End of the Church Age - POSSIBLE Timeline & Notes

NOTE: Nobody should agree with these views or opinions without confirming them with God's Word of Truth. 1 Thessalonians 5:21 (NET) Examine all things; hold fast to what is good. Test ANY Bible teaching yourself. Colossians 2:8 (NET) Be careful not to allow anyone to captivate you through an empty, deceitful philosophy that is according to human traditions and the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. We are to rely on God's Spirit of Truth to teach us God's Word of Truth. 1 John 2:26-27 (NET) I have written to you about those who are trying to deceive you. Now as for you, the anointing that you received from Him resides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you. But as His anointing teaches you about all things, it is true and is not a lie.

A. Preface on Accurate Bible Translation & Transmission

Translation of multiple words (Yahweh, Elohim, Adonai, Master, Kyrios, etc.) into the English word "Lord" and "LORD" has created untold confusion in reading the Bible.

- 1. <u>Yahweh (YHWH)</u> The personal name of God transliterated from the Hebrew scriptures as Yahweh (יהוה). *Isaiah 42:8 Isaiah 42:8 "I am, הוה" (Yahweh) that is My Name, and My esteem I do not give to another, nor My praise to idols.*
- **2.** <u>Yahshua Messiah</u> The personal name for Jesus Christ in Hebrew is Yahshua Messiah. Many Christians today are unaware that the 1611 King James Bible had no "J" in the text. The "J" was a new letter that was subsequently added in the later editions of the King James Bible, beginning in 1629. <u>Christ</u> is the commonly used Greek word for the Hebrew word <u>Messiah</u>. Yahshua is the transliteration of the Hebrew (יהושע).
- **3.** <u>Understanding Bible Transmission and Translation</u> Notes from Sean Finnegan's (August 10, 2020) lesson <u>How We Got the Bible # 24: Recommending Bible Translations.</u> (Accessed 5/3/2023)
 - a. Time Stamp 1:01 to 1:52 "Why is transmission important? It doesn't matter how good your translation skills are if you have an incorrect text that has been transmitted to you. You are not going to have an accurate translation. The transmission of the text [from] these different manuscripts...is just as important as the translation of the text.... You can also have the most accurate text, reconstructed back to the first and earliest [original manuscript. But] then fumble the ball when it comes to translation, by inserting [religious] bias [or translating] words wrong that means something else."
 - b. Time Stamp 17:24 to 18:03 "The question is not does this speak to me?... but is this accurate? If it's inspired by God, as I believe it is, then this is the single most important book on the planet. It's not to be tampered with. It's not a trivial matter. ... It determines my beliefs... You can't play games with it just to make it more exciting [or to fit with my personal opinion, comfort zone, or a church's teaching]!"
 - c. Time Stamp 19:03 to 20:45 "Bibles are advertised based on layout, notes, and endorsements of a pastor celebrity.....<u>I don't care what color the bible is. Is it accurate or not?...Who cares about Marketing? Is it accurate`? Does it contain the words of God or is it a distortion?</u>... As time goes on we get closer and closer to the oldest form of the scriptures that we can possibly read....<u>Read the preface...this is where the bible translators have to tell you what it is they think they're doing, what sources they're using what decisions they made at the outset."</u>

- **4.** How We Got the Bible is a <u>VERY WORTHWHILE</u> teaching on <u>Transmission and <u>Translation</u>. There are 24 Lessons taught by Sean Finnegan. All the lessons are excellent. If your time is limited, lessons 1, 9, 10 & 24 are VITAL.</u>
 - Lesson 1: Masoretic Text VITAL (30 min.)

 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNIxw5UUYeE
 - Lesson 9: Reconstructing the New Testament VITAL (29 min)

 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DYyoink8bC0&t=612s
 - Lesson 10: New Testament Textual Criticism VITAL (37 min)

 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XEQruAHBL_U
 - Lesson 24: Recommending Bible Translations VITAL (28 min)
 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGlpUsWaztM&t=160s
- **5.** <u>Is Your Bible Accurate? A Very Simple Test</u> Does your Bible Version agree with Archaeological Tests and proofs? *See Tim Mahoney's film, Patterns of Evidence*.
 - **a.** Most Bibles are based on a 10th-century Masoretic manuscript with corrupted patriarch genealogy dates that contradict the archeological record. Noah's flood occurred before the pyramids were built. They are constructed on top of sedimentary layers from the flood.
 - **b.** The Septuagint text agrees with the Samaritan Pentateuch text and Flavius Josephus's writings; showing the flood occurred 600 years before any pyramid construction began.
 - Henry B. Smith Jr., "<u>Case For The Septuagint's Chronology Genesis 5 and 11</u>," Proceedings of the 8th International Conference on Creationism, ed. J.H. Whitmore, pp. 117-132. Pittsburgh, PA: Creation Science Fellowship, (accessed May 6, 2023) https://digitalcommons.cedarville.edu/icc_proceedings/vol8/iss1/48/
 - Nathan Hoffman, "Were the Pyramids Built Before the Flood? YouTube NathanH83, May 28, 2017, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VI1yRTC6kGE (accessed May 6, 2023).
- **6.** Example of Corrupted and Altered Bible Text Notes from Sean Finnegan's (2021) presentation How We Got the Bible Part 11: 2 Corrected Corruptions (1 Timothy 3:16 & Comma Johanneum 1 John 5:7). (Accessed 5/3/2023)
 - a. Time Stamp 26:55 to 33:57 "No early manuscripts contain the Comma Johanneum (1 John 5:7)...It's only later manuscripts that [contain this passage] starting with the 14th or 15th century from a parallel Latin Greek Bible... People started accusing Erasmus of heresy he had to respond or else risk his life...He said...if a single manuscript had come into my hands, then I would certainly have used it. [In both Erasmus the original 1516 edition and 1519 2nd edition, there is] no Comma Johanneum (1 John 5:7). But then he was presented with a mysterious Greek manuscript on which the ink was still barely dry and this manuscript Codex Montfortianus was given to Erasmus that contained the Comma Johanneum (1 John 5:7)...The Trinitarian formula known as the Comma Johanneum (1 John 5:7) made its way into the third edition of Erasmus's Greek New Testament in 1522 because of pressure from the Catholic Church....There's a difference between loving the Bible and loving what somebody has corrupted or added to the Bible that wasn't originally there. Do you want what is comfortable or what is authentic? ...Thankfully translators have removed [corruptions in the New Testament] for pretty much all translations done from the 20th century forward."

B. Yahweh's Plan of Redemption - Gospel of The Kingdom of God

From the time Satan's Curse of Evil infected THIS world and sin entered the hearts of mankind, God has been moving forward with His plan to restore His creation. God's plan is to bring His Kingdom to the earth, under the leadership of His Only Son, Yahshua Messiah, and redeem this fallen world. Zechariah 14:9 (ESV) And Yahweh will be king over all the earth. On that day Yahweh will be one and His name one. The Kingdom of God will judge, defeat, absorb, and cleanse the **Kingdoms of THIS World!** Revelation 11:15 (NKJV) Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of Yahweh and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" The Good News taught by Christ was the Gospel of God's Kingdom. Mark 1:14 (NKJV) Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom of God. It is through His only begotten Son, Yahshua, that God is rescuing the people He created from sin and the power of Satan. Colossians 1:12-15 (ESV) Giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. Salvation in Yahshua Messiah (Jesus Christ) does NOT come from our knowledge, religious affiliation, or church ceremonies. John 5:37-41 (ESV) And the Father who sent Me has himself borne witness about Me. His voice you have never heard, His form you have never seen, and you do not have His word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom He has sent. You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life. I do not receive glory from people. Salvation is from personal repentance that results in obedience. Acts 26:20 (ESV) Declared first to those in Damascus, then in Jerusalem and throughout all the region of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, performing deeds in keeping with their repentance. The Kingdom of God will take over all the corrupt kingdoms and governments. Yahweh's solution is FULL Redemption of THIS world from Satan's Curse of Evil! The soon-ending CHURCH AGE will provide the Saints Yahshua Messiah needs to administer God's Kingdom on earth. These saints will serve as representatives (priests) of Yahshua as those "who belong to Christ". Galatians 5:24 (ESV) Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. The Church Age has served to develop True Believers who will become the royal priesthood in the Millennial Reign of Christ on Earth. 1 Peter 2:9 (ESV) You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light. Any accurate understanding of God must come from Him or from someone He sends into THIS world. John 8:23 (NIV) You are from below; I am from above. You are of THIS world; I am not of THIS world. Is our image of God and knowledge of His plan built on religious ideas or human traditions? Mark 7:6-9 (ESV) "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written, 'This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.' You leave the commandment of God and hold to the tradition of men." He said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to establish your tradition!"

