuary shall be cleansed." 15 Then it happened, when I, Daniel, had seen the vision and was seeking the meaning, that suddenly there stood before me one having the appearance of a man. 16 And I heard a man's voice between [the banks of] the Ulai, who called, and said, "Gabriel, make this [man] understand the vision." 17 So he came near where I stood, and when he came I was afraid and fell on my face; but he said to me, "Understand, son of man, that the vision [refers] to the time of the end." 18 Now, as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep with my face to the ground; but he touched me, and stood me upright. 19 And he said, "Look, I am making known to you what shall happen in the latter time of the indignation; for at the appointed time the end [shall be]. 20 "The ram which you saw, having

the two horns--[they are] the kings of Media and Persia. 21 "And the male goat [is] the kingdom of Greece. The large horn that [is] between its eyes [is] the first king. 22 "As for the broken [horn] and the four that stood up in its place, four kingdoms shall arise out of that nation, but not with its power. 23 "And in the latter time of their kingdom, When the transgressors have reached their fullness, A king shall arise, Having fierce features, Who understands sinister schemes. 24 His power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; He shall destroy fearfully, And shall prosper and thrive; He shall destroy the mighty, and [also] the holy people. 25 "Through his cunning He shall cause deceit to prosper under his rule; And he shall exalt [himself] in his heart. He shall destroy many in [their] prosperity. He shall even rise against the Prince of princes; But he shall be broken without [human] means. 26 "And the vision of the evenings and mornings which was told is true; Therefore seal up the vision, For [it refers] to many days [in the future]." 27 And I, Daniel, fainted and was sick for days; afterward I arose and went about the king's business. I was astonished by the vision, but no one understood it.

(Note: "No Need For A Temple"

Clearly here, there is a reference to historical events involving Alexander the Great, the Persian Empire, the death of Alexander, and the 4 kingdoms that rise out of his kingdom. There are also the seeds of seeing Antiochus Epiphanies. A time frame starting around 350 BC. The book of Daniel was written approximately 200 years before that by traditionalist standards. Many scholars see Antiochus as a shadow of the Antichrist, and here it seems we have a description of the Antichrist, the assumed white horse rider of the first seal. I include the portion about the 2300 nights for a reason. Scholars have pointed to a time frame of approximately 2300 nights as a time that took place when Antiochus performed his "Abomination of Desolation." However, the math never quite works out like it should when you track it down. This may be a fully fulfilled prophecy, my opinion is it was a shadow. Many would say that we need a temple for the End Times to start. We certainly will need a temple /tabernacle for the Abomination of Desolation to happen. But this section is not talking about that. It references taking away the "daily sacrifice." This is the morning and evening sacrifice for the daily sins of the people. You do not need a temple for that. You also do not need ritual purity, so the red heifer ashes are not necessary. The Sages understood that the Tamid offerings (daily sacrifices) were a constant, perpetual commandment (Numbers 28:3-8). If the majority of the community (or the priests, who perform the service) became ritually impure, and the daily sacrifice had to be delayed or cancelled, it would effectively nullify a continuous Divine commandment. It is the principle of "Tumah Hutra B'Tzibbur" (Impurity is Permitted for the Community). It means that when the entire community (or a majority of it) is impure, and a communal sacrifice (like the Tamid or the Paschal lamb) must be offered at its prescribed time, the ritual impurity is set aside for the sake of the communal obligation. The

logic is that the impurity is a Rabbinic decree or a temporary state that can be overridden by a more pressing, continuous Divine commandment that applies to the entire nation. This can be found in the Mishnah, in Tractate Pesahim, Chapter 7, Mishnah 6. Jewish law, rooted in the commands of the Torah and detailed in the Mishnah (e.g., Exodus 20:25, Deuteronomy 27:5-6, Mishnah Middot 3:4), specifies that the Temple altar must be built from natural, unhewn stones, untouched by iron tools. The temple altar is OUTSIDE the actual building. Accordingly, you do not need the building, just the grounds. When we read further, in Daniel 11 and 12, we see the "daily sacrifice" is the thing that the Antichrist tries to change, and there are twelve hundred and ninety days between him changing it and the Abomination of Desolation. Knowing this, we can realize that we do not need a red heifer, or a temple for the End Times to start. We need those things for it to finish. But to start, we only need the pile of uncut stone, a lamb or ram, the Temple Mount, and the political climate to allow the sacrifice to take place. As far as the construction of the actual structure. There is nothing in the Bible that prescribes a "brick and mortar" building for this Temple that will ultimately house the Abomination of Desolation. It can be a tent like the Wilderness Tabernacle. That can be set up very quickly.)

*(Note 2.0 "Javan" is the original translation of "Greece" in the Hebrew of this text. However, it is worth noting that Javan is also associated with Ionia which is western Asia minor or modern day Turkey (*Bible Hub*).)*

[Dan 11:20-39 NKJV] 20 "There shall arise in his place one who imposes taxes [on] the glorious kingdom; but within a few days he shall be destroyed, but not in anger or in battle. 21 "And in his place shall arise a vile person, to whom they will not give the honor of royalty; but he shall come in peaceably, and seize the kingdom by intrigue. 22 "With the force of a flood they shall be swept away from before him and be broken, and also the prince of the covenant. 23 "And after the league [is made] with him he shall act deceitfully, for he shall come up and become strong with a small [number of] people. 24 "He shall enter peaceably, even into the richest places of the province; and he shall do [what] his fathers have not done, nor his forefathers: he shall disperse among them the plunder, spoil, and riches; and he shall devise his plans against the strongholds, but [only] for a time. 25 "He shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the South with a great army. And the king of the South shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand, for they shall devise plans against him. 26 "Yes, those who eat of the portion of his delicacies shall destroy him; his army shall be swept away, and many shall fall down slain. 27 "Both these kings' hearts [shall be] bent on evil, and they shall speak lies at the same table; but it shall not prosper, for the end [will] still [be] at the appointed time. 28 "While returning to his land with great riches, his heart shall be [moved] against the holy covenant; so he shall do [damage] and return to his own land. 29 "At the appointed time he shall return and go toward the south; but

it shall not be like the former or the latter. 30 “For ships from Cyprus shall come against him; therefore he shall be grieved, and return in rage against the holy covenant, and do [damage]. So he shall return and show regard for those who forsake the holy covenant. 31 “And forces shall be mustered by him, and they shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then they shall take away the daily [sacrifices], and place [there] the abomination of desolation. 32 “Those who do wickedly against the covenant he shall corrupt with flattery; but the people who know their God shall be strong, and carry out [great exploits]. 33 “And those of the people who understand shall instruct many; yet [for many] days they shall fall by sword and flame, by captivity and plundering. 34 “Now when they fall, they shall be aided with a little help; but many shall join with them by intrigue. 35 “And [some] of those of understanding shall fall, to refine them, purify [them], and make [them] white, [until] the time of the end; because [it is] still for the appointed time. 36 “Then the king shall do according to his own will: he shall exalt and magnify himself above every god, shall speak blasphemies against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done. 37 “He shall regard neither the God of his fathers nor the desire of women, nor regard any god; for he shall exalt himself above [them] all. 38 “But in their place he shall honor a god of fortresses; and a god which his fathers did not know he shall honor with gold and silver, with precious stones and pleasant things. 39 “Thus he shall act against the strongest fortresses with a foreign god, which he shall acknowledge, [and] advance [its] glory; and he shall cause them to rule over many, and divide the land for gain. *(Note: first, fifth and sixth seal. Again, many scholars would agree this is about Antiochus Epiphanes and also the Antichrist. Some of these things have already happened in history, there is a good chance they will happen again in some form involving the Antichrist. I include this passage here as additional details about the first seal rider on the white horse. I will expound on this more in Revelation 12-13.)*

[Dan 12:9-10 NKJV] *See page 27*

[Eze 7:1-9, 14-16 NKJV] 1 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 2 “And you, son of man, thus says the Lord GOD to the land of Israel: ‘An end! The end has come upon the four corners of the land *(erez)*. 3 Now the end [has come] upon you, And I will send My anger against you; I will judge you according to your ways, And I will repay you for all your abominations. 4 My eye will not spare you, Nor will I have pity; But I will repay your ways, And your abominations will be in your midst; Then you shall know that I [am] the LORD!’ 5 “Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘A disaster, a singular disaster; Behold, it has come! 6 An end has come, The end has come; It has dawned for you; Behold, it has come! 7 Doom has come to you, you who dwell in the land; The time has come, A day of trouble [is] near, And not of rejoicing in the mountains. 8 Now upon you I will soon pour out My fury, And spend My anger upon you; I will judge you

according to your ways, And I will repay you for all your abominations. 9 'My eye will not spare, Nor will I have pity; I will repay you according to your ways, And your abominations will be in your midst. Then you shall know that I [am] the LORD who strikes. ... 14 'They have blown the trumpet and made everyone ready, But no one goes to battle; For My wrath [is] on all their multitude. 15 The sword [is] outside, And the pestilence and famine within. Whoever [is] in the field Will die by the sword; And whoever [is] in the city, Famine and pestilence will devour him. 16 'Those who survive will escape and be on the mountains Like doves of the valleys, All of them mourning, Each for his iniquity. *(fourth and sixth seal)*

[Eze 14:21-22 NKJV] 21 For thus says the Lord GOD: "How much more it shall be when I send My four severe judgments on Jerusalem--the sword and famine and wild beasts and pestilence--to cut off man and beast from it? 22 "Yet behold, there shall be left in it a remnant who will be brought out, [both] sons and daughters; surely they will come out to you, and you will see their ways and their doings. Then you will be comforted concerning the disaster that I have brought upon Jerusalem, all that I have brought upon it. *(fourth seal)*

[Eze 32:7-8 NKJV] 7 When [I] put out your light, I will cover the heavens, and make its stars dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, And the moon shall not give her light. 8 All the bright lights of the heavens I will make dark over you, And bring darkness upon your land,' Says the Lord GOD. *(sixth seal)*

[Zec 1:8-11 NKJV] 8 I saw by night, and behold, a man riding on a red horse, and it stood among the myrtle trees in the hollow; and behind him [were] horses: red, sorrel, and white. 9 Then I said, "My lord, what [are] these?" So the angel who talked with me said to me, "I will show you what they [are]." 10 And the man who stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, "These [are the ones] whom the LORD has sent to walk to and fro throughout the earth." 11 So they answered the Angel of the LORD, who stood among the myrtle trees, and said, "We have walked to and fro throughout the earth, and behold, all the earth is resting quietly." *(note: first, second, and fourth seals. Sorrel means "speckled"* ("BLB"))

[Zec 3:1-5 NKJV] *See page 27*

[Zec 6:1-8 NKJV] 1 Then I turned and raised my eyes and looked, and behold, four chariots [were] coming from between two mountains, and the mountains [were] mountains of bronze. 2 With the first chariot [were] red horses, with the second chariot black horses, 3 with the third chariot white horses, and with the fourth chariot dappled horses--strong [steeds]. 4 Then I answered and said to the angel who talked with me, "What [are] these, my lord?" 5 And the angel answered and said to me, "These [are] four spirits of heaven, who go out from [their] station before the Lord of all the earth. 6 "The one with the black horses is going to the north country, the white are going after them, and the dappled are going toward the south country." 7 Then the strong [steeds] went out,

eager to go, that they might walk to and fro throughout the earth. And He said, "Go, walk to and fro throughout the earth." So they walked to and fro throughout the earth. 8 And He called to me, and spoke to me, saying, "See, those who go toward the north country have given rest to My Spirit in the north country." *(Note: all four seals mentioned. the "dappled horse" is "bārōḏ" in hebrew can mean spotted or "grisled"* ("BLB") *very similar to "speckled." This is interesting as in the Hebrew translation of Revelation there is no "pale horse" but instead a "speckled and strong horse.")*

[Zec 14:6-7 NKJV] 6 It shall come to pass in that day [That] there will be no light; The lights will diminish. 7 It shall be one day Which is known to the LORD--Neither day nor night. But at evening time it shall happen [That] it will be light. *(sixth seal)*

[Zec 14:10 NKJV] 10 All the land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem. [Jerusalem] shall be raised up and inhabited in her place from Benjamin's Gate to the place of the First Gate and the Corner Gate, and [from] the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses. *(sixth seal)*

[Mal 3:1-3 NKJV] 1 "Behold, I send My messenger, And he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, Will suddenly come to His temple, Even the Messenger of the covenant, In whom you delight. Behold, He is coming," Says the LORD of hosts. 2 "But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He [is] like a refiner's fire And like launderers' soap. 3 He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver; He will purify the sons of Levi, And purge them as gold and silver, That they may offer to the LORD An offering in righteousness. *(Note: sixth seal. A good friend of mine pointed out to me a small word in this passage, but one of great importance. As the Father pours out His judgements, wrath, and indignation upon the land. As the Bible describes this unfathomable, never before and never will be again, obliteration of the wicked. The "wicked" is anyone who does not choose to follow Jesus in the face of all this. At a time where the very face of the earth will be changed beneath us due to massive cataclysm, "He will sit." This sitting denotes great attention to detail. Just as the hairs of our heads are numbered, He will be watching closely. Watching those who already have repented, to ensure we are not subject to His wrath, only the persecution of men. And, I believe, searching for those who still may repent. Giving them every opportunity to do so. Sitting focused amid what we see as complete chaos. Orchestrating every event according to His purpose and Word, which will never return void. Even amidst the extreme finale of the end of the age, His care for this world that He gave His Son for, is evident in His focused refining of it.)*

REVELATION 6
(N K J V - From Greek)

Revelation 6:1-17 (NKJV) 1 Now I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals; and I heard one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, "Come and see." 2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse. He who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.

3 When He opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature saying, "Come and see." 4 Another horse, fiery red, went out. And it was granted to the one who sat on it to take peace from the earth, and that [people] should kill one another; and there was given to him a great sword.

5 When He opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come and see." So I looked, and behold, a black horse, and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand. 6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not harm the oil and the wine."

7 When He opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, "Come and see." 8 So I looked, and behold, a pale horse. And the name of him who sat on it was Death, and Hades followed with him. And power was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, with hunger, with death, and by the beasts of the earth.
(Note: "Pale Horse and Islam"
The word for pale here in the Greek is "chloros." ("BLB") This is the root of the word "chlorophyll." That is green in color. My assumption is "pale" was chosen by the translators as there are no "green" horses in nature. In the Hebrew translation below, this is the "dappled" horse which means spotted or speckled and may refer directly to "dappled" horses in Zechariah.
But in the Greek, take this observation how you will: The majority of the Islamic nations have some combination of red, white, black, and green in their flag. The religion of Islam is completely adverse to the Israeli nation. Wikipedia (not my first choice of citation sources, but it was so succinct,) offers this, "The black represents the Black Standard used by the Rashidun and Abbasid Caliphates, while white was the dynastic color of the Umayyad Caliphate. Green is a color associated with the primary religion of Islam – and therefore also a color representative of the caliphates. Green is also identified as the color of the Fatimid Caliphate by some modern sources, despite their dynastic color having been white. Finally, red was the Hashemite dynastic color. The four colors also derived their potency from a verse by 14th century Arab poet Safi al-Din al-Hilli:

"White are our acts, black our battles, green our fields, and red our swords." (Wikipedia) *Revelation was written about 500 years before the creation of Islam. It happened to list the four main colors of Israel's most prominent and violent enemy of modern times. Yes, this very well can be a coincidence, but I would be remiss if I did not point it out.)*
(Note 2.0: The pale horse brings "Death, and Hades (hell,)" with him. Believers are not subject to hell, so a case can be made that we will not be subject to the pale rider and his plagues. That is not to say that we would not be subject to earthly persecution and death, as the Fifth seal makes clear.)

9 When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had
been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held. 10 And
they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You
judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" 11 Then a white
robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest
a little while longer, until both [the number of] their fellow servants and their
brethren, who would be killed as they [were,] was completed.

12 I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like
blood. 13 And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs
when it is shaken by a mighty wind. 14 Then the sky receded as a scroll when
it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place. 15
And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the
mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and
in the rocks of the mountains, 16 and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on
us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath
of the Lamb! 17 "For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to
stand?" *(Note: Obviously stars are not falling to earth, but, clearly, John sees something falling from the sky. So, in a modern day context this could easily be missiles on decent, or more likely, satellites knocked from their orbit burning on re-entry. As of this writing there are 7,500 satellites orbiting the earth. And Starlink alone intends to place 42,000 satellites in orbit (according to starlink-insider.com.)*

REVELATION 6
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 Then I saw that the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard the four living creatures say – like one voice – "Come and see!"2 Then I saw a white horse, and he who sat on it had a bow in his hand, and a crown was given to him, and he went to overcome, and he overcame.

3 And when the second seal was opened, I heard the second living creature say, "Come and see!" 4 Then another horse went out –a red one – and he who sat on it was given to take away the shalom from the earth, and a great sword was given to him.
5 And when he opened the third seal, the third living creature said, "Come and see!" Then I saw a black horse, and he who sat on it had a pair of balances in his hand. 6 And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, "One measure of wheat for a coin, and three measures of barley for a coin and to the oil and the wine, do not do damage!"

7 And when he opened the fourth seal, I heard the fourth living creature say, "Come and see!" 8 Then I saw a speckled and strong horse, and he who sat on it, his name was The Messenger of Death, and Gei-Hinnom followed after him. And authority was given to him to put to death a fourth part on the earth, with the sword and with famine and with death, and by the animals of the earth.

9 And when he opened the fifth, I saw under the temple the neshamot who were killed because of the set-apartness of Yahweh, and because of the testimony which they had. 10 And they cried out with a great voice and said, "Set-apart and faithful Adon, until when will you judge without avenging our blood from those who dwell on the earth?!" 11 And to every one of them were given white garments, and it was said to them that, "You must rest yet a little time."

12 And I saw that he opened the sixth, and there was an earthquake and the sun was black and the moon was red like blood, 13 and all their host withered like a leaf withers from a vine, and like that which withers from a fig tree.14 And all the mountains and hills were shaken away from their place. 15 And the kings of the earth and the rulers and the rich ones and the officers and the slaves and the free ones, hid in caves in the rocks and holes in the ground 16 And they said to the mountains and to the rocks, "Fall on us, and hide us because of the appearance of him who sits on the throne, and because of the fury of the Lamb! 17 For the day of his burning anger has come, and who is able to stand before him?!"

CHAPTER 7
Revelation 7, OT passages

Note: "The 144,000"

There is an abundance of symbolism in Revelation. I have read and listened to much about the 144,000. The opinions vary from scholar to scholar, depending on how they choose to interpret things in the book. Revelation is apocalyptic literature. It is poetic even. At times it can be quite literal, and others symbolic. I personally prefer to assume something is literal, unless that makes the statement or passage nonsensical. Some scholars believe that the 12 x 12,000 number is to denote "completeness." As though this number equates to "everyone sealed," regardless of the actual figure. There is nothing wrong with holding this opinion. Those who feel this way, have excellent arguments for it, though, some of themmay end up idealizing all numbers in the Bible. However, John does not seem to have any problem relaying other real numbers that we take at face value, like the army of 200 million. In my personal opinion, it is safer to think that this 144,000 is a literal number. Are they all Jews, all men, and all virgins as stated in Chapter 14? That too, is debatable. We can say for certain they are "firstfruits," according to Revelation 14. "Firstfruits" are offered to the Lord at the beginning of a harvest (Exo 23:19.) Accordingly, this concept harmonizes Chapter 7 and 14, as in Chapter 7, directly following the description of the 144,000 John sees, "a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb," described as "coming out of the Great Tribulation." I believe this inexorably ties the firstfruits 144,000 to the beginning of a great revival during the Tribulation that will likely include not just gentile nations, but also Israelis.

[Genesis 29:32-35; 30:1-13, 17-24]. The twelve sons of Jacob, who formed the twelve tribes of Israel, are: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Issachar, Zebulun, Joseph (Ephraim and Manassah,) and Benjamin according to birth order. *(Note: In the list in Revelation 7, Manassah, Joseph's son, replaces Dan. There is some very interesting literature from various Christian scholars about the Antichrist rising out of Dan, mostly based on certain readings of Genesis 49:17; Deuteronomy 33:22; and Jeremiah 8:16. I would suggest reading them for yourself. The Bible documents the tribe of Dan falling into gross idol worship, and also destroying a peaceful people in a separate part of the promised land (near southern Lebanon) not allotted to them. However, all the tribes of Israel (along with the rest of the Gentile world at large,) has participated in horrible things throughout history. It would be difficult for us to judge Dan for those things. This may be why God has excluded them in this list, or may have nothing to do with it at all .)*

[Exo 8:22-23 NKJV] 22 “And in that day I will set apart the land of Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms [of flies] shall be there, in order that you may know that I [am] the LORD in the midst of the land. 23 “I will make a difference between My people and your people. Tomorrow this sign shall be.”

[Exo 11:1-10 NKJV] *See page 40*

[Exo 12:1-13 NKJV] *See page 40*

[Exo 13:9, 15-16 NKJV] 9 “It shall be as a sign to you on your hand and as a memorial between your eyes, that the LORD’s law may be in your mouth; for with a strong hand the LORD has brought you out of Egypt. … 15 ‘And it came to pass, when Pharaoh was stubborn about letting us go, that the LORD killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of beast. Therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all males that open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.’ 16 “It shall be as a sign on your hand and as frontlets between your eyes, for by strength of hand the LORD brought us out of Egypt.”

[Num 6:22-27 NKJV] 22 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: 23 “Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, ‘This is the way you shall bless the children of Israel. Say to them: 24 “The LORD bless you and keep you; 25 The LORD make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; 26 The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace.” ‘ 27 “So they shall put My name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them.”

[Num 24:17 NKJV] *See page 12*

[Psa 37:35-40 NKJV] 35 I have seen the wicked in great power, And spreading himself like a native green tree. 36 Yet he passed away, and behold, he [was] no [more]; Indeed I sought him, but he could not be found. 37 Mark the blameless [man], and observe the upright; For the future of [that] man [is] peace. 38 But the transgressors shall be destroyed together; The future of the wicked shall be cut off. 39 But the salvation of the righteous [is] from the LORD; [He is] their strength in the time of trouble. 40 And the LORD shall help them and deliver them; He shall deliver them from the wicked, And save them, Because they trust in Him.

[Psa 91:9-14 NKJV] 9 Because you have made the LORD, [who is] my refuge, [Even] the Most High, your dwelling place, 10 No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; 11 For He shall give His angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways. 12 In [their] hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. 13 You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra, The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot. 14 “Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name.

[Sng 8:6 NKJV] 6 [The Shulamite to Her Beloved] Set me as a seal upon your heart, As a seal upon your arm; For love [is as] strong as death, Jealousy [as] cruel as the grave; Its flames [are] flames of fire, A most vehement flame.

[Isa 6:5-7 NKJV] 5 So I said: "Woe [is] me, for I am undone! Because I [am] a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts." 6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal [which] he had taken with the tongs from the altar. 7 And he touched my mouth [with it], and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged."

[Isa 7:5-9 NKJV] 5 'Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah have plotted evil against you, saying, 6 "Let us go up against Judah and trouble it, and let us make a gap in its wall for ourselves, and set a king over them, the son of Tabel"-- 7 'thus says the Lord GOD: "It shall not stand, Nor shall it come to pass. 8 For the head of Syria [is] Damascus, And the head of Damascus [is] Rezin. Within sixty-five years Ephraim will be broken, [So that it will] not [be] a people. 9 The head of Ephraim [is] Samaria, And the head of Samaria [is] Remaliah's son. If you will not believe, Surely you shall not be established."

(Note: "Ephraims Exclusion"

This may be the reason that Ephraim is not mentioned as a tribe in the 144,000 and is replaced by Joseph, his father. However, this is not to imply that people who happen to have some smidgeon of Ephraimic blood cannot be included in those sealed. God is not interested in bloodlines. Which is why He has grafted gentile Christians into the tree of Israel. The family of the Father is those who follow His Son. As Jesus said, "Who are my mother and my brothers, except those who do the will of my Father in heaven." A paraphrasing of Matt 12:48-50. Not "those Jews," or "those gentiles" just "those." I want to be one of "those.")

[Isa 25:7-9 NKJV] 7 And He will destroy on this mountain The surface of the covering cast over all people, And the veil that is spread over all nations. 8 He will swallow up death forever, And the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces; The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken. 9 And it will be said in that day: "Behold, this [is] our God; We have waited for Him, and He will save us. This [is] the LORD; We have waited for Him; We will be glad and rejoice in His salvation."

[Isa 48:20-21 NKJV] 20 Go forth from Babylon! Flee from the Chaldeans! With a voice of singing, Declare, proclaim this, Utter it to the end of the earth; Say, "The LORD has redeemed His servant Jacob!" 21 And they did not thirst When He led them through the deserts; He caused the waters to flow from the rock for them; He also split the rock, and the waters gushed out.

[Isa 49:8-13 NKJV] 8 Thus says the LORD: "In an acceptable time I have heard You, And in the day of salvation I have helped You; I will preserve You and give You As a covenant to the people, To restore the earth, To cause them to

inherit the desolate heritages; 9 That You may say to the prisoners, 'Go forth,' To those who [are] in darkness, 'Show yourselves.' "They shall feed along the roads, And their pastures [shall be] on all desolate heights. 10 They shall neither hunger nor thirst, Neither heat nor sun shall strike them; For He who has mercy on them will lead them, Even by the springs of water He will guide them. 11 I will make each of My mountains a road, And My highways shall be elevated. 12 Surely these shall come from afar; Look! Those from the north and the west, And these from the land of Sinim." 13 Sing, O heavens! Be joyful, O earth! And break out in singing, O mountains! For the LORD has comforted His people, And will have mercy on His afflicted.

[Isa 51:6-8 NKJV] 6 Lift up your eyes to the heavens, And look on the earth beneath. For the heavens will vanish away like smoke, The earth will grow old like a garment, And those who dwell in it will die in like manner; But My salvation will be forever, And My righteousness will not be abolished. 7 "Listen to Me, you who know righteousness, You people in whose heart [is] My law: Do not fear the reproach of men, Nor be afraid of their insults. 8 For the moth will eat them up like a garment, And the worm will eat them like wool; But My righteousness will be forever, And My salvation from generation to generation."

[Isa 61:6 NKJV] 6 But you shall be named the priests of the LORD, They shall call you the servants of our God. You shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, And in their glory you shall boast.

[Isa 65:13-16 NKJV] 13 Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, My servants shall eat, But you shall be hungry; Behold, My servants shall drink, But you shall be thirsty; Behold, My servants shall rejoice, But you shall be ashamed; 14 Behold, My servants shall sing for joy of heart, But you shall cry for sorrow of heart, And wail for grief of spirit. 15 You shall leave your name as a curse to My chosen; For the Lord GOD will slay you, And call His servants by another name; 16 So that he who blesses himself in the earth Shall bless himself in the God of truth; And he who swears in the earth Shall swear by the God of truth; Because the former troubles are forgotten, And because they are hidden from My eyes.

[Mic 5:4 NKJV] 4 And He shall stand and feed [His flock] In the strength of the LORD, In the majesty of the name of the LORD His God; And they shall abide, For now He shall be great To the ends of the earth;

[Mic 7:14-20 NKJV] 14 Shepherd Your people with Your staff, The flock of Your heritage, Who dwell solitarily [in] a woodland, In the midst of Carmel; Let them feed [in] Bashan and Gilead, As in days of old. 15 "As in the days when you came out of the land of Egypt, I will show them wonders." 16 The nations shall see and be ashamed of all their might; They shall put [their] hand over [their] mouth; Their ears shall be deaf. 17 They shall lick the dust like a serpent; They shall crawl from their holes like snakes of the earth. They shall be afraid of the LORD our God, And shall fear because of You. 18 Who [is] a God like You, Pardoning iniquity And passing over the transgression of the remnant of His

heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, Because He delights [in] mercy. 19 He will again have compassion on us, And will subdue our iniquities. You will cast all our sins Into the depths of the sea. 20 You will give truth to Jacob [And] mercy to Abraham, Which You have sworn to our fathers From days of old. *(Note: This has shades of Revelation 6 and the Sixth Seal where the mighty men hide in caves and under the rocks. In this passage the "crawl from their holes like snakes.")*

[Jer 30:8-9 NKJV] 8 'For it shall come to pass in that day,' Says the LORD of hosts, '[That] I will break his yoke from your neck, And will burst your bonds; Foreigners shall no more enslave them. 9 But they shall serve the LORD their God, And David their king, Whom I will raise up for them.

[Jer 31:1-2 NKJV] 1 "At the same time," says the LORD, "I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people." 2 Thus says the LORD: "The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness--Israel, when I went to give him rest."

[Jer 31:10-14 NKJV] 10 "Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, And declare [it] in the isles afar off, and say, 'He who scattered Israel will gather him, And keep him as a shepherd [does] his flock.' 11 For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, And ransomed him from the hand of one stronger than he. 12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, Streaming to the goodness of the LORD--For wheat and new wine and oil, For the young of the flock and the herd; Their souls shall be like a well-watered garden, And they shall sorrow no more at all. 13 "Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, And the young men and the old, together; For I will turn their mourning to joy, Will comfort them, And make them rejoice rather than sorrow. 14 I will satiate the soul of the priests with abundance, And My people shall be satisfied with My goodness, says the LORD."

[Jer 33:17-18 NKJV] 17 "For thus says the LORD: 'David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel; 18 'nor shall the priests, the Levites, lack a man to offer burnt offerings before Me, to kindle grain offerings, and to sacrifice continually.' "

[Dan 7:9-10] *See page 44*

[Dan 11:33-35 NKJV] *See page 27*

[Dan 12:9-10 NKJV] *See page 27*

[Eze 9:1-11 NKJV] 1 Then He called out in my hearing with a loud voice, saying, "Let those who have charge over the city draw near, each [with] a deadly weapon in his hand." 2 And suddenly six men came from the direction of the upper gate, which faces north, each with his battle-ax in his hand. One man among them [was] clothed with linen and had a writer's inkhorn at his side. They went in and stood beside the bronze altar (*Altar of Sacrifice*). 3 Now the glory of the God of Israel had gone up from the cherub, where it had been, to the threshold

of the temple. And He called to the man clothed with linen, who [had] the writer's inkhorn at his side; 4 and the LORD said to him, "Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and cry over all the abominations that are done within it." 5 To the others He said in my hearing, "Go after him through the city and kill; do not let your eye spare, nor have any pity. 6 "Utterly slay old [and] young men, maidens and little children and women; but do not come near anyone on whom [is] the mark; and begin at My sanctuary." So they began with the elders who [were] before the temple. 7 Then He said to them, "Defile the temple, and fill the courts with the slain. Go out!" And they went out and killed in the city. 8 So it was, that while they were killing them, I was left [alone;] and I fell on my face and cried out, and said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Will You destroy all the remnant of Israel in pouring out Your fury on Jerusalem?" 9 Then He said to me, "The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah [is] exceedingly great, and the land is full of bloodshed, and the city full of perversity; for they say, 'The LORD has forsaken the land, and the LORD does not see!' 10 "And as for Me also, My eye will neither spare, nor will I have pity, [but] I will recompense their deeds on their own head." 11 Just then, the man clothed with linen, who [had] the inkhorn at his side, reported back and said, "I have done as You commanded me."

[Eze 37:9-11 NKJV] 9 Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." ' " 10 So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army. 11 Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!'

[Zec 10:6 NKJV] 6 "I will strengthen the house of Judah, And I will save the house of Joseph. I will bring them back, Because I have mercy on them. They shall be as though I had not cast them aside; For I [am] the LORD their God, And I will hear them.

(Note the house of Joseph being mentioned here, and also being included in the tribes in Revelation 7. Also, the "House of Judah" and the "House of Joseph," can be references to Southern and Northern Kingdoms of Israel respectively.)

[1Ch 24:1-19 NKJV] *See page 37 (ref 24 elders)*

REVELATION 7
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 7:1-17 NKJV] 1 After these things I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree. 2 Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, 3 saying, "Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." 4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed. One hundred [and] forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel [were] sealed:

5 of the tribe of Judah twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
6 of the tribe of Asher twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
7 of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
of the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
8 of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand
[were] sealed;
of the tribe of Benjamin twelve thousand
[were] sealed.

9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10 and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation [belongs] to our

God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 11 All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 saying:

> "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom,
> Thanksgiving and honor and power and might,
> [Be] to our God forever and ever. Amen."

13 Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?"
14 And I said to him, "Sir, you know."
So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. 15 "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 dwell among them. 16 "They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; 17 "for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

REVELATION 7
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 And after this I saw four messengers standing at the four corners of the earth, and holding back the four winds of the earth so that there would not be wind on the earth or on the waters or on any tree. 2 Then I saw another messenger who came from the rising of the sun *(This is the Hebrew way of saying "east." This idea is important, as Joshua/Yeshua, son of Nun, led the Israelites into the promised land for military conquest from the east. When Yeshua, son of Yahweh returns, if it is a "campaign scenario," I would expect Him to use a similar route that Moses/Joshua took, being the greater Moses. The OT supports this hypothesis. Isaiah 63:1, possibly my favorite verse is an example. Consider that Petra/Bozrah is east of Mount Zion, The Mount of Olives is east of Mount Zion, along with a few other important end times locations that I will touch on later,)* and he had the seal of the living El, and he imposed and cried out with a great voice to the four messengers to whom it was given to damage the earth and the sea, 3 and he said, "Do not damage the earth or the sea or the trees, until I place a mark on the foreheads of the servants of Yahweh!"

4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed: it was a hundred and forty-four thousand – who were sealed, of the families of the children of Yisrael. 5 From the tribe of Yehudah, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Re'uven, twelve thousand; and from the tribe of Gad, twelve thousand. 6 From the tribe of Asher, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Naphtali, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Menasheh, twelve thousand. 7 From the tribe of Shim'on, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Lewi, twelve thousand; and from the tribe of Yisachar, twelve thousand. 8 From the tribe of Zevulun, twelve thousand; and from the tribe of Yoseph, twelve thousand; and from the tribe of Binyamin, twelve thousand.

9 And after this I saw a great crowd which one is not able to number, from all the peoples, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, and they were clothed in white garments, and in their hands were branches, 10 and they cried out with a great voice and said, "The salvation belongs to Yahweh, and to the Lamb!" 11 And all the messengers were standing around the throne and the elders and the living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and prayed to Yahweh, 12 and said, "Lauding and thanks and praises and honor and glory and power and might be to our Elohim, from [everlasting] and unto everlasting, amein!"

13 Then one of the elders answered and said to me, "Who are these (103v) that are clothed in white garments, and from what place do they come?" 14 So I said

to him, “Adon, you know.” And he said to me, “These are they who come from the midst of much suffering, and they have washed their garments and purified their garments with the blood of the Lamb. 15 And because of this they are before the throne of Yahweh, and they will serve him day and night, and he who sits on the throne, he will dwell by them. 16 And this is: ‘They will not be hungry nor thirsty, and burning heat and the sun will not smite them,’ 17 for the Lamb will lead them to a well of waters,‘and Yahweh Elohim will wipe off the tears from all faces.’”

CHAPTER 8
Revelation 8, OT passages

[Exo 2:23-25 NKJV] 23 Now it happened in the process of time that the king of Egypt died. Then the children of Israel groaned because of the bondage, and they cried out; and their cry came up to God because of the bondage. 24 So God heard their groaning, and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. 25 And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God acknowledged [them].

[Exo 3:7-9 NKJV] 7 And the LORD said: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who [are] in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. 8 "So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites and the Hittites and the Amorites and the Perizzites and the Hivites and the Jebusites. 9 "Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel has come to Me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them.

[Exo 7:17-21 NKJV] 17 'Thus says the LORD: "By this you shall know that I [am] the LORD. Behold, I will strike the waters which [are] in the river with the rod that [is] in my hand, and they shall be turned to blood. 18 "And the fish that [are] in the river shall die, the river shall stink, and the Egyptians will loathe to drink the water of the river." ' " 19 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Take your rod and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their streams, over their rivers, over their ponds, and over all their pools of water, that they may become blood. And there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in [buckets of] wood and [pitchers of] stone.' " 20 And Moses and Aaron did so, just as the LORD commanded. So he lifted up the rod and struck the waters that [were] in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants. And all the waters that [were] in the river were turned to blood. 21 The fish that [were] in the river died, the river stank, and the Egyptians could not drink the water of the river. So there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt.

[Exo 9:22-26 NKJV] 22 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt--on man, on beast, and on every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt." 23 And Moses stretched out his rod toward heaven; and the LORD sent thunder and hail, and fire darted to the ground. And the LORD rained hail on the land of Egypt. 24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, so very heavy that there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. 25 And the hail struck throughout the whole land of Egypt, all that [was] in the field, both man and beast; and the hail struck every herb of the field and broke every tree of the field. 26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel [were], there

was no hail.

[Exo 15:22-25 NKJV] 22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red Sea; then they went out into the Wilderness of Shur. And they went three days in the wilderness and found no water. 23 Now when they came to Marah, they could not drink the waters of Marah, for they [were] bitter. Therefore the name of it was called Marah. 24 And the people complained against Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?" 25 So he cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a tree. When he cast [it] into the waters, the waters were made sweet. There He made a statute and an ordinance for them, and there He tested them,

[Exo 19:16-22 NKJV] 16 Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who [were] in the camp trembled. 17 And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain. 18 Now Mount Sinai [was] completely in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly. 19 And when the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by voice. 20 Then the LORD came down upon Mount Sinai, on the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up. 21 And the LORD said to Moses, "Go down and warn the people, lest they break through to gaze at the LORD, and many of them perish. 22 "Also let the priests who come near the LORD consecrate themselves, lest the LORD break out against them."

[Exo 20:18-20 NKJV] 18 Now all the people witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw [it], they trembled and stood afar off. 19 Then they said to Moses, "You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die." 20 And Moses said to the people, "Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that His fear may be before you, so that you may not sin."

[Exo 37:25-29 NKJV] 25 He made the incense altar of acacia wood. Its length [was] a cubit and its width a cubit--[it was] square--and two cubits [was] its height. Its horns were [of one piece] with it. 26 And he overlaid it with pure gold: its top, its sides all around, and its horns. He also made for it a molding of gold all around it. 27 He made two rings of gold for it under its molding, by its two corners on both sides, as holders for the poles with which to bear it. 28 And he made the poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold. 29 He also made the holy anointing oil and the pure incense of sweet spices, according to the work of the perfumer.

[Lev 16:12-13 NKJV] 12 "Then he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from the altar before the LORD, with his hands full of sweet incense beaten fine, and bring [it] inside the veil. 13 "And he shall put the incense on the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of incense may cover the mercy seat that [is] on

the Testimony, lest he die.

(Note: "Incense On The Day Of Atonement"

This is from the description of the Day of Atonement ritual. One of the three feasts fulfilled during the Second Coming of Christ.)

[Jos 10:9-11 NKJV] 9 Joshua therefore came upon them suddenly, having marched all night from Gilgal. 10 So the LORD routed them before Israel, killed them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, chased them along the road that goes to Beth Horon, and struck them down as far as Azekah and Makkedah. 11 And it happened, as they fled before Israel [and] were on the descent of Beth Horon, that the LORD cast down large hailstones from heaven on them as far as Azekah, and they died. [There were] more who died from the hailstones than the children of Israel killed with the sword.

[Jdg 5:4-5 NKJV] 4 "LORD, when You went out from Seir, When You marched from the field of Edom, The earth trembled and the heavens poured, The clouds also poured water; 5 The mountains gushed before the LORD, This Sinai, before the LORD God of Israel.

[Psa 11:6-7 NKJV] 6 Upon the wicked He will rain coals; Fire and brimstone and a burning wind [Shall be] the portion of their cup. 7 For the LORD [is] righteous, He loves righteousness; His countenance beholds the upright.

[Psa 141:2 NKJV] *See page 43*

[Joe 1:10-12 NKJV] 10 The field is wasted, The land mourns; For the grain is ruined, The new wine is dried up, The oil fails. 11 Be ashamed, you farmers, Wail, you vinedressers, For the wheat and the barley; Because the harvest of the field has perished. 12 The vine has dried up, And the fig tree has withered; The pomegranate tree, The palm tree also, And the apple tree--All the trees of the field are withered; Surely joy has withered away from the sons of men.

[Joe 1:16-20 NKJV] 16 Is not the food cut off before our eyes, Joy and gladness from the house of our God? 17 The seed shrivels under the clods, Storehouses are in shambles; Barns are broken down, For the grain has withered. 18 How the animals groan! The herds of cattle are restless, Because they have no pasture; Even the flocks of sheep suffer punishment. 19 O LORD, to You I cry out; For fire has devoured the open pastures, And a flame has burned all the trees of the field. 20 The beasts of the field also cry out to You, For the water brooks are dried up, And fire has devoured the open pastures.

[Joe 2:1-2 NKJV] 1 Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at hand: 2 A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning [clouds] spread over the mountains. A people [come], great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor

will there ever be any [such] after them, Even for many successive generations.

[Amo 5:7-8 NKJV] 7 You who turn justice to wormwood, And lay righteousness to rest in the earth!" 8 He made the Pleiades and Orion; He turns the shadow of death into morning And makes the day dark as night; He calls for the waters of the sea And pours them out on the face of the earth; The LORD [is] His name.

[Amo 5:16-18 NKJV] 16 Therefore the LORD God of hosts, the Lord, says this: "[There shall be] wailing in all streets, And they shall say in all the highways, 'Alas! Alas!' They shall call the farmer to mourning, And skillful lamenters to wailing. 17 In all vineyards [there shall be] wailing, For I will pass through you," Says the LORD. 18 Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! For what good [is] the day of the LORD to you? It [will be] darkness, and not light.

[Amo 8:8-9 NKJV] 8 Shall the land not tremble for this, And everyone mourn who dwells in it? All of it shall swell like the River, Heave and subside Like the River of Egypt. 9 "And it shall come to pass in that day," says the Lord GOD, "That I will make the sun go down at noon, And I will darken the earth in broad daylight;

[Isa 6:5-7 NKJV] 5 So I said: "Woe [is] me, for I am undone! Because I [am] a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts." 6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal [which] he had taken with the tongs from the altar. 7 And he touched my mouth [with it], and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged."

[Isa 8:16-18 NKJV] 16 Bind up the testimony, Seal the law among my disciples. 17 And I will wait on the LORD, Who hides His face from the house of Jacob; And I will hope in Him. 18 Here am I and the children whom the LORD has given me! [We] are for signs and wonders in Israel From the LORD of hosts, Who dwells in Mount Zion.

[Isa 29:6 NKJV] 6 You will be punished by the LORD of hosts With thunder and earthquake and great noise, [With] storm and tempest And the flame of devouring fire.

[Isa 30:30-32 NKJV] 30 The LORD will cause His glorious voice to be heard, And show the descent of His arm, With the indignation of [His] anger And the flame of a devouring fire, [With] scattering, tempest, and hailstones. 31 For through the voice of the LORD Assyria will be beaten down, [As] He strikes with the rod. 32 And [in] every place where the staff of punishment passes, Which the LORD lays on him, [It] will be with tambourines and harps; And in battles of brandishing He will fight with it.

[Isa 64:1-4 NKJV] 1 Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down! That the mountains might shake at Your presence-- 2 As fire burns brushwood, As fire causes water to boil--To make Your name known to

Your adversaries, [That] the nations may tremble at Your presence! 3 When You did awesome things [for which] we did not look, You came down, The mountains shook at Your presence. 4 For since the beginning of the world [Men] have not heard nor perceived by the ear, Nor has the eye seen any God besides You, Who acts for the one who waits for Him. *(Note: may be another example of perfect tense.)*

[Nah 1:4-5 NKJV] 4 He rebukes the sea and makes it dry, And dries up all the rivers. Bashan and Carmel wither, And the flower of Lebanon wilts. 5 The mountains quake before Him, The hills melt, And the earth heaves at His presence, Yes, the world and all who dwell in it.

[Zep 1:7-9 NKJV] 7 Be silent in the presence of the Lord GOD; For the day of the LORD [is] at hand, For the LORD has prepared a sacrifice; He has invited His guests. 8 "And it shall be, In the day of the LORD's sacrifice, That I will punish the princes and the king's children, And all such as are clothed with foreign apparel. 9 In the same day I will punish All those who leap over the threshold, Who fill their masters' houses with violence and deceit. *(Note: "Those who leap over the threshold," refers to the Philistines. When the Ark of the Covenant was captured and placed in the temple with Dagon, Yahweh knocked over the idol and broke off the head and the hands of the idol. The head landed on the threshold of the entryway of the temple of Dagon. Subsequently, from that point forward, the Philistines would not step on the threshold, they would jump over it. See 1 Sam 5:5)*

(Note 2.0: This also connects to Ezekiel 39.)

