

ISRAEL'S LAST GENERATION - FAITHLESS AND PERVERSE

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Before Israel entered the Promised Land, GOD told Moses about Israel's END... Deuteronomy 32:20 And he said, I will hide my face from them, I WILL SEE WHAT THEIR END SHALL BE: for they are A VERY FROWARD GENERATION, children in whom is NO FAITH.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Deuteronomy 32:20 and said, I will turn away my face from them, and WILL SHOW WHAT SHALL HAPPEN TO THEM IN THE LAST DAYS; for it is A PERVERSE GENERATION, sons in whom is NO FAITH.

The word END is translated from the Hebrew word ACHARITH which is [Strong's H320](#):

Word Summary: acharith: THE END

Transliteration: acharith

Part of Speech: Noun Feminine

Meaning: THE END

Strong's Concordance: LATTER

(Aramaic) from 'achar; the same as 'achariyth; LATER -- LATTER.

Deuteronomy 32:15 But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered with fatness; THEN HE FORSOOK GOD WHICH MADE HIM, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation. Deuteronomy 32:16 They provoked him to jealousy with STRANGE GODS, with ABOMINATIONS PROVOKED THEY HIM TO ANGER. Deuteronomy 32:17 They SACRIFICED UNTO DEVILS, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new gods that came newly up, whom your fathers feared not. Deuteronomy 32:18 Of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee. Deuteronomy 32:19 And when the LORD saw it, HE ABHORRED THEM, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters. Deuteronomy 32:20 And he said, I will hide my face from them, I WILL SEE WHAT THEIR END SHALL BE: for they are A VERY FROWARD GENERATION, children in whom is NO FAITH.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Deuteronomy 32:15 So Jacob ate and was filled, and the beloved one kicked; he grew fat, he became thick and broad: THEN HE FORSOOK THE GOD THAT MADE HIM, AND DEPARTED FROM GOD HIS SAVIOUR.

Deuteronomy 32:16 They provoked me to anger with STRANGE GODS; with THEIR ABOMINATIONS THEY BITTERLY ANGERED ME. Deuteronomy 32:17 They SACRIFICED TO DEVILS, and not to God; to gods whom they knew not: new and fresh gods came in, whom their fathers knew not. Deuteronomy 32:18 Thou hast forsaken God that begot thee, and forgotten God who feeds thee. Deuteronomy 32:19 And the Lord saw, and was JEALOUS; and was provoked by the anger of his sons and daughters, Deuteronomy 32:20 and said, I will turn away my face from them, and WILL SHOW WHAT SHALL HAPPEN TO THEM IN THE LAST DAYS; for it is A PERVERSE GENERATION, sons in whom is NO FAITH.

GOD said that THEY would be A PERVERSE AND CROOKED GENERATION...

Deuteronomy 32:5 THEY have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of his children: THEY are A PERVERSE AND CROOKED GENERATION.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Deuteronomy 32:5 THEY have sinned, not pleasing him; spotted children, A FROWARD AND PERVERSE GENERATION.

Definition of FROWARD...

FROWARD: adjective

1. Stubbornly contrary and DISOBEDIENT; obstinate.
2. Not willing to yield or comply with what is required or is reasonable; PERVERSE; DISOBEDIENT; peevish.

GOD had Moses to write a song about Israel's End or Destiny and teach it to the children of Israel so that they would not forget and it would be a witness against them. It is known as The Song Of Moses... Deuteronomy 31:19 Now therefore write ye this song for you, and teach it the children of Israel: put it in their mouths, that this song may be a witness for me against the children of Israel.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Deuteronomy 31:19 And now write the words of this song, and teach it to the children of Israel, and ye shall put it into their mouth, that this song may witness for me among the children of Israel to their face.

Read Deuteronomy 31:14 - 32:47 to learn more about The Song Of Moses!

Jesus identified His Generation as a FAITHLESS AND PERVERSE GENERATION...

Matthew 17:17 Then JESUS answered and said, O FAITHLESS AND PERVERSE GENERATION, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.

Luke 9:41 And Jesus answering said, O FAITHLESS AND PERVERSE GENERATION, how long shall I be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither.

PERVERSE is translated from the Greek word DIASTREPHO which is [Strong's G1294](#):

Word Summary: diastrepho: to distort, misinterpret, CORRUPT

Transliteration: diastrepho

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: to distort, misinterpret, CORRUPT

Strong's Concordance: PERVERT, CORRUPT

From dia and strepho; to distort, i.e. (figuratively) misinterpret, or (MORALLY) CORRUPT -- PERVERSE(-rt), turn away.

On Pentecost the Apostle Peter identified the Jews as an UNTOWARD GENERATION. UNTOWARD is translated from the Greek word SKOLIOS which is **Strong's G4646**:

Word Summary: skolios: curved, winding, CROOKED

Transliteration: skolios

Phonetic Spelling: (skol-ee-os')

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: curved, winding, CROOKED

Strong's Concordance: CROOKED, FROWARD, UNTOWARD.

From the base of skelos; warped, i.e. Winding; figuratively, PERVERSE -- CROOKED, FROWARD, UNTOWARD.

Acts 2:38 "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Acts 2:39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. Acts 2:40 And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, SAVE YOURSELVES FROM THIS UNTOWARD GENERATION. Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls." Peter had already told them that what they had just witnessed (Acts 2:1-15) was what the prophet Joel had prophesied would happen in the LAST DAYS... Acts 2:16 But THIS IS THAT WHICH WAS SPOKEN BY THE PROPHET JOEL; Acts 2:17 And IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS, saith God, I WILL POUR OUT OF MY SPIRIT upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: Acts 2:18 And ON MY SERVANTS and on my handmaidens I WILL POUR OUT IN THOSE DAYS OF MY SPIRIT; AND THEY SHALL PROPHECY: Acts 2:19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: Acts 2:20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, BEFORE THAT GREAT AND NOTABLE DAY OF THE LORD COME: Acts 2:21 And it shall come to pass, that WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED.

