

“The Tribulation”

Part 2

Luke 21:20-24

April 7, 2024

1 st month of Hebrew Calendar. (Exodus 12:2) (March/April)						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9 Jesus arrived in Bethany yesterday (Saturday), and 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 to kill each one to take a lamb for themselves...")	11 Jesus cleanses the Temple (John 2:13-16) again, he cleansed the Temple and prevented people from using the temple as a shortcut conversation with God (John 12:20-26)	12 Withered fig tree is seen again (Mark 11) Jesus teaches at the Temple grounds, Jewish leaders' official challenge of Christ's authority	13 Jesus sends Peter and John to prepare for the Passover meal. Note: Jews from Galilee (northern Israel) separate themselves on Thursday after sunset.	14 Early am betrayal and arrest of Jesus	15 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 2.
15 Jesus returns to Bethany for the evening	16 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 3.	17 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 4.	18 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 5.	19 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 6.	20 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 7.	21 Jesus' body in the tomb Day 8.

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• Jesus is saying the desolation of Jerusalem/Israel will begin in the middle of the Tribulation.

• It should be noted that 70 AD was a foreshadow of what will come in the Tribulation.

Zech 14:2-3

2 For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city will be captured, the houses plundered, the women ravished and half of the city exiled, but the rest of the people will not be cut off from the city.

3 Then the Lord will go forth and fight against those nations, as when He fights on a day of battle.

• Notice the parallel in Matt 24.

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Matt 24:9-22

9 "Then they will deliver you to tribulation, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name. 10 "At that time many will fall away and will betray one another and hate one another. 11

12 "Many false prophets will arise and will mislead many. 13 "Because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold. 14 "But the one who endures to the end, he will be saved. 15 "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.

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20 "But pray that your flight will not be in the winter, or on a Sabbath.

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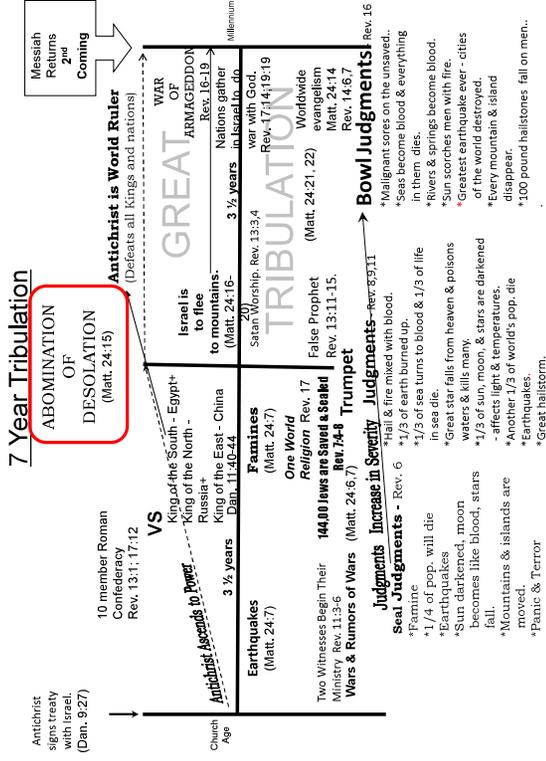
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"days of vengeance" – another term for the Great Tribulation when the wrath of God is poured out on the earth. (Is. 34:8, 35:4, 61:2, 63:4, Micah 5:15.)

• God will use the Antichrist to persecute Israel for their rejection of the Messiah.



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3 Commands for the Jews living in Israel at the middle of the Tribulation after the Abomination of Desolation:

1. if you are in Judea, run to the mountains.
2. if you are in Jerusalem, get out now.
3. if you live in the country, don't go to Jerusalem.

Why?

Because the Antichrist is coming after Israel.

