An Exposition for-This Generation

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Introduction

To start this discussion, I want to state that I am not teaching an absolute doctrine or theology. I believe the complete understanding for prophecies to the Jewish elect in Daniel's 70th Week will be taught fully by the Two olive tree prophets to Israel as we read in Revelation.

I began this research to set a timeline and definition for the scripture in Revelation 8:1 "About the space of half an hour". My curiosity was provoked from a message I heard. The rudiment for this teaching was defined from the one hour with the beast, from Revelation 17:12 ...but receive power as kings one hour with the beast... The minister said this one hour is seven years. Thus, one-half hour could be 3.5 years. This teaching from Fred Cormier at Faith Assembly Church Moncton, will be our motivation in researching not just the half an hour in Rev 8:1 but will include Mark 13:30, this generation, arriving to the time of Rev 8:1. We will continue through the seven trumpet plagues of Revelation chapter eight among other prophecies in Revelation.

I want to state my study is not to undermine Fred Cormier, rather I need to prove to myself what is the truth for the actual length of time, "One half an hour" in Revelation 8:1. We should all be striving to learn the message for our generation.

To begin this discussion, I want to set the record straight for the salvation gospel returning to the Jews. The importance for clarification is because Christian religion rarely mentions this truth or they teach the Jewish people never receive the gospel. We need to show the truth for the gospel returning to the Jews. If the gospel does not return to the Jews, the book of Revelation is no book at all. It becomes a mythic tale, a fantasy adventure book for movies to entertain the masses.

The Mystery of Israel's Salvation

Romans 11: ¹⁷ But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, although a wild olive shoot, were grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing root of the olive tree, ¹⁸ do not be arrogant toward the branches. If you are, remember it is not you who support the root, but the root that supports you. ¹⁹ Then you will say, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in." ²⁰ That is true.

Romans 11:²⁴ For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be grafted back into their own olive tree. ²⁵ Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. ²⁶ And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written, "The Deliverer will come from Zion, he will banish ungodliness from Jacob"; ²⁷ "and this will be my covenant with them when I take away their sins."

The Lesson of the Fig Tree

One-half hour is a simple thought, but to define this length of time becomes complex. We have much to consider for defining the half hour time of Revelations 8:1. We will begin a timeline with Mark the 13th chapter that will guide us to the time of Revelation 8:1. Yes, an odd place to begin, but it's relevant for the living generation of Israel who will witness Revelation 8:1, the salvation message to the Jews. They are the generation spoken of in Mark's parable.

I know we gentiles think this parable is only for us; it is because of our arrogance caused by theology. Although the parable is to the Jews, we gentiles can learn what to watch for concerning our day and hour with this same parable. The day for the gentile wise virgins is the "catching away" as taught by Paul. Paul's catching away for the wise virgins is seven years before the day and hour Yahshua returns to earth, ending Daniel's 70th Week. This seven years is Daniel's 70th Week. These prophecies we will read in Mark include the time of Hosea 6:2 "after two days He will revive us". Mark 13:3-13 are the world events or conditions through the two days, the two thousand year grace age. This is written to Christians, wether Jewish or gentile converts. But Yahshua changes things up with Mark 13:14. This verse is a prophecy with two applications, Daniel 9:26 and 9:27. 9:26 was fulfilled in 69/70 AD, 9:27 is the middle of Daniel's 70th Week.

Mar 13:14 But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that reads understand), then let them that be in Judaea flee to the mountains:

Mar 13:23 But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.

Yahshua has told all things to be fulfilled ending with Daniel 9:27, the 70th Week. Now we go to the parable of the fig tree, which we have been taught deals with a generation that witness Israel becoming a nation and the 67 generation that strengthens Israel to this day. We have believed this generation won't pass away before the return of Messiah. But is that what is said? I don't believe it is. I don't believe there is a generation that we will watch for the return of Messiah. Let us read what is said.

The Fig Tree:

Mar 13:28 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and puts forth leaves, ye know that summer is near:

Mark 13:28 simply states that spring brings out the buds on the trees and new sprouts of branches. In a short time almost without notice summer arrives. That is all Yahshua said. Now verse 29:

Mar 13:29 So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, even at the doors.

Yahshua said, "When ye see these things come to pass," the last prophecy He taught is 13:14, the man called the abomination of desolation, Daniel 9:27. He is foretelling the generation in Israel who witness this event, which occurs in the middle of the 70th Week. That something important is nigh even at the doors. The event immediately after the desolation of Jerusalem is Mark 13:24-26, His return to earth. Yahshua spoke a prophecy saying, "This generation who sees the abomination of desolation standing in Jerusalem, shall not pass away until they witness His return to earth at the end of the 70th Week". The phrase, "Even at the doors," is a reference to the doors of heaven as prophesied by John **Rev 6:14** And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together ... This is the return of Messiah from heaven appearing in the heavens of earth's atmosphere pronouncing judgment.

Mar 13:30 Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done.

Mar 13:31 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.

Yahshua made a very simple comparison between spring and summer and then He gave a prophecy that His return to earth is like spring to summer after the desolation of Daniel 9:27 is fulfilled.

Time to move on with chapter thirteen:

Mar 13:32 But of that day and that hour knows no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.

Mar 13:33 Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.

Mar 13:34 For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.

Mar 13:35 Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock crowing, or in the morning:

Mar 13:36 Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.

Mar 13:37 And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

Comments for Mark chapter 13:

13:6 Christian Religions, thousands of them have developed since Christ's resurrection. They have deceived millions.

13:7 there have always been wars and they continue.

13:8 Wars will increase as will famines and earthquakes through centuries until the time of Mark 13:28.

- 13:9 Governments will persecute Christians and Jews, forbidding them to practice their faith. We see this in the Muslim and Communist Governments. It has now begun in America.
- 13:10 America was raised up to send the gospel around the world, more than any other country.
- 13:12 Communism conquers through revolution by the younger generations being brain washed then controlled like puppets to over throw their parents and grandparents generation.
- 13:13 For the true believer their own religions hate them; they won't walk with the majority. Many Hebrews world wide stand against the nation of Israel. So called Jews hating their own. We also have anti-Semitic Christian religions. The current Pope gave a peace medal to the Palestinian President a few years ago. He stands against Jerusalem as the capital for Israel. There are other major Christian denominations who stand against Israel as a nation. The USA liberal Democratic Party works to undermine Israel while supporting Muslims and suppressing Christians and Jews. World hatred for Israel will reach climactic proportions late in Daniel's Week.
- 13:14-23 are parables concerning Daniel's 70th Week. "This generation" who will witness the events of Daniel's 70th Week.
- 13:24-26 In these verses Yahshua speaks specific about the events during Daniel's 70th Week finishing with His literal descent from heaven to earth. He is speaking to the Jewish elect who will witness His return. We know this from verse 13:29.

Mark 13:27 is Matthew 25:31-46; After the 70th Week, Messiah sets up His millennium kingdom.

In verse 13:28-30 Yahshua states that time and world events as He described in verses 13:3-13 will bring a generation of Jewish people to live out His parable for his return setting up His millennial kingdom. These verses begin and end with the grace age. For Daniel's 70th Week to begin, Israel must regain her original boundaries as given to Abraham. We will read two scriptures related to restoring the original boarders.

Zephaniah 2: Israel destroys Ethiopia and the Palestinians restoring her borders.

Obadiah 1: Israel destroys Edomites/Jorden and famishes the gods of the earth.

Soon after Israel restores her boarders, the Gog and Magog war of Ezekiel 38-39 begins. Elohim will crush the last of the Islam spirit using nature to destroy the Muslim invaders who are aided by Russian technology. This failed invasion brings the false prophet's peace accord and Daniel's 70th week will begin, this will bring the time of Revelation 8:1.

We will continue in Mark with verses 32-37 which speaks of the hour for the Son of Man to return.

Of That Day and That hour Knows No Man

Mar 13:26 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.

Mar 13:29 So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, even at the doors.

Mar 13:32 But of that day and *that* hour knows no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.

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Mar 13:36 Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.

Mar 13:37 And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

Yahshua said, "Of that day and that hour" no man knows. Well, there will be a few people who realize the day and hour is approaching. Mark 13:29 He declared, "Know that my return is nigh even at the doors." A time will come when "This generation" will perceive they are that generation to witness Messiah's return. It will be in the Week of Daniel, Elohim's remanent seed.

Once the 70th week starts, the exact day count of 2,520 days shows us the hour and day for Messiah's Descent to earth. We also have the angel speaking to Daniel telling there are a wise people at the end, they will have understanding:

Dan 12:9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. 12:10... but the wise shall understand.

The timeline for Daniel's 70 weeks is a mystery for near 2,600 years. But the angle said when the end of time nears, the seal of mystery is removed. Next we will read Paul for this end time mystery. Paul's mystery takes place at the outset of Daniel's Week.

1Th 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

1Th 5:4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

1Th 5:5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

2Th 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

1Th 5:6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

Paul teaches the wise are not in obscurity about Daniel's mystery regarding the little horn speaking great things, that false prophet. The children of the day will understand Daniel's 70th Week mystery, as Paul states, "That day should not befall you as a thief." Paul gives the same warning as Yahshua in Mark 13:36, don't get caught spiritually sleeping as many are asleep.

Now the day Paul is telling of is the catching away 1Th 4:17. This is at the end of the gentile grace age putting them in Revelation 10:6. So the wise cannot miss the day and the hour for the catching away because they know they are living within the times for Daniel's fulfillment. The wise know their day.

The day of Christ's return for the gentile bride is at the start of Daniel's 70th week. As Paul suggested, the man of sin is revealed before the catching away. Yahshua's day for returning to earth is at the end of the 70th week. Paul spoke of the times and seasons he doesn't need to give instruction. He had instructed these truths during his evangelistic trips. Possibly Paul explained the time and seasons related to Mark 13:6-13. But he needed to explain about the day. The children of light will be able to identify the time for the day from prophecies, recognizing they are near the period for "This generation shall not pass away."

Is Israel's 1948 return prophetic, is it the time for this generation?

We will begin with Hosea 6:2 After two days will he revive us... Hosea speaks of the gentile grace age ending and the reviving of the gospel to the Jews, Israel. Hosea's prophecy to revive the Jews begins with Rev 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour. It is the seventh seal opened that begins the Jewish revival. For Israel to receive the gospel, she must be a nation.

Hos 6:2 said, After two days will he revive us, Israel's revival. Hosea's prophecy is to the Jewish nation Israel. The question I would like to ask is when do we begin counting the two days, the two thousand years. The gentiles were grafted into the vine in 52 AD when Paul said I turn to the Gentiles, Acts 13:46. This began the first church age and the dispensation for the gentiles. We just said this prophecy is to Israel not the gentiles. The gospel came to Israel in 28AD Yahshua's baptism, The New Testament era to the Jews began in 33 AD, After Messiah was cut off (crucified) as prophesied in Daniel 9:26. This seems to be the most likely date to begin Hosea's two days.

The prophecy of Hosea reads, after two days He will revive us. This puts us after the date 2033 AD and returns the gospel to the Jews. Will time run to 2033 or 2035 which is a Sabbatical year? We can develop an argument as to how long after the two days, but as we have written in another study the gentile grace age to the Jewish revival (70th week of Daniel) has a seamless transition. The Gentile grace age does not have a specific length of time. It is the Jewish nation that must wait two days or two thousand years for their revival. The gentile grace age will have to end so that the gospel can return to the Jews as Paul told us in Romans. Currently what we are waiting for is Israel to reclaim her original boundaries and the God and Magog war as prophesy has told us. This will begin the 70th week. This study is to help us know when we may expect these prophecies.

So what of Israel's return in 1948, does it fit prophecy? I will not discuss this in depth, but we will study the book of Leviticus in answering this question. Leviticus chapter twenty-six has four prophecies we will review, the fourth will be Israel's return as a nation.

Leviticus chapter 26 prophecy in 1491 BC, gives four time periods of judgment against Israel if she worships other gods not keeping his commandments. We will discuss the four because I took the time to research them so I could better understand the chapter. It is the fulfillment of these judgements that bring us to 1948. There is an interesting article in the appendix, calculating

Israel's return as a nation in 1948. Although interesting, it must fulfill the Word for what it speaks, not just a mathematical calculation.

Lev 26:18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins.

I cannot put confidence in an exact date for this first sevenfold judgement. In Deuteronomy 28:15 1451 BC, a warning is given to Israel if they serve other gods. If they serve Elohim, they should receive blessings. Israel followed diverse gods and lived under hardships for decades. In 1209 BC Egypt conquered Israel, here is a clip from history: The first record of the name Israel (as ysri³sr) occurs in the Merneptah stele, erected for Egyptian Pharaoh Merneptah (son of Ramses II) c. 1209 BCE, "Israel is laid waste and his seed is not".

The prophet Samuel 1141 BC brought Israel back to Elohim, but could not move his two sons to serve Elohim, and for this they lost their lives. This disobedient lifestyle of Israeli's continued until the Assyrian's conquered Israel in 722 BC.

Lev 26:21 And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins.

II Kings 17:7-17 catalogs the sins of Israel: 722 BC Widespread idolatry. Israel "feared other gods" (verse 7). "They built for themselves high places in all their cities... They set up for themselves sacred pillars and wooden images on every high hill and under every green tree; and there they burned incense on all the high places, as the nations had done whom the LORD had carried away before them," (verses 9-11). Further, they "followed idols, became idolaters, and made for themselves a molded image and two calves, made a wooden image and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal" (verses 15-16).

Assyria, a kingdom known as much for its innovative weapons as for their brutal implementation, conquered the Kingdom of Israel in 718 BC. So it was that, about 250 years after becoming established, the ten-tribes northern kingdom became extinct as a sovereign nation. The Assyrians deported the population en masse from its homeland in Canaan, transplanting it virtually in completeness to the southern shores of the Caspian Sea. The Kingdom of Israel fell below the historian's radar.

Lev 26:24 Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your sins.

This the third judgement of seven fold hardship transporting us to the siege of Jerusalem and ruin of the temple in 586 BC. Babylon first subdued Jerusalem in 606 BC, and Daniel was a gift to become a magus in the court of King Nebuchadnezzar II. Jeremiah gives his written account of Israel's idolatry in 606 BC:

Jer 19:11 And shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Even so will I break this people and this city, as one breaks a potter's vessel, that cannot become whole again: and they shall bury them in Tophet, till there be no place to bury.

Jer 19:12 Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as Tophet:

Jer 19:13 And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.