- C. The Book of Revelation Given by Yahweh to Yahshua for All Believers
 Revelation 1:1-3 (RSB) The Revelation of Yahshua Messiah, which Elohim gave unto Him, to
 show unto His servants things which must shortly come to pass; and He sent and signified it by
 His angel unto His servant John: Who bare record of the word of Elohim, and of the testimony
 of Yahshua Messiah, and of all things that he saw. Blessed is he that reads, and they that hear the
 words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.
 - 1. <u>Church's Purpose</u> God's Son, Yahshua Messiah creates a Kingdom of Priests
 Colossians 1:15-20 (ESV) He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by
 Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or
 dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him. <u>He is before</u>
 all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church.
 He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent.
 For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to
 Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross.
 - 2. <u>A Royal Priesthood</u> Serving with Yahshua Messiah in God's Kingdom Revelation 20:6 (ESV) Blessed and holy is the one who <u>shares in the first resurrection!</u> Over such <u>the second death has no power</u>, but <u>they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years</u>.
 - 1 Peter 2:9-10 (ESV) But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

John 18:36 (ESV) Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But My kingdom is not from the world."

Revelation 5:9-10 (ESV) And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and <u>by your blood you ransomed people for God</u> <u>from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."</u>

3. The Kingdom of God – God's Government will Take over all of the Governments of THIS world under the Power and Authority of God's Only Son, Yahshua Messiah Our world is infected with the sin and evil of Satan's Curse; corrupting our hearts and bodies with disease and death. God has been moving forward to rescue us with a plan that is described, prophesied, and promised through the prophets of His nation Israel. Zechariah 14:9 (ESV) And Yahweh will be king over all the earth. On that day Yahweh will be one and His name one.

The <u>Good News of God's Kingdom</u> is <u>the True Gospel taught by Jesus Christ</u> (Yahshua Messiah). Mark 1:14 (NKJV) Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom of God.

Our Messiah will govern, rule, and judge THIS World! Revelation 11:15 (ESV) The seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever."

Yahshua will rule THIS world and administer The Kingdom of God through His Royal Priesthood. Galatians 5:24 (ESV) Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 1 Peter 2:9 (ESV) A royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for Hisomorphism own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness.

The Kingdom of God will be administered by the faithful and "risen" believer priests from THIS world, under the leadership and authority of Yahshua Messiah. Revelation 2:26-27 (ESV) The one who conquers and who keeps my works until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as I myself have received authority from my Father.

4. In the Final Message of Revelation - Yahshua Repeats His Promise of Returning Revelation 22:6-21 And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place." "And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book." I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God." And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy." "Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood. "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price. I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book. He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

5. The Seven Churches - Summary of the Church Messages

Revelation 1:4-11 (RSB) John to the seven assemblies which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne; and from Yahshua Messiah, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten

of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto Elohim and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith Yahweh, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty. I John, who also am your brother and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Yahshua Messiah, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of Elohim, and for the testimony of Yahshua Messiah. I was in the Spirit on Yahweh's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest write in a book, and send it unto the seven assemblies which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

Summary Table of the Church Messages

Church	Church Description	<u>Praise</u>	Warning	<u>Instructions</u>	Reward for Obedience
AD 30 To AD 100	EPHESUS Loveless (Rev. 2:1-7)	Good Works, Patient Endurance, Reject Evil, Persevere, Hated Nicolaitans	You have left your first love	Repent and be obedient to Messiah's calling - as you did at first	You will eat from the Tree of Life
AD 100 to AD 312	SMYRNA Suffering & Persecution (Rev. 2:8-11)	Endurance in suffering and poverty, yet you are rich	None	Fear not and be faithful.	I will give you the crown of life. You will not be hurt by the second death
AD 312 to AD 606	PERGAMUM Worldly & Indulgent (Rev. 2:12-17)	Obedient & Loyal to our Messiah; refuse to deny Him	False teaching of Balaam & Nicolaitans. Tolerate cults, heresies, idolatry, and immorality	Repent!	Will give you hidden manna and a stone with a new name on it
AD 606 to AD 1520	THYATIRA Pagan & False Doctrine (Rev. 2:18-29)	Love, faith, good works, patient endurance; constant improvement	Tolerate pagan cults, idolatry & immorality. Jezebel teaches compromise. Judgment is coming!	Hold fast to what you have until I return. Repent!	I will give you authority over the nations and gift of the morning star
AD 1520 to AD 1750	SARDIS Spiritually Dead (Rev. 3:1-6)	Only a remnant has kept the faith. You are spiritually dead	Repent and turn back to Christ	Watch. Strengthen things that remain & repent.	Faithful will be clothed in white and not be blotted out of the Book of Life
AD 1750 To AD 1900	PHILADELPHIA Spiritually Alive (Rev. 3:7-13)	Works & Missions. Kept my word and have not denied my name	None	Hold fast so no one will take your crown.	I will make you a pillar of the new temple & write upon you the name of my God, City & My new name.
AD 1900 to Christ's Return	LAODICEA Complacent & Lukewarm (Rev. 3:14-22)	None	Neither hot nor cold. You rely on riches but are wretched, blind, poor & spiritually impoverished.	Anoint your eyes, turn from indifference, and repent!	I will invite those who overcome to sit with Me on My throne

D. First Half of Tribulation 1,260 Days (3.5 Years)

1. Israel's False Security - Anti-Christ Covenant with Israel

Daniel 9:27 (ESV) And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.

2. <u>Fulness of Evil</u> - As with the Amorites, God allows evil to come to its fullness Genesis 15:16 (ESV) For the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.

Daniel 8:23-25 (ESV) When the transgressors have reached their limit, a king of bold face, one who understands riddles, shall arise. His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints. By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand.

3. <u>Seals 1 through 4</u> (May have begun in 70 AD) First 4 of 7 Seals - Gradual Disintegration of Civilization

1st Seal - False Religion - White Horse

Revelation 6:1-2 (ESV) Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, "Come!" And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer.

2nd Seal - War - Red Horse

Revelation 6:3-4 (ESV) When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!" And out came another horse, bright red. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword.

<u>3rd Seal</u> - Famine & Poverty - Black Horse

Revelation 6:5-6 (ESV) When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" And I looked, and behold, a black horse! And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand. And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wi-ne!"

4th Seal - Death & Disease - Pale Green Horse (chloros)

Revelation 6:7-8 (ESV) When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, "Come!" And I looked, and behold, a pale horse! And its rider's name was Death, and Hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth.

