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**And let them
make me a
sanctuary;
that I may dwell
among them.**

– Exodus 25:8

Psalms 77:13



Health Snippet – Exercise: to lose fat

Do Ab Exercises Help You Burn Belly Fat?

Abdominal muscles help stabilize your core. They also assist your breathing, allow movement, protect your internal organs and are in charge of postural support and balance.

There are four main abdominal muscles:

1. **Transverse abdominis** - stabiliser of the lumbar spine.
2. **Rectus abdominis:** move body between ribcage & pelvis.
3. **External oblique:** pulls chest compress abdominal cavity.
4. **Internal oblique** - bilaterally flex trunk compress contents.

Cold therapy: Performing cold **therapy** as soon as possible can help to **relieve** pain, and swelling if muscles are injured.

Heat therapy: Using heat **therapy** can help relax your muscles and **relieve** tension, which helps reduce pain.

- **Exercising abs will help them become strong & muscular.**

Subcutaneous Fat: located between your skin and muscles.

Visceral Fat: found abdominal cavity around internal organs.

Study: 27-day sit-up regime, no change in belly fat thickness.

Study: 24 people did ab exercises 5 days a week for 6 weeks.

This did not reduce belly fat. Same applies: other body areas
Moderate-cardio 30m 5 days / high-cardio 20m 3 days week.
The more muscle mass you build, the more fat you will burn.

ALTERNATE-DAY FASTING

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
Eats normally	24-hour fast OR Eat only a few hundred calories	Eats normally	24-hour fast OR Eat only a few hundred calories	Eats normally	24-hour fast OR Eat only a few hundred calories	Eats normally

THE 5:2 DIET

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
Eats normally	Women: 500 calories Men: 600 calories	Eats normally	Eats normally	Women: 500 calories Men: 600 calories	Eats normally	Eats normally

Please learn in detail pros & cons before attempting



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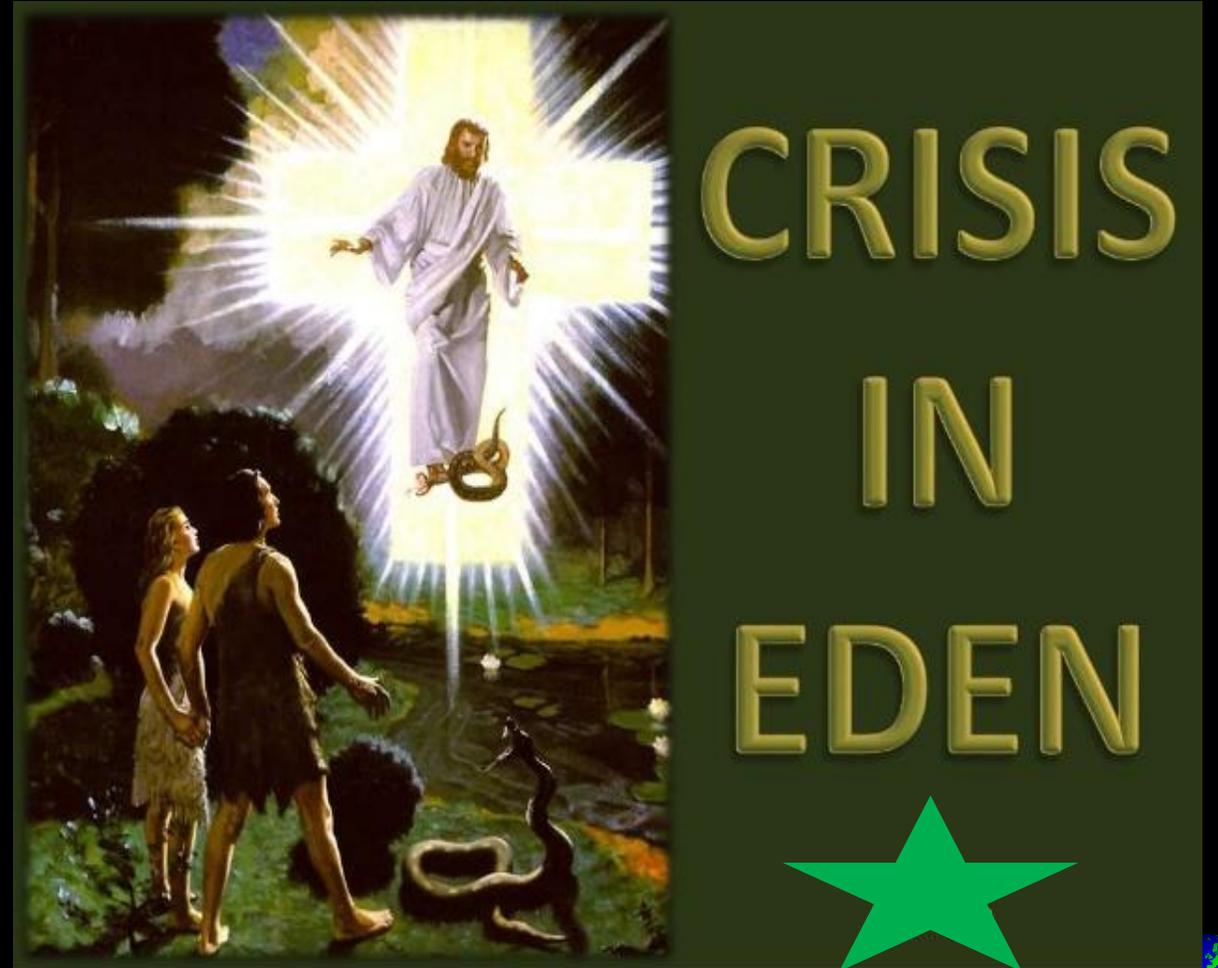


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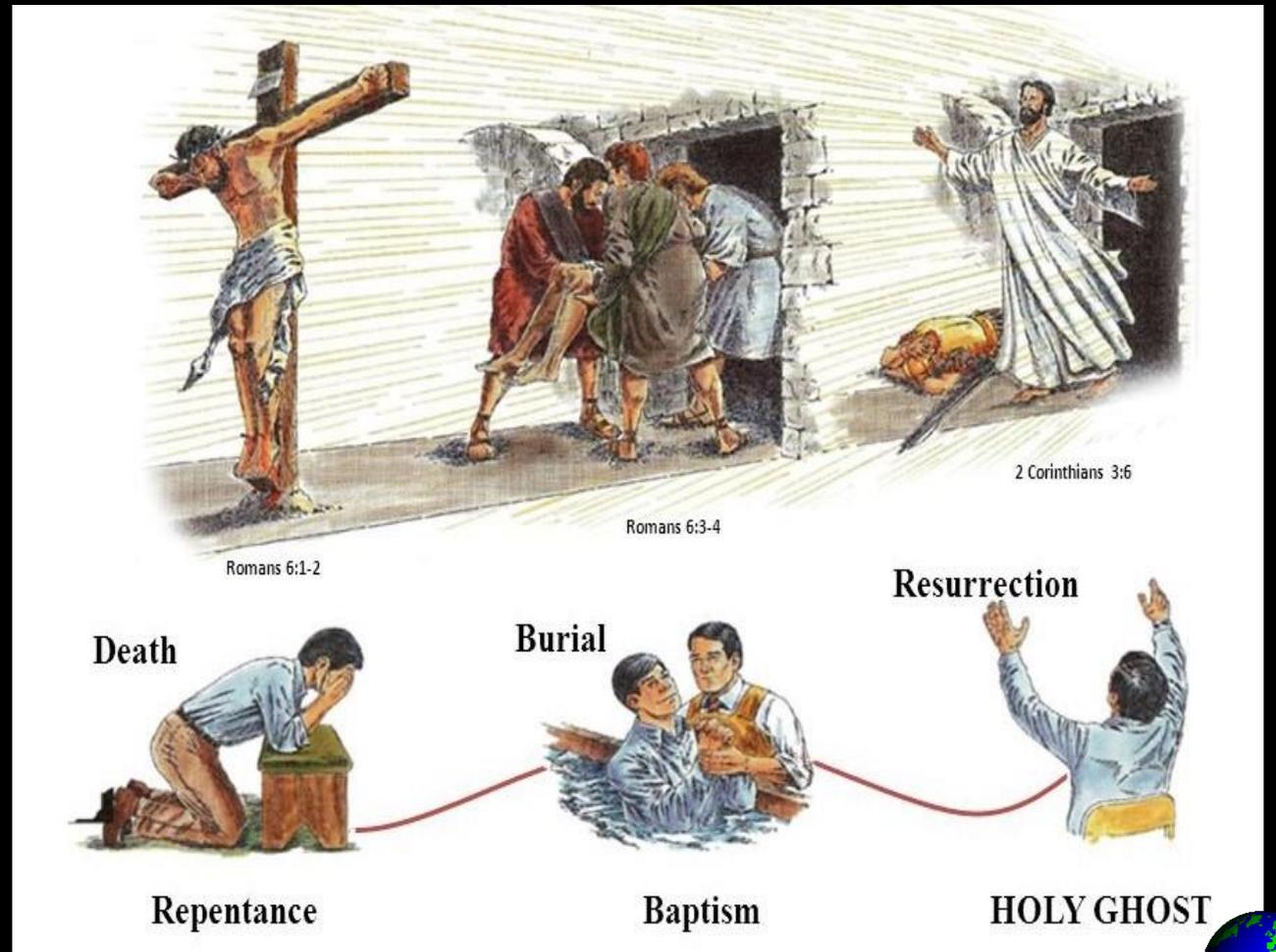
Introduction

Prophecy is pervasive through the Old Testament, from beginning to end. As soon as Adam and Eve disobeyed and were expelled from the Garden of Eden, God gave them the promise of a Saviour ([Genesis 3:15](#)). Later God warned Noah about a flood that would impact the entire world ([Genesis 6](#)). Several major prophecies were given to Abraham, the physical and spiritual father of Israel—the Egyptian sojourn of his descendants, for example. The other end of the Old Testament contains the words of prophets such as Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi.



Introduction

A brief look at the New Testament shows that prophecy is common here, too. This section of the Bible begins with prophecies of the births of John the Baptist and Jesus. And John, who announced the Messiah's coming, was considered by Jesus the greatest of prophets. Jesus Himself concluded His ministry with the great prophetic sermon on Mount Olivet ([Matthew 24](#)). Paul recorded his prophetic experiences in his first letter to the [Corinthians](#) and his second letter to the [Thessalonians](#). The most obvious example of prophecy in the New Testament, of course, is the book of [Revelation](#).



Introduction

How did these prophecies come about? Did these people simply decide they were prophets?

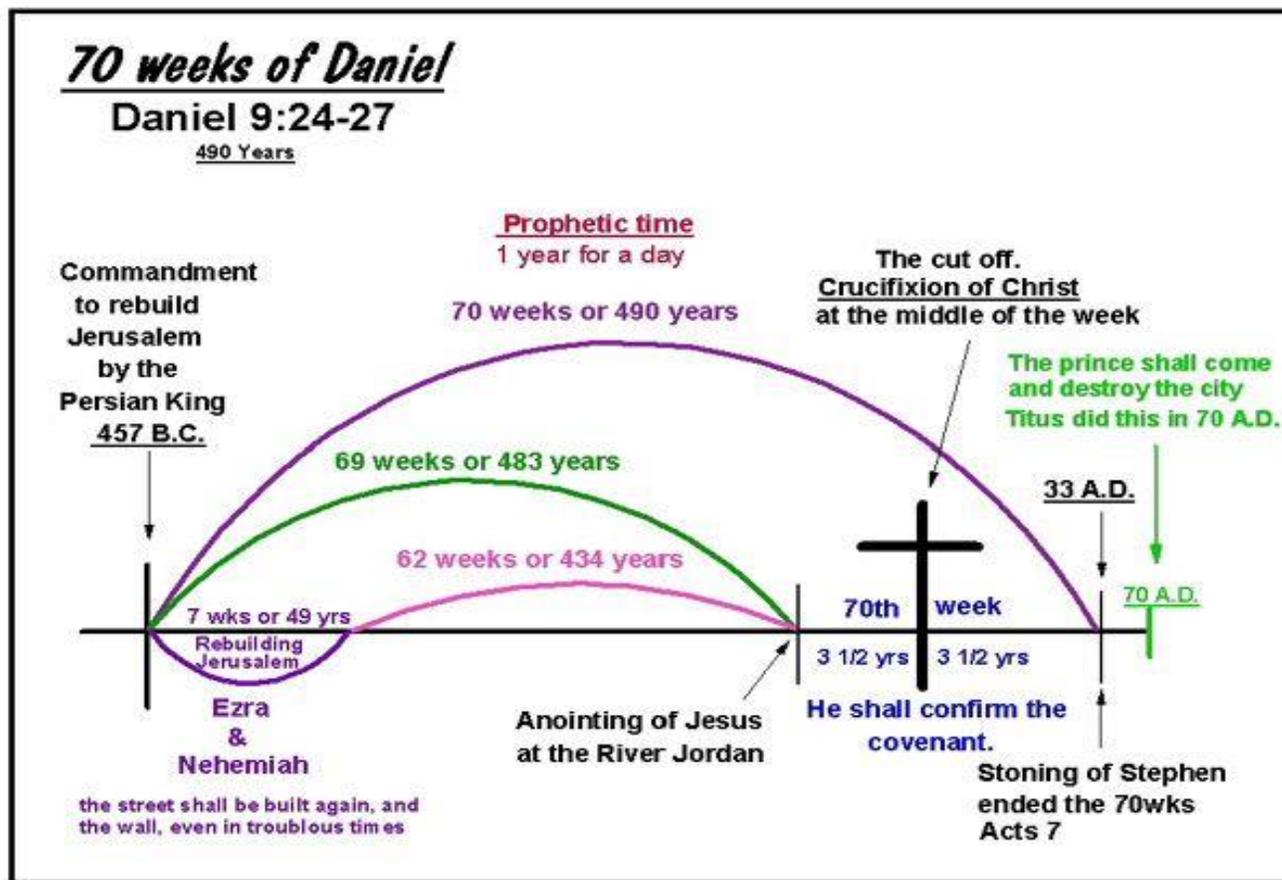
The answer is **NO**.

Prophets did not work themselves up into an ecstatic state and then “break into prophecy.” Rather, they served at God’s will, not vice versa—as is illustrated by Balaam's story ([Numbers 22-24](#)). Thus the first point that can be made about the origin of prophecy, as [2 Peter 1:21](#) - For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were moved by the Holy Ghost*.



How Are Ancient Prophecies Relevant to Us?