This is how Acts 2:16-21 is written in the Book of Joel in the KJV and Brenton's translation of the Septuagint... Joel 2:28 And IT SHALL COME TO PASS afterward, that I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT UPON ALL FLESH; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: Joel 2:29 And also UPON THE SERVANTS and upon the

handmaids IN THOSE DAYS WILL I POUR OUT MY SPIRIT. Joel 2:30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. Joel 2:31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, BEFORE THE GREAT AND THE TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD COME. Joel 2:32 And it shall come to pass, that WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE DELIVERED: for IN MOUNT ZION AND IN JERUSALEM SHALL BE DELIVERANCE, as the LORD hath said, and IN THE REMNANT WHOM THE LORD SHALL CALL.

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Notice that verse 28 states that GOD said that "I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT UPON ALL FLESH". Does "ALL" really mean EVERY human being? We can easily determine the answer from scripture... The UNBELIEVERS did not receive the Holy Spirit. The words "ALL" and "EVERY" are not always used in scripture as we use them. Also, notice that only those who "CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE DELIVERED" or "SAVED". From what were they being saved or delivered? Answer: "THE DAY OF THE LORD" or GOD'S WRATH. And notice that it was the "REMNANT WHOM THE LORD SHALL CALL" - "IN MOUNT ZION AND IN JERUSALEM" who would need to be "DELIVERED" or "SAVED".

Here's what my friend and favorite Bible Commentator, Bob Cruickshank, says about Acts 2:17... "If "the last days" weren't kick-started until 1948, somebody needs to go back in time and let the Apostle Peter know this! He was under the impression that the last days were in motion on the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2:16-17). Likewise, the Writer to the Hebrews defines "the last days" as the time period when God spoke to mankind through His Son (Hebrews 1:2). This was the first century, not the twenty-first century or even the twentieth century.

From a purely Biblical perspective, the New Testament "last days" have nothing to do with the "closing days" of human "history" or the end of the world. The New Testament "last days" were the "last days" of the Old Covenant order and the world as it once was. Everything was about to change. As David Chilton wrote, "... the period spoken of in the Bible as 'the last days' (or 'last times' or 'last hour') is the period between Christ's birth and the destruction of Jerusalem. The early church was living at the end of the old age and the beginning of the new." [4]

We are in that new age now – the New Covenant age, the age of the Messiah. The truth is their “last days” are our “past days.” We need to stop interpreting fulfilled prophecy as unfulfilled, or as not fulfilled until 1948. We need to focus on the task at hand to ensure that we are leaving our children and grandchildren a better world than was left to us. If anything, we’re moving in the wrong direction. The world today is a mess, and so is our country. Perhaps God’s People should start focusing on 2048 instead of 1948 and ask these questions: “What will the world be like 25 years from now?” “What can we do to make it better?” “Can we make it better than it is right now?”

The fulfilled, Biblical prophecies of the “past” are not in our “future.” Decades before the X-Men movie, the Moody Blues had an album called, “Days of Future Passed.” Another good title, and it also applies to our current situation. It’s time that we realized the “last days” of the first-century believers’ “future” have “passed.” Those days are long gone, far in history’s “past.” -

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Here's what Bob Cruickshank says about Acts 2:20... "Circling back to Peter's use of Joel 2:31 and the moon turning to blood (Acts 2:20), the audience on that day included "Jews and proselytes" from all over the Roman Empire – including Mesopotamia (Acts 2:10). Just as the Egyptians (who were also there on that day) worshiped the sun, the Mesopotamians worshiped the moon. Peter's message was that Jesus had been "exalted to the right hand of God" (Acts 2:33), and it was lights out for the gods of the other nations.

As these new believers returned home after the Day of Pentecost, the Gospel would penetrate and permeate the nations from which they came. And they would bring Peter's message with them – the territorial deities, who formerly had dominion over them, were being displaced, disarmed, and defeated (cf. Colossians. 2:15). The stars fall, the sun is darkened, and the moon turns to blood, as the Morning Star arises in the hearts of Jesus's followers (2 Peter 1:19)." - <https://burrosofberea.com/theres-a-rusty-moon-rising/>

To read more of what Bob Cruickshank has to say on Bible Prophecy download this PDF: [The Blue Collar Scholar's Bible Commentary](#)

To read more about the DAY OF THE LORD read my article: [IS THE DAY OF THE LORD AT THE END OF THE WORLD?](#)

John the Baptist warned that GOD'S WRATH (The Day of the LORD) would come upon his generation... Matthew 3:7 But when he saw many of the PHARISEES AND SADDUCEES come to his baptism, he said unto them, O GENERATION OF VIPERS, who hath warned YOU to flee from THE WRATH TO COME? Matthew 3:8 Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance: Matthew 3:9 And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. Matthew 3:10 And NOW also THE AXE IS LAID UNTO THE ROOT of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and CAST INTO THE FIRE.

Matthew 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize YOU with the Holy Ghost, AND WITH FIRE: Matthew 3:12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but HE WILL BURN UP THE CHAFF WITH UNQUENCHABLE FIRE.

The Greek word "MELLO" which means "ABOUT TO" is NOT translated properly here in the King James Version. Here is how THE KINGDOM BIBLE translates the verse... (TKB) Matthew 3:7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees came to his immersion, he said to them, O generation of vipers, who has warned you to flee from the wrath ABOUT TO come? (**THE KINGDOM BIBLE**) ABOUT TO is translated from the Greek word MELLO which is **Strong's G3195**:

Word Summary: mello: to be ABOUT TO

Transliteration: mello

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: to be ABOUT TO

Strong's Concordance: to be ABOUT TO

A strengthened form of melo (through the idea of expectation); to intend, i.e. Be about to be, do, or suffer something (of persons or things, especially events; in the sense of purpose, duty, necessity, probability, possibility, or hesitation)

Like John the Baptist, Jesus called His generation VIPERS... Matthew 12:34 "O GENERATION OF VIPERS, how can YE, BEING EVIL, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." Jesus also called His generation EVIL, WICKED, HYPOCRITES and ADULTEROUS... Matthew 12:38 Then certain of the SCRIBES and of the PHARISEES answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee. Matthew 12:39 But he answered and said unto them, An EVIL AND ADULTEROUS GENERATION seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas: Matthew 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. Matthew 12:41 The men of Nineveh SHALL RISE IN JUDGMENT WITH THIS GENERATION, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here. Matthew 12:42 The queen of the south SHALL RISE UP IN THE JUDGMENT WITH THIS GENERATION, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here. Matthew 12:43 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. Matthew 12:44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. Matthew 12:45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even SO SHALL IT BE ALSO UNTO THIS WICKED GENERATION.