E. Mid-Point of Tribulation

1. Anti-Christ Breaks Covenant with Israel (Abomination of Desolation)

2 Thessalonians 2:1-4 (ESV) Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.

2. Battle of Gog Ezekiel 38-39 (Russian-Led Force Attacks Israel)

- a. God Pulls Gog & Its Allies against Israel Ezekiel 38:2-5 (ESV) "Son of man, set your face toward Gog, of the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him and say, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. And I will turn you about and put hooks into your jaws, and I will bring you out, and all your army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed in full armor, a great host, all of them with buckler and shield, wielding swords. Persia, Cush, and Put are with them, all of them with shield and helmet;
- b. When Israel is Dwelling Securely, You will come against them, In the latter days Ezekiel 38:8-12 (ESV) After many days you will be mustered. In the latter years you will go against the land that is restored from war, the land whose people were gathered from many peoples upon the mountains of Israel, which had been a continual waste. Its people were brought out from the peoples and now dwell securely, all of them. You will advance, coming on like a storm. You will be like a cloud covering the land, you and all your hordes, and many peoples with you. "Thus says the Lord God: On that day, thoughts will come into your mind, and you will devise an evil scheme and say, 'I will go up against the land of unwalled villages. I will fall upon the quiet people who dwell securely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having no bars or gates,' to seize spoil and carry off plunder, to turn your hand against the waste places that are now inhabited, and the people who were gathered from the nations, who have acquired livestock and goods, who dwell at the center of the earth.

Ezekiel 38:14-17 (ESV) "Therefore, son of man, prophesy, and say to Gog, Thus says the Lord God: On that day when my people Israel are dwelling securely, will you not know it? You will come from your place out of the uttermost parts of the north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great host, a mighty army. You will come up against my people Israel, like a cloud covering the land. In the latter days I will bring you against my land, that the nations may know me, when through you, O Gog, I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. "Thus says the Lord God: Are you he of whom I spoke in former days by my servants the prophets of Israel, who in those days prophesied for years that I would bring you against them?

3. Yahshua Messiah Defends Israel - Saves Israel & Israel Repents

a. God Judges Gog & Its Allies, while rescuing Israel - Ezekiel 38:18-22 (ESV) But on that day, the day that Gog shall come against the land of Israel, declares the Lord God, my wrath

will be roused in my anger. For in my jealousy and in my blazing wrath I declare, On that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel. The fish of the sea and the birds of the heavens and the beasts of the field and all creeping things that creep on the ground, and all the people who are on the face of the earth, shall quake at my presence. And the mountains shall be thrown down, and the cliffs shall fall, and every wall shall tumble to the ground. I will summon a sword against Gog on all my mountains, declares the Lord God. Every man's sword will be against his brother. With pestilence and bloodshed I will enter into judgment with him, and I will rain upon him and his hordes and the many peoples who are with him torrential rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur.

b. God Will Show His Greatness & All Nations will know He is Yahweh, the True God of Israel - Ezekiel 38:23 (ESV) So I will show my greatness and my holiness and make myself known in the eyes of many nations. Then they will know that I am Yahweh.

Ezekiel 39:25-27 (ESV) "Therefore thus says Yahweh, Almighty God: Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel, and I will be jealous for my holy name. They shall forget their shame and all the treachery they have practiced against me, when they dwell securely in their land with none to make them afraid, when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies' lands, and through them have vindicated my holiness in the sight of many nations.

4. War in Heaven - Satan is Cast Down to Earth

a. God Pulls Gog & Its Allies against Israel - Revelation 12:7-12 (ESV) Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

5. <u>Judgment Begins</u> - Wrath for Unrepentant & Salvation for Repentant

- **a. Godly Sorrow leads to Repentance** 2 Corinthians 7:10 (ESV) For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.
- **b. Nineveh shows us The Only Remedy for Judgement is Repentance** Jonah 3:10 (ESV) When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.
- **c. Without Repentance, we Perish** 2 Corinthians 7:10 (ESV) For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.
- **d. The Message of the Gospel (Good News) was ALWAYS the same** Matthew 3:2 (ESV) "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

- **e. We Perish without Repentance** Luke 13:3 (ESV) Unless you repent, you will all likewise perish.
- **f. The Opportunity to Repent is Coming to an End** 2 Peter 3:9 (ESV) The True God of Israel is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.
- g. The 4th Bowl of Judgment results in some Refusing to Repentance Revelation 16:8-9 (ESV) The fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and it was allowed to scorch people with fire. They were scorched by the fierce heat, and they cursed the name of God who had power over these plagues. They did not repent and give him glory.
- h. The 5th Bowl of Judgment results in some Cursing God & Refusing to Repent Revelation 16:10-11 (ESV) The fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and its kingdom was plunged into darkness. People gnawed their tongues in anguish and cursed the God of heaven for their pain and sores. They did not repent of their deeds.

6. Seals 5 through 7 - Cry of Martyrs; Cosmic Signs; Trumpets Begin

5th Seal - Martyr's Question - How long until we're avenged?

Revelation 6:9-11 (ESV) When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.

6th Seal - Cosmic Signs & Terror - Great Earthquake, Sun, Moon, Stars

Revelation 6:12-17 (ESV) When he opened the sixth seal, I looked, and behold, there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth, the full moon became like blood, and the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale. The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

7th Seal - 7 Trumpets and the Golden Censer

Revelation 8:1-6 (ESV) When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer, and he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar before the throne, and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel. Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth, and there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake. Now the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared to blow them.

F. Last Half of Tribulation 1,260 Days (3.5 Years)

1. Two Witnesses for 1,260 Days

<u>Prelude Before the Two Witnesses</u> - Revelation 11:1-2 (ESV) Then I was given a measuring rod like a staff, and I was told, "Rise and measure the temple of God and the altar and those who worship there, but do not measure the court outside the temple; leave that out, for it is given over to the nations, and they will trample the holy city for forty-two months.

Authority of Two Witness - Revelation 11:3-12 (ESV) And I will grant authority to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth." These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth. And if anyone would harm them, fire pours from their mouth and consumes their foes. If anyone would harm them, this is how he is doomed to be killed. They have the power to shut the sky, that no rain may fall during the days of their prophesying, and they have power over the waters to turn them into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague, as often as they desire. And when they have finished their testimony, the beast that rises from the bottomless pit will make war on them and conquer them and kill them, and their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city that symbolically is called Sodom and Egypt, where their Lord was crucified. For three and a half days some from the peoples and tribes and languages and nations will gaze at their dead bodies and refuse to let them be placed in a tomb, and those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them and make merry and exchange presents, because these two prophets had been a torment to those who dwell on the earth. But after the three and a half days a breath of life from God entered them, and they stood up on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here!" And they went up to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies watched them.

<u>A Great Earthquake - 2nd Woe Completed & Prelude to the 3rd Woe</u> - Revelation 11:13-14 And at that hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the rest were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven. The second woe [6th Trumpet] has passed; behold, the third woe [7th Trumpet] is soon to come.

2. 144,000 Israelite Evangelists

Revelation 7:1-8 (ESV) After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, that no wind might blow on earth or sea or against any tree. Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed, 12,000 from the

12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,

12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

12,000 from the tribe of Asher,

12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali,

12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

12,000 from the tribe of Simeon,

12.000 from the tribe of Levi.

12,000 from the tribe of Issachar.

12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun,

12,000 from the tribe of Joseph,

12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

3. First Beast - From the Sea; 10 Horns (world's authority); 7 Blasphemous Heads Revelation 13:1-10 (ESV) And I saw a beast rising out of the sea, with ten horns and seven heads, with ten diadems on its horns and blasphemous names on its heads. And the beast that I saw was like a leopard; its feet were like a bear's, and its mouth was like a lion's mouth. And to it the dragon gave his power and his throne and great authority. One of its heads seemed to have a mortal wound, but its mortal wound was healed, and the whole earth marveled as they followed the beast. And they worshiped the dragon, for he had given his authority to the beast, and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who can fight against it?" And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months. It opened its mouth to utter blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in heaven. Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation, and all who dwell on earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain. If anyone has an ear, let him hear: If anyone is to be taken captive, to captivity he goes; if anyone is to be slain with the sword, with the sword must he be slain. Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints.