Rev 12:13-17

13 And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child.

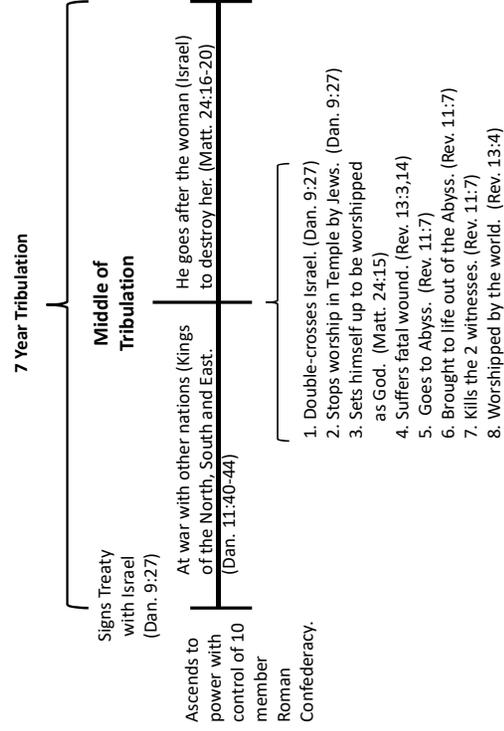
14 But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, so that she could fly into the wilderness to her place, where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

15 And the serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood.

16 But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and drank up the river which the dragon poured out of his mouth.

17 So the dragon was enraged with the woman, and went off to make war with the rest of her children, who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

History of the Antichrist



23 "Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days; for there will be great distress upon the land and wrath to this people;

- It will be very difficult for those with additional responsibilities and conditions.
- Imagine how difficult it will be to drop everything and head out of town immediately.
- You will not have time to grab the diaper bag, blankets or babies' clothing.
- Once the Antichrist unleashes his army on the city, and you do not flee, you will die.
- You must make it to another nation. Edom - Petra?

Dan 11:41

41 "He will also enter the Beautiful Land, and many countries will fall; but these will be rescued out of his hand: Edom, Moab and the foremost of the sons of Ammon.

24 and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

- Many Jews will be killed.
- The rest will be scattered.
- Antichrist and his forces will reign over Jerusalem.
- That will last until the War of Armageddon and the second coming of Christ.
- It will then be that the "times of the Gentiles" will be fulfilled.
- "Times of the Gentiles" is the time that Gentile nations will rule over Israel. It runs from 586 B.C., when Israel fell captive to Babylon, and continues until Israel is again dominant in the world in the Millennium.
- It is not to be confused with the "fulness of the Gentiles," which will run from the beginning of the Church age to the salvation of all of Israel at the end of the Tribulation. (Rom. 11:25)

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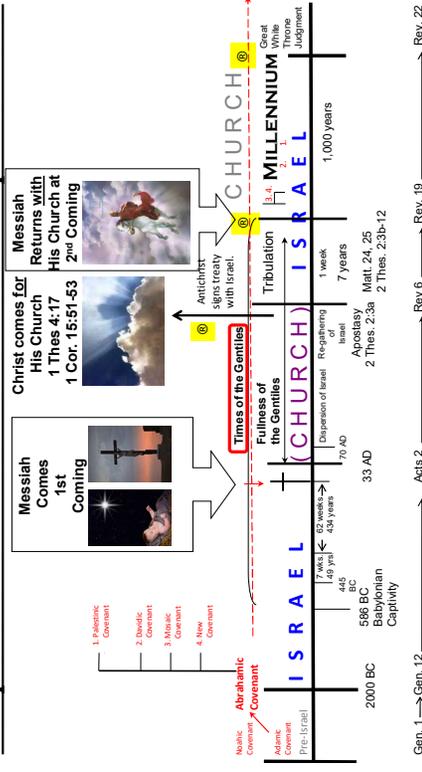
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Comprehensive Biblical View of Future Prophetic Events



☉ = Resurrection

Application

1. The nation of Israel is in the news today because God has a future for Israel.
2. Israel will not have peace until, at the end of the Tribulation, those Jews living then recognize Jesus as their Messiah and are saved.
3. Be thankful to God for every day of peace you have here on this earth. You have it because of His grace and mercy.