Jeremiah's apocalypse for Jerusalem happened in 586 BC as Babylon sacked Jerusalem, destroying the sanctuary. After the Babylonian's, the Roman's ruled over Israel and in 69/70 AD the fourth judgment came to fulfillment as we read in Lev 26:28.

Lev 26:28 Then I will walk contrary unto you also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins.

Lev 26:29 And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat.

Lev 26:30 And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images, and cast your carcass upon the carcass of your idols, and my soul shall abhor you.

Lev 26:31 And I will make your cities waste, and bring your sanctuaries unto desolation, and I will not smell the savor of your sweet odors.

Lev 26:32 And I will bring the land into desolation: and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it.

Daniel prophesies with Leviticus for this siege of Jerusalem: Dan 9:26... and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the conclusion thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined. Yahshua said to Jerusalem:

Mat 23:37 Oh Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killed the prophets, and stoned them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

The Jewish historian Josephus wrote of two women who cooked and ate their babies during this siege, including destruction of the temple in 70 AD.

Lev 26:28 is the last seven fold judgement against Israel bringing us to Isaiah's prophecy.

Isaiah 11:12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

I feel we have good reason to believe time has brought us near the time for "this generation" which occurs in the 70th Week of Daniel of which Yahshua spoke. This means we should be approaching the half hour of silence opening the seventh seal. Now we will go back to Revelation chapter eight and look at what happens during this half hour.

The Space of Half an Hour

I have taken a long road for establishing a timeline to start of Daniel's 70th Week. Why did we do this? Well, we now understand the importance for knowing "this generation" is a part of the Week. Now we need to review the time for half an hour of silence in Rev 8:1. This half an hour brings "this generation" into Hosea 6:2, their revival by the seventh seal gospel message.

While the Jewish revival begins with the gentile grace age ending, returning the gospel to the Jews. Hos 6:2 After two days will he revive us... Revelation 8:1-6 begins Hosea's revival, this the climactic finish of Luke 21:24, when in 69/70 AD Rome decimated Jerusalem.

Luk 21:24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. (Times of the Gentiles be fulfilled by the grace age ending as Paul wrote in Romans 11:25-26.)

It is important to accept the gospel will return to the Jews. This gives us who the recipients of Revelation chapter eight are. I know we have read Romans eleven but I want to read it again; notice Paul's warning to the gentiles.

Romans 11:24 For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be grafted back into their own olive tree. 25 Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. 26 And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written.

Hosea 6:2; The Gospel Returning to Israel

Let us read the preparation for the gospel returning to the Jews in Revelation 8:1-6:

Rev 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

Rev 8:2 And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.

Rev 8:3 And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

Rev 8:4 And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

Rev 8:5 And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.

Rev 8:6 And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

Revelation verses 8:1-4 are preparations for the voices of the two Jewish prophets on earth to sound. They are the two olive trees of Rev 11:3-4, Zechariah 4:11.

Zec 4:11 Then answered I, and said unto him, What are these two olive trees upon the right side of the candlestick and upon the left side thereof?

Zec 4:12 And I answered again, and said unto him, What be these two olive branches which through the two golden pipes empty the golden oil out of themselves?

Zec 4:14 Then said he, These are the two anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

Rev 11:3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

Rev 11:4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

Verse 8:1 is two-fold. First, the seventh seal is a Salvation message to the Jews. Second, the Messiah leaves the mercy seat in Revelation 10:1-6, when the seventh seal opens; which begins the half an hour. The last half hour of the grace age is the same half an hour of silence when the seventh seal is opened. The gospel to the gentiles finishes with Revelation 10:1-6, with the beginning of the Jewish revival Rev 8:1. We will read Revelation 10:1 in a few paragraphs but we will now read the half an hour of silence.

In verse 8:1 it reads, And when He had opened the seventh seal, "There was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour." See, that seal is the message of salvation, the Word of Elohim to the Jews. The Word brought by the two olive trees and dispersed to the nations through the 144,000. We just read Zec 4:12... empty the golden oil out of themselves... Oil soaks through the wick and gives light by fire. Oil is the source for light; Oil is the Word to "this generation". When the Word opens it becomes light, light comes by fire, the fire tries the faithful. Peter said: think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you.

The seventh seal is to Israel; This is the reason that only the first six seals are open. Five seals have been or are being lived; gentiles are living under the fourth seal, which ends when the seventh seal opens. We can read in Rev 14:1-5 and Rev 7:2 the effectual work of the seventh seal:

Rev 7:2 And I saw another angel ascending from the East, having the seal of the living God:

Rev 14:1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the Mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

Rev 7:4 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

The Word seals a person, that is what redemption means. We will study more for the preaching of the gospel in the next chapter. This is a good place to read Revelation 10:1-6, as we will merge these events with Revelation chapter eight. I'm still working with that half an hour of silence.

Rev 10:1 And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:

Rev 10:2 And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth.

Rev 10:3 And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roars: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.

Rev 10:4 And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.

Rev 10:5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven,

Rev 10:6 And swear by him that lives for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer:

Revelation 8:1 did not say silence on earth. This is important because, during this time of silence in heaven, the gospel is transitioning form gentiles to the Jews. As the voice of the seven thunders are the final message to the gentiles. The seventh seal gospel begins now, going to the Jews. This gives the last prophecy to the gentile wise virgins. Why the wise virgins? Because they are the only people that prepared themselves to hear. The foolish virgins are waiting for it, and the world at large isn't much concerned.

Notice in Revelation 10:2, that angel who is the full authority of Yahshua is standing on earth. This prophecy spoke of as seven thunders in Revelation 10:3, is the specific reason for the silence in heaven Rev 8:1. The two olive trees hold the gospel message in silence. Silence ends with the last prophetic teaching given to the gentiles by the seven thunder voices. That prophecy ends the gentile grace age. Specifically, the wise virgins of Matt 25:4 received their final faith in the Word; preparing them for Paul's catching away.

Notice the angel representing Yahshua is now on earth; Signifying He is off the mercy seat as high priest. Spiritually speaking or a metaphor if you wish, Yahshua leaves heaven and stands on earth; So all the voices in heaven go silent. The Word is not silent on earth as we read in Rev 10:3. Immediately after the seven thunders uttered their voice, Revelation 8:5 begins. The two candlesticks teach the gospel message to the 144,000 servants/teachers. (the word Rabi means teacher) The salvation message to gentiles is now silent on earth. I'll just mention that under the Old Testament law the Word was to the Jew's as a nation. But a gentile could become Jewish, and a few did. Maybe that can be in reverse during the Jewish revival.

I want to share something important as expressed in these two chapters of Revelation: There is no lapse of time between Rev 10:3 the seven thunders and Rev 8:5 the voices on earth. This transition from the gentiles to the Jews is seamless. I will also state there won't be a gentile prophet giving the gospel to the Jews as Paul a Jew carried the gospel from the Jews to the gentiles in 51/52 AD, Acts 13:46.

There must be a brief time for the wise virgins of Matthew 25:1, to hear the prophecy from the seven thunders and turn it into their faith. This brings us to Paul's catching away, 1Thessalonians 4:17... Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds... Do we have Bible to illustrate this short time for the wise to hear and obey? Yes, the story of Noah:

The flood of Noah Genesis 7:1-5 sets a type for Revelation 10:1-6. From the day Noah received the last prophecy until the first drop of rain was eight days.

Gen 7:1 And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in "this generation".

Gen 7:4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.

Mat 24:37 But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Yes, we have only applied this verse to the social behavior of Noe's generation. But this thought runs until Noe enters the ark with his family.

I would like to take a note on verse Rev 8:5; this verse begins at the end of the one-half hour silence. When the angel speaks the words of Revelation 10:6, the half hour of silence ends. When 10:6 ends, Revelation 8:5 begins. The seven trumpets are angles sounding from prophetic command of the two Prophets in Rev 8:7; These prophets will have the same anointing as Moses and Ezekiel. So the same type of plagues they spoke by prophecy will be spoke again.

So is half an hour thirty minutes or three and one-half years? The time ending the grace age and beginning the gospel return to the Jews? We have read Revelation 10:1-6, finishing the gospel to the gentiles with providing a hint to us for this length of time. This spiritual scene or event only takes minutes when the angel steps out of heaven to earth. With the cry of the angel, the seven thunders speak. Again, merely a few minutes passed. Then the angel swears an oath for time to end. Once again, only a few moments of time expired. So this action in time is brief. So we need to move back to Revelation 8:1 and see if we find a second indication defining thirty minutes.

Rev 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

In this verse, I believe our key is when Yahshua opened the seventh seal. The phrase opened the seal exhibits the Holy Spirit preparing the two prophets with the salvation message. I don't think they learned Genesis to Revelation in thirty minutes. Elohim taught John the Baptist for thirty years. Then used his ministry for six months. I'll use this analogy: when opening a gift-wrapped package, time expires from the start of unwrapping until accomplished. "Opened the seventh seal" shows a complete condition. We can't know the training duration for the two prophets. Apostle Paul went into seclusion for three years receiving the gospel word. When these two Jewish prophets finished receiving the seventh seal, then there was the half an hour of silence. I'll repeat myself; one-half hour of silence represents Yahshua stepping off the mercy seat (a figure of speech) bringing the gentile age to a close. Then the two prophets begin their ministry in Jerusalem.

Rev 8:2-6 finished in a few minutes. When the angel cast the censor into the earth, the two prophets' ministry begins. These events are not long periods of time, such as days or weeks. No, it is a brief duration, the same as Revelation 10:1-6 because these two chapters coincide.

Ministry of the Two Olive Tree Prophets

When do the two prophets teach and for how long? Let's look at Revelation chapter eleven:

Rev 11:2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.

Rev 11:3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

Rev 11:6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

Rev 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

Rev 11:8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

Comments for chapter eleven:

Rev 11:2 a time of 42 months for the temple to be controlled by the little horn and the beast. This begins with the middle of the Week when the false prophet, the little horn, breaks the peace covenant and enters Jerusalem. This 42 months is 1,260 days or 3.5 years' prophetic time, 30-day months.

Rev 11:3-6 the prophet's ministry is 1,260 days; the first half of Daniel's 70th Week. Verse six speaks of the seven trumpet angel's plagues and the three woes of Revelation chapter eight.

Rev 11:7 After 1,260 days, the ministry of the two Jewish prophets' ends at the middle of Daniel's 70th Week, as said in verse 11:2. The nations which make up the beast give their power to murder these two prophets. We are in the midst of the week. Mark 13:14 sets up the day of devastation. The beast shall make war against them. I don't consider killing two men is a war, but their deaths prepare the way for war.

Have you ever wondered why the 70th Week has a middle? Daniel's language illustrates separation in the Week, ending the peace agreement and beginning the hour of desolation:

Dan 7:25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

As Daniel declared, time is the first 1,260 days and times are the second 1,260 days. These two times being divided as two events. The bloodshed of the two prophets ends the first 1,260 days. Rev 11:7 said the beast shall make war. "Shall make war" points to the future, a time preparing for war. It is a time of spiritual and mental transformation with the little horn.

Rev 12:17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, Rev 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Power over the nations refers to the nations which sign and support the deceitful peace accord. The little horn's motivation changes and the beast changes with the little horn. It is the time described as, "They [ten horns] shall give their power one hour with the beast and shall have one mind". Revelation 17:12-13

The two Jewish prophets' ministry is important for understanding a timeline during the 70th Week. For our discussion, the seven trumpet angels and three woes are prophesied by their ministry.

We will begin with the seventh seal. This seventh seal is the salvation message for redemption to the seed of Israel. There is only one salvation message. The message given to the twelve apostles, Paul was the twelfth apostle. Paul said, one faith one baptism one Lord. We will read a few verses that speak of the little book and the seals as all seven seals are the Word of redemption going forth into the world.

Rev 3:5 He that overcomes, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life,

Rev 5:2 And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?

Rev 5:5 And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

Rev 5:9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

Rev 6:1 And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.

The five verses we just read tell us Yahshua the root of David holds a scroll which is closed with seven seals. The scroll has the names of every person with eternal life. No man on earth was worthy to open the book. However Yahshua our high priest is worthy as he is the redeemer for humanity. This redemption of souls recorded in the scroll bound by seven seals represents the plan of salvation through dispensations of time that goes forth into the world to seal those with eternal life. A seal is the Word of Yahshua. Redemption began at the cross. Time for the first seal began with His three days in paradise as He preached the Kingdom of God to those souls awaiting salvation. The seventh seal begins Daniel's 70th Week. Redemption is by the Word sealing a soul. We list two scriptures that show us as much:

Joh 6:27 Labour not for the meat which perish, but for that meat which endures unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.

Eph 1:13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

[You must be under the blood to receive the Word of redemption.]

Rev 5:9 states the only man who can open the seals is The Son of Man, Yahshua. When Yahshua opens a seal, there must be a voice on earth to speak it; the Word first comes by a prophet, a thunder. **Amos 3:7** Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he reveals his secret unto his servants the prophets. We see this in two spiritual settings that tell a story, Rev 4:5 & 6:1 then Rev 8:1 & 8:5.

Rev 4:5 And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne which are the seven Spirits of God.

Rev 6:1 And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.

Second in Rev 8:1 & 8:5

Rev 8:1 And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

Rev 14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder ...

Rev 8:5 And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast *it* into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.

Revelation 4:5 is to the gentile grace age. The language expressing voices, lightnings and thunders is the gospel going forth from heaven and being spoke on earth. Revelation chapter eight is to Israel, voices, thunderings and lightnings. Revelation chapter six, are six of the seven seals being opened with one thunder; this is to say one prophet taught the thunder mystery for the first six seals. **Amos 3:7** Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he reveals his secret unto his servants the prophets.

When Rev 8:1 opened, a single thunder brings the mystery to the 144,000 servants, as we just read in Rev 14:2. We also have Samuel: 2Sa 22:14 The LORD thundered from heaven, and the most High uttered his voice. I understand we can make arguments, but I don't think it's worth the time in this study to do so. My last thought on this is Yahshua Messiah was an Old Testament prophet.

If you're not sure that a thunder is the voice of a prophet giving the direct Word of Elohim, we can read Rev 10:3, And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roars: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices. Yahshua speaks the prophecy, and a people will hear it through seven voices/prophets. It would not surprise me if these seven men receive their prophetic ministry at this time. Scripture states, Let every man wait upon his ministry.

We can move on with our discussion for the two prophets sealing the 144,000 servants.