[Zep 1:14-18] *See page 60*

[Jer 9:13-16 NKJV] 13 And the LORD said, "Because they have forsaken My law which I set before them, and have not obeyed My voice, nor walked according to it, 14 "but they have walked according to the dictates of their own hearts and after the Baals, which their fathers taught them," 15 therefore thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: "Behold, I will feed them, this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink. 16 "I will scatter them also among the Gentiles, whom neither they nor their fathers have known. And I will send a sword after them until I have consumed them."

[Jer 23:15 NKJV] 15 "Therefore thus says the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets: 'Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, And make them drink the water of gall; For from the prophets of Jerusalem profaneness has gone out into all the land.' "

[Jer 51:24-26 NKJV] 24 "And I will repay Babylon And all the inhabitants of Chaldea For all the evil they have done in Zion in your sight," says the LORD. 25 "Behold, I [am] against you, O destroying mountain, Who destroys

all the earth," says the LORD. "And I will stretch out My hand against you, Roll you down from the rocks, And make you a burnt mountain. 26 They shall not take from you a stone for a corner Nor a stone for a foundation, But you shall be desolate forever," says the LORD.

[Jer 23:29 NKJV] 29 "[Is] not My word like a fire?" says the LORD, "And like a hammer [that] breaks the rock in pieces?

[Eze 10:1-8 NKJV] 1 And I looked, and there in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubim, there appeared something like a sapphire stone, having the appearance of the likeness of a throne. 2 Then He spoke to the man clothed with linen, and said, "Go in among the wheels, under the cherub, fill your hands with coals of fire from among the cherubim, and scatter [them] over the city." And he went in as I watched. 3 Now the cherubim were standing on the south side of the temple when the man went in, and the cloud filled the inner court. 4 Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, [and paused] over the threshold of the temple; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD's glory. 5 And the sound of the wings of the cherubim was heard [even] in the outer court, like the voice of Almighty God when He speaks. 6 Then it happened, when He commanded the man clothed in linen, saying, "Take fire from among the wheels, from among the cherubim," that he went in and stood beside the wheels. 7 And the cherub stretched out his hand from among the cherubim to the fire that [was] among the cherubim, and took [some of it] and put [it] into the hands of the [man] clothed with linen, who took [it] and went out. 8 The cherubim appeared to have the form of a man's hand under their wings.

[Zec 2:13 NKJV] 13 "Be silent, all flesh, before the LORD, for He is aroused from His holy habitation!"

[Mal 1:11 NKJV] 11 For from the rising of the sun, even to its going down, My name [shall be] great among the Gentiles; In every place incense [shall be] offered to My name, And a pure offering; For My name shall be great among the nations," Says the LORD of hosts.

REVELATION 8
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 8:1-13 NKJV] 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 Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer [it] with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. 4 And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel's hand. 5 Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw [it] to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake. *(Note: Recall incense is offered on the Day of Atonement/Yom Kippur.)*

6 So the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

7 The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

8 Then the second angel sounded: And [something] like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood. 9 And a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.

10 Then the third angel sounded: And a great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell 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 became wormwood, and many men died from the water, because it was made bitter.

12 Then the fourth angel sounded: And a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them were darkened. A third of the day did not shine, and likewise the night.

13 And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

REVELATION 8
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 And when he opened the seventh, all of them in the heavens were silent for a moment, 2 and I saw seven messengers coming before Yahweh, and seven shopharot *(trumpets)* were given to them. 3 And another messenger came and stepped next to the temple, and golden firepans were in his hand. And much incense was given to him, to give it as the prayer of the set-apart ones, before the temple, even before the throne. 4 And the smoke of the incense of the set-apart ones went up from the hand of the messenger, before Yahweh. 5 Then the messenger took the fire pan, and filled it with fire and poured it out on the earth, and there came voices and thunders and lightnings.

6 And the seven messengers with the seven shopharot were ready to blow. 7 Then the first messenger blew, and there was hail and fire mixed with blood, and it fell on the earth, and a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green plants of the field were burned up.

8 Then the second blew, and there was something like a great mountain burning with fire, and it went into the sea, and a third of the sea was blood. 9 And a third of the creatures of the sea died, and a third of the ships sank

10 Then the third blew, and a star fell from the heavens, and it was burning, and it fell on a third of the wells of water. 11 And the name of the star was Tola'at *(Crimson Worm or Crimson red*;) and a third of the waters were bitter, and many sons of man died by means of the waters, because of their bitterness.

12 Then the fourth blew, and there was stricken – a third of the sun and the moon and stars; and a third of the day did not shine, and also the night. 13 Then I saw and heard a messenger flying in the heavens, and he cried out with a great voice, "Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, because of the sound of the shopharot which the three messengers still have to blow!"

CHAPTER 9
Revelation 9, OT passages

[Job 26:6 NKJV] 6 Sheol [is] naked before Him, And Destruction has no covering. *(Note: Destruction is Abaddon in Hebrew and is mentioned here as a proper name* ("BLB")

[Job 28:22 KJV] 22 Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with our ears. (*Note: see above note.)*

[Exo 10:12-15 KJV] 12 And the LORD said unto Moses, Stretch out thine hand over the land of Egypt for the locusts, that they may come up upon the land of Egypt, and eat every herb of the land, [even] all that the hail hath left. 13 And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt, and the LORD brought an east wind upon the land all that day, and all [that] night; [and] when it was morning, the east wind brought the locusts. 14 And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very grievous [were they]; before them there were no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such. 15 For they covered the face of the whole earth *(erez)*, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat every herb of the land, and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field, through all the land of Egypt.

[Exo 30:1-10 NKJV] *See page 50*

[Exo 37:25-28 NKJV] *See page 51*

[Psa 91:1-10 NKJV] 1 He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say of the LORD, "[He is] my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust." 3 Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler [And] from the perilous pestilence. 4 He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth [shall be your] shield and buckler. 5 You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, [Nor] of the arrow [that] flies by day, 6 [Nor] of the pestilence [that] walks in darkness, [Nor] of the destruction [that] lays waste at noonday. 7 A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; [But] it shall not come near you. 8 Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked. 9 Because you have made the LORD, [who is] my refuge, [Even] the Most High, your dwelling place, 10 No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling;

[Pro 15:11 NKJV] 11 Hell and Destruction [are] before the LORD; So how much more the hearts of the sons of men. *(Note: Destruction is Abaddon in Hebrew and is mentioned here as a proper name* ("BLB")

[Pro 27:20 NKJV] 20 Hell and Destruction are never full; So the eyes of

man are never satisfied. *(See above note)*

[Joe 2:1-11 NKJV] 1 Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at hand: 2 A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, Like the morning [clouds] spread over the mountains. A people [come], great and strong, The like of whom has never been; Nor will there ever be any [such] after them, Even for many successive generations. 3 A fire devours before them, And behind them a flame burns; The land [is] like the Garden of Eden before them, And behind them a desolate wilderness; Surely nothing shall escape them. 4 Their appearance is like the appearance of horses; And like swift steeds, so they run. 5 With a noise like chariots Over mountaintops they leap, Like the noise of a flaming fire that devours the stubble, Like a strong people set in battle array. 6 Before them the people writhe in pain; All faces are drained of color. 7 They run like mighty men, They climb the wall like men of war; Every one marches in formation, And they do not break ranks. 8 They do not push one another; Every one marches in his own column. Though they lunge between the weapons, They are not cut down. 9 They run to and fro in the city, They run on the wall; They climb into the houses, They enter at the windows like a thief. 10 The earth quakes before them, The heavens tremble; The sun and moon grow dark, And the stars diminish their brightness. 11 The LORD gives voice before His army, For His camp is very great; For strong [is the One] who executes His word. For the day of the LORD [is] great and very terrible; Who can endure it? *(Note "The One:" As you can see, "For strong [is the One] who executes His word," that, "is the One" has been added by the translators to "help" the sentence make sense. However, I think, in the context of the verse, it is rather presumptuous to capitalize "the One" as though it is the Messiah. The army described does not sound angelic, though it does sound supernatural. We see it is referenced as "the Lords army," but everything belongs to God. And anything He uses to bring about His purposes is expressly His. An extreme example is the Antichrist. He is still ultimately simply a tool of the Father to bring about His plan. I think it is perfectly acceptable to read the verse as Joel himself wrote it, which is, "For strong who executes His word.")*

[Joe 2:25 NKJV] 25 "So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, The crawling locust, The consuming locust, And the chewing locust, My great army which I sent among you.

[Isa 14:13-14 NKJV] 13 For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' *(Note: The word for "Lucifer" in Hebrew here is "hêlēl." It means "morning star or day star."* ("BLB") *Its root in Hebrew is "hālal" whose uses extend from "shine," to "boast"*

to "praise" etc. This is interesting in that the crescent moon shape we see on the top of mosques is called the "hilal," with nearly the same pronunciation.)

(Note 2.0: Mount of the Congregation is "Har Mo'ed." ("BLB")

[Isa 18:1 NKJV] 1 Woe to the land shadowed with buzzing wings, Which [is] beyond the rivers of Ethiopia,

[Mic 5:9-15 NKJV] 9 Your hand shall be lifted against your adversaries, And all your enemies shall be cut off. 10 "And it shall be in that day," says the LORD, "That I will cut off your horses from your midst And destroy your chariots. 11 I will cut off the cities of your land And throw down all your strongholds. 12 I will cut off sorceries from your hand, And you shall have no soothsayers. 13 Your carved images I will also cut off, And your [sacred] pillars from your midst; You shall no more worship the work of your hands; 14 I will pluck your wooden images from your midst; Thus I will destroy your cities. 15 And I will execute vengeance in anger and fury On the nations that have not heard."

[Zep 3:6-7 NKJV] 6 "I have cut off nations, Their fortresses are devastated; I have made their streets desolate, With none passing by. Their cities are destroyed; [There is] no one, no inhabitant. 7 I said, 'Surely you will fear Me, You will receive instruction'--So that her dwelling would not be cut off, [Despite] everything for which I punished her. But they rose early and corrupted all their deeds.

[Jer 8:3, 15-17 NKJV] 3 "Then death shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue of those who remain of this evil family, who remain in all the places where I have driven them," says the LORD of hosts. ... 15 "[We] looked for peace, but no good [came]; And for a time of health, and there was trouble! 16 The snorting of His horses was heard from Dan. The whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of His strong ones; For they have come and devoured the land and all that is in it, The city and those who dwell in it." 17 "For behold, I will send serpents among you, Vipers which cannot be charmed, And they shall bite you," says the LORD.

[Jer 51:13-14 NKJV] 13 O you who dwell by many waters, Abundant in treasures, Your end has come, The measure of your covetousness. 14 The LORD of hosts has sworn by Himself: "Surely I will fill you with men, as with locusts, And they shall lift up a shout against you."

[Eze 9:1-11 NKJV] 1 Then He called out in my hearing with a loud voice, saying, "Let those who have charge over the city draw near, each [with] a deadly weapon in his hand." 2 And suddenly six men came from the direction of the upper gate, which faces north, each with his battle-ax in his hand. One man among them [was] clothed with linen and had a writer's inkhorn at his side. They went in and stood beside the bronze altar. 3 Now the glory of the God of Israel had

gone up from the cherub, where it had been, to the threshold of the temple. And He called to the man clothed with linen, who [had] the writer's inkhorn at his side; 4 and the LORD said to him, "Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and cry over all the abominations that are done within it." 5 To the others He said in my hearing, "Go after him through the city and kill; do not let your eye spare, nor have any pity. 6 "Utterly slay old [and] young men, maidens and little children and women; but do not come near anyone on whom [is] the mark; and begin at My sanctuary." So they began with the elders who [were] before the temple. 7 Then He said to them, "Defile the temple, and fill the courts with the slain. Go out!" And they went out and killed in the city. 8 So it was, that while they were killing them, I was left [alone]; and I fell on my face and cried out, and said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Will You destroy all the remnant of Israel in pouring out Your fury on Jerusalem?" 9 Then He said to me, "The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah [is] exceedingly great, and the land is full of bloodshed, and the city full of perversity; for they say, 'The LORD has forsaken the land, and the LORD does not see!' 10 "And as for Me also, My eye will neither spare, nor will I have pity, [but] I will recompense their deeds on their own head." 11 Just then, the man clothed with linen, who [had] the inkhorn at his side, reported back and said, "I have done as You commanded me."

R E V E L A T I O N 9
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 9:1-21 NKJV] 1 Then the fifth angel sounded: And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth. To him was given the key to the bottomless pit. 2 And he opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit. 3 Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. 4 They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. 5 And they were not given [authority] to kill them, but to torment them [for] five months. Their torment [was] like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man. 6 In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them.

7 The shape of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle. On their heads were crowns of something like gold, and their faces [were] like the faces of men. 8 They had hair like women's hair, and their teeth were like lions' [teeth]. 9 And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings [was] like the sound of chariots with many horses running into battle. 10 They had tails like scorpions, and there were stings in their tails. Their power [was] to hurt men five months. 11 And they had as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew [is] Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apollyon.

12 One woe is past. Behold, still two more woes are coming after these things.

13 Then the sixth angel sounded: And I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, 14 saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates." 15 So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind. 16 Now the number of the army of the horsemen [was] two hundred million; I heard the number of them. 17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision: those who sat on them had breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow; *(Note: As you will see in the Hebrew translation, these entities are possibly not wearing uniforms as we would understand it, essentially with the colors of Southwest Airlines, but "they had garments of pitch and sulphur and fire." As supernatural beings from some outer realm, and not an army of men, John is not describing "clothing," as we would understand it. We cannot have clothing "made" of fire. But much like the burning bush which was supernatural, these beings will apparently be covered in*

something that is on fire but not burning. Another option is this, pitch is black, tar-like substance. This is why we say "pitch black." Sulfur is yellow. Fire can be yellow to orange. Were you to describe an army of tigers, you would say that they are all covered in these colors. But that does not demand that they are wearing uniforms. While the mass would be uniform each would be unique in its own right. Finally, the Hebrew color description is very different from the Greek. Thankfully, the physical characteristics of these entities is such that, no matter their colors, there will be no mistaking who they are, where they have come from, and what their intent is.) and the heads of the horses [were] like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and brimstone. 18 By these three [plagues] a third of mankind was killed--by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which came out of their mouths. 19 For their power is in their mouth and in their tails; for their tails [are] like serpents, having heads; and with them they do harm.

20 But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk. 21 And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries.
(Note: "Sorceries"
"Sorceries" are "pharmakeia" in the Greek ("BLB"). We transliterate the word pharmacy from it. It can mean medication or drugs, both illicit and legal. It also can mean exactly as stated sorceries and witchcraft. In the modern world I can see where this can reference both. While medication in and of itself is not evil, hormone suppressing drugs used in an attempt to transition to another gender or any of the drugs that are being researched in an attempt to live forever are outside of God's established natural order, thus making the use of them sin.) or their sexual immorality or their thefts.

REVELATION 9
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 Then the fifth messenger blew, and I saw a star falling onto the earth from the heavens, and to him the key of the Deepk was given. 2 So he opened the Deep, and there went out smoke from the Deep, like smoke from a great furnace, and the sun and the air were darkened by the smoke of the Deep.

3 And from the smoke there came [locusts] over the earth, and authority was given to them to destroy.

4 And it was said to them that, "You must not damage the green plants or the plants of the field or the trees, but only the sons of man who do not have the seal from Yahweh on their foreheads." 5 And to them it was given, not to kill them, but to inflict them with pain for five months. And their pain was like the pain of scorpions when they sting. 6 And in those days you will try cleverly to die, but you will not find it.

7 And the locusts were like horses that are prepared for war – and on their heads were something like crowns of gold, and their appearance was like the appearance of man. 8 And their hair was like the hair of women, and their teeth were like the teeth of a lion, 9 [10] and their tails were like the tails of locusts. And authority was given to them to inflict the sons of man with pain, for five months. 10 [11] And their king was a messenger of the Deep, and his name in the Hebrew tongue is Avadon, and in the Greek tongue, Apollyon. 11 [12] One suffering has gone by, look, two more sufferings are coming!

12 [13] Then the sixth messenger blew, and I heard a voice from the four corners of the temple, before Yahweh, 13 [14] and it said to the sixth messenger who blew, "Go and set free the four messengers who are bound at the great river which is called Perat."

14 [15] And these four messengers were made ready to kill a third of the sons of man in an hour and in a day and in a month and in a year.

15 [16] And the number of their chariots was twenty million, *(Or possibly 'riders' or 'charioteers.' But note the factor 10 difference between the Hebrew 20,000,000 and Greek rendering of 200,000,000. Compare the difference between 2 Sam. 10:18 and 1 Chron. 19:18. "Chariots/ chariot teams" vs. "charioteers/riders" gives the 10-fold difference.)* and I heard their number. 16 [17] And after this I saw the shape of the horses and those who sat on them, that they had garments of pitch and sulphur and fire. And the heads of the horses were

like the heads of the lion, and from their mouth there went out fire and smoke and sulphur. 17 [18] And by these three, a third of the sons of man were killed, 18 [19] for their power was in their mouth, and their tails were like serpents, and they had heads, and with these they killed them. 19 [20] But there were still many sons of man who were not put to death by these plagues – because they did repentance concerning their evil deeds, by not praying to Ha-Satan, neither to idols which are made of pottery and of stone, or of wood and silver and gold, which do not have in them the ability to walk or to speak or to hear – 20 [21] but who did not do repentance concerning their sorceries or concerning their fornication or concerning their thefts. *(Italics are mine from the translator's notes.)*

CHAPTER 10
Revelation 10, OT passages

Note: "The Angel of the Lord"

Let us discuss the Angel of the Lord and the "mighty angel coming down from heaven, clothed with a cloud," from Revelation 10. This is yet another area of Christian eschatology that has much disagreement among scholars. It occurs to me that the symbolism that John evokes in chapter 10 portrays Christ. I will make a Biblical case here to that end.

First, let us start with the terminology "angel." In the NT "angelos" is the term used. Its outline of Biblical usage states: "a messenger, envoy, one who is sent, an angel, a messenger from God" ("BLB"). In the OT, we see "*mal'āḵ" the usage similarly is "messenger, representative, angel, the theophanic angel."* ("BLB"). *Based on this, it is simple to conclude that just because we read the word "angel," it does NOT inherently mean it is. It can mean messenger.*

With that in mind consider that this angel/messenger is holding a little scroll or "book." To this point of Revelation 10, the only entity laying hold of any scroll or book would be the Lamb/Yeshua.

Before we venture any further, did Yeshua ever say He is any kind of messenger? Yes, on more than one occasion. Here is one for your consideration: John 12:49-50. It reads 49 "For I have not spoken on My own [authority;] but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak. 50 "And I know that His command is everlasting life. Therefore, whatever I speak, just as the Father has told Me, so I speak." Yeshua is also a messenger of the Father.

I am not saying Jesus is an angel. Jesus is God. He is the Son of God. But in the correct context, He is also the Fathers "messenger." To be clear, I am NOT saying Yeshua is an angel. I AM saying there are examples in the OT of a messenger of God, appearing as a man, but possessing immense power and receiving worship, which angels do not accept, speaking in the first person as the Father. I think these allusions tie to the mighty angel in Revelation 10.

Further, the symbolism of the rainbow, which is in the throne room (Revelation 4:3,) and is the symbol of a covenant between the Father and all the living creatures of the earth, being around His head. Who mediates the covenant between God and man? Yeshua, Heb 12:24. Notice, He comes clothed in clouds, which is to say He is riding in on the clouds. There is only one cloud rider (Dan 7.) His voice being like a lion. Yeshua is the Lion of the tribe of Judah.

His feet stand "on the sea" and "on the land." We learn in Revelation 17 that the many waters or sea are the gentile nations. It follows then that the earth/land would be Israel. This has bearing elsewhere in Revelation. But for our purposes here, Yeshua's sacrifice allows us to be "grafted in" to the tree that is Gods chosen people. It/He ties the two together.

Finally, He raises His hand to heaven and swears by the Father, "no more delay." In other words, He is done waiting. The waiting is done. It is finished. Okay, maybe that is a stretch, but it feels right. My hope is that many of the following passages will point to this possible pre-incarnate Yeshua messenger being the messenger of Revelation 10.

[Job 38:1 NKJV] 1 Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said: *(Note: Whirlwind = saʿar in Hebrew. Also means storm.)*

[Gen 9:11-16 NKJV] 11 "Thus I establish My covenant with you: Never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood; never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." 12 And God said: "This [is] the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living creature that [is] with you, for perpetual generations: 13 "I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. 14 "It shall be, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the rainbow shall be seen in the cloud; 15 "and I will remember My covenant which [is] between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. 16 "The rainbow shall be in the cloud, and I will look on it to remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that [is] on the earth."

[Exo 3:2-6 NKJV] 2 And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire from the midst of a bush. So he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, but the bush [was] not consumed. 3 Then Moses said, "I will now turn aside and see this great sight, why the bush does not burn." 4 So when the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." 5 Then He said, "Do not draw near this place. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you stand [is] holy ground." 6 Moreover He said, "I [am] the God of your father--the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look upon God.

[Exo 13:21-22 NKJV] 21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so as to go by day and night. 22 He did not take away the pillar of cloud by day or the pillar of fire by night [from] before the people.

[Exo 14:19-20 NKJV] 19 And the Angel of God, who went before the camp of Israel, moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud went from before them and stood behind them. 20 So it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel. Thus it was a cloud and darkness [to the one], and it gave light by night [to the other], so that the one did not come near the other all that night.

[Exo 34:5 NKJV] 5 Now the LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD.

[Num 22:31, 35 NKJV] 31 Then the LORD opened Balaam's eyes, and he saw the Angel of the LORD standing in the way with His drawn sword in His hand; and he bowed his head and fell flat on his face. ... 35 Then the Angel of the LORD said to Balaam, "Go with the men, but only the word that I speak to you, that you shall speak." So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.

[Deu 33:26 NKJV] 26 "[There is] no one like the God of Jeshurun, [Who] rides the heavens to help you, And in His excellency on the clouds.

[Jos 5:13-15 NKJV] 13 And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted his eyes and looked, and behold, a Man stood opposite him with His sword drawn in His hand. And Joshua went to Him and said to Him, "[Are] You for us or for our adversaries?" 14 So He said, "No, but [as] Commander of the army of the LORD I have now come." And Joshua fell on his face to the earth and worshiped, and said to Him, "What does my Lord say to His servant?" 15 Then the Commander of the LORD's army said to Joshua, "Take your sandal off your foot, for the place where you stand [is] holy." And Joshua did so.

[Jos 6:1-2 NKJV] 1 Now Jericho was securely shut up because of the children of Israel; none went out, and none came in. 2 And the LORD *(same entity speaking from Jos 5:13-15)* said to Joshua: "See! I have given Jericho into your hand, its king, [and] the mighty men of valor.

[Jdg 2:1-4 NKJV] 1 Then the Angel of the LORD came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said: "I led you up from Egypt and brought you to the land of which I swore to your fathers; and I said, 'I will never break My covenant with you. 2 'And you shall make no covenant with the inhabitants of this land; you shall tear down their altars.' But you have not obeyed My voice. Why have you done this? 3 "Therefore I also said, 'I will not drive them out before you; but they shall be [thorns] in your side, and their gods shall be a snare to you.' " 4 So it was, when the Angel of the LORD spoke these words to all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voices and wept.

[Jdg 6:11-14, 18-24 NKJV] 11 Now the Angel of the LORD came and sat under the terebinth tree which [was] in Ophrah, which [belonged] to Joash the Abiezrite, while his son Gideon threshed wheat in the winepress, in order to hide [it] from the Midianites. 12 And the Angel of the LORD appeared to him, and said to him, "The LORD [is] with you, you mighty man of valor!" 13 Gideon said to Him, "O my lord, if the LORD is with us, why then has all this happened to us? And where [are] all His miracles which our fathers told us about, saying, 'Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt?' But now the LORD has forsaken us and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites." 14 Then the LORD turned

to him and said, “Go in this might of yours, and you shall save Israel from the hand of the Midianites. Have I not sent you?” ... 18 “Do not depart from here, I pray, until I come to You and bring out my offering and set [it] before You.” And He said, “I will wait until you come back.” 19 So Gideon went in and prepared a young goat, and unleavened bread from an ephah of flour. The meat he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot; and he brought [them] out to Him under the terebinth tree and presented [them]. 20 The Angel of God said to him, “Take the meat and the unleavened bread and lay [them] on this rock, and pour out the broth.” And he did so. 21 Then the Angel of the LORD put out the end of the staff that [was] in His hand, and touched the meat and the unleavened bread; and fire rose out of the rock and consumed the meat and the unleavened bread. And the Angel of the LORD departed out of his sight. 22 Now Gideon perceived that He [was] the Angel of the LORD. So Gideon said, “Alas, O Lord GOD! For I have seen the Angel of the LORD face to face.” 23 Then the LORD said to him, “Peace [be] with you; do not fear, you shall not die.” 24 So Gideon built an altar there to the LORD, and called it The-LORD-[Is]-Peace. To this day it [is] still in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.

[Jdg 13:2-6, 8-10, 15-23 NKJV] 2 Now there was a certain man from Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name [was] Manoah; and his wife [was] barren and had no children. 3 And the Angel of the LORD appeared to the woman and said to her, “Indeed now, you are barren and have borne no children, but you shall conceive and bear a son. 4 “Now therefore, please be careful not to drink wine or [similar] drink, and not to eat anything unclean. 5 “For behold, you shall conceive and bear a son. And no razor shall come upon his head, for the child shall be a Nazirite to God from the womb; and he shall begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.” 6 So the woman came and told her husband, saying, “A Man of God came to me, and His countenance [was] like the countenance of the Angel of God, very awesome; but I did not ask Him where He [was] from, and He did not tell me His name. ... 8 Then Manoah prayed to the LORD, and said, “O my Lord, please let the Man of God whom You sent come to us again and teach us what we shall do for the child who will be born.” 9 And God listened to the voice of Manoah, and the Angel of God came to the woman again as she was sitting in the field; but Manoah her husband [was] not with her. 10 Then the woman ran in haste and told her husband, and said to him, “Look, the Man who came to me the [other] day has just now appeared to me!” ... 15 Then Manoah said to the Angel of the LORD, “Please let us detain You, and we will prepare a young goat for You.” 16 And the Angel of the LORD said to Manoah, “Though you detain Me, I will not eat your food. But if you offer a burnt offering, you must offer it to the LORD.” (For Manoah did not know He [was] the Angel of the LORD.) 17 Then Manoah said to the Angel of the LORD, “What [is] Your name, that when Your words come [to pass] we may honor You?” 18 And the Angel of the LORD said to him, “Why do you ask My name, seeing it [is] wonderful?” 19 So Manoah took the young goat with the grain offering, and

offered it upon the rock to the LORD. And He did a wondrous thing while Manoah and his wife looked on-- 20 it happened as the flame went up toward heaven from the altar--the Angel of the LORD ascended in the flame of the altar! When Manoah and his wife saw [this], they fell on their faces to the ground. 21 When the Angel of the LORD appeared no more to Manoah and his wife, then Manoah knew that He [was] the Angel of the LORD. 22 And Manoah said to his wife, "We shall surely die, because we have seen God!" 23 But his wife said to him, "If the LORD had desired to kill us, He would not have accepted a burnt offering and a grain offering from our hands, nor would He have shown us all these [things], nor would He have told us [such things] as these at this time." *(Note: The name of the angel is "wonderful." Hebrew "pil'î." Only used twice in the OT. Here and Psalm 139:6 can also mean "secret." Evokes in me the "wonderful, counselor," name of our mighty God in Isa 9:6 "pele'" = wonderful.* ("BLB")*)*

[Psa 18:8-10 NKJV] 8 Smoke went up from His nostrils, And devouring fire from His mouth; Coals were kindled by it. 9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down With darkness under His feet. 10 And He rode upon a cherub, and flew; He flew upon the wings of the wind.

[Psa 68:3-4 NKJV] 3 But let the righteous be glad; Let them rejoice before God; Yes, let them rejoice exceedingly. 4 Sing to God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds, By His name YAH, And rejoice before Him.

[Psa 99:7 NKJV] 7 He spoke to them in the cloudy pillar; They kept His testimonies and the ordinance He gave them.

[Psa 104:1-3 NKJV] 1 Bless the LORD, O my soul! O LORD my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor and majesty, 2 Who cover [Yourself] with light as [with] a garment, Who stretch out the heavens like a curtain. 3 He lays the beams of His upper chambers in the waters, Who makes the clouds His chariot, Who walks on the wings of the wind,

[Isa 19:1 NKJV] 1 The burden against Egypt. Behold, the LORD rides on a swift cloud, And will come into Egypt; The idols of Egypt will totter at His presence, And the heart of Egypt will melt in its midst.

[Hab 2:2-3 NKJV] *See page 6*

[Dan 7:13 NKJV] 13 "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, [One] like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him.

[Dan 10:5-6 NKJV] 5 I lifted my eyes and looked, and behold, a certain man clothed in linen, whose waist [was] girded with gold of Uphaz! 6 His body [was] like beryl, his face like the appearance of lightning, his eyes like torches of fire, his arms and feet like burnished bronze in color, and the sound of his words

like the voice of a multitude.

[Dan 12:5-7 NKJV] 5 Then I, Daniel, looked; and there stood two others, one on this riverbank and the other on that riverbank. 6 And [one] said to the man clothed in linen, who [was] above the waters of the river, "How long shall the fulfillment of these wonders [be]?" 7 Then I heard the man clothed in linen, who [was] above the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, that [it shall be] for a time, times, and half [a time]; and when the power of the holy people has been completely shattered, all these [things] shall be finished. *(Note: Daniel 10-12 is one vision and should really be read as such.)*

[Eze 1:4, 26-28 NKJV] 4 Then I looked, and behold, a whirlwind was coming out of the north, a great cloud with raging fire engulfing itself; and brightness [was] all around it and radiating out of its midst like the color of amber, out of the midst of the fire. ... 26 And above the firmament over their heads [was] the likeness of a throne, in appearance like a sapphire stone; on the likeness of the throne [was] a likeness with the appearance of a man high above it. 27 Also from the appearance of His waist and upward I saw, as it were, the color of amber with the appearance of fire all around within it; and from the appearance of His waist and downward I saw, as it were, the appearance of fire with brightness all around. 28 Like the appearance of a rainbow in a cloud on a rainy day, so [was] the appearance of the brightness all around it. This [was] the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. So when I saw [it], I fell on my face, and I heard a voice of One speaking.

[Eze 2:8-10 NKJV] 8 "But you, son of man, hear what I say to you. Do not be rebellious like that rebellious house; open your mouth and eat what I give you." 9 Now when I looked, there was a hand stretched out to me; and behold, a scroll of a book [was] in it. 10 Then He spread it before me; and [there was] writing on the inside and on the outside, and written on it [were] lamentations and mourning and woe.

[Eze 3:1-3 NKJV] 1 Moreover He said to me, "Son of man, eat what you find; eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Israel." 2 So I opened my mouth, and He caused me to eat that scroll. 3 And He said to me, "Son of man, feed your belly, and fill your stomach with this scroll that I give you." So I ate, and it was in my mouth like honey in sweetness.

[Eze 3:12-14 NKJV] 12 Then the Spirit lifted me up, and I heard behind me a great thunderous voice: "Blessed [is] the glory of the LORD from His place!" 13 [I] also [heard] the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and the noise of the wheels beside them, and a great thunderous noise. 14 So the Spirit lifted me up and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.

[Eze 8:2 NKJV] 2 Then I looked, and there was a likeness, like the appearance of fire--from the appearance of His waist and downward, fire; and

from His waist and upward, like the appearance of brightness, like the color of amber.

[Eze 12:22-28 NKJV] 22 “Son of man, what [is] this proverb [that] you [people] have about the land of Israel, which says, ‘The days are prolonged, and every vision fails’? 23 “Tell them therefore, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD: “I will lay this proverb to rest, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel.” But say to them, “The days are at hand, and the fulfillment of every vision. 24 “For no more shall there be any false vision or flattering divination within the house of Israel. 25 “For I [am] the LORD. I speak, and the word which I speak will come to pass; it will no more be postponed; for in your days, O rebellious house, I will say the word and perform it,” says the Lord GOD.’ “ 26 Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 27 “Son of man, look, the house of Israel is saying, ‘The vision that he sees [is] for many days [from now], and he prophesies of times far off.’ 28 “Therefore say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD: “None of My words will be postponed any more, but the word which I speak will be done,” says the Lord GOD.’ “

REVELATION 10
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 10:1-11 NKJV] 1 I saw still another mighty angel coming down from heaven, clothed with a cloud. And a rainbow [was] on his head, his face [was] like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire. 2 He had a little book open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea and [his] left [foot] on the land, 3 and cried with a loud voice, as [when] a lion roars. When he cried out, seven thunders uttered their voices. 4 Now when the seven thunders uttered their voices, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them."

5 The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised up his hand to heaven 6 and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the things that are in it, the earth and the things that are in it, and the sea and the things that are in it, that there should be delay no longer, 7 but in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, the mystery of God would be finished, as He declared to His servants the prophets.

(Note: "Mystery of God"

> [1Co 15:51-52 NKJV] 51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed-- 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.*)*

It appears Paul is saying that the "mystery" is at the last trumpet we all, living and dead elect, get glorified bodies and are raptured. The Mighty Angel says that the waiting is over, when the last/Seventh trumpet sounds, the "mystery" is finished or other translations say "complete." Paul further states:

> [1Th 4:16-17 NKJV] 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive [and] remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

Based on 1 Co 15:51-52 these two trumpets must be the same and happen at the same time because the same thing happens at both trumpets.)

8 Then the voice which I heard from heaven spoke to me again and said, "Go, take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea

and on the earth."

9 So I went to the angel and said to him, "Give me the little book."

And he said to me, "Take and eat it; and it will make your stomach bitter, but it will be as sweet as honey in your mouth."

10 Then I took the little book out of the angel's hand and ate it, and it was as sweet as honey in my mouth. But when I had eaten it, my stomach became bitter. 11 And he said to me, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings."

REVELATION 10
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 Then I saw another messenger descending from the heavens, and he was clothed with a cloud, and a bow was over his head, and his appearance was like the sun, and his feet like a flame of fire.2 (104r) And in his hand was an open scroll, and he stepped on the sea with his right foot, and on the dry land with his left. 3 And he cried out with a great voice, like the lion roars. And when he had cried out, seven voices spoke with their voices.

4 And after they had spoken with their voices, I wanted to write them, but I heard a voice from the heavens which said to me, “Seal them up, and do not write.”

5 And the messenger who was standing on the sea and on the dry land, whom I had seen, lifted up his right hand and his left hand unto the heavens. 6 And he swore by the Ever-Living – who created the heavens and what is in them, and the earth and the sea and whatever is in them – that, “There is no more time,7 but, when the seven messengers blow with the shopharot, all these confidential counsels of Yahweh will be completed, just like he made it known to his servants and to his prophets.”

8 Then I again heard a voice saying to me, “Go, and take the open scroll from the hand of the messenger who is standing on the sea and on the dry land.” 9 So I went to the messenger and said to him, “Give me the scroll.” And he said to me, “Take and swallow it, and it will be for you like honey in your mouth, but in your stomach it will cause you pain.”

10 So I took the scroll from the hand of the messenger and swallowed it, and it was like honey in my mouth; but after I ate it, it caused me pain in my stomach. 11 Then he said to me, “You must prophesy again to nations and to peoples and to kings.”

CHAPTER 11
Revelation 11, OT passages

"The Covenants"

This is the only chapter in Revelation that mentions the word, "Covenant," as such, I think it is important to discuss what a covenant is, and the reality that God will not break His covenants. They are His promises. His word does not return void.

"A covenant, in biblical terms, is a solemn agreement or promise between God and humans, or between human parties, that establishes a relationship with specific commitments and obligations. The concept of covenant is central to the narrative of the Bible, serving as a foundational theme that underscores God's interactions with humanity." (Bible Hub) *There is a good example of a covenant being made in Genesis 15. In that passage you will see that animals are cut in two. The word and terminology of a covenant involve cutting, "**תִּירְבְּ bᵉrîyth,** ber-eeth'; from H1262 (in the sense of cutting [like H1254]); a compact (because made by passing between pieces of flesh):—confederacy, (con-) feder(-ate), covenant, league."* (Strong and Kohlenberger) *Why do I hold this relevant, well, we should know God's promises. It is interesting to note that the saying, "Blood is thicker than water," comes from this covenant idea, but in modern times has been flipped around. I heard long ago in a teaching on covenant that the original intent was, "The blood of the covenant is thicker than the water of the womb." This decision to make a covenant makes you closer than family, it is not a simple contract, and often the breaking of a covenant results in death of the breaking party. Now, to the covenants in order of proclamation:*

1. ***Noahic Covenant**: Gen 9:11-13, God will not destroy the earth again with water. This covenant is made with man, as well as all creatures. The rainbow is the sign. The word here is simply "bow." In the Septuagint it is "toxon" it is the same word as the bow that the rider on the white horse has in Revelation 6. In Genesis, God hangs his war bow in the clouds.*
2. ***Abrahamic Covenant**: Gen 12:2-3, Gen 15, Gen 17. The promise of numerous descendants, the land of Canaan, and all the nations of the earth being blessed through his descendants. Gen 17:7 God specifically says it is an "everlasting covenant." Circumcision is the sign of this covenant. This covenant is considered by most to be fulfilled in Christ Jesus. Thus, it is not broken. And further it allows us to be apart of that covenant. As Paul points out:*

> [Gal 3:13-18 NKJV] "13 Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed [is] ev-

eryone who hangs on a tree"), 14 that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. 15 Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though [it is] only a man's covenant, yet [if it is] confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it. 16 Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ. 17 And this I say, [that] the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect. 18 For if the inheritance [is] of the law, [it is] no longer of promise; but God gave [it] to Abraham by promise."

3. ***Mosaic Covenant:*** *One of the most complex covenants in scripture. Check Exodus 19 for a start. It is what we classically know as "The Law." Which, in Hebrew, is probably better translated as "Instruction." Nevertheless, in a failing attempt to be brief, let me say, in my humble opinion, themost important aspect of the law for all modern day people is this: NO ONE can meet God's standard of holyness. This forces us (in a good way) to rely on Gods grace and mercy. The Mosaic Covenant is not broken. Again Jesus fulfilled it:*

> [Mat 5:17-18 NKJV] 17 "Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. 18 "For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

Jesus fulfilled the law and paid our penalty for not being able to keep it. THANK YOU JESUS! Let me take this moment to say an idea that I hold very close to my heart. If Jesus never did another single thing in this life for you or me, if the only thing He has done is pay our debt, redeem us, and secure our eternity with His death, then He has done enough for me to praise Him everyday until I die or He comes, no matter the situation. But He is so good that He still hears our complaints and still does things for us because of His great love and mercy! SOMEBODY SAY AMEN! WOOOOOOOO! Ok, sorry, I'm havin' church up in this book! By faith in Jesus, we have the righteousness of Christ, thus in effect, being keepers of the law through Him as He has never broken it. Paul, of course, describes this best:

> [Gal 3:23-29 NKJV] 23 But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed. 24 Therefore the law was our tutor [to bring us] to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. 25 But after faith has come, we are no

longer under a tutor. 26 For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you [are] Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

4. ***Finally the Davidic Covenant:*** *God promises David that his lineage will rule forever on his throne. This is Jesus, and while all authority in heaven and on earth have been given to Jesus (Matt 28,) and He currently sits on a throne at the right hand of the Father (Mark 16:19, Acts 2:33) His earthly throne has not yet been established. He is waiting there until His enemies are made His footstool. (Hebrews 10:13). While some say this throne is in heaven, we know the work and plan of the Father is to redeem this earth, to spiritualize this idea is to allow Greek philosophy to creep into our understanding. An explanation of that would be for another book. Job says:*

   [Job 19:25-27 NKJV] "25 For I know [that] my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth; 26 And after my skin is destroyed, this [I know], That in my flesh I shall see God, 27 Whom I shall see for myself, And my eyes shall behold, and not another. [How] my heart yearns within me!" *(I know the feeling.)*

   Job is very clear. Jesus will be here on earth, Job will see him in Job's glorified/resurrected bodily flesh. With glorified body eyeballs. Not in the spirit realm. Gabriel makes it clear:

   [Luk 1:31-33 NKJV] 31 "And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS. 32 "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. 33 "And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

   The location of David's throne was and will be on earth. Jesus is to rule forever on it here. This covenant remains in force. God says it best in Jeremiah 33:

   [Jer 33:17, 20-21, 25-26 NKJV] 17 "For thus says the LORD: 'David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel; … 20 "Thus says the LORD: 'If you can break My covenant with the day and My covenant with the night, so that there will not be day and night in their season, 21 'then My covenant may also be broken with David My

servant, so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne, and with the Levites, the priests, My ministers. … 25 "Thus says the LORD: 'If My covenant [is] not with day and night, [and if] I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth, 26 'then I will cast away the descendants of Jacob and David My servant, [so] that I will not take [any] of his descendants [to be] rulers over the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. For I will cause their captives to return, and will have mercy on them.' "

Perhaps we will cover the New Covenant that Jesus made with His sacrifice foretold by Jeremiah if the Holy Spirit leads me to write a book about the New Testaments' dealings with Revelation.

[Jer 31:31 NKJV] 31 "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah–"

[Gen 15:1, 4, 6-7, 9-11, 13-14, 16-21 NKJV] 1 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying, "Do not be afraid, Abram. I [am] your shield, your exceedingly great reward." … 4 And behold, the word of the LORD [came] to him, saying, "This one shall not be your heir, but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir." … 6 And he believed in the LORD, and He accounted it to him for righteousness. 7 Then He said to him, "I [am] the LORD, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it." … 9 So He said to him, "Bring Me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old female goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." 10 Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, down the middle, and placed each piece opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. 11 And when the vultures came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. … 13 Then He said to Abram: "Know certainly that your descendants will be strangers in a land [that is] not theirs, and will serve them, and they will afflict them four hundred years. 14 "And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions. … 16 "But in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites [is] not yet complete." 17 And it came to pass, when the sun went down and it was dark, that behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a burning torch that passed between those pieces. 18 On the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I have given this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the River Euphrates-- 19 "the Kenites, the Kenezzites, the Kadmonites, 20 "the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim, 21 "the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites, and the Jebusites."

[Exo 7:17-19 NKJV] 17 'Thus says the LORD: "By this you shall know that I [am] the LORD. Behold, I will strike the waters which [are] in the river with the rod that [is] in my hand, and they shall be turned to blood. 18 "And the fish that [are] in the river shall die, the river shall stink, and the Egyptians will loathe to drink the water of the river." ' " 19 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Take your rod and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their streams, over their rivers, over their ponds, and over all their pools of water, that they may become blood. And there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in [buckets of] wood and [pitchers of] stone.' "

[Exo 9:22-26 NKJV] 22 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt--on man, on beast, and on every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt." 23 And Moses stretched out his rod toward heaven; and the LORD sent thunder and hail, and fire darted to the ground. And the LORD rained hail on the land of Egypt. 24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, so very heavy that there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. 25 And the hail struck throughout the whole land of Egypt, all that [was] in the field, both man and beast; and the hail struck every herb of the field and broke every tree of the field. 26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel [were], there was no hail.

[Exo 25:10-22 NKJV] 10 "And they shall make an ark of acacia wood; two and a half cubits [shall be] its length, a cubit and a half its width, and a cubit and a half its height. 11 "And you shall overlay it with pure gold, inside and out you shall overlay it, and shall make on it a molding of gold all around. 12 "You shall cast four rings of gold for it, and put [them] in its four corners; two rings [shall be] on one side, and two rings on the other side. 13 "And you shall make poles [of] acacia wood, and overlay them with gold. 14 "You shall put the poles into the rings on the sides of the ark, that the ark may be carried by them. 15 "The poles shall be in the rings of the ark; they shall not be taken from it. 16 "And you shall put into the ark the Testimony which I will give you. 17 "You shall make a mercy seat of pure gold; two and a half cubits [shall be] its length and a cubit and a half its width. 18 "And you shall make two cherubim of gold; of hammered work you shall make them at the two ends of the mercy seat. 19 "Make one cherub at one end, and the other cherub at the other end; you shall make the cherubim at the two ends of it [of one piece] with the mercy seat. 20 "And the cherubim shall stretch out [their] wings above, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and they shall face one another; the faces of the cherubim [shall be] toward the mercy seat. 21 "You shall put the mercy seat on top of the ark, and in the ark you shall put the Testimony that I will give you. 22 "And there I will meet with you, and I will speak with you from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which [are] on the ark of the Testimony, about everything which I will give you in commandment to the children of Israel.