4. Second Beast - The False Prophet Deceptions; Two Horns

Revelation 13:11-18 (ESV) Then I saw another beast rising out of the earth. It had two horns like a lamb and it spoke like a dragon. It exercises all the authority of the first beast in its presence, and makes the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose mortal wound was healed. It performs great signs, even making fire come down from heaven to earth in front of people, and by the signs that it is allowed to work in the presence of the beast it deceives those who dwell on earth, telling them to make an image for the beast that was wounded by the sword and yet lived. And it was allowed to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast might even speak and might cause those who would not worship the image of the beast to be slain. Also it causes all, both small and great, both rich and poor, both free and slave, to be marked on the right hand or the forehead, so that no one can buy or sell unless he has the mark, that is, the name of the beast or the number of its name. This calls for wisdom: let the one who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man, and his number is 666.

5. Seven Trumpets - Announcing Divine Judgments

1st Trumpet - Hail, Fire & Blood - 1/3 earth's vegetation burned

Revelation 8:6-7 (ESV) Now the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared to blow them. The first angel blew his trumpet, and there followed hail and fire, mixed with blood, and these were thrown upon the earth. And a third of the earth was burned up, and at hird of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

2nd Trumpet - Burning Mountain thrown in Sea - kill 1/3 sea life; destroy 1/3 ships Revelation 8:8-9 (ESV) The second angel blew his trumpet, and something like a great mountain, burning with fire, was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood. A third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed. <u>3rd Trumpet</u> – Blazing Star Wormwood, strikes & poisons fresh water killing people Revelation 8:10-11 (ESV) The third angel blew his trumpet, and a great star fell from heaven, blazing like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water. The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many people died from the water, because it had been made bitter.

4th Trumpet - Blazing Star Wormwood strikes earth & poisons fresh water & killing people

Revelation 8:12 (ESV) The fourth angel blew his trumpet, and a third of the sun was struck, and a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of their light might be darkened, and a third of the day might be kept from shining, and likewise a third of the night.

- 3 Woes of God's Judgment on Evil People of the Earth 5th, 6th & 7th Trumpets
 Revelation 8:13 (ESV) Then I looked, and I heard an eagle crying with a loud voice as it
 flew directly overhead, "Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, at the blasts of
 the other trumpets that the three angels are about to blow!"
 - 5th Trumpet (Woe #1) Wormwood star poisons fresh water & kills people Revelation 9:1-11 (ESV) And the fifth angel blew his trumpet, and I saw a star fallen from heaven to earth, and he was given the key to the shaft of the bottomless pit. He opened the shaft of the bottomless pit, and from the shaft rose smoke like the smoke of a great furnace. and the sun and the air were darkened with the smoke from the shaft. Then from the smoke came locusts on the earth, and they were given power like the power of scorpions of the earth. They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any green plant or any tree, but only those people who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. They were allowed to torment them for five months, but not to kill them, and their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it stings someone. And in those days people will seek death and will not find it. They will long to die, but death will flee from them. In appearance the locusts were like horses prepared for battle: on their heads were what looked like crowns of gold; their faces were like human faces, their hair like women's hair, and their teeth like lions' teeth; they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the noise of their wings was like the noise of many chariots with horses rushing into battle. They have tails and stings like scorpions, and their power to hurt people for five months is in their tails. They have as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit. His name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in Greek he is called Apollyon.
- <u>Transition from the 5th Trumpet to the 6th Trumpet Woe #1 to Woe #2</u> Revelation 9:12 (ESV) The first woe has passed; behold, two woes are still to come.
 - 6th Trumpet (Woe #2) Euphrates River 4 Angels Release Kill 1/3 of Mankind Revelation 9:13-21 (ESV) Then the sixth angel blew his trumpet, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar before God, saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates." So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour, the day, the month, and the year, were released to kill

a third of mankind. The number of mounted troops was twice ten thousand times ten thousand; I heard their number. And this is how I saw the horses in my vision and those who rode them: they wore breastplates the color of fire and of sapphire and of sulfur, and the heads of the horses were like lions' heads, and fire and smoke and sulfur came out of their mouths. By these three plagues a third of mankind was killed, by the fire and smoke and sulfur coming out of their mouths. For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails, for their tails are like serpents with heads, and by means of them they wound. The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands nor give up worshiping demons and idols of gold and silver and bronze and stone and wood, which cannot see or hear or walk, nor did they repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.

Trumpet (Woe #3) - Kingdoms of the World become Kingdoms of Yahweh!

Revelation 9:15-19 (ESV) Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever." And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying, "We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign. The nations raged, but your wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, and for rewarding your servants, the prophets, and saints, and those who fear your name, both small and great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth." Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

The Church Age is A Time of Preparation; testing those Who "Belong to Christ Having Crucified the Flesh." Our purpose in the Church Age is to become like Yahshua and serve with Him in the Kingdom. Revelation 20:6 (ESV) Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of [Yahweh & Messiah] (God & Christ), and they will reign with Him for a thousand years.

6. Seven Bowls - Final Wrath of Plagues and Judgment on Unrepentant Souls. With God's salvation for the repentant, comes God's Judgement for the Unrepentant. Revelation 15:1-8 (ESV) Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and amazing, seven angels with seven plagues, which are the last, for with them the wrath of God is finished. And I saw what appeared to be a sea of glass mingled with fire—and also those who had conquered the beast and its image and the number of its name, standing beside the sea of glass with harps of God in their hands. And they sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed." After this I looked, and the sanctuary of the tent of witness in heaven was opened, and out of the sanctuary came the seven angels with the seven plagues, clothed in pure, bright

linen, with golden sashes around their chests. And one of the four living creatures gave to the seven angels seven golden bowls full of the wrath of God who lives forever and ever, and the sanctuary was filled with smoke from the glory of God and from his power, and no one could enter the sanctuary until the seven plagues of the seven angels were finished.

Revelation 16:1 (ESV) Then I heard a loud voice from the temple telling the seven angels, "Go and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of the wrath of God."

1st Bowl - Painful Sores on those Who Have the Mark of The Beast

Revelation 16:2 (ESV) So the first angel went and poured out his bowl on the earth, and harmful and painful sores came upon the people who bore the mark of the beast and worshiped its image.

2nd Bowl - Sea turns to blood and every living creature dies

Revelation 16:3 (ESV) The second angel poured out his bowl into the sea, and it became like the blood of a corpse, and every living thing died that was in the sea.

3rd Bowl - Rivers and Springs turn to blood - God's justice is praised

Revelation 16:4-7 (ESV) The third angel poured out his bowl into the rivers and the springs of water, and they became blood. And I heard the angel in charge of the waters say, "Just are you, O Holy One, who is and who was, for you brought these judgments. For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and you have given them blood to drink. It is what they deserve!" And I heard the altar saying, "Yes, Lord God the Almighty, true and just are your judgments!"

4th Bowl - Sun scorches people and they curse God, refusing to repent

Revelation 16:8-9 (ESV) The fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and it was allowed to scorch people with fire. They were scorched by the fierce heat, and they cursed the name of God who had power over these plagues. They did not repent and give him glory.

5th Bowl - Satan's Kingdom is Darkened

Revelation 16:10-11 (ESV) The fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and its kingdom was plunged into darkness. People gnawed their tongues in anguish and cursed the God of heaven for their pain and sores. They did not repent of their deeds.

6th Bowl - Dried Euphrates: Frog Spirits from Dragon, Beast & False Prophet
Revelation 16:12-16 (ESV) The sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates,
and its water was dried up, to prepare the way for the kings from the east. And I saw,
coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the
mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs. For they are demonic spirits,
performing signs, who go abroad to the kings of the whole world, to assemble them for battle
on the great day of God the Almighty. ("Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one

who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!") And they assembled them at the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon.

