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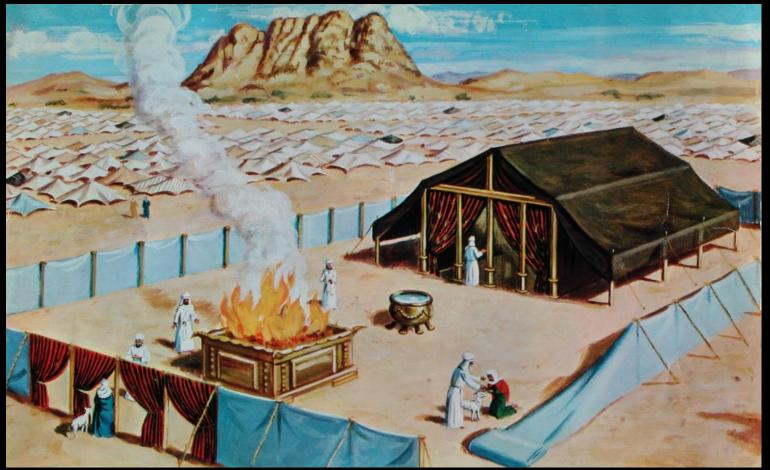
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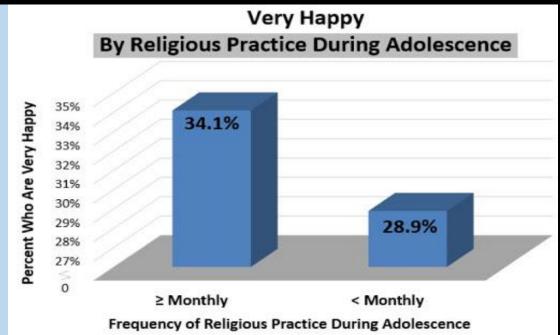
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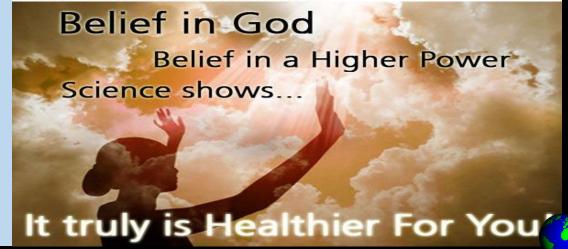
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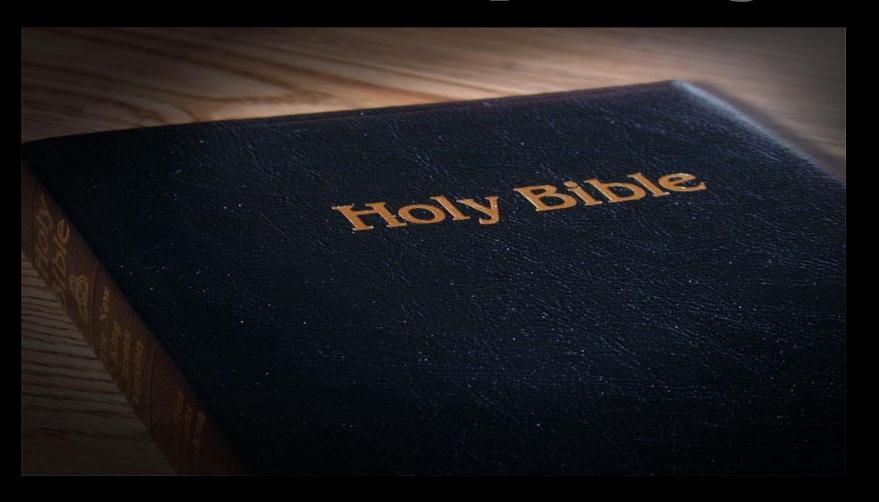
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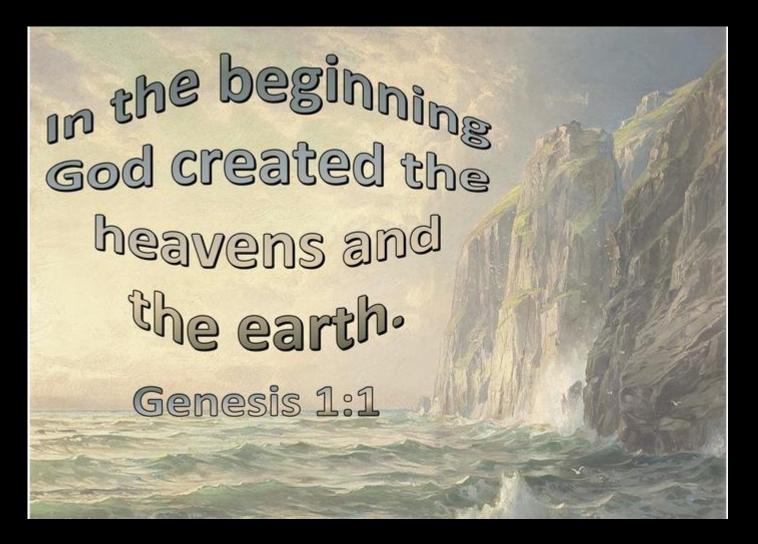


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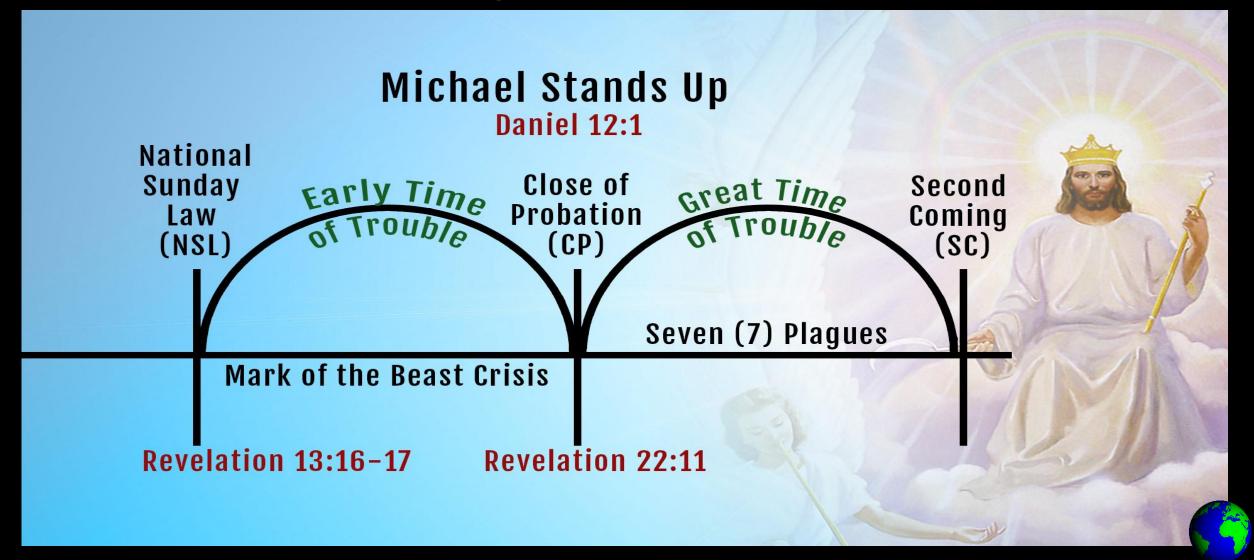


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Overview of the Times Ahead of the Final Generation



Introduction The Privileged Final Generation

The first century church lived as we do today and that is with the expectation of Jesus' return at any moment.