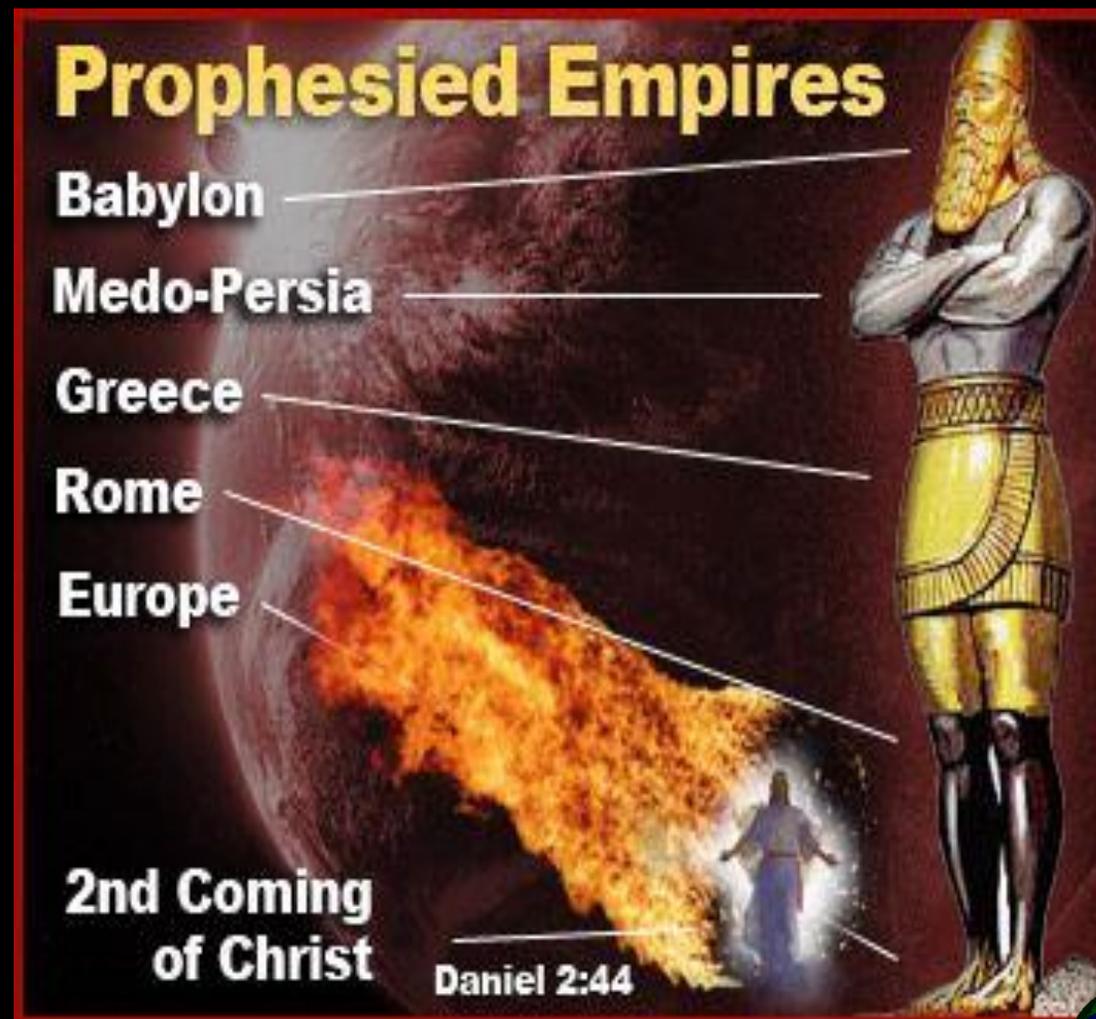
However, the prophet could also speak to issues in the intermediate or distant future, an activity sometimes referred to as *foretelling*. The length of time that the Jews would be captives in Babylon—70 years, according to Jeremiah ([Jeremiah 25:12](#)), is an example of prophecy dealing with the intermediate future. As God gave His prophets inspired views or words about the future, He spread out before them events ranging from those in the immediate future to those far in the distance—even into eternity.



How Are Ancient Prophecies Relevant to Us?

If the biblical prophets predicted only events that were to occur in the immediate future, they might be suspected of being simply better guessers than their contemporaries, as some humanistic scholars believe.

However, God extended their view to events well beyond the scope of speculation. The prophecies about the nations found in Daniel 2 and 7 present a fascinating example of predictions ranging over many centuries. From a human point of view, Daniel seems to have chosen the least likely alternative for the destiny of the Persian Empire in which he lived; but from a divine point of view he was conveying exactly what God foreknew.



Did Bible Prophecy Fail?

As we read the Old Testament, we run up against certain prophetic predictions that, especially in recent times, have led to questions. They have the form of *eschatological* prophecies — prophecies relating to “the last things.” Did they find fulfilment? Or were the prophets mistaken?



Did Bible Prophecy Fail?

The common element in these prophecies is that they begin with the prophet's circumstances (commonly the Babylonian exile), then look beyond immediate events into the future. In that future, the prophets were shown what ancient Israel could have become. They saw God's people returning to their glorified land. They saw Jerusalem as an exalted city—the *world capital*, in fact, into which people from all nations would stream, seeking a knowledge of the true God.

Small Horn is Antichrist >
Arises from the 10 horns. Has a man's eyes & a boastful mouth

Daniel's Visions in Daniel, Chpts. 7 & 8

During King Belshazzar's 1st & 3rd years reign

Second Beast
Grecian Empire

Fourth Beast
New Roman Empire
Mystery Babylon

The Revived Roman & Mystery Babylonian Empires - in Last Days
i.e. Western Europe/Great Britain & The United States of America

First Beast
Medo-Persian Empire

Third Beast
Old Roman Empire

Goat (Greece) → Alexander Smashes → Ram (Persia)



Did Bible Prophecy Fail?

How do we reconcile prophecies?

By considering some are prophecies conditional.

The angels of God in their messages to men represent time as very short. Thus it has always been presented to me. It is true that time has continued longer than we expected in the early days of this message. Our Saviour did not appear as soon as we hoped. But has the word of the Lord failed? Never! It should be remembered that the promises and threatenings of God are alike conditional. -

Selected Messages, book 1, p. 67

God's Promises - Conditional

"If you forsake the LORD and serve foreign gods, then He will turn and do you harm and consume you, after He has done you good" (Josh. 24:20).

Unconditional promises.

- A. No more flood on the earth (Gen. 9:12-17).
- B. Death (Heb. 9 :27).
- C. Destruction of world and judgment (2 Pet. 3:10; 2 Thess. 1:7-10).



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So we can see that these prophecies fall in the category of promises—*promises of what could have been if God's chosen people had cooperated fully with His plan for them.*

Unfortunately, they did not. We see the final frustration of God's plan in the New Testament. Here God's own people reject the Messiah: "He came to his own home, and his own people received him not" ([John 1:11](#)). While these prophecies will yet be fulfilled in reference to spiritual Israel, the Christian church ([Galatians 3:15-29](#)), they no longer apply to a literal Israel in the Middle East.

One Evidence of recent fulfilment!

	Seal	Events which marked this period	Dates
1	The rider on a white horse	Quick progress of the gospel	33 - 100
2	The rider on a red horse	Harsh persecutions of Christians	100 - 313
3	The rider on a black horse	Compromise and spiritual famine	313 - 538
4	The rider on a pale horse	General apostasy in Middle Ages	538 - 1517
5	The souls under the altar	The martyrs' blood testifies to the persecutions of the past centuries	1517 - 1755
6	The heavenly signs	Sun darkened, red moon, fall of the stars, and distress of nations	1755 - End
7	The silence in heaven	Jesus leaves heaven with His angels to gather His people	Return of Jesus

Revelation 6:1-17 & 8:1

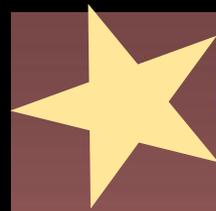


Two Kinds of Prophecy

Bible students speak of two kinds of prophecy—*classical* and *apocalyptic*.

Classical (or typical) prophecy commonly deals with immediate events or issues.

Apocalyptic prophecy (from a Greek word meaning “to reveal” or “to uncover”) focuses on the end of human history as we know it. It deals with events in the distant future, especially in regard to the Second Advent. A major example of this type of prophecy is the book of **Revelation**. Another is the book of **Daniel**. Passages such as **Isaiah 24-27**, **Zechariah 9-14**, and **Matthew 24** are also regarded as apocalyptic prophecies.



Literary (Classical) Prophets

- i) They are *literary* in that they refer to the prophets with written records in the Bible. In the Christian canon, they are often referred to as the Major and the Minor Prophets stretching from Isaiah to Malachi (16 prophets in 17 books).
- ii) They are *classical* in that they are the most familiar phase of Israelite prophecy.



Two Kinds of Prophecy

Apocalyptic prophecy is identifiable by a number of characteristics:

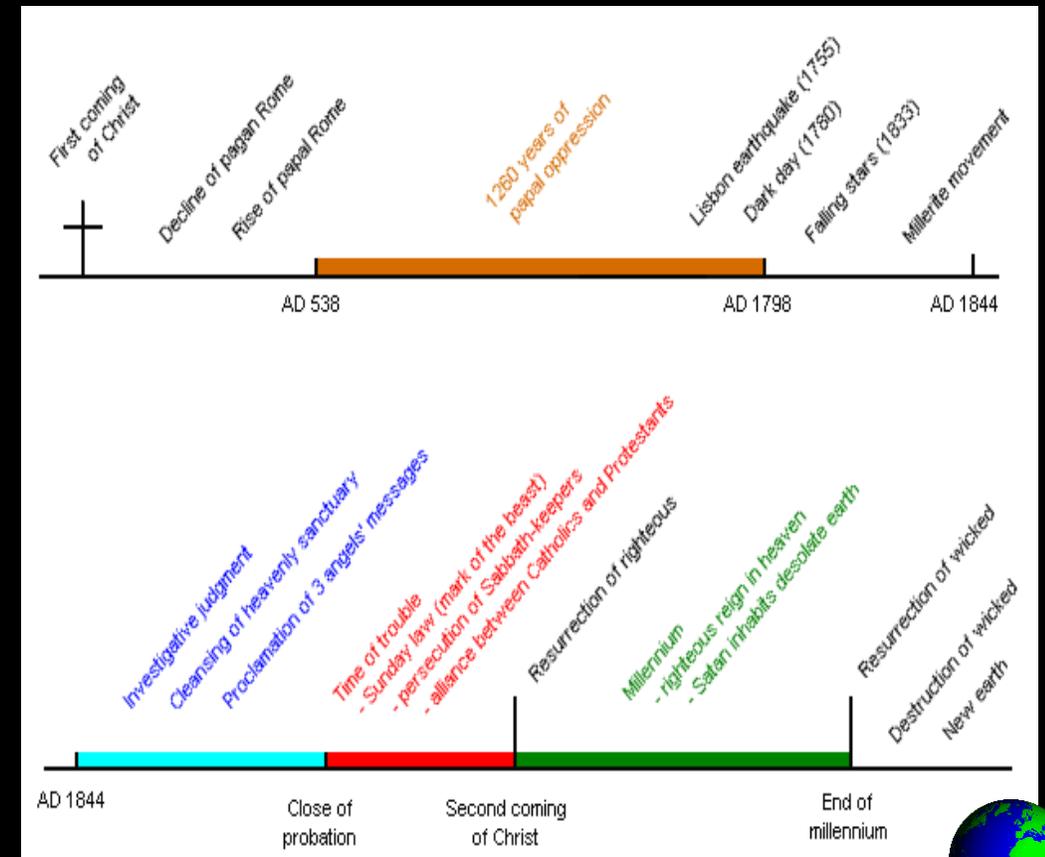
1. There is a more frequent reference to visions than in classical prophecy.
2. There is a more intense use of symbols.
3. It frequently deals with the distant future.
4. There is often intense contrast of good and evil, sometimes symbolized by light and darkness. (We see this, for example, in Revelation's description of the great controversy between Christ and Satan.)
5. Apocalyptic prophets not infrequently mention an interpreting angel who helps them understand the message received.



Three Approaches to Prophetic Interpretation

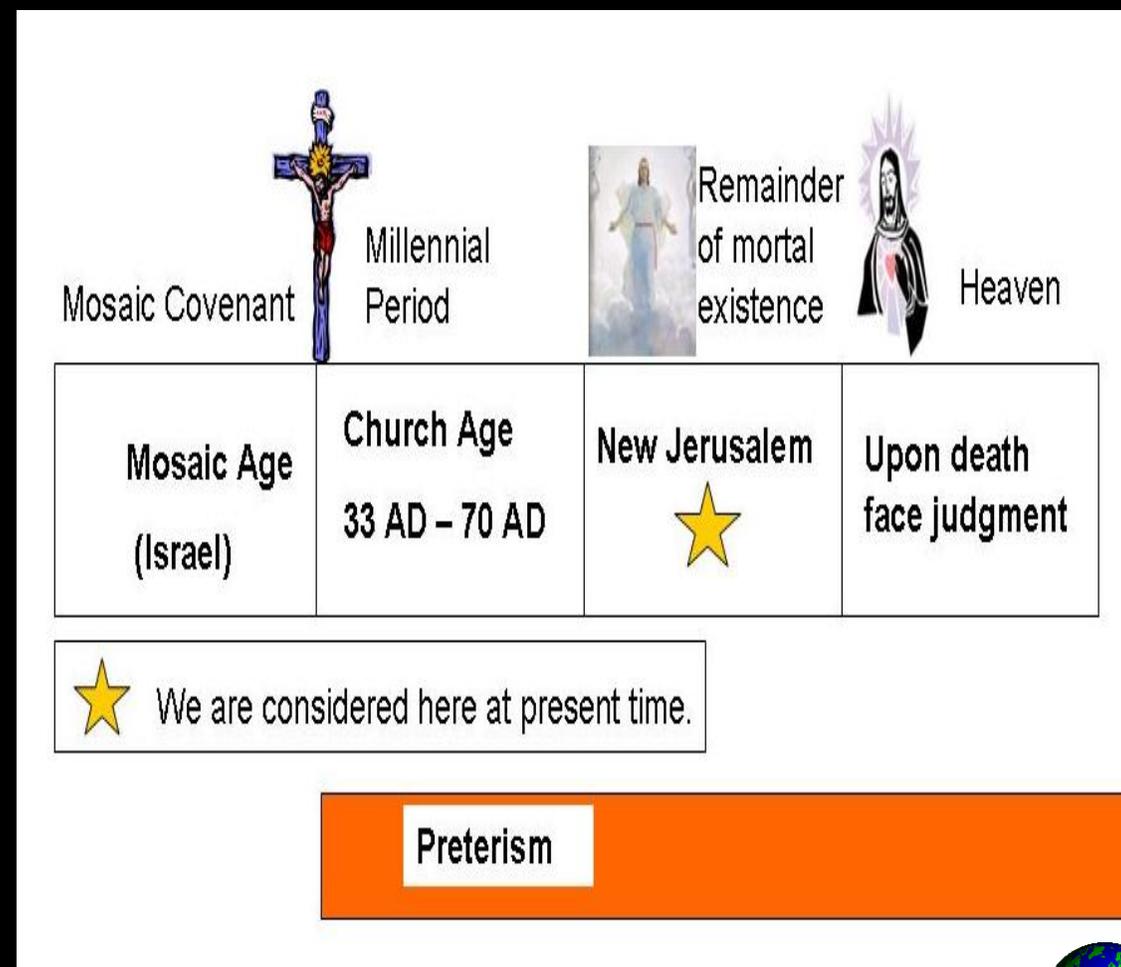
Students of prophecy generally fall into three interpretive schools of thought: *historicists, preterists and futurists.*

1. The historicist interpretation: sees apocalyptic prophecies as revealing human history in a continuous fashion. They believe, for example, that the prophecies in Daniel and Revelation present the great sweep of the future from the prophet's time to Christ's coming kingdom. Strong evidence for this can be found in the major series of symbols extending through the centuries, in both Daniel and Revelation. Daniel 2 and 7, for instance, present a series of metal and animal figures that symbolize kingdoms that will succeed one another until the eternal kingdom of God is set up (the stone of Daniel 2) or until the time when the saints of the Most High enter the eternal kingdom of God (in Daniel 7). Daniel 11 and 12 repeat the pattern, describing the actions of individual rulers along the way.



