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THIS PDF VERSION includes many illustrations, timelines, and scripture references for those who wish to search those scriptures. (Acts 17:11)

Dear Reader,

It must be pointed out that although this book is a work of fiction, it is based upon true experiences.

Those experiences include little revelations that have become like key pieces of understanding in the End Time Jigsaw.

Throughout this “study” book, both the author and the reader are faced with some very challenging concepts to consider. These give rise to many questions, which in turn are met with satisfactory answers – all of which provide a more complete and overall understanding of the sequence of events to happen “From Now to Eternity!”

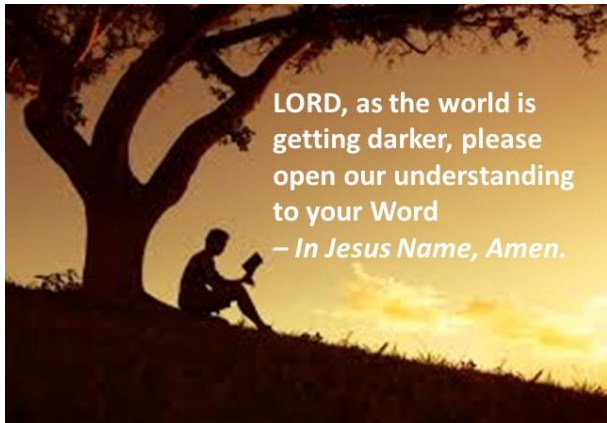
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God bless,

Daniel

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THE RAPTURE DREAM

AN INTRODUCTION

Last night, I had the strangest dream. I dreamt that I'd been taken to some heavenly realm where I stood upon a timeline that stretched from today until eternity. Throughout my dream, I saw many visions. Each vision was like a dream within a dream. (Acts2:17 2Cor12:2)

This morning, I feel invigorated as I recall what happened throughout my dream. Therefore, I have decided to write down everything that I can remember, as I was instructed to do in the dream. (Jer23:28) Hopefully, what I learnt may benefit others.

I know that I have a lot to remember about my experience. However, I've been assured that as I begin to write, and continue to write, the Holy Spirit will bring everything to my remembrance, including every detail that was spoken to me. (Jn14:26)

My story will be presented in relatively short chapters. I'll use brief, well-spaced paragraphs for easy reading and study. And for those who may wish to search the scriptures, this story also includes KJV scripture references.

Although modern translations are easier to read, during my dream I recognized the benefit of using the KJV when studying Endtime prophecy. I realized that some publishers have substituted or rearranged important words and terms which rob the reader of God's intended meaning. For example, substituting "the end of the age" for "the end of the world", or alternating "the day of Christ" and the "day of the Lord", is like replacing genuine gold with fool's gold. Both might look similar, but the value has been lost. Even changing the word "eagles" to "vultures" in Matthew 24:28 steals away the Isaiah 40:31 promise concerning our resurrected, immortal bodies.

When specific words and terms have been altered, Endtime prophecy cannot be correctly understood. It could be likened to having a foreign piece of jigsaw introduced to a puzzle. Such allowances end up distorting the overall picture.

This may come as a shock to many, but even the reference books that promise a correct translation from the original Hebrew into English, or from the original Greek into English, in some instances even these have been aligned to support incorrect words and terms in modern Bible versions. Therefore, we benefit more when we choose to use the KJV when studying Endtime prophecy.

Now, I can tell my story – but it is so much more than a dream about the Rapture. It is a comprehensive study on Endtimes!

And so, I begin!



CHAPTER 1

Daniel's 70th Week Briefly Explained

Before telling of my dream experience, I need to explain a few things. The Bible teaches us that before Jesus returns, the Antichrist shall be revealed. (1Jn2:18 2Thess2:1-3) The Bible also teaches that when the Antichrist appears, he shall come in peacefully and obtained the kingdom with flatteries. (Dan11:21) Later, he shall reveal his true nature as the Satan-possessed Antichrist.

Furthermore, scripture informs us that when the Antichrist is revealed, he shall confirm a holy covenant with many for one “week” – a set of 7 prophetic years of 360 days per year, before Jesus returns. (Dan9:27 Dan11:28,30)

Here, some may ask how a “week” can be interpreted to mean 7 years, and why does a prophetic year have only 360 days.

The answers are not complicated.



Firstly, a surface study will show that Bible prophecy is based on the lunar calendar used by ancient societies in which a year has 360 days, with adjustments made over time to align the lunar and solar calendars.

Secondly, the Hebrew word for week in the Old Testament is “shabua”, from “sheba”, the Hebrew word for seven. The word shabua can be used to mean a set of 7 days, or a set of 7 years. (Gen29:27)

In Bible prophecy, the word for week (shabua) is used to mean a set of 7 years, as in the case of the “70-week prophecy” of Daniel 9:24-27.

A correct understanding of Daniel 9:24-27 shows us there is still a final “week” (7 years – 2,520 days) that needs to be fulfilled before Jesus returns. Those last 7 years shall begin when the Antichrist is revealed (2Thess2:3) and confirms the covenant, as Daniel 9:27 explains. This shall not be a hidden event, because the scripture informs us that the covenant shall be confirmed with many. This will pave the way for the Jews to build their third temple in Jerusalem and resume their ritual of the daily sacrifice. (Rev11:1-2 Dan8:13)

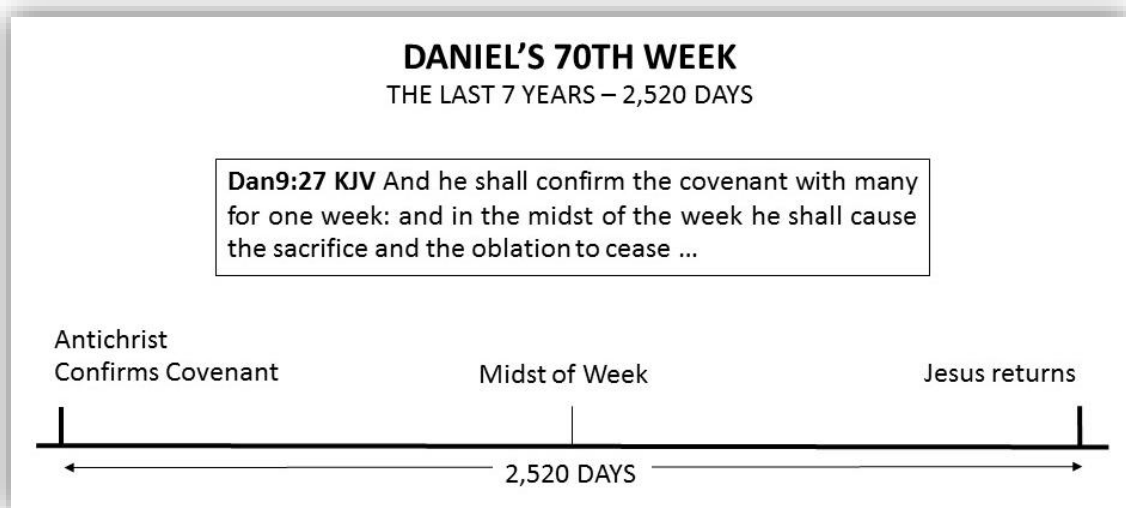
Daniel 9:27 mentions a covenant, but Daniel 11:28,30 defines this covenant as a “holy” covenant, which implies a religious agreement. Therefore, it is not simply a peace treaty, as many speculate. Once the covenant is confirmed, it shall be 2,520 days until Jesus returns, after which he shall establish his millennial kingdom on earth. (Dan9:27 Matt24:29-31 Rev11:15)

However, the question must be asked: Why would a covenant or “peace deal” have an expiry date after 7 years? (Dan9:27 Dan11:28,30) It is possible that only Christians who correctly understand Daniel 9:27 will be aware that when the world proclaims, “Peace and safety” or “Peace and security”, that there will be 1,260 days until sudden destruction comes upon the unaware, and then 1,260 days of great tribulation until Jesus returns in the clouds, as he said he would. (1Thess5:3 Matt24:15 > Dan9:27 > Matt24:21 > Matt24:29-31)

The Day and Hour Question

While Jesus was on earth, he said that he did not know the day and hour of his return, and that only his Father knew. (Matt24:36)

During my dream, it was explained to me how this position changed when Jesus was given the Revelation from his Father’s hand, which he sent and signified by his angel to John, who then made it known to us. (Rev1:1 Rev5:1,7) The book of Revelation not only reveals the day, but also the hour when Jesus shall return. And yet, today, we still cannot calculate the day and hour, not until Daniel’s 70th week begins the final countdown of 2,520 days. (Dan9:27)





CHAPTER 2

Images, Beasts, Dragons, Mountains, and Kings

The first thing that I recall happening in my dream is that I was standing upon a timeline that stretched far ahead of me, from today until eternity.

The timeline was like a footpath made of clear, blue sapphire that was embedded smoothly into what seemed like a sea of glass, mingled with fire. (Ex24:10 Rev15:2) Along the timeline, there were markings at various intervals.

As I gazed upon those details, I heard a voice ahead and to the left of me. I looked in that direction and saw what I thought was a glowing angel, or the spirit of a prophet. He then introduced himself to me as Stephen, and said he was a fellow-servant, and one of the brethren.

I'd read this term in my KJV Bible, and I wondered if this angelic looking being was the one who spoke to John at certain times in the book of Revelation.

(Rev19:10 Rev22:9)

Although Stephen spoke to me with authority, there was kindness and gentleness in his voice. He told me that I would be asked to walk along the timeline, and that as I did, I would be shown the future. I was informed that I might emotionally experience some of the events along the way.

Stephen said that he would accompany me throughout my journey to help my understanding, and to show me where everything is spoken of in scripture.

However, before I took my first step, I was told that to understand the future, it was first necessary to understand the past!



“Is that really necessary?” I thought to myself. “I’m more interested in what the future is all about.”

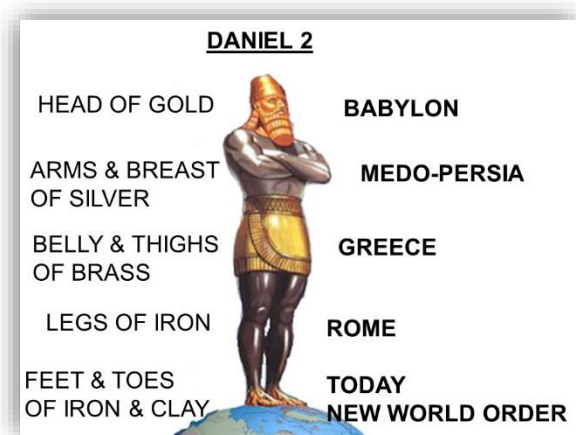
Having read my thoughts, Stephen replied, “No, it’s not necessary. The choice is yours. However, if you want to see how exciting and revealing the prophecies in the book of Daniel can be, and how they go hand-in-glove with the prophecies of the book of Revelation, then I’m willing to explain everything to you. Again, the choice is yours – or we can skip along the timeline to the beginning of Daniel’s 70th week and start from there.”

Again, Stephen was ready with an answer to what I was then thinking.

“True!” Stephen began. “If someone is in a war zone, at that moment they’re not interested in the history that brought them to that point – they’re only interested in surviving! However, it will be to your advantage to understand the history, or rather to understand the prophecies recorded in the book of Daniel, as they will offer you a better understanding of further prophecies recorded in the book of Revelation. You’ll see how Daniel’s visions align with the vision of the great dragon of Revelation 12, and the vision of the multi-featured beast of Revelation 13, as well as the seven mountains prophecy of Revelation 17. These all align to illustrate that there are 7 kingdoms throughout history that relate directly to God’s people, and to End Time prophecy.”

Stephen then paused a moment, to allow me to consider his words.

“OK. Let’s give it a try!” I replied. “Please explain the past to me.”



The Daniel 2 Image Explained

Daniel 2:31-33

Suddenly, there appeared in front of me a vision of the great image described in Daniel Chapter 2.

Stephen explained, “The various metals and clay displayed in the image represent 5 kingdoms of man that relate directly to God’s people and to Endtime prophecy. Daniel told king Nebuchadnezzar that 5 kingdoms would come to pass ‘hereafter’ (Dan2:29,45) – from Babylon until Christ’s return.”

“As God’s Word predicted, and history has confirmed, these 5 kingdoms are Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, Rome, and the final global kingdom of iron and clay – the global kingdom of iron-fist dictatorships and clay-people elected democracies that shall transform into the Antichrist’s kingdom of the soon-coming New World Order.”

Noticing the puzzled look upon my face, Stephen smiled and said, “I can see that you need further explanation.”

“Yes,” I responded. “What do you mean by the global kingdom of iron and clay – the global kingdom of iron-fist dictatorships and clay-people elected democracies?”

Stephen replied, “Firstly, I need to point out that God’s Word refers to empires as kingdoms, and emperors and political leaders as kings.”

I acknowledged with a nod that I understood.

“In that case, I can explain how the feet and toes of iron and clay represent a global kingdom. Today, the world is comprised of iron-fist dictatorships, like Rome was, and democracies that are elected by the people – the clay. Soon, today’s global kingdom shall take on the form of the New World Order. The 10 kings who shall govern the New World Order are represented by the 10 toes in the Daniel Chapter 2 image. Do you understand these things, so far?”

“Well, I can understand how the iron can represent dictatorships, but how does the clay represent democracies?” I asked.

“Scripture likens people to clay (Isa64:8 Rom9:21), and democracies are elected by the people. Therefore, it seems appropriate that God should use iron and clay to symbolize today’s global governments of man, as displayed in the feet and toes of the Daniel Chapter 2 image. God sees the various governments of the world today as one kingdom, because eventually they shall all become one under the banner of the New World Order.” (Dan2:44 Rev17:12)

That makes sense, I thought to myself.

“I agree!” Stephen responded, having apparently read my thoughts – again.

Stephen then mentioned how I needed to understand that the 10 toes of the image equate with the 10 horns in related scriptures. (Dan2:41-44 Dan7:7 Rev12:3 Rev13:1 Rev17:3)



He impressed upon me, “The 10 toes and the 10 horns in related scriptures all represent the 10 kings who shall be ruling the world under the Antichrist in the days when Jesus returns. In the days of these kings, Christ shall destroy their kingdom and replace it with his kingdom – the stone that became a mountain that filled up the whole earth.” (Rev17:12 Dan2:44)

Before I was shown anything further in my dream, something significant was explained to me. In Daniel Chapter 2, God used precious metals to represent certain kingdoms of man, beginning with the head of gold to represent king

Nebuchadnezzar and his Babylonian kingdom. Whereas, when the Lord wanted to illustrate these same kingdoms to his servants the prophets – to Daniel in the book of Daniel, and to John in the book of Revelation, God did not use precious metals to symbolize earthly kingdoms. Rather, God portrayed these same kingdoms according to their true nature – as ravenous beasts.



**The Beasts of
Daniel 7
Explained
Daniel 7:4-7**

After I had a firm understanding concerning the image of Daniel Chapter 2, there appeared in front of me a second vision. This time it was a display of the four beasts described in Daniel Chapter 7.

Stephen then stressed, “This is the meat of the Word, and the fundamentals of Endtime study. Without a firm and clear understanding of all these things, you’d be like a boat without a sail, vulnerable to be blown about by every wind of doctrine.” (Heb5:14 Eph4:14)

It was explained to me that Daniel Chapter 7 was a parallel prophecy to Daniel Chapter 2, with further information added. The image in Daniel Chapter 2 only represented the 5 kingdoms that were to come “hereafter” – from Daniel’s day until the return of Christ. (Dan2:29,45)

I soon understood that throughout the ages, there are actually 7 kingdoms that relate directly to God's people and to Endtime prophecy – Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, Rome, and the Endtime global kingdom that becomes the New World Order with 10 kings. (Rev17:10-11)

The Winged Lion Explained

Daniel 7:4

Stephen explained that the winged lion in Daniel Chapter 7 is a parallel prophecy to the head of gold in Daniel Chapter 2. I was shown how the winged lion represents king Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon. As the prophecy illustrates, he had his power and authority plucked from him, which was later restored. This interpretation is confirmed through a clear understanding and the noting of key words in Daniel Chapter 4. (Dan7:4 2Pet1:19-21 Dan4:1-37)



The Devouring, Lop-sided Bear Explained

Daniel 7:5

After this, I was shown how the bear in Daniel Chapter 7, which had one shoulder raised higher than the other, and which had three ribs in his mouth, represents Medo-Persia. It was explained to me that the raised shoulder symbolized the stronger Persian side of the Medo-Persian kingdom. This interpretation is reflected in the Daniel 8 prophecy concerning the ram with one horn higher than the other. (Dan8:3,20-21)



Furthermore, I was shown that the three ribs in the mouth of the bear represent the regions of the three preceding kingdoms that Medo-Persia devoured – namely the regions of Egypt, Assyria, and Babylon. (Dan7:5)



The Four-Headed, Four-Winged Leopard Explained

Daniel 7:6

Next, it was explained to me that the four-headed leopard with four wings, as described in Daniel Chapter 7, represents Alexander the Great and his four generals, and their Grecian kingdom that conquered Medo-Persia. This interpretation is confirmed in Daniel Chapter 8. (Dan7:6 Dan8:20-22)

The Strange Fourth Beast with 10 Horns Explained

Daniel 7:7

Finally, I was given the full and clear understanding of the strange fourth



beast, with 10 horns, that is described in Daniel Chapter 7. The fourth beast that was diverse from the beasts before it, and which had 10 horns and devoured and broke in pieces and stamped the residue with its feet, represents not only the kingdom of Rome that followed after Greece, but it represents something far greater, as Stephen went on to explain. (Dan7:7)



It was pointed out to me that after the fall of Rome, many of the kingdoms that emerged out of Europe spread out over the WHOLE earth, and thereby fulfilled this Bible prophecy. Through the brute force of

colonization, the kingdoms of England, Spain, Portugal, France, Germany, the Dutch, and others – all these European kingdoms devoured and broke in pieces and stamped the residue of Rome’s culture upon so much of the world, where it can be seen to this day, such as in architecture, law, language, and even the senates of government, to give a few examples.

Furthermore, scripture specifically says that out of this kingdom – meaning out of the WHOLE earth, shall come the 10 kings who shall govern the New World Order – symbolized by the 10 horns. (Dan7:7,19-20,23-24)

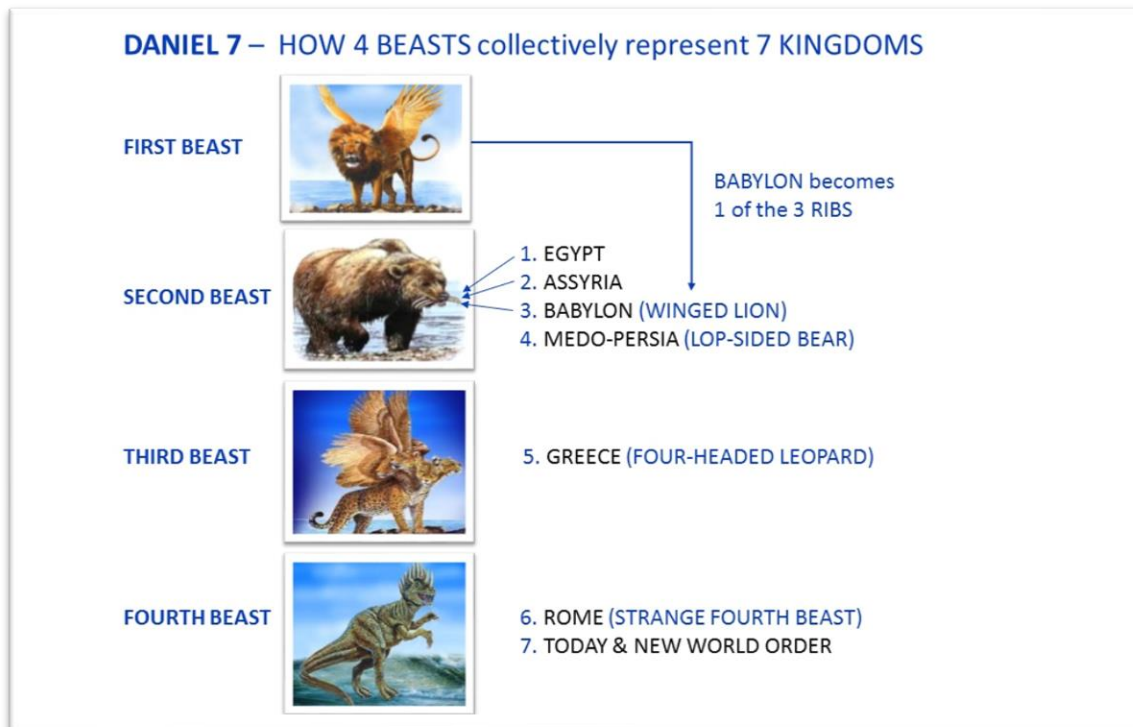


I was inquisitive, so I asked, “Are you saying that the 10 kings won’t come out of Europe, nor from the Papacy, nor Islamic countries, as some claim?”

“I’m showing you what God’s Word says – not what man says! Allow me to first explain how the four beasts can represent not only four kingdoms, but collectively represent all seven kingdoms. Then I’ll explain more about the rise of the 10 kings of the New World Order!”

“OK. Thank you.”

Next, Stephen spread his hands and a display explained the mystery!



“Why does God make the prophecy so difficult to understand?” I asked.

“It’s not a matter of making prophecy difficult to understand. Rather, God chooses to conceal things in mystery, because it delights him when his children solve those mysteries – or, to search out a matter, as Proverbs 25:2 says.”

“Now, let’s address the rise of the 10 kings who shall rule the New World Order. Daniel 7:23-24 teaches that the fourth beast shall devour the WHOLE earth, which happened through the brute force of colonization. The prophecy says that the 10 horns shall arise out of this kingdom – meaning, the 10 kings shall arise out of the WHOLE earth! Those are the KEY WORDS – the WHOLE earth!”

Stephen asked me to note that when the prophet Daniel was considering the vision of the 10 horns, another little horn came up after them, and subdued 3 of the 10 kings. Eventually, all 10 horns shall give their allegiance to the little horn as the supreme leader of the New World Order. (Dan7:7-8 Rev17:17)

From this passage, and through balanced scripture, I gained the understanding that the 10 kings shall be in power and governing the New World Order before the Antichrist is revealed. Then, when he arises, he shall subdue 3 of the 10 kings, until all 10 agree to give their kingdom to him. In return, the Antichrist will give them power and authority to rule with him, as kings. (Dan7:7-8 Rev17:12-13,17 Matt4:8-9)



The Seven-Headed Dragon Explained

Revelation 12:3

After all these things were explained to me, there appeared a third vision – that of a great red dragon, having 7 heads and 10 horns, and 7 crowns upon his heads. (Rev12:3 – See also Rev13:1 and Rev17:12)

When the meaning of this vision was explained to me, it was easy to recognize that the great red dragon was Satan, the real power behind the 7 kingdoms. The 7 heads with 7 crowns upon his heads represent those 7 kingdoms. I also understood that the 10 horns on the 7th head of the dragon represent the 10 kings of the New World Order – when today's global system of governments fully adopt the unified form of the New World Order. (Matt4:8-9 Rev17:7,12)

The Multi-Faceted Beast Explained

Revelation 13:1-2

Moments later, another vision appeared – a vision of the beast described in Revelation 13:1-2. This unusual beast looked like a leopard, had feet like a bear,



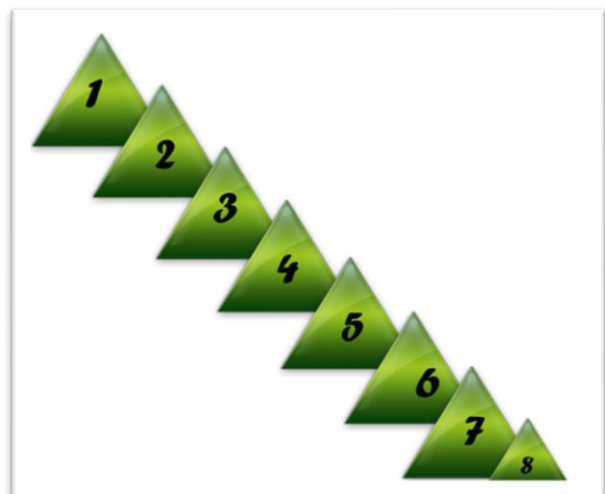
his mouth like a lion, and had seven heads and 10 horns, and upon his horns 10 crowns: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

It was now easier for me to recognize how this unusual beast represented all of the 7 kingdoms combined, and that the 10 horns with 10 crowns represented the 10 kings of the New World Order. It is Satan, the dragon, who gives the beast its power, and his seat, and great authority. (Rev13:2 Matt4:8-9 Lk4:5-7)

The Seven Mountains Explained

Revelation 17:9-13

Finally, there appeared a vision of the 7 mountains mentioned in Revelation 17:9. Stephen explained that the 7 mountains symbolized the 7 kingdoms. To help support this



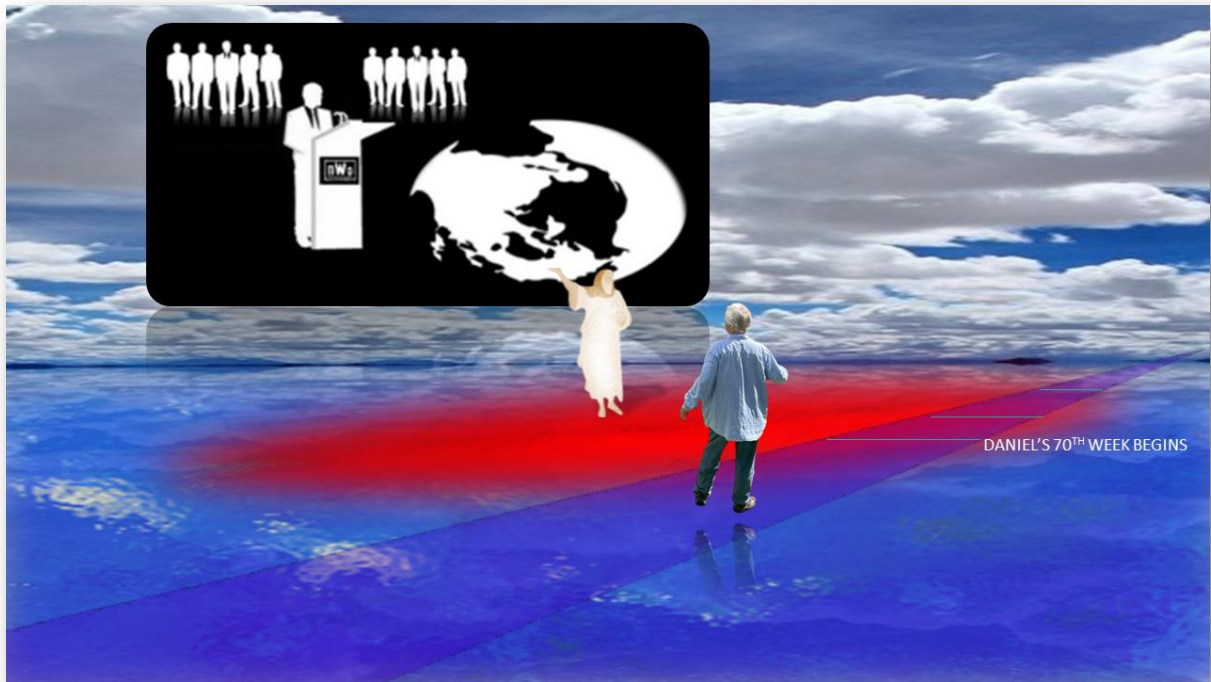
interpretation, he reminded me that Christ's millennial kingdom is described as the stone that becomes a mountain that shall fill the whole earth. (Dan2:35)

It was further explained to me that when John wrote Revelation 17:9-10, the “five had fallen” kingdoms referred to Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia, and Greece; and the “one is” kingdom referred to Rome, which was the current kingdom in John’s day, and that the words “the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space” refers to both a kingdom and a king – the 7th kingdom that transforms into a final 8th kingdom.