[Exo 30:1-10 NKJV] 1 “You shall make an altar to burn incense on; you shall make it of acacia wood. 2 “A cubit [shall be] its length and a cubit its width--it shall be square--and two cubits [shall be] its height. Its horns [shall be] of one piece with it. 3 “And you shall overlay its top, its sides all around, and its horns with pure gold; and you shall make for it a molding of gold all around. 4 “Two gold rings you shall make for it, under the molding on both its sides. You shall place [them] on its two sides, and they will be holders for the poles with which to bear it. 5 “You shall make the poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold. 6 “And you shall put it before the veil that [is] before the ark of the Testimony, before the mercy seat that [is] over the Testimony, where I will meet with you. 7 “Aaron shall burn on it sweet incense every morning; when he tends the lamps, he shall burn incense on it. 8 “And when Aaron lights the lamps at twilight, he shall burn incense on it, a perpetual incense before the LORD throughout your generations. 9 “You shall not offer strange incense on it, or a burnt offering, or a grain offering; nor shall you pour a drink offering on it. 10 “And Aaron shall make atonement upon its horns once a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonement; once a year he shall make atonement upon it throughout your generations. It [is] most holy to the LORD.”

[Exo 37:25-29 NKJV] *See page 82*

[Lev 16:1-34 NKJV] 1 Now the LORD spoke to Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they offered [profane fire] before the LORD, and died; 2 and the LORD said to Moses: “Tell Aaron your brother not to come at [just] any time into the Holy [Place] inside the veil, before the mercy seat which [is] on the ark, lest he die; for I will appear in the cloud above the mercy seat. 3 “Thus Aaron shall come into the Holy [Place]: with [the blood of] a young bull as a sin offering, and [of] a ram as a burnt offering. 4 “He shall put the holy linen tunic and the linen trousers on his body; he shall be girded with a linen sash, and with the linen turban he shall be attired. These [are] holy garments. Therefore he shall wash his body in water, and put them on. 5 “And he shall take from the congregation of the children of Israel two kids of the goats as a sin offering, and one ram as a burnt offering. 6 “Aaron shall offer the bull as a sin offering, which [is] for himself, and make atonement for himself and for his house. 7 “He shall take the two goats and present them before the LORD [at] the door of the tabernacle of meeting. 8 “Then Aaron shall cast lots for the two goats: one lot for the LORD and the other lot for the scapegoat. 9 “And Aaron shall bring the goat on which the LORD’s lot fell, and offer it [as] a sin offering. 10 “But the goat on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make atonement upon it, [and] to let it go as the scapegoat into the wilderness. 11 “And Aaron shall bring the bull of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make atonement for himself and for his house, and shall kill the bull as the sin offering which [is] for himself. 12 “Then he shall take a censer full of burning coals of fire from the altar before the LORD, with his hands full

of sweet incense beaten fine, and bring [it] inside the veil. 13 “And he shall put the incense on the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of incense may cover the mercy seat that [is] on the Testimony, lest he die. 14 “He shall take some of the blood of the bull and sprinkle [it] with his finger on the mercy seat on the east [side]; and before the mercy seat he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times. 15 “Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering, which [is] for the people, bring its blood inside the veil, do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the mercy seat and before the mercy seat. 16 “So he shall make atonement for the Holy [Place], because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions, for all their sins; and so he shall do for the tabernacle of meeting which remains among them in the midst of their uncleanness. 17 “There shall be no man in the tabernacle of meeting when he goes in to make atonement in the Holy [Place], until he comes out, that he may make atonement for himself, for his household, and for all the assembly of Israel. 18 “And he shall go out to the altar that [is] before the LORD, and make atonement for it, and shall take some of the blood of the bull and some of the blood of the goat, and put it on the horns of the altar all around. 19 “Then he shall sprinkle some of the blood on it with his finger seven times, cleanse it, and consecrate it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel. 20 “And when he has made an end of atoning for the Holy [Place], the tabernacle of meeting, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat. 21 “Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of the live goat, confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions, concerning all their sins, putting them on the head of the goat, and shall send [it] away into the wilderness by the hand of a suitable man. 22 “The goat shall bear on itself all their iniquities to an uninhabited land; and he shall release the goat in the wilderness. 23 “Then Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of meeting, shall take off the linen garments which he put on when he went into the Holy [Place], and shall leave them there. 24 “And he shall wash his body with water in a holy place, put on his garments, come out and offer his burnt offering and the burnt offering of the people, and make atonement for himself and for the people. 25 “The fat of the sin offering he shall burn on the altar. 26 “And he who released the goat as the scapegoat shall wash his clothes and bathe his body in water, and afterward he may come into the camp. 27 “The bull [for] the sin offering and the goat [for] the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the Holy [Place], shall be carried outside the camp. And they shall burn in the fire their skins, their flesh, and their offal. 28 “Then he who burns them shall wash his clothes and bathe his body in water, and afterward he may come into the camp. 29 “[This] shall be a statute forever for you: In the seventh month, on the tenth [day] of the month, you shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, [whether] a native of your own country or a stranger who dwells among you. 30 “For on that day [the priest] shall make atonement for you, to cleanse you, [that] you may be clean from all your sins before the LORD. 31 “It [is] a sabbath of solemn rest for you, and you shall af-

flict your souls. [It is] a statute forever. 32 “And the priest, who is anointed and consecrated to minister as priest in his father’s place, shall make atonement, and put on the linen clothes, the holy garments; 33 “then he shall make atonement for the Holy Sanctuary, and he shall make atonement for the tabernacle of meeting and for the altar, and he shall make atonement for the priests and for all the people of the assembly. 34 “This shall be an everlasting statute for you, to make atonement for the children of Israel, for all their sins, once a year.” And he did as the LORD commanded Moses. *(Note: This is the Day of Atonement. Yom Kippur. The only day of the year that the Ark of the Covenant is seen. It is in the Holy of Holies, and only 1 day per year is anyone allowed inside.)*

(Note 2.0: Every use of the word “meeting,” in this verse is “Mo’ed” (“BLB”)

[Lev 23:26-32 NKJV] 26 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: 27 “Also the tenth [day] of this seventh month [shall be] the Day of Atonement. It shall be a holy convocation for you; you shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. 28 “And you shall do no work on that same day, for it [is] the Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the LORD your God. 29 “For any person who is not afflicted [in soul] on that same day shall be cut off from his people. 30 “And any person who does any work on that same day, that person I will destroy from among his people. 31 “You shall do no manner of work; [it shall be] a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. 32 “It [shall be] to you a sabbath of [solemn] rest, and you shall afflict your souls; on the ninth [day] of the month at evening, from evening to evening, you shall celebrate your sabbath.”

[Lev 25:8-9 NKJV] 8 ‘And you shall count seven sabbaths of years for yourself, seven times seven years; and the time of the seven sabbaths of years shall be to you forty-nine years. 9 ‘Then you shall cause the trumpet of the Jubilee to sound on the tenth [day] of the seventh month; on the Day of Atonement you shall make the trumpet to sound throughout all your land.

(Note: “The Day Of Atonement”

The only time a trumpet is blown on the Day of Atonement is in a Jubilee Year. The Day of Atonement (Tishri 10) is 10 days after the “Feast of Trumpets,” which is Tishri 1. When we take Leviticus 16, and Leviticus 25, and realize they are both in Revelation 11, I believe that the 7th Trumpet of Revelation is the Day of Atonement in a Jubilee year, which is also the last trumpet to sound in the book of Revelation…. AKA “the last trump.”)

[Deu 19:15 NKJV] 15 “One witness shall not rise against a man concerning any iniquity or any sin that he commits; by the mouth of two or three witnesses the matter shall be established.

[Deu 28:23 NKJV] 23 “And your heavens which [are] over your head shall be bronze, and the earth which is under you [shall be] iron.

[Jos 10:9-11 NKJV] *See Page 83*

[Jdg 5:4-5 NKJV] *See page 83*

[Psa 1:5-6 NKJV] 5 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, But the way of the ungodly shall perish.

[Psa 2:1 NKJV] 1 Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing?

[Psa 11:6 NKJV] 6 Upon the wicked He will rain coals; Fire and brimstone and a burning wind [Shall be] the portion of their cup.

[Psa 68:6 NKJV] 6 God sets the solitary in families; He brings out those who are bound into prosperity; But the rebellious dwell in a dry [land].

[Psa 74:1-9 NKJV] 1 A Contemplation of Asaph. O God, why have You cast [us] off forever? [Why] does Your anger smoke against the sheep of Your pasture? 2 Remember Your congregation, [which] You have purchased of old, The tribe of Your inheritance, [which] You have redeemed--This Mount Zion where You have dwelt. 3 Lift up Your feet to the perpetual desolations. The enemy has damaged everything in the sanctuary. 4 Your enemies roar in the midst of Your meeting place; They set up their banners [for] signs. 5 They seem like men who lift up Axes among the thick trees. 6 And now they break down its carved work, all at once, With axes and hammers. 7 They have set fire to Your sanctuary; They have defiled the dwelling place of Your name to the ground. 8 They said in their hearts, "Let us destroy them altogether." They have burned up all the meeting places of God in the land. 9 We do not see our signs; [There is] no longer any prophet; Nor [is there] any among us who knows how long. *(Note: Every use of the word "meeting," in this verse is "Mo'ed."* ("BLB")

[Psa 79:1-4 NKJV] 1 A Psalm of Asaph. O God, the nations have come into Your inheritance; Your holy temple they have defiled; They have laid Jerusalem in heaps. 2 The dead bodies of Your servants They have given [as] food for the birds of the heavens, The flesh of Your saints to the beasts of the earth. 3 Their blood they have shed like water all around Jerusalem, And [there was] no one to bury [them]. 4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, A scorn and derision to those who are around us.

[Psa 96:10-13 NKJV] 10 Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns; The world also is firmly established, It shall not be moved; He shall judge the peoples righteously." 11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; Let the sea roar, and all its fullness; 12 Let the field be joyful, and all that [is] in it. Then all the trees of the woods will rejoice before the LORD. 13 For He is coming, for He is coming to judge the earth. He shall judge the world with righteousness, And the peoples with His truth.

[Psa 99:1-4 NKJV] 1 The LORD reigns; Let the peoples tremble! He dwells [between] the cherubim; Let the earth be moved! 2 The LORD [is] great

in Zion, And He [is] high above all the peoples. 3 Let them praise Your great and awesome name--He [is] holy. 4 The King's strength also loves justice; You have established equity; You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

[1Ki 17:1 NKJV] 1 And Elijah the Tishbite, of the inhabitants of Gilead, said to Ahab, "[As] the LORD God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, except at my word."

[1Ki 18:1 NKJV] 1 And it came to pass [after] many days that the word of the LORD came to Elijah, in the third year, saying, "Go, present yourself to Ahab, and I will send rain on the earth."

[2Ki 1:9-15 NKJV] 9 Then the king sent to him a captain of fifty with his fifty men. So he went up to him; and there he was, sitting on the top of a hill. And he spoke to him: "Man of God, the king has said, 'Come down!' " 10 So Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, "If I [am] a man of God, then let fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty men." And fire came down from heaven and consumed him and his fifty. 11 Then he sent to him another captain of fifty with his fifty men. And he answered and said to him: "Man of God, thus has the king said, 'Come down quickly!' " 12 So Elijah answered and said to them, "If I [am] a man of God, let fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty men." And the fire of God came down from heaven and consumed him and his fifty. 13 Again, he sent a third captain of fifty with his fifty men. And the third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and pleaded with him, and said to him: "Man of God, please let my life and the life of these fifty servants of yours be precious in your sight. 14 "Look, fire has come down from heaven and burned up the first two captains of fifties with their fifties. But let my life now be precious in your sight." 15 And the angel of the LORD said to Elijah, "Go down with him; do not be afraid of him." So he arose and went down with him to the king.

[2Ki 2:23-24 NKJV] 23 Then he went up from there to Bethel; and as he was going up the road, some youths came from the city and mocked him, and said to him, "Go up, you baldhead! Go up, you baldhead!" 24 So he turned around and looked at them, and pronounced a curse on them in the name of the LORD. And two female bears came out of the woods and mauled forty-two of the youths.

(Note: "Two Bears/Two Witnesses"

The concept here is this is a small parallel of Revelation 11. This is not my invention, I heard this from someone. First, let us remember "Bethel" means "House of God" in Hebrew. In this scenario, we can imagine Elisha ("God is Salvation" in Hebrew) in the role of God/Jesus. Bethel is Jerusalem. The youths who are mocking Elisha/God/Jesus/salvation are the people of Jerusalem/Israel. The bears are the two witnesses. And finally the number "42," equates to the 42 months that the Two Witnesses testify and bring plagues on those who

mock God/Jesus/salvation.)

[Joe 1:11-12 NKJV] *See page 54*

[Joe 1:19-20 NKJV] 19 O LORD, to You I cry out; For fire has devoured the open pastures, And a flame has burned all the trees of the field. 20 The beasts of the field also cry out to You, For the water brooks are dried up, And fire has devoured the open pastures.

[Hos 6:1-2 NKJV] 1 Come, and let us return to the LORD; For He has torn, but He will heal us; He has stricken, but He will bind us up. 2 After two days He will revive us; On the third day He will raise us up, That we may live in His sight.

[Hos 8:1, 10, 13 NKJV] 1 "[Set] the trumpet to your mouth! [He shall come] like an eagle against the house of the LORD, Because they have transgressed My covenant And rebelled against My law. ... 10 Yes, though they have hired among the nations, Now I will gather them; And they shall sorrow a little, Because of the burden of the king of princes. ... 13 [For] the sacrifices of My offerings they sacrifice flesh and eat [it], [But] the LORD does not accept them. Now He will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. They shall return to Egypt.

[Amo 2:4-5 NKJV] 4 Thus says the LORD: "For three transgressions of Judah, and for four, I will not turn away its [punishment], Because they have despised the law of the LORD, And have not kept His commandments. Their lies lead them astray, [Lies] which their fathers followed. 5 But I will send a fire upon Judah, And it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem."

[Amo 3:6-7, 11 NKJV] 6 If a trumpet is blown in a city, will not the people be afraid? If there is calamity in a city, will not the LORD have done [it]? 7 Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, Unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets. ... 11 Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: "An adversary [shall be] all around the land; He shall sap your strength from you, And your palaces shall be plundered."

[Amo 9:8-10 NKJV] 8 "Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD [are] on the sinful kingdom, And I will destroy it from the face of the earth; Yet I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob," Says the LORD. 9 "For surely I will command, And will sift the house of Israel among all nations, As [grain] is sifted in a sieve; Yet not the smallest grain shall fall to the ground. 10 All the sinners of My people shall die by the sword, Who say, 'The calamity shall not overtake nor confront us.'

[Isa 1:8-10 NKJV] 8 So the daughter of Zion is left as a booth in a vineyard, As a hut in a garden of cucumbers, As a besieged city. 9 Unless the LORD of hosts Had left to us a very small remnant, We would have become like Sodom,

We would have been made like Gomorrah. 10 Hear the word of the LORD, You rulers of Sodom; Give ear to the law of our God, You people of Gomorrah:

[Isa 3:8-9 NKJV] 8 For Jerusalem stumbled, And Judah is fallen, Because their tongue and their doings [Are] against the LORD, To provoke the eyes of His glory. 9 The look on their countenance witnesses against them, And they declare their sin as Sodom; They do not hide [it]. Woe to their soul! For they have brought evil upon themselves.

[Isa 4:3-5 NKJV] 3 And it shall come to pass that [he who is] left in Zion and remains in Jerusalem will be called holy--everyone who is recorded among the living in Jerusalem. 4 When the Lord has washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and purged the blood of Jerusalem from her midst, by the spirit of judgment and by the spirit of burning, 5 then the LORD will create above every dwelling place of Mount Zion, and above her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day and the shining of a flaming fire by night. For over all the glory there [will be] a covering.

[Isa 5:5-6 NKJV] 5 And now, please let Me tell you what I will do to My vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it shall be burned; [And] break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. 6 I will lay it waste; It shall not be pruned or dug, But there shall come up briers and thorns. I will also command the clouds That they rain no rain on it."

[Isa 9:6-7 NKJV] 6 For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of [His] government and peace [There will be] no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

[Isa 17:12-14 NKJV] 12 Woe to the multitude of many people [Who] make a noise like the roar of the seas, And to the rushing of nations [That] make a rushing like the rushing of mighty waters! 13 The nations will rush like the rushing of many waters; But [God] will rebuke them and they will flee far away, And be chased like the chaff of the mountains before the wind, Like a rolling thing before the whirlwind. 14 Then behold, at eventide, trouble! [And] before the morning, he [is] no more. This [is] the portion of those who plunder us, And the lot of those who rob us. *(Note: In Revelation, the "sea," or "many waters," can symbolically represent Gentile nations. This verse represents perhaps one of the sources of that symbolism.)*

[Isa 22:11-14 NKJV] 11 You also made a reservoir between the two walls For the water of the old pool. But you did not look to its Maker, Nor did you have respect for Him who fashioned it long ago. 12 And in that day the Lord GOD of hosts Called for weeping and for mourning, For baldness and for girding with sackcloth. 13 But instead, joy and gladness, Slaying oxen and killing sheep, Eating meat and drinking wine: "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die!"

14 Then it was revealed in my hearing by the LORD of hosts, "Surely for this iniquity there will be no atonement for you, Even to your death," says the Lord GOD of hosts. (*Note: Included as it references celebration when there should be mourning, then immediate destruction.)*

[Isa 24:1-6 NKJV] *See page 56*

[Isa 24:17-23 NKJV] 17 Fear and the pit and the snare [Are] upon you, O inhabitant of the earth. 18 And it shall be [That] he who flees from the noise of the fear Shall fall into the pit, And he who comes up from the midst of the pit Shall be caught in the snare; For the windows from on high are open, And the foundations of the earth are shaken. 19 The earth is violently broken, The earth is split open, The earth is shaken exceedingly. 20 The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, And shall totter like a hut; Its transgression shall be heavy upon it, And it will fall, and not rise again. 21 It shall come to pass in that day [That] the LORD will punish on high the host of exalted ones, And on the earth the kings of the earth. 22 They will be gathered together, [As] prisoners are gathered in the pit, And will be shut up in the prison; After many days they will be punished. 23 Then the moon will be disgraced And the sun ashamed; For the LORD of hosts will reign On Mount Zion and in Jerusalem And before His elders, gloriously. *(Note: Earth/Land "erez," so this could be specifically about the "land" of Israel and not the entire earth.)*

[Isa 27:12-13 NKJV] 12 And it shall come to pass in that day [That] the LORD will thresh, From the channel of the River to the Brook of Egypt; And you will be gathered one by one, O you children of Israel. 13 So it shall be in that day: The great trumpet will be blown; They will come, who are about to perish in the land of Assyria, And they who are outcasts in the land of Egypt, And shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.

[Isa 28:2, 17, 19, 21-22 NKJV] *See page 57*

[Isa 28:5-6 NKJV] 5 In that day the LORD of hosts will be For a crown of glory and a diadem of beauty To the remnant of His people, 6 For a spirit of justice to him who sits in judgment, And for strength to those who turn back the battle at the gate.

[Isa 29:1-6 NKJV] 1 "Woe to Ariel, to Ariel, the city [where] David dwelt! Add year to year; Let feasts come around. 2 Yet I will distress Ariel; There shall be heaviness and sorrow, And it shall be to Me as Ariel. 3 I will encamp against you all around, I will lay siege against you with a mound, And I will raise siegeworks against you. 4 You shall be brought down, You shall speak out of the ground; Your speech shall be low, out of the dust; Your voice shall be like a medium's, out of the ground; And your speech shall whisper out of the dust. 5 "Moreover the multitude of your foes Shall be like fine dust, And the multitude of the terrible ones Like chaff that passes away; Yes, it shall be in an instant, suddenly. 6 You will be punished by the LORD of hosts With thunder and earthquake and great noise, [With] storm and tempest And the flame of devouring fire.

[Isa 33:7-9 NKJV] 7 Surely their valiant ones shall cry outside, The am-

bassadors of peace shall weep bitterly. 8 The highways lie waste, The traveling man ceases. He has broken the covenant, He has despised the cities, He regards no man. 9 The earth mourns [and] languishes, Lebanon is shamed [and] shriveled; Sharon is like a wilderness, And Bashan and Carmel shake off [their fruits]. *(Note: The "He," in this passage are only capitalized as they are the beginning of lines of poetry, not because they reference YHWH. This "He," is likely the Antichrist/Beast.* ("BLB")*)*

(Note 2.0: The phrase, "He has despised the cities," is translated in the Masoretic text, Vulgate, and Dead Sea Scrolls as, "He has despised the witnesses." This gives it a very different connotation in relation to the 2 witnesses of Revelation 11. (Nelson)*)*

[Isa 40:3-4 NKJV] *See page 58*

[Isa 43:10-14 NKJV] 10 "You [are] My witnesses," says the LORD, "And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know and believe Me, And understand that I [am] He. Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me. 11 I, [even] I, [am] the LORD, And besides Me [there is] no savior. 12 I have declared and saved, I have proclaimed, And [there was] no foreign [god] among you; Therefore you [are] My witnesses," Says the LORD, "that I [am] God. 13 Indeed before the day [was,] I [am] He; And [there is] no one who can deliver out of My hand; I work, and who will reverse it?" 14 Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, The Holy One of Israel: "For your sake I will send to Babylon, And bring them all down as fugitives-- The Chaldeans, who rejoice in their ships.

[Isa 44:8 NKJV] 8 Do not fear, nor be afraid; Have I not told you from that time, and declared [it]? You [are] My witnesses. Is there a God besides Me? Indeed [there is] no other Rock; I know not [one].' " *(Note: "witnesses," is translated as "martyrs," in the Septuagint.* (Nelson)*)*

(Note 2.0: Relates to "Shepherd/Stone in Gen 49, the Rock that destroys Nebuchadnezzar's statue in his dream in Dan 2, the Rock in Deut 32, 1st Sam 2:2, 2nd Sam 22 & 23, and many more.)

[Isa 63:18 NKJV] 18 Your holy people have possessed [it] but a little while; Our adversaries have trodden down Your sanctuary.

[Isa 64:1-3 NKJV] *See page 59*

[Mic 5:5 NKJV] 5 And this [One] shall be peace. When the Assyrian comes into our land, And when he treads in our palaces, Then we will raise against him Seven shepherds and eight princely men. *(Note: Little is known in Christian circles about who these seven shepherds and eight princely men (not necessarily princes) are. It is rarely discussed. My opinion is there may be some end times Christian leaders who have a hand in the final revival [see Daniel 11:32-35.] The Jewish Talmud teaches in Sukkah 52B that the "seven shepherds," are Adam, Seth, Methuselah, Abraham, Jacob, and Moses. And the "eight," are Jesse, Saul, Samuel, Amos, Zephania, Zedekiah, Messiah, and Elijah. The only place that I agree with the Talmud on this is that this verse is*

related to the end of days.)

[Zep 1:4 NKJV] 4 "I will stretch out My hand against Judah, And against all the inhabitants of Jerusalem. I will cut off every trace of Baal from this place, The names of the idolatrous priests with the [pagan] priests–

[Zep 3:1-2 NKJV] 1 Woe to her who is rebellious and polluted, To the oppressing city! 2 She has not obeyed [His] voice, She has not received correction; She has not trusted in the LORD, She has not drawn near to her God.

[Jer 4:6-7, 11-13, 15-16, 24, 28 NKJV] 6 Set up the standard toward Zion. Take refuge! Do not delay! For I will bring disaster from the north, And great destruction." 7 The lion has come up from his thicket, And the destroyer of nations is on his way. He has gone forth from his place To make your land desolate. Your cities will be laid waste, Without inhabitant. ... 11 At that time it will be said To this people and to Jerusalem, "A dry wind of the desolate heights [blows] in the wilderness Toward the daughter of My people--Not to fan or to cleanse-- 12 A wind too strong for these will come for Me; Now I will also speak judgment against them." 13 "Behold, he shall come up like clouds, And his chariots like a whirlwind. His horses are swifter than eagles. Woe to us, for we are plundered!" ... 15 For a voice declares from Dan And proclaims affliction from Mount Ephraim: 16 "Make mention to the nations, Yes, proclaim against Jerusalem, [That] watchers come from a far country And raise their voice against the cities of Judah. ... 24 I beheld the mountains, and indeed they trembled, And all the hills moved back and forth. ... 28 For this shall the earth mourn, And the heavens above be black, Because I have spoken. I have purposed and will not relent, Nor will I turn back from it.

[Jer 6:1, 4-5, 9, 22-26 NKJV] 1 "O you children of Benjamin, Gather yourselves to flee from the midst of Jerusalem! Blow the trumpet in Tekoa, And set up a signal-fire in Beth Haccerem; For disaster appears out of the north, And great destruction. ... 4 "Prepare war against her; Arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe to us, for the day goes away, For the shadows of the evening are lengthening. 5 Arise, and let us go by night, And let us destroy her palaces." ... 9 Thus says the LORD of hosts: "They shall thoroughly glean as a vine the remnant of Israel; As a grape-gatherer, put your hand back into the branches." ... 22 Thus says the LORD: "Behold, a people comes from the north country, And a great nation will be raised from the farthest parts of the earth. 23 They will lay hold on bow and spear; They [are] cruel and have no mercy; Their voice roars like the sea; And they ride on horses, As men of war set in array against you, O daughter of Zion." 24 We have heard the report of it; Our hands grow feeble. Anguish has taken hold of us, Pain as of a woman in labor. 25 Do not go out into the field, Nor walk by the way. Because of the sword of the enemy, Fear [is] on every side. 26 O daughter of my people, Dress in sackcloth And roll about in ashes! Make mourning [as for] an only son, most bitter lamentation; For the plunderer will

suddenly come upon us.

[Jer 30:1-7 NKJV] *See page 61*

[Jer 51:24-26 NKJV] *See page 85*

[Jer 51:51 NKJV] 51 We are ashamed because we have heard reproach. Shame has covered our faces, For strangers have come into the sanctuaries of the LORD's house.

[Lam 1:10 NKJV] 10 The adversary has spread his hand Over all her pleasant things; For she has seen the nations enter her sanctuary, Those whom You commanded Not to enter Your assembly.

[Dan 7:10, 14 NKJV] 10 A fiery stream issued And came forth from before Him. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, And the books were opened. ... 14 Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, That all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion [is] an everlasting dominion, Which shall not pass away, And His kingdom [the one] Which shall not be destroyed.

[Dan 7:19-21, 23 NKJV] 19 "Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, [with] its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, [which] devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet; 20 "and the ten horns that [were] on its head, and the other [horn] which came up, before which three fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth which spoke pompous words, whose appearance [was] greater than his fellows. 21 "I was watching; and the same horn was making war against the saints, and prevailing against them, ... 23 "Thus he said: 'The fourth beast shall be A fourth kingdom on earth, Which shall be different from all [other] kingdoms, And shall devour the whole earth, Trample it and break it in pieces.

[Dan 8:1-14 NKJV] 1 In the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar a vision appeared [to] me--to me, Daniel--after the one that appeared to me the first time. 2 I saw in the vision, and it so happened while I was looking, that I [was] in Shushan, the citadel, which [is] in the province of Elam; and I saw in the vision that I was by the River Ulai. 3 Then I lifted my eyes and saw, and there, standing beside the river, was a ram which had two horns, and the two horns [were] high; but one [was] higher than the other, and the higher [one] came up last. 4 I saw the ram pushing westward, northward, and southward, so that no animal could withstand him; nor [was there any] that could deliver from his hand, but he did according to his will and became great. 5 And as I was considering, suddenly a male goat came from the west, across the surface of the whole earth, without touching the ground; and the goat [had] a notable horn between his eyes. 6 Then he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing beside the river, and ran at him with furious power. 7 And I saw him

confronting the ram; he was moved with rage against him, attacked the ram, and broke his two horns. There was no power in the ram to withstand him, but he cast him down to the ground and trampled him; and there was no one that could deliver the ram from his hand. 8 Therefore the male goat grew very great; but when he became strong, the large horn was broken, and in place of it four notable ones came up toward the four winds of heaven. 9 And out of one of them came a little horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Glorious [Land]. 10 And it grew up to the host of heaven; and it cast down [some] of the host and [some] of the stars to the ground, and trampled them. 11 He even exalted [himself] as high as the Prince of the host; and by him the daily [sacrifices] were taken away, and the place of His sanctuary was cast down. 12 Because of transgression, an army was given over [to the horn] to oppose the daily [sacrifices]; and he cast truth down to the ground. He did [all this] and prospered. 13 Then I heard a holy one speaking; and [another] holy one said to that certain [one] who was speaking, "How long [will] the vision [be, concerning] the daily [sacrifices] and the transgression of desolation, the giving of both the sanctuary and the host to be trampled underfoot?" 14 And he said to me, "For two thousand three hundred days; then the sanctuary shall be cleansed."

[Dan 9:20-27 KJV] 20 And whiles I [was] speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God; 21 Yea, whiles I [was] speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. 22 And he informed [me], and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding. 23 At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew [thee]; for thou [art] greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision. 24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy. 25 Know therefore and understand, [that] from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince [shall be] seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. 26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. 27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make [it] desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate [desolator.] *(See Section "Daniel 9:24-27" Appendix*

page 229.)

[Dan 11:20-39 NKJV] *See page 64*

[Dan 12:6-9 NKJV] 6 And [one] said to the man clothed in linen, who [was] above the waters of the river, "How long shall the fulfillment of these wonders [be]?" 7 Then I heard the man clothed in linen, who [was] above the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, that [it shall be] for a time, times, and half [a time]; and when the power of the holy people has been completely shattered, all these [things] shall be finished. 8 Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said, "My lord, what [shall be] the end of these [things]?" 9 And he said, "Go [your way], Daniel, for the words [are] closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

[Dan 12:11-13 NKJV] 11 "And from the time [that] the daily [sacrifice] is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, [there shall be] one thousand two hundred and ninety days. 12 "Blessed [is] he who waits, and comes to the one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days. 13 "But you, go [your way] till the end; for you shall rest, and will arise to your inheritance at the end of the days."

(Note: "Day Of Atonement to Hanukkah"

Between the Day of Atonement and Hanukkah is 75 days. I know 1260 days is not mentioned here, but 1335 days are. The story of Hanukkah is about the cleansing of the Temple from a period of history involving Antiochus Epiphanes setting up a desolation in the Temple. A period of time that is a type and shadow of the last days. I believe this 75 day gap would involve a similar cleansing of the Temple after the defeat of the Antichrist.)

[Eze 3:12-14 NKJV] *See page 102*

[Eze 7:21-27 NKJV] 21 I will give it as plunder Into the hands of strangers, And to the wicked of the earth as spoil; And they shall defile it. 22 I will turn My face from them, And they will defile My secret place; For robbers shall enter it and defile it. 23 'Make a chain, For the land is filled with crimes of blood, And the city is full of violence. 24 Therefore I will bring the worst of the Gentiles, And they will possess their houses; I will cause the pomp of the strong to cease, And their holy places shall be defiled. 25 Destruction comes; They will seek peace, but [there shall be] none. 26 Disaster will come upon disaster, And rumor will be upon rumor. Then they will seek a vision from a prophet; But the law will perish from the priest, And counsel from the elders. 27 'The king will mourn, The prince will be clothed with desolation, And the hands of the common people will tremble. I will do to them according to their way, And according to what they deserve I will judge them; Then they shall know that I [am] the LORD!' "

[Eze 16:53-54 NKJV] 53 "When I bring back their captives, the captives of Sodom and her daughters, and the captives of Samaria and her daughters, then [I will also bring back] the captives of your captivity among them, 54 "that you may bear your own shame and be disgraced by all that you did when you

comforted them.

[Eze 22:14-22 NKJV] 14 “Can your heart endure, or can your hands remain strong, in the days when I shall deal with you? I, the LORD, have spoken, and will do [it]. 15 “I will scatter you among the nations, disperse you throughout the countries, and remove your filthiness completely from you. 16 “You shall defile yourself in the sight of the nations; then you shall know that I [am] the LORD.” ‘ “ 17 The word of the LORD came to me, saying, 18 “Son of man, the house of Israel has become dross to Me; they [are] all bronze, tin, iron, and lead, in the midst of a furnace; they have become dross from silver. 19 “Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Because you have all become dross, therefore behold, I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem. 20 ‘[As men] gather silver, bronze, iron, lead, and tin into the midst of a furnace, to blow fire on it, to melt [it]; so I will gather [you] in My anger and in My fury, and I will leave [you there] and melt you. 21 ‘Yes, I will gather you and blow on you with the fire of My wrath, and you shall be melted in its midst. 22 ‘As silver is melted in the midst of a furnace, so shall you be melted in its midst; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have poured out My fury on you.’ “

(Note: “Return To The Furnace”

Personal opinion. Many today point to the current return of the Jews to Israel as fulfillment of prophecy. However, they normally point to prophecies that deal with the ultimate return of the remnant at the end of days that results in the Jews following Jesus the Messiah [Zec 10 is one such example.] That is not the return we are witnessing now or reading in this passage. By and large, the Jews are a very secular nation. There are only about 350,000 Messianic Jews (Wikipedia) within the total approximate population of 15.7 million (Wikipedia). What seems most reasonable to me, based on what we read in Revelation, as well as this passage, and many others like it [Zec 12 and 14, for example] is that the Jews are returning so the Lord can purify them and eliminate the proud/rebellious who will not choose Him/Yeshua. I find this to be a very frightening concept. I would want all of His people to follow. Maybe they can yet turn like Nineveh, but as the OT reads now, that is not the case, and 2/3rds [Zec 13] of their population will be killed in their pride and refusal to follow Yeshua.)

[Eze 22:23-24 NKJV] 23 And the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 24 “Son of man, say to her: ‘You [are] a land that is not cleansed or rained on in the day of indignation.’

[Zec 4:1-14 NKJV] 1 Now the angel who talked with me came back and wakened me, as a man who is wakened out of his sleep. 2 And he said to me, “What do you see?” So I said, “I am looking, and there [is] a lampstand of solid gold with a bowl on top of it, and on the [stand] seven lamps with seven pipes to the seven lamps. 3 “Two olive trees [are] by it, one at the right of the bowl and the other at its left.” 4 So I answered and spoke to the angel who talked with

me, saying, “What [are] these, my lord?” 5 Then the angel who talked with me answered and said to me, “Do you not know what these are?” And I said, “No, my lord.” 6 So he answered and said to me: “This [is] the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: ‘Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,’ Says the LORD of hosts. 7 ‘Who [are] you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel [you shall become] a plain! And he shall bring forth the capstone With shouts of “Grace, grace to it!” ‘ “ 8 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying: 9 “The hands of Zerubbabel Have laid the foundation of this temple; His hands shall also finish [it]. Then you will know That the LORD of hosts has sent Me to you. 10 For who has despised the day of small things? For these seven rejoice to see The plumb line in the hand of Zerubbabel. They are the eyes of the LORD, Which scan to and fro throughout the whole earth.” 11 Then I answered and said to him, “What [are] these two olive trees--at the right of the lampstand and at its left?” 12 And I further answered and said to him, “What [are these] two olive branches that [drip] into the receptacles of the two gold pipes from which the golden [oil] drains?” 13 Then he answered me and said, “Do you not know what these [are]?” And I said, “No, my lord.” 14 So he said, “These [are] the two anointed ones, who stand beside the Lord of the whole earth.”

[1Ch 24:1-19] *See page 37 (ref 24 elders)*

[Mal 4:4-6 NKJV] 4 “Remember the Law of Moses, My servant, Which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel, [With the] statutes and judgments. 5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD. 6 And he will turn The hearts of the fathers to the children, And the hearts of the children to their fathers, Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse.” *(Note: Here we have Moses and Elijah mentioned together, with the “day of the Lord,” and “Lest I strike the earth with a curse,” which the Two Witnesses will have authority to do. AND these are the very last words of the Old Testament.)*

REVELATION 11
(N K J V - From Greek)

"Two Witnesses and the Seventh Trumpet"

Two things I would like to discuss before we get started: The Two Witnesses, and The Seventh Trumpet.

1. *Who are the Two Witnesses? The preponderance of scholarship believes that they are Moses and Elijah. They base this opinion on the types of plagues they perform, that Jesus met with them at the Transfiguration, and the fact that Elijah was raptured and Satan fought Michael for Moses' body (Jude 1:9 quoting the Book of Enoch.) Excellent arguments and I mostly agree. I have one question we should consider. John the Baptist was the forerunner of Yeshua. The Old Testament describes Elijah being the forerunner of the Messiah. Jesus Himself says that John the Baptist was Elijah, even though John himself did not make that claim (Matt 11:14.) John the Baptist essentially came in the spirit of Elijah, so to speak. Might it then follow that the Two Witnesses are two normal men, albeit probably walking super closely with God, who come in the same spirit of Moses and Elijah. If you believe that we are close to the end times, then they are most likely alive today. Putting their pants on one leg at a time. Praying for guidance. Maybe they have families? Do they know the heavy burden of the Lord is upon them and what they are meant to do? Or are they completely unaware, and at the right moment, the Holy Spirit will move them to begin prophesying for 1260 days? There is no correct answer of course, but it's interesting to think about nonetheless. When two men are standing in the middle of Jerusalem on TV/social media, and they call down fire or it literally comes out of their mouths, we will know the answer.*

   There is a second camp (I am not the originator of this theory) who view them as the believers of the End Times. Stay with me on this for a moment. At the beginning of Revelation, Jesus is writing a letter to each of the Seven Churches. There are only 2 churches that He is fully pleased with: Smyrna in Revelation 2, and Philadelphia in Revelation 3. Both of them are persecuted by a group who say they are Jews but "are not." Two churches, Two Witnesses. In Revelation 1 we learn that there are seven golden lamp stands that represent the Seven Churches. In Revelation 11 we are told that the Two Witnesses are the Two Lampstands standing before the God of the earth. Two Lampstands, Two Witnesses. The Two Witnesses are clothed in sackcloth. Sackcloth represents repentance. Jesus connects the two in Matt 11:21 when speaking about cities that would have repented if they saw the same

miracles, "They would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes." The five churches that Jesus has criticized are all told to "repent." Smyrna and Philadelphia are not told to repent as they must already be existing with a repentant heart. Jesus further threatens to remove the lampstand of Ephesus, He will "war" against Pergamum, throw into "great tribulation" Thyatira; for Sardis He will come unexpectedly and erase the names of those from the Book of Life who have not repented (it is inferred,) and Laodicea He will vomit out of His mouth unless they repent. That all sounds like removal, leaving only the Two Churches /Lampstands. As far as Two Olive Trees goes consider that Paul references gentile Christians as from a "wild olive tree" and Messianic Jews as from a "cultivated olive tree" In Romans 11:16-24.

Many view the Seven Churches as the church throughout the Church Age experiencing various "stages" of existence, sometimes good, sometimes not so good. I can see that. Others view it as the Church currently, where some churches right now display various aspects of the Seven Churches individually, and are closely associated with them in God's eyes. I think both views have equal merit. If true then that is good, because all you have to do is repent of what is described and hold fast, and you will have changed churches! - Spiritually speaking.

An argument against this view is, "So, we normal Christians will be able to turn rivers into blood and kill those who oppose us with fire from our mouths." Well, via the power of God... Yes, according to this interpretation. Consider: Paraphrasing Daniel 12, he is told that after 3.5 years, when "the power of the holy people is completely shattered, all these things shall be finished." Revelation 11 tells us that the Two Witnesses will testify for 1260 days (3.5 years) and then they are killed by the Beast. The Two Witnesses do powerful and miraculous things. I do not think that anyone right now would view Christianity as having any power to shatter. On the contrary, globally, we are like lambs to the slaughter. It is not war against us; generally war implies someone is fighting back. Do not get me wrong, it is not that we do not have power. But consider the terminology. In Daniel 7:21, the Little Horn "makes war" against the Saints. In Daniel 7:25 we are "given into his hand" for 3.5 years. In Daniel 12, the Beast "shatters" our "power." In Revelation 11, the Beast "will make war" against the Two Witnesses, overcome and kill them. In Revelation 12, the Dragon "makes war" against the offspring of the woman who have the testimony of Jesus. In Revelation 13, the Beast is granted "power" to "make war" against the Saints and overcome us/them. Notice also, that the Little Horn fights us for 3.5 years, and the Two Witnesses testify for 3.5 years. Right now, it would take very little to overcome us. When the Bible speaks of persecution, it is called that, persecution. But war and shattering power have

completely different connotations. And finally, I have always wondered about this verse:

> [Jhn 14:12 NKJV] 12 "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater [works] than these he will do, because I go to My Father.

To this point, as far as I know, no one has done "greater works." I understand we have done them more, and that is an acceptable definition, but what if Jesus meant it just how it sounds. Not "I healed one hundred people so you will heal collectively one thousand," but, "I calmed the storm. You will stop the rain. I walked on water. You will turn it to blood. I raised the dead, but you will consume your enemies with fire by My power." These people would be a force that evil would have to reckon with. And this sort of power can only go to those who are completely repentant, totally humble, committed to being dead to themselves so Christ lives in them, and walking in absolute submission to Jesus and His Word. One cannot be harboring bitterness, anger, lust, or pride if one is to also breathe literal fire.

> [Isa 44:8 NKJV] 8 Do not fear, nor be afraid; Have I not told you from that time, and declared [it]? You [are] My witnesses. Is there a God besides Me? Indeed [there is] no other Rock; I know not [one].

> [Act 1:8 NKJV] 8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Lets not forget, the Greek for both these uses of "witnesses" is "martys." The Two Witnesses are martyred. We may not be martyred, but we must live like we are prepared to be. I will also recognize the difficulties of the Two Witnesses' bodies laying in the city for 3.5 days, and then the idea that their testimony only seems to take place in Jerusalem. If it's a large number of Christ followers then that seems problematic. I like this theory, but I lean toward the literal 2 men theory personally.

2. *Now for the second item, the Seventh Trumpet. The Witnesses are the Second Woe. When they are killed after 3.5 years of testimony and prophecy, there is much celebrating. They are not buried for 3.5 days, then there is a loud voice, they are resurrected, and then they are raptured. There is a great earthquake and then the Seventh Trumpet*

sounds. This is the last trumpet in the entire Bible. As we discussed in the last chapter. The Seventh Trumpet marks the "mystery of God" is complete in Revelation 10:7. 1 Corinthians 15, and 1 Thessalonians 4, Paul relates this singular trumpet to the resurrection and rapture. Further, in Ephesians 5, Paul connects man and wife becoming one flesh to "this is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the Church." What do we see when the Messiah comes in Revelation 19? The marriage of the Bride to the Messiah. The "Mystery" is completed with us being joined with Christ completely at the rapture at the Seventh Trumpet, the Last Trumpet.

According to the 24 elders, at that moment of the sounding, Jesus is taking His power and full control of the kingdoms of the earth and judging/reigning. In Revelation 19 we see that at least two people are immediately judged. The Beast and the False Prophet are summarily thrown into the Lake of Fire prior to the Great White Throne Judgement.

Finally, in verse 19 you see the temple ("naos," Greek for the Holy Place and Holy of Holies, the inner sanctuary of God which we will cover further in chapter 21) opened and you see the Ark of the Covenant. The only day of the year you see the Ark is Yom Kippur/Day of Atonement. Tishrei 10. The only time a trumpet is blown on Yom Kippur is when it is a Jubilee Year. It marks the release of the slaves, the debts are wiped clean, and the Israelites get their inherited land back. I have a theory on when the Jubilee Year is, but I do not want to deal with the people who will complain about the idea of not knowing the "day or the hour." I think we can have confidence in this though, as it makes many Biblical details harmonize. Nothing He has told us is random.

[Rev 11:1-19 NKJV] 1 Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there. 2 "But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot [for] forty-two months. 3 "And I will give [power] to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth."

4 These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth. 5 And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner. 6 These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire.

7 When they finish their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit will make war against them, overcome them, and kill them. 8 And their dead bodies [will lie] in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. 9 Then [those] from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and nations will see their dead bodies three-and-a-half days, and not allow their dead bodies to be put into graves. 10 And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.

11 Now after the three-and-a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. 12 And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them. 13 In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven.

14 The second woe is past. Behold, the third woe is coming quickly.

15 Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become [the kingdoms] of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" 16 And the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God,

17 saying:

"We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty,
The One who is and who was and who is to come,
Because You have taken Your great power and reigned.
18 The nations were angry, and Your wrath has come,
And the time of the dead, that they should be judged,
And that You should reward Your servants the prophets and the saints, And those who fear Your name, small and great,
And should destroy those who destroy the earth."

19 Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail.

REVELATION 11
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 Then a reed like a rod was given to me, and he said, “Stand up, measure the temple of Yahweh, and its altar, and those who pray in it, 2 but cast out the inner temple, and do not measure it, for it is given to the nations, and they will tread down the set-apart city, forty-two months. 3 And I will give my two witnesses; and they will prophesy, a thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth.”

4 And these are the two olive trees and the two torches, standing before the Elohim of the earth. 5 And if one wants to do them evil, fire comes and burns them up. 6 And they have authority to shut the heavens, so that rain will not come on the earth in the days of their prophesying; and over the waters, to turn them into blood; and to smite the earth with plagues at any time that they want.