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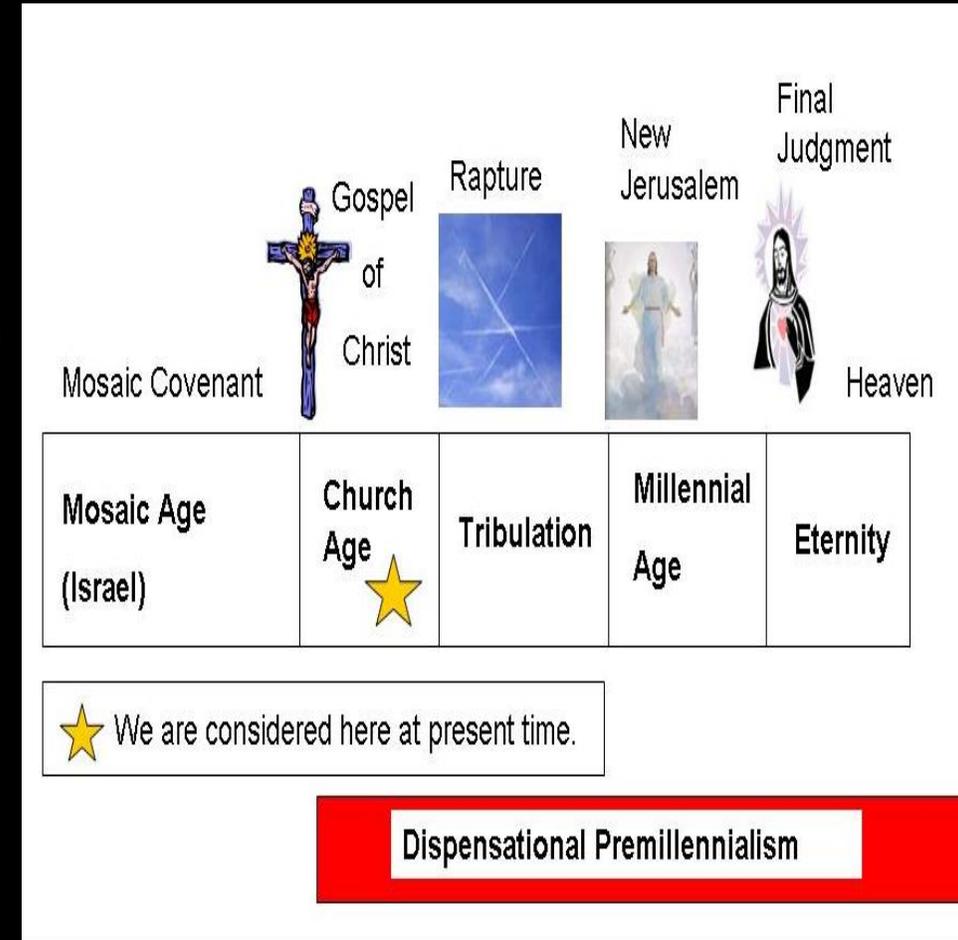
2. The Preterists interpretation: applying the book of Daniel in the past, for example, see its prophecies ending in the second century B.C.—in the time of Antiochus IV Epiphanes, a Greek king who ruled in Syria. Since he was a cruel king who did evil things to the Jews, preterists see him as the fulfilment of the bad things that were to happen to God’s people. From this point of view, the book of Daniel was not written in the sixth century B.C. as future prophecy. Instead, they believe, it was written in the second century B.C. *while these events were happening*. So the conclusion is that the book of Daniel is not prophecy, but rather history—written up as prophecy by an unknown author.



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3. Futurists interpretation: the prophecies did begin during the prophet's own time. But then the great prophetic clock stopped. Futurists subscribing to the dispensationalist position are waiting for the prophetic clock to start up again. When it does, they will count down the final seven years of earth's history (**the seventieth week of Daniel 9**), during which, they believe, there will be a final (literal and personal) antichrist who will appear in Israel and persecute the Jews for three and one-half years.

Meanwhile, the church, having been raptured out of the world, will have left the Jews to be persecuted by this antichrist and his followers. These final seven years will end with the second coming of Christ—actually the third coming for them. Thus for the futurists, the great sweep of the Christian Age is represented only by a gap. Prophecy did not address it at all.



Where Do We Go From Here?

Which of these interpretations is right?

The preterist's position leaves the impression that God has been quite uninterested in us since the second century B.C. (when, they claim, Daniel was written) or since the first century A.D. (when Revelation was written). For since then, according to them, God has really not spoken. It's a truncated view of God's activity in history.

The futurist faces the same problem, but claims that all these prophecies relate to our time alone.

The Origin of **FUTURISM** — — — — — *AND* — — — — — **PRETERISM**



Where Do We Go From Here?

For the historicist, God's prophetic voice has continued to speak to all ages. Just as the Old Testament has provided us with a history from Creation to the end of the Old Testament Era, so these apocalyptic books provide us a panoramic view of our Christian Era in advance.

The Protestant Reformers were distinctly historicist.

One of the events they observed was the activity of the "little horn" of Daniel 7:7-26, which they identified with the Papacy in Rome.



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Quite naturally, papal scholars saw things differently and attempted to parry the Reformers' thrust during the Catholic Counter Reformation in the latter half of the sixteenth century.

In 1590 Francisco Ribera of Spain published a lengthy commentary on Revelation in which he denied the Protestant interpretation and applied the prophecies in the future.

Meanwhile, a Spanish interpreter named Luis de Alcazar introduced the preterist interpretation into Catholic circles.



Catholic Counter Reformation
Council of Trent



Where Do We Go From Here?

At present, preterist views are held mostly by the liberal mainline Protestant denominations.

While futurist views are found especially among conservative evangelicals.

The historicist interpretation of prophecy has continued, however, through the teaching and preaching of Seventh-day Adventists.

In a sense, the Seventh-day Adventist church stands virtually alone as the heir of the Reformers' interpretation of Bible prophecy.

Much time has elapsed since these Bible prophecies were given. That means we have almost reached the end of time as we know it.

Maranatha!
May we be ready for Christ's soon coming.

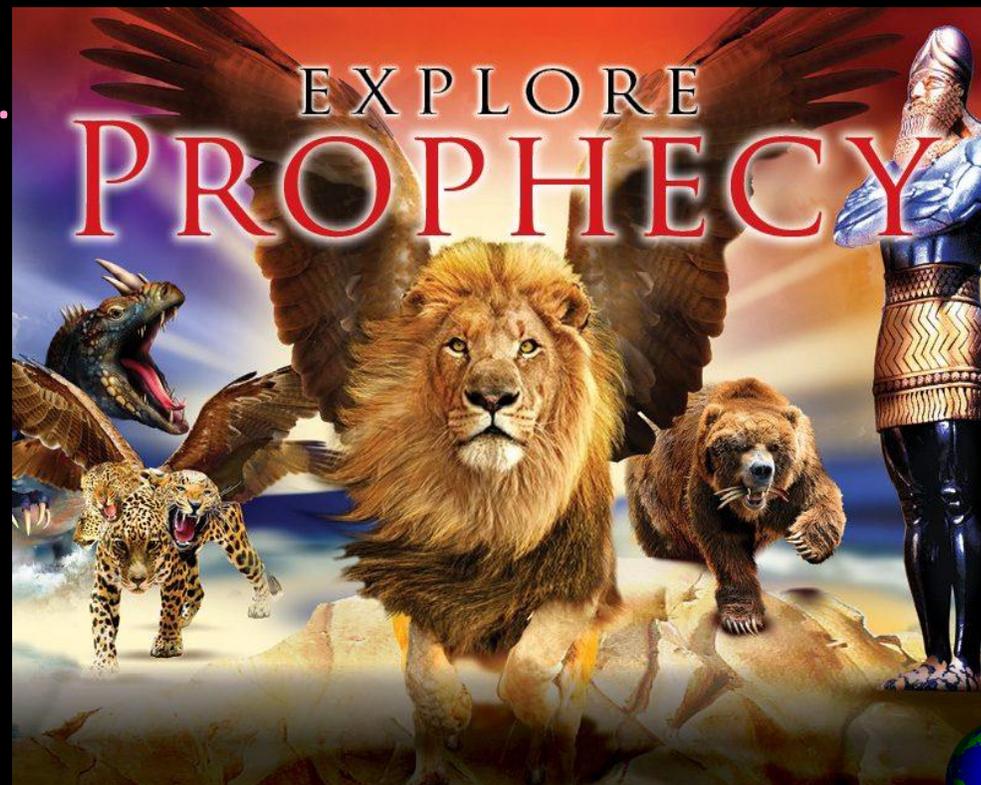


So, Where Are We Now?

Just glance at the headlines — or, most likely, tomorrow's — and you can tell we are living in perilous times. But, how close are we to the end, the "eschaton" of Jesus' return? And, what can we do to prepare for this momentous event?

Seventh-day Adventists, often refer to living in the last days in understanding of Bible prophecy. The Lord raised up this church at the closing of the 2300 days prophecy in 1844. This concluded the last time prophecy in the Scriptures and brought this movement into the final period of earth's history.

The image from Nebuchadnezzar's dream in [Daniel 2](#) and the historical progression of the seven churches in [Revelation 2 and 3](#) culminating with the church of Laodicea, along with numerous other lines of prophecy, indicate we are living just prior to the second coming.

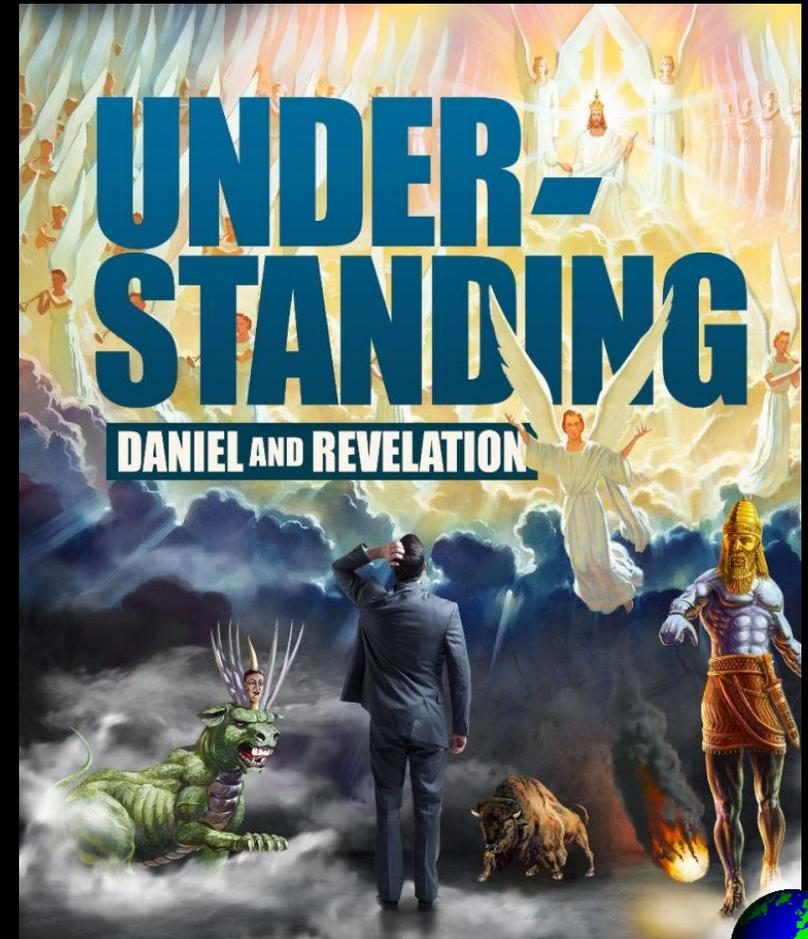


Is the Eschaton to happen soon? If so, why? If not, why not?

Jesus Himself addresses this question so well in response to the question from His disciples in [Matthew 24](#). He outlines the various signs indicating His coming is near: wars, famines, pestilences, earthquakes, false prophets, false christs, lawlessness, etc... These signs given by Jesus will continue and increase in intensity. Increasingly larger geographic areas and population centres will be impacted.

Yes, we are at the beginning stages of the eschaton.

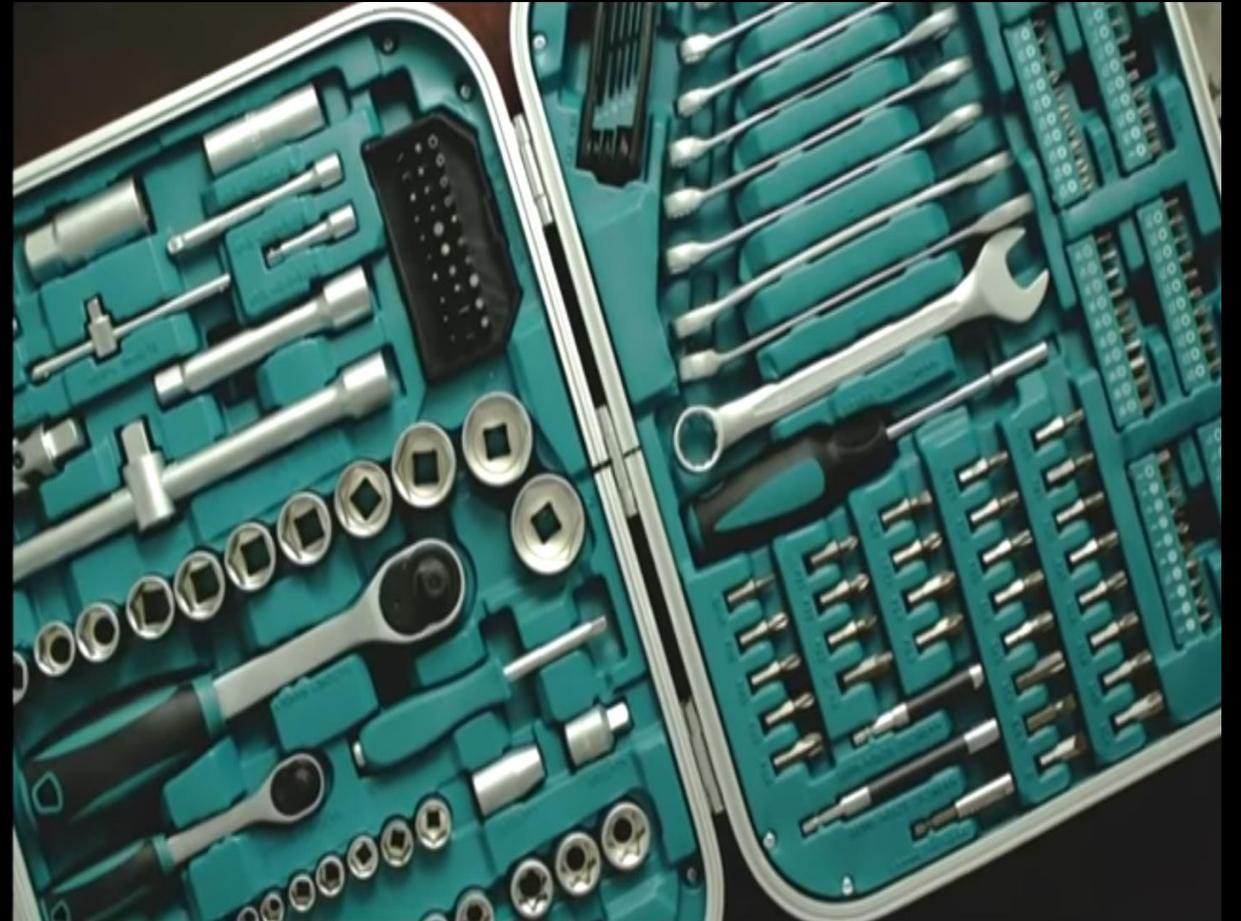
Events have started that cannot be reversed. **Economic meltdown is inevitable.** It has been delayed slightly by extraordinary action by governments, but this only makes the collapse more severe and rapid when it does finally take hold. This paves the way for the Latter Rain ([Revelation 18:1-4](#)). Once it begins there is no turning back. **Choices will have to be made.**



Satan's Tool Box: Tools Used

Revelation 14:9-16

Never did this message apply with greater force than it applies today. More and more the world is setting at nought the claims of God. **Men have become bold in transgression. The wickedness of the inhabitants of the world has almost filled up the measure of their iniquity.** This earth has almost reached the place where God will permit the destroyer to work his will upon it. - **Testimonies for the church v7 p141.1**



The Bible tells us Such a Time will come

Such a movement today: And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. - [Revelation 13:15-17](#).