Stephen explained further that those closing words of prophecy refer to the global kingdom of the last days – the global kingdom of dictatorships and democracies that shall morph into the New World Order. Moreover, Stephen explained that the prophecy points to the Antichrist as being the last king – an 8th king that is of the 7 kingdoms, meaning that Satan has been the guiding power behind all of these kingdoms. The prophecy then mentions that he must continue a short space – showing that Jesus shall permit the Antichrist to continue for the 42 months of great tribulation, before the return of Christ. (Matt28:18 Rev13:5 Matt24:29-31) Satan knows his time is short! (Rev12:12)

I remembered that the feet of the Daniel 2 image represent the 7th kingdom, and the toes represent the 10 kings who will govern the New World Order – which is the 8th kingdom that emerges out of the 7th kingdom.

Then, as each scene vanished, Stephen assured me that all the prophetic dreams and visions were certain, and the interpretation thereof sure. (Dan2:45)



CHAPTER 3

The Rise of the New World Order

Once I better understood the meaning of the image, the beasts, the dragon, the mountains, and kings, I was keen to see what the future held – but that wasn't to happen immediately. Rather, I was first asked to turn around and look behind me. What I saw was amazing!

Looking back down the timeline, I could see all the way to the turn of the twentieth century – back to the days of the horse-and-buggy.



Then, in a flash of understanding, I saw all that had transpired, and all that had been accomplished in the way of science and technology during the whole of the last century, and right up until the present time. I understood that this was spoken of by Daniel the prophet – that in the time of the end, knowledge would increase, and that many would travel to and fro, here and there, at great speed. (Dan12:4)



Stephen added that the things that I saw were also spoken of by the prophet Nahum, who had seen and described his vision of the latter days – of cars roaring in the broadways, travelling

at great speed, with headlamps beaming, colliding into one another. (Nah2:3-4)

I saw an increase in the diversity of ways that the gospel was being published throughout the world. (Matt24:14) By the same token, I saw many false preachers and teachers arise, just like Jesus and Paul predicted would happen in the last days, saying Jesus is Christ, but deceive many. (Matt24:4-5 2Pet2:1-3)

Among the more disturbing scenes, I witnessed the increase of war, and earthquakes, and other natural disasters. (Matt24:6-8) I also saw the results of secret agendas that brought about changes and acceptance of things usually not tolerated by God-fearing, civilized societies – changes in law that minimized the value of infant and elder life, and changes in law that allowed unnatural marriages, and acceptance of behavior that in past times had brought upon

mankind the wrath of God. (Gen6:5 Gen6:24-25) In essence, I saw good being spoken of as evil, and evil being accepted and promoted as good. (Isa5:20)

When the visions of things past and present began to fade, I was asked to turn around and face the future. As I did, I saw glimpses and flashes of scenes that appeared slightly ahead of me, and that troubled me – visions of startling, world-changing events.

A nerve-tingling shiver pierced through my very being, and I quivered within my soul. It's as though I felt a fraction of what the world is going to feel at some time in the near future. Whatever I was seeing ahead of me is going to bring

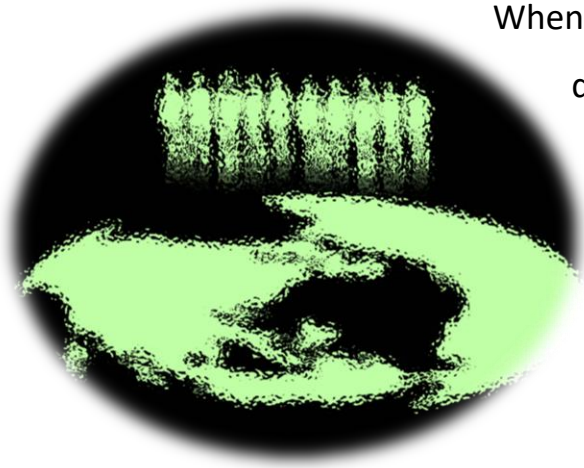


about change on a global scale, the likes of which the world has never seen nor experienced before. Those events are going to result in the nations accepting a new

form of global government – a New World Order. (Dan2:41-44 Rev13:1 Dan7:7)

I saw 10 leaders arise from throughout the whole earth to form the governing counsel of the New World Order. (Dan7:23-24) I remembered Stephen's explanation that God's Word refers to empires as kingdoms, and emperors and political leaders as kings. It was then I realized that this council of 10 were not simply leaders – they were the 10 kings referred to in Endtime prophecy.

(Dan2:45)



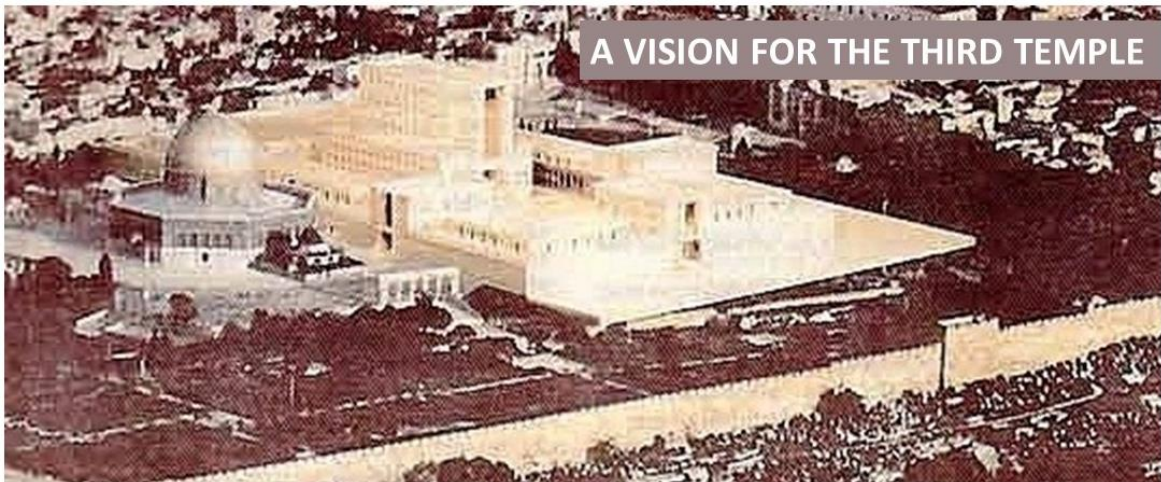
When these 10 kings were revealed in my dream, I remember thinking that there was something strange about them – that maybe they were not totally human, and that maybe they couldn't interbreed with humans. (Dan2:42-43)

As I considered the 10 kings, I saw another more dominant king arise and subdue 3 of the 10 kings, until all 10 agreed to give their allegiance to him as the supreme leader of the New World Order. This new king then gave the 10 power to rule with him – as kings. (Dan8:23-25 Rev17:12 Matt4:8-9)

To the world, this new global leader appeared strong, authoritative, and very charismatic, which won the favor of many. However, discerning Christians saw beneath the veneer of this new king. Many could see that he was a vile person, understanding dark sentences, and with evil intentions. (Dan11:21 Dan8:25)

I saw that Christians who truly knew their Bible recognized this new leader for who he really was – the Antichrist that is to come. (Prov4:5 1Jn2:18 2Thess2:3)

Nevertheless, the Jews overwhelmingly accepted him as their long-awaited messiah. (Jn5:43) People of other faiths also revered this man as a deity and gave him respect as such. (Matt24:4-5) This new global leader then pleased the Jews immensely by confirming what is called the holy covenant in prophecy – a religious agreement. (Dan9:27 Dan11:28,30)



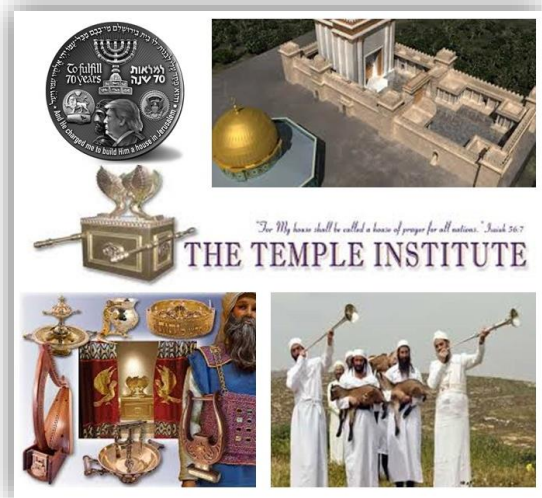
In my dream, I saw that the confirmation of this covenant paved the way for the Jews to build their third temple on the northern side of the Dome of the Rock, on the thirty-seven-acre plateau referred to by many as the temple mount. When I saw a vision of this, I had a few questions, but these were answered further along in my dream. (Dan9:27 Rev11:1-2 Isa14:13)

Stephen explained, "When Jesus walked on earth, he predicted that the temple that existed in his day would be destroyed. (Matt24:2) This prophecy was fulfilled in 70 AD by the Romans. Since then, for 2,000 years the Jews have looked forward to the time when they would build another temple and resume their ritual of animal sacrifice, thinking that these ancient practices are still necessary for the remission of sins. (Rev11:1-2 Heb9:22)

However, Christians understand that Jesus was the final sacrifice, and that there is no need any more for those former practices. (Heb10:10) Nevertheless, as the apostle Paul wrote, blindness in part has happened to Israel, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. (Rom11:25 Lk25:24) Balanced scripture reveals that the times of the Gentiles shall continue until the end of Daniel's 70th week (Rev9:24-27) – the end of the great tribulation." (Rev11:2)

I asked if the Bible mentions a third temple existing in the last days; or is there any indication that a third temple will be built in the near future.

“Even now, there is evidence from their own mouths, and from the preparation of all things necessary, that the Jews anticipate the time is near for the building of the third temple in Jerusalem – and scripture agrees with this.” Stephen remarked.



“Which scripture – specifically?” I asked.

“In Revelation 11:1-2, John was taken in the spirit, into the future to measure the temple that didn’t, and doesn’t yet exist. That temple is the third temple. When John had this experience, the temple in Jerusalem had already been destroyed in 70 AD. Furthermore, the temple that John was asked to measure was not in heavenly realms, because of the reference to the outer court being given to the Gentiles. The temple that John was asked to measure is the temple in which the Antichrist shall one day sit, when he declares himself as God, and above all that is called God.” (Rev11:1-2 Matt24:2 2Thess2:4 Isa14:13)

After Stephen had explained this, I saw a vision of Christians gathering and discussing the confirmation of the covenant. There was an air of excitement and expectation among some. Other Christians wore a look of bewilderment and disappointment, muttering disappointment about the “Left Behind”, pre-tribulation doctrine. I could see how the faith of many was then being tested.

Many others sought for answers as to why events were not happening as they had anticipated. As a result, a growing number of Christians began to embrace a better understanding. They realized that the confirmation of this religious covenant marked the countdown of 7 years until Jesus would return. By that I mean seven “prophetic years” – a total of 2,520 days. (Dan9:27 Matt24:29-31)

In world news, the confirmation of the covenant brought the announcement of “peace and security” – a time of peace and safety. On the other hand, Christians of understanding knew that the talk of any peace and safety wouldn’t last long. Those who understood Endtime prophecy knew that while the world was proclaiming peace and security, God’s Word predicts that such an era was going to change to sudden destruction, beginning in the middle of Daniel’s 70th week. (1Thess5:3 Dan9:27 Matt24:15,21)

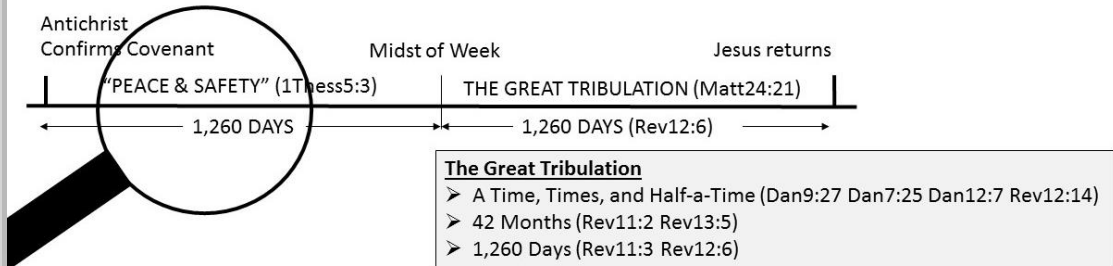
Christians of understanding identified the confirmation of this holy covenant as the beginning of Daniel’s 70th week – the 7-year period before Jesus would return to gather his elect. (Matt24:29-31) Furthermore, those of understanding knew that the Antichrist would cause the Jews’ daily sacrifice to cease in the middle of the week (Dan9:27), which would begin the three-and-a-half-years of great tribulation (See Matt24:15 > Dan9:27 > Matt24:21) – also counted as a time, times, and half a time (Dan7:25 Dan12:7 Rev12:14), or 1,260 days (Rev11:3 Rev12:6), or 42 months. (Rev11:2 Rev13:5)

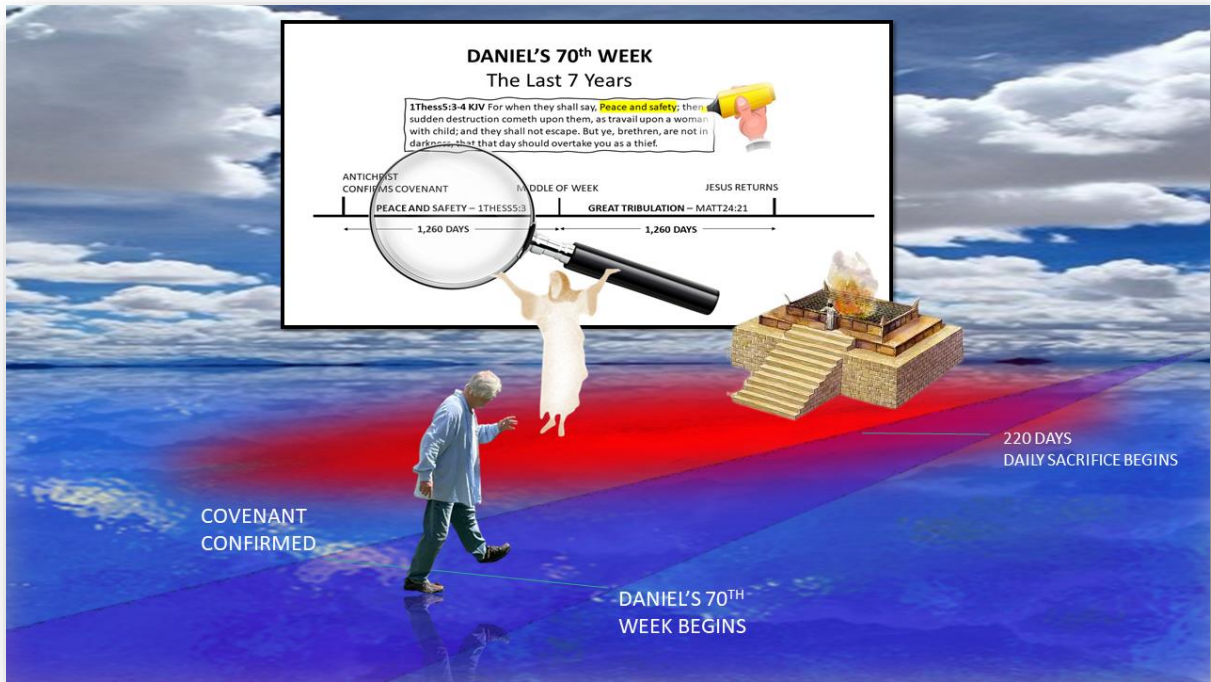
Those who better understood Endtimes prophecy anticipated that from the time the Antichrist caused the daily sacrifice to cease, it would be 1,260 days until Jesus returned. (Rev12:7 Matt24:29-31)

DANIEL'S 70TH WEEK

THE LAST 7 YEARS – 2,520 DAYS

1Thess5:3 KJV For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape ...





CHAPTER 4

A Time of Peace and Safety

All these things that I saw were slightly ahead of me on the timeline, at some time in the not-too-distant future. After I looked down to where my feet stood upon the timeline, I realized that I had not yet crossed the line into the 2,520 days of Daniel's 70th week.

Stephen then encouraged me. "Don't be afraid. Take one step ahead."

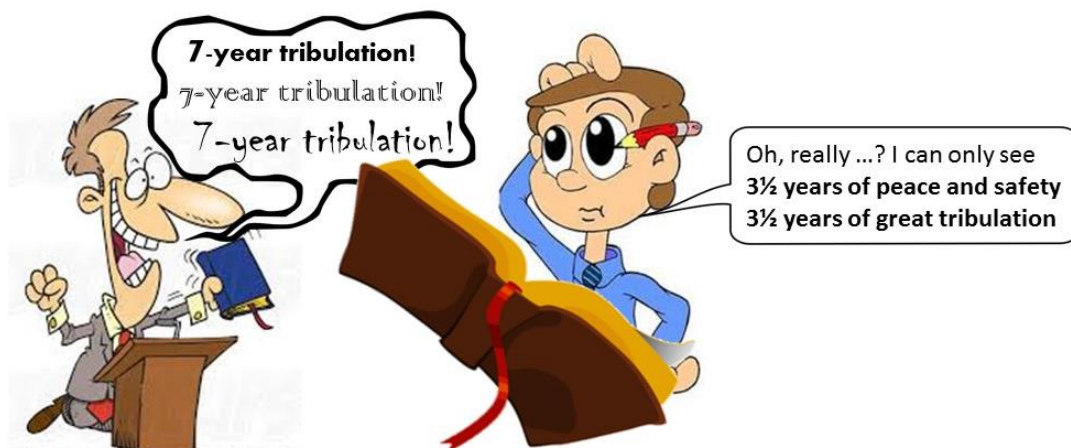
As I took that step into the future, I felt a sense of tranquility wash over me.

"You are now within the first days of the 2,520 days of Daniel's 70th week – the last 7 years before Christ returns. What are you experiencing?"

I replied that I was feeling a sense of ... I suppose I'd call it "peace and safety."

Stephen then confirmed what I already knew from scripture, but it was good to hear his explanation. "This is the era of peace and safety spoken of in 1Thessalonians 5:3. During the first 1,260 days of Daniel's 70th week, the world shall proclaim peace and security. However, prophecy warns that in the midst of the week shall come sudden destruction. At that point, the 1,260 days of great tribulation shall begin. In scripture, the time of the great tribulation has been likened to a woman in labor and about to give birth, whose birth pains become increasingly intense, until her child is delivered – which is symbolic of the church being delivered from the anguish of those days." (Jn16:21 Jn16:33)

This was different to what the popular preachers promote, so I asked, "But what about the 7-year tribulation – the time of Jacob's trouble?"



Stephen responded, "Regardless of what man says, nowhere does God's Word mention a 7-year tribulation. Rather, well-balanced scripture confirms that the first half of Daniel's 70th week shall be a time of peace and safety, enough to allow the Jews to build their third temple on the north side of the Dome of the Rock, leaving the outer court area to the Gentiles – the Muslims." (Rev11:1-2)

At this point, I felt pressed to ask where in scripture does it say that the third Jewish temple will be built on the north side of the Dome of the Rock.

“I shall answer your question in due course,” Stephen promised, “but first tell me what you see ahead of you on the timeline.”

I looked and said that I saw a distinct marking 220 days into Daniel’s 70th week. I also saw a vision of an altar built on what is referred to as the temple mount, and the altar appeared ready for animal sacrifice.

Stephen explained, “The 220-day point that you see is when the Jews shall officially begin their daily sacrifice, which I’ll now prove to you from scripture.”

(1Thess5:21)

He then wiped his right hand through the air in front of us, and there appeared a huge screen displaying the words of scripture found in Daniel 8:13-14.

Daniel 8:13-14 (KJV)

¹³ Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning **the daily sacrifice, AND the transgression of desolation**, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be TRODDEN UNDER FOOT?

¹⁴ And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

“Please read this passage of scripture carefully and note those KEY WORDS – TRODDEN UNDER FOOT. Similar terms are mentioned throughout Daniel 8:10-13, and in a Revelation 11:2 – the related passage of scripture that defines the time of desolation as 42 months, the 1,260 days of great tribulation.”

Stephen then announced, “Here is another mystery! Why is this question asked in Daniel 8:13? It wasn’t Daniel who asked the question. One saint asked the other saint, How long concerning the daily sacrifice and the desolation? And the other saint answered 2,300 days.”

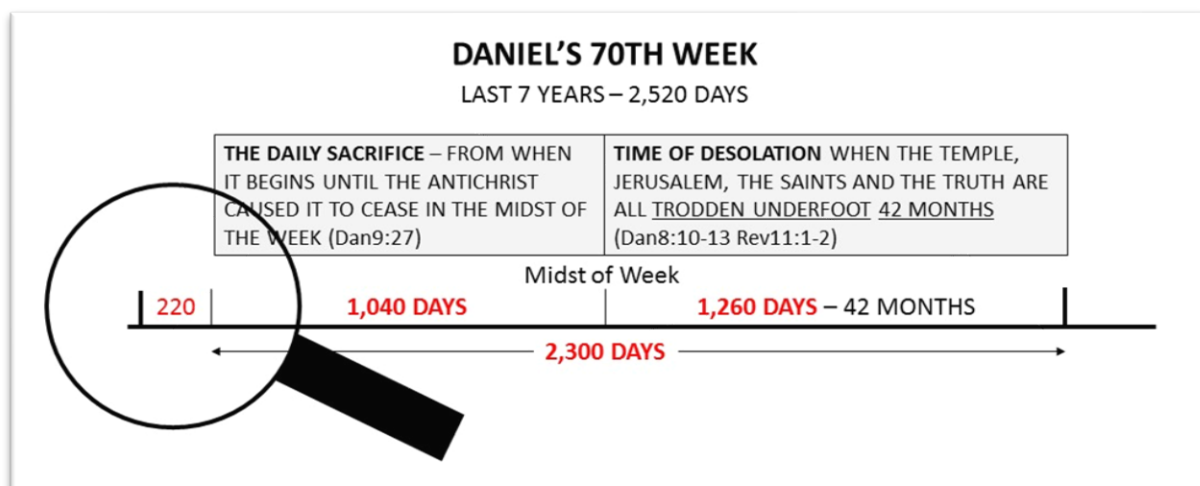
My interest was aroused, so I asked, “Yes, why is this question asked?”

“So that in the time of the end, Christians would know the future in advance! When they see these things begin to happen, they shall be able to count the days and know what is to happen. Christians are told these things in advance so that they might believe on what is still to happen.” (Dan9:2 Jn14:29)

“But where does scripture say that the daily sacrifice begins at 220 days?”

“Although there is no mention in scripture that the daily sacrifice shall commence 220 days from the beginning of Daniel’s 70th week, the information in Daniel 8:13-14 and Revelation 11:2 allows us to calculate this,” Stephen said.

Instantly, an illustrated timeline of Daniel’s 70th week appeared in front of me.



Stephen then pointed out that Daniel 8:13 presents a two-part question.

“The first part asks how long concerning the daily sacrifice – from when it begins, until it is caused to cease in the midst of Daniel’s 70th week.” (Dan8:13 Dan9:27)

“Daniel 9:27 informs that the daily sacrifice is caused to cease in the midst of Daniel’s 70th week, but no scripture states when it begins.”

“The second part of the question asks about the time of desolation – the time when the sanctuary (temple) and the host (saints) shall be TRODDEN UNDER FOOT. Those are KEY WORDS – cast down, stamped upon etc.” (Dan8:10-13)

“Revelation 11:2 informs the reader that the time of desolation shall be for 42 months – the time when the Antichrist and his forces shall TREAD UNDER FOOT Jerusalem, which shall include the sanctuary (temple). Those 42 months is the time of desolation, also known as the great tribulation, when Jerusalem, the temple, the saints, and the truth shall all be CAST DOWN to the ground and STAMPED UPON and TRODDEN UNDER FOOT.” (Dan8:10-13 Rev11:2)

I asked, “Is there any difference between the time of desolation, and the abomination of desolation, or the great tribulation?”

“The 1,260 days of great tribulation is the 42 months when the transgression of desolation takes place – when the abomination of desolation, also referred to as the image of the beast, shall stand in the temple. These are all part of the one and the same event” (Matt24:21 Dan8:13 Matt24:15 Rev13:14-15)

Stephen then summarized all that he had taught me concerning Daniel 8:13-14.