7th Bowl - Judgment is done! Thunder, Lightning & Earthquake destroys cities of the world. 100-pound hailstones fall as the unrepentant continue to curse God.

Revelation 16:17-21 (ESV) The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, "It is done!" And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake. The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath. And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found. And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.

7. Great Prostitute and the Beast Destroyed

Revelation 17:1-18 (ESV) Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and said to me, "Come, I will show you the judgment of the great prostitute who is seated on many waters, with whom the kings of the earth have committed sexual immorality, and with the wine of whose sexual immorality the dwellers on earth have become drunk." And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness, and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was full of blasphemous names, and it had seven heads and ten horns. The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and jewels and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the impurities of her sexual immorality. And on her forehead was written a name of mystery: "Babylon the great, mother of prostitutes and of earth's abominations." And I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. When I saw her, I marveled greatly. But the angel said to me, "Why do you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast with seven heads and ten horns that carries her. The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to rise from the bottomless pit and go to destruction. And the dwellers on earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world will marvel to see the beast, because it was and is not and is to come. This calls for a mind with wisdom: the seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman is seated; they are also seven kings, five of whom have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come, and when he does come he must remain only a little while. As for the beast that was and is not, it is an eighth but it belongs to the seven, and it goes to destruction. And the ten horns that you saw are ten kings who have not yet received royal power, but they are to receive authority as kings for one hour, together with the beast. These are of one mind, and they hand over their power and authority to the beast. They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful." And the angel said to me, "The waters that you saw, where the prostitute is seated, are peoples and multitudes and nations and languages. And the ten horns that you saw, they and the beast will hate the prostitute. They will make her desolate and naked, and devour her flesh and burn her up with fire, for God has put it into their hearts to carry out his purpose by being of one mind and handing over their royal power to the beast, until the words of God are fulfilled. And the woman that you saw is the great city that has dominion over the kings of the earth."

8. Fall of Babylon - Represents Satan inspired pleasure & deception opposing Yahshua

Revelation 18:1-24 (ESV) After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was made bright with his glory. And he called out with a mighty voice, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place for demons, a haunt for every unclean spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable beast. For all nations have drunk the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have grown rich from the power of her luxurious living." Then I heard another voice from heaven saying, "Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues; for her sins are heaped high as heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities. Pay her back as she herself has paid back others, and repay her double for her deeds; mix a double portion for her in the cup she mixed. As she glorified herself and lived in luxury, so give her a like measure of torment and mourning, since in her heart she says, 'I sit as a gueen, I am no widow, and mourning I shall never see.' For this reason her plagues will come in a single day, death and mourning and famine, and she will be burned up with fire; for mighty is the Lord God who has judged her. And the kings of the earth, who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her, will weep and wail over her when they see the smoke of her burning. They will stand far off, in fear of her torment, and say, "Alas! Alas! You great city, you mighty city, Babylon! For in a single hour your judgment has come." And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn for her, since no one buys their cargo anymore, cargo of gold, silver, jewels, pearls, fine linen, purple cloth, silk, scarlet cloth, all kinds of scented wood, all kinds of articles of ivory, all kinds of articles of costly wood, bronze, iron and marble, cinnamon, spice, incense, myrrh, frankincense, wine, oil, fine flour, wheat, cattle and sheep, horses and chariots, and slaves, that is, human souls. "The fruit for which your soul longed has gone from you, and all your delicacies and your splendors are lost to you, never to be found again!" The merchants of these wares, who gained wealth from her, will stand far off, in fear of her torment, weeping and mourning aloud, "Alas, alas, for the great city that was clothed in fine linen, in purple and scarlet, adorned with gold, with jewels, and with pearls! For in a single hour all this wealth has been laid waste." And all shipmasters and seafaring men, sailors and all whose trade is on the sea, stood far off and cried out as they saw the smoke of her burning, "What city was like the great city?" And they threw dust on their heads as they wept and mourned, crying out, "Alas, alas, for the great city where all who had ships at sea grew rich by her wealth! For in a single hour she has been laid waste. Rejoice over her, O heaven, and you saints and apostles and prophets, for God has given judgment for you against her!" Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, "So will Babylon the great city be thrown down with violence, and will be found no more; and the sound of harpists and musicians, of flute players and trumpeters, will be heard in you no more, and a craftsman of any craft will be found in you no more, and the sound of the mill will be heard in you no more, and the light of a lamp will shine in you no more, and the voice of bridegroom and bride will be heard in you no more, for your merchants were the great ones of the earth, and all nations were deceived by your sorcery. And in her was found the blood of prophets and of saints, and of all who have been slain on earth."

G. Christ Returns - The 7th Trumpet

Revelation 11:15-19 (ESV) Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever." And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying, "We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign. The nations raged, but your wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, and for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints, and those who fear your name, both small and great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth." Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

1. <u>Day of Yahweh & Armageddon - The Rider on a White Horse</u>
Note: Most Bible translations incorrectly translate **The Day of Yahweh** as The Day of the LORD.

Armageddon & Destruction of the Beast & False Prophet - Revelation 19:11-21 (ESV) Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords. Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, "Come, gather for the great supper of God, to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great." And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

2. Three Angels – (1) Eternal Gospel (2) Babylon Falls (3) World Warned Revelation 14:6-13 (ESV) Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water." Another angel, a second, followed, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, she who made all nations drink the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality." And another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, he also will drink the wine of God's wrath, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the

presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever, and they have no rest, day or night, these worshipers of the beast and its image, and whoever receives the mark of its name." Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus. And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!"

3. Harvest of the Earth - All those who belong to Christ are gathered - Rapture

Revelation 14:14-20 (ESV) Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and seated on the cloud one like a son of man, with a golden crown on his head, and a sharp sickle in his hand. And another angel came out of the temple, calling with a loud voice to him who sat on the cloud, "Put in your sickle, and reap, for the hour to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is fully ripe." So he who sat on the cloud swung his sickle across the earth, and the earth was reaped. Then another angel came out of the temple in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle. And another angel came out from the altar, the angel who has authority over the fire, and he called with a loud voice to the one who had the sharp sickle, "Put in your sickle and gather the clusters from the vine of the earth, for its grapes are ripe." So the angel swung his sickle across the earth and gathered the grape harvest of the earth and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. And the winepress was trodden outside the city, and blood flowed from the winepress, as high as a horse's bridle, for 1,600 stadia.

4. End of Church Age - All will be raised from death in One of Two Resurections

Revelation 7:9-17 (ESV) After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

5. The Lamb and the 144,000 - Redeemed as firstfruits for God and the Lamb

Revelation 14:1-5 (ESV) Then I looked, and behold, on Mount Zion stood the Lamb, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven like the roar of many waters and like the sound of loud thunder. The voice I heard was like the sound of harpists playing on their harps, and they were singing a new song

before the throne and before the four living creatures and before the elders. No one could learn that song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. It is these who have not defiled themselves with women, for they are virgins. It is these who follow the Lamb wherever he goes. These have been redeemed from mankind as firstfruits for God and the Lamb, and in their mouth no lie was found, for they are blameless.

6. Satan (the Dragon) is Seized and Locked Up for 1,000 Years

Revelation 20:1-3 (ESV) Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

7. First Resurrection - 1,000-Year Reign of Christ His Priests Begins

Revelation 20:4-6 (ESV) Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

8. Marriage Supper of the Lamb - Rejoicing in Heaven

Revelation 19:1-10 (ESV) After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, crying out, "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, for his judgments are true and just; for he has judged the great prostitute who corrupted the earth with her immorality, and has avenged on her the blood of his servants." Once more they cried out, "Hallelujah! The smoke from her goes up forever and ever." And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who was seated on the throne, saying, "Amen. Hallelujah!" And from the throne came a voice saying, "Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, small and great." Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, "Hallelujah! For [Yahweh] our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure"—for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are the true words of God." Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God." For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

Matthew 26:28-29 For this is My blood that establishes the covenant; it is shed for many for the forgiveness of sins. But I tell you, from this moment I will not drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it in a new way in My Father's Kingdom with you."