Climate change and pestilences are being used by human agents to make people hungry, homeless, desperate, Jobless, etc...

Hunger spikes, demand rises for US food banks

By Silvia Martelli
BBC News, Washington DC

December 15, 2020



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Food banks across the country are straining to meet rising demand during the pandemic, **even in some of the country's wealthier regions.**



Take a look at what's happening today!

As Americans go hungry, an innovative free-meal program is running out of money and time

BY AIMEE PICCHI
DECEMBER 18, 2020 / 6:27 AM / MONEYWATCH



US evictions crisis: 'My pride has gone. We're pretty much homeless now'

By Krupa Padhy
BBC OS

December 19, 2020



With a US-wide moratorium on eviction set to expire on 31 December, they could be homeless by the end of the holiday season.



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Unemployment benefits expire for millions as Trump rages

Unemployment benefits for millions of Americans expired overnight as President Donald Trump refuses to sign an end-of-year COVID relief and spending bill that had been considered a done deal before his objections

By **ALEXANDRA OLSON** and **JILL COLVIN** Associated Press

December 27, 2020, 8:09 AM · 6 min read



Unemployed in the US: 'I don't know what to do'

By **Natalie Sherman**
Business reporter, New York

4 December



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Declaration of Independence: We hold these truths to be self-evident, **that all men are created equal, that **they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights**, that among these are **Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness**.**

<https://www.archives.gov/founding-docs/declaration-transcript>



Satan's Tool Box: Tools Used



Even now he is at work. **In accidents and calamities by sea and by land**, in great conflagrations, in fierce tornadoes and terrific hailstorms, in tempests, floods, cyclones, tidal waves, and earthquakes....He sweeps away the ripening harvest, and famine and distress follow. He imparts to the air **a deadly taint, and thousands perish by the pestilence.** These visitations are to become more and more frequent and disastrous. {GC 589.3}

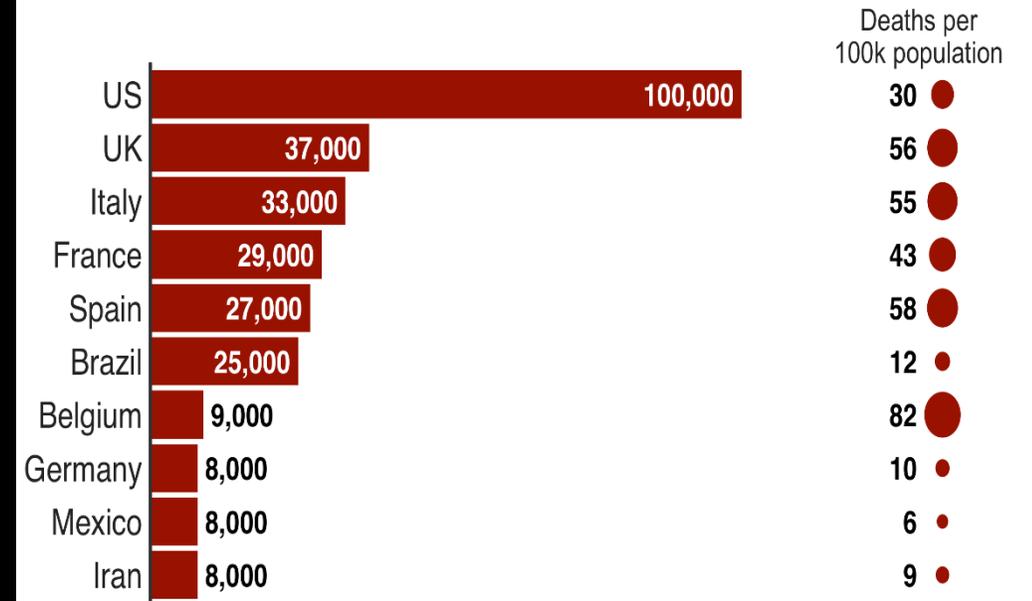


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Top ten countries by coronavirus deaths

Per capita figures show big differences in scale of outbreaks



Note: Country death totals have been rounded to the nearest 1,000

Source: Johns Hopkins University

BBC



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Coronavirus: Cases of new variant appear worldwide

December 26, 2020



CBS NEWS December 26, 2020, 9:42 AM

U.K. hit with worst recession in 300 years as country grapples with mutated COVID-19 strain

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**U.K. Variant of [Pestilence]
appears in Canada, elsewhere,
Despite Containment Efforts**
~ *MSN.com 12/26/2020*



The highly transmissible variant of the coronavirus first detected in England had by Saturday been documented in several European countries, as well as Canada, Japan, Australia and Lebanon, despite efforts to curb its spread through massive global disruptions in travel and movement.



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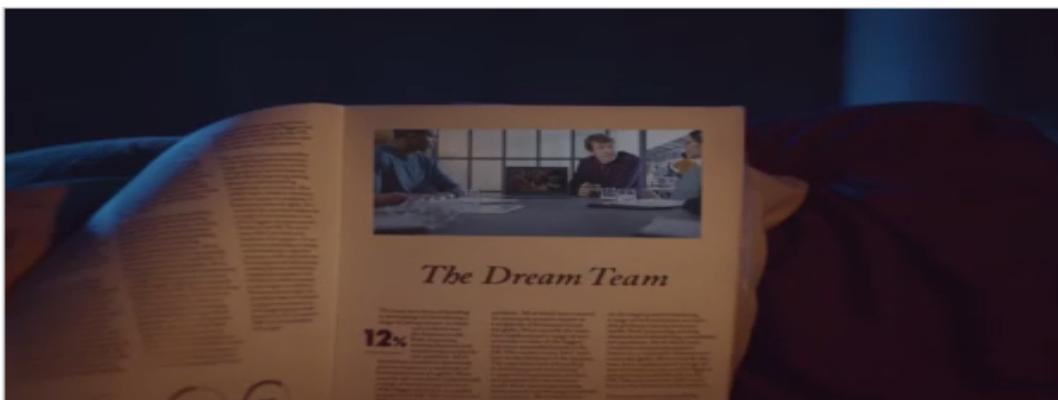
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Satan's Tool Box: 1 Tool Used 7 times - Hunger



The season of distress and anguish before us will require a faith that can endure weariness, delay, and hunger--a faith that will not faint though severely tried. The period of probation is granted to all to prepare for that time. Jacob prevailed because he was persevering and determined. His victory is an evidence of the power of importunate prayer. All who will lay hold of God's promises, as he did, and be as earnest and persevering as he was, will succeed as he succeeded. {GC 621.2}



Satan's Groundwork for the Final Conflict

Satan says, “I will work at cross purposes with God. I will empower my followers to set aside God's memorial, the seventh-day Sabbath. **Thus I will show the world that the day sanctified and blessed by God has been changed. That day shall not live in the minds of the people.** I will obliterate the memory of it. I will place in its stead a day that does not bear the credentials of God, a day that cannot be a sign between God and His people. **I will lead those who accept this day to place upon it the sanctity that God placed upon the seventh day.** - Maranatha 162.2

“Through my vicegerent, I will exalt myself. The first day will be extolled, and the Protestant world will receive this spurious sabbath as genuine. **Through the nonobservance of the Sabbath that God instituted, I will bring His law into contempt. The words, “A sign between me and you throughout your generations,” I will make to serve on the side of my sabbath.** - Maranatha 162.3



Satan's Groundwork for the Final Conflict

Thus the world will become mine. I will be the ruler of the earth, the prince of the world. I will so control the minds under my power that God's Sabbath shall be a special object of contempt. A sign? I will make the observance of the seventh day a sign of disloyalty to the authorities of earth. **Human laws will be made so stringent that men and women will not dare to observe the seventh-day Sabbath. For fear of wanting food and clothing, they will join with the world in transgressing God's law.** The earth will be wholly under my dominion.” **Maranatha 162.4**



Some good advice from the Pen of Inspiration

The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude. The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones.—[Testimonies for the Church 9:11 \(1909\)](#). LDE 11.2

O that God's people had a sense of the impending destruction of thousands of cities, now almost given to idolatry... The time is near when large cities will be swept away, and all should be warned of these coming judgments. --[Evangelism, p. 29](#).



Some advice from the Pen of Inspiration

Satan has a thousand masked batteries which will be opened upon the loyal, commandment-keeping people of God to compel them to violate conscience.— [LDE 147.3](#)

The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience.—[The Great Controversy, 588 \(1911\)](#). [LDE 144.4](#)

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1st – Satan attacked Jesus when hungry

Satan tempted Jesus using Scripture:
(see [Deuteronomy 8:1-3](#)). This temptation parallels the first betrayal in Eden by Adam and Eve ([Genesis 3:1-7](#)).

Appetite has always been a weak point for the human race. And it was genuine for Jesus too, especially after praying and fasting for 40 days with hunger pangs. Satan tempted Jesus to preserve His own life. It is as if he were saying, “Save Yourself” — You need only to change those stones into bread and live. But Jesus overcame by exhibiting unyielding faith and trust in God’s care and providence. **He would master His cravings and desire for physical food with unconditional submission and dependence on God.**

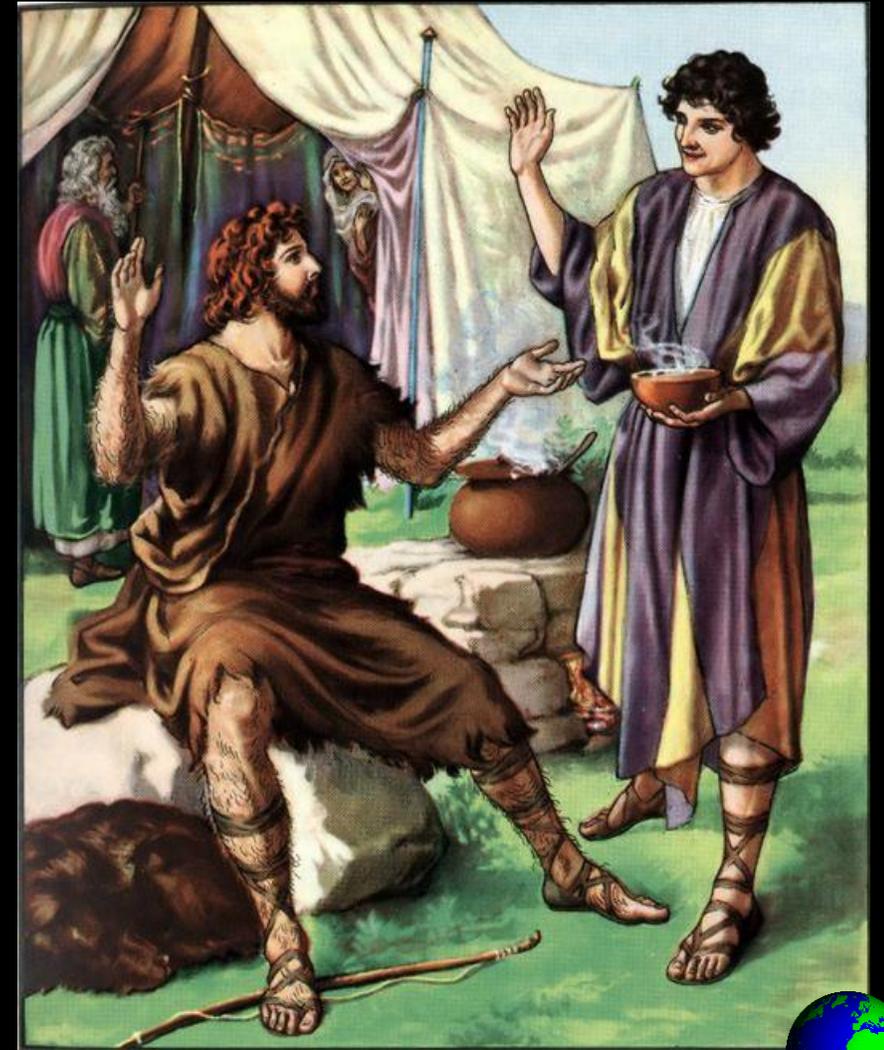


2nd – Account of Esau and Jacob

Genesis 25:30-34 - Esau represents the people in the last days who will sell their birthright just to eat and receive the mark of the beast.

Hebrews 12:16 -17 - Lest there *be* any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, **who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.** For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

“Thus Esau despised his birthright.” In disposing of it he felt a sense of relief. **Now his way was unobstructed; he could do as he liked.** For this wild pleasure, miscalled freedom, how many are still selling their birthright to an inheritance pure and undefiled, eternal in the heavens! - [PP 179.2](#)



3rd – Time of Joseph – Genesis 47

13 No bread in all the land; for the **famine was very sore...**

14 Joseph gathered **all the money**, for corn they bought:...

17 Joseph gave bread in exchange: **horses, flocks, cattle, ... asses:** and he fed them bread for their cattle for that year..

19 **buy us & our land for bread**, we'll be servants: Pharaoh...

21 And the people, **he removed them to cities** from one end of the borders of Egypt even to the other end thereof.

23 – Joseph said, here is seed for you, shall sow the land...

- **Sold their lives, cattle, land, birthright, for food!**
- **Church and State is coming will this be repeated?**



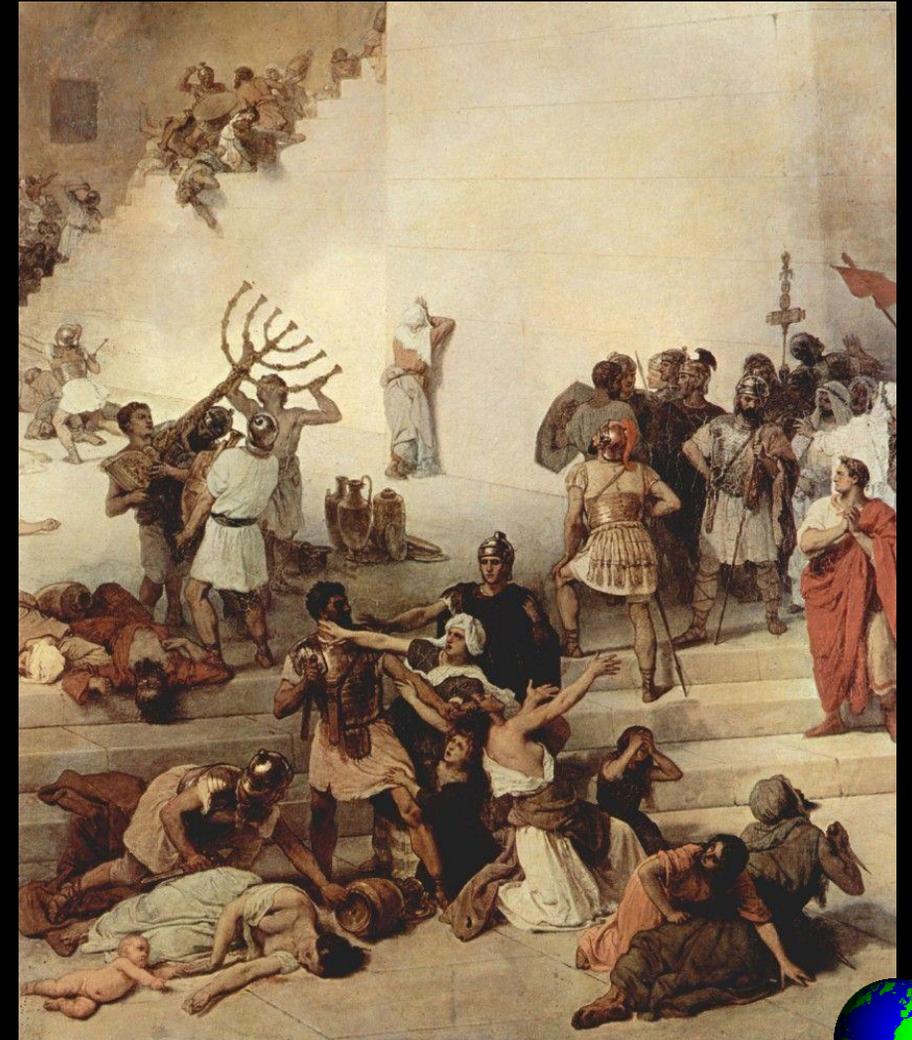
4th – Hebrews when Jerusalem was destroyed

Lamentations 2:19-20 - Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart like water before the face of the Lord: lift up thy hands toward him for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street. Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this. Shall the women eat their fruit, *and* children of a span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord?