“Therefore, to calculate how long concerning the daily sacrifice – from when it begins until it ends in the midst of the week, you simply subtract the 1,260 days from the 2,300 days, and you have the answer of 1,040 days.”

2,300 DAYS Concerning the daily sacrifice AND the time of desolation
– 1,260 DAYS The time of desolation or the great tribulation
= 1,040 DAYS From when the daily sacrifice begins until it ends

“This shows there shall be 1,040 days concerning the daily sacrifice – from when it begins, until it is caused to cease in the middle of the week. When you add the 1,040 days to the 1,260 days of desolation, you have a total of 2,300 days concerning the daily sacrifice and the transgression of desolation.”

1,040 DAYS From when the daily sacrifice begins until it ends
+ 1,260 DAYS The time of desolation or great tribulation
= 2,300 DAYS Concerning the daily sacrifice AND the time of desolation

“After that, if you subtract the 2,300 days from the 2,520 days that total Daniel’s 70th week, you have left 220 days. This is the number of days counted from the beginning of Daniel’s 70th week. That is when the daily sacrifice shall begin – 220 days from the beginning of Daniel’s 70th week.”

2,520 DAYS The total days of Daniel’s 70th week
– 2,300 DAYS Concerning the daily sacrifice AND the time of desolation
= 220 DAYS The number of days from the beginning of Daniel’s 70th week

Once I had an understanding concerning these things, I asked a second time, “But where does it mention in the Bible that the third temple will be built on the north side of the Dome of the Rock?”

To answer my question, Stephen first expounded upon the scriptures, explaining, “Toward the midst of Daniel’s 70th week, the world leader shall receive a deadly wound to the head. (Rev13:3) At that time, Satan and his angels shall make war in heaven with Michael and his angels, but Satan shall be defeated and cast down to earth, drawing his third of the angels with him. (Rev12:7-9) This is when Satan shall possess the slain body of the world leader to become the Satan-possessed Antichrist. (Rev17:11 2Thess2:3) Stephen then quoted from Revelation 13:3 “And his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast, saying who is able to make war with him.”

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“After this, the Antichrist and his armies shall enter Jerusalem and cause the daily sacrifice to cease. (Dan9:27 Dan11:31-32) This is when the Antichrist shall sit in the temple of God, as God, and above all that is called God, as foretold in 2Thessalonians 2:4. From that time on, there shall be no toleration of any other religion in the entire world, because Satan shall declare himself to be God, and demand to be worshipped as God. And therefore, there shall be no allowance for the religion of the Jews, nor Muslims, nor Christians – be they Catholics or otherwise. Neither shall there be tolerance for Eastern or other forms of worship. In those days, the only accepted religion shall be the Satanic worship of the Antichrist, as God.” (2Thess2:4 Rev13:15)

Stephen then concluded, “I can now answer the question as to where scripture reveals the site of the Jews’ third temple.”

“Isaiah 14:13 explains that when Lucifer is cast down to earth (Rev12:9), this is when he shall take on the form of the Satan-possessed Antichrist. And this is when he shall exalt himself as God and shall sit upon THE MOUNT of the congregation, in THE SIDES OF THE NORTH – as it is written. Note those KEY WORDS!” (2Thess2:4 Isa14:12-13)

Then I saw it, just as described. I saw a vision of the third temple standing on the so-called temple mount, a short distance away from the northern side of the Dome of the Rock.



In that vision, I also saw the Jews performing their daily sacrifice, just like in past Biblical times. However, what I saw happening was at a time in the very near future, exactly as prophecy predicts will happen in the last days – during the first half of Daniel’s 70th week, before the Antichrist causes the daily sacrifice to cease. (Dan9:27 Rev11:1-2 Dan8:13)



CHAPTER 5

Change is in the Air!

After these things were explained, I was then told I could walk further along the timeline, and that as I did, I was to concentrate at where my feet were stepping. As I did, I saw the days go by underfoot, until suddenly, as I approached the middle of the 7 years, a vision of four pictures appeared in front of me. Next, I heard an announcement that the leader of the New World Order had been killed by a deadly wound to the head. (Rev13:3)

Then suddenly, I was sucked up into a vortex! I seemed to be travelling upwards towards a higher plane – to a higher realm. As I was being transported, I was not in fear, and neither did I feel that I was in any danger. (2Cor12:2 1Jn4:18)

After I'd stopped travelling upwards, I hovered, suspended somehow in mid-air, no longer in the vortex. I then saw around me a vast – a very vast and open plateau, like the realm from where I'd just been transported. The atmosphere was calm and displayed the same crystal blue ocean of glass, but there was no timeline. (Rev15:1) The surroundings appeared white and beautiful, with soft shades of pearl. Indeed, everything seemed to be enveloped in a light mist of tranquility – so peaceful and calm.

My attention was then drawn toward the far right where I saw a mighty angel standing – a mighty, shining warrior angel. On each side of him, and behind him, and as far as my eyes could see, there were many more warrior angels, all in ranks. (Rev12:1 2Kg6:16-17)

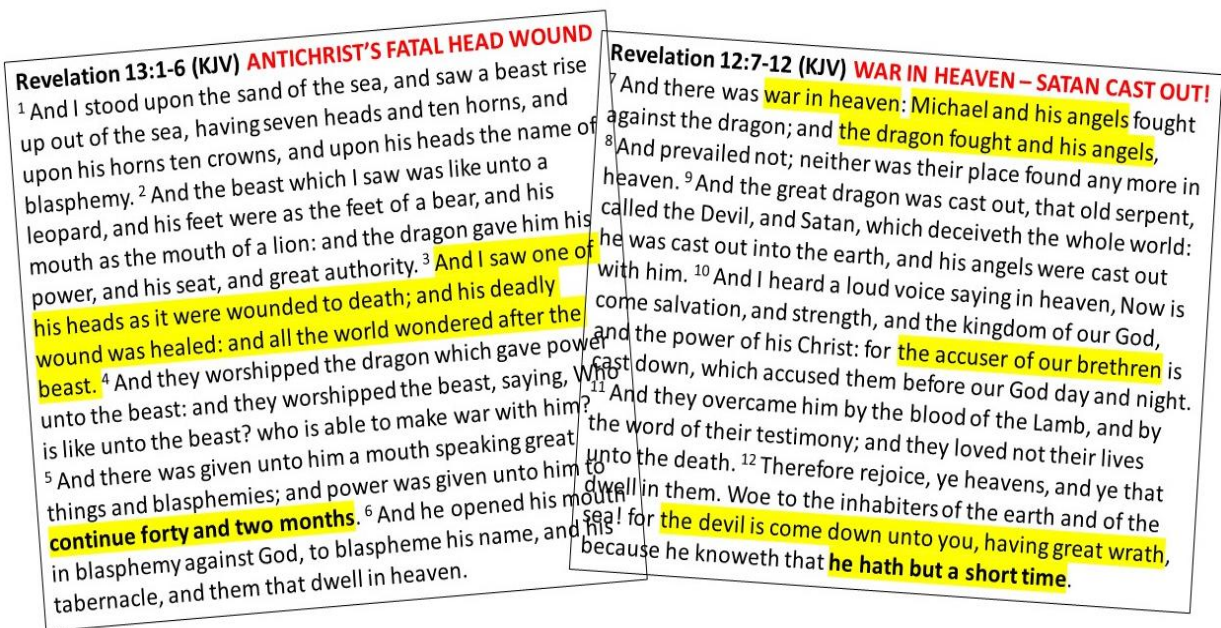
Then Stephen appeared to my left again, and said, “This is Michael the Archangel, and these are his armies of angels.” (Dan12:1 Rev12:7 2Kg6:16-17)

Before another word could be uttered, suddenly and without warning there came a tremendous, violent, and angry force that gushed up from beneath the center of the borderless arena. As with the force and fierceness of an erupting volcano, an evil presence spewed up from beneath and burst upon the scene with its uninvited and unwanted presence.

The tranquil mist had changed into a blackened cloud, which then parted to reveal a huge red dragon, which then shape-shifted into a man with reptilian features, and then back into a beast-like creature (2Cor11:14). Instinctively, I knew that this multi-faceted, complex being was Satan. (Rev12:3)

In the moments that followed, I watched as demonic angels appeared and gathered in ranks on each side and behind the dragon. In contrast to the tranquility that had existed moments before, the atmosphere was now tense and resembled that of the calm before a storm.

Then, I was removed from that realm and didn't see what happened next.



Later, Stephen confirmed to me that Satan and his angels had made war with Michael and his angels, but Satan had lost the battle and was then cast down to the earth, together with his third of the angels with him; and there was no place found any more for them in heaven. (Rev12:9) I was informed that heaven had rejoiced because Satan was no longer allowed to enter heavenly realms where he had accused Christians on earth day and night before God.

However, I was told that those in heaven had also voiced their woeful concerns about the inhabitants of the earth, because Satan had come down to them and was very wroth, knowing that his time was short. (Rev12:10,12 Rev13:5)

The next thing I remember is being back on earth and in the presence of the slain body of the world leader. Strangely, but to my delight, I realized that I was invisible to everyone, except to Stephen who was with me.

Then, and without the slightest warning, the same fierce and satanic force that I had witnessed in the heavenly realm came rushing in to possess the dead body I saw in front of me – and it became alive! (Rev13:3 Rev17:11 2Thess2:3) The fatal head wound healed before my eyes, but the scar remained, and his right eye seemed darkened. Also, his arm, and indeed the whole body of the revived creature seemed grotesque, to the point that this human form no longer radiated the same charisma that it had displayed before it was slain. Rather, it now featured a fierce countenance. Then, when he began to speak, he spoke with an eerie wonder. (Zech11:17 Dan8:23 Dan7:25)

I knew that this form of a man that I saw in front of me was Satan incarnate – the Antichrist, and the world was never going to be the same after he revealed himself. (2Thess2:3-4, 8-10) Stephen then directed me to look at my feet.

In an instant, I'd been removed from that former space and was standing upon the timeline again, exactly at the midway point of the last 7 years – exactly 1,260 days into Daniel's 70th week, leaving 1,260 days remaining before Jesus promised he would return. (Dan9:27 Matt24:29-31)

Then Stephen announced, "Before you journey on into the days of the great tribulation, I need to clarify a few things for you." (Matt24:21)

He had my attention.



CHAPTER 6

Revelation Unraveled

I remember that in my dream, this is when I was expecting to see the two witnesses of Revelation Chapter 11. However, Stephen cautioned me to be patient, and that all would be revealed as I progressed along the timeline.

Stephen said that he first needed to reveal fresh insight and understanding concerning the mysterious way in which Revelation has been written.

Next appeared a big picture of a book with the title, "The Book of Revelation." There was a hand protruding from the book, which was untangling twine from around the cartoon of a little man. Although this vision was somewhat funny, it portrayed a serious matter, as I was soon to discover.

Prior to my dream, I had been taught that everything in the book of Revelation happened in chronological order.

I had begun to question that idea, for although there appears to be some similarities to support such claims, I would often find sections of scripture that didn't fit with the surrounding text. This left me dissatisfied with the teachings of so many of the popular preachers.



Therefore, I was thrilled when Stephen awakened the eyes and ears of my spirit to a better understanding. At first, I'll admit that I was somewhat defensive, and even hesitant to consider what Stephen presented to me, but his patience and careful explanation won me over. Eventually, I began to accept the fact that the book of Revelation is a total record of many, many individual visions of events, and that those visions may or may not happen in the same sequence in which John saw, heard and recorded them.

It was pointed out to me that oftentimes John saw a vision that was later repeated. At those times, John was given the opportunity to view that same scene from a different angle, which gave him another perspective, and thereby we gain added information.



One example of this is found in the relationship between Revelation 7:9-17 and Revelation 15:2-4. Both passages describe a great multitude of resurrected Christians appearing in heaven after the great tribulation, having come out of great tribulation, and having gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name.

The chapters in between these passages tell of events that happen during the great tribulation, while Christians are still on earth – those who have God’s seal of redemption and the testimony of Jesus Christ. (Rev8:1 to Rev9:4 Eph1:13:30 Rev12:17) I then understood that the events in Revelation 7:9-17 cannot happen before the great tribulation. Therefore, I saw that Revelation 7:9-17 could be placed alongside or together with Revelation 15:2-4, as both passages talk about events that happen right after the great tribulation.

Stephen said this is one example of the mysterious weave that creates the tapestry of truth known as the book of Revelation.

I could also see that Revelation 15:2-4 has added information not found in Revelation 7:9-17. I concluded that regardless of where these passages are placed in the book of Revelation, on each of these two occasions John was shown a vision of the same event, but he saw that event from different viewpoints, which revealed different information.

When I asked Stephen about this anomaly, he likened it to examining a diamond from different angles – you’re going to see different aspects of the same thing.



Stephen added, “Revelation 14 is another anomaly. There, two passages of scripture adjoin, and yet the events of the first passage (Rev14:1-5) happen after the events of the second passage.” (Rev14:6-12)

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| <p>AFTER THE RAPTURE</p> <p>Revelation 14:1-5 (KJV) ON EARTH DURING THE MILLENNIUM</p> <p>¹ And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. ² And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great multitude, saying, Worship him that sitteth on the cloud, and as the voice of harping virgins. ³ And they sing a new song, which no man can learn, save the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from among men. ⁴ These are they which stand before the throne of the Lamb. ⁵ And in their mouth is the book of the Lamb. ⁶ And they shall worship him that sitteth on the cloud, and shall say, Worship him that sitteth on the cloud.</p> | <p>BEFORE THE RAPTURE</p> <p>Revelation 14:6-11 (KJV) EARLY DURING THE GREAT TRIBULATION</p> <p>⁶ And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, ⁷ Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters. ⁸ And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication. ⁹ And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, ¹⁰ The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: ¹¹ And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.</p> |
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I then understood that Revelation 14:1-5 describe events that happen both on earth and in heaven sometime at the beginning of Christ's millennial reign on earth, whereas Revelation 14:6-12 describe events that happen early during the great tribulation. In other words, the passages are in reverse order.



Although the next scene seemed mysterious to me, Stephen promised more would be explained further along the timeline. I noted that in Revelation 14:1-5, John is viewing the 144,000 following Jesus about on mount Sion on earth. John then hears a mighty sound from heaven of singing and praising. These events are happening both on earth and in heaven at the beginning of Christ's 1,000-year reign on earth. I also noted that this passage refers to the 144,000 as the firstfruits – the “good seed” of Christ's millennial kingdom on earth. (Rev14:4 Rom9:26-29 Matt13:24) I was in no doubt that Rev14:1-5 describe events that happen early during Christ's millennial reign on earth. This vision raised many questions in my mind!

By the same token, I could see that in Revelation 14:6-12, John is describing events that happen before Christ's 1,000-year reign on earth. Furthermore, I learnt that Revelation 14:6-12 must happen early during the great tribulation.

Stephen explained, “In Revelation 14:6-12, John wrote what he saw concerning three herald angels who make three important pronouncements for everyone on earth to hear in their own language. I will soon prove to you why these pronouncements must be made early during the great tribulation, and why Christians need to understand this matter, if they are to survive those days.”

Stephen then expounded on the scriptures, saying, “You’ll note that in Revelation 14: 9-11, the third angel heralds his warning with a loud voice so that everyone on earth can hear. He warns in no uncertain terms not to worship the image of the beast nor receive the mark of the beast. And he warns of the serious consequences for those who refuse to obey the warning. For that warning message to be effective, the third herald angel must make his pronouncement early during the great tribulation, at the time the mark of the beast is made compulsory.” (Rev13:5,15-18)



This fact became a key point of understanding for me. (Prov4:7) I then began to better understand the order of events to happen during the great tribulation.

It became obvious to me that the first herald angel preaches the gospel with a loud voice for everyone on earth to hear, thus fulfilling Matthew 24:22. Then, at some time after him, the second herald angel will announce that Babylon has fallen. (Rev14:8 Rev18:1-3) Then finally, the third herald angel will shout his warning not to worship the image of the beast, nor receive his 666mark.

The major significance in all of this is that it places the judgement of Babylon early during the great tribulation. Without a doubt, Stephen had proven to me, from scripture, that Babylon shall be judged and utterly burned with fire not many days into the 1,260 days of great tribulation. (Rev17:16-18 & Rev18:1-24)

Further into my dream, Stephen revealed who is Babylon in the last days, and how, when where and why she will be judged.

I was beginning to grasp the concept that each vision throughout Revelation could be likened to a piece of a jigsaw puzzle, and that each piece needs to be identified and grouped with related pieces before they can be comfortably placed in their respective position in the overall picture.



These insights proved to me that the events throughout the book of Revelation do not happen in a chronological order. Rather, the whole book is simply a record of many, many visions of many, many events, and that those events may or may not happen in the same order in which John saw, heard and recorded them. From that moment on, the whole of the book of Revelation took on a new and exciting dimension of understanding.

“I know this is a lot for you to take in, but I promise that all this knowledge shall become helpful as you progress further along the timeline,” Stephen assured me once again. “Patience takes faith and will have its perfect reward.”

I agreed. “Yes, it is a lot to absorb, but I’m thirsty to know more of the truth.”

“In that case, I can liken you to a new bottle,” Stephen stated. Then he quoted Matthew 9:17, saying, “Neither do men put new wine into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.”

“How does that apply?” I questioned. “And what does that verse really mean?”

“In times past, wine bottles were made from skin. If the skin became old and



inflexible, it would crack when new wine was poured into it. However, if the bottle remained flexible, new wine could be poured into it, no matter what the age of the bottle. Anyone who remains like a new bottle can always receive the new

wine that heaven has to offer. I’ve been pouring new wine into you – new understanding that has never been revealed before this generation, and you are remaining supple and receptive. Therefore, I can continue pouring new wine into you.”

Stephen then looked at me with compassion. His voice seemed full of brotherly love as he spoke, saying, “I need to speak to you in the spirit of wisdom and revelation. (Eph1:17-18) What I am about to disclose to you, God hides from the wise and the prudent, and reveals these things unto babes, for so it seems good in God’s sight.” (Matt11:25-26)

“If you can receive what I am about to share, then you shall be ready to progress further along the timeline. And all that you receive by faith shall be proven to you from the word of truth.” (1Thess5:21 2Tim2:15)

Suddenly, I felt no strength within me, and I dropped to my knees as tears of appreciation welled up from within my soul. I felt so very unworthy and humbled at what was being spoken to me, so-much-so that all I could manage to say was, “I believe! Help my unbelief!” (Ps51:17 Mk9:24)

Stephen then came close and laid his hand upon my forehead. Instantly, I was strengthened and was able to compose myself. (Dan10:10)

“At this stage, I do not expect you to fully understand all that is being revealed to you. But gradually, as the entrance of God’s Word gives you understanding, and through the grace given by the Holy Spirit, you shall come to an acceptance of these things that I am about to explain, because you truly hunger and search after that which is right.” (Ps119:130)

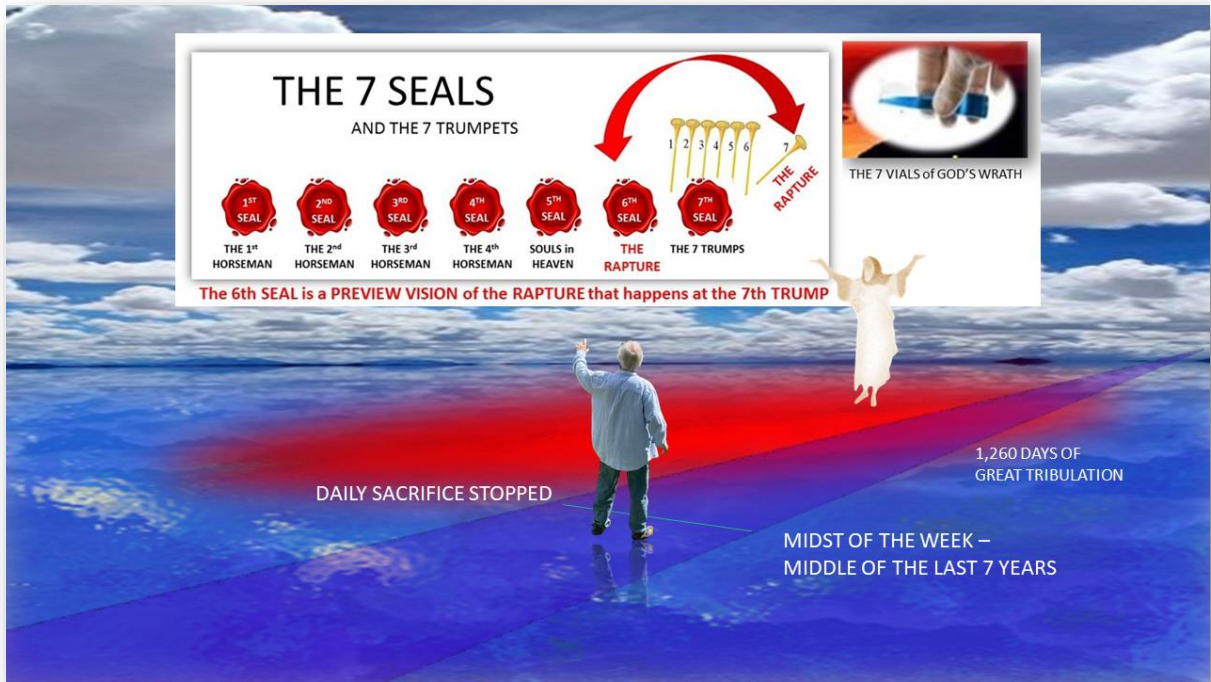
“Like you, many shall come to an understanding and accept that the book of Revelation is not written in chronological order, as many now suppose. As the world becomes increasingly darker, many shall see the book of Revelation in a new light of understanding, for the time is at hand.” (Ps119:130 Rom12:3 Matt5:6 Rev1:19)

Stephen then affirmed what he had told me earlier. He said, “I cannot express this enough. For now, for you, the key to understanding the book of Revelation is to simply accept, by faith, that the visions revealed to John may or may not

happen in the same order in which he saw, heard, and recorded them, and that sometimes a vision mentioned early in the book may be mentioned again later in the book, revealing different and added information.”

When I responded that I was convinced of this fact, Stephen cautioned me not to become overconfident. “I’m about to test your flexibility with ideas that may have never been considered before.” (Matt9:17)

The caution dampened my confidence, but the statement aroused my curiosity. I began to accept that if I was going to experience the days of great tribulation further along the timeline, then I would need to gain as much understanding as I could, while I could. I needed to be spiritually prepared with knowledge before I crossed that line into the time of great trouble.” (Hos4:6)



CHAPTER 7

The Seals, The Trumpets, and The Vials

Stephen was right! He began to challenge my beliefs with new ideas.

“To date, the popular teaching of man claims that the seven seals, and the seven trumpets of God, and the seven vials of God’s wrath are events that happen in order, or concurrently,” Stephen stated. “Although it is true that the seven trumpets of God sound in order, followed by the outpouring of the seven vials of God’s wrath in order, the same does not hold true concerning the seven seals.” (Rev8:1 to Rev11:15 Rev16:1-21) I could sense that Stephen was assessing my reaction to his last comment.

He then spoke in a succinct manner. “The seven seals reveal individual visions.”

“The first four seals are not events confined to happen within Daniel’s 70th week. The first four seals simply reveal the features of spiritual entities that have existed down through the ages.”



“The first seal is a vision of the Antichrist. He rides a white horse and is given one crown. He carries a bow and can be identified as Gog at the battle of Armageddon, and at the battle of Gog and Magog. (Ezk39:1,3) In contrast, Jesus has many crowns and is portrayed with a sharp sword coming out of his mouth. (Rev19:15) The Antichrist shall be revealed in his time, even though there exist many antichrists that appear in many forms.” (Rev6:2 1Jn2:18)

“The second seal reveals the spiritual entity that represents the vast industrial military complex – the result of greed and hate and envy.” (Rev6:3-4 Jms4:1)

“The third seal reveals the spiritual entity that represents big business. This horseman holds the power of false balance, by which the mighty deceive and oppress the poor, while maintaining luxuries for themselves.”

(Rev6:5-6 Prov11:1 Amos5:11 Jms1:1-6 Joel3:3)

“And the fourth seal reveals the spirit of death and the spirit realm of hell, which is not to be confused with the lake of fire. This horseman causes death by many means over the world’s lands and nations.” (Rev6:7-8 Rev20:14)

Although these comments stirred my curiosity, I chose not to interrupt with questions at that moment.

Stephen continued, “The fifth seal simply illustrates a truth that even the souls in heaven need to have patience that God is soon going to avenge their blood. (Rev6:9-11) This is told in scripture to help encourage the patience of the saints who shall be on earth during the great tribulation – Christians who have the testimony of Jesus Christ and who look forward to his glorious appearing.” (Rev12:17 Rev13:10 Rev14:12)

“And the sixth seal is really a preview vision of the Rapture that happens at the seventh trumpet within the seventh seal – a partial revealing of everything that shall happen when the sun and the moon go dark, immediately after the tribulation.” (Rev10:7 Rev6:12-13 Matt24:29-31)

Stephen noticed that I was perplexed by his last statement, so he gave me time to ask a question. “What do you mean that the sixth seal is a preview vision – a partial revealing of the Rapture that happens at the seventh trump? And why would it be partial, and not fully revealed?”

“This is a part of the mystery of God,” Stephen replied. “He is not the author of confusion, but he is the master of mystery and intrigue, as the book of Revelation can attest to.” (Rev10:7 1Cor14:33)

“God has chosen to conceal matters in mystery, and it is for Christians to search out and to solve those matters.” (Prov25:2)



Try to think of this way ... Imagine there is a movie coming to a theater near you – the greatest show on earth called, “The 7 Trumps of Tribulation!” The story line surrounds events that happen following the sounding of each of the 7 trumps throughout the movie. However, before the feature movie is released, you get to see a preview of the most exciting part of the movie – the climax that happens when the 7TH last trump sounds – the part called the Rapture that happens when the sun and the moon go dark and the stars fall from heaven – the part where the hero comes to rescue his beloved bride from the clutches of the villain.