- **Rev 7:1** And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.
- **Rev 7:2** And 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 given to hurt the earth and the sea,
- **Rev 7:3** Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.
- **Rev 7:4** And I heard the number of them which were sealed: *and there were* sealed an hundred *and* forty *and* four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.
- **Rev 7:5** Of the tribe of Juda *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad *were* sealed twelve thousand.
- **Rev 7:6** Of the tribe of Aser *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nepthalim *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses *were* sealed twelve thousand.
- **Rev 7:7** Of the tribe of Simeon *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar *were* sealed twelve thousand.
- **Rev 7:8** Of the tribe of Zabulon *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph *were* sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin *were* sealed twelve thousand.

Comments for chapter seven:

Rev 7:1 Four corners of earth is the Gaza pyramid. These angels hold back the plagues held by the seven trumpet angels. Prophetic command releases these plagues by the two olive tree prophets, as we read in Revelation chapter eight. In my opinion, the first four plagues are not global. They affect the ancient Roman Empire, Europe, North Africa and part of the Middle East. Israel was part of the Roman Empire and is the point of interest in these verses. Here is a clip from an article for the Giza pyramid:

Many people consider the great Pyramid of Giza to be one of the oldest, greatest and most perfect, and scientific 'monuments' on the face of the Earth, created thousands of years ago. However, many people are unaware that the Great Pyramid isn't only an architectural and engineering marvel, it is geographical too: It is at the exact intersection of the LONGEST LINE OF LATITUDE and the LONGEST LINE OF LONGITUDE.

Revelation chapter eight, the seven trumpet angel plagues will reach forth from the four angels of the earth. These plagues are very similar to the torments brought by Moses in Egypt. Moses created the plagues to free the Hebrews from bondage. How far will these winds travel?

In our research we will find three of the seven trumpet judgements to travel global. Chapter eight separates the first four trumpets from the last three; that suggests a difference between the two groups. The first four trumpets seem to be plagues or natural disasters that effect one-third of the population of what was the four Empires from Daniel chapter seven. The last three trumpet plagues seem to be global. We will discuss them in later chapters.

Rev 7:2 This angel oversees the seventh seal message. In 7:3 "Till we have sealed the servants" This angel said, "we"; The administrating angel of the seventh seal is speaking to the four angels holding the four winds. They can release none of the seven trumpet plagues in Revelation chapter eight until the sealing of these Jewish servants. The early ministry of the two Jewish prophets is for teaching the message of salvation to these servants. The second part of their ministry is the seven trumpets' sounding.

Rev 7:4, it represents the tribes of Israel for totaling 144,000 servants/teachers. This illustrates the children of Israel who returned from the four corners of the earth. In 70 AD, Rome sold Jews to the four corners as slaves from the siege against Jerusalem. I doubt any of these 144,000 have any idea they will become one of the 144,000. They will fulfill their role as led by the Holy Spirit.

Ezekiel 20:34 "I will bring you from the nations and gather you from the countries where you have been scattered — with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm and with out-poured wrath.

Isaiah 11:11-12 NIV - "In that day the Lord will reach out his hand a second time to reclaim the remnant that is left of his people from Assyria, from Lower Egypt, from Upper Egypt, from Cush, from Elam, from Babylonia, from Hamath and from the islands of the sea. He will raise a banner for the nations and gather the exiles of Israel; he will assemble the scattered people of Judah from the four quarters of the earth."

Hosea 3:4-5 "For the Israelites will live many days without king or prince, without sacrifice or sacred stones, without ephod or idol. Afterward the Israelites will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king. They will come trembling to the LORD and to his blessings in the last days."

Hosea 6:1 "Come, let us return to the LORD. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds."

Ministry of the 144,000 servants of Israel

The seventh seal was to seal the 144,000 servants in Israel with the Word of God, as we read in chapter seven. Now in Rev 14:1-5 the servants are sealed.

- **Rev 14:2** And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:
- **Rev 14:3** And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred *and* forty *and* four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.
- **Rev 14:4** These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, *being* the first fruits unto God and to the Lamb.
- **Rev 14:5** And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.
- **Rev 14:6** And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,
- **Rev 14:7** Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.
- **Rev 14:8** And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.
- **Rev 14:9** And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
- **Rev 14:10** The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
- **Rev 14:11** And the smoke of their torment ascends up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receives the mark of his name.
- **Rev 14:12** Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

Rev 14:13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed *are* the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.

Comments for chapter fourteen:

Rev 14:2, notice the expression of Elohim from heaven, The voice of a thunder; is one prophet opening the meaning for the seventh seal. Once opened, the 144,000 servants are to receive the message from both prophets.

Rev 14:3 These servants sing the song of redemption.

Rev 14:4 Not defiled by women is not receiving theology. They are spiritual virgins born of the undefiled Word. If you go back to Matthew 13:19, we have a story of individuals receiving knowledge from the byway. They have no spiritual understanding, only doctrines of men, they are spiritual harlots. For the people who are living out Matthew 13:19, Yahshua Messiah gave a warning to them:

Mat 13:19 When any one hears the word of the kingdom, and understands *it* not, then cometh the wicked *one*, and catches away that which was sown in his heart. This is he which received seed by the way side.

Mat 16:11 How is it that ye do not understand that I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?

Mat 16:12 Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

When you read Matthew 13:23, you have spiritual virgins for they have knowledge with understanding. **Mat 13:23** But he that received seed into the good ground is he that hears the word, and understands *it*; which also bears fruit, and brings forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

These are the recipients of the parable Matthew 13:33; The kingdom message, all of it returns to the Jews globally, under the seventh seal by the 144,000 servants.

Mat 13:33 Another parable spake he unto them; The kingdom of heaven is like unto leaven, which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole leavened.

We want to notice two more identifiers for the redeemed servants. They follow the lamb, this is the Word of Yahshua Messiah; they stay with the Word and don't change it. Last, they are the first fruit of the faith. This identifies they must preach the truth to the Jews around this world.

Rev 14:5 They have no fault, for they are under the blood of the lamb and liberated by the Word. Same thing the gentile redeemed had under the same message, Romans 8:33:

Rom 8:33 Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifies.

Rev 14:6 These 144,000 Rabi's disperse throughout the world as they are the first fruits of the gospel message. To be the first fruit, there must be a second group of Jews to receive redemption. How are they dispersed? We will discuss this in a chapter called: Mark Chapter 13, the Jewish Dispersion.

Rev 14:7-13 Part of the directive includes warnings of coming judgements for those that refuse the salvation message. The reality of being redeemed is to be Christian. Now that these Jews became sealed, they are no longer Jews. "For the hour of His judgment is come." This is a specific time of judgment, and I believe it to begin with the first sickle judgement in Rev 14:14-16.

These servants also teach a judgment against the city of Babylon, where the little horn sits. We will discuss this judgment in the chapter: "The Jewish Holocaust". Verse 14:13 said blessed are they who die henceforth in the Lord; The saints that are caught in the judgements of Rev 14:14-20. Those that did not flee to the wilderness as they were warned.

We will now discuss who and what this dragon the serpent is.

City of Babel, Babylon

Whether the cities of Babel and Babylon were in the same location is in debate. But they were both in the same region. They are considered to be pagan cities, spiritually they are one and the same.

From the internet: https://www.biblestudytools.com/encyclopedias/isbe/babel-babylon-1.html

ba'-bel, bab'-i-lon (Topographical): Babylon was the Greek name of the city written in the cuneiform script of the Babylonians, bab-ili, which means in Semitic, "the gate of god." The Hebrews called the country, as well as the city, Babhel. This name they considered came from the' root, balal, "To confound" (Genesis 11:9). The name in Sumerian ideographs was written Din-tir, which means "life of the forest," and yet ancient etymologists explained it as meaning "place of the seat of life" (shubat balaTe). Ka-ding'irra, which also means "gate of god," was another form of the name in Sumerian. It was also called Su-anna (which is of uncertain meaning) and Uru-azagga, "The holy city."

Babylon has always been a city and empire of pagan gods and worship. It has been a military and religious power against Israel throughout history. The City of Babylon sat on the Euphrates River, about fifty miles south of Bagdad. We first read of Babylon in 2Kings 17:24; the King of Babylon set up pagan rituals in Samaria. Samaria became the capital of Israel when the ten tribes split from the twelve in the tenth century BC.

In 2Kings chapter twenty, Isaiah prophesies how Babylon will siege Jerusalem and take the citizens captive. This first began in 606, next 586 BC, then several more times after that. The book of Daniel and Revelation tells the story of how this pagan spirit rules as an empire through the seventh and eighth head of the fourth beast, Rome. From Daniel 7:4 We learn The first beast of the four is the Babylonian Empire called the lion, 2,600 years ago. Spiritually life for this Empire with the other three empires will live again. The nature of these empires will be revived in the 70th Week of Daniel as we read in Dan 7:12.

Dan 7:12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

These beast empires evolved into the religious/political power of the fourth beast over 2,600 years. The Holy Roman Catholic Church is the eighth head that was of the seventh.

Rev 17:11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goes into perdition.

Revelation 13:3-4 is pagan religious worship of the Beast; then Revelation chapter 17 tells us the history of the Imperial and religious government. Notice Rev 17:5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. Rev 17:3 identifies this religious government as a woman, just as we reference Israel as a woman. Further, the gentile redeemed are identified as a woman. This woman of Babylon is a spiritual whore, and she has harlots; Christian religions teaching mans theology. I will point out Rev 17:5 "Upon her head was a name written" Babylon the mother of Harlots. This woman carries the name of her father; whereas the redeemed carry Yahshua's name, as we read in Isaiah and Revelation:

Isa 62:2 And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shall be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD shall name. (During the 70th Week, the two prophets are the mouth of the LORD.)

Rev 14:1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the Mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

The gentiles had the same name: Rev 2:17 He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcomes will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knows saving he that receives it.

Let's read about the great whore.

The spiritual power of this beast and the little horn king on the eighth head is Satan as the red dragon/serpent, Revelation 12:9. You can go back to Genesis 3:1-5 and see Satan as a spirit who reasons with himself against the Word. Satan brings you and I into a situation of reasoning; reasoning becomes man's theology. When you read Genesis 3:1-5 Adam and Eve each reasoned for their self interest and sinned because they developed a theology by Satan's inspiration.

Rev 12:9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceives the entire world.

As soon as we reason the Word, we are wrong. We can but receive the Word of understanding by the Comforter, the Holy Spirit. You're probably thinking we sure must be wrong often; We are wrong before Elohim makes us right. So what of this study you are reading? It's not perfect, but I'm closer to the truth of it than when I started, Isaiah 28:1-13; precept upon precepts, line upon line, here a little there a little.

Identifying the Beast in Daniel's 70th Week

This Beast is first identified in the book of Daniel chapter seven: There are four beast empires that rise; each one devours the other and the last empire is the most fierce. This last empire is the Roman Empire. The Roman Empire transformed into the Holy Roman Catholic Church and was so named in 962 AD by a German King, Otto the Great. There is an article in the appendix providing more details of this history, titled Germany and the Catholic Church.

We will read and briefly discuss the four beasts of Daniel chapter seven:

- **Dan 7:3** And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.
- **Dan 7:4** The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.
- **Dan 7:5** And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.
- **Dan 7:6** After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

First three beasts are Babylon, Media-Persia and Grecian empires.

- **Dan 7:7** After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.
- **Dan 7:8** I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.
- Dan 7:7 is the Roman Empire; the strength of the beast remained the same under each emperor until the death of Nero. After Nero's death the emperors that followed weakened, so went the Roman Empire. This begins the seven heads of political change. The seven heads of the empire spoke of in Revelation chapter seventeen is the history after Nero's death in 68 AD unto the end of Daniel's 70th Week. Does history and the Bible agree with what we have said? We will read scriptures from Revelation that speak of the changes in this Roman Beast system. Then we will track this beast with History.
- **Rev 12:3** And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.
- **Rev 13:1** And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.
- **Rev 17:3** So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.
- **Rev 17:7** And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carries her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.
- **Rev 17:9** And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sits.

Who is this red dragon? **Rev 12:9** And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceives the entire world. We mentioned how Satan works through reasoning. Let us read of Satan sho works through the beast called the serpent. **Gen 3:1** Now the serpent was more Subtle than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. **Gen 3:14** And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou has done this, thou *art* cursed... upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life.

It reads Satan is more cunning than any creature on earth. The serpent wasn't a cow or snake. No, the serpent was the beast homo-sapiens, pre-Adam. This is where the root term beast is derived for the last demonic empire in Daniel's 70th Week. The name serpent is the spirit nature of the beast as we read in Rev 12:9. From Genesis to Revelation, the serpent works through humankind. We have from Daniel four beast empires that are Biblically, geographically, militarily and spiritually important through history into our future. These empires behaved as their spiritual daddy.

Jumping to Rev 17:9 the angel gives identity to this beast with seven heads. The seven heads are seven mountains, where Rome sits.

Rev 12:3 provides insight for Satan working through humanity on earth, as he is attempting to kill the Messiah at His birth. Satan's motive and means to destroy the plan of Elohim has never changed as chapter twelve of Revelation takes us through two thousand years of time into the last Week of Daniel's prophecy. Now, in Revelation 13:1 we see the beast rising out of the sea. Why such a description as this? The next two verses offer the answer:

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: Rev 17:8 The beast that thou saw was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition:... when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

This beast has a biography that we have read. But the beasts' authority ceased to exist. Now in this vision the beast empire will make history once again. The return of the beasts from Daniel 7:12 is recorded in Rev 13:1, the beast rising out to the sea. In fact Daniel 7:3 describes these beasts as, "Rising out of the sea" as each empire rose up through kings, societies and time.

We read the of the four beast Rome, as "he" for the seven heads of state. In Rev 17:9 the City of Rome sits on seven hills; these hills are geographic, but they are also symbolic for political and religious power. The Serpent that gave leadership to the seventh head is alive and well in the eighth head, Satan, the red dragon.

This eighth head is of the seventh in Rev 17:3 ...I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. Remember that woman is the Baal spirit. Back on page 7, in II Kings 17:7-17, Israel came under judgment for worshiping Baal in place of Elohim. In the 70th Week, Israel returns to that Baal spirit when she signs the false peace accord.

This women riding the scarlet beast is none other than the whore. This beast returned for Daniel's Week to shed the blood of saints once again.

Rev 17:15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou saw, where the whore sits, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

Rev 17:5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

The ecumenical spirit upon the earth is the woman who rides the beast. The woman is a spiritual whore polluting the salvation message. It rose through pagan worship out of Babylon and ruled the earth with her daughters under the fourth seal and the black horse rider with a scale in his hand.

Rev 17:6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

Rev 18:24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth. [About fifty-million people were martyred by the Catholic Church during the dark ages for standing against her doctrines.]