Lamentations 4:10 – The hands of the pitiful women have sodden their own children: they were their meat in the destruction of the daughter of my people.

When Solomon's temple was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon in 586 BC.

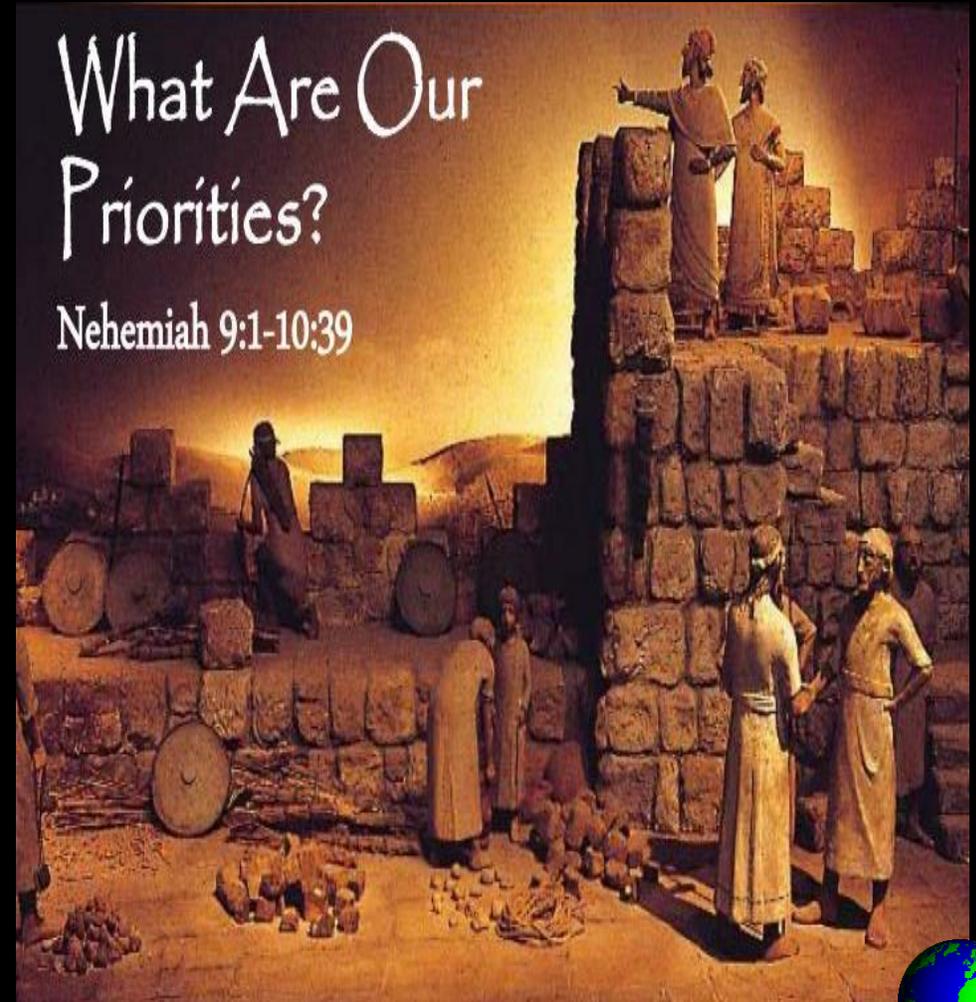
The same scene was repeated when Titus came to destroy Jerusalem in AD70, the people were eating their children again. – The Great Controversy p31.



5th – Hebrews lost focus of rebuilding the temple were doing their own things...

Nehemiah 5:1-3 And there was a great cry of the people and of their wives against their brethren the Jews. For there were that said, We, our sons, and our daughters, *are* many: therefore we take up corn *for them*, that we may eat, and live. *Some* also there were that said, We have mortgaged our lands, vineyards, and houses, that we might buy corn, because of the dearth.

Nehemiah 5:5-6 Yet now our flesh *is* as the flesh of our brethren, our children as their children: and, lo, we bring into bondage our sons and our daughters to be servants, and *some* of our daughters are brought unto bondage *already*: neither *is it* in our power *to redeem them*; for other men have our lands and vineyards. And I was very angry when I heard their cry and these words.



6th – the account of Job: lost everything

Job 1:10-19 - Satan claims Job is blessed and a hedge is around him, so he serves God. If I remove those assets he will curse God.

Job lost his oxen & cattle = assets, servants = businesses, children = everything.

Job 2:4-6 - boils on Skin = Satan finally brought a pestilence.

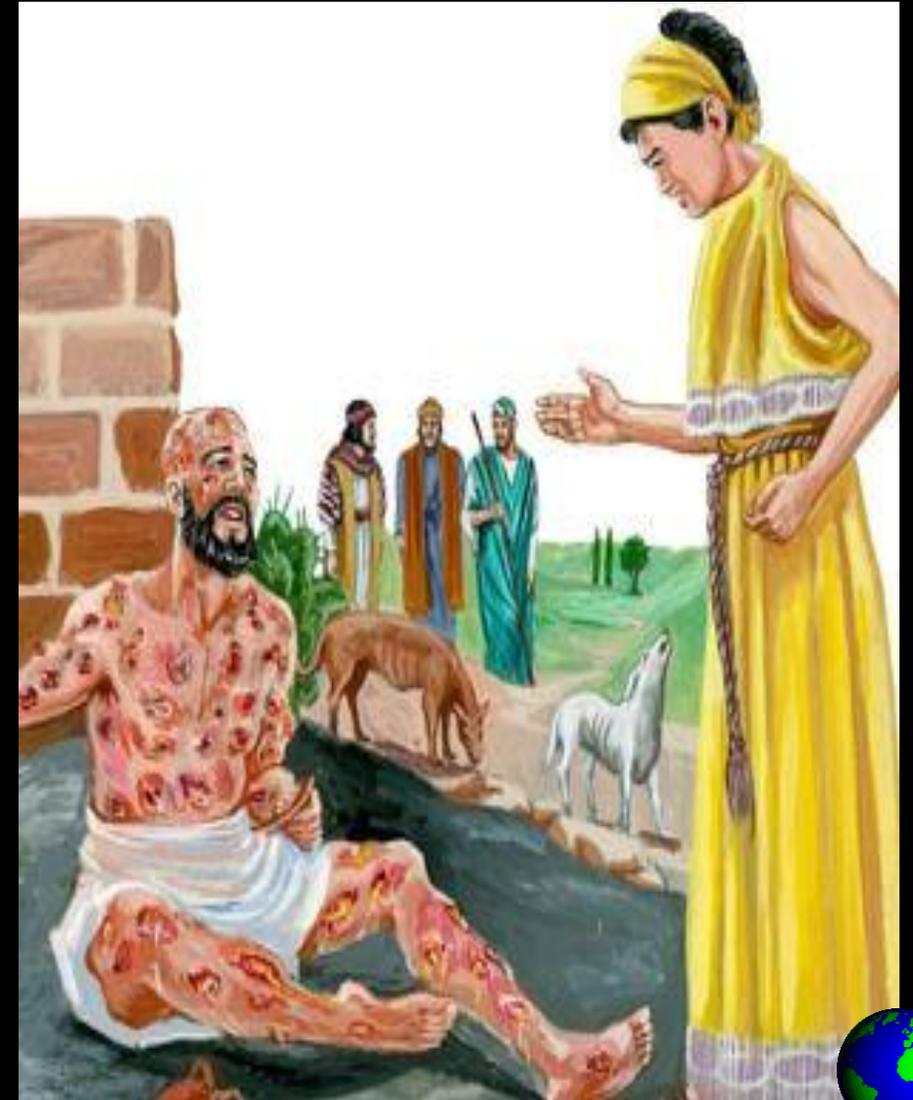
Job 2:9 - wife says to Job curse God and die.

Job has no human support – Servants, friends, children & wife all gone.

Is there a pestilence in the world right now – Satan is waiting: one to give up their birthright and curse God.

Job 2:10 But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.

- Job stood faithful to God.



Will the account of Job will be repeated?

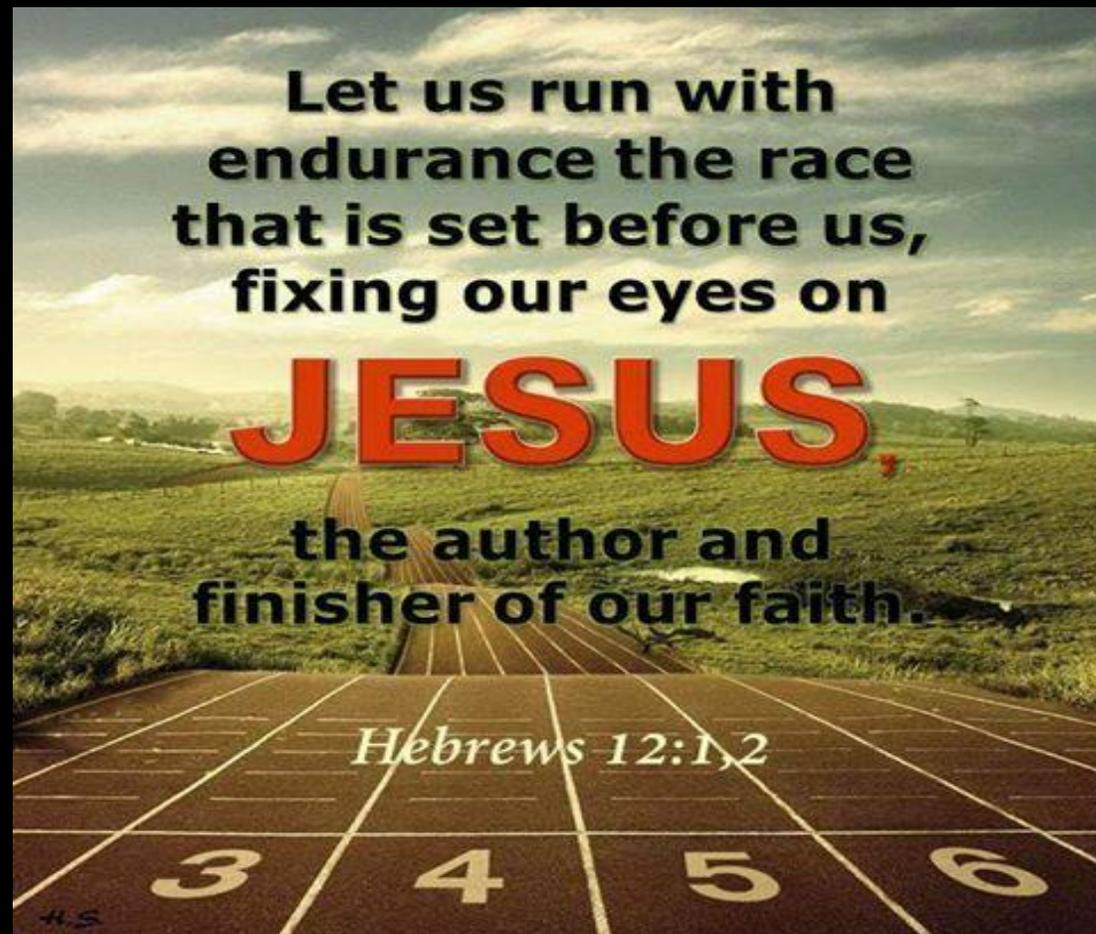
James 5:1-6 - Rich defrauding the poor –
Do we see this today.

James 5:7-10 – mentions Second coming
of Christ – Are we even at the door?
(Matthew 24:33)

James 5:11 – Indicates Job's account will
be repeated:

Behold, we count them happy which
endure. Ye have heard of the patience of
Job, and have seen the end of the Lord;
that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender
mercy.

Matthew 24:13 - But he that shall endure
unto the end, the same shall be saved.



7th – The French Revolution

Harvest failures, food shortages and high prices for food, particularly bread, shaped the course of the French Revolution. **This was particularly true for the working classes in Paris. Much of the revolutionary activity in Paris and other cities was driven by food shortages and high prices.**

The poor conditions in the countryside had forced rural residents to move into Paris, and the city was overcrowded and filled with the hungry and disaffected. The peasants suffered doubly from the economic and agricultural problems. - <https://bonjourlafrance.com>



Lessons from the French Revolution



The policy of Rome had wrought out those conditions, social, political, and religious, that were **hurrying France on to ruin.** {GC 276.4}



Paris became one vast almshouse, and it is estimated that, at the breaking out of the Revolution, **two hundred thousand paupers claimed charity from the hands of the king.** **The Jesuits alone flourished in the decaying nation,** and ruled with dreadful tyranny over churches and schools, the prisons and the galleys." {GC 279.2}



Lessons from the French Revolution

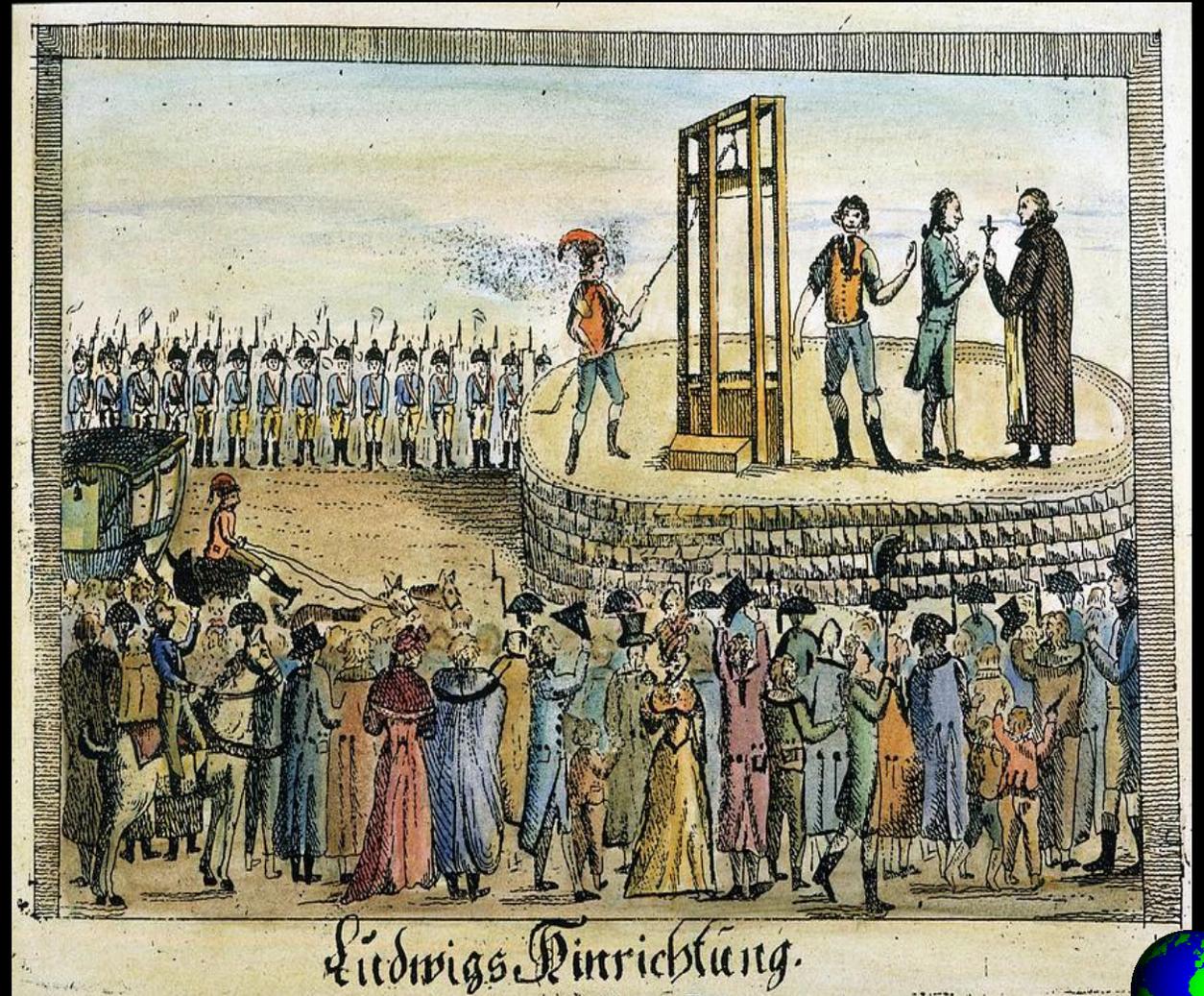


With a depraved and cruel aristocracy and an impoverished and ignorant lower class, the state financially embarrassed and the people exasperated, it needed no prophet's eye to foresee a terrible impending outbreak. To the warnings of his counselors the king was accustomed to reply: "Try to make things go on as long as I am likely to live; after my death it may be as it will." The doom awaiting France was but too truly pictured in his indolent and selfish answer, "After me, the deluge!" {GC 280.1}



