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# The Revelation of Jesus Christ

## CHAPTER 20

20 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. <sup>2</sup>He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is *the* Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; <sup>3</sup>and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.

<sup>4</sup>And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then *I saw* the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received *his* mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. <sup>5</sup>But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. <sup>6</sup>Blessed and holy *is* he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

<sup>7</sup>Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison <sup>8</sup>and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number *is* as the sand of the sea. <sup>9</sup>They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. <sup>10</sup>The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet *are*. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

<sup>11</sup>Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. <sup>12</sup>And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

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<sup>13</sup> The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

<sup>14</sup> Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. <sup>15</sup> And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

(Revelation 20:1-15 NKJV)

### Insights

If the original scrolls had chapters, 20:1-3 might have ended chapter 19. Verse 4 would begin chapter 20 with its thrones for the elect judges from heaven. Twenty-four elders are seated on its thrones in 4:4 and worship the Lamb in 5:8. They worship the Father in chapters 4, 5, 11, and 19 and worship Yeshua in 5:11-14. They worship before and after the thousand years. Jesus said His twelve apostles would be judges in His Kingdom. (in Mat. 19:28; Lk. 22:30) They're among those in 20:4. The four *living creatures* also praise the Lamb in chapter 5:

<sup>9</sup> And they sang a new song, saying,

“Worthy are you to take the scroll  
and to open its seals,  
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed  
people for God  
from every tribe and language and people and  
nation,

<sup>10</sup> and you have made them a kingdom and priests to  
our God,  
and they shall reign on the earth.” (Rev. 5:9-10 ESV)

During the 19<sup>th</sup> century's Industrial Revolution, John Nelson Darby believed an idea that attracted millions of Christians but weakened our resolve to face death for Christ.<sup>213</sup> It was only a thought, but it might be why Jesus asked, *When the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?* (Lk. 18:8b)

Shortly before Darwin, Darby introduced the hypothesis of a pretribulation rapture. Is Darwin's proof found in mathematics, or are the odds against it? Where is the evidence?

We look to teachers who are often deceived by their own assumptions. After repeatedly listening to false ideas, we're deaf to the truth while wondering why we can't understand the words of nature's God. And if we can't, we presume no one else can.

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The Bible tells us God created male and female. Was it by evolution, selective mutation, random chance, or by design? But evolution can't be explained by common sense, so atheists deny the self-evident truth of the creation of male and female. We're upset that creation is denied, but have we believed *immediately after the tribulation*, the Lord comes on a cloud for the elect? or have we believed our own desires and not His words?

Paul wrote the living do not ascend before the dead rise. *The first resurrection* of the church in 20:4-5 is of the beheaded who resisted the beast. None of the living ascend before the dead rise from their graves. Jesus appears on a cloud *immediately after the tribulation*. (cf. Rev. 6:12-17; Mat. 24:30; 1 Thes. 4:17)

Most of us are confused about which saints are raised from death and which of the living ascend with them. False teachings have fooled and blinded the church to what the Bible says. We think it's fine to be casual about the faith, but we sin by our presumption. In meekness, we receive the Word as it truly is.

Without a verse to substantiate a "pretribulation rapture," our false hope cannot prepare us to meet Christ *after the tribulation*. Shunning the words of God by our own desires, we gainsay by serpentine paths, insisting a rapture takes us up without facing martyrdom. Churches worldwide are fooled by that teaching, but just two resurrections remain: one at midnight and the other at daybreak. The martyrs who resist the beast will be caught up together with the elect when most of the saints are still sleeping:

<sup>35</sup> "Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, <sup>36</sup> like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. <sup>37</sup> It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. Truly I tell you, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. <sup>38</sup> It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the middle of the night or toward daybreak. <sup>39</sup> But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>40</sup> You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him." (Lk. 12:35-40 NIV)

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## The First Resurrection

Christ the firstfruits rose with believers in the promise of the new covenant. He has always revealed Himself to all who search for God and believe His words.

<sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at His coming.

<sup>24</sup> Then cometh the end, when He shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when He shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

(1 Cor. 15:22-24) ["Coming" is Gr.: *parousia*, or "nearness."]

When Yeshua rose as the firstfruits of the dead, many saints who'd died before Him appeared in Jerusalem. But just those who heard His voice rose with Christ at His resurrection:

<sup>25</sup> Most assuredly, I say to you, that the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. (John 5:25 NKJV)

<sup>52</sup> And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, <sup>53</sup> And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. (Mat. 27:52-53)

*The hour ... now is ... (see Jn. 5:25)* This reveals His own resurrection in which the elect heard His voice and rose after Jesus did as saints who turned to God by His laws and were filled with His Spirit. They'd yearned to see their Messiah's birth and are the witnesses who surround us today. In appealing to His mercies and receiving His grace, they lived by faith, and God gave them new hearts. (See 1 Pet. 1:10-12; Jer. 31:33; Hab. 2:4)

*The hour is coming* refers to the first resurrection after Christ arose as firstfruits to God. Out of the tribulation, its martyrs are chosen to rise to life, having resisted the beast and his mark.

With no scriptural witness, most churches believe the whole church is caught up before the tribulation though no one ascends before the first resurrection. The first resurrection after Christ is of the martyrs, beheaded for denying the beast and his image, not receiving his mark or worshiping him. The living cannot ascend to the Lord in the air before the dead rise to life. (Cf. 1 Thes. 4:15)

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According to the Bible, Jesus raises *the rest of the dead* after the thousand years, not until then. (Rev 20:4-5) If we believe the Word is true to the gospel, all other doctrines fade in its light:

<sup>28</sup> Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice <sup>29</sup> and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment. (Jn. 5:28-29 ESV) [“the decision of the judge”]

<sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. ... <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death. (1 Cor. 15:22, 26)

Before the living are caught up, *the dead in Christ will rise first*. At *the first resurrection* of new testament believers, martyrs who reject the beast and his mark rise from their graves and are caught up together with the survivors. (1 Thes. 4:16-17, p. 96) Few teachers explain these things, but we’ve read their words often. If we believe men but not God, we’re the gainsayers—spurning the words we read. Faith in the Word destroys the carnal nature and exposes false teachings. If we’d rather agree with the crowd, can the truth will shine its light on our hearts?

Two resurrections of believers remain. His Kingdom is in the midst of them. We should rejoice in our sanctification by the knowledge of the truth that leads to redemption. Longsuffering with us, He waits for us to believe His words, but few of us have done that, *and few there be that find it.* (from Mat. 7:14)

As Jesus led the elect from the tombs, the firstfruits of Israel lead the elect after the first resurrection. *Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.* (20:6) In Mark 13:20 He comes on a cloud to take up the elect whom He has chosen.

<sup>13</sup> And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them. <sup>14</sup> And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. (Rev. 14:13-14) – This is the first resurrection.

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At the sixth seal, the great trumpet of God sounds, and Jesus comes *on/in the clouds* (in *Mat. 24:29; Mk. 13:26*). His appearance alarms the world. He's at the right hand of God seated on the throne. After rising from death, Yeshua walked through walls, cooked fish, ate with His disciples, and then ascended into a cloud till, on a cloud, He comes for the elect.

<sup>9</sup> Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, <sup>11</sup> who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven." (Acts 1:9-11 NKJV) [*Shall so come*, Gr.: *ērchōmai*, has a variety of applications. This means He comes/appears on a cloud.]

The crown of life rewards martyrdom, but Jesus comes for us with terrible signs at His appearing as He told us in advance:

<sup>12</sup> I saw when the Lamb opened the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake. The sun became as black as sackcloth made of goat's hair, and the full moon became like blood. <sup>13</sup> The stars of heaven fell to the earth like a fig tree drops unripe figs when shaken by a great wind. <sup>14</sup> The heaven ripped apart like a scroll being rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved from their places.