This Roman beast carries the women as we read in Rev 17:7. That's important as we go back in History finding when that happened. The relationship between the Popes and Caesars changed through time, beginning with Charlemagne in 800 AD. The Pope crowned Charlemagne, but that was the last Caesar for approving Popes. One hundred and ninety-six years later, the Roman Catholic Church became crowned as the Holy Roman Catholic Church. The Pope had power over Caesars. As we have said before in this study, Napoleon Bonaparte wounded the seventh head unto death in 1796 when he imprisoned the pope until the pope's death. That seventh head became weak before it died by the Reformation of Martin Luther near 1530 AD.

Daniel 7:8 is the seventh head on the dragon. The power transitioned from Caesars to the Papal seat. As we have just said, this began with Charlemagne in 800 AD. Dan 7:8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

The three Kings plucked up by Popes were:

1ST HORN: Henry the 4th King of Germany plucked up by the Pope in 1076 AD

2ND HORN: Frederick Barbarossa, King of Italy plucked up by Pope in 1190 AD

3RD HORN: Philip Augustus, King of France, plucked up by the Pope in 1216 AD.

Rev 17:9 identifies the City of Rome, the seat of power for the Caesars (kings). "Seven mountains, on which the woman sits". They built the City of Rome on seven hills. They built Vatican City on one hill 2.5 miles from Rome. The woman through the little horn presides over seven Caesars

Rev 17:10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he comes, he must continue a short space.

Rev 17:11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goes into perdition.

Rev 17:10 speaks of the seven Caesars of Rome. Notice it reads "and the other is not yet come," this is the seventh head of power Charlemagne. The next phrase of the sentence reads as if the angel speaks of the seventh head but he isn't, "And when he comes, he must continue a short space". Daniel's 70th Week is the short space of time; this is the eighth head that is of the

seventh. This verse finishes with this eighth head having a brief space of time corresponding with Rev 12:12... devil comes down unto you... he has but a short time.

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. This healing brings the eighth head raising out of the sea in Rev 13:1. Verse 13:1 illustrates the beast coming back to life, the seventh head is healed. As time brings the beast back to power, then the seventh head becomes the eighth. The 70th Week begins with the Pope negotiating the false peace agreement with Israel and other nations.

Dan 8:25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

Rev 17:11 is the continuing parable from verse 17:10; the beast that was, is the first seven heads of the beast. "And is not" is the seventh head wounded unto death, but when that head heals it will be the eighth dispensation of power. The dispensation ends in judgment and is destroyed, Rev 18:8-18.

The seven hills representing the seven heads of the Beast as we have said are seven Caesars after Caesar Nero's death in 68 AD. The five good emperors were the first five heads.

- (1) NERVA 96-98 AD
- (2) TRAJAN 98-117 AD
- (3) HADRIAN 117-138 AD
- (4) ANTONINUS PIUS 138-161 AD
- (5) MARCUS AURELIUS 161-180 AD

The next head is Constantine, This marks the beginning for church married to state:

- (6) Constantine 306-337 AD known as the first christian emperor is the sixth head. The Bible states "one is" that one was Constantine.
- (7) Charlemagne 742-814 AD began the seventh head dispensation. This is the head that had not yet come. Charlemagne instituted the 7th head power when popes began exercising authority over emperors. It was this form of Roman rule which established itself until it became Church over state by Otto the Great. This rule was then taken further by Pope Otto then continuing with future Popes.

I would like to finish up with identifying this political-religious beast and its spokesman, the little horn speaking great things with **Dan 7:11.** Verse 11: I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

There are two parts of this verse, first the blasphemy spoken and then the judgment for it. The judgement of this little horn and the beast it speaks for in Daniel 7:11, is illustrated in Revelation chapters 14:8, 16:9 and 18:2-21.

At this time we will discuss the little horn speaking great things against Elohim.

Daniel's 7:11 verse speaks of the little horn in the 70th Week; Antiochus Epiphanes is not that little horn. He fulfilled his roll as a horn in Daniel chapter 8 & 11 171-164 BC. I'll take a

moment to share a thought for the three chapters of Daniel 7, 8 & 11; for the sole purpose of clarifying in brief what these chapters prophecy about.

Chapter 7 is a synopsis for 2,600 years of history and is prophetic for the 70th Week of Daniel

Chapter 8 & 11 are prophetic for the time of Antiochus Epiphanes. He was a little horn while foreshadowing the little horn in the 70th Week of Daniel which we read in Daniel chapter 7. In these two chapters are verses that describe the fulfillment for the little horn-false prophet into the book of Revelation.

We will discuss Antiochus Epiphanes in more detail later in this study, but for now we want to understand Antiochus foreshadowed the abomination of desolation in Daniel's 70th Week. What we want to notice in Daniel 8:14 is the 2,300 days, this is Antiochus reign of terror. This prophecy and the history of it will play out very similar to the prophecy for the abomination of desolation in the 70th Week.

For a brief history of the events of Dan 8:9-14 we placed and article in the appendix page 59.

Dan 8:9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the South, and toward the East, and toward the pleasant land.

Dan 8:11 Yea, he magnified *himself* even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily *sacrifice* was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.

Dan 8:12 And an host was given *him* against the daily *sacrifice* by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practiced, and prospered.

Dan 8:13 Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain *saint* which spake, How long *shall be* the vision *concerning* the daily *sacrifice*, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?

Dan 8:14 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

These verse of in Daniel chapter 8 play out in these next prophecies from Daniel which we will read now, Dan 9:27 is the unfulfilled 70th Week.

Dan 9:27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make *it* desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

Dan 11:31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily *sacrifice*, and they shall place the abomination that make desolate.

Dan 12:11 And from the time *that* the daily *sacrifice* shall be taken away, and the abomination that make desolate set up, *there shall be* a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

Daniel chapters 7, 8 & 11 allow us to look down through time first historically then into the future for the 70th Week. Revelation describes this little horn in Daniels last Week This horn at the end of time becomes the false prophet as we can read scriptures:

Dan 7:8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn... and behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Rev 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.

Rev 13:15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

Rev 12:15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

Rev 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and those who worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

The five scriptures we have read are details of the eighth head. Antiochus Epiphanies acting in type as the abomination of desolation for the Week of Daniel. We have history which we will now read for the seventh head speaking great things; this history foreshadows the little horn on the eighth head. Interestingly, Antiochus was the eighth ruler of Seleucid kingdom and was a little horn, the same as the little horn speaking great things on the eighth head of the beast.

Antiochus IV (175-164 BC), was the 8th king of the Seleucid empire. He gave himself the surname "Epiphanies" which means "the visible god" (that he and Jupiter were identical).

Gregory the VII set the foundation for Popes to speak great things on the seventh head of the beast. We want to remember the eighth head is of the seventh.

From the Internet:

Gregory the VII 1073 AD had higher notions as to the papacy than any one who had gone before him. He thought that all power of every kind belonged to the pope; that kings had their authority from him; that all kingdoms were held under him as the chief lord; that popes were as much greater than kings or emperors as the sun is greater than the moon; that popes could make or unmake kings just as they pleased; and although he had asked the emperor to confirm his election, as had been usual, he was resolved that such a thing should never again be asked of an emperor by any pope in the time to come.

Here is a list for speaking blasphemy:

- 1. Pope Innocent III (1198-1216) wrote: "We may according to the fullness of our power, dispose of the law and dispense above the law. Those whom the Pope of Rome doth separate, it is not a man that separates them but God. For the Pope holdeth place on earth, not simply of a man but of the true God." (1 Book of Gregory 9 Decret. c. 3)
- 2. The Lateran Council addressing Pope Julius II in an oration delivered by Marcellus said: "Take care that we lose not that salvation, that life and breath which thou hast given us, for thou art our shepherd, thou art our physician, thou art our governor, thou art our husbandman, thou art finally another God on earth." (Council Edition. Colm. Agrip. 1618)
- 3. Pope Nicholas said of himself: "I am in all and above all, so that God Himself and I, the vicar of God, hath both one consistory, and I am able to do almost all that God can do... wherefore, if those things that I do be said not to be done of man, but of God, what do

- you make of me but God? Again, if prelates of the Church be called of Constantine for gods, I then being above all prelates, seem by this reason to be above all gods. Wherefore, no marvel, if it be in my power to dispense with all things, yea with the precepts of Christ." (Decret. par. Distinct 96 ch. 7 edit. Lugo 1661)
- 4. The RC New York catechism states: "The Pope takes the place of Jesus Christ on earth... by divine right the Pope has supreme and full power in faith, in morals over each and every pastor and his flock. He is the true vicar, the head of the entire church, the father and teacher of all Christians. He is the infallible ruler, the founder of dogmas, the author of and the judge of councils; the universal ruler of truth, the arbiter of the world, the supreme judge of heaven and earth, the judge of all, being judged by no one, God himself on earth."
- 5. The title "Lord God the Pope" these words appeared in the Canon Law of Rome. "To believe that our Lord God the Pope has not the power to decree as he is decreed, is to be deemed heretical." (The Gloss extravagances of Pope John XXII Cum. Inter, tit XIV Ad Callem Sexti Decretalium, Paris, 1685)
 - Father A. Pereira acknowledged: "It is quite certain that Popes have never disapproved or rejected this title "Lord God the Pope" for the passage in the gloss referred to appears in the edition of the Canon Law published in Rome by Gregory XIII."
- 6. Pope Nicholas I declared that, "The appellation of God had been confirmed by Constantine on the Pope, who being God, cannot be judged by man." (Labb IX Dist.: 96 Can 7 Satis Evidentur Decret Gratian Primer Para)
- 7. Speaking [in] the name of the Pope (a rhetorical device) Cardinal Manning said: "I acknowledge no civil superior, I am the subject of no prince, and I claim more than this, I claim to be the supreme judge on earth and director of the consciences of men, I am the last supreme judge of what is right and wrong." (Sermon in the Pro Cathedral, Kensington, Tablet Oct 9, 1864)

I have made a list for the different descriptions which as a whole define this beast system and the sin of it. The anti Christ religious system that is called Christian:

- **Rev 17:1** And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sits upon many waters:
- **Rev 17:3** So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.
- **Rev 17:5** And upon her forehead *was* a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.
- **Rev 17:15** And he saith unto me, The waters which thou saw, where the whore sits, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

- **Dan 7:11** I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld *even* till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.
- **Dan 7:25** And he shall speak *great* words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High ...
- Dan 8:11 Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host,
- **Dan 8:23** And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.
- **Dan 11:21** And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honor of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.
- **Dan 11:24** He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do *that* which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: *yea*, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time. ["For a time, that is half the Week as said by Daniel: time, times and a half, Daniel 7:25, 12:7 & Revelation 12:14].
- **Dan 11:36** And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.
- **Dan 11:37** Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.
- **Rev 14:8** And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.
- **Rev 18:23** And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.
- **Rev 20:10** And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Mark chapter 13 Jewish dispersion

There are two verses that describe this dispersion of the Jewish converts now Christians from Israel:

Rev 12:6 And the woman fled into the wilderness where she has a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there, a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

Rev 12:14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. (Serpent from Genesis 3:1)

The second half of Daniel's Week is identified in Rev 12:6, 1,260 days. The woman is Israel, as defined in Rev 12:1-5. The 144,000 flee just as they are told in Mark 13:13-24 by the two prophets. By the time the little horn killed the two Jewish prophets, most of the redeemed had fled from Israel. Not all of the redeemed, flee into the wilderness. There is a remanent that stays in Israel. Rev 12:14 states the citizens of Israel have the means to escape from Israel to a safe geographic location. She may live there for the entire seven years of Daniel's Week. We read in the next verse how the beast is given 7 years to reign.

Dan 7:25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Dan 12:7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swear by him that lives for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and a half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

Revelation 12:14, and Daniel are speaking of the same period in time.

So why does Rev 12:14 state seven years, and then Rev 12:6 states three and one-half years? I don't say I know this parable, but I will share a thought for what it is worth. Verse six said, the wilderness was prepared ahead of time. The preparation was by the two prophets' message to flee from the beast nations in verse 12:14. Their message began in the first of the 70th Week making a way for a seven year haven for those who were quick to obey.

Verse 12:6 illustrates a great number of the Christian converts don't leave until near the middle of the Week. The remaining Christians find themselves under judgments and persecutions as they didn't leave the nation. We see in Rev 11:13 a remnant of saved Jews in Jerusalem at the time of the second woe: Rev 11:13... and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven. Even after the earth quake, we learn of saints still in Israel after the second woe and they suffer under the judgements/ persecutions beginning with Rev 14:13.

Where is the wilderness that is prepared for God's elect? I believed for many years America is part of this wilderness, Biblically this can't be verified. American history doesn't support the folk lore for America being called the wilderness, as many of us heard over the years. America at this time, is under an antisemitic leadership with a pro-Muslim motive. So at this time America isn't a haven.

For the Jewish refugees to have an opportunity to flee to America, a transition will be required in government sentiment. For example, in WWII, Rosevelt prohibited Jewish refuges from Europe to enter America. President Obama prohibited Christian refuges from the middle east to enter America. During the 1948 Israeli-Arab war the USA refused to sell arms to Israel to defend herself. Honestly, the only pro Israel American president was Trump. So America will need a dramatic change if she is part of the wilderness.

"Wilderness" I believe indicates nations outside the Beast region. This is outside the geographic regions for the first four beast empires and the old Roman Catholic power that reaches many nations. The geographic region includes the Mesopotamian region, North Africa and Europe. There will be nations helping the beast to persecute these Jewish people. Anyplace that will create a separation from the beast nations, geographically or politically will be wilderness.

We read the outreach of the beast in Rev 12:15-16. The flood is thousands of people working by political powers to stop the servants of Israel from leaving Israel. As they endeavor escaping the desolation to come and preach the gospel. Let's read these verses instead of taking my word for it.

Rev 12:15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

Rev 12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

Rev 17:12 And the ten horns which thou saw are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.

Rev 17:13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.

Rev 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

The nations of Rev 12:16 is the wilderness helping the escaping woman of Israel. Revelation 17:12-14 speaks of the Holocaust war these Jews have been told to escape.

The Mark of the Beast

The scriptures we have just read tell the story of the woman escaping from the beast system. The Jews who escape to the wilderness have a political haven. But for the Hebrew-Christians who do not reach safe nations, they will face persecution by the Beast. The little horn will realize the difficulties of finding these Christians globally. He will use the information chip technology for the Mark of the Beast when this happens. This will be his political weapon that works through many nations. Elohim will counter the plan of Satan providing the woman with wilderness havens, then judgements against humanity. Those unrepentant taking the mark of the beast become part of the judgments. This spiritual war continues through the Week until Messiah returns to earth. Satan persecutes those with the seal of salvation in their foreheads, while Elohim judges those with the mark of the Beast in their foreheads.