Lessons from the French Revolution

“...Anarchy is seeking to sweep away all law, not only divine, but human. The centralizing of wealth and power; the vast combinations for the enriching of the few at the expense of the many; the combinations of the poorer classes for the defense of their interests and claims; the spirit of unrest, of riot and bloodshed; the world-wide dissemination of the same teachings that led to the French Revolution—all are tending to involve the whole world in a struggle similar to that which convulsed France.” - *Education*, 228



For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. – Matthew 24:21

Revelation 18:13 – **Popacy will bring to shackles.**

The season of distress and anguish before us will require a faith that can endure weariness, delay, and hunger—a faith that will not faint though severely tried. The period of probation is granted to all to prepare for that time. – GC621.2

Esau fainted, Hebrews fainted 3 times, Christ did not faint, Job had the faith.

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

Luke 17:5 – And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.

Proverbs 24:10 - *If* thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength *is* small.

Matthew 8:10 - When Jesus heard *it*, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.

Rev 18:13 and cinnamon, and incenses, and ointment, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.



Satan's Tool Box: Tools Used



Her [Romes] doctrines are exerting their influence in legislative halls, in the churches, and in the hearts of men. She is piling up her lofty and massive structures in the secret recesses of which **her former persecutions will be repeated.** Stealthily and unsuspectedly she is strengthening her forces to further her own ends when the time shall come for her to strike. All that she desires is vantage ground, and this is already being given her. We shall soon see and shall feel what the purpose of the Roman element is. **Whoever shall believe and obey the word of God will thereby incur reproach and persecution.** {GC 581.2}



Satan's Tool Box: Tools Used



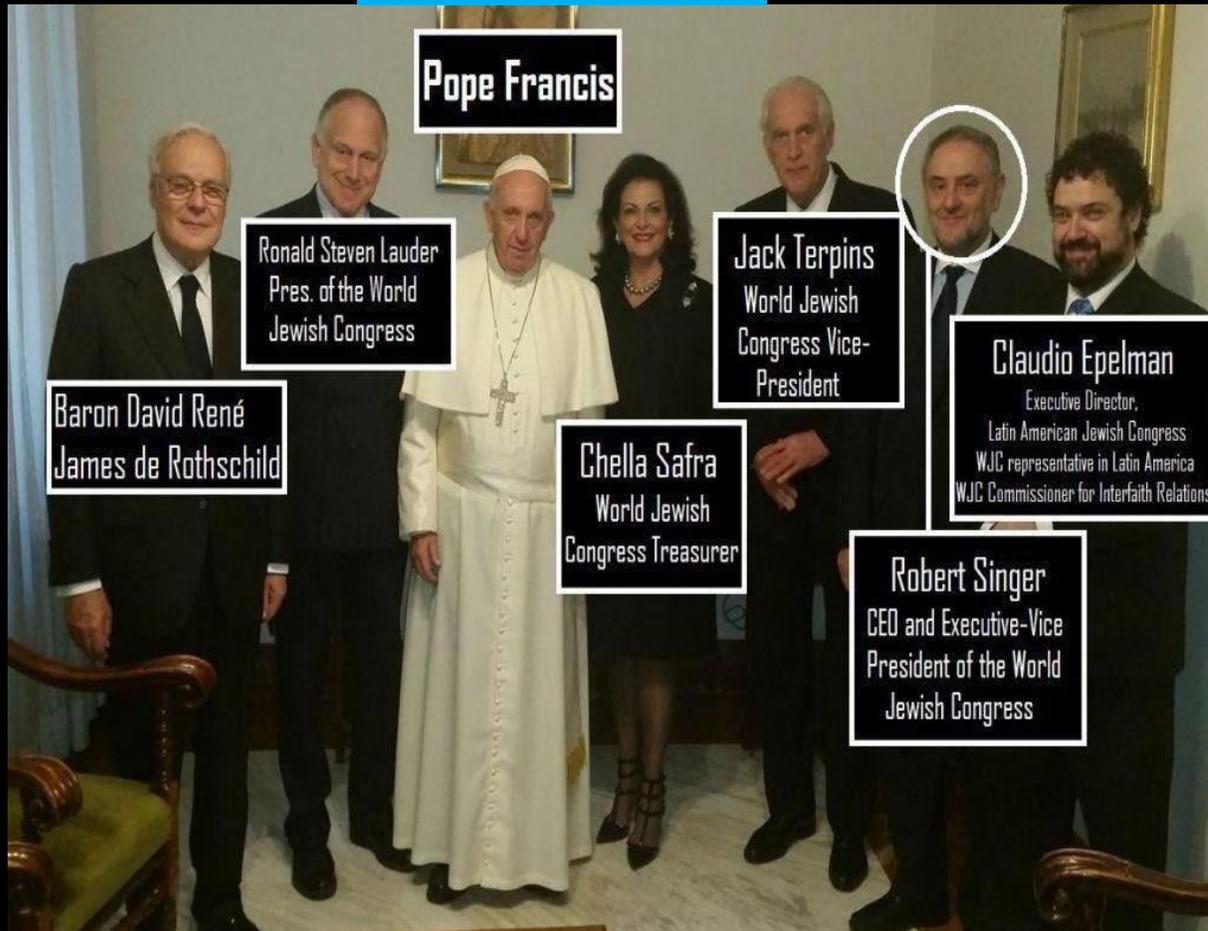
#237. Sunday, like the Jewish Sabbath, is meant to be a day which heals our relationships with God, with ourselves, with others and with the world...It [Sunday] protects human action from becoming empty activism; it [Sunday] also prevents that unfettered greed and sense of isolation which make us seek personal gain to the detriment of all else. The law of weekly rest forbade work on the seventh day...[See Ex 23:12]. Rest opens our eyes to the larger picture and gives us renewed sensitivity to the rights of others. And so the day of rest, centered on the Eucharist, sheds it light on the whole week, and motivates us to greater concern for nature and the poor.

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_ enciclica-laudato-si.html



Ecumenical Movements – Revelation 13:3

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Pope Francis becomes moral guide to inclusive capitalism

By accepting the Church's moral authority, big business is embracing religion to create a trusted economic system



Ben Joseph

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Inclusive Capitalism is not a non-profit organization you would see in town. It is a group of individuals and institutions with more than US\$10.5 trillion in assets and companies with a combined market capitalization of more than \$2 trillion and 200 million employees in 163 countries. They joined together to "include the excluded" in the capitalist system and **wanted Pope Francis as their torchbearer.**



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Wednesday 27 January: Special Addresses, Leadership Panels and Impact Sessions on Enhancing stewardship of our global commons.

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The Covid-19 crisis, and the political, economic and social disruptions it has caused, is fundamentally changing the traditional context for decision-making. The inconsistencies, inadequacies and contradictions of multiple systems –from health and financial to energy and education – are more exposed than ever amidst a global context of concern for lives, livelihoods and the planet. Leaders find themselves at a historic crossroads, managing short-term pressures against medium- and long-term uncertainties.

THE OPPORTUNITY

As we enter a unique window of opportunity to shape the recovery, this initiative will offer insights to help inform all those determining the future state of global relations, the direction of national economies, the priorities of societies, the nature of business models and the management of a global commons. Drawing from the vision and vast expertise of the leaders engaged across the Forum's communities, the Great Reset initiative has a set of dimensions to build a new social contract that honours the dignity of every human being.



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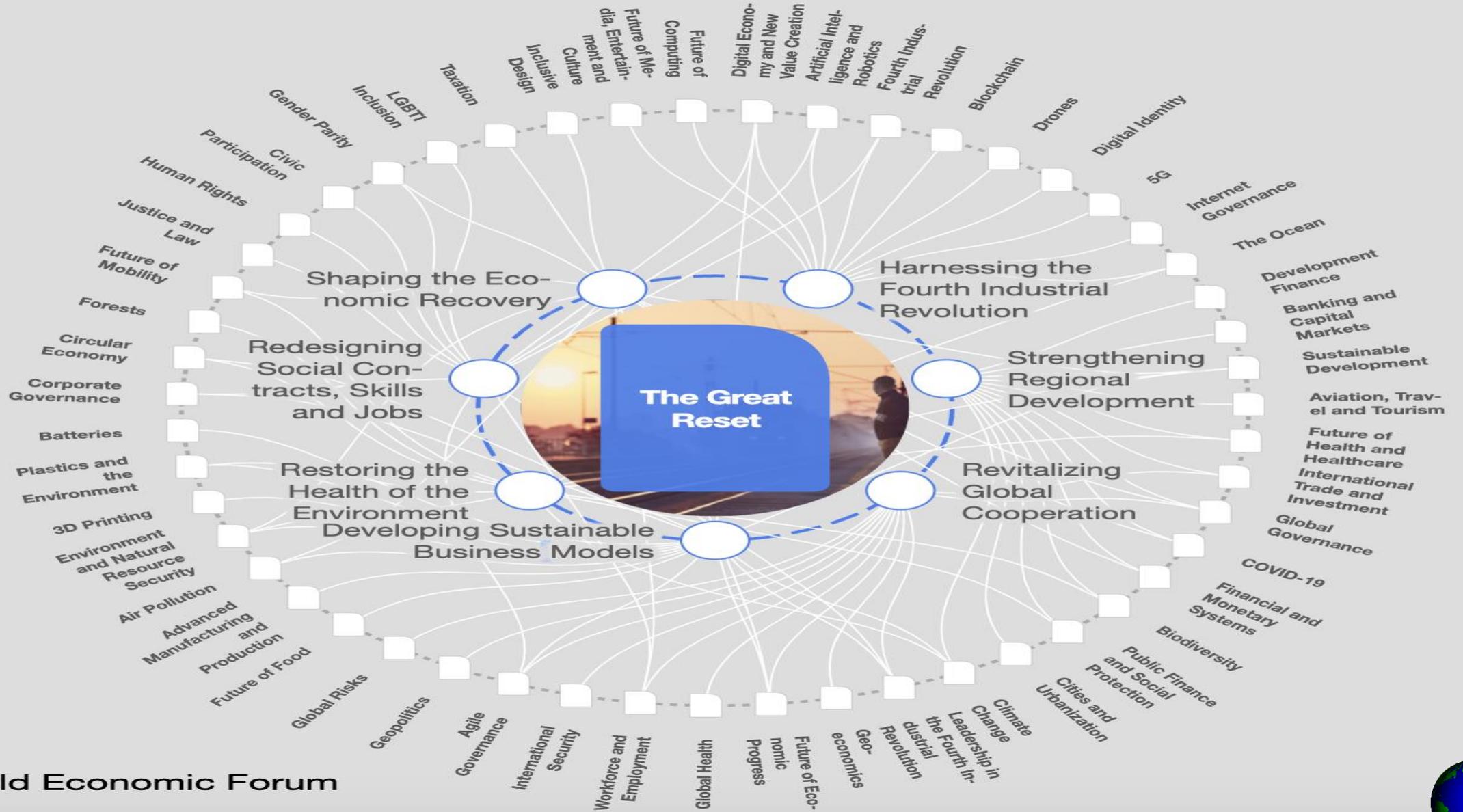
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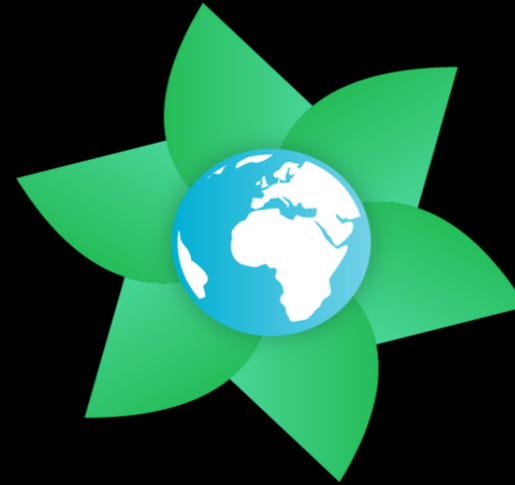
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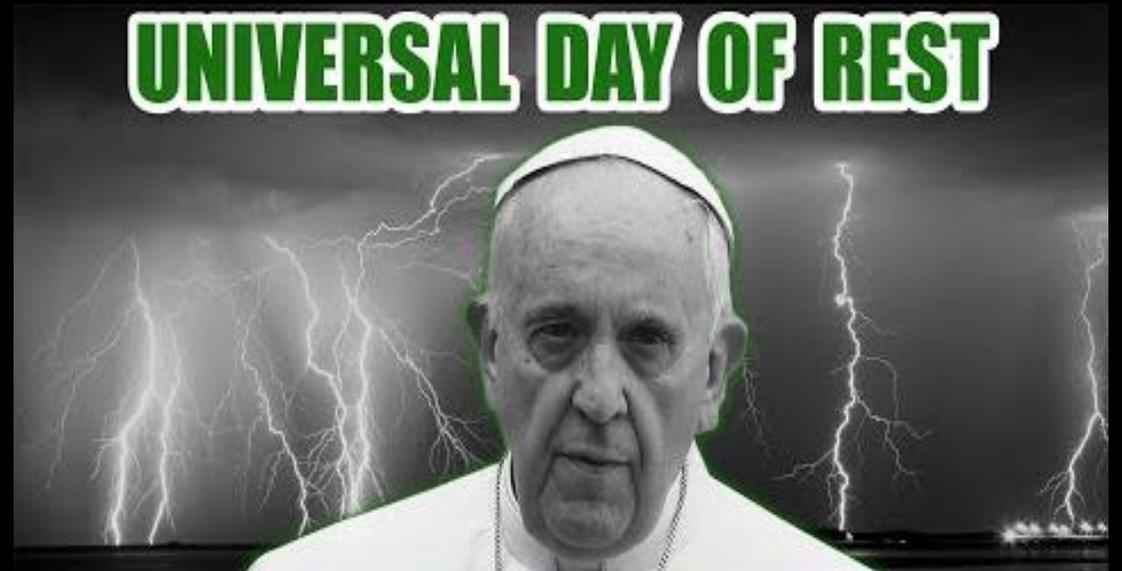
Welcome to the Green Sabbath Project! Our main focus is education and advocacy. Our mission is to spark a mass movement of observance of a weekly day of rest -- Shabbat, sabbath, a green sabbath or a weekly earth day -- on which impact on the environment is minimized as much as possible. We envision individuals and groups choosing whichever day is most meaningful to them. While inspired by ancient religious sources, the green sabbath is a self-consciously refashioned ritual practice aimed at addressing current realities. As taken up by individuals and communities, it may or may not be connected to organized religion or God. Our materials and events span the range of approaches: **religious, spiritual, pantheistic, agnostic and materialist.** -