Oh, I see! The 7TH seal is like the whole movie, but the 6th seal is a preview showing the most exciting part. So, John got to see the trailer first, but he didn't describe all the details of the Rapture in Revelation 6:12-13, otherwise there would be no mystery



Stephen continued, “Many, like yourself, understand that the sixth seal reveals the Rapture that happens when sun and the moon go dark. (Rev6:12-13 Matt24:29-31) Therefore, because the seventh seal reveals the seven trumpets of God, it is easy to assume that they must be part of God’s wrath that comes after the Rapture.” (Rev6:12-13 Matt24:29-31 Rev8:1-2 Rev15:1 to Rev16:21)

I agreed, “Yes, that’s the understanding of many.”

Stephen responded, “The fact of the matter is this: The seven trumpets of God, also referred to as the trumps of God, simply announce events that happen throughout the great tribulation. They do not cause the events that follow – they simply announce the events to follow. The seventh trump is the last trump that sounds at the Rapture, when the sun and the moon go dark, immediately after the tribulation.” (Rev10:7 1Cor15:52 1Thess4:16 Rev6:12 Matt24:29-31)

“This is when the mystery of God shall be finished, as declared to his servants the prophets. This mystery of God is the Rapture, as Paul explained.”

(Rev10:7 1Cor15:51 Job19:25-27 Isa26:19 Dan12:2 Jn11:24)

“The seventh trump is also when the kingdoms of the world become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ – as it is written.” (Rev11:15)

I then responded to Stephen with a statement and a question. “Paul wrote that the Rapture happens at the last trump of God (1Cor15:52 1Thess4:16), but he didn’t say anything about the last trump of God being the seventh trump.

(Rev10:7) In fact, the seventh trump wasn’t revealed to John until long after Paul wrote 1Thessalonians 4:14-17 and 1Corinthians 15:51-52. So, how can it be proven that the seventh trump is the last trump of God?”

(1Thess5:21 Rev10:7 1Cor15:52 1Thess4:16)

“That’s an honest observation,” Stephen remarked, before offering a more perfect understanding. “In 2Corinthians 12:1-7, Paul wrote concerning an abundance of visions and revelations given to him when he was taken into a heavenly realm. This is when Paul received knowledge concerning the mystery of the Rapture, many years before John wrote Revelation. (1Cor15:51-52 1Thess4:16-17) However, if Paul had written that the last trump of God was the seventh trump, then there would be no mystery. (Rev10:7) Therefore, because both John and Paul wrote as the Holy Spirit directed them, the matter was concealed in mystery. (Rev10:4,7) And yet, by the teaching of the Holy Spirit, which is available to all Christians, the matter of the seventh trump being the last trump of God can be revealed to those who have ears to hear, and hearts to believe.” (Jn14:26 Rev10:7 1Thess4:16-17 1Cor15:51-52 Matt13:9,11)

“So, you’re saying that the Holy Spirit, through the way that Paul and John wrote, hid the fact that the sixth seal Rapture and the seventh trump are the one and the same event?” I questioned. (Rev6:12-13 Rev10:7 1Cor15:51-52 1Thess4:16-17)

“Yes! God concealed this fact in a mystery, and it is for diligent Christians to search out the matter. (Prov25:2 2Tim2:15) I promise that this shall all become clearer as you progress further along the timeline, and as well-balanced scripture is presented to support this understanding.” (Ps119:105 2Tim2:15)

Stephen continued, “The seventh seal reveals many visions. The seventh seal reveals what happens when each of the seven trumpets of God are sounded, in order, and throughout the great tribulation.” (Rev8:6-12 Rev10:7)

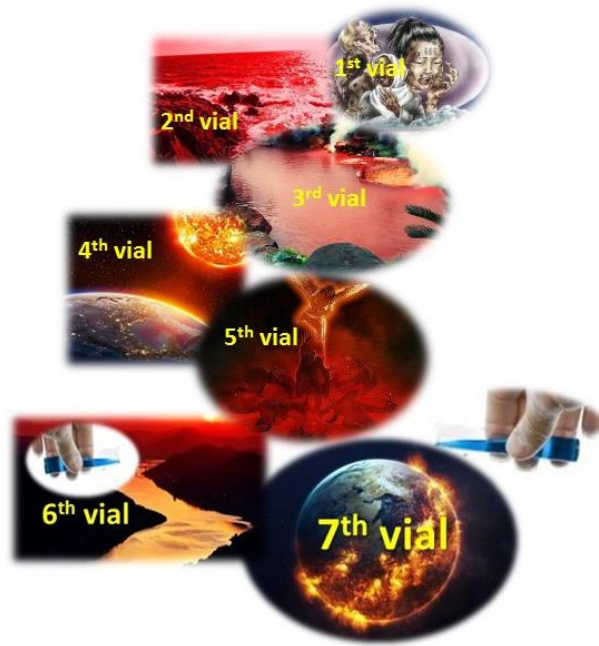


“Each of the seven trumps announce events that are about to happen on earth or in the heavens during the great tribulation. The seven trumps do not cause the events to follow, they simply announce the events to follow. Whereas, after the Rapture, when the seven vials of God’s wrath are poured out, their

contents are the cause of the events that follow. (Rev16:1-21) These differences are important to note. The seventh trump is the last trump of God that is sounded to announce the Rapture, as you shall see at that point along the timeline.” Stephen stated this as fact.

(Rev10:7 1Cor15:51-52 1Thess4:16-17)

“After the Rapture, only the seven vials of God’s wrath remain to be poured out. Again, these shall begin to be poured out, in order, after all the resurrected saints are in heaven, including those who came out of great tribulation, having gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name.” (Rev15:1-2 Rev16:1-21)



“Furthermore, nowhere in scripture can it be found that any of the seven trumpets are sounded after the seven vials begin to be poured out. (Rev15:1 to Rev16:21) Once again, scripture proves that the seven trumps sound while Christians – those who have the testimony of Jesus Christ, are still on earth during the great tribulation, before Jesus appears in the clouds to gather his elect on the last day.” (Rev12:17 Matt24:29-31 Jn6:39,40,44,54)

“Alternatively, nowhere can it be found in scripture that born-again Christians are on earth during the outpouring of any of the seven vials of God’s wrath. According to God’s Word, saved, born-again believers are not appointed to wrath, but they shall need to endure tribulation – as it is written.” (1Thess5:9 Jn16:33)

I asked Stephen if he could explain more about the seventh trump of God.

With patience, Stephen reassured me, “The seventh trump is the last trump of God that shall sound at the Rapture, when the mystery of God shall be finished, as declared to his servants the prophets. That mystery of God is the Rapture!” (Rev10:7 1Cor15:51-52)

“This is when Jesus himself said he shall raise all that believe on him – on the last day (Jn6:39,40,44,54), in a one-day, one-time event known as the first resurrection (Rev20:5) that shall happen when the sun and the moon go dark, immediately after the tribulation.” (Rev6:12-13 Matt24:29-31)

Stephen paused a moment to check that I was understanding. Then he continued, referring to Revelation 10:7 and related scriptures. “The seventh, last trump of God is when the mystery of God shall be finished, as declared to his servants the prophets, which is the resurrection of all believers on the last day.” (Rev10:7 1Thess4:16-17 1Cor15:51-52 Jn6:39,40,44,54)

“The prophet Job knew about the mystery of the resurrection of the dead.” (Job19:25-27)

“The prophet Isaiah knew about the mystery of the resurrection of the dead.” (Isa26:19)

“The prophet Daniel knew about the mystery of the resurrection of the dead.” (Dan12:2)

“And Martha spoke to Jesus concerning the mystery of the resurrection of the dead on the last day.” (Jn11:24)

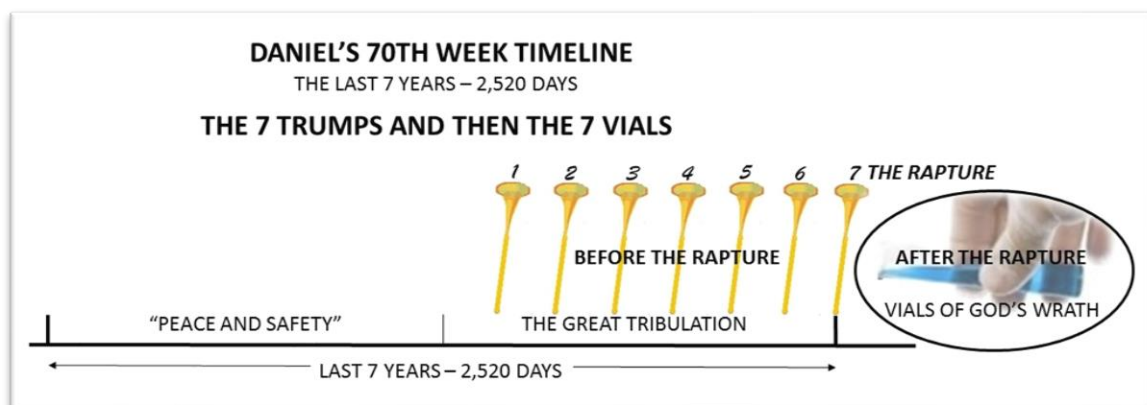
“This is the mystery of God that had been declared to his servants the prophets throughout the ages, and that mystery shall be finished when the seventh angel begins to sound the seventh, last trump of God – as it is written.”

(Rev10:7 1Thess4:16-17 1Cor15:51-52)

Stephen smiled to encourage me, saying, “Give it time, and you shall be fully persuaded in your own mind that what I am showing you is indeed the truth. Is there any other question that you would like to ask?” (Rom14:5 Jms1:5)

“Yes! Why aren’t the seven vials of God’s wrath included in the seven seals?”

Instantly, there appeared another illustrated timeline in front of me, and Stephen ever-so-patiently answered my question.



“John’s visions of the 7 seals are completed when the 7th angel sounds his trumpet, and the Rapture happens. (Rev10:7 Rev11:11-13) The 7 vials of God’s wrath are not included in the seals because they come after the Rapture that happens at the 7th, last trump of God. More shall be explained concerning the timing of the 7 trumps and the 7 vials of God’s wrath as you move further along the timeline.” (Rev10:7 1Cor15:51-52 1Thess4:16-17 Rev15:1-2 Rev16:1-21)

“Once the Rapture happens, the revelation of the seven seals is complete; and this includes the revelation of the day and hour when Christ returns to gather his elect. Then, after all the resurrected believers of all time appear in heaven, including those who came out of the great tribulation, having gotten the victory over the beast, and his name, and the number of his name – then the vials of God’s wrath can be poured out. This truth is clearly presented throughout Revelation Chapters 15 and 16. Are you following?” Stephen asked.

“Yes,” I began to recap. “The seven trumps sound throughout the great tribulation, and the Rapture happens at the seventh, last trump of God. Then, while all the resurrected saints are in heaven for the marriage supper of the Lamb, the vials of God’s wrath are poured out upon earth, upon those who have worshipped the image of the beast and received his 666 mark.”

“Wonderful! That’s the overview. Detail shall be added along the timeline.”

“Thank you,” I said. “I’m beginning to get the bigger picture.”

“Then, by faith, take your first step into the days of the great tribulation,” Stephen directed me. “After you do, look to see where your feet stand upon the timeline, and then lift your eyes and describe what you see.”



CHAPTER 8

The 144,000

I did as Stephen had instructed and saw that my feet were slightly across the dividing line between the first and second half of Daniel's 70th week. I was now standing at the very beginning of the 1,260 days of great tribulation.

As I lifted my eyes, I saw a vision of the earth from high above, as though I was viewing earth from outer space. I told Stephen this and said that I could also see four angels standing at the four different directions on earth. (Rev7:1-4)

Then, when I saw another angel appear from the east, and I knew this was the time when the 144,000 were to be sealed, as described in Revelation 7:1-8.

At that moment, I sensed that a haunting stillness had covered the whole earth – a strange doldrum in the air, and over the sea and trees. (Rev7:1)

Although I did not witness the sealing of the 144,000 at this time, I knew that they were not in Jerusalem, nor even in Israel, but were scattered throughout all the nations upon earth – that they were all descendants of the twelve tribes of Israel that had been scattered abroad. (Rev7:1-8 Jms1:1 Ezk34:12-13)

As the sealing took place, Stephen spoke to me about the 144,000. He explained that the angels were covering the four directions upon earth to seal the 144,000 for their protection, so they could pass through the days of great tribulation and trouble to follow. (Rev7:3 Rev9:4) He also pointed out that born-again Christians already have the seal of God, and therefore they are also protected from the plagues to come. (Jn6:27 2Tim2:19 2Cor1:22 Rev9:4)

144,000 SEALED FOR THEIR PROTECTION

Revelation 7:1-8 KJV And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree. ²And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, ³Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. ⁴And I heard 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 ...

CHRISTIANS ALREADY HAVE THE SEAL OF GOD

John 6:27 KJV Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.
2 Timothy 2:19 KJV Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his...
2 Corinthians 1:22 KJV Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

SEALED FOR PROTECTION AGAINST THE PLAGUES DURING THE GREAT TRIBULATION

Revelation 9:4 KJV And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

It was at this point that my former beliefs began to be challenged! Stephen explained to me that although scripture refers to the 144,000 as the servants of God (Rev7:3), nowhere can it be found in scripture that they preach and convert the Jews during the great tribulation.

I was told that the 144,000 are especially chosen to fulfil a certain destiny as the remnant of Israel. (Rom9:27-28 Rom11:5 Zeph3:13)

Stephen began presenting to me with ideas that have been difficult for me to accept, even to this time of writing of my dream experience, However, I'm going to continue to record everything as it was presented to me.

Next, Stephen explained that the 144,000 do not become saved, born-again believers until after the Rapture. "When the 144,000 see the Lord coming in the clouds, they are not born-again believers at that moment, and therefore they do not partake in the Rapture." (Rev1:7) Stephen then clarified that every soul must believe in Jesus before his appearance in the clouds – that everyone must "*believe without seeing*" to partake in the Rapture. (Jn20:29)

"Later, after the battle of Armageddon is when the 144,000 shall look upon Jesus and accept him as their Lord and Messiah. That is when they shall become born-again believers, and that is when they shall begin to fulfill their purpose as the servants of God." (Zec12:10 Rev7:3)

This all came as a surprise to me because it was so very contrary to my former understanding and beliefs. Stephen then stepped backwards and slowly faded from my sight, after which something most amazing happened.

I then heard the voice of Jesus speak to me. I did not see him as he spoke – I only heard his voice and instantly recognized it, like someone would recognize the voice of a friend on the phone. (Jn 10:27 Jn15:14)

Jesus began by quoting from Revelation 22:18-19, saying, “If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.”

Then Jesus balanced this severe warning with an inspiring message concerning the use of the gift of prophecy in the last days. (Acts2:17-18)

Jesus explained, “Using the gift of prophecy is not adding to the books of the Bible. (Rev22:18-19) As my Word declares, the testimony of Jesus Christ is the spirit of prophecy (Rev19:10), and in the last days your sons and your daughters shall prophesy. (Acts2:17-18) Prophecy shall not contradict scripture but shall uphold and be in harmony with the written Word. (1Cor13:1) I will put my Words in their mouths, and my spirit will be upon them (Jer1:9 Prov1:23), and they that understand among the people shall instruct many. (Dan11:33) And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever.” (Dan12:3)

He continued, “This message is the meat of the Word – meat for due season. It is for those of age and for those who can receive it. (Jn4:32 Matt24:45 Heb5:14 Matt11:14 Jn16:12 Jn15:12) He who receives it shall be nourished in his understanding and grow thereby. (Jn6:55-57) The wise shall consider the whole matter and be yet wiser. (Prov9:9) I often do things contrary to man’s natural expectations, for this shows the ways of God, and not of man – for my ways are above your ways, and my thoughts above your thoughts.” (Isa55:8-9)

Jesus then spoke in a very loving tone concerning the 144,000, beginning with an emphatic yet revelatory statement, “They’re children! The 144,000! Don’t they sound like children – virgins, both boys and girls, following me about on mount Sion and whithersoever I go; redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits of my millennial kingdom on earth?” (Rev14:1,4-5 Rom9:27-29)

I shook my head in disbelief at these words – and yet, I wanted to believe!

“Why does this amaze anyone?” Jesus added, before explaining further.

“The 144,000 are the children of the twelve tribes of Israel that have been scattered abroad throughout all the earth.” (Rev7:9 Jms1:1 Ezk34:11-16)



I was stunned at these words. I had never read, heard, nor even considered the possibility that the 144,000 could be children, both boys and girls; young men, yes, but what Jesus was about to explain challenged my former understanding.

Then Jesus quoted Jeremiah, “Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.” (Jer33:3)

The Lord then continued to speak with calmness and patience. “I understand this raises many questions. Allow me to explain. Allow me to answer from my Word. Allow me to speak to you plainly.” (Matt7:7 1Pet3:15 Jn16:25)

“I understand that many are expecting the 144,000 to be evangelists, for they are called the servants of God.” (Rev7:3)

“I understand that many are expecting them to come from the land of Israel, for they are of the twelve tribes of Israel.” (Rev7:4)

“I understand that many are expecting them to preach to Israel, for in their mouth is found no guile.” (Rev14:5)

“I understand that many are expecting them to be in heaven, for they are without fault before the throne of God.” (Rev14:5)

“I understand all these things, but things are not always as they seem,” Jesus hinted. (Matt13:13)

After a few moments of complete silence, Jesus spoke in a slow, rhythmic fashion, saying, “Understanding who the 144,000 are, and why they are sealed, and what their purpose is, and how and when the promise to Israel is going to be fulfilled through them, is vital to the understanding of Endtime prophecy.” (Rev14:5 Rev7:3 Rom9:27-28 Gen12:1-2)

Jesus then addressed each of the concerns that he had listed.

“My Word declares that the 144,000 are the children of the twelve tribes of Israel that have been scattered to the four corners upon earth for the past 2,000 years. (Rev7:9 Jms1:1) They come from every land and tribe and tongue under heaven where they have been scattered. (Ezk34:11-16) Remember, only heaven holds the genealogy of every soul who has ever lived. (Gen5:1) It is futile that man should wonder or consider who exactly shall be among the 144,000 – beyond what my Word reveals.” (1Cor3:19-20)

“My Word declares that the 144,000 are only sealed for their protection, before the seven trumpets begin to sound, so that they may pass through the days of great trouble and wrath, and then fulfill their final destiny as the remnant of Israel.” (Rev7:3-4 Rev8:1 to Rev10:7 Rev9:4 Rom9:27)

“My Word calls them the servants of God (Rev7:3), but nowhere in my Word can it be found that they are given the ministry of evangelism. These are the words of man.” (Eph5:6)

“The 144,000 are counted as the servants of God because, in that day when they shall look upon me and accept me as their Lord (Zech12:10), then they shall serve me and repopulate the earth (Rev7:3 Hab2:14); when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory in the day of regeneration, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.” (Matt19:28 Rev20:4)

“My Word does not count the 144,000 among the great multitude in heaven, which no man could number – those who appear in heaven after the great tribulation; for the 144,000 shall remain on earth.” (Rev7:9 Rev9:14 Rev15:2 Rev14:1)

“The great multitude in heaven, which no man could number, came out of the great tribulation, having gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image and the number of his name (Rev7:9,13-14 Rev15:2), and they sing as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and before the elders, in heaven. (Rev14:2-3 Rev15:2-4) Whereas on earth, no man could learn that song but the 144,000 redeemed from the earth (Rev14:3), redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits of my millennial kingdom (Rev14:4) – the saved, blessed, remnant of Israel.” (Matt24:22 Dan12:12 Rom9:27-28)

“The 144,000 are the saved flesh written about in Matthew 24:22. It is for the elect’s sake that those days of tribulation and great trouble be shortened, so that there should be a kingdom of heaven on earth in the regeneration, when I shall sit upon my throne in glory, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.” (Acts1:6-7 Matt6:10 Matt19:28)

“My Word declares that those days of great trouble shall be shortened when I return with the armies of heaven for the battle of Armageddon. (Matt24:22 Rev19:11 to Rev20:3) The outpouring of the sixth vial of God’s wrath prepares the way for the battle of Armageddon (Rev16:16), which shall happen after the marriage supper of the Lamb in heaven.” (Rev19:7-9 and Rev19:11 to Rev20:3)

“My Word declares that the 144,000 are not defiled with women, for they are virgins – and so they are (Rev14:4). To the pure, all things are pure. (Tit1:15) Likewise, in the day when my bride is presented to me as a chaste virgin, I shall not see her as having many members, both male and female. I shall only see her whole, and sanctified, dressed in her pure white garment that has been washed in the blood of the Lamb” (2Cor11:2 1Cor12:12 Rev7:14).

“My Word declares that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people; there shall they be called the children of the living God. Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved.” (Rom9:26-27)

“My Word declares that in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God; for God looks down from heaven upon the children of men.” (Rev14:5 Ps53:2)

“My Word declares the fulfillment of that which was spoken by the prophet Zephaniah, saying, The remnant of Israel shall do no iniquity, nor speak lies, neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make them afraid.” (Zeph3:13)

Jesus then paused, before concluding with a sad quiver in his voice, “This cannot be spoken concerning Israel today, not until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. (Lk21:24 Rev11:2) Then, in that day, I shall restore the kingdom. (Acts1:6-7 Isa66:8) The unbelievers shall not enter into the kingdom, but the children shall possess it (Deut1:39); for such is the kingdom of heaven.” (Matt19:14)

The voice of Jesus then tapered off into a soft, pleasant whisper. (1Kg19:12)
“Blessed is he that reads and understands. (Rev1:3) The entrance of my Word gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.” (Ps119:130)

A moment later, a misty fog folded around me like a soft blanket, and I felt enveloped within the Lord’s love.



CHAPTER 9

My Two Witnesses

Then, as the cloud lifted, I discovered that Jesus had not finished speaking to me. “Although it is not acknowledged in your red-letter editions of the Bible, I am the one speaking the words found in Revelation 11:3-13. In that passage, I am giving account of my two witnesses. To recognize this is vital to Endtime knowledge. This passage holds the key to understanding – the key that reveals the hour of my return. Allow me to explain.”

(Matt24:36 Rev11:11 Amos3:7 Jn15:15)

“When I was on earth, I said that I did not know the day and hour of my return. I said that only my Father in heaven knew. However, that changed when I was given the Revelation from my Father’s hand.” (Matt24:36 Rev5:1,7 Rev1:1,3)

“I already knew the day,
but I did not know the
hour of my return.

(Matt24:36) I had made it
well known through the
scriptures, and through
the words that I spoke to
my disciples, that I shall



raise all that believe on me on the last day. (Jn6:39,40,44,54) I knew that the
last day refers to the last day of Daniel’s 70-week prophecy, which is also the
last day of the great tribulation (Matt24:29-31), but I did not know the hour.”

“Then, when I was given the Revelation, I had the information that revealed
the hour, which I then signified by my angel to my servant John, who then
made it known to those who read and understand the words of this prophecy.”
(Rev1:1-3)

“I have promised that I shall do nothing except I first reveal it to my servants,
the prophets. (Amos3:7) I have also said that I no longer call you servants, for
the servant knows not what his master does, but I have called you friends, if
you keep my commandments. And the things that I have heard of my Father, I
have made known to you.” (Jn15:14-15 Rev1:1)

“Therefore, know and understand that the book of Revelation holds the key of
understanding, and by the spirit of wisdom and revelation I make known not
only the day of my return, but also the hour.” (Prov4:7 Eph1:17)

“Beginning at Revelation 11:3, I said that I will give power to my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy for 1,260 days. Then, when they have finished their testimony, they shall be killed and their dead bodies shall lie in the street of Jerusalem for three-and-a-half days (84 hours), and all the world shall rejoice at their deaths.” (Rev11:7-10)



“Then, three-and-a-half days later, the life of God shall enter them, and they shall stand upon their feet, and their enemies shall see them ascend into a cloud, and heaven shall receive them. (Rev11:11-12) This final witness of their resurrection shall be the conclusion of their 1,260 days of prophesying. (Rev11:7,3) This is when the Rapture happens, when I shall raise all that believe on me on the last day, immediately after the tribulation, as I have promised.” (Rev11:7-12 Jn6:39,40,44,54 Matt24:29-31)

Jesus then asked me, “Have you understood all that I have spoken?”

I replied that I was beginning to understand, but that it was a lot to take in.

“Then, I shall speak plainly. (Jn16:25) In the gospel of my servant John, I spoke of the resurrection, commonly called the Rapture that shall happen on the last day. (Jn6:39,40,44,54) On that day, I shall bring with me the souls of all believers – the spirits of all those who have died in Christ, including my two

witnesses, and they shall all be raised to everlasting life in their immortal, glorified bodies.” (1Thess4:13-14 1Jn3:2 1Cor15:53-54)

“Immediately following, all believers who are alive and remain shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye and shall be caught up together with them to meet me in the air, and so shall they ever be with me.” (1Thess4:14-17)

Jesus then summarized, point-by-point, all that he had spoken to me concerning the Rapture and the resurrection of the two witnesses.