Matthew 16:1 The PHARISEES also with the SADDUCEES came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven. Matthew 16:2 He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red. Matthew 16:3 And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowring. O YE HYPOCRITES, ye can discern the face of the sky; but CAN YE NOT DISCERN THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES? Matthew 16:4 A WICKED AND ADULTEROUS GENERATION seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

Jesus told the Scribes and Pharisees that DAMNATION would come upon THEM for Shedding the Blood of the Righteous... DAMNATION is translated from the Greek word KRISIS which is **Strong's G2920**:

Word Summary: krisis: a decision, JUDGMENT

Transliteration: krisis

Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine

Meaning: a decision, JUDGMENT

Strong's Concordance: CONDEMNATION, DAMNATION, JUDGMENT.

Decision (subjectively or objectively, for or against); by extension, a tribunal; by implication, justice (especially, divine law) -- accusation, condemnation, damnation, judgment.

Matthew 23:33 YE SERPENTS, YE GENERATION OF VIPERS, HOW CAN YE ESCAPE THE DAMNATION OF HELL? Matthew 23:34 Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and SOME OF THEM YE SHALL KILL AND CRUCIFY; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city: Matthew 23:35 That UPON YOU MAY COME ALL THE RIGHTEOUS BLOOD SHED UPON THE EARTH, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Matthew 23:36 Verily I say unto you, ALL THESE THINGS SHALL COME UPON THIS GENERATION.

Thus far I have shown from scripture that the Generation during the time of Jesus and the Apostles was the PERVERSE AND FAITHLESS GENERATION that GOD spoke to Moses about. I have also shown from scripture that GOD'S WRATH or JUDGMENT would come upon that Generation. Would GOD'S WRATH or JUDGMENT or DAMNATION come upon that Generation while they were Living or After they Died? Answer: BOTH

In a letter from the Apostle Paul to Timothy which was written in approximately AD 63, Paul said that the Lord Jesus Christ was ABOUT TO JUDGE LIVING AND DEAD AT HIS MANIFESTATION AND HIS REIGN! - (YLT) 2 Timothy 4:1 I do fully testify, then, before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, WHO IS ABOUT TO JUDGE LIVING AND DEAD AT HIS MANIFESTATION AND HIS REIGN— (Young's Literal Translation). MANIFESTATION is translated from the Greek word EPIPHANEIA which is **Strong's G2015**:

Word Summary: epiphaneia: APPEARANCE

Transliteration: epiphaneia

Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine

Meaning: APPEARANCE

Strong's Concordance: APPEARANCE, BRIGHTNESS.

From epiphanes; a MANIFESTATION, i.e. (specially) the advent of Christ (past or future) -- APPEARING, BRIGHTNESS.

The Greek word EPIPHANEIA is also translated as BRIGHTNESS, APPEARANCE and APPEARING... 2 Thessalonians 2:8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the BRIGHTNESS of his COMING:

(ESV) 2 Thessalonians 2:8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the APPEARANCE of his COMING. (English Standard Version)

COMING is translated from the Greek word PAROUSIA which is [**Strong's G3952**](#):

Word Summary: parousia: a PRESENCE, a COMING

Transliteration: parousia

Part of Speech: Noun, Feminine

Meaning: a PRESENCE, a COMING

Strong's Concordance: COMING, PRESENCE.

From the present participle of pareimi; a BEING NEAR, i.e. Advent (often, RETURN; SPECIALLY, OF CHRIST TO PUNISH JERUSALEM, OR FINALLY THE WICKED); (by implication) physically, aspect -- COMING, PRESENCE.

Read my article [**THE 2ND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST**](#) for a comprehensive study on the word COMING.

EPIPHANEIA is translated as APPEARING in the KJV 5 times...

1) 1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses. 1 Timothy 6:13 I give thee charge in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession; 1 Timothy 6:14 That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the APPEARING of our Lord Jesus Christ: 1 Timothy 6:15 Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; 1 Timothy 6:16 Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.

2) 2 Timothy 1:8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God; 2 Timothy 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, 2 Timothy 1:10 But is now made manifest by the APPEARING of our Saviour Jesus Christ,

who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel: 2 Timothy 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

3) 2 Timothy 4:1 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his APPEARING and his kingdom; 2 Timothy 4:2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

4) 2 Timothy 4:6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. 2 Timothy 4:7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: 2 Timothy 4:8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his APPEARING.

5) Titus 2:11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Titus 2:12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; Titus 2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious APPEARING of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; Titus 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Based on the scriptures above I believe that Christ's MANIFESTATION, APPEARING and PRESENCE (PAROUSIA) refer to the same event. The Judgment of the Living occurred at that time and the Judgment of the Dead occurred shortly thereafter at the Great White Throne Judgment.

The Apostle Peter said the judge (Jesus Christ) was "READY TO JUDGE THE QUICK AND THE DEAD" and "THE END OF ALL THINGS IS AT HAND". He also told them to be "SOBER" and "WATCH". Are we to believe that the judge has been "READY" to judge the Living and the Dead for almost 2,000 years? "AT HAND" definitely does NOT mean 2,000 years! Why would Peter tell his audience to be "SOBER" and "WATCH" if the judgment was not for their time? The word END is translated from the Greek word TELOS which is [Strong's G5056](#):

Word Summary: telos: AN END, a toll

Transliteration: telos

Part of Speech: Noun, Neuter

Meaning: AN END, a toll

Strong's Concordance: END

From a primary tello (to set out for a definite point or goal); properly, the point aimed at as a limit, i.e. (by implication) THE CONCLUSION of an act or state (TERMINATION (literally, figuratively or indefinitely), result (immediate, ultimate or prophetic), purpose); specially, an impost or levy (as paid) -- + continual, custom, END(-ing), finally, uttermost. Compare phoros.

What "END" was Peter referring to that was "AT HAND"? Answer: It wasn't the End of the World or the End of Time because that didn't happen! Therefore, either

Peter was WRONG or he meant the "END" of something else was "AT HAND". What came to an "END" in AD 70, a few years after Peter's statement, was Old Covenant Israel. The Nation of Judea was Destroyed including Jerusalem and the Temple. Their religion was Destroyed... There was no more temple, sacrifices and Levitical Priesthood. A new religion (**Talmudic Judaism**) developed over the years but it is an ABOMINATION to GOD and the World!

