

Welcome To Sunday Night Bible Fellowship



"We proclaim Him, warning every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man mature in Christ." Col 1:28

"The Tribulation"

Part 1

Luke 21:10-19

March 31, 2024

Passion Week							1 st month of Hebrew Calendar. (Exodus 12:2) (March/April)	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
Jesus arrived in Bethany yesterday (Saturday), and on Sunday the crowds visit Jesus and Lazarus in Bethany, which leaders (John 12:9-10).	10 Select the affliction lamb (Exodus 12:3 "On the tenth of this month they are each one to take a lamb for themselves...") Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on a donkey colt (Matt. 21:1-11; Mark 11:7-11; John 12:14-15) Jesus visits the temple, looked around, and hears many Jews return to the Bethany for the evening	11 Jesus curses the fig tree (with judgment vs: 12a) Jesus cleanses the Temple again, he is scorned, and prevented people from using the temple as a shortcut Jesus' conversation with Greeks (John 12:20-26) God the Father audibly speaks, and everyone hears (John 12:28-33) Jesus talks about His coming death and the unbelief of the Jews	12 Withered fig tree is seen again (Mark 11) Jews teach at the Temple grounds, Jewish leaders' official challenge of Christ's authority Jesus tells chief priests, scribes and Pharisees on the Temple grounds Jesus' conversation with Greeks (John 12:20-26) God the Father audibly speaks, and everyone hears (John 12:28-33) Jesus talks about His coming death and the unbelief of the Jews	13 Jesus sends Peter and John to prepare for the Passover meal. Note: Jews from Galilee, northern Israel) separate themselves from Galilee The Passover day Jews from Judea (southern Israel) would celebrate Passover on Friday. The Upper Room Discourse and Jesus High Priestly Prayer Jesus and Disciples go to Garden of Olives (Jesus' arrest/pray. See chapters Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; John 13-18)	14 Early am betrayal and arrest of Jesus 6 Trials of Jesus (3 Jews then 3 Roman) The Passover day Jews from Judea (southern Israel) would celebrate Passover on Friday. Jesus & disciples last Supper The Upper Room Discourse and Jesus High Priestly Prayer Jesus and Disciples go to Garden of Olives (Jesus' arrest/pray. See chapters Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; John 13-18)	15 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 2. Jewish Feast of Unleavened bread continues for 7 days The Passover day Jews from Judea (southern Israel) would celebrate Passover on Friday. Jesus & disciples last Supper The Upper Room Discourse and Jesus High Priestly Prayer Jesus and Disciples go to Garden of Olives (Jesus' arrest/pray. See chapters Matthew 26; Mark 14; Luke 22; John 13-18)	16 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 3. Jesus is resurrected over the next 40 days to over 500 people Resurrection and appearances over the next 40 days to over 500 people	

If you are consistent and faithful in literally interpreting the Bible, then you will get Israel's covenants and promises right . . .

If you get Israel's covenants and promises right, you get Israel right . . .

If you get Israel right, then you get the Church right . . .

If you get the Church and Israel right, then you get prophecy right.

Luke 21:5-9

5 And while some were talking about the temple, that it was adorned with beautiful stones and votive gifts, He said,

6 "As for these things which you are looking at, the days will come in which there will not be left one stone upon another which will not be torn down."

7 They questioned Him, saying, "Teacher, when therefore will these things happen? And what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?"

8 And He said, "See to it that you are not misled; for many will come in My name, saying, 'I am He,' and, 'The time is near.' Do not go after them.

9 "When you hear of wars and disturbances, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end does not follow immediately."