“By the Revelation given to me by my Father, I have made known things that shall shortly come to pass – events that shall happen within a short period of time, at the time of the end.” (Rev1:1)

“Through my Word, I have made known that my two witnesses shall be raised on the last day (Jn6:39,40,44,54), along with all other believers (1Thess4:16-17), in a one-day, one-time event known as the first resurrection (Rev20:5) that shall take place immediately after the 1,260 days of great tribulation (Matt24:29-31), on the last day of Daniel’s 70-week prophecy (Dan9:24-27), when the kingdoms of the world become my kingdoms forever and ever (Rev11:15), at the sound of the seventh, last trumpet of God.” (Rev10:7 1Cor15:51-52 1Thess4:16-17)

“Through my Word, and through the Revelation given to me by my Father, I have made known both the day and the hour of my return.”
(Amos3:7 Jn15:14-15 Matt18:7)

After this, Jesus concluded with a blessing, saying, “My peace I leave with you. My peace I give unto you.” His voice then faded from my presence, but his words remained embedded in my heart. (Jn14:26-27)

Even now, it seems effortless as I recall and write about everything concerning my dream. Every word that Jesus spoke burns within my heart, and they make perfect sense, because every statement can be supported by scripture. (Jn14:25 Lk24:32 Acts17:11 1Thess5:21)



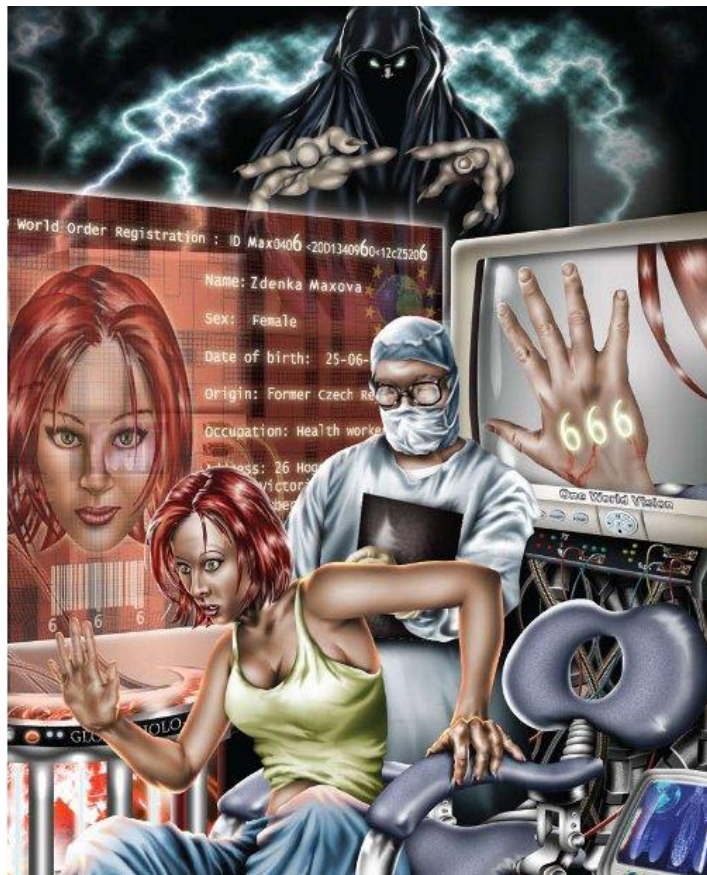
CHAPTER 10

The Dragon, the Woman, and the Wilderness

As my dream continued, Stephen reappeared and said, “Look a little further along the timeline, a little further into the early days of the great tribulation and tell me all that you see and hear.”

At first, I saw a vision like that described in Revelation Chapter 12. I saw a great red dragon who then morphed into the Antichrist. Then I saw him sitting in the so-called temple of God – the third Jewish temple. (Rev12:3-17 2Thess2:4) I also saw the image of the beast stand in the temple, and the image had power to speak. And I saw how the false prophet was really a part of an unholy trinity who demanded that everyone worship his image and receive his mark in their right hand or in their forehead. (Rev13:11-18 Rev20:10)

This was the 666 mark of the beast spoken of in Revelation – a new form of international personal identity, without which no-one could buy or sell. But to receive that 666 mark, the recipient had to knowingly worship the Antichrist as God (Rev13:14-18 2Thess2:4). Anyone who refused to comply were to be killed! In response, many chose to ignore the dire warning that had been echoed around the world by a herald angel. They then became deceived by evil propaganda, and their fate was sealed with the mark of the beast. (Rev14:9-11)



At the same time, I saw another vision – that of a woman with wings of an eagle spanned wide. Then, the vision changed into the woman aboard a modern airliner. I watched as the plane flew out of sight to a place in the wilderness that had been prepared for her by God. I think that this is similar to what John must have seen and described in Revelation 12:14. And although I only saw one plane, I somehow knew that the one really symbolized many airliners, and possibly other forms of transport.

This was followed by another vision in which I saw multitudes people rushing in different directions as they fled to various and remote parts of the world, hoping to escape the wrath and persecution of the Antichrist. (Rev12:6,17)

I could see that this vast number of refugees included members of many faiths, all of which refused to worship any image, especially the image of the beast. (Ex20:3-5 Dan3:4-5) These included Jews, and Muslims, and Christians who have the testimony of Jesus Christ. (Rev12:17) Those Christians appeared strong in their faith, and they began to perform many wonderful exploits, instructing many of other faiths to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior (Dan11:32-33 Dan12:3); and they loved not their lives unto death – they were not afraid to die for the cause of Christ. (Rev12:11)

As this vision began to fade, Stephen announced, “Before you see and experience the actual events described as the great tribulation, there are a few other things that I must show you.”



CHAPTER 11

The Mystery and Judgement of Babylon

Stephen explained that what I had just seen ran parallel with what I was going to see next. Apparently, I needed to see each as a separate vision, rather than overlapping scenes.

This helped me to understand why I had not progressed further along the timeline. I was still standing in a fixed position at the beginning days of the great tribulation.

Then, by the grace and insight given to me by God, I was shown a vision that helped me to understand the plans and intentions of the Antichrist. I saw the Antichrist and his forces as he made his move toward Jerusalem. (Dan11:41)

His goal was to cause the daily sacrifice to cease so that he could sit in the Jewish temple as God. (Dan9:27 Dan11:29-31 2Thess2:4)

As the Antichrist began to carry out his plans, news from the east and from the north troubled him. He knew that he would need to swiftly and permanently deal with the allies of Israel who opposed his plans, and therefore he would use great fury to utterly destroy many. (Dan11:44-45 2Thess2:4 Dan11:29-31)



Next, I saw another vision. I watched as an angel flew through the upper atmosphere around earth, preaching the gospel with a loud voice so that everyone could hear the message in their own language. He also said to fear God, and to give him glory, and that the hour of his judgement had come. (Rev14:6-7 Matt24:14)

Immediately following, I saw how the Antichrist broadcast his lies throughout the whole world (Jn8:44), casting down the truth (Dan8:12), and blaspheming God and persuading peoples and nations not to believe what they had just heard, asserting that it was a trick caused by radical Christians. (Dan7:25)

About the same time, I saw something else happening that seemed very strange to me, until the matter was further explained. I saw the Spirit of God move upon the 10 kings, so that they were all of one mind to give their power and strength to the Antichrist. Their goal was then to destroy the Antichrist's main opposing threat by fire – nuclear annihilation! (Rev17:16-17 Rev8:7)

Stephen then reminded me that throughout history it's not been unusual for God to use the wrath of Satan to carry out God's judgements. (Jud2:14)

Along with this reminder, and so that I would fully understand the reason behind all that I was about to see, Stephen took time to explain various aspects concerning the judgement of Babylon in the last days.

He spoke at some length and in a prophetic tone, saying, "Ancient Babylon was both a city and a nation. Today, only one nation on earth can fulfil all the criteria listed in Revelation Chapter 18. As I shall explain, the power behind Babylon is best described as a spiritual entity – the Great Whore that has influenced many kings and kingdoms down through the ages" (Rev17:9-10).



"That spirit manifests itself in the forms of self-might, self-importance, self-interest, and self-righteousness. Those selfish motives always lead to a turning away from Godly standards, which in turn leads to a display of gradual decadence. Today, that spirit emanates from the most powerful nation on earth. Today, that nation is portrayed by a house set upon a hill, and from where she could shine God's light to the world, with Godly liberty for all. However, that nation has now become a growing distaste to God, despite the struggles of many to uphold the standard of Godly pride and greatness that she once possessed." (Matt5:14 2Chron7:14-16)

“Sadly, her cancer eats inwardly toward her ultimate death! Yes, there are many who have done mighty works for righteousness’ sake, and for which there shall be a Godly reward, but that city and nation has been found wanting in the sight of God. To her demise, she has strongly and wrongly influenced the world to follow her pernicious ways, to the point where God shall have to judge her. Therefore, she must be judged according to the righteousness of God, for God is righteous in his judgement of her.”

(Matt5:10,14 2Pet2:2 Rev18:1-24 Rev19:1-2)



Stephen continued to speak in strong, prophetic tones as he explained, “In the end shall come the judgement of that great city, Babylon. Her sins have reached unto heaven and the cup of her iniquities shall be filled to overflowing before the end, so that God shall have no recourse but to judge her.” (Ezk18:23)

“And as Babylon of old was both a city and a nation, so too is she a city and a nation in the time of the end.”

“The Whore of Babylon is the woman that sits upon the beast and has always, throughout the course of kingdoms, influenced the heads of the beast with her controlling ways. She is the seductive spirit who lures the kings of the earth – the kings of nations, the kings of commerce, and the kings of religion to drink

of the cup of her abominations and filthiness, whereby she pours out the wrath of her fornication upon the innocent through wars, famines, and plagues, through oppression, and through persecutions.” (Rev17:5-6)

“By the spirit of compromise for gain, power, and popularity, she causes the kings of the earth to commit spiritual fornication with her, and the inhabitants of the earth to become drunk on the wine of excess. She is the Mother of Harlots who fills her cup with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus Christ; and the blood of the poor innocent infants has been found in her skirts. (Jer2:34) The epitome of her today is that great city Babylon, who sits upon the nations of the world, and who floods the shores of many nations with the filth of her thoughts and murders.” (Rev17:15)



“Therefore, as it is written, the ten kings shall hate the whore, for God has put it in their hearts to hate the whore, and to give their power to the Antichrist, until the words of God shall be fulfilled, to utterly burned her with fire in one hour,

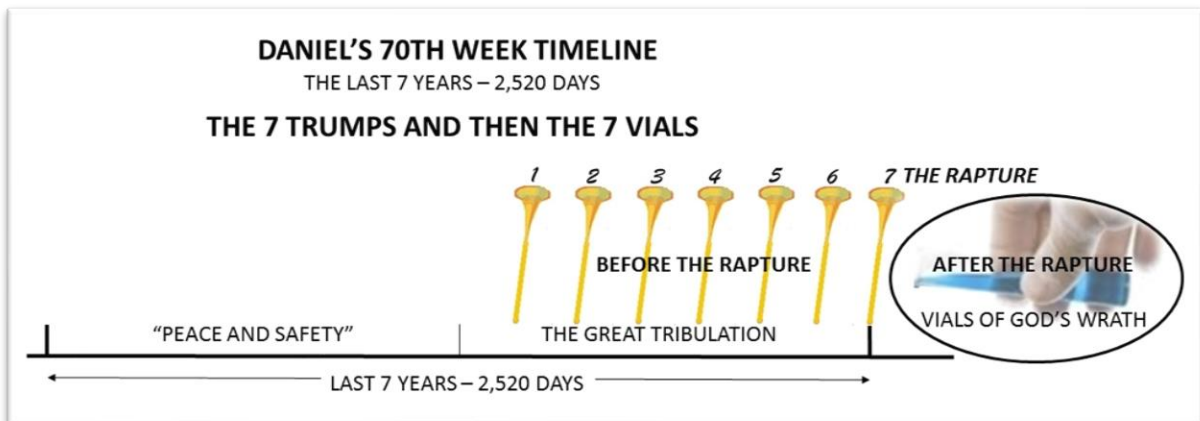
as God’s judgement of that great city, Babylon.” (Rev17:16 to Rev18:24)

After all these things were said, Stephen paused a while. Then he spoke to me in a more hushed tone. “Remember how I explained that the seven trumpets of God shall sound during the great tribulation?”

“Yes, you told me that the trumpets sound during the great tribulation, but the

vials of God’s wrath happen after the Rapture, while all the resurrected saints are in heaven for the marriage supper of the Lamb, which happens before the battle of Armageddon. And you said you would explain more about the timing of the vials of God’s wrath, when I’m further along the timeline.”

(Rev15:1-2 to Rev16:16 Rev19:7-9 Rev19:11 to Rev20:3 Dan12:11-12)



“Now that you understand these things, and as you now have a clearer understanding concerning the identity of that great city Babylon in the last days, you are almost ready to progress further along the Endtime Timeline. But first, I need to show you what must happen immediately before the first trump of God sounds during the great tribulation. (Rev8:7)



CHAPTER 12

Events Before the First Trump Sounds

Stephen continued, "As I've explained, throughout his Revelation experience, John was shown visions that were later repeated. Likewise, you are about to see certain events repeated. This offers you the opportunity to view events from different angles, allowing you to become more familiar with the details of an event before that event happens along the Endtime timeline. Such is the case with the three herald angels of Revelation 14:6-11, and the 144,000."

"You have gained a knowledge and understanding of who the 144,000 are, and what their purpose is. Now you are soon going to learn, by scripture, why the 144,000 need to be sealed before the 7 trumps of tribulation begin to sound."

“Thank you! I appreciate the way you take time to clearly explain the sequence of events, and then prove all things from scripture.” (1Thess5:21)

“And I appreciate your passion to listen and learn,” Stephen smiled back. “You now understand that when the second herald angel of Revelation 14:8 makes his pronouncement, he states that Babylon has fallen, has fallen!”

“If I may interrupt here ...?” I paused.

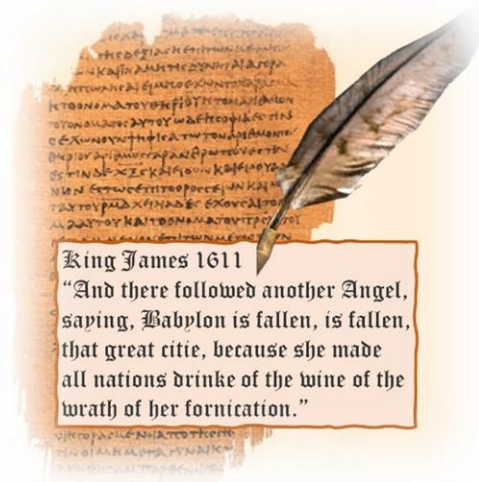
“Yes! Please, go ahead!”

“In both Revelation 14:8 and Revelation 18:1-3, my King James Bible says that Babylon is fallen, not has fallen. Is that just bad grammar to use the word ‘is’ instead of ‘has’?”

“In old English, the word ‘is’ could be used as an expression of being final, that something has already happened.

A similar example is the word ‘cometh’, which can be used in the past or present, and even the future tense. In Revelation 11:14 the words ‘cometh quickly’ meant that the earthquake came quickly, which refers to the great earthquake mentioned in Revelation 11:13.”

“Then, if that’s the case, some may say that modern translations would be more helpful,” I argued.



“At first, it may appear that way, but I assure you that God has better preserved his intended meaning in the anointed King James translation.” (Ps12:6-7)

I nodded that I both understood and agreed.

“Now, allow me to reveal the sequence of events that shall happen immediately before, and immediately after the sounding of the first trump of tribulation – between the first and second trumps of tribulation!”

Instantly, there appeared a series of screens in front of me, each spaced slightly apart along the timeline.

“Here is how Endtime events shall happen!” Stephen said in a definite manner.

The first screen displayed a continual rolling text, beginning at Revelation 18:4 and continuing through to Revelation 18:24, and then repeating again.

“I will explain this vision.” Stephen paused. “These are the words of the Lord already spoken and recorded in his written Word, beginning with the commandment for his people to come out of Babylon, that they be not partakers of her sins, nor receive her plagues that shall come upon her, when she shall be utterly burned in one hour.” (Rev17:16-17 Rev18:10)

I questioned, “If those words have already been spoken, then why am I seeing them here along the timeline? Shouldn’t I have seen them earlier?”

“To answer your question, it is important to recognize that the passage of

Revelation 18:4-24 is the voice of the Lord already spoken in his written Word. It is God's early warning to those who have ears to listen and a willingness to obey to come out of her before her judgement. At this point, it'll be too late!"

Stephen added, "What John called 'another voice' in Rev18:4-24 is Jesus. He is telling his people, through his written word, to come out of Babylon, and then he explains how and why Babylon shall be judged, and what will result from her destruction, and what shall be the global reaction to that devastation."

I retorted, "But there are so many debates as to who or what that great city Babylon is referring to. How can God's people know the interpretation for sure? And when and how should they come out of her, so they can be certain they will not be partakers of her sins, nor of her plagues?" (Rev18:4,8)

Stephen lowered his head and seemed to pray.

Then suddenly, like a whispering breeze, I not only heard, but also felt the voice of the Lord give the answer to my question, saying, "My people will know the truth by believing on the Word of truth! There is a time and a purpose for everything under heaven. There shall come a time when my people who know me and know my Word will come to the full realization of who Babylon is in the last days. They will be in no doubt, and they will be without excuse not to obey my command to come out of her before that great and fateful hour of her judgement! For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction shall come upon the unbeliever, and they shall not escape! For I shall do nothing, except I first reveal it to my servants the prophets." (Ecc3:1 1Thess1:5 Amos3:7) After Jesus had spoken these words, there was silence!

Soon after, Stephen then spoke, saying, “You shall continue to see visions along the timeline, some of which you’ve seen earlier, but hereafter the visions shall reappear in their respective order, as they shall happen along the timeline.”

The first vision showed the 144,000 being sealed early during the great tribulation, as described throughout Revelation 7:1-8.



THE FIRST HERALD ANGEL (Rev14:6-7)

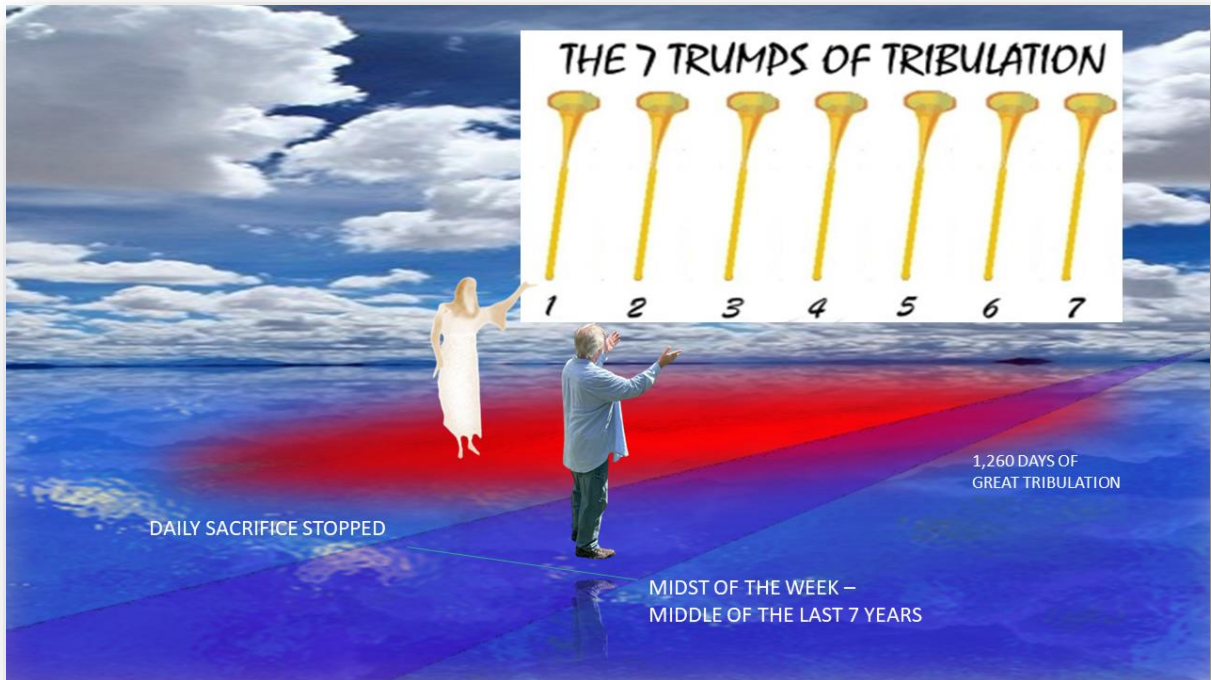
A little while later, I saw the first of the three herald angels fly through the upper atmosphere as he preached the gospel with a loud voice for all on earth to hear, and then saying, “Fear God, and to

give him glory; for the hour of his judgement is come.” (Rev14:6-7)

Stephen then explained to me that this was a fulfilment of the prophecy spoken by Jesus when he said, “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.” (Matt24:14)

And then shall the end come! And then shall the end come! Those words resounded in my mind. The end was now truly nigh! (Lk21:28)

Next, I saw an earlier vision repeated. I saw the time to come when God shall put it in the hearts of the ten kings to hate the whore, and they’ll conspire with the Antichrist to utterly burn Babylon with fire in one hour, and thereby unwittingly fulfill the will of God to judge Babylon. (Rev17:16-17 Rev18:1-24)



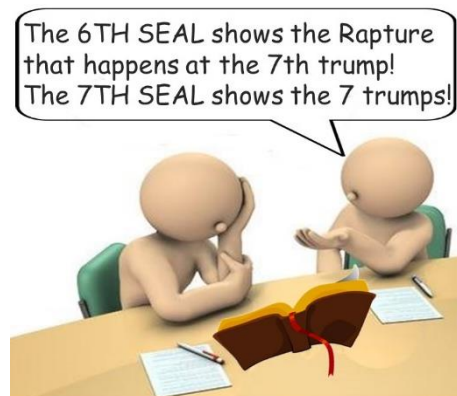
CHAPTER 13

The 7 Trumps of Tribulation and The Rapture!

I remember that the next thing I saw in my dream was a vision of the nail-pierced hand of Jesus opening the seventh seal, which revealed everything concerning the seven trumpets of God. (Rev8:1 to Rev11:15)

Earlier, Stephen had explained that because the sixth seal describes the sun and the moon going dark at the time of the Rapture, it is easy to assume that the seven trumpets within the seventh seal must sound after the Rapture. However, I now have a better understanding that the sixth seal is really a preview or partial vision of some of the events that happen at the Rapture – and that the Rapture happens at the sounding of the seventh, last trump of God within the seventh seal. (Rev10:7 1Cor15:51-52 1Thess4:16-17)

It took a while, but once I understood this matter, many other Endtime events began to fall neatly into place. So, now that I have recapped on this point, I can continue to share what happened next in my dream.



After I saw Jesus open the seventh seal, I witnessed the events described in Revelation 8:1-6, including the seven angels being given the seven trumpets of God. What startled me the most was the fact that there was silence in heaven for about the space of half an hour. (Rev8:1)

Being aware of that period of silence in heaven, I was compelled to re-think some of my former beliefs.

Before my dream, I had concluded that time doesn't exist in heaven, based on Revelation 10:6 that says that time shall be no longer.

Now, I understand that verse refers specifically to the "time, times, and half-a-time" period of the great tribulation, which shall finish at the sounding of the seventh trump. (Rev10:6-7 Dan7:25 Rev12:14)

And even though God can and does exist outside of time, scripture reveals that time itself shall still exist within the spirit world, and within the different levels of heaven, and upon earth during Christ's millennial reign. (2Cor12:2 Dan12:11-12 Rev20:3,7)

As I gave the topic more thought, it dawned on me that time shall not only exist on earth for Christ's thousand-year reign (Rev20:4 Rev20:7), but it already exists in the spirit realm. For example, in Daniel 10:13 the angel testified that as he journeyed to deliver understanding to the prophet Daniel, the prince of Persia withstood him twenty-one days, while he was still within the realm of spiritual principalities. (Eph6:12)



Revelation 6:10 reveals that even the departed saints verify that there is time in heaven, asking, "How long, O Lord?" They were told that they should wait a little season (a term the Lord uses when he wants time to remain non-specific), and then God would avenge their blood. (Rev6:10 Rev18:20) Those souls are also aware that they without us should not be made perfect (Heb11:40) – meaning, they are waiting on us so they can be made perfect on the day of the resurrection – the day of the Rapture. (Dan12:13 Phil1:6 Jn11:24) This all indicates that the saints in heaven are waiting for the completion of the time of the end. If this were not the case, then time would not matter to them.

During that half hour of silence in heaven, I understood that the intended meaning of Revelation 10:6 is to show that when the seventh trumpet sounds (Rev10:7), this will mark the end of the "time, times and half a time" of the great tribulation (Dan7:25 Dan12:7), and that "time period" should be no longer! (Rev10:6)

As the half hour of silence in heaven ended, I watched with expectation and contemplation as the seven angels prepared themselves to sound. (Rev8:6)

The 1st Trump of Tribulation

Revelation 8:7

Trump 1 Rev8:7 Babylon being utterly burned with nuclear fire in one hour



That moment of thought was sharply interrupted when the first angel sounded his trumpet. Seconds later, I saw a vision of what looked like hundreds of burning arrows flying across the top of earth's globe. They all headed

at tremendous speed toward a common goal. Then I saw the most horrific scene as those objects hit their respective targets. As many, many columns of fiery smoke billowed into mushroom clouds, I gasped in disbelief. I realized that those arrows were nuclear missiles. And there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up, just as described in Revelation 8:7.

During the hour that followed, I witnessed the nuclear annihilation of a whole nation – a once proud and prosperous nation that had been blessed under God's protective hand, but over time had forsaken the righteous way.

Deep grief grasped my heart, and I wept and wailed from within my soul, my face buried into the palms of my hands. (Rev8:7 Rev18:1-24)

Stephen consoled me, saying, "Turn your eyes upon heaven." (Heb11:10)

I lifted my eyes, and through my tears I watched as a great and rushing wind ushered the souls of many into heaven. Soon after, I heard a mighty sound of rejoicing and praises in heaven (Rev18:20), and many voices proclaiming that God's judgements are righteous. (Rev16:5,7 Ps119:75) This was a stark contrast to the sorrows and mournful cries upon earth at that time. (Rev18:9-11,15-19)

My attention was then somewhat diverted from the heavenly realm back towards earth. I say somewhat diverted, because what I was to see next incorporated events both in the heavenlies surrounding earth, and events directed toward the inhabitants of the earth.