1 Peter 4:3 For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: 1 Peter 4:4 Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you: 1 Peter 4:5 Who shall give account to him that is READY TO JUDGE THE QUICK AND THE DEAD. 1 Peter 4:6 For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. 1 Peter 4:7 But THE END OF ALL THINGS IS AT HAND: be ye therefore SOBER, and WATCH unto prayer.

Peter also said that Christ's "GLORY" was "ABOUT TO BE REVEALED" (verse 5:1) and that the "ELDERS" would "RECEIVE THE UNFADING CROWN OF GLORY" (<--verse 5:4 -->) "AT THE MANIFESTATION OF THE CHIEF SHEPHERD (Christ)... (YLT) 1 Peter 5:1 ELDERS who are among you, I exhort, who am a fellow-elder, and a witness of the sufferings of the Christ, and of the GLORY ABOUT TO BE REVEALED a partaker, 1 Peter 5:2 feed the flock of God that is among you, overseeing not constrainedly, but willingly, neither for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind, 1 Peter 5:3 neither as exercising lordship over the heritages, but patterns becoming of the flock, 1 Peter 5:4 and AT THE MANIFESTATION OF THE CHIEF SHEPHERD, YE SHALL RECEIVE THE UNFADING CROWN OF GLORY. (Young's Literal Translation).

The Apostle Paul told the Colossians that they had been made alive, joined to Christ, and their trespasses (sins) had been forgiven... (TKB) Colossians 2:13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, HE HAS MADE US ALIVE TOGETHER, JOINED TO HIM, HAVING FORGIVEN US ALL OUR TRESPASSES; Colossians 2:14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that were against us, which were opposed to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross; Colossians 2:15 having disarmed rulers and authorities, He made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it (**THE KINGDOM BIBLE**). Paul also told them not to let anyone judge them regarding things "THAT ARE A SHADOW OF THINGS ABOUT TO COME"... (TKB) Colossians 2:16 Let no one therefore judge you in food, or in drink, or in one of the feast days, or of a new moon, or of the Sabbaths: Colossians 2:17 THAT ARE A SHADOW OF THINGS ABOUT TO COME; but the reality is the Christ. Colossians 2:18 Let no one judge against you by depriving you of YOUR PRIZE (reward) in taking pleasure in esteeming ourselves small and the worshiping of the angels, stepping into that which he has not seen, inflated with pride by his fleshly mind, Colossians 2:19 and not taking hold of the Head, out from whom all the body is nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, is growing with the increase of God.

Colossians 2:20 Therefore if you are dead with Christ from the Jewish elements of the Old Covenant order, why, as though living in the Old Covenant order, are you subject to regulations, Colossians 2:21 touch not; taste not; handle not; Colossians 2:22 which will all be destroyed with the using; after the commandments and teachings of men? Colossians 2:23 Which things have indeed an appearance of wisdom in self-imposed religion, false humility, and neglect of the body: but are of no value against the indulgence of the flesh (**The Kingdom Bible**). Paul also told them to "SEEK THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE ABOVE" and "SET YOUR HEART ON THINGS ABOVE"... (TKB) Colossians 3:1 "If you then be risen with Christ, SEEK THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE ABOVE, WHERE CHRIST IS SITTING in the right hand of God. Colossians 3:2 SET YOUR HEART ON THINGS ABOVE, not on things upon the land. Colossians 3:3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God (**The Kingdom Bible**). Finally, Paul told them "WHEN CHRIST, WHO IS OUR LIFE, IS REVEALED, THEN YOU ALSO WILL BE REVEALED TOGETHER WITH HIM IN GLORY"... (TKB) Colossians 3:4 WHEN CHRIST, WHO IS OUR LIFE, IS REVEALED, THEN YOU ALSO WILL BE REVEALED TOGETHER WITH HIM IN GLORY (**The Kingdom Bible**). (KJV) Colossians 3:4 WHEN CHRIST, WHO IS OUR LIFE, SHALL APPEAR, THEN SHALL YE ALSO APPEAR WITH HIM IN GLORY.

The Bible Commentator Albert Barnes said this about Colossians 3:4...

When Christ, who is our life - Notes, John_1:4; John_11:25, note.

Shall appear - In the day when he shall come to judge the world.

Then shall ye also appear with him in glory - 1 Thessalonians_4:16-17.

Christians shall then be raised from the dead, and ascend with the Redeemer to heaven.

The word "APPEAR" is translated from the Greek word "PHANEROO" which is **Strong's 5319**:

Word Summary: phaneroo: TO MAKE VISIBLE, make clear

Transliteration: phaneroo

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: TO MAKE VISIBLE, make clear

Strong's Concordance: MAKE MANIFEST, SHOW

From phaneros; to render apparent (literally or figuratively) -- APPEAR, manifestly declare, (make) manifest (forth), SHEW (self).

John said that "NOW ARE WE THE SONS OF GOD" and "WHEN HE (Jesus Christ) SHALL APPEAR, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM; FOR WE SHALL SEE HIM AS HE IS"... 1 John 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that WE SHOULD BE CALLED THE SONS OF GOD: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. 1 John 3:2 Beloved, NOW ARE WE THE SONS OF GOD, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, WHEN HE SHALL APPEAR, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM; FOR WE SHALL SEE HIM AS HE IS.

James, the half-brother of Jesus, wrote to the 12 tribes in Dispersion and told them to "BE PATIENT" - "UNTO THE COMING OF THE LORD". The word "COMING" is translated from the Greek word "PAROUSIA". Why would the 12 tribes need to "BE PATIENT" if the PAROUSIA was not for their time? James also said for them to be patient "FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD DRAWETH NIGH". The word NIGH is translated from the Greek word ENGIZO which is **Strong's G1448**:

Word Summary: engizo: to make near, TO COME NEAR

Transliteration: engizo

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: to make near, TO COME NEAR

Strong's Concordance: approach, BE AT HAND, DRAW NEAR.

From eggus; to make near, i.e. (reflexively) approach -- approach, BE AT HAND, COME (DRAW) NEAR, be (come, draw) nigh.