In fact, some had even quit their jobs because they expected Jesus to return very soon, but we now know that after 2,000 years, they were certainly wrong, but there is something to be said about living with the expectation of Jesus' return at any moment. (see Matthew 24:34)

For one thing: we will live a holier life if we expect Jesus to come back today, tomorrow, or very soon.



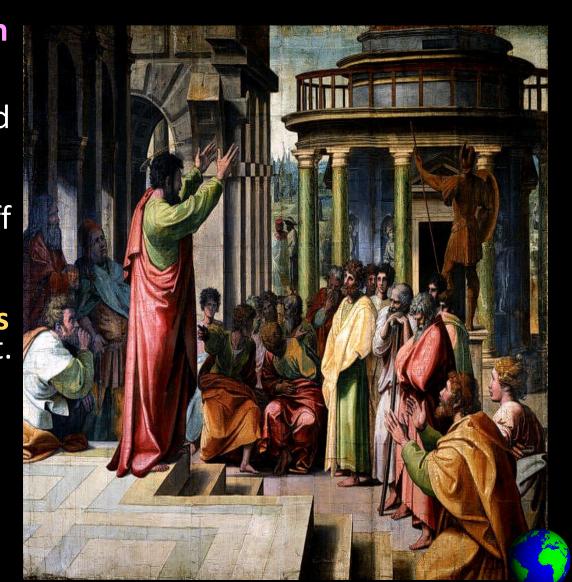
Introduction - continued

The Apostle Peter thought Jesus might return before he and the other disciples died, writing "The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers" (1 Peter 4:7).

The Apostle Paul also wrote, "The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armour of light" (Romans 13:12).

Even Jesus' half-brother, James thought Jesus return was soon, writing "You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand" (James 5:8)

So the first century church clearly thought Jesus was coming back in their lifetime, especially with Jesus saying "this generation will not pass away until all these things take place" (Matthew 24:34).



Introduction - continued

Throughout history, the church has always thought that the end was near.

During the black plague, many thought it was the coming of the end of the world.

During Colonial America times, Christians thought the Revolutionary War was a sign of Jesus' return. The same thing was thought about the Civil War which was one of the bloodiest wars in American history.

During World War Two, many thought Hitler was the beast, but again, they were wrong.

What seems to be the pattern of the church throughout history is that each generation thought that theirs was the last and I believe that is just as how God wants it to be. We should always be ready for His return.



Setting the Stage

We are in the closing scenes of Earth's history based on perceived signs of the time where more and more of prophetic signs of Revelation 13:1-8: are being fulfilled in current events.

Our only sure recourse is to turn our eyes upon Jesus to stir our innermost soul to spend more time in prayer, in the study of God's word the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy (Amos 3:7, 2 Chronicles 20:20) and to go forward in the work of spreading the everlasting gospel (Matthew 24:14), while patiently and unceasingly pray for the outpouring of the latter rain to finish the work. (Acts 2:17)

This is the privilege of the 144,000 that are the messengers in the final (end-time) generation commissioned to proclaim God's last warning message of His love to the whole world, the three angels' messages... (Revelation 14:6-12)



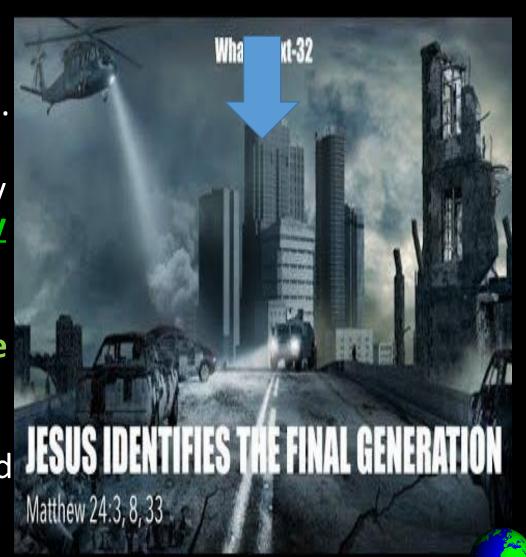
Privileges are being abused today

Privilege is readily abused by the ones who irresponsible in not knowing where much has been given much is required: Luke 12:48.

This is the choice extended to every human life to choose or reject the free offer of life by faith in Christ's righteousness: Faith works by Love: Galatians 5:6.

God loves and gives; our part is to believe, surrender and receive. We love Him because He first loved us: 1 John 4:19.

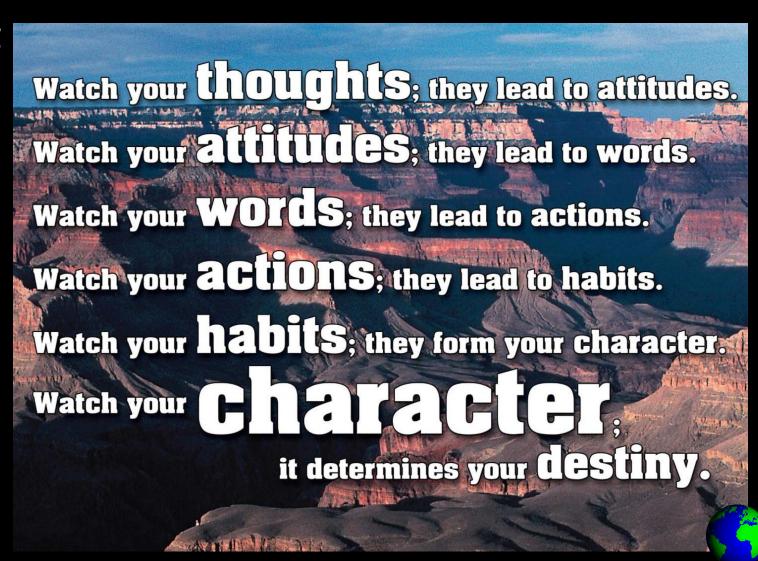
The principle in the circle of life is non stagnation in the flow of life. Having received the love of God we must give our love to others to perpetuate the eternal circle of life.