THE SECOND HERALD ANGEL (Rev14:8)

I saw the second of the three herald angels as he flew around the earth in the upper atmosphere. (Rev14:8) His appearance was so brilliant that it shone upon the earth like a full moon on a clear night as he repeated with a loud voice, "Babylon is fallen! Babylon is fallen!" (Rev14:8 Rev18:1-3)

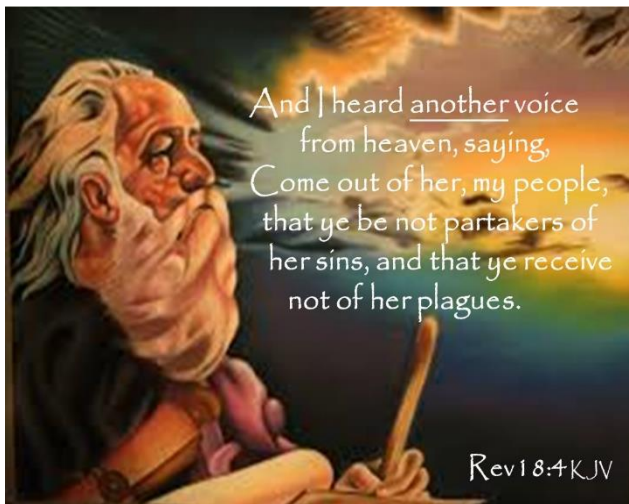


Stephen then interjected, saying, "It is important to note that the vision and words recorded in Revelation 14:8 is a parallel prophecy to Revelation 18:1-3. It is the same angel saying the same words at the same time – immediately after Babylon falls!"

I took a moment to reflect on those passages.

Stephen continued, “And remember, what John called ‘another voice from heaven’ in Revelation 18:3 is Jesus forewarning his people through his written word to come out of Babylon, so that they be not partakers of her sins, nor receive her plagues. After Jesus gives that warning, he explains what will happen to Babylon, and why, and what will happen because of her judgement.”

I asked, “At this point along the timeline, is it too late for those who hesitated and didn’t come out of Babylon earlier, when they should have?”



“Yes ... Revelation 18:4 through to Revelation 18:24 is Jesus warning his people, through his written Word, to come out of Babylon. That warning is already recorded in Revelation for those with ears to hear, and hearts to believe and obey. That is why you didn’t hear

Revelation 18:4-24 spoken with an audible voice when you saw them in the earlier vision. It is the voice of God’s written word that speaks to the hearts of his people. For those who won’t believe or don’t respond, they shall be caught in the judgement of Babylon! The sure word of prophecy recorded in Revelation 18:4-24 fully explains the reason why Babylon is to be judged, and what shall result from her judgement. Herein is the importance of correctly identifying Babylon in the last days, and why it is so important for God’s people to understand how, when where and why God must judge her.”

(2Pet1:19 Rev18:4-24 Rev17:5,15-18)



THE THIRD HERALD ANGEL (Rev14:9-11)

Soon after, I saw the third herald angel as he flew through the upper atmosphere, warning everyone on earth with a loud

voice and in their own language not to worship the image of the beast, nor receive his mark in their right hand or forehead. Then he made known the dire consequences for those who would not heed his warning. (Rev14:9-11)

It was at that moment that I understood something I had not understood previously – that Babylon must fall during the early part of the 1,260 days of the great tribulation.

The understanding had been there all the time in the Word – knowledge that is vital to survival in the last days! (Hos4:6)

I realized that for the pronouncement of the third angel of Revelation 14:9-11 to be effective, he must make that pronouncement early during the great tribulation, when the Antichrist demands that everyone worship the image of the beast and receive his 666 mark. (Rev13:16-18)

And if the third angel makes his pronouncement early during the great tribulation, then the pronouncements of the first angel of Revelation 14:6-7 and second angel of Revelation 14:8 must also be made early during the great tribulation. And therefore, the understanding was there all the time, recorded in God's Word for all to discover – that Babylon must fall early during the great tribulation. (Prov25:2 Rev18:1-3 Rev14:8)

The 2nd Trump of Tribulation

Revelation 8:8-9



TRUMP 2 Massive land mass, burning like a mountain, falling into the sea causing unprecedented tsunami, reaching foreign shores, killing a third of marine life and destroying a third of ships

After these things, and still early into the great tribulation, I heard the second angel sound his trumpet. The vision of what I saw next caused me further astonishment. Apparently, the power released by the nuclear devastation of Babylon had a follow-on effect. It had caused a humongous land mass to dislodge on the west coast of that nation that was no longer. I watched as the earth quaked violently, which forced a great portion of land out of its place, burning as it were like a mountain as it plunged into the sea. This in turn caused an unprecedented tsunami across a third of the world's ocean, killing a third of the marine life and destroying a third of the ships. (Rev8:8-9)

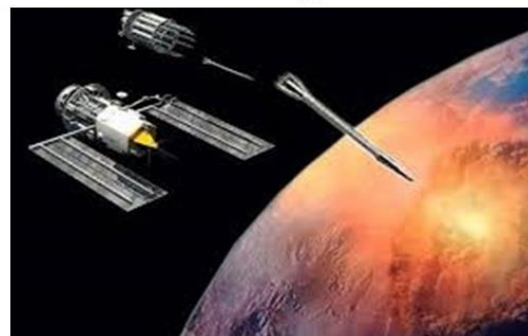
Although this was all happening in my dream experience, the vision reminded me of something I had read. The article supposed what would happen across the entire Pacific Ocean if something caused the Cascadia Subduction Zone and San Andreas area to dislodge. The article surmised that such a catastrophic event would cause an unprecedented tsunami across the Pacific Ring of Fire and would devastate a third of the world's marine life and possibly claim a third of the world's ships.

The 3rd Trump of Tribulation

Revelation 8:10-11

Next, I heard the third angel sound his trumpet, and I saw a vision of a multi-head, bio-weapon missile that fell like a great star from heaven, burning as it were like a lamp. The missile then burst in various directions and fell upon the waters of allied nations that opposed the Antichrist and his invasion of Israel.

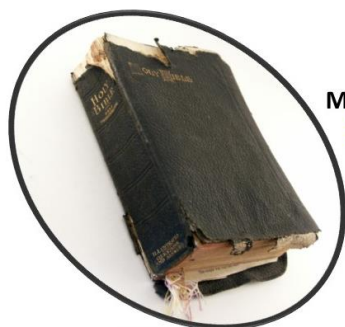
Trump 3 Rev8:10 A multi-head bio-warhead nicknamed "Wormwood", after Chernobyl, burning like a star or lamp as it fell upon the waters of the allies who oppose the Antichrist



Instinctively, I knew that this missile, or this assault involving many missiles, was nicknamed Chernobyl, which in English translates as Wormwood.

(Rev8:11) And I knew that many people were going to die from drinking poisoned water. I understood that this was the vision John saw and did his best to describe in Revelation 8:10-11.

Stephen then took the opportunity to highlight a precious promise from God's Word available to all born-again believers. "Once anyone becomes a born-again believer, they instantly have access to all the promises in God's Word that they can claim in times of need! This is vital to survival in the dark days to come!"



Mark 16:18 (KJV) They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

The 4th Trump of Tribulation

Revelation 8:12-13

A little time later, I heard the fourth angel sound his trumpet. Then I saw a dismal vision as earth suffered beneath a blanket of darkness caused by the dust and debris that had been sucked up into the stratosphere. This scene was exactly as John described in Revelation 8:12, where he wrote: and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.



After these things, Stephen spoke again to explain, “What you have witnessed is the result of events caused by the wrath of Satan. (Rev12:12,17) These events were not due to the wrath of God, although God used Satan’s wrath to perform God’s righteous judgement upon Babylon.” (Rev17:17)

Stephen then spoke about a line of distinction between the first four trumps, and the last three “woe” trumps to be introduced by another angel. (Rev8:13)



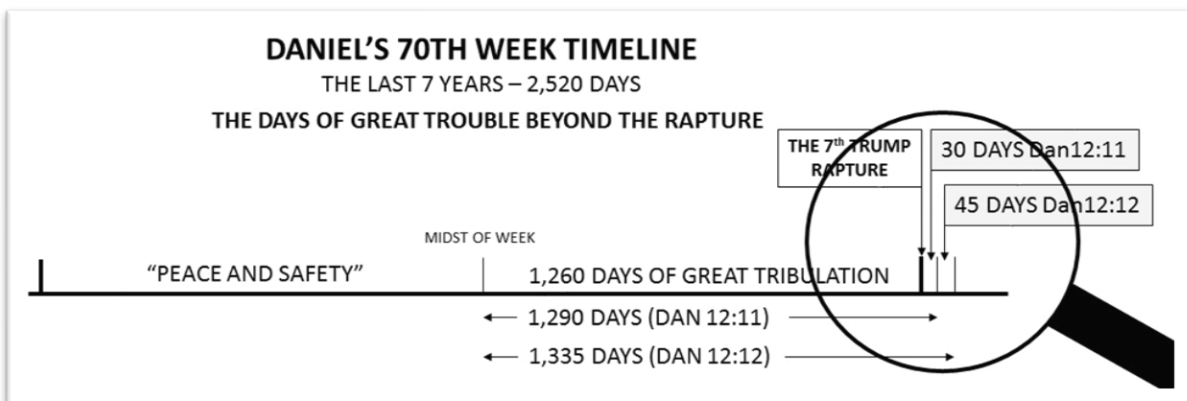
“In contrast to the first four trumps, the last three trumps of tribulation announce events to be orchestrated by heaven. These events will serve as God’s judgements upon the wicked, while at the

same time protecting God’s people from the plagues to come during the remainder of the great tribulation – God’s people: those who have the seal of God, which include the 144,000 and all born-again Christians.”

(Rev7:3-4 Eph4:30 2Tim2:19)

I took the opportunity to ask the reason for the continued time of trouble. I asked why those days were not being cut short, as Matthew 24:22 promised.

Stephen then improved my understanding by saying, “Those words do not promise that the 1,260 days shall be cut short. The days of great trouble extend past the day of the Rapture (Matt24:29-31) to include the 30 days when the vials of God’s wrath are poured out (Dan12:11 Rev16:1-16), and then a further 45 days for the battle of Armageddon to follow. (Dan12:12 Rev19:19:11 to Rev20:3) As you progress along the timeline, you shall understand all these things – you’ll understand how and when those days shall be shortened, and thus understand how the promise in scripture shall be fulfilled.” (Matt24:22)



Stephen then closed his eyes and appeared to meditate. He seemed to be communicating with someone through thought.

Whatever he was doing, the result bolstered my understanding of matters. Suddenly, my vision was greatly magnified and clarified. I felt like I'd been catapulted into a futuristic scene to where the future became the present.

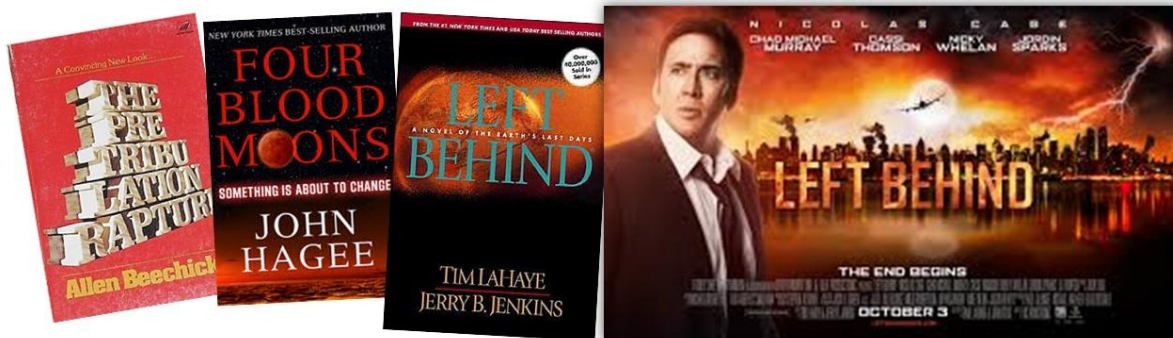
Immediately, I began to understand the reason Christians should be upon earth during the great tribulation. I saw Christians everywhere doing great exploits, many boldly and fearlessly instructing others as they proclaimed the name of Jesus, all the while winning many to Christ. (Dan11:32-33 Dan12:3)

I could see that many ordinary, every-day Christians now felt they had a greater purpose to their life. Many sensed they'd found their true calling! They saw that the great tribulation was their opportunity to join with others and shine bright for Jesus. (Matt5:16) They recognized that this was the day that the prophets had dreamt of, and spoken and written about, and they were living it – the Endtime! (Dan11:32-35)

Gone were their church buildings and the amplified worship music. Christianity had been outlawed globally, along with all other forms of religion. (Matt24:21 Rev12:17) Now, church was defined by two or three gathering together in Christ's name (Matt18:20), and they sang with conviction the songs of martyrs. (Eph5:19) I could see that no-one cared any more about what church they'd belonged to, for everyone was simply a brother or sister in Christ as they saw their redemption draw nigh. (Lk21:28)

Thankfully, the differences of petty doctrines had disappeared. (1Tim1:4) Everywhere, Christians were on fire for Jesus, and the heavenly anointing upon them was very obvious. (Acts2:16-21) Against the darkness of the great tribulation, these little lights were shining bright, and they gave all the glory to Jesus. (Dan11:33 Matt5:16 1Thess5:18) For Christians, there was no greater purpose left on the planet than to be a witness for Jesus (Matt19:28-29 Rev20:4), even if that witness was the call of martyrdom. (Rev12:11 Rev20:4 Rom8:36)

As this vision receded into the distance, Stephen began to speak at length, and in a prophetic tone concerning the times before Daniel's 70th week. "Because of popular but false teaching (2Pet2:1), many have an incorrect knowledge concerning the time of the end. (1Cor14:8) Therefore, many are ill-prepared for the times of great trouble ahead." (Matt24:21)



"Many have listened with itching ears to the feigned words of the false prophets, preachers, and teachers. They have purchased their merchandise and been entertained by fables of what they want to hear, while neglecting to invest in the truth of what they need to hear." (2Pet2:1-3 Tim4:3-4 Acts17:11)

“As a result, many Christians have difficulty in understanding why Jesus would allow his church – his beloved bride, to remain upon earth during the great tribulation, during that time of great trouble like the world has never seen before, no, nor shall ever see again.” (Matt24:21)

“Many do not yet understand that the days of great tribulation shall be her hour to burn brightly. (Matt5:16) Yes, some shall mock and ridicule her (Matt27:42), but many others shall draw near to her, to be fed by her words and to be warmed by her love through the days of tribulation.” (2Cor1:4)

“Many forget that Jesus said believers shall face persecution and tribulation for the kingdom of heaven’s sake; but to be of good cheer, for he has overcome the world. (Matt5:11-13 Jn16:33) Believers are also called to be overcomers (Rom8:37 Matt24:13); but how shall they overcome if they are not tested? (Rom8:35 Rev3:10) A champion must be in the race to run the race, if he or she is expecting to win the prize of the high calling of God! (Heb12:1-2 Rev20:4 Matt19:28) For there is no testimony without a test; no triumph without a trial; and no victory without a battle!” (Heb9:16-17 1Pet1:7 Rev15:2)



“Even now, Jesus prays as he did while he was on earth, that the believers should not be taken out of the world, but that they should be kept from the evil.” (Jn17:15 Rom8:34)

Stephen then paused a moment before counting on his fingers to highlight some of the many times God has kept his people through trials and tribulation.

“The Lord kept Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego through the fiery trial – he did not take them out of it!” (Dan3:25)

“The Lord kept Noah and his family through the flood – he did not take them out of it!” (Heb11:7)

“The Lord kept the people of Moses through the plagues, and through the Red Sea – he did not take them out of it!” (Ex14:22 Heb11:27-29)

“And the Lord shall keep his beloved bride from the hour of temptation that shall come upon all the world – he shall not take her out of it, but he shall keep her from it!” (Rev3:10 2Pet2:9 Rom8:35)



Stephen then stated with assurance and honesty,

“However, scripture foretells that many shall die as martyrs for the cause of Christ during the great tribulation (Dan11:33-35), but they shall be rewarded and rule and reign with Christ a thousand years.”

(Rev20:4 Matt19:28 2Cor4:17-18)

“God’s Word reveals the purpose and various reasons why it is necessary for the bride of Christ to be present upon earth during the great tribulation.

(Dan11:32-33) He needs his bride on earth to be strong, to do exploits, and to instruct many ... and for some, to be purified. (Dan11:35) God’s Word marks the great tribulation as the hour of temptation – the time that shall come upon all the world to test them.” (Rev3:10)

“However, it needs to be understood that the time of the great tribulation is NOT the time when God’s vials of wrath are to be poured out upon earth, and upon those who worship the image of the beast and receive his mark in their right hands or in their foreheads. God’s wrath comes after the days of tribulation – after the resurrected saints are in heaven.” (Rev15:1 to Rev16:21)

“The great tribulation is the hour for which the martyrs and overcomers shall be recognized and honored and rewarded.” (Rev20:4 Rev3:21 Rev21:7)

“Christ’s victorious bride needs to be present upon earth during the great tribulation, to be his ambassador and heaven’s representative. (2Cor5:20) Jesus shall not leave her comfortless, but he shall empower her mightily with the Holy Spirit. (Jn14:26 Acts1:8) Then, immediately after the tribulation, the bridegroom shall come for his bride, before the days of wrath (Rev16:1-21), and before the days of the battle of Armageddon.” (Rev19:11 to Rev20:3)

“Christ’s brave-hearted bride has the testimony of Jesus Christ, and she will love not her life unto death. (Rev12:11) She is willing to die daily, so that others may live eternally.” (1Cor15:31)

“Christ’s triumphant bride shall be as Joan of Arc was in her day – a bold virgin who heard and followed the words spoken to her from heaven, and who, powered by the strength of heaven, led her people to victory after victory. (2Cor11:2 Eph6:12) She refused to compromise, nor surrender her beliefs, even unto death. (Rev12:11) She knew her place on the battlefield, and so shall Christ’s Endtime bride.” (1Cor7:20)

“Christ’s beloved Endtime bride shall remain on earth as the ambassador of heaven – as Christ’s spokeswoman, willing to be present on earth during the distress of nations.” (2Cor5:20 Lk21:25)

“Christ’s faithful bride shall strive to bring honor to her husband, and to seek out and to feed his sheep.” (Lk9:26 Matt25:21 Ez34:11 Jn21:15-17).

“Christ’s Endtime bride is willing to labor hard in the field, to endure hardness as a good soldier (2Tim2:3), so that she may bring the fruit of the field to her Master – so they may be present at the marriage supper of the Lamb.” (Prov31:15-16 Rev19:7-9 Lk11:23)



Soon after Stephen had finished speaking those words at length, he told me to watch and listen as another angel flew swiftly through the upper atmosphere above earth. I saw the angel, and I heard the angel saying with a loud voice, “Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpets of the three angels, which are yet to sound!” (Rev8:13)

The 5th Trump of Tribulation

Revelation 9:1-12

Sometime later, I heard the fifth angel sound his trumpet. Next, I thought I saw a star fall from heaven. However, I soon realized that it wasn't a star, but an angel. He was given the key to the bottomless pit, which he opened. This released huge plumes of smoke that darkened the skies. (Rev9:1-2)

After this, I saw strange, stinging locusts emerge from the smoke. They were commanded not to harm the grass and trees, but only the people who did not have the seal of God in their foreheads. This meant that the 144,000, and all born-again Christians were protected from the plague of the locusts.

(Rev9:3-4 Rev7:3-4 Eph4:30 2Tim2:19 Lk10:19)

Stephen then directed me to take further steps along the timeline, and then to tell him what I saw.

As I walked along the timeline, I quickly covered the next five months, during which time I saw the locusts as they fiercely stung many who were loyal to the Antichrist and worshiped his image and received his 666 mark. (Rev9:5)

I saw that the sting from the locusts didn't kill, but painfully tormented those whom they stung, to the point that the victims wanted to die, but in a sense, they couldn't. Those who resolved to take their own lives to escape the severity of their stings soon discovered that they could not flee death. Rather, their souls faced a more severe torment on the other side of death. (Rev9:6)

The plague of locusts gave a time of reprieve to those who were resisting the demands of the Antichrist – those who were being pursued and persecuted and killed by the Antichrist forces for refusing to worship the image of the beast and receive his mark.

Eventually, as this vision vanished from my sight, I heard Stephen quote a Bible verse, “One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.” (Rev9:12)

The 6th Trump of Tribulation

Revelation 9:13-21

After I heard the sixth angel sound his trumpet, he was told to release four angels that were bound in the river Euphrates. After this, I saw a mighty and unusual army of 200,000,000 horsemen that had been prepared for a specific time – to go on a killing rampage that would last a year, and a month, a day and an hour, during which time they would kill one third of the world’s population. (Rev9:13-21) This was the second woe that accompanied the sixth trump.

This happening was not caused by the Antichrist, but rather this plague was directed at heaven’s command. God’s intent was to judge the wicked while further disrupting the advances of the Antichrist forces who sought to kill those who refused to worship his image and receive his mark. (Rom8:28)

After the days of the second woe had ended, the followers of the Antichrist who had not been killed continued to live in unrepentant wickedness. (Rev9:20-21)

At that time, I knew that the second woe had passed, as it is defined by Revelation 9:20-21, but strangely John doesn't announce this in scripture until Revelation 11:14. When I mentioned this to Stephen, he asked me to accept this as part of the mysterious way in which Revelation has been woven together. Once again, I was assured that I would soon gain a better understanding concerning the placement of these matters in scripture.

My attention was then directed to view the vision in front of me. It was that of the two witnesses. Throughout the great tribulation, they had remained in Jerusalem, dressed in sackcloth, tirelessly warning the world to repent. Their prophesying increasingly tormented the unrepentant. Fearlessly, they warned the wicked of the wrath to come for those who refused to repent, saying that it was better to cut off the right hand than to perish in hell. (Rev11:1-6 Matt5:30)

Toward the end of the great tribulation, the two witnesses became even bolder in their witnessing, prophesying from the words of Revelation 11:7-13, even predicting the timing of their own deaths, and claiming that their bodies would lay in the street of Jerusalem where they would be killed, and that after three-and-a-half days Jesus Christ would return in the clouds and resurrect them.

The world laughed and ridiculed their prophesying, to which the two prophets responded with a warning that when the peoples and kindreds and tongues and nations see these things, then they should fear greatly, for the wrath of God would soon come upon them. (Rev11:7-12) The two prophets warned the world that their rejoicing would be turned into mourning, and their joy into sorrow at the appearing of Jesus Christ not many days hence! (Jms4:9 Rev1:7)



Then, three-and-a-half days (84 hours) before the end of the 1,260 days of great tribulation, the Antichrist forces finally succeeded in killing the two witnesses. The world rejoiced and celebrated this event by sending each other gifts. Furthermore, the world agreed to leave their bodies in the street of the city, saying, “They trusted in Jesus. Let’s see if he can save them now.” (Rev11:7-10 Matt27:43)

During the 84 hours that followed the death of the two witnesses, gross darkness covered the earth, and the skies grew exceedingly dark, so-much-so that the sun appeared black, and the shine of the moon could not be seen, or at best was blood red. (Isa50:2 Joel2:31) For those Christians who were alive and remained on earth during those 84 hours, they were not in spiritual darkness, for they knew that the hour of their redemption drew near. (Lk21:28 1Thess5:1-7) They knew that Jesus was going to come like a thief in the night upon those of the world who were laughing and eating and drinking to celebrate the deaths of the two witnesses. (1Thess5:1-7) Their laughter was about to be turned into mourning, and great fear. (Jms4:9 Rev11:11)

The 7th, Last Trump of God – The Rapture!

Revelation 10:7 and 11:15 1Corinthians 15:51-52

1Thessalonians 4:16-17 Matthew 24:29-31

Upon the 84th hour after the deaths of the two witnesses, the seventh angel began to sound the seventh, last trump of God. (Rev11:11-12 Rev10:7 1Cor15:52 1Thess4:16)



Suddenly, a bolt of lightning crashed loudly and broadly across the whole of the heavens. A split second later, Jesus appeared in the clouds in all his power and glory, so that every eye could see him. (Rev1:7)

He shone like the lightning, from the east to the west. (Matt24:27)

I watched in sheer amazement as the two witnesses stood upon their feet, and they ascended up into the clouds when a loud voice from heaven beckoned, “Come up hither!” (Rev11:11-12)

This command was not for the two witnesses alone – it was broadcast world-wide, to all born-again believers! (1Thess4:16)

In those moments leading up to that great voice from heaven, I witnessed a most spectacular vision. I saw a global shower of glowing dew drops fall to the

ground – like figs shaken lose by a mighty wind. (Rev6:13 Isa34:4) Many appeared like sparkling stars falling from the sky – all brilliant as they contrasted against the darkened skies. (Matt24:29 Dan12:3)

These were the stars of heaven (Mk13:25 Dan12:2-3 Dan8:10) – the spirits of those who slept in Christ. (2Cor5:8) These were all believers who had been absent from their bodies but present with the Lord, who Jesus had now brought with him from heaven. (1Thess4:14)

I marveled to see the forms of their translucent spirits (Mk9:3-4) as they scattered everywhere around the globe, to where they claimed their former, but now perfected bodies, having put on immortality – to be like Jesus is! (1Thess4:16 1Cor15:53 Heb11:40 1Jn3:2)

I watched as the graves were opened, and the dead in Christ were raised to life in their glorified bodies. (1Thess4:16) They then soared into the sky like eagles, in bodies that shall never weary. (Matt24:28 Isa40:31)

Immediately after this, I focused on the born-again believers who were alive and remained on earth at that time – those who had endured to the end, awaiting this glorious appearing of their Savior. (1Thess4:17 Matt24:13 2Thess2:13) I witnessed as they were all instantly changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, and they too put on immortality. (1Cor15:51-53)

I saw angels descend from heaven to gather this great number, from the four directions upon earth, and they ascended upward to join the others, where they all met the Lord in the air. (Matt24:31 1Thess4:16-17)

I was reminded of the scripture, “So great a cloud of witnesses.” They were so abundant that no man could number them. (Heb12:1 Rev7:9)

Matthew 24:29-31 Explained (KJV) THE RAPTURE

²⁹ Immediately AFTER the tribulation (not before, not during, but after) of those days shall **the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven** (same as 6th seal – Rev6:12-13), and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: ³⁰ And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. ³¹ And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet (7th, last trump of God – Rev10:7 1Cor15:52 1Thess4:16), and they shall gather together his elect (1Pet1:2 – his angels gather the saved, born again believers) from the four winds (the four directions on earth – Rev7:1), from one end of heaven to the other (take them from earth’s end to the far end of heaven – 2Cor12:2).