These next verses begin a journey, bringing the story line together. Let's read it:

Rev 12:12 Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! For the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has but a short time.

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

These scriptures find Satan persecuting the inhibitors of the earth, and the woman that brought forth the man child, Israel. Satan finds a means to persecute those with the seal of the Word. He will use current technology as he knows Christians will not receive the mark and he will bring a Holocaust to Jerusalem. Satan's influence developed this microchip technology just for the last Week of Daniel. I can assure you Satan knows Bible prophecy better than we do. Bible prophecy

has trapped him into a corner, but he won't quit without a fight to the death. He intends to take every soul he can to hell.

Rev 12:13 & 12:12 is Satan persecuting people who refuse the mark of the Beast; but not just those staying with the Word. The warning in Rev 12:12 woe to the inhabiters of the earth is Satan sealing his children with a death sentence. How does this tie into the fifth trumpet plague? Nations of people who refuse redemption by the seventh seal gospel will worship the beast. They refuse to repent. They bring judgment upon themselves. The gentiles had their warning for this mark before the end of the grace age. Woe to the Jews under the seventh seal message of salvation. Woe to the nations of people who will not repent and take the Mark of the Beast. We read this in the next verse:

Rev 17:8 The beast that thou saw was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

This verse identifies the beast as the old Roman Empire and the Holy Catholic Church ruling from 37 BC unto 1796 AD, then again in the 70th Week. With the three verses below from chapter thirteen, we are told: those that dwell upon the earth shall worship the beast; whose names are not written in the book of life. And they worshipped the beast and said, who can make war against him? It is given to the dragon through the beast, to make war with the remnant and overcome them. The dragon as the beast will have political power over kindreds, tongues, and nations. These nations are part of the little horn's false peace accord as we will read:

Rev 13:4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? Who can make war with him?

Rev 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Rev 13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Verse Rev 13:4 comes to fruition with using the false peace accord that kicked off the 70th Week. The rest of chapter thirteen unfolds as the Week progresses. We must realize implementing technology for the mark of the beast is not overnight. Technology occurs over time, climactically under the guise of peace and protection of society. It is just another socialist lie as this movement takes over the world. Then, this little horn upon the eighth head can gain political control of this technology. Even now a computer chip is being implanted voluntarily in people, here are two titles for web sites discussing this information chip:

- 1. Swedish workers implanted with microchips to replace cash cards and ID passes
- 2. Elon Musk says Neuralink could start planting computer chips in human brains within the year This happens over time; When this beast system takes control of this technology, it becomes the mark of the beast after the middle of the 70th Week.

Rev 13:14 And deceives them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the beast's sight; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast which had the wound by a sword, and lived.

Rev 13:15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

Rev 13:16 And he will cause all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

Rev 13:17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

Rev 13:18 Here is wisdom. Let him that has understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

Those that take that mark and revere the beast become sealed into a death sentence: Rev 14:9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

Rev 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

I can't help but notice; In Rev 13:17 there are three ways to take the mark of the beast. Of which I've only noticed now. "He that had the mark," or "The name of the beast," or "The number of his name". There are three methods a person can identify themselves with the beast information system. Verse 13:18 gives us the number of his name, but it does not define to us his name or the mark. Could the mark be the chip implant for buying or selling?

The next four paragraphs, I'm just talking to myself discussing the Mark of the Beast. Particularly the spiritual warfare in high places. So please bear with me.

Revelation chapter six, every seal opened buffeted Satan's horse rider. I heard this taught as the seal opened the horse rider. But the wording is: the seal opened, and the beast said come and see, and lo, I saw a black horse rider. The scriptures tell us the seal is redemption by the Word. There is no differences between each of the seven seals. This tells me Satan released each horse's rider, then a seal opened by the corresponding beast of the seal. Satan changed his tactics to rob people of salvation as represented by four horse riders in Revelation chapter six. Then Yahshua our high priest countered the move of Satan with the working of the Comforter through one of the four beasts associated with four seals. Remember, in scripture John 14:26, Yahshua said he will send back the Comforter to teach His Word.

Take the red horse's rider, for instance, representing persecutions unto death, the blood of saints. The calf beast in Rev 4:7 with the second seal is grace given to those who die for the Word. Look at that woman on the beast in Rev 17:6, drunken with the blood of the saints. The spirit of the women on the eighth head goes back 1800 years. The beast of Rome began executing so-called dissident Christians in the third century. Athanasius Bishop of Antioch in the fourth century promoted violence against his theological contemporaries. By the end of the fourth century, the Church and state worked together persecuting those Bishops who did not conform to their theology. From 400 AD to Martin Luther's Reformation, about 1530 AD, the same woman that will sit on the eighth head, killed 50 million people in Europe. People pass and empires cease, but that Baal religious spirit began long before Babylon and lives until the lake of fire.

This means Satan buffets the seventh seal; We will have to wait for one of the two prophets of Israel to reveal the mystery of the spirit of Satan working against this seventh seal. We have so much information for Satan and his work during the Week of Daniel. But we can't know this simple mystery of Satan's Anti-God move, we just have to wait. We can analyze and ask questions as long as we don't turn it into a doctrine. Here is my question:

I heard it taught that the pale horse rides to the end of Daniels Week, so I ask: Does the pale horse bring the mark of the beast? The pale horse in Rev 6:8 began riding against the fourth seal, the seal gentiles have been under since 1963. This pale horse is a mixture of the first three horse riders, white, red and black, mixed together. The first three are Deception, persecution and spiritual death. The gospel was for sale with the black horse rider. This pale horse is the same story we are reading in the book of Revelation for the 70th Week. So if this horse's rider rides to the end of Daniel's 70th Week, it reasons the fourth beast from the throne of Elohim continues to buffet that pale horse. The flying eagle is the fourth beast from Rev 4:7. An eagle in scripture relates to a prophet, and here in the last Week we have two prophets bringing the Word of Salvation and judgment. Remember, these two prophets bring a message of an eagle with two wings in Rev 12:14. This is something to ponder as the Jewish saints wait for the two prophets to teach the seventh seal.

The Fifth Angel's Trumpet Plague

I waffle with the following question for this fifth trumpet angel plague; does this plague effect the geographic region for the beast or the whole earth? I am only providing a discussion for chapter nine. My thinking at this time is that the two prophets will teach these plagues for their fullest understanding as they are to the Woman Israel. How much I am allowed to learn is yet to be known.

- **Rev 9:1** And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.
- **Rev 9:2** And he opened the bottomless pit; and arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.
- **Rev 9:3** And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.
- **Rev 9:4** And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.
- **Rev 9:5** And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment *was* as the torment of a scorpion, when he strikes a man.

Rev 9:6 And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

Rev 9:7 And the shapes of the locusts *were* like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads *were* as it were crowns like gold, and their faces *were* as the faces of men.

Rev 9:8 And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.

Rev 9:9 And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.

Rev 9:10 And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men within five months.

We will start with Rev 9:1-2; An angel opens the bottomless pit. We see demonic spirits released in similitude to a swarm of locusts upon grain fields. The bottomless pit is a dimension and place for holding demonic spirits, a prison of sorts. In this pit, spirits being bound for centuries. The imprisonment is for the safety of society. The bottomless pit is not hell.

Rev 9:3-6 These demonic angels have power causing grievous sickness upon humanity not having the seal in their foreheads. We have said this gospel message went out global by the 144,000, sadly most people will refute the gospel. This gospel is first to the Jews, the gentiles had their opportunity under the fourth seal as the grace age ended. After the gospel message goes international, this plague will follow.

This sickness of the fifth plague possibly viral, lasting five months; but not a killer. It is an opportunity for those stiff-necked people to give their souls to the Word. This illness is to last five months, telling me these spirits began their work before the five months. The plague has its effect for five months, what we don't know is the beginning for it. These demonic spirits work through people; I envision it similar to the covid-19 virus. These spirits will follow this virus global as overseers. For the sealed Christians to be spared, the Holy Spirit will have angels to buffet against these demonic spirits on their behalf, like the blood on the doorposts of the Jewish houses in Egypt. Let us read of these spirits:

Rev 9:7-10 It will be good to discuss the spiritual description of the demonic angels for understanding how they work against humanity. These spirits from the bottomless pit are the power of war by the beast's political system through a virus, they do not use conventional military in the chapter nine plagues.

Rev 9:7 This swarm of spirits act as a swarm of locusts which devour entire fields of grain in a few minutes, this symbolic release into nations. They're armor is similar to the old military horses used during the times of the four beasts: Babylon, Media-Persia, Grecian and Roman warfare 636 BC to 800 AD. In this seventh verse, the focus is too the head of the locust. They have crowns of gold and faces of men. These crowns of gold remind me of kings. Crowns represent authority and wealth, such as kings or heads of state. The faces of men represent knowledge and wisdom of man. Recall the beast with ten horns and the little horn speaking great things? These are political heads of state with authority of kings and they said: who can make war with him, Rev 13:4.

Rev 9:8 Now, the heads of these horses have hair like a woman and teeth as lions. The hair of a woman as Paul taught is her glory to her husband; the spiritual husband in the beast is Satan, remember the woman who sits upon the eighth head. That woman is the spiritual whore, the

abomination of doctrinal theology that rules over man, Rev 17:3. Now, this verse reads, women not woman, we go back and pick up Rev 17:5 and it reads: Babylon the great whore and her harlots. See, the false christian religions presented with her husband, the little horn who is the false prophet; Satan's religious headship. They are beautiful in the eyes of the world; the buildings, art and wealth combined with their proclaimed love for human race. The faces of these locusts have teeth of a lion. This is right out of Daniel 7:4, the nature of the Babylon Empire.

I just want to remind us, the Muslim spirit is crushed just before the Week of Daniel begins. The miracle wars, Isaiah 19:20-21 brings a short time of peace when Egypt will worship the God of Israel, Israel will not need walls or gates. During this time of peace Elohim will crush the invasion from Gog and Magog against Israel, Ezekiel 38 & 39. Satan in the Week of Daniel will use Christian religion to kill Christians, just as he did before. (Egypt is only one part of the Miracle wars; Israel will take back her original borders according to other prophecies.)

Rev 9:9 this swarm of locust, which moved with the sound of chariots and horses, have the sound of political and military power. This European/Middle east political power is unstoppable for its plan to release what I believe will be a viral invasion. This verse describes releasing this biological attack.

Rev 9:10 These stings remind me of the Shingles Virus; it lasts for months and it burns and stings horribly and there isn't much you can do about it; this plague sounds worse in pain than the Shingles Virus.

Rev 9:12 The first Woe is past

I think that does it for the fifth angel plague.

The Sixth Trumpet Angel's Plague

Rev 9:12 One woe is past; *and*, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.

Rev 9:13 And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before Elohim,

Rev 9:14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great River Euphrates.

Rev 9:15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

Rev 9:16 And the number of the army of the horsemen *were* two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.

Rev 9:17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses *were* as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.

Rev 9:18 By these three was <u>the third part of men killed</u>, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

Rev 9:19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

Rev 9:20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

Rev 9:21 Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

We will begin our discussion for the sixth plague:

Rev 9:12 there are yet two more woes, it does not give the time of occurrence for the next woe. Let's go to Rev 11:13 and read the second woe to give us the occasion for the first woe.

Rev 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascends out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

Rev 11:13 And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.

Rev 11:14 The second woe is past; and behold, the third woe comes quickly.

We know from Rev 11:2-3 the forty-two months are the time of abomination of desolation; the little horn takes Jerusalem with flatteries beginning this three and one-half year period. The beginning for this forty-two months is the middle of Daniel's Week. These two prophets' ministry is one thousand two hundred and sixty days, which is 42 months.

Rev 11:7 tells us at the end of these 1,260 days they will kill these prophets. Then in this chapter the inhabiters of the earth rejoice over this martyrdom and give gifts in celebration. This is a world event.

Rev 11:13-14 Jerusalem suffers a major earthquake killing seven thousand. This earthquake is the second woe. How do we know this metropolis is Jerusalem? Notice who is identified in this city, "And the remnant were frightened and gave glory to Elohim". These are Jews who did not flee Israel in Rev 12:6; the remnant that received the salvation message from the prophets.

Rev 11:7 gives us our time frame for the fifth trumpet angel plague of chapter nine and the approximate start for the sixth angel plague. We know the fifth trumpet plague is five months' duration. Also, the prophets are murdered 1,260 days from the start of this Week. After the death of the prophets, the celebration begins. Obviously the fifth trumpet plague starts five months before the middle of the Week or thirty-seven months after the Week began.

From the martyrdom of the two prophets, until the second woe is a short time; a matter of days or a few weeks, I believe. How long is Madi Gras Carnival in New Orleans? In 2017 the Carnaval was 53 days, but Mardi gras itself is one week. We will place the second woe near one week after the middle of the 70th Week or 1,267 days from the start of Daniels Week.

In verse fourteen, it states the third woe comes swiftly. The only way to define the third woe is to learn of the sixth trumpet angel plague. Notably the Bible does not specifically name the third woe. We are left with the challenge to find this woe through the scriptures of Revelation. We may not pinpoint the third woe with certainty.

Let's get started with the sixth trumpet plague, which comes by the prophetic command of the two prophets.

Rev 9:13 The sixth angel sounds and a voice is heard from the altar of Elohim from four horns. The golden altar is before the throne of Yahshua, who has been sitting as our intercessor, our high-priest for two thousand years, Rev 8:3.

Ezekiel chapter forty-three teaches of the temple with the altar of sacrifice having four horns covered with the blood sacrifice to forgive sin under Jewish law. The Messiah was the sacrifice for sins once and lastly. Yahshua Messiah will rule from the temple when he comes to earth; We know he sits as king from the temple during his millennium reign. The blood covenant of Messiah, is the altar of sacrifice the horn of salvation. The horn represents strength most often in scriptures.

2Samuel 22:3 ... and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my savior; thou saves me from violence.

With these scriptures I believe the voice that came from the four horns will be Yahshua Messiah's voice from the altar of salvation. He is the slain Lamb in Rev chapter five; chapter five is to the gentiles. But here under the sixth trumpet angel is the reference for who Messiah is, typed from the Old Testament. This tells me this plague is dealing with the Jews who only recognize the Law. In particular, it is the Jews who don't accept the salvation message in this Week.

Rev 9:14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great River Euphrates.

