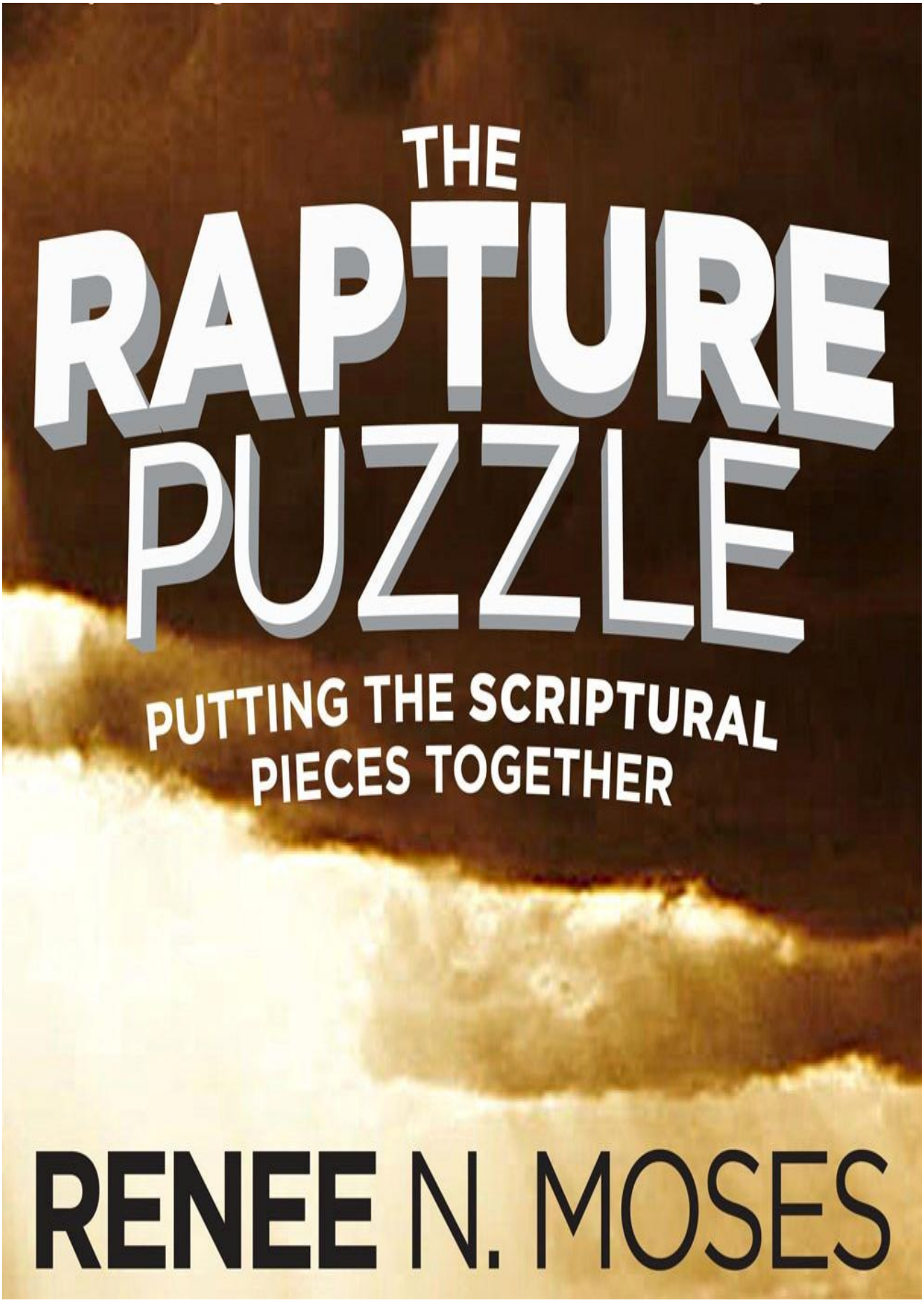

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PIECES TOGETHER
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Introduction:

The Lord hid prophecies throughout the Old and New Testaments, like gems, waiting for us to find them and put them all together to see the whole picture of His plan for mankind. When we take just one piece, or one Scripture, we cannot see the whole picture that the Lord has painted for us so masterfully in His Word. Scripture interprets Scripture. We must put all of the Scriptures together, all of the pieces of the puzzle together, before we can see the whole picture. To take only one or two pieces of the puzzle and say that we can see the whole picture, is just not true. We need ALL of the pieces in order to see the whole picture. I will attempt to make this book as simple to read and as easy to follow as possible, in case you are not familiar at all with the prophecies of the Bible. The Lord put this together like a puzzle, putting some of the pieces in Revelation, some in Daniel, some in Matthew and other pieces just hidden throughout other books of the Bible.

Isaiah 13:6-13 *Wail, for the **day of the Lord** is near; it will come like destruction from the Almighty. Because of this, all hands will go limp, every heart will melt with fear. Terror will seize them, pain and anguish will grip them; they will writhe like a woman in labor. They will look aghast at each other, their faces aflame. See, the **day of the Lord** is coming- a cruel day, with wrath and fierce anger- to make the land desolate and destroy the sinners within it. The stars of heaven and their constellations will not show their light. The rising sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light. I will punish the world for its evil, the wicked for their sins. I will put an end to the arrogance of the haughty and will humble the pride of the ruthless. I will make people scarcer than pure gold, more rare than the gold of Ophir. Therefore I will make the heavens tremble; and the earth will shake from its place at the wrath of the Lord Almighty.*

Joel 2: 31-32 *The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood **before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.** And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the Lord has said, even among the survivors whom the Lord calls.*

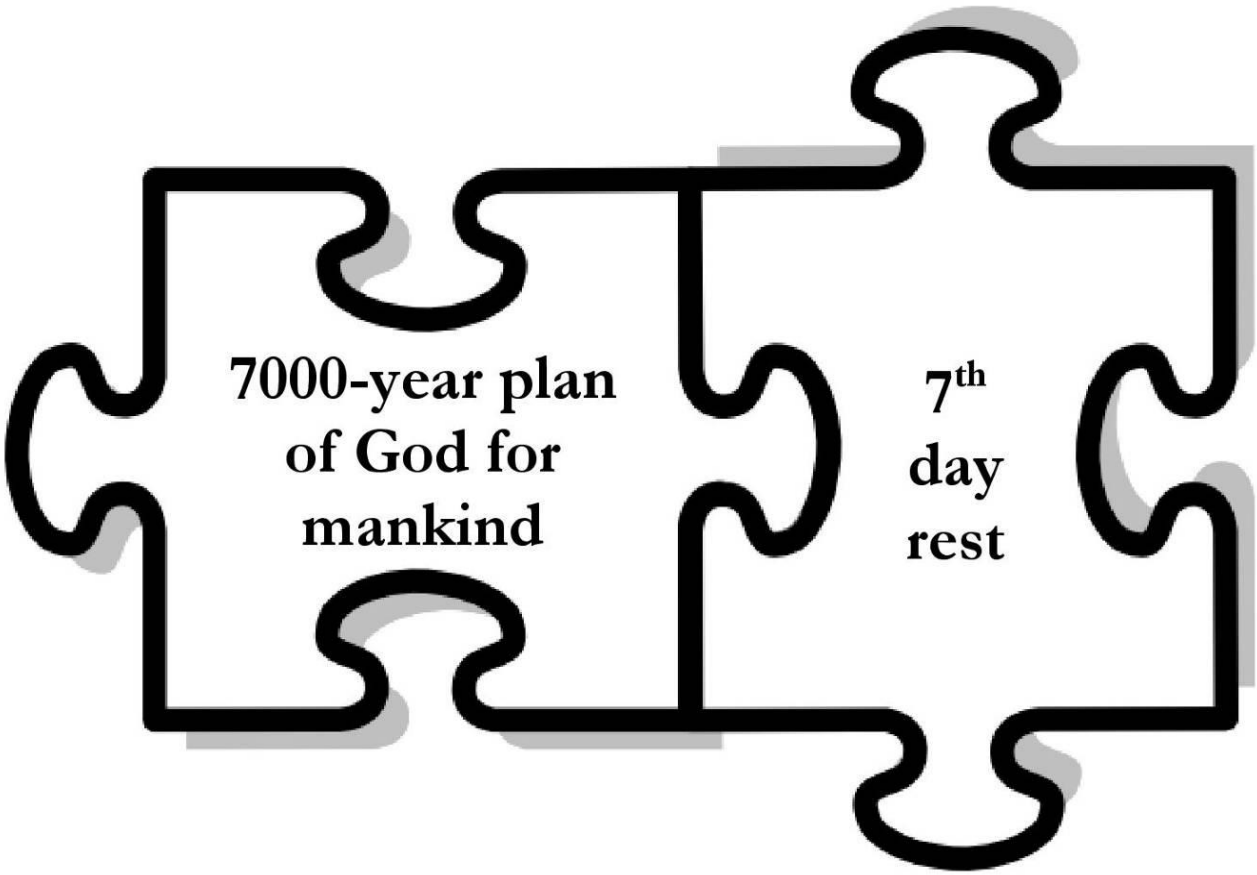
This "Day of the Lord" is spoken of all throughout the Old and New Testaments. Most of you reading this book will be reading it after the rapture takes place and you will have been left behind. I write this for you, so that you can know for certain that what took place was actually the "Rapture", or "Great Escape"* mentioned in the Bible and that it was not something else, such as an alien invasion or intervention of planet earth by extra-terrestrials. The Bible warns us that there will be a great deception** that will happen at this time to try to deceive you into believing a lie about what has happened and is now happening on earth. Jesus wants you to be a witness to others so that they too can come into His Kingdom and be spared from eternal wrath and suffering. Make the most of your time and use it to warn everyone you can of what is actually taking place and "snatch others from the fire" (see Jude 1:23). God bless you and we'll see you soon on the other side!

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

** 2 Thessalonians 2:11-12 - *For this reason, God will send them a powerful delusion so that they will believe the lie. Then all who have not believed the truth but have taken pleasure in unrighteousness will be condemned.*

Chapter 1

Puzzle Pieces 1 and 2



Seventh Day Rest

"Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy." Exodus 20:8

Hebrews 4:9-11 –*"There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God; for anyone who enters God's rest also rests from their works, just as God did from his. Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will perish by following their example of disobedience."*

I'd like to start building the framework for this puzzle by talking about the 7000-year plan of God for mankind.
a) God sets a pattern in Genesis of 7 days - 6 days for creation and 1 day of rest.

b) The Millennium is referred to many times as the "rest".

c) A day is like a 1000 years. Psalm 90:4 says, *"For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night."* 2 Peter 3:8 says, *"But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day."*

d) Another clue is that Hosea 6:1-2 predicts that the restoration of the Jews would occur after 2 "days", which is poised to occur now after 2000 years from Christ's first coming. *"Come, let us return to the LORD. He has torn us to pieces but He will heal us; He has injured us but He will bind up our wounds. After two days He will revive us; on the third day He will restore us, that we may live in His presence."*

7000-year plan of God for mankind

The 7,000 year plan of God has been consistent with Jewish thought for thousands of years. The apostle Barnabus was a partner in ministry to the Apostle Paul (Acts 13:2, Acts 14:14). The Epistle of Barnabus written in the 1st Century explicitly tied the 7 days of creation to Psalm 90:4 and the 7,000 year plan of God. From the Epistle of Barnabas chapter 15, verses 3-5:

*He speaks of the Sabbath at the beginning of the Creation, "And God made in six days the works of His hands and on the seventh day He made an end, and rested in it and sanctified it." **Notice, children, what is the meaning of "He made an end in six days"? He means this: that the Lord will make an end of everything in six thousand years, for a day with Him means a thousand years.** And He Himself is my witness when He says, "Lo, the day of the Lord shall be as a thousand years." So then, children, in six days, that is in six thousand years, everything will be completed. "And He rested on the seventh day." This means, when His Son comes He will destroy the time of the wicked one, and will judge the godless, and will change the sun and the moon and the stars, and then He will truly rest on the seventh day.*

The Bible teaches that Christ will return to the earth for a second time at the end of 6000 years, counting

from the Creation. It also teaches that Christ will return at the beginning of the "third day", or third Millennium, counting from the time of Christ. "*After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight*." Hosea 6:2

So, where are we? When does the 6000 years end? When does the 2000 years end? Do we count from the birth of Christ or the death and resurrection of Christ? Well, the 2000-year count could be from either the birth or death/resurrection of Jesus, so the count could end anytime between 1995-2034 A.D. Jesus should return to earth at some point during this time period. But what about the 6000-year count? When does that end?

I believe that we can count the years from Adam until the present day and be fairly accurate in our conclusions about when the 6000 years end. The Lord has laid everything out for us in the Scriptures. Have you ever wondered why the Bible records the ages of people all the way back to Adam? Or why it records the number of years the Kings of Israel ruled? The Lord was giving us the numbers so that we could COUNT the years from Creation and KNOW the approximate time of when the 6000 years would end.

We must keep in mind that when the Bible says that Adam was 130 years old when Seth was born, or that Lamech was 182 years old when Noah was born, that it doesn't mean that they turned that age on the day of their son's birth. In many cultures, including Jewish culture, when someone turns 30, they are considered to be in their 31st year, therefore they consider them to be 31, as opposed to our own culture where we would say they are only 30. In Jewish culture and most ancient cultures, when a baby is born, they were already considered to be ONE; therefore, on what we would call their "first birthday", they would say the child is turning TWO. The same can be surmised when it says a king reigned 45 years, that it is mostly likely saying his term ended in the forty-fifth year, not that he completed 45 full years.

It is crucial that we understand this in order to correctly count the years as laid out in the Bible. If we only count 130 + 105 + 90, etc., we will reach the end of 6000 years somewhere in the 1990's. Obviously, we are past that time and Jesus has not yet returned to earth, so we must understand how the Jewish culture counts years in order to correctly count the years as laid out to us in the Bible. So, when the Bible says that Adam was 130 years when Seth was born, we must understand that he was in his one hundred thirtieth year, therefore he could have completed between 129 years to 129 years and 364 days. Since we do not know exactly his age, we should count that on average, he had completed 129.5 years of living.

The one number you may have a problem understanding is that Terah was in his one hundred thirtieth year when Abraham was born. Genesis 11 mentions that Terah lived 70 years and then gave birth to 3 sons, listing Abraham as the first. However, Abraham was not the eldest of these three sons. Stephen tells us in the book of Acts that Abraham did not leave Haran until after Terah died. Genesis 12 tells us that Abraham was 75 when he left Haran and that his father was 205 years old when he died. We simply need to subtract 75 from 205 to understand that Terah was in his one hundred thirtieth year when Abraham was born. The New Testament helps us to properly understand the Old Testament, and together the Old and New Testaments make up what we call the written Word of God.

Age at son's birth	**Years**	**Bible Verse**
Adam	129.5	Genesis 5
Seth	104.5	Genesis 5
Enosh	89.5	Genesis 5
Kenan	69.5	Genesis 5
Mahalalel	64.5	Genesis 5
Jared	161.5	Genesis 5
Enoch	64.5	Genesis 5
Methuselah	186.5	Genesis 5
Lamech	181.5	Genesis 5
Noah	501.5	Genesis 5
Shem	99.5	Genesis 11
Arphaxad	34.5	Genesis 11
Shelah	29.5	Genesis 11
Eber	33.5	Genesis 11
Peleg	29.5	Genesis 11
Reu	31.5	Genesis 11
Serug	29.5	Genesis 11
Nahor	28.5	Genesis 11
Terah	130	Genesis 11:26, 32, Genesis 12:4, Acts 7:4
Events starting with Abraham	**Years**	**Bible Verse**
Abraham leaves Haran for Egypt & Caanan	74.5	Genesis 12:4
Israel leaves Egypt	430	Exodus 12:40
King's Reign / Event	**Years**	**Bible Verse**
Solomon begins to build temple	479	1 Kings 6:1
Solomon's remaining years as king	36	1 Kings 6:1, 1 Kings 11:42
Rehoboam's rule	16.5	1 Kings 14:21

Abijah's rule	2.5	1 Kings 15:2
Asa's rule	40.5	1 Kings 15:10
Jehosaphat's rule	24.5	1 Kings 22:42
Jehoram's rule	7.5	2 Kings 8:17
Ahazia's rule	1	2 Kings 8:26
Athaliah's rule	6	2 Kings 11:3
Joash's rule	39.5	2 Kings 12:1
Amaziah's rule	28.5	2 Kings 14:2
Azariah's rule	51.5	2 Kings 15:2
Jotham's rule	15.5	2 Kings 15:33
Ahaz's rule	15.5	2 Kings 16:2
Hezekiah's rule	28.5	2 Kings 18:2
Manasseh's rule	54.5	2 Kings 21:1
Amon's rule	1.5	2 Kings 21:19
Josiah's rule	30.5	2 Kings 22:1
Jehoahaz	0.25	2 Kings 23:31
Jehoiakim	10.5	2 Kings 23:36
Jehoiachin	0.25	2 Kings 24:8
Zedekiah	8.5	2 Kings 25:1
Babylonian invasion until 1 BC	585	
1AD until 2014	2013	
Total:	6000	

I encourage you to go through these numbers in the Bible and verify them for yourselves. If you add them up, you will see that from Creation until the Babylonian invasion of Jerusalem in 586 BC, there were right around 3400 years. Adding 585 to that reaches 1 BC. Then adding 2013 years to that number, and you will see that we are right at the end of the 6000 year mark, give or take a few years. We are right there.

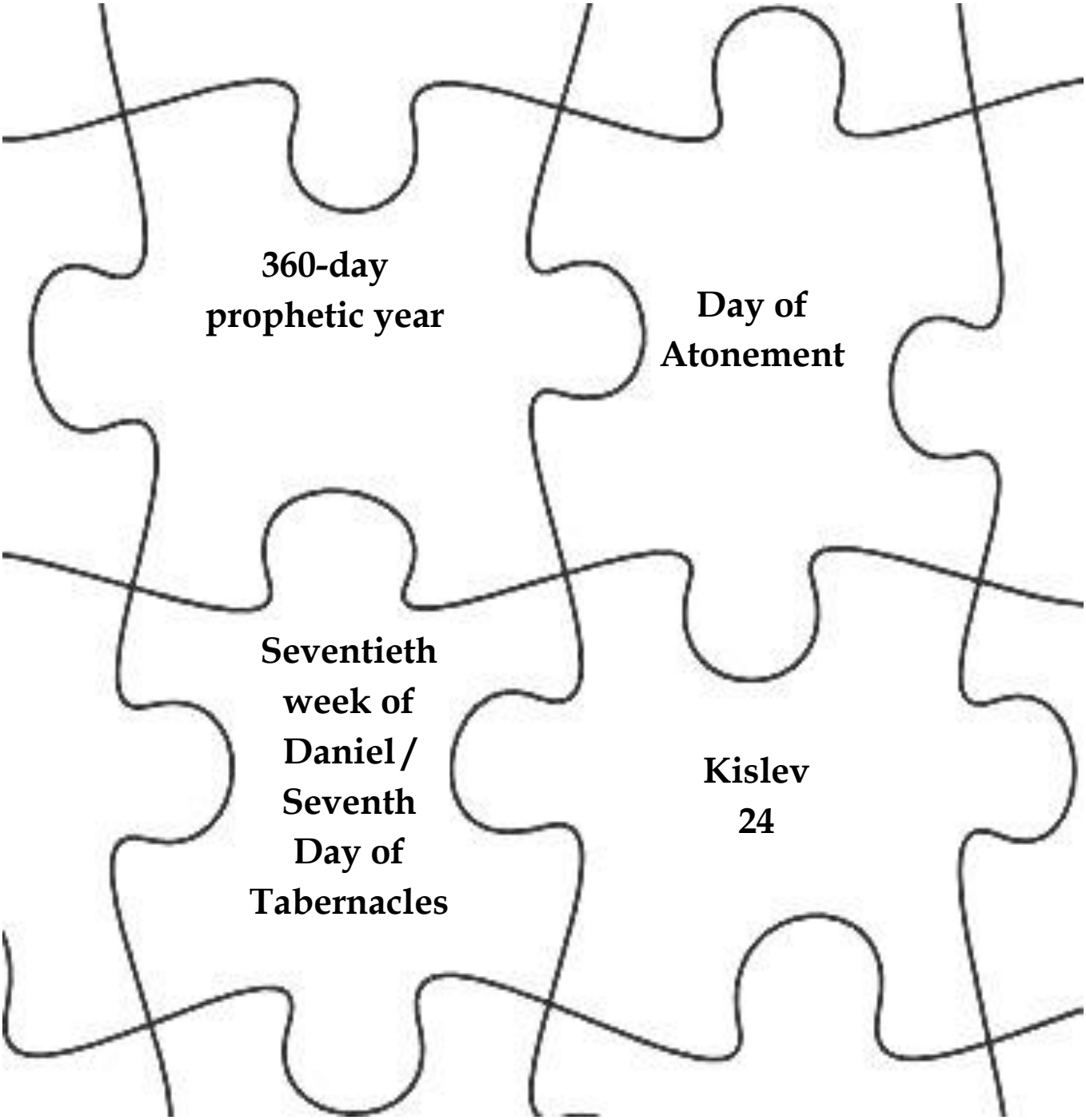
Jubilees 3:15-21 - *Adam and his wife were in the garden of Eden for **seven years tilling and keeping it...** And **after the completion of the seven years**, which he had completed there, **seven years exactly**, and in the second month, on the seventeenth day (of the month), the*

serpent came and approached the woman, and the serpent said to the woman, 'Hath God commanded you, saying, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'

Using this account from Jubilees 3, we can see that Adam and Eve were in the garden for 7 years before the fall. It is my belief that the 6000 years from Creation ended in 2016, at the end of Daniel's seventieth week, and the 6000 years from the fall of man ended in 2023, during the Year of Jubilee. The Lord has given the world 3 additional years, as was shown to us in numerous ways throughout the Scriptures and His judgment is now ready to begin. I believe that 2026 is the "Day of the Lord", and in just a 7-week period, we will witness all 3 woe events of Revelation, including 2 rapture/harvest events and the Second Coming of Christ to the earth.

Chapter 2

Puzzle Pieces 3, 4, 5 & 6



360-Day Prophetic Year

There are 3 ways to count years. The most obvious one that we use today is called the "solar year" – approximately 365.25 days. The second way to count years is by using the lunar cycle, which is what the Jewish people use for their calendar – 354.37 days. The third way to count off years according to the Scriptures is what we call a "prophetic year" of 360 days each. We find this numerous times in Scripture, where a "time, times and half a time" is equal to 1260 days. The first 69 weeks of Daniel were fulfilled using prophetic years of 360 days.

In Daniel 9, we see a prophecy given about 70 weeks that are determined to take place. Each of these weeks represents a period of 7 years, so a total of 490 years. The first 69 weeks have already been fulfilled. Daniel was told that from the issuing of the order to rebuild Jerusalem until the Messiah comes, there will be 69 weeks, or 483 years. Most scholars believe these first 69 weeks were 360 day prophetic years, which totaled 476 solar years. The commandment to restore and build Jerusalem was given by Artaxerxes Longimanus on March 14, 445 B.C. **When we examine the period between March 14, 445 B.C. and April 6, 32 A.D., the day Jesus rode into the city of Jerusalem riding on a donkey, we discover that it is 173,880 days exactly, to the very day! This was exactly 483 years of 360 days.** Daniel is then told that the Messiah will be cut off. After this, at some point in the future, the seventieth week of Daniel will begin with the confirming, or strengthening, of a covenant or pledge or promise or agreement with many. This 7-year period will begin a countdown that leads us to the Day of Atonement.

Day of Atonement

Daniel 9:24 says, *"Seventy 'sevens' are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, **to atone for wickedness**, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the Most Holy Place."* The end of this 70-week period leads us to the **Day of Atonement**. We know that right in the middle of this 7-year countdown, this person who strengthens his covenant with many will stand in the holy place where he does not belong. We also know that this holy place will be a fortress-like structure that has been desecrated by armed forces, according to Daniel 11:31.

Seventieth Week of Daniel / Seventh Day of Tabernacles

Daniel 9:27 teaches us that Daniel's seventieth week will begin with the strengthening of a covenant or agreement with many. I believe October 9, 2009, was the day when Daniel's seventieth week began. This was the seventh day of the Feast of Tabernacles. It was on this day that Mr. Obama was chosen as the Nobel Peace Prize winner. Mr. Obama was chosen as the world's peacemaker on the seventh day of the Feast of Tabernacles, the one day of the year when the Jewish people looked for and anticipated their Messiah to come. I believe this event was the strengthening of the covenant or agreement with many that Daniel mentioned.

It was on the seventh day of Tabernacles that the Jewish people would walk around the altar 7 times in remembrance of the walls of Jericho falling. On the seventh time around, the people would throw the

palm branches they were carrying into the fire of the altar and cry out, "Hosanna, save us now! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!" There was a great deal of dancing and rejoicing that took place on this day.

Kislev 24

Mr. Obama would then go on to receive the award just a few hours before the start of Kislev 24 on the Jewish calendar (Hanukkah Eve). There are 2 dates mentioned in Haggai 2 regarding the Lord shaking the heavens and the earth and bringing the desired of all nations to Himself. These 2 dates are **the twenty-first day of the seventh month (seventh day of Tabernacles) and the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month (Kislev 24).** These 2 days started Daniel's seventieth week.

Haggai 2: ***On the twenty-first day of the seventh month (the seventh day of the Feast of Tabernacles)**, the word of the Lord came through the prophet Haggai…"This is what the Lord Almighty says: 'In a little while **I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land. I will shake all nations, and what is desired by all nations will come, and I will fill this house with glory**,' says the Lord Almighty. 'The silver is mine and the gold is mine,' declares the Lord Almighty. 'The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house,' says the Lord Almighty. 'And in this place I will grant peace,' declares the Lord Almighty." **On the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month (Kislev 24)**, in the second year of Darius, the word of the Lord came to the prophet Haggai… "From this day on, from this twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, give careful thought to the day when the foundation of the Lord's temple was laid. Give careful thought: Is there yet any seed left in the barn? Until now, the vine and the fig tree, the pomegranate and the olive tree have not borne fruit. From this day on I will bless you." The word of the Lord came to Haggai a second time on the twenty-fourth day of the month: "Tell Zerubbabel governor of Judah that **I am going to shake the heavens and the earth.** I will overturn royal thrones and shatter the power of the foreign kingdoms. I will overthrow chariots and their drivers; horses and their riders will fall, each by the sword of his brother."*

"That leader will make firm an agreement with many people for seven years. He will stop the offerings and sacrifices after three and one-half years. A destroyer will do blasphemous things until the ordered end comes to the destroyed city." (Daniel 9:27)

To be certain that this was in fact the strengthening of the agreement with many that Daniel is referring to, we needed to see something take place in the middle of this 7-year period that would fulfill the prophecies concerning the daily sacrifice and offering being stopped. This event is referred to in the Bible as the "Abomination of Desolation" or the "Abomination that causes Desolation". In the next chapter, we will look at the prophecies concerning this event and see how Mr. Obama fulfilled them exactly 1260 days after he was chosen as the Nobel Peace Prize winner on October 9, 2009.

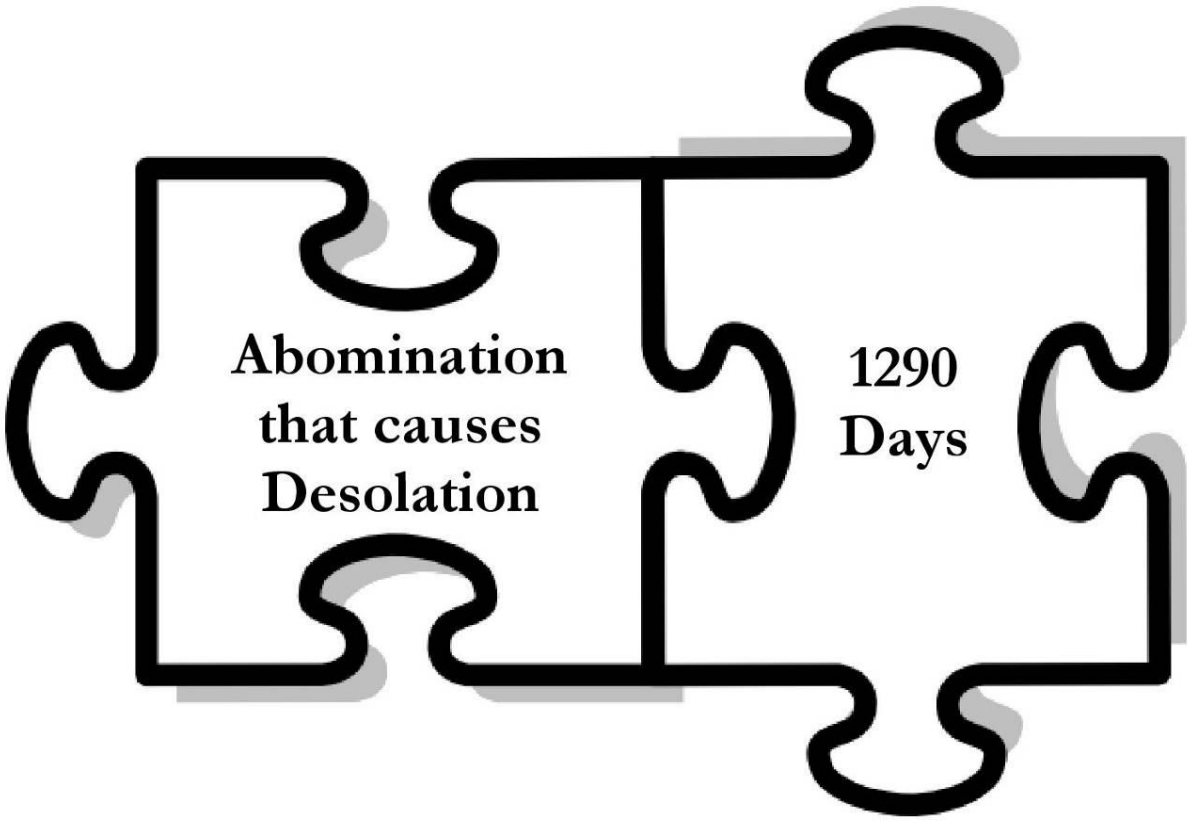
I know that many of you have been told that Daniel's seventieth week will begin with the signing of a peace treaty and that the temple in Israel will be rebuilt and in the middle of this 7-year period, the Antichrist will stop the animal sacrifices taking place in this temple and declare that he is god. And this

could be one possible interpretation of how the Scriptures could be fulfilled.

The problem is that the Lord never seems to fulfill His prophecies in a way that everyone is expecting. When Christ first came to earth, all of the Jewish people were expecting their Messiah at that time. They were looking for Him. They knew the 69 weeks of Daniel were about to end and they were anticipating their Messiah to show up any day. Yet, almost all of them missed Him when He came – especially the religious leaders. They had too many preconceived ideas of what the Messiah was supposed to be that they missed Him. And today also, most Christians are unaware of the times in which we live because they are so certain that a temple must first be built in Israel and a 7-year peace treaty signed. Most believers also think the rapture takes place before all of these events, so there is little need to watch for the prophecies to be fulfilled before the rapture occurs.

Chapter 3

Puzzle Pieces 7 & 8



Let's take a look now at the Abomination that causes Desolation and see how the prophecies about this event were fulfilled on March 22, 2013.

"That leader will make firm an agreement with many people for seven years. He will stop the offerings and sacrifices after three and one-half years. A destroyer will do blasphemous things until the ordered end comes to the destroyed city." Daniel 9:27

"His armed forces will rise up to ***desecrate the temple fortress*** *and will abolish the daily sacrifice. Then they will set up the abomination that causes desolation."* Daniel 11:31

"From the time that the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days." Daniel 12:11

"So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel--let the reader understand…" Matthew 24:15

"When you see 'the abomination that causes desolation' standing where it does not belong—let the reader understand—then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains." Mark 13:14

OK, so let's put all of these verses together to get a picture of what this "abomination" will actually be. It will take place at 3½ years into Daniel's seventieth week. It will involve daily sacrifice and offering being stopped. It will happen in a temple fortress that was desecrated by armed forces. It will involve this person who strengthened his promise or covenant standing in the holy place where he does not belong. And it will be 1290 days before a significant date.

I believe this prophecy has been fulfilled in TWO stages. The first part was fulfilled in April/May 2002, when Palestinian armed forces rose up and **desecrated** the temple "**fortress**" and abolished the daily sacrifice (daily communion took place in the Church of the Nativity until the Palestinians took over the building - so what was taking place "daily" was stopped on that day). Eleven years later, the abomination that causes desolation took place. We know that this is the **HOLY PLACE** that Jesus was talking about, because it is a temple **fortress** that was **desecrated** and is referred to as the **HOLY PLACE.**

Here are some quotes from different articles on the internet from 2002:



1. In Christian tradition, the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem marks the place where Mary gave birth to Jesus. It is one of the oldest continuously operating churches in the world. First-time visitors are sometimes startled, even disappointed, by its **fortress-like** appearance which results from a 12th century AD Crusader reconstruction to make it more defensible. Defying its status as one of Christendom's holiest shrines, it seems dilapidated and battered, not at all beautiful. Still, for a building that has survived destruction by the Persians (614), a mad caliph (1009), earthquake (1834) fire (1869) and a Israeli army siege (2002) against suspected Palestinian militants who had taken refuge there, its dignity remains intact. The forbidding, **fortress-like** church in the center of the modern city of Bethlehem, facing Manger Square, is one of the oldest churches in the world. Entering the church that marks the site of **Christ's birthplace** means

having to stoop low. The only doorway in the **fortress-like** front wall is just 1.2 metres high. Needless to say, the seizure of the 1,677-year-old church by 250 guerrillas affiliated with Islamist terror factions has hardly roused the armies of Christendom. Crusades, Christian-soldiering and all that went out in the last millennium. Still, it's a shock to realize that this **desecration of the ancient church built over what's believed to be the birthplace of Jesus Christ** has brought down neither Christian wrath nor international pressure on the **desecrators** to lay down their arms and leave.



2. Palestinians celebrate Church of Nativity win, Israel notes they desecrated the site.



3. UNESCO Turns The Same Church Over To Palestinians That PLO Desecrated During Intifada

4. While Muslims have responded with deadly outrage to the now-retracted report by Newsweek of alleged Quran **desecration** by U.S. interrogators, there was little outcry three years ago when Islamic terrorists holed up in **Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity reportedly used the Bible as toilet paper.**

5. The Israeli Prime Minister's Office said at the time, "The world needs to remember that the **Church of the Nativity, which is sacred to Christianity, has been desecrated** in the past by Palestinian terrorists."

6. The Church of the Nativity in the heart of Bethlehem marks one of Christianity's **most sacred sites** - the birthplace of Christ. Situated on Manger Square 8 kilometres (5 miles) from Jerusalem, the church is built over a grotto where the Virgin Mary is said to have given birth to Jesus. The church's large fortress-like exterior stands as a testament to its turbulent history. For centuries, it was one of the most fought over **holy places**. It was seized and defended by a succession of armies - including Muslim and Crusader forces.



7. The Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem is a major Christian **holy site**, as it marks the traditional place of Christ's birth. It is also one of the oldest surviving Christian churches.

8. The **holy site**, known as the Grotto, that the Church of the Nativity sits atop, is today associated with the cave in which the birthplace of Jesus of Nazareth occurred.

9. No wonder Mr. Sharon told the Israeli Parliament he would "expect the international community to demand that they the terrorists lay down their arms and leave the **holy place**."

10. One of Christianity's **most holy places**, the site's focal point is the Grotto of the Nativity, a rectangular cavern beneath the church that has been considered the site of Christ's birth since at least the second century. A 14-pointed silver star set into the marble floor marks the precise spot where Jesus is said to have been born.

*"So when you see standing in the **holy place** 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel--let the reader understand*"-- Matthew 24:15

We have just witnessed a prophecy from 2500 years ago fulfilled: Daniel 11:31 -*"His armed forces will rise up to desecrate the temple fortress and will abolish the daily sacrifice. THEN they will set up the abomination that causes desolation."*

Definition of THEN:
*a***:** soon after that**:** next in order of time
*b***:** following next after in order of position, narration, or enumeration

Amid high security, Obama toured the church with Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas. **They stopped at the Grotto of the Nativity, which is said to stand where Jesus Christ was born**. About 20 children waving U.S. and Palestinian flags greeted Obama in a courtyard outside the sanctuary.



Notice that Jesus says, "When you see **STANDING** in the holy place..." Obama did not kneel down at the grotto.

Matthew 2:11 - *"On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they **BOWED DOWN AND WORSHIPED HIM**. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh."*

This is the appropriate response - kneeling before the King. Obama did not kneel; he just stood there, as Jesus prophesied that he would. One day, he will bow his knee. This **ABOMINATION** that we witnessed was to have caused the desolation to take place. The abomination causes the desolation. **Obama was an abomination to the Lord. DESOLATION = A STATE OF COMPLETE DESTRUCTION, DEVASTATION, AND RUIN**.

While he was in Israel, the President said in Hebrew, “So long as there is a United States, you are not alone.” So, if there is no United States, Israel stands alone. In chess, you need to knock out the Queen to get to the King.

Revelation 18:7-8: *"In her heart she boasts, ‘**I sit enthroned as queen**. I am not a widow; I will never mourn.’ Therefore in one day her plagues will overtake her: death, mourning and famine. She will be consumed by fire, for mighty is the Lord God who judges her."*

During his speech, US President Barack Obama said, "Israel is the most powerful country in the region, and has the unshakable support of the strongest nation in the world."

After studying each word in the original language, this is a possible interpretation for this verse:

“And he shall strengthen the covenant/pledge/ agreement with many for one week: and in the middle of the week he shall cause the thank offering and the tribute to stop or be held back from, and at the wing of the detestable abomination he shall cause horror and desolation, even until the end or completion, and that determined shall be poured or melted upon the desolated.”

Mr. Obama made a covenant on January 20/21, 2009, with the American people, on the seventh day of the "Gentile Feast of Tabernacles" (twenty-first day of the Gentile New Year), as well as with the world - to be the leader of the greatest and most powerful nation on earth. On October 9, 2009, that covenant was strengthened, when Obama was chosen to be the Nobel Peace Prize winner on the seventh day of the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles. This is the ONLY day of the year when the Israelites would cry out "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" and look for their Messiah and wave palm branches. On this day, Obama was chosen as the **PEACEMAKER** of the world. 1260 days later, Obama **STOOD i**n the **HOLY PLACE**, the same place that armed forces had **DESECRATED** on April 2, 2002, the temple **FORTRESS**.

We are the temple of the Holy Spirit. We are part of the third temple, His body. He no longer dwells in a tabernacle built by human hands. This is why the Church of the Nativity is the holy place and not the temple mount. The third temple made His first appearance on earth in Bethlehem where the Church was built. Obama went there to make a statement - that he was declaring himself to be "god". He was making a statement to God and to the world, but the world did not notice.

Daniel 12:11 says that from the time the daily is stopped or put aside, there will be 1290 days. This word "daily" is *"tamiyd"* and it simply means "daily" or "continual" - something that happens every day (daily). Daniel 9:27 tells us that the sacrifice and offering will be stopped. Every day, people line up at the Church of the Nativity to bow down at the grotto and offer thanks to the Lord Jesus Christ for coming to the earth to be a sacrifice for their sins and to give them eternal life. This is a sacrifice of praise and offering of thanksgiving being offered to the Lord. On March 22, 2013, this daily sacrifice of praise and offering of thanksgiving was stopped when Mr. Obama came to the grotto and did not offer thanks to Jesus for what he has done. Rather, Mr. Obama went there to proclaim to God that the world is now looking to him as the peacemaker and to defy the Lord Jesus Christ. On March 22, 2013, no offering of thanksgiving or sacrifice of praise was made to the Lord from this spot. This happened exactly 1260 days after Mr. Obama was chosen as the Nobel Peace Prize winner on the seventh day of Tabernacles. Since Mr. Obama had not done anything up to that point to usher in peace, it must be assumed that the award was being given in the hope that he would become the peacemaker for the world.





I am fully aware of the traditional teaching of how the end-times will play out, and also aware that probably over 90% of Christians believe a scenario that goes something like this: The rapture will happen. Christians will be taken from the earth. Right after the rapture, a 7-year peace treaty will be signed by the Antichrist and Israel, allowing Israel to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem. Animal sacrifices will start daily when this temple is built. In the middle of the 7 years of Tribulation, the Antichrist will ride into Jerusalem (probably on a white horse) and sit in this Temple and tell the world that he is God and stop these animal sacrifices. When this happens, the Jewish people need to flee to the mountains because this

is the abomination and desolation will take place. Three and a half years later, Jesus will return to earth on a white horse with all the raptured saints who have been partying in heaven for 7 years. We will then rule and reign with Christ for 1000 years.