7 And after their testimony is completed, the animal which came from the Deep will make war with them, and will overcome them and kill them. 8 And their corpses will be thrown on the plains of the set-apart city; which is called Sedom and Mitsrayim because our Adon was crucified there. 9 And some of the peoples and of the tribes will see their corpses, three and a half days, and they will not bury them. 10 And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, and will send one another gifts, for these prophets had caused much suffering to those who dwell on the earth.

11 And after three and a half days they stood up and stepped on their feet! And fear and great terror fell on those who saw them. 12 And they heard a voice saying to them, “Come up!” Then they went up into the heavens in a cloud, and their haters saw them. 13 And in that hour there was an earthquake, and a tenth part of the city fell, and seven thousand of the sons of man died, and the others were terrified and gave praise to the Elohim of the heavens. 14 Look, the second suffering has gone by, and the third is coming!

12: 1 [11:15] Then the seventh messenger blew, and there were many voices in the heavens, which said, “The riche ones of this world – all of them are coming after our Adon Yeshua, and he will reign from everlasting and unto everlasting!” 2 [11:16] And the twenty-four elders who sat on their thrones before Yahweh, fell on their faces and prayed to Yahweh, 3 [11:17] and said, “We give praise to you Adon Tseva’ot, who was and is and will be! 4 [11:18] When the peoples were filled with anger and wrath, your anger came; also the time to judge the dead ones; and to give the reward to your servants the prophets, and to the set-apart ones, and to those who fear you, to the small ones and to the great ones; and to

destroy those who destroyed the earth."

5 [11:19] And Yahweh's house of prayer was opened in the heavens, and the ark of the tables of the covenant was seen in his house of prayer, and there were voices and thunders and lightnings and an earthquake, and great hail.

CHAPTER 12
Revelation 12, OT passages

Going forward, I just wanted to place a brief reminder here of our discussion about the linguistics of "earth" and "land" that we discussed earlier. "The Land" is often synonymous with Israel (Bible Hub, The Land of Israel). *Just keep that in mind. The two are interchangeable. Remember how this affects our thoughts on where all these things are taking place and who they are immediately affecting. I would now like to add to that the concept of the "waters," or "sea." I am sure that you have taken notice to this point, the many Bible verses seem to attribute the seas or waters to the Gentile nations. The analogies are very important to keep in the front of your mind as we continue through the book of Revelation. I will continue to highlight the areas I think are most directly related to this. Not because I do not think you will be able to discern them for yourselves, but mostly because I will not be able to help myself. I have to point them out. Thank you for bearing with me!*

[Job 1:6-9, 12 NKJV] 6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them. 7 And the LORD said to Satan, "From where do you come?" So Satan answered the LORD and said, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking back and forth on it." 8 Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that [there is] none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?" 9 So Satan answered the LORD and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing? ... 12 And the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has [is] in your power; only do not lay a hand on his [person]." So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.

[Gen 1:14-18 NKJV] 14 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; 15 "and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so. 16 Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. [He made] the stars also. 17 God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth, 18 and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that [it was] good.

[Gen 3:1-5, 14-15 NKJV] 1 Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?" 2 And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; 3 "but of the fruit of the tree which [is] in the midst of the garden, God has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.' " 4 Then the serpent said

to the woman, "You will not surely die. 5 "For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." … 14 So the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, You [are] cursed more than all cattle, And more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, And you shall eat dust All the days of your life. 15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel." *(Note: The Serpent here is actually accusing Yahweh of something, not man. Essentially, he is an accuser of both God and man.)*

(Note 2.0: "Her Seed"

Genesis 3:15 is known as the "Protoevangelium." This is, in very simple terms, the Father declaring what will happen at the end of time, in the very beginning. Just like Isa 46:10 states. There are many nuggets to take from this verse. One is the importance of the phrase "her seed." Normally, in that day, the male parentage is what is considered important. Thus, you would expect this to say, "your seed and the seed of the man," and the enmity would be between those two. But in the unique case of the Christ, His earthly parentage, His genes, are passed through the woman and not the man. This is the first foretelling of that.)

[Gen 37:9-10 NKJV] 9 Then he dreamed still another dream and told it to his brothers, and said, "Look, I have dreamed another dream. And this time, the sun, the moon, and the eleven stars bowed down to me." 10 So he told [it] to his father and his brothers; and his father rebuked him and said to him, "What [is] this dream that you have dreamed? Shall your mother and I and your brothers indeed come to bow down to the earth before you?"

[Exo 12:5-7, 12-13 NKJV] 5 'Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take [it] from the sheep or from the goats. 6 'Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. 7 'And they shall take [some] of the blood and put [it] on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it. … 12 'For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I [am] the LORD. 13 'Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you [are]. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy [you] when I strike the land of Egypt.

[Exo 15:22-27 NKJV] 22 So Moses brought Israel from the Red Sea; then they went out into the Wilderness of Shur. And they went three days in the wilderness and found no water. 23 Now when they came to Marah, they could not drink the waters of Marah, for they [were] bitter. Therefore the name of it was called Marah. 24 And the people complained against Moses, saying, "What shall

we drink?" 25 So he cried out to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a tree. When he cast [it] into the waters, the waters were made sweet. There He made a statute and an ordinance for them, and there He tested them, 26 and said, "If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I [am] the LORD who heals you." 27 Then they came to Elim, where there [were] twelve wells of water and seventy palm trees; so they camped there by the waters.

[Exo 19:3-5 NKJV] 3 And Moses went up to God, and the LORD called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: 4 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and [how] I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. 5 'Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth [is] Mine.

[Num 16:27-33 NKJV] 27 So they got away from around the tents of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram; and Dathan and Abiram came out and stood at the door of their tents, with their wives, their sons, and their little children. 28 And Moses said: "By this you shall know that the LORD has sent me to do all these works, for [I have] not [done them] of my own will. 29 "If these men die naturally like all men, or if they are visited by the common fate of all men, [then] the LORD has not sent me. 30 "But if the LORD creates a new thing, and the earth opens its mouth and swallows them up with all that belongs to them, and they go down alive into the pit, then you will understand that these men have rejected the LORD." 31 Now it came to pass, as he finished speaking all these words, that the ground split apart under them, 32 and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households and all the men with Korah, with all [their] goods. 33 So they and all those with them went down alive into the pit; the earth closed over them, and they perished from among the assembly.

[Num 24:15-17 NKJV] 15 So he took up his oracle and said: "The utterance of Balaam the son of Beor, And the utterance of the man whose eyes are opened; 16 The utterance of him who hears the words of God, And has the knowledge of the Most High, [Who] sees the vision of the Almighty, [Who] falls down, with eyes wide open: 17 "I see Him, but not now; I behold Him, but not near; A Star shall come out of Jacob; A Scepter shall rise out of Israel, And batter the brow of Moab, And destroy all the sons of tumult.

[Psa 68:7-10 NKJV] 7 O God, when You went out before Your people, When You marched through the wilderness, Selah 8 The earth shook; The heavens also dropped [rain] at the presence of God; Sinai itself [was moved] at the presence of God, the God of Israel. 9 You, O God, sent a plentiful rain, Whereby You confirmed Your inheritance, When it was weary. 10 Your congregation dwelt in it; You, O God, provided from Your goodness for the poor.

[Psa 68:13-14 NKJV] 13 Though you lie down among the sheepfolds, [You will be] like the wings of a dove covered with silver, And her feathers with yellow gold." 14 When the Almighty scattered kings in it, It was [white] as snow in Zalmon.

(Note: "Sheepfold"

The word here essentially relates to hooks. Hooks in a cattle or sheep pen based on Ezekiel 40:43. This is interesting here as some scholars believe in the last days, the Jews will escape Jerusalem when it is under attack and flee to Petra. Petra, which was built in the 3rd Century BC, well after this Psalm, is near ancient Bozrah (approx 40 miles.) Bozrah means "sheepfold." Revelation 12 describes this running into the wilderness on "on two wings of a great eagle, to a place prepared for her.)

[Psa 74:10-16 NKJV] 10 O God, how long will the adversary reproach? Will the enemy blaspheme Your name forever? 11 Why do You withdraw Your hand, even Your right hand? [Take it] out of Your bosom and destroy [them]. 12 For God [is] my King from of old, Working salvation in the midst of the earth. 13 You divided the sea by Your strength; You broke the heads of the sea serpents in the waters. 14 You broke the heads of Leviathan in pieces, [And] gave him [as] food to the people inhabiting the wilderness. 15 You broke open the fountain and the flood; You dried up mighty rivers. 16 The day [is] Yours, the night also [is] Yours; You have prepared the light and the sun.

[Psa 89:9-10 NKJV] 9 You rule the raging of the sea; When its waves rise, You still them. 10 You have broken Rahab in pieces, as one who is slain; You have scattered Your enemies with Your mighty arm. *(Note: "Rahab," is both a mythical sea monster and an emblematic name of Egypt.* ("BLB")*)*

[Psa 91:4-11 NKJV] 4 He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth [shall be your] shield and buckler. 5 You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, [Nor] of the arrow [that] flies by day, 6 [Nor] of the pestilence [that] walks in darkness, [Nor] of the destruction [that] lays waste at noonday. 7 A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; [But] it shall not come near you. 8 Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked. 9 Because you have made the LORD, [who is] my refuge, [Even] the Most High, your dwelling place, 10 No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; 11 For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways.

[Sng 6:1-3 NKJV] 1 [The Daughters of Jerusalem] Where has your beloved gone, O fairest among women? Where has your beloved turned aside, That we may seek him with you? 2 [The Shulamite] My beloved has gone to his garden, To the beds of spices, To feed [his flock] in the gardens, And to gather lilies. 3 I [am] my beloved's, And my beloved [is] mine. He feeds [his flock] among the lilies.

[Sng 8:5, 7 NKJV] 5 [A Relative] Who [is] this coming up from the wil-

derness, Leaning upon her beloved? I awakened you under the apple tree. There your mother brought you forth; There she [who] bore you brought [you] forth. … 7 Many waters cannot quench love, Nor can the floods drown it. If a man would give for love All the wealth of his house, It would be utterly despised.

[1Ki 17:1-6 NKJV] 1 And Elijah the Tishbite, of the inhabitants of Gilead, said to Ahab, "[As] the LORD God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, except at my word." 2 Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 3 "Get away from here and turn eastward, and hide by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. 4 "And it will be [that] you shall drink from the brook, and I have commanded the ravens to feed you there." 5 So he went and did according to the word of the LORD, for he went and stayed by the Brook Cherith, which flows into the Jordan. 6 The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning, and bread and meat in the evening; and he drank from the brook.

[Hos 2:13-16 NKJV] 13 I will punish her For the days of the Baals to which she burned incense. She decked herself with her earrings and jewelry, And went after her lovers; But Me she forgot," says the LORD. 14 "Therefore, behold, I will allure her, Will bring her into the wilderness, And speak comfort to her. 15 I will give her her vineyards from there, And the Valley of Achor as a door of hope; She shall sing there, As in the days of her youth, As in the day when she came up from the land of Egypt. 16 "And it shall be, in that day," Says the LORD, "[That] you will call Me 'My Husband,' And no longer call Me 'My Master,' *(Note: Referencing Jerusalem and Israel.)*

[Amo 3:14 NKJV] 14 "That in the day I punish Israel for their transgressions, I will also visit [destruction] on the altars of Bethel; And the horns of the altar shall be cut off And fall to the ground.

[Isa 6:2, 6 NKJV] 2 Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. … 6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal [which] he had taken with the tongs from the altar. *(Note: "Seraphim," plural of Seraph is the same word used for the fiery serpents in Numbers and Deuteronomy* ("BLB"). *This is important to consider when thinking about the "serpent," in Genesis 3 and his identity."*

[Isa 9:6-7 NKJV] 6 For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of [His] government and peace [There will be] no end, Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, To order it and establish it with judgment and justice From that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will

perform this.

[Isa 14:12-21 NKJV] 12 “How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! [How] you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! 13 For you have said in your heart: ‘I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.’ 15 Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit. 16 “Those who see you will gaze at you, [And] consider you, [saying]: ‘[Is] this the man who made the earth tremble, Who shook kingdoms, 17 Who made the world as a wilderness And destroyed its cities, [Who] did not open the house of his prisoners?’ 18 “All the kings of the nations, All of them, sleep in glory, Everyone in his own house; 19 But you are cast out of your grave Like an abominable branch, [Like] the garment of those who are slain, Thrust through with a sword, Who go down to the stones of the pit, Like a corpse trodden underfoot. 20 You will not be joined with them in burial, Because you have destroyed your land [And] slain your people. The brood of evildoers shall never be named. 21 Prepare slaughter for his children Because of the iniquity of their fathers, Lest they rise up and possess the land, And fill the face of the world with cities.” *(Note: “Mount of Congregation” is “Har Mo’ed” in Hebrew.)*

[Isa 14:28-32 NKJV] 28 This is the burden which came in the year that King Ahaz died. 29 “Do not rejoice, all you of Philistia, Because the rod that struck you is broken; For out of the serpent’s roots will come forth a viper, And its offspring [will be] a fiery flying serpent. 30 The firstborn of the poor will feed, And the needy will lie down in safety; I will kill your roots with famine, And it will slay your remnant. 31 Wail, O gate! Cry, O city! All you of Philistia [are] dissolved; For smoke will come from the north, And no one [will be] alone in his appointed times.” 32 What will they answer the messengers of the nation? That the LORD has founded Zion, And the poor of His people shall take refuge in it.

[Isa 16:1, 4-5 NKJV] 1 Send the lamb to the ruler of the land, From Sela to the wilderness, To the mount of the daughter of Zion. … 4 Let My outcasts dwell with you, O Moab; Be a shelter to them from the face of the spoiler. For the extortioner is at an end, Devastation ceases, The oppressors are consumed out of the land. 5 In mercy the throne will be established; And One will sit on it in truth, in the tabernacle of David, Judging and seeking justice and hastening righteousness.” *(Note: Ancient Moab is in Southern Jordan. Moab’s western border was comprised mostly of the Dead Sea. Biblically, Bozrah has been associated with Moab as well as Edom.)*

[Isa 17:12-14] *See page 118*

[Isa 26:17-19 NKJV] 17 As a woman with child Is in pain and cries out in her pangs, [When] she draws near the time of her delivery, So have we been in Your sight, O LORD. 18 We have been with child, we have been in pain; We have, as it were, brought forth wind; We have not accomplished any deliverance

in the earth, Nor have the inhabitants of the world fallen. 19 Your dead shall live; [Together with] my dead body they shall arise. Awake and sing, you who dwell in dust; For your dew [is like] the dew of herbs, And the earth shall cast out the dead.

[Isa 41:11-20 NKJV] 11 "Behold, all those who were incensed against you Shall be ashamed and disgraced; They shall be as nothing, And those who strive with you shall perish. 12 You shall seek them and not find them--Those who contended with you. Those who war against you Shall be as nothing, As a non-existent thing. 13 For I, the LORD your God, will hold your right hand, Saying to you, 'Fear not, I will help you.' 14 "Fear not, you worm Jacob, You men of Israel! I will help you," says the LORD And your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel. 15 "Behold, I will make you into a new threshing sledge with sharp teeth; You shall thresh the mountains and beat [them] small, And make the hills like chaff. 16 You shall winnow them, the wind shall carry them away, And the whirlwind shall scatter them; You shall rejoice in the LORD, [And] glory in the Holy One of Israel. 17 "The poor and needy seek water, but [there is] none, Their tongues fail for thirst. I, the LORD, will hear them; [I], the God of Israel, will not forsake them. 18 I will open rivers in desolate heights, And fountains in the midst of the valleys; I will make the wilderness a pool of water, And the dry land springs of water. 19 I will plant in the wilderness the cedar and the acacia tree, The myrtle and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the cypress tree [and] the pine And the box tree together, 20 That they may see and know, And consider and understand together, That the hand of the LORD has done this, And the Holy One of Israel has created it.

[Isa 43:14-21 NKJV] 14 Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, The Holy One of Israel: "For your sake I will send to Babylon, And bring them all down as fugitives--The Chaldeans, who rejoice in their ships. 15 I [am] the LORD, your Holy One, The Creator of Israel, your King." 16 Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea And a path through the mighty waters, 17 Who brings forth the chariot and horse, The army and the power (They shall lie down together, they shall not rise; They are extinguished, they are quenched like a wick): 18 "Do not remember the former things, Nor consider the things of old. 19 Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness [And] rivers in the desert. 20 The beast of the field will honor Me, The jackals and the ostriches, Because I give waters in the wilderness [And] rivers in the desert, To give drink to My people, My chosen. 21 This people I have formed for Myself; They shall declare My praise.

[Isa 44:1-5 NKJV] 1 "Yet hear now, O Jacob My servant, And Israel whom I have chosen. 2 Thus says the LORD who made you And formed you from the womb, [who] will help you: 'Fear not, O Jacob My servant; And you, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen. 3 For I will pour water on him who is thirsty, And floods on the dry ground; I will pour My Spirit on your descendants, And My blessing on your offspring; 4 They will spring up among the grass Like willows by the

watercourses.' 5 One will say, 'I [am] the LORD's'; Another will call [himself] by the name of Jacob; Another will write [with] his hand, 'The LORD's,' And name [himself] by the name of Israel.

[Isa 51:1-4, 9 NKJV] 1 "Listen to Me, you who follow after righteousness, You who seek the LORD: Look to the rock [from which] you were hewn, And to the hole of the pit [from which] you were dug. 2 Look to Abraham your father, And to Sarah [who] bore you; For I called him alone, And blessed him and increased him." 3 For the LORD will comfort Zion, He will comfort all her waste places; He will make her wilderness like Eden, And her desert like the garden of the LORD; Joy and gladness will be found in it, Thanksgiving and the voice of melody. 4 "Listen to Me, My people; And give ear to Me, O My nation: For law will proceed from Me, And I will make My justice rest As a light of the peoples. ... 9 Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD! Awake as in the ancient days, In the generations of old. [Are] You not [the arm] that cut Rahab apart, [And] wounded the serpent? *(Note: "Rahab," is both a mythical sea monster and an emblematic name of Egypt*. ("BLB")*)*

[Isa 48:20-21 NKJV] 20 Go forth from Babylon! Flee from the Chaldeans! With a voice of singing, Declare, proclaim this, Utter it to the end of the earth; Say, "The LORD has redeemed His servant Jacob!" 21 And they did not thirst When He led them through the deserts; He caused the waters to flow from the rock for them; He also split the rock, and the waters gushed out.

[Isa 54:5-6 NKJV] 5 For your Maker [is] your husband, The LORD of hosts [is] His name; And your Redeemer [is] the Holy One of Israel; He is called the God of the whole earth. 6 For the LORD has called you Like a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, Like a youthful wife when you were refused," Says your God. *(Note: Israel being likened to a woman.)*

[Isa 66:5-8 NKJV] 5 Hear the word of the LORD, You who tremble at His word: "Your brethren who hated you, Who cast you out for My name's sake, said, 'Let the LORD be glorified, That we may see your joy.' But they shall be ashamed." 6 The sound of noise from the city! A voice from the temple! The voice of the LORD, Who fully repays His enemies! 7 "Before she was in labor, she gave birth; Before her pain came, She delivered a male child. 8 Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall the earth be made to give birth in one day? [Or] shall a nation be born at once? For as soon as Zion was in labor, She gave birth to her children.

[Mic 4:9-12 NKJV] 9 Now why do you cry aloud? [Is there] no king in your midst? Has your counselor perished? For pangs have seized you like a woman in labor. 10 Be in pain, and labor to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, Like a woman in birth pangs. For now you shall go forth from the city, You shall dwell in the field, And to Babylon you shall go. There you shall be delivered; There the LORD will redeem you From the hand of your enemies. 11 Now also many nations have gathered against you, Who say, "Let her be defiled, And let our eye

look upon Zion." 12 But they do not know the thoughts of the LORD, Nor do they understand His counsel; For He will gather them like sheaves to the threshing floor.

[Mic 5:2-3 NKJV] 2 "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, [Though] you are little among the thousands of Judah, [Yet] out of you shall come forth to Me The One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose goings forth [are] from of old, From everlasting." 3 Therefore He shall give them up, Until the time [that] she who is in labor has given birth; Then the remnant of His brethren Shall return to the children of Israel.

[Mic 7:14-20 NKJV] *See page 74*

[Jer 4:31 NKJV] 31 "For I have heard a voice as of a woman in labor, The anguish as of her who brings forth her first child, The voice of the daughter of Zion bewailing herself; She spreads her hands, [saying], 'Woe [is] me now, for my soul is weary Because of murderers!'

[Jer 6:1-3 NKJV] 1 "O you children of Benjamin, Gather yourselves to flee from the midst of Jerusalem! Blow the trumpet in Tekoa, And set up a signal-fire in Beth Haccerem; For disaster appears out of the north, And great destruction. 2 I have likened the daughter of Zion To a lovely and delicate woman. 3 The shepherds with their flocks shall come to her. They shall pitch [their] tents against her all around. Each one shall pasture in his own place."

[Jer 15:11 NKJV] 11 The LORD said: "Surely it will be well with your remnant; Surely I will cause the enemy to intercede with you In the time of adversity and in the time of affliction.

[Jer 31:1-2 NKJV] 1 "At the same time," says the LORD, "I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people." 2 Thus says the LORD: "The people who survived the sword Found grace in the wilderness--Israel, when I went to give him rest."

[Jer 33:24 NKJV] 24 "Have you not considered what these people have spoken, saying, 'The two families which the LORD has chosen, He has also cast them off'? Thus they have despised My people, as if they should no more be a nation before them. *(Note: In context, this is about the line of David and the Levites. I believe a parallel can be seen between the "families" of Jacob and Christian gentiles in the end times, as both will be persecuted and their power appear "shattered," as though the Lord has cast us off.)*

[Jer 46:7-8 NKJV] 7 "Who [is] this coming up like a flood, Whose waters move like the rivers? 8 Egypt rises up like a flood, And [its] waters move like the rivers; And he says, 'I will go up [and] cover the earth, I will destroy the city and its inhabitants.'*(Note: An example of a gentile nation being compared to "waters.")*

[Jer 49:20-22 NKJV] 20 Therefore hear the counsel of the LORD that He has taken against Edom, And His purposes that He has proposed against the inhabitants of Teman: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out; Surely

He shall make their dwelling places desolate with them. 21 The earth shakes at the noise of their fall; At the cry its noise is heard at the Red Sea. 22 Behold, He shall come up and fly like the eagle, And spread His wings over Bozrah; The heart of the mighty men of Edom in that day shall be Like the heart of a woman in birth pangs.

[Dan 3:14-25, 29 NKJV] 14 Nebuchadnezzar spoke, saying to them, "[Is it] true, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, [that] you do not serve my gods or worship the gold image which I have set up? 15 "Now if you are ready at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, [and] psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, and you fall down and worship the image which I have made, [good]! But if you do not worship, you shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace. And who [is] the god who will deliver you from my hands?" 16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. 17 "If that [is the case], our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver [us] from your hand, O king. 18 "But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up." 19 Then Nebuchadnezzar was full of fury, and the expression on his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. He spoke and commanded that they heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated. 20 And he commanded certain mighty men of valor who [were] in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, [and] cast [them] into the burning fiery furnace. 21 Then these men were bound in their coats, their trousers, their turbans, and their [other] garments, and were cast into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. 22 Therefore, because the king's command was urgent, and the furnace exceedingly hot, the flame of the fire killed those men who took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego. 23 And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace. 24 Then King Nebuchadnezzar was astonished; and he rose in haste [and] spoke, saying to his counselors, "Did we not cast three men bound into the midst of the fire?" They answered and said to the king, "True, O king." 25 "Look!" he answered, "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire; and they are not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God." ... 29 "Therefore I make a decree that any people, nation, or language which speaks anything amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made an ash heap; because there is no other God who can deliver like this." *(An example of, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death," Revelation 12:11.)*

[Dan 7:7-8, 15-16, 19-25 NKJV] 7 "After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong. It had huge iron teeth; it was devouring, breaking in pieces, and trampling the residue

with its feet. It [was] different from all the beasts that [were] before it, and it had ten horns. 8 “I was considering the horns, and there was another horn, a little one, coming up among them, before whom three of the first horns were plucked out by the roots. And there, in this horn, [were] eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking pompous words. … 15 “I, Daniel, was grieved in my spirit within [my] body, and the visions of my head troubled me. 16 “I came near to one of those who stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of these things: … 19 “Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, [with] its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, [which] devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet; 20 “and the ten horns that [were] on its head, and the other [horn] which came up, before which three fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth which spoke pompous words, whose appearance [was] greater than his fellows. 21 “I was watching; and the same horn was making war against the saints, and prevailing against them, 22 “until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made [in favor] of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom. 23 “Thus he said: ‘The fourth beast shall be A fourth kingdom on earth, Which shall be different from all [other] kingdoms, And shall devour the whole earth, Trample it and break it in pieces. 24 The ten horns [are] ten kings [Who] shall arise from this kingdom. And another shall rise after them; He shall be different from the first [ones], And shall subdue three kings. 25 He shall speak [pompous] words against the Most High, Shall persecute the saints of the Most High, And shall intend to change times and law. Then [the saints] shall be given into his hand For a time and times and half a time. *(Note: “Time and times and half a time.” In consulting with various text, it seems that the time frame understanding of, “time and times and half a time,” equates to 3.5 years. I believe the case is best made by the A.R. Fausset commentary on Daniel 12* (“BLB The Book of Daniel Commentary by A. R. FAUSSET”)*, in which he cites cumulative scriptures referring to this time and similar events as 42 months and 1260 days as well as other commentators holding this view.)*

[Dan 8:9-13 NKJV] 9 And out of one of them came a little horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Glorious [Land]. 10 And it grew up to the host of heaven; and it cast down [some] of the host and [some] of the stars to the ground, and trampled them. 11 He even exalted [himself] as high as the Prince of the host; and by him the daily [sacrifices] were taken away, and the place of His sanctuary was cast down. 12 Because of transgression, an army was given over [to the horn] to oppose the daily [sacrifices]; and he cast truth down to the ground. He did [all this] and prospered. 13 Then I heard a holy one speaking; and [another] holy one said to that certain [one] who was speaking, “How long [will] the vision [be, concerning] the daily [sacrifices] and the transgression of desolation, the giving of both the sanctuary and the host to be trampled underfoot?”

[Dan 10:12-21 NKJV] 12 Then he said to me, “Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard; and I have come because of your words. 13 “But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days; and behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left alone there with the kings of Persia. 14 “Now I have come to make you understand what will happen to your people in the latter days, for the vision [refers] to [many] days yet [to come].” 15 When he had spoken such words to me, I turned my face toward the ground and became speechless. 16 And suddenly, [one] having the likeness of the sons of men touched my lips; then I opened my mouth and spoke, saying to him who stood before me, “My lord, because of the vision my sorrows have overwhelmed me, and I have retained no strength. 17 “For how can this servant of my lord talk with you, my lord? As for me, no strength remains in me now, nor is any breath left in me.” 18 Then again, [the one] having the likeness of a man touched me and strengthened me. 19 And he said, “O man greatly beloved, fear not! Peace [be] to you; be strong, yes, be strong!” So when he spoke to me I was strengthened, and said, “Let my lord speak, for you have strengthened me.” 20 Then he said, “Do you know why I have come to you? And now I must return to fight with the prince of Persia; and when I have gone forth, indeed the prince of Greece will come. 21 “But I will tell you what is noted in the Scripture of Truth. (No one upholds me against these, except Michael your prince.

[Dan 11:40-45 NKJV] 40 “At the time of the end the king of the South shall attack him; and the king of the North shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter the countries, overwhelm [them], and pass through. 41 “He shall also enter the Glorious Land, and many [countries] shall be overthrown; but these shall escape from his hand: Edom, Moab, and the prominent people of Ammon. 42 “He shall stretch out his hand against the countries, and the land of Egypt shall not escape. 43 “He shall have power over the treasures of gold and silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt; also the Libyans and Ethiopians [shall follow] at his heels. 44 “But news from the east and the north shall trouble him; therefore he shall go out with great fury to destroy and annihilate many. 45 “And he shall plant the tents of his palace between the seas and the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and no one will help him. *(Note: This passage is included to give context to Daniel 12:1 “At that time.” There is much to say about this passage, but I will cover that in a more appropriate section.)*

[Dan 12:1 NKJV] 1 “At that time Michael shall stand up, The great prince who stands [watch] over the sons of your people; And there shall be a time of trouble, Such as never was since there was a nation, [Even] to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, Every one who is found written in the book.

[Dan 12:11-13 NKJV] 11 “And from the time [that] the daily [sacrifice] is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, [there shall be] one

thousand two hundred and ninety days. 12 “Blessed [is] he who waits, and comes to the one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days. 13 “But you, go [your way] till the end; for you shall rest, and will arise to your inheritance at the end of the days.”

[Eze 7:14-16 NKJV] *See page 65*

[Eze 14:21-22 NKJV] *See page 66*

[Eze 20:33-44 NKJV] 33 “[As] I live,” says the Lord GOD, “surely with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out, I will rule over you. 34 “I will bring you out from the peoples and gather you out of the countries where you are scattered, with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out. 35 “And I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples, and there I will plead My case with you face to face. 36 “Just as I pleaded My case with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will plead My case with you,” says the Lord GOD. 37 “I will make you pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant; 38 “I will purge the rebels from among you, and those who transgress against Me; I will bring them out of the country where they dwell, but they shall not enter the land of Israel. Then you will know that I [am] the LORD. 39 “As for you, O house of Israel,” thus says the Lord GOD: “Go, serve every one of you his idols--and hereafter--if you will not obey Me; but profane My holy name no more with your gifts and your idols. 40 “For on My holy mountain, on the mountain height of Israel,” says the Lord GOD, “there all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, shall serve Me; there I will accept them, and there I will require your offerings and the firstfruits of your sacrifices, together with all your holy things. 41 “I will accept you as a sweet aroma when I bring you out from the peoples and gather you out of the countries where you have been scattered; and I will be hallowed in you before the Gentiles. 42 “Then you shall know that I [am] the LORD, when I bring you into the land of Israel, into the country [for] which I raised My hand in an oath to give to your fathers. 43 “And there you shall remember your ways and all your doings with which you were defiled; and you shall loathe yourselves in your own sight because of all the evils that you have committed. 44 “Then you shall know that I [am] the LORD, when I have dealt with you for My name’s sake, not according to your wicked ways nor according to your corrupt doings, O house of Israel,” says the Lord GOD.’ “

[Eze 28:11-19 NKJV] 11 Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 12 “Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD: “You [were] the seal of perfection, Full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. 13 You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone [was] your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, Beryl, onyx, and jasper, Sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes Was prepared for you on the day you were created. 14 “You [were] the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the

holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. 15 You [were] perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you. 16 "By the abundance of your trading You became filled with violence within, And you sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones. 17 "Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor; I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, That they might gaze at you. 18 "You defiled your sanctuaries By the multitude of your iniquities, By the iniquity of your trading; Therefore I brought fire from your midst; It devoured you, And I turned you to ashes upon the earth In the sight of all who saw you. 19 All who knew you among the peoples are astonished at you; You have become a horror, And [shall be] no more forever."

(Note: "Serpent/Seraphim"

The ancient Hebrew for "serpent" is "nâchâsh." In ancient Hebrew there are no vowels. Translated it would literally be "n-ch-sh." This is also the root for shining, brass, brazen, shining one, diviner ("BLB".) What some scholars, like Dr. Michael Heiser, see here is a description of individual scales of a serpent that are shining. Think about the scales of a snake and the light play on them in comparison to the phrase, "every precious stone was your covering." Dr. Heiser goes on to note in his book, "The Unseen Realm," that ancient literature from the Egyptians, Akkadians, and others, depicted throne room guardians of the gods and kings as winged serpents. Also of note, in both Numbers and Deuteronomy, the Hebrew word "Seraph" is used for the "fiery serpents." This same word is used to describe the angels in Isaiah. They are Seraphim. My point is, Eve may have been talking to an angel. Moses was writing Genesis to a people who had just left Egypt, and would completely have understood a snake-like shining one who could talk as an angelic guardian, and not just a talking snake as translators have assumed. As a matter of fact, the ISV (International Standard Version) translates Genesis 3:1 as, "Now the Shining One was more clever than any animal of the field that the Lord God had made." This makes even more sense when we consider that Paul says in 2 Corinthians 11:14, "Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light." A shining one.)

[Eze 34:11-12, 16-17, 20, 22-24 NKJV] 11 'For thus says the Lord GOD: "Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out. 12 "As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day. ... 16 "I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment." 17 'And [as for] you, O My flock, thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, I shall judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and goats. ... 20 'Therefore thus says the Lord GOD to them: "Behold, I Myself will judge between the fat and the lean sheep. ... 22 "therefore I

will save My flock, and they shall no longer be a prey; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. 23 “I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them--My servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24 “And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

[Zec 14:1-5 NKJV] 1 Behold, the day of the LORD is coming, And your spoil will be divided in your midst. 2 For I will gather all the nations to battle against Jerusalem; The city shall be taken, The houses rifled, And the women ravished. Half of the city shall go into captivity, But the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city. 3 Then the LORD will go forth And fight against those nations, As He fights in the day of battle. 4 And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, From east to west, [Making] a very large valley; Half of the mountain shall move toward the north And half of it toward the south. 5 Then you shall flee [through] My mountain valley, For the mountain valley shall reach to Azal. Yes, you shall flee As you fled from the earthquake In the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Thus the LORD my God will come, [And] all the saints with You. *(Note: The remnant of the survivors of the Antichrists attack on Jerusalem may take this route into the wilderness to the place prepared for her. But this also may allude to the later final battle.)*

REVELATION 12
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 12:1-18 NKJV] 1 Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars. 2 Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth.

3 And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. 4 His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. 5 She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne. 6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

7 And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, 8 but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. 9 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. 11 "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. 12 "Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time."

13 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male [Child]. 14 But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent. 15 So the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood. 16 But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. 17 And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.
18 (Some translations put the Greek phrase represented as "*Then I stood on the*

sand of the sea" in Rev 12:17, Rev 12:18, or Rev 13:1. ("BLB") *(Note: My personal preference is "Then I stood on the sand of the sea," as Rev 13:1.)*

REVELATION 12
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

[12:1] And a great sign appeared in the heavens: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon was under her feet, and on her head was a crown of twelve stars. 7 [2] And she was pregnant and cried out, and she was at the point to give birth, and she had much pain because of the birth.

8 [3] And there was another sign in the heavens, and I saw a dragon, and he had seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads were seven crowns. 9 [4] And his tail took a third of the stars, and cast them on the earth. And the dragon stepped before the woman who would give birth, in order to devour the Child when he was born. 10 [5] Then she gave birth to a Son, who would lead the peoples with a rod of iron, and the Child was brought before Yahweh and his throne. 11 [6] Then the woman went into the wilderness, for there a place was prepared for her by Yahweh, to sustain her there a thousand two hundred and sixty days.

12 [7] And there was war in the heavens: the messenger Micha'el with his messengers made war with the dragon, also his messengers fought with them. 13 [8] But they did not overcome, neither was their place in the heavens found anymore. 14 [9] So the great dragon was cast out, who is called Ha-Satan, who destroys and seduces the whole world. And he with his messengers were cast onto the earth to dwell there. 15 [10] (104v) Then I heard a great voice in the heavens which said, "Now the might of our Elohim and his Mashiach has appeared, for he who was as an adversary against them all the time, is cast out.

15 [11] And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they considered their lives as nothing. 16 [12] And because of this you must rejoice o heavens and all who are in them, but woe to those who dwell on the earth and on the sea – for Ha-Satan went down to you with great burning anger, and he knows that he has little time."

17 [13] And when the dragon saw that he was cast onto the earth, he pursued after the woman who gave birth. 18 [14] But there was given to the woman, two wings like a great eagle – to go into the wilderness, into the place that Yahweh gave her, to sustain her there a time, and two and a half times, away from the dragon.18 a [15] Then the dragon cast waters from [his] mouth after the woman, like a great sea, to annihilate her. 19 [16] But the woman had deliverance from the earth, for it opened its mouth and swallowed the waters which the dragon cast after her. 20 [17] Then the dragon was filled with anger because of the woman, and he went to make war with the remaining ones of her seed, who perform the commandments of Yahweh and believe in the testimony of his Mashiach.

CHAPTER 13
Revelation 13, OT passages

[Job 1:11-12, 16 NKJV] 11 "But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!" 12 And the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has [is] in your power; only do not lay a hand on his [person.]" So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.....16 While he [was] still speaking, another also came and said, "The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants, and consumed them; and I alone have escaped to tell you!"

(Note: "Fire From God"

The fire came from God, but at the behest of Satan? Or did God allow Satan to use his power? Either way, I have always wondered about the False Prophet calling down fire from the sky. Perhaps it is not necessarily false signs, but real signs that just deceive people who are not rooted and grounded in the Word and understand and KNOW Jesus/Yeshua. Just as Paul said, if anyone, angel, or even me, preach you a different gospel, do not listen to them.)

[Gen 4:15 NKJV] 15 And the LORD said to him, "Therefore, whoever kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the LORD set a mark on Cain, lest anyone finding him should kill him.

[Exo 7:10-13 NKJV] 10 So Moses and Aaron went in to Pharaoh, and they did so, just as the LORD commanded. And Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh and before his servants, and it became a serpent. 11 But Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers; so the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments. 12 For every man threw down his rod, and they became serpents. But Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods. 13 And Pharaoh's heart grew hard, and he did not heed them, as the LORD had said.

[Exo 13:8-9, 15-16 NKJV] 8 "And you shall tell your son in that day, saying, '[This is done] because of what the LORD did for me when I came up from Egypt.' 9 "It shall be as a sign to you on your hand and as a memorial between your eyes, that the LORD's law may be in your mouth; for with a strong hand the LORD has brought you out of Egypt. ... 15 'And it came to pass, when Pharaoh was stubborn about letting us go, that the LORD killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both the firstborn of man and the firstborn of beast. Therefore I sacrifice to the LORD all males that open the womb, but all the firstborn of my sons I redeem.' 16 "It shall be as a sign on your hand and as frontlets between your eyes, for by strength of hand the LORD brought us out of Egypt." *(Note: The context of this scripture starting in verse 1 is the Feast of Unleavened Bread. God states that the 7 days of no leaven, and the feast on the seventh day shall* "be as a sign to you on your hand and as a memorial between your eyes.")

[Deu 13:1-3 NKJV] 1 “If there arises among you a prophet or a dreamer of dreams, and he gives you a sign or a wonder, 2 “and the sign or the wonder comes to pass, of which he spoke to you, saying, ‘Let us go after other gods’--which you have not known--’and let us serve them,’ 3 “you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

[Psa 73:20 NKJV] 20 As a dream when [one] awakes, [So], Lord, when You awake, You shall despise their image.

[Psa 75:4-5 NKJV] 4 “I said to the boastful, ‘Do not deal boastfully,’ And to the wicked, ‘Do not lift up the horn. 5 Do not lift up your horn on high; Do [not] speak with a stiff neck.’ “

[Psa 89:38-45 NKJV] 38 But You have cast off and abhorred, You have been furious with Your anointed. 39 You have renounced the covenant of Your servant; You have profaned his crown [by casting it] to the ground. 40 You have broken down all his hedges; You have brought his strongholds to ruin. 41 All who pass by the way plunder him; He is a reproach to his neighbors. 42 You have exalted the right hand of his adversaries; You have made all his enemies rejoice. 43 You have also turned back the edge of his sword, And have not sustained him in the battle. 44 You have made his glory cease, And cast his throne down to the ground. 45 The days of his youth You have shortened; You have covered him with shame. Selah *(Note: I feel this passage alludes to previous Israelites chastisements, the crucifixion, and to the future “making war with the saints and overcoming them,” of Revelation 13.)*

[1Ki 10:14 NKJV] 14 The weight of gold that came to Solomon yearly was six hundred and sixty-six talents of gold,

[Joe 1:6-8 NKJV] 6 For a nation has come up against My land, Strong, and without number; His teeth [are] the teeth of a lion, And he has the fangs of a fierce lion. 7 He has laid waste My vine, And ruined My fig tree; He has stripped it bare and thrown [it] away; Its branches are made white. 8 Lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth For the husband of her youth.

[Hos 13:7-8 NKJV] 7 “So I will be to them like a lion; Like a leopard by the road I will lurk; 8 I will meet them like a bear deprived [of her cubs]; I will tear open their rib cage, And there I will devour them like a lion. The wild beast shall tear them. *(Note: This will link to the book of Daniel and the 4 beasts. A full explanation will be given there, but suffice it to say the first three beasts in Daniel are generally accepted as the lion = Babylon (Iraq,) the leopard = Greece (Javan, can include modern day Turkey), and the bear = Medo-Persia*

(Iran.) It is interesting to note that Hosea prophesied approximately 150 years before Daniel.)

[Isa 17:1-11 NKJV] 1 The burden against Damascus. "Behold, Damascus will cease from [being] a city, And it will be a ruinous heap. 2 The cities of Aroer [are] forsaken; They will be for flocks Which lie down, and no one will make [them] afraid. 3 The fortress also will cease from Ephraim, The kingdom from Damascus, And the remnant of Syria; They will be as the glory of the children of Israel," Says the LORD of hosts. 4 "In that day it shall come to pass [That] the glory of Jacob will wane, And the fatness of his flesh grow lean. 5 It shall be as when the harvester gathers the grain, And reaps the heads with his arm; It shall be as he who gathers heads of grain In the Valley of Rephaim. 6 Yet gleaning grapes will be left in it, Like the shaking of an olive tree, Two [or] three olives at the top of the uppermost bough, Four [or] five in its most fruitful branches," Says the LORD God of Israel. 7 In that day a man will look to his Maker, And his eyes will have respect for the Holy One of Israel. 8 He will not look to the altars, The work of his hands; He will not respect what his fingers have made, Nor the wooden images nor the incense altars. 9 In that day his strong cities will be as a forsaken bough And an uppermost branch, Which they left because of the children of Israel; And there will be desolation. 10 Because you have forgotten the God of your salvation, And have not been mindful of the Rock of your stronghold, Therefore you will plant pleasant plants And set out foreign seedlings; 11 In the day you will make your plant to grow, And in the morning you will make your seed to flourish; [But] the harvest [will be] a heap of ruins In the day of grief and desperate sorrow.

(Note: "Before Armageddon?"
This is often pointed to as a battle that takes place either prior to Armageddon or prior to the Gog War of Ezekiel 38. Good cases have been made for this. This idea may be correct, and I once agreed with this position. However, this seems to align better with a surviving remnant from the destruction of Jerusalem which most likely takes place at Armageddon (Har Mo'ed.) I say, "most likely," as the survivors of this battle look to "his Maker, and his eyes have respect for the Holy One of Israel." In other words, once this has happened, it sounds like there would be no need to further persecute or allow Israel to be further destroyed to purify her, which is the point of the time of Jacob's Trouble.)

[Isa 20:3-6 NKJV] 3 Then the LORD said, "Just as My servant Isaiah has walked naked and barefoot three years [for] a sign and a wonder against Egypt and Ethiopia, 4 "so shall the king of Assyria lead away the Egyptians as prisoners and the Ethiopians as captives, young and old, naked and barefoot, with their buttocks uncovered, to the shame of Egypt. 5 "Then they shall be afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation and Egypt their glory. 6 "And the inhabitant of this territory will say in that day, 'Surely such [is] our expectation, wherever we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria; and how shall

we escape?' " *(Note: Revelation 13:4, "Who is like the Beast, and who is able to make war with him?")*

[Isa 21:1-4 NKJV] 1 The burden against the Wilderness of the Sea. As whirlwinds in the South pass through, [So] it comes from the desert, from a terrible land. 2 A distressing vision is declared to me; The treacherous dealer deals treacherously, And the plunderer plunders. Go up, O Elam! Besiege, O Media! All its sighing I have made to cease. 3 Therefore my loins are filled with pain; Pangs have taken hold of me, like the pangs of a woman in labor. I was distressed when [I] heard [it]; I was dismayed when [I] saw [it]. 4 My heart wavered, fearfulness frightened me; The night for which I longed He turned into fear for me.

[Isa 33:1 NKJV] 1 Woe to you who plunder, though you [have] not [been] plundered; And you who deal treacherously, though they have not dealt treacherously with you! When you cease plundering, You will be plundered; When you make an end of dealing treacherously, They will deal treacherously with you.

[Nah 1:11, 14 NKJV] 11 From you comes forth [one] Who plots evil against the LORD, A wicked counselor. ... 14 The LORD has given a command concerning you: "Your name shall be perpetuated no longer. Out of the house of your gods I will cut off the carved image and the molded image. I will dig your grave, For you are vile."