After these events, Jesus, and his resurrected saints, along with the angels, all left earth’s end of heaven and headed toward the far end of heaven for the marriage supper of the Lamb. (Matt24:31 Rev19:7-9)

Stephen spoke again, saying, “You know where they’re going, and you know why. Now, I will show you what happens in the days after the Rapture and explain how long the marriage supper of the Lamb shall last, according to the word of truth. But before I do that, I need to show you one more scene.”

I watched, and within the hour after the Rapture, there was a great earthquake, and a tenth part of Jerusalem fell, and seven thousand people were killed. (Rev11:13) This vision then disappeared into a mist, and then appeared a vision concerning the events to happen during the next 75 days.



CHAPTER 14

The Vials of Wrath, the Marriage Supper and the Battle of Armageddon

Before Stephen explained the days following the Rapture, he spoke to me concerning the third woe. Stephen revealed that the great earthquake that happened within the hour after the Rapture, and had caused a tenth of Jerusalem to fall, and which killed seven thousand. This was the third woe! (Rev11:13 Rev8:13)

“The second woe passed at Revelation 9:20,” Stephen stated. “The key to understanding this irregularity is to recognize that it is Jesus speaking from Revelation 11:3 until Revelation 11:13, wherein he gives account of his two witnesses and their part in the Rapture.” (Rev11:11-12)

In Revelation 11:3-13 **Jesus is speaking**, giving an account of “my two witnesses”. (Rev11:3)
In Revelation 11:14 **John reiterates** that the 2nd woe is past, and the 3rd woe came quickly

Revelation 9:20 (KJV) And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not ...[2nd Woe is past]

Revelation 11:13 (KJV) ...And the same hour [came quickly] was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand [3rd Woe came quickly] ...

Revelation 11:14 (KJV) The **second woe** is past; and, behold, the **third woe** cometh quickly.

The KEY TO UNDERSTANDING is to recognize that the SECOND WOE had passed back in Revelation 9:20, and that the THIRD WOE was the great earthquake that came quickly within the hour after the Rapture! (Rev11:13)



“Then, starting at Revelation 11:14, John begins to speak again by reiterating that the second woe is past (Rev9:20), and that the third woe comes quickly – it came quickly within the hour after the Rapture.” (Rev11:13)

Stephen asked me to note that in Revelation 11:15, John only speaks about what happens in heaven at the sounding of the seventh trump. He mentions nothing about what happened on earth at the time the Rapture – the numerous other events that happened when the seventh, last trump of God was sounded. (Rev10:7 1Cor15:51-52 1Thess4:16-17 Rev6:13-14 Matt24:29-31)

I was reminded that throughout Revelation, John was told to write, or not to write, as he was instructed. (Rev1:11 Rev10:4) Thereby, heaven ensured that certain matters were concealed in mystery, until the spirit of wisdom and revelation would make known these things, in the time of the end.

(Rev1:11 Rev10:4 Prov25:2 Eph1:17-18 Dan12:4)



“Again, this highlights the mysterious weave that creates the tapestry of truth known as the book of Revelation. The more time anyone spends with the Master Weaver, the more they’ll learn about his mysterious techniques by which he created his Endtime masterpiece,” Stephen truthfully suggested.

I was also asked to note that after the Rapture, at the time when the great earthquake happened, God’s Word mentions that the remnant was frightened, and gave God the glory. I was told that this is specifically speaking about the remnant of Israel – the 144,000. (Rev11:13 Rom9:27)

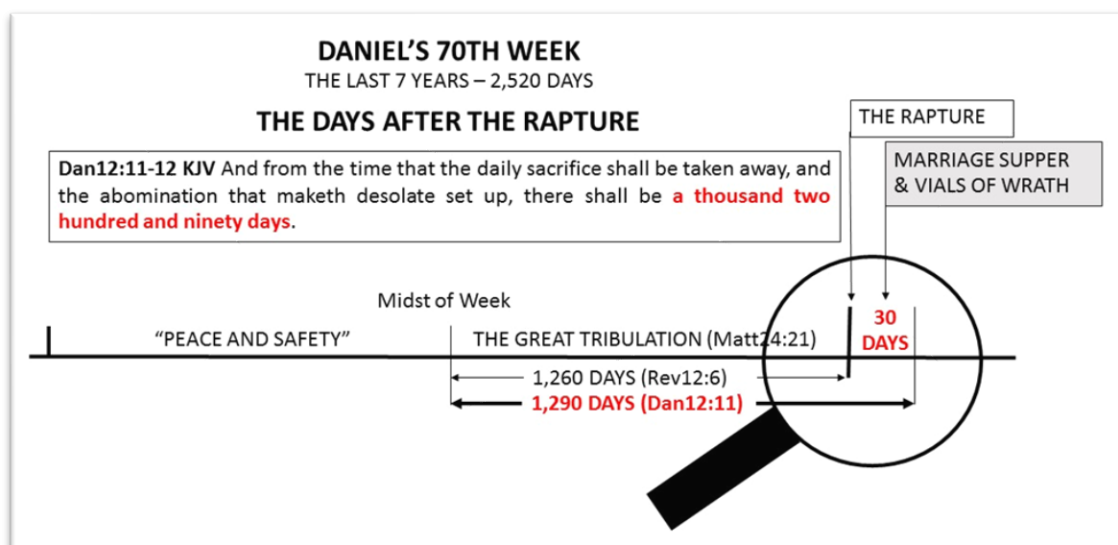
Stephen then explained the events to happen both on earth and in heaven following the Rapture – at the end of the 1,260 days of great tribulation. (Matt24:29-31)

He began by asking me, “Where are you standing on the timeline?”

I was standing just past the 1,260 days of the great tribulation.



“You are now within the 30 days immediately following the Rapture. This time period is the last 30 days of the 1,290 days measured from the midst of the week, as mentioned in Daniel 12:11 – the extra 30 days past the 1,260 days of the great tribulation. During those 30 days, all the resurrected saints shall be present in heaven for the marriage supper of the Lamb, while the vials of God’s wrath are poured out upon earth, and upon those who have worshipped the image of the beast and received his mark.” (Dan12:11 Rev19:7-9 Rev16:1-16)





Next, I was shown a vision of a great multitude in heaven that no man could number – all the resurrected saints who were celebrating the marriage supper of the Lamb.

(Rev19:7-9) This event was happening immediately after the Rapture and included all those who had come out of tribulation, and had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name. (Rev7:9-17 Rev15:2-4)

I was shown this great multitude from another two angles – once, to reveal all that is described in Revelation 7:9-17, and then from an alternate viewpoint to reveal what is described in Revelation 15:2-4. Each viewpoint offered new information.

Revelation7:9-14 (KJV) After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands ...These are they which came out of great tribulation ,,,
Revelation15:2 (KJV) And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name ...

This great multitude, that no man could number, came from all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, and they stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands. These had come out of great tribulation, and they cried with a loud voice, saying, “Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.” (Rev7:10)

They had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, and they stood on the sea of glass, having the harps of God. And they sang the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and marvelous are thy works, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints. Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? For thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest." (Rev7:9-17 Rev15:2-4)

Next, in place of those heavenly sights and sounds, I saw visions of what was happening on earth during that same 30-day period. I witnessed the angels of God pouring out the vials of God's wrath, each in their respective order, as described in Revelation 16:1-16. What I saw made me grateful that we, the saved, born-again believers are not appointed to wrath. (1Thess5:9)



At that time, I did not see the outpouring of the seventh vial of God's wrath.

Stephen explained the reason for this. “As you can see, the sixth vial dries the river Euphrates to prepare the way for the kings of the east, and of the world, to gather them to the battle of Armageddon. (Rev16:12-16) However, the seventh vial is reserved to be poured out into the air at a future time (Rev16:17), as I shall soon explain.”

“Have faith that you shall gain knowledge of all these things in due course.”

After those words of assurance, my attention was captured by a new and dynamic scene. Immediately following the marriage supper of the Lamb in heaven (Rev19:7-9), I saw Jesus mount up upon a white horse, and I saw the armies of heaven mount up upon white horses. (Rev19:11-14 Jude1:14-15)

Jesus then raised his voice and quoted a scripture, “Except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.” (Matt24:22)

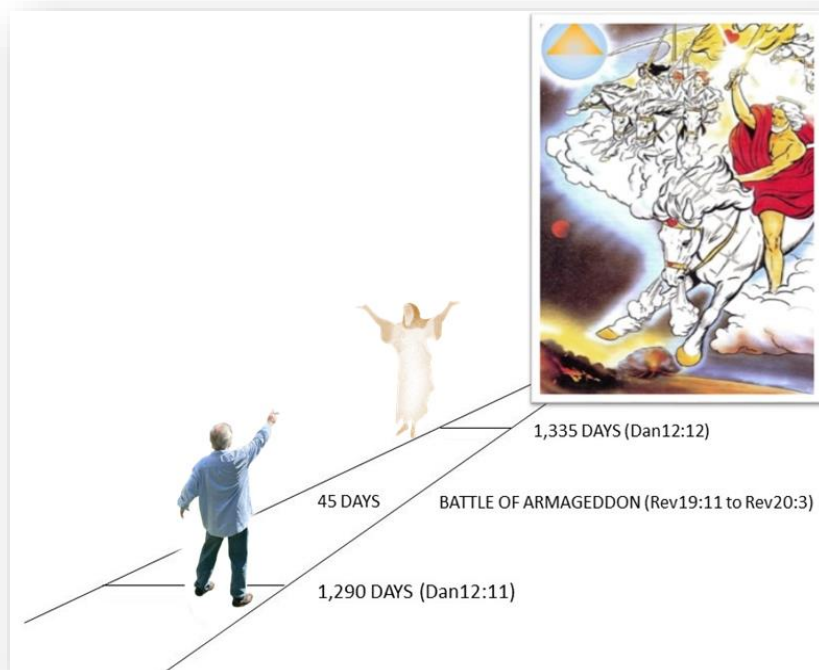
Jesus was referring to the days of great trouble that extended beyond the 1,260 days of great tribulation. I then understood that if Jesus and the armies of heaven didn't return to earth for the battle of Armageddon, the Antichrist and his forces would kill the remnant of Israel. (Matt24:22 Rom9:29)



However, for the elect's sake, those days were about to be shortened, so there would remain humans alive on earth to form the twelve tribes of Israel during Christ's millennial reign on earth. (Dan12:1 Matt24:21-22 Matt19:27 Rev20:4)

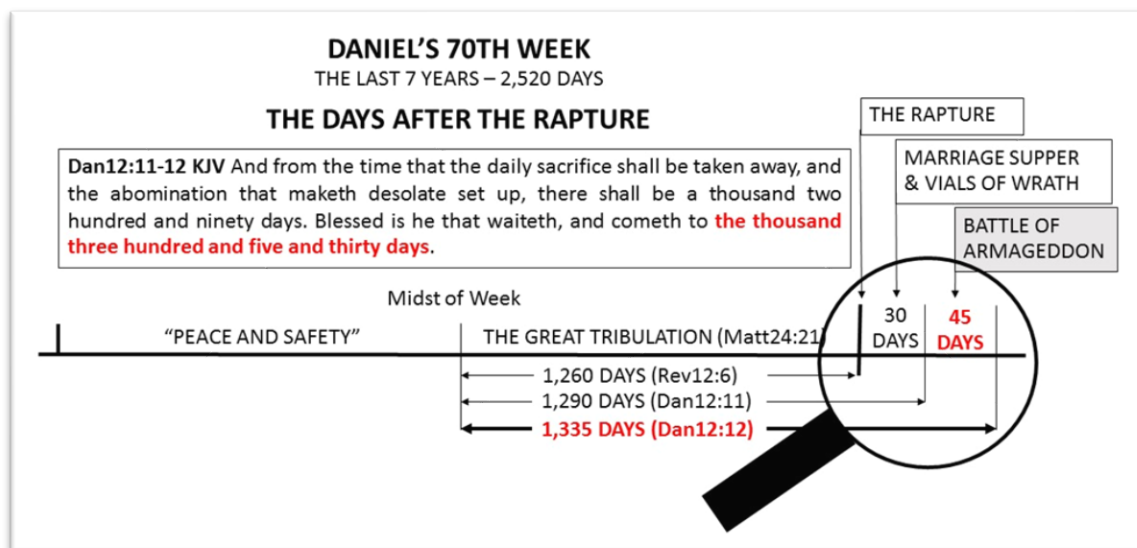
Again, Stephen asked, "Now, where are you standing on the timeline?"

I was standing at the very end of the 1,290 days – at the end of the 30-day marriage supper of the Lamb and the days of wrath. (Dan12:11 Rev19:7-9)

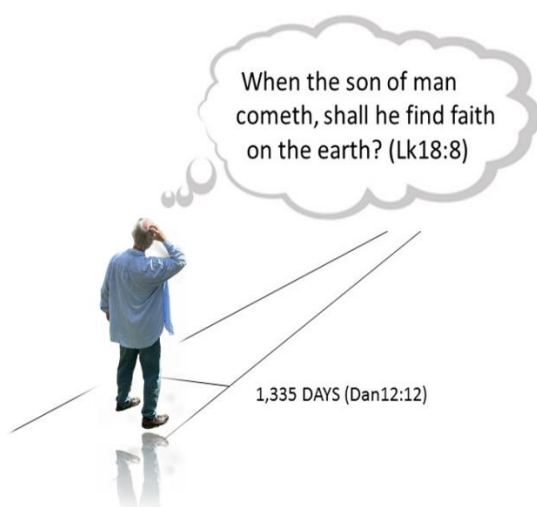


"You are at the threshold of the 45-days to follow – the time of the battle of Armageddon and the gathering of the remnant of Israel!" (Dan12:12 Rev19:11 to Rev20:3) Thankfully, I was then somehow swiftly transported along the timeline and sheltered from the scenes of carnage associated with the battle of Armageddon. I only saw an angel bind Satan in chains and cast him into the bottomless pit, and then I saw the fowls of the air feast on the carcasses of those who had been slain at the battle of Armageddon. (Rev19:11 to Rev20:3)

After these things, I saw the remnant of Israel gathered from wherever they had been scattered, and they assembled in Jerusalem. (Rom9:27 Ez38:11-15)



Stephen directed me to check to see where I was standing on the timeline. I found myself at a point marked 1,335 days, which measured from the midst of Daniel's 70th week. (Dan12:11-12) This confirmed to me that the battle of Armageddon and the gathering of the remnant of Israel had lasted 45 days – the extra 45 days of Daniel 12:12.



At that moment, a scripture came to mind that asks, "When the son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" (Lk18:8) I wondered to myself if anyone who was left alive on earth would have any faith in Jesus. I was about to find out the answer to that question.

As I lifted my eyes, I was in awe at what I saw further along the timeline.



CHAPTER 15

The Millennial Kingdom of Christ

Although I would like to talk about all that I saw in my dream concerning the thousand-year reign of Christ on earth, I know that I'm only meant to focus on some of the major highlights.

However, before I do that, I think that I'm expected to recall and write more about the 144,000 and those who will repopulate the earth during Christ's millennial reign on earth.

The 144,000 and the Millennial Population

As I write, I have to say that this is probably the most difficult part of my dream to write about. Perhaps, this is because these matters run contrary to my

previous understanding and shatter my preconceived ideas. Hopefully, my acceptance of what was revealed to me will become easier as I write. (Jn14:26)

At the conclusion of the battle of Armageddon, I watched as the saints possessed the kingdom, and it was time for the meek to inherit the earth. (Dan7:18 Matt5:5)

I was then given understanding that although the kingdoms of the world become Christ's at the sounding of the seventh trump, the saints won't possess the kingdom until the battle of Armageddon. That will happen during the last 45 days of the 1,335 days counted from the midst of Daniel's 70th week, when the daily sacrifice is taken away. (Rev11:15 Dan7:18 Dan12:12)

KINGDOMS OF THE WORLD BECOME CHRIST'S AT THE 7TH TRUMP

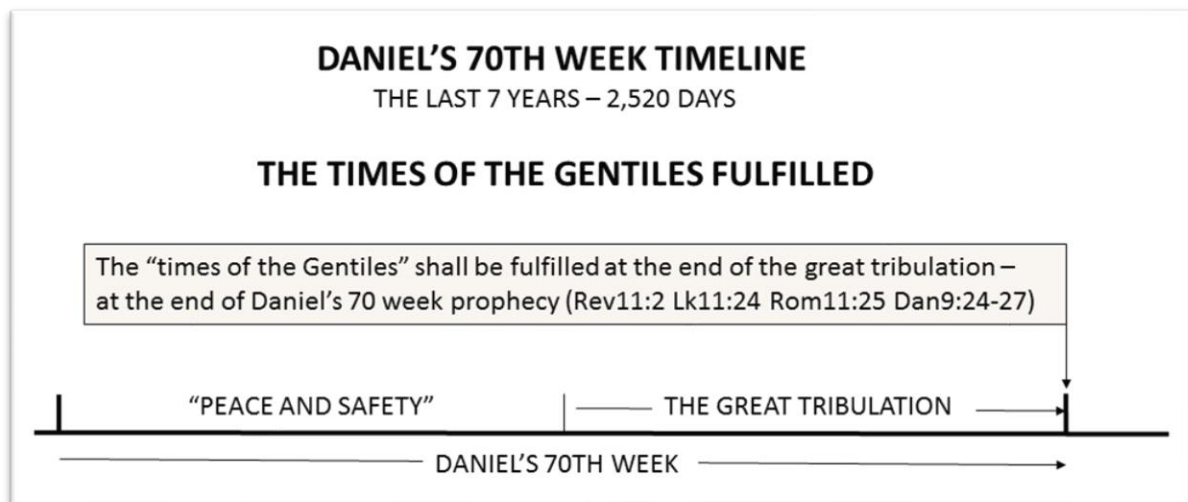
Revelation 11:15 KJV And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

SAINTS POSSESS THE KINGDOM AFTER THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

Daniel 12:12 KJV Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. **Daniel 7:18,22 KJV** But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever....and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

In my dream, this is when I began to better understand God's calling and purpose regarding the 144,000. Their purpose was to remain on earth as the remnant of Israel, so that the Lord could complete his promise concerning Israel, and to fulfil scripture – to restore the kingdom and seal up the vision and prophecy of Daniel 9:24-27. (Acts1:6-7) From the beginning, it wasn't God's plan for the 144,000 to be born-again believers before the Rapture – for God knows his plan from the beginning. (Isa46:10)

I could see that after the times of the Gentiles has been fulfilled (Lk21:24), and Christ's reign on earth to begins (Rev11:15), that will be the time when Israel's partial blindness shall be removed. (Rom11:25) That is when the remnant of Israel shall say, "Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord." (Matt23:39)



I understood that the seventy-week prophecy recorded in the book of Daniel had now been fulfilled, wherein it is written, "Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy." (Dan9:24-27)



I also realized and understood that if the remnant of Israel had been born-again believers before Jesus appeared in the clouds at the time of the Rapture, they would have been raptured and received their immortal bodies – and that would not have served heaven's plan for Israel, nor for humanity. (Rev1:7 Jn20:29 1Cor15:53 Acts1:6-7)



After I saw that the saints had possessed the kingdom, I saw a vision similar to what John must have seen in Revelation 14:1. I saw Jesus upon mount Zion on earth, being followed about by the 144,000. This event was happening on earth, “on” mount Zion – not “in” the heavenly mount Zion. And yet, the 144,000 were before the throne of God, as scripture states in Revelation 14:5.

I understood that God can and does look down from his throne in heaven and can see everyone, everywhere. Therefore, the 144,000 won't need to be in heaven to be considered “before the throne of God.” (Ps53:2)

I also understood that the 144,000 will be before the throne of Christ on earth, when the Son of man shall sit in his throne of his glory, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. (Matt19:28 Rev20:4)

In my dream, I saw that these 144,000 were the meek who inherited the earth – the blessed, saved flesh, remnant of Israel who had been sealed for their protection at the beginning of the great tribulation.

(Matt5:5 Dan12:12 Matt24:22 Rom9:27)

I saw and understood that after the battle of Armageddon is when these 144,000 will look upon Jesus and receive him as their Savior. (Zec12:10) I then better understood the reasons why they had been sealed at the beginning of the great tribulation, which led to a better understanding of many things.

(Rev7:3)

Firstly, God knows who are his, even before they accept Jesus as their Savior and Lord. (2Tim2:19)

Secondly, I realized that the reason the 144,000 were sealed was for their protection, as scripture reveals, so they could pass safely through the horrors of the great tribulation, and then through the 30 days of the outpouring of the vials of God's wrath that followed, and then through another 45 days for the battle of Armageddon and the gathering of the remnant of Israel. (Dan12:12)

Thereafter, they could finally emerge to fulfill their true purpose and calling: to become, as scripture declares, the "redeemed from the earth" and the "redeemed from among men" – the "firstfruits" of Christ's millennial kingdom on earth, as it is written. (Rev14:3-4)

The next part of my dream is the part that is not so clear to me at this moment.

Presently, I am sensing the reason why certain things remain a bit blurry to me. I think it's because I have not yet fully embraced what was revealed to me. Even now, I am still finding it difficult to receive what I was shown concerning



the 144,000 and the millennial population. Contrary to all that I have previously understood, in my dream the 144,000 remnant of Israel included both boys and girls. Yes, I know this idea sounds preposterous, because Revelation 14:4 says that they are virgins, not defiled with women. This verse has always led me to believe that they must be young Jewish men.

Even now, I wrestle to see how this passage could mean anything different. However, I do recall what Stephen asked me to consider concerning this matter.

Stephen partially agreed, “Yes, the 144,000 will be virgins, not defiled with women, as Revelation 14:4 states. But how restrictive is carnal, human reasoning to think that means they must be young Israelite men. It may help to remember how God looks at things, for his ways are not the ways of man, and neither are his thoughts the way humans think – for as his Word says: For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.” (Isa55:9)

At that point, I found myself arguing with Stephen’s logic, saying that this reasoning is not enough to dismiss the understanding that the 144,000 must all be young Jewish men.

Stephen then took my mind to another level of insight. He reminded me that all believers in Jesus are referred to as “the bride of Christ”, and yet it is a body made up of both men and women. Stephen reminded me that God looks upon his bride as a whole, and as a pure and chaste virgin, regardless of an individual’s background or an individual’s walk of life on earth. Stephen then spoke of two scriptures that state: “Unto the pure all things are pure” and “There is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.” (Gal3:28 2Cor11:2 Tit1:15)

This is exciting! As I write, I’m beginning recall other things that Stephen said to me. This is what I meant about how the Holy Spirit would bring things to my remembrance as I write. (Jn14:26)

I remember Stephen saying, “If you can receive it, I will tell you more concerning the 144,000 and how the earth will be repopulated during Christ’s thousand-year reign on earth. Would you like me to do that?”

I replied that I would like that.

Stephen then cautioned me further, saying, “At first, many will not receive what I have already discussed with you concerning the 144,000. Therefore, what I am about to offer you to consider may cause you to be further ridiculed.

You may even be shunned and called a false teacher, if you ever decide to share what I am about to reveal – and yet, that is what you will be expected to do, after you end your journey with me. Do you still want me to proceed?”



“Yes ... please,” I responded meekly, with some trepidation.

“Then let me begin by recapping that the 144,000 are the descendants of the 12 tribes of Israel that have been scattered abroad. They shall come from every land, and tribe and tongue under heaven, and yet they shall all be Israel by descent. Only heaven knows the genealogy of every human on earth, and it is futile for man to think that he can know who shall comprise of the 144,000. Therefore, the Israel of Christ’s millennial kingdom shall be multi-cultural, and yet they shall all come under the banner of Jesus as the King of kings.” (Tim1:1)

This is when I began to consider a possibility that I could not accept earlier.

Stephen continued, “The 144,000 are the saved flesh that Jesus was referring to in Matthew 24:22. If Jesus and the saints would delay in returning to earth to shorten those days of great trouble at the battle of Armageddon, then Israel would become as Sodom and Gomorrah, as Isaiah prophesied and is referred to in Romans 9:29. And if that were the case, then there would be no human life left on earth.”

I remember how the last part of Stephen’s statement shocked me! (Matt24:22)

That’s when I began to question Stephen about who will repopulate the earth during Christ’s millennial reign, and who will all the saints be ruling over during the millennium if there are only 144,000 left alive, and who are the “sheep and goat” nations mentioned in scripture. I had always assumed that at the beginning of Christ’s thousand-year reign on earth, there would need to be millions of humans left alive on earth for the saints to rule. (Matt25:31-33)

“It is not wise to assume,” Stephen cautioned me. “Yes, there will be many nations on earth during the millennium, but don’t let this misguide your thinking in how those nations shall come to be. Allow me to explain.”

Stephen then had my deeper interest, as I knew he was going to serve me a real “meat of the word” portion to chew upon.

$8 \times ? = \text{Millions}$
 $144,000 \times ? = \text{Multi-Millions}$



“When Noah left the ark, there were only eight people left to repopulate the earth, and they did so quickly, amid wars and ungodly practices that shall not exist during Christ’s kingdom on earth. Therefore, Christ’s millennial kingdom, beginning with 144,000, shall rapidly become a great mountain that shall fill the whole earth.” (Gen9:1)

Stephen then gave me time to pause and reflect on his words.

Sheep and Goat Nations

“There will be sheep and goat nations during the millennium, but not at first,” Stephen continued to explain. “As scripture declares, the Lord shall only plant good seed in the earth, and later tares shall arise as nations form and expand. (Matt13:27) That is why Jesus will need to rule over the nations with a rod of iron. (Rev12:5) That doesn’t mean Jesus will be a dictator – rather, to the contrary. Jesus is the benevolent King of kings. He doesn’t lord it over anybody. He gains the love and respect and obedience of his people through his loving rulership. The rod of iron mentioned in scripture is a symbol of his strong and sovereign authority – and yet it is a reminder that he has the right to impose that authority if need be. It’s the same as with any loving father. No loving father wants to resort to harshness to gain obedience for what he knows is best for his children, and it is the same with Jesus.” (Heb12:11)

“That last part I understand,” I told Stephen. “But are you saying that there will not be millions left alive on earth after the battle of Armageddon? Are you saying that the 144,000 will be the only flesh left alive in earth after Armageddon – only those who belong to the 12 tribes of Israel?”

“I will answer your question in this way: Luke 18:8 asks if the Son of man shall find faith on the earth when he returns.”