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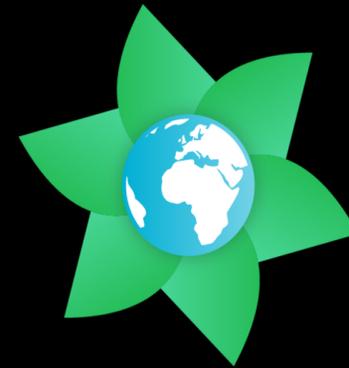


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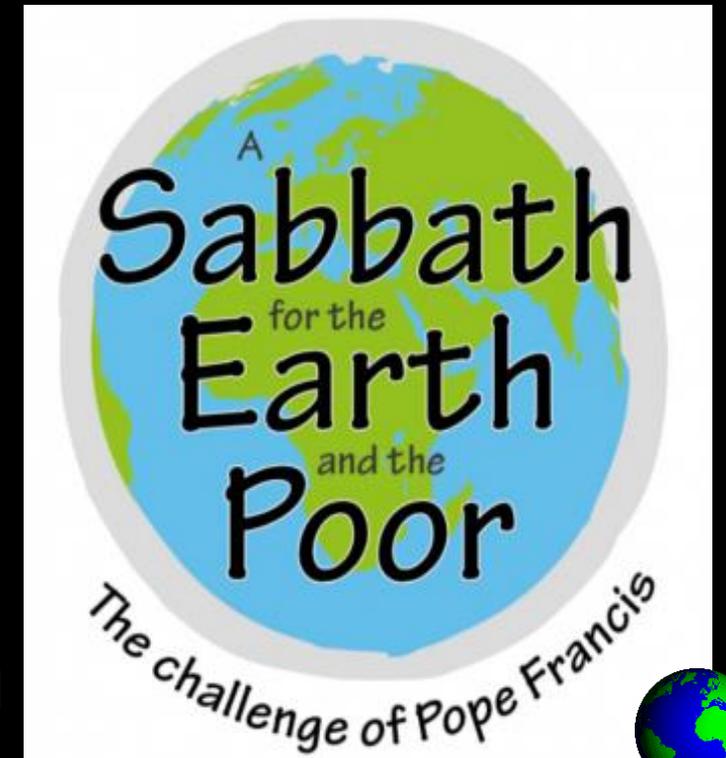


Vision

The multidimensional nature of our environmental crises demands holistic responses. We believe that our sabbath days must become a time of active avoidance of environmental vandalism, a time for programmatic congregational and individual reflection on how we are undoing creation. We intend green sabbaths to be a radical ritual within which we can digest anew the biblical prophets' warnings against the corruption of the rich and powerful, the oppression of the poor and the self-centered pursuit of short-sighted pleasures, understanding how relevant such warnings are to the ecological devastation wrought by hypercapitalism. Sabbath properly practiced offers a weekly investment in family and local community, a weekly interruption of the suicidal econometric fantasy of infinite growth, a weekly divestment from fossil fuels, a weekly moment of rewilding. As Greta Thunberg reminds us, we already know what the solutions are for our environmental crises. Green sabbaths provide a recurring weekly greenhouse for incubating the required collective consciousness and willpower — the ultimate renewable energies — to make the solutions reality. Green sabbaths will constitute both a model of the ecologically-sane world to come and an actual foretaste of it.



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God's Judgments are Coming

The signs of the times give evidence that the judgments of heaven are being poured out, that the day of the Lord is at hand. The daily papers are full of indications of an intense conflict in the future. Bold robberies are of frequent occurrence. Strikes are common. Thefts and murders are committed on every hand. Men possessed by demons are taking the lives of men, women, and little children. All these things testify that the Lord's coming is near.

The restraining Spirit of God is even now being withdrawn from the world. Hurricanes, storms, tempests, disasters by sea and by land, follow one another in quick succession. The signs thickening around us, telling of the near approach of the Son of God, are attributed to any other than the true cause. . . . – [Maranatha 175](#)



The Two Great Errors that will occur before the end

“Through the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, Satan will bring the people under his deceptions. While the former lays the foundation of spiritualism, the latter creates a bond of sympathy with Rome. The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this **threefold union**, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience”.

— The Great Controversy , p. 588.



1. Last act in the drama – Sunday Law

The substitution of the laws of men for the law of God, **the exaltation, by merely human authority, of Sunday in place of the Bible Sabbath, is the last act in the drama.** **When this substitution becomes universal, God will reveal Himself. He will arise in His majesty to shake terribly the earth.** He will come out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the world for their iniquity, and the earth shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.—[Testimonies for the Church 7:141.](#)



2. **Crowning act in the drama – Satan as Christ**

As the crowning act in the great drama of deception, Satan himself will personate Christ. The church has long professed to look to the Saviour's advent as the consummation of her hopes. **Now the great deceiver will make it appear that Christ has come. In different parts of the earth, Satan will manifest himself among men as a majestic being of dazzling brightness, resembling the description of the Son of God given by John in the Revelation. Revelation 1:13-15. The glory that surrounds him is unsurpassed by anything that mortal eyes have yet beheld. The shout of triumph rings out upon the air: "Christ has come! Christ has come!"** The people prostrate themselves in adoration before him, while he lifts up his hands and pronounces a blessing upon them, as Christ blessed His disciples when He was upon the earth. His voice is soft and subdued, yet full of melody. **In gentle, compassionate tones he presents some of the same gracious, heavenly truths which the Saviour uttered; he heals the diseases of the people, and then, in his assumed character of Christ, he claims to have changed the Sabbath to Sunday, and commands all to hallow the day which he has blessed.** He declares that those who persist in keeping holy the seventh day are blaspheming his name by refusing to listen to his angels sent to them with light and truth. Acts 8:10. - Mar 276.4



And no wonder, for Satan himself keeps transforming himself into an angel of light. It is therefore nothing great if his ministers also keep transforming themselves into ministers of righteousness. But their end shall be according to their works.

2 Corinthians 11:14, 15



1. Timing of the Sunday Law – Matthew 24

All these signs have been happening since ages, but notice the account:

Please follow the signs escalating in this generation:

7-8 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: **and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.** All these are the beginning of sorrows. – **All are happening with intensity and rapidity, Infact all at the same time!**

9 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. – **The Last Act in this will be: The Sunday Law.**

10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. – **Brother, Sister, Father, Mother, Relatives, Church members, other Christians, non-believers, etc...**

11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. – **Far too many so called prophets in these days**

12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. - Can see that today in believers as well as non-believers.

13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. – **The Little Time of Trouble.**

U.S. Geological Earthquakes Survey

1973 – 4,539 Earthquakes

1974 – 4,528 Earthquakes

2000 – 19,131 Earthquakes

2010 – 23,040 Earthquakes

2011 – 22,392 Earthquakes

2013 – 89,622 Earthquakes

2014 – 118,404 Earthquakes



1. Timing of the Sunday Law – cont'd



When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with spiritualism, when, under the influence of this threefold union, **our country shall repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and republican government, and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near.** {5T 451.1}



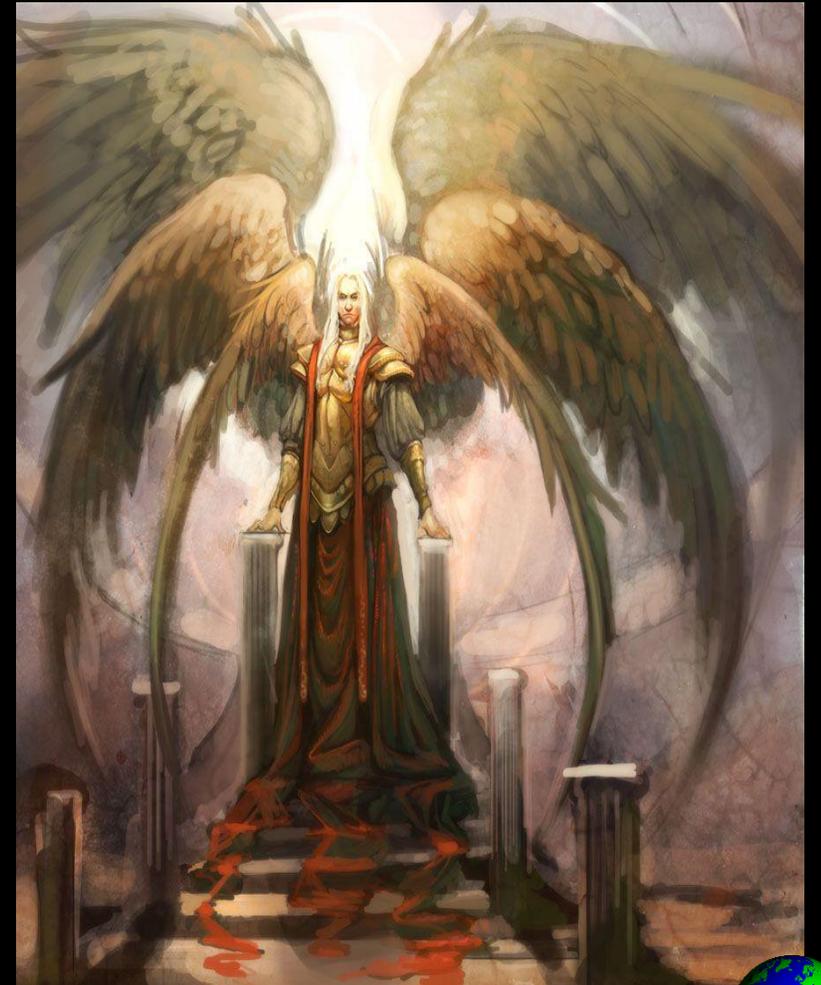
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14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. – **Finally Loud Cry resulting: Close of Probation.**

21-22 For then shall be **great tribulation**, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened. – **Leading from the little Time of Trouble to the Great Time of Trouble during 7 Last Plagues.**

23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here *is* Christ, or there; believe *it* not. – **Satan Appears as Jesus on Earth.**

24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if *it* were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. – **Miracles are performed & Dead supposedly raised.**



2. Timing of Satan coming as Christ – Matthew 24



Fearful sights of a supernatural character will soon be revealed in the heavens, in token of the power of miracle-working demons. The spirits of devils will go forth to the kings of the earth and to the whole world, **to fasten them in deception, and urge them on to unite with Satan in his last struggle against the government of heaven. By these agencies, rulers and subjects will be alike deceived.** {Mar 210.6}



UFO sighting: 'Orange disk' spotted over Vatican - 'Absolutely alien in origin'

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Sep 11, 2020



"AN ORANGE DISK was caught in a photograph **OVER VATICAN CITY.** **"UFOs** have been seen over the Vatican before, but **ORANGE UFOS** are usually seen in South America and Central America, so **THIS IS ODD.**



Vatican Observatory: looking to the heavens for answers

28/02/2020



2. Timing of Satan coming as Christ – Matthew 24



As I watched Donald Trump announce that the United States would [recognize Jerusalem](#) as Israel's capital and move our embassy to that city, **I could only think of one thing: my high school youth group Bible study...** When I was a teenager in the 1970s, I attended a "Bible church," a nondenominational congregation that prided itself on a singular devotion to scripture. We read the Bible all the time: in personal Bible study and evening Bible classes. We listened to hourlong Sunday morning sermons. For us, the Bible was not just a guide to piety. It also revealed God's plan for history. **Through it, we learned how God had worked in the past and what God would do in the future.**



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By Diana Butler Bass
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Aha!

Central to that plan was Jerusalem, the city of peace, and the dwelling place of God. It was special to the Jews because it was the home of Abraham and David. It was special to us because it was where Jesus had died and risen. We believed that ultimately, Christ would return to Jerusalem to rule as its king. We longed for this outcome -- and we prayed that human history would help bring about this biblical conclusion.



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This "**Galactic Federation**" has supposedly **been in contact with Israel and the US for years**, but are keeping themselves a secret to prevent hysteria until humanity is ready. Has the State of Israel **made contact with ALIENS**? According to retired Israeli officer and current professor Haim Eshed, **THE ANSWER IS YES**, but this has been kept a secret because "**HUMANITY ISN'T READY**.".. And this **by no means refers to immigrants**, with Eshed clarifying **THE EXISTENCE OF A "GALACTIC FEDERATION."**



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The 87-year-old former head of the Defense Ministry's Space Division gave further descriptions about exactly what sort of agreements have been made between **THE ALIENS** and the US, which ostensibly **have been made because they wish to research and understand "THE FABRIC OF THE UNIVERSE."** This cooperation includes a secret underground base **ON MARS**, where there are American and **ALIEN REPRESENTATIVES.**



2. Timing of Satan coming as Christ – Matthew 24

Alien discovery: Barack Obama hints at the existence of aliens

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As we near the close of time, there will be greater and still greater external parade of heathen power; **heathen deities will manifest their signal power,** and will exhibit themselves before the cities of the world; **and this delineation has already begun to be fulfilled.** {TM 117.5}



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Climate change: 12 years to save the planet? Make that 18 months

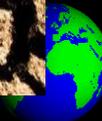
Do you remember the good old days when we had "12 years to save the planet"?

Now it seems, there's a growing consensus that the next 18 months will be critical in dealing with the global heating crisis, among other environmental challenges.

Last year, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reported that to keep the rise in **global temperatures below 1.5C this century**, emissions of carbon dioxide would have to be cut by 45% by 2030.

But today, observers recognise that the decisive, political steps to enable the cuts in carbon to take place will have to happen before the end of next year.

The idea that 2020 is a firm deadline was eloquently addressed by one of the world's top climate scientists, speaking back in 2017.



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The rate of global temperature rise may have hit a plateau, but a climate crisis still looms in the near future

By Michael E. Mann on April 1, 2014

IN BRIEF

- The rate at which the earth's temperature has been rising eased slightly in the past decade, but temperature is still increasing; calling the slowdown a "pause" is false.
- New calculations by the author indicate that if the world continues to burn fossil fuels at the current rate, global warming will rise to two degrees Celsius by 2036, crossing a threshold that will harm human civilization.
- To avoid the threshold, nations will have to keep carbon dioxide levels below 405 parts per million.



Who will be able to stand the great delusion



And they sing "a new song" before the throne, a song which no man can learn save **the hundred and forty and four thousand**. It is the song of Moses and the Lamb--a song of deliverance. None but **the hundred and forty-four thousand** can learn that song; for it is the song of their experience--an experience such as no other company have ever had. "These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth." These, having been translated from the earth, from among the living, are counted as "the first fruits unto God and to the Lamb." Revelation 15:2, 3; 14:1-5. "These are they which came out of **great tribulation;**" **they have passed through the time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation;** **they have endured the anguish of the time of Jacob's trouble;** they have stood without an intercessor through the final outpouring of God's judgments. {GC 648}



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When God's presence was finally withdrawn from the Jewish nation, priests and people knew it not. Though under the control of Satan, and swayed by the most horrible and malignant passions, they still regarded themselves as the chosen of God. The ministration in the temple continued; sacrifices were offered upon its polluted altars, and daily the divine blessing was invoked upon a people guilty of the blood of God's dear Son and seeking to slay His ministers and apostles. So when the irrevocable decision of the sanctuary has been pronounced and the destiny of the world has been forever fixed, the inhabitants of the earth will know it not. The forms of religion will be continued by a people from whom the Spirit of God has been finally withdrawn; and the satanic zeal with which the prince of evil will inspire them for the accomplishment of his malignant designs, will bear the semblance of zeal for God.



