

# *Welcome To Open Bible Hour*

*Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!*

*Our desire is that you may grow in the grace  
and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as  
we pursue an in-depth study of  
2 Thessalonians.*

*If you have a prayer request, for  
which you would like us to pray,  
please fill out a prayer sheet at  
the back table and give to Lyle.*

# **“How To Live in Light of the Second Coming”**

**“Shaken Because You’re Mistaken”**

*Get your eschatology right!*

*Part 3*

**2 Thess. 2:6-12**

March 1, 2015

THE BOOK OF REVELATION RELATED TO  
DANIEL'S "SEVENTIETH WEEK" AND MATTHEW

		3½ years					3½ years	
Daniel 9:27	TREATY MADE	TREATY BROKEN	DESOLATION OF ISRAEL				DESOLATOR DESTROYED	
		The Temple Altar Profaned						
Matt. 24	24:5-8 ISRAEL'S BEGINNING OF BIRTH PANGS		24:9-28 GREAT TRIBULATION				29-31 SON OF MAN APPEARS	
Rev. 4-19	4-5	6-7	8-11	12-14	15-16	17-18	19	
	PREPARATION	SEVEN SEALS	SEVEN TRUMPETS	PARENTHETIC EXPLANATIONS	SEVEN BOWLS	PARENTHESIS ON BABYLON	CHRIST RETURNS	
	4 God's Throne of Judgment	6 1. White Horse (Antichrist) 2. Red (War) 3. Black (Famine) 4. Pale (Death) 5. Martyrs 6. Wrath of God begins 7. _____>	8-9 1. On Vegetation 2. On Sea 3. Drinking Water 4. Darkness 5. Locusts 6. 200,000,000 Horsemen	10-11 Parenthetic	12 The Dragon and Israel	15 Bowls introduced (from God's holiness)	17 The Counterfeit Church described	His Judgment Work is completed
	5 Christ Takes Sealed Book	7 144,000 Israelis sealed to serve  Gentile multitude salvaged		7 Finale previewed	13 The Two Beasts	16 1. Boils 2. Sea-Blood 3. Fresh Water 4. Sun scorches 5. Darkness 6. Euphrates dried 7. Greatest earthquake		
				14 144,000 on Mt. Zion The Sickle prepared				
	Seals →	1 2 3 4 5 6 7						
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# **SURVIVING IN AN AGE OF APOSTASY**

What can the believer do if they are in a church that is apostasizing?

1. Communicate to God. It is all in God's hands. He will do what He chooses to do.
2. Communicate to the leadership – talk, letters, email, etc. Fill your communication with scripture.
3. Communicate with your wallet. This can get a church's attention real quick.

## **Prov 3:9**

9 Honor the Lord from your wealth

And from the first of all your produce;

If you are supporting a church and that church is apostasizing then you are supporting apostasy and God doesn't expect you to do that. That is not honoring to the Lord.