You know, when Jesus came the first time, people also had pre-conceived ideas of how everything would play out. John 7: *Among the crowds there was widespread whispering about him. Some said, "He is a good man." Others replied, "No, he deceives the people." But no one would say anything publicly about him for fear of the leaders…At that point some of the people of Jerusalem began to ask, "Isn't this the man they are trying to kill? Here he is, speaking publicly, and they are not saying a word to him. Have the authorities really concluded that he is the Messiah? But we know where this man is from; when the Messiah comes, no one will know where he is from."*

You see, the Jewish people were expecting a King, like David, who would save them from the Romans and establish Israel as the most powerful nation in the world. After all, their God was the One and Only true God, and He had chosen Israel to represent Himself to the nations. This Jesus, He wasn't doing anything the way they had expected, so they were so confused. And very few believed.

Prophecies are rarely, if ever, fulfilled in the way we expect them to be. The Lord gets all the glory when He fulfills prophecies in a way that no one is expecting. The disciples' eyes were only opened AFTER Jesus had risen from the dead, even though Jesus had told them many times that he would be killed in Jerusalem and raise from the dead on the third day. Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do we really expect that He will do it differently this time? Do we think it will be so obvious that everyone can see it? No, He will choose to open the eyes of those whom He chooses, those who are not so set in their preconceived interpretations of the prophecies that they are willing to listen and hear what the Spirit is saying.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 –*"Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that **DAY** will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God."*

I think we can all agree that there has been a "falling away" in America and that Mr. Obama was a man of lawlessness, who thought he was above the law. He opposed God and what God stands for. **What about this part of the verse: HE SETS HIMSELF UP IN GOD'S TEMPLE, PROCLAIMING HIMSELF TO BE GOD?**

So, that means that he will ride into Jerusalem and stand in a newly built third temple and tell the world that he is "god". Right? Well, that would be one possibility, but seems a little too obvious to me. Jesus didn't ride into Jerusalem and go to the Temple and start screaming out, "I am the Messiah, worship Me! I'm the One who was to come! Here I am!" No, He came in on a donkey, humbly, as the Prince of Peace to the world. The world rejected Him. Israel rejected Him. He was not the great Messiah they wanted. Jesus stood up and cried out in a loud voice on the seventh day of Tabernacles, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." He was telling them right on the seventh day of Tabernacles that He was their Messiah. But they rejected Him. The world has rejected Him. Instead, they chose a mere man, one of lawlessness, to be

their peacemaker.

I would like to suggest to you that Mr. Obama was trying to imitate Jesus. He was chosen as the **PEACEMAKER** of the world on the seventh day of Tabernacles on the Jewish calendar in 2009. This was the only day of the year when the Jewish people would cry out, "Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!" This was the day that they looked for their Messiah, the "Prince of Peace". Then they cried out to Jesus on the tenth day of Nisan these same words, when He rode into Jerusalem. Those that did this recognized that Jesus was their Messiah.



Now, we have a man named Barak, whose name means "blessed", who rode into Jerusalem on a "borrowed beast" on the tenth day of Nisan (on the Jewish calendar), exactly 1260 days after he was chosen as the winner of the Nobel Peace Prize on the seventh day of Tabernacles on the Jewish calendar. The two dates that are associated with Psalm 118:6 (Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord) are the seventh day of Tabernacles and the tenth of Nisan. Barak means blessed. He was trying to imitate Christ, the Prince of Peace. He won the Peace Prize on the seventh day of Tabernacles and then he came into Jerusalem as a "peacemaker" on the tenth day of Nisan. Who is he that comes in the "name of the Lord"? Blessed. Barak. He comes in the Lord's name, a false Christ, trying to be Christ. Children greeted him, waving flags, singing and dancing. This was exactly what happened when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on the tenth day of Nisan.



Matthew 21: *But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant, and they said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, "'Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise'?"*

Just as Jesus had young children waving palm branches to Him and worshiping Him, so Obama has children waving flags. Obama "wept" on the seventh day of Hanukkah on December 14, 2012. The main headline on CNN that day read, "Obama weeps". This was very likely the same day that Jesus "wept" when Lazarus was dead (see John 11). The seventh day of Hanukkah is another important piece of this puzzle that we will look at later on in this book.



Jesus spoke to His disciples about the abomination that causes desolation on the eleventh day of Nisan, the day after He rode into Jerusalem. The abomination actually took place on the eleventh day of Nisan on the Jewish calendar.

So, what does all of this have to do with: **HE SETS HIMSELF UP IN GOD'S TEMPLE, PROCLAIMING HIMSELF TO BE GOD?** First of all, what I'm trying to show is that he is trying to imitate Christ and **BE THE MESSIAH**. He doesn't have to come right out and scream to the world, "Here I am! I'm the one! I'm the long awaited Messiah! I am GOD!" No, just by imitating Jesus, he is

declaring that **HE IS THE CHRIST**. We know that he is not the Christ, but he is anti-Christ. He is not a **PEACEMAKER**. He is a **DESTROYER**, the one who causes the **DESOLATION**.

John 1:14 -*The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.* (NIV)

John 1:14 -*And the Word became flesh, and did tabernacle among us, and we beheld his glory, glory as of an only begotten of a father, full of grace and truth.* (Young's Literal Translation)

Jesus was the Tabernacle, or the Temple. He was God in the flesh. He is now building us, His body, to be the Temple, or Tabernacle, in which His Spirit lives. Where was the first place that God chose to have His Son, His Tabernacle, born? In Bethlehem. The Lord was building a new Tabernacle, starting a New Covenant, with the people of the world. The place where Jesus was born is a Holy Place. It's the very first place where **HIS TABERNACLE**, Jesus, started on earth.

Mr. Obama visited this Temple, this Holy Place. He did not bow his knee to the King. He did not go there to worship the Lord. Do you really think Mr. Obama was praying to Jesus while he was there, worshiping the true God and thanking Him for sending His Son to be a ransom and pay the penalty for his sin so that he might have eternal life? No, he went there as a statement to God and to the world – I am your new Messiah. I am your Prince of Peace. He went there to defy God and proclaim to God that HE WOULD NOT BOW HIS KNEE. He went there to challenge God – to tell God that the world is now worshiping him and that he is the Messiah of the world.

But just as when Jesus rode into Jerusalem, only those with eyes to see and ears to hear really understand what is happening. Most do not have the spiritual discernment to understand how the Scriptures are being fulfilled because of too many preconceived ideas that have become set doctrines in their minds. Obama knows exactly what he is doing and who he is trying to imitate. It's unfortunate that Christians cannot see this.

"From the time that the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days." Daniel 12:11

If we count 1290 days from March 22/23, 2013, we end up on October 3, 2016. This was the start of the Feast of Trumpets in 2016. Daniel told us that there will be 1290 days from the day the daily sacrifice is stopped and the abomination is set up (when Obama stood in the holy place, and the daily offering of thanksgiving and sacrifice of praise at the Church of the Nativity was put aside). So, this 1290-day count ended on the Feast of Trumpets in 2016.

You may be wondering why I am spending so much time on this puzzle piece… the abomination that causes desolation. The reason is because it is such a crucial piece of the puzzle. If what took place on March 22, 2013, was in fact the abomination spoken of in Daniel and by Jesus in Matthew 24, then it should be able to answer yes to the following questions in fulfillment of the prophecies:

Question: Did what took place happen in the middle of a 7-year period, wherein an agreement was strengthened at the beginning of this 7-year period and was it also 1290 days before a significant date? (*That leader will make firm an agreement with many people for seven years. He will stop the*

offerings and sacrifices after three and one-half years…Daniel 9:27…From the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be 1290 days…Daniel 12:11.)

Answer: Yes, it was exactly 1260 days after Mr. Obama was chosen as the Nobel Peace Prize winner on the seventh day of Tabernacles, representing the strengthening of his agreement with many to be the peacemaker for the world. It also took place 1290 days before the Feast of Trumpets in 2016.

Question: Did what took place involve this one who strengthened his covenant with many going to a holy place and standing where he did not belong? (*When you see **standing in the holy place** 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel*…Matthew 24:15.)

Answer: Yes, Mr. Obama stood at the grotto, the place where Christ was born. Here are some quotes from various news articles about the Church of the Nativity:

a. For centuries, it was one of the most fought over **holy places**.

b. The Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem is a major Christian **holy site**, as it marks the traditional place of Christ's birth

c. The **holy site**, known as the Grotto, that the Church of the Nativity sits atop, is today associated with the cave in which the birthplace of Jesus of Nazareth occurred.

d. No wonder Mr. Sharon told the Israeli Parliament he would "expect the international community to demand that the terrorists lay down their arms and leave the **holy place**."

e. One of Christianity's **most holy places**, the site's focal point is the Grotto of the Nativity, a rectangular cavern beneath the church that has been considered the site of Christ's birth since at least the 2nd century.

Question: Was this holy place ever desecrated by armed forces? *(His armed forces will rise up to desecrate the temple fortress and will abolish the daily sacrifice. Then they will set up the abomination that causes desolation*…Daniel 11:31.)

Answer: Yes, the Church of the Nativity was taken over by armed forces on April 2, 2002, and they desecrated the place. Here are some quotes from news agencies about this event:

a. Still, it's a shock to realize that this **desecration of the ancient church built over what's believed to be the birthplace of Jesus Christ** has brought down neither Christian wrath nor international pressure on the **desecrators** to lay down their arms and leave.

b. Palestinians celebrate Church of Nativity win, Israel notes they **desecrated** the site.

c. UNESCO Turns The Same Church Over To Palestinians That PLO **Desecrated** During Intifada.

d. While Muslims have responded with deadly outrage to the now-retracted report by Newsweek of alleged Quran **desecration** by U.S. interrogators, there was little outcry three years ago when Islamic terrorists holed up in **Bethlehem's Church of the Nativity reportedly used the Bible as toilet paper.**

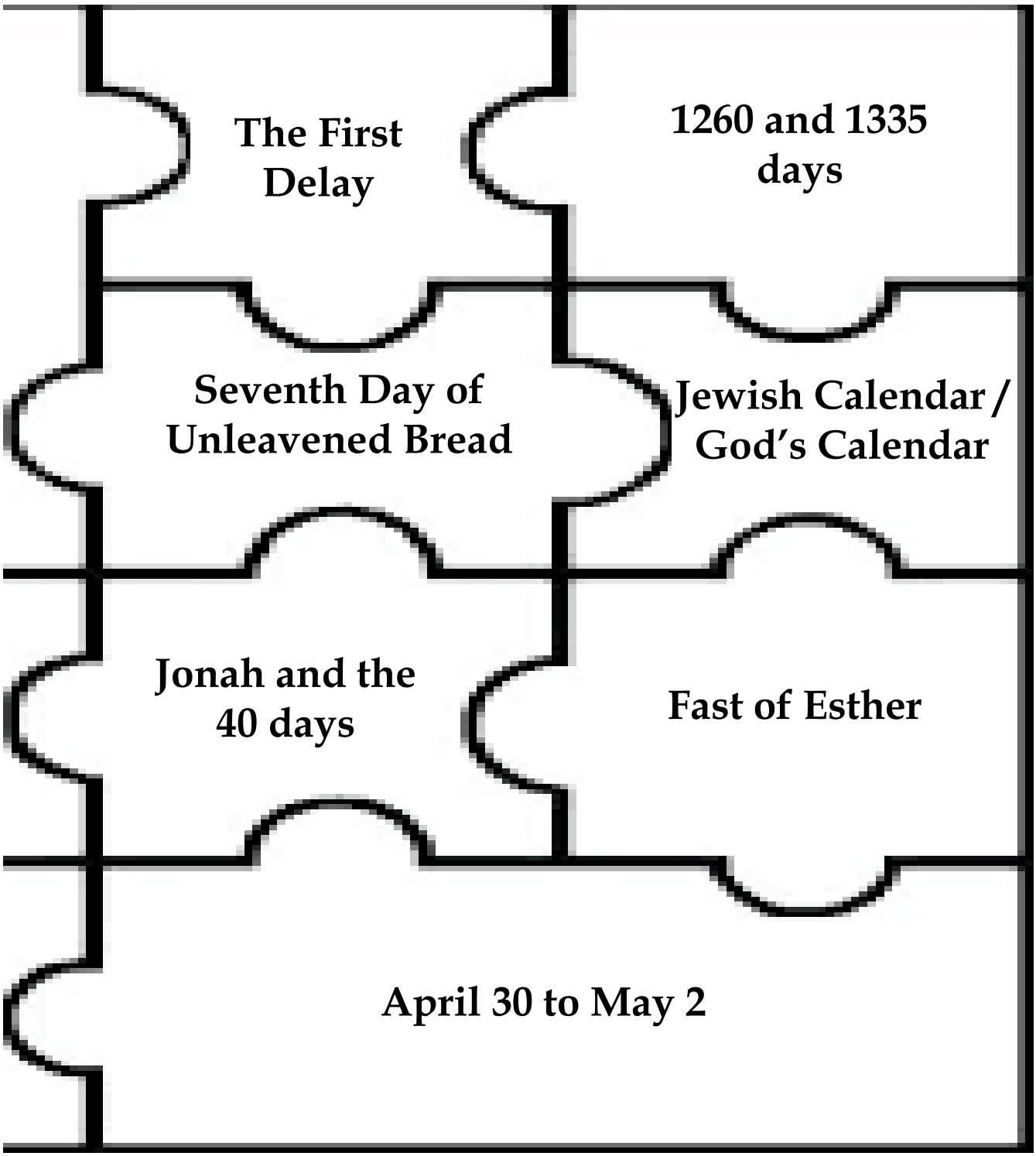
e. The Israeli Prime Minister's Office said at the time, "The world needs to remember that the **Church of**

the Nativity, which is sacred to Christianity, has been desecrated in the past by Palestinian terrorists."
Question: Was there a daily sacrifice of some sort that was stopped on the day when this abomination took place? (*That leader will make firm an agreement with many people for seven years. He will stop the offerings and sacrifices after three and one-half years*…Daniel 9:27)

Answer: Yes, everyday there are visitors who come to the Church of the Nativity from around the world to visit the grotto and bow down to worship Jesus, thanking Him for coming to the earth to pay the sacrifice for their sins. This worship is a sacrifice of praise and offering of thanksgiving. This could not take place on the day when Mr. Obama visited because all daily activities at the church were rearranged in order to accommodate his visit. Mr. Obama and his entourage did not go there to worship Jesus or bow their hearts or their knees before the Lord. Mr. Obama stood in the holy place where he did not belong and did not worship Jesus. He stopped the daily sacrifice and offering.

Chapter 4

Puzzle Pieces 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15



OK, so I can already hear the wheels turning in your heads. If the abomination that causes desolation occurred on March 22, 2013, then why did the desolation event not occur immediately or shortly after March 22, 2013? Jesus very clearly warned those living in Judea to flee to the mountains when they saw this event, indicating that the desolation would take place very shortly after this happened. And here we are, thirteen years later, and no desolation has taken place and we are way past the end of this 7-year period.

The First Delay

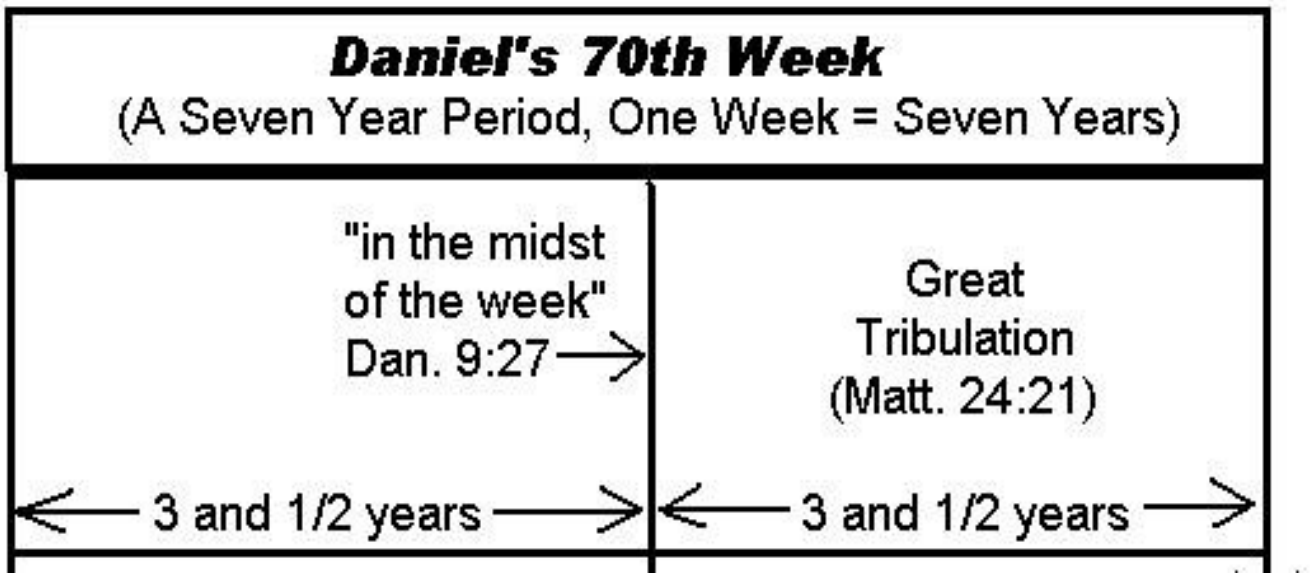
This is where we have to start putting pieces of the puzzle together to see the whole picture. Jesus tells us in Matthew 25:5, *"When the **bridegroom was delayed**, they all became drowsy and fell asleep."*

Then we also read in Revelation 10:5-7 -*"Then the angel I had seen standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven. And he swore by him who lives forever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, "There will be **no more delay**! But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets."*

These 2 verses tell us that there will be a delay in the coming of the Bridegroom for His Bride.

1260 and 1335 days

Just as the Lord gave Ninevah 40 days before He was going to destroy it, so the world was given a 40-day period until judgment. Forty days from March 22, 2013, was April 30, 2013. May 2, 2013, was the day that the Great Tribulation was to begin, and was to last for 1260 days until the Day of Atonement in 2016. The Bible gives us a 1260-day period of judgment that will take place on the earth. The beast is to be given 42 months to exercise his authority on the earth without restraint (see Revelation 13:5). The woman (Bride of Christ) is to be taken to a place prepared for her by God for 1260 days (see Revelation 12:6, 14). Daniel speaks of this 1260 days as a "time, times and half a time" (see Daniel 7:25).



Daniel 12:12 tells us that those who reach the end of the 1335 days are blessed. Haggai 2 tells us that from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, the Lord will bless us. This is the start of Hanukkah. The first day of Hanukkah (Kislev 25) is the blessed day, the end of the 1335-day count. If we count from April 30, 2013, to December 25, 2016, the first day of Hanukkah, there were 1335 days.

April 30, 2013, was the start of a 3-day worldwide fast of the Bride of Christ that delayed God's judgment on America and the rest of the world, which we will discuss in more detail later in this chapter.

Seventh Day of Unleavened Bread

The Jewish people celebrate 3 festivals every year that last for 7 or 8 days. These are Unleavened Bread, Tabernacles and Hanukkah (which was a second Tabernacles festival added in 165 BC). The seventh day of Unleavened Bread is a Sabbath and is actually the most important day of the festival. It was on the seventh day of Unleavened Bread that the Israelites crossed the Red Sea, the walls of Jericho fell and when Peter escaped from prison when he was rescued by an angel. All three of these events from the Scriptures foreshadow the rapture taking place on the seventh day of Unleavened Bread.

The Israelites crossed over from Egypt (representing the world) into the Promised Land (representing Heaven). The Lord tells us in Exodus 19:4 that He brought the Israelites out on eagles' wings. "*You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on **eagles' wings** and brought you to myself."*



This is a clear reference to Revelation 12:14, where the Bride of Christ is given wings of an eagle to go to a place prepared for her by God to be taken care of for 1260 days. *"The woman was given the two **wings of a great eagle**, so that she might fly to the **place prepared for her** in the wilderness, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent's reach."*

Jesus told us that He was going to prepare a place for us. John 14:2-3 *"My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to **prepare a place for you**? And if I go and **prepare a place for you**, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."*



The walls of Jericho falling were another foreshadow of the rapture taking place on the seventh day of Unleavened Bread. The people ascended at the sound of the last trumpet and Jericho was delivered into their hands.

Joshua 6:5, *"And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when ye hear the **sound of the trumpet**, all the people shall **shout with a great shout**; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the **people shall ascend up** every man straight before him."*

This is what takes place at the rapture event.

1 Corinthians 15:51-52: *"Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed-- in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the **last trumpet**. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed."*

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17: *"For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a **shout**, with the voice of the archangel and with the **trumpet of God**, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain will be **caught up together with them in the clouds** to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord."*



It was also on the day when the walls of Jericho fell that the silver and gold were first put into the treasury to build the Lord's temple.

Joshua 6:19 says, *"All the silver and gold and the articles of bronze and iron are sacred to the LORD and must go into his treasury."*

We are the silver and gold that the Lord is using to build us up into His temple.

Haggai 2:7-8 says: *"I will shake all nations, and what is desired by all nations will come, and I will fill this house with glory,' says the Lord Almighty.'The silver is mine and the gold is mine,' declares the Lord Almighty. 'The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house,' says the Lord Almighty. 'And in this place I will grant peace,' declares the Lord Almighty."*

Peter escaping from prison on the seventh day of Unleavened Bread when an angel rescued him was another foreshadow in the Scriptures of the rapture taking place on this day. Peter was about to be killed for his faith in Christ, but on the last day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, an angel came to rescue him from his prison. This world is like a prison for the Bride of Christ and we all long for the day when we can be with Jesus and free from this world.

Jewish Calendar / God's Calendar

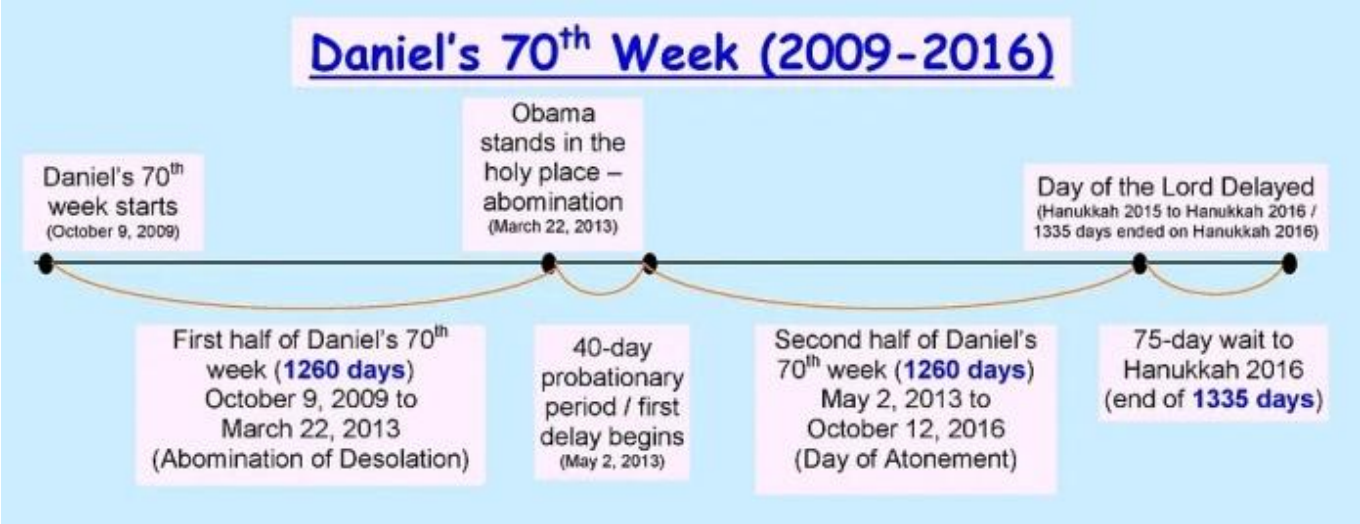
In ancient times, the Jewish people would wait until after the spring solstice (March 20/21) to begin their Biblical New Year. In modern times, the Jewish Biblical year often starts before the spring solstice. This happened in the year 2013 and also happened again in the year 2026. This means that the Jewish calendar was one month off in 2013, as it is again in 2026. The true seventh day of Unleavened Bread on God's calendar in 2013 was May 2, 2013. This was 1260 days before the Day of Atonement in 2016 and 1335 days before the start of Hanukkah in 2016, and the Scriptures show us both a 1260-day and 1335-day count that are a big part of God's amazing puzzle and timeline of events in the last days.





There were significant events that took place on May 1 and 2, 2013, that were signs to those who were watching that this was the time that was supposed to have started the Great Tribulation. May 1, 2013, was a demonic festival called

Beltane. It is during this festival that a mockery of the wedding of the Bride of Christ takes place. May 1, 2013, was also the day when the Catholics crowned the virgin Mary, another mockery by Satan of the crowning of the virgin Bride of Christ. May 1, 2013, was also "Mayday", a term used in an emergency as a distress signal when something is about to crash or sink. May 2, 2013, was the day when the New World Trade Center was "crowned", yet another mockery of the crowning of the Bride of Christ.



Jonah and the 40 days

So, if the Scriptures so clearly pointed to May 2, 2013, as the day when the Great Tribulation was to start and the rapture was to have occurred, why did it not happen on that date? Well, to understand the answer to this question, we need to look at Jonah 4 and Joel 2. Jonah was told to tell Ninevah that in 40 days, their city would be destroyed. The Lord gave Ninevah 40 days and he gave the world 40 days also from the abomination event on March 22, 2013. The 40 days came and went and Ninevah was not destroyed. The 40 days came and went and the Great Tribulation did not start and the rapture did not happen. So, did God lie? Was He untrue to His Word? Did He not clearly tell Jonah to warn the Ninevites that their city would be destroyed in 40 days?

We see how that Ninevah repented before the Lord and He delayed their judgment. So, was there anything that took place at the end of this 40-day period that would represent a nationwide repentance that would have caused the Lord to delay His judgment? Actually, April 30, 2013, was the US National Day of Repentance and May 2, 2013, was the national day of prayer in America. A world-wide call to pray and fast for the United States went out from Australia and New Zealand on the twenty-fifth day of April in 2013 from the team at Australia's National Day of Prayer and Fasting. The Australian team felt led by God to bridge the US National Day of Repentance on April 30 and the US National Day of Prayer on May 2 with a worldwide call for 72 hours of prayer and fasting for the United States. This was humbly and gratefully received by American prayer leaders during a teleconference on April 24, 2013. Jonathan Edwards, the mighty American revivalist of the First Great Awakening and widely acknowledged as America's greatest theologian, wrote in 1740, "When God has something very great to accomplish for His church, it is His will that there should precede it the extraordinary prayers of His people".

This is what was witnessed in this world-wide call to prayer. Many media outlets and prayer networks, including several global ones, very quickly took up this call. Confirmed reports from 28 countries around the world were received and there could very well be many more. We will not know the full response this side of eternity. But God does!

Fast of Esther

It all goes back to the story of Esther. The nation of Israel was about to be completely destroyed and all the Jewish people killed. They all went on a 3-day fast and on the third day of the fast, Esther came before the King. In doing so, she was risking her life because she was not to enter the King's presence unless he called for her. The king could have killed Esther just for approaching him without being called. But he didn't. He extended his royal scepter to her and showed her mercy. Esther represents the Bride of Christ, or the church. She was the chosen virgin who won the favor of the king above all the women in the land. The church from all over the world came together from April 30 to May 2, 2013, and fasted and prayed for God to have mercy on America. And mercy is what they received. This was the end of the 40 days of probation and was the appointed time for God to bring desolation to America, as well as the entire world. But just as God did not bring the desolation against Ninevah after the 40 days because they repented and asked for mercy, so He did not bring the desolation against America or the world after the 40 days because they repented and asked for mercy. These 2 stories, Esther and Jonah, were foreshadows from the Old Testament of how God was going to show mercy to the world. Jonah tells us that the Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love and he relents from sending calamity. It was always in His plan to do this. The Lord has delayed His judgment on the world.



On April 24, 2013, a 3-day fast was called by the leaders of the church around the world and at least 28 nations participated in this fast. These 3 days of fasting and prayer started on April 30, and lasted until May 2, 2013. Millions of prayers were offered up to God during these 3 days, begging for mercy on America and asking that He withhold His judgment. When Ninevah repented, the entire nation, from the king on down, put on sackcloth and asked the Lord for mercy. In America, the Congress knelt down before the Lord on the National Day of Prayer and asked God for forgiveness. Even President Obama issued a statement calling on all Americans to pray for America on this day.

Here are just two of the millions of prayers offered to God around the world that were prayed on May 2, 2013, at the National Day of Prayer:

On this National Day of Prayer in 2013, may we continue to offer this prayer and hope that it becomes "America's Prayer of Repentance."

O God, we know that your Word says, "Woe to those who call evil good," but that's exactly what we've done.
We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and inverted our values.
We confess that we have ridiculed the absolute truth of your Word and called it moral pluralism.

We have worshipped other gods and called it multiculturalism and New Age spirituality.
We have committed adultery and called it an affair.
We have endorsed perversion and called it an alternative lifestyle.
We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery.
We have neglected the needy and called it frugality.
We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare.
We have killed our unborn children and called it choice.
We have shot abortionists and called it justifiable.
We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self-esteem.
We have failed to execute justice speedily, as your Word commands, and called it due process.
We have failed to love our neighbor who has a different color of skin and called it maintaining racial purity.
We have abused power and called it political savvy.
We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition.
We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression.
We have made the Lord's Day the biggest shopping and entertainment day of the week and called it free enterprise.
We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our parents and called it enlightenment.
Search us, O God, and know our hearts today. Try us and see if there be some wicked way in us; cleanse us of every sin and set us free. Though our sins be as scarlet, may they become white as snow. Though they be as crimson, may they be as wool.

And another prayer offered on this day:

LORD, WHO ARE WE AS A PEOPLE, having been given blessings in portions as no other nation before us? What has become of us, Father? We have spoiled your spacious skies with buildings and cities breathing with sin. The amber waves of grain are no longer viewed as our blessing but as our due. The awe and reverence due You when we gaze upon the purple mountains and their majesty is no longer held; rather, how much pleasure they can give us. Father, we have spurned You. We've blamed our problems on those who promote darkness, but You have revealed yourself to us through Your Son. Now our eyes have been opened by Him. Our lack of holiness, our not being light has allowed darkness to prevail. Indeed, our sins which we wrongly view as small have allowed those in darkness to commit great sins without shame. We now realize that it is because of our failings as Christians. Father, Samuel told your people, "It is true you have committed all this evil, still you must not turn from the Lord, but worship Him with your whole heart. For the sake of His own great name, the Lord will not abandon his own people." Father, we come before You with our whole hearts and ask You to grant us the pardon won for us by your Son. Jesus, we do not deserve to even be heard, yet we know Your passion merits that we are. Lord Jesus, we call You as You have called us. Please, intercede before God to forgive us, to heal us, to heal our families, and to heal our nation. Father, grant Your Son's intentions and hear His pleas for us. We know you are justly irritated with us but we beg and plead for forgiveness through our repentance from our hearts. We realize our nation is headed toward disaster by so many signs

You have given us. Holy, Holy, Holy God, grant Your Son His requests that we may again be your people, not a nation above God but one nation humbled and under God. Amen.

April 30 to May 2

The Lord often does important things on significant dates to send a message to His people. For example, both temples in Israel were destroyed on the same date in history, the ninth day of the month of Av in Israel.

It was on April 30, 1789, that our first president, George Washington was inaugurated. On that day, the government, the House, and the Senate gathered for the Inauguration of our first president, George Washington. In his Inauguration Address, Washington gave a prophetic warning: "We ought to be no less persuaded that the propitious smiles of heaven can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and the right which heaven itself has ordained." Washington's warning was, if we would begin to depart from God, He would remove His blessings, His prosperity and His protection from our nation.

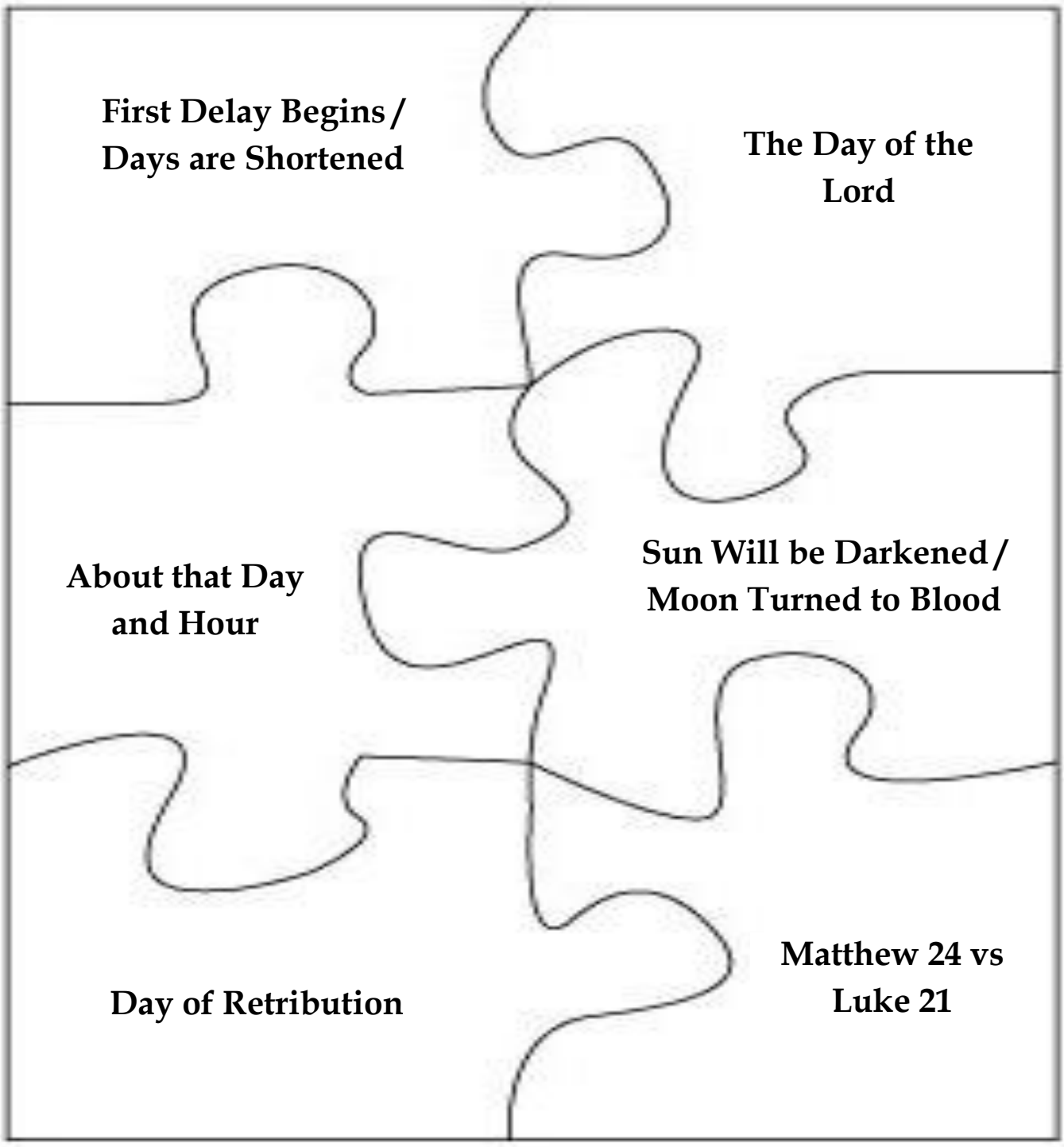
After Washington's address, the government, the House, the Senate, and America's first president traveled on foot to Saint Paul's Chapel. No one knows exactly what was said inside but we do know the entire government was on their knees praying and consecrating this nation to God. In the chapel there is also a plaque above Washington's pew with the words "Almighty God, we make our earnest prayer that you will keep the United States in Holy protection." Saint Paul's Chapel is located at the corner of Ground Zero and is the spiritual birthplace of America.

Exactly 74 years later, in 1863 at the time of the Civil War in America, President Lincoln issued a resolution asking all Americans to pray and fast on April 30, 1863. The next day, on May 1, 1863, the Battle of Chancellorsville and the Battle of Port Gibson started and both ended as victories for the Union. Then, on May 2, 1863, the great commander for the confederate troops, Stonewall Jacskon, was killed in battle. These events were seen as a turning point in the war that led to the victory of the Union states over the Confederate states, and ultimately to the re-unification of the United States, which would later rise to become the leading economic and military superpower of the Twentieth Century.

Exactly 150 years later, in 2013 at the time when the desolation was to start in America, 40 days after the abomination on March 22, 2013, 1260 days before the Day of Atonement in 2016 and 1335 days before the start of Hanukkah in 2016, a worldwide call to fast and pray for America took place and the Lord withheld His judgment and has given America and the world an additional 13 years to repent of their sins. I believe the Scriptures point to the desolation and firstfruits rapture now taking place on August 15/16, 2026. This time, I do not believe the Lord will continue to delay as the nation has continued to walk down a path that is in defiance to the ways of the Lord. However, the Lord in His great mercy has shortened the days of the Great Tribulation for His left-behind saints and all 3 woe events of Revelation will now take place within a five-month period.

Chapter 5

Puzzle Pieces 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 & 21



First Delay Begins / Days are Shortened

The first delay began on May 2, 2013, on the seventh day of Unleavened Bread, after a 3-day fast and cry for mercy from the Bride of Christ.



Matthew 25:5 - *While **the bridegroom was delayed**, they all became drowsy and fell asleep.*

Revelation 10: 6-7 - "*And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, "**There will be no more delay!** But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets."*

Matthew 24:22 *"And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake **those days shall be shortened**."*

Revelation 9 - *The fifth angel sounded his trumpet, and I saw a star that had fallen from the sky to the earth. The star was given the key to the shaft of the Abyss. When he opened the Abyss, smoke rose from it like the smoke from a gigantic furnace. The sun and sky were darkened by the smoke from the Abyss. And out of the smoke locusts came down on the earth and were given power like that of scorpions of the earth...They were not allowed to kill them but only to torture them for **five months**...They had tails with stingers, like scorpions, and in their tails they had power to torment people for **five months**. They had as king over them the angel of the Abyss, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon and in Greek is Apollyon (that is, Destroyer). The first woe is past; two other woes are yet to come.*

So how do we know how long the Great Tribulation will last for? The Scripture tells us that at the opening of the Abyss at the time of the first woe, there will be a 5-month judgment that will come on the earth. The 1260 and 1335-day counts have been shortened to just 5 months and God has continued to delay His judgment on America, Israel and the world for as long as Scripturally possible.

The Day of the Lord

Isaiah 34:8 - *For the LORD has a **day of vengeance, a year of retribution**, to uphold Zion's cause.*

Jesus also told us in Luke 21:36, "*Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.*"

Psalm 24:3-4 tells us, "*Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place? The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god.*

Those who are able ascend to Mt. Zion and to stand before the Son of Man are those with pure hearts. The Bride of Christ will enter her rest and our Bridegroom Jesus will no longer restrain Satan. I would like to look at some of the Scriptures that talk about the Day of the Lord, which is also referred to as an "hour" in some passages.