Luke 21:10-19

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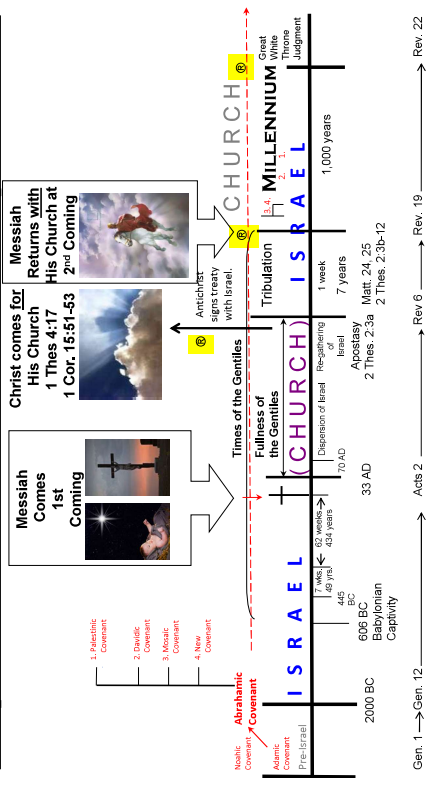
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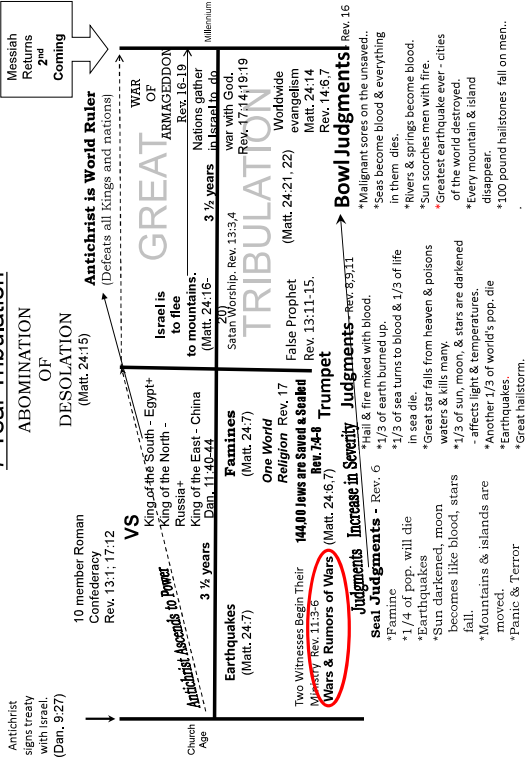
- The 7 year Tribulation can be described as chaotic, dangerous, and frightening.
- A major theme of the Tribulation will be war – rumors and the actual wars themselves.

Comprehensive Biblical View of Future Prophetic Events

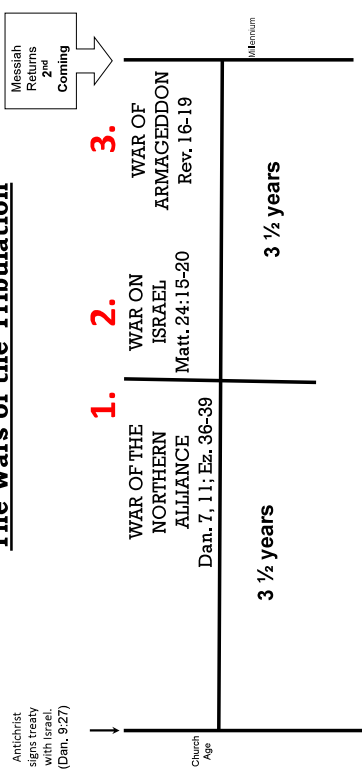


Ⓢ = Resurrection

7 Year Tribulation



The Wars of the Tribulation



Color

Object

Meaning

Seal #1

White

Bow

Deception/Antichrist

Seal #2

Red

Sword

Blood/War

Seal #3

Black

Scales

Famine

Seal #4

Ashen/Pale

Authority

Death/Grave

Antichrist signs treaty with Israel. (Dan. 9:27)

Messiah Returns 2nd Coming

1.

2.

3.

WAR OF THE NORTHERN ALLIANCE

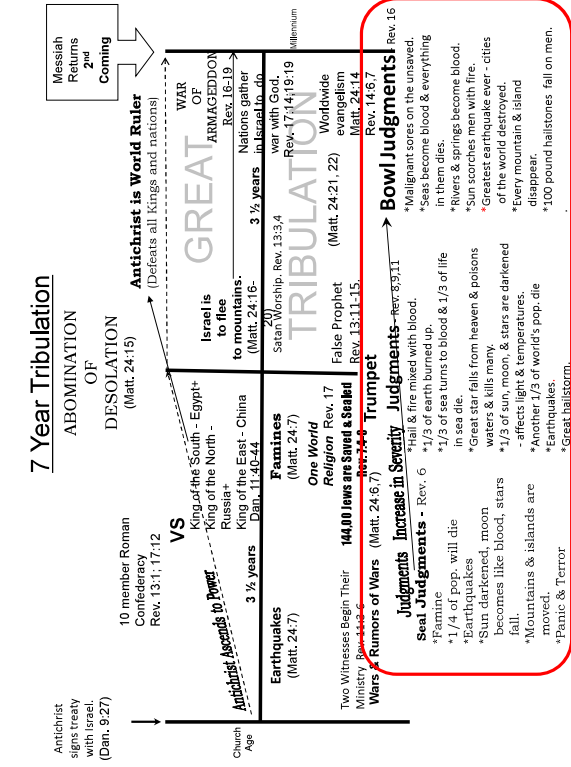
WAR ON ISRAEL

WAR OF ARMAGEDDON

3 1/2 years

3 1/2 years

Millennium



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Rev 11:7-10

- 7 When they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up out of the abyss will make war with them, and overcome them and kill them.
- 8 And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which mystically is called Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified.
- 9 Those from the peoples and tribes and tongues and nations will look at their dead bodies for three and a half days, and will not permit their dead bodies to be laid in a tomb.
- 10 And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them and celebrate; and they will send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.