<sup>15</sup> Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the military commanders and the rich and the mighty and everyone—slave and free—hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains. <sup>16</sup> And they tell the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us, and hide us from the face of the One seated on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb. <sup>17</sup> For the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?" (Rev. 6:12-17 TLV)

<sup>4</sup> ... And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They 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 a thousand years. (Rev.20:4b NIV)

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<sup>7</sup> Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see **him**, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen. (Rev. 1:7 ESV)

Before the thousand years, during the wrath, Israel is envied by the world. Esau envied Jacob; his brothers envied Joseph, but at the end, all the nations of the world envy Israel. Yeshua stands on the Mount of Olives, splitting it in two as an escape for the Jews. The great earthquake shakes the world, and its cities fall.

When Jesus returns He comes with armies to slay Israel's enemies. Mountains fall, cities crumble, and the earth reels. The beast and his prophet are cast into the lake of fire when the Lamb destroys their armies in Armageddon. (2:16; 19:15, 21) All kinds of birds of prey eat the dead—even eagles. (See Ezk. 39; Zec. 14.)

### Thy Kingdom Come

A mighty angel descends with a key and imprisons Satan in the pit till the thousand years end. (Cf. 9:1,11) With a rod of iron, Yeshua rules His Kingdom to bring peace to the earth and to all who trust and obey Him. God came in His Son to save us from sin, and He returns to destroy Satan's kingdom.

<sup>26</sup> And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. <sup>27</sup> But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house. (Mk. 3:26-27 ESV)

Hitler and Stalin were on friendly terms; they were two of a kind. They both hated the Jews, and they were both dictators. The kings that ruled by them were strategizing together during the war, but the dragon tricked his own ally: prompting Hitler to invade Russia, he was divided against himself.

At the end of time, *the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat. ... (from 2 Pet. 3:10)* John describes Yeshua as the One *from whose face the earth and the heavens fled away; and there was found no place for them. (from Rev. 20:11)* At first void space and darkness was on the face of the deep. Studying the universe, physicists have unwittingly found its end: *Rolled up like a scroll (in Is. 34:4)* with no space left, the universe disappears with a big bang!

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<sup>10</sup> And,

“You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning,  
and the heavens are the work of your hands;

<sup>11</sup> they will perish, but you remain;

they will all wear out like a garment,

<sup>12</sup> like a robe you will roll them up;

like a garment they will be changed.

But you are the same,

and your years never end.” (Heb. 1:10-12a ESV)

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

(2 Pet. 3:10 ESV) – This happens at the end of time.

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. (Rev. 20:11 ESV) – Outer space is gone.

### The Destroyer's Last Hour

As His reign begins, Babylon no longer exists; Armageddon is a grave; the earth is changed. After the thousand years, at the sixth trumpet, four angels are loosed in the Euphrates for an army of two hundred million to kill a third of mankind. (9:16)

In 11:18 *the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come.* (Cf. 20:7-10; Ps. 2:1-3) Ezekiel 38 sees Israel **living in peace and safety in villages without walls**—not so of the nation until the Millennial Kingdom of Yeshua (seen in Zec. 14:11 and Ezk. 39:26). Gog leads Yeshua's enemies to Jerusalem when fire and hail fall on them, not the sword of His mouth (in 19:15, 21; 20:7-10).

<sup>9</sup> And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one. ... <sup>11</sup>

And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited. (Zech. 14:9, 11)

**38** The word of the LORD came to me: <sup>2</sup>“Son of man, set your face toward Gog, of the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him <sup>3</sup>and say, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal.<sup>4</sup> And I

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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.<sup>5</sup> Persia, Cush, and Put are with them, all of them with shield and helmet;<sup>6</sup> Gomer and all his hordes; Beth-togarmah from the uttermost parts of the north with all his hordes—many peoples are with you. ...

<sup>10</sup> “Thus says the Lord GOD: On that day, thoughts will come into your mind, and you will devise an evil scheme<sup>11</sup> and say, ‘I will go up against a 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’ ...