H. End of The Millennial Reign of Yahshua Messiah

- 1. The Final Destruction of Satan After being Released for a Short Time Revelation 20:7-10 (ESV) And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea.` And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and consumed them, and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.
- 2. The Great White Throne All are Judged Except those of the 1st Resurrection

 Note: The Saints from the 1st Resurrection do not experience the second death, which has no power over them. They are priests of Yahweh and Yahshua on earth for a thousand years.

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Revelation 20:11-15 (ESV) Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

3. The New Heaven and the New Earth - coming down out of heaven from God Revelation 21:1-8 (ESV) Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning, and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water

of life without payment. The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."

4. The New Jerusalem - Coming down out of heaven with the glory of God

Revelation 21:9-21 (ESV) Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed—on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. And the one who spoke with me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city and its gates and walls. The city lies foursquare, its length the same as its width. And he measured the city with his rod, 12,000 stadia. Its length and width and height are equal. He also measured its wall, 144 cubits by human measurement, which is also an angel's measurement. The wall was built of jasper, while the city was pure gold, like clear glass. The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with every kind of jewel. The first was jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the fourth emerald, the fifth onyx, the sixth carnelian, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, the twelfth amethyst. And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.

5. New Temple in The New Jerusalem - The temple is Yahweh & Yahshua

Revelation 21:22-27 (ESV) And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is [Yahweh the Almighty God] and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

6. River of Eternal Life - Water of life flowing from God's throne & the Lamb

Revelation 22:1-5 (ESV) Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

I. Notes on The Church Age, End Times, and Entering God's Kingdom

1. Assurance of Salvation - Obedience to God's Law - Obedience to God's Law is ignored by many who have been taught it is no longer required. Personal accountability for our behavior is easily overlooked with a false Christianity that claims "the law has been replaced by grace." Yet the Bible is very clear – forgiveness in Yahshua (Jesus) requires us to personally repent! Genuine repentance (turning around 180 degrees) results in obedience to God (Yahweh). Acts 26:20 (ESV) Repent and turn to God, performing deeds in keeping with repentance. Yet our Savior Who rescued us from sin, warned us to OBEY God's Law. Our Messiah (Christ) tells us He will not acknowledge that He abides in us and we in Him; disobedience to God's Law means "Lawlessness." Matthew 7:21-23 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then will I declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.' - (Lawlessness is breaking God's Law). We can assume we obey and understand God's Law. But many times familiarity breeds contempt – or unawareness and obliviousness. Do we even comprehend or know the basics of God's Law? We are warned there will be doctrines taught by demons. 1 Timothy 4:1-2 Now the Spirit explicitly says that in the later times, some will desert the faith and occupy themselves with deceiving spirits and demonic teachings, influenced by the hypocrisy of liars whose consciences are seared. So what are the Ten Commandments? Do we know and understand them? Are the teachings in our churches, Bible Schools, and theology books accurate? Are today's Bible Translations Accurate?

The Ten Commandments were first given in Exodus 20 and then repeated in Deuteronomy 5:6-15. The first four commandments relate to our relationship with God. The fifth commandment is a transition between God's authority over our lives to our parent's authority over us. (*I recognize many of us have experienced abuse, lies, manipulation, and obliviousness from our parents. I am not addressing that sin; which unfolds differently in each of our lives.*) The next four commandments (#6 to #9) address our behavior with other people. And the final commandment (#10) addresses our thought life — coveting the things of THIS world. If we go back to the meaning of the original Hebrew words, we may see discrepancies in the meaning from the original scripture and the Bible Translations familiar to our individual beliefs. I believe the critical commandments are the first four. They relate to our relationship with God (Yahweh, the True God of Israel). A great overview of "God's Ageless Truths" are provided in the YouTube Video - Ageless Truth with Alan Mansager of Yahweh's Restoration Ministry: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SxNRzMhsUAg&t=3s (Accessed May 12, 2023).

The First Four of The Ten Commandments - Deuteronomy 5:6-15 (NET)

- #1 I am Yahweh your God—he who brought you from the land of Egypt, from the place of slavery.
- #2 You must not have any other gods besides me. You must not make for yourself an image of anything in heaven above, on earth below, or in the waters beneath. You must not

worship or serve them, for I, Yahweh your God, am a jealous God. I punish the sons, grandsons, and great-grandsons for the sin of the fathers who reject me, but I show covenant faithfulness to the thousands who choose me and keep my commandments.

- A Paraphrase <u>Don't worship and create your own false image or accept a church's false image of God! Obey God's Commandments!</u>
- #3 You must not make use of the name of Yahweh your God for worthless purposes, for Yahweh will not exonerate anyone who abuses My name that way.
 - A Paraphrase You must treat My name, Yahweh, as worthless or insignificant. I will not exonerate anyone who abuses or treats My name as worthless or insignificant.
- #4 Be careful to observe the Sabbath day just as Yahweh your God has commanded you. You are to work and do all your tasks in six days, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of Yahweh your God. On that day you must not do any work, you, your son, your daughter, your male slave, your female slave, your ox, your donkey, any other animal, or the resident foreigner who lives with you, so that your male and female slaves, like yourself, may have rest. Recall that you were slaves in the land of Egypt and that Yahweh your God brought you out of there by strength and power. That is why Yahweh your God has commanded you to observe the Sabbath day.

The MOST IMPORTANT Commandments are the first four. They relate to *Spiritual* Adultery and our relationship with the True and Living God of Israel, Yahweh. Isaiah 42:8 I am Yahweh! That is my name! I will not share my glory with anyone else, or the praise due me with idols. Satan has worked through false or Institutionalized Churches to seduce well-meaning Believers into following human traditions instead of God's Word of Truth. Mark 7:6-9 He answered and said to them, "Well did Isaiah prophesy of you hypocrites, as it is written: 'This people honors Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me. And in vain they worship Me, Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.' For laying aside the commandment of God, you hold the tradition of men—the washing of pitchers and cups, and many other such things you do." He said to them, "All too well you reject the commandment of God, that you may keep your tradition. We need to obey God's Word of Truth as taught by God's Spirit of Truth - not a sanitized version of God's Law. 1 John 2:26-27 These things I have written to you about those who are trying to deceive you. Now as for you, the anointing that you received from him resides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you. But as His anointing teaches you about all things, it is true and is not a lie. Just as it has taught you, you reside in him. Today's Institutionalized Christianity incorrectly teaches, "We are no longer under the law but under grace." But the Requirements of the Law and Penalty of the Law were **NEVER** removed. We are Personally responsible for the Penalty from our sins. For those who repent, our Savior, Yahshua Messiah, has PAID our Penalty and we now ABIDE in Him and belong to Him. Galatians 5:24-26 Now those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also behave in accordance with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, being jealous of one another.