1. **Isaiah 13:6** *Wail, for the **day of the Lord** is at hand! It will come as destruction from the Almighty.*
2. **Isaiah 13:9** *Behold, the **day of the Lord** comes, Cruel, with both wrath and fierce anger, To lay the land desolate; And He will destroy its sinners from it.*
3. **Isaiah 34:8** *For it is the **day of the Lord's vengeance**, The **year of recompense** for the cause of Zion.*
4. **Jeremiah 46:10** *For this is the **day of the Lord God of hosts, A day of vengeance**, That He may avenge Himself on His adversaries. The sword shall devour; It shall be satiated and made drunk with their blood; For the Lord God of hosts has a sacrifice In the north country by the River Euphrates.*
5. **Ezekiel 30:3** *For the day is near, Even the **day of the Lord** is near; It will be a day of clouds, the time of the Gentiles.*
6. **Joel 1:15** *Alas for the day! For the **day of the Lord** is at hand; It shall come as destruction from the Almighty.*
7. **Joel 2:1** *Blow the trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the **day of the Lord** is coming, For it is at hand:*
8. **Joel 2:11** *The Lord gives voice before His army, For His camp is very great; For strong is the One who executes His word. For the **day of the Lord** is great and very terrible; Who can endure it?*
9. **Joel 2:31** *The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible **day of the LORD** come.*
10. **Joel 3:14** *Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the **day of the Lord** is near in the valley of decision.*
11. **Amos 5:18** *Woe to you who desire the **day of the Lord**! For what good is the **day of the Lord** to you? It will be **darkness**, and not light.*
12. **Amos 5:20** *Is not the **day of the Lord darkness**, and not light? Is it not very dark, with no brightness in it?*
13. **Obadiah 1:15** *"For the **day of the Lord** upon all the nations is near; As you have done, it shall be done to you; Your reprisal shall return upon your own head.*
14. **Zephaniah 1:7** *Be silent in the presence of the Lord God; For the **day of the Lord** is at hand, For the Lord has prepared a sacrifice; He has invited His guests.*
15. **Zephaniah 1:14** *The great **day of the Lord** is near; It is near and hastens quickly. The noise of the **day of the Lord** is bitter; There the mighty men shall cry out.*

16. **Zephaniah 1:18** *Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the **day of the Lord's wrath**; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of His jealousy, for He will make speedy riddance of all those who dwell in the land.*
17. **Zephaniah 2:3** *Seek the Lord, all you meek of the earth, who have upheld His justice. Seek righteousness, seek humility. It may be that you will be hidden in the **day of the Lord's anger**.*
18. **Acts 2:20** *The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious **day of the Lord**.*
19. **2 Peter 3:10** *But the **day of the Lord** will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.*
20. **Revelation 17:12** *The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for **one hour**.*
21. **Revelation 18:10** *`Woe, woe, the great city, Babylon, the strong city! For in **one hour** your judgment has come.'*
22. **Matthew 24:36 Mark 13:32** *But about that **day or hour** no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.*
23. **Luke 12:39** *But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what **hour** the thief was coming, he would not have allowed his house to be broken into.*
24. **Revelation 14:7** *And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God, and give Him glory, because **the hour of His judgment** has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters."*
25. **Zechariah 14** *Behold, the **day of the Lord** is coming, and your spoil will be divided in your midst. For I will gather all the nations to battle against Jerusalem; The city shall be taken, the houses rifled, and the women ravished. **Half of the city shall go into captivity, but the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city.***

So here we have half that are taken and half that are left as in the parable of the ten virgins (see Matthew 25).



1 Thessalonians 5:1-5 - *"Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers and sisters, **are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief**. You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness."*

Paul is telling the church that this "Day of the Lord" should not surprise us like a thief because we do not belong to the darkness, but to the light. We do not belong to the night. Jesus warns us in Matthew 24 to

watch the signs so that the thief does not break into our house unexpectedly. He says that if the owner of the house had known at what time the thief was coming, he would not have let the thief break into his house.

Matthew 24: 42-43 *"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into."*

What I believe Jesus is warning us in this passage is this: we do not know when He is coming – it is not something that we intrinsically know. Only through watching the signs and studying the prophecies and through revelation given by God can we know when Jesus will come. If we will watch the signs and study the prophecies, then we can know when the thief is coming so that we are not caught unaware and end up being left behind because we are worldly and self-centered, not living wholeheartedly for Jesus. The obvious implication of Matthew 24 is that if we are not watching, the thief will come at a time when we are not expecting and we will be caught off-guard and our "house" will be broken into. And if we are not watching, Jesus Himself will come at a time when we do not expect Him and we could be left behind.

About that Day and Hour

Matthew 24:36; Mark 13:32 - *But about that **day or hour** no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.*

Revelation 3:3 - *"Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; hold it fast, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you."*

So here Jesus tells us that if we do not wake up, then we will not know what time He will come. The word used in Matthew 24:36 for KNOW is a different word than is used in Revelation 3.

The Greek language often has more distinction between words than English. For example, in our English language we just use the word "love". But the Greek language has 4 words for love: agápe, éros, philía, and storgē, each meaning something slightly different. The same is true for the word "know" - there are several different words in Greek and they don't all mean exactly the same thing.

In Matthew 24, the word for "know" is eido and the best definition of this word is "to perceive something". In Revelation 3, the word is ginosko and the best definition is "to come to know or to get knowledge of". I believe that what Jesus was saying in Matthew 24:36 was no person is born with the knowledge, or knows intuitively, or perceives about this day or hour (which may not even be referring to the timing, but simply what takes place on the Day of the Lord). Even Jesus Himself does not know. Even the angels do not know. However, this does not say that no one will ever know or could never know. Revelation 3 seems to be clear (and is definitely dealing with the timing) that if you are awake, you can know (come to know or get knowledge of) when Jesus will come. He only comes like a thief to those who are sleeping (spiritually). If we continue reading in Matthew 24, Jesus says, *"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come."* This is the same word for "know" used in verse 26. Jesus is warning us to watch because we do not know intuitively what day He is coming.

Watch what? Watch the signs, study the prophecies, so that this day does not come upon you like a thief in the night and your house ends up being broken into. Jesus gives us this illustration - that if the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have watched so he could catch him in the act. Jesus wants us to study the prophecies and the signs and the numbers left to us in Scripture so that we can know when He's coming. He does not want to catch us off-guard and we end up being left behind.

If we continue reading in Matthew 24, Jesus says, *"But suppose that servant is wicked and says to himself, 'My master is staying away a long time,' and he then begins to beat his fellow servants and to eat and drink with drunkards. The master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he is not aware of."*

It is to the unfaithful servant that Jesus comes at a time he is not aware of. To the faithful servant, this does not have to be the case. Why would the Bible so clearly give us events to watch for and numbers to count with, if we are never supposed to understand the timing of events of the last days? It is my desire to leave something for those who are left behind to know for certain that what took place was prophesied to happen exactly when it happened, so that they will not fall for the great deception that is coming as a cover-up for the rapture. Satan has had a lot of time to plan how to try to deceive people. He does not want them to believe that the rapture took place or that the prophecies are being fulfilled. Jesus warned about a great deception that would happen to deceive even the elect, if it is possible. My desire is to make sure that this deception is exposed and to prove from the Bible that this event was prophesied to take place exactly when it did so that they will know for certain that what happened was in fact the rapture event and that Jesus is in control and His Word is true.

Sun Will be Darkened / Moon Turned to Blood

Joel 2:31 - *The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.*

Acts 2:20 - *The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.*

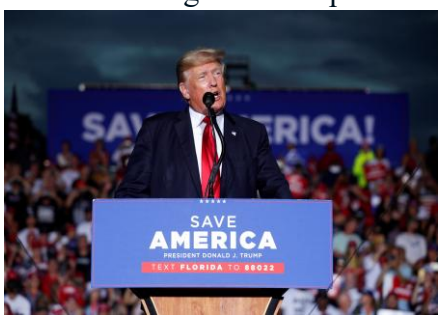


We saw the fulfillment of these verses from 2014 to 2015, when we had blood moons at the start of Passover and Tabernacles for 2 years and then solar eclipses on the start of Nisan (Biblical New Year) and Tishrei (Jewish New Year) in 2015.

Of course, many end-time Bible prophecy scholars were talking about this amazing sign for many years. It was the signal of the start of the Day of the Lord. The Great and Dreadful/Glorious Day of the Lord was to have started on the seventh day of Tabernacles and start of Hanukkah in 2015. This was to have been the seventh day of Daniel's seventieth week that began on the seventh day of Tabernacles and start of Hanukkah in 2009. It was to have ended at the start of Hanukkah in 2016. Mr. Obama even told us that he was going to win the war on Christmas, which was referring to the first day of Hanukkah in 2016 on Christmas Day, the Battle of Armageddon and the Second Coming of Christ to the earth.

Day of Retribution

So, why did the Day of the Lord not take place from the fall of 2015 to the fall of 2016, on the seventh day of Daniel's seventieth week? I believe the Lord was not finished with His amazing end-time puzzle and still had some very important lessons to teach His people about looking to their leaders rather than to Him as their Savior. He allowed America to choose a "conservative" president who deceived them into thinking he could somehow save America and make their nation great again. He allowed the COVID pandemic, a time of great judgment on the world in which the Mark of the Beast was introduced, but His people continued to sleep through this time of delay, unaware of the days that they were living in. He then allowed Israel to slaughter 80,000 Palestinians using mostly American-made weapons and American taxpayer money to do so and watched as the evangelical church supported Israel in this atrocity. Judgment is about to begin in the house of the Lord and America and Israel will soon reap what they have sown. Only the true peacemakers and the pure in heart will escape what is about to come on the world.



In 2013, the Bride of Christ asked for the Lord to delay His judgment on America, thinking that they could somehow turn the nation back to the Lord in their own strength if they just could choose godly leaders to put godly laws into place and enforce those laws. But the believers in America and around the world were, for the most part, unaware of the depth of evil that had taken over the leadership of their nation and the nations of the world. In His amazing grace, the Lord is bringing this evil to light and many are starting to awaken from their slumber. Those who are still asleep at the time of the firstfruits rapture will be awakened from their deep sleep to find themselves having to endure the Great Tribulation.

Revelation 3:3 - *But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.*

Isaiah 34:8 - *For the LORD has a day of vengeance, a year of **retribution**, to uphold Zion's cause.*

On January 13, 2026, President Trump wrote on his social media platform: "Fear not, great people of Minnesota**, THE DAY OF RECKONING IS COMING!"**

I believe 2026 is the day (year) of retribution that the Scriptures point to. In Daniel's seventieth week, each day is equal to a year. We see this also in Isaiah 34, when the day of vengeance is also called a year of retribution. Interestingly, just as Daniel's seventieth week began on the seventh day of the Feast of

Tabernacles in 2009, when Mr. Obama was chosen as the Nobel Peace Prize winner, so also on the seventh day of the Feast of Tabernacles, on October 13, 2025, (the anniversary of the fall of Babylon), Mr. Trump signed a peace agreement in Egypt aimed at ending the war in Gaza following a ceasefire and the release of hostages. Both Mr. Obama and Mr. Trump were proclaimed as peacemakers on the seventh day of the Feast of Tabernacles. They both want to be the peacemakers, the saviors of Israel, America and the entire world. Only Christ is the true Savior and Peacemaker for Israel, America and for the world.

The American people have looked to their leaders, especially their president, to be a savior. As Christians, we know that only Christ can save us and this world is not our home. We should be calling for repentance and preaching the gospel, not looking to corrupt politicians to save our nation. We now have a man in office who makes even former President Obama look good. A man who is a liar, a narcissist, a rapist and sexual abuser of women and children, a schemer full of greed who will do anything to save himself – a complete con artist. Yet still many Christians in America continue to blindly follow him as he leads the nation to its destruction.

Luke 8:17 - *For there is nothing hidden that will not be disclosed, and nothing concealed that will not be known or brought out into the open.*

Perhaps you've been noticing that many leaders in the church, government, and positions of power have been exposed for sexual abuse over the last few months, especially with the release of the Epstein files. The Day of the Lord is a time of judgment and exposing of sin, both in the body of Christ and in the world.



Daniel 8:23-27 - *"In the latter part of their reign, **when rebels have become completely wicked, a fierce-looking king, a master of intrigue, will arise.** He will become very strong, but not by his own power. He will cause astounding devastation and will succeed in whatever he does. He will destroy those who are mighty, the holy people. He will **cause deceit to prosper, and he will consider himself superior. When they feel secure, he will destroy many** and take his stand against the Prince of princes. Yet he will be destroyed, but not by human power.*

If you have looked into the Epstein files at all, I'm sure you can agree that rebels have truly become completely wicked. Why is the Lord bringing these things to light at this time? I believe it is so that when His judgment falls in 2026, it will be clear to everyone who is aware of the deep level of depravity taking place around the world, why He is allowing such devastation to come on the world. Wickedness has become so rampant in the world, even in the body of Christ. It is as if the world and many within the church have no fear of the Lord and no fear of judgment.

Revelation 18:7-8 - *In her heart she boasts, 'I sit enthroned as queen. I am not a widow; **I will never mourn**.' Therefore **in one day** her plagues will overtake her: death, mourning and famine. She will be consumed by fire, for mighty is the Lord God who judges her.*

God is not mocked. Whatever you sow, you will reap. Whatever a nation sows, it will reap. The United

States is the queen of Revelation 18. She has started wars and acted with such pride and arrogance. She has thought she was invincible, that her military was the strongest in the world. She has elected yet another leader with no moral compass who continuously lies to them. The Day of the Lord has come for America, Israel and for the entire world. The sin will be exposed. What has been hidden will be brought into the open for all to see. And in 2026, both America and Israel will fall. They will be consumed by fire, for mighty is the Lord God who judges them.

Zechariah 14:1-5 - *A **day of the Lord is coming**, **Jerusalem**, when your possessions will be plundered and divided up within your very walls. **I will gather all the nations to Jerusalem to fight against it; the city will be captured, the houses ransacked, and the women raped. Half of the city will go into exile, but the rest of the people will not be taken from the city**. Then the Lord will go out and fight against those nations, as he fights on a day of battle. On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will be split in two from east to west, forming a great valley, with half of the mountain moving north and half moving south. You will flee by my mountain valley, for it will extend to Azel. You will flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. T**hen the Lord my God will come, and all the holy ones with him.***

Before the return of Christ to the earth at the end of Hanukkah in January 2027, Jerusalem will be captured. I believe this prophecy is speaking of the literal Jerusalem as well as the New Jerusalem (the Bride of Christ). The Lord told us that one would be taken and the other left at the time of the rapture. I believe that not all Christians will be taken in the firstfruits rapture, only those who are pure in heart and have been found worthy to escape all that is about to come on the earth. I also believe Jerusalem will be captured and that half of the people will be taken into exile as Zechariah prophesied.

Luke 21:36 - "*Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted **worthy to escape all these things** that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."*

Matthew 24 vs Luke 21

Luke 21:20-24 - *"**When you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, you will know that its desolation is near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains**, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city. For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! There will be great distress in the land and wrath against this people. They will fall by the sword and will be taken as prisoners to all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled."*

Matthew 24:15-22 -*"**So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader understand—then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.** Let no one on the housetop go down to take anything out of the house. Let no one in the field go back to get their cloak. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the*

beginning of the world until now—and never to be equaled again. If those days had not been shortened, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened."

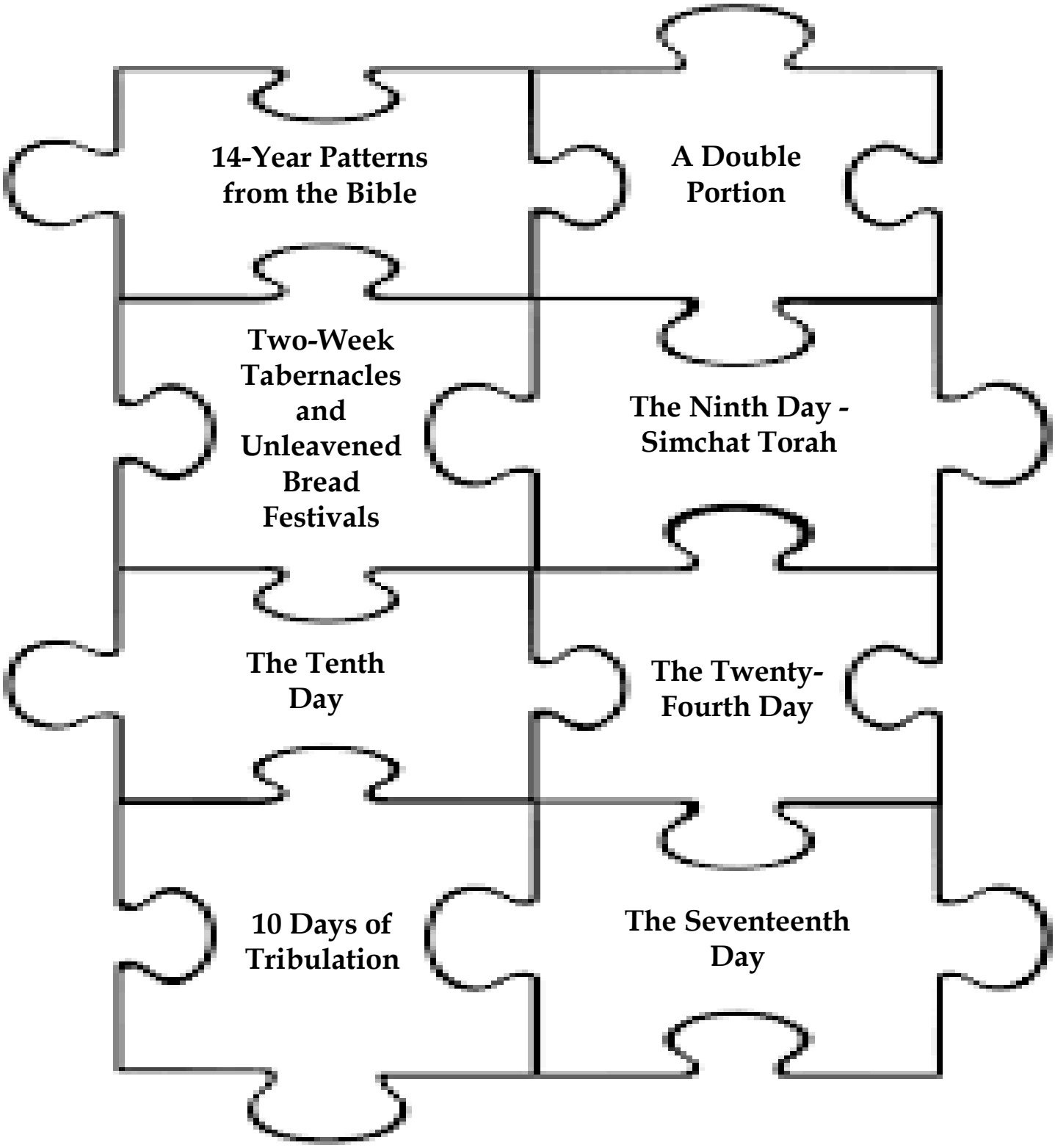
We see much of the same wording in Luke 21 and Matthew 24 when the Lord speaks to us about the end-time events. However, in Matthew 24, we see the abomination that causes desolation mentioned and someone standing in the holy place where he does not belong. In Luke 21, we see a completely different sign that we are to watch for regarding the desolation taking place. That sign is Jerusalem being surrounded by armies. We are right now beginning to witness the fulfillment of Luke 21 with the war in Iran. I believe the nations surrounding Israel are about to come together to fight against Israel and Jerusalem will be left desolate. The city will be captured. And then a time of great judgment will take place on the earth known as the Great Tribulation.

We can see in Matthew 24 that the desolation event is connected to someone standing in the holy place where he did not belong, an abomination to the Lord (2013). However, the Lord delayed His judgment (see Matthew 25 and Revelation 10) because of the prayers of His people, as was foreshadowed in the stories of Jonah and Esther. We can see in Luke 21 that the desolation event is connected to Jerusalem being surrounded by armies. This time, the Lord will not delay and His judgment will take place. But the days of Great Tribulation will be shortened from 3.5 years to just 5 months.

So, let's look at this amazing puzzle and how the Lord hid so masterfully in His Word that the year 2026 would be the "Day of the Lord". After that, we will look at how the Scriptures point us to a 5-month judgment, a 7-week judgment, and the exact dates of the 3 woe events of Revelation.

Chapter 6

Puzzle Pieces 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 & 29



14-Year Patterns from the Bible

In the Scriptures, we see 2 very significant periods of 14 years. The first is when there was a 7-year period of abundance followed by a 7-year period of famine in the time of Joseph. You can read this story in Genesis 41-47. The other significant 14-year period is found in the story of Jacob, who worked for 7 years to marry Rachel, but was deceived by Laban into marrying her sister Leah. He then had to work another 7 years in order to marry his true love, Rachel. The Scriptures tell us in Genesis 29:20 - *So Jacob served seven years to get Rachel, but they seemed like only a few days to him because of his love for her.* So in all, Jacob had to work for 14 years to marry his true love Rachel, not 7 years as he had first been told.

Could these 2 stories in the Scriptures foreshadow to us that the Lord was going to double the 7-year period of Daniel's seventieth week, and make it a 14-year period? We know that the fall of 2009 began the seventieth week of Daniel, or this 7-year period, mentioned in Daniel 9:27. If the Lord is doubling Daniel's seventieth week, then the 14 years ended in 2023, during the Feast of Tabernacles and Hanukkah.

Daniel 9:27 – *"And he shall confirm a covenant with many for ONE 'seven'."* The word used in Hebrew for "one" is ***'eḥāḏ*** and it can also mean "**first**". *"And he shall confirm a covenant with many for the **FIRST 'seven'"*** is a possible interpretation for this verse. **Whenever you have the word "first", it implies that there is also a "second"**. So, if the correct interpretation of this verse is using the word "first" rather than "one", then there must be a second week added to Daniel's seventieth week. Thirty-six times in the Old Testament this word *'eḥāḏ* is translated as "first" rather than "one".

A Double Portion

Deuteronomy 21:17 - *But he shall acknowledge the firstborn, the son of the unloved, by giving him **a double portion** of all that he has, for he is the beginning of his strength; to him belongs the right of the firstborn.*

Ezekiel 47:13 - *Thus says the Lord God, "This shall be the boundary by which you shall divide the land for an inheritance among the twelve tribes of Israel; Joseph **shall have two portions**.*

1 Samuel 1:5 - *But to Hannah he would give **a double portion**, for he loved Hannah, but the Lord had closed her womb.*

2 Kings 2:9 - *When they had crossed over, Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask what I shall do for you before I am taken from you." And Elisha said, "Please, let **a double portion** of your spirit be upon me."*

Job 42:10 - *The Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he prayed for his friends, and the Lord increased all that Job had **twofold**.*

Isaiah 61:7 - *Instead of your shame you will have **a double portion**, and instead of humiliation*

*they will shout for joy over their portion. Therefore they will possess **a double portion** in their land, everlasting joy will be theirs.*

Zechariah 9:12 - *Return to the stronghold, oh prisoners who have the hope; this very day I am declaring that **I will restore double** to you.*

We see over and over in the Scriptures that the Lord loves to give a double portion of blessing to His people. Is it possible that the Lord has doubled Daniel's seventieth week to a 14-year period?

Two-Week Tabernacles and Unleavened Bread Festivals

1 Kings 8:65 - *So Solomon observed the festival at that time, and all Israel with him—a vast assembly, people from Lebo Hamath to the Wadi of Egypt. They celebrated it before the LORD our God for seven days and seven days more**, fourteen days in all**.*

2 Chronicles 30:23 - *The whole assembly then agreed to **celebrate the festival seven more days; so for another seven days they celebrated joyfully**.*

Two times in the Scriptures we see the Israelites celebrated their 7-day festivals for 14 days. The first time was in 1 Kings 8, when the Feast of Tabernacles was celebrated for 2 weeks. The second is in 2 Chronicles 30 when the Passover festival was celebrated for 2 full weeks, rather than just one. In both cases, the celebration was so tremendous that the people simply did not want to stop and go home, but insisted that the festivities continue for an additional week.

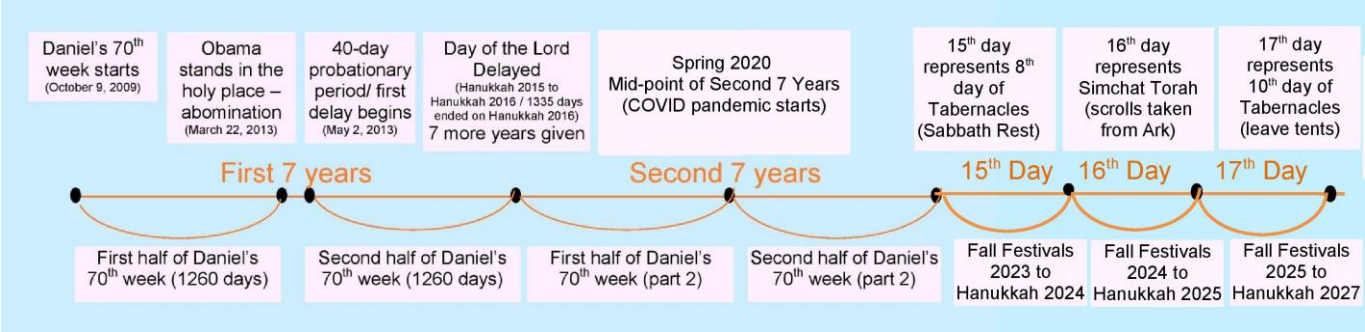
I believe the Lord is patterning Daniel's seventieth week after the Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Feast of Tabernacles. In Daniel's seventieth week, each day is equal to a year. Therefore, the seventh day is the seventh year. But, if the Lord is doubling it and making it a 14-day period, or 14-year period, then it would be last for 14 years. If Daniel's seventieth week started during the Feast of Tabernacles and Hanukkah in 2009, then the fourteenth year would have ended during the Feast of Tabernacles and Hanukkah in 2023. The fourteenth year would represent the seventh day of Unleavened Bread, a Sabbath. But unlike the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the Feast of Tabernacles had an eighth day added – and rather than the Jewish people being told to rest on the first and seventh days (as in the Feast of Unleavened Bread), they are told to rest on the first and eighth day. The fall of 2023 to Hanukkah of 2024 was a representation of the eighth day. The Lord doubled Daniel's seventieth week to 14 years and then the fifteenth year represented the eighth day of the Feast of Tabernacles. It was a Sabbath rest. Because the 7 years were doubled, this would push back the ninth year to the sixteenth year counting from the fall of 2009. The Lord seems to be showing us that both the seventh and eighth days will be a Sabbath rest and the ninth and tenth days would be the time of the fulfillment of the prophecies regarding His return to the earth.

The Ninth Day - Simchat Torah

The Jewish people have added a ninth day to the Feast of Tabernacles called Simchat Torah. It has replaced the seventh day of Tabernacles as the most festive day of the year. It is on this day that the

scrolls are taken out of the ark and the Jewish people will stay up late into the night dancing and rejoicing. In Orthodox as well as many Conservative congregations, this is the only time of year on which the Torah scrolls are taken out of the ark and read at night.

Revelation 5 - *Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals." And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth."*



Because the Lord doubled Daniel's seventieth week, the fourteenth year counting from the fall of 2009 began in the fall of 2022 and ended in the fall of 2023 and represents the seventh day. The fifteenth year began in the fall of 2023 and ended in the fall of 2024 and represents the eighth day. The sixteenth year began in the fall of 2024 and ended in the fall of 2025 and represents the ninth day (Simchat Torah). The final year of the puzzle began in the fall of 2025 and extends to the following Hanukkah, which because the Jewish calendar started a month too early in 2026, will start on January 1, 2027, when Hanukkah Eve (the twenty-fourth day of Kislev) will begin on God's calendar at sunset in Israel.

The Tenth Day

2 Corinthians 5:1 - *For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands.*

During the Feast of Tabernacles, the Jewish people leave their homes to go live in tents, or tabernacles. They return to their permanent homes on the tenth day, symbolizing when we leave our earthly bodies to go to our permanent home with Christ and are given a new body that will never die.

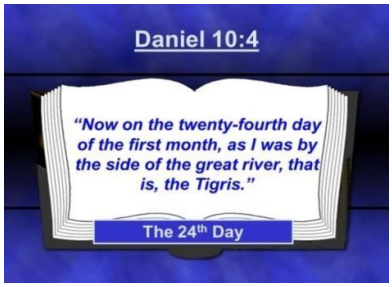
The tenth day counting from the Feast of Unleavened Bread is when the Lord appeared to Daniel and spoke to him of a great war involving Michael the archangel, the resurrection of the dead and a great deliverance of God's people. It was on the tenth day counting from the Feast of Tabernacles when the Jewish people found the Book of the Law and put on sackcloth and fasted and repented of their sins. It

was also on the tenth day of the first Biblical month when the Israelites crossed the Jordan River into their Promised Land. It is also on the tenth day of the seventh Biblical month when the Israelites observe the Day of Atonement, the most holy day of the year.

We are now living in the tenth year (day) counting from the second seven-year period that began in the fall of 2016, at the time of the first election of Donald Trump as the US president. I believe all of these patterns from the Scriptures that point us to the tenth day are meant to be a foreshadow to us of what will take place from the seventh day of Tabernacles in 2025, when President Trump signed the peace accords in Egypt, until the end of Hanukkah in January 2027. This is the "Day of the Lord" and final year of God's amazing end-time puzzle.

The tenth day counting from the start of the Feast of Unleavened Bread is the twenty-fourth day of the first month of Nisan. The tenth day counting from the start of the Feast of Tabernacles is the twenty-fourth day of the seventh month of Tishrei. The Scripture has much to say about the twenty-fourth day of the month on the Jewish calendar.

The Twenty-Fourth Day



Daniel 10:4-6 ***On the twenty-fourth day*** *of the first month, as I was standing on the bank of the great river, the Tigris, I looked up and there before me was a man dressed in linen, with a belt of fine gold from Uphaz around his waist. His body was like topaz, his face like lightning, his eyes like flaming torches, his arms and legs like the gleam of burnished bronze, and his voice like the* ***SOUND OF A MULTITUDE****.*

Nehemiah 9:1-2 *On the* ***twenty-fourth day*** *of the seventh month, the Israelites gathered together,* ***fasting and wearing sackcloth*** *and putting dust on their heads. Those of Israelite descent had separated themselves from all foreigners. They stood in their places and confessed their sins and the sins of their ancestors.*

Zechariah 1:7-8 - *On the* ***twenty-fourth day*** *of the eleventh month, the month of Shebat, in the second year of Darius, the word of the Lord came to the prophet Zechariah son of Berekiah, the son of Iddo. During the night I had a vision, and there before me was a man mounted on a* ***red horse****. He was standing among the myrtle trees in a ravine. Behind him were* ***red, brown and white horses****.*

Haggai 1:13-15 - *Then Haggai, the LORD's messenger, gave this message of the LORD to the people: "I am with you," declares the LORD. So the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua son of Jozadak, the high priest, and the spirit of the whole remnant of the people. They came and began to work on the house of the LORD Almighty, their God, on the* ***twenty-fourth day*** *of the sixth month.*

Haggai 2: *The word of the Lord came to Haggai a second time on the* ***twenty-fourth day*** *of the*

*ninth month: "Tell Zerubbabel governor of Judah that **I am going to shake the heavens and the earth**. I will overturn royal thrones and shatter the power of the foreign kingdoms. I will overthrow chariots and their drivers; horses and their riders will fall, each by the sword of his brother. On that day," declares the Lord Almighty, "I will take you, my servant Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel," declares the Lord, "and I will make you like my signet ring, for I have chosen you," declares the Lord Almighty.*

What do all of these verses from the Old Testament prophets have in common? They were all events that took place or words given to the prophets Daniel, Nehemiah, Zechariah and Haggai on the **twenty-fourth days** of the month, and they all foreshadow the coming of the Lord on this day.

It was on the twenty-fourth day of the seventh month (tenth day counting from the start of the Feast of Tabernacles) that the Jewish people put on sackcloth, a foreshadow of the two witnesses (left-behind saints) that will wear sackcloth (sign of repentance) and turn back to God after the firstfruits rapture takes place.

Revelation 11:3 - *And I will appoint my two witnesses, and they will prophesy… **clothed in sackcloth**.*

The book of Zechariah is a prelude to the book of Revelation. There is a great deal of symbolism that we find in both books that very clearly line up with each other. In Zechariah 1:7, we read about how the Lord spoke to Zechariah on the twenty-fourth day of the eleventh month. He shows him the start of the Great Tribulation, release of the horsemen of the apocalypse, nuclear war, the golden lampstand and the olive trees, and numerous other symbolic things that we see in the book of Revelation. In chapter 2, we see the Great Escape, or rapture event.

We see in Haggai 1, that the Israelites began to rebuild their ruined temple on the twenty-fourth day of the sixth month. Then, in Haggai 2, the Lord speaks to the prophet Haggai on the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month and declares that He will shake the heavens and the earth. There are numerous other things he speaks to him about on the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month if you go back to read that chapter.

The twenty-fourth day of Nisan (first month) would be the tenth day counting from the start of the Feast of Unleavened Bread. The twenty-fourth day of Tishrei (seventh month) would be the tenth day counting from the start of the Feast of Tabernacles. It was on the twenty-fourth day of the first month that the Lord appeared to Daniel and His voice was like the sound of a multitude.

Daniel 10:4-6 - *On the twenty-fourth day of the first month, as I was standing on the bank of the great river, the Tigris, I looked up and there before me was a man dressed in linen, with a belt of fine gold from Uphaz around his waist. His body was like topaz, his face like lightning, his eyes like flaming torches, his arms and legs like the gleam of burnished bronze, and his voice like the **SOUND OF A MULTITUDE**.*

Revelation 19:1,6-8 - *After this I heard what sounded like the roar of **A GREAT MULTITUDE** in*

*heaven shouting: "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, for true and just are his judgments"... Then I heard what sounded like **A GREAT MULTITUDE**, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! **For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready."***

Daniel 10:12-13 - *"Do not be afraid, Daniel. **Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard**, and I have come in response to them. But the prince of the Persian kingdom **resisted me twenty-one days**. **Then Michael**, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia."*

The Scriptures in Daniel 10 and Revelation 19 go together. Daniel sees the Lord after a 21-day delay. This would point us to the twenty-first day of the month, or the seventh day of Unleavened Bread/Tabernacles. However, the Lord does not appear to Daniel until the twenty-fourth day of the month, pointing us to the tenth day counting from Unleavened Bread/Tabernacles. In the puzzle, this would line up with the year 2026, if we count the doubling of the seven years and then add an additional three years to that.

The voice that he hears is like the voice of a **GREAT MULTITUDE**, which leads us to Revelation 19, where we hear a **GREAT MULTITUDE** at the start of the wedding of the Lamb.

Revelation 12 is also connected to Daniel 10 & 12. In both passages, we see **a great war and Michael comes to fight**. In Daniel 10, the Lord appears to Daniel **on the twenty-fourth day of the first month**. In Revelation 12, we see the Bride escape to the place prepared for her by God, out of the serpent's reach.

Daniel 10:1 - *In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia, a revelation was given to Daniel (who was called Belteshazzar). Its message was true **and it concerned a great war**.*

Revelation 12: 7 - *Then **war broke out in heaven**. **Michael and his angels fought against the dragon**, and the dragon and his angels fought back.*

Revelation 12:6, 14 - *The woman fled into the wilderness to **a place prepared for her by God**, where she might be taken care of… The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the **place prepared for** her in the wilderness, where she would be taken care of… out of the serpent's reach.*

Daniel 10:13 - *But the prince of the Persian kingdom **resisted me twenty-one days**. **Then Michael,** one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia (modern-day Iran).*

It was on the **twenty-fourth day** that the angel of the Lord spoke these words to Daniel: *"At that time **Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then.***

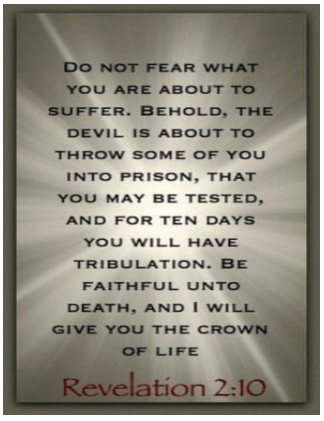
***But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake**: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever…**When the power of the holy people has been finally broken, all these things will be completed**."* (Daniel 12:1-3, 7b)

The war with Iran (Persia) that began in 2026 started on the tenth day (year), counting from the end of Daniel's seventieth week in 2016. I believe the year 2026 is the prophetic fulfillment of the twenty-fourth day of the first month, or tenth day counting from the start of the Feast of Unleavened Bread/Tabernacles, when the Lord appeared to Daniel and His voice was like the sound of a multitude (see Revelation 19:6-8). It was on the twenty-fourth day of the first month that the Lord spoke all of these amazing prophecies regarding a war with Persia (modern-day Iran), the resurrection of the dead, deliverance of God's people (rapture) and left a huge clue pointing us to the wedding of the Lamb.

10 Days of Tribulation

Daniel 1 - *The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be **trained for three years**, and after that they were to enter the king's service… But Daniel **resolved not to defile himself** with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission **not to defile himself** this way… "Please **test your servants for ten days**: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see." So he agreed to this and **tested them for ten days.***

Revelation 14: 4-5 - *These are those who **did not defile themselves** with women, for they remained virgins. They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among mankind and offered as **firstfruits** to God and the Lamb. No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless.*



Revelation 2:10 - *Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and **you will have tribulation ten days**. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.*

Acts 16:25-26 - ***About midnight** Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such **a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken**. **At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose.***

Matthew 25:6 - ***At midnight** the cry rang out: "Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!"*

I believe all of these verses are connected in this puzzle. We see the firstfruits are offered to the Lord, those who **did not defile themselves with women**, but remained virgins, or pure in heart. And look at this amazing clue the Lord left for us – defile themselves with women! Look at how the Lord is revealing all of the sexual sin in the church and the government and the world, powerful men defiling themselves with women. This is another clue the Lord hid in His Word pointing us to 2026 as the "Day of the Lord", a time when sin is exposed and God's judgment begins.

We see a 10-day period of testing in Daniel 1. We can see a 10-day period of tribulation in Revelation 2:10 before we are set free and released from prison. This reminds us of Paul and Silas, who were set free from their chains while in prison at about midnight. We see a cry that goes out at midnight and the chains coming off Paul and Silas at midnight.

I believe the Lord is telling us in Revelation 2:10 that He was going to add an additional 10 days (years) to His amazing puzzle. Jesus told us that while we are in the world, we will have tribulation. He was telling us that we, as His people, would still be in the world for an additional 10 years enduring tribulation. This tribulation is different than the "Great Tribulation" that is mentioned in Revelation 7, which will begin in August 2026, at the opening of the Abyss.

Daniel's seventieth week was to have ended during Hanukkah in 2016. The Lord doubled Daniel's seventieth week and then added an additional three years, to make the puzzle a total of seventeen years in length. He showed us numerous times in the Scriptures that He would return on the tenth day counting from the start of Unleavened Bread/Tabernacles. Because the Jewish calendar is off by a month in 2026, Hanukkah Eve will begin at sunset on January 1, 2027, and I believe we will witness the second woe, or second rapture/harvest event at this time. The New Millennium will begin on January 1, 2027, and just as the Israelites celebrated the Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Feast of Tabernacles for **TWO WEEKS** because the celebration was so great, so also we will celebrate Hanukkah (the second Tabernacles Festival) for **TWO WEEKS**, from January 2-16, 2027, before returning to the earth with the Lord to rule and reign for 1000 years.

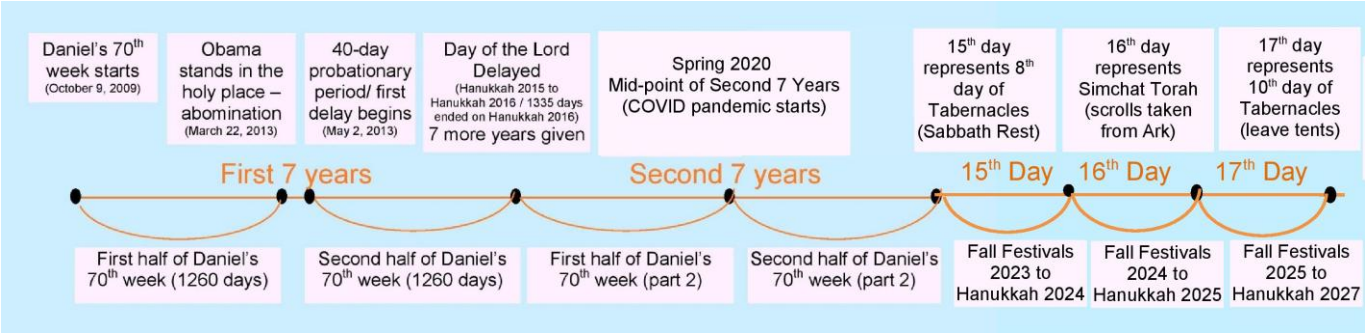
Notice also that there was a **THREE YEAR** period of training in Daniel 1. We are going to look more at this three year period (2023-2026) and how it was foreshadowed to us in the story of Hanukkah in the next chapter. We are also going to look again at this piece of the puzzle later in the book to see another fulfillment of the **TEN DAYS OF TRIBULATION** mentioned in Revelation 2:10.

The Seventeenth Day

So, the puzzle lasts for 17 years, from the seventh day of Tabernacles and Hanukkah Eve in 2009, until Hanukkah Eve on January 1, 2027. Seventeen is an interesting number in the Bible. The number seventeen relates to the significance of the numbers ten and seven. In other words, the number 17 expresses complete (10) sanctification. The meaning of the number 17 is that of "overcoming the enemy" and "complete victory."

God overcame the sins of rebellious humans when he began to flood the earth through rain on the **seventeenth** day of the second Hebrew month. Noah's ark and its eight passengers rested on the

mountains of Ararat on the **seventeenth** day of the seventh Hebrew month. Jesus Christ gained a complete victory over death and the grave when God resurrected Him on the **seventeenth** day of the first Biblical month of Nisan.