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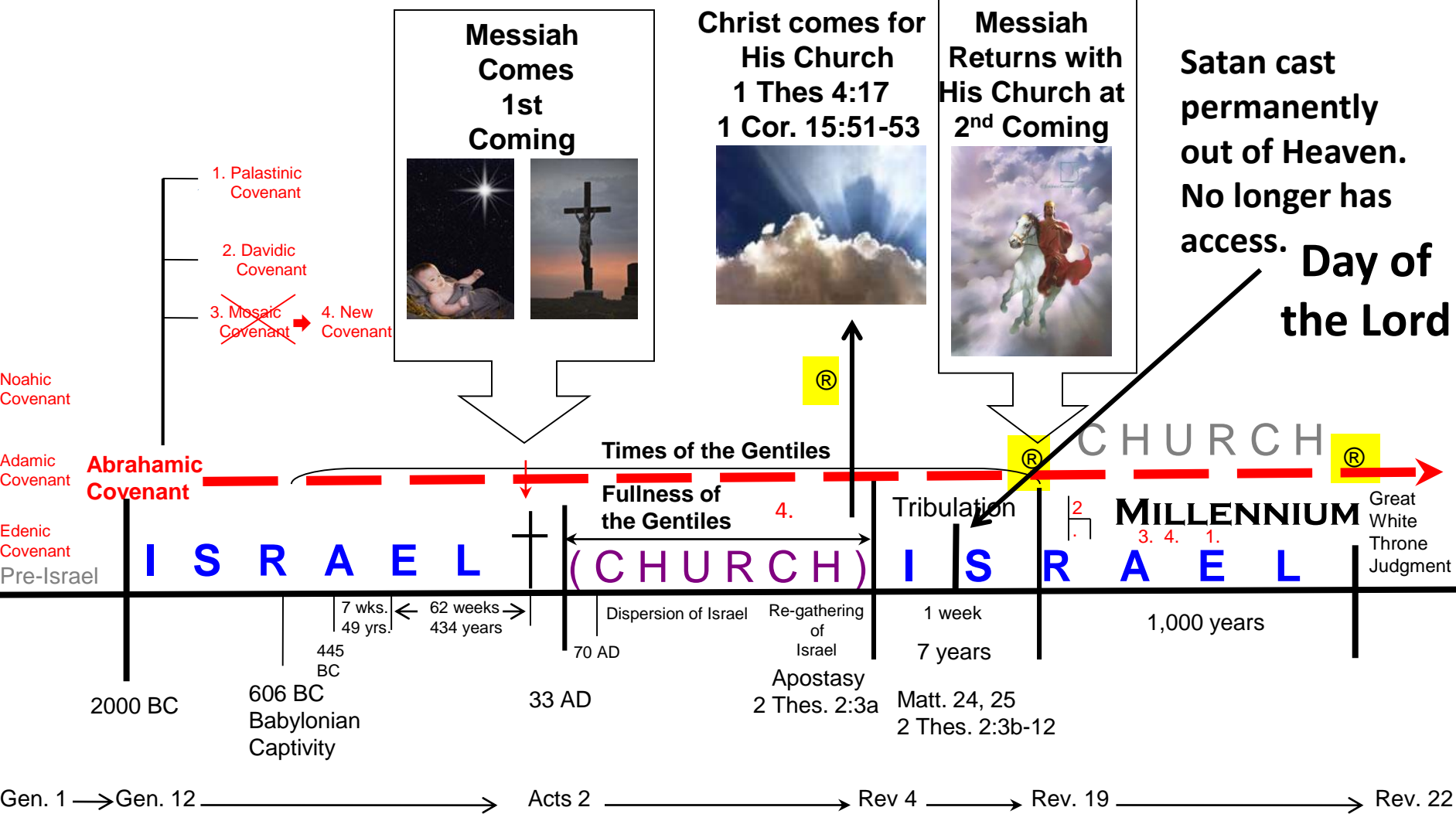
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# Comprehensive Biblical View of Future Prophetic Events