James also told them that "THE JUDGE STANDETH BEFORE THE DOOR." I don't believe that "THE JUDGE" has been standing "BEFORE THE DOOR" Ready to Judge for almost 2,000 years because that's NOT WHAT GOD'S WORD SAYS! - James 5:7 BE PATIENT therefore, brethren, UNTO THE COMING OF THE LORD. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. James 5:8 Be ye also PATIENT; stablish your hearts: FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD DRAWETH NIGH. James 5:9 Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: BEHOLD, THE JUDGE STANDETH BEFORE THE DOOR.

The Revelation of Jesus Christ was for the purpose of showing his servants "THINGS WHICH MUST SHORTLY COME TO PASS" because "THE TIME" for the Fulfillment of the Prophecy was "AT HAND"... Revelation 1:1 "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants THINGS WHICH MUST SHORTLY COME TO PASS; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John: Revelation 1:2 Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw. Revelation 1:3 Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: FOR THE TIME IS AT HAND." SHORTLY does not mean 1,900+ years later and neither does "FOR THE TIME IS AT HAND".

John was also told... (YLT) Revelation 1:19 'Write the things that thou hast seen, and the things that are, and THE THINGS THAT ARE ABOUT TO COME after these things (Young's Literal Translation). The Greek word MELLO is used in the original text and it means "ABOUT TO". Notice that John was NOT TOLD to write about things that were hundreds or thousands of years in the future! When scripture gives a definite time frame for an event and that time has passed then you must conclude that the prophesied event came to pass. If you conclude that the prophecy failed or the time prophesied for the event was wrong then either you are wrong or that particular scripture was not inspired of GOD.

In the last chapter of the book of Revelation the time frame for the prophecy was reiterated...

1) Revelation 22:6 And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel TO SHEW UNTO HIS SERVANTS THE THINGS WHICH MUST SHORTLY BE DONE.

2) Revelation 22:10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for THE TIME IS AT HAND.

Also, in the last chapter, Jesus said, "I COME QUICKLY" 3 times...

1) Revelation 22:7 Behold, I COME QUICKLY: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

2) Revelation 22:12 And, behold, I COME QUICKLY; and MY REWARD IS WITH ME, TO GIVE EVERY MAN ACCORDING AS HIS WORK SHALL BE.

3) Revelation 22:20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I COME QUICKLY. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

The word "COME" is translated from the Greek word "ERCHOMAI" which is **[Strong's G2064](#)**:

Word Summary: erchomai: TO COME, go

Transliteration: erchomai

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: TO COME, go

Strong's Concordance: accompany, APPEAR, bring, COME, enter, fall out, go, grow

Notice in Revelation 22:12 that Jesus was Coming to Reward Every Man According To His Works. Scripture REVEALS WHEN every man would be REWARDED according to their works...

1) For the JUST - They would be at REPAID AT THE RESURRECTION... Luke 14:13 But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. Luke 14:14 And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for YOU SHALL BE REPAID AT THE RESURRECTION OF THE JUST." The Apostle Paul was expecting to receive the CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS... 2 Timothy 4:8

"Finally, there is laid up for me the CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing." The Apostle Peter instructed the elders on how to oversee the flock and told them in 1 Peter 5:4 that "when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the CROWN OF GLORY that does not fade away." You shouldn't have a problem believing that the ELECT saw Jesus at the Resurrection since they were involved in it. What happens right after the Resurrection?

Answer: The Great White Throne Judgment

2) For the LIVING JUDEANS who KILLED & PERSECUTED CHRIST and His CHURCH - They would be REPAID during the DAY OF THE LORD which resulted in the DESTRUCTION of their Temple, the City of Jerusalem (Mystery Babylon) and their Country (Judea) in the Jewish-Roman War.

For Proof that Mystery Babylon is the Old Covenant Jerusalem of the 1st Century - Please Read my article: **[WHO IS MYSTERY BABYLON IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION?](#)**

3) For the DEAD - it was at the Great White Throne Judgment... Revelation 20:11 "Then I saw a GREAT WHITE THRONE and Him who sat on it, from whose face THE EARTH AND THE HEAVEN FLED AWAY. And there was found no place for them. Revelation 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And THE DEAD WERE JUDGED ACCORDING TO THEIR WORKS, by the things which were written in the books. Revelation 20:13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And THEY WERE JUDGED, EACH ONE ACCORDING TO HIS WORKS. Revelation 20:14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. THIS IS THE SECOND DEATH. Revelation 20:15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire." The Great White Throne Judgment occurred in Heaven and was AFTER the Resurrection of the Dead (Rev. 20:13). Death and Hades were Cast into the Lake of Fire (Rev. 20:14) as well as "ANYONE NOT FOUND WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF LIFE"... Therefore, the UNBELIEVERS Died twice!

Jesus told His Disciples the TIMEFRAME for WHEN EVERY MAN would be REWARDED ACCORDING TO THEIR WORKS. It would be before all of them had died... Matthew 16:26 "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Matthew 16:27 For the Son of man shall COME (Erchomai) in the glory of his Father WITH HIS ANGELS; and THEN HE SHALL REWARD EVERY MAN ACCORDING TO HIS WORKS. Matthew 16:28 Verily I say unto you, THERE BE SOME STANDING HERE, WHICH SHALL NOT TASTE OF DEATH, TILL THEY SEE THE SON OF MAN COMING (Erchomai) IN HIS KINGDOM." The words "COME" in Matthew 16:27 and "COMING" in Matthew 16:28 are translated from the Greek word ERCHOMAI and this COMING is the same COMING as Matthew 25:31 and Matthew 24:30-31.

Jesus told His Disciples about the GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT... Matthew 25:31 When the Son of man shall COME (Erchomai) in his glory, and ALL THE HOLY ANGELS WITH HIM, then shall he sit upon THE THRONE (The Great White Throne) of his glory: Matthew 25:32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and HE SHALL SEPARATE THEM ONE FROM ANOTHER, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: Matthew 25:33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Matthew 25:34 Then shall THE KING say unto them ON HIS RIGHT hand, COME, YE BLESSED OF MY FATHER, INHERIT THE KINGDOM prepared for you from the foundation of the world: Matthew 25:35 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Matthew 25:36 Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Matthew 25:37 Then shall the RIGHTEOUS answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? Matthew 25:38 When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Matthew 25:39 Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? Matthew 25:40 And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have

done it unto me. Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them ON THE LEFT hand, DEPART FROM ME, YE CURSED, INTO EVERLASTING FIRE, prepared for the devil and his angels: Matthew 25:42 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: Matthew 25:43 I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Matthew 25:44 Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Matthew 25:45 Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. Matthew 25:46 AND THESE SHALL GO AWAY INTO EVERLASTING PUNISHMENT: BUT THE RIGHTEOUS INTO LIFE ETERNAL.