Daniel 7 mentions 4 beasts with a total of seven heads and ten horns, for a total number of 17. The devil's end-time system (Revelation 13) will have seven heads and ten horns, which totals 17. All mankind will very soon obey and worship the devil and the beast power. They will war against those who have faith in Jesus and keep the commandments, thus achieving a victory (though short-lived) against God's people. True Christians, however, will gain the ultimate victory over God's adversaries when He resurrects them back to life (Revelation 15:2; 20:4). One of the major themes of the Day of Atonement (commonly referred to as Yom Kippur), which occurs in the seventh Hebrew month on the tenth day, is the binding of Satan (see Revelation 20). Thus, 10 plus 7 equals the number 17, which testifies to Christ's perfect overcoming of Satan.

Genesis 7:11 - ***On the seventeenth day*** *of the second month, when Noah was 600 years old, the springs under the earth broke through the ground, and water flowed out everywhere.*

Matthew 24:37 - *But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

Jubilees 3:17 - *And after the completion of the seven years, which he had completed there, seven years exactly, and in the second month,* ***on the seventeenth day*** *(of the month), the serpent came and approached the woman, and the* ***serpent*** *said to the woman, 'Hath God commanded you, saying, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'*

Revelation 12: 15 - *So the* ***serpent*** *spewed water out of his mouth like a* ***flood*** *after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood.*

Genesis 8:4 - *"In the seventh month,* ***on the seventeenth day*** *of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat"*

All of these Scriptures come together like puzzle pieces to point us to the seventeenth day as a significant date. We see in Genesis 7:11 how that the **flood** started on the seventeenth day of the second month. We see in the Book of Jubilees chapter 3 that the fall of man also took place on the seventeenth day of the second month, when the **serpent** came after the woman. We see in Revelation 12 that the **serpent** comes after the woman, but she is taken to a place prepared for her by God out of the serpent's reach for a "time,

times and half a time". We also see in Revelation 12 the serpent casting water out as a flood pointing us back to the **flood** in Noah's day that started on the seventeenth day of the second month. Jesus said that as it was in the days of Noah, so it would be at the coming of the Son of Man, making a clear connection to the flood and the final judgment of the earth before He returns. The seventeenth day is marked by God as the day when authority of the earth is returned to Satan and also the day when God's judgment of the earth will begin. We see in Genesis 8 that the **ark rested** on the seventeenth day, foreshadowing the rest of the Lord starting for those who are taken in the firstfruits rapture on the seventeenth day. And perhaps most importantly of all, the **resurrection** of Christ took place on the seventeenth day of the first month, a foreshadow of the **resurrection of the dead** taking place on the seventeenth day counting from the start of Daniel's seventieth week!

I believe that just as the Israelites celebrated the Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Feast of Tabernacles for two weeks because the celebration was so great, so also we will celebrate the wedding Feast of Hanukkah, the second Tabernacles festival for two weeks (14 days). Surely if the Israelites' celebration was so tremendous that they continued for another week, then the wedding feast in heaven will be far more glorious and will need to be celebrated for an additional week as well! This means that the Feast of Hanukkah would not end until January 16, 2027. I believe the Second Coming of Christ to the earth will take place on January 17, 2027, representing both the **resurrection of Christ on the seventeenth day of the first Biblical month and the ark resting on the seventeenth day of the seventh month**, which is the first month on the Jewish civil calendar. Truly the seventeenth day is an important day in this puzzle!

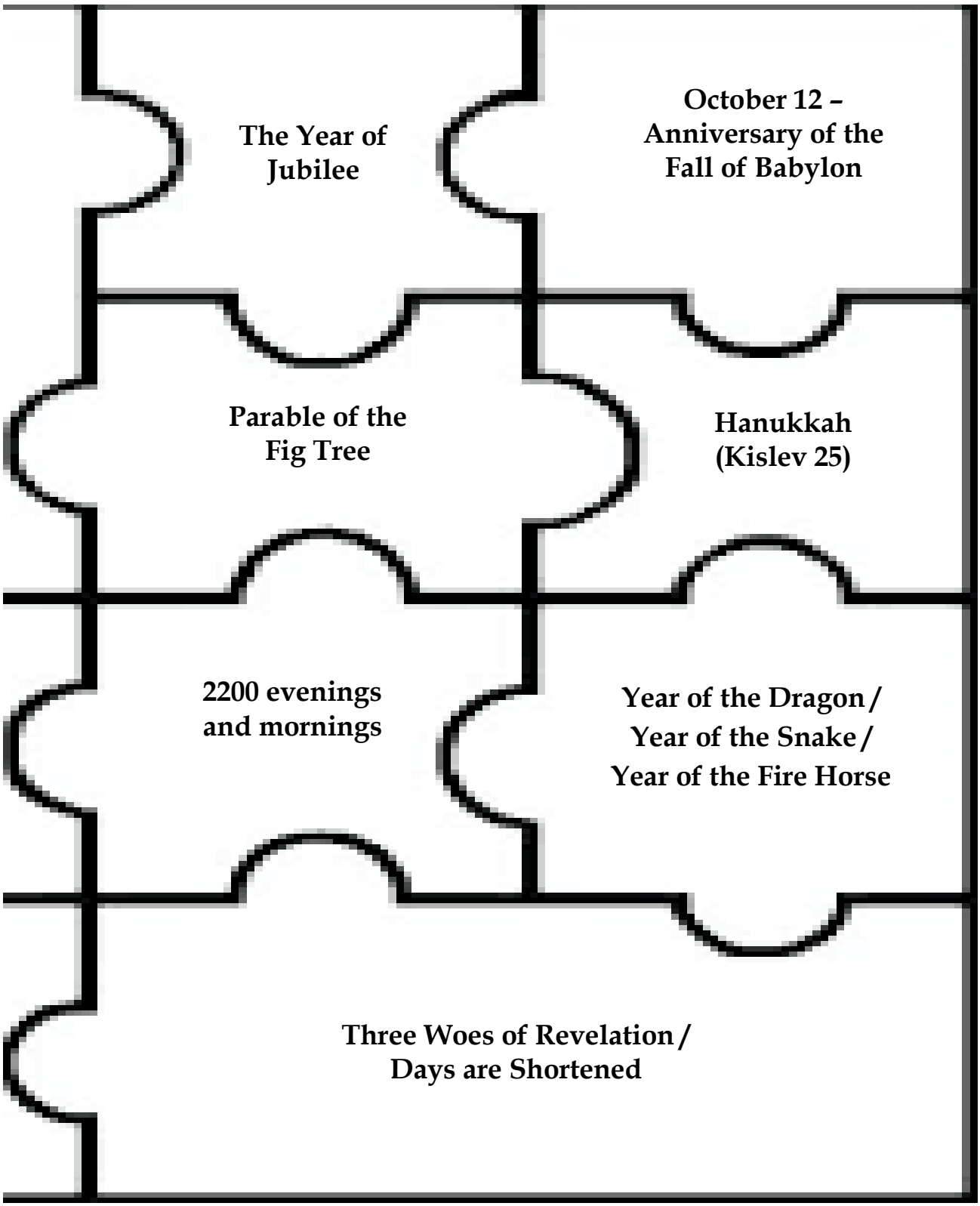
2 Peter 3 - *By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly… But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat.*

This time, the judgment that comes on the seventeenth day (2026) will be one of fire, not rain. I believe the Scriptures are pointing to a meteor or asteroid hitting the earth and causing massive devastation as the earth shakes. I believe we will witness massive tsunamis, and fires all over the earth. We will also likely witness solar flares that cause massive damage as well as fires to flare up all over the planet.

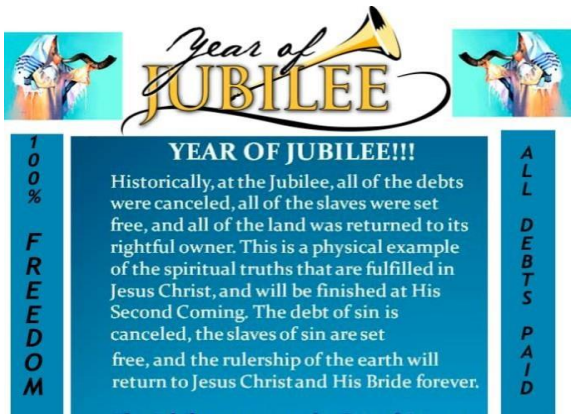
We are going to look again at this piece of the puzzle later in the book to see how God's judgment will once again start on the seventeenth day of Chesvan, Thanksgiving Day (November 26, 2026), the very day that Adam and Eve fell and the very day that the flood began in the time of Noah.

Chapter 7

Puzzle Pieces 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 & 36



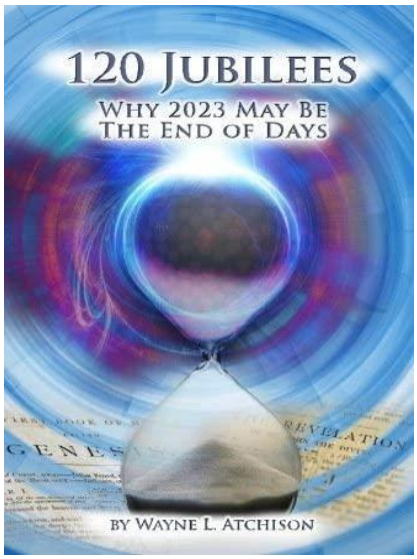
The Year of Jubilee



Leviticus 25: *The Lord said to Moses at Mount Sinai, "Speak to the Israelites and say to them: '**When you enter the land I am going to give you**, the land itself must observe a sabbath to the Lord…**Count off seven sabbath years—seven times seven years—so that the seven sabbath years amount to a period of forty-nine years. Then have the trumpet sounded everywhere on the tenth day of the seventh month; on the Day of Atonement sound the trumpet throughout your land. Consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you; each of you is to return to your family property and to your own clan.** The fiftieth year shall be a jubilee for you; do not sow and do not reap what grows of itself or harvest the untended vines. **For it is a jubilee and is to be holy for you**; eat only what is taken directly from the fields. In this Year of Jubilee everyone is to return to their own property."*

What is this "Year of Jubilee" all about? It was and still is about FREEDOM! Perhaps we should call it the, "Year of Freedom"! Slaves were to be set free, property returned to its rightful owner. It was a Sabbath year of rest for God's people and for the land. Every fiftieth year, the trumpet was to sound and the Year of Jubilee was to be proclaimed on the Day of Atonement.

Most of us witnessed the proclamation of the Jubilee Year on September 23, 2015, as Jonathan Cahn and many other prophecy scholars believed that this was the start of the Year of Jubilee. The reason for this was that counting 49 prophetic years (360 days each) from June 7, 1967, brought you to September 23, 2015, the Day of Atonement, which is when the Year of Jubilee was to be proclaimed. This was also the end of the blood moons and solar eclipses on the Jewish feast days, as well as the end of a Jewish Shemitah cycle. However, the Lord added another 7 years to His amazing puzzle to account for the 7 years between Creation and the fall of man (see Jubilees 3). The proclamation of the final Year of Jubilee was to have taken place in the fall of 2022, on the Day of Atonement and the Jubilee Year was to have been from the fall of 2022 until Hanukkah of 2023.



In his book, *120 Jubilees: Why 2023 May Be The End Of Days*, Wayne L. Atchison demonstrated the historical timeline of the Jubilees Cycle started at Creation. Using only verifiable historical records, this book reconstructs the Jubilee Cycle used in history to record events. Included are the verifiable dates for the Exodus, and many other historical events that were dated relative to the Jubilee Cycle. There are enough objective historical records to demonstrate that this timeline cannot be shifted in either direction, not even by one year. This timeline then becomes the backbone for reconstructing all of

chronology, when the final year of Jubilee began. Mr. Atchison used many historical documents to reconstruct the Jubilee Cycle, such as the Talmud, the Book of Jubilees, the Old Testament, books written by the historian Josephus, the Mishnah, the Palestinian and Babylonian Talmudim, the "Elephantine Letters" as well as tombstones that have references to Sabbatical years and land rental contracts from thousands of years ago. Amazingly, Mr. Atchison was writing his book about 2023 being the Year of Jubilee in 2009, when the 14 years were just starting with the first of the final 2 "weeks" of 7 years. In his closing remarks in the Introduction part of his book, he writes: "We really are living in the last days! At the time of this writing September 2023 is only 14 years away. That is why everyone needs to read this book!" Indeed, the Lord was giving us all a 14-year heads up by having him write this book at the start of the first part of Daniel's seventieth week.

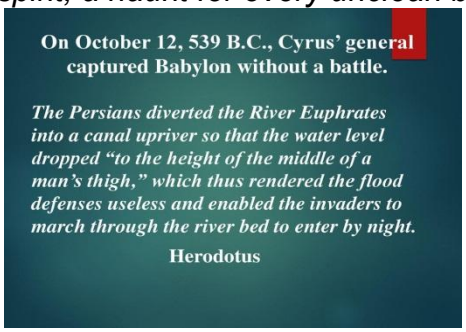
Historically, at the Jubilee, all of the debts were canceled, all of the slaves were set free, and all of the land was returned to its rightful owner. This is a physical example of the spiritual truths that are fulfilled in Jesus Christ and will be finished at the 2 harvest events and at His Second Coming to earth. The debt of sin is canceled, the slaves of sin are set free, and the rulership of the earth will return to Jesus Christ and His Bride forever.

I believe that the final Year of Jubilee was to have been proclaimed on the Day of Atonement in 2022. However, the fall of 2022 to the fall of 2023 represented the seventh day of Unleavened Bread in God's amazing puzzle, a Sabbath rest. The fall of 2023 to the fall of 2024 represented the eighth day of Tabernacles in God's amazing puzzle, also a Sabbath rest. The fall of 2024 to the fall of 2025 represented the ninth day (Simchat Torah). The fall of 2025 to Hanukkah Eve (January 1/2, 2027) represents the tenth day, when we will leave our tents to go to our permanent homes to be with the Lord forever. We will look at this final 3-day (or 3-year) delay later in this chapter.

October 12 – Anniversary of the Fall of Babylon

Revelation 14:8 - *A second angel followed and said, "'**Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great**,' which made all the nations drink the maddening wine of her adulteries."*

Revelation 18 - *After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven. He had great authority, and the earth was illuminated by his splendor. With a mighty voice he shouted: "'**Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great!**' She has become a dwelling for demons and a haunt for every impure spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable animal. For all the nations have drunk the maddening wine of her adulteries. The kings of the earth committed adultery with her, and the merchants of the earth grew rich from her excessive luxuries." Then I heard another voice from heaven say: "**Come out of her, my people**, so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues; for her sins are piled up to heaven, and God has remembered her crimes."*



In Revelation 18, we see the Lord giving us a clue pointing to the seventh day of Tabernacles on October

13, 2025, as the start of the final "Day of the Lord". We see the angel cry out, "Come out of her, my people", which is very similar wording to what we see in Zechariah 2: "Come, Zion! Escape, you who live in Daughter Babylon!" The fall of Babylon took place on October 12/13 in 539 BC. The Scriptures mention the word "fallen" two times, indicating that just as Babylon has fallen once, so she will fall again. This day (October 13, 2025) represents the start of the fall of modern-day Babylon, the system of this world that is anti-Christ. Mr. Trump signed a peace agreement with numerous countries on the seventh day of Tabernacles and anniversary of the fall of Babylon on October 13, 2025, to start the final "Day of the Lord".

Parable of the Fig Tree

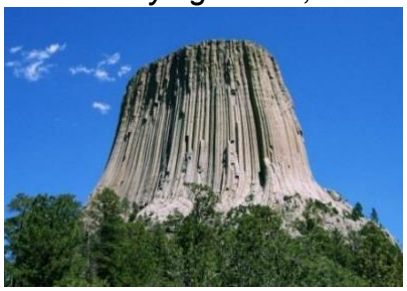
So, why did the "Day of the Lord" not take place from the fall of 2022 to the fall of 2023 during the Year of Jubilee?

Luke 13: 6-9 - *Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' "'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'"*

In the Scriptures, the fig tree represents Israel. However, in this particular parable, I believe it represents America, which was a nation started by the Pilgrims to be a "New Israel". We see that the owner of the tree is ready to cut the tree down after 3 years, but the gardener asks for one final year to see if the tree will bear fruit. The tree represents the nation of America.



In Daniel 4, King Nebuchadnezzar had a vision of a large tree that was cut down and only a stump remained. In Daniel 4, we read: *"These are the visions I saw while lying in bed: I looked, and there before me stood a tree in the middle of the land. Its height was enormous. The tree grew large and strong and its top touched the sky; it was visible to the ends of the earth. Its leaves were beautiful, its fruit abundant, and on it was food for all. Under it the wild animals found shelter, and the birds lived in its branches; from it every creature was fed. In the visions I saw while lying in bed, I looked, and there before me was a holy one, a messenger, coming down from heaven. He called in a loud voice: 'Cut down the tree and trim off its branches; strip off its leaves and scatter its fruit. Let the animals flee from under it and the birds from its branches. But let the stump and its roots, bound with iron and bronze, remain in the ground, in the grass of the field."*



The first national monument in America is called Devil's Tower. It looks exactly like a huge tree stump – as if a huge tree had been growing that would have covered the land and it was cut down. America is the nation that has fed the world – both physically and spiritually.

America was founded as a Christian nation – a nation that would represent God to the world, just as Israel had once been commissioned by God to do. America is known as the Beautiful. I believe this vision that King Nebuchadnezzar had has both a fulfillment in his day and in ours.

This beautiful tree was given 3 years to bear fruit. From the proclamation on the Day of Atonement in 2022, when former President Biden warned the world about Armageddon, until the seventh day of Tabernacles in 2025, when President Trump signed a peace agreement in Egypt to end the war in Gaza, no fruit was found on the fig tree. This is the final year for the fig tree to bear fruit before it is cut down during the 5-month judgment that is coming on the world. The leadership of America and Israel are being exposed to the world for what they truly are and what they have become. A good tree bears good fruit and a bad tree bears bad fruit. The time for cutting the tree down has come. The "Day of the Lord" is now here and the final 1/3 of this time period will be a time of judgment and Great Tribulation. The sins of the church, of the nation and of the leaders of our nation will continue to be exposed so that the people of God will finally stop looking to man to save them and pray for the Lord to return and right every wrong.

Hanukkah (Kislev 25)

Matthew 24:15-22 *"So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel - **let the reader understand** - then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains...How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now - and never to be equaled again. If those days had not been shortened, no one would survive. But for the sake of the elect, those days have been shortened."*

Luke 21:20-24 - "*When you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, you will know that its desolation is near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city. For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! There will be great distress in the land and wrath against this people. They will fall by the sword and will be taken as prisoners to all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled."*

The Lord is pointing us back to the story of Judas Maccabees and the start of Hanukkah, and Matthew is telling us as readers to understand, or learn about, what Jesus is referring to. It is very clear from what Jesus said in the clues He gave to us that He was pointing to the Feast of Hanukkah, when he speaks about the abomination, fleeing to the mountains, mentions the pregnant and nursing mothers, the Sabbath, and winter. All five of these things that He mentions are direct references to what took place 200 years earlier when Maccabees led the revolt against Antiochus IV, after the abomination took place and they fled into the mountains **for 3 years**. The women and young children were slaughtered on the first Sabbath after Kislev 25 during the winter.



In 168 BC, the Jewish people fled into the mountains on Kislev 25 to escape from being killed by the evil Antiochus IV, a foreshadow of the future Antichrist, who had set up an abomination in their temple by forcing the people to worship Zeus instead of Yahweh. Less than a week after this fleeing into the mountains, there was a massive slaughter on what would later become the seventh day of Hanukkah. A thousand men, women and children were killed for refusing to desecrate the Sabbath day. They had refused to flee into the mountains with the other Jewish people. This represents those who do not flee to Mt. Zion, to Christ as their refuge. They will not escape what is coming.

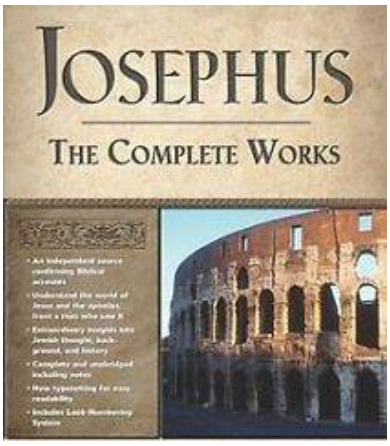


This was followed by three years of fighting. Judas Maccabees (a foreshadow of Christ) rode into Jerusalem on the twenty-fifth day of Kislev, exactly 3 Jewish years later and the people in Jerusalem waved palm branches to him and cried out, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" The temple was then cleansed and they decided to celebrate Hanukkah every year as a second Tabernacles festival, because their temple had been defiled and they had been unable to celebrate Tabernacles at the proper time for many years. Jesus told us that we would not see Him again until we cried out, “Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!” He was pointing them to the story of Hanukkah, when Judas Maccabees rode into Jerusalem and they cried out to him, “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

2200 evenings and mornings

Daniel 8 is referring to this event. *“How long will it take for the vision to be fulfilled—the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, the rebellion that causes desolation, the surrender of the sanctuary and the trampling underfoot of the LORD’s people? He said to me, “It will take 2,200 evenings and mornings; then the sanctuary will be reconsecrated.”*

If you look these verses up in your Bible, it will say 2300 evenings and mornings. However, in the earliest manuscripts that we have (the Dead Sea Scrolls), this number has been ripped out of all of the copies in the book of Daniel. When we look at the writings of Josephus, a first century historian who had access to the original manuscript, he told us that the number was 2200 evenings and mornings. He also explained how this was equal to 1100 days and that it started when the abomination was set up on Kislev 15 and ended when Judas Maccabees rode into Jerusalem 3 years later on Kislev 25 to cleanse the temple and reconsecrate it to the Lord.



The triumphal entry of Judas Maccabees into Jerusalem on the twenty-fifth day of Kislev, was a foreshadow of both Christ’s first and second coming – when He entered Jerusalem as the Lamb on the tenth of Nisan, and when

He will come to the New Jerusalem (the Bride of Christ) as a Lion at the start of Hanukkah to rescue His people and begin the two-week wedding festival and start of the New Millennium.

This three-year period foreshadows a final three-year wait that the Bride of Christ has had to endure from Hanukkah Eve of 2023 until Hanukkah Eve on January 1, 2027, when the New Millennium will start and the "temple", or Bride of Christ, will be cleansed. The Year of Jubilee was to have been during the seventh year, or fourteenth year, as the seven years were doubled. But the Lord added three additional years, as was foreshadowed by the three years that the Jewish people waited for the temple to be cleansed on Hanukkah from 168-165 BC. It was also foreshadowed to us in the events that took place in the Old Testament on the twenty-fourth days of the first and seventh months, which pointed us to a 10-year wait counting from the start of the second seven-year period.

This three-year period was also mentioned in Daniel 1, where we see not only the mention of a **three-year training period**, but also a **ten-day period** of testing (representing ten years in the puzzle). Daniel 1 speaks of those who **do not defile themselves**, which points us to Revelation 14, where we read about those who are taken in the firstfruits rapture who are **not defiled**. Revelation 2 mentions a **ten-day period** of tribulation, at the end of which, those who remain faithful to Christ will receive the crown of life. This ten days mentioned in Daniel 1 and Revelation 2 is pointing us to the **ten-year wait** from 2016 to 2026, as in the prophecies of Daniel 9, each **day is equal to a year**.

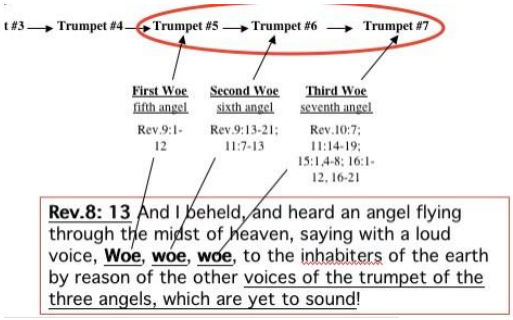
Year of the Dragon / Year of the Snake / Year of the Fire Horse

I believe the Lord left us another clue in Revelation 6 and 12 that points to these last 3 years that the Lord added to His puzzle. We see the release of the horses of the Apocalypse in Zechariah 1 and 6 and Revelation 6. Satan is referred to as both a dragon and a serpent in Revelation 12.

The year 2024 was the Chinese Year of the Dragon. The year 2025 was the Chinese Year of the Snake (Serpent). The year 2026 is the Chinese Year of the Fire Horse. I believe the Lord left this clue for us pointing us to these final 3 years that were added to His puzzle after the Year of Jubilee in 2023, the fourteenth year counting from the start of Daniel's seventieth week.

Three Woes of Revelation / Days are Shortened

In the book of Revelation, we read about three woe events. There is an appointed time for all three woe events, which include two rapture (or harvest) events, and the Second Coming of Christ to the earth. I believe that the Lord will delay for as long as Scripturally possible, and will shorten the days for the left-behind saints. The Lord does not want to make His children suffer for a long period of time. The firstfruits rapture is meant to be a wake-up call to the left-behind saints that they need to repent and use the little time they have left on the earth to bring as many souls into the Kingdom as possible. It is not meant to be a time of torture and a long period of suffering for God's children. The Lord said He would shorten the days for the sake of His elect and I am trying to find out from the Scriptures just how much He is planning to shorten the days.



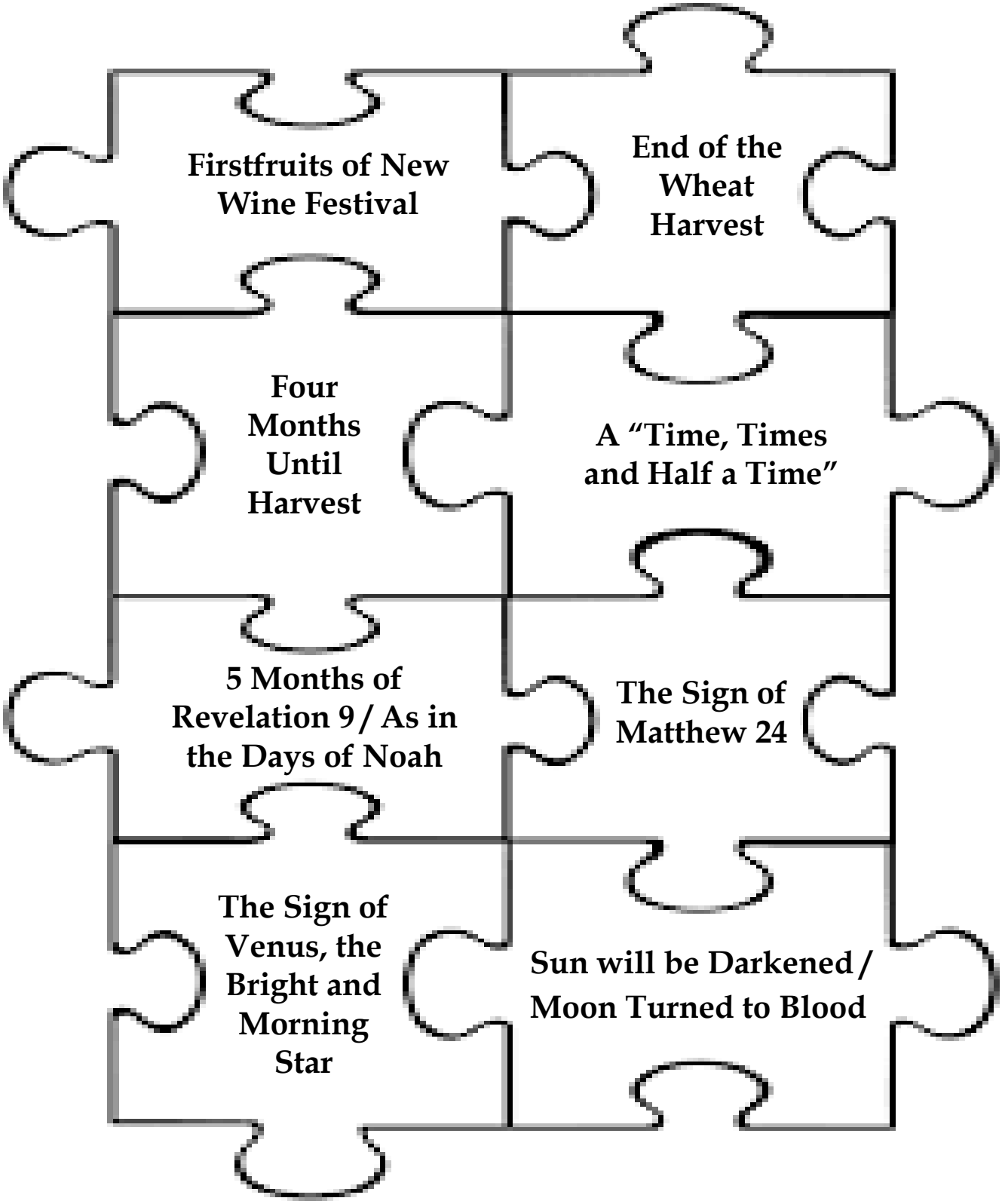
Matthew 24:22 - *And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.*

So far in this book we have established that the seventh day of Tabernacles in 2025 to the start of Hanukkah Eve (twenty-fourth day of Kislev) on January 1-2, 2027, is the seventeenth year of the puzzle and final "Day of the Lord". Now I would like to look at the specific dates for the 3 woe events.

I believe the Great Tribulation is 35 days in length, from November 29, 2026, to January 3, 2027 (start of Hanukkah). I believe the first woe coincides with the firstfruits rapture and start of the Great Tribulation on November 29, 2026. I believe the second woe coincides with the main harvest rapture and will take place on January 3, 2027. I believe the third woe coincides with the Second Coming of Christ to the earth on January 17, 2027. I believe the Great Tribulation has been shortened from 3½ years to just 5 weeks, and the wrath of God has been shortened from 75 days to just 2 weeks. Over the next 2 chapters, I would like to look at how the Scriptures point us to these exact dates for the timing of the three woe events of Revelation.

Chapter 8

Puzzle Pieces 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 & 44



Firstfruits of New Wine Festival



The Firstfruits of New Wine festival was written about in the Temple Scroll of the Dead Sea Scrolls. It is believed that the Essenes authored these scrolls. We know about the counting of the Omer for 7 weeks from Passover and celebrating the Feast of Pentecost on the fiftieth day. But according to the Temple Scroll found among the Dead Sea Scrolls, there were 2 other 50-day festivals after Pentecost, the first being the New Wine of the grape harvest and 50 days later the New Oil of the olive harvest. These festivals may have been celebrated for over 1000 years.

In the Temple Scroll it says: *"You shall count 7 complete Sabbaths from the day of your bringing the sheaf of the wave offering. You shall count until the morrow of the seventh Sabbath. You shall count 50 days. You shall bring a new grain offering. It is the Feast of Weeks and the Feast of Firstfruits, an eternal memorial. You shall count 7 weeks from the day when you bring the new grain offering, 7 full Sabbaths shall elapse until you have counted 50 days to the morrow of the seventh Sabbath. You shall bring New Wine for a drink offering."*

In case you are thinking that this Firstfruits of New Wine Festival is only found in the Temple Scrolls and not in the Bible, there are numerous passages in the Old Testament that refer to the bringing of the firstfruits of New Wine to the Lord:

Numbers 18:12 - *All the best of the oil, and all the **best of the wine**, and of the wheat, **the firstfruits of them which they shall offer unto the LORD**, them have I given thee.*

Deuteronomy 18:4 - ***You are to give them the firstfruits** of your grain**, new wine,** and oil, and the first wool sheared from your flock.*

Nehemiah 10:35, 37 - *We also assume responsibility for bringing to the house of the LORD each year **the firstfruits of our crops and of every fruit tree**… We will also bring the first of our dough, our contributions, **the fruit of every tree, the new wine** and the oil to the priests at the chambers of the house of our God, and the tithe of our ground to the Levites, for the Levites are they who receive the tithes in all the rural towns.*

We find in the Scriptures evidence that there were four types of firstfruits offered at the temple to the Lord: barley, wheat, grapes and oil. Each of these festivals were 7 weeks apart, as is mentioned in the Temple Scrolls. The New Wine Festival came 50 days AFTER Pentecost. Until new wine was offered (at the Temple) no one could drink any of the new juice. (Temple Scroll)

This festival is mentioned in Judges 21. There was a war between the Jewish tribe of Benjamin and the other tribes.

"Now the men of Israel had sworn an oath at Mizpah, saying, "Not one of us will give his daughter in marriage to a Benjamite." Judges 21:1

Mizpah is believed to be a location near Mount Hermon. It was the 'politico-religious' center of the nation. The tribes would have great meetings here before God. Mizpah is Hebrew for "watchtower".

The other tribes grieved for the tribe of Benjamin. Since they had taken an oath not to give their daughters to the Benjamites in marriage, they had to come up with a plan to get the surviving men of the tribe of Benjamin wives so that tribe would not be wiped out.

"But look," they said, "there is a yearly feast to the Lord in Shiloh....so they commanded the Benjamites: "Go, hide in the vineyards and watch. When you see the daughters of Shiloh come out to perform their dances, each of you is to come out of the vineyards, catch for himself a wife from the daughters of Shiloh, and go to the land of Benjamin....the Benjamites did as instructed and carried away the number of women they needed from the dancers they caught. They went back to their own inheritance, rebuilt their cities, and settled them." Judges 21:19-21, 23

This story is often used as a picture of the Messiah snatching away His bride at the rapture of the church.

In the Temple Scroll of the Dead Sea Scroll: "You shall **count seven weeks from the day when you bring the new grain-offering to YHW, the bread of firstfruits**. Seven full Sabbaths shall elapse until you have counted fifty days to the morrow of the seventh Sabbath. You shall bring new wine for a drink-offering..." This is considered the atonement of the wine.

Now let's look at the major crops after Pentecost. Grapes were the first major crop to ripen. The importance of grapes and olives is illustrated by the fact that the Essenes had wine and oil firstfruits festivals similar to the biblical firstfruits offering for grain. These festivals also indicate the relative timing of these crops. The New Wine Festival came 50 days AFTER Pentecost. Until new wine was offered (at the Temple) no one could drink any of the new juice. (Temple Scroll)

In Matthew 26:29, Jesus tells the disciples at The Last Supper: *"From now on I am not going to drink any wine, until I drink new wine with you in my Father's kingdom."* Another translation: *"I tell you, I will never again drink this wine until the day I drink the new wine with you in my Father's kingdom."*

In order to correctly determine the date for the Feast of the Firstfruits of New Wine, we must consider when the date is for Pentecost in 2026. The Israelites were told to celebrate the Feast of Unleavened Bread from the fifteenth day of the first Biblical month of Nisan, or Aviv. During this week-long festival, an offering of firstfruits was to be presented to the Lord on the day after the Sabbath.

There are 3 Sabbaths included in the Feast of Unleavened Bread. The first and seventh day of the festival were to be considered a Sabbath rest, and then Saturday was always the Sabbath for the Israelites. So, any of these 3 Sabbaths could be considered when we look at the offering of the firstfruits of barley. The Essenes believed that it was the Saturday Sabbath AFTER the Feast of Unleavened Bread was finished, which would be a fourth option to consider.

Because the Jewish calendar is off by a month, the true first day of Nisan in 2026 should be Sunday, April 19, 2026. Therefore, May 3-9, 2026, would be the correct dates on God's calendar for the 7-day Feast of Unleavened Bread. The seventh day (Saturday, May 9, 2026) would be a Sabbath rest and is also the

Saturday Sabbath. Therefore, Sunday, May 10, 2026, would be the Feast of Firstfruits (of barley), using three of the four options that we can use when considering when the Feast of Firstfruits could be. Earlier in the puzzle, we also used the seventh day Sabbath of Unleavened Bread in 2013 to start the 1260 and 1335-day counts that ended in 2016.

If we use the date of May 10, 2026, as the Feast of Firstfruits (of barley) and count off 7 weeks, we come to Sunday, June 28, 2026, as the Feast of Pentecost (firstfruits of wheat). Counting another 7 weeks brings us to August 16, 2026, as the Firstfruits of New Wine festival. When we add 140 days to this date we come to January 2, 2027, which is the twenty-fourth day of Kislev, or Hanukkah Eve. Because the Jewish people start their day at sundown, the Firstfruits of New Wine festival would actually begin at sunset on August 15, 2026, and Hanukkah Eve would begin at sunset on January 1, 2027.

End of the Wheat Harvest

From and including: **Sunday, August 16, 2026**
To and including: **Saturday, January 2, 2027**

Result: 140 days

It is 140 days from the start date to the end date, end date included.

Or 4 months, 18 days including the end date.

Matthew 3: 11-12 - *"He will **baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire**. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, **gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire**."*

John is prophesying here and explaining the beginning of the Church age and the end of the Church age. It all began on Pentecost when they were **baptized with the Holy Spirit and fire**. It all ends on the Firstfruits of New Wine festival, at the **END of the wheat harvest** and beginning of the grape harvest, when He **gathers His wheat into the barn and burns the chaff**. This is the harvest time, at the end of the wheat season. The festivals point to the beginning and ending of the harvest seasons:

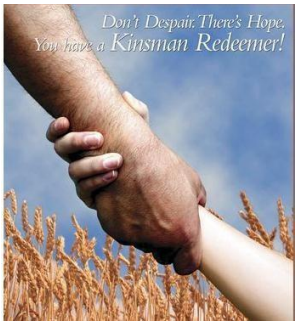
Firstfruits of Barley - (Jesus fulfilled)

Firstfruits of Wheat - end of barley season / firstfruits of wheat (fulfilled on Pentecost)

Firstfruits of New Wine - end of wheat season / firstfruit of grapes (to be fulfilled at first rapture)

Feast of Tabernacles - end of grape season (to be fulfilled during Hanukkah)

Hanukkah is a second Tabernacles festival. After Jesus returns to the earth, the Feast of Tabernacles will be celebrated at the proper time throughout the New Millennium as the Bride of Christ will no longer be defiled (see Zechariah 14:16-19).



Matthew 13:30 - *Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the **harvesters**: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then **gather the wheat and bring it into my barn**.*

Jesus shows us in a parable in Matthew 13 that it will not just be Christians harvested at the time of the rapture, but unbelievers as well. The harvesters (angels) will gather both unbelievers and believers. The wheat (believers) will be brought into His barn, while the weeds (unbelievers) will be gathered to be burned.

Boaz and Ruth's wedding is another example of the rapture/ wedding of the Bride. Boaz represents Jesus as the Kinsman Redeemer and Ruth represents the Church. Ruth 2:14, *"And at mealtime Boaz said to her, 'Come here and eat some **bread** and dip your morsel in the **wine**.'"* Here we have Boaz (representing Jesus) giving bread and wine to Ruth (representing the Church). So, when did their wedding take place? Ruth 2:23, "*So she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto **the end of barley harvest and of wheat harvest**; and dwelt with her mother- in-law*." Ruth stayed with her mother-in-law until the end of the wheat harvest and then left her mother-in-law to live with her new husband Boaz.

Four Months Until Harvest

John 4:35 says, *"Don't you have a saying, 'It's still **four months until harvest**'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest."*

Revelation 14:14-19 says, *"I looked, and there before me was a white cloud, and seated on the cloud was one like a son of man with a crown of gold on his head and a sharp sickle in his hand. Then another angel came out of the temple and called in a loud voice to him who was sitting on the cloud, "Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, **for the harvest of the earth is ripe**." So he who was seated on the cloud swung his sickle over the earth, and **the earth was harvested.** Another angel came out of the temple in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle. Still another angel, who had charge of the fire, came from the altar and called in a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, "Take your sharp sickle and **gather the clusters of grapes from the earth's vine, because its grapes are ripe**." The angel swung his sickle on the earth, gathered its grapes and threw them into the great winepress of God's wrath."*

In Revelation 14, we see 2 harvests or 2 rapture events. Earlier in the chapter, we see that the 144,000 firstfruits stand with the Lamb on Mt. Zion. In Revelation 7, we see the other 144,000 who have had to endure the Great Tribulation. We can see that the first rapture is to be a firstfruits rapture while the second is connected to the grape harvest, or Feast of Tabernacles, which will be fulfilled during the Feast of Hanukkah, the second Tabernacles festival. If the main harvest rapture has to do with the offering of grapes, then the firstfruits rapture earlier in the year should also have to do with the offering of the firstfruits of the grapes, or new wine.

In John 4, we see Jesus make a connection between the harvest being ripe and a 4-month waiting period. In Revelation 14, we see that the harvest of the earth is ripe at the first harvest.

Revelation 14:15 -*Then another angel came out of the temple and called in a loud voice to him who was sitting on the cloud, "Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for the **harvest of the earth is ripe**."*

Jesus said in John 4:35 - "*Don't you have a saying, '**Four more months** and then the harvest'? Well, what I say to you is: open your eyes and look at the fields! **They're already ripe for harvest**!*

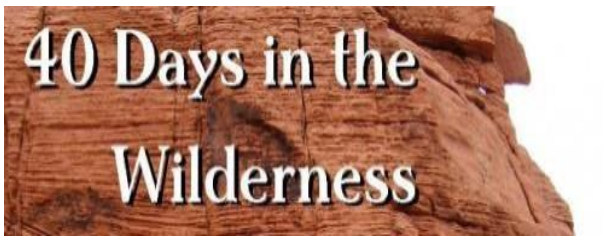
Four months from when? Perhaps Jesus was pointing us to the start of the Biblical year on God's calendar (April 18/19, 2026) and then a 4-month wait until the first harvest/rapture event on August 15/16, 2026.