<sup>14</sup> “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?<sup>15</sup> 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.<sup>16</sup> 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.

<sup>17</sup> “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?<sup>18</sup> 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.<sup>19</sup> 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.<sup>20</sup> 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.<sup>21</sup> I will summon a sword against Gog on all my mountains, declares the Lord GOD. Every man's sword will be against his brother.<sup>22</sup> 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 torren-

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tial rains and hailstones, fire and sulfur. <sup>23</sup> 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 the LORD. (Ezk. 38:1-6, 10-11, 14-16, 17-23 ESV)

Ezk. 38:19 shows *a great earthquake in the land of Israel*, ending the second half of the **sixth trumpet** after the witnesses ascend to God at the end of **the seventieth week** (in 11:13). His wrath against Gog goes to all His mountains, i.e., to all the cities on earth. The last judgment is **at the last trumpet** (in Ezk. 38:22; cf. Rev. 11:19). **On the last day**, the dragon is cast into the lake of fire where the beast and false prophet are (in 20:10). Finally, the living and the dead rise at **the last judgment** (in 20:12-15).

<sup>8</sup> “But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”  
(Rev. 21:8 NKJV; cf. 20:15)

After the thousand years, the dragon is released at the fifth trumpet till his damnation, just before the rest of the dead rise **at the last trumpet on the last day**. (See Rev. 11:15-18; Jn. 5:28-29)

<sup>7</sup> Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison <sup>8</sup> and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number *is* as the sand of the sea. <sup>9</sup> They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them.

(Rev. 20:7-9 NKJV)

<sup>2</sup> And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. (Dan. 12:2 ESV)

After elect are caught up to Yeshua, many more rise on the last day than ever before. <sup>28</sup> ... all that are in the graves shall hear his voice <sup>29</sup> *and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.* (see Jn. 5:28b-29) [adverse judgment]

Before the thousand years, the elect are the first resurrection of the martyrs during the tribulation, two millennia after Jesus

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rose as *the firstfruits of them that slept*. The beheaded who rejected the beast and his mark rise to life and ascend together with the living to meet the Lord in the air. As His wedding guests, we wait for the banquet to begin. After the wrath is done, the elect martyrs return to earth with Yeshua for His marriage to the Bride. He reigns over the nations for a thousand years before the seven trumpets sound (in 8, 9, and 11).

<sup>39</sup> This is the will of the Father who sent me, that of all He has given Me, I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. <sup>40</sup> And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day. ...

<sup>44</sup> No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. ...

<sup>54</sup> Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.

(Jn. 6:39-40, 44, 54 NKJV) [His metaphor is spiritual.]

<sup>11</sup> For no one can lay any other foundation than what is already laid—which is *Yeshua* the Messiah. <sup>12</sup> Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw,<sup>13</sup> each one's work will become clear. For the Day will show it, because it is to be revealed by fire; and the fire itself will test each one's work—what sort it is. <sup>14</sup> If anyone's work built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. <sup>15</sup> If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss—he himself will be saved, but as through fire. (1 Cor. 3:11-15 TLV)

The general will of God for us is that we press on for the high calling of God in Christ Jesus until we rise **on the last day** at **the last trump** when He divides the wheat from the tares and the good catch from the bad. (Mat. 13:24-30; 47-50) He judges and rewards us by the good or evil works we've done. If any are blotted out of the Book of Life, they are cast into the fire.

<sup>15</sup> And **the seventh angel sounded**; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. <sup>16</sup> And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God, <sup>17</sup> Say-

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ing, We give thee thanks, O LORD God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned. <sup>18</sup> And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth. (Rev. 11:15-18)

### The Great White Throne

Heaven and earth flee from His Presence. There's no place for them; space is gone. All that remains is spiritual when saints and sinners stand before the Judge of us all.

Jesus is the Judge on the Great White Throne, His judgment seat, when the living and the dead rise before Him. Those whose names are not blotted from the Book of Life have eternal life, but hypocrites are sent where their worm never dies.