Jesus told His disciples, "REJOICE, AND BE EXCEEDING GLAD: FOR GREAT IS YOUR REWARD IN HEAVEN"... Matthew 5:12 REJOICE, AND BE EXCEEDING GLAD: FOR GREAT IS YOUR REWARD IN HEAVEN: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Before the Judgment of the Dead could occur at the Great White Throne they had to be Resurrected out of Hades. The Apostle Paul said that "THERE IS ABOUT TO BE A RISING AGAIN OF THE DEAD, BOTH OF RIGHTEOUS AND UNRIGHTEOUS"... (YLT) Acts 24:14 'And I confess this to thee, that, according to the way that they call a sect, so serve I the God of the fathers, believing all things that in the law and the prophets have been written, Acts 24:15 having hope toward God, which they themselves also wait for, that THERE IS ABOUT TO BE A RISING AGAIN OF THE DEAD, BOTH OF RIGHTEOUS AND UNRIGHTEOUS; Acts 24:16 and in this I do exercise myself, to have a conscience void of offence toward God and men always (Young's Literal Translation). The Greek word "MELLO" is used to show that the Resurrection was "ABOUT TO" occur. Most translators do not translate the word "MELLO" properly. It's probably because of their Futurist Beliefs. Translation Bias is REAL and you must be aware of it when studying scripture!

The prophet Daniel was told about the Resurrection of the Righteous and Unrighteous.... Daniel 12:2 And MANY OF THEM THAT SLEEP IN THE DUST OF THE EARTH SHALL AWAKE, SOME TO EVERLASTING LIFE, AND SOME TO SHAME AND EVERLASTING CONTEMPT.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Daniel 12:2 And MANY OF THEM THAT SLEEP IN THE DUST OF THE EARTH SHALL AWAKE, SOME TO EVERLASTING LIFE, AND SOME TO REPROACH AND EVERLASTING SHAME.

Before Daniel was told about the Resurrection he was told about A TIME OF TROUBLE (TRIBULATION), "SUCH AS NEVER WAS SINCE THERE WAS A NATION" and that "AT THAT TIME THY PEOPLE SHALL BE DELIVERED, EVERY ONE THAT SHALL BE FOUND WRITTEN IN THE BOOK"... Daniel 12:1 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and THERE SHALL BE A TIME OF TROUBLE, SUCH AS NEVER WAS SINCE THERE WAS A NATION even to that same time: and AT THAT TIME THY PEOPLE SHALL BE DELIVERED, EVERY ONE THAT SHALL BE FOUND WRITTEN IN THE BOOK.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Daniel 12:1 And at that time Michael the great prince shall stand up, that stands over the children of thy people: and THERE SHALL BE A TIME OF TRIBULATION, SUCH TRIBULATION AS HAS NOT BEEN FROM THE TIME THAT THERE WAS A NATION ON THE EARTH until that time: AT THAT TIME THY PEOPLE SHALL BE DELIVERED, even EVERY ONE THAT IS WRITTEN IN THE BOOK.

This "TIME OF TROUBLE" or "TRIBULATION" was the same as the "GREAT TRIBULATION" that Jesus told His Disciples about... Matthew 24:21 For then shall be GREAT TRIBULATION, SUCH AS WAS NOT SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE WORLD TO THIS TIME, NO, NOR EVER SHALL BE.

For more information on the Great Tribulation read my article: [**THE GREAT TRIBULATION\(S\)**](#)

After the Resurrection Daniel was told that the "WISE SHALL SHINE AS THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE FIRMAMENT" and "SOME OF THE MANY RIGHTEOUS ("THEY THAT TURN MANY TO RIGHTEOUSNESS") would shine AS THE STARS FOR EVER AND EVER... Daniel 12:3 And they that be WISE SHALL SHINE AS THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE FIRMAMENT; and THEY THAT TURN MANY TO RIGHTEOUSNESS AS THE STARS FOR EVER AND EVER.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Daniel 12:3 And the WISE SHALL SHINE AS THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE FIRMAMENT, and SOME OF THE MANY RIGHTEOUS AS THE STARS FOR EVER AND EVER.

Jesus alluded to Daniel 12:3 in Matthew 13:43... "Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun IN THE KINGDOM OF THEIR FATHER. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!" Jesus said this to His Disciples when he was explaining the parable of the tares of the field (Matthew 13:36). The "KINGDOM OF THEIR FATHER" in Matthew 13:43 is the "KINGDOM OF HEAVEN"... Matthew 13:24 Another parable He put forth to them, saying: "The KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is like a man who sowed good seed in his field; Matthew 13:25 but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed TARES among the wheat and went his way." Jesus said that "THE HARVEST IS THE END OF THE AGE"... Matthew 13:39 "The enemy who sowed them is the devil, THE HARVEST IS THE END OF THE AGE, and the reapers are the angels." Matthew 13:40 Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, SO IT WILL BE AT THE END OF THIS AGE. Matthew 13:41 The Son of Man will send out His angels, and THEY WILL GATHER OUT OF HIS KINGDOM ALL THINGS THAT OFFEND, and those who practice lawlessness, Matthew 13:42 and WILL CAST THEM INTO THE FURNACE OF FIRE. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Be sure to read my article: [**HOW THE BIBLICAL AGES PROVE THAT CHRIST'S 2ND COMING WAS IN THE PAST**](#)

Daniel was told to "SHUT UP THE WORDS, AND SEAL THE BOOK, EVEN TO THE TIME OF THE END". The Time of the End was in the 1st Century which was about 500 years in the future from Daniel's time... Daniel 12:4 But thou, O DANIEL, SHUT UP THE WORDS, AND SEAL THE BOOK, EVEN TO THE TIME OF THE END: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Daniel 12:4 And thou, DANIEL, CLOSE THE WORDS, AND

SEAL THE BOOK TO THE TIME OF THE END; until many are taught, and knowledge is increased.