In Judges 20-21, you can read about how the tribe of Benjamin was wiped out, except for 600 men who were spared and allowed to go hide in the mountains for **FOUR MONTHS**. At the end of the four months, they were allowed to snatch brides and the word snatched in the Septuagint is harpazo (caught up, rapture)! The word "harpazo" in the Septuagint means "snatched" and is the same word used in 1 Thessalonians 4 for "caught up": "*Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up (harpazo) together with them in the clouds, to meet the LORD in the air: and so shall we ever be with the LORD".*

A "Time, Times and Half a Time"

Revelation 12: *The woman fled **into the wilderness** to a place prepared for her by God, where she might be taken care of for 1,260 days… But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short…The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the place prepared for her **in the wilderness**, where she would be taken care of for **a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent's reach.***

The Scriptures tell us that the woman of Revelation 12 is taken to a place prepared for her by God in the wilderness for a "time, times and half a time". This was to have been a 1260-day period that would have ended on the Day of Atonement in 2016, but this has been delayed and shortened. We can see if we continue reading in Revelation 12, that the devil is full of fury because his time is short. He thought he would have 3½ years to wreak havoc on the world, but the Lord is switching out the "time" from a prophetic year of 360 days to just 40 days.



In the Scriptures, the Lord often interchanges periods of time. For example, Daniel's seventieth week is not equal to 7 days but 7 years. A day can equal an hour. Likewise, a day is as a thousand years. So, how do we know what unit of "time" the Lord is going to use? I believe He hid it right in these verses by mentioning "the wilderness".

Whenever the Scriptures speak of someone going into the wilderness, it is associated with the number 40. Jesus was in the wilderness for 40 days being tempted. Elijah walked for 40 days in the wilderness before reaching the mountain of God. Moses was on the mountain (a type of wilderness) with the Lord for 40 days. Moses was in the wilderness for 40 years before returning to Egypt. He then spent another 40 years with the Israelites in the wilderness before they entered their Promised Land. We know from Daniel that a day can equal a year, so this could represent a 40-day period. If we count off 40 X 3.5 (a time, times and half a time), we have a total of 140 days. The number 40 in the Scriptures symbolizes a period of testing, trial or probation.

Not only is the Scripture clear that a "time" in the wilderness is equal to 40 days, the Lord gave us other clues pointing to the "time" being a 40-day period. As already mentioned in the last puzzle piece, the flood lasted for 40 days on the earth. This was also a measurement of "time" that judgment lasted for, and the Lord told us that as it was in the days of Noah, so it would be at the coming of the Son of Man. Because the Bride is taken to the place prepared for her by God out of the serpent's reach for a "time, times and half a time", this was all foreshadowing a 140-day count between the Firstfruits of New Wine Festival on August 16, 2026, and the second main harvest rapture at the start of Hanukkah on January 3, 2027.

5 Months of Revelation 9/ As in the Days of Noah

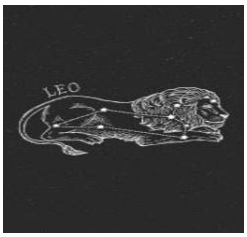
Revelation 9:1-5 - *The fifth angel sounded his trumpet, and I saw a star that had fallen from the sky to the earth. The star was given the key to the shaft of the Abyss. When he opened the Abyss, smoke rose from it like the smoke from a gigantic furnace. The sun and sky were darkened by the smoke from the Abyss . And out of the smoke locusts came down on the earth and were given power like that of scorpions of the earth. They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any plant or tree, but only those people who did not have the seal of God on their foreheads. They were not allowed to kill them but only to torture them for* ***five months.***

Genesis 7:24 - *And the waters prevailed upon the earth for 150 days.*

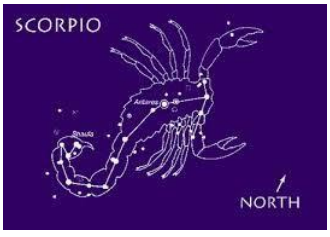
Matthew 24:37 - *As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.*



The Scriptures mention a 150-day count (5 prophetic months) in Genesis 7 in relation to how long the waters prevailed on the earth in the time of the flood. I believe this time there will be a 153-day count (5 solar months) from August 16, 2026, to January 16, 2027.







Jesus told us in Matthew 24:22 that the days of darkness on the earth would be shortened. I believe Revelation shows us that this time of darkness on the earth has been shortened from 3½ years to just 5 months. These months include Av, Elul, Tishrei, Chesvan and Kislev on God's calendar.

Luke 21:25 - *"There will be* ***signs in the sun, moon and stars****. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea."*

Genesis 1:14 - *And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the sky to distinguish*

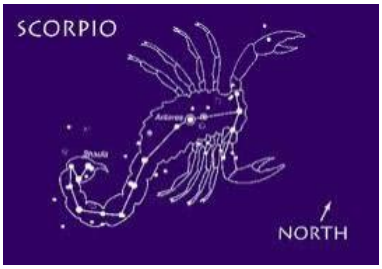
between day and night and to mark the seasons and days and years."

The Scriptures teach us that there will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. Every month, the sun enters into a different constellation in the stars. Astrologers use ancient charts of these stars to determine astrological signs. However, the position of the earth has changed over the last several thousands of years and the astrological charts are approximately a month off from what we see in the heavenlies today. In 2026/2027, the sun will enter these constellations on these dates:

August 16 – Leo
September 17 – Virgo
October 18 – Libra
November 17 – Scorpio
December 17 – Sagittarius
January 16 – Capricorn



Revelation 9:7-12 - *The locusts looked like horses prepared for battle. On their heads they wore something like crowns of gold, and their faces resembled human faces.* ***Their hair was like women's hair, and their teeth were like lions' teeth****. They had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the thundering of many horses and chariots rushing into battle. They had tails with stingers,* ***like scorpions****, and in their tails they had power to* ***torment people for five months****. They had as king over them the angel of the Abyss, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon and in Greek is Apollyon (that is, Destroyer). The first woe is past; two other woes are yet to come.*



The first sign that the sun is in when the Great Tribulation was to have started is that of Leo, which reminds us of the **lion's teeth** in Revelation 9:8. The Virgo constellation reminds us of the **woman's hair** in Revelation 9:8. The Libra constellation reminds us of Revelation 9:3-4, wherein the locusts have been given **power and authority** to torture all who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads, showing that the scales of justice have been tipped and now Satan has authority once again on the earth to do as he pleases. The Scorpio constellation reminds us of Revelation 9:5 and 10, wherein these evil creatures are **compared to scorpions**.



On December 16, 2026, the sun will enter the Sagittarius constellation. Sagittarius means archer in Hebrew. His arrows point at Scorpion, his war is against the serpent. The Greek poet Aratus wrote of him, "Midst golden stars he stands refulgent now, and thrusts the scorpion with his bended bow." But the true story of the rider on the horse who avenges is found in Revelation 19:11-16:

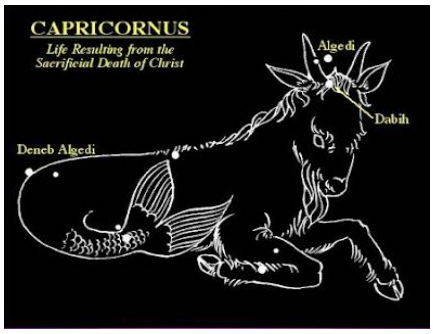
"I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice He judges and makes war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on His head are many crowns. He has a name written on Him that no one knows but He

Himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and His name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following Him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Out of His mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. He will rule them with an iron scepter. He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on His thigh He has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS."

Revelation goes on to explain that the rider of the white horse defeats the beast, the false prophet, his enemies, and throws the devil, the ancient serpent, into the abyss. This is the story to which the stars tracing the sign of Sagittarius point: the final triumph of Jesus Christ over his enemies. It is when the sun is in this constellation that the second woe and main harvest rapture takes place on the twenty-fourth day of Kislev (January 3, 2027).

We then see the sun move into the Capricorn constellation on January 16, 2027. The sun is in this constellation when Christ returns to the earth. In Biblical astronomy, the constellation Capricorn represents Christ as a sacrifice. In Hebrew and Arabic, the name of this constellation means "cut off" or "Atonement". One of the stars within this constellation is Deneb, meaning "the Lord, the judge cometh" in Hebrew. Another star within Capricorn is Dalaph which means "pouring out water" in Hebrew and "coming quickly" in Arabic. One of the decans, which are smaller constellations found within the major constellation, is Sham, meaning "destroying" or "desolate" in Hebrew. Another decan found within Capricorn is Tarared, meaning "wounded, he cometh down" in Hebrew. Another decan is Sagitta, representing the arrow, God's judgment against sin. Another decan is Delphinus, representing the dolphin springing out of the water, resurrection from death.

Zechariah 12:10 -*They will look on Me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for Him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son.*



Revelation 1:7 -*"Look, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all peoples on earth will mourn because of Him. So shall it be! Amen."*

The Sign of Matthew 24

Matthew 24: "***Immediately after the distress of those days 'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.'*** *Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man* ***coming on the clouds of heaven****, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other."*

It is worth noting that the first 2 words of this sentence can also be translated as ***"Straightaway with."*** It could be translated: ***"Straightaway with the tribulation of those days****, the sun will be darkened,*

moon will not give its light, the stars will fall from the sky and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.' Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man ***coming on the clouds of heaven****, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other."*

The word translated as **AFTER** is **META** and is translated as **WITH** 345 times in the New Testament and only 88 times as **AFTER**. That means that nearly 4 times as often, the word used there for **AFTER** is translated as **WITH** throughout the New Testament. Meta can also mean **AMID, AMONG, TOGETHER**, or **WHEN**. **Straightaway with** and **immediately after** mean 2 different things. Either translation could be correct. I believe the Lord may have been trying to convey to us the **START** of the Great Tribulation when this sign appears in the heavens, rather than the **END** of the Great Tribulation. The Lord seems to be giving us **THREE** heavenly signs to watch for that will appear at the start of the tribulation of those days:

1. The sun will be darkened
2. The moon will not give its light
3. The stars will fall from the sky







On August 12, 2026, we saw the sun darkened at the time of a total solar eclipse, the moon giving no light at the time of the new moon and the stars falling from the sky at the peak of the Perseids meteor shower. This sign, wherein there is a total solar eclipse, a new moon and the peak of a major meteor shower, only appears in the sky 3-4 times per century and won't appear again until 2045.

Aside from the Biblical New Year starting before the spring equinox on the Jewish calendar in 2026, this sign appearing on August 12, 2026, is another reason we can be certain that the Jewish calendar is off by a month from God's calendar. The Jewish people will be observing the start of their sixth month of Elul at this time. However, there is no firstfruits festival associated with the start of Elul. Perhaps this is the reason the Lord told us that straightaway with the tribulation of those days, we would witness these 3 signs in the sky, so that we would know that the Jewish calendar is a month ahead of His calendar in 2026. The Lord wants us to know that His calendar is one month behind what the Jewish calendar will be observing in 2026.

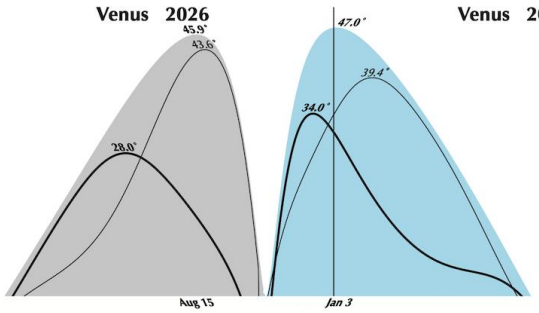
The Sign of Venus, the Bright and Morning Star

Revelation 22:16 - *"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star."*

Psalm 103:12 - *As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.*



Jesus told us that He is the bright Morning Star. The planet Venus, the brightest in our sky, is known as the "Morning Star".
The Lord gives us another heavenly sign pointing us to the 5 months of Great Tribulation. On August 15, 2026, Venus will reach its greatest eastern elongation from the sun. On January 3, 2027, Venus will reach its greatest western elongation from the sun. It's as if the Lord is showing us that this planet, the "Bright Morning Star", represents His mercy and forgiveness. He removes our sin as far as the east is from the west.



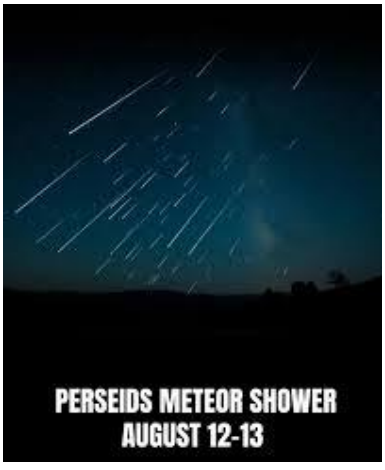
Sun will be Darkened / Moon Turned to Blood

Joel 2:10, 32 - *Before them the earth shakes, the heavens tremble, **the sun and moon are darkened,** and the stars no longer shine...And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved; for on **Mount Zion and in Jerusalem** there will be deliverance, as the LORD has said, even among the survivors whom the LORD calls.*

Joel 3:15-16 - *The **sun and moon will be darkened**, and the stars no longer shine. The Lord will **roar from Zion** and thunder from Jerusalem; **the earth and the heavens will tremble**. But the LORD will be a refuge for his people, a stronghold for the people of Israel.*







Isaiah 13:9-10 - *See, the day of the LORD is coming, a cruel day, with wrath and fierce anger—to make the land desolate and destroy the sinners within it. The stars of heaven and their constellations will not show their light. The **rising sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light.***

Isaiah 24:23 - ***The moon will be dismayed, the sun ashamed**; for the LORD Almighty will reign on **Mount Zion and in Jerusalem**, and before its elders—with great glory.*

Ezekiel 32:7-8 - *When I snuff you out, I will cover the heavens and darken their stars; I will **cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon will not give its light**. All the shining lights in the heavens I will darken over you; I will bring darkness over your land, declares the Sovereign LORD.*

I believe these verses all point to August 12, 2026, when we see this sign appear in the sky at the time of the start of the Great Tribulation.

Joel 2:31 - *The sun will be turned to darkness and **the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.***

Acts 2:20 - *The sun will be turned to darkness and **the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.***

The Old Testament refers to the "Day of the Lord" as dreadful, while the New Testament refers to it as glorious. For the unbelievers, or those trying to earn their salvation through works or religion, this time of judgment will be dreadful. For the believers in Christ, this time will be glorious, as we witness the deliverance of the Bride of Christ from the earth at the time of the rapture events, followed by the Second Coming of Christ to the earth and crowning of the Bride of Christ as co-rulers of the earth with King Jesus.



On September 7, 2025, we witnessed a total lunar eclipse, also called a blood moon. The full moon during the month of September is known as the "Harvest Moon", which is interesting because the Scriptures refer to the rapture events as the "harvests". Jesus Himself talked about the time of the "harvest", when the angels will gather the wheat and the tares and then separate them, bringing the wheat into the barn and throwing the tares into the fire. This blood harvest moon took place just before the start of the Jewish New Year that began on September 23, 2025 (Tishrei 1). This sign in the heavens signaled the start of the final "Day of the Lord", the seventeenth day (year) counting from the fall of 2009.

On March 3, 2026, as the Jewish people were celebrating Purim, we witnessed another total lunar eclipse. There was supposed to have been a thirteenth month added to the Jewish calendar that would have started the Biblical New Year in April 2026. If we count from the start of this thirteenth month (Adar II), right after the blood moon appeared on Purim, it is 150 days counting from the start of Adar II until the Firstfruits of New Wine Festival. August 16, 2026, is almost exactly halfway between the start of Adar II,

just after this blood moon appeared, and the end of the wedding Feast of Hanukkah on January 16, 2027. This is another important sign showing us how the Lord is also using this 10-month count that begins right after this blood moon as another representation of the "Day of the Lord", with half of it being light and half being dark.



John 9:4, 5 - "***As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work***. *While I am in the world, I am the light of the world…*



John 11:9 - *Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Anyone who walks in the daytime will not stumble, for they see by this world's light."*

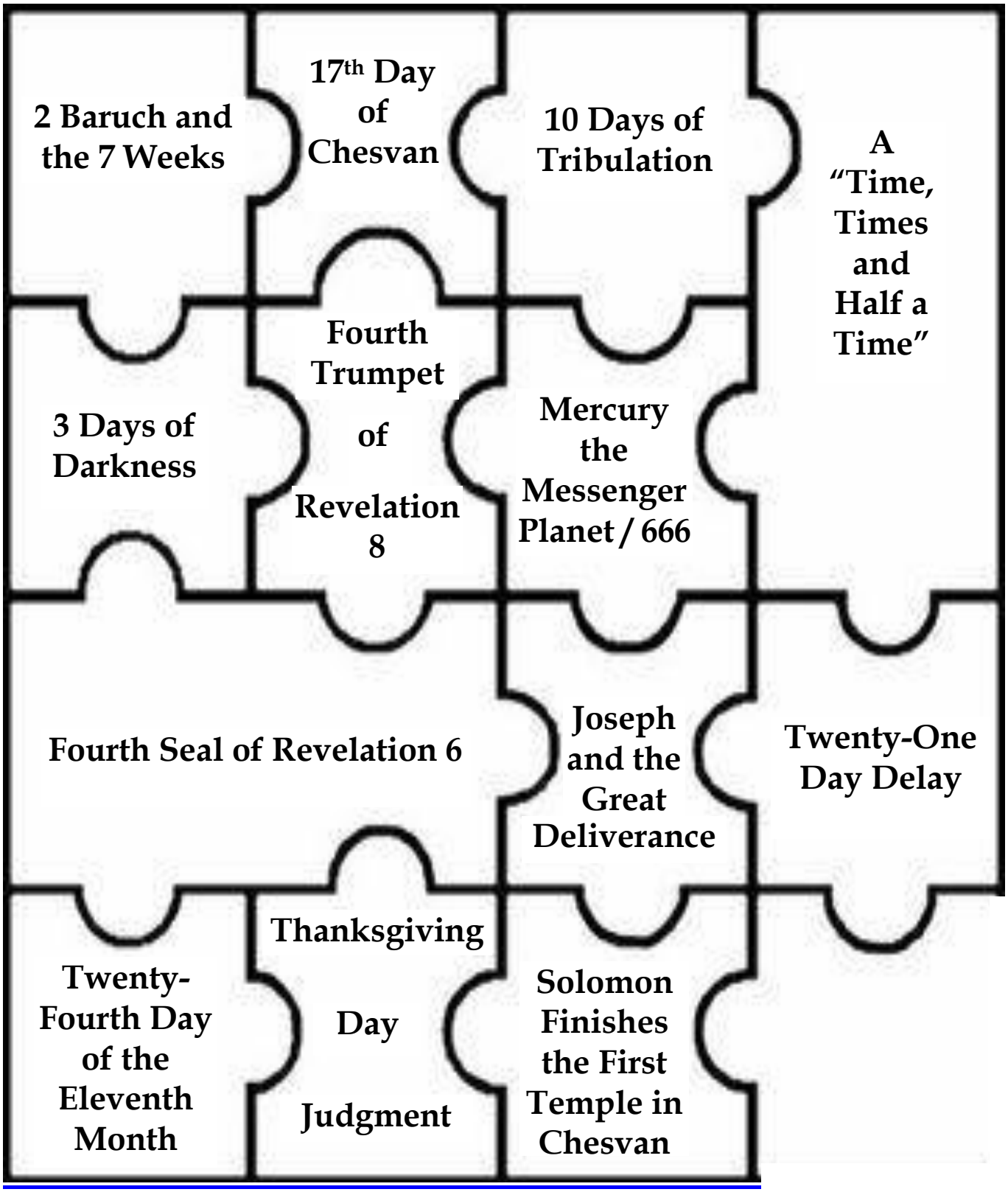
We must remember that in a day there are 24 hours. Approximately half are considered to be the day and half are considered to be the night. And we see that Jesus warned us that when the night came, no one could work.

If we transfer this concept of approximately half of the day being light and half being dark onto the "Day of the Lord", and we consider that the start of Adar II, just after this blood moon on Purim in 2026, begins a final 10-month count before Christ returns to the earth, then August 16, 2026, the Firstfruits of New Wine festival, falls almost exactly halfway between these 2 dates.

When night falls on the earth, Jesus said that no one can work. When the Abyss opens, it will be a time of great darkness on the earth, unlike anything that has ever been seen before, and never to be seen again. If the Lord had not shortened the days, no flesh would have survived what is coming. Not one human would have lived for 3½ years to witness the Second Coming of Christ to the earth. But the Lord, in His amazing grace, has shortened the days.

Chapter 9

Puzzle Pieces 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 & 57



2 Baruch & the 7 Weeks

So far in this puzzle, I have spent a lot of time looking at August 16, 2026, as the time when the first woe/harvest/rapture was to have taken place and the Great Tribulation was to have started on the earth. However, I believe the Lord is going to shorten the Great Tribulation for the left-behind saints to as little as Scripturally possible and there was still room in the puzzle for one further delay, which will shorten the 5 months of Revelation 9 to just 5 weeks!

Baruch was the scribe for Jeremiah the prophet. He wrote 2 books himself, called the first and second Books of Baruch. These 2 books were originally included in the Septuagint as well as the Catholic Bible, but were not included in the Protestant version of the Bible.

In 2 Baruch 26, we read: *And I answered and said:* ***That tribulation which will be will it last a long time; and that distress, will it embrace many years?***

2nd Baruch – The Coming Tribulation and How Long is it? – "Seven Weeks"

25 [1]And The LORD answered and said unto me: 'You too shall be preserved till that time **till THAT SIGN** *[cosmic event?]* **which the Most High** will work for the inhabitants of the earth in the **END OF DAYS**. [2]This therefore shall be the sign. [3]**When a stupor shall seize the inhabitants of the earth, and they shall fall into many tribulations, and again when they shall fall into great torments**. And it will come to pass when they say in their thoughts by reason of their much tribulation: "The Mighty 'One' does no longer remember the earth"—yes, it will come to pass when they abandon hope, **that the time will be when they finally wake-up**.'

26.1 And I *[Baruch]* answered and said:

"That coming tribulation, will it last a long time? And that distress, will it embrace many years?"

27.1 And He *[The Mighty One]* answered and said to me:

"That time is divided into twelve parts, and each part is reserved for its appointed *task*:

2 "In the first part, there shall be the **beginning of commotions**.

3 "And in the second part: the **slaughtering of the great**. *[Seal #1& 2]*

4 "And in the third part: **the fall of many into death**. [Seal #2 & #4]

5 "And in the fourth part: **the sending of the sword**. [Seal #2]

6 "And in the fifth part: **famine and the withholding of rain**. [Seal #3]

7 "And in the sixth part: *[?? Not Given??]*

8 ["And in the seventh part:] **earthquakes and terrors**. [Seal #6]

9 "And in the eighth part: **a multitude of phantoms and the attacks of demons.** [Seal #6]

10 "And in the ninth part: **the fall of fire**. [Trumpet #1]

11 "And in the tenth part: **rape and much oppression**.

12 "And in the eleventh part: **injustice and unchastity**.

13 "And in the twelfth part: **disorder *arising*** from a conglomeration of everything which has been previously mentioned.

14 "For these parts of that time are reserved, and will be mixed, one with another, and they will minister to each other. **15** For some *of these parts* will withhold a portion of themselves while taking from others, and some will accomplish their own portion as well as *that of* others; hence, those who live on earth in those days will not understand that this is the end of times.

28.1 But at that time, whoever understands will be wise. **2 For the measure and the calculation of that time** *[of tribulation & distress]* **is two parts a week of seven weeks**." *[49 days]*

In previous chapters, the Lord is speaking to Baruch about the Great Tribulation that shall come at the "end of days". So, Baruch asks the Lord how long this great tribulation, or great distress will last. In the next chapter, the Lord goes into detail about how it will be divided into 12 parts. These parts include the beginning of commotions, the slaughtering of the great, the fall of many into death, the drawing of the sword, famine and the withholding of rain, earthquakes and terrors, a multitude of ghosts and the appearances of demons, the fall of fire, rape and much violence, injustice and unchastity, disorder and a mixture of all that has been before. In the next 2 verses of chapter 27, the Lord tells Baruch that these parts will be mixed one with another. In other words, they don't all happen separately, but some are overlapping and will mix with the other parts. In chapter 28, the Lord answers Baruch's question about how long the distress will last for.

Baruch 28:1-2 – "*But at that time, whoever understands will be wise. For the measure and the*

*calculation of that time is **2 parts a week of 7 weeks**."*



He then goes on to tell Baruch that these things will come upon the whole world and that when they are finished, the Anointed One will be revealed. Then the earth will produce great fruit and those are hungry will enjoy themselves and see marvels every day. He tells him that the wicked will waste away and the time of torment for the wicked has come.

Baruch 28:1-2 – "*But at that time, whoever understands will be wise. For the measure and the calculation of that time is **2 parts a week of 7 weeks**."*

It is worth noting that of the 12 parts mentioned in 2 Baruch, only 11 of them say what they are. I have often wondered if the Lord was showing Baruch that out of this 7-week period, there will be 12 parts and each week will have 2 parts, totaling 6 weeks. However, because one part is left blank, this could be showing that the Lord intends to shorten this even more and there will only be 11 parts, and each week will have 2 parts, totaling 5.5 weeks. In other words, I believe the Lord is telling Baruch that there will only be 5.5 weeks of Great Tribulation on the earth between the first woe (the opening of the Abyss), and the third woe at the start of Hanukkah on January 3, 2027. I believe we will witness a period of 3 days of darkness on the earth from November 26-29 and the firstfruits rapture event on November 29, 2026. Counting from November 26, 2026, to January 3, 2027, we have a total of 5 ½ weeks.

For those who miss both rapture events, there will be a 7-week judgment, lasting from the time of the firstfruits rapture event on November 29, 2026, until the Second Coming of Christ to the earth on January 17, 2027.

Seventeenth day of Chesvan

Genesis 7:11 - ***On the seventeenth day of the second month**, when Noah was 600 years old, the springs under the earth broke through the ground, and water flowed out everywhere.*

Matthew 24:37 - *But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

Jubilees 3:17 - *And after the completion of the seven years, which he had completed there, seven years exactly, **and in the second month, on the seventeenth day** (of the month), the serpent came and approached the woman, and the serpent said to the woman, 'Hath God commanded you, saying, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'*

Revelation 12: 15 - *So the **serpent** spewed water out of his mouth like a **flood** after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood.*

We see in Genesis 7:11 how that the flood started on the seventeenth day of the second month. We see in the Book of Jubilees chapter 3 that the fall of man also took place on the seventeenth day of the second month, when the serpent came after the woman. We see in Revelation 12 that the serpent comes after the woman like a flood. All of these Scriptures come together like puzzle pieces to point us to the seventeenth

day of the second month as a significant date.

Before the days of Moses when the Lord established the spring as the Biblical New Year, the Jewish people believe that the New Year was observed in the fall. Therefore, they believe the seventeenth day of the second month in Adam and Noah's day was actually the seventeenth day of the eighth month of Chesvan on their calendar. Because the Jewish calendar is a month off, I believe this year the seventeenth day of Chesvan begins on November 26, 2026, Thanksgiving Day in America.

I believe that November 26, 2026, may be the end of the 6000 years from the fall of man and the anniversary of the 40-day flood in Noah's day. I believe that the dragon, or serpent, will be cast down to the earth on this day, and given back the authority of the earth that he lost when Christ dealt him a fatal head wound at the cross. Adam and Eve gave Satan authority of the earth when they disobeyed God and allowed sin to enter the world. God began His judgment when the 40-day flood began in Noah's day. Jesus said that as it was in the days of Noah, so it will also be at the coming of the Son of Man, making a clear connection to the flood and final judgment of the earth before He returns.

2 Peter 3 - *By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly… But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat.*

This time, the judgment will be one of fire, not rain. I believe the Scriptures are pointing to a meteor or asteroid hitting the earth and causing massive devastation as the earth shakes. I believe we will witness massive tsunamis, and fires all over the earth. We will also likely witness solar flares that cause massive damage as well as fires to flare up all over the planet.

Revelation 12:13-14 - *When the dragon saw that he had been hurled to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the place prepared for her **in the wilderness**, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent's reach.*

When the dragon is cast down to the earth, he goes after the woman (the Bride of Christ), but she is given the wings of a great eagle to fly to the place prepared for her in the wilderness, where she will be taken care of for a "time, times and half a time" out of the serpent's reach. The word "wilderness" points us to a 40-day period of judgment. Anytime the Scriptures speak of someone going into the "wilderness", it is associated with the number 40. Jesus was in the wilderness for 40 days being tempted. Elijah walked for 40 days in the wilderness before reaching the mountain of God. Moses was on the mountain (a type of wilderness) with the Lord for 40 days. The number 40 in the Scriptures symbolizes a period of testing, trial or probation.

Luke 5:35 - *But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; in those days they will fast.*

I believe there will be a 40-day judgment on the earth starting on November 26, 2026, and lasting until January 4, 2027, just as there was in the days of Noah. There will be many left-behind saints and people who come to faith in Christ during this period of Great Tribulation that will not have prepared for this time and will have to go without food. Jesus fasted in the wilderness for 40 days, another foreshadow of these 40 days of judgment and time of fasting, as well as a foreshadow of the firstfruits Bride of Christ being taken to the "wilderness", out of the serpent's reach during this time. But even these days will be shortened as the left-behind saints will be taken to heaven on January 3, 2027, just 5 weeks after the firstfruits rapture on November 29, 2026. He will not make His chosen people fast longer that He did when He was on the earth.

Revelation 13:3 tells us that the fatal head wound of the beast is healed and Revelation 12:12 tells us that the devil is full of fury because his time is short. Satan was to have been given 1260 days to go after the left-behind saints after the firstfruits rapture in the spring of 2013, but the Lord, in His incredible mercy, has not only delayed His judgment, but has shortened this time of Great Tribulation for His left-behind saints to just 35 days!

10 Days of Tribulation

Daniel 1:5, 8, 12-14 - *The king assigned them a daily amount of food and wine from the king's table. They were to be trained for three years, and after that they were to enter the king's service… But Daniel* ***resolved not to defile himself*** *with the royal food and wine, and he asked the chief official for permission* ***not to defile himself*** *this way… "Please* ***test your servants for ten days****: Give us nothing but vegetables to eat and water to drink. Then compare our appearance with that of the young men who eat the royal food, and treat your servants in accordance with what you see." So he agreed to this and* ***tested them for ten days.***

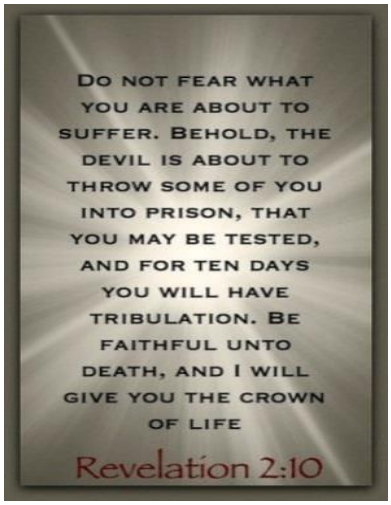
Revelation 14: 4-5 - *These are those who* ***did not defile themselves*** *with women, for they remained virgins. They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among mankind and offered as* ***firstfruits*** *to God and the Lamb. No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless.*

Revelation 2:10 - *Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer. Indeed, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison, that you may be tested, and* ***you will have tribulation ten days****. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.*

Acts 16:25-26 - ***About midnight*** *Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such* ***a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken****.* ***At once all the prison doors flew open,***

and everyone's chains came loose.

Matthew 25:6 - ***At midnight*** *the cry rang out: "Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!"*



I believe all of these verses are connected in this puzzle. We see the firstfruits are offered to the Lord, those who **did not defile themselves**, but remained virgins, or pure in heart. We see a cry that goes out at midnight and the chains coming off Paul and Silas at midnight. We can see a 10-day period of tribulation in Revelation 2:10 before we are set free and released from prison. This reminds us of Paul and Silas, who were set free from their chains while in prison at about midnight.

Revelation 2:10 - *Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you, the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and* ***you will suffer tribulation for ten days****. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you life as your* ***victor's crown****.*

I believe the Lord is telling us in Revelation 2:10 that the "time of tribulation" for the left-behind saints has been shortened from a prophetic year to just 10 days.

A "Time, Times and Half a Time"

Revelation 12: *The woman fled* ***into the wilderness*** *to a place prepared for her by God, where she might be taken care of for 1,260 days… But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short… The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the place prepared for her* ***in the wilderness****, where she would be taken care of for* ***a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent's reach.***

The Scriptures tell us that the woman of Revelation 12 is taken to a place prepared for her by God in the wilderness for a "time, times and half a time". This was to have been a 1260-day period that would have ended on the Day of Atonement in 2016, but this has been delayed and shortened.

In the Scriptures, the Lord often interchanges periods of time. For example, Daniel's seventieth week is not equal to 7 days but 7 years. A day can equal an hour. Likewise, a day is as a thousand years. So, how do we know what unit of "time" the Lord is going to use?

We can see if we continue reading in Revelation 12, that the devil is full of fury because his time is short. He thought he would have 3½ years to wreak havoc on the world, but the Lord is switching out the "time" from a **prophetic year** to just **ten days!** If the left-behind saints must endure a "time, times and half a time" of Great Tribulation, then this would be a 35-day period. I believe this 35-day period will be from November 29, 2026, at the time of the first harvest, or rapture, until January 3, 2027, at the time of the second harvest, or rapture. I believe we will most likely witness a great shaking event 3 days before the second rapture/harvest.

3 Days of Darkness

The 3 days of darkness were foreshadowed to us in the 10 plagues of Egypt. The ninth plague was 3 days of darkness, which took place just before the final tenth plague, when the first Passover took place. Scripture tells us that this darkness was so thick that it could be felt. But this darkness did not affect the Israelites (God's chosen people) at all. It only affected Egypt (representing the world). We see this same 3-day period of darkness in the story of Jonah, when he was in the belly of the whale for 3 days. We also see a 3-day period of darkness between the time that Christ was crucified and when He resurrected. At both events, there was a great shaking of the earth.

I believe this is all pointing to a 3-day period of darkness just before both rapture/harvest events. I believe we will witness a 3-day period of darkness from November 26-29, 2026, and then again from December 31, 2026, to January 3, 2027. Just as Judas Maccabees rode into Jerusalem to cleanse the temple on the first day of Hanukkah, I believe the second rapture/harvest will take place on the true start of Hanukkah on January 3, 2027.

Revelation 11:11-14 - *But after the three and a half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and terror struck those who saw them. Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on. The second woe is past: and behold the third woe will come quickly.*

These three and a half "days" were to have lasted for three and a half years, but the Lord has graciously shortened them to 35 days, or 3.5 times 10 days of tribulation (see Revelation 2:10).

The second woe is finished after the two witnesses (left-behind saints) are taken to heaven. The Scriptures tell us that the third woe will come quickly after that. Just 2 weeks later, on January 17, 2027, the Lord will come back to the earth with His Bride to reign for 1000 years. This final 2 weeks is known as the wrath of God.

Fourth Trumpet of Revelation 8

Revelation 8:12 - *The fourth angel sounded his trumpet, and a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them turned dark.* ***A third of the day was darkened, and also a third of the night.***



The Scriptures tell us that 1/3 of the day and night will be without light. I believe this prophecy may be pointing us to a 1/3 judgment that is coming on the earth. The number 1/3 is found 15 times in Revelation 8 and 9. It is by far the most common fraction found in the book of Revelation. The number 15 is 5+5+5 and 555 is the number of grace.

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

John 9: 4 - *As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. **Night is coming**, when no one can work.*

The Scriptures speak of the Great Tribulation period as the "Day of the Lord" and also the "night". For the believers in Christ it is the "day", the time we have been waiting for, when we finally see Jesus face to face and are with Him for eternity. For the unbelievers, it is a time of night and darkness. If we consider the Day of the Lord, or night, was to have been from August 16, 2026, until January 16, 2027, we have a 153-day count. If we divide this into 3 equal parts, we have each part lasting for 51 days. The final 1/3 of these 153 days begin on November 26, 2026, when the Abyss opens and all hell breaks loose on the earth. I believe it will be on this day when the devil is cast down to the earth on the seventeenth day of Chesvan on God's calendar. This takes place when the sun is in the Scorpio constellation. Only 1/3 of the days of the Great Tribulation will be darkened. The Lord shortened the days of the Great Tribulation from 3½ years to just 5 months. He then shortened the 5 months to just 5 weeks for His left-behind saints and just 7 weeks for the unbelievers! What an incredible God of mercy He is. He has cut off more than 97% of the Great Tribulation for His left-behind saints and shortened the days to as little as Scripturally possible!

God is a God of order and perfection. I believe the Lord is communicating to His left-behind saints that He is in complete control of what is happening on the earth and they do not need to be afraid. They will suffer persecution and tribulation, and may even have to lay down their lives for Christ, but their reward will be great and they too will stand before the Lamb with pure hearts after a time of repentance and refreshing from the Lord.

Zechariah 14 is all about what will take place when Christ returns to the earth. In verses 5-7 we read: *Then the Lord my God will come, and all the holy ones with him. On that day there will be neither sunlight nor cold, frosty darkness. It will be a unique day - a day known only to the Lord - with no distinction between day and night. When evening comes, **there will be light**.*

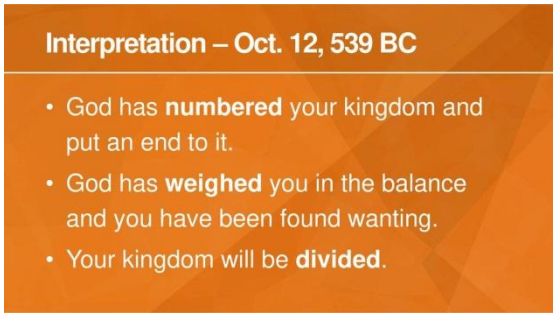
Zechariah is prophesying that once Christ returns to the earth, there will be no more darkness on the earth. The days of darkness will end.

When speaking of the fall of Babylon in Revelation 18, John says in verse 23: *The light of a lamp will never shine in you again. The voice of bridegroom and bride will never be heard in you again.*

Jesus will be taking His Bride and leaving. The Light of the World will be gone and will never again shine in the system of this world, also known as Babylon.

Mercury, the Messenger Planet / 666

Revelation 13:18 - *This calls for **wisdom**: Let the one who has insight calculate the beast's number, for it is man's number, and his number is 666.*



Psalm 90:12 - *Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of **wisdom**.*

Daniel 5:26 - *Here is what these words mean: Mene: God has numbered the days of your reign and brought it to an end. Tekel: You have been weighed on the scales and found wanting. Peres: Your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians."*

Psalm 90:12 tells us that we should number our days. Revelation 13:18 tells us that the number we should use to calculate for the beast and for man is 666, which could simply mean that the calculation will have three 6's in it. Both verses mention this calculation either calls for wisdom or will give us wisdom. Daniel 5:26 reminds us that God has numbered Satan's days and is about to bring them to an end.

In Biblical astronomy, the planet Mercury represents the angel Gabriel and is the "Messenger" planet. The word Mercury means "coming" or "to come again". The message that the Lord is giving to us by using this seemingly small and insignificant planet is that He is coming – coming again for His Bride and He will rule and reign on the earth for 1000 years.

Deuteronomy 7:7 - *He didn't choose you and pour out his love upon you because you were a larger nation than any other, for you were **the smallest of all**!*

I believe the Scripture may also be pointing us back to the fact that .666 is equal to 2/3. The Lord is using the planet Mercury, the smallest of the planets, in His amazing puzzle. If you divide the exact rotation of Mercury which is 58.647 days by its exact orbital period of 87.970, you come to the number of .666. As a fraction, this would equal 2/3. If the Great Tribulation has been shortened from 153 days to just 51 days, then 2/3 of this time period has been cut off. The beast (Satan) could have been given the entire 153 days, but the Lord, in His great mercy, has cut off .666 (102 days) of this time period and is only giving the beast .333 (51 days) before He returns to the earth to reign for 1000 years with His Bride.