*Some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment; and some men they follow after. Likewise also the good works of some are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid. (1 Tim. 5:24-25)* The degrees of justice in the Scriptures prove God judges fairly in righteousness, according to a person's works, whether good or evil. So we walk in the Spirit by faith, not in the strength of our flesh. If we discern the two, He works through us and credits it to us because we live by faith.

When it's time for the dead to rise, the Great White Throne sets on a *bema*, its platform, for **the last woe, the last trumpet**. Saints and sinners are before Him who judges without partiality:

<sup>9</sup> Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. <sup>10</sup> For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. <sup>11</sup> Knowing, therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are well known to God, and I also trust are well known in your consciences. (2 Cor. 5:9-11 NKJV)

It's not for us to judge outsiders, but to be unblemished by the world. The door to our heart is unlocked, ready to open for our Savior at any time. Let's heal the old wounds too: as family,

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we should not be estranged; nor should we be easily offended.

<sup>15</sup> Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. <sup>16</sup> For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. <sup>17</sup> And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever. (1 Jn. 2:15-17 ESV)

Struck by the appearance of a holy messenger, Daniel said, *... and there hath been no power left in me, and my honour hath been turned in me to corruption, yea, I have not retained power.* (from Dan. 10:8 YLT) The angel later said, *at the completion of the scattering of the power of the holy people, finished are all these.* (from Dan. 12:7 YLT) And so it is **on the last day**.

At the first trump, the beast and prophet are ancient history. At the last trump, the red dragon joins them in the lake of fire where their torment never ends.

<sup>13</sup> The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. <sup>14</sup> Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. <sup>15</sup> And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire. (Rev. 20:13-15 NKJV)

<sup>25</sup> For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy *that will be destroyed is death* (1 Cor. 15:25-26 NKJV; cf. 20:11-14)

*So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.* (1 Cor. 15:54) – **at the last trumpet on the last day.**

Jesus is the only one who fulfilled the prophecy of God's own words when He spoke to Moses, saying,

<sup>18</sup> I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. <sup>19</sup> And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. (Deut. 18:18-19 ESV)

## The Revelation

I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not:  
if another comes in his own name, him ye will receive.  
(Jn. 6:43) – Yeshua

Jesus Christ opens His testimony as the Spirit of prophecy. The one speaking to John was a man like himself, yet he nearly worshiped him. But he said, *I am thy fellow servant and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.* (Rev. 19:10)

### That which Is Perfect

After three messengers lead the way; after Elijah repairs the path; after a beast, the false prophet, and dragon appear; after the saints resist the beast, his number, and his mark; after the beast overcomes the saints; after the great tribulation; after the virgins are sealed; after the martyrs rise from their graves; after the great trump of God; after the firstfruits lead the way; after survivors and martyrs ascend; after the bowls of wrath leave heaven; after the plagues on earth; after the great earthquake; after the city is divided; after the ten kings raze Babylon; After the cities fall; after the merchants wail; after the Lord returns like lightning; after the blood in Armageddon; after the prophet and beast are hurled into the lake of fire; after the angel locks the dragon in the abyss; after the nations are judged; after the earth is healed; after the thousand-years of peace; after the great rebellion; after the first four trumpets; after Apollyon is loosed from the pit; after the seventieth week; after the witnesses ascend; after the last trump; after Gog and Magog are consumed; after the dragon is tossed into the lake of fire; after heaven and earth flee; after space vanishes; after the rest of the dead rise; after the saints are rewarded; after sinners and hypocrites are cast into the fiery lake; after Death and Hades go into the fire, New Jerusalem descends from heaven, and all things are put under Jesus' feet. Then He gives the Kingdom to His Father, and that which is perfect has come at last when the City of the Great King is His forever, the Mystery of mysteries. Till then the prophecies sweep through history like a second-hand, right on time:

<sup>10</sup> For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. (1 Cor. 13:10)