[Jer 4:6-7, 11-13, 15-16, 24 NKJV] 6 Set up the standard toward Zion. Take refuge! Do not delay! For I will bring disaster from the north, And great destruction." 7 The lion has come up from his thicket, And the destroyer of nations is on his way. He has gone forth from his place To make your land desolate. Your cities will be laid waste, Without inhabitant. ... 11 At that time it will be said To this people and to Jerusalem, "A dry wind of the desolate heights [blows] in the wilderness Toward the daughter of My people--Not to fan or to cleanse-- 12 A wind too strong for these will come for Me; Now I will also speak judgment against them." 13 "Behold, he shall come up like clouds, And his chariots like a whirlwind. His horses are swifter than eagles. Woe to us, for we are plundered!"... 15 For a voice declares from Dan And proclaims affliction from Mount Ephraim: 16 "Make mention to the nations, Yes, proclaim against Jerusalem, [That] watchers come from a far country And raise their voice against the cities of Judah... 24 I beheld the mountains, and indeed they trembled, And all the hills moved back and forth.

(Note: "From The North"
The setting of Jeremiah is the gap between the fall of Assyria and the rise of Babylon. The short term fulfillment of this statement is about Nebuchadnezzar and the Babylonian Empire. The long term or final fulfillment of this prophecy is most likely pointing to the Antichrist's army simply attacking from the north of Israel. The concept of "coming from the north," must be understood in the

context of the topography of the Middle East. Babylon is due east. Nineveh is north and east. Any army that would attack Israel that is not immediately south or west of them, would follow the Fertile Crescent and come down from the north. I point that out because many end times commentators today point to this talk of the north, combine it with a few other passages from Ezekiel that can have multiple meanings and say, "See!? Russia will attack them. They come from the north." Yes, it may be Russia. But the totality of Scripture, in my opinion, points to a more Middle Eastern oriented foe, as the Bible is very Middle Eastern/Israel-centric. "Coming" from the north does not mean the "origin" is from the north.)

[Jer 10:22 NKJV] 22 Behold, the noise of the report has come, And a great commotion out of the north country, To make the cities of Judah desolate, a den of jackals.

[Jer 15:2-3, 12 NKJV] 2 "And it shall be, if they say to you, 'Where should we go?' then you shall tell them, 'Thus says the LORD: "Such as [are] for death, to death; And such as [are] for the sword, to the sword; And such as [are] for the famine, to the famine; And such as [are] for the captivity, to the captivity." ' 3 "And I will appoint over them four forms [of destruction]," says the LORD: "the sword to slay, the dogs to drag, the birds of the heavens and the beasts of the earth to devour and destroy. ... 12 Can anyone break iron, The northern iron and the bronze?

(Note: "Iron and Bronze"

As we will see when we get to Daniel 2, it is often pointed out by End Times commentators that the "legs of iron" in Nebuchadnezzar's dream are the Roman Empire. Part of their reasoning is based on the idea that Rome was the dominant empire of most of the Iron age, as well as being known to be extremely strong like iron. The Bible never expressly says that the legs of iron are the Roman Empire. It never explains the legs, so we are left to infer. This verse is a small scriptural rebuttal to that idea. This verse is pointing to Babylon being as iron. I will not say that Rome is not the legs of iron. I will say that there are other possibilities which I will get to, which actually may make more sense from a historical and Biblical standpoint in my view.)

[Jer 43:10-11 NKJV] 10 "and say to them, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: "Behold, I will send and bring Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant, and will set his throne above these stones that I have hidden. And he will spread his royal pavilion over them. 11 "When he comes, he shall strike the land of Egypt [and deliver] to death [those appointed] for death, and to captivity [those appointed] for captivity, and to the sword [those appointed] for the sword.

[Hab 1:6, 11 NKJV] 6 For indeed I am raising up the Chaldeans, A bitter and hasty nation Which marches through the breadth of the earth, To possess dwelling places [that are] not theirs. ... 11 Then [his] mind changes, and he

transgresses; He commits offense, [Ascribing] this power to his god."

[Hab 2:2-10, 16-20 NKJV] 2 Then the LORD answered me and said: "Write the vision And make [it] plain on tablets, That he may run who reads it. 3 For the vision [is] yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry. 4 "Behold the proud, His soul is not upright in him; But the just shall live by his faith. 5 "Indeed, because he transgresses by wine, [He is] a proud man, And he does not stay at home. Because he enlarges his desire as hell, And he [is] like death, and cannot be satisfied, He gathers to himself all nations And heaps up for himself all peoples. 6 "Will not all these take up a proverb against him, And a taunting riddle against him, and say, 'Woe to him who increases [What] is not his--how long? And to him who loads himself with many pledges'? 7 Will not your creditors rise up suddenly? Will they not awaken who oppress you? And you will become their booty. 8 Because you have plundered many nations, All the remnant of the people shall plunder you, Because of men's blood And the violence of the land [and] the city, And of all who dwell in it. 9 "Woe to him who covets evil gain for his house, That he may set his nest on high, That he may be delivered from the power of disaster! 10 You give shameful counsel to your house, Cutting off many peoples, And sin [against] your soul. ... 16 You are filled with shame instead of glory. You also--drink! And be exposed as uncircumcised! The cup of the LORD's right hand [will be] turned against you, And utter shame will be on your glory. 17 For the violence [done to] Lebanon will cover you, And the plunder of beasts [which] made them afraid, Because of men's blood And the violence of the land [and] the city, And of all who dwell in it. 18 "What profit is the image, that its maker should carve it, The molded image, a teacher of lies, That the maker of its mold should trust in it, To make mute idols? 19 Woe to him who says to wood, 'Awake!' To silent stone, 'Arise! It shall teach!' Behold, it is overlaid with gold and silver, Yet in it there is no breath at all. 20 "But the LORD is in His holy temple. Let all the earth keep silence before Him."

If you need to go to the bathroom, I would go now. This part might be a little long.

[Dan 2:1, 4-5, 16, 19-21, 28, 31-45 NKJV] 1 Now in the second year of Nebuchadnezzar's reign, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; and his spirit was [so] troubled that his sleep left him. ... 4 Then the Chaldeans spoke to the king in Aramaic, "O king, live forever! Tell your servants the dream, and we will give the interpretation." 5 The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, "My decision is firm: if you do not make known the dream to me, and its interpretation, you shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made an ash heap. ... 16 So Daniel went in and asked the king to give him time, that he might tell the king the interpretation. ... 19 Then the secret was revealed to Daniel in a night vision. So Daniel blessed the God of heaven. 20 Daniel answered and said: "Blessed be

the name of God forever and ever, For wisdom and might are His. 21 And He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and raises up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise And knowledge to those who have understanding. ... 28 "But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and He has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will be in the latter days. Your dream, and the visions of your head upon your bed, were these: ... 31 "You, O king, were watching; and behold, a great image! This great image, whose splendor [was] excellent, stood before you; and its form [was] awesome. 32 "This image's head [was] of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze, 33 "its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay. 34 "You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces. 35 "Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together, and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth. 36 "This [is] the dream. Now we will tell the interpretation of it before the king. 37 "You, O king, [are] a king of kings. For the God of heaven has given you a kingdom, power, strength, and glory; 38 "and wherever the children of men dwell, or the beasts of the field and the birds of the heaven, He has given [them] into your hand, and has made you ruler over them all--you [are] this head of gold. 39 "But after you shall arise another kingdom inferior to yours; then another, a third kingdom of bronze, which shall rule over all the earth. 40 "And the fourth kingdom shall be as strong as iron, inasmuch as iron breaks in pieces and shatters everything; and like iron that crushes, [that kingdom] will break in pieces and crush all the others. 41 "Whereas you saw the feet and toes, partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; yet the strength of the iron shall be in it, just as you saw the iron mixed with ceramic clay. 42 "And [as] the toes of the feet [were] partly of iron and partly of clay, [so] the kingdom shall be partly strong and partly fragile. 43 "As you saw iron mixed with ceramic clay, they will mingle with the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, just as iron does not mix with clay. 44 "And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. 45 "Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold--the great God has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure." *(Note: Daniel 2:4-7:28 is written in Aramaic.)*

(Note 2.0: "Nebuchadnezzars Statue: Rome or Islam"

Most Bible scholars will tell you that this statue is God giving Nebuchadnezzer a dream of what the earth's great future kingdoms look like to man. This dream is related to the dream Daniel has in Dan 7, which is how the earth's kingdoms appear to Yahweh. It is important to note how a leader, and

the kingdom itself are interchangeable. That has bearing in Revelation. Nebuchadnezzar is the head of gold, making that head also the Kingdom of Babylon.

Scholars will continue to tell you that the shoulders and arms of silver are Medo-Persia. This makes sense in that this is the kingdom immediately following Babylon. Also, two arms would equal the Medes as one arm and the Persians as the other. The Medo-Persian Empire was destroyed by the belly and thighs of bronze which is the Greek (Javan/Ionian)/Macedonian Empire of Alexander the Great. He did in fact rule the entire known world at that time. He ruled from Modern day Greece/Balkens and Egypt in the west, all the way to parts of India and Pakistan in the East, including Iran (Persia) and Iraq (Babylon.) Next is the legs of iron. The preponderance of scholarship would tell you this is Rome. Rome was the next major empire and ruled for one thousand plus years depending on how you want to count it. They ruled during the Iron Age. They were strong as iron and they did defeat their enemies and would crush rebellions. There were two legs toward the end, the Eastern and Western Roman Empires. However, Rome is not known as a divided kingdom, though it was divided in its twilight years. Rome as the legs was my opinion for a very long time. But, let us look closely at God's Word as He does not say anything without purpose.

*In verse 40 He says, "*iron breaks in pieces and shatters everything; and like iron that crushes, [that kingdom] will break in pieces and crush all the others." *Alexander the Great's kingdom was not crushed by Rome. It fell apart on its own, well after being divided into four kingdoms. Those four are known as the "Diadochi." Alexander the Great had spread Hellenism across his entire empire (known world) and had everyone speaking Greek. Rome came to power gradually. It did defeat Greece in 146 BC. But did it crush it? We can still see the great Greek ruins of the day. So, let us consider the Roman Empire. They only crushed those who refused to submit or consistently rebelled after being conquered. They actually bragged about their own tolerance. They allowed you to continue to speak your current language, which throughout was mostly Greek. They continued to let you worship your own gods. The Romans themselves adopted all the Greek gods and just renamed them. They also adopted Greek architecture, though I would say they improved on it some. Further, they actually brought in infrastructure. They brought roads and a crude mailing system. They would station soldiers to help keep the peace. They did all this, as their drive was not just power, but money. They wanted to collect taxes, and if you did not give them too much of a problem, they would leave you alone. I am not citing any particular book. This knowledge is easily accessible on the internet or in most history books.*

The final nail for me in the idea of whether or not Rome is the legs of iron is this. In verse 40 it says, "[that kingdom] will break in pieces and crush all the others." *Rome never conquered Babylon or Persia. Most pundits say that is unimportant. They were the next kingdom. I disagree with most pundits on*

this, because if I agree with them then I am forced to disagree with the Word of God. He says the fourth kingdom crushes ALL THE OTHERS. Rome went to the city Babylon in 116 AD, took over the city and a few surrounding cities, but left in 117 AD. Emperor Trajan arrived there, became ill, turned around and left, and died on his way back to Rome. Hadrian took over and set the eastern-most border of the Roman Empire near the river Jordan by 125 AD. They did not crush Babylon. They never even made it to Persia. Rome does not fit God's description of the fourth kingdom. In my opinion, Rome is simply an extension of Greece. In fact, to quote the Encyclopedia Britannica, "It is not untrue to say that the Roman Empire, the spread of Christianity as a world religion, and the long centuries of Byzantium were all in some degree the fruits of Alexander's achievement," (Walbank).

If Rome is the fourth kingdom, then it is assumed that the fifth kingdom, the kingdom of iron and clay, would be a revived Roman Empire. In this scenario, commentators that hold to the Roman paradigm envision an European beast/Antichrist, leading European nations, possibly with some Muslim nations and with a Roman Catholic Church Harlot.

However, there is a kingdom that does fit. Not only does it fit here. But it also fits and will make much more sense in the rest of Daniel, in Ezekiel, and in Revelation. Allow me to lay out a case of death by one thousand cuts. The Islamic Caliphate. It ruled from 632 AD - 1923 AD. It was not defeated by an outside force either. It was self dissolved by Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. When we consider if the empire matches with the iron legs, examine these facts. From the very beginning it has been divided in two. The Sunnis versus the Shia. "The division between Sunni and Shi'a is nearly as old as Islam itself, having stemmed from a disagreement in AD 632 about who should succeed Muhammad as the leader of the faith." (World Population Review) *To this day it is a divided religion. All told, it ruled a land area from Spain, all of northern Africa including Egypt, to Greece and Turkey, all the way to parts of India to include Babylon (Iraq) and Persia (Iran.) Babylon no longer worships Baal. Persia is no longer Zoroastrian. They are both very predominantly Muslim. They were definitely crushed and absorbed by the Islamic Caliphate. When the Islamic Caliphate entered a land, it is well known that they would destroy your gods and architecture. We have seen that in modern times with ISIS. If they did not destroy them, they would appropriate your holy places (see the Temple Mount and Hagia Sophia.). They would tax you (Jizya tax) or kill you if you would not convert to Islam. Lands in the Middle East and Asia Minor that were once Christian are now Muslim. They would destroy the religion of the conquered. Certain sects of Islam still murder, oftentimes by beheading, Christians and Jews to this day, simply because they are Christians and Jews. Less than a month before I wrote this paragraph, ISIS fighters in the DRC beheaded 70 Christians, which barely made the news, by the way. If they were Muslim converts, they would live. The Nazi practice of Jews wearing the yellow stars of David originated*

in the caliphate. "In the ninth century, for example, Baghdad's Caliph al-Mutawakkil designated a yellow badge for Jews, setting a precedent that would be followed centuries later in Nazi Germany (Jewish Virtual Library.)*" This is a two legged kingdom of iron, that has directly conquered all the kingdoms before it. When we get to Daniel 7 it will also be important to note that the Islamic Caliphate was also different from all its predecessors in that it was religiously driven. The goal is to convert the world to Islam, not to just have power and money. Additionally, there is no real talk of reviving the Roman Empire. But the President of Turkey, at the time of this writing, has stated he would like to revive the Caliphate. Considering that almost all the flags of the Islamic countries have the three colors of the major Caliphate dynasties (red, white, and black,) along with green, which is the color of Islam, one can see the short leap to the organization of a group of countries that surround Israel, thats hates both Christians and Jews, and are ALREADY persecuting them.*

Finally, one small tidbit of circumstantial evidence. Daniel goes out of his way to tell us he is speaking Aramaic. When we come to the fifth kingdom of Iron and Clay, he says they are "mixed." The Aramaic word for "mixed" is "arab." ("BLB") *That is literally where the Arabs get the name of their ethnicity. I do not point this out as some kind of slight against lack of ethnic purity. We are all mixed. Jesus had gentile blood in His bloodline, look it up. I highlight it because, by Daniel saying the final kingdom is "mixed," his spoken words were, the final kingdom is "arab." By itself, that is nothing. But in addition to everything else, it makes you think. Of course, this is my opinion based on study. It is not the popular opinion. I bring it to your attention so that now you can look for both a revived Roman Empire or Islamic Caliphate. For much more depth on this subject I would strongly recommend Joel Richardson's "Mideast Beast." He is the foremost authority on this idea. I have merely skimmed across the top of what he has deeply mined, and generously made available.*

Clearly, the "stone," is the Messiah Yeshua returning. We have seen the "Stone," and the "Rock," throughout the Old Testament, as synonymous with the coming king Messiah. In circles of Judaism, He would be known as Messiah Ben David. Of importance here is that when the Stone comes, it is cut out in the "days of these kings." As I see it, the kings of the feet. The Stone then strikes only the feet, but that destroys all 5 kingdoms at the same time. It can be inferred then that all the kingdoms mentioned are contained within the last kingdom.)

[Dan 3:1 NKJV] 1 Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height [was] sixty cubits [and] its width six cubits. He set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon. *(Note: Some scholars believe this not to be an actual image of a human being as the dimensions are missing a "length." They believe this may be an obelisk (think a much smaller version of the Washington monument) which would have phallic symbolism and was something commonly worshipped in antiquity. IF this is the case, then the dimensions would be 6x6x60. No, that's not 600 and 60 and 6, but the correlations are too*

strong to ignore. Also of note, twice in the Old Testament we see gold attached to some version of 666 (Bible Hub Dan 3:1 Commentary.)*)*

[Dan 3:4-6 NKJV] 4 Then a herald cried aloud: "To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages, 5 "[that] at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, [and] psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, you shall fall down and worship the gold image that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up; 6 "and whoever does not fall down and worship shall be cast immediately into the midst of a burning fiery furnace."

[Dan 7:1-28 NKJV] 1 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head [while] on his bed. Then he wrote down the dream, telling the main facts. 2 Daniel spoke, saying, "I saw in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the Great Sea. 3 "And four great beasts came up from the sea, each different from the other. 4 "The first [was] like a lion, and had eagle's wings. I watched till its wings were plucked off; and it was lifted up from the earth and made to stand on two feet like a man, and a man's heart was given to it. 5 "And suddenly another beast, a second, like a bear. It was raised up on one side, and [had] three ribs in its mouth between its teeth. And they said thus to it: 'Arise, devour much flesh!' 6 "After this I looked, and there was another, like a leopard, which had on its back four wings of a bird. The beast also had four heads, and dominion was given to it. 7 "After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong. It had huge iron teeth; it was devouring, breaking in pieces, and trampling the residue with its feet. It [was] different from all the beasts that [were] before it, and it had ten horns. 8 "I was considering the horns, and there was another horn, a little one, coming up among them, before whom three of the first horns were plucked out by the roots. And there, in this horn, [were] eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking pompous words. 9 "I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment [was] white as snow, And the hair of His head [was] like pure wool. His throne [was] a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire; 10 A fiery stream issued And came forth from before Him. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, And the books were opened. 11 "I watched then because of the sound of the pompous words which the horn was speaking; I watched till the beast was slain, and its body destroyed and given to the burning flame. 12 "As for the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away, yet their lives were prolonged for a season and a time. 13 "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, [One] like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him. 14 Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, That all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion [is] an everlasting dominion, Which shall not pass away, And His kingdom [the one] Which shall not be destroyed. 15 "I, Daniel, was grieved in my spirit within [my] body, and the visions of my head troubled me. 16 "I

came near to one of those who stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of these things: 17 'Those great beasts, which are four, [are] four kings [which] arise out of the earth. 18 'But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.' 19 "Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, [with] its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, [which] devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet; 20 "and the ten horns that [were] on its head, and the other [horn] which came up, before which three fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth which spoke pompous words, whose appearance [was] greater than his fellows. 21 "I was watching; and the same horn was making war against the saints, and prevailing against them, 22 "until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made [in favor] of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom. 23 "Thus he said: 'The fourth beast shall be A fourth kingdom on earth, Which shall be different from all [other] kingdoms, And shall devour the whole earth, Trample it and break it in pieces. 24 The ten horns [are] ten kings [Who] shall arise from this kingdom. And another shall rise after them; He shall be different from the first [ones], And shall subdue three kings. 25 He shall speak [pompous] words against the Most High, Shall persecute the saints of the Most High, And shall intend to change times and law. Then [the saints] shall be given into his hand For a time and times and half a time. 26 'But the court shall be seated, And they shall take away his dominion, To consume and destroy [it] forever. 27 Then the kingdom and dominion, And the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, Shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High. His kingdom [is] an everlasting kingdom, And all dominions shall serve and obey Him.' 28 "This [is] the end of the account. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts greatly troubled me, and my countenance changed; but I kept the matter in my heart."

(Note: "The Four Beasts: Rome or Islam"

As discussed, the "Great Sea," is the gentile world. In this dream, it is accepted that God is giving His view of the major kingdoms of the world. They are beasts. Nothing close to the precious metals that men view kingdoms as.

As far as the beasts go, the interpretation in Daniel seems to not really care to name them specifically in this passage. There are reasonable inferences or direct references to be made to properly understand who these kingdoms are via other descriptions in Daniel. Knowing who they are is important. When the beast of Revelation 13 rises out of the sea, he is directly related to these beast kingdoms. This will help us be aware of where he may rise from.

First, the lion with eagle's wings, whose wings are plucked off, but then he walks like a man and is given the heart of a man, would be Nebuchadnezzar and by extension Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar and Babylon quickly conquered the land. So, they rose quickly e.i the wings. But its wings were plucked off. No more rising. We see this in Daniel 4. King Nebuchadnezzar has his senses taken

away by the Lord due to his pride. He acts like a crazy cow for seven years, until his heart is truly humbled. After being humbled, he repents. His senses are returned by the Lord. He is lifted up on two feet as a man. He ultimately declares Yahweh as the only true God. I believe he has given his heart to the Lord. Ezekiel 36:26 says, "I will remove your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh." God has given him the heart of a man. Babylon is the lion. Essentially modern day Iraq.

The second is the bear that is raised up on one side with three ribs in its mouth. This is Medo-Persia, or Iran. It is raised up on one side as the Persians ended up being greater and stronger than the Medes. The three ribs are most likely their defeats of Babylon, Lydia, and Egypt ("BLB Daniel 7 Commentary A. R. Fausset.") *Lydia would be modern day Turkey. I have also read that you could replace Lydia with Assyria. We see in Daniel 8:3 a parallel to this with the ram who has two horns, but one is higher than the other. Gabriel explains in Daniel 8:20 that the ram is Medo-Persia. Here is our Biblical connection to the idea that the two horned ram and the bear are the same kingdom.*

Third is the leopard with four wings and 4 heads. This is a clear reference to Alexander the Great's Macedonian/Greek Empire that spread from Greece all the way to India. We see a parallel of this in Daniel 8:6-7 where a goat has a single horn that is broken at the height of its strength and four horns rise up in its place. Gabriel explains in Daniel 8:21 that this is the kingdom of Greece. It is important to note that "Greece," is the word "Javan" ("BLB".) *Javan is listed as a son of Japheth in Gen 10:2 which is the "Table of Nations."*

> [Gen 10:2 NKJV] "2 The sons of Japheth [were] Gomer, Magog, Madai, Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras." (Nelson)

Why is this important? Well, Javan is ancient Ionia which was actually on the western coast of modern day Turkey around the Aegean Sea ("BLB"). *You can also see where Javan is listed with the names of his brothers who also settled in Turkey as most Bible Atlas's will demonstrate. I am not tracing bloodlines here. I prefer the historical grammatical method. When Gabriel spoke to Daniel, he gave Daniel the name of a kingdom, we recognize it as Greece, but his words were "Javan," which as discussed is Ionia. That is in modern day Turkey. This is relevant when we look to Ezekiel 38-39 and the discussion of who Gog is and what nation he perhaps comes from.*

Finally, the fourth beast, which is different from all the others. It is described in the text as having "iron teeth," Dan 7:7 and "nails of bronze," Dan 7:19. This is reminiscent of the statue of Daniel 2. It has 10 horns, which I will discuss when we get to Revelation 17. When Gabriel describes it

> [Dan 7:23 NKJV] 23 "Thus he said: 'The fourth beast shall be A fourth kingdom on earth Which shall be different from all [other] kingdoms,

> And shall devour the whole earth *(ʻărāʿ Aramaic: earth, world, ground,* ("BLB")*)*, Trample it and break it in pieces."

To me, the key describer is, "was different from all the others." If this is Rome based on the idea of iron, its strength, and destructive capability, how was Rome different from all the others? How was Rome different from just the previous kingdom? As we discussed earlier, even secular scholars see Rome as something of an extension of the Greek Empire in style and type. Further, if iron is a key that points to Rome, why does Jeremiah say, in reference to Babylon,

> [Jer 15:12 NKJV] "12 Can anyone break iron, The northern iron and the bronze?" (Nelson)

All the previous kingdoms were predominantly, non-religiously driven. Yes, religion was involved, but it was not the foundation of the conquest. However, the Caliphate was known as the ISLAMIC Caliphate. Clearly, I have an opinion here. My overall desire though, is not to say the Roman paradigm is wrong, it is to say that we should be aware of the Islamic paradigm as well, and be on the lookout for it. There will be some additional important info about Islamic eschatology when we break down Revelation 13.)

(Note 2.0: See Note: "Time and times and half a time." on page 144)

[Dan 11:20-39 NKJV] 20 "There shall arise in his place one who imposes taxes [on] the glorious kingdom; but within a few days he shall be destroyed, but not in anger or in battle. 21 "And in his place shall arise a vile person, to whom they will not give the honor of royalty; but he shall come in peaceably, and seize the kingdom by intrigue. 22 "With the force of a flood they shall be swept away from before him and be broken, and also the prince of the covenant. 23 "And after the league [is made] with him he shall act deceitfully, for he shall come up and become strong with a small [number of] people. 24 "He shall enter peaceably, even into the richest places of the province; and he shall do [what] his fathers have not done, nor his forefathers: he shall disperse among them the plunder, spoil, and riches; and he shall devise his plans against the strongholds, but [only] for a time. 25 "He shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the South with a great army. And the king of the South shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand, for they shall devise plans against him. 26 "Yes, those who eat of the portion of his delicacies shall destroy him; his army shall be swept away, and many shall fall down slain. 27 "Both these kings' hearts [shall be] bent on evil, and they shall speak lies at the same table; but it shall not prosper, for the end [will] still [be] at the appointed time. 28 "While returning to his land with great riches, his heart shall be [moved] against the holy covenant; so he shall do [damage] and return to his own land. 29 "At the appointed time he shall return and go toward the south; but

it shall not be like the former or the latter. 30 “For ships from Cyprus shall come against him; therefore he shall be grieved, and return in rage against the holy covenant, and do [damage]. So he shall return and show regard for those who forsake the holy covenant. 31 “And forces shall be mustered by him, and they shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then they shall take away the daily [sacrifices], and place [there] the abomination of desolation. 32 “Those who do wickedly against the covenant he shall corrupt with flattery; but the people who know their God shall be strong, and carry out [great exploits]. 33 “And those of the people who understand shall instruct many; yet [for many] days they shall fall by sword and flame, by captivity and plundering. 34 “Now when they fall, they shall be aided with a little help; but many shall join with them by intrigue. 35 “And [some] of those of understanding shall fall, to refine them, purify [them], and make [them] white, [until] the time of the end; because [it is] still for the appointed time. 36 “Then the king shall do according to his own will: he shall exalt and magnify himself above every god, shall speak blasphemies against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done. 37 “He shall regard neither the God of his fathers nor the desire of women, nor regard any god; for he shall exalt himself above [them] all. 38 “But in their place he shall honor a god of fortresses; and a god which his fathers did not know he shall honor with gold and silver, with precious stones and pleasant things. 39 “Thus he shall act against the strongest fortresses with a foreign god, which he shall acknowledge, [and] advance [its] glory; and he shall cause them to rule over many, and divide the land for gain. *(See note for Dan 11:20-39 on page 64.)*

(Note 2.0-4.0: “The Antichrist/False Prophet/Image and the Mahdi/Jesus/Black Stone”

Commentators point out that some of this passage is about Antiochus Epiphanes (Greek for “god manifest,) who was the king of the Selucids. His empire was the large, northern remnant of the four empires or horns that Alexander the Great’s Empire broke into after his death. It is said that around verse 34, this goes from being about Antiochus, to being about the Antichrist. Daniel was writing close to 400 years before Antiochus. Some of this can be pointed to as already fulfilled or at least a shadow fulfillment, while the latter sections are completely unfulfilled as we see it. Antiochus was born in Iran, and ruled from Antioch. At that time it was in Syria. At the time of this writing however, it is in Turkey.

(Note 3.0: In discussing who this Antichrist figure will worship and what he does, this can quickly turn into a commentary on Daniel. It may have already……. Sorry……. I do not wish to do that. I would simply point out that many commentators say that the Antichrist will worship no god and proclaim himself to be God based on this text. They claim that he will glorify and worship war.

A close reading presents another option. God is the God of Abraham,

Isaac, and Jacob. Father Abraham had many sons……. Now that's in your head…… your welcome. Abraham was father of both Israel and Ishmael. Ishmael's father worshipped Yahweh. Allah is a relatively new god invented in approximately 610 AD that was not worshiped by the father of the Arabs. Allah is definitely a god of war. Islam teaches that the only guarantee of heaven is to die in battle against an infidel. War is the sure path to heaven/Allah. Let us harmonize this passage with what Paul says in:

> [2Th 2:3-4 NKJV] 3 Let no one deceive you by any means; for [that Day will not come] unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, 4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

This is what I believe makes sense. If the Antichrist goes into the temple and sits on the Mercy Seat, Yahweh's throne on the earth, His footstool from heaven [The Ark as God's Footstool: 1Ch 28:2, Psa 99:5, Psa 132:7, and Lam 2:1. God Enthroned Above the Cherubim (on the Ark): Exo 25:22, 1Sa 4:4, 2Sa 6:2, 2Ki 19:15, Psa 80:1, and Psa 99:1, the Antichrist is saying, "I am as powerful as Yahweh, I have taken his throne as my own." He can still worship Allah at the same time. If I take over a ship and I sit in the captain's chair, what am I saying? I am saying I am the captain, even though I am completely unqualified to say it. He can still worship Allah as the only true god, simultaneously denouncing all other gods, and while placing himself in Yahweh's position as someone equal to Yahweh, but inferior to his idea of the "true" god Allah. The "Shahada: There is only one god and Mohammad is his prophet," is one of the founding principles of Islam and is often worn as a headband or arm band of their "fighters." This founding principle denounces Yahweh and simultaneously exalts Allah.

Also, the section about "no regard for the desire of women," would initially lead you to think he is homosexual. I do not believe that is what this is referring to, as it is sandwiched between statements about what gods he regards. The argument I like the best states that "the desire of women," is a Hebrew idiom about women desiring to give birth to the Messiah or the seed that crushes the serpent from Gen 3:15.

> [Dan 11:37] 37 "He shall regard neither the God of his fathers nor the desire of women, nor regard any god; for he shall exalt himself above [them] all.

Thus, this verse would say he is disavowing God the Father, God the Son "the desire of women", and all other gods. I am having a very hard time finding a paper trail or real source for that Hebrew idiom idea. It may be out

there, and it does make sense, as the Dome of the Rock states, in reference to Allah, "It befitteth not (the Majesty of) God that He should take unto Himself a son." The next best argument is that in Ezekiel 8:14, the "women weeping for Tammuz," the son of Samiramis, the wife of Nimrod, is the desire of women. Tammuz was the Mesopotamian god of fertility. The idea here is that he will not even acknowledge the gods that women like. This makes sense when you think about how, for example, Solomon's heart was turned to other gods by his wives.)

(Note 4.0: In verse 31 we see the, "abomination of desolation." This is the first "real," mention of that. I say "real" mention as some translations include the abomination of desolation in Daniel 9:27, when, in the Hebrew, it is simply not there. I believe this is done to add "clarity," by the translators who are assuming a specific doctrine that they have a bias towards. Thus confusing the whole passage. I have a full and controversial explanation of this in the section for Daniel 9:20-27. But I digress. According to the Zondervan Study Bible NIV, in the description of Dan 11:31, it states that the, "Abomination that causes desolation. A meteorite dedicated to Baal Shamem, the Syrian equivalent of the Greek god Zeus, that Antiochus IV (Epiphanes) set up in the temple. (Carson)*" Let us remember, he ruled from Syria. In antiquity meteorites were often turned into statues or the head of statues with the idea that since they came from the sky, they must be from the gods. Now, there are two things happening here. One, we see Baal, who was from long ago the most frequently mentioned competition, if you will, to Yahweh in the Bible. Maybe it is Satan's favorite nickname, I don't know. His black/dark stone statue is the first abomination of desolation.*

Two, why does this matter? Have you ever heard of the Black Stone, in the corner of the Ka'bah? It was placed there by Muhammad. He kissed it. Now all Muslims, if possible, must make the "Hajj," or pilgrimage to Mecca, circle the Ka'bah, and kiss the stone. "The Stone is a dark rock, polished smooth by the hands of millions of pilgrims, that has been broken into a number of fragments cemented into a silver frame in the side of the Kaaba. Although it has often been described as a meteorite, this hypothesis is still under consideration," (Geology Page). *According to islamicqa.info, question 1902 "What is the importance of the Black Stone in the Ka'bah? What does it represent?" We find that, "It was narrated by Ibn' Abbas said: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessing of Allah be upon him) said: "The Black Stone came down from Paradise." Sounds like a meteor to me. Further, "The nature of the Black Stone has been much debated. It has been described variously as basalt stone, an agate, a piece of natural glass or—most popularly—a stony meteorite.* (Geology Page)*" It will be important later that the stone may be agate, as that looks like carnelian and both are dark red.*

Next, "Ibn' Abbas said: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessing of Allah be upon him) said concerning the Stone: 'By Allah, Allah will bring it

forth on the Day of Resurrection, and it will have two eyes with which it will see and a tongue with which it will speak, and it will testify in favour of those [who] touched it in sincerity." This sounds very much like the image of the Beast in Revelation 13 being given life and knowing who is and is not worshiping it. The site goes on to say that touching the stone "expiates sins."

*Well, where did this stone come from? I am of the opinion that it is the shattered remnant of a pre-islamic god of the Ka'bah known as "Hubal." First, the name likely comes from the Aramaic "hu-bel," meaning "He is Baal." Both have a raised right arm in their depictions and descriptions. Before Islam, Muhammads tribe, the Quraysh, controlled Mecca and worshipped Hubal, who was the chief god of the Ka'bah. In the Book of Idols (Kitabl al-Asnam,) by eighth century Muslim historian Hisham ibn al Kalbi, we read, "The Quraysh had also several idols in and around the Ka'ba. The greatest of these was Hubal. It was, as I was told, of red agate, in the form of a man with the right hand broken off." (underlined is mine) In the New Encyclopedia of Islam we read, "**Hubal** – an idol, the God of the Moon. Centuries before Islam, 'Amr ibn Luhayy, a chief of the tribe of Jurhum who dwelt in Mecca before the coming of the Quraysh tribe, brought the idol to the city from Syria."* (Glasse 209) Here we see Baal coming to Mecca from Syria.

In 630 AD Muhammad conquered Mecca (and his former tribe) and broke Hubal into pieces. Then again, it is said he placed the stone in the corner of the Ka'bah in 605 AD. 5 years before his first revelation. They are saying he venerated this stone before he even had a revelation about Islam……. I'm sorry. I don't buy it.

So, we arguably have an idol who was Baal, made of possibly meteorite or at least a blackish red stone, broken, and now worshiped as an object that can expiate sins. And it is predicted that it will be given eyes and a mouth to speak about who has worshiped it in truth. How much would it be like Satan to make this be the second abomination of desolation with Baal being the source just like the first one.

If we choose to look even deeper, and maybe squint alittle, we may be seeing Satan trying to have his own little resurrection of Baal, who was broken and is now believed to expiate sins, and then he will "bring it to life," as the image of the Beast. In a way, copying the story line of Jesus. I can readily admit that this idea may be a stretch, but there are definitely some parallels.)

[Dan 12:4-13 NKJV] 4 "But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase." 5 Then I, Daniel, looked; and there stood two others, one on this riverbank and the other on that riverbank. 6 And [one] said to the man clothed in linen, who [was] above the waters of the river, "How long shall the fulfillment of these wonders [be]?" 7 Then I heard the man clothed in linen, who [was] above the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, that [it shall be] for a time, times,

and half [a time]; and when the power of the holy people has been completely shattered, all these [things] shall be finished. 8 Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said, "My lord, what [shall be] the end of these [things]?" 9 And he said, "Go [your way], Daniel, for the words [are] closed up and sealed till the time of the end. 10 "Many shall be purified, made white, and refined, but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand. 11 "And from the time [that] the daily [sacrifice] is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, [there shall be] one thousand two hundred and ninety days. 12 "Blessed [is] he who waits, and comes to the one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days. 13 "But you, go [your way] till the end; for you shall rest, and will arise to your inheritance at the end of the days."

[Eze 8:2-6 NKJV] 2 Then I looked, and there was a likeness, like the appearance of fire--from the appearance of His waist and downward, fire; and from His waist and upward, like the appearance of brightness, like the color of amber. 3 He stretched out the form of a hand, and took me by a lock of my hair; and the Spirit lifted me up between earth and heaven, and brought me in visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the north gate of the inner [court], where the seat of the image of jealousy [was], which provokes to jealousy. 4 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel [was] there, like the vision that I saw in the plain. 5 Then He said to me, "Son of man, lift your eyes now toward the north." So I lifted my eyes toward the north, and there, north of the altar gate, was this image of jealousy in the entrance. 6 Furthermore He said to me, "Son of man, do you see what they are doing, the great abominations that the house of Israel commits here, to make Me go far away from My sanctuary? Now turn again, you will see greater abominations."

[Eze 28:2-10 NKJV] 2 "Son of man, say to the prince of Tyre, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Because your heart [is] lifted up, And you say, 'I [am] a god, I sit [in] the seat of gods, In the midst of the seas,' Yet you [are] a man, and not a god, Though you set your heart as the heart of a god 3 (Behold, you [are] wiser than Daniel! There is no secret that can be hidden from you! 4 With your wisdom and your understanding You have gained riches for yourself, And gathered gold and silver into your treasuries; 5 By your great wisdom in trade you have increased your riches, And your heart is lifted up because of your riches)," 6 'Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: "Because you have set your heart as the heart of a god, 7 Behold, therefore, I will bring strangers against you, The most terrible of the nations; And they shall draw their swords against the beauty of your wisdom, And defile your splendor. 8 They shall throw you down into the Pit, And you shall die the death of the slain In the midst of the seas. 9 "Will you still say before him who slays you, 'I [am] a god'? But you [shall be] a man, and not a god, In the hand of him who slays you. 10 You shall die the death of the uncircumcised By the hand of aliens; For I have spoken," says the Lord GOD.' "

[Eze 28:11-19 NKJV] *See page 146*

[Ezr 2:13 NKJV] 13 the people of Adonikam, six hundred and sixty-six; *(Note: A 666 connection. This mention seems to be benign. Adonikam means, "The Lord rises." Also of note, in Nehemiah the same man has 667 children. Perhaps when the Antichrist is revealed, we will then see a connection, but to this point, I find nothing.)*

REVELATION 13
(N K J V - From Greek)

"Islamic Eschatology"

As we begin this chapter, let me tell you a story. The story of Islamic eschatology, the coming Mahdi, the return of Jesus, and the Dajjal. All written more than 200 years after our Biblical canon was agreed upon. Not stated by Muhammad directly, instead, stated by people who knew him, simply claiming to have heard him say it, and then wrote it down in writings called "Hadiths." There is a Sunni version of this, and a Shia version of this. I am just going to hit the highlights.

Before I launch into this, I want to say, Jesus Christ died for the Muslims. He loves them. This is in no way meant to bash them, though I am firmly convinced they are lost in their current state. As we have heard, Jesus is appearing to many Muslims in their dreams, and they follow him, the true Messiah of "The Book," which is the Bible, as it is known in the Qur'an. We should pray for them. We are to love our enemies. I just want to point out what they are expecting, and the reverse parallels of our own eschatology.

Muslims are awaiting their own version of a world savior known as Imam Muhammad al-Mahdi. Mahdi means "the guided." He will rise up in the time of the end, sometimes called "The Hour." He will bring truth and justice and the Islamic way to the world. All Muslims are commanded to follow him. Radicalized and moderate. "If you see him, go and give him your allegiance, even if you have to crawl over ice, because he is the Vice-regent [Khalifa] of Allah, the Mahdi." (Ibn Maja, Kitab al-Fitan #4084 as quoted by Kabbani, p. 231) He will be attacked by the Dajjal. The Dajjal is a deceiver that will ride on the clouds (Sahih Muslim 2937a) on a giant white donkey ([At-Tarikh al-Kabir, vol 1, pg 198].) A major faction of his army will be 70,000 Jews with crowns along with many other disaffected outcasts (Narrated by Imam Ahmad # 12865.) The Dajjal is Satan. ([Kitab Al Fitan, Hadith #1498] Sahih by Al-Sisi)

Jesus, or Isa ibn Maryam al Masih (son of Mary and Messiah) will also descend to the earth after the appearance of Mahdi (Sahih Muslim Book 041, Number 7015.) He will help defeat the Dajjal. He will also break crosses and kill pigs to show Christians they were wrong and abolish the Jizya tax. (al-Ḥajjāj) *The abolishment of this tax means you either convert to Islam or be killed. Many Jews and Christians will fight on the side of the Dajjal and be killed by Isa "by his words" (Sahih al-Bukhari 3448) and the Mahdi. After this battle, Isa and the Mahdi will conquer the world and establish a global Islamic Caliphate. As we know, Islam teaches such things as, "The Day of Judgement will not come about until Muslims fight the Jews, when the Jew will hide behind stones and trees. The stones and trees will say O Muslims, O Abdullah, there is a Jew behind me, come and kill him. Only the Gharkad tree, (the Boxthorn*

tree) would not do that because it is one of the trees of the Jews. (related by al-Bukhari and Muslim.) This is one of the major tenets of extremist groups like Hamas. They point to this hadith and say that they are the means of bringing about the judgement day and hastening the return of their messiah figure by attacking the Jews.

Now let us compare this to Revelation 13.

[Rev 13:1-18 NKJV] 1 Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name. 2 Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard, his feet were like [the feet of] a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority. 3 And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the world marveled and followed the beast. 4 So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who [is] like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?"

5 And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months. 6 Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. 7 It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation. 8 All who dwell on the earth *(gē)* will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. *(Note: This Beast rises out of the sea, the gentile nations. I can see parallels between him and the Islamic Mahdi. The heads and horns I will cover in Revelation 17.)*

(Note 2.0 "Authority Over?"

"And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation." The word "over," in this passage is very important. The word is "epi," in the Greek and can also mean "in," or "among." ("BLB") In other words, having authority "among" a group of people is very different than "over" a group of people. To Biblically support this argument, in Revelation 16, the first four bowls of God's wrath seem to be poured out on the entire earth. The Fifth Bowl is poured out on the throne of the Beast and his kingdom. If his kingdom was the whole earth, then why make any differentiation between the two during the course of the text? It's reasonable to infer that the entire world and the kingdom of the Beast are two different things. I would argue, if a "Mahdi" were declared the Caliph of all of Islam, then in every country in the world that has Muslims, that leader would have some amount of authority in that country via his followers. Currently, there are 227 nations/territories (Puerto Rico is a territory for example) with Muslim populations (World Population Review). They total a muslim population of 2,002,862,442 muslims as of January 2025 (Mohamed). That's roughly 1 in 4 people who are muslim. The United Nations only recognizes 195 nations as sovereign. This person would have authority "in" or "among" just about every nation today. I do not believe you would find the same level of widespread, wholehearted commitment to a politically based, European leader, as in the case of the Roman paradigm.)

(Note 3.0: "The Deadly Head Wound"

The deadly head wound of one of the heads, that seemed to be a mortal wound, could be an actual death blow of some kind to a person, who then is resurrected. Thus copying the death of Jesus and his resurrection. Though, as I understand it, I cannot find anywhere in the Bible where Satan has the power to reanimate someone. So, if this is about an individual, I would assume this is something staged, not actually miraculous. This scenario is likely a better fit for the Roman paradigm. If someone looks like they have come back from the dead, that would garner quite the fanatical following. Then again, this could be about the Islamic caliphate also, in a way that a Revived Roman Empire could not be. Remember how we said that leaders and their kingdoms are interchangeable in the Daniel 2 discussion? Well, in 1923 when the Islamic Caliphate was dissolved, Ataturk abolished the office of the Caliph. The Caliph is the head of every aspect of Islam. That "head" was no longer allowed to exist. Were the office to be "revived" as a functioning office, that would be the head with what appeared to be a mortal wound, healed. Again, I want to point out that I am skimming over the observations of the foremost authority, in my opinion on this idea, Joel Richardson. I strongly suggest you follow him on youtube @joelrichardson or his website joelstrumpet.com. His books are extremely well researched and I find them easy to understand, as I am more of a layman than scholar.)

9 If anyone has an ear, let him hear. 10 He who leads into captivity shall go into captivity; he who kills with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

11 Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth *(gē)*, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon. 12 And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence, and causes the earth *(gē)* and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. 13 He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. 14 And he deceives those who dwell on the earth by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived. 15 He was granted [power] to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. 16 He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads, 17 and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. *(Note: This 2nd beast rises out of the earth or land. If the sea is the gentile nations then the "land" would imply Israel. This beast is like a lamb. The only other lamb mentioned in Revelation is Jesus, also Jewish. And it speaks like the dragon, which is clearly Satan. I can see a very close relation to the Islamic version of Jesus, and this False Prophet. Consequently, likely excluding anyone non-Jewish from being the False Prophet.)*

(Note 2.0: I cannot help but notice the parallels between the Black Stone of the Ka'bah we discussed earlier, and the image that the False Prophet gives life to.)