Fourth Seal of Revelation 6

Revelation 6:8 - *And behold, a pale horse, and the name of he who sat on it was Death. Hades followed with him. **Authority over one fourth of the earth, to kill with the sword, with famine, with death, and by the wild animals of the earth was given to him.***

Not only did the Lord cut off two-thirds (.666) of the Great Tribulation, reducing the 153 days to 51 days, but He also cut off three-fourths of the Great Tribulation for His left-behind saints. The left-behind saints will only have to endure the final one-fourth of the 140 days that were to have lasted from August 16, 2026, until January 3, 2027. When you divide 140 days by 4, you have 35 days. Satan will only have authority for 35 days before the Lord rescues His left-behind saints on January 3, 2027, on the true twenty-fifth day of Kislev and start of Hanukkah on His calendar. The two-witnesses (the left-behind saints) will appear to be dead for 3.5 days times 10 days of tribulation (35 days total), but the Lord will then raise them up on January 3, 2027, to celebrate the wedding Feast of Hanukkah for 2 weeks before returning to the earth to reign with Him for 1000 years.

Joseph and the Great Deliverance

Genesis 45:7 - *For the famine has covered the land these **two years**, and there will be **five more years** without plowing or harvesting. God sent me before you to preserve you as a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a **great deliverance.***

In the days when Joseph was the ruler of Egypt, second only in command to Pharaoh, there was a seven-year period of great abundance, followed by seven years of famine. Two years into this seven-year famine, Joseph revealed himself to his family and a great deliverance took place. Joseph brought his family to live with him where he could provide for them during the famine. Joseph was a foreshadow of Christ, who will reveal Himself to the 12 tribes, or 144,000 pure-hearted virgins, at the time of the firstfruits rapture, when a great deliverance will take place. The Lord has shortened this 7-year period into just 7 weeks; therefore, the 5 years of famine will only last for 5 weeks for the left-behind saints.

I believe the 7 weeks of "famine" started on November 12/13, 2026. It was at this time that we saw a foreshadow of what is about to take place during these 5 weeks of Great Tribulation that are coming for the left-behind saints. We witnessed the failure of Microsoft, affecting millions of people all over the world and stopping them from being able to do their jobs. This represents the time when night falls and no man can work (see John 4). We witnessed the grounding of all planes in the US for nearly 5 hours, representing the 5 weeks that there will be no flights during the Great Tribulation period. We witnessed a miracle on the Mississippi River when nearly 200 people on board a cruise ship were all saved after the boat tipped over and plunged into the water due to a tanker hitting it. This represents the entire Bride of Christ being miraculously saved by Christ at the two woe/harvest events. Two weeks into this 7-week famine would be November 26/27, 2026. I believe November 26, 2026, is the true seventeenth day of Chesvan on God's calendar, the same day that Adam and Eve fell and that the flood began in Noah's day, and that this day (Thanksgiving Day in America) will start a 3-day period of darkness on the earth before the firstfruits rapture, a Great Deliverance, takes place. The Lord will rescue His firstfruits Bride on November 29, 2026, and those believers who are left-behind will have to endure 35 days (3.5 X 10) of Great Tribulation before the famine ends and they are taken to be with the Lord on January 3, 2027.

Amos 8:11 - *"The days are coming," declares the Sovereign LORD, "when I will send a famine through the land— not a famine of food or a thirst for water, but a famine of hearing the words of the LORD."*

Daniel 7:25-27 - *He will speak against the Most High and oppress his holy people and try to change the set times and the laws. The holy people will be delivered into his hands for **a time, times and half a time**. But the court will sit, and his power will be taken away and completely destroyed forever. Then the sovereignty, power and greatness of all the kingdoms under heaven will be handed over to the holy people of the Most High. His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all rulers will worship and obey him.*

Many American Christians have been putting their hope and trust in a politician to save America, rather than crying out to God in humility and repentance. Too many believers have their minds set on earthly

things and not on things above. They are unaware of the time we are living in and that the Lord is allowing this short time of darkness to come on the earth to purify His people and bring more people into His Kingdom. Many Christians in America were only focused on putting in a conservative president, who they thought would be the answer to making their lives better here on the earth. There is no hope for America or for the world apart from Christ. He is our only hope and our only Savior!

Twenty-One Day Delay

On November 4 and 5, 2026, the following headlines appeared all over the news in regards to the US elections:
*A **blue tsunami** led by Black voters washes over the South*
***"Blue Tsunami"** Puts Democrats in Control of House and Senate Next Year*
*Midterms 2026: How Democrats built a **blue wave** and won control of Congress*
*DeSantis calls midterm bloodbath an '**extinction-level event** for Republicans'*

These are just a few of the many headlines with the words "blue wave", "blue tsunami" and "extinction-level event".

Daniel 12:13 - *But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me **twenty-one days**. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia.*

In Daniel 10, we read about a 21-day delay. I believe the Lord may have been warning us of what is coming on November 25/26, 2026, twenty-one days after these headlines came out.

Twenty-Fourth Day of the Eleventh Month

Zechariah 1: *On the **twenty-fourth day of the eleventh month**, the month of Shebat, in the second year of Darius, the word of the Lord came to the prophet Zechariah son of Berekiah, the son of Iddo. During the night I had a vision, and there before me was a man mounted on a red horse. He was standing among the myrtle trees in a ravine. Behind him were **red, brown and white horses**. I asked, "What are these, my lord?" The angel who was talking with me answered, "I will show you what they are." Then the man standing among the myrtle trees explained, "They are the ones the Lord has sent to go throughout the earth." And they reported to the angel of the Lord who was standing among the myrtle trees, "We have gone throughout the earth and found the whole world at rest and in peace."*

We also read in Zechariah 1 about the twenty-fourth day of the eleventh month. If we convert this to our Gregorian calendar, it would be November 24. The angels go out and find the whole world at rest and in peace. We then see the horses of the apocalypse ready to be released just after this. Could the Lord have hidden this clue in His Word thousands of years ago to point us to November 25/26, 2026, as the time when peace is taken from the earth and judgment begins?

Thanksgiving Day Judgment

Amos 5:21 - *"I hate, I reject your festivals, nor do I delight in your festive assemblies."*

The Lord rebukes the people of Israel in the Old Testament and lets them know that He despises their religious festivals. The people's hearts had grown cold toward the ways of God and they no longer worshiped Him wholeheartedly. Their festivals has become less and less about God and more and more about getting together to just feast and party.

In our American culture, the biggest 2 holidays of the year are Thanksgiving and Christmas. These 2 holidays are meant to be about the Lord, giving thanks to Him for His many blessings and about celebrating the birth of His Son. These 2 holidays have become commercialized and are now just celebrations revolving around ourselves, eating, partying and giving each other gifts.

The fact that the seventeenth day of Chesvan on God's calendar this year falls right on Thanksgiving Day should not be overlooked. Black Friday will indeed be a time of darkness this year, particularly for the American people. But just as Christ was killed and 3 days later came back to life, so also on November 29, 2026, the firstfruits rapture will take place and those believers who are left behind will have to endure 35 days of Great Tribulation before they too are taken to be with the Lord at the start of Hanukkah on January 3, 2027. Those who still have not accepted Christ by the time of the main harvest rapture on January 3, 2027, will have to endure the 2-week period of judgment known as the wrath of God. I believe very few people will be left on the earth to witness the Second Coming of Christ on January 17, 2027.

Solomon Finishes the First Temple in Chesvan

1 Kings 6:38 - *And in the eleventh year, in the month Bul (Chesvan), which is the eighth month, was the **house finished** throughout all the parts thereof, and according to all the fashion of it. So was he seven years in building it.*

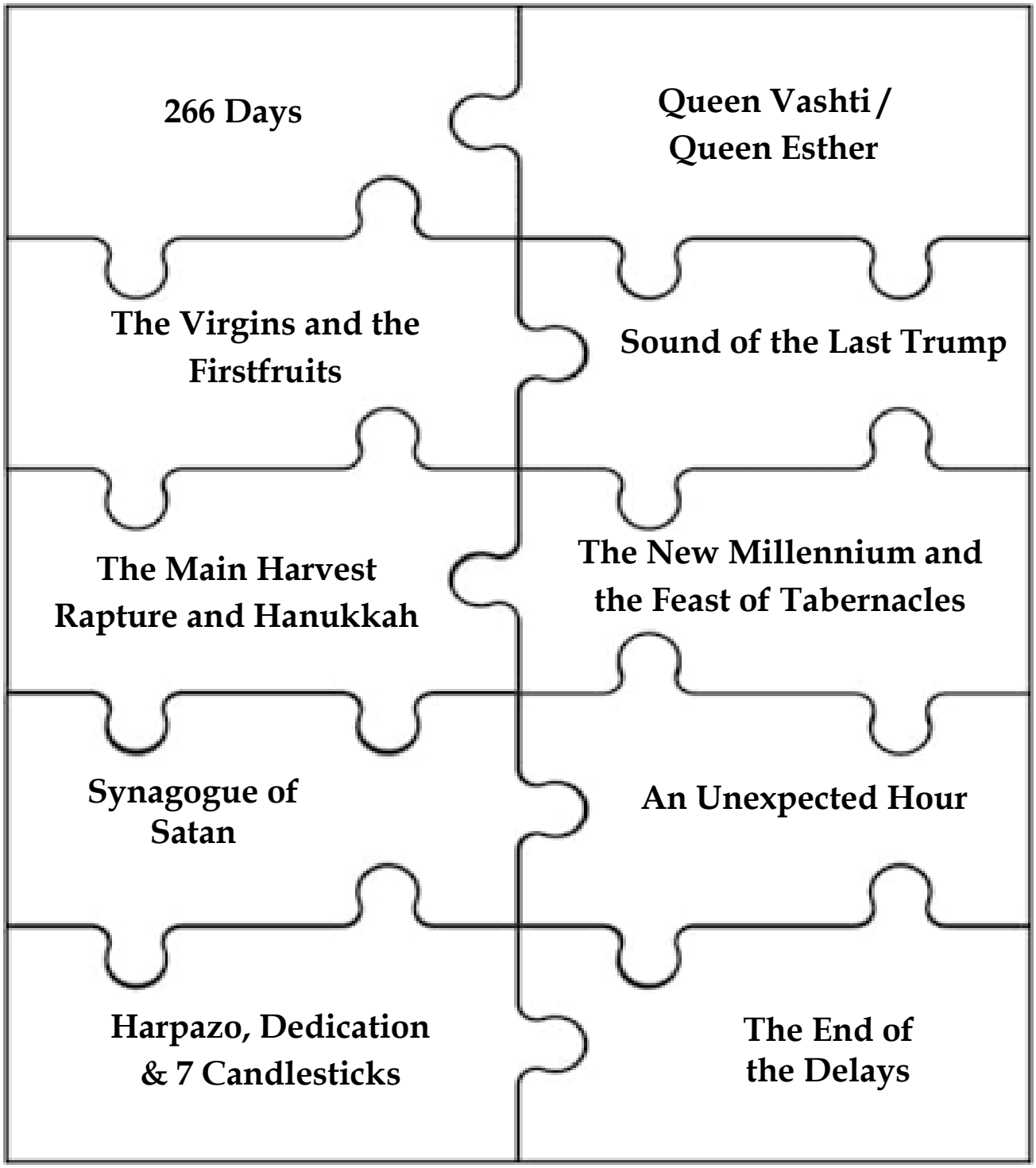
> 4. Solomon Finished the Temple in Cheshvan (Bul)
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> After seven years of construction, the First Holy Temple in Jerusalem was completed by Solomon's workers "in the month Bul, which is the eighth month."[6] The word *bul* is apparently related to the word for "withering," and in Cheshvan the branches and stubble in the field begin to wither.



It was during the month of Chesvan that the first temple was completed in Israel. This foreshadows the completion of the building of the Lord's temple (His Body or His Bride) during the month of Chesvan (on God's calendar) at the time of the firstfruits rapture, when those who are pure in heart are taken to be with the Lord. Those who are left-behind will go through a time of purification and be taken at the start of Hanukkah, as was foreshadowed by Judas Maccabees riding into Jerusalem on the first day of Hanukkah to cleanse the temple that had been defiled. This event foreshadows Christ coming for His left-behind saints after a time of purification to cleanse His people and defeat the devil.

Chapter 10

Puzzle Pieces 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66 & 67



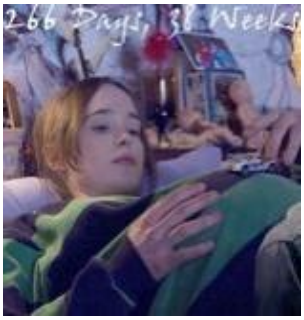
266 Days

The Scriptures compare the start of the Great Tribulation to a woman going into labor throughout the Old and New Testaments.

Isaiah 13:8 - *They will be terrified, pains and anguish will take hold of them; they will writhe like* ***a woman in labor****, they will look at one another in astonishment, their faces aflame.*

Isaiah 26:17-18 - *As a pregnant woman about to give birth writhes and cries out in her pain, so were we in your presence, LORD. We were with child, we* ***writhed in labor****, but we gave birth to wind. We have not brought salvation to the earth, and the people of the world have not come to life. But your* ***dead will live****, LORD; their bodies will rise—let those who dwell in the dust wake up and shout for joy—your dew is like the dew of the morning; the earth will give birth to her dead. Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you;* ***hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by****. See, the LORD is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins. The earth will disclose the blood shed on it; the earth will conceal its slain no longer.*

Jeremiah 6:24 - *We have heard the report of it; our hands are limp. Anguish has seized us, pain as of* ***a woman in childbirth****.*



Micah 4:10 - *"Writhe and labor to give birth, Daughter of Zion, like* ***a woman in childbirth****; for now you will go out of the city, dwell in the field, and go to Babylon. There* ***you will be rescued; there the Lord will redeem you*** *from the hand of your enemies.*

1 Thessalonians 5:3 - *While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like* ***labor pains upon a woman with child****,* ***and they will not escape****.*

A human gestation period from conception to birth is 266 days. If we count 266 days from the start of the Biblical year on April 19, 2026, we come to January 9, 2027, the **seventh day of Hanukkah**.

Revelation 12:1-5 - *A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head. She was pregnant and cried out in pain as she was about to give birth... The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that it might devour her child the moment he was born. She gave birth to a son, a male child, who "will rule all the nations with an iron scepter."*

Queen Vashti / Queen Esther

If we look at the story of Esther, we see that she was the **chosen virgin** who replaced Queen Vashti, who had refused to show her beauty to the world on the seventh day of a feast. Esther represents the chosen virgin Bride of Christ.

In Revelation 18, we read about a queen who is very proud and thinks she will never be removed from her throne. America is that queen. America is called the Beautiful. Just like Queen Vashti, she is known for her beauty. She has continued to defy the call to display her beauty to the world.



Esther 2:17 - *Now the king was attracted to Esther more than to any of the other women, and she **won his favor and approval more than any of the other virgins**. So he set a royal crown on her head and made her queen instead of Vashti.*

Revelation 18:7-8, 10, 23 - *In her heart she boasts, "I sit as queen; I am not a widow, and I will never mourn." Therefore in **one day** her plagues will overtake her: death, mourning and famine. She will be consumed by fire, for mighty is the Lord God who judges her…Terrified at her torment, they will stand far off and cry: "Woe! Woe, O great city, O Babylon, city of power! In **one hour** your doom has come! The light of a lamp will never shine in you again. The **voice of bridegroom and bride will never be heard in you again**."*



Here we see how the judgment comes in one day, or one hour. This is the "Day of the Lord", which is also referred to as an hour in the Scriptures. The reason that the light will not shine there again is because Jesus is the light of the world and He will be leaving. The reason the voice of the Bridegroom and Bride will not be heard is because Jesus, our Bridegroom, will be taking His Bride and leaving with her.



Esther was crowned as queen on what would later become the **seventh day of Hanukkah**. This was a foreshadow to us of the Bride of Christ being crowned as co-ruler of the earth with King Jesus on the **seventh day of Hanukkah**, counting 266 days from the start of the Biblical year on God's calendar. This date represents both a birthing event and a crowning event and will be a day of great celebration in heaven. And just as we saw in the Old Testament that two times the Israelites celebrated their festivals of Unleavened Bread and Tabernacles for 2 full weeks because the celebration was so tremendous, so also we will celebrate the Festival of Hanukkah for one more week in heaven after this crowning event before returning to the earth with the Lord on January 17, 2027.

The Virgins and the Firstfruits

Matthew 25:1-10 - *Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten **virgins** who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the **bridegroom was delayed**, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, "Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those **virgins** rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise answered, saying, "Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves." And while they were going to*

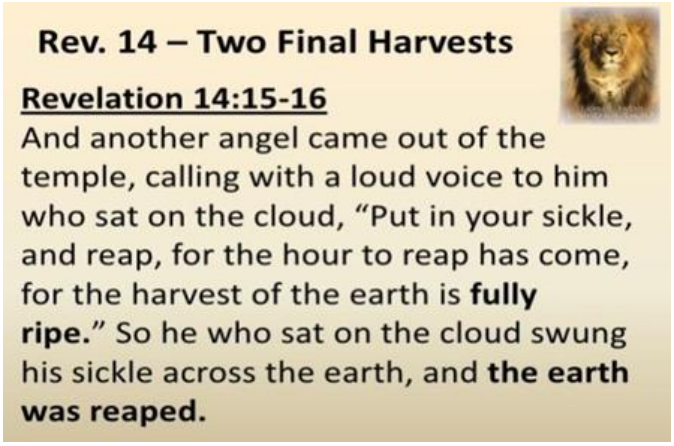
buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut.

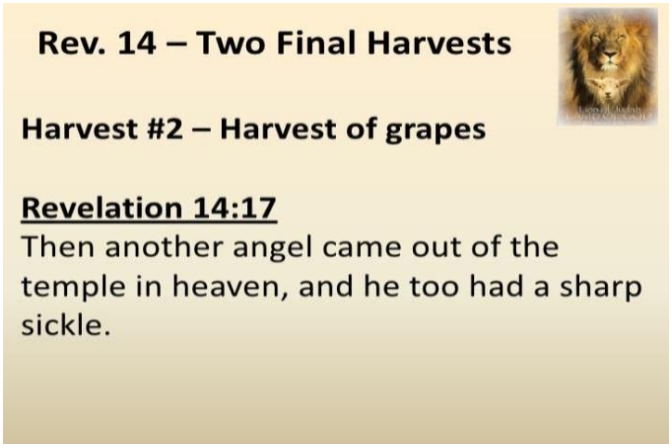


At the opening of the sixth seal, the world leaders are hiding in the caves and underground bunkers they have built and they say, *"The day of His wrath has come and who can **STAND**?"* Psalm 24 tells us who can stand. It says, "Who may ascend *the mountain of the LORD? Who may **STAND** in his holy place? The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol."*

Jesus told us to pray that we would be found worthy to escape all that will come on the earth and to **STAND** before the Son of Man. Revelation 14 says that there are 144,000 virgins who **STAND** with the Lamb on Mt. Zion. This number is figurative and not literal.

Hebrews 12 says, "*But you have come to **Mount Zion**, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven... If they did not **escape** when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven? At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, 'Once more **I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens**.' The words 'once more' indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain."* We escape to the heavenly Mt. Zion where we stand with the Lamb.





Revelation 14:14-19 *I looked, and there before me was a white cloud, and seated on the cloud was one like a son of man with a crown of gold on his head and a sharp sickle in his hand. Then another angel came out of the temple and called in a loud voice to him who was sitting on the cloud, "Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for **the harvest of the earth is ripe**." So he who was seated on the cloud swung his sickle over the earth, and **the earth was harvested**…Still another angel, who had charge of the fire, came from the altar and called in a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, "Take your sharp sickle and*

*gather the clusters of grapes from the earth's vine, because its **grapes are ripe**." The angel swung his sickle on the earth, gathered its grapes and threw them into the **great winepress** of God's wrath.*

We see from Revelation 14 that there are at least 2 harvest events. I believe these 2 harvest events are rapture events, when the earth is harvested.

Matthew 13:30 "*Let both grow together **until the harvest**. At that time I will tell the harvesters: **First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn**."*

The Lord shows us that at the time of the "harvest", both the weeds and wheat are gathered and then separated. I believe this is part of the great deception that Christ warned us about. Christians have been taught that at the time of the rapture, only believers in Christ will be taken and unbelievers will be left behind. Jesus seems to be telling us here that both believers and unbelievers will be harvested and then separated. The unbelievers will be taken to a place of judgment and believers taken into his "barn", or a place of protection prepared for them by God.

Luke 21:36 - *Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to **escape all these things that shall come to pass**, and to stand before the Son of man.*

John 14:3 - *And if I go and **prepare a place for you**, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.*

Revelation 12: 14 - *The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the **place prepared for her** in the wilderness, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent's reach.*



Revelation 14:1-5 - *Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, **standing on Mount Zion**, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing waters and like a loud peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps. And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been **redeemed from the earth**. These are those who **did not defile themselves** with women, for they remained **virgins**. They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among mankind and offered as **firstfruits** to God and the Lamb. No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless.*

Revelation 7: *Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000 from all the tribes of Israel…After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands…Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?" I*

answered, "Sir, you know." And he said, "These are they who have come out of the Great Tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; He will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

We see the two harvests not only in Revelation 14:14-19, but also in Revelation 14:1-5 and Revelation 7, where it talks about two groups of 144,000. The first group of 144,000 in Revelation 14 is offered as firstfruits, while the second group of 144,000 in Revelation 7 has had to endure the Great Tribulation period. This number is symbolic as John immediately tells us in Revelation 7 that the actual number is one that no one can count. The number 144 is a number that represents purity and completion.

In the days of the second temple period, the Jewish people were allowed to offer firstfruits to the Lord starting on Shavuot (Pentecost) all the way up until the Feast of Hanukkah. After enduring the Great Tribulation and a time of purification, those taken in the second rapture event will also be offered to the Lord as firstfruits and the wedding of the Lamb will finally take place after all saints are with the Lord.

Revelation 9:12 - *The first woe is past; two other woes are yet to come.*

Revelation 11:14 - *The second woe has passed; the third woe is coming soon.*

In Revelation, we read about 3 woe events. I believe that these 3 woe events most likely include 2 rapture/harvest events and the Second Coming of Christ to the earth. I believe the Second Coming of Christ to the earth will be just fourteen days after the second rapture/harvest. I believe the firstfruits rapture will most likely take place on November 29, 2026. There will then be a second rapture event 35 days later on January 3, 2027, followed by the Second Coming of Christ to the earth on January 17, 2027.

Sound of the Last Trump

In this puzzle, we see how the Lord has graciously delayed His judgment on the earth and shortened the days of the Great Tribulation. The Scriptures mention the sound of the "last trump", a play on words to give us another clue as to when these events will begin.



1 Corinthians 15: 20-23; 51-52 - *But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the **firstfruits** of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in turn: Christ, the **firstfruits**; then, when he comes, those who belong to him… Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the **last trump**. For the trump will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.*

Revelation 14:1,4 – *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... These have been redeemed from mankind as **firstfruits** for God and the Lamb.*

In 1 Corinthians 15, Paul mentions twice about **FIRSTFRUITS** and in the same chapter mentions that the dead will be raised at the **LAST TRUMP.** I believe this may be a play on words that the Lord hid in the Scriptures, much like "abomination" and "Obama nation". The Lord may be pointing us to the death of Mr. Trump at the time of one of the woe or harvest events.

Daniel 7:25-27 - *He will speak against the Most High and oppress his holy people and try to **change the set times** and the laws. The holy people will be delivered into his hands for a **time, times and half a time**. But the court will sit, and his power will be taken away and completely destroyed forever. Then the sovereignty, power and greatness of all the kingdoms under heaven will be handed over to the holy people of the Most High. His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all rulers will worship and obey Him.*

Perhaps the changing of the "set times" may refer to the Jewish calendar starting a month too early in 2026. I believe the "time, times and half a time" has been shortened to 35 days, or 10 X 3.5.

Many American Christians have been putting their hope and trust in a politician to save America, rather than crying out to God in humility and repentance. Too many believers have their minds set on earthly things and not on things above. They are unaware of the time we are living in and that the Lord is allowing this short time of darkness to come on the earth to purify His people and bring more people into His Kingdom. Many Christians, especially in America, have been only focused on putting in a conservative president, who they thought would be the answer to making their lives better here on the earth.

I believe Mr. Trump will most likely be killed before the firstfruits rapture takes place, possibly right on November 26, 2026, starting a 3-day period of mourning or darkness before the firstfruits rapture on November 29, 2026. If not, then I believe he will likely be killed on December 31, 2026, starting a 3-day period of mourning or darkness before the main harvest rapture on January 3, 2027.

The Main Harvest Rapture and Hanukkah

In Chapter 4, we read about the Feast of Hanukkah and how it was established in 165 BC as a second Tabernacles festival after the temple in Jerusalem had been defiled and the Israelites had been unable to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles at the proper time for 3 years, just as the Bride of Christ was defiled and unable to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles at the proper time for the last 3 years since the Year of Jubilee that was to have ended in 2023. The Jewish people decided to continue celebrating this festival every year, and to this day it is still celebrated as one of their major holidays, or festivals. The triumphal entry of Judas Maccabees at the start of Hanukkah was a foreshadow of Christ coming to rescue His left-behind saints, the two witnesses of Revelation 11, at the start of Hanukkah. This coming year, Hanukkah Eve begins on January 1, 2027, when the sun sets in Israel at 4:46 pm. This will start the twenty-fourth day of Kislev on God's calendar, a time when Haggai tells us the Lord will shake the heavens and the

earth. Haggai speaks of those who were defiled, but tells us that from this day on, the Lord will bless us. He tells us that on this day, the Lord will overturn royal thrones and shatter the power of the foreign kingdoms.

The Bride of Christ will be crowned on the seventh day of Hanukkah, 266 days after the start of the Biblical year on God's calendar, which will be on January 9, 2027, just as the chosen virgin Queen Esther was crowned on what would later become the seventh day of Hanukkah. We will then celebrate Hanukkah for another week, as was foreshadowed in the Old Testament when the Israelites celebrated Unleavened Bread and Tabernacles for two weeks rather than one because the celebration was so glorious. The Lord will return to the earth on January 17, 2027, with His Bride at the time of the third woe. In the days of Judas Maccabees, those who did not flee to the mountains at the start of Hanukkah were slaughtered. This fleeing to the mountains represents fleeing to Mount Zion, the heavenly Jerusalem, at the time of the rapture events.

Matthew 24:20 - *Pray that your flight will not take place **in winter or on the Sabbath**.*

Winter officially begins on December 21, 2026. I believe the Lord is telling us to pray that we are found worthy to escape ALL these things that will happen and to stand before the Son of Man at the time of the firstfruits rapture on November 29, 2026. Those who miss this event will have to wait for 35 days and go through Great Tribulation before they too will be redeemed from the earth at the start of Hanukkah, during the winter. In this passage of Matthew 24, the Lord is pointing the disciples back to the story of Hanukkah, so when He tells them to pray that their flight does not take place on the Sabbath, their minds must have been thinking of the horrible slaughter that took place in Jerusalem on the Sabbath after the religious Jews had fled into the mountains at the start of Hanukkah.

The New Millennium and the Feast of Tabernacles

Zechariah 14:16-19 – *Then the survivors from all the nations that have attacked Jerusalem will go up year after year to worship the King, the Lord Almighty, and to celebrate the **Festival of Tabernacles**. If any of the peoples of the earth do not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord Almighty, they will have no rain. If the Egyptian people do not go up and take part, they will have no rain. The Lord will bring on them the plague he inflicts on the nations that do not go up to celebrate the **Festival of Tabernacles**. This will be the punishment of Egypt and the punishment of all the nations that do not go up to celebrate the **Festival of Tabernacles**.*

Zechariah mentions the Feast of Tabernacles three times when talking about the New Millennium period. No other festival is mentioned. It is clear from the Scriptures that the Lord wants to emphasize the importance of this festival and that it will be celebrated at the proper time during the New Millennium, when the Bride of Christ is no longer defiled and is ready to rule and reign on the earth with Him. This will be a time of great peace and prosperity on the earth, when Satan has been bound for 1000 years in the bottomless pit and the wicked have been destroyed.

Synagogue of Satan

Revelation 2:9 - *"I know your afflictions and your poverty - yet you are rich! I know about the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan."*

Revelation 3:9 - *"I will make those who are of the synagogue of Satan, who claim to be Jews though they are not, but are liars - I will make them come and fall down at your feet and acknowledge that I have loved you."*

Many evangelical churches, particularly in America, have aligned themselves with the modern-day nation state of Israel and think our nation must bless the nation of Israel in order to be blessed by God. This is a widely accepted teaching in many churches.

I believe this teaching is one of the things that has led to our nation being under the judgment of God. The chosen people of God are those who have put their faith in Christ, the seed of Abraham. The Jewish people who rejected Christ have been cut off and the Gentiles who have accepted Christ have been grafted in. The Body of Christ is made up of Gentile and Jewish believers in Jesus Christ and anyone, Jewish or Gentile, who has not accepted Christ as their Lord and Savior are not a part of God's chosen people who will receive eternal life and inherit the blessings promised by God to all who have put their faith in Him, just as Abraham did.

The Lord had very harsh words for the religious Jews in His day.

Matthew 23 - *"Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you **hypocrites**! You shut the door of the kingdom of heaven in people's faces. You yourselves do not enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to. Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you **hypocrites**! You travel over land and sea to win a single convert, and when you have succeeded, you make them **twice as much a child of hell as you are**...Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you **hypocrites**! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are **full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean**. In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are **full of hypocrisy and wickedness… You snakes! You brood of vipers! How will you escape being condemned to hell?** Therefore I am sending you prophets and sages and teachers. Some of them **you will kill and crucify**; others you will flog in your synagogues and pursue from town to town. And **so upon you will come all the righteous blood that has been shed on earth**, from the blood of righteous Abel to the blood of Zechariah son of Berekiah, whom **you murdered** between the temple and the altar."*

Through DNA testing, it has been proven that many of the modern-day "Jewish" people actually have no genetic relation to the Jewish people of the Old Testament. They claim to be Jewish. They claim to be God's "chosen people", and therefore claim that the land of Israel should belong to them. However, most of the modern-day Jewish people living in Israel have less Jewish DNA than the Palestinian people that they are killing.

The Jewish people that fled Israel when the Romans destroyed their temple in 70 AD were mostly the

elite and highly educated class and they were scattered throughout the nations. Many inter-married with Gentiles over the centuries and many Gentiles also converted to the religion of Judaism. The Jewish people that did not flee Israel were mostly peasants and farmers, who have remained for thousands of years in the land of Israel. They were the more uneducated and poor people. For the most part, they've converted to Christianity and Islam over the last 2000 years.

The people that were living in the land of Palestine, or Israel, have for the most part been living there for thousands of years. Their homes were taken from them and they were forced to live in difficult circumstances and they are now being slaughtered by the "Jewish" people by the tens of thousands, including women and children.

Who should have more claim to the land? The Palestinians, who are about 80% "Jewish" by blood and have lived there for thousands of years, or those who practice Judaism, who have between 0-50% "Jewish" blood? Why are these questions not being asked by the evangelical church in America, who blindly follow the teachings spoon-fed to them by their leaders that we must bless the nation of Israel or God will curse us?

The vast majority of evangelical Christians in America support Israel, a nation filled with people who have less claim to the land than the Palestinians who have stayed and did not flee Israel in the first century after Christ. Many of these "Jewish" leaders have blackmailed our politicians and lobby to get their way in the American government. Most of our major corporations are also owned and controlled by these "Jewish" people. For the most part, they are evil people, just as the Pharisees of Jesus' day were. They consider anyone who is not Jewish to be inferior to them. They believe that God has chosen them as His people to be the leaders of the world. They are arrogant and do not follow the teachings of Christ, who taught us to love and serve all people and to be humble. Jesus did not hesitate to call the Pharisees out and tell the people not to follow them. He called them children of the devil and called judgment to be on them. He called them snakes and hypocrites and told them they were going to hell. And what does the modern-day evangelical church do? Embrace these so-called "Jews", support them, bless them, and call them "God's chosen people".

While we should love the Jewish people as much as we love anyone else, we should not accept the teaching that they are still the "chosen people" and that we must always support Israel or our nation will be cursed. In fact, it is quite the opposite. If Israel is killing innocent people by the tens of thousands and think they have been chosen by God to rule the world, we should be calling out their hypocrisy and realize that they have rejected their Messiah and need salvation, just as we all do.

The judgment that is about to fall on the nation of Israel, as Jerusalem is ransacked and left desolate, which was prophesied by Zechariah and Jesus to take place, will also fall on the United States and the leaders of our nation who have become puppets for this evil regime called Israel that kills innocent women and children, many of whom are our brothers and sisters in Christ. It is the tax dollars of the American people that have funded these horrible atrocities and the nation of America will be judged for its sin and support of these so-called "Jews", who belong to the synagogue of Satan. May God have mercy on His people who have believed these horrible lies that have been spoon-fed to them by the leaders of their churches. And may they wake up to see the error of their ways and repent for their

ignorance and willingness to follow blind guides.

After Jerusalem is trampled on by the Gentiles (mostly Muslim nations surrounding Israel), the nations that attack Israel will claim victory in the name of "Allah". After a time of repentance and crying out to the Lord for mercy and forgiveness, the Lord will turn His attention back to the nation of Israel and will fight for them at the time of His return to the earth on January 17, 2027. Then they will see their true Messiah, the One that they have rejected for thousands of years, come to save them and they will finally believe in Jesus. Those people who survive from the Muslim nations who have also not believed in Jesus as the Messiah and Savior of the world will turn to Christ and believe in Him as well and will go up every year to Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles.

Zechariah 12:10 -*"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication.* ***They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son****."*

Luke 21 - *When you see* ***Jerusalem being surrounded by armies****, you will know that its* ***desolation is near****... They will fall by the sword and will be taken as prisoners to all the nations.* ***Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles*** *until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.*

Zechariah 14 - ***I will gather all the nations to Jerusalem to fight against it; the city will be captured****, the houses ransacked, and the women raped. Half of the city will go into exile, but the rest of the people will not be taken from the city.* ***Then the LORD will go out and fight against those nations****, as he fights on a day of battle. On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will be split in two from east to west, forming a great valley, with half of the mountain moving north and half moving south...This is the plague with which the Lord will strike all the nations that fought against Jerusalem: Their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet, their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongues will rot in their mouths...****Then the survivors from all the nations that have attacked Jerusalem will go up year after year to worship the King****, the Lord Almighty, and to celebrate the Festival of Tabernacles.*

An Unexpected Hour

Matthew 24:44 - *Therefore you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.*

Many Bible prophecy watchmen look at the Feast of Trumpets each year as the most likely time for the rapture to take place. Others look at the Day of Atonement or during the Feast of Tabernacles. Some look at the spring festivals of Passover, the Feast of Firstfruits or Pentecost. I am very confident that November 29, 2026, is not a time when people are expecting the firstfruits rapture to take place and very few are expecting for there to be a second rapture event on January 3, 2027, at the start of the Feast of Hanukkah. Jesus told us in this verse that He would come at an hour we are not expecting Him.

Harpazo, Dedication & 7 Candlesticks

It was during the Feast of Hanukkah, in the 10th chapter of John's gospel, that Jesus talked about the catching away of His Church. He says **TWICE** that "no man can **SNATCH THEM** out of my hand". The Greek word for **"SNATCH THEM" IS HARPAZO**. Harpazo means "to snatch, or seize suddenly". Interestingly, **HARPAZO** is the exact same word used in 1 Thessalonians 4:17 - *"Then **WE WHO ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN SHALL BE CAUGHT UP [harpazo]** in the clouds to meet the Lord."*

Curiously, the first person to EVER be "raptured", in all of history, was Enoch. Genesis 5:24 - *Enoch walked with God. Then, he was not there, for God took him.*

Enoch, is Hanokh in Hebrew. It means "**DEDICATED**" and comes from the same Hebrew root as "Hanukkah", the feast of **DEDICATION**. The feast of Hanukkah celebrates the **CLEANSING AND DEDICATION** of the **TEMPLE** which had been desecrated by Antiochus Epiphanes. That's exactly what happens to the human temple at the rapture. The temple is cleansed, the mind renewed and **DEDICATED ENTIRELY** to God, as it was before Adam and Eve sinned. It's that renewed mind, filled with God's Manifest Presence that will cause our transformation from mortal to immortal. Hanukkah also commemorates the re-lighting of the menorah, the 7-branch **CANDLESTICK** in the temple. Seven, of course, is the number of completion.

The very first symbol that Jesus showed John when he wrote Revelation was the 7-branch menorah, and He said it symbolized **THE CHURCH**:

Revelation 1:12,13 - *"And I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; and in the middle of the seven candlesticks [menorah] one like to the Son of man."*

Revelation 1:20 - *"The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the **seven candlesticks [menorah] which you saw are the seven churches**."*

Revelation 4: *"After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "**Come up here**, and I will show you what must take place after this." At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it. And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne. Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads. From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, **seven lamps were blazing**."*

When John is told to "Come up here!" and a door to heaven is opened, there are 7 lamps burning, which represent the 7 candles that are lit during the Hanukkah festival. The final door to heaven will be opened for the Bride of Christ at the start of Hanukkah and the two witnesses of Revelation 11 will be told to "Come up here!"

Interestingly, on the twenty-fourth day of Kislev in 2011, the lights at Candlestick Park went out twice during a football game, a 15-year warning to us of what will happen on January 1 or 2, 2027, the twenty-fourth day of Kislev, when Christ, the Light of the World, takes His Bride and the wrath of God begins on the earth. Just as 15 years was added to King Hezekiah's life (see 2 Kings 20), so also the world has been given 15 years from this event before all the lights go out when the main harvest rapture takes place and all of the Bride of Christ (light of the world) is in heaven to celebrate the 2-week wedding Feast of Hanukkah.

The End of the Delays

In this amazing puzzle, we have seen how the Lord delayed His judgment in the spring of 2013. We saw how He again delayed judgment in 2016 (the seventh day of Daniel's seventieth week) and added another seven years to bring us to the fall of 2023 as the end of the 14 years. I believe 2016 was the end of 6000 years from Creation and 2023 was the end of 6000 years from the fall of man, as the book of Jubilees tells us that Adam and Eve were in the garden for seven years. There was still room in the puzzle for further delay and the Lord has added three additional years. These three years were foreshadowed to us in the three years of training mentioned in Daniel 1 and also the story of Hanukkah, wherein the temple was defiled and the Jewish people were unable to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles at the proper time for 3 years.

The delays have added **ten years** to Daniel's seventieth week. In Daniel's seventieth week, each day represents one year. We are told in Revelation 2:10 that we would have "**ten days**" of tribulation before we are given the victor's crown. We are also shown in Daniel 1 that there would be "**ten days**" of testing and that those who **do not defile themselves** would pass the time of testing. Revelation 14 shows us that those who **are not defiled** will be redeemed from the earth and offered as **firstfruits** to God and the Lamb. This ten-day (year) wait was also foreshadowed to us in the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when we see that it was not until the tenth day counting from the start of Unleavened Bread when the Lord appeared to Daniel (pointing us to the wedding of the Lamb). This ten-day (year) wait was also foreshadowed to us in the Feast of Tabernacles when the Israelites put on sackcloth and fasted as a sign of repentance. It is also not until the tenth day of the Feast of Tabernacles that the Jewish people leave their temporary tents to return to their permanent homes, foreshadowing the rapture and resurrection events.

The entire puzzle is 17 years in length, expressing complete (10) sanctification, "overcoming the enemy" and "complete victory." We see numerous examples from the Scriptures of judgment taking place on the seventeenth day (the fall of man and the flood), as well as the resurrection of Christ and the saints on the seventeenth day and the ark resting on the seventeenth day, all foreshadowing to us what will take place during the seventeenth year counting from the start of Daniel's seventieth week.

Revelation 10:5-7 - *Then the angel I had seen standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven. And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it,*

*and said, "**There will be no more delay**! But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, **the mystery of God will be accomplished**, just as he announced to his servants the prophets."*

When the delays have finished, it is time for the seventh angel to sound his trumpet and for the mystery of God (the rapture of the Church) to be accomplished.