The Privilege of perfecting Character

Christ is waiting with longing desire for the manifestation of Himself in His church.
When the character of Christ shall be perfectly reproduced in His people, then He will come to claim them as His own. {COL 69.1}

It is the privilege of every
Christian not only to look for
but to hasten the coming of
our Lord Jesus Christ, (2
Peter 3:12) (COL 69.2)



The privileged 144,000 in the Last Generation

The 144,000 guileless individuals (Revelation 14:1-5) are the final challenge against Satan's accusation that was first revealed in the Book of Job that began over Satan's charge that Job (declared upright and righteous by God) served God out of self-interest. — Job 1:9-10.

God was being accused of giving Job preferential treatment. God permitted Satan firstly to destroy his possession including his children without affecting Job's loyalty to God that led to the next challenge in afflicting Job bodily with boils but without taking his life and Satan was again defeated. — Job 1:11-22.

Therefore, God is taking a big chance on the last generation, namely us, living in the end-time. – Mark 13:28-37

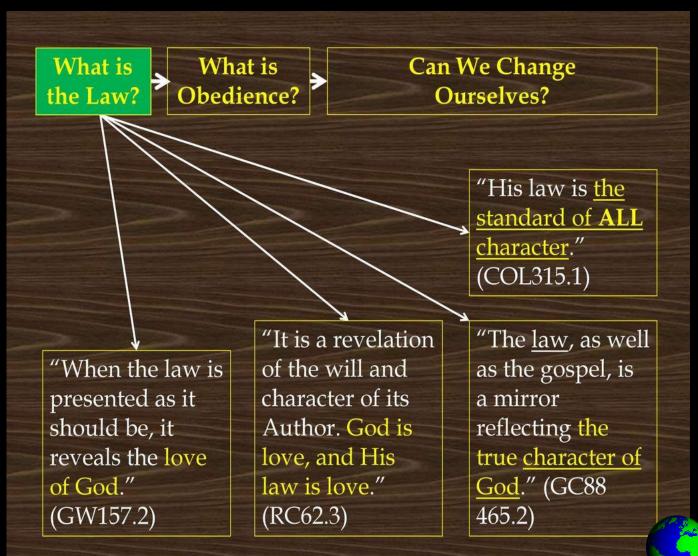


God's own character is at stake

So really, God is on trial and He is the one that needs to be exculpated from accusation in order to save us.

His character and his law is under question and God needs to be vindicated, not that He cannot do it Himself but he wants to save us by transforming us into Christ likeness in overcoming sin and defeat Satan and death completely that we may live with Him forever and ever.

So it is up to you to decide to be counted among the 144,000 or else Satan, sin and suffering will be here to stay until God has transformed another person but you to make up the 144,000.



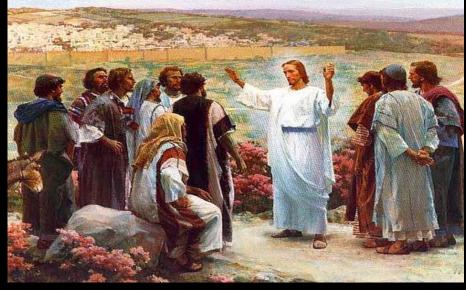
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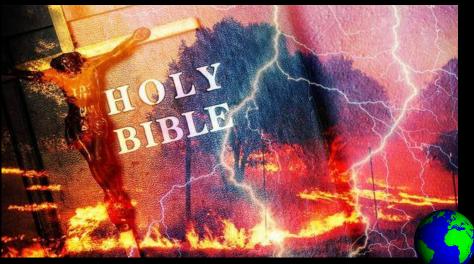
Jesus said in one of His parables (Luke 21:34-36) that in order not to be caught unaware by the snare of the devil, we must "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man," i.e in our end- time context, to be found in the 144,000 to welcome His second coming.



History Lessons for Preparation in the Last Generation (cont'd)

"But the disciples were looking for temporal deliverance from the Roman yoke, and they could not tolerate the thought that He in whom all their hopes centered should suffer an ignominious death. The words which they needed to remember were banished from their minds; and when the time of trial came, it found them unprepared. The death of Jesus fully destroyed their hopes as if He had not forewarned them. So in the prophecies the future is opened before us as plainly as it was opened to the disciples by the words of Christ. The events connected with the close of probation and the work of preparation for the time of trouble, are clearly presented. But multitudes have no more understanding of these important truths than if they had never been revealed. Satan watches to catch away every impression that would make them wise unto salvation, and the time of trouble will find them unready." {GC 594.1}





The Warning Message is Given to this Generation

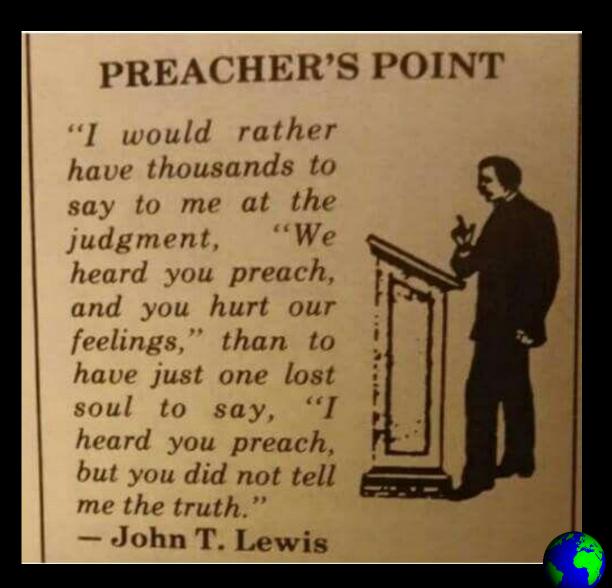
"Thus the message of the third angel will be proclaimed. As the time comes for it to be given with greatest power, the Lord will work through humble instruments, leading the minds of those who consecrate themselves to His service. The labourers will be qualified rather by the unction of His Spirit than by the training of literary institutions. Men of faith and prayer will be constrained to go forth with holy zeal, declaring the words which God gives them. The sins of Babylon will be laid opened. The fearful results of enforcing the observances of the church by civil authority, the inroads of spiritualism, the stealthy but rapid progress of the papal power—all will be unmasked. By these solemn warnings the people will be stirred." {GC 606.2}