18 Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number [is] 666. *(Note: There is an idea out there that the Greek writing for "666" resembles the "Bismillah" which means, " in the name of Allah," and the crossed swords symbol of Islam in Arabic. The idea being, Arabic was not a written language at the time of John's writing. He saw the Bismillah and the crossed swords of Islam, and saw their resemblance to 666 in Greek characters. There are some gymnastics you would have to perform with the actual Arabic characters in order to pair them up with the Greek symbols for 666. We do not know what he saw, so the similarities that we find may be us stretching to connect the two, as everyone wants to know what the 666 means. All I know for sure is, now I have typed "Bismillah" so much that all I can think of is Bohemian Rhapsody. Sorry…)*

REVELATION 13
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 And I stepped on the sand of the sea, 2 [1 cont.] and I saw an animal coming out of the sea, and he had seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns were ten crowns, and on his heads were names of reproach and blasphemy. 3 [2] And the animal which I saw was like a horse, and his feet like the feet of bears, and his mouth like the mouth of the lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne, and great might.

4 [3] Then I saw that one of his heads was like a deadly wound – but the wound was healed, and all the world was astonished because of this animal. 5 [4] Then they prayed to the dragon who gave the animal power and dominion, and they prayed to the animal and said, "Who is like this animal, and who is able to make war with him?"

6 [5] And it was given to the animal to open his mouth to speak astonishing things and reproach until the time of the forty-two months was completed. 7 [6] So he opened his mouth to blaspheme against Yahweh, and against those who dwell in the heavens. 8 [7] And it was given to him to make war with the set-apart ones; and to overcome them, and all the peoples and nations. 9 [8] And all those who dwell on earth prayed to him – those whose name was not written in the scroll of life of the Lamb who was slain, from the beginning of the creation of the world.

10 [9] Whosoever has ears must hear! 11 [10] – If one drives another into prison, he will go into prison, and if one kills another nephesh with the sword he will be killed by the sword; and here is hope, and the faithfulness of the set-apart ones.

12 [11] Then I saw another animal coming out of the earth, and he had two horns like the Lamb but spoke like the dragon. 13 [12] And he did great wonders before the first animal, and made that the earth and those who dwell on it pray to the first animal, who was healed of his wounds.14 [13] And he made fire fall from the heavens before man.

15 [14] And he seduced the sons of man with his signs and wonders, and said to those who dwell on the earth that they should make a carved image for the animal that had the wounds of a sword, but was healed. 16 [15] And to him it was given, to give the carved image of the animal a ruach and nephesh (so that it was able to speak); and to make that whosoever does not want to pray to the carved image of the animal, that he be killed.

17 [16] And he made for them all – the great ones and the small ones, the rich ones and the poor ones, the slaves and the freed ones – a sign on his right hand or on their forehead; 18 [17] so that no one is able to buy or to sell, unless he has this sign on his hand or on his forehead, or the name of the animal, or the number of his name. 19 [18] Here is wisdom and understanding: whosoever has insight needs to reckon the number of the animal (for it is the number of a man), and the amount will be found – it is six hundred and sixty and six. *(Note from the translator: "This number is written with spelled-out words in the main text. The margin has this number written with letters employed as numerals (in different script than main text): "וסרת" – "lit. "400, 200, 60, 6." This is the standard way to indicate 666 with Hebrew letters (as numerals) instead of words." I would like to reiterate that you should definitely purchase "The Hebrew Revelation, James, and Jude." There are many notes by the translator that I have not added that are exceedingly eye opening. I have not added them as it is his work. I am humbled that he has allowed me to use his translations of these scriptures. The website for purchase is (www.thehebrewgospels.com).*

CHAPTER 14
Revelation 14, OT passages

[Gen 49:1, 8-12 NKJV] 1 And Jacob called his sons and said, "Gather together, that I may tell you what shall befall you in the last days: ... 8 "Judah, you [are he] whom your brothers shall praise; Your hand [shall be] on the neck of your enemies; Your father's children shall bow down before you. 9 Judah [is] a lion's whelp; From the prey, my son, you have gone up. He bows down, he lies down as a lion; And as a lion, who shall rouse him? 10 The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes; And to Him [shall be] the obedience of the people. 11 Binding his donkey to the vine, And his donkey's colt to the choice vine, He washed his garments in wine, And his clothes in the blood of grapes. 12 His eyes [are] darker than wine, And his teeth whiter than milk.

[Exo 13:9, 15-16 NKJV] *See page 72*

[Exo 19:10-16 NKJV] 10 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes. 11 "And let them be ready for the third day. For on the third day the LORD will come down upon Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people. 12 "You shall set bounds for the people all around, saying, 'Take heed to yourselves [that] you do [not] go up to the mountain or touch its base. Whoever touches the mountain shall surely be put to death. 13 'Not a hand shall touch him, but he shall surely be stoned or shot [with an arrow]; whether man or beast, he shall not live.' When the trumpet sounds long, they shall come near the mountain." 14 So Moses went down from the mountain to the people and sanctified the people, and they washed their clothes. 15 And he said to the people, "Be ready for the third day; do not come near [your] wives." 16 Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who [were] in the camp trembled. *(Note: I find it interesting that, apparently, part of consecrating themselves, was to not come "near" their wives. And then compare that to the 144,000 in Revelation 14 who are redeemed first fruits who "are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins." Some have stated this is a symbolic purity. Good hermeneutics (we let scripture interpret the scripture) would say that, unless you want to make Mary's virginity symbolic, there is no reason to make these men's virginity symbolic, but rather say it's possibly symbolic.)*

[Exo 23:16-19 NKJV] 16 "and the Feast of Harvest, the firstfruits of your labors which you have sown in the field; and the Feast of Ingathering at the end of the year, when you have gathered in [the fruit of] your labors from the field. 17 "Three times in the year all your males shall appear before the Lord GOD. 18 "You shall not offer the blood of My sacrifice with leavened bread; nor shall the

fat of My sacrifice remain until morning. 19 “The first of the firstfruits of your land you shall bring into the house of the LORD your God. You shall not boil a young goat in its mother’s milk.

[Exo 23:20-24 NKJV] 20 “Behold, I send an Angel before you to keep you in the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared. 21 “Beware of Him and obey His voice; do not provoke Him, for He will not pardon your transgressions; for My name [is] in Him. 22 “But if you indeed obey His voice and do all that I speak, then I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries. 23 “For My Angel will go before you and bring you in to the Amorites and the Hittites and the Perizzites and the Canaanites and the Hivites and the Jebusites; and I will cut them off. 24 “You shall not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do according to their works; but you shall utterly overthrow them and completely break down their [sacred] pillars. *(Note: The word for “Angel” in the Hebrew here is “mal’āḵ,” it can mean angel or messenger or ambassador* (“BLB”). *In the Greek it is “angelos,” with the same meaning* (“BLB”). *In John 3:34, 6:26, and 14:27 Jesus refers to himself as one who is sent by the Father. So, along with being God, and being the Son of God, He is one who is sent by God to deliver a message. My opinion is this angel/messenger is Christophany. It is a preincarnate Jesus.)*

[Exo 28:36-38 NKJV] 36 “You shall also make a plate of pure gold and engrave on it, [like] the engraving of a signet: HOLINESS TO THE LORD. 37 “And you shall put it on a blue cord, that it may be on the turban; it shall be on the front of the turban. 38 “So it shall be on Aaron’s forehead, that Aaron may bear the iniquity of the holy things which the children of Israel hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall always be on his forehead, that they may be accepted before the LORD.

[Exo 30:1-10 NKJV] *See page 112*

[Lev 2:12-16 NKJV] 12 ‘As for the offering of the firstfruits, you shall offer them to the LORD, but they shall not be burned on the altar for a sweet aroma. 13 ‘And every offering of your grain offering you shall season with salt; you shall not allow the salt of the covenant of your God to be lacking from your grain offering. With all your offerings you shall offer salt. 14 ‘If you offer a grain offering of your firstfruits to the LORD, you shall offer for the grain offering of your firstfruits green heads of grain roasted on the fire, grain beaten from full heads. 15 ‘And you shall put oil on it, and lay frankincense on it. It [is] a grain offering. 16 ‘Then the priest shall burn the memorial portion: [part] of its beaten grain and [part] of its oil, with all the frankincense, as an offering made by fire to the LORD.

[Deu 32:39-43 NKJV] 39 ‘Now see that I, [even] I, [am] He, And [there is] no God besides Me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; Nor [is there any] who can deliver from My hand. 40 For I raise My hand to heaven, And say,

"[As] I live forever, 41 If I whet My glittering sword, And My hand takes hold on judgment, I will render vengeance to My enemies, And repay those who hate Me. 42 I will make My arrows drunk with blood, And My sword shall devour flesh, With the blood of the slain and the captives, From the heads of the leaders of the enemy." ' 43 "Rejoice, O Gentiles, [with] His people; For He will avenge the blood of His servants, And render vengeance to His adversaries; He will provide atonement for His land [and] His people."

[Psa 14:7 NKJV] 7 Oh, that the salvation of Israel [would come] out of Zion! When the LORD brings back the captivity of His people, Let Jacob rejoice [and] Israel be glad.

[Psa 68:3-4 NKJV] 3 But let the righteous be glad; Let them rejoice before God; Yes, let them rejoice exceedingly. 4 Sing to God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds, By His name YAH, And rejoice before Him.

[Psa 69:24 NKJV] 24 Pour out Your indignation upon them, And let Your wrathful anger take hold of them.

[Psa 75:8 NKJV] 8 For in the hand of the LORD [there is] a cup, And the wine is red; It is fully mixed, and He pours it out; Surely its dregs shall all the wicked of the earth Drain [and] drink down.

[Psa 96:1-4, 8-9 NKJV] 1 Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! Sing to the LORD, all the earth. 2 Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. 3 Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples. 4 For the LORD [is] great and greatly to be praised; He [is] to be feared above all gods. ... 8 Give to the LORD the glory [due] His name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts. 9 Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth.

[Psa 98:1-3, 5, 9 NKJV] 1 A Psalm. Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory. 2 The LORD has made known His salvation; His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations. 3 He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. ... 5 Sing to the LORD with the harp, With the harp and the sound of a psalm, ... 9 For He is coming to judge the earth. With righteousness He shall judge the world, And the peoples with equity.

[Psa 116:15 NKJV] 15 Precious in the sight of the LORD [Is] the death of His saints.

[Psa 132:9-18 NKJV] 9 Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness, And let Your saints shout for joy. 10 For Your servant David's sake, Do not turn away the face of Your Anointed. 11 The LORD has sworn [in] truth to David; He will not turn from it: "I will set upon your throne the fruit of your body. 12 If your sons will keep My covenant And My testimony which I shall teach them, Their sons also shall sit upon your throne forevermore." 13 For the LORD has

chosen Zion; He has desired [it] for His dwelling place: 14 "This [is] My resting place forever; Here I will dwell, for I have desired it. 15 I will abundantly bless her provision; I will satisfy her poor with bread. 16 I will also clothe her priests with salvation, And her saints shall shout aloud for joy. 17 There I will make the horn of David grow; I will prepare a lamp for My Anointed. 18 His enemies I will clothe with shame, But upon Himself His crown shall flourish."*(Note: In Revelation, the lamps are the churches. The Father will prepare the church for His Son the Messiah.)*

(Note 2.0: See page 4 note on "Son of David"

[Psa 144:9-10 NKJV] 9 I will sing a new song to You, O God; On a harp of ten strings I will sing praises to You, 10 [The One] who gives salvation to kings, Who delivers David His servant From the deadly sword.

[Psa 149:5-9 NKJV] 5 Let the saints be joyful in glory; Let them sing aloud on their beds. 6 [Let] the high praises of God [be] in their mouth, And a two-edged sword in their hand, 7 To execute vengeance on the nations, And punishments on the peoples; 8 To bind their kings with chains, And their nobles with fetters of iron; 9 To execute on them the written judgment--This honor have all His saints. Praise the LORD!

[Joe 3:1-17 NKJV] 1 "For behold, in those days and at that time, When I bring back the captives of Judah and Jerusalem, 2 I will also gather all nations, And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; And I will enter into judgment with them there On account of My people, My heritage Israel, Whom they have scattered among the nations; They have also divided up My land. 3 They have cast lots for My people, Have given a boy [as payment] for a harlot, And sold a girl for wine, that they may drink. 4 "Indeed, what have you to do with Me, O Tyre and Sidon, and all the coasts of Philistia? Will you retaliate against Me? But if you retaliate against Me, Swiftly and speedily I will return your retaliation upon your own head; 5 Because you have taken My silver and My gold, And have carried into your temples My prized possessions. 6 Also the people of Judah and the people of Jerusalem You have sold to the Greeks, That you may remove them far from their borders. 7 "Behold, I will raise them Out of the place to which you have sold them, And will return your retaliation upon your own head. 8 I will sell your sons and your daughters Into the hand of the people of Judah, And they will sell them to the Sabeans, To a people far off; For the LORD has spoken." 9 Proclaim this among the nations: "Prepare for war! Wake up the mighty men, Let all the men of war draw near, Let them come up. 10 Beat your plowshares into swords And your pruning hooks into spears; Let the weak say, 'I [am] strong.' " 11 Assemble and come, all you nations, And gather together all around. Cause Your mighty ones to go down there, O LORD. 12 "Let the nations be wakened, and come up to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; For there I will sit to judge all the surrounding nations. 13 Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe. Come, go down; For the winepress is full, The vats overflow--For their wickedness [is] great." 14

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD [is] near in the valley of decision. 15 The sun and moon will grow dark, And the stars will diminish their brightness. 16 The LORD also will roar from Zion, And utter His voice from Jerusalem; The heavens and earth will shake; But the LORD will be a shelter for His people, And the strength of the children of Israel. 17 "So you shall know that I [am] the LORD your God, Dwelling in Zion My holy mountain. Then Jerusalem shall be holy, And no aliens shall ever pass through her again."

(Note: "The Valley of Jehoshaphat."

First, who is Jehoshaphat? Jehoshaphat was the fourth king of Judah. His rule overlapped with Elijah and Elisha being prophet to the Northern Kingdom of Israel. He reigned from 872-848 BC. He was David's great-great-great-grandson. He was a Godly king. You can read his story 1 Kings 22:41–50 and 2 Chronicles 17:1–21:1.

Second, where is this valley? This valley is widely known as a valley that runs through Jerusalem, aka the Kidron Valley, between the Mount of Olives and the Temple Mount. However, the Kidron Valley was not named "Jehoshaphat" until about 400 AD (McClintock and Strong). *This is the only passage in the Bible that mentions the "Valley of Jehoshaphat." The book of Joel was written somewhere between 800 BC and 400 BC recounting events and prophecies that took place between 790-760 BC. So, Joel refers to this location 800-1,200 years before it was named. Now, he could be prophesying the future naming and location, or he was talking about another place. Jehoshaphat means "Jehovah has judged."* ("BLB") *The important event associated with Jehoshaphat that I want to highlight is the location of a major battle that took place during his reign. You read about it here earlier in* 2Ch 20:1-30. *You go south from Jerusalem 7 miles to the wilderness of Tekoa. And then head west to the wilderness of Jeruel, and continue to the Ascent of Ziz which is on the west coast of the Dead Sea. Some believe near a kibbutz called Mitzpe Shalem, which is near the Wadi Hasasah* (Openbible.info) *8-ish miles north of En Gedi. So, on the coast of the Dead Sea, the Lord killed the enemies of Israel and Jehoshaphat without them having to fight at all. The Dead Sea is in the Jordan Rift Valley.*

I think the area where this major battle took place should be considered the VOJ [Valley of Jehoshaphat.] The descriptions in this passage and in Revelation 14 lead me to think that the current valley of Jehoshaphat is too small and thus not the location of the "winepress of God's wrath." The currently accepted VOJ is 20 miles long. It is approximately 600 ft wide in the city of Jerusalem. It does open up to the Dead Sea. But generally its dimensions do not fit the Biblical description. Additionally, Revelation 14 places the VOJ "outside the city." During the time of John's writing, it is my understanding that the Kidron valley was outside the city limit. However, in modern times, it resides in East Jerusalem, placing it inside the city. It is an unnecessary detail included in the text. If it were even 1 mile wide you could fit 348 million people in it giving each person 1.6 square feet to stand in. This passage seems to call for all nations

and also armies. If just armies, then this is plenty of space. In 2020, there was approx 27 million soldiers in the entire world (according to macrotrends.net.) If God means literally "all nations," then you would need some version of 50.8 miles by 50.8 miles (Reuters.) *You could then fit 8 billion people. However, the number of people is not the issue.*

My problem is trying to harmonize the currently accepted VOJ with the distances in Revelation 14. According to Revelation 14, the blood from the wine press flows "1600 furlongs," or "stadia." This is equivalent to 184 miles. Not a paltry 20 miles. And no, I am not going to calculate the blood volume of 8 billion people spread over 184 miles combined with the depth of the valley and Dead Sea……. That would feel……. Abit macab……. Anyway, if you take the beginning of the Jordan Rift Valley in the north just south of Mt. Hermon in the area of Jordan Park just north of the Sea of Galilee (Hula Valley,) and follow the Jordan down past the Dead Sea to Mt. Paran where it begins to be close to sea level, you would have 184 miles. The Dead Sea is the lowest place on land in the world. What that means is, while not the deepest, the record for the "lowest point on Earth's land surface"refers to the elevation of the surface of the water surface, not the bottom of the lake or sea. The surface of the water starts at 1,412 feet below the earth's mean sea level. God placed His city and His name right next to the lowest place in the world which also happens to be a river valley that runs more than 184 miles all the way to the Gulf of Aqaba. And it is also a valley in which He defended Jehoshaphat and Israel from their enemies. My take is the Jordan Rift Valley is a better candidate for the Winepress of God's Wrath. See maps and explanation on page 244-247.)

(Note 2.0: In context, Joel is prophesying to the people of Judah and Jerusalem, but from a modern day stand point, we refer to people from Israel as Jews colloquially, as historically speaking they are from the tribe of Judah, and this is who is being persecuted here. People in our day are sometimes called, "Israeli," but often times it's just "Jews," regardless of where they are from in Israel.)

(Note 3.0: This passage refers to Tyre, Sidon, the coasts of Philistia, and the Greeks [Javanites/Ionians.] This would be modern day Lebanon, Gaza, and Western Turkey. These regions, at the time of this writing, are very anti-Israel. The Sabeans come from Sheba, which is modern day Yemen. "Sabean" can also mean "drunkard," or "he who is coming." ("BLB"))

[Hos 2:14-15 NKJV] 14 "Therefore, behold, I will allure her, Will bring her into the wilderness, And speak comfort to her. 15 I will give her her vineyards from there, And the Valley of Achor as a door of hope; She shall sing there, As in the days of her youth, As in the day when she came up from the land of Egypt. *(Note: The Valley of Achor is north of Jericho in the Jordan Rift Valley.)*

[Amo 1:1-2 NKJV] 1 The words of Amos, who was among the sheep

breeders of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel, two years before the earthquake. 2 And he said: "The LORD roars from Zion, And utters His voice from Jerusalem; The pastures of the shepherds mourn, And the top of Carmel withers."

[Amo 6:14 NKJV] 14 "But, behold, I will raise up a nation against you, O house of Israel," Says the LORD God of hosts; "And they will afflict you from the entrance of Hamath To the Valley of the Arabah."*(Note: The "entrance of Hamath" is located in Lebanon* (Bible Hub). *Some maps show it in the valley beneath Mt. Hermon. However, it is traditionally known as "Homs Gap." It is the northern geographical border of the land God promised to Abraham. I posit that if traveling north to Hamath from Israel The Hula valley runs all the way to Hamath. Making the Hula Valley the "entrance to Hamath." However, this is a personal theory. The Valley of the Arabah is the southern end of the Jordan Rift Valley terminating at the Gulf of Aqaba. Amos is referring to Israel being afflicted from top to bottom, but it is possibly also a reference to the entire Jordan Rift corridor. See "Valley of Jehoshaphat" "Maps" Appendix 244-245.)*

[Isa 5:3-7 NKJV] 3 "And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, Judge, please, between Me and My vineyard. 4 What more could have been done to My vineyard That I have not done in it? Why then, when I expected [it] to bring forth [good] grapes, Did it bring forth wild grapes? 5 And now, please let Me tell you what I will do to My vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it shall be burned; [And] break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. 6 I will lay it waste; It shall not be pruned or dug, But there shall come up briers and thorns. I will also command the clouds That they rain no rain on it." 7 For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts [is] the house of Israel, And the men of Judah are His pleasant plant. He looked for justice, but behold, oppression; For righteousness, but behold, a cry [for help]. *(Note: Revelation 14 makes reference to "the clusters of the vine of the earth." This is another case of "earth," or "land." If it's the "land," that changes the implications of Revelation 14:18-19. For the record, my personal opinion is that it is referencing the whole earth, but if "land" then this passage of Isaiah could give it a different meaning entirely.)*

[Isa 21:9-10 NKJV] 9 And look, here comes a chariot of men [with] a pair of horsemen!" Then he answered and said, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen! And all the carved images of her gods He has broken to the ground." 10 Oh, my threshing and the grain of my floor! That which I have heard from the LORD of hosts, The God of Israel, I have declared to you.

(Note: "The Threshing Floor, Babylon Is Fallen"

A threshing floor is often seen as a place of separation. Completely sensible, the wheat being separated from the chaff. In context, this verse is very definitely about literal Babylon. But, I have a thought about this verse. David purchased a threshing floor in order to build an altar and make a sacrifice to stop a plague that he himself had brought on to the Israelites from the Lord (2 Samuel 24:18-25 and 1 Chronicles 21:18-30.) This is the same spot that Solomon built the Temple. Further, John the Baptist says in reference to Jesus:

> [Mat 3:11-12 NKJV] 11 "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 12 "His winnowing fan [is] in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."
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> [Luk 3:17 NKJV] 17 "His winnowing fan [is] in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather the wheat into His barn; but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire."

It is conceivable that references to the Lords threshing floor, may be references to the Temple Mount. Why would Isaiah cry out about a threshing floor right after saying, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen" unless there is some connection between Babylon and the Temple Mount. I do not like the implications of this, but I think it is something we have to consider.)

[Isa 25:9-12 NKJV] 9 And it will be said in that day: "Behold, this [is] our God; We have waited for Him, and He will save us. This [is] the LORD; We have waited for Him; We will be glad and rejoice in His salvation." 10 For on this mountain the hand of the LORD will rest, And Moab shall be trampled down under Him, As straw is trampled down for the refuse heap. 11 And He will spread out His hands in their midst As a swimmer reaches out to swim, And He will bring down their pride Together with the trickery of their hands. 12 The fortress of the high fort of your walls He will bring down, lay low, [And] bring to the ground, down to the dust.

[Isa 26:20-21 NKJV] 20 Come, my people, enter your chambers, And shut your doors behind you; Hide yourself, as it were, for a little moment, Until the indignation is past. 21 For behold, the LORD comes out of His place To punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity; The earth will also disclose her blood, And will no more cover her slain.

[Isa 34:1-8 NKJV] 1 Come near, you nations, to hear; And heed, you people! Let the earth hear, and all that is in it, The world and all things that come forth from it. 2 For the indignation of the LORD [is] against all nations, And [His] fury against all their armies; He has utterly destroyed them, He has given them

over to the slaughter. 3 Also their slain shall be thrown out; Their stench shall rise from their corpses, And the mountains shall be melted with their blood. 4 All the host of heaven shall be dissolved, And the heavens shall be rolled up like a scroll; All their host shall fall down As the leaf falls from the vine, And as [fruit] falling from a fig tree. 5 "For My sword shall be bathed in heaven; Indeed it shall come down on Edom, And on the people of My curse, for judgment. 6 The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, It is made overflowing with fatness, With the blood of lambs and goats, With the fat of the kidneys of rams. For the LORD has a sacrifice in Bozrah, And a great slaughter in the land of Edom. 7 The wild oxen shall come down with them, And the young bulls with the mighty bulls; Their land shall be soaked with blood, And their dust saturated with fatness." 8 For [it is] the day of the LORD's vengeance, The year of recompense for the cause of Zion. *(Note: the word for "cause," is "rîḇ," pronounced "reeb." The KJV chooses the word "controversy" as the way to translate it.* ("BLB") *Controversy over Jerusalem makes perfect sense. In 1611 this was the translation. That is 34seven years before Israel became a nation again and Jerusalem returned to the Jews. At that time there was no "controversy," but there most certainly is now. We are witnessing varying levels of prophetic fulfillment in the Middle East in our lifetimes.)*

[Isa 59:18 NKJV] 18 According to [their] deeds, accordingly He will repay, Fury to His adversaries, Recompense to His enemies; The coastlands He will fully repay.

[Isa 63:1-6 NKJV] 1 Who [is] this who comes from Edom, With dyed garments from Bozrah, This [One who is] glorious in His apparel, Traveling in the greatness of His strength?--"I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save." 2 Why [is] Your apparel red, And Your garments like one who treads in the winepress? 3 "I have trodden the winepress alone, And from the peoples no one [was] with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, And trampled them in My fury; Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, And I have stained all My robes. 4 For the day of vengeance [is] in My heart, And the year of My redeemed has come. 5 I looked, but [there was] no one to help, And I wondered That [there was] no one to uphold; Therefore My own arm brought salvation for Me; And My own fury, it sustained Me. 6 I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, Made them drunk in My fury, And brought down their strength to the earth."

(Note: "Blood Soaked Savior"

One of my favorite passages about Yeshua. Very rarely is this passage pointed to. Our Messiah is love. But He is also a righteous, holy warrior coming to judge and bring justice to those who would willfully oppose Him and to those who oppress His bride. This is a description of the moment that the souls/martyrs under the Altar of Incense in the Fifth Seal were asking the Lord for, "When will you avenge our blood?" This is it. It is both awe inspiring and terrifying. Awe inspiring as He is literally coming to do battle to save us and avenge us. Terrifying because, before accepting His free gift to us, His sacri-

fice, and before turning our lives over to Him, and following Him, and loving Him more than our own lives, we were just as worthy of this treatment as the oppressors. THIS is our God.)

(Note 2.0: See that the blood soaked Messiah who has tread the Winepress of the wrath of God is coming from the south and east which is where Bozrah and Edom is. It's also where the Dead Sea is in relation to Jerusalem.)

[Mic 4:8-13 NKJV] 8 And you, O tower of the flock, The stronghold of the daughter of Zion, To you shall it come, Even the former dominion shall come, The kingdom of the daughter of Jerusalem." 9 Now why do you cry aloud? [Is there] no king in your midst? Has your counselor perished? For pangs have seized you like a woman in labor. 10 Be in pain, and labor to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, Like a woman in birth pangs. For now you shall go forth from the city, You shall dwell in the field, And to Babylon you shall go. There you shall be delivered; There the LORD will redeem you From the hand of your enemies. 11 Now also many nations have gathered against you, Who say, "Let her be defiled, And let our eye look upon Zion." 12 But they do not know the thoughts of the LORD, Nor do they understand His counsel; For He will gather them like sheaves to the threshing floor. 13 "Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion; For I will make your horn iron, And I will make your hooves bronze; You shall beat in pieces many peoples; I will consecrate their gain to the LORD, And their substance to the Lord of the whole earth."

[Mic 5:4 NKJV] 4 And He shall stand and feed [His flock] In the strength of the LORD, In the majesty of the name of the LORD His God; And they shall abide, For now He shall be great To the ends of the earth;

[Zep 2:1-3 NKJV] 1 Gather yourselves together, yes, gather together, O undesirable nation, 2 Before the decree is issued, [Or] the day passes like chaff, Before the LORD's fierce anger comes upon you, Before the day of the LORD's anger comes upon you! 3 Seek the LORD, all you meek of the earth, Who have upheld His justice. Seek righteousness, seek humility. It may be that you will be hidden In the day of the LORD's anger.

[Zep 3:8-13 NKJV] 8 "Therefore wait for Me," says the LORD, "Until the day I rise up for plunder; My determination [is] to gather the nations To My assembly of kingdoms, To pour on them My indignation, All My fierce anger; All the earth shall be devoured With the fire of My jealousy. 9 "For then I will restore to the peoples a pure language, That they all may call on the name of the LORD, To serve Him with one accord. 10 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia My worshipers, The daughter of My dispersed ones, Shall bring My offering. 11 In that day you shall not be shamed for any of your deeds In which you transgress against Me; For then I will take away from your midst Those who rejoice in your pride, And you shall no longer be haughty In My holy mountain. 12 I will leave

in your midst A meek and humble people, And they shall trust in the name of the LORD. 13 The remnant of Israel shall do no unrighteousness And speak no lies, Nor shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth; For they shall feed [their] flocks and lie down, And no one shall make [them] afraid." 14 Sing, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all [your] heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! 15 The LORD has taken away your judgments, He has cast out your enemy. The King of Israel, the LORD, [is] in your midst; You shall see disaster no more. 16 In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: "Do not fear; Zion, let not your hands be weak. 17 The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet [you] with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing." 18 "I will gather those who sorrow over the appointed assembly, Who are among you, [To whom] its reproach [is] a burden. 19 Behold, at that time I will deal with all who afflict you; I will save the lame, And gather those who were driven out; I will appoint them for praise and fame In every land where they were put to shame. 20 At that time I will bring you back, Even at the time I gather you; For I will give you fame and praise Among all the peoples of the earth, When I return your captives before your eyes," Says the LORD.

[Jer 2:2-3 NKJV] 2 "Go and cry in the hearing of Jerusalem, saying, 'Thus says the LORD: "I remember you, The kindness of your youth, The love of your betrothal, When you went after Me in the wilderness, In a land not sown. 3 Israel [was] holiness to the LORD, The firstfruits of His increase. All that devour him will offend; Disaster will come upon them," says the LORD.' "

[Jer 3:14-17 NKJV] 14 "Return, O backsliding children," says the LORD; "for I am married to you. I will take you, one from a city and two from a family, and I will bring you to Zion. 15 "And I will give you shepherds according to My heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding. 16 "Then it shall come to pass, when you are multiplied and increased in the land in those days," says the LORD, "that they will say no more, 'The ark of the covenant of the LORD.' It shall not come to mind, nor shall they remember it, nor shall they visit [it], nor shall it be made anymore. 17 "At that time Jerusalem shall be called The Throne of the LORD, and all the nations shall be gathered to it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem. No more shall they follow the dictates of their evil hearts.

[Jer 23:29 NKJV] 29 "[Is] not My word like a fire?" says the LORD, "And like a hammer [that] breaks the rock in pieces?

[Jer 25:15-38 NKJV] 15 For thus says the LORD God of Israel to me: "Take this wine cup of fury from My hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send you, to drink it. 16 "And they will drink and stagger and go mad because of the sword that I will send among them." 17 Then I took the cup from the LORD's hand, and made all the nations drink, to whom the LORD had sent me: 18 Jerusalem and the cities of Judah, its kings and its princes, to make them a desola-

tion, an astonishment, a hissing, and a curse, as [it is] this day; 19 Pharaoh king of Egypt, his servants, his princes, and all his people; 20 all the mixed multitude, all the kings of the land of Uz, all the kings of the land of the Philistines (namely, Ashkelon, Gaza, Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod); 21 Edom, Moab, and the people of Ammon; 22 all the kings of Tyre, all the kings of Sidon, and the kings of the coastlands which [are] across the sea; 23 Dedan, Tema, Buz, and all [who are] in the farthest corners; 24 all the kings of Arabia and all the kings of the mixed multitude who dwell in the desert; 25 all the kings of Zimri, all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes; 26 all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another; and all the kingdoms of the world which [are] on the face of the earth. Also the king of Sheshach shall drink after them. 27 "Therefore you shall say to them, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: "Drink, be drunk, and vomit! Fall and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you." ' 28 "And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup from your hand to drink, then you shall say to them, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts: "You shall certainly drink! 29 "For behold, I begin to bring calamity on the city which is called by My name, and should you be utterly unpunished? You shall not be unpunished, for I will call for a sword on all the inhabitants of the earth," says the LORD of hosts.' 30 "Therefore prophesy against them all these words, and say to them: 'The LORD will roar from on high, And utter His voice from His holy habitation; He will roar mightily against His fold. He will give a shout, as those who tread [the grapes], Against all the inhabitants of the earth. 31 A noise will come to the ends of the earth--For the LORD has a controversy with the nations; He will plead His case with all flesh. He will give those [who are] wicked to the sword,' says the LORD." 32 Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Behold, disaster shall go forth From nation to nation, And a great whirlwind shall be raised up From the farthest parts of the earth. 33 "And at that day the slain of the LORD shall be from [one] end of the earth even to the [other] end of the earth. They shall not be lamented, or gathered, or buried; they shall become refuse on the ground. 34 "Wail, shepherds, and cry! Roll about [in the ashes], You leaders of the flock! For the days of your slaughter and your dispersions are fulfilled; You shall fall like a precious vessel. 35 And the shepherds will have no way to flee, Nor the leaders of the flock to escape. 36 A voice of the cry of the shepherds, And a wailing of the leaders to the flock [will be heard]. For the LORD has plundered their pasture, 37 And the peaceful dwellings are cut down Because of the fierce anger of the LORD. 38 He has left His lair like the lion; For their land is desolate Because of the fierceness of the Oppressor, And because of His fierce anger." *(Note: The drinking of the cup starts with Jerusalem and the cities of Judah.)*

(Note 2.0: The king of Sheshach is the last to drink. Shechack is Babylon.) (Bible Hub)

[Jer 33:17-18 NKJV] 17 "For thus says the LORD: 'David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel; 18 'nor shall the priests, the Levites, lack a man to offer burnt offerings before Me, to kindle grain offerings,

and to sacrifice continually.' "

[Jer 49:10-13 NKJV] 10 But I have made Esau bare; I have uncovered his secret places, And he shall not be able to hide himself. His descendants are plundered, His brethren and his neighbors, And he [is] no more. 11 Leave your fatherless children, I will preserve [them] alive; And let your widows trust in Me." 12 For thus says the LORD: "Behold, those whose judgment [was] not to drink of the cup have assuredly drunk. And [are] you the one who will altogether go unpunished? You shall not go unpunished, but you shall surely drink [of it]. 13 "For I have sworn by Myself," says the LORD, "that Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste, and a curse. And all its cities shall be perpetual wastes." *(Note:* [Gen 36:8 NKJV] "8 So Esau dwelt in Mount Seir. Esau [is] Edom." ("BLB")

[Jer 51:6-9, 16 NKJV] 6 Flee from the midst of Babylon, And every one save his life! Do not be cut off in her iniquity, For this [is] the time of the LORD's vengeance; He shall recompense her. 7 Babylon [was] a golden cup in the LORD's hand, That made all the earth drunk. The nations drank her wine; Therefore the nations are deranged. 8 Babylon has suddenly fallen and been destroyed. Wail for her! Take balm for her pain; Perhaps she may be healed. 9 We would have healed Babylon, But she is not healed. Forsake her, and let us go everyone to his own country; For her judgment reaches to heaven and is lifted up to the skies. ... 16 When He utters [His] voice--[There is] a multitude of waters in the heavens: "He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; He makes lightnings for the rain; He brings the wind out of His treasuries."

(Note: Jerusalem is compared to a cup "of drunkenness" in Zech 12:2.)

[Hab 2:14 NKJV] 14 For the earth will be filled With the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, As the waters cover the sea.

[Dan 7:13 NKJV] 13 "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, [One] like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him.

[Oba 1:15-16 NKJV] 15 "For the day of the LORD upon all the nations [is] near; As you have done, it shall be done to you; Your reprisal shall return upon your own head. 16 For as you drank on My holy mountain, [So] shall all the nations drink continually; Yes, they shall drink, and swallow, And they shall be as though they had never been.

[Eze 32:5-6 NKJV] 5 I will lay your flesh on the mountains, And fill the valleys with your carcass. 6 'I will also water the land with the flow of your blood, [Even] to the mountains; And the riverbeds will be full of you. *(Note: In context, this is about the Pharaoh of Egypt.)*

[Hag 2:20-23 NKJV] 20 And again the word of the LORD came to Haggai on the twenty-fourth day of the month, saying, 21 "Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying: 'I will shake heaven and earth. 22 I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms; I will destroy the strength of the Gentile kingdoms. I will overthrow the chariots And those who ride in them; The horses and their riders shall come down, Every one by the sword of his brother. 23 'In that day,' says the LORD of hosts, 'I will take you, Zerubbabel My servant, the son of Shealtiel,' says the LORD, 'and will make you like a signet [ring]; for I have chosen you,' says the LORD of hosts." *(Note: I include this here as it points to a similar destruction of Israel's enemies as in the Valley of Jehoshaphat where the enemies of Israel turned on each other by the hand of the Lord. See page 182 "Valley of Jehoshaphat" and "Maps" with explanation beginning on page 244.)*

[Zec 12:1-9 NKJV] 1 The burden of the word of the LORD against Israel. Thus says the LORD, who stretches out the heavens, lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him: 2 "Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of drunkenness to all the surrounding peoples, when they lay siege against Judah and Jerusalem. 3 "And it shall happen in that day that I will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are gathered against it. 4 "In that day," says the LORD, "I will strike every horse with confusion, and its rider with madness; I will open My eyes on the house of Judah, and will strike every horse of the peoples with blindness. 5 "And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, 'The inhabitants of Jerusalem [are] my strength in the LORD of hosts, their God.' 6 "In that day I will make the governors of Judah like a firepan in the woodpile, and like a fiery torch in the sheaves; they shall devour all the surrounding peoples on the right hand and on the left, but Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place--Jerusalem. 7 "The LORD will save the tents of Judah first, so that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem shall not become greater than that of Judah. 8 "In that day the LORD will defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; the one who is feeble among them in that day shall be like David, and the house of David [shall be] like God, like the Angel of the LORD before them. 9 "It shall be in that day [that] I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.

[Zec 2:10 NKJV] 10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD.

[2Ch 20:1-30 NKJV] 1 It happened after this [that] the people of Moab with the people of Ammon, and [others] with them besides the Ammonites, came to battle against Jehoshaphat. 2 Then some came and told Jehoshaphat, saying, "A great multitude is coming against you from beyond the sea, from Syria; and they are in Hazazon Tamar" (which [is] En Gedi). 3 And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah. 4

So Judah gathered together to ask [help] from the LORD; and from all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD. 5 Then Jehoshaphat stood in the assembly of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of the LORD, before the new court, 6 and said: "O LORD God of our fathers, [are] You not God in heaven, and do You [not] rule over all the kingdoms of the nations, and in Your hand [is there not] power and might, so that no one is able to withstand You? 7 "[Are] You not our God, [who] drove out the inhabitants of this land before Your people Israel, and gave it to the descendants of Abraham Your friend forever? 8 "And they dwell in it, and have built You a sanctuary in it for Your name, saying, 9 'If disaster comes upon us--sword, judgment, pestilence, or famine--we will stand before this temple and in Your presence (for Your name [is] in this temple), and cry out to You in our affliction, and You will hear and save.' 10 "And now, here are the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir--whom You would not let Israel invade when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them and did not destroy them-- 11 "here they are, rewarding us by coming to throw us out of Your possession which You have given us to inherit. 12 "O our God, will You not judge them? For we have no power against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes [are] upon You." 13 Now all Judah, with their little ones, their wives, and their children, stood before the LORD. 14 Then the Spirit of the LORD came upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jeiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, in the midst of the assembly. 15 And he said, "Listen, all you of Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem, and you, King Jehoshaphat! Thus says the LORD to you: 'Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle [is] not yours, but God's. 16 'Tomorrow go down against them. They will surely come up by the Ascent of Ziz, and you will find them at the end of the brook before the Wilderness of Jeruel. 17 'You will not [need] to fight in this [battle]. Position yourselves, stand still and see the salvation of the LORD, who is with you, O Judah and Jerusalem!' Do not fear or be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them, for the LORD [is] with you." 18 And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with [his] face to the ground, and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem bowed before the LORD, worshiping the LORD. 19 Then the Levites of the children of the Kohathites and of the children of the Korahites stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with voices loud and high. 20 So they rose early in the morning and went out into the Wilderness of Tekoa; and as they went out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Hear me, O Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem: Believe in the LORD your God, and you shall be established; believe His prophets, and you shall prosper." 21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who should sing to the LORD, and who should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army and were saying: "Praise the LORD, For His mercy [endures] forever." 22 Now when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushes against the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah; and they were defeated. 23 For the people of Am-

mon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of Mount Seir to utterly kill and destroy [them]. And when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, they helped to destroy one another. 24 So when Judah came to a place overlooking the wilderness, they looked toward the multitude; and there [were] their dead bodies, fallen on the earth. No one had escaped. 25 When Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away their spoil, they found among them an abundance of valuables on the dead bodies, and precious jewelry, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away; and they were three days gathering the spoil because there was so much. 26 And on the fourth day they assembled in the Valley of Berachah, for there they blessed the LORD; therefore the name of that place was called The Valley of Berachah until this day. 27 Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, with Jehoshaphat in front of them, to go back to Jerusalem with joy, for the LORD had made them rejoice over their enemies. 28 So they came to Jerusalem, with stringed instruments and harps and trumpets, to the house of the LORD. 29 And the fear of God was on all the kingdoms of [those] countries when they heard that the LORD had fought against the enemies of Israel. 30 Then the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet, for his God gave him rest all around. *(Note: The reason this is included will become clear in Joel when we go over the "Valley of Jehoshaphat.")*

(Note 2.0: Ammon is in northern Jordan, so when you hear "Amman, Jordan," same region. Moab would be central Jordan, and Mt. Seir is Edom, which is southern Jordan. It is approximately 14 miles southeast of Mt. Paran. Mt. Seir and Mt. Paran stand just about opposite of each other on either side of the Jordan Rift Valley.)

REVELATION 14
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 14:1-20 NKJV] 1 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred [and] forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads. 2 And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps. 3 They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred [and] forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth. 4 These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from [among] men, [being] firstfruits to God and to the Lamb. 5 And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God.

6 Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth--to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people-- 7 saying with a loud voice, "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water."

(Note: "Gospel to the World"
Jesus said in Matt 24:14, as part of the Olivet Discourse (Matt 24-25, Mark 13, and Luke 21,) that:

> [Mat 24:14 NKJV] 14 "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come."

It is often stated that Jesus cannot return until we, the church, spread the gospel to everyone on the whole earth. While I agree with the Great Commission of Matt 28, Jesus does not state how the gospel is preached to the whole earth, in fact, it is basically impossible for humans to accomplish this feat. God is completely just. It appears He has an angel or some supernatural messenger to both contact the uncontactable, and overcome any language barriers to reach all with the gospel so none will have excuse and perish unjustly.)

8 And another angel followed, saying, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." *(Note: While not conclusive in any way, it is interesting to note that Jerusalem is called "the great city," in Revelation 11:8. This may point to a Jerusalem/Babylon connection. But "contrarywise" Nineveh is referred to*

as "that great city" in the book of Jonah. I will expound on "Mystery, Babylon" options in chapter 17. The point here is to be aware of possibilities, and the reasons behind them.)

9 Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives [his] mark on his forehead or on his hand, 10 "he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. 11 "And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."

12 Here is the patience of the saints; here [are] those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. *(Note: In the past, I have read this statement as a stand alone statement, but in this moment, like just before I started typing this sentence, I believe we are to apply this statement to verses 13-16.)*

13 Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed [are] the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' " "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

14 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat [One] like the Son of Man, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle. 15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe." 16 So He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped. *(Note: I think it is no stretch to say, with some certainty, that this is Jesus. I believe this is about the rapture of the remaining living saints. In Mark, Jesus is telling a parable about the kingdom and says:*

> [Mar 4:29 NKJV] 29 "But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

He speaks of "the harvest," in reference to the followers of Christ in Matthew 9 & 13, Mark 4, Luke 10, and John 4. Some are parallel passages.)

17 Then another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

18 And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, "Thrust in your

sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe." 19 So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw [it] into the great winepress of the wrath of God. 20 And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses' bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs. *(Note: Finally, to me, it is clear that if verses 14-16 are the rapture, then this is the final battle of Revelation 16/19, Armageddon/Har Mo'ed.)*

(Note 2.0: I would assume the angel having power over fire would be the angel from Revelation 8 who threw the coals on the earth. Personal opinion.)

(Note 3.0: I stated earlier that I would attempt no timelines. And, I hold to that… but… It seems to me that Revelation 14:1-20 can be viewed as a 30,000 foot view of the end times, specifically Chapter 7-19. I will not expound on it in detail as I do not wish to mislead anyone in the event that I am wrong. It is strictly me connecting the dots as I see it. It requires a little interpretive symbolism that I think some would view as a stretch of possibilities. I also do not hold this opinion dogmatically. If Revelation 14 is some kind of timeline overview, then you, the reader, should be able to decide that of your own accord, ideally via prayer and the Holy Spirit.)