1 Corinthians 15:51-53 - *Behold, **I show you a mystery**: We shall not all sleep; but we shall all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. **For the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.*

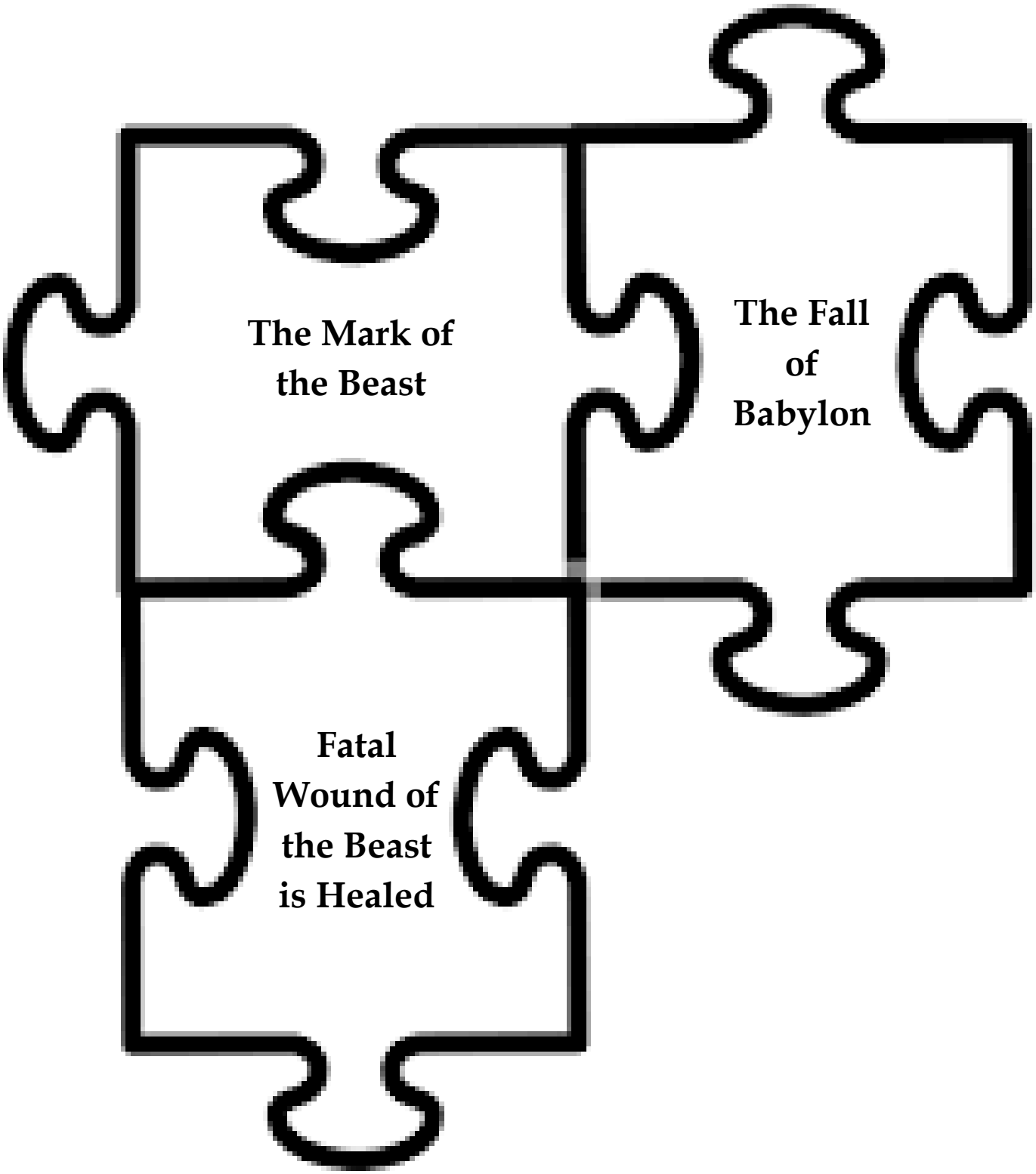
The mystery of God is the rapture of the church. The angel in Revelation 10 tells us that there will be no more delay – this means there was a delay, just as we are also told in Matthew 25 that the Bridegroom was delayed and the virgins fell asleep.

Habakkuk 2:3 - *For the vision is yet for **the appointed time**; it testifies about the end and will not lie. **Though it delays, wait for it, since it will certainly come and not be late**.*

God has always had an appointed time for the rapture. He is not changing the time or moving it back. The delays are simply part of His amazing puzzle to show us His incredible love, mercy and long-suffering as we see how that time and time again, He could have brought His judgment but He delayed and is shortening the days to as little as Scripturally possible for the sake of the elect. This puzzle is all about His mercy, His grace and His incredible love for His children, not wanting anyone to perish, but all to come to eternal life through His Son.

Chapter 11

Puzzle Pieces 68, 69 & 70



The Mark of the Beast

When we say the right hand or the forehead, as a believer in Christ, what do we automatically think about? We think about Revelation, where it speaks about the Mark of the Beast:

Revelation 13: 14, 16, 17 - *Because of the signs it was given power to perform on behalf of the first beast, it **deceived** the inhabitants of the earth… And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, and he provides that **no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark**, either the name of the beast or the number of his name.*

I'm sure many Christians are saying, "When the Mark of the Beast comes, I'll be ready for it! It will be a mark or chip in the forehead or the hand."

But is that what Revelation is talking about? Remember that most of Revelation is symbolic. Let's look at the Scriptures for more insight into the meaning of right hand or forehead. Scripture interprets Scripture.

Exodus 13:9 - *"It will be a sign **on your hand** and a reminder on your **forehead** so that you will often discuss the LORD's Instruction, for the LORD brought you out of Egypt with great power."*

Deuteronomy 11:18 - *Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols **on your hands** and bind them on your **foreheads**.*

When God said this to the Israelites, He did not actually mean for them to take the laws and stick it on their hands or foreheads. He was not talking literally, but spiritually.

Isaiah 41:10 - *So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous **right hand**.*

Exodus 15:6, 12 - *Your **right hand**, LORD, was majestic in power. Your **right hand**, LORD, shattered the enemy… You stretch out your **right hand**, and the earth swallows your enemies.*

Isaiah 48:13 - *My own hand laid the foundations of the earth, and my **right hand** spread out the heavens; when I summon them, they all stand up together.*

Isaiah 62:8 - *The LORD has sworn by his **right hand** and by his mighty arm: "Never again will I give your grain as food for your enemies, and never again will foreigners drink the new wine for which you have toiled.*

Psalm 74:11 - *Why do you hold back your hand, your **right hand**? Take it from the folds of*

your garment and destroy them!

In the Scriptures, the right hand symbolizes power and strength. Going back to the verses in Revelation 13, in the beginning of that chapter it speaks of a beast coming out of the sea with 7 heads and 10 horns. We know that this is symbolic and not literal.

So what does it mean to receive a mark on the forehead or right hand? In our mind, there is what is known as the God gene. When we think about God, an area of the brain near the forehead lights up.

The word "mark" in Hebrew means brand and in Greek means stigma. If you look up stigma, it means stick or prick – a mark pricked in or branded upon the body. Slaves and soldiers bore the stamp of their master or commander, branded or pricked into their bodies to indicate what master or general they belonged to. It's a mark to say you belong to Satan. As God marks His own, so Satan marks his own.

Revelation 7:3 - *"Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the **foreheads** of the servants of our God."*

Revelation 14:1 – *Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their **foreheads**.*

Is this literal or symbolic? It's symbolic. So what does that have to do with this verse in Revelation concerning the Mark of the Beast being given on the right hand or forehead?

A mark on the right hand or forehead is not what most believers think it is. There is a deception involved with the Mark of the Beast. Satan did not come to Eve and tell her the whole story of what would happen if she ate the forbidden fruit - he told her half-truths that led her to believe that it would be a good thing to eat the fruit. He is a master at deception. We, as Christians, must be aware that we are living in a time of great delusion and deception and should avoid taking anything that we may have to have in order to buy or sell in the near future. Just 2 verses before speaking of the Mark of the Beast, we read:

Revelation 13:14 - *Because of the signs it was given power to perform on behalf of the first beast, it **deceived** the inhabitants of the earth.*

Revelation 19:20 - *He **deceived those who accepted the mark of the beast** and those who worshiped its image with these signs.*

Revelation 18:23 - *For thy merchants were the great men of the earth, for by thy **sorceries** were all nations **deceived**.*

Sorceries in Greek means pharmakeia, or pharmacy. Pharmakeia is the use of medicine, drugs or spells. The Mark of the Beast will be used to take away your strength and weaken your immune

system.

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

Revelation 16:2 - *The first angel went and poured out his bowl on the land, and ugly, festering sores broke out on the people who had the mark of the beast and worshiped its image.*

The Scriptures also teach us that those who take this will suffer terrible sores, showing again the incredible dangers of taken this vaccine that is being forced on the entire world.



Revelation 2:10-11 - *Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you, the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you life as your **victor's crown**.*

The Lord mentions the victor's crown that is given to those who are faithful to Him. This points us to the word corona which means crown. I believe this mark of the beast will have something to do with the coronavirus vaccination. This mark of the beast comes during the ten day period of persecution, or tribulation, meaning that it takes place sometime between the end of 2016 and the end of 2026.

Considering how close we are to the firstfruits rapture in November 2026, it is very likely that the COVID vaccine was in fact the Mark of the Beast. Those who took it demonstrated that they were putting their trust in a new and untested treatment for a disease that had well over a 99% chance of survival and should not concern most people. By allowing them to put this gene therapy into you, it shows that you are not trusting in the Lord, but in their new and untested technology and are falling for their lies that everyone must get this "vaccine" in order to develop "herd immunity". The forehead and right hand are only symbolic of you giving into their lies about this "vaccine" and giving your mind and strength (health) into the hands of the enemy. This is not a normal vaccination - it is an experimental new therapy that affects your genetic structure at the cellular level and once you take it, you can never get it out of your body. It is a permanent change that you are making to your cells and could seriously affect your immune system, which is your God-given defense system to protect you from illnesses.

It is also very possible that the mRNA vaccine adds a third strand of DNA to the human body. God created your DNA to block out any intruding force, but scientists have developed mRNA, which tricks the DNA to allowing it to pass through and make changes to the DNA. It is believed by many that there are 144,000 genes in every human body, 72,000 from each parent. If a third strand of DNA is added, this would total 216,000 genes, which is 600X60X6. In the original Greek, the number 666 was

written as 600, 60 and 6 and John tells us to calculate the number of the beast. The book of Revelation may very well be warning us that by adding the extra strand of DNA to the human body, the body becomes something other than human, no longer purely human, as is the case for those with 144,000 genes.

This is such a huge deception and so many followers of Christ have fallen for the lies of the enemy and were more than willing to put something in their bodies that could cause irreparable damage to their immune system and even alter their DNA. So many just thought this was just another vaccination and did little or no research on what it was that they were putting into their bodies. Our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit and everyone should find out ahead of time what it is that they are allowing to be put into their bodies, especially when it seemed to be leading to a system in which many people were unable to buy or sell or work or attend school or events or pretty much do anything without it. Those with eyes to see and ears to hear will know where we are at on God's timetable and have stayed far away from this "vaccine".

For those of you reading this who have been left behind and who have already taken this vaccination out of ignorance, I encourage you to not give up hope. The Lord has proven through the Scriptures and this puzzle His incredible mercy toward humanity. When Eve sinned, the Scriptures tell us that she was deceived. In other words, she was tricked by the devil into sinning and did not willfully sin against God. Although she suffered terribly for her sin, forgiveness was still offered to her and to humanity. The fallen angels, on the other hand, sinned willfully and knowingly against God and were not offered a chance of forgiveness, according to the Book of Enoch. If you repent and confess your sin, I believe forgiveness will still be offered to you through the grace and mercy of God. Repentance means to turn around and go a different direction. Repent and ask the Lord for forgiveness and healing of your body.

I believe that even if your DNA has been changed, the Lord is able to restore you and resurrect your body in His image. He is all-powerful and can speak things into existence that do not exist. He can reverse the curse that the enemy has put on you and restore to you all that was stolen. Cry out to Him for mercy and forgiveness and do not participate any more in their evil schemes. You were one of the foolish virgins of Matthew 25 who have been left behind and missed the firstfruits rapture, but the Lord will make a way for all who repent and cry out to Him. He is the God of the second chance and can once again make your DNA with 144,000 genes so that you can be one of those believers in Revelation 7 that stand with Him after coming out of the Great Tribulation. Do not allow the enemy to deceive you into thinking you have lost your eternal salvation because you were tricked by these wicked people and demonic forces. Jesus came to seek and save that which was lost and to shorten the days of the Great Tribulation for His elect so that they do not have to suffer for 3½ years, but only for 35 days after the firstfruits rapture on November 29, 2026. If there was no chance for salvation for those who took the vaccine then He would not have shortened the days, because if that was the case hundreds of millions of souls could have been saved if the firstfruits rapture had taken place in the spring of 2020. If He said that the days will be shortened for the elect's sake, then He has made a way for His people to be forgiven and restored from this horrible trick of Satan. You are still a child of the Most High God and have authority over Satan. Use the authority that God has given to you to fight the enemy and refuse to believe his lies that you are no longer a child of God because of something he has

done to your body.

Revelation 14 - *And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If any man **worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand**, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: and the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, **who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name**."*

I believe this verse mentions TWO things that a person must do to be eternally shut out from the presence of God. This punishment is reserved for those **who worship the beast AND who take the Mark of the Beast**. I believe that worshiping the beast involves a person bowing down to the system of the beast by not standing up to it once they understand what it is that has taken over the world. Believers in Christ must stand up in defiance to this beast system and use the authority that they have in Christ to live in such a way that they do not yield to the pressure to give in to this system. They must stand in defiance and be brave, even if it costs them their very life. As Christians, we do not bow down to Satan and his evil forces but stand up for our Christian beliefs, even if it costs us everything we have. It may seem that the 2 witnesses (left-behind saints) are dead and have lost their authority on the earth that Christ won for us at the cross, but this will only last for a very short time and after 140 days, they will be resurrected and given their new and redeemed bodies. Taking a vaccination is not the unpardonable sin. Hardening your heart to the Lord and walking in deliberate defiance to His ways is what will cause a person to commit the unpardonable sin of blaspheming the Holy Spirit.

1 John 1:9 - *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

There is no sin that is not covered under the blood of Jesus. We simply must ask for forgiveness and receive it. Satan may think he has stolen your body, but he can never steal your soul unless you allow him to do so. Stand up in the authority of Christ and do not fall for his lies that will tell you that you can no longer receive the forgiveness of Jesus because you are no longer covered by His blood. You were redeemed by Christ and He is the author and finisher of your faith. He is able to do whatever you ask Him to do. All authority has been given to Him. Satan does not have authority over you. Eve was also deceived by Satan, but forgiveness was still obtainable for her through Christ. She suffered for her sin, but her soul was not lost and eternal salvation was still offered to her and to all who call on His Name.

Philippians 1:6 - *Being confident of this, that **He who began a good work in you** will carry it on to **COMPLETION** until the day of Christ Jesus.*

Mark 7:15 - *"**NOTHING** outside a person can defile them by going into them. Rather, it is what comes out of a person that defiles them."*

Matthew 24:22 - *And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.*

Jesus would not have shortened the Great Tribulation for the sake of His people if it meant about half of them would be eternally lost by being tricked into taking the Mark of the Beast. If the Great Tribulation had started in the Spring of 2020 with the firstfruits rapture, followed by 3½ years before the main harvest rapture and Second Coming of Christ to the earth, those who were left behind would have known that they were in the Great Tribulation and would never have taken the vaccine as they would have recognized it for what it was. But they were asleep and unaware and many Christian leaders took it and urged others to do so also as they are unaware of the days we now live in and think there is still a 7-year tribulation coming and the Mark of the Beast will come during this time period. They also do not understand that the book of Revelation is symbolic and that the right hand and forehead are symbolic for strength and authority and their mind.

I think Satan has been deceived (again). You reap what you sow. He sows deception and will reap it. Scripture tells us that the powers and principalities of this world (demonic forces of evil) would not have had Jesus crucified if they had known it was their greatest defeat. This is a battle between Satan and God. Satan also thinks he has 3½ years to wreak havoc on the world without being restrained, but the Lord has shortened it to just 5 months. That is why he is full of fury when he is cast out of heaven to the earth in Revelation 12, because his time is short. He also thought Adam and Eve were eternally lost when he tricked them in the garden. And he now believes he has just stolen the salvation of hundreds of millions of God's children by inserting this third DNA strand into them. But in the end, he is the one who has been deceived and God will raise up His chosen people. Nothing can come against the people of God, not even the gates of hell. We are overcomers through the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony.

Once the firstfruits rapture takes place and those who took the Mark of the Beast are left behind, they will wake up to what has happened and realize what they have been taught for so many years is wrong and the book of Revelation is symbolic. Once they repent, the Lord will use them to do incredible things during the final 35 days of Great Tribulation on the earth before the main harvest rapture takes place on January 3, 2027. Many will lose their lives - quite possibly because of the "vaccine" - but the Lord is able to speak and create something out of nothing with just the words of His mouth and He is fully capable of changing their DNA back to 144,000 genes when he raises them up after the Great Tribulation. That is why we see in Revelation 7 that they are also called the 144,000. The Lord is telling us that He will reverse this curse that Satan has put on them and make them new again.

The foolish virgins are left behind and have to endure the days of darkness on the earth, but they are still "virgins" (Christians) and will be taken in the main harvest rapture of Revelation 7, after enduring hunger, thirst and the sun scorching them. They have made their robes white by the blood of the Lamb, meaning they have repented of their sin, and a double portion of anointing is given to them to do amazing things for the Lord and bring in a great harvest of souls.

Satan thinks that the Scriptures say that all who take this "mark of the beast" are eternally lost. Satan thinks that by changing our DNA we are no longer human and therefore no longer qualify to be saved

by the blood of Jesus. But what Christ did on the cross was a SPIRITUAL salvation, and it is about changing our hearts and redeeming our souls. **Nothing that is put into the body can make it unredeemable, as Christ already told us this in Mark 7:15**, when He told us that it is what comes out of our hearts that makes us sinners and in need of a Savior. The blood of Christ cleanses us from ALL unrighteousness and our bodies will be raised up eternal and incorruptible through what Jesus did for us.

Satan thinks he knows the Word of God and even tried to use it against Jesus when he tempted him in the wilderness, but God always has a plan of salvation and of victory and in the end, Satan is the one who is deceived. You cannot steal a person's salvation through deception or through putting something into their bodies. If that was the case, then Christ does not have ALL authority and He is unable to forgive ALL sin. God is all-powerful and is fully able to finish our faith, even when we fall into sin or are deceived by the enemy. If He started a good work in you, He will see it through to completion.

The Fall of Babylon

The fall of Babylon is spoken of throughout the Bible, particularly in Isaiah 21 and 47, Jeremiah 51 and Revelation 18. If you want to get a good picture of what is about to take place, I encourage you to read these chapters from the Bible. While there is much debate as to what Babylon represents in these passages, I will say that overall I believe that Babylon represents the system of the world that stands in opposition to Christ and the teachings of the Scriptures. However, I believe that America in particular, stands to reap most of the judgment prescribed in these prophesies and is the great queen mentioned in Revelation 18 who thinks she will never be a widow or mourn, but in one day her plagues will overtake her. This is the "Day of the Lord", from the seventh day of Tabernacles in 2025 to the end of Hanukkah on January 16, 2027. When it refers to the city of the Babylonians, I believe it is most likely referring to New York City, the headquarters of the United Nations. Here are some verses from these chapters that show what is about to take place within the coming months:

Isaiah 21 - *Like **whirlwinds** sweeping through the southland, an invader comes from the desert, from a land of terror…At this my body is racked with pain, pangs seize me, like those of a **woman in labor**; I am staggered by what I hear, I am bewildered by what I see. My heart falters, fear makes me tremble…This is what the Lord says to me: "Go, post a lookout and have him report what he sees. When he sees **chariots with teams of horses**, riders on donkeys or riders on camels, let him be alert, fully alert." And the lookout shouted, "Day after day, my lord, I stand on the watchtower; every night I stay at my post. Look, here comes a man in **a chariot with a team of horses**. And he gives back the answer: "**Babylon has fallen, has fallen!** All the images of its gods lie shattered on the ground!" My people who are **crushed on the threshing floor**, I tell you what I have heard from the LORD Almighty, from the God of Israel.*

Isaiah 47 - *"Go down, sit in the dust, Virgin Daughter Babylon; sit on the ground without a throne, queen city of the Babylonians…Your nakedness will be exposed and your shame uncovered. I will take vengeance; I will spare no one." Our Redeemer - the LORD Almighty is his name - is the*

Holy One of Israel. Sit in silence, go into darkness, queen city of the Babylonians; ***no more will you be called queen of kingdoms****… You said, 'I am forever—the eternal queen!' But you did not consider these things or reflect on what might happen. Now then, listen, you lover of pleasure, lounging in your security and saying to yourself, "I am, and there is none besides me.* ***I will never be a widow*** *or suffer the loss of children."* ***Both of these will overtake you in a moment, on a single day****: loss of children and widowhood. They will come upon you in full measure, in spite of your many sorceries and all your potent spells. You have trusted in your wickedness and have said, "No one sees me." Your wisdom and knowledge mislead you when you say to yourself, "I am, and there is none besides me."* ***Disaster will come upon you****, and you will not know how to conjure it away. A calamity will fall upon you that you cannot ward off with a ransom;* ***a catastrophe you cannot foresee will suddenly come upon you****.*



Jeremiah 51 - *I will send foreigners to Babylon to winnow her and to devastate her land; they will oppose her on every side in the day of her disaster…"Flee from Babylon! Run for your lives! Do not be destroyed because of her sins. It is time for the LORD's vengeance; he will repay her what she deserves. Babylon was a gold cup in the LORD's hand; she made the whole earth drunk. The nations drank her wine; therefore they have now gone mad.* ***Babylon will suddenly fall and be broken****"… The LORD has vindicated us; come, let us tell in Zion what the LORD our God has done… The LORD will carry out his purpose, his decree against the people of Babylon. You who live by many waters and are rich in treasures, your end has come, the time for you to be destroyed. The LORD Almighty has sworn by himself: I will surely fill you with troops, as with a* ***swarm of locusts****, and they will shout in triumph over you... Lift up a banner in the land!* ***Blow the trumpet*** *among the nations! The land trembles and writhes, for the LORD's purposes against Babylon stand - to lay waste the land of Babylon so that no one will live there. Babylon's warriors have stopped fighting; they remain in their strongholds. Their strength is exhausted; they have become weaklings. Her dwellings are set on fire; the bars of her gates are broken. One courier follows another and messenger follows messenger to announce to the king of Babylon that his entire city is captured, the river crossings seized, the marshes set on fire, and the soldiers terrified. This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: "Daughter Babylon is like a* ***threshing floor at the time it is trampled****; the* ***time to harvest*** *her will soon come… Babylon will be a heap of ruins, a haunt of jackals, an object of horror and scorn, a place where no one lives. Her people all roar like young lions, they growl like lion cubs. But while they are aroused, I will set out a feast for them and make them drunk, so that they shout with laughter - then sleep forever and not awake," declares the LORD. "I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams and goats… How desolate Babylon will be among the nations! The* ***sea will rise over Babylon; its roaring waves will cover her****. Her towns will be desolate, a dry and desert land, a land where no one lives, through which no one travels.* ***Come out of her, my people!*** *Run for your lives! Run from the fierce anger of the LORD"…Then say, "So will Babylon sink to rise no more because of the disaster I will bring on her. And her people will fall."*

Revelation 18 - *"**Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great!**" She has become a dwelling for demons and a haunt for every impure spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable animal. For all the nations have drunk the maddening wine of her adulteries. The kings of the earth committed adultery with her, and the merchants of the earth grew rich from her excessive luxuries. Then I heard another voice from heaven say: "**Come out of her, my people**, so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues; for her sins are piled up to heaven, and God has remembered her crimes. Give back to her as she has given; pay her back double for what she has done. Pour her a double portion from her own cup. Give her as much torment and grief as the glory and luxury she gave herself. In her heart she boasts, '**I sit enthroned as queen. I am not a widow; I will never mourn.' Therefore in one day her plagues will overtake her: death, mourning and famine. She will be consumed by fire, for mighty is the Lord God who judges her**." When the kings of the earth who committed adultery with her and shared her luxury see the smoke of her burning, they will weep and mourn over her. Terrified at her torment, they will stand far off and cry: "**Woe! Woe to you, great city, you mighty city of Babylon**! In one hour your doom has come!" **The merchants of the earth will weep and mourn over her because no one buys their cargoes anymore** - cargoes of gold, silver, precious stones and pearls; fine linen, purple, silk and scarlet cloth; every sort of citron wood, and articles of every kind made of ivory, costly wood, bronze, iron and marble; cargoes of cinnamon and spice, of incense, myrrh and frankincense, of wine and olive oil, of fine flour and wheat; cattle and sheep; horses and carriages; and human beings sold as slaves. They will say, "The fruit you longed for is gone from you. All your luxury and splendor have vanished, never to be recovered. The merchants who sold these things and gained their wealth from her will stand far off, terrified at her torment. They will weep and mourn and cry out: "**Woe! Woe to you, great city**, dressed in fine linen, purple and scarlet, and glittering with gold, precious stones and pearls! In one hour such great wealth has been brought to ruin!" Every sea captain, and all who travel by ship, the sailors, and all who earn their living from the sea, will stand far off. When they see the smoke of her burning, they will exclaim, "Was there ever a city like this great city?" They will throw dust on their heads, and with weeping and mourning cry out: "Woe! Woe to you, great city, where all who had ships on the sea became rich through her wealth! In one hour she has been brought to ruin!" Rejoice over her, you heavens! Rejoice, you people of God! Rejoice, apostles and prophets! For God has judged her with the judgment she imposed on you. Then a **mighty angel picked up a boulder the size of a large millstone and threw it into the sea**, and said: "With such violence the great city of Babylon will be thrown down, never to be found again. The music of harpists and musicians, pipers and trumpeters, will never be heard in you again. No worker of any trade will ever be found in you again. The sound of a millstone will never be heard in you again. The light of a lamp will never shine in you again. **The voice of bridegroom and bride will never be heard in you again**. Your merchants were the world's important people. By your magic spell all the nations were led astray. In her was found the blood of prophets and of God's holy people, of all who have been slaughtered on the earth."*

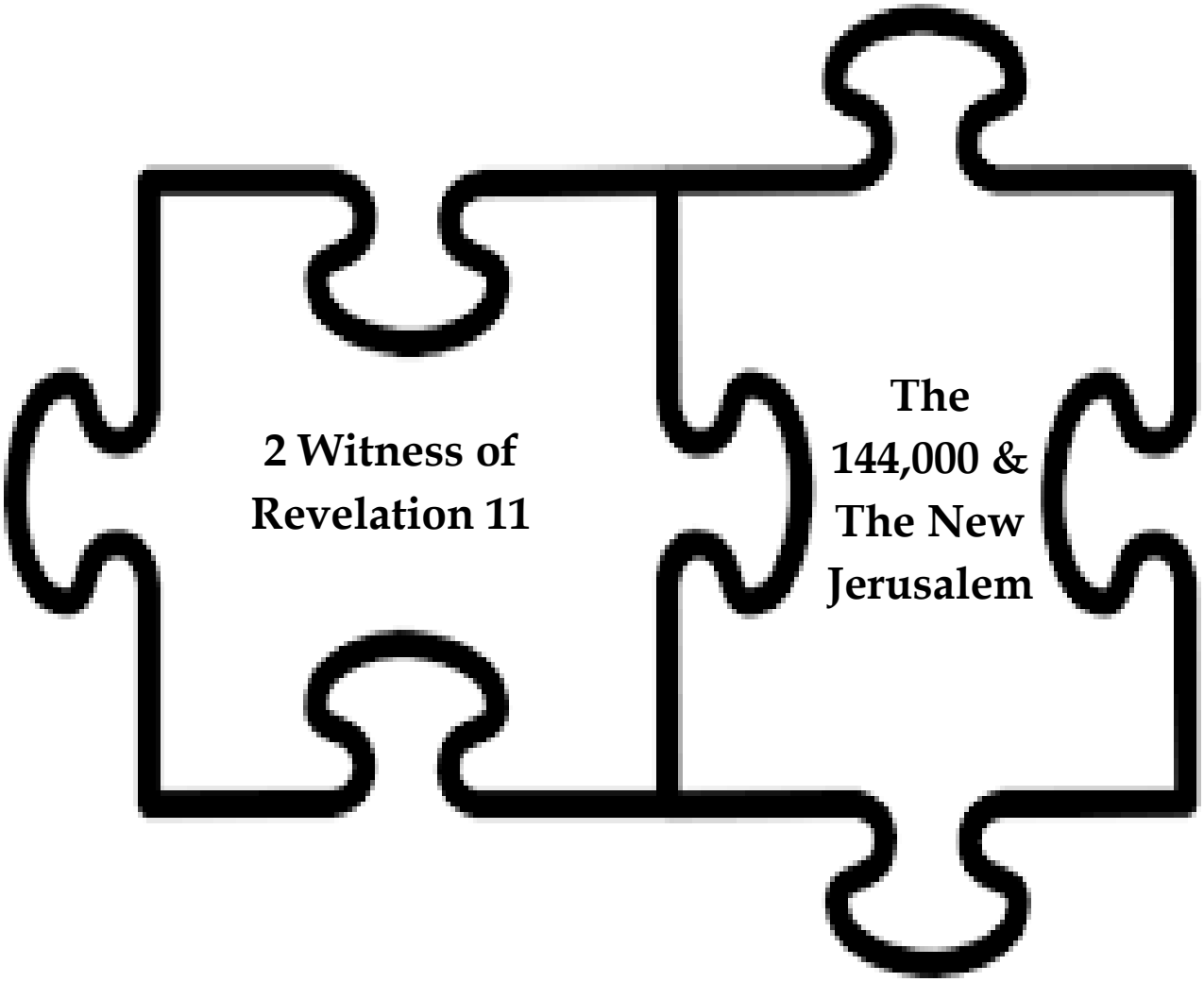
The Fatal Wound of the Beast is Healed

Revelation 13:3 reads: *"One of the heads of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but the fatal wound had been healed. The whole world was filled with wonder and followed the beast."*

Many people have speculated over the years what this verse is talking about. I believe it is about Satan's fatal head wound that was given to him at the time of Jesus' death, when he was stripped of his rights and his authority on the earth. When Christ takes His Bride and leaves with her, he stops fighting Satan and Satan is then given back his authority on the earth to do as he pleases. His fatal head wound has been healed. Satan is so destructive and comes only to steal, kill and destroy. If the Lord had allowed him 3½ years, no flesh would have survived, but the Lord has graciously shortened this time of judgment to just 5 weeks.

Chapter 12

Puzzle Pieces 71 & 72



The book of Revelation is full of symbolism. We see dragons and beasts with 10 heads and 7 horns, a woman who is given eagles' wings, we see a sword coming out of Jesus' mouth, 2 witnesses breathing fire out of their mouths, 144,000 virgins standing with a lamb on Mt. Zion. Most people who have read the book of Revelation understand that these things are symbolic, and that they represent something other than the literal interpretation of what is being read. Most people understand that there will not actually be a beast coming out of the sea with 10 heads and 7 horns. But, for some reason, when it comes to the 2 witnesses in Revelation 11 or the 144,000 mentioned in Revelation 7 and 14, many believers cannot see or understand that these are also symbolic. Many believers are very confused when they read the book of Revelation. For example, in Revelation 21, we see the New Jerusalem coming down out of heaven and the New Jerusalem is referred to as the wife of the Lamb. Many believers know that the Bride of Christ is the Church, but are confused by this passage that says the Bride is a city.

I would like to look at some of these difficult passages and do my best to explain them from my own understanding. I do not claim to understand everything written in the book of Revelation and will admit right now that my interpretation may not be correct; only the Lord has full knowledge of what all of the symbolism represents. We must allow Scripture to interpret Scripture and try to understand these difficult passages. We need to stop trying to fit God into our little box, continually insisting that everything we read in the book of Revelation is literal and not symbolic and that to think otherwise is heresy. This is the same attitude that the Pharisees had and was why they were unable to see the Messiah for who He was when He first came to the earth. Their legalistic narrow-minded interpretation of the Scriptures did not fit with what Jesus was doing and who He was claiming to be, and they could not see that He was the fulfillment of the prophecies. The entire Bible is full of symbolism, especially in the prophecies. Jesus loved to speak to people in parables. These parables were stories that had deeper meaning and the people and things in His parables represented something. Jesus, the Word of God, is an incredible story-teller. And the written Word of God is His story to us, and it's full of symbolism and parables. God is the most amazing story-teller of all time and this book that He wrote is the world's greatest story – it's His Story.

2 Witness of Revelation 11



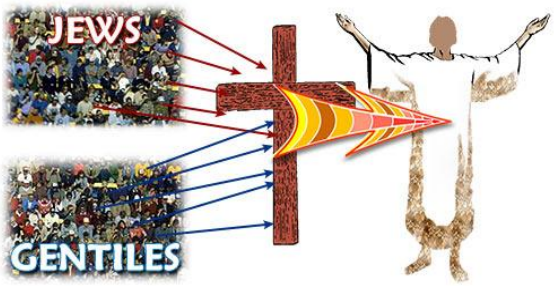
OK, so let's first take a look at these 2 witnesses in Revelation and allow the Scripture to interpret itself. Revelation 11 says, *"I was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, 'Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, with its worshipers. But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles. They will trample on the holy city for 42 months. And I will appoint my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth.' They are "the two olive trees" and the two lampstands, and "they* ***stand before the Lord of the earth.***"

This is a very clear reference to Zechariah 4: *Then the angel who talked with me returned and woke me up, like someone awakened from sleep. He asked me, "What do you see?" I answered, "I see a solid gold lampstand with a bowl at the top and seven lamps on it, with seven channels to the lamps. Also there are two olive trees by it, one on the right of the bowl and the other on its left." …. Then I asked the angel, "What are these two olive trees on the right and the left of the*

lampstand?" Again I asked him, "What are these two olive branches beside the two gold pipes that pour out golden oil?" He replied, "Do you not know what these are?" "No, my lord," I said. So he said, "These are the two who are anointed to serve the Lord of all the earth."



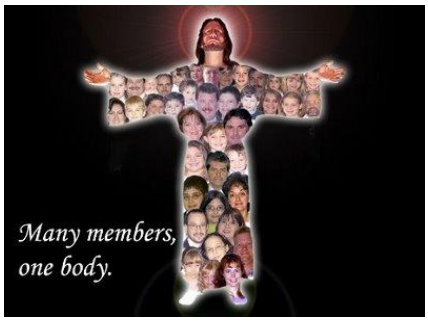
So, these 2 lampstands and 2 olive trees stand before the Lord of the earth and are anointed to serve Him. And what does the Scripture teach us is the lampstand and the olive tree? In Revelation 1, we read: *I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive forever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades. Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later. The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches."*



And in Romans 11, we read: *If some of the branches have been broken off, and you, though a wild olive shoot, have been grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing sap from the olive root, do not consider yourself to be superior to those other branches. If you do, consider this: You do not support the root, but the root supports you. You will say then, "Branches were broken off so that I could be grafted in." Granted. But they were broken off because of unbelief, and you stand by faith. Do not be arrogant, but tremble. For if God did not spare the natural branches, he will not spare you either. Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God: sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you continue in his kindness. Otherwise, you also will be cut off. And if they do not persist in unbelief, they will be grafted in, for God is able to graft them in again. After all, if you were cut out of an olive tree that is wild by nature, and contrary to nature were grafted into a cultivated olive tree, how much more readily will these, the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree!*

So, Jesus Himself tells us that the lampstand represents the church and Paul tells us that the olive tree represents **those who believe in Christ, both Jewish and Gentile.** Paul tells us that the Lord cut off those in Israel who did not accept the Messiah and He has grafted in those Gentiles who do believe. Therefore, the olive tree also represents the Church, both Jewish and Gentile believers. So, why are there 2 olive trees and 2 lampstands? My thought on this is that one lampstand represents the Jewish believers

in the Messiah and the other represents the Gentile believers in the Messiah. Likewise, one olive tree represents the Jewish believers in the Messiah and the other represents the Gentile believers in the Messiah. Jesus is the Head of the Church and we are His body. But everybody has 2 arms and 2 legs, 2 hands and 2 feet. The 2 olive trees and the 2 lampstands represent the whole body of Christ, both Jewish and Gentile.



Revelation 11 tells us that these 2 witnesses will be clothed in sackcloth. In the Scriptures, sackcloth represents repentance. Someone wanting to show his repentant heart would often wear sackcloth, sit in ashes, and put ashes on top of his head. Esther 4:1, for instance, describes Mordecai tearing his clothes, putting on sackcloth and ashes, and walking out into the city "wailing loudly and bitterly." This was Mordecai's reaction to King Xerxes' declaration giving the wicked Haman authority to destroy the Jews. Mordecai was not the only one who grieved. Esther 4:3 tells us that, *"In every province to which the edict and order of the king came, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting, weeping, and wailing. Many lay in sackcloth and ashes."* The Jews responded to the devastating news concerning their race with sackcloth and ashes, showing their intense



Sackcloth and ashes were also used as a public sign of repentance and humility before God. When Jonah declared to the people of Nineveh that God was going to destroy them for their wickedness, everyone from the king on down responded with repentance, fasting, and sackcloth and ashes (Jonah 3:5-7). They even put sackcloth on their animals (verse 8). Their reasoning was, *"Who knows? God may yet relent and with compassion turn from his fierce anger so that we will not perish"* (verse 9). This is interesting because the Bible never says that Jonah's message included any mention of God's mercy; but mercy is what they received. It's clear that the Ninevites' donning of sackcloth and ashes was not a meaningless show. God saw genuine change - a humble change of heart represented by the sackcloth and ashes - and it caused Him to "relent" and not bring about His plan to destroy them (Jonah 3:10).

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*"They **stand** before the Lord of the earth".* This is another big clue to us of who these 2 witnesses are.

Psalm 24:3-4 says, *"Who may ascend to the mountain of the Lord, who may **stand** in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart."*

At the opening of the sixth seal, the leaders of the world cry out, *"The day of His wrath has come and who can **stand**?"*

Jesus said to pray that you be found worthy to escape all these things and to **stand** before the Son of Man. The Bride of Christ, the church, the pure in heart are those who stand before the Lord. *"These are those who **stand** before the Lord of the earth."*

"If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die."

The fire that comes from the mouth of the 2 witnesses is the Word of God that they proclaim. Jeremiah 23:29 says, *"Is not my word like fire," declares the LORD, "and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?"*

The Word of God destroys the enemies of the Church. Nothing, not even the gates of hell, can overpower or prevail against the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 16:18 says, *"And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."* The Church of Jesus Christ will never be overcome or defeated.

"They have power to shut up the heavens so that it will not rain during the time they are prophesying; and they have power to turn the waters into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague as often as they want."

James 5:16-18 - *The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.*

In the Scriptures, we see 2 types of rain: the rain of God's judgment and the rain of His blessing.

Examples of the rain of God's judgment in the Scriptures:

1. Genesis 7:4 speaks of Noah's flood as a means of judgment: *"For after seven more days I will cause it to rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and I will destroy from the face of the earth all living things that I have made."*
2. Psalm 11:6 – *"On the wicked he will rain fiery coals and burning sulfur; a scorching wind will be their lot."*
3. Genesis 19:24 *"Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven."*

Examples of the rain of God's blessing in the Scriptures:

1. In Leviticus 26:4, God promises if Israel will obey Him: *"Then I will give you rain in its season, the land shall yield its produce, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit."*
2. Exodus 16:4 says how God "rains" manna from heaven to provide for Israel in the wilderness, using the same word as the one that describes regular rain.
3. Moses' teaching, as given to him by God, is compared to life-giving rain in Deuteronomy 32:2: *"Let my teaching drop as the rain, my speech distill as the dew."*
4. In Proverbs 16:15, the favor of a human ruler, a king, is compared to rain.
5. In Psalm 147:8, rain demonstrates the creative and sustaining power of God.
6. Isaiah 45:8 compares salvation and righteousness to rain.
7. Hosea 6:3 compares the knowledge of God and His personal presence to rain.
8. In Zechariah 14:17, God promises rain in exchange for the nations offering their worship to Him in Jerusalem at the Feast of Tabernacles.
9. In Matthew 5:45 and Acts 14:17 we see that rain is not only a covenant blessing for obedience; God graciously sends His rain to all.

Revelation 11 - *And I will empower my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth...**They have power to shut up the heavens so that it will not rain during the time they are prophesying**… Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them. Their bodies will lie in the public square of the great city—which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt—where also their Lord was crucified. **For three and a half days some from every people, tribe, language and nation will gaze on their bodies and refuse them burial. The inhabitants of the earth will gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts**, because these two prophets had tormented those who live on the earth. But **after the three and a half days** the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and terror struck those who saw them. Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on. At that very hour there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven. The second woe has passed; the third woe is coming soon.*

This 1260-day period (3½ prophetic years) was to have been from the seventh day of Unleavened Bread in 2013, until the Day of Atonement in 2016. However, the Lord has both delayed His judgment and shortened the days. It will only last for 5 weeks rather than for 3½ years. Jesus told us that unless He shortened the days, no flesh would be saved, but for the sake of the elect (left-behind saints or 2 witnesses of Revelation 11), the days would be shortened.