The Churches and Nations respond to the Truth

"In amazement they hear the testimony that Babylon is the church, fallen because of her errors and sins, because of her rejection of the truth sent to her from heaven. As the people go to their former teachers with the eager inquiry, Are these things so? the ministers present fables, prophesy smooth things, to soothe their fears and quiet the awakened conscience. But since many refuse to be satisfied with the mere authority of men and demand a plain "Thus saith the Lord," the popular ministry, like the Pharisees of old, filled with anger as their authority is questioned, will denounce the message as of Satan and stir up the sin-loving multitudes to revile and persecute those who proclaim it." {GC 606.2}



Satan is Astir – even more in this Generation

"As the controversy extends into new fields and the minds of the people are called to God's downtrodden law, Satan is astir. The power attending the message will only madden those who oppose it. The clergy will put forth almost superhuman efforts to shut away the light lest it should shine upon their flocks. By every means at their command they will endeavour to suppress the discussion of these vital questions. The church appeals to the strong arm of civil power, and, in this work, papists and Protestants unite." {GC 607.1)

Thus the enforcement of National Sunday Law will finally be manifested. This will trigger the end-time events, starting with the Close of Probation and culminating in the deliverance of God's people with the second coming of Christ.





The whole work of salvation

God's plan to save all His people - 2
Peter 3:9 is something which hangs
on God's beautiful promises. He has
promised to make us perfect as HE
is perfect (Matthew 5:48), as Christ
is able to save us to the uttermost
(Hebrews 7:25). Professed Christians
who do not believe this will never
become perfect.

They worship God; they have a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof. (2 Timothy 3:5). To not believe that God has the power to make me perfect, sinless, righteous, is to deny His power. How are we ever going to get there because we need to understand God's will so we can co-operate with Him.

The Law of Liberty

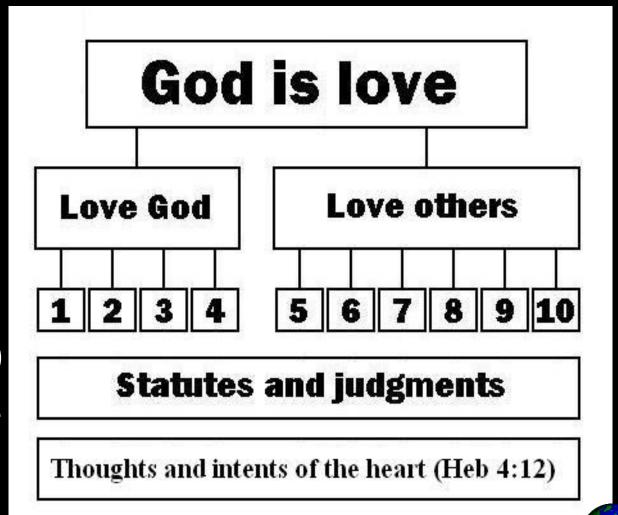
- James 1:22-25 The word of God is a mirror
- We should see our imperfections
- We should correct them
- Blessing is in the doing
- 2 Cor. 3:17-18 we see Jesus in the mirror
- We see His perfection revealed by the Spirit
- We are transformed into His spiritual image
 Gal. 5:22-23
- Changes our character to be like His Rom. 8:29
- The gospel produces liberty Rom. 8:2



Need to obtain the Image of God in us

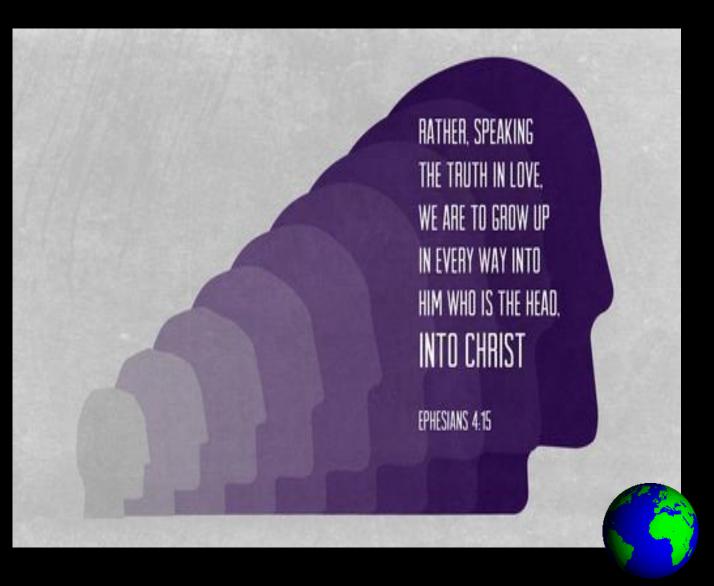
We cannot study that subject without understanding that we are to be changed from our own sinfulness to God's beautiful character; from character to character by the Spirit of the Lord, by looking at Christ. (2 Corinthians 3:18).

The Holy Spirit is to produce and create in humanity God's perfect glory or character to become perfect sons of God to those who believe and are born again by dying to self (John 1:12,13; 3:5) Jesus was born a babe like we are to be born again. He learned obedience by the things which he suffered and he was made perfect. We are to become as perfect as Jesus was, as sinless as He was. — Matthew 5:48



Need the power of the Holy Spirit

This is the case for each individual but then God orchestrated events so that He would raise a people and a community was involved, the twelve apostles through whom Jesus prepared His church. Let us pursue this meditation of reaching that perfection through His work of the Holy Spirit in a people. Paul in Ephesians 4:11-15 tells us the gift patterns by which God is going to achieve His plan for us. We are to grow up into that perfection of Jesus Christ by the work of the Holy Spirit.



Lessons from Outpouring of the Early/Former rain

This was what happened with the apostles who received the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the early or former rain. As they received that, then they went out and proclaimed the message to the people around them. (Acts 1:12-14,; 2:1-4; AA 37.1)

There they were in their days of preparation and the experience of the disciples brought them to the point where they received the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

This is what is called the early or former rain. The church united, filled with the Spirit, and grew to perfection. That is what God's ultimate purpose was, in the final outpouring of the latter rain to ripen the fruits for harvest.. 2nd Coming.