Rev 9:15 And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men.

Rev 9:14-15 We hear a voice, which can only be Yahshua Messiah telling the sixth angel to lose the four angels standing at the Euphrates River. The purpose and work for these four angels are to begin at a specific period. Once again, the Euphrates River is prominent; Euphrates as we know was the eastern border of Rome and at one time the city of Babylon. Angels release this sixth plague, having an empirical and religious nature of Baal.

Rev 9:15, "One year one month one day and one hour" may be a prophetic time of 391 days and one hour, as did Ezekiel 4:1-5. In these verses as we will read them in a moment, It commanded Ezekiel to lie on his side foretelling the coming siege of Jerusalem by the Babylon Empire in 586 BC. Also the 390 days for Ezekiel was the number of years Israel lived rebellious against Elohim's commandments. I don't know if this specific time in verse 9:15 is the actual time before the siege of Jerusalem in Revelation 14:20. Or is it the length of time for the siege?

Jerusalem's Holocaust follows soon after the sixth plague. We will discuss the Jerusalem Holocaust in the next chapter.

We will read Ezekiel's prophetic time of 390 days:

- Eze 4:1 Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and portray upon it the city, even Jerusalem:
- Eze 4:2 And lay siege against it, and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set battering rams against it round about.
- Eze 4:3 Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and set it for a wall of iron between thee and the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. This shall be a sign to the house of Israel.
- Eze 4:4 Lie thou also upon thy left side and lay the iniquity of the house of Israel upon it: according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity.
- Eze 4:5 For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.

This sixth angel plague is not the siege of Jerusalem, but the prelude to it. If there is no Holocaust in Jerusalem, then the abomination does not fulfill desolation, as Yahshua said in Mark 13:14. There could not be a repeat of Antiochus Epiphanes. (Greek: Epiphanies is a revelatory manifestation of a divine being) Antiochus gave himself this title of divinity.

In Daniel's 70th Week is the salvation message to the Jews, the coming of their Messiah they have long awaited. In the 1,260 days, the two prophets had preached the salvation message. Those that refuse the gospel of salvation bear the iniquity of the house of Israel, for they have refuted the gospel call from the 144,000 servants. The fifth trumpet plague for five months was to break that stiff-necked manner, bringing them to repentance; many did not. Elohim will use that Babylon spirit once again, as He did in 586 BC. The two prophets will teach the exact understanding for 391 days and one hour to Israel. This warning for Jerusalem's coming siege is part of the gospel message to flee Israel; the two wings as an eagle message we discussed in Rev 12:14.

I will add one more thought to Rev 9:15 as it reads: to slay the third part of men. This wording is specific to a group of people, as the word "the" suggests. Why didn't the verse say a third part of men? This chapter in several verses refers to the Jews, so I believe this verse does as well. They are the focal point of the discussion.

Under the fifth angle in chapter nine is released demonic angels from the bottomless pit. This pit does not represent any geographic region of earth. But here in Rev 9:14 the Euphrates River is geographic specific. Euphrates was home to Babylon, the home of false gods and the power of the woman on the eighth head. One last thought, the Euphrates River during the Week of Daniel will be Israel's north east boarder.

Moving forward with the next four scriptures to discuss.

Rev 9:16 And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. (If you add up the global military personnel there isn't 200 million soldiers. China has the largest military in the world at one million soldiers.)

Rev 9:17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.

Rev 9:18 By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

Rev 9:19 For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

Rev 9:16 There are two hundred million spirits to carry out this plague.

Rev 9:17 Horses the same as the fifth plague horses speak of power and speed related to the military. These horses have breastplates, and they used these for protection in battle. Why does this plague need protection? This question causes me to think there will be opposition to this plague attempting to stop it from being released or after the release.

When we think of Babylon, Persian, Grecian and Roman Empire we don't think of spirits empowering these governments and militaries. We speak of the brilliance of leadership using their exceptional abilities to conquer and subdue nations and peoples. Human tragedy was no consequence for building their empire. They built these empires with unseen powers guiding them into circumstances orchestrated for them; destiny, you might say.

Why is the stone jacinth mentioned in 9:17? It is a stone mentioned many times in the Bible. It was one stone on the High priest's breastplate, worn when the high-priest was acting as judge over a legal dispute. Here is the folklore on the stone jacinth: they thought Amulets containing Jacinth was to protect travelers against the plague and any wounds or injuries they would otherwise experience during their trip. They also thought the stone was to insure a warm reception at any inn visited along the way and even protect the wearer from being hit by lightning.

The breastplate is made of fire and brimstone, so what does this mean? I searched on the internet and found two interesting definitions, one Biblical and the second scientific. First the Biblical definition: Brimstone: An alternative name for sulfur Fire and brimstone, an expression of signs for God's wrath in the Bible. Second, the scientific: You may be familiar with "fire and brimstone" — brimstone being burning sulfur. When sulfur burns, it produces sulfur dioxide (SO2), which turns into sulfurous acid (H2SO3) when it comes in contact with water. That means it can be deadly if you breathe it into your very moist lungs. (If you end up in hell, don't look for a glass of ice water.) How dangerous is sulfur dioxide to humans? Sulfur dioxide (SO2) is a colorless gas with a characteristic, irritating, pungent odor. Exposure to sulfur dioxide may cause irritation to the eyes, nose, and throat. Symptoms include nasal mucus, choking, cough, and reflex bronchi constriction.

This plague may cause the symptoms as described by sulfurous acid. To be honest, it sounds a bit like the covid-19 virus. Continuing with the seventeenth verse, the horses have heads of lions, as did Babylon the first beast empire, as we read in Daniel. Babylon was a world empire and repeating myself with Rev13:3... and who can make war with him... Who can make war with the dragon, the dragon is Satan as we have read in Rev 12:9. I hope this pulls together the spiritual and the natural. And Rev 9:17, the fire and brimstone once again explains the power of the beast as an invading army through this plague.

Rev 9:18-19 One-third of the men will die by fire, smoke and brimstone from the mouths of horses. No, I don't believe the world is going back to WWI chemical warfare such as mustard gas. It portrayed this prophecy of plagues in a spiritual parable. Eph 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

What does smoke fire and brimstone represent when played out on earth? We know the sixth angel is a continuation of judgement from the fifth angel plague. Looking at the nineteenth verse: the power was in their tails and mouths and their tails were similar to serpents. And the serpents had heads. Serpents are wise as the scriptures teaches, "Be wise as a serpent and harmless as a dove". Serpents lay in wait, striking with precision. I believe these heads of the serpents are heads of men. A serpent has a head, so why make a distinction if there isn't one. So men working for the beast, are wise laying in wait for their opportunity to strike humanity with this plague.

In my opinion, the covid-19 virus was released as biologic warfare. China is bringing nations into communism with the help of socialist politicians, including America. This virus plays its part moving time to Daniel's 70th Week.

Rev 9:20-21 Under the fifth plague was an opportunity for repentance to the Jews, those not sealed in their foreheads. Now under the sixth plague is the penalty of death for the one-third who do not repent. With these two plagues, there remain the unrepentant. This is primarily to the Jewish population in Israel and possibly around the planet. The total Jewish population worldwide is 14.7 million Jews. The world population is 7.8 billion people. 580 million Jews are one-third of the Jewish population, mathematically speaking. Another way to look at this number is to use the website: https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/, they state: Israel has 6.8 million Jewish citizens. Out of the 14.7 million Jewish people in the world, 47% live in Israel. There are 1.5 million Jews in Europe, making a total of 56% of the global Jewish population living in what will be the beast nations during the 70th Week. So for this plague to kill one-third of the Jews refusing the salvation message, this plague may be most prevalent in the geographic region of the beast, which includes Israel.

With our discussion for the fifth and sixth plague, the question for the geographic regions globally affected by these plagues is not clear cut for me. The fifth plague is written to the Jews who refuse the seal message. We know the 144,000 servants teach the message to different nations. The sixth plague is also written to the Jews in Israel. The prophets will teach the mystery for the 391 days and one hour, a warning for Jerusalem's approaching Holocaust. Those unrepentant under the fifth plague find themselves under the sixth plague. Verse 9:20 gives a description of who this plague effects. Let's read it: Rev 9:20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk. If we go back and look at verses 9:13 &18, the passages read "the men". It speaks of a specific group of men, Jews. So in verse twenty the unrepentant men are Jews.

We will read in Revelation chapter fourteen the next judgement against the unrepentant Jews. I believe this judgment will follow shortly after this sixth trumpet plague.

Jewish Holocaust

This chapter tells a story beginning with the salvation message from the 144,000 servants, to the coming persecutions of the Jewish people, followed by the decimation (Holocaust) of Jerusalem. Then, the Holocaust brings the demise of Babylon the great city. We will pick up in the sixth verse, where we left off in the chapter: "The Ministry of the 144,000".

Rev 14:6 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

Rev 14:7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

Rev 14:8 And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

Rev 14:9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

Rev 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

Rev 14:11 And the smoke of their torment ascends up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receives the mark of his name.

Rev 14:12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

Rev 14:13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works follow them.

Commentary:

Rev 14:6 An angel oversees the seventh seal salvation message to the Jews as it travels around the world. We see the beast with its political power pursuing these Christians in many of these nations as we read in Rev 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Rev 14:7 These redeemed Jews now Christian, worship Yahshua as Apostle's Paul and John taught who the Messiah is: Col 1:16 For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him (The Son of Elohim)

Rev 14:8 After the first angel oversees the salvation message, another angel oversees the warning for the coming judgement through the 144,000 servants. As we have said, this spiritual anti-Word city is not the old Babylon City on the Euphrates River. It is Vatican City, where the woman sits ruling the city of seven hills, Rome, Italy, Rev 17:5.

Rev 14:9-11 The last salvation message has traveled around the world. The gentiles heard this warning under the fourth seal and the Jews under the seventh seal. Every person choosing the

beast receives their reward. Verse ten states, those that take the mark of the beast become tormented by fire and brimstone. I can't help but relate this to the sixth plague of Revelation verse 9:17, which gives the characteristics of these demonic spirits through the virus or biologic warfare they release, brimstone.

Rev 14:12 There are theologies teaching this verse is to gentiles, as it reads the saints worship Yahshua. I must disagree, Paul said there is not Jew nor Greek in the body of Messiah; If you 're redeemed/born again, you're now in the one body of Messiah.

Rev 14:13 we have read in Rev 12:14-16 the place of safety in the wilderness for the woman who is the Hebrew-Christians. In this thirteenth verse the angel said, from henceforth those that die in the Lord. Those who received the salvation message of Messiah and sealed. There will be Jewish converts that did not flee to the wilderness. They lose their lives.

Rev 14:14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.

Rev 14:15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe.

Rev 14:16 And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

In Revelation chapter nine, two plagues brought the last opportunities to accept the Word of God for salvation; many did not. Here in Rev 14:14 we have judgment that brings death, a sickle cuts down the stalks of grain bringing an end to its life.

These three verses we just read, identify an angel with the authority of Yahshua Messiah. Possibly the same angel who is a liaison for the Son of Man in Rev 10:1: And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud... This coming judgement is by direct command from the Word of God, Messiah. A judgment released upon the earth bringing death. This first judgement bringing death I believe is the sixth trumpet angel plague. As terrible as this plague will be, many will not repent even in the face of death; which means there is another judgment to follow. To find this next judgement, let's read on in this chapter.

Rev 14:17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

Rev 14:18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

Rev 14:19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

Rev 14:20 And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand *and* six hundred furlongs. (100 mile radius around Jerusalem)

Commentary:

Rev 14:17-18 The second angel with a judgement of death has power over fire, fire is symbolic through scriptures for purifying or judgment. This angel gives command to "Gather the clusters of the vine of the earth." This differs from the last angel judgement which was unto the earth. The vine of the earth takes us back to Apostle John:

Joh 15:4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

Joh 15:5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abides in me, and I in him, the same brings forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

Joh 15:6 If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.

When we go back to Rev 14:13 "Those that die in the faith of Messiah," we realize these faithful become caught up in these judgments, in particular Rev 14:18. The clusters on the vine are the fruit of the vine; Messiah is the vine. For whatever reasons, the faithful did not obey the warning to flee into the wilderness; they become part of Messiah's fierceness of wrath against those unbelievers. Every person had a good Reason not to travel to the wilderness. But disobedience brings with it many problems.

Peter and Samuel gave us a thought for obedience: 1Samuel 15:22 But Samuel replied, What is more pleasing to the LORD: your burnt offerings and sacrifices or your obedience to his voice? Listen! Obedience is better than sacrifice, and submission is better than offering the fat of rams. Peter brought this to the New Testament: 1Pe 3:17 For it is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing. These remnant in Jerusalem bear this truth as they suffer the Holocaust war, the wrath of Elohim's wine press. Satan brings this Holocaust judgment in Rev 12:17, "... And went to make war with the remnant of her seed". The seed is those with the Word of salvation. Luke 8:11... the seed is the Word of God.

In this Week of Daniel the Word is to the Jews, the woman Israel. This siege and Holocaust of 14:20 is the city of Jerusalem and a 200 mile diameter. This verse reads, "Trodden without the city." Rev 11:2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months. The reference for "Blood up to a horse's bridle" does not illustrate a lake of blood, more likely the bodies of the dead stacked up to a horse's bridal.

Is this Holocaust the abomination making desolate? The word desolate means, a place without people. We read a few paragraphs back; the beast makes war against the remnant of her seed. Satan intends to make Jerusalem desolate. It is the same command King Herod the Roman politician gave to kill every male child under the age of two. Satan said kill them to kill the seed of Elohim, Rev 12:4.

There is Theology applying this judgment of Rev 14:20 to the Armageddon war. I don't believe this to be correct. This Holocaust in Jerusalem brings us to a place for fitting related scriptures together, putting the pieces of this puzzle into a better understanding without fragmenting the plagues and judgments. I think it better not removing scriptures from different plagues and judgments, writing a new story.

Before we read the next chapter this is a good place to answer the questions for what is the third woe and are the 5th and 6th plagues regional or global?

The question I asked many pages ago; are the fifth and sixth plagues regional or worldwide? Rev 14:14-16 illustrates a sickle thrust upon the earth, worldwide. I believe this to be the sixth plague of chapter nine. The sixth plague brings a death judgment first to Israel, as this chapter is written to them. Because the salvation message went global, this plague extends worldwide. The fifth plague written to the Jews travels multinational as well, and for the same reasons. Rev 14:17-20 is to Israel, Jerusalem particularly.