As I pondered the reason why Stephen had answered my question in this manner, he added, “I understand that your current vision of the millennium is based upon scripture. Am I correct that you think there will need to be millions left alive on earth so that the saints will have someone to rule over?”

“Well, yes!” I responded emphatically. “That’s what Revelation 20:4 implies.”

“I understand your reasoning, but there are other factors to consider,” Stephen responded. He then introduced further thought to the equation. “I think you’ll agree that scripture shows how God is not limited by many nor few, nor by circumstances.” (Matt14:15-21)

I nodded in agreement. There are many examples of this in the Bible.

“And if God was able to speedily repopulate the imperfect earth after the Flood with only eight people, then he is well able to rapidly repopulate a more perfect earth during Christ’s millennial reign, beginning with only 144,000.”

I was beginning to see new possibilities.

Stephen then spoke about how there will be no divide between earth and heaven during the millennium, and about how the need for the governing of earth’s citizens will be progressive as the global population increases.

“In those days, the physical and spiritual worlds will become one. There will be no veil of secrecy that divides heaven and earth. And if need be, commuting between the heavenly mount Sion and earth will be easy for Jesus and the saints.” Stephen then reminded me of examples of this in the Bible. (Acts2:10)

Stephen continued, “Therefore, at the beginning of the millennial kingdom on earth, there will not be the necessity for many of heavens citizens to be on earth. Then, as the 12 tribes of Israel grow and expand to cover the earth, that is when there will be a greater need for more of the saints to be present on earth to rule and reign with Jesus on earth.” (1Cor13:12 Dan2:35b Hab2:14)

Stephen then raised his hands as tears welled in his eyes, and he quoted Romans 9:27-29 where it says, “Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved: For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth. And as Esaias said before, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we had been as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha.”



After Stephen regained his composure, he summarized, “Without the remnant of 144,000 being saved, Israel would cease to exist!” (Rom9:29)



Stephen then re-emphasized the importance in understanding how the remnant of Israel shall be called the “good seed” that Jesus shall plant in the earth at the beginning of his kingdom of heaven on earth. (Rom9:29 Matt13:38)

When he mentioned this, I said that I still had a few questions. Stephen then reassured me that as I reached the end of the timeline, toward the end Christ’s millennial reign on earth, my questions would be answered.

Stephen remarked, “During your journey along the timeline, I have asked you to reserve many things in faith, to be explained later. Thank you for your patience, which shall have its perfect reward.” (1Jm1:4)

Focus on the Millennium

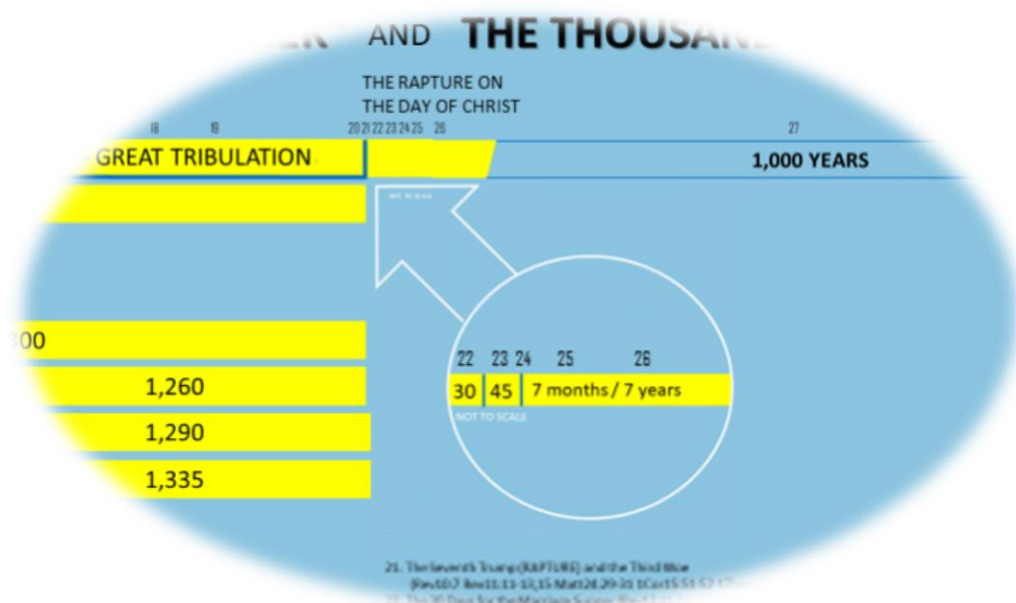
Stephen then asked me to look at where my feet were along the timeline. I answered, “Well, I can see that there are two sets of numbers. One reads 75 days, and the other reads 1,335 days.” (Dan12:12)

“Yes, you’re at the point of 1,335 days from when the daily sacrifice was taken away, which is the same point as 75 days after the Rapture. You are at the point that denotes that the battle of Armageddon has passed, and the remnant of

Israel has been gathered to Jerusalem. Now raise your eyes, and look!”

Suddenly there appeared another scene. Again, I need to mention that every time another scene appeared, it was like a dream within a dream.

This time, my vision was focused on a part of a timeline that displayed the beginning of the first days of Christ’s millennial reign on earth. I then saw and understood that it took 7 months to clean up and bury all the remains of the dead, including those who were killed during the battle of Armageddon (Ezk39:12), and I saw that it took a total of 7 years to gather and burn all the weapons of war. (Ezk39:8-9)



I was then shown a vision that spanned the millennium, but I cannot tell of all that I saw. I suppose one of the most notable changes was the removal of the dividing veil hiding the spirit world from earth’s physical realm. I saw how the millennium will be a time of heaven on earth, literally – a time when heaven’s citizens will rule and reign with Jesus over earth’s rapidly growing population. (Rev20:4)

In my dream, I saw the contrast between how man ruled the world before the millennium, compared to the firm but loving way in which Jesus will rule the world during his righteous reign. (Rev12:5)

I saw how Jesus ruled as a benevolent king – with the strength of an iron rod (Rev19:16 Rev12:5), but with liberty gained through respect and obedience. (Jn15:7) As a result, I can see how and why the thousand-year reign of Christ will be a time of peace, prosperity, and plenty for all. (Isa2:4 Heb8:11)



I saw the curse removed and nature flourish (Isa30:23). Everyone knew the Lord, and no one learned of war anymore. (Heb8:11 Isa2:4) The former weapons of war had been beaten

into useful farming implements. (Isa2:4) Truly, this was an answer to prayer – “Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven!” (Matt6:10)

I witnessed the harmony that existed, not only between humans, but also between the animals. The once wild beasts now enjoyed a peaceful and fearless co-existence with each other, and with humanity. (Isa65:25 Isa11:6-9)

In all of this, there was one small but interesting change that particularly caught my attention. I saw that during the millennium, the teeth of animals and man that were once used for the consumption of meat will be better used for the cracking and chewing of nuts and grains – the purpose of their original design from the beginning. (Gen1:29-30)

Another pleasant surprise was the lack of big, polluted and overcrowd cities during the millennium. Rather, there seemed to be a limit to the size of what shall be called a city in those days. Neither was housing built in a fashion that resembled little boxes stacked upon each other. (Isa65:21-22)

There was an air co-operation, with the burdens of selfish lifestyles removed. Friendly, family communities built and lived in their own homes and grew and shared and enjoyed the food they produced together. (Isa65:21-22)

Everyone was educated in how to live a more loving, godly, and peaceful lifestyle, which contributed to the population's happiness and longevity. (Isa2:4 Isa65:22)

As I viewed all these things, I was still puzzled by one passage of scripture. Therefore, I asked Stephen if he could explain the meaning of Isaiah 65:20, which reads, "There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed."

Stephen responded with the perfect answer. "Death shall not be conquered until the end of Christ's millennial reign. (Rev20:14 1Cor15:26) Nevertheless, during the millennium there shall be no abortion, no deadly childhood diseases, and no wars, not until after Satan is released and deceives the nations once more. (Rev20:7) Life expectancy shall be one hundred years of age."

This explanation still didn't help my dilemma. I was still bewildered by the wording of the scripture where it states that a child shall die at one hundred years old. How can anyone be considered a child at one hundred?

Stephen then clarified the meaning, saying, “Today, you could look at a baby and say that hopefully this child shall fulfil its days and die at seventy years of age, or more. (Ps90:10) In a similar way, during the millennium, we shall be able to look at a child and say that he or she shall die at one hundred years of age – meaning, they shall fulfil their days and die as an adult at one hundred.” (Isa65:20)

He then addressed the closing words of that passage, stating, “However, salvation shall still depend upon believing in Jesus, otherwise the sinner shall die in their sins, no different than today. (Jn3:36) In those days, salvation shall be far easier, for by seeing many shall believe, although not all. (Jn3:36 Jn20:29) By that I mean, although Satan shall be bound for those thousand years, there is always the tendency within men’s hearts to want to rebel. Therefore, throughout the millennium, human tendencies shall need to be continually kept in check by the strong but loving rule of Jesus and his saints.” (Rom3:23 Rev2:27 Rev20:4 Jer17:9 Probv16:25)

As I progressed along the timeline and came near to the end of the millennium, I was shown a vision of Satan being released from the bottomless pit for a little season. It didn’t take long before Satan deceived the nations once more. I watched in disbelief at the cunningness of the devil as he spread his propaganda and gathered the forces of nations together, from the four directions upon earth. (Rev20:7-9)

Stephen explained, “What you are now seeing is Gog gathering the forces of Magog, the number of which are like the sand of the sea. (Rev20:8) Wherever Gog is mentioned in scripture, it is the spirit of antichrist, or the Antichrist

himself, as defined in Ezekiel 38:2. He is the rider with a bow that sits upon a white horse, as identified in Revelation 6:2 and Ezekiel 39:3. No-one should ever confuse this rider as being Christ, who also sits upon a white horse (Rev19:11), but has a sword in his mouth, as illustrated in Revelation 19:15. (Heb4:12) Those who join with Gog are referred to in scripture as Magog.” (Rev19:8 Ezk38:2-8)

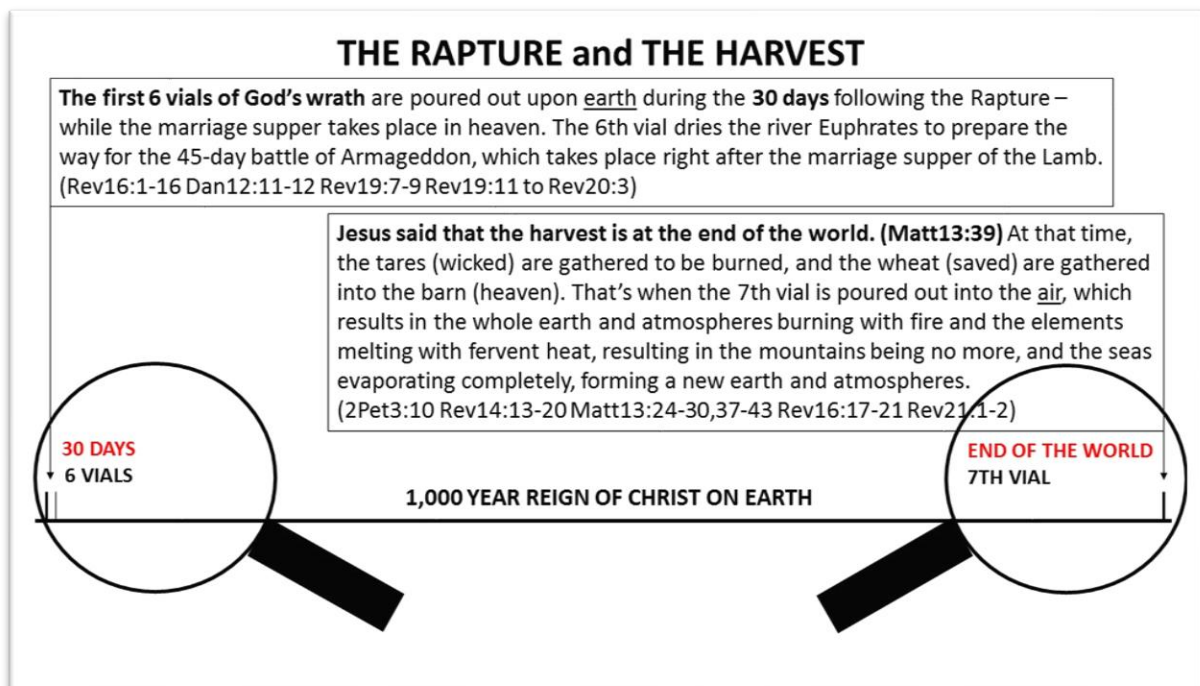
With this explained, I watched as Gog and Magog gathered together to battle. They went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city, Jerusalem: and fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. (Rev20:9)



I was dumfounded by what I saw! Before they could engage in battle, Gog and Magog were devoured by fire from heaven. The battle of Gog and Magog turned out to be a non-event! Although scripture says that they gathered for the battle of Gog and Magog, it turned out that there was no battle. God simply devoured them with fire from heaven, just as scripture says. God was done with the rebellion caused by Satan! (Rev20:7-9 Gen6:3 Gen19:24)

After this, I was shown a vision of Satan, the devil, being cast into the lake of fire where the beast and the false prophet had already been for a thousand years. (Rev20:10 Rev19:20) The unholy trinity were now all in the lake of fire!

At that point, Stephen began to explain and clarify something that had always puzzled me – the difference between the Rapture and the harvest.



He began by stating definitely, “The harvest is NOT the Rapture! The Rapture happens before the 1,000-year reign of Christ, whereas the harvest is the end of the world, as Jesus said in his own words.” (Matt13:39)

“The end of the world happens when the seventh vial is poured out into the air at the end of the 1,000-year reign of Christ, after which the earth is judged with fire, and all that is therein shall be burned up, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, and the mountains shall vanish away, and there shall be no more sea.” (Rev16:17-21 2Pet3:7,10)

“The end of the world is when the earth and atmosphere (heavens) shall be made new from the same elements, ready to receive the heavenly city, new Jerusalem.” (Isa65:7 Matt13:39 Rev16:17-21 2Pet3:10 Rev21:1-2)

I was then shown a vision of the seventh vial being poured out into the air. After this, I witnessed a rapid progression of events, until finally the whole earth burst into flames. (2Pet3:7,10)

First, I saw a great earthquake, the likes of which had never been seen on earth before, and Jerusalem was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nation’s fell. (Rev16:17-19) This was a global earthquake and far greater than the one that happened during the hour after the Rapture. (Rev11:13)

I also saw great hail fell out of heaven (atmosphere), every stone about the weight of a talent (about 60-70 pounds, or about 30-35 kilos in weight), and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail, for the plague thereof was exceeding great. (Rev16:21)

It was about this time that Stephen explained to me that the visions John saw at the opening of the sixth seal covers both the time of the Rapture, and the time of the harvest. Stephen explained to me that Revelation 6:12-13 were visions of events that happen at the Rapture, whereas Revelation 6:14-17 covered the time of the harvest – the time at the end of the millennium.

Revelation 6:12-17 KJV – The 6th Seal

At the time of the Rapture (The same as Matt24:29-31)

¹² And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

¹³ And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

At the time of the Harvest

¹⁴ And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

¹⁵ And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

¹⁶ And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

¹⁷ For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?



Stephen explained, “After the Rapture, the wrath of God is poured out upon those who had received the mark of the beast while the kings and mighty men gather for the battle of Armageddon. This is comparatively different to the time of the harvest at the end of the world. Then, the mighty men of the world will be hiding in the dens and the rocks of the mountains, trying to escape the wrath of the Lamb – the wrath of Jesus!”

After this, I saw Jesus sitting on a cloud, and he had a sickle in his hand, for the time of the harvest had come. (Rev14:14) This was a different scene to when he appeared in the clouds at the Rapture. (Matt24:29-31 Mk13:26 Lk21:27) At the Rapture, he shouted aloud, “Come up hither!” (1Thess4:16 Rev11:12)

It needs mentioning here that in my dream I saw that Jesus and his saints abide both in heaven and on earth during their rule on earth. On earth, Jerusalem shall be referred to as the camp of the saints, but heaven is truly their home, and commuting will be easy! (Rev14:16 Jn14:2 Acts1:11)

Therefore, at the end of Christ’s millennial reign, it wasn’t unusual to see Jesus coming from heaven, sitting on a cloud at the time of the harvest. When he appeared, he gave command to his angels to bind those who had followed Satan after he was released from the bottomless pit. (Rev20:7-8) They were gathered like weeds to be burned. Then those who were loyal to Jesus were taken to heaven, like wheat being gathered into a barn. (Matt13:24-30)

This was not the Rapture I was viewing – this was the harvest that Jesus said happens at the end of the world. (Matt24:29-31 Rev20:7-8 Matt13:39)

While all this was happening, I somehow knew that God was remembering the fiery judgement that he had sent upon Babylon during the early part of the great tribulation. (Rev16:9 Rev14:8 & Rev17:16 to Rev18:24) That fiery judgement was upon one nation. (Rev18:1-24) Now, at the end of the world, God was about to judge the whole world with fire. (Rev16:19,20 2Pet3:7,10)

The next scene that I saw was the great white throne judgement of God in heaven, exactly as it is described in Revelation 20:11-16. "I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death."

And then it happened!

THE 7TH VIAL INTO THE AIR

The 1,000-year day of the Lord drew to a close, and the whole atmosphere surrounding earth burst into flame, and everything melted with a fervent heat!



AT THE END OF THE MILLENNIUM

And there were to be no more high mountains and no more sea.

(2Pet3:7,10 Rev16:20 Rev21:1)



CHAPTER 16

The Heavenly Mount Sion and Eternity

Next, I witnessed a beautiful and humbling scene that brought me to tears.

At the time Jesus died and rose again from the dead, his Father gave him all power and authority, both in heaven and in earth (Matt28:18). Then, after the great white throne judgement of God, I witnessed the fulfilment of the prophecy where it says, "Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet... And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him (the Father) that put all things under him, that God may be all in all." (1Cor15:24-28)

That scene of Jesus humbly returning the kingdom and all authority to the Father tugged at my heartstrings and brought me to tears – literally.

Before I conclude the telling of my dream, there is a little more to share.

At some time after the great white throne judgement of God, I saw many of the things that John described in Revelation Chapters 21 and 22. I saw a new heaven (atmosphere) surrounding the new earth, and there was no more sea, and no high mountains. From a distance, the whole planet appeared to be like a huge green and grassy parkland, with streams and rivers and lakes.

However, what I saw concerning the new Jerusalem, the heavenly mount Zion, might shock many conservative Christians. Therefore, I would simply like to offer the following as “food for thought” and allow others to search the scriptures as they consider what I’m about to present. (Acts17:11 1Cor2:9-10)

I saw that the foundation of the city, new Jerusalem, was like a great high, sloping wall. From a distance, the wall also seemed to be slightly curved, possibly so it could sit upon the surface of the new earth.

Everything else that I saw was exactly as John has described in Revelation. (Rev21:14,19-20) Too awesome to really capture in the words of humans!

With that said, what I saw concerning the shape of mount Zion has caused me to reconsider my previous understanding. (Heb12:22) Prior to my dream, the description in Revelation 21:16 had caused me to think that the heavenly city must be a cube shape. However, there is another possibility!



Due to our preconceived ideas relating to the pyramids of Egypt, and other imagery adopted and used by secret societies that worship Satan, we are apt to reject the idea that the heavenly city could be a pyramid shape. One thing that

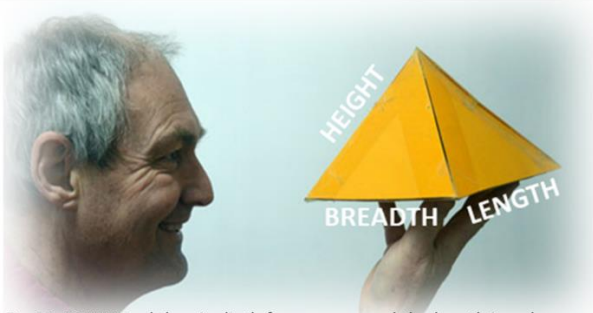
we can be certain of is that Satan counterfeits in this physical dimension what belongs to God in the spiritual dimension. Perhaps that's the reason behind the existence of the pyramids of Egypt.

Taking all these things into consideration, the description in Revelation 21:16 does not rule out the possibility that the heavenly mount Sion is a pyramid shape, a great high mountain (Rev21:10), the mountain of the Lord (Heb12:22)

John described it this way, "And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal."

This description allows for the height of the city to be measured from any of the four base corners, up to the apex, which would describe a perfectly shaped pyramid – a great high mountain; otherwise known as the mountain of the Lord. (Heb11:14 Rev21:10 Heb12:22)

"But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God." (1Cor2:9-10)



Rev21:16 KJV And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.

The description of the heavenly city heaven also causes some to speculate concerning the city's dimensions. Some will read the length to be 12,000 furlongs (1,500 miles) with a breadth of 12,000 furlongs, while others will

read that the total length of the city as 12,000 furlongs (375 miles x 375 miles).

Some will say that if the latter is true, then that would greatly reduce the interior area of the city, which is true. By the same token, some will say that if the heavenly city is a pyramid shape, then there would be less space than if it were a cube. One thing to remember is that heaven is a place like no other place in a universe without boundary. Therefore, it is possible that within the heavenly city there may exist dimensions within dimensions – portals leading to other limitless dimensions – for with God, nothing shall be impossible! (Matt19:26)

When all is said and done – God loves mystery, and some things will remain a mystery, to be fully revealed in God's time. (Prov20:5 Rev10:7)

CHAPTER 17

The Conclusion

I clearly remember the ending to my dream.
In the light of all that had been revealed,
I asked Stephen what he thought about the many and varied doctrines
concerning the Rapture.



I said, “Many preachers and teachers talk about things that Jesus never mentioned, such as the feast of trumpets and Jewish festivals, or moon tetrads, or an Islamic Antichrist – always trying to somehow link these with the return of Christ. Others even claim that different books of the New Testament were written to specific groups of people, and therefore don’t apply to all.”

Stephen answered gently but weightily. “I speak not with the enticing words of man’s wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, that your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. (1Cor2:4-5) Take heed that no man deceives you. Jesus warned that many shall come in his name, saying he is Christ, and shall deceive many. (Matt24:4-5) What Jesus said, he said to all. (Mk13:37) The Lord shall do nothing except he first reveals his secret to his servants the prophets.” (Amos3:7)

“Jesus said that when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel stand in the holy place (Matt24:15 Dan9:27), then shall be great tribulation. (Matt24:21) Jesus then explained that immediately after the tribulation the sun and the moon would go dark, and he would return in the clouds to resurrect all believers.” (Matt24:29-31)

Stephen continued in an emphatic tone, “Immediately after those days of tribulation, on the last day (Jn6:39,40,44,54), Jesus shall return in the clouds with a shout and with the great sound of a trumpet, and he shall resurrect all believers (Matt24:29-31) in a one-day, one-time event known as the first resurrection. (Rev20:5) This shall happen at the seventh, last trump of God (Rev10:7 1Cor15:51-52 1Thess4:16-17) – not a shofar or earthly trumpet, but a heavenly trumpet sounded by an angel of God. (Rev10:7 Rev11:15) The Rapture shall be a well-publicized, loud, and global event, and every eye shall see him. He that has ears, let him hear.” (Rev1:7 Matt11:15 Rev2:17)

I asked Stephen what we should do if we discover that we’ve believed the wrong doctrine. “Many sincere and well-meaning Christian folk have invested a lot of time and money and effort into studying what they believe.”



Mark 2:21 (KJV) No man also seweth a piece of new cloth on an old garment: else the new piece that filled it up taketh away from the old, and the rent is made worse.

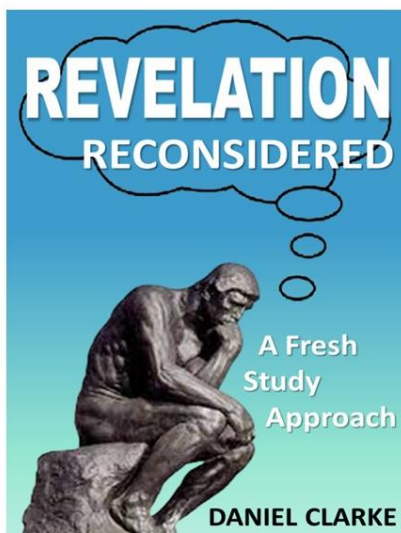
Stephen responded, “Heaven understands that many have invested time and effort in their quest to understand the return of their King and Savior. But do men sew a new piece of cloth onto an old garment? Wouldn’t it be better to completely discard the old in favor of the truth? For when that which is perfect is come, then that which in part shall be done away!” (Mk2:21 1Cor13:10)

Then I awoke!

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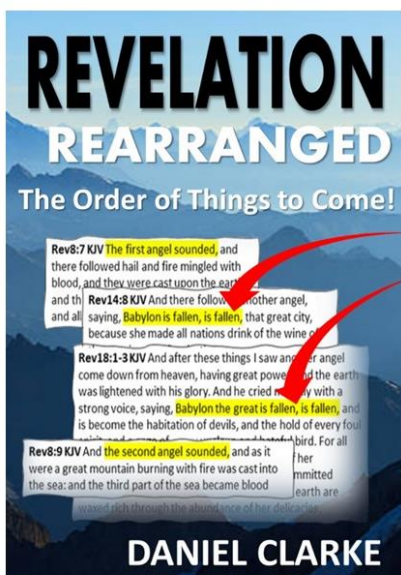


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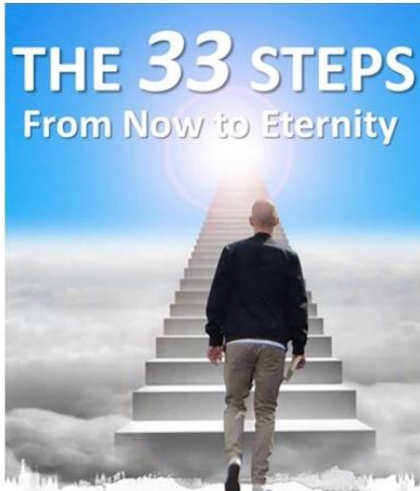
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