The Time of Probation will close for the World

Every human being is given one life time to sojourn on this earth which is our temporary home (Hebrews 11:9-10, 13:14). This time on earth is given as the opportunity to prove one's character in the likeness of Christ. (Romans 8:29) It is our privilege in this life to prove that our character is fit for heaven. It is not going to be easy because we have an enemy to entice us not to be like Christ and do what we like. But, the Lord has given us the Holy Spirit that we can overcome him. (see 2 Peter 1:3-11)

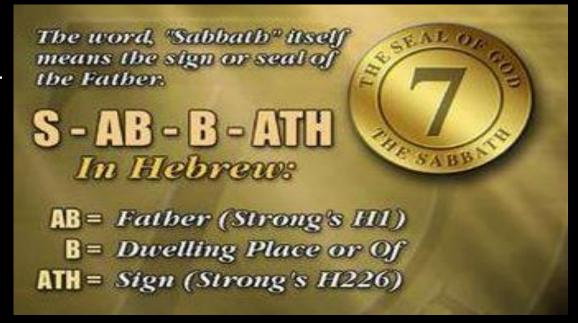
It is therefore a testing time. It is a time of trials for us to learn from the errors of our ways when we are separated from God through unbelief. This probation time will end with the judgment whereby our individual probation will close with or without the seal of God. (Matthew 25:46) The general close of probation will be the ultimate close of probation for the whole of the human race, beginning with the church. (Revelation 20:11-15)



The Seal of God – for the Last Generation

The Bible tells us that judgment has come (Revelation 14:7) and it must begin at the house of God (1 Peter 4:17), who will bear witness of the plan of salvation that God has revealed through His son Jesus Christ who came to seek and save sinners who are lost and have separated from God by the works of the enemy.

So God's church is on trial and at the end God is going to put a mark on the forehead (Seal of God) on those who are Christ-like and are sighing and crying (praying) for all the abominations done in the church in the last days and are not corrupt by the leaders (Ezekiel 9:4-6).





God's Last Day True Church Revelation 12:17 is First Judged – 1 Peter 4:17

God has given to His church a lot of truth in the mysteries of God, and the Bible says "... For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required:.."-Luke 12:48. "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil... "For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved." John 3:19-20.

So church goers cannot run from the light by deliberately not attending church or not hearing to receive the light.



The Privileged Generation to be Sealed

It is therefore a privilege to be sealed in God's church for the Bible in Revelation 7:1-4 says "Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads."

Revelation 7:3 God gives His people, "the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel."

Revelation 7:4 the special protection, top priority protection during the time of trouble. They are saved when everybody is receiving the judgment and punishment who do not have the seal of God.

Celestial Innumerable Angels are at the side of God's people to protect them because they have the seal.

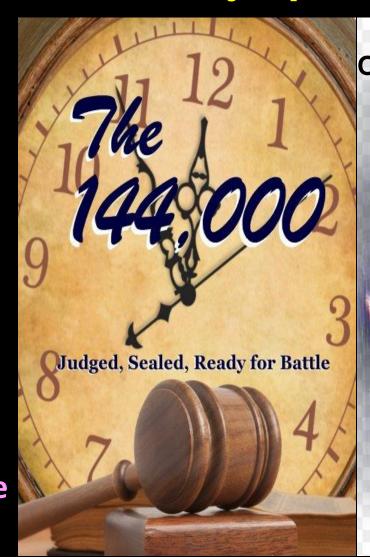


When will the Final Privileged Generation receive the Latter rain – Holy Spirit?

Paul also says that when we are sealed in God's church we receive protection and the Holy Spirit until the day of redemption. "And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption." (Ephesians 4:30)

Therefore we need to pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit daily.. He is our comforter who shall teach us all things of Christ (John 14:26) "ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things.." (1 John 2:27)

The prayer for the latter rain will be answered after we receive the seal of the living God.





Lets review the Seven Trumpets of God's Revelation

Scriptures show us that the events in the seventh trumpet found in Revelation 11:15-19 are connected with the close of probation and the work of preparation.

The seventh trumpet in the prophetic sense represents the final message to be proclaimed to the world before the Second Coming of Jesus.

The sequence of events that transpire under the seventh trumpet, the third woe in Revelation 11:14,15,18 are: Once the nations become angry, the next event is the Mark of the Beast crisis; afterwards, God will pour out His wrath, the seven last plagues, upon unrepentant sinners.



The Seven Trumpets End in the Last Generation

The Lord divided the seven trumpets into two groups. The first four trumpets are simply called trumpets. The last three trumpets are called woes. In other words the fifth trumpet is called a woe, the sixth trumpet is called a woe, and the seventh trumpet is called a woe. See Revelation 8:12,13; Revelation 9:12; Revelation 11:14.

We live in the lull between the 6th and 7th trumpet.

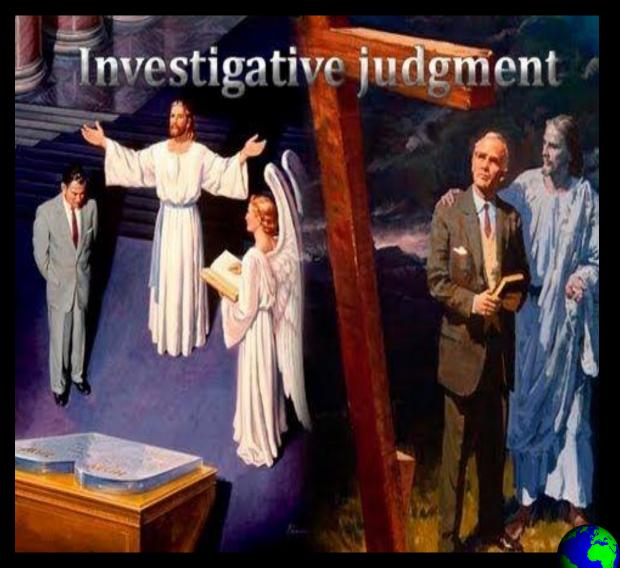
The self-proclaimed, the so-called man of peace, Pope Francis, is now calling for the nations to unite in various ways. In truth, the religions of the world are now willing to unite with the Pope, you can see all the evidences. The last woe is about to break open upon us which will culminate in the Second of coming of Jesus.



Time of Preparation is Now: Before it's Late

There will be a <u>time of preparation</u> for the people of God in getting ready to welcome the second coming of Jesus Christ as King of kings and Lord of lords that involves the following:

- 1. Judgment of the Dead According to 1 Peter 4:17 Judgment must begin at the house of God (Revelation 12:17).
- 2. 1844 is the beginning of judgment for those who are dead. (The dead in Christ are sealed before their individual close of probation)
- 3. The word of God says wheat and tares must grow together.
- 4. Also, during this time period the church will be considered a church militant.



Time of Preparation is Now: Before it's Late (cont'd)

5. The Spirit of Prophesy calls the passing of the National Sunday Law the last act in the drama:

"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)." {7T 141.1}.