In the Book of Revelation John was told "SEAL NOT THE SAYINGS OF THE PROPHECY OF THIS BOOK: FOR THE TIME IS AT HAND"... Revelation 22:10 "And he saith unto me, SEAL NOT THE SAYINGS OF THE PROPHECY OF THIS BOOK: FOR THE TIME IS AT HAND. Revelation 22:11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still." If Daniel's prophecy was SEALED because it belonged to a time over 500 years away, how can John's message, which he was told NOT TO SEAL, belong to a time 1900+ years away as the Futurists believe? Daniel heard one angel ask another "HOW LONG SHALL IT BE TO THE END OF THESE WONDERS?" and Brenton's Septuagint translates it as "WHEN WILL BE THE END OF THE WONDERS"... Daniel 12:5 Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river. Daniel 12:6 And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, HOW LONG SHALL IT BE TO THE END OF THESE WONDERS?

(Brenton's Septuagint) Daniel 12:5 And I Daniel saw, and, behold, two others stood, on one side of the bank of the river, and the other on the other side of the bank of the river. Daniel 12:6 And one said to the man clothed in linen, who was over the water of the river, WHEN WILL BE THE END OF THE WONDERS WHICH THOU HAS MENTIONED?

The "WONDERS" of course are what was mentioned in verses 12:1-3 and that includes the Great Tribulation and the Resurrection of the Righteous and Unrighteous. The angel answered... Daniel 12:7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth for ever THAT IT SHALL BE FOR A TIME, TIMES, AND AN HALF; AND WHEN HE SHALL HAVE ACCOMPLISHED TO SCATTER THE POWER OF THE HOLY PEOPLE, ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE FINISHED.

(Brenton's Septuagint) Daniel 12:7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was over the water of the river, and he lifted up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and sware by him that lives for ever, THAT IT SHOULD BE FOR A TIME OF TIMES AND HALF A TIME: WHEN THE DISPERSION IS ENDED THEY SHALL KNOW ALL THESE THINGS.

(NKV) Daniel 12:7 Then I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, THAT IT SHALL BE FOR A TIME, TIMES, AND HALF A TIME; AND WHEN THE POWER OF THE HOLY PEOPLE HAS BEEN COMPLETELY SHATTERED, ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE FINISHED. (New King James Version)

The "TIME, TIMES, AND AN HALF" means three and a half years. The rest of the meaning of verse 12:7 is debatable but we know that the Jews in Jerusalem were either Killed (SHATTERED) or Dispersed (SCATTERED) in AD 70. In the KJV the phrase TO SCATTER is translated from the Hebrew word NAPHATS which is

Strong's H5310:

Word Summary: naphats: TO SHATTER

Transliteration: naphats

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: TO DASH TO PIECES, SCATTER

Strong's Concordance: be beaten in sunder, BREAK IN PIECES, broken, dash in pieces, DISPERSED, be overspread, SCATTER

A primitive root; TO DASH TO PIECES, OR SCATTER -- be beaten in sunder, break (in pieces), broken, dash (in pieces), cause to be discharged, dispersed, be overspread, scatter.

This is what we know from history... The Jewish-Roman War began officially in the Spring of A.D. 67 when the Roman Emperor Nero sent General Vespasian to Judea and the temple and Jerusalem were DESTROYED by the end of the summer of A.D. 70. According to the Jewish Historian Josephus, 1.1 Million Died in Jerusalem during the siege and 97,000 were taken captive... "Now the number of those that were carried captive during this whole war was collected to be ninety-seven thousand; as was the number of those that perished during the whole siege eleven hundred thousand, the greater part of whom were indeed of the same nation [with the citizens of Jerusalem], but not belonging to the city itself; for they were come up from all the country to the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and were on a sudden shut up by an army, which, at the very first, occasioned so great a straitness among them, that there came a pestilential destruction upon them, and soon afterward such a famine, as destroyed them more suddenly." - Flavius Josephus, WARS OF THE JEWS, Book 6, Chapter 9, Section 3.

AND thus was Jerusalem taken, in the SECOND YEAR of the reign of Vespasian, on the eighth day of the month Gorpeius [Elul]. - WARS OF THE JEWS, Flavius Josephus, Book 6, Chapter 10, Paragraph 1.

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Vespasian's reign began in A.D. 69 during the year of the 4 Emperors so his 2nd year would have been A.D. 70: **LIST OF ROMAN EMPERORS**

According to the Hebrew Calendar the date of 8 Elul 3830 (Jewish Year) converts to Sunday, August 31, A.D. 70: **DATE JERUSALEM WAS DESTROYED**

Jesus told His Disciples that his COMING (Erchomai) would occur "IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE TRIBULATION" and that he would "SEND HIS ANGELS WITH A GREAT SOUND OF A TRUMPET" and they would "GATHER TOGETHER HIS ELECT"...

Matthew 24:29 "IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE TRIBULATION of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: Matthew 24:30

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 (Erchomai) IN THE CLOUDS OF HEAVEN with power and great glory. Matthew 24:31

And HE SHALL SEND HIS ANGELS WITH A GREAT SOUND OF A TRUMPET,

and THEY SHALL GATHER TOGETHER HIS ELECT from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. Matthew 24:32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: Matthew 24:33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors." Jesus told His Disciples WHEN these things would occur and that it would be before their GENERATION had passed... Matthew 24:34 "VERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, THIS GENERATION SHALL NOT PASS, TILL ALL THESE THINGS BE FULFILLED. Matthew 24:35 HEAVEN AND EARTH SHALL PASS AWAY, but my words shall not pass away." How could those things have occurred since "HEAVEN AND EARTH" are still here? Answer: The "HEAVEN AND EARTH" in Matthew 24:35 are NOT the "HEAVEN AND EARTH" that most people think about when they read this verse. According to Revelation 20:11 - "EARTH AND THE HEAVEN FLED AWAY" before the Great White Throne Judgment... Revelation 20:11 And 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.

Bible Commentator Foy Wallace made these comments about 20:11... "A continuation of the textual analysis will add "precept upon precept" that the apocalypse was limited to the period of the struggle and triumph of the church with opposing powers in the first century of its existence."

1. The great white throne. "And 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"--20:11.

This visional tribunal was the bar of divine justice to be meted to the criminals of war against Christ and the church.

The description of the great white throne adds awe to the vision, as it also symbolized the character of pure and unmingled justice from the magnificent seat of judgment dispensed by the righteous Judge of the small and great. The Psalmist put it to verse in Psalms 84:14 : "Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face." From before the face of God the earth and the heaven fled away: and there was found no place for them. This was not flight from one locality to another--the phrase fled away indicated complete disappearance.