REVELATION 14
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 And I saw a Lamb standing on mount Tsiyon, and with him a hundred and forty-four thousand, and on them the name of his Father was written. 2 Then I heard a voice from the heavens like the noise of great waters, and like the sound of great voices, and the voice which I heard was like the sound of a lyre.

3 And they were singing like a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders, and no one was able to learn this song except these hundred and forty-four thousand whom he bought from the earth. 4 (And these are they who did not sin with women, and they are like virgins and follow after the Lamb, and they are bought as first fruits of Yahweh and the Lamb. 5 And there is no deceit in their ruach, and they are blameless before the throne of Yahweh.)

6 Then I saw a messenger flying in the midst of the heavens, and he had one good news to make known to those who dwell on the earth, and to all the peoples and nations. 7 And he said with a great voice, "Fear Yahweh and do your prayer to him, for the day of judgment has come, and do prayer to him who created the heavens and the earth, and the sea and the fountains!"

8 And after this voice another messenger came and cried out, "Fallen, fallen has Bavel , the great city! – For she corrupted all the peoples with the wine of her fornication."

9 And after this, the third messenger came and said with a great voice, "If one will do his prayer to the carved image and to the animal, and will take the sign on his hand or on his forehead – 10 this one will drink of the wine of the fury of Yahweh, which is in the cup of fury, and he will be punished with fire and brimstone before his set-apart messengers and the Lamb. 11 And the smoke of their punishment will go up from everlasting and unto everlasting, and they will not have rest, day or night – those who took the sign and prayed to the carved image."

12 Here is the hope of the set-apart ones, and here are those who do the commandments of Yahweh, and believe in Yeshua. 13 And I heard a voice from the heavens saying to me, "Write: Blessed are they who die on account of the set-apartness of Yahweh from now on! And what the Ruach says is true: that they rest from their works, for their works follow after them."

14 Then I saw a bright a cloud, and on it there sat one with the appearance of a

man, and on his head was a crown of gold, and in his hand was a sickle. 15 And another messenger came from the house of prayer, and cried with a great voice to him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust with your sickle and harvest, for the time of the harvest has come!" 16 Then he who sat on the cloud thrust with his sickle and harvested.

17 And another messenger came to the heavens, and in his hand was a sickle. 18 Then another messenger went out from the altar (and he had control over the fire), and he cried out with a great voice to him who had the sickle and said, "Thrust with your sickle and harvest the grapes of the earth, for its fruits have ripened." [19] So the messenger thrust with his sickle and harvested the grapes of the earth, and cast them into the great winepress of the fury of Yahweh. 19 [20] And the winepress was outside the city, and the blood of the winepress went up to the bridle of the horses, a way of one thousand six hundred graves of the field. *(Note from the translator: "c Or "field graves" or "graveyards." This probably indicates a traditional measure of distance based on Jewish customs and laws (compare e.g. "a Sabbath day's journey"). The Mishnah records various customs about the spacing of graves (4 to 8 cubits), as well as the distance of land which becomes 'unclean' when a grave is plowed in a field (100 cubits). See Mishnah Nazir 9:3; Mishnah Bava Batra 6:8; Mishnah Oholot 17:1. Compare also Rev. 21:16."* (Van Rensburg 191)

(Note 2.0: This is a drastically different distance than the Greek translation. 100 cubits equals about 150 ft {18 inches times 100 divided by 12.} 150 ft times 1600 equals 240,000 ft. Divided by 5280 ft equals 45.4545….. So, about 45.5 miles of blood. It is still twice as long as the Kidron valley. However, were you to take the top of the modern Kidron valley and follow the valley and wadis to the Dead Sea near Mitspe Shalem, and then down to the southern end of the Dead Sea, you would get 45.8 miles. I think in either view you will most probably have "enemy" troops in the valley between the Mount of Olives and the Temple Mount that will be slain on the Day of the Lord.

CHAPTER 15
Revelation 15, OT passages

Before we begin, I would like to point out a small pattern. This may not be significant, but since it is repeated, it seems to bear some importance to God, as nothing He does or says lacks importance. In Revelation 1 we have the 7 angels or messengers "angelos," of the churches. In Revelation 8, we have 7 angels/messengers given 7 trumpets. In Revelation 14, we have 6 angels/messengers and one Son of Man riding on a cloud. I think we have established that this is Jesus who is God, the Son of God, and a messenger of God (John 6:29,) so, 7 angels/messengers. Then in this chapter, 15, we have 7 angels/messengers given 7 bowls of the wrath of God to pour out.

[Exo 15:1-19 NKJV] 1 Then Moses and the children of Israel sang this song to the LORD, and spoke, saying: "I will sing to the LORD, For He has triumphed gloriously! The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea! 2 The LORD [is] my strength and song, And He has become my salvation; He [is] my God, and I will praise Him; My father's God, and I will exalt Him. 3 The LORD [is] a man of war; The LORD [is] His name. 4 Pharaoh's chariots and his army He has cast into the sea; His chosen captains also are drowned in the Red Sea. 5 The depths have covered them; They sank to the bottom like a stone. 6 "Your right hand, O LORD, has become glorious in power; Your right hand, O LORD, has dashed the enemy in pieces. 7 And in the greatness of Your excellence You have overthrown those who rose against You; You sent forth Your wrath; It consumed them like stubble. 8 And with the blast of Your nostrils The waters were gathered together; The floods stood upright like a heap; The depths congealed in the heart of the sea. 9 The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; My desire shall be satisfied on them. I will draw my sword, My hand shall destroy them.' 10 You blew with Your wind, The sea covered them; They sank like lead in the mighty waters. 11 "Who [is] like You, O LORD, among the gods? Who [is] like You, glorious in holiness, Fearful in praises, doing wonders? 12 You stretched out Your right hand; The earth swallowed them. 13 You in Your mercy have led forth The people whom You have redeemed; You have guided [them] in Your strength To Your holy habitation. 14 "The people will hear [and] be afraid; Sorrow will take hold of the inhabitants of Philistia. 15 Then the chiefs of Edom will be dismayed; The mighty men of Moab, Trembling will take hold of them; All the inhabitants of Canaan will melt away. 16 Fear and dread will fall on them; By the greatness of Your arm They will be [as] still as a stone, Till Your people pass over, O LORD, Till the people pass over Whom You have purchased. 17 You will bring them in and plant them In the mountain of Your inheritance, [In] the place, O LORD, [which] You have made For Your own dwelling, The sanctuary, O Lord, [which] Your hands have established. 18 "The LORD shall

reign forever and ever." 19 For the horses of Pharaoh went with his chariots and his horsemen into the sea, and the LORD brought back the waters of the sea upon them. But the children of Israel went on dry [land] in the midst of the sea. *(Note: Most Bibles will caption this section as "The Song of Moses.")*

[Exo 19:16-20 NKJV] 16 Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who [were] in the camp trembled. 17 And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain. 18 Now Mount Sinai [was] completely in smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire. Its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked greatly. 19 And when the blast of the trumpet sounded long and became louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him by voice. 20 Then the LORD came down upon Mount Sinai, on the top of the mountain. And the LORD called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

[Exo 20:18-20 NKJV] 18 Now all the people witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw [it], they trembled and stood afar off. 19 Then they said to Moses, "You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die." 20 And Moses said to the people, "Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that His fear may be before you, so that you may not sin."

[Exo 24:9-11, 15-18 NKJV] 9 Then Moses went up, also Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, 10 and they saw the God of Israel. And [there was] under His feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and it was like the very heavens in [its] clarity. 11 But on the nobles of the children of Israel He did not lay His hand. So they saw God, and they ate and drank.... 15 Then Moses went up into the mountain, and a cloud covered the mountain. 16 Now the glory of the LORD rested on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud. 17 The sight of the glory of the LORD [was] like a consuming fire on the top of the mountain in the eyes of the children of Israel. 18 So Moses went into the midst of the cloud and went up into the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

[Exo 33:7-11 NKJV] 7 Moses took his tent and pitched it outside the camp, far from the camp, and called it the tabernacle of meeting. And it came to pass [that] everyone who sought the LORD went out to the tabernacle of meeting which [was] outside the camp. 8 So it was, whenever Moses went out to the tabernacle, [that] all the people rose, and each man stood [at] his tent door and watched Moses until he had gone into the tabernacle. 9 And it came to pass, when Moses entered the tabernacle, that the pillar of cloud descended and stood [at] the door of the tabernacle, and [the LORD] talked with Moses. 10 All the people saw the pillar of cloud standing [at] the tabernacle door, and all the people rose and worshiped, each man [in] his tent door. 11 So the LORD spoke to

Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. And he would return to the camp, but his servant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, did not depart from the tabernacle. *(Note: Every use of the word "meeting," in this verse is "Mo'ed."* ("BLB")

[Exo 40:34-38 NKJV] 34 Then the cloud covered the tabernacle of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. 35 And Moses was not able to enter the tabernacle of meeting, because the cloud rested above it, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. 36 Whenever the cloud was taken up from above the tabernacle, the children of Israel would go onward in all their journeys. 37 But if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not journey till the day that it was taken up. 38 For the cloud of the LORD [was] above the tabernacle by day, and fire was over it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys. *(Note: Every use of the word "meeting," in this verse is "Mo'ed."* ("BLB")

[Lev 6:10 NKJV] 10 'And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen trousers he shall put on his body, and take up the ashes of the burnt offering which the fire has consumed on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar.

[Lev 16:1-34 NKJV] *See page 112*

(Note: "Revelation 15 and 11 Connection"

Some would connect the phrase "the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony," in Revelation 15 with the "Holy of Holies/Most Holy Place," which houses the Ark of the Testimony/Covenant. The idea being that inside of the tabernacle is the set apart place of the Holy of Holies, "the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony." While there is no direct quote or text of the Old or New Testament that makes this direct statement, it can be reasonably inferred. I carefully want to say that just because it can be inferred does not make it true. However, if true, then this chapter would also tie to the Day of Atonement, as that is the only time each year that the Holy of Holies is opened. Thus, connecting Chapter 15 to Chapter 11 when the Ark is seen.)

[Lev 26:21 NKJV] 21 'Then, if you walk contrary to Me, and are not willing to obey Me, I will bring on you seven times more plagues, according to your sins.

[Deu 32:1-47 NKJV] 1 "Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak; And hear, O earth, the words of my mouth. 2 Let my teaching drop as the rain, My speech distill as the dew, As raindrops on the tender herb, And as showers on the grass. 3 For I proclaim the name of the LORD: Ascribe greatness to our God. 4 [He is] the Rock, His work [is] perfect; For all His ways [are] justice, A God of truth and without injustice; Righteous and upright [is] He. 5 "They have corrupted themselves; [They are] not His children, Because of their blemish: A perverse and crooked generation. 6 Do you thus deal with the LORD, O foolish and un-

wise people? [Is] He not your Father, [who] bought you? Has He not made you and established you? 7 “Remember the days of old, Consider the years of many generations. Ask your father, and he will show you; Your elders, and they will tell you: 8 When the Most High divided their inheritance to the nations, When He separated the sons of Adam, He set the boundaries of the peoples According to the number of the children of Israel. 9 For the LORD’s portion [is] His people; Jacob [is] the place of His inheritance. 10 “He found him in a desert land And in the wasteland, a howling wilderness; He encircled him, He instructed him, He kept him as the apple of His eye. 11 As an eagle stirs up its nest, Hovers over its young, Spreading out its wings, taking them up, Carrying them on its wings, 12 [So] the LORD alone led him, And [there was] no foreign god with him. 13 “He made him ride in the heights of the earth, That he might eat the produce of the fields; He made him draw honey from the rock, And oil from the flinty rock; 14 Curds from the cattle, and milk of the flock, With fat of lambs; And rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, With the choicest wheat; And you drank wine, the blood of the grapes. 15 “But Jeshurun grew fat and kicked; You grew fat, you grew thick, You are obese! Then he forsook God [who] made him, And scornfully esteemed the Rock of his salvation. 16 They provoked Him to jealousy with foreign [gods]; With abominations they provoked Him to anger. 17 They sacrificed to demons, not to God, [To gods] they did not know, To new [gods], new arrivals That your fathers did not fear. 18 Of the Rock [who] begot you, you are unmindful, And have forgotten the God who fathered you. 19 “And when the LORD saw [it], He spurned [them], Because of the provocation of His sons and His daughters. 20 And He said: ‘I will hide My face from them, I will see what their end [will be], For they [are] a perverse generation, Children in whom [is] no faith. 21 They have provoked Me to jealousy by [what] is not God; They have moved Me to anger by their foolish idols. But I will provoke them to jealousy by [those who are] not a nation; I will move them to anger by a foolish nation. 22 For a fire is kindled in My anger, And shall burn to the lowest hell; It shall consume the earth with her increase, And set on fire the foundations of the mountains. 23 ‘I will heap disasters on them; I will spend My arrows on them. 24 [They shall be] wasted with hunger, Devoured by pestilence and bitter destruction; I will also send against them the teeth of beasts, With the poison of serpents of the dust. 25 The sword shall destroy outside; [There shall be] terror within For the young man and virgin, The nursing child with the man of gray hairs. 26 I would have said, “I will dash them in pieces, I will make the memory of them to cease from among men,” 27 Had I not feared the wrath of the enemy, Lest their adversaries should misunderstand, Lest they should say, “Our hand [is] high; And it is not the LORD who has done all this.” ‘ 28 “For they [are] a nation void of counsel, Nor [is there any] understanding in them. 29 Oh, that they were wise, [that] they understood this, [That] they would consider their latter end! 30 How could one chase a thousand, And two put ten thousand to flight, Unless their Rock had sold them, And the LORD had surrendered them?

31 For their rock [is] not like our Rock, Even our enemies themselves [being] judges. 32 For their vine [is] of the vine of Sodom And of the fields of Gomorrah; Their grapes [are] grapes of gall, Their clusters [are] bitter. 33 Their wine [is] the poison of serpents, And the cruel venom of cobras. 34 '[Is] this not laid up in store with Me, Sealed up among My treasures? 35 Vengeance is Mine, and recompense; Their foot shall slip in [due] time; For the day of their calamity [is] at hand, And the things to come hasten upon them.' 36 "For the LORD will judge His people And have compassion on His servants, When He sees that [their] power is gone, And [there is] no one [remaining], bond or free. 37 He will say: 'Where [are] their gods, The rock in which they sought refuge? 38 Who ate the fat of their sacrifices, [And] drank the wine of their drink offering? Let them rise and help you, [And] be your refuge. 39 'Now see that I, [even] I, [am] He, And [there is] no God besides Me; I kill and I make alive; I wound and I heal; Nor [is there any] who can deliver from My hand. 40 For I raise My hand to heaven, And say, "[As] I live forever, 41 If I whet My glittering sword, And My hand takes hold on judgment, I will render vengeance to My enemies, And repay those who hate Me. 42 I will make My arrows drunk with blood, And My sword shall devour flesh, With the blood of the slain and the captives, From the heads of the leaders of the enemy." ' 43 "Rejoice, O Gentiles, [with] His people; For He will avenge the blood of His servants, And render vengeance to His adversaries; He will provide atonement for His land [and] His people." 44 So Moses came with Joshua the son of Nun and spoke all the words of this song in the hearing of the people. 45 Moses finished speaking all these words to all Israel, 46 and he said to them: "Set your hearts on all the words which I testify among you today, which you shall command your children to be careful to observe--all the words of this law. 47 "For it [is] not a futile thing for you, because it [is] your life, and by this word you shall prolong [your] days in the land which you cross over the Jordan to possess." *(Note: Your Bible may also caption this as "The Song of Moses."*

(Note 2.0: Verse 8 in the Hebrew is translated "Sons of Israel," whereas the Septuagint translates it as "Messengers/Sons of God." Dr. Michael Heiser (RIP) has a very interesting take on it, I would suggest his book, "Unseen Realm," or at least watch the youtube video of the same title.

[Psa 24:8-10 NKJV] 8 Who [is] this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, The LORD mighty in battle. 9 Lift up your heads, O you gates! Lift up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. 10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, He [is] the King of glory. Selah

[Psa 66:3-4 NKJV] 3 Say to God, "How awesome are Your works! Through the greatness of Your power Your enemies shall submit themselves to You. 4 All the earth shall worship You And sing praises to You; They shall sing praises [to] Your name." Selah

[Psa 86:7-10 NKJV] 7 In the day of my trouble I will call upon You, For You will answer me. 8 Among the gods [there is] none like You, O Lord; Nor

[are there any works] like Your works. 9 All nations whom You have made Shall come and worship before You, O Lord, And shall glorify Your name. 10 For You [are] great, and do wondrous things; You alone [are] God.

[Psa 90:1-17 NKJV] 1 A Prayer of Moses the man of God. Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. 2 Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You [are] God. 3 You turn man to destruction, And say, "Return, O children of men." 4 For a thousand years in Your sight [Are] like yesterday when it is past, And [like] a watch in the night. 5 You carry them away [like] a flood; [They are] like a sleep. In the morning they are like grass [which] grows up: 6 In the morning it flourishes and grows up; In the evening it is cut down and withers. 7 For we have been consumed by Your anger, And by Your wrath we are terrified. 8 You have set our iniquities before You, Our secret [sins] in the light of Your countenance. 9 For all our days have passed away in Your wrath; We finish our years like a sigh. 10 The days of our lives [are] seventy years; And if by reason of strength [they are] eighty years, Yet their boast [is] only labor and sorrow; For it is soon cut off, and we fly away. 11 Who knows the power of Your anger? For as the fear of You, [so is] Your wrath. 12 So teach [us] to number our days, That we may gain a heart of wisdom. 13 Return, O LORD! How long? And have compassion on Your servants. 14 Oh, satisfy us early with Your mercy, That we may rejoice and be glad all our days! 15 Make us glad according to the days [in which] You have afflicted us, The years [in which] we have seen evil. 16 Let Your work appear to Your servants, And Your glory to their children. 17 And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us, And establish the work of our hands for us; Yes, establish the work of our hands. *(Note: Am I the only one who was shocked to learn Moses wrote a Palm?"*

[Psa 145:1-3, 17, 20-21 NKJV] 1 A Praise of David. I will extol You, my God, O King; And I will bless Your name forever and ever. 2 Every day I will bless You, And I will praise Your name forever and ever. 3 Great [is] the LORD, and greatly to be praised; And His greatness [is] unsearchable. … 17 The LORD [is] righteous in all His ways, Gracious in all His works. … 20 The LORD preserves all who love Him, But all the wicked He will destroy. 21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD, And all flesh shall bless His holy name Forever and ever.

[1Ki 8:1, 9-12 NKJV] 1 Now Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel, to King Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD from the City of David, which [is] Zion. … 9 Nothing [was] in the ark except the two tablets of stone which Moses put there at Horeb, when the LORD made [a covenant] with the children of Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt. 10 And it came to pass, when the priests came out of the holy [place], that the cloud filled the house of the LORD, 11 so that the priests could not continue

ministering because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD. 12 Then Solomon spoke: "The LORD said He would dwell in the dark cloud.

[Hos 13:9-10 NKJV] 9 "O Israel, you are destroyed, But your help [is] from Me. 10 I will be your King; Where [is any other], That he may save you in all your cities? And your judges to whom you said, 'Give me a king and princes'?

[Isa 6:1, 4 NKJV] 1 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His [robe] filled the temple. ... 4 And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke.

[Isa 55:3-5 NKJV] 3 Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live; And I will make an everlasting covenant with you--The sure mercies of David. 4 Indeed I have given him [as] a witness to the people, A leader and commander for the people. 5 Surely you shall call a nation you do not know, And nations [who] do not know you shall run to you, Because of the LORD your God, And the Holy One of Israel; For He has glorified you."

[Eze 43:4-7 NKJV] 4 And the glory of the LORD came into the temple by way of the gate which faces toward the east. 5 The Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court; and behold, the glory of the LORD filled the temple. 6 Then I heard [Him] speaking to me from the temple, while a man stood beside me. 7 And He said to me, "Son of man, [this is] the place of My throne and the place of the soles of My feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel forever. No more shall the house of Israel defile My holy name, they nor their kings, by their harlotry or with the carcasses of their kings on their high places.

[Zec 2:10 NKJV] *See page 191*

[2Ch 5:1-2, 11-14 NKJV] 1 So all the work that Solomon had done for the house of the LORD was finished; and Solomon brought in the things which his father David had dedicated: the silver and the gold and all the furnishings. And he put [them] in the treasuries of the house of God. 2 Now Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel, in Jerusalem, that they might bring the ark of the covenant of the LORD up from the City of David, which [is] Zion. ... 11 And it came to pass when the priests came out of the [Most] Holy [Place] (for all the priests who [were] present had sanctified themselves, without keeping to their divisions), 12 and the Levites [who were] the singers, all those of Asaph and Heman and Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren, stood at the east end of the altar, clothed in white linen, having cymbals, stringed instruments and harps, and with them one hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets-- 13 indeed it came

to pass, when the trumpeters and singers [were] as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD, and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music, and praised the LORD, [saying]: "[For He is] good, For His mercy [endures] forever," that the house, the house of the LORD, was filled with a cloud, 14 so that the priests could not continue ministering because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of God.

REVELATION 15
(N K J V - From Greek)

[Rev 15:1-8 NKJV] 1 Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous: seven angels having the seven last plagues, for in them the wrath of God is complete.

2 And I saw [something] like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark [and] over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God. 3 They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying:

> "Great and marvelous [are] Your works, Lord God Almighty!
> Just and true [are] Your ways,
> O King of the saints!
> 4 Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name?
> For [You] alone [are] holy.
> For all nations shall come and worship before You,
> For Your judgments have been manifested."

5 After these things I looked, and behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened. 6 And out of the temple came the seven angels having the seven plagues, clothed in pure bright linen, and having their chests girded with golden bands. 7 Then one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels seven golden bowls full of the wrath of God who lives forever and ever. 8 The temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God and from His power, and no one was able to enter the temple till the seven plagues of the seven angels were completed.*(Note: See "Day of Atonement" note page 213.)*

REVELATION 15
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 (105r) And I saw great signs and wonders in the heavens, for seven messengers came, and they had the seven last plagues, for by these the burning anger of Yahweh is completed.

2 And I saw something like a sea of glass mixed with fire, and those who overcame the animal and his carved image stood next to the sea of glass, and they had the lyres of Yahweh 3 And they sang the song of Mosheh and the song of the Lamb, and said, "Great are the works of Yahweh Elohei Ha-Tseva'ot! Righteousness and truth are your ways, o King of kings! 4 And who will not fear before your face, and give praise to your name? – For you alone are qadosh! Indeed, all the peoples will come and bow down before you, for your judgments are revealed!"

5 And after this I saw that the ark of the covenant was opened in the heavens. 6 Then the seven messengers who had the seven plagues went out, clothed in white garments, and a girdle of gold was on their loins.7 Then one of the four living creatures gave the seven messengers seven bowls of gold, full of the fury of Yahweh who lives from everlasting and unto everlasting. 8 And the house of prayer was filled with smoke, and the glory of Yahweh filled the tabernacle, and no one was able to go into it until the seven plagues of the seven messengers were completed.

CHAPTER 16
Revelation 16, OT passages

"Armageddon" or "Har Mo'Ed"

Finally! At last, the location that is so popularly spoken of and yet probably misunderstood. The only book in the Bible, the only chapter, the only verse, containing the word, "Armageddon." Seems odd don't you think? The final battle of all time, with all the prophecy in the Bible, and it is not spoken of until 6 chapters from the end? Ok, enough sarcasm. I will try to be quick with this. Final battle locations are irrelevant in that, if we are here for it, we will definitely know where it is taking place. Conversely, if we have been raptured beforehand, then frankly my dear, who gives a darn……

"Armageddon" or "Har Mo'Ed," the usefulness of understanding the relation of these two terms is that it harmonizes the OT with Revelation.

The majority of scholarly teaching has Armageddon located at the city of Megiddo. It is mentioned 12 times in the OT. It is normally only referred to in passing as a location of a people or village or that two different kings died in that location. Its final reference is in Zechariah 12:10-14, "like the mourning at Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo." It is never mentioned as a "Day of the Lord" relevant location or location of a future battle. The reason it is called "Ar"mageddon, in Revelation, is the "Ar" stands for "Har," the Hebrew word for "Mount". The transliteration is "harmagedōn." There are two problems here.

One, there is no "Mount" Megiddo. The area itself is a plain/valley as Zechariah 12 and topography clearly states. The current city is raised up, as it is built on several ruins creating a "tel" which means hill. (See "Maps" page 244-245.)

The second problem is, the OT attests to things happening at or near Mount Zion. Originally called Mount Moriah, it is where Abraham almost sacrificed Isaac,

> [Genesis 22:13-14 (NKJV)] 13 Then Abraham lifted his eyes and looked, and there behind [him was] a ram caught in a thicket by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up for a burnt offering instead of his son. 14 And Abraham called the name of the place, The-LORD-Will-Provide; as it is said [to] this day, "In the Mount of the LORD it shall be provided." *(As an aside, you see this substitution also in a description of the Passover in Numbers 3:13 where God specifically states that the Egyptians first born are taking the place of the Israelites first born.)*

The "City of David" is built on its southern slope. (Jewish Virtual Library) *It is*

where David purchased the threshing floor and made a sacrifice to stop the Angel of the Lord from slaughtering Israelites. It is where Solomon built the temple (in that same spot.) It is also actually part of the same mountain that is Golgotha. Many times throughout the OT we see that Jerusalem or Mount Zion, which essentially is Jerusalem, is the location of God's throne. Isa 14:13 describes Lucifer wanting to ascend that throne/mountain "the mount of congregation." This is written in Hebrew as "Har Mo `ed." Finally, Psa 48:1–8; Isa 24:21–23; 29:1–8; Joel 3:1–16; Mic 1:11–13; Zeph 3:8; Zech 12:1–9; 14:1–5 all refer to Jerusalem or some version of Mount Zion specifically being where all the nations are gathered in war, and Jerusalem being the place God defends in this climactic battle.

Dr. Michael Heiser explains that John, being inspired by the Holy Spirit, had to transliterate a Hebrew word into the corresponding Greek letters. In Greek, the "G" sound is the "gamma." That letter is your only option for your "guh" sound. In the Hebrew, however, there are 2 options. A "gimel" which gives you a hard "guh" sound, and an "ayin," which makes a softer, practically silent "g" sound. You can see an example of this in:

> [Gen 10:19 NKJV] 19 And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon as you go toward Gerar *(gimel=gᵉrār)*, as far as Gaza *(ayin=ʿazzâ)*; then as you go toward Sodom, Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboiim, as far as Lasha.

In ancient Hebrew there are no vowels. So you can only go off of consonants. What this means is John had one option in the Greek for this word he says is written in Hebrew. He literally wrote Hebrew in Greek. You can only write it in Greek one way. But, you can write it in Hebrew 2 ways: one that equals Mount Meggido, which makes no sense, and one that equals Mount of Assembly "Har Mo `ed". Mount of Assembly, Mountain of Congregation, Mt Zion, Jerusalem ect. being the site (or near the site) of the last battle harmonizes far better with the OT, and with the topography (Heiser).

Now, I would say that the Valley of Megiddo would be a fabulous staging area for a giant army tactically speaking.

As stated earlier, this is an alternate view to be aware of. It is very much on you the reader to examine and confer with the Holy Spirit about which is the truth, or if it even matters.

[Exo 7:17-20, 25 NKJV] 17 'Thus says the LORD: "By this you shall know that I [am] the LORD. Behold, I will strike the waters which [are] in the river with the rod that [is] in my hand, and they shall be turned to blood. 18 "And the fish that [are] in the river shall die, the river shall stink, and the Egyptians will loathe to drink the water of the river." ' " 19 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Take your rod and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt,

over their streams, over their rivers, over their ponds, and over all their pools of water, that they may become blood. And there shall be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in [buckets of] wood and [pitchers of] stone.' " 20 And Moses and Aaron did so, just as the LORD commanded. So he lifted up the rod and struck the waters that [were] in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants. And all the waters that [were] in the river were turned to blood. ... 25 And seven days passed after the LORD had struck the river.

[Exo 8:2, 5 NKJV] 2 "But if you refuse to let [them] go, behold, I will smite all your territory with frogs. ... 5 Then the LORD spoke to Moses, "Say to Aaron, 'Stretch out your hand with your rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up on the land of Egypt.' "

[Exo 9:8-11 NKJV] 8 So the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Take for yourselves handfuls of ashes from a furnace, and let Moses scatter it toward the heavens in the sight of Pharaoh. 9 "And it will become fine dust in all the land of Egypt, and it will cause boils that break out in sores on man and beast throughout all the land of Egypt." 10 Then they took ashes from the furnace and stood before Pharaoh, and Moses scattered [them] toward heaven. And [they] caused boils that break out in sores on man and beast. 11 And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were on the magicians and on all the Egyptians.

[Exo 9:8-11, 22-26 NKJV] 8 So the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Take for yourselves handfuls of ashes from a furnace, and let Moses scatter it toward the heavens in the sight of Pharaoh. 9 "And it will become fine dust in all the land of Egypt, and it will cause boils that break out in sores on man and beast throughout all the land of Egypt." 10 Then they took ashes from the furnace and stood before Pharaoh, and Moses scattered [them] toward heaven. And [they] caused boils that break out in sores on man and beast. 11 And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were on the magicians and on all the Egyptians. ... 22 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt--on man, on beast, and on every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt." 23 And Moses stretched out his rod toward heaven; and the LORD sent thunder and hail, and fire darted to the ground. And the LORD rained hail on the land of Egypt. 24 So there was hail, and fire mingled with the hail, so very heavy that there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation. 25 And the hail struck throughout the whole land of Egypt, all that [was] in the field, both man and beast; and the hail struck every herb of the field and broke every tree of the field. 26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel [were], there was no hail.

[Exo 10:21-23 NKJV] 21 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, darkness [which] may even be felt." 22 So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was thick darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. 23 They did

not see one another; nor did anyone rise from his place for three days. But all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.

[Lev 26:21 NKJV] 21 'Then, if you walk contrary to Me, and are not willing to obey Me, I will bring on you seven times more plagues, according to your sins.

[Deu 28:15, 27, 29, 35 NKJV] 15 "But it shall come to pass, if you do not obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all His commandments and His statutes which I command you today, that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you: ... 27 "The LORD will strike you with the boils of Egypt, with tumors, with the scab, and with the itch, from which you cannot be healed. ... 29 "And you shall grope at noonday, as a blind man gropes in darkness; you shall not prosper in your ways; you shall be only oppressed and plundered continually, and no one shall save [you]. ... 35 "The LORD will strike you in the knees and on the legs with severe boils which cannot be healed, and from the sole of your foot to the top of your head.

[Jos 10:9-11 NKJV] *See page 83*

[Jdg 5:4-5 NKJV] 4 "LORD, when You went out from Seir, When You marched from the field of Edom, The earth trembled and the heavens poured, The clouds also poured water; 5 The mountains gushed before the LORD, This Sinai, before the LORD God of Israel.

[Jdg 5:19 NIV] 19 "Kings came, they fought, the kings of Canaan fought. At Taanach, by the waters of Megiddo, they took no plunder of silver.

[Psa 2:1-2 NKJV] 1 Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing? 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed, [saying],

[Psa 11:6 NKJV] 6 Upon the wicked He will rain coals; Fire and brimstone and a burning wind [Shall be] the portion of their cup.

[Psa 48:1-8 NKJV] 1 A Song. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. Great [is] the LORD, and greatly to be praised In the city of our God, [In] His holy mountain. 2 Beautiful in elevation, The joy of the whole earth, [Is] Mount Zion [on] the sides of the north, The city of the great King. 3 God [is] in her palaces; He is known as her refuge. 4 For behold, the kings assembled, They passed by together. 5 They saw [it, and] so they marveled; They were troubled, they hastened away. 6 Fear took hold of them there, [And] pain, as of a woman in birth pangs, 7 [As when] You break the ships of Tarshish With an east wind. 8 As we have heard, So we have seen In the city of the LORD of hosts, In the city of our God: God will establish it forever. Selah

[Psa 69:24 NKJV] [Psa 69:18, 23-24 NKJV] 18 Draw near to my soul,

[and] redeem it; Deliver me because of my enemies. … 23 Let their eyes be darkened, so that they do not see; And make their loins shake continually. 24 Pour out Your indignation upon them, And let Your wrathful anger take hold of them.

[Psa 75:8 NKJV] 8 For in the hand of the LORD [there is] a cup, And the wine is red; It is fully mixed, and He pours it out; Surely its dregs shall all the wicked of the earth Drain [and] drink down.

[1Sa 2:9 NKJV] 9 He will guard the feet of His saints, But the wicked shall be silent in darkness. "For by strength no man shall prevail."

[Joe 3:1-17 NKJV] *See page 181*

[Joe 3:2 NKJV] 2 I will also gather all nations, And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; And I will enter into judgment with them there On account of My people, My heritage Israel, Whom they have scattered among the nations; They have also divided up My land.

[Hos 8:10 NKJV] 10 Yes, though they have hired among the nations, Now I will gather them; And they shall sorrow a little, Because of the burden of the king of princes.

[Hos 10:9-10 NKJV] 9 "O Israel, you have sinned from the days of Gibeah; There they stood. The battle in Gibeah against the children of iniquity Did not overtake them. 10 When [it is] My desire, I will chasten them. Peoples shall be gathered against them When I bind them for their two transgressions.

[Amo 3:9 NKJV] 9 "Proclaim in the palaces at Ashdod, And in the palaces in the land of Egypt, and say: 'Assemble on the mountains of Samaria; See great tumults in her midst, And the oppressed within her.

[Amo 5:7-8 NKJV] *See page 84*

[Amo 5:18-20 NKJV] *See page 55*

[Amo 8:8-9 NKJV] 8 Shall the land not tremble for this, And everyone mourn who dwells in it? All of it shall swell like the River, Heave and subside Like the River of Egypt. 9 "And it shall come to pass in that day," says the Lord GOD, "That I will make the sun go down at noon, And I will darken the earth in broad daylight;

[Isa 5:26-30 NKJV] 26 He will lift up a banner to the nations from afar, And will whistle to them from the end of the earth; Surely they shall come with speed, swiftly. 27 No one will be weary or stumble among them, No one will slumber or sleep; Nor will the belt on their loins be loosed, Nor the strap of their sandals be broken; 28 Whose arrows [are] sharp, And all their bows bent; Their horses' hooves will seem like flint, And their wheels like a whirlwind. 29 Their roaring [will be] like a lion, They will roar like young lions; Yes, they will roar And lay hold of the prey; They will carry [it] away safely, And no one will deliver. 30 In that day they will roar against them Like the roaring of the sea.

And if [one] looks to the land, Behold, darkness [and] sorrow; And the light is darkened by the clouds.

[Isa 6:1, 4 NKJV] 1 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His [robe] filled the temple. ... 4 And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke.

[Isa 8:21-22 NKJV] 21 They will pass through it hard-pressed and hungry; and it shall happen, when they are hungry, that they will be enraged and curse their king and their God, and look upward. 22 Then they will look to the earth, and see trouble and darkness, gloom of anguish; and [they will be] driven into darkness.

[Isa 13:1-5 NKJV] 1 The burden against Babylon which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw. 2 "Lift up a banner on the high mountain, Raise your voice to them; Wave your hand, that they may enter the gates of the nobles. 3 I have commanded My sanctified ones; I have also called My mighty ones for My anger--Those who rejoice in My exaltation." 4 The noise of a multitude in the mountains, Like that of many people! A tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together! The LORD of hosts musters The army for battle. 5 They come from a far country, From the end of heaven--The LORD and His weapons of indignation, To destroy the whole land.

[Isa 14:12-13 NKJV] 12 "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! [How] you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! 13 For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation *(Har Mo'ed)* On the farthest sides of the north;

[Isa 17:12-13 NKJV] 12 Woe to the multitude of many people [Who] make a noise like the roar of the seas, And to the rushing of nations [That] make a rushing like the rushing of mighty waters! 13 The nations will rush like the rushing of many waters; But [God] will rebuke them and they will flee far away, And be chased like the chaff of the mountains before the wind, Like a rolling thing before the whirlwind.

[Isa 24:17-23 NKJV] *See page 119*

[Isa 28:17, 19, 21-22 NKJV] 17 Also I will make justice the measuring line, And righteousness the plummet; The hail will sweep away the refuge of lies, And the waters will overflow the hiding place. ... 19 As often as it goes out it will take you; For morning by morning it will pass over, And by day and by night; It will be a terror just to understand the report." ... 21 For the LORD will rise up as [at] Mount Perazim, He will be angry as in the Valley of Gibeon--That He may do His work, His awesome work, And bring to pass His act, His unusual act. 22 Now therefore, do not be mockers, Lest your bonds be made strong; For I have heard from the Lord GOD of hosts, A destruction determined even upon the whole earth. *(Note: Mount Perazim. In 2 Samuel 5 David says the Lord broke out against the Philistines like water, and also God told David:*

"[2 Sa 5:24 NKJV] 24 "And it shall be, when you hear the sound of marching in the tops of the mulberry trees, then you shall advance quickly. For then the LORD will go out before you to strike the camp of the Philistines."

And in the Valley of Gibeon God gave the Amorites into the hand of Joshua (Joshua 10) and it says the hailstones from God killed more men than the Israelites killed. This is partially what I believe will be happening at the final battle of the Tribulation in Revelation 19.)

[Isa 29:6 NKJV] 6 You will be punished by the LORD of hosts With thunder and earthquake and great noise, [With] storm and tempest And the flame of devouring fire.

[Isa 30:30 NKJV] 30 The LORD will cause His glorious voice to be heard, And show the descent of His arm, With the indignation of [His] anger And the flame of a devouring fire, [With] scattering, tempest, and hailstones.

[Isa 64:1-3 NKJV] 1 Oh, that You would rend the heavens! That You would come down! That the mountains might shake at Your presence-- 2 As fire burns brushwood, As fire causes water to boil--To make Your name known to Your adversaries, [That] the nations may tremble at Your presence! 3 When You did awesome things [for which] we did not look, You came down, The mountains shook at Your presence.

[Isa 66:16-18 NKJV] 16 For by fire and by His sword The LORD will judge all flesh; And the slain of the LORD shall be many. 17 "Those who sanctify themselves and purify themselves, [To go] to the gardens After an [idol] in the midst, Eating swine's flesh and the abomination and the mouse, Shall be consumed together," says the LORD. 18 "For I [know] their works and their thoughts. It shall be that I will gather all nations and tongues; and they shall come and see My glory.

[Mic 4:11-13 NKJV] 11 Now also many nations have gathered against you, Who say, "Let her be defiled, And let our eye look upon Zion." 12 But they do not know the thoughts of the LORD, Nor do they understand His counsel; For He will gather them like sheaves to the threshing floor. 13 "Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion; For I will make your horn iron, And I will make your hooves bronze; You shall beat in pieces many peoples; I will consecrate their gain to the LORD, And their substance to the Lord of the whole earth."

[Nah 1:1-6 NKJV] 1 The burden against Nineveh. The book of the vision of Nahum the Elkoshite. 2 God [is] jealous, and the LORD avenges; The LORD avenges and [is] furious. The LORD will take vengeance on His adversaries, And He reserves [wrath] for His enemies; 3 The LORD [is] slow to anger and great in power, And will not at all acquit [the wicked]. The LORD has His way In the whirlwind and in the storm, And the clouds [are] the dust of His feet. 4 He re-

bukes the sea and makes it dry, And dries up all the rivers. Bashan and Carmel wither, And the flower of Lebanon wilts. 5 The mountains quake before Him, The hills melt, And the earth heaves at His presence, Yes, the world and all who dwell in it. 6 Who can stand before His indignation? And who can endure the fierceness of His anger? His fury is poured out like fire, And the rocks are thrown down by Him.

[Zep 1:14-18 NKJV] 14 The great day of the LORD [is] near; [It is] near and hastens quickly. The noise of the day of the LORD is bitter; There the mighty men shall cry out. 15 That day [is] a day of wrath, A day of trouble and distress, A day of devastation and desolation, A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 A day of trumpet and alarm Against the fortified cities And against the high towers. 17 "I will bring distress upon men, And they shall walk like blind men, Because they have sinned against the LORD; Their blood shall be poured out like dust, And their flesh like refuse." 18 Neither their silver nor their gold Shall be able to deliver them In the day of the LORD's wrath; But the whole land shall be devoured By the fire of His jealousy, For He will make speedy riddance Of all those who dwell in the land.

[Zep 2:1-3 NKJV] 1 Gather yourselves together, yes, gather together, O undesirable nation, 2 Before the decree is issued, [Or] the day passes like chaff, Before the LORD's fierce anger comes upon you, Before the day of the LORD's anger comes upon you! 3 Seek the LORD, all you meek of the earth, Who have upheld His justice. Seek righteousness, seek humility. It may be that you will be hidden In the day of the LORD's anger.

[Zep 3:8 NKJV] 8 "Therefore wait for Me," says the LORD, "Until the day I rise up for plunder; My determination [is] to gather the nations To My assembly of kingdoms, To pour on them My indignation, All My fierce anger; All the earth shall be devoured With the fire of My jealousy.

[Jer 1:13-16 NKJV] 13 And the word of the LORD came to me the second time, saying, "What do you see?" And I said, "I see a boiling pot, and it is facing away from the north." 14 Then the LORD said to me: "Out of the north calamity shall break forth On all the inhabitants of the land. 15 For behold, I am calling All the families of the kingdoms of the north," says the LORD; "They shall come and each one set his throne At the entrance of the gates of Jerusalem, Against all its walls all around, And against all the cities of Judah. 16 I will utter My judgments Against them concerning all their wickedness, Because they have forsaken Me, Burned incense to other gods, And worshiped the works of their own hands.

[Jer 5:3 NKJV] 3 O LORD, [are] not Your eyes on the truth? You have stricken them, But they have not grieved; You have consumed them, But they have refused to receive correction. They have made their faces harder than rock; They have refused to return.

[Jer 10:10 NKJV] 10 But the LORD [is] the true God; He [is] the living

God and the everlasting King. At His wrath the earth will tremble, And the nations will not be able to endure His indignation.

[Jer 25:15-32 NKJV] 15 For thus says the LORD God of Israel to me: "Take this wine cup of fury from My hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send you, to drink it. 16 "And they will drink and stagger and go mad because of the sword that I will send among them." 17 Then I took the cup from the LORD's hand, and made all the nations drink, to whom the LORD had sent me: 18 Jerusalem and the cities of Judah, its kings and its princes, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, a hissing, and a curse, as [it is] this day; 19 Pharaoh king of Egypt, his servants, his princes, and all his people; 20 all the mixed multitude, all the kings of the land of Uz, all the kings of the land of the Philistines (namely, Ashkelon, Gaza, Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod); 21 Edom, Moab, and the people of Ammon; 22 all the kings of Tyre, all the kings of Sidon, and the kings of the coastlands which [are] across the sea; 23 Dedan, Tema, Buz, and all [who are] in the farthest corners; 24 all the kings of Arabia and all the kings of the mixed multitude who dwell in the desert; 25 all the kings of Zimri, all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes; 26 all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another; and all the kingdoms of the world which [are] on the face of the earth. Also the king of Sheshach shall drink after them. 27 "Therefore you shall say to them, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: "Drink, be drunk, and vomit! Fall and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you." ' 28 "And it shall be, if they refuse to take the cup from your hand to drink, then you shall say to them, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts: "You shall certainly drink! 29 "For behold, I begin to bring calamity on the city which is called by My name, and should you be utterly unpunished? You shall not be unpunished, for I will call for a sword on all the inhabitants of the earth," says the LORD of hosts.' 30 "Therefore prophesy against them all these words, and say to them: 'The LORD will roar from on high, And utter His voice from His holy habitation; He will roar mightily against His fold. He will give a shout, as those who tread [the grapes], Against all the inhabitants of the earth. 31 A noise will come to the ends of the earth--For the LORD has a controversy with the nations; He will plead His case with all flesh. He will give those [who are] wicked to the sword,' says the LORD." 32 Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Behold, disaster shall go forth From nation to nation, And a great whirlwind shall be raised up From the farthest parts of the earth.

[Jer 49:3, 12-14 NKJV] 3 "Wail, O Heshbon, for Ai is plundered! Cry, you daughters of Rabbah, Gird yourselves with sackcloth! Lament and run to and fro by the walls; For Milcom shall go into captivity With his priests and his princes together. ... 12 For thus says the LORD: "Behold, those whose judgment [was] not to drink of the cup have assuredly drunk. And [are] you the one who will altogether go unpunished? You shall not go unpunished, but you shall surely drink [of it]. 13 "For I have sworn by Myself," says the LORD, "that Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste, and a curse. And all its cities shall be

perpetual wastes." 14 I have heard a message from the LORD, And an ambassador has been sent to the nations: "Gather together, come against her, And rise up to battle!