Events From NSL to COP Period

1. The Shaking

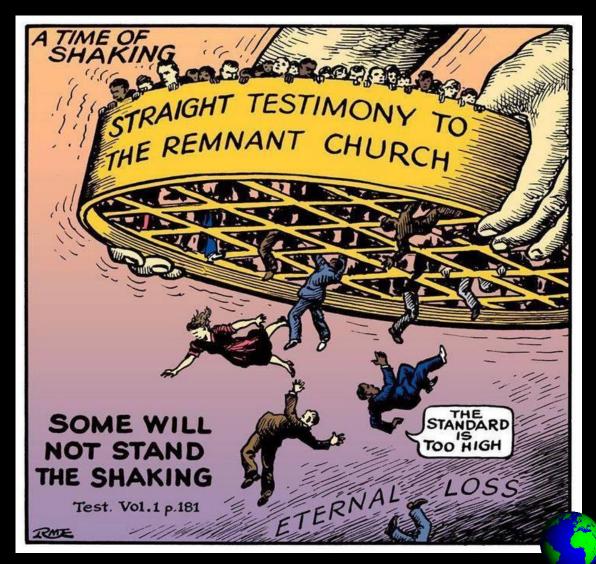
This is timeframe for the final (shaking) separation of wheat and tares, leaving a whole wheat church. In the final shaking the wheat and the tares will be separated.

"I then saw the third angel. Said my accompanying angel, "Fearful is his work.

Awful is his mission. He is the angel that is to select the wheat from the tares, and seal, or bind, the wheat for the heavenly garner. These things should engross the whole mind, the whole attention." {EW 118.1}

2. The Sealing

"Not one of us will ever receive the seal of God while our characters have one spot or stain upon them." (5T 213)



Events From NSL to COP Period (cont'd)

3. The Latter Rain

It is left to us to remedy the defects in our characters to cleanse the soul temple of every defilement then the latter rain will fall upon us as the early rain fall upon the disciples on the day of Pentecost. (5T 214.2)

4. The Loud Cry

Revelation 18:4 says "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues'.

5. Other Sheep

This is the time when other sheep who were not of this fold will join God's remnant Church. (John 10:16)

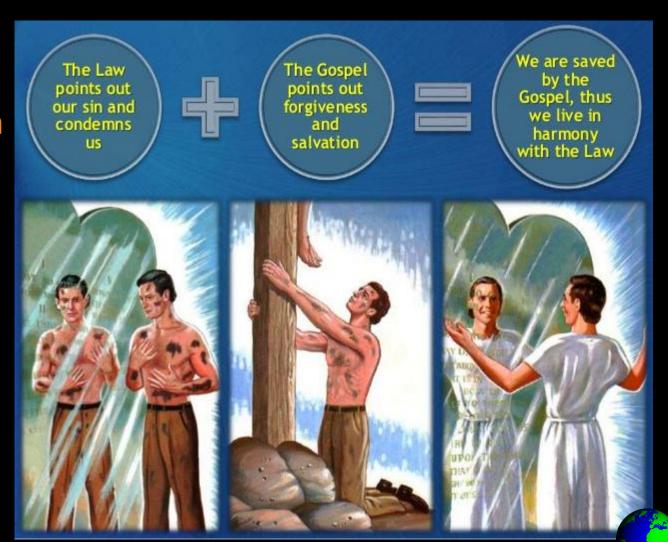
• We have a work to do – Matthew 24:14.



Events From NSL to COP Period (cont'd)

6. Martyrs for Jesus.

- As the Protestant churches reject the clear, Scriptural arguments in defense of God's law, they will long to silence those whose faith they cannot overthrow by the Bible.. {GC 592.2}
- The dignitaries of church and state will unite to bribe, persuade, or compel all classes to honour the Sunday. The lack of divine authority will be supplied by oppressive enactments... {GC 592.3}



Events From NSL to COP Period (cont'd)

7. Judgment of the Living

In 1844 judgment began with the dead. But between the National Sunday Law and the Close of Probation there will be a judgment of those who are living.

God raised up His church after the great disappointment in 1844 – Seventh-day Adventist church (Revelation 12:17).

8. Church Triumphant

The church militant is not the church triumphant. The church militant must wrestle and toil. She must strive against temptations and fight severe battles, because Satan is not dead. His agencies are much more active in his work than are the agencies of God in the work of their Leader. {GCB, April 22, 1901 par. 7}



The work is soon to close in this Privileged Final Generation

The members of the church militant who have proved faithful will become the church triumphant. In reviewing our past history, having travelled over every step of advance to our present standing, I can say, Praise God! As I see what God has wrought, I am filled with astonishment and with confidence in Christ as leader. We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and his teaching in our past history. {RH, October 12, 1905 par. 22}



The work is soon to close (cont'd)

At last the militant will become the church triumphant.

Right now we are considered a church militant because of the tares growing beside wheat.

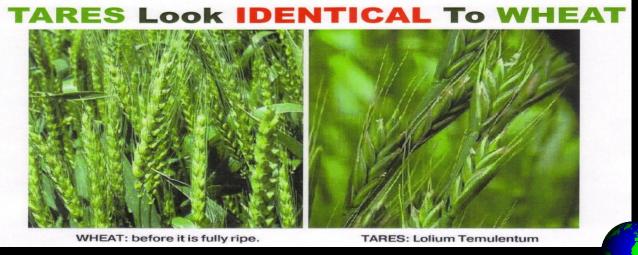
Satan's tares are right now trying to divert God's true children from seeing the events of the imminent close of probation.

This is what is meant by the church militant.

But the saints of God whose true and faithful will have long last will have a church triumphant where His remnant will be ready to be taken home.







This Privileged Generation in the End Time

Ellen White in vision says -"I saw the saints leaving the cities and villages, and associating together in companies, and living in the most solitary places. Angels provided them food and water, while the wicked were suffering from hunger and thirst... In some places, before the time for the decree to be executed, the wicked rushed upon the saints to slay them; but angels in the form of men of war fought for them." - {EW 282.2}.



This Privileged Final Generation Needs the Seal of God

Obedience to the commandments of men instead of to the commandments of God will be as abomination in the sight of God; for what God requires is essential to the highest good of his subjects, and is therefore essential for the glory of God. {ST, September 24, 1894 par. 4} (Matt. 15:3-9)



Who will not have the Seal of God in this Final Privileged Generation?

THE SEAL OF GOD WILL NEVER BE PLACED ON THOSE, WHO COMMITTS SUCH ABOMINATIONS!

- 1. LOVING THE WORLD ABOVE GOD! {Mar 240.6} (5T, 209:9) (1JN. 2:15-17) (JAMES.4:4)
- THE ABOMINATION OF HYPOCRISY! (5T, 211-212:0.)(PROVERBS. 12:22)
- 3. OBEYING MAN RATHER THAN GOD! {ST, September 24, 1894 par. 4} (JEREMAH. 17: 5)
- 4. TURNING AWAY FROM GOD'S LAW! (Proverbs 28:9.) {GC 436.1}
- 5.FOLLOWING FALSEHOOD, FALSE DOCTRINES, AND SOUL-DESTROYING HERESIES! (RH JAN 10, 1888) (MT. 24:11)

Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he reveals his secret unto his servants the prophets.