EARTH

- 1/3 of Earth will be burned up
- 1/3 of the trees will be burned up
- 1/3 of the sea will turn into blood

SEA

- 1/3 of the sea creatures will die
- 1/3 of the ships on the sea will sink
- RIVERS, SPRINGS, FOUNTAINS, WELLS**
- 1/3 of the rivers and springs will become contaminated
- SUN, MOON, STARS**

- 1/3 of the light from the Sun will be taken away
- 1/3 of the light from the moon will be taken away
- 1/3 of the light from the stars will be taken away
- 1/3 of the day will be without light
- 1/3 of the night will be without light

****Notice balance between the Grace/Mercy of God and the Justice of God.**

12 "But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute you, delivering you to the synagogues and prisons, bringing you before kings and governors for My name's sake.

- The persecution of believers has always been a part of the people of God.
- "More Christians have died this century simply for being Christians than in the first nineteen centuries after the birth of Christ." NY Times, 1997

During the Tribulation many will be slaughtered for their faith in Christ -

Rev 7:13-14

- 13 Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "These who are clothed in the white robes, who are they, and where have they come from?"
- 14 I said to him, "My lord, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Rev 13:7-10

- 7 It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him.
- 8 All who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain.
- 9 If anyone has an ear, let him hear.
- 10 If anyone is destined for captivity, to captivity he goes; if anyone kills with the sword, with the sword he must be killed. Here is the perseverance and the faith of the saints.

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- In the middle of all of the chaos and danger, there will be opportunity to witness.
- In fact it will open doors for witnessing and testimony.
- **How will unbelievers become believers during the Tribulation?**

1. 144,000 Jewish evangelists.
2. 2 witnesses.
3. Angel proclaiming the gospel to the whole earth.

Rev 14:6-7

- 6 And I saw another angel flying in midheaven, having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people;
- 7 and he said with a loud voice, "Fear God, and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters."
4. By the testimony and witness of believers who are saved during the Tribulation.
5. Bibles and gospel literature that may be available.

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τῆθημι - to settle, to purpose, to let it sink down..

- Don't spend time on your testimony or memorizing the 4 spiritual laws.
- God will give you the words to say.

• Why? Because it will take wisdom to know how to respond in these situations.

Ex 4:10-12

10 Then Moses said to the Lord, "Please, Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither recently nor in time past, nor since You have spoken to Your servant; for I am slow of speech and slow of tongue."

11 The Lord said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes him mute or deaf, or seeing or blind? Is it not I, the Lord?"

12 "Now then go, and I, even I, will be with your mouth, and teach you what you are to say.

Luke 12:11-12

11 "When they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not worry about how or what you are to speak in your defense, or what you are to say;

12 for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say."

16 "But you will be betrayed even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death, and you will be hated by all because of My name.

Rev 6:9

9 When the Lamb broke the fifth seal, I saw underneath the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God, and because of the testimony which they had maintained;

John 15:18-19

18 "If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before it hated you.

19 "If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.

Luke 6:22-23

22 "Blessed are you when men hate you, and ostracize you, and insult you, and scorn your name as evil, for the sake of the Son of Man.

23 "Be glad in that day and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.

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- God will not forget about these believers.
- He knows every hair on their head.

Matt 10:26-31

- 26 "Therefore do not fear them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known.
- 27 "What I tell you in the darkness, speak in the light; and what you hear whispered in your ear, proclaim upon the housetops.
- 28 "Do not fear those who kill the body but are unable to kill the soul; but rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.
- 29 "Are not two sparrows sold for a cent? And yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father.
- 30 "But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.**
- 31 "So do not fear; you are more valuable than many sparrows.
- If God does not want you to perish, you won't perish, right down to the hairs on your head.

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- God's sovereign power will produce in these believers a super-natural ability to persevere to the end.
- They will either enter into the Millennial Kingdom with their physical bodies or if martyred, enter into the presence of God.

Rom 8:35

35 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

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Application

1. Though you may think at times that your world is collapsing around you, take comfort in knowing it is nothing like the Tribulation.
2. In spite of living in a difficult, dark, evil world, your witness and testimony are critical to reaching people for Christ.
Remember . . .
"The darker the night, the brighter the light."
3. There is such great comfort and security for the believer in difficult times:
God will give you wisdom.
God will help you with your words.
God will help you persevere.
God's will for your life will be done.