® = Resurrection

# 7 Year Tribulation

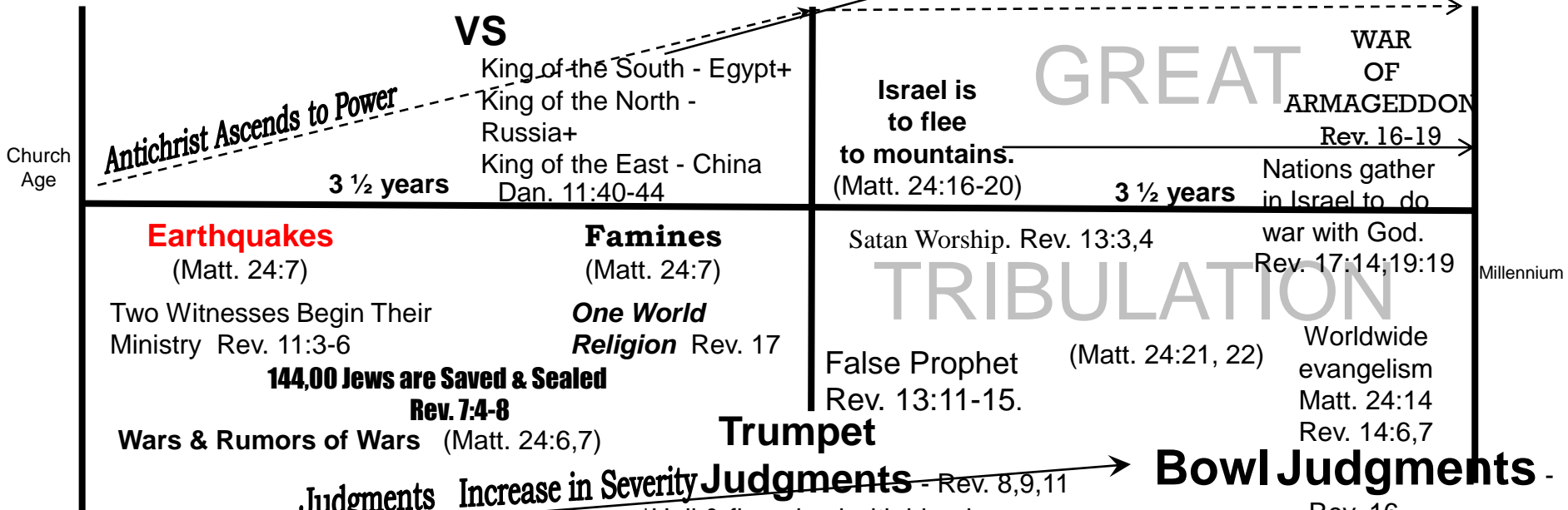
ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION (Matt. 24:15)

Messiah Returns 2nd Coming

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

10 member Roman Confederacy Rev. 13:1; 17:12

Antichrist is World Ruler (Defeats all Kings and nations)



Church Age

Antichrist Ascends to Power

3 1/2 years

VS

King of the South - Egypt+  
King of the North - Russia+  
King of the East - China  
Dan. 11:40-44

Israel is to flee to mountains. (Matt. 24:16-20)

GREAT

WAR OF ARMAGEDDON Rev. 16-19

3 1/2 years

Nations gather in Israel to do war with God. Rev. 17:14; 19:19

Millennium

TRIBULATION

Trumpet

Bowl Judgments - Rev. 16

**Earthquakes** (Matt. 24:7)

**Famines** (Matt. 24:7)

Satan Worship. Rev. 13:3,4

Two Witnesses Begin Their Ministry Rev. 11:3-6

**One World Religion** Rev. 17

False Prophet (Matt. 24:21, 22) Rev. 13:11-15.

**144,000 Jews are Saved & Sealed** Rev. 7:4-8

Wars & Rumors of Wars (Matt. 24:6,7)

Judgments Increase in Severity Judgments - Rev. 8,9,11

**Seal Judgments** - Rev. 6

- \*Famine
- \*1/4 of pop. will die
- \***Earthquakes**
- \***Sun darkened, moon becomes like blood, stars fall.**
- \***Mountains & islands are moved.**
- \*Panic & Terror

- \*Hail & fire mixed with blood.
- \*1/3 of earth burned up.
- \*1/3 of sea turns to blood & 1/3 of life in sea die.
- \*Great star falls from heaven & poisons waters & kills many.
- \*1/3 of sun, moon, & stars are darkened - affects light & temperatures.
- \*Another 1/3 of world's pop. die
- \***Earthquakes.**
- \*Great hailstorm.

- \*Malignant sores on the unsaved..
- \*Seas become blood & everything in them dies.
- \*Rivers & springs become blood.
- \*Sun scorches men with fire.
- \***Greatest earthquake ever - cities of the world destroyed.**
- \***Every mountain & island disappear.**
- \*100 pound hailstones fall on men..