Rome's Armies Today are Working Ceaselessly in this Privileged Final Generation

When appearing as members of their order, they wore a garb of sanctity, visiting prisons and hospitals, ministering to the sick and the poor, professing to have renounced the world, and bearing the sacred name of Jesus, who went about doing good. under this blameless exterior the most criminal and deadly purposes were concealed. It was a fundamental principle of the order that the end justifies the means. By this code, lying, theft, perjury, assassination, were not only pardonable but commendable, when they served the interests of the church. Under various disguises the Jesuits worked their way into offices of State, climbing up to be the counsellors of kings, and shaping the policy of nations. They became servants, to act as spies upon their masters. They established colleges for the sons of princes and nobles, and schools for the common people; and the children of Protestant parents were drawn into an observance of popish rites. All the outward pomp and display of the Romish worship was brought to bear to confuse the mind, and dazzle and captivate the imagination; and thus the liberty for which the fathers had toiled and bled was betrayed by the sons. The Jesuits rapidly spread themselves over Europe, and wherever they went, there followed a revival of popery. GC 235.1













Pope to diplomats: Fraternity, the true remedy to crises and divisions

Pope Francis on Monday addressed members of the diplomatic corps accredited to the Holy See for the annual exchange of New Year greetings. In the state-of-the-world address, he reviewed the multiple crises affecting various parts of world, including those caused by the pandemic, and said that fraternity and hope can help overcome them.



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Cardinal Parolin: we have no alternative but to work together to build our common home

Cardinal Pietro Parolin, the Vatican's Secretary of State, sends a videomessage to the current Climate Action Summit, urging participants to use the technology we have for better and more integral progress.



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Vatican City, Jan 25, 2021 / 08:30 am MT (CNA).- The Vatican Secretary of State has called for a new model of development built on "the synergistic bond" between the fight against climate change and the struggle against poverty.

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Vatican City, Jan 25, 2021 / 05:30 am MT (CNA).- Pope Francis sent a video message Sunday to Latin American Church leaders organizing a "synodal" regional assembly, in which he asked them not to be ideological elites, but to remain close to the people of God.

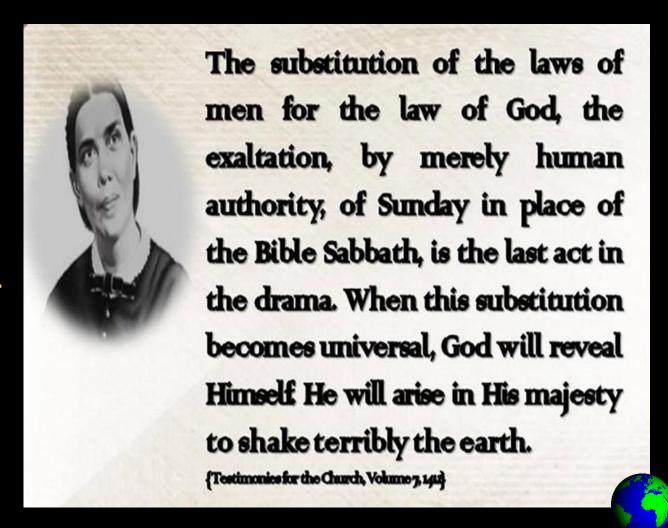
Understanding the times of this Final Privileged Generation



Why this could be the Privileged Final/Last Generation

It is important to notice the series of Bible prophetic events fulfilled:

- (1) Lisbon earthquake—1755
- (2) The Dark Day & night—1780
- (3) Wounding of the beast—1798
- (4) The falling of the stars—1833
- (5) Judgment begins in heaven—1844
- (6) Healing of wound begins—1929
- (7) All world follow the beast—Now
- The Lord is clearly calling our attention to the fulfilment of apocalyptic prophecies and to be ready for the sealing.



Why this could be the Privileged Final/Last Generation

The 6th Seal is Completed and we are in the Interlude time period: (Revelation 7 – Sealing of the 144,000)

• The 7th Seal – 2nd Coming of Jesus. (Revelation 8:1)

The 6th Trumpet is Completed and we are in the Interlude time period: (Revelation 10 – Completed: The Great Disappointment of 22nd October 1844; Revelation 11 – Judgement Begins in heaven after 1260 years of Papal rule, French Revolution happened 5 May 1789 – 9 November 1799; Today we are living between Revelation 11:14-15)

• The 7th Trumpet – 2nd Coming of Jesus. (Revelation 11:15)

Only fulfilment left: Revelation 10:11 - Prophesy again & Matthew 24:14.

Final PREPARATIONS

A revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs. To seek this should be our first work.--Review and Herald, March 22, 1887. {ChS 41.4}

When the Seal of God is Refused – Ones probation is Closed

If the light of truth has been presented to you, revealing the Sabbath of the fourth commandment, and showing that there is no foundation in the Word of God for Sunday observance, and yet you still cling to the false sabbath, refusing to keep holy the Sabbath which God calls "My holy day," you receive the mark of the beast. When does this take place? When you obey the decree that commands you to cease from labor on Sunday and worship God, while you know that there is not a word in the Bible showing Sunday to be other than a common working day, you consent to receive the mark of the beast, and refuse the seal of God.— Review and Herald, July 13, 1897.



Conclusion - Summary

God has appointed out of the great disappointment in 1844:

(the sweetness after the bitterness of the disappointment (Revelation 10:7-11; 19:10)) the Seventh-day Adventist Church as the true church where Christ is the Head. Thus it is the mission of Seventh-day Adventists to present the truth of the three angels' messages in preparation for the second coming of Christ. People must be able to make a decision regarding their personal destiny and eternity. The first part of Revelation 14, describes the 144,000 as the messenger (Revelation 14:1-5) for the three angels' messages (Revelation 14:6-12) that will culminate in the second coming of Christ symbolized by the harvesting of the earth in the end-time Revelation 14:13-20).



Summary - God's watchmen in this Generation

"In a special sense Seventh-day Adventists have been set in the world as watchmen and light bearers. To them has been entrusted the last warning for a perishing world. On them is shining wonderful light from the Word of God. They have been given a work of the most solemn import—the proclamation of the first, second, and third angels' messages. There is no other work of so great importance. They are to allow nothing else to absorb their attention."—Ellen G. White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 19.