- 2. Worshiping A False Image of God What is our image of God? We may think we don't worship idols, and stubbornly hold onto man-made religious doctrines that are contrary to God's Word of Truth (recognizing even some scriptures are corrupted by Satan's church puppets), yet like King Saul, in our Stubbornness, we create our Own Image of a False God, and thus follow our own idol of a False God! Israel's King Saul was given a command to judge and annihilate a sinful nation. 1 Samuel 15:19-20 Why then did you not obey the voice of the Lord? Why did you pounce on the spoil and do what was evil in the sight of the Lord?" And Saul said to Samuel, "I have obeyed the voice of the Lord. I have gone on the mission on which the Lord sent me. King Saul was disobedient and justified his actions by claiming he saved some of the spoils from the battle for a sacrifice to God. 1 Samuel 15:21-23 "But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the best of the things devoted to destruction, to sacrifice to Yahweh your God in Gilgal." So Samuel said: "Has Yahweh as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of Yahweh? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of Yahweh, He also has rejected you from being king." Through the prophet Samuel, God shows us three key points about our own human behavior and our rebellious and disobedient nature:
 - 1. Saul was disobedient. Partial obedience is the same as disobedience!
 - 2. Rebelling (defiance) against God's commands is the same as <u>witchcraft</u> (attempting to control another person or influence our destiny).
 - 3. In our stubbornness we create our own image of God. Following our personal image of God or a religious tradition and refusing to obey God's commands.

False images of God bring false hope or assurance and form unhealthy behaviors and habits. It is better to know the truth than live in darkness with a delusion about our image of God. We may prefer to tolerate evil and unhealthy behaviors instead of being held accountable for our bad choices or actions. Proverbs 27:5-6 Open rebuke is better than love carefully concealed. Faithful are the wounds of a friend, but the kisses of an enemy are deceitful. Abusive relationships may be too painful or dangerous for the light of truth to expose some evil. We need to trust and rely on Christ to guide us in finding a solution. It is the light of Christ that connects us with God and displaces the darkness of our fallen world with hope and a solution from God's Kingdom. John 8:12 He said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life". ONLY in Christ do we find the answer and the power of God to overcome the deceptions of our world. John 15:5 - I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in Me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from Me YOU CAN DO NOTHING.

3. <u>Considerations and Thoughts as we approach the End of the Church Age</u>

<u>God's Salvation comes with Judgement</u>. Israel was redeemed & Egypt judged. The Repentant saved & the Unrepentant judged. Exodus 6:6-7 (ESV) I will bring you out from under the burdens of Egypt, &I will deliver you from slavery, & redeem you with an outstretched arm & with great acts of judgment.

<u>Judgment for Unrepentant Salvation for Repentant</u>. 2 Corinthians 7:10 (ESV) Godly grief produces repentance that leads to salvation without regret, but worldly grief produces death.

Only the repentant are saved; the unrepentant have no use for a Savior. Luke 5:31-32 (ESV) Those who are well do not need a physician. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.

The True Gospel - Matthew 4:23 (ESV) He went throughout all Galilee, teaching in synagogues & proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom & healing every disease & every affliction among the people. We can have moral character & knowledge; but do we belong to Yahshua Messiah? Galatians 5:24 (ESV) Those who belong to [Yahshua Messiah] have crucified the flesh with its passions & desires. Belief in Christ is not in words, but in His Power guiding our Behavior. James 1:22 (ESV) Be sure you live out the message and do not merely listen to it and so deceive yourselves.

<u>Like Christ, Believers learn Obedience thru Suffering. Salvation is for the Obedient!</u> Hebrews 5:9 (ESV) Christ learned obedience through what He suffered. And being made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey Him.

God convicts us of our sin. Satan convicts us of other people's sins. Matthew 7:3 & 5 (NET) Why do you see the speck in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log in your eye? ... You hypocrite, first take the log out of your eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye. Salvation is in the Power of Yahshua; NOT in knowledge. John 5:39 (ESV) You search the Scriptures for you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me. Yahshua prepared His followers during the 2,000-year Church Age to rule with Him. Revelation 5:9-10 (ESV) By Your blood you ransomed people for [Yahweh] from every tribe & language & people & nation, & You have made them a kingdom & priests to our God, & they shall reign on the earth.

4. An Alternative "Guess" of a Ten-Nation Alliance – 10 Horns (with the Separate 3 Horns)

Many opinions are offered on the identification of the 10 Natin Alliance referenced in Daniel 2, 7; and Revelation 13, 17. But does the prophecy refer to kingdoms of THIS world, or kingdoms manifested from the unseen world? 2 Corinthians 4:18 (NET) We are not looking at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen. Considering the Abraham Accord as a precursor to the Strong Covenant (Anti-Christ treaty with Israel), we can observe unseen Spiritual Battles. Ephesians 6:12 (NET) Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavens. Alternative 10-Nation View:

- 1. <u>Catholicism</u> The Beast Takes Over the other 2 horns
- 2. **Judaism** The nation of Israel is blinded by God; not recognizing Yahshua.
- 3. <u>Islam</u> A religion formed from Abraham's Son Ishmael
- 4. **Institutionalized Protestant Christianity** (follows Constantine & Theodosius)
- 5. False Biblical Christianity (follows Constantine, Theodosius & Calvin)
- 6. Atheistic Fascism (Communists & Totalitarian Governments)
- 7. Atheistic Capitalism (Parliamentary Socialism & Democracy)
- 8. Hinduism
- 9. Other Religions (Buddhism, Shinto, Taoism, Sunni, Shia, etc.)
- 10. <u>Direct Satanist</u> (Vodou, Folk Religions, Spiritism, etc.)



J. The Strong Covenant - Current World Issues as of March 2025

This is a personal opinion of observed current events. It may be WRONG!

1. Middle East Military Conflicts & Wars - Exacerbated by World Unrest

Since the outbreak of the Israeli-Hamas fighting and hostilities on October 7, 2023, unrest and acceleration of hostilities between Israel and Palestinians has brought pressure to end the conflict. The 2024 Trump election has changed the World's attitude against the Woke Agendas, with a positive attitude towards Israel. Many Arab nations are quietly looking at a peaceful alternative for the Palestinian conflict and favor a Middle East Peace agreement with Israel and its Arab neighbors. The **2020 Abraham Accord** appears possible with Trump back in office. These events were foretold and prophesied by the Prophets of the True and Living Elohim of Israel, Yahweh and explained by our Messiah, Yahshua (Yahshua = Yahweh's Salvation): Matthew 24:6-8 (RSB) And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows. These conflicts were aggravated by Russia's invasion of Ukraine; pulling other European nations into a solid coalition to control Russian threats against NATO. Adding to these battles, are the exploding geopolitical, economic issues – a Perfect Storm of World Dominated Evil. Examples of the current world crisis include:

- **a.** <u>UN says world plagued by 'perfect storm' of geopolitical, economic issues</u> UN Secretary General, Antonio Guterres, gave this warning at the World Economic Forum's 2023 meeting in Davos, Switzerland, as the world is facing problems as compared to a hurricane. "...we are looking into the eye of a Category 5 hurricane," Guterres told his audience in Davos on Wednesday. 'Our world is plagued by a perfect storm on a number of fronts. Start with the short-term, global economic crisis. The outlook is bleak. Many parts of the world face recession. The entire world faces a slowdown."²
- **b.** Top Geopolitical Risks of 2024 "A world ordered for decades by globalization and geoeconomics has quickly become a world grounded in geopolitical risk. Accumulating shocks such as the COVID-19 pandemic and the Russia-Ukraine conflict have persisted, significantly reorganizing global structures and relationships in 2024."..."We are arguably in the most economically disruptive period in decades,..."³
- **c.** Top Geopolitical Risks of 2024 "We are moving from a world of abundance, in which what seemed an endless supply of cheap labor and cheap goods from abroad is being supplanted by a world of scarcity."

¹ Amira El-Fekki, <u>Who Else Could Agree to Trump's Abraham Accords?</u>, Newsweek Middle East Reporter, March 5, 2025, https://www.newsweek.com/who-else-could-sign-trumps-abraham-accords-2039931 (accessed June 25, 2024).

² Alec Schemmel, "<u>UN Sec General says world plagued by 'perfect storm' of geopolitical, economic issues</u>," The National Desk, January 18th 2023, Page Number unknown, https://dayton247now.com/news/nation-world/un-sec-general-says-world-plagued-by-perfect-storm-of-geo-political-economic-issues-antonio-guterres (Accessed Jun-25-2024).