Another question we are trying to answer; What is the third woe? I can't say with confidence whether the sixth plague or the Holocaust is the third woe. We do have Rev 11:17 speaking, the third woe comes swiftly. It gives cause for the sixth trumpet plague to be the third woe. About the woes, let me ask, is it possible the term woe is used as a warning before the Holocaust in Jerusalem? More of a warning than the sorrow it brings? If so, the sixth plague is the third woe.

Power as Kings One Hour With the Beast

Rev 17:12 And the ten horns which thou saw are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.

Rev 17:13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.

Rev 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them:

I don't think we have valid arguments for chapter seventeen not occurring in the 70th Week. Rev 17:14 states these kings with the beast make war with the Lamb. It said war, not plagues. The Lamb is the covenant by Yahshua Messiah. We will read this next verse to enlighten us for this parable: Rev 12:17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. These are the Jewish converts to Christianity Satan sets his mind to exterminate the Hebrews, to kill every person with the seed of life.

We see how Satan will work with ten kings, the heads of state for ten nations of the beast. This power is for one hour, as Rev 17:12 said. Up to this era of time, in the 70th Week, the political power of the beast did not conduct themselves as kings. There must be a shift from democratic or socialist authority to becoming more dictatorial as a king for fulfilling this time. (We are observing this leadership transition in many European countries today, through the tool of covid-19 virus.) In Daniel's Week, they give their military force to the eighth head of the dragon, that little horn sitting by religious power on the eighth head. Remember, the gentiles will tread the outer court under foot for 42 months/1,260 days. This one hour is within this period. The sixth trumpet angel's plague will have ended, allowing this Genocide to begin.

I need to bring in the fifth seal here because it ties together the great tribulations during the New Testament era with this Holocaust in Daniel's last Week. The fifth seal goes way back to the first century, 68/69 AD desolation of Jerusalem by General Titus. As Daniel 9:26 states, "Desolations are determined," These are great tribulations. This fifth seal of redemption is by fire; the terrible

persecutions of the Jews throughout the gentile grace age which ends with Rev 14:20 Holocaust. Let's read this fifth seal:

Rev 6:9 And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

Rev 6:10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O' Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

Rev 6:11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a brief season, until their fellow servants and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

We have said the seven seals on the redemption scroll represent the Word of salvation with each seal being a dispensation. This fifth seal is to the Jews suffering martyrdom during the grace age; they kept their testimony by their faith. Rev 6:11 reads, "They should rest yet for a brief season". The brief season is one generation of time. From the end for the Holocaust during WWII, until the next Holocaust/desolation which ends with Rev 14:20. This Holocaust encircles Jerusalem in a two hundred mile diameter. Bodies of the Jerusalem citizens being stacked to a horses bridal. Ending this Holocaust brings the fifth seal to a close.

You may ask, how can the fifth seal be to the Jews as the gospel under the forth seal is to the gentiles, until the seventh seal is opened to the Jews? In the beginning of this document we read Paul teaching the gospel will return to the Jews. Let's re-read what he said in Romans chapter eleven: ²⁵ Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. ²⁶ And in this way all Israel will be saved... Paul said a partial hardness would be upon the Jewish people as a whole group. But there have always been a true seed through time right into the Week of Daniel. Yahshua has provided a means of salvation for them through time.

The prophecy Mar 13:20 And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved... means the Jerusalem siege ends, stopping the desolation of the brethren, the Jews. The little horn's power stopped by force at the end of one hour. Time marking the One hour of power with the beast in Rev 17:12 ends by removing the authority the ten horns gave to the little horn on the eighth head. The ten kings' purpose concludes and the fifth seal ends. What event forces the Holocaust to stop and the ten kings power to end? For this clue we go to Daniel:

Dan 7:25 And he shall speak *great* words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Dan 7:26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy *it* unto the end.

In Daniel 7:25 we read of the eighth head and little horn. 7:26 speaks of the judgement against Israel by the little horn until they forced his dominion to an end. The end of his dominion "cuts short time" of this last Holocaust. "They shall take away his dominion" are the ten horns who gave their power but in due season they turn their power against the little horn:

Rev 17:16 And the ten horns which thou saw upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

Rev 18:8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who Judged her.

Rev 18:9 And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,

Rev 18:18 And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What City is like unto this great city! (Vatican City, representing the women who sat on the eighth head)

Rev 16:19 And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

These verses we just read, cut time short for the elects' sake or no Hebrew flesh shall be saved in Jerusalem.

We want to tie up a few loose ends at this time. The fifth seal comes to its fulfillment with the Holocaust being forced to an end, Rev 14:20. They have cut time short, fulfilling Matt 24:22 and Mark 13:20. We said this last Holocaust brings the end of the fifth seal; this brings us to Matthew 24:29:

Mat 24:29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

In this parable to the Jews it reads, "Immediately" after the tribulation of those days. "Those days" that are the last tribulation/Holocaust days of Rev 14:20. At the end of this Holocaust the sun shall be darkened... This describes the sixth seal being released immediately after the fifth seal.

Rev 6:12 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

Rev 6:13 And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

Rev 6:14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

Rev 6:15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

Rev 6:16 And said to the mountains and rocks, fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

Rev 6:17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

This sixth seal sets up the return of Messiah to earth along with the seventh and last trumpet angel of Revelation chapter eight. The seventh trumpet angel plague Rev 11:15, speaks of Joel's great and terrible day which Peter and Isaiah spoke. This is The Son of Man returning to earth at the 70th Week's end, Rev 19:11. Interestingly, the sixth seal and the seventh trumpet plague occur together. We have two worldwide judgements working together. The sixth seal is a seal of

redemption; redemption by fire as you can read Peter's account of this sixth seal, 2Peter 3:7-12. How and who is saved by this judgement? We find the answer in Matthew 25:31-46 The Son of Man is setting up His Kingdom, judging who shall enter His Kingdom age. He gives eternal life to those that showed mercy to the persecuted Christians of Daniel's last Week. They enter the Millennium Kingdom with eternal life, as said in Mat 25:46... but the righteous into life eternal.

These came through redemption by fire under the sixth seal. They witness the seventh angel plague as Yahshua returns to earth with His armies speaking judgments as He descends from the heavens. When He and His army of saints reach earth, they walk on the ashes of the wicked; this is the thirty days of Daniel 12:11. Mal 4:3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts.

Is There an Armageddon War?

Rev 16:12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great River Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the East might be prepared.

Rev 16:13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs *come* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

Rev 16:14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, *which* go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

Rev 16:16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

Rev 16:14 These demonic spirits go forth to the kings of the earth, Elohim gathered not armies of kings but the kings themselves to the battle of "that great day of God Almighty". Kings brought together in Armageddon for "the great day of God Almighty". There is no war of 200 million soldiers, as theology teaches. You cannot cut and past from Rev 9:16 a plague under the sixth trumpet angel and from Rev 14:20 under the angel with a sickle and make this the story for the great day of God, a war in Armageddon. Yes, I know it has been taught, but it should not have been. How can you mix the pieces of plagues and wars and have a cohesive vision?

Let's see what other scriptures fit the "great day of God Almighty":

Joe 2:31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.

Joe 2:11 And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executes His word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

Isa 34:1 Come near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people: let the earth hear, and all that is therein; the world, and all things that come forth of it.

Isa 34:2 For the indignation of the LORD is upon all nations, and his fury upon all their armies: he has utterly destroyed them, he has delivered them to the slaughter.

Isa 34:3 Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up out of their carcasses, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood.

Isa 34:4 And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falls off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree.

Rev 6:14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

Rev 19:14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

Rev 19:19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

I believe we have found the war of Revelation 16:14. If you would indulge me for a few more paragraphs, we will bring this document to a close.

I have to believe this threat of war is likely to have begun during the Jewish Holocaust. I think the main Eastern nation mentioned is China. China sees an opportunity, even the necessity during the time of the Jewish Holocaust, coinciding with the plagues of chapter 16:1-12. China makes a move to take Israel. Notice in verse 16:12 the drying up of Euphrates River is a sign or a signal in the spiritual powers that trigger the actual move of China's war machine. We want to remember the Euphrates River is the eastern border of Israel during the Week of Daniel. Verse 16:13 causes conditions in the world by these demonic spirits motivating world leaders.

Rev 16:13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

A few paragraphs back we said the ten kings turning against the little horn removing him from power and burning the City of Babylon. This ending of the fifth seal, the last Holocaust, allows the sixth seal to begin, providing the return of Yahshua Messiah. Joel 2:31 is that sixth seal, as described in Rev 6:12. This means Rev 16:13, the frogs being released out of the mouth of the false prophet and the beast by Satan occurred before the end of Rev 14:20 the last Holocaust. I believe these frogs/demonic spirits are sent forth near the middle of the 70th Week with Rev 12:17 & Rev 17:14 when the beast went to make war against Israel.

In 16:13 the dragon is the spirit of Satan speaking through that false prophet/little horn and controlling the beast's political authorities by these demonic spirits illustrated as frogs. The nature of a frog is to wait without motion until its prey is near enough to be devoured. So Satan draws these kings of nations together, and the prey is Israel. The sixth seal, the descent by Yahshua with His army, intercedes Satan's war plan.

So China makes a move to conquer Israel. Europe begins a counter move against China, putting Israel as the battleground for war. This war plan of kings is developing as the Holocaust is raging. Then the little horn king, the false prophet and Vatican City are destroyed. The hour of the ten kings has ended, so the mouth of the beast and false prophet is closed before the time of war can begin. Armageddon was to be a war on earth, but the seventh plague, sixth seal and Yahshua's descent to earth stopped that plan. Europe looks weak and Jerusalem is recovering from their Holocaust, but the plagues are continuing with the seven angel vials. Seven years of plagues and war have put world leaders on the edge of desperation/frustration and for China an

opportunity. The Euphrates River drying up is the time for the final panic button, creating the emergency meeting near Armageddon.

Armageddon is a reference to the ancient city of Meggido in north Israel. Meggido is not an actual city today, but the ruins of many cities on the same location. Archeologists claim Meggido dates back 7000 years and has been an epicenter for battles over that time.

During this emergency war conference of Revelation 16:16, Yahshua's descent begins while ending the 70th Week. (You can't fit a battle comprising 200 million personnel into this tiny valley of 540 square miles as theology teaches.)

So they fight the War of Armageddon as the war of Rev 19:14 &19. There is no 200 million man army, there is no battle fought in the Vally Armageddon. Kings of nations meet in a city in this valley. When Yahshua Messiah descends from heaven with His army, the kings turn their armies against Him. These king's armies are not in Armageddon Vally, they are in their respective nations. The descent by the Son of Man is a worldwide event during a thirty-day period, gradually dropping to earth. Every nation fights The Son of man's return from their respective positions as nations.

I think we have reached the end of this study

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APPENDIX

Revelation Chapter Twelve

- **Rev 12:1** And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:
- **Rev 12:2** And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.
- **Rev 12:3** And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.
- **Rev 12:4** And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.
- **Rev 12:5** And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and *to* his throne.
- **Rev 12:6** And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days.

Satan Thrown Down to Earth

- Rev 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,
- Rev 12:8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.
- **Rev 12:9** And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceives the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.
- **Rev 12:10** And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.
- **Rev 12:11** And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.
- **Rev 12:12** Therefore rejoice, *ye* heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the <u>inhabiters of the earth</u> and of the sea! For the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knows that he hath but a short time.
- **Rev 12:13** And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man *child*.
- **Rev 12:14** And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the Rev, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.
- Rev 12:15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.
- **Rev 12:16** And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.
- **Rev 12:17** And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. (*Rev chapter 14*)

Rev 12:1-6; I feel the need to explain in brief to bring clarification for the verses pertaining to Daniel's 70th Week. Verse 12:1 describes the birth of Messiah in Israel. This was a star constellation that occurred on September the 11th 3 BC, and is the birth date of YAHSHUA Messiah. Then we see the religious and political struggle for Israel at this time. The next verse 12:3 describes the spirit Satan working in the Roman Empire continuing into the Holy Roman Catholic Church through 1796 AD. The seventh head was the change in Roman power under Charlemagne in 800 AD. The Pope crowned him Holy Roman Emperor. This began the full Power of Church over state. For someone not familiar with this history there are clips of articles in the appendix.

We will look into Rev 12:4 and learn a bit more about Satan's past and future.

Rev 12:4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

The red dragon is blood thirsty Satan seeking the life of Messiah through King Herod. Satan brings to earth every demonic angle he has. King Herod ordered the lives of male children under the age of two. Yahshua was three months old at this time.

We have in Rev 12:4 the dragon's tail pulling one-third of the angels to earth. This phrase shows us these demonic angels followed the ways of Satan and were under his command. In Rev 12:9-13 we are told Satan was cast out and now cast to earth for he has a short time. Notice the wording when Satan was cast out of heaven: "the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent". That old Serpent, the word old takes us back in time.

It sounds like he was cast out of heaven and then to earth at the same time, but he wasn't. Isaiah tells us a story of old not the future: **Isaiah 14:12** How art thou fallen from heaven, O' Lucifer ... Satan lost his first state of authority as he was the arch angel unto that time. Before Adam and Eve were on earth Satan was known to be evil. **Gen 3:22** And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: "One of us" which angel was the one that knew evil? That is Satan. Certainly his plan began millions of years prior to Adam and Eve in Eden, Ezekiel 28:13.

Eze 28:13 Thou hast been in Eden the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald,

and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created.

Eze 28:14 Thou *art* the anointed cherub that covers; and I have set thee *so*: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

We see how Satan's seat was in the Region of the four beasts of Daniel chapter seven. Eden was bordered by the Euphrates River. Babylon rose up there and Satan ruled Earth from there when the precious stones were in creation under his authority as he was the anointed cherub that covers the Earth. This is way back in the eons of time before dinosaurs I believe. Yahshua Messiah testifies of this fall from power for Satan: Luk 10:18 And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

Now in Daniel's 70th Week or just before, Satan himself is cast to earth, Rev 12:9; he has lost his power to transcend between spiritual dimensions. He is a Spirit bound within earths three dimensions.

(Just a side note; if interested Isaiah 14:12-23 describes the works of Satan including Daniel's 70th Week and the city of Babylon into the fulfillment of Daniel's 70th Week.)