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As the Sabbath has become the special point of controversy throughout Christendom, and religious and secular authorities have combined to enforce the observance of the Sunday, the persistent refusal of a small minority to yield to the popular demand will make them objects of universal execration. It will be urged that the few who stand in opposition to an institution of the church and a law of the state ought not to be tolerated; that it is better for them to suffer than for whole nations to be thrown into confusion and lawlessness. The same argument many centuries ago was brought against Christ by the "rulers of the people." "It is expedient for us," said the wily Caiaphas, "that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not." [John 11:50](#). This argument will appear conclusive; and a decree will finally be issued against those who hallow the Sabbath of the fourth commandment, denouncing them as deserving of the severest punishment and giving the people liberty, after a certain time, to put them to death. Romanism in the Old World and apostate Protestantism in the New will pursue a similar course toward those who honour all the divine precepts.



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The people of God will then be plunged into those scenes of affliction and distress described by the prophet as the time of Jacob's trouble. "Thus saith the Lord: We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.... All faces are turned into paleness. Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it." [Jeremiah 30:5-7](#).

In cases where we are brought before the courts, we are to give up our rights, unless it brings us in collision with God. It is not our rights we are pleading for, but God's right to our service. —[Manuscript Releases 5:69 \(1895\)](#). LDE 146.1



Jesus does not have a toolbox, He has heavens storehouse

Isaiah 40:28-31 Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength. **Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall: But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.**

Psalm 107:4-6 They wandered in the wilderness in a solitary way; they found no city to dwell in. Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them. **Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them out of their distresses.**



What does it mean for us today

We must examine well the foundation of our hope, for we shall have to give a reason for it from the Scriptures. This delusion will spread, and we shall have to contend with it face to face; and unless we are prepared for it, we shall be ensnared and overcome. But if we do what we can on our part to be ready for the conflict that is just before us, God will do His part, and His all-powerful arm will protect us. He would sooner send every angel out of glory to the relief of faithful souls, to make a hedge about them, than have them deceived and led away by the lying wonders of Satan. – *Early Writings 263*



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I saw the rapidity with which this delusion was spreading. A train of cars was shown me, going with the speed of lightning. The angel bade me look carefully. I fixed my eyes upon the train. It seemed that the whole world was on board, that there could not be one left. Said the angel, "They are binding in bundles ready to burn." Then he showed me the conductor, who appeared like a stately, fair person, whom all the passengers looked up to and revered. I was perplexed and asked my attending angel who it was. He said, "It is Satan. He is the conductor in the form of an angel of light. He has taken the world captive. They are given over to strong delusions, to believe a lie, that they may be damned. This agent, the next highest in order to him, is the engineer, and other of his agents are employed in different offices as he may need them, and they are all going with lightning speed to perdition." – [Early Writings p264](#)



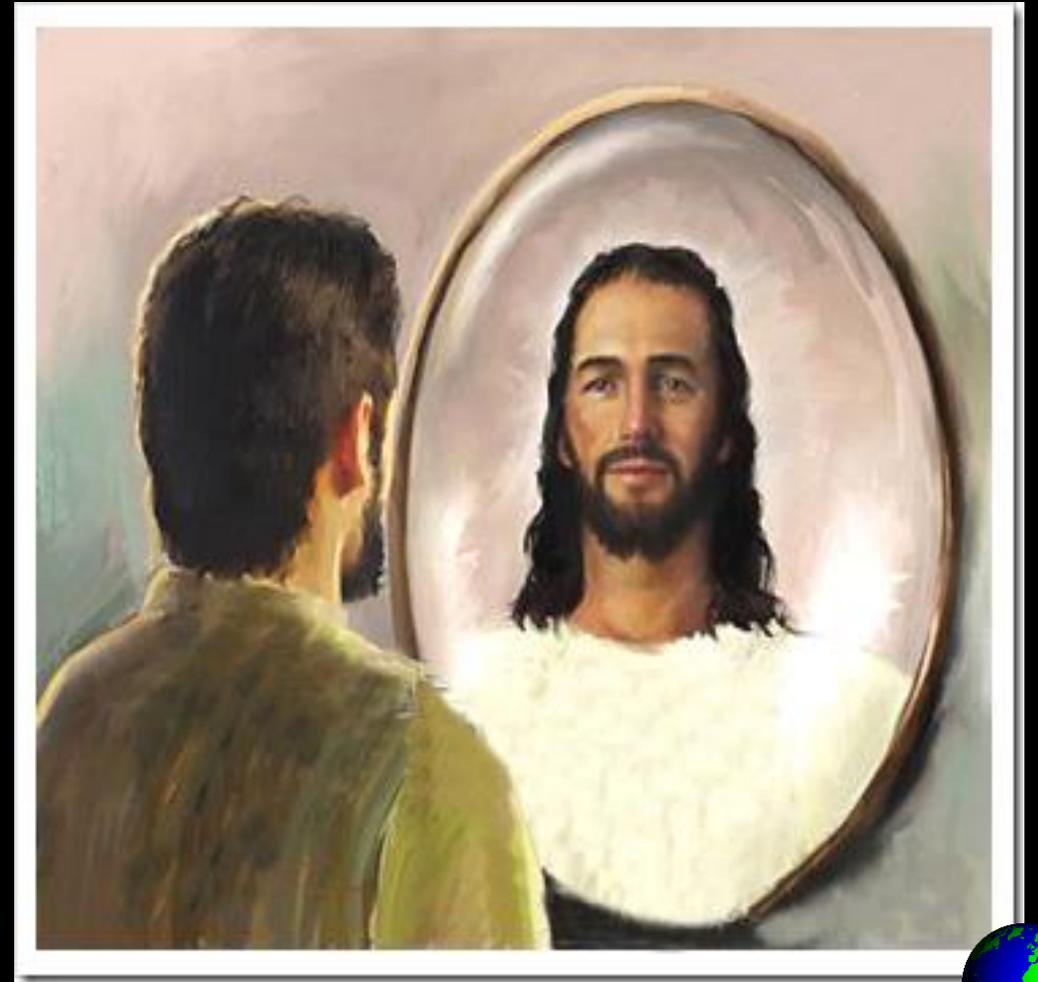
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I asked the angel if there were none left. He bade me look in an opposite direction, and I saw a little company traveling a narrow pathway. All seemed to be firmly united, bound together by the truth, in bundles, or companies. Said the angel, "The third angel is binding, or sealing, them in bundles for the heavenly garner." This little company looked careworn, as if they had passed through severe trials and conflicts. And it appeared as if the sun had just risen from behind a cloud and shone upon their countenances, causing them to look triumphant, as if their victories were nearly won. – [Early writings p264](#)

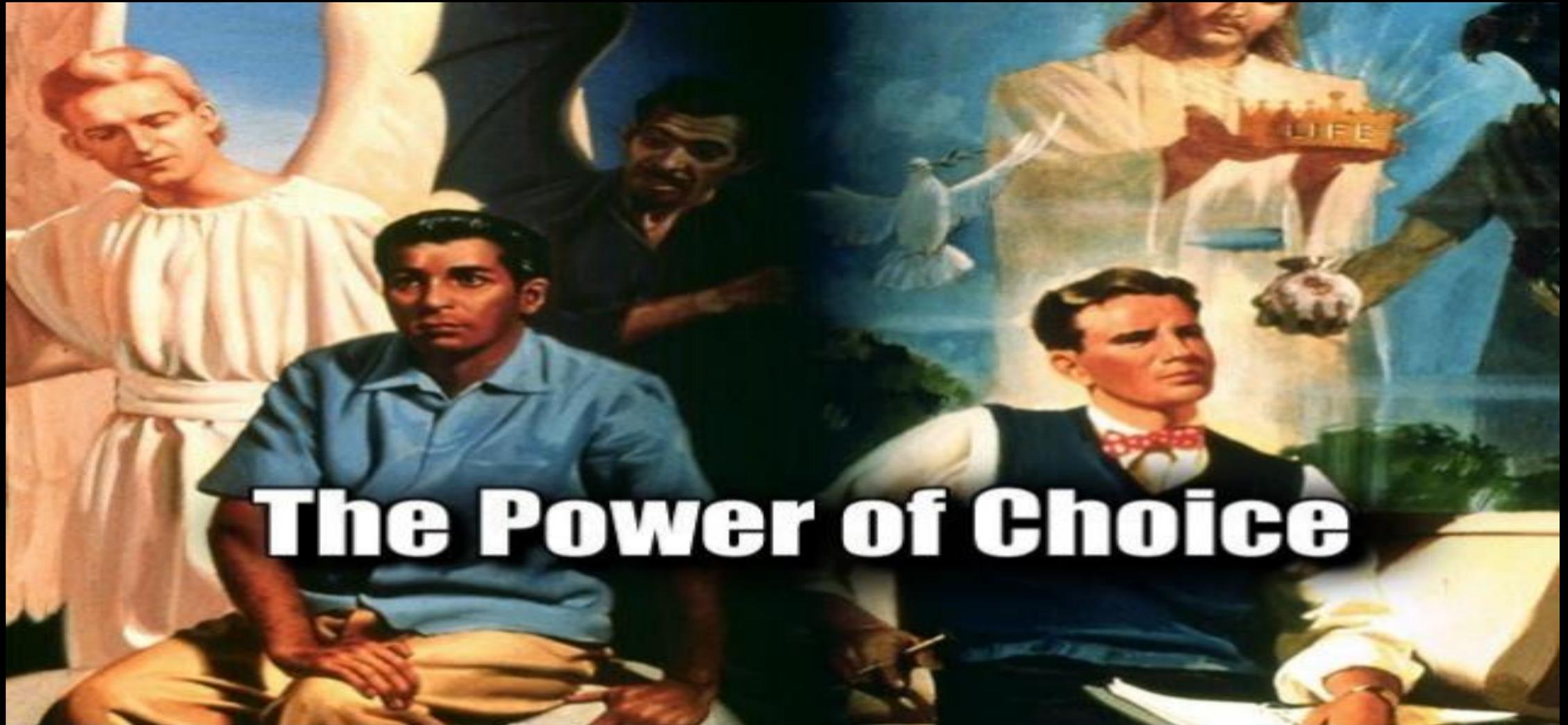


How Shall We Stand in that Day of Reckoning!

Now, while our great High Priest is making the atonement for us, we should seek to become perfect in Christ. **Not even by a thought could our Saviour be brought to yield to the power of temptation. Satan finds in human hearts some point where he can gain a foothold; some sinful desire is cherished, by means of which his temptations assert their power.** But Christ declared of Himself: “The prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in Me.” [John 14:30](#). Satan could find nothing in the Son of God that would enable him to gain the victory. **He had kept His Father's commandments, and there was no sin in Him that Satan could use to his advantage. This is the condition in which those must be found who shall stand in the time of trouble.** GC 623.1

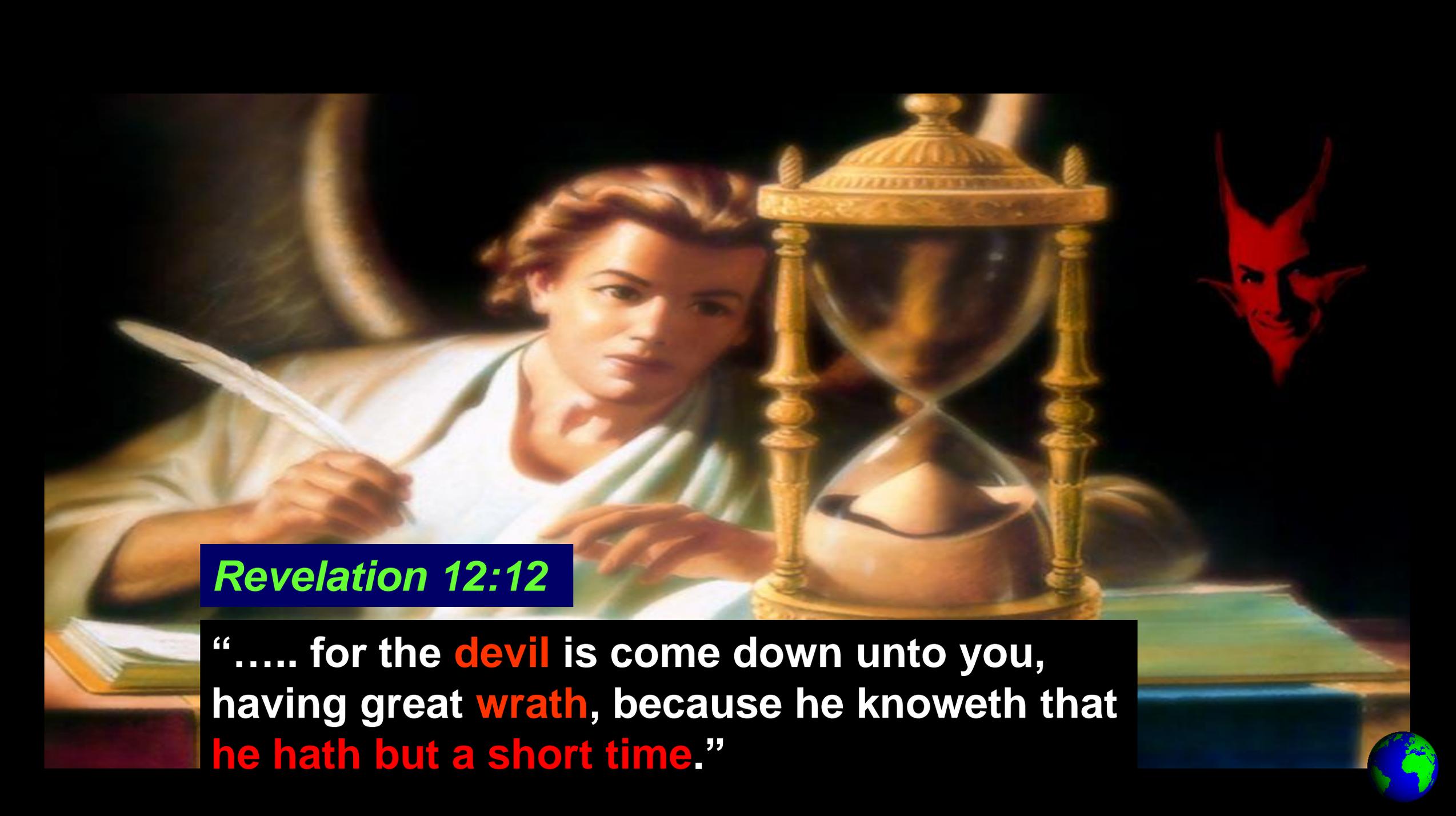


God has given all:



The Power of Choice



An angel with a halo and wings is shown writing in a book with a quill pen. To the right of the angel is a large, ornate golden hourglass. In the background, a red devil's face with horns is visible. The scene is set in a dimly lit room with a book on a desk.

Revelation 12:12

“..... for the **devil** is come down unto you, having great **wrath**, because he knoweth that **he hath but a short time.**”



Enter The Ark of Hope

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, *and* one shepherd.

– John 10:16



The Ark of the Covenant



Psalms 77:13

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. –
Revelation 3:20





THE END



ARE YOU READY TO MEET JESUS?