^{3 &}quot;Top Geopolitical Risks of 2024," S&P Global, Research & Insights, https://www.spglobal.com/en/research-insights/market-insights/geopolitical-risk. (Accessed Jun-25-2024).

⁴ "A Perfect Storm: Recession, The Fed and Scarcities," KPMG, from KPMG Economics' "Economic Compass", https://kpmg.com/us/en/home/insights/2022/11/2022-issue4-article4.html. (Accessed Jun-25-2024).

Believers can be assured the Living God of Israel (Yahweh) is ever working to move forward with His plan to bring His Kingdom ruled by our Messiah, Yahshua, into THIS world. Psalm 46:1-11 (RSB) Elohim is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of Elohim, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High. Elohim is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: Elohim shall help her, and that right early. The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted. Yahweh of hosts is with us; the Elohim of Jacob is our refuge. Selah. Come, behold the works of Yahweh, what desolations he hath made in the earth. He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and cuts the spear in sunder; he burns the chariot in the fire. Be still, and know that I am Elohim: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. Yahweh of hosts is with us; the Elohim of Jacob is our refuge. Yahweh's ultimate goal has always been to destroy Satan's Curse of sin and evil through His Only Son, our Messiah, Yahshua. Yahshua will restore Elohim's creation and redeem the humans He created. 1 John 3:8 (RSB) He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of Yahweh was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

2. Abraham Accords - Possible Catalyst & Precursor to the Strong Covenant

These excerpts are from **Wikipedia** and explain an overview of the **Abraham Accords**: ⁵

"The Abraham Accords are <u>bilateral agreements on Arab–Israeli normalization</u> signed between <u>Israel and the United Arab Emirates</u> and between <u>Israel and Bahrain</u> on September 15, 2020. Mediated by the United States, the announcement of August 13, 2020, concerned Israel and the UAE before the subsequent announcement of an agreement between Israel and Bahrain on September 11, 2020. On September 15, 2020, the signing of the agreements was <u>hosted by US president Trump on the Truman Balcony of the White</u> <u>House</u> amid elaborate staging intended to evoke the signings of historic formal peace treaties in prior administrations. ... The agreements were named "<u>Abraham Accords</u>" to highlight the common belief of Judaism and Islam in the prophet Abraham.

On October 23, 2020, <u>Israel and Sudan agreed to normalize ties</u>; the agreement is unratified as of 2024. ... On December 22, 2020, the <u>Israel–Morocco normalization agreement</u> was signed."

As further reported by Wikipedia, the RECENT Background on the <u>Abraham Accord</u> is described as follows: "<u>Background</u>....' In <u>January 2020, Trump announced the Trump</u> <u>peace plan for the Middle East</u> in a joint press conference with Israeli prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu. The plan provided for a unified Jerusalem as Israel's capital and Israeli sovereignty over the Jordan Valley and the principal Jewish settlements in the West

⁵ Wikipedia contributors, "Abraham Accords, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Abraham_Accords (accessed Mar-19-2025).

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Bank, amounting to annexation of roughly 30% of the territory. The Palestinians would get some desert areas near the Egyptian border, limited sovereignty, and a non-contiguous state with numerous Israeli enclaves."

With President Trump back in office, the unrest since October 7, 2023, with Israel and Arab factions, appears to be coming to an end and the Abraham Accord Agreements are moving forward with additional Arab Nations now supporting the Accord.

3. <u>Abrahamic Family House - Catholic, Muslim & Jewish Interfaith Complex</u>
The Abrahamic Family House is an inter-religious complex represent by religions that all stem from two of Abraham's sons, Issac and Ishamel. It was inspired by the idea of Human Fraternity of three religions - Catholicism, Islam, and Judaism. The following article from Wikipedia best explains the Abrahamic Family House: ⁷

"<u>The Abrahamic Family House</u> ... is an interfaith complex on Saadiyat Island in Abu Dhabi. ... inspired by the Document on Human Fraternity signed by Pope Francis on behalf of the <u>Catholic Church</u> and Ahmed El-Tayeb on behalf of the <u>al-Azhar Mosque</u> on 4 February 2019 in Abu Dhabi. It houses the St. Francis Church, Imam Al-Tayeb Mosque and Moses Ben Maimon Synagogue in separate structures....

<u>History</u> - The project ... was officially inaugurated on 16 February 2023 by Lt. General Sheikh Saif bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of the Interior, and Sheikh Nahyan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, Minister of Tolerance and Coexistence.

<u>Purpose</u> - The Abrahamic Family House aims to serve as a community for inter-religious dialogue and ... physical manifestation of the Document on Human Fraternity. It will ... build bridges between human civilization and the Abrahamic messages.





These images show the Model Site View ⁸ & the Completed Structures ⁹ in Abu Dhabi, UAE.

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⁷ Wikipedia contributors, "<u>Abraham Accords</u>," *Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia* https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Abraham_Accords&oldid=1228869821 (accessed June 25, 2024).

⁸ Wikipedia contributors, "Abrahamic Family House," *Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia,* <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title="https://en.

Wikipedia contributors, "Abrahamic Family House," Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia, https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Abrahamic_Family_House&oldid=1229953429 (accessed June 25, 2024). Photo by Boubloub - Own work, CC BY-SA 4.0, https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?curid=76821264

4. The Strong Covenant (Israel - Arab Treaty) - The Final 7 Years

We can *only speculate* how the *End of the Church Age* will play out. The chaos *around* Donald Trump and the Abraham Accord may suggest the end of the Church Age is near. Matthew 24:11-14 (RSB) Many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. Because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. He that shall endure unto the end, shall be saved. And this good news of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations; and then the end comes. The Anti-Christ is described but not identified. Some possible identities include: the Muslim Mahdi, a leader from a Western Nation (US, Germany, Italy), a leader from Israel, or a leader from another Nation (India or an Arab Nation). There is much speculation, and he may be revealed with the Strong Covenant Agreement. The Abrahm Accord may be a precursor to the Anti-Christ's Strong Covenant Agreement, which begins the 7-year tribulation: *Daniel 9:27* (ESV) He shall make a strong covenant with many for one week [7 Days = 7 Prophetic Years of 360 Days/Year = 2,520 Days], and for half of the week [3.5 Days = 3.5 Prophetic Years of 360 Days/Year = 1,260 Days] he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator. This suggests key elements for the Kingdom of Elohim coming to Earth. We may first see (1) the Jerusalem Temple rebuilt (when the Strong **Covenant** is created), then (2) the Antichrist revealed (at the mid tribulation, desolation), (3) a Northern Alliance attacks Israel, and (4) Yahshua Messiah destroys the Northern alliance, while Israel turns to accept Yahshua as their promised Messiah. Zechariah 12:8-9 (RSB) In that day shall Yahweh defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David shall be as Elohim, as the angel of Yahweh before them. And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for his only son. The City of Jerusalem is a divine clock revealing Yahweh's plans for the world. Isaiah 45:4-7 (RSB) Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me. I am Yahweh, and there is none else, there is no Elohim beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am Yahweh, and there is none else. I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I Yahweh do all these things. At the conclusion of the Tribulation, Yahshua will return and establish His kingdom on earth. Revelation 1:7 (RSB) He comes with clouds; every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him. Even so, Amen. All Kingdoms of this World will become part of the Kingdom of Elohim. *Revelation 11:15* (RSB) The seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Sovereign, and of his Messiah; and he shall reign for ever and ever. Yahweh works through Yahshua is to bless the family of people He created. Galatians 3:13-14 (RSB) Messiah has redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: it is written, cursed is every one that hangs on a tree: that the blessing of Abraham might come on the gentiles through Yahshua Messiah; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.