[Jer 51:10, 24 NKJV] 10 The LORD has revealed our righteousness. Come and let us declare in Zion the work of the LORD our God. ... 24 "And I will repay Babylon And all the inhabitants of Chaldea For all the evil they have done In Zion in your sight," says the LORD.

[Lam 1:17 NKJV] 17 Zion spreads out her hands, [But] no one comforts her; The LORD has commanded concerning Jacob [That] those around him [become] his adversaries; Jerusalem has become an unclean thing among them.

[Eze 5:1-2, 5, 12 NKJV] 1 "And you, son of man, take a sharp sword, take it as a barber's razor, and pass [it] over your head and your beard; then take scales to weigh and divide the [hair]. 2 "You shall burn with fire one-third in the midst of the city, when the days of the siege are finished; then you shall take one-third and strike around [it] with the sword, and one-third you shall scatter in the wind: I will draw out a sword after them. ... 5 "Thus says the Lord GOD: 'This [is] Jerusalem; I have set her in the midst of the nations and the countries all around her. ... 12 'One-third of you shall die of the pestilence, and be consumed with famine in your midst; and one-third shall fall by the sword all around you; and I will scatter another third to all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them.

[Eze 7:14-16 NKJV] *See page 65*

[Eze 13:9-10, 13 NKJV] 9 "My hand will be against the prophets who envision futility and who divine lies; they shall not be in the assembly of My people, nor be written in the record of the house of Israel, nor shall they enter into the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I [am] the Lord GOD. 10 "Because, indeed, because they have seduced My people, saying, 'Peace!' when [there is] no peace--and one builds a wall, and they plaster it with untempered [mortar]--... 13 Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: "I will cause a stormy wind to break forth in My fury; and there shall be a flooding rain in My anger, and great hailstones in fury to consume [it].

[Eze 16:37 NKJV] 37 "surely, therefore, I will gather all your lovers with whom you took pleasure, all those you loved, [and] all those you hated; I will gather them from all around against you and will uncover your nakedness to them, that they may see all your nakedness.

[Eze 21:21-24 NKJV] 21 "For the king of Babylon stands at the parting of the road, at the fork of the two roads, to use divination: he shakes the arrows, he consults the images, he looks at the liver. 22 "In his right hand is the divination for Jerusalem: to set up battering rams, to call for a slaughter, to lift the voice with shouting, to set battering rams against the gates, to heap up a [siege] mound, and to build a wall. 23 "And it will be to them like a false divination in the eyes of those who have sworn oaths with them; but he will bring their iniq-

uity to remembrance, that they may be taken. 24 "Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: 'Because you have made your iniquity to be remembered, in that your transgressions are uncovered, so that in all your doings your sins appear--because you have come to remembrance, you shall be taken in hand.

(Note: "Divine the Arrows"

According to "The Book of Idols, Pre-Islamic Beliefs and Tribal Arabic Deities," by Ibn al Kalbi, the god Hubal stood in the middle of the Kaaba in Mecca. He was made of red agate (dark red rock.) I posit he was actually Baal earlier in this book. Hubal/Baal had a ritual for deciding what course of action should be taken. The inquirer would take seven arrows that always laid before his statue and would throw them. You could divine your answer depending on how they landed. Here is the quote:

"The Quraysh had also several idols in and around the Ka'bah. The greatest of these was Hubal. It was, as I was told, of red agate, in the form of a man with the right hand broken off. It came into the possession of the Quraysh in this condition, and they, therefore, made for it a hand of gold. The first to set it up [for worship] was Khuzaymah ibn-Mudrikah ibn-al-Ya's'[59] ibn-Mudar[60]. Consequently it used to be called Khuzaymah's Hubal.

It stood inside the Ka'bah. In front of it were seven divination arrows (sing. qidh, pl. qidah or aqduh). On one of these arrows was written "pure" (sarih), and on another "consociated alien" (mulsag). Whenever the lineage of a new-born was doubted, they would offer a sacrifice to it [Hubal] and then shuffle the arrows and throw them. If the arrows showed the word "pure," the child would be declared legitimate and the tribe would accept him. If, however, the arrows showed the words "consociated alien," the child would be declared illegitimate and the tribe would reject him. The third arrow was for divination concerning the dead, while the fourth was for divination concerning marriage. The purpose of the three remaining arrows has not been explained. Whenever they disagreed concerning something, or proposed to embark upon a journey, or undertake some project, they would proceed to it [Hubal] and shuffle the divination arrows before it. Whatever result they obtained they would follow and do accordingly.

It was before [Hubal] that 'Abd-al-Muttalib[61] shuffled the divination arrows [in order to find out which of his ten children he should sacrifice in fulfilment of a vow he had sworn], and the arrows pointed to his son 'Abdullah, the father of the Prophet[62]. Hubal was also the same idol which abu-Sufyan ibn-Harb[63] addressed when he emerged victorious after the battle of Uhud[64], saying: "Hubal, be thou exalted" (i.e. may thy religion triumph); To which the Prophet *(Muhammad)* replied: "Allah is more exalted and more majestic.""

My purpose for pointing this out is that the verse in Ezekiel reinforces 2 theories that 1. Hubal is Baal, as that was the chief Babylonian god, and 2. That the leader who will come against Jerusalem in the end times is a Muslim leader, as I believe now Hubal/Baal is the black stone of the Kaaba.)

(Note 2.0: This "false divination," mentioned in the verse is essentially saying that the king of Babylon should not go to Jerusalem or does not care to but based on the arrows, he has to go there. Almost like he is tricked or forced. It reminds me of Ezekiel 38 where God says, "I will put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out." It sounds as though he does not go because he wants to, but because God has forced him, just like God knowing how the arrows would fall.)

[Eze 32:7-8 NKJV] 7 When [I] put out your light, I will cover the heavens, and make its stars dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud, And the moon shall not give her light. 8 All the bright lights of the heavens I will make dark over you, And bring darkness upon your land,' Says the Lord GOD.

[Eze 38:18-23 NKJV] 18 "And it will come to pass at the same time, when Gog comes against the land of Israel," says the Lord GOD, "[that] My fury will show in My face. 19 "For in My jealousy [and] in the fire of My wrath I have spoken: 'Surely in that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel, 20 'so that the fish of the sea, the birds of the heavens, the beasts of the field, all creeping things that creep on the earth, and all men who [are] on the face of the earth shall shake at My presence. The mountains shall be thrown down, the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.' 21 "I will call for a sword against Gog throughout all My mountains," says the Lord GOD. "Every man's sword will be against his brother. 22 "And I will bring him to judgment with pestilence and bloodshed; I will rain down on him, on his troops, and on the many peoples who [are] with him, flooding rain, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. 23 "Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I [am] the LORD." '*(Note: The Lord destroyed a vast army in this way for Jehoshaphat. See page 182 "Valley of Jehoshaphat" and "Maps" with explanation beginning on page 244.)*

[Hag 2:5-7 NKJV] 5 '[According to] the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so My Spirit remains among you; do not fear!' 6 "For thus says the LORD of hosts: 'Once more (it [is] a little while) I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; 7 'and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,' says the LORD of hosts.

[Hag 2:20-23 NKJV] *See page 191*

[Zec 12:1-9 NKJV] 1 The burden of the word of the LORD against Israel. Thus says the LORD, who stretches out the heavens, lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him: 2 "Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of drunkenness to all the surrounding peoples, when they lay siege against Judah and Jerusalem. 3 "And it shall happen in that day that I will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are gathered against it. 4 "In

that day," says the LORD, "I will strike every horse with confusion, and its rider with madness; I will open My eyes on the house of Judah, and will strike every horse of the peoples with blindness. 5 "And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart, 'The inhabitants of Jerusalem [are] my strength in the LORD of hosts, their God.' 6 "In that day I will make the governors of Judah like a firepan in the woodpile, and like a fiery torch in the sheaves; they shall devour all the surrounding peoples on the right hand and on the left, but Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her own place--Jerusalem. 7 "The LORD will save the tents of Judah first, so that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem shall not become greater than that of Judah. 8 "In that day the LORD will defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; the one who is feeble among them in that day shall be like David, and the house of David [shall be] like God, like the Angel of the LORD before them. 9 "It shall be in that day [that] I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.

[Zec 13:7-9 NKJV] 7 "Awake, O sword, against My Shepherd, Against the Man who is My Companion," Says the LORD of hosts. "Strike the Shepherd, And the sheep will be scattered; Then I will turn My hand against the little ones. 8 And it shall come to pass in all the land," Says the LORD, "[That] two-thirds in it shall be cut off [and] die, But [one]-third shall be left in it: 9 I will bring the [one]-third through the fire, Will refine them as silver is refined, And test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name, And I will answer them. I will say, 'This [is] My people'; And each one will say, 'The LORD [is] my God.' " *(Note: In Revelation 16 "the great city was divided into 3 parts.*

[Zec 14:1-7 NKJV] 1 Behold, the day of the LORD is coming, And your spoil will be divided in your midst. 2 For I will gather all the nations to battle against Jerusalem; The city shall be taken, The houses rifled, And the women ravished. Half of the city shall go into captivity, But the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city. 3 Then the LORD will go forth And fight against those nations, As He fights in the day of battle. 4 And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, From east to west, [Making] a very large valley; Half of the mountain shall move toward the north And half of it toward the south. 5 Then you shall flee [through] My mountain valley, For the mountain valley shall reach to Azal. Yes, you shall flee As you fled from the earthquake In the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Thus the LORD my God will come, [And] all the saints with You. 6 It shall come to pass in that day [That] there will be no light; The lights will diminish. 7 It shall be one day Which is known to the LORD--Neither day nor night. But at evening time it shall happen [That] it will be light.

REVELATION 16
(N K J V - From Greek)

"Appointed to Wrath or Endurance?"

Please take this time to remember our discussion of the interchangeability of "earth" versus "land" in the Hebrew and Greek on page 6 as you read this chapter.

Let us also consider: These bowls are the Wrath of God. With that in mind, let us look at a very popular passage:

> [1Th 5:9 NKJV] 9 For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Most Western Christians would point to this passage as stating that we will not be subject to the Tribulation. They use this as scriptural backing for the Pre-Tribulation Rapture theory. The full context of the verse, namely, reading verses 1-10, lets us know that sudden destruction will come on non-believers because the Day of the Lord comes as a thief in the night to those who are in darkness. We are not in darkness, so we will not be surprised by this "Day." The point is, no, we are definitely not subject to God's wrath as believers. An easy case can be made that this section is simply saying we will not be going to hell, and that this has nothing to do with the End Times. I think it is both. I would have you consider that Peter, John, Paul, John the Baptist, and all the early Christians were also not subject to God's wrath. How did their lives go? Peter, beaten, jailed, crucified upside down. John, beaten, jailed, died in exile. Paul, beaten, jailed, whipped, stoned and left for dead (arguably died and was resurrected), beheaded. John the Baptist, jailed and beheaded. Early Christians, beaten, jailed, tarred and made into human torches, torn apart by lions, and the list goes on. Not a single one of them was appointed to God's wrath. That is all the wrath of man, persecution, and that is what Christians will face during the Tribulation.

We see at the beginning of Revelation 7 that, before God begins to bring any destruction on the earth, sea, or people, His servants are "sealed." There are many questions of timing in Revelation, if the seals and other judgments are chronological or if they overlap. I have resisted the urge to place time stamps on things, as much as I want to. Regardless of when, we are sealed in advance of His wrath so as to not be touched by it. This "sealing" would preclude us from it. We should realize we are not facing God's wrath, but the persecution of Revelation 12 and 13 as the Dragon, Beast, and False Prophet make war against the Saints. This is a persecution that is already taking place globally. Christians are jailed, beaten, killed, and beheaded by many religious and political factions already. In China, they are jailed for their faith. In Brit-

ain, you can be jailed for praying in public, or even in private if your home is within 200 meters of a public building. Throughout the Middle East, Africa, and Asia, Christians are regularly jailed, beaten, and killed in various ways simply because they are Christian. I do not want to turn this into a rant against the Pre-Tribulation Rapture theory, but consider: all of those brothers and sisters of ours in the Lord since Jesus's time, up to this very moment, are a part of the Bride of Christ, not subject to the wrath of God. Why should we get a special escape from persecution, when they did not and currently do not? And they, by and large, were arguably better servants of the Lord in far more difficult situations than our current ones (assuming you are reading this in the West). Can there be a Pre-Trib Rapture? Of course! However, I will be praying that, if there is not a Pre-Trib Rapture, I/we have the endurance and strength in and from the Lord that it should be our finest hour.

> [Mat 5:10-12 NKJV] 10 Blessed [are] those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11 "Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. 12 "Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great [is] your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.
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> [Mat 24:13 NKJV] 13 "But he who endures to the end shall be saved."

I will conclude the final note of this volume with a question. Have you made Jesus the Lord of your life? By "Lord" I mean, have you relinquished control of your will for your life in every aspect to Him. This is what makes Him "Lord." Jesus said in John 14:15, "If you love Me, keep my commandments." If you do this, accept the free gift of your sins being covered by His blood, then He has secured your eternity. If you do not, then you are rejecting the free gift of salvation, and have chosen to pay for your own sins. I will pray for you. The Word of God makes your final destination clear. I will give you a small sneak peak/spoiler from Volume II:

> [Rev 20:12-15 NIV] 12 And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. 13 The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what they had done. 14 Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. 15 Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

Choose Jesus. Choose Life.

[Rev 16:1-21 NKJV] 1 Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, “Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of God on the earth.”

2 So the first went and poured out his bowl upon the earth, and a foul and loathsome sore came upon the men who had the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image.

3 Then the second angel poured out his bowl on the sea, and it became blood as of a dead [man]; and every living creature in the sea died.

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

5 And I heard the angel of the waters saying:

“You are righteous, O Lord,
The One who is and who was and who is to be,
Because You have judged these things.
6 For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets,
And You have given them blood to drink. For it is their just due.”

7 And I heard another from the altar saying, “Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous [are] Your judgments.”

8 Then the fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and power was given to him to scorch men with fire. 9 And men were scorched with great heat, and they blasphemed the name of God who has power over these plagues; and they did not repent and give Him glory.

10 Then the fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom became full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues because of the pain. 11 They blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and did not repent of their deeds.

12 Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the kings from the east might be prepared. 13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [coming] out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. 14 For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, [which] go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

15 “Behold, I am coming as a thief. Blessed [is] he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame.”

16 And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon.

17 Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, “It is done!” 18 And there were noises and thunderings and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth. 19 Now the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. And great Babylon was remembered before God, to give her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath. 20 Then every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. 21 And great hail from heaven fell upon men, [each hailstone] about the weight of a talent. Men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail, since that plague was exceedingly great.

REVELATION 16
(Eleh Ha-Sadot, From Hebrew)

1 Then I heard a voice from the house of prayer, and it said to the seven messengers, “Go and pour out the fury of Yahweh from the bowls onto the earth.”

2 So the first went and poured out his bowl on the earth, and it became boils, breaking out on the men who had the sign of the animal and prayed to his carved image.

3 Then the second messenger poured out his bowl on the sea, and it was blood like that of a dead one, and all that was in the sea died.

4 Then the third poured out his bowl on the fountains of waters and it was blood. 5 Then I heard that the messenger said, “Yahweh the Righteous, who was and is and – you are qadosh that you gave this judgment, 6 for they have shed the blood of the set-apart ones and the prophets like waters, and you gave them blood to drink, for they are worthy of this!” 7 Then I heard another messenger who spoke from inside the temple, “Yes, Elohei Ha-Tseva’ot, your judgments are righteousness.”

8 Then the fourth poured out his bowl on the sun, and to it was given to make heat for man. 9 Then man had much heat, and they cursed Yahweh because of these plagues, but they did not do repentance to give him glory.

10 Then the fifth poured out his bowl on the throne of the animal, and it was darkened, and they bit their tongues because of the pain.

11 [12] Then the sixth poured out his bowl on the river Perat, and the river was dried up, to be a path for the kings who are at the rising of the sun.

12 [13] And I saw that there came forth from the mouth of the dragon and from the mouth of the animal and from the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean creeping things like a frogs. 13 [14] And these are the ruchot of Ha-Satan, and they do signs and wonders, and go to the kings of the earth and to all the world, to gather them to war for the day of Yahweh the Mighty. 14 [15] (“Look! – I will come like a thief, and blessed are those who do not sleep, but keeps himself that he does not walk naked without clothes, that his nakedness will not be uncovered.”) 15 [16] And he gathered them to a place which is called in the Hebrew tongue, Har-Megidon.

16 [17] Then the seventh poured out his bowl in the air, and there came a voice

from the throne, and said, “This is over!” 17 [18] And there were voices and thunders and lightnings, and an earthquake which had never happened before – 18 [19] and of the great city was made three parts, and the cities of the peoples fell. And the great city Bavel was remembered before Yahweh, to give her the cup with the wine of his burning anger. 19 [20] And all the mountains and hills fled, and were seen no more. 20 [21] And great hail fell on man from the heavens, and they blasphemed Yahweh because of the plague of the hail.

Psa 91:1-16 NKJV

1 He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. 2 I will say of the LORD, "[He is] my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust."

3 Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler [And] from the perilous pestilence. 4 He shall cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth [shall be your] shield and buckler. 5 You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, [Nor] of the arrow [that] flies by day, 6 [Nor] of the pestilence [that] walks in darkness, [Nor] of the destruction [that] lays waste at noonday.

7 A thousand may fall at your side, And ten thousand at your right hand; [But] it shall not come near you. 8 Only with your eyes shall you look, And see the reward of the wicked.

9 Because you have made the LORD, [who is] my refuge, [Even] the Most High, your dwelling place, 10 No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; 11 For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways. 12 In [their] hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. 13 You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra, The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.

14 "Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name. 15 He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I [will be] with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him. 16 With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation."

APPENDIX:

D A N I E L 9 : 24 - 27

7 years or 3.5 years

7 years or 3.5 years? This is going to be controversial. As watchmen we cannot assume that we have nailed these end times prophecies. My goal is to make you aware of possibilities. I find it interesting that Jesus' ministry was 3.5 years long. Of course, even that can be debated, but from what I have seen, that seems to make the most sense. The majority of scholarship says that there is 3.5 years of tribulation, that is not that bad, and then 3.5 years of Great Tribulation which is basically the worst time to be anybody on this planet ever. This would equal a seven year tribulation. I have generally always accepted the seven year tribulation. But would it trouble you to know that the phrase "seven year tribulation, " is literally nowhere in the Bible. It is inferred from the final 7 weeks of the "70 Weeks Prophecy," in Daniel 9. All time frame listings in the Old and New Testament are some version of 3.5 years. For the record, I am not the only one saying this. This is a concept that heralds back to the earliest church fathers. The most well researched modern proponent of this theory, in my opinion, is the Messiah2030 Project. I strongly suggest you give them a look. With that said, let us dissect Daniel 9:24-27 closely and carefully.

Premise:

I believe Daniel 9:24-27 "70 weeks prophecy" is solely about the Messiah and describes Him completing the 1st 3.5 years of the final week in His 1st coming. I find it odd that His ministry was 3.5 years long, and that the only mention of any time frame from a tribulation stand point is some version of 3.5 years (ei time, times and half time, 1260-1335 days etc.) If you add the 2 together it totals 7 yrs/1 week. I think the plain reading of this text is that in His 1st 3.5 yrs He accomplished the 1st 3 things on the 6 part list in Daniel 9 w/scripture to back that up.

I believe that in the middle of the final week (3.5 yr mark) He "strengthens/ confirms the covenant with many" with His death on the cross. The covenant is specifically Abraham's covenant where Abraham's "seed" blesses the nations ("the many") Gen 22:18. His death causes the sacrifice and oblation to cease. The scripture and also the Talmud, of all things, supports this idea.

Finally, I believe that the Messiah "makes desolate" and also His people are responsible for the temple/city destruction. I'll give at least 2 verses to back up the claims as everything should be established from the mouth of 2-3 witnesses.

If this is the case, then what everyone is looking for to be the "start of the tribulation" is the wrong thing and it will completely catch them off guard. This may shipwreck many of those caught unaware.

Here is the passage for reading. I will then break it down with scripture after.

[KJV/NKJV is used throughout as it is closest to the original Hebrew. Also, in Hebrew, there are no capital letters. The translators make highly educated guesses based on the context of the text as they see it to decide what is a proper name or a reference to the Messiah. They then capitalize it for ease of recognition by the reader.]

[Dan 9:24-27 KJV] 24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy [or Most Holy Place.] 25 Know therefore and understand, [that] from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince [shall be] seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks [62 weeks]: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. 26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. 27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make [it] desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate. *["desolate" can also be translated as "desolator."]*

Lets break this down:

24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city,

1. to finish the transgression,

   Heb 9:15 "And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, **by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant**, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance."

   Isa 53:5 "He was wounded for our transgressions"

Jn 19:30 "So when **Jesus** had received the sour wine, He said**, "It is finished!"** And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit."

2. and to make an end of sins,

Heb 9:26-28 "He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, **He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.** 27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, 28 so Christ was offered once **to bear the sins of many**. To those who eagerly wait for Him **He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation."**

Jn 1:29 "The next day John saw **Jesus** coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God **who takes away the sin of the world**!"

1 Jn 3:5 "And you know that **He was manifested to take away our sins**, and in Him there is no sin."

3. and to make reconciliation for iniquity,

Rom 5:10-11 "For if when we were enemies **we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son**, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. 11 And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom **we have now received the reconciliation.**"

Heb 9:12-14 "Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with **His own blood He** entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having **obtained eternal redemption**. 13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, 14 how much more shall **the blood of Christ,** who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, **cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?**""

4. and to bring in everlasting righteousness,
5. and to seal up the vision and prophecy,
6. and to anoint the most Holy [can also be Most Holy Place.]

Items 4-6 take place at His 2nd coming.

25 Know therefore and understand, [that] from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto **Messiah the Prince** [shall be] seven weeks *[49 years of the rebuilding of Jerusalem of Ezra and Nehemiah]*, and threescore and two *[62]* weeks the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

Here is the introduction of the future, coming, Messiah the Prince. Messiah the Prince comes when the 69th week [7 weeks + 62 weeks] has ended. After the 69th week comes and ends, the 70th week starts. Messiah literally means "anointed one." Once the Spirit descended on Him as we see in Jn 1:32-34, He was "annointed." Jesus gets baptized/anointed in 26AD, thus ending the 69th week and starting the 70th week. I do not want to dive too deep into dates, but Ezra 7 records Artaxerxes I decree to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem and restore the religious practices which would include self governance when you read the Law of God. We know the year is 458 BC by cross-referencing the Biblical text with historical records of the Persian king Artaxerxes I. 458 BC plus 483 years, not prophetic years, regular years, equals 26 AD. Further, based on the records of a lunar eclipse in relation to Herods death written by Josephus, we can infer that Jesus was likely born in late 5 BC, and Luke records His ministry began when He was almost 30. 30 years separate 5 BC and 26 AD.

26 And **after** threescore and two [62] weeks shall **Messiah** be cut off, but not for himself: and **the people of the prince** that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

To this point, only one prince, Messiah the Prince, has been mentioned, in verse 25. He is the prince who is coming in the future. He is the prince who will come. He is cut off AFTER 69 weeks, literally 3.5 years into the 70th week. Who are "The people of the prince," since it appears there is only one prince mentioned? They are the Jews. I know this is not popular. I will skip over the use of Scripture to confirm the Messiah being cut off or the city/temple destruction as we are clear about those events. The Jews, called the Jews as they were of the Tribe of Judah, rejected Jesus and brought on the 40 years of punishment 30AD - 70AD mentioned in:

> **Eze 4:6 "**And when you have completed them, lie again on your right side; then you shall bear **the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days**. I have laid on you **a day for each year."**

There is not a clear historical example of the 40 year punishment God laid on Ezekiel, the closest I have read was Mannasseh being king, and the wandering in the desert for 40 years, but that does not make sense when you compare it

to the rest of Ezekiel 4 and the fulfillment of the Northern tribes punishment. In reference to who is responsible for Jerusalem's punishment, Jesus says:

> **Mat 23:31-39** "Therefore **you are witnesses against yourselves** that you are sons of those who murdered the prophets. 32 "Fill up, then, the measure of your fathers' [guilt]. 33 "**Serpents, brood of vipers**! How can you escape the condemnation of hell? 34 "Therefore, indeed, I send you prophets, wise men, and scribes: [some] of them you will kill and crucify, and [some] of them you will scourge in your synagogues and persecute from city to city, 35 "**that on you may come all the righteous blood shed on the earth**, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah, son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar. 36 "**Assuredly, I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation**. 37 "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under [her] wings, but you were not willing! 38 "**See! Your house is left to you desolate**; 39 "for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, 'Blessed [is] He who comes in the name of the LORD!' "

At least a case can be made that the Roman/Multi-Arabian Legions did not destroy Jerusalem out of the blue. The Jews gave them reason and cause to. The Roman/Multi-Arabian Legions were the tools. The destruction of Jerusalem (the capital of the Southern Kingdom or the Kingdom of Judah) was caused by a Jewish revolt against Rome. The destruction was caused, according to Jesus, by the Jews for rejecting God's prophets. And finally, the destrcution was caused by the Jews rejecting Jesus. "The people of the prince who is to come," Messiah the Prince, His people are responsible for the destruction. My opinion is, this has been hidden by the Lord until the time of the end. This is not something that has only been revealed to me like some kind of secret. It is a theory I heard. But when I chase it down Biblically, it harmonizes and is significantly simpler than our current theories. The only reason to conclude that Messiah the Prince and "the prince who is to come" are two different people is if you just do not like what the people of the prince who is to come do. To be clear, we are grafted into the Jewish olive tree. God will remove branches, but not the tree. We must pray for and show the love of Christ to the Jews that they may choose Him. They are His chosen people, but only the ones that will choose Him. God has graciously allowed us to be part of His family through Christ.

27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make [it] desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate [or "desolator.]

I have broken verse 27 into four parts as there are so many details.

1. "he shall confirm the covenant with many"
   "Confirm": [Gabar=prevail or strengthen] the covenant. In the Hebrew this blatantly does NOT say "make a peace treaty with Israel or between them and many nations." I find it interesting that "gabar" can mean prevail, which is exactly what Jesus did.

   Mt 26:28 For this is My blood of **the new covenant**, which is shed **for many** for the remission of sins.

   Mar 14:24 "And He said to them, "This is My blood of the **new covenant**, which is **shed for many**." *(note "shed for many" and "covenant with many.")*

   Gal 3:16-17, 29 "Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, "And to seeds," as of many, but as of one, "And to your Seed," who is Christ. 17 And this I say, that the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul **the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ**, that it should make the promise of no effect..... 29 And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

   Rom 15:8-12 NKJV 8 Now I say that **Jesus Christ has become a servant to the circumcision** for the truth of God, **to confirm the promises** *(which is what a covenant is)* **[made] to the fathers**, 9 and **that the Gentiles might glorify God** for [His] mercy, as it is written: "For this reason I will confess to You among the Gentiles, And sing to Your name." *(2 Samuel 22:50; Psalm 18:49)*
   10 And again he says: "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with His people!"*(Deuteronomy 32:43)*
   11 And again: "Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples!" *(Psalm 117:1)*
   12 And again, Isaiah says: "There shall be a root of Jesse; And He who shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, In Him the Gentiles shall hope." *(Isaiah 11:10)*

As you can see, this seems to point to Jesus confirming a covenant with His death, allowing "many," which would be the gentiles, to join the promise. This confirms what was said in the OT, that the Gentiles will be added to the Israelites.

To this point there is still only one "he" mentioned in Daniel 9:27. There is not a new character, we are still talking about Messiah the Prince.

2. "In the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease"

   Heb 10:8-10 "Previously saying, "Sacrifice and offering, burnt offerings, and offerings for sin You did not desire, nor had pleasure in them" (which are offered according to the law), 9 then He said, "Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God." **He takes away the first that He may establish the second.** 10 By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." *(Ideally, read 10:1-10.)*

   Heb 7:27 "who does not need daily *(sacrifice)*, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, **for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself**. **28** For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, appoints the **Son who has been perfected forever."**

   (These verses clearly indicate there is no longer a need for sacrifice and oblation. Upon Jesus' death they immediately became unnecessary/uneffective. The Jewish Talmud reflects that it did indeed stop working:

   The Jewish Talmud Yoma 39b "The Rabbis taught that forty years prior to the destruction of the Temple the lot did not come up in the [high priest's] right hand nor did the tongue of scarlet wool become white…" *The scarlet wool was placed on the goat for Azazel, who was then sent into the wilderness. The priest would take a thread of the scarlet wool and hang it on the temple door, when the scapegoat died, and the atonement was done, the thread would turn white, signifying that YHWH had accepted the sacrifice. The scarlet wool tradition isn't in the Bible, but it was a Jewish tradition. It is reported in the Mishnah Yoma 4:2 & elsewhere. The tradition is sourced from the Bible in Isaiah, "If your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow," Isa 1:18. In 30 AD it stopped turning white according to the Talmud. Their sacrifices did nothing.*

*See also **Heb 9:12-14** written above.*

Regardless of this, it is clear there is no longer any need for sacrifice since Jesus died at the end of His 3.5 yr ministry "in the midst of the week," or 3.5 years into the final 7 years that started immediately at the baptism/anointing of the Messiah. Remember Messiah means anointed.

And we still have not introduced a new character into this, it is still solely Messiah the Prince:

3. "and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make [it] desolate"

   Lk 13:34-35 "O Jerusalem, **Jerusalem**, the one **who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her**! **How often I wanted to gather your children** together, as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, **but you were not willing! 35 See! Your house is left to you desolate;** and assuredly, I say to you, you shall not see Me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' "

   Jer 6:8 Be instructed, O Jerusalem, Lest My soul depart from you; **Lest I make you desolate, A land not inhabited**."

It seems to still be referring to the only "he" mentioned to this point, Messiah the Prince. Further we must ponder the "over spreading of abominations." Jesus mentions the reasons Jerusalem is left desolate. Nothing has really changed since then. I have mentioned earlier in the text, but if they begin sacrificing to a self rationalized idea of YHWY, one that denies the Son, they are sacrificing to an idol of their own making. This will possibly take place on the temple mount. That is abominable.

4. "even until the consummation (the end), and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate. [desolator.]"

***Desolate**:* šāmēm *The KJV translates Strong's H8074 in the following manner: desolate (49x), astonished (20x), desolation (7x), waste (5x), destroy (3x), wondered (2x), amazed (1x), astonishment (1x), miscellaneous (4x)* ("BLB"). *I cannot find anywhere where "desolate" refers to an individual, it is a place, or an astonishment. Ex. Jer 49:17 "Edom shall be an astonishment* 'šāmēm'." *I believe, in this instance, this is Jerusalem. Jesus says right there in Luke that He is leaving it "desolate." I believe God will use the Beast as a tool to complete this desolation. For this reason, I agree with the translators that "desolator" is not likely the intent.*

*We see that the "woman will flee into the desert for 1260 days" in Revelation 12, and this will also correspond with Zechariah where 2/3rds of the Jews are cut off (which sounds horrendous) and may also coincide with the destruction of Mystery, Babylon. That is if Jerusalem is Mystery, Babylon as we posit in chapter 17 and 18. Jesus/God will then pour out his wrath on the "desolator," if that is the intent of the word in this verse. However, it is the exact same word "*šāmēm" *in both sections of the verse. It may actually point toward the 2 destructions of Jerusalem after Jesus, namely, 70 AD and then again sometime in the future.*

> *(**Please note** that there is no "abomination that causes desolation set up in the temple" in this verse as it is not stated in the Hebrew. In the NIV and other "thought for thought" translations you will find it, but not the "word for word" translations. I believe it has been placed there in the "thought for thought" translations as a result of translator bias. The "abomination that causes desolation" is in Daniel 11 and 12 and that is what Jesus is referring to in His Olivet Discourse.)*

Additionally, I know this idea of singular 3.5 years ruins the idea of the 7 year marriage supper of the Lamb in heaven. This Jewish tradition of a 7 day wedding feast is not "prescribed" in the Bible but rather, "described." The Jews have inferred it from Genesis 29 where Laban tells Jacob to "finish the week," when he tricked him into marrying Leah. Laban was not Jewish, so it's a non-Jewish tradition. Just like when Laban says, "It is not the tradition here to give the younger before the older." Further, the feast takes place at Laban's house, not the grooms fathers house. Samson also had a week of feasting, so this tradition had taken hold by this time. You will find that Samson's wedding feast took place in the city of the bride, not in Samson's fathers house. Essentially, God never said "do weddings this way," like He has done with the Mo'edim. To reiterate, in both those Biblical examples, the wedding feast took place at the bride's house/city.

The Marriage supper of the Lamb" is in Revelation 19:9, which is Armageddon/Har Mo'ed (Rev 19:11.) The parable about the groom that comes to the wise & foolish virgins (Matt 25:1-13), has the groom come to where the virgins are waiting and feasts at their location. He does not come and take them somewhere else.

Moreoever, when you search it, there is really only one ancient account of Jewish wedding rituals in relation to the feast. The only historical thing we have is from the apocryphal book of Tobit which was written in the 2nd century BC. It describes a Jewish wedding feast. Oddly enough, that feast takes place at the BRIDE'S HOUSE, not the groom's fathers house. And it is 14 days long, not

7. Sorry, that is a different subject as well. Anyway, a 7 day wedding feast is not prescribed by the Bible, it is merely attested to happening in the Bible. And even when it is, it does not appear to be at the groom's house, but rather at the brides.

One might consider the passage in Exodus 24, where 70 elders feast before God for six days and Moses ascends on the seventh, as a relevant parallel. However, this event takes place with God's presence on Mount Sinai, not in a heavenly context. Therefore, while it affirms the seven-day concept, it is distinct from a heavenly ascent.

Lets just read Daniel again, with no breaks, as though Messiah is the prince and the "he."

[Dan 9:24-27 KJV] 24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy. 25 Know therefore and understand, [that] from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince [shall be] seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times. 26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. 27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make [it] desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate [desolator.]

I believe there is only one individual mentioned in this passage.

He comes at the conclusion of the 69th week, which immediately begins the 70th week, thus he dies during the 70th week, at the end of His 3.5 year ministry, aka the midpoint of the 7 years.

Half of the last week has already been accomplished.

I do not believe that this says someone comes and makes a peace treaty and then breaks it in the middle of seven years. Messiah the Prince's death, in the middle of the week, confirms/strengthens the covenant with many. AND His death puts an end to sacrifice and oblation as His blood has made all the necessary sacrifice for this time. I do believe that there will be peace treaties. They

are mentioned throughout the Old Testament, "your treaty with death," and the "overwhelming scourge," but that is not what is happening in this verse.

We should not be looking for a new peace treaty to "start" the tribulation or some Eze 38/39 "Gog Magog" battle which is plainly read as the Revelation 19 Armageddon/Har Mo'ed battle.

There are three very obvious things we should watch for to tab as the beginning of the tribulation in no particular order.

> *1. Daily sacrifices on the Temple Mount.*
> *2. The 2 Witnesses begin to testify in Jerusalem for 1260 days.*
> *3. A surprise candidate from the Middle East who begins taking over or making a confederacy with other Middle Eastern nations.*

As far as the daily sacrifices go we need to be aware of what does and does not need to be in place for that to happen. They can start with or without some version of the temple/tabernacle. I'm not sure if they want to just throw up a tent/tabernacle or if it has to be a brick and mortar. In Ezra, they begin the daily sacrifice prior to the building of the temple. No building or tent at all. They only need a pile of rocks, believe it or not, they do not need the ashes of a red heifer to begin the daily (morning and evening) sacrifices. The principle of "Tumah Hutra B'Tzibbur" (Ritual impurity is set aside for the community), discussed in Talmud Tractate Pesahim 77a-78b and Talmud Tractate Yoma 6b-7b and is codified by major halakhic authorities like Rambam in his Mishneh Torah, basically teaches that if a majority of the people or priests were impure (e.g., due to contact with a corpse, which renders one ritually impure for seven days), delaying or canceling the daily offering would disrupt the entire Temple service and communal relationship with God. Therefore, the principle of Tumah Hutra B'Tzibbur ensures that communal offerings proceed even under such circumstances. The ashes of a red heifer to ensure the ritual cleanliness of the implements, priests and so forth, have nothing to do with the daily sacrifice, only the full temple service. What is stopping the daily sacrifice right now is the political/religious environment on the Temple Mount. The Muslims control it, and they do not want that to happen. Until that changes for some reason, red heifer ashes or not, it will not happen. In my opinion, I do believe the Antichrist (abomination of desolation) will stand in the temple and stop sacrifices in a future temple/tabernacle from Dan 8, though this may be referring to him "changing times and laws," but that might not be until the end of the Two Witnesses in Revelation 11.

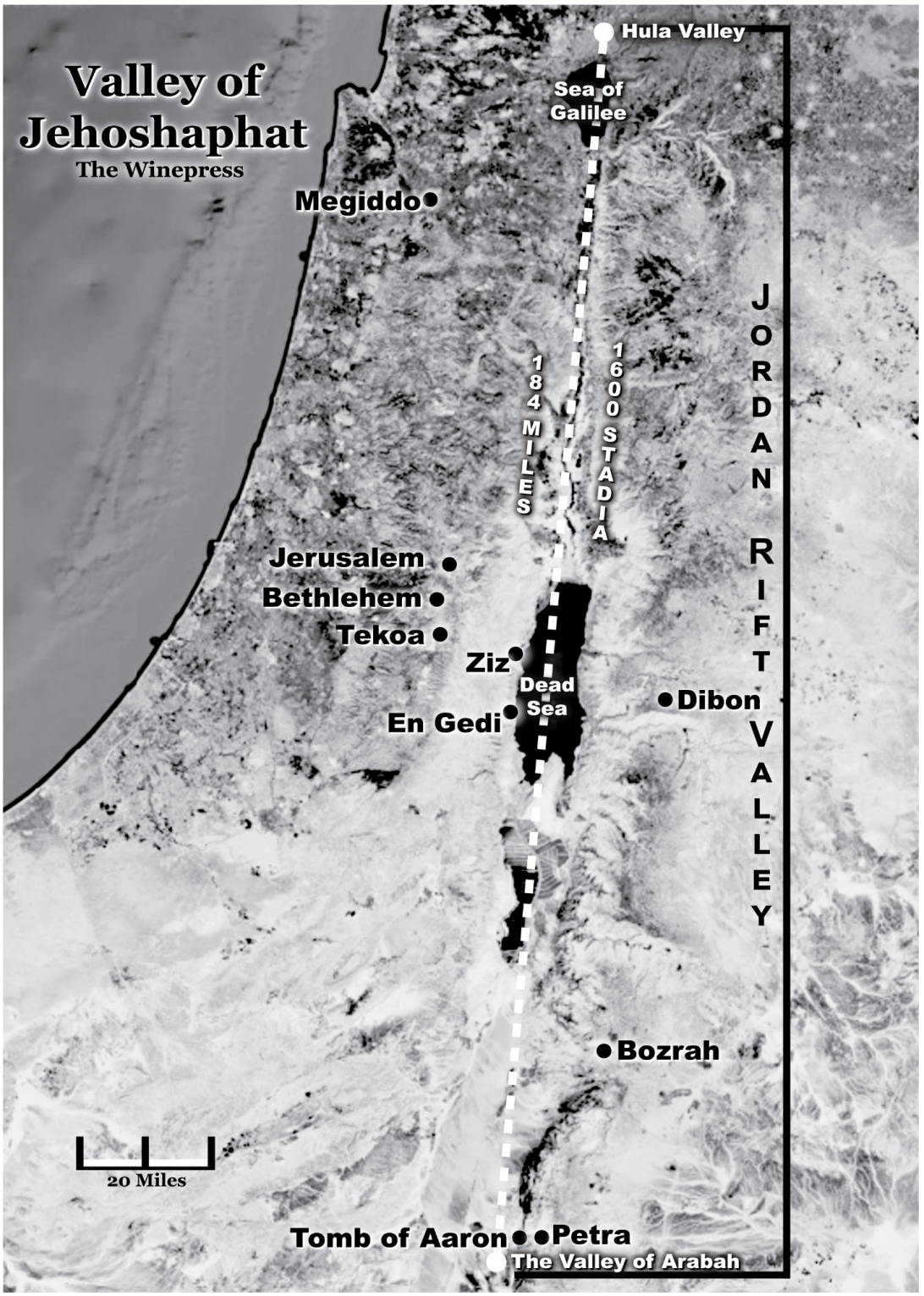
Based on the realization that the Bible uses patterns, it would make sense that the Antichrist get the same run as Christ did. Why would he get 7 years when

Jesus only got 3.5 years. I think they each get 3.5 years. See Dan 8:25. That's a feeling not some proclamation.

My overall conclusion is, after a plain reading of the passage, with comparison to related New Testament verses, there is a good chance that the final "week" is already half over, and there are only 3.5 years of Tribulation once it starts.

While it is quite possible that I am mistaken, this is the opinion that I arrived at via studying the Word, as well as the teaching of others in modernity. This view was also held by the Early Church Fathers Hippolytus, Irenaeus (a disciple of John via Polycarp), and Tertullian. For clarity, while I agree with their tribulational view, I diverge from them in that they viewed the 70th Week as a fully future seven year period, where the first 3.5 years is deceptive peace and power consolidation, and then the final 3.5 years is "Tribulation." I do not want to dive deeply into the origin of the seven year Tribulation theory. But suffice it to say it heralds from the mid 1800. John Nelson Darby and C. I Scofield first interpreted and popularized the idea of the seven year Tribulation as well as the Pre-Tribulation Rapture Theory.

I do not take this idea lightly and neither should you. Please pray about this, be a Berean, dive into the Word and continue to seek the Truth.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VoJ Map "The Winepress" Explanation:

The discussion about the "Valley of Jehoshaphat" from Joel 3:1-17 can be found in Volume I, page 209. I have placed two maps. One basic map, and one that records the physical depth of the location.

- Megiddo: Modern day kabbutz located in the midst of the Valley of Megiddo. This is the traditionally accepted site of "`Armagedon." ("Megiddo")

- Jerusalem/Mount Zion/Har Mo'ed

- Ziz: ("Jeruel "Ziz"") The site of the "battle" where the Lord killed the combined armies of Moab, Edom, and Ammon. Directly on the edge of the Dead Sea. 2Ch 20:16 refers to this as the "Ascent of Ziz," and the "Wilderness of Jeruel." (Openbible.info)

- Dibon: ("Bible Map: Valley of Hamon-gog (Dibon)") Near supposed site of the future burial of Gog "Valley of Hamon Gog" (Eze 39:11, 15-16.)

- Bozrah: ("Bible Map: Bozrah") [Isa 63:1-3 NIV] 1 Who is this coming from Edom, from Bozrah, with his garments stained crimson? Who is this, robed in splendor, striding forward in the greatness of his strength? "It is I, proclaiming victory, mighty to save." 2 Why are your garments red, like those of one treading the winepress? 3 "I have trodden the winepress alone; from the nations no one was with me. I trampled them in my anger and trod them down in my wrath; their blood spattered my garments, and I stained all my clothing.

- Petra: ("Petra, Jordan") built by the Nabataeans. Often cited as a possible location for the fleeing Jews during a third destruction of Jerusalem. A little less than 40 miles from Bozrah. I learned while making the map that it is very near to the spot believed to be the Tomb of Aaron the High Priest.

- Hula Valley: The northern end of the Jordan Rift Valley. Possibly the "Entrance of Hamath."

- Valley of the Arabah: This valley runs all the way to the Gulf of Aqaba. However, as the topographical map shows, it ceases to be below mean sea level near Petra. It remains a valley however, as it has mountains on either sides of it.
- 1600 stadia/184 miles: Why is this rift, containing the deepest land surface on earth, located directly next to God's Holy Mountain? I believe it

is His winepress. It is the only valley properly sized in length to match the account in Revelation.

- On the topographical map on page 244 in the Appendix you will see that the max depth to the surface of the Dead Sea (not the bottom) is minus 1,362 feet.

It would be important to note that the winepress of God's wrath takes place at the final climactic battle of the Tribulation. It would be safe to assume that there has been three and a half years of drought due to the testimony of the Two Witnesses. The Dead Sea and Jordan River may be completely dry, as the springs that feed them are not self-perpetuating, but are fed by rainfall and snowmelt on Mount Hermon.

It is also reasonable to infer that the Antichrist will be in Jerusalem near the start of this battle as he will kill the Two Witnesses inside of Jerusalem. It would make little sense for him to go north to Megiddo from there. Especially if his intent is to either fight a returning Jesus who will be returning to Jerusalem according to Scripture, or to kill the remaining Jews and or Believers who have fled Jerusalem to Bozrah or Petra in the south. This would explain why Isaiah sees the Messiah coming up from Bozrah covered in blood (Isaiah 63.)

I would point out that no, Bozrah is not inside the Jordan Rift Valley, but if you draw a line from Jerusalem toward Bozrah, you see that Ziz is directly between the two. The Messiah comes from that direction.

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