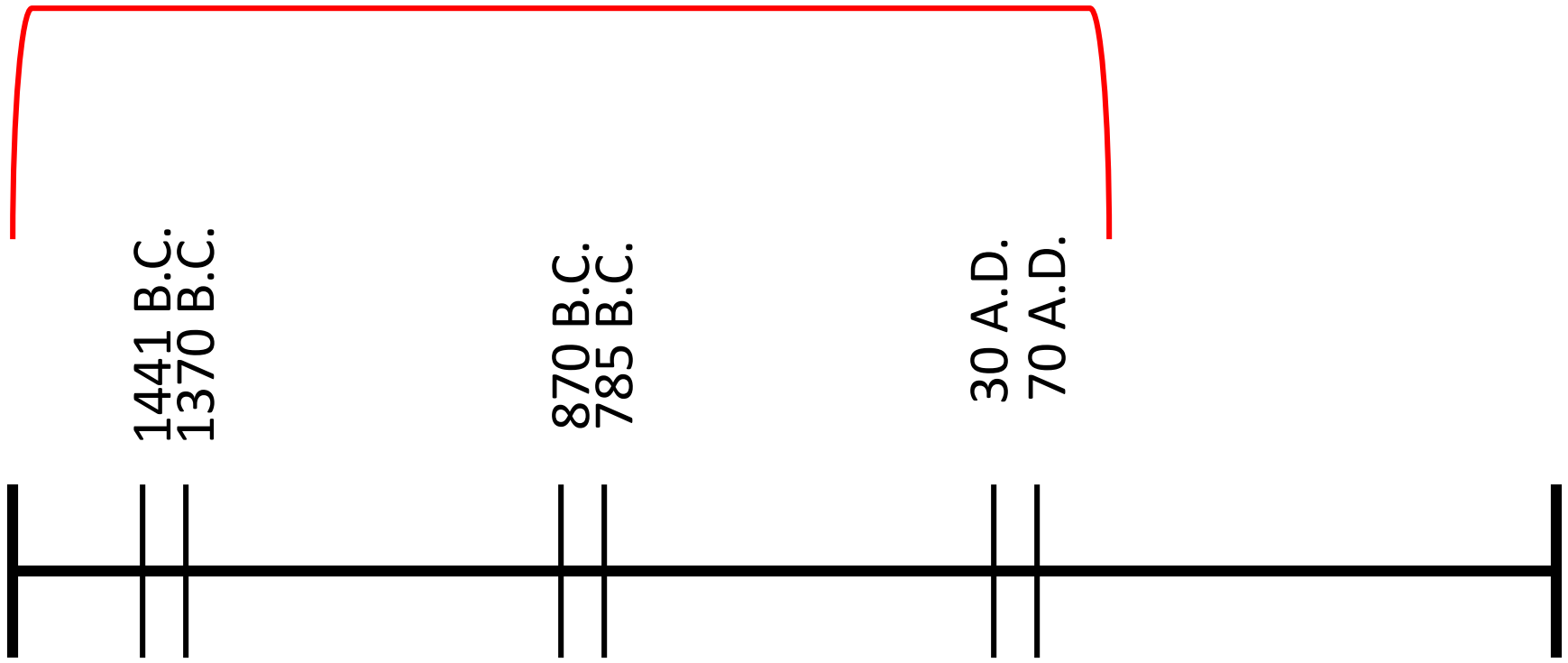
# **3 periods of miracles when God gave His written revelation.**

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4,000 Years



1441 B.C.  
1370 B.C.

870 B.C.  
785 B.C.

30 A.D.  
70 A.D.

**Moses  
& Joshua**  
Exodus  
Joshua

**Elijah  
& Elisha**  
1 & 2 Kings

**Lord Jesus  
& Apostles**  
Gospels  
Acts

# I. **Moses and Joshua**--the time of the giving of the Law.

- The burning bush
- Staff became serpent
- Hand became leprous
- Water from Nile became blood
- The ten plagues of Egypt
- The parting of the Red Sea
- The crossing of the Jordan
- The fall of Jericho
- The battle of Gibeon

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- The miracle of Jonah.
- 2 great miracles at the time of Isaiah (II Kings 19:35 & 20:9-11).
- The miracles of Daniel.

**III. Christ and the Apostles** - which introduced the era of the New Testament revelation. Between 36 A.D. and 95 A.D., all 27 books of the New Testament were written

### **Christ –**

- Calming of the sea (Matthew 8)
- The casting of the devils into the swine (Matthew 8)
- The feeding of the multitude (Matthew 14)
- Walking on water (Matthew 14)
- A daughter demon-possessed (Matthew 15)
- The lunatic son (Matthew 17)
- Cursing of the fig tree (Matthew 21)
- Calming of the winds and rains (Mark 4)

## Apostles –

- Tabitha raised from the dead.
- Eutychus raised from the dead.
- Demon cast out of slave-girl.
- Magician struck blind.
- Demons cast out from Paul's apron and handkerchief.
- Poisonous snake-bite has no affect.