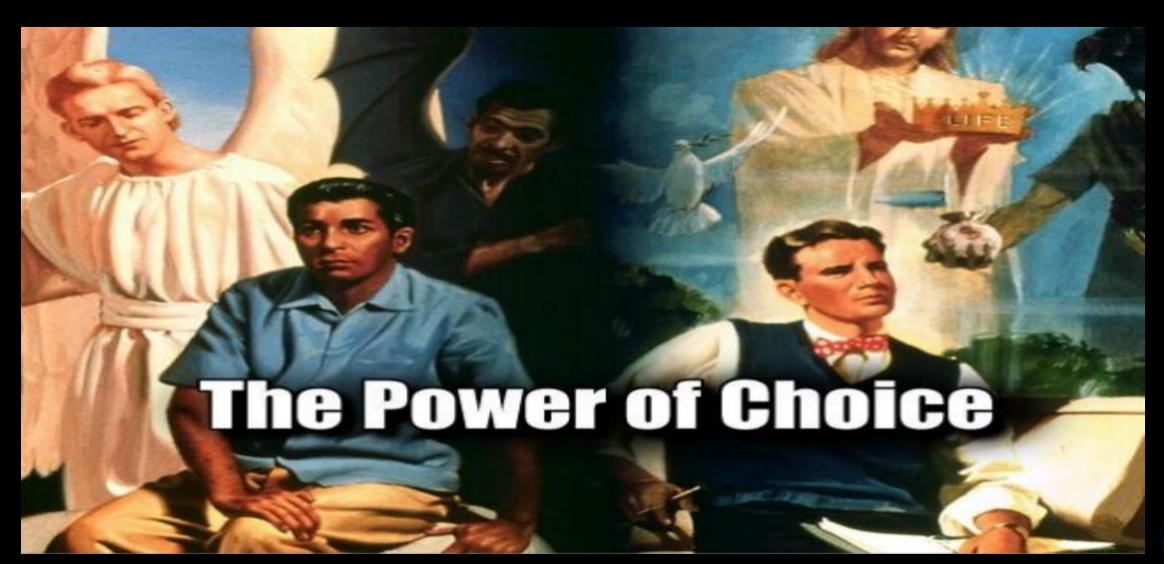
In Conclusion

The reason that Jesus didn't want us to know when His return would be was because we would be lax in living the Christ like life and then, just before we knew Jesus was coming, we'd get our act together, so God wants us to live with the expectation that Jesus could come back at any second, and He can.

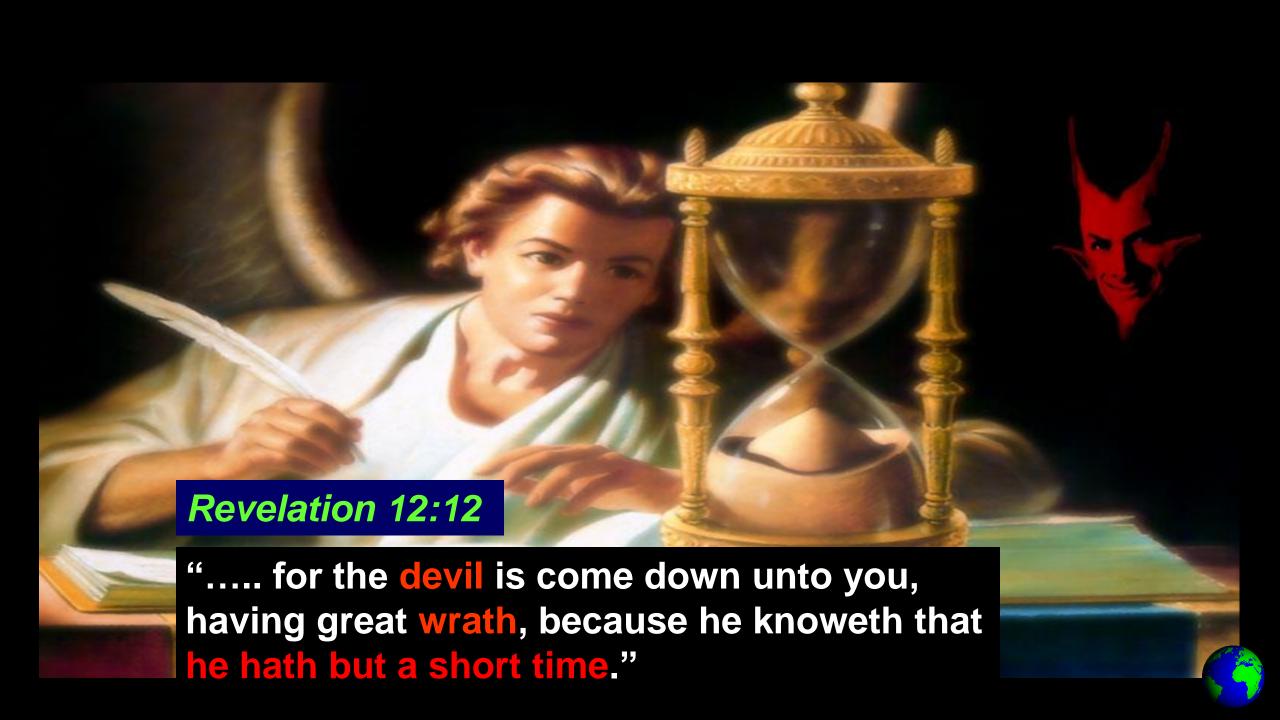
We must be ready at all times and not think
He is delaying His coming. Knowing human
nature, if we knew the day or the hour, we
might be prodigals, only returning to God as
the time drew near; therefore God has always
wanted the church to live with the end in
mind, and to not know when that exact time
of Jesus' coming would be. This is so that we
would always be ready for His appearance, and
not sleep while there is work to do in
preparation of His soon and imminent return.



God has given all:







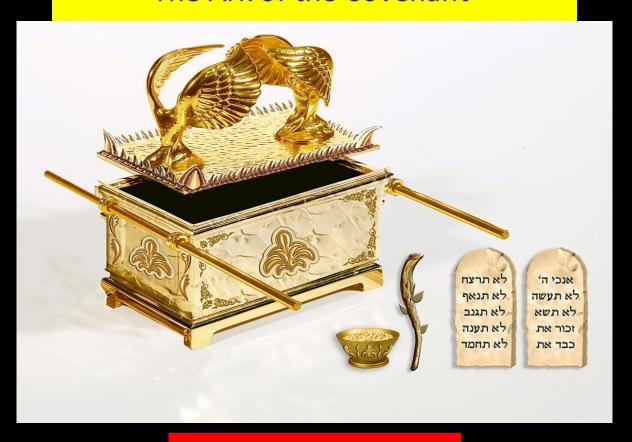
Enter The Ark of Hope

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