Rev 12:9-11 sets up Mark 13:13-24, the abomination of desolation spoken by Daniel. Yes, Antiochus Epiphanies set the type for Daniel's 70th Week in 171-164 BC. Also I understand the teachings of the Roman siege of Jerusalem in 70 AD to have fulfilled this parable. I agree many Christians learned and obeyed Messiah's parable escaping Jerusalem before the siege. But this parable clearly states, when you see the abomination of desolation standing in the temple. This is not what happened in 70 AD, Yes, it foreshadows Daniel's Week but only for the desolation. The issue with most teachings of Daniel's 70th Week is they interpret several judgements in Daniel's 70th Week with mixing them together. I am thinking of chapters 9, 14 and 16; They can't see past traditional theology. As we work through this study, these judgments will fall in place. They will describe themselves through parables sequentially in the final Week of Daniel.

It is time to move on in chapter twelve:

Rev 12:12 ... Woe to the <u>inhabiters of the earth</u> and of the sea! For the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knows that he hath but a short time.

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

Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea ... for Satan knows his time is short. This language is important for who the plagues and woes effect. The plagues and judgments by the two prophets allow Satan and his fellow demonic angels to bring hardship upon the inhabiters of

the earth and also to the sea. The seven trumpet plagues and the three woes are separated into two groups. I believe for different geographic purposes.

The next verse we will read verifies Rev 12:12, the inhibitors of the earth are nations of the world. People from around the world rejoice over the killing of the two Jewish prophets.

Rev 11:10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.

Once cast to earth Satan and his fellows set up the beast and little horn system to vent his wrath. This puts Satan in the earth were he began, Ezekiel 28:18 Eden which is the territory of the first three beasts of Daniel chapter seven and again Rev 13:3. The Euphrates River where the city of Babylon stood. With reviving the four beast powers and healing the seventh head he has the power to persecute Elohim's elect world wide and the women of Israel.

Rev 13:4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who *is* like unto the beast? Who is able to make war with him?

Rev 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Rev 13:8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Rev 12:14 went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. As we have discussed not all of the redeemed Jews flee Israel. We have read those that overcome by the blood of the Lamb and their testimony, Rev 12:11. This war is Rev 14:17-20, this is one of the judgments pulled out of context to make the war of Armageddon chapter sixteen theology. Chapter sixteen is only preparation for war as we have discussed.

I feel like we have finished chapter twelve.

Articles from the internet for Daniel 7:7-8:

Germany and the Catholic Church

For the next eight centuries, Christianity became the dominant religion in Germanic-controlled lands across the Continent, spread by missionaries as well as religious/military groups such as the Teutonic Order.

The line between church and state was blurred: "The authority of the various barbarian kings was seldom sufficient to keep their realms in order. There were always many powerful landholders scattered throughout the kingdom who did pretty much what they pleased and settled their grudges against their fellows by neighborhood wars. Fighting was the main business as well as the chief amusement of this class.

"Under these circumstances it naturally fell to the Church to keep order, when it could, by either threats or persuasion; to see that contracts were kept, the wills of the dead carried out, and marriage obligations observed...These conditions serve to explain why the Church...undertook duties which seem to us to belong to the State rather than a religious organization" (*History of Europe, Ancient and Medieval*).

Holy Roman Empire

A turning point for the Catholic church in Europe was the Roman Empire's transformation into the Holy Roman Empire, accomplished through a Roman pope and a German emperor. According to *The Catholic Encyclopedia*, "Real German history begins with Charlemagne (768-814)."

This source describes how this emperor viewed himself and his reign: "The Frankish king desired like Solomon to be a great ecclesiastical and secular potentate, a royal priest...his conception of his position [was] as the head of the Kingdom of God...[he was] crowned emperor by the Pope on Christmas Day, 800. On this day the Germanic idea of the Kingdom of God, of which Charlemagne was the representative, bowed to the Roman idea, which regards Rome as its centre, Rome the seat of the old empire and the most sacred place of the Christian world. Charlemagne when emperor still regarded himself as the real leader of the Church...He even interfered in dogmatic [doctrinal] questions.

"Charlemagne...regarded his possession of the empire as resulting solely from his own power... Yet on the other hand he looked upon his empire only as a Christian one, whose most noble calling it was to train up the various races within its borders to the service of God and thus to unify them."

By the time a later German king, Otto the Great, was crowned as Holy Roman Emperor in 962, the balance of power had been clarified: "...the German king recognized that it was the pope and only the pope who could confer the imperial title" (A History of the Church in the Middle Ages).

The church became the primary institution in Europe, transcending all of its local and regional monarchs, to the point that the continent took on an alternate name: "Christendom." The Holy Roman Emperor became the world's most powerful civil ruler, crowned by its most powerful religious figure.

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Prior to 1948, Israel last existed as an independent nation in 606 BC when the first captives of Israel were taken by Nebuchadnezzar. The destruction of Israel at the hands of the Babylonians was completed in 587 BC with the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple.

For 70 biblical years (approximately 69 years on the Gregorian calendar), the Jewish people were held as captives in Babylon. In 537 BC, the Persian King Cyrus conquered Babylon and issued a decree for the Jews to return to their land and rebuild the Temple.

It was during the Babylonian captivity and this return to Israel that Ezekiel appeared as a prophet and provided the following information on the future existence of Israel as an independent nation: "Now lie on your left side and place the sins of Israel on yourself. You are to bear their sins for the number of days you lie there on your side. You will bear Israel's sins for 390 days - one day for each year of their sin. After that, turn over and lie on your right side for 40 days - one day for each year of Judah's sin." Ezekiel 4:4-6 (NLT)

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

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Several earlier Old Testament passages shed light on this mystery. In the Book of Leviticus, they reveal that if, upon their return to the land of Israel, the people refused to obey God, he would increase their punishments seven-fold. This is repeated several times: "And if in spite of this, you still disobey me, I will punish you for your sins seven times over." Leviticus 26:18 (NLT) "If even then you remain hostile toward me and refuse to obey, I will inflict you with seven more disasters for your sins." Leviticus 26:21 (NLT) "And if you fail to learn a lesson from this and continue your hostility toward me, then I myself will be hostile toward you, and I will personally strike you seven times over for your sins." Leviticus 26:23-24 (NLT) "If after this you still refuse to listen and still remain hostile toward me, then I will give full vent to my hostility. I will punish you seven times over for your sins." Leviticus 26:27-28 (NLT)

In the year 537 BC, 360 years of punishment remained on God's timetable. However, when the people of Israel refused to repent of their sins, this punishment was multiplied seven-fold from 360 years to 2,520 years. 360 days comprise a biblical year, so the allotted time equaled

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

Historians have established that Cyrus the Persian issued his proclamation to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem sometime in the first half of the year 537 B.C. We don't know the exact day of the proclamation, but the Bible reveals that it had to be prior to the seventh month on the Jewish calendar because in that month, "the Israelites had settled in their towns, all the people assembled together as one person in Jerusalem." Ezra 3:1 (NLT) Without an exact starting date, it's more accurate to count backward 907,200 days from the day of Israel's restoration. Israel declared its status as an independent nation on May 14, 1948.

The following online calendar conversion tool is available for counting days as well as converting between the Gregorian calendar and the Jewish calendar.

Calendar Conversion Tool

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

Gregorian Calendar: A.D. 14 May 1948

Jewish Calendar: 5 Iyyar 5708

-907,200 days (360 days x 2,520 years) Gregorian Calendar: 15 July 537 B.C.

Jewish Calendar: 15 Av 3224

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

The equivalent date on the Jewish calendar is 15 Av 3224 - the fifteenth day of the fifth month. Since approximately 900 miles separate Babylon and Jerusalem (the geographical distance is less, but the ancient travel route is estimated at 900 miles), and ancient caravans rarely traveled more than 20 miles per day, this date doesn't seem to contradict the biblical account. The Jews would have had only 74 days to make their trip. Accounting for the Sabbath day of rest, that leaves approximately 63 actual travel days to reach Jerusalem before the end of the seventh month.

To cover 900 miles in that time, they needed to average 14.29 miles/per day, 6 days per week - a task well within reach. It also seems highly likely that Cyrus made his proclamation in this part of the year, because the Jewish holiday Tisha B'Av, a three week fast commemorating the destruction of the Temple 50 years earlier ends on the 9th of Av. 9 Av 537 BC was within a one week of the 50th anniversary of the Temple's destruction, a fitting time for a king's proclamation to rebuild it. Although July 15, 537 BC cannot be verified by outside sources as the exact day of

Cyrus's proclamation, we do know that 537 BC was the year in which he made it. As such, we can know for certain that the Bible,

in one of the most remarkable prophecies in history, accurately foresaw the year of Israel's restoration as an

independent nation some two thousand five hundred years before the event occurred.

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Antiochus IV Epiphanes; 164 B.C.

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ANTIOCHUS IV (EPIPHANES) AND 164 B. C.

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The great majority of Bible commentaries, past and present, have interpreted the "little horn" of Daniel 8 as Antiochus IV (Epiphanes) of the Greek Seleucids who ruled from Syria. Since Daniel 11:3-4 uses the same terminology as Daniel 8:8-9, 22, it is certain that both texts refer to the same kingdom. It is noteworthy that even William Miller (in a strange way) connected Daniel 9:23 with First Maccabees 8 and 9. See #6 of Miller's Time Proved in Fifteen Different Ways found in Cultic Doctrine by Dale Ratzlaff. One of the four kingdoms which emerged from the Grecian goat after Alexander's death was the Greek Seleucid Kingdom, described in Daniel 11:4-20. Antiochus IV reigned from 175 to 164 B. C. Most commentators agree that his hatred of the Jews and desecration of their Temple is recorded in great detail in Daniel 11:21-35.

Although insignificant in history as a whole, in Daniel's history of nations which persecute Israel, Antiochus IV is a key figure. As such, he is also a type of the last-day Antichrist (Matt. 24:15; Mark 13:14).

The Jews living during Antiochus' reign understood and interpreted Daniel 8:8-14 to their time. The two historical books of Maccabees detail the desolations that Antiochus inflicted on Israel from 171 to 164 B. C. Although neither inspired nor canonical, First and Second Maccabees are accepted by historians as mostly reliable accounts of the events of that time period. Serious Bible students are encouraged to read these books and compare them with Daniel 8 and 11.

From Daniel and other sources, the contextual and historical meaning of the "abomination of desolation" is the desecration of the Temple when Antiochus

erected a statue of Zeus inside the temple and sacrificed a pig on the altar on December 25, 167 B. C. in honor of the birth of the Sun god. This single act of desolation so incited the Jews that it began a revolt which ended in Jewish independence for the first time since 586 B. C. This end of foreign rule has been celebrated as the important Jewish festival of Hanukkah, meaning "dedication" (of the sanctuary) from 164 B. C. until today.

In Daniel 8:13 the "host" is national Israel who is "trodden under foot" by Antiochus IV, the little horn of Daniel 8. The "host" would cease to be "trodden under foot" when the Maccabean rebellion overthrew Antiochus in 164 B. C. First Maccabees 1:10-15 "From them came forth a sinful root, Antiochus Epiphanes, son of Antiochus the king; he had been a hostage in Rome. He began to reign in the one hundred and thirty-seventh year of the kingdom of the Greeks. In those days lawless men came forth from Israel, and misled many, saying 'Let us go and make a covenant with the Gentiles round about us, for since we separated from them many evils have come upon us.' This proposal pleased them, and some of the people eagerly went to the king. He authorized them to observe the ordinances of the Gentiles. So they built a gymnasium in Jerusalem according to the Gentile custom, and removed the marks of circumcision, and abandoned the holy covenant. They joined with the Gentiles and sold themselves to do evil."

Matthew Henry's Commentary of 1825 applied Daniel 8:9-14 to Antiochus IV. "But it is less forced to understand them of so many natural days; 2300 days make six years and three months, and about eighteen days; and just so long they reckon from the defection of the people, procured by Menelaus the high priest in the 142nd year of the kingdom of the Seleucids, the sixth month of that year, and the 6th day of the month (so Josephus dates it), to the cleansing of the sanctuary, and the reestablishment of religion among them, which was in the 148th year, the 9th month, and the 25th day of the month, 1 Mac. 4:52. God reckons the time of his people's afflictions he is afflicted."

The Jamieson, Fausset, and Brown Commentary says "Six years and 110 days. This includes not only the three and a half years during which the daily sacrifice was forbidden by Antiochus (Josephus, 'Bellum Judaicum,'i.1, sec.1), but the whole series of events whereby it was practically interrupted: beginning with the >little horn waxing great toward the pleasant land,' and 'casting some of the host' (Dan. 8:9-10); namely, when in 171 B. C., or the month Sivan in the year 142 of the era of the Seleucids, the sacrifices began to be neglected, owing to the high priest Jason introducing at Jerusalem Grecian customs and amusements—the palaestra and gymnasium; ending with the death of Antiochus, 164 B. C., or the month Shebath in the year 148 of the Seleucid era. Compare 1 Macc. 1:11-15; 2 Macc. 4:7-14.

After the death of Seleucus, when Antiochus called Epiphanes took the kingdom, Jason, the brother of Onias, labored underhand to be high priest, promising unto the king, by intercession, three hundred and threescore talents of silver, etc., if he might have license to set him up a place for exercise, and, for the training up of youth in the fashions of the pagan, and to write them of Jerusalem by the name of Antiochians: which, when the king had granted, and he had gotten into his hand the rule, he forthwith brought his own nation to the Greekish fashion B he brought up new customs against the law-- and made them wear a hat."

This explanation says that the entire defilement lasted 2300 days, or six years plus.

- 1 Mac 1:10 175 B. C.; 137th Seleucid year; Antiochus begins reign
- 1 Mac 1:10-15 *171 B. C. desolating covenant to worship Greek gods
- 2 Mac 4:7-18 neglected sacrifices
- 1 Mac 1:16-19 Antiochus plunders Egypt
- 1 Mac 1:20-28 169 B. C.; plunders temple
- 1 Mac 1:29-64 167 B. C. plundered Jerusalem
- 1 Mac 1:39 completely stopped sanctuary services
- 1 Mac 1:43-53 sacrificed pig; death decree
- 1 Mac 1:54-64 sets up a desolating sacrilege inside the temple
- 2 Mac 6:1, 2 "compel the Jews to forsake the laws of their fathers and cease to live by the laws of God, and also to pollute the temple in Jerusalem and call it the temple of Olympian Zeus."
- 1 Mac 4:42-58 **164 BC; sanctuary cleansed; Antiochus died
- 2 Mac 10:1-8 sanctuary purified

The following sources are a very small representation which agree with Matthew Henry and Jamieson, Fausset, and Brown. The Scofield Reference Bible, (Congregational), 1909; The New Bible Commentary, (Presbyterian influence), Inter-Varsity, 1953 Fellowship; The Wycliffe Bible Commentary, Moody Press, 1962; The Ryrie Study Bible, Moody Press, 1986.

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