## **Acts 2:22**

22 "Men of Israel, listen to these words: Jesus the Nazarene, a man attested to you by God with miracles and wonders and signs which God performed through Him in your midst, just as you yourselves know —

## **2 Cor 12:12**

12 The signs of a true apostle were performed among you with all perseverance, by signs and wonders and miracles.

## **Heb 2:3-4**

3 how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? After it was at the first spoken through the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who heard,

4 God also testifying with them, both by signs and wonders and by various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit according to His own will.

## **Matt 24:21-25**

21 "For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will.

22 "Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.

23 "Then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ,' or 'There He is,' do not believe him.

24 "For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.

## **Rev 13:1-18**

- 1 And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore.  
Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names.
- 2 And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like those of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority.
- 3 I saw one of his heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed. And the whole earth was amazed and followed after the beast;
- 4 they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?"
- 5 There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him.
- 6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven.
- 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.

- 11 Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon.
- 12 He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.
- 13 He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down out of heaven to the earth in the presence of men.
- 14 And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life.
- 15 And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed.
- 16 And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead,
- 17 and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name.
- 18 Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.

## **Rev 16:13-14**

13 And I saw coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs;

14 for they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them together for the war of the great day of God, the Almighty.

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## **John 3:19**

19 "This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil.

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## **John 8:44**

44 "You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

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# OPERATION STRONG DELUSION

**“Delusion”** - a fixed false belief that is contrary to reason or actual fact.

- **Basis:** a rejection of the truth of the gospel.

*10 and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved.*

- **Campaign:** God will dispatch on those unbelievers living during the 7 year Tribulation period, who have rejected the truth, a pervading and overwhelming belief in the lie that the antichrist is God.

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- **Result:** sealed unto eternal damnation.

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## **Matt 13:11-14**

11 Jesus answered them, "To you it has been granted to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been granted.

12 "For whoever has, to him more shall be given, and he will have an abundance; but whoever does not have, even what he has shall be taken away from him.

13 "Therefore I speak to them in parables; because while seeing they do not see, and while hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.

## **Ex 4:21**

21 The Lord said to Moses, "When you go back to Egypt see that you perform before Pharaoh all the wonders which I have put in your power; but I will harden his heart so that he will not let the people go.

## **Ex 7:1-3**

- 1 Then the Lord said to Moses, "See, I make you as God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron shall be your prophet.
- 2 2 "You shall speak all that I command you, and your brother Aaron shall speak to Pharaoh that he let the sons of Israel go out of his land.
- 3 3 "But I will harden Pharaoh's heart that I may multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt.

# 1 Kings 22:19-23

19 Micaiah said, "Therefore, hear the word of the Lord. I saw the Lord sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing by Him on His right and on His left.

20 "The Lord said, 'Who will entice Ahab to go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead?' And one said this while another said that.

21 "Then a spirit came forward and stood before the Lord and said, 'I will entice him.'

22 "The Lord said to him, 'How?' And he said, 'I will go out and be a deceiving spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.' Then He said, 'You are to entice him and also prevail. Go and do so.'

23 "Now therefore, behold, the Lord has put a deceiving spirit in the mouth of all these your prophets; and the Lord has proclaimed disaster against you."

## **Job 12:23-25**

23 "He makes the nations great, then destroys them;  
He enlarges the nations, then leads them away.

24 "He deprives of intelligence the chiefs of the earth's  
people

And makes them wander in a pathless waste.

25 "They grope in darkness with no light,  
And He makes them stagger like a drunken man.

## **Ps 107:40**

40 He pours contempt upon princes

And makes them wander in a pathless waste.

## **Isa 63:17**

7 Why, O Lord, do You cause us to stray from Your ways  
And harden our heart from fearing You?

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18 "He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

## **2 seals:**

- Sealed unto eternal life
- Sealed unto judgment

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