This passage also concerns a 3½ day period in which the 2 witnesses lay dead but are refused burial. At the end of this 3½ day period, they are brought back to life and are told to "Come up here!" at the time of the second woe event. I believe this 3½ day period represents the 1260 days (3.5 prophetic years or days of Daniel's seventieth week), but that it has been shortened and now represents a 35-day period (3.5 days X 10). While the people of the world are rejoicing at the persecution and suffering of the left-behind

saints and it may appear that they are dead, or have lost their authority over Satan and the evil forces of hell, we know that this is not the case and the Lord will raise them back to life on January 3, 2027, and they will defeat Satan at the Second Coming at the end of Hanukkah on January 17, 2027. Just as Christ was crucified and it appeared that all hope had been lost, but 3 days later He arose and defeated death, Hell and the grave, so also the left-behind saints will rise after their "time, times and half a time" of judgment or tribulation has finished and will be conquerors over the enemy and all his evil forces that have tried to overpower and kill them.

It is interesting that John notices the people of the world sending each other gifts during this 3.5-day period in which the two witnesses are "dead". The time of the year when people give each other gifts would be Christmas time. Perhaps the Lord left us this important clue to show us that this 3.5-day period (or 35-day period) will take place during Christmas time, when people are giving gifts to each other.

The 144,000 & The New Jerusalem

Revelation 7: *After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth to prevent any wind from blowing on the land or on the sea or on any tree. Then I saw another angel coming up from the east, having the seal of the living God. He called out in a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm the land and the sea: "Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." Then I heard the number of those who were sealed:* ***144,000 from all the tribes of Israel****. From the tribe of Judah 12,000 were sealed, from the tribe of Reuben 12,000, from the tribe of Gad 12,000, from the tribe of Asher 12,000, from the tribe of Naphtali 12,000, from the tribe of 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 12,000. After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!" Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?" I answered, "Sir, you know." And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; he will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."*

Revelation 14: *Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him **144,000** who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing waters and like a loud peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps. And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the **144,000** who had been **redeemed from the earth**. These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they remained virgins. They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among mankind and offered as **firstfruits** to God and the Lamb. No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless.*

Revelation 21*: One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, "Come, **I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb**." And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me **the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God**. It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a great, high wall with twelve gates, and with twelve angels at the gates. On the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel. There were three gates on the east, three on the north, three on the south and three on the west. The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. The angel who talked with me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city, its gates and its walls. The city was laid out like a square, as long as it was wide. He measured the city with the rod and found it to be 12,000 stadia in length, and as wide and high as it is long. The angel measured the wall using human measurement, and it was **144 cubits thick**. The wall was made of jasper, and the city of pure gold, as pure as glass. The foundations of the city walls were decorated with every kind of precious stone.*

The New Jerusalem is the Bride of Christ, the Church. It's wall is 144 cubits, a representation of the 144,000 pure-hearted virgins that are redeemed from the earth. The Gentile believers have been grafted into the olive tree and we are part of the 12 tribes of Israel. The unbelieving Jews who have rejected their Messiah have been cut off from the olive tree and are no longer a part of the true tribes of Israel, the household of faith.

Matthew 19:28 says, *Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, at the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."*

Revelation 21:14 says, *"The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb."*

The foundation of the city, or the Bride of Christ, the wife of the Lamb, are the 12 apostles. They were the first believers who went out and proclaimed the gospel to the nations and the Church was built upon their teachings and leadership, which was modeled to them by Jesus. The 12 apostles are the rulers or head of the 12 tribes of Israel, which includes all Jewish and Gentile believers in Christ.

Did the apostles understand this concept and did they teach this through their writings? Absolutely!

Look at who James addresses his letter to: (James 1) *James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes scattered among the nations: Greetings.*

In Galatians 4, we read: *These things are being taken figuratively: The women represent two covenants. One covenant is from Mount Sinai and bears children who are to be slaves: This is Hagar. Now Hagar stands for Mount Sinai in Arabia and corresponds to the present city of Jerusalem, because she is in slavery with her children. But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is our mother. For it is written: "Be glad, barren woman, you who never bore a child; shout for joy and cry aloud, you who were never in labor; because more are the children of the desolate woman than of her who has a husband." Now you, brothers and sisters, like Isaac, are children of promise. At that time the son born according to the flesh persecuted the son born by the power of the Spirit. It is the same now. But what does Scripture say? "Get rid of the slave woman and her son, for the slave woman's son will never share in the inheritance with the free woman's son." Therefore, brothers and sisters, we are not children of the slave woman, but of the free woman.*

In Isaiah 62, we read: *For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her vindication shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch.*
The nations will see your vindication, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will bestow. You will be a crown of splendor in the LORD's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God. No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate. But you will be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; for the LORD will take delight in you, and your land will be married. As a young man marries a young woman, so will your Builder marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you. I have posted watchmen on your walls, Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night. You who call on the LORD, give yourselves no rest, and give him no rest till he establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth.

So, who is the New Jerusalem? It is the Bride of Christ, the wife of the lamb, the Church. Who are the 144,000? They are the pure-hearted virgins from the 12 tribes of Israel who are redeemed from the earth. Are we a part of these 12 tribes of Israel as Gentile believers? Yes! Paul tells us in Romans 4 that the unbelieving Jews have been cut off from the olive tree and we have been grafted in. We are a part of the 12 tribes of Israel. We are the pure-hearted virgins who will be redeemed from the earth and stand on Mt. Zion with the Lamb. The 12,000 from each tribe is symbolic of completion, or totality. In Biblical numerology, the number 12 signifies what is finished or completed forming a harmonious, perfect entity. It symbolizes completion. In the very next verse after we read about the 12,000 from each tribe it says, *"After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb."* The 12,000 is not an actual number of people; John tells us that the real number of people cannot be counted. It is a symbolic number representing the totality of the Bride of Christ, all of those who have been grafted into the olive tree, both Jews and Gentiles that are now a part of the 12 tribes of Israel.

The number 12 signifies perfection of government or rule, authority, appointment and completeness.

Chapter 13

Puzzle Piece 73



Most end-time Bible prophecy teachers believe that the war described in Ezekiel 38 and 39 will take place right at the very beginning of the final 7 years before Christ returns to earth. The reason they believe this is this verse found in Ezekiel 39:9 - "*Then those who live in the towns of Israel will go out and use the weapons for fuel and burn them up--the small and large shields, the bows and arrows, the war clubs and spears. For seven years they will use them for fuel."* They teach that until this event takes place, we have not entered the final 7 years before Christ's return because the fuel has to be burned for 7 years and this cannot take place after Christ returns to earth.

However, we must always remember that Scripture interprets Scripture, so we need to look at these verses in Ezekiel 38 and 39 and see where else the Scripture talks about these events and what is the timing that these other Scriptures place these events at. Amazingly, the events described in Ezekiel 38 and 39 will take place at four times, according to the book of Revelation – at the first woe (rapture) event, when the sixth seal opens, then at second woe (rapture) of Revelation 9 and 11, then at the Second Coming of Christ to earth, or the third woe of Revelation 9 and 11, and then finally at the end of the 7000-year plan of God for mankind, when Satan is once again released for a short time. The prophecies mentioned in Ezekiel 38 and 39 will have a four-fold fulfillment –a partial fulfillment at the 3 woe events, then a final fulfillment after the 7000 years. So, let's take a look at these verses together:

Ezekiel 38:13-15 - *Have you come to plunder? Have you gathered your hordes to loot, to carry off silver and gold, to take away livestock and goods and to seize much plunder? Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say to Gog: "This is what the Sovereign LORD says: In that day, when my people Israel are* ***living in safety****, will you not take notice of it? You will come from your place in the far north, you and many nations with you, all of them riding on horses, a great horde, a mighty army."*

1 Thessalonians 5:3 - *While people are saying,* ***"Peace and safety,"*** *destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.*

Ezekiel 38:19-23 - *In my zeal and fiery wrath I declare that at that time there shall be a* ***great earthquake*** *in the land of Israel. The fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the beasts of the field, every creature that moves along the ground, and* ***all the people on the face of the earth will tremble at my presence. The mountains will be overturned, the cliffs will crumble and every wall will fall to the ground.*** *I will summon a sword against Gog on all my mountains, declares the Sovereign LORD. Every man's sword will be against his brother. I will execute judgment on him with plague and bloodshed; I will pour down torrents of rain, hailstones and burning sulfur on him and on his troops and on the many nations with him. And so I will show my greatness and my holiness, and I will make myself known in the sight of many nations. Then they will know that I am the LORD."*

Revelation 6:12-17 - *And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a* ***great earthquake****; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;* ***And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs,*** *when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and* ***every mountain and island were moved out of their places.***

***And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains**; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?*

This portion of Ezekiel 38 will be partially fulfilled at the first two woe events, at the opening of the sixth seal of Revelation. Now, let's look at how Ezekiel 38 will also be fulfilled at the third woe.

Ezekiel 38:19-22 - *In my zeal and fiery wrath I declare that at that time there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel. The fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the beasts of the field, every creature that moves along the ground, and all the people on the face of the earth will tremble at my presence. **The mountains will be overturned, the cliffs will crumble and every wall will fall to the ground.** I will summon a sword against Gog on all my mountains, declares the Sovereign LORD. Every man's sword will be against his brother. I will execute judgment on him with plague and bloodshed**; I will pour down torrents of rain, hailstones and burning sulfur on him and on his troops and on the many nations with him**. And so I will show my greatness and my holiness, and I will make myself known in the sight of many nations. Then they will know that I am the LORD."*

Revelation 16:17-21 - *The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!" Then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a **severe earthquake**. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since mankind has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. The great city split into three parts, and the cities of the nations collapsed. God remembered Babylon the Great and gave her the cup filled with the wine of the fury of his wrath. **Every island fled away and the mountains could not be found. From the sky huge hailstones, each weighing about a hundred pounds fell on people.** And they cursed God on account of the plague of hail, because the plague was so terrible.*

Isaiah 34 talks more about this. *Come near, you nations, and listen; pay attention, you peoples! Let the earth hear, and all that is in it, the world, and all that comes out of it! The LORD is angry with all nations; his wrath is upon all their armies. He will totally destroy them, he will give them over to slaughter. Their slain will be thrown out, their dead bodies will send up a stench; the mountains will be soaked with their blood. **All the stars of the heavens will be dissolved and the sky rolled up like a scroll; all the starry host will fall like withered leaves from the vine, like shriveled figs from the fig tree.** My sword has drunk its fill in the heavens; see, it descends in judgment on Edom, the people I have totally destroyed. The sword of the LORD is bathed in blood, it is covered with fat-- the blood of lambs and goats, fat from the kidneys of rams. For the LORD has a sacrifice in Bozrah and a great slaughter in Edom. And the wild oxen will fall with them, the bull calves and the great bulls. Their land will be drenched with blood, and the dust will be soaked with fat. **For the LORD has a day of vengeance, a year of retribution, to uphold Zion's cause.***

This year of retribution is the "Day of the Lord", a time of great judgment on the earth and deliverance for

the faithful Bride of Christ. The Lord added a second 7-year period to Daniel's seventieth week, and then added a final 3 years to His amazing puzzle. The prophecies in Ezekiel 38 will be fulfilled during the first 2 harvest events. I believe the first of these events takes place on November 29, 2026, and the second on January 3, 2027. Just after each rapture event, there will be a huge earthquake and the mountains and islands will be moved. I believe both of these events will involve an asteroid or large meteor hitting the earth and causing the entire earth to shake, along with an alien invasion of earth. The prophecies found in Ezekiel 39 will be fulfilled at the Second Coming of Christ to the earth on January 17, 2027, after the 2-week celebration of Hanukkah has finished.

Ezekiel 39: 17-22 - *Son of man, this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "Call out to every kind of bird and all the wild animals: 'Assemble and come together from all around to the sacrifice I am preparing for you, the great sacrifice on the mountains of Israel.* ***There you will eat flesh and drink blood. You will eat the flesh of mighty men and drink the blood of the princes of the earth as if they were rams and lambs, goats and bulls—all of them fattened animals from Bashan. At the sacrifice I am preparing for you, you will eat fat till you are glutted and drink blood till you are drunk. At my table you will eat your fill of horses and riders, mighty men and soldiers of every kind,'" declares the Sovereign LORD.*** *"I will display my glory among the nations, and all the nations will see the punishment I inflict and the hand I lay on them. From that day forward the people of Israel will know that I am the LORD their God."*

Revelation 19:11-21 - *I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.* ***And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, "Come, gather together for the great supper of God, so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals, and the mighty, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, great and small."*** *Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the rider on the horse and his army. But the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who had performed the signs on its behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped its image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. The rest were killed with the sword coming out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.*

Ezekiel 39 will have its fulfillment at the Second Coming of Christ to the earth. There is no reason to think that the 7 years when the weapons are burned will take place at the start of the final 7 years before Christ returns to earth. Only when Christ, the true Prince of Peace comes to reign on the earth,

will the weapons be burned. Isaiah 2:4 says, *"He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore."*

The final fulfillment of Ezekiel 38-39 will happen at the end of the 1000-year New Millennium.

Revelation 20: 7-10 - *When the thousand years are over, Satan will be released from his prison and will go out to deceive the nations in the four corners of the earth—**Gog and Magog** - and to gather them for battle. In number they are like the sand on the sea shore. They marched across the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of God's people, the city he loves. But fire came down from heaven and devoured them. And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night forever and ever.*

Ezekiel 38:1-2 reads, *The word of the LORD came to me: **"Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog**, the chief prince of Meshek and Tubal; prophesy against him."*

Ezekiel 38-39 are often referred to as the Battle of Gog and Magog. John is pointing us back to these 2 chapters in Ezekiel as the final fulfillment of this battle between Satan and God.

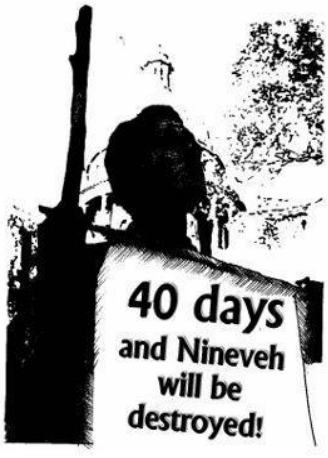
Chapter 14

The Rapture Puzzle Summary



We are right at the end of 6000 years since Creation and the fall of man according to the Bible. Just as God created the world in 6 days and rested on the seventh and one day is as a thousand years according to Scripture, so also at the end of the 6000 years, Christ will return to the earth to rule and reign for 1000 years. Mr. Obama was chosen on the seventh day of Tabernacles in 2009 to receive the Nobel Peace Prize and then given the award just a few hours before the start of Kislev 24, the 2 dates mentioned in Haggai 2 regarding the Lord shaking the heavens and the earth and bringing the desired of all nations to Himself. These 2 dates are incredibly significant in this puzzle. I believe this was the start of Daniel's seventieth week (see Daniel 9:27). Mr. Obama was chosen as the Nobel Peace Prize winner on the seventh day of Tabernacles, and 1260 days later he went to the Church of the Nativity, a temple fortress that had been desecrated by armed forces and considered by many to be the most holy place on the earth. He stood where he did not belong and stopped the daily sacrifice and offering from taking place on that day. He rode into Jerusalem on a borrowed beast, just as Christ had done, right on the tenth day of Nisan on the Jewish calendar, the same date that Christ rode into Jerusalem on a borrowed beast, and then the abomination took place right on the eleventh day of Nisan, which was the very date that Christ spoke to His disciples about the abomination event. Daniel told us that from this date, there would be 1290 days, which ended on the Feast of Trumpets in 2016.

After the abomination event on March 22, 2013, there was a 40-day probationary period, as was foreshadowed to us in the story of Jonah, that ended on the seventh day of Unleavened Bread on God's calendar. Daniel gives us a 1260 and 1335-day count that both started at this time, at the end of the 40-day probationary period. These counts ended on the Day of Atonement and on the start of Hanukkah in 2016. At the end of the 40 days, we witnessed the Bride of Christ join together for 3 days of fasting and prayer for the Lord to have mercy on America. This 40-day probationary period was foreshadowed to us in the story of Jonah and the 3-day prayer and fasting event was foreshadowed to us in the story of Esther. Just as in the story of Jonah and Esther, mercy was granted and judgment was delayed.

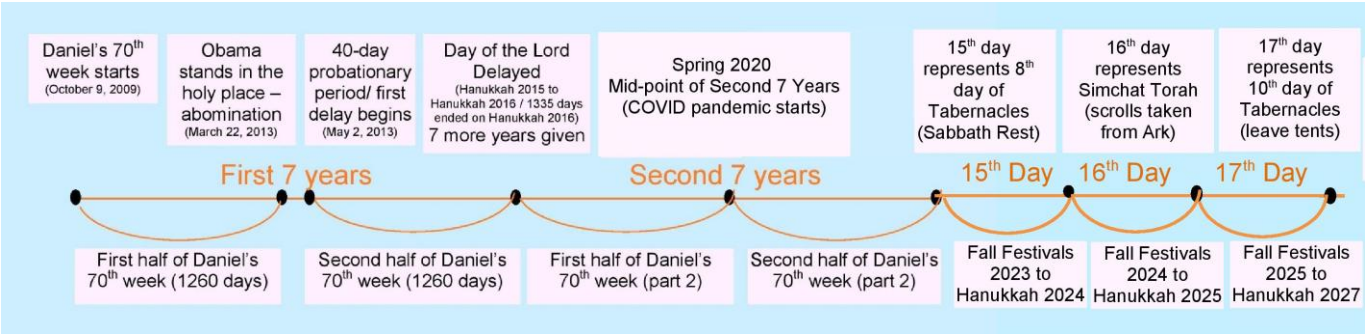


If you think this delay just happened and was not shown to us in the Bible, you are very wrong. Because God is all-knowing, He knew ahead of time that this would happen and He hid this delay in

His Word. We are shown in Matthew 25:5 and Revelation 10:6 that the coming of the Bridegroom will be delayed. The desolation event was delayed and the days of the Great Tribulation were shortened, as Jesus told us that they would be in Matthew 24:22, when Jesus said, *"And except those days had been shortened, no flesh would have been saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened."*

Rather than there being 1260 (360 X 3.5) days of Great Tribulation, there will be 35 (10 X 3.5) days. This is a "time, times and half a time" using 10 days as the measurement of "time", as we see mentioned in Revelation 2:10, that there will be a ten-day period of tribulation. The Lord is shortening the days of the Great Tribulation to as little as Scripturally possible for the sake of His elect.

The judgment was to have started in the spring of 2016, just after the blood moons and solar eclipses on the Jewish feast days in 2014 and 2015. However, the year 2016 was an election year in America and I believe the Lord delayed His judgment further, in order to reveal the deep level of corruption in the American government (both in the Democratic and Republican party) and to fulfill all of the prophecies regarding the end-times. I personally believe that 2016 ended the 6000 years from Creation, but the Lord is counting the 6000 years from the fall of man, rather than from Creation. The Book of Jubilees tells us that Adam and Eve were in the Garden of Eden for exactly 7 years before they fell. Therefore, I believe the fall of 2023 ended the 6000 years from the fall of mankind and was to have started the "Day of the Lord" and the Year of Jubilee. However, there was still room for further delay in the puzzle and the Lord has delayed for 3 more years. I believe we are now living in the "Day of the Lord" and the Great Tribulation will begin on Thanksgiving Day (November 26, 2026), and the firstfruits rapture will take place on November 29, 2026.



I believe that Daniel's seventieth week was doubled to fourteen years and then the Lord added an additional three years to the puzzle. This was foreshadowed to us in the story of Joseph, with two 7-year periods, one of great abundance and one of famine, as well as the story of Jacob, who after working for 7 years had to then work an additional 7 years in order to marry his true love, Rachel. This was also foreshadowed to us twice in the Old Testament when the Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Feast of Tabernacles were celebrated for 14 days rather than for 7 days. These stories were all meant to show us how the Lord was going to turn Daniel's seventieth week into two periods of 7 years and not just one.

Daniel 9:27 could be interpreted as this: *"And he will confirm a covenant with many for the **FIRST** week."* Whenever the word "first" is used, it always implies that there will be a second one also. I believe that the final Year of Jubilee was to have been proclaimed on the Day of Atonement in

2022. However, the fall of 2022 to the fall of 2023 represented the seventh day of Unleavened Bread in God's amazing puzzle, a Sabbath rest. The fall of 2023 to the fall of 2024 represented the eighth day of Tabernacles in God's amazing puzzle, also a Sabbath rest. The fall of 2024 to the fall of 2025 represented the ninth day (Simchat Torah). The fall of 2025 to Hanukkah Eve on January 2, 2027, represents the tenth day, when we will leave our tents to go to our permanent homes to be with the Lord forever. Daniel's seventieth week is now finished (twice over) and it is now time to "*finish the transgression, to make an end of sins, make reconciliation for iniquity, bring in everlasting righteousness, seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy"* (see Daniel 9:24).

We read in the Books of the Maccabees that the religious Jews fled into the mountains for 3 years from 168-165 BC. They defeated the army of the evil Antiochus IV, a foreshadow of the Anti-Christ, on the twenty-fifth day of Kislev and returned to Jerusalem immediately to cleanse the temple. They had been unable to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles at the proper time for those 3 years because the temple had been defiled when a statue of Zeus had been set up there in 168 BC. So they decided to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles at that time and call it Hanukkah, which means to re-dedicate. The temple was cleansed and rededicated to the Lord. This was all a foreshadow to us of the three years the Lord would add to His amazing end-time puzzle, at the end of which His Bride, His holy temple, would be cleansed and purified and made ready to celebrate the wedding Feast of Hanukkah in heaven.

This three-year period was also mentioned in Daniel 1, where we see not only the mention of a **three-year training period**, but also a **ten-day period** of testing (representing ten years in the puzzle). Daniel 1 speaks of those who **do not defile themselves**, which points us Revelation 14, where we read about those who are taken in the firstfruits rapture who are **not defiled**. Revelation 2 mentions a **ten-day period** of tribulation, at the end of which, those who remain faithful to Christ will receive the crown of life. This ten days mentioned in Daniel 1 and Revelation 2 is pointing us to the **ten-year wait** from 2016 to 2026, as the prophecies of Daniel 9 point us to **a day being equal to a year**.

I believe the year 2026 is the prophetic fulfillment of the tenth day counting from the start of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, or the twenty-fourth day of the first Biblical month. We can see in Daniel 10 that it was on the twenty-fourth day of the first month that the Lord appeared to Daniel and His voice was like the sound of a multitude. This is the same wording that we see Revelation 19:6-8 at the start of the wedding of the Lamb. It was on the twenty-fourth day of the first month that the Lord spoke many amazing prophecies to Daniel regarding a war with Persia (modern-day Iran), the resurrection of the dead and deliverance of God's people (rapture).

I believe the year 2026 is also the prophetic fulfillment of the tenth day counting from the start of the Feast of Tabernacles, or the twenty-fourth day of the seventh month. We see in Nehemiah 9 that it was on the twenty-fourth day of the seventh month that the Jewish people put on sackcloth, a foreshadow of the two witnesses (left-behind saints) that will wear sackcloth (sign of repentance) and turn back to God after the firstfruits rapture takes place.

So, the puzzle lasts for 17 years, from the seventh day of Tabernacles and Hanukkah Eve in 2009, until Hanukkah Eve on January 2, 2027. Seventeen is an interesting number in the Bible. The number seventeen relates to the significance of the numbers ten and seven. In other words, the number 17 expresses complete (10) sanctification. The meaning of the number 17 is that of "overcoming the enemy" and "complete victory."

Genesis 7:11 - *On the seventeenth day of the second month, when Noah was 600 years old, the springs under the earth broke through the ground, and water flowed out everywhere.*

Matthew 24:37 - *But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

Jubilees 3:17 - *And after the completion of the seven years, which he had completed there, seven years exactly, and in the second month, on the seventeenth day, the serpent came and approached the woman, and the serpent said to the woman, 'Hath God commanded you, saying, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'*

Revelation 12: 15 - *So the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood.*

Genesis 8:4 - *"In the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest on the mountains of Ararat."*

All of these Scriptures come together like puzzle pieces to point us to the seventeenth day as a significant date. We see in Genesis 7:11 how that the flood started on the seventeenth day of the second month. We see in the Book of Jubilees chapter 3 that the fall of man also took place on the seventeenth day of the second month, when the serpent came after the woman. We see in Revelation 12 that the serpent comes after the woman like a flood. We see in Genesis 8 that the ark rested on the seventeenth day, foreshadowing the rest of the Lord starting for those who are taken in the firstfruits rapture on the seventeenth day. And perhaps most importantly of all, the resurrection of Christ took place on the seventeenth day of the first month, a foreshadow of the resurrection of the dead taking place on the seventeenth day counting from the start of Daniel's seventieth week!

Isaiah 34:8 - *For the LORD has a day of vengeance, a year of retribution, to uphold Zion's cause.*

On January 13, 2026, President Trump wrote on his social media platform: "Fear not, great people of Minnesota, THE DAY OF RECKONING & RETRIBUTION IS COMING!"

I believe 2026 is the day (year) of retribution that the Scriptures point to. In Daniel's seventieth week, each day is equal to a year. We see this also in Isaiah 34, when the day of vengeance is also called a year of retribution. Interestingly, just as Daniel's seventieth week began on the seventh day of the Feast of Tabernacles in 2009, when Mr. Obama was chosen as the Nobel Peace Prize winner, so also on the seventh day of the Feast of Tabernacles, on October 13, 2025, (the anniversary of the fall of Babylon), Mr. Trump signed a peace agreement in Egypt aimed at ending the war in Gaza following a ceasefire and the release of hostages. Both Mr. Obama and Mr. Trump were proclaimed as peacemakers on the seventh

day of the Feast of Tabernacles. They both want to be the peacemakers, the saviors of Israel, America and the entire world. Only Christ is the true Savior and Peacemaker for Israel, America and for the world.

Luke 21:20-24 - *"When you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, you will know that its desolation is near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city. For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! There will be great distress in the land and wrath against this people. They will fall by the sword and will be taken as prisoners to all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled."*

Matthew 24:15-22 -"*So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader understand— then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let no one on the housetop go down to take anything out of the house. Let no one in the field go back to get their cloak. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now—and never to be equaled again. If those days had not been shortened, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened."*

We see much of the same wording in Luke 21 and Matthew 24 when the Lord speaks to us about the end-time events. However, in Matthew 24, we see the abomination that causes desolation mentioned and someone standing in the holy place where he does not belong. In Luke 21, we see a completely different sign that we are to watch for regarding the desolation taking place. That sign is Jerusalem being surrounded by armies. We are right now beginning to witness the fulfillment of Luke 21 with the war in Iran. I believe the nations surrounding Israel are about to come together to fight against Israel and Jerusalem will be left desolate. The city will be captured. And then a time of great judgment will take place on the earth known as the Great Tribulation.

We can see in Matthew 24 that the desolation event is connected to someone standing in the holy place where he did not belong, an abomination to the Lord (2013). However, the Lord delayed His judgment (see Matthew 25 and Revelation 10) because of the prayers of His people, as was foreshadowed in the stories of Jonah and Esther. We can see in Luke 21 that the desolation event is connected to Jerusalem being surrounded by armies. This time, the Lord will not delay and His judgment will take place. But the days of Great Tribulation will be shortened from 3.5 years to just 5 weeks.

The Lord told us that He would shorten the days of the Great Tribulation for the sake of His elect, or His left-behind saints. We repeatedly see in the Scriptures a "time, times and half a time" mentioned in reference to the length of time of the Great Tribulation. The "time" was to have been a prophetic year of 360 days, for a total of 1260 days. However, this "time" was shortened to 40 days, as we see foreshadowed in the patterns of the Scriptures that a time in the wilderness is 40 days and that the time of purification for the mother of a male child is also 40 days, along with numerous other examples left for us in the Scriptures pointing to the "time" of tribulation being 40 days. This leads us to a 140-day count (40 X 3.5) that started on August 16, 2026, the Firstfruits of New Wine Festival, and will end on

January 2, 2027, the twenty-fourth day of Kislev. The twenty-fourth day of Kislev is mentioned in Haggai 2 as the time when the Lord rises up to shake the heavens and the earth and was one of the two dates that began Daniel's seventieth week.

Scriptures also show us that from the opening of the Abyss at the time of the first woe there was to have been 5 months (see Revelation 9). These 5 months line up with clues given to us in Revelation 9 that show us that the sun will be in the Leo constellation when the Abyss opens, followed by the Virgo, Libra, Scorpio and Sagittarius constellations. It is during the time that the sun is in the Sagittarius constellation that the time of the "scorpions" of Revelation 9 will be defeated when Christ rescues His left-behind saints, the two witnesses of Revelation 11, at the start of Hanukkah on God's calendar. Then, just as the sun enters the Capricorn constellation, Christ will return to the earth with His Bride after a 2-week wedding celebration during the Feast of Hanukkah on God's calendar.

I believe this final "Day of the Lord" started on the seventh day of Tabernacles in 2025, when Mr. Trump signed a peace agreement in Egypt that was supposed to have ended the war in Gaza, and will end on the fourteenth day of Hanukkah on January 16, 2027, a 460-day period. According to the fourth trumpet judgment of Revelation 8, 1/3 of the "day" and 1/3 of the "night" is darkened. I believe the Scriptures are showing us that counting from the start of the "Day of the Lord" on the seventh day of Tabernacles on October 13, 2025, until the end of the "Day of the Lord" on the fourteenth day of Hanukkah on January 16, 2027, the final 1/3 of this time period was to have been a time of great darkness on the earth as the firstfruits Bride of Christ was to have been taken to be with the Lord and the Abyss was to have opened for 5 months (153 days). The final 1/3 of these days began on August 16, 2026, at the time of the Firstfruits of New Wine festival.

There is a great deal of foreshadowing in the Scriptures pointing us to August 16, 2026, as the time when the firstfruits rapture was to have taken place and the Great Tribulation was to have started. Jesus told us that straightaway with the tribulation of those days, the sun would be darkened, moon would not give its light and stars would fall from the sky. This rare sign appeared on August 12/13, 2026, 3 days before what was supposed to have been the firstfruits rapture and start of a 153-day period of judgment on the earth in which the left-behind saints would have had to endure 140 days (3.5 X 40) of Great Tribulation before the main harvest rapture at the start of Hanukkah on January 3, 2027.

However, there was still room for further delay in the puzzle. The Lord has cut off another 2/3 of this time period and of the 153 days measured out as a time of darkness on the earth, only the final 51 days will be a time of judgment. These final 51 days begin on Thanksgiving Day (November 26, 2026), the seventeenth day of Chesvan on God's calendar. The seventeenth day of Chesvan is the day when Adam and Eve fell and is also the day when the flood started in Noah's day. Jesus told us that as it was in the days of Noah, so it would be at the coming of the Son of Man. There will be a 3-day period of darkness at the opening of the Abyss (first woe of Revelation 9) on November 26, 2026, followed by the firstfruits rapture event on November 29, 2026. The five months mentioned in Revelation 9 have been shortened to just 5 weeks for the left-behind saints.

Revelation 2:10 tells us that there will be "10 days of tribulation". This will be multiplied by a "time, times and half a time" for a total of 35 days, or 5 weeks. Not only has the Lord cut off 2/3 of the 153 days, but He has also cut off ¾ of the 140 days that the left-behind saints would have had to endure. The 35

days of Great Tribulation for the left-behind saints start on November 29, 2026, and end on January 3, 2027, at the start of Hanukkah on God's calendar at the time of the main harvest rapture.



Baruch was the scribe for Jeremiah the prophet. He wrote 2 books himself, called the first and second Books of Baruch. These 2 books were originally included in the Septuagint as well as the Catholic Bible, but were not included in the Protestant version of the Bible. In 2 Baruch 26, we read: ***That tribulation which will be will it last a long time; and that distress, will it embrace many years?"*** The Lord then goes on to tell Baruch that the time of tribulation will only be for 7 weeks and gives us further indication of a 5½ week period of judgment as well. Counting from November 26, 2026, at the opening of the Abyss, to January 3, 2027, the start of Hanukkah and main harvest rapture event, we have a period of 5½ weeks. Counting from November 29, 2026, at the time of the firstfruits rapture event, to January 17, 2027, at the Second Coming of Christ to the earth, we have a 7-week period. The Lord is showing us that there will not be a 7-year period of judgment, but rather a 7-week period. He is shortening the days to as little as Scripturally possible for the sake of His elect.

I believe we will witness the first woe on November 26, 2026, and first rapture/harvest on November 29, 2026, followed by the second woe on December 31, 2026, and second rapture/harvest on January 3, 2027. I believe the third woe will be the Second Coming of Christ to the earth at the end of the two-week wedding festival of Hanukkah and will take place on January 17, 2027. I believe this event was foreshadowed to us with the resurrection of Christ on the seventeenth day of the first month and Noah's ark coming to rest on the seventeenth day of the first month. I believe the Bride of Christ will be crowned as co-rulers of the earth with King Jesus on the seventh day of Hanukkah on January 9, 2027, as was foreshadowed to us by the chosen virgin Esther being crowned as Queen on what would become the seventh day of Hanukkah.

Chapter 15

For those left behind

You might be wondering, why would the Lord delay so many times coming for His Bride? I believe there are at least 5 reasons why we see all of these delays. He is trying to relay a message to His left behind people through all of these delays.

1) He is in total control. Satan is not given back his authority on the earth until Jesus decides to allow him to have it. Jesus has all authority and Satan can do nothing without God allowing it. God has hidden all of this puzzle in His Word in order to show that this was His plan from beginning to end. Too many believers in Christ are focused on what the enemy is planning. The truth is that whatever it is that Satan and his evil entourage is planning is all a part of God's plan and He warned us of it thousands of years ago.

2) The Lord wants to prove His incredible love and mercy to the world. Jesus is holding back the forces of darkness over and over and over to show how much He loves the world. He is shortening the days of the Great Tribulation in order that some flesh might survive what is coming. When Satan is cast down to earth without restraint, literally all Hell will break loose on planet earth. God is love and in Him there is no darkness. His desire is that everyone would turn to Him to be saved.

3) The Lord is waiting for more people to come into His Kingdom. Romans 11:25 says, *"I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in."* 2 Peter 3:9 says, *"The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. Instead He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."*

4) The Lord is waiting for His Bride to be purified. Much of this purification will take place during the Great Tribulation for those who are left behind, but I believe the Lord is giving as much time as He possibly can in order that His Bride will cry out to Him for deliverance instead of crying out for more mercy and grace for America and for the world. I believe the events that will take place in 2026 will cause the Bride of Christ to cry out for deliverance to come, rather than to continue to cry out for more time for America.

5) The Lord wants to let His left-behind people know that He has spared them from what could have been a much longer period of tribulation and suffering. It is not His desire to punish His children. He gave them so much time to repent and surrender fully to Him, but they chose instead to walk in sin in spite of warning after warning, just as Israel did in the Old Testament.

Revelation 3: *"I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of*

my mouth. You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see."

Just a few verses earlier, we see Jesus addressing His faithful people when He says*: "Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come on the whole world to test the inhabitants of the earth."*

Those who have remained faithful to Him will be spared from the time of testing and trial that is going to come on the whole earth.

In Psalm 24, we read: *"Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place? The one who has clean hands and a pure heart…"* The mountain of the Lord is Mount Zion.

We see Jesus standing on Mt. Zion in Revelation 14 with his pure-heart virgins: *"Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on **Mount Zion**, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing waters and like a loud peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps. And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been **redeemed from the earth**. These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they remained virgins. They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among mankind and offered as **firstfruits** to God and the Lamb. No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless."*

We read again about this heavenly Mt. Zion in Hebrews 12: *"But you have come to **Mount Zion**, to the city of the living God, the **heavenly Jerusalem**. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks. If they did not **escape** when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven? At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Once more I will **shake not only the earth but also the heavens**." The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our "God is a consuming fire."*

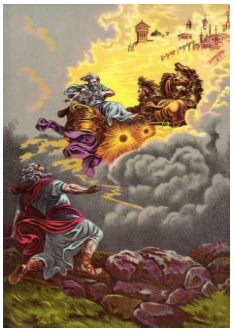
There is an escape. Jesus told us there would be. He said in Luke 21:36, *"Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to **escape** all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."*

This takes us back to Psalm 24 – who may stand in His holy place? The one with clean hands and a pure heart.

Jesus told us that the greatest commandment was to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength. And the second is to love others as much as you love yourself. Jesus wants to be first in our lives. 1 John 2:15 says, *"Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them."*

When we put Christ first in our lives, we begin to hate sin and the things of this world and our desire is to just be with the Lord and be like Him. The more time we spend in His Word and talking and listening to Him, the less we will struggle with sin and worldly temptations. If you know that you've had a born-again experience, but you were left behind, you may want to examine your life and see if Christ really was first in your heart. You cannot earn a place in heaven – this is not about doing good works and trying to be perfect. It's about who is on the throne of your heart – yourself or God? Do you truly love Him with your whole heart, soul and mind and do you love others like you love yourself? If not, this is where you went wrong. You must repent, turn back to the Lord and surrender everything to Him. You must spend time with Him, read His Word and turn away from worldly things.

Isaiah 66: *See, the LORD is coming with fire, and his **chariots are like a whirlwind**; He will bring down his anger with fury, and His rebuke with flames of fire. For with fire and with his sword the LORD will execute judgment on all people, and many will be those slain by the LORD. "Those who **consecrate and purify themselves to go into the gardens**, following one who is among those who eat the flesh of pigs, rats and other unclean things—they will meet their end together with the one they follow," declares the LORD. "And I, because of what they have planned and done, am about to come and gather the people of all nations and languages, and they will come and see my glory. I will set a sign among them, **and I will send some of those who survive to the nations**—to Tarshish, to the Libyans and Lydians (famous as archers), to Tubal and Greece, and to the distant islands that have not heard of my fame or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory among the nations."*



2 Kings 2 - *"Let me inherit a **double portion of your spirit**," Elisha replied. "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not." As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and **Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind**. Elisha saw this and cried out, "My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!" And Elisha saw him no more. **Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two**.*

Elijah being taken to heaven was a foreshadow of the rapture event. Elisha represents those who have been left behind and Elijah represents those who were taken. Elisha tore his robes when he saw Elijah being taken. This is symbolic of repentance. Elisha then went out with a double portion of anointing from the Lord to do incredible things. Although Jesus has taken His Bride and darkness has now come upon the earth as Satan is no longer restrained, please know that God still wants to use you to do great things.

Many souls are still going to come into God's Kingdom during this time. Sometimes it takes tragic events to wake people up from their sleep and turn their eyes to God.

Please use this book to show the lost that what took place was prophesied thousands of years ago to happen exactly when it happened. God left His Word as a gift to humanity to reveal Himself and His master plan for the world. He is in control and He is coming. You may have to die for your faith in Christ, but please realize what a tremendous honor it is to lay down your life for Christ, just as He laid down His to purchase your eternal salvation. A moment of pain for a lifetime of pure joy – it is well worth whatever suffering you might have to endure to spend eternity ruling and reining with Christ in a place where this is no sadness or pain forever. Use whatever small amount of time you have left on this earth to make a difference for eternity and bring souls into the Kingdom.

If you are reading this book and have never accepted Christ as your Lord and Savior, now is the time to do so. Your time on this earth is nearly over and there is little time left for you to decide where you would like to spend eternity. The Bible teaches that it is appointed unto man once to die and then the judgment. Not one person on this planet can stand before God without sin and shame, because the Bible says that we have all sinned and fallen short of God's glory. Jesus came to earth, lived a perfect life, and then died in your place on the cross, taking your punishment on Himself. You no longer have to stand before God with sin and shame or have to pay for your sins because the payment has already been made. You must simply believe in Jesus Christ and accept what He has done for you on the cross. Ask God to forgive you for your sins and to change you and make you into a new creature, replacing your old sinful nature with His divine nature. Allow Him to cleanse you and come into your life. He wants to have a relationship with you that will last for all eternity. Salvation is a free gift and it cannot be earned by doing good works.



For 6000 years, God has been gracious and forgiving toward man and has not allowed Satan to have full control of earth. When Jesus died on the cross, He dealt Satan a fatal blow and defeated death, Hell and the power of the grave once and for all. Just as Jesus rose up from the dead, so also, we will rise and be given new bodies, just as Jesus received 3 days after He was crucified. The Bible tells us that Satan would bruise the heel of Jesus, but that Jesus would crush Satan's head.

Satan's fatal head wound has temporarily been healed and he now has the freedom to do as he pleases on earth without Jesus stopping Him. Please know that God is a God of perfect love and order and the chaos you see all around you happening right now is from Satan and his evil forces. God is simply giving mankind what they have deserved all along because of their sin, in hope that more people will turn to faith in Him before their fate is eternally sealed. God is still giving you the opportunity to come to Him and repent of your sin. Do it today before you run out of time and end up separated from God's love for all eternity. The Hell that you are now experiencing is nothing compared to eternity of total darkness and separation from God that awaits all who do not accept His free gift of salvation before they die.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in

order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. John 3:16-19

And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life. 1 John 5:11-13

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9