The earth, as in other visions, referred to the inhabitants of the land of Palestine; and the heaven signified the authorities and governments.

After complete defeat there was no place for their activities of persecution and opposition, and they disappeared from their visional positions before the face of the great God of judgment."

In Revelation 21:1 John saw "A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH: FOR THE FIRST HEAVEN AND THE FIRST EARTH WERE PASSED AWAY"... Revelation 21:1 And I saw A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH: FOR THE FIRST HEAVEN AND THE FIRST EARTH WERE PASSED AWAY; and there was no more sea.

Foy Wallace made these comments about 21:1... "The new conditions of the earth

and of the sea did not signify abolition of the old order of governments, nor the formation of new secular and political powers. The earth throughout the apocalypse referred to the place of the nations, with particular reference to Palestine; and the placid or tossed sea referred to the state of society; and the word heaven denoted the existing authorities of government. The new heaven and earth, and the troubled sea, having passed away and represented as being no more, indicated the changed conditions within the existing governments and society to make them favorable for the prosperity of the cause of Christ and his church throughout the empire. The old system of Judaism had been removed and the opposition of heathenism had been overcome; and the vision represented new conditions to surround the church in the changed world.

The word new has various connotations. It may refer to that which has never been used; or to a thing of late date and recent origin; or to something novel and strange; or simply to something else, another possession, relation or state. In this context the evident meaning of the new earth was that the surroundings were prepared and made favorable for the expansion of the kingdom of Christ, made possible by the removal of Judaism, the Jewish theocracy and the Jewish state. The literal Jerusalem was no more.

The armies of Nero and Vespasian had laid waste the old Jerusalem and Judea; and on the rocks of the Aegean sea John envisioned the forward march of the church, the expansion of the kingdom of Christ, and the spread of the gospel to "the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

This phrase, new heaven and new earth, was not new in scripture terminology. The Old Testament prophets referred to Israel's return from Babylon and their restoration to their own land of Judea as to them a "new heaven and new earth." (Isaiah 65:17-66:22; Ezekiel 11:19-36:26-36). To the Corinthians the apostle Paul described the new state in Christ as the old things having passed away--referring to the new spiritual relation to Christ in the new covenant versus the old fleshly Israelism of the old covenant. (2 Corinthians 5:17) To the scattered Jerusalem church the apostle Peter adapted that phrase in his exhortation to look for the heavenly reward in the eternal world. (2 Peter 3:13) In the apocalypse the apostle John applied the same phrase to the emergence of the church from the tribulation period.

The figurative use of the sea has a natural connection. The creator has secured and fortified the natural world by the divisions of the earth, with the interposition of vast expanses of water as barriers to conquest. This barrier in society was figuratively removed for the conquest of Christ through the expansion of the gospel--there would no longer exist separating barriers between the people of the earth. Christianity without the restraint of heathen government would become universal, as the prophet declared: "for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as waters cover the sea." It is significant that this prophecy of Isaiah was uttered in the context of the eleventh chapter dealing with the prevalence of the gospel under the rule and reign of Christ; and it was quoted by Paul in his epistle to the Romans (chapter 15:12) as being fulfilled in that time.

The heavenly city, new Jerusalem, symbolic of the victorious church was visualized as having been withdrawn from the scene of the removal and destruction of the old Jerusalem; but now that the old order had passed away with the disappearance of its city and sanctuary; the church having survived annihilation, the new Jerusalem was seen as descending from heaven. The new earth represented the renovation of old conditions; and the vision that thereafter there should be no more sea meant no more such sea as that from which the beast had emerged. The vision meant that a new state had been wrought by the truth, by the word of the Conqueror whose name was The Word, by which sword all foes had been vanquished; and there was no more the tossed and troubled sea of tribulation."

When describing "the Most Holy Place" (Holy of Holies) of the Tabernacle, the Jewish Historian, Flavius Josephus, referred to it as "a heaven peculiar to God" and the rest of the tabernacle was described as "sea and land, on which men live"...

4. As for the inside, Moses parted its length into three partitions. At the distance of ten cubits from the most secret end, Moses placed four pillars, the workmanship of which was the very same with that of the rest; and they stood upon the like bases with them, each a small matter distant from his fellow. Now the room within those pillars was the most holy place; but the rest of the room was the tabernacle, which was open for the priests. However, this proportion of the measures of the tabernacle proved to be an imitation of the system of the world; FOR THAT THIRD PART THEREOF WHICH WAS WITHIN THE FOUR PILLARS, TO WHICH THE PRIESTS WERE NOT ADMITTED, IS, AS IT WERE, A HEAVEN PECULIAR TO GOD. But the space of the twenty cubits, is, as it were, sea and land, on which men live, and so this part is peculiar to the priests only. But at the front, where the entrance was made, they placed pillars of gold, that stood on bases of brass, in number seven; but then they spread over the tabernacle veils of fine linen and purple, and blue, and scarlet colors, embroidered. The first veil was ten cubits every way, and this they spread over the pillars which parted the temple, and kept the most holy place concealed within; and this veil was that which made this part not visible to any. Now the whole temple was called The Holy Place: but that part which was within the four pillars, and to which none were admitted, was called The Holy of Holies. - Antiquities Of The Jews by Flavius Josephus (Translated By William Whiston Book 3, Chapter 6, (CONCERNING THE TABERNACLE WHICH MOSES BUILT IN THE WILDERNESS FOR THE HONOR OF GOD AND WHICH SEEMED TO BE A TEMPLE.) Paragraph 4.

Josephus also wrote... "When Moses distinguished the tabernacle into three parts, and allowed two of them to the priests, as a place accessible and common, he denoted the land and the sea, these being of general access to all; but he set apart the third division for God, because heaven is inaccessible to men." - Antiquities Of The Jews by Flavius Josephus (Translated By William Whiston Book 3, Chapter 7, Paragraph 7.

Check out his excellent video (only 6 minutes) titled [**HEAVEN AND EARTH DEPICTED THROUGH THE TABERNACLE**](#). Then you will understand how Heaven and Earth passed away in AD 70!

Regardless of what you believe the "Heaven and Earth" of Matthew 24:35 was... Jesus told His Disciples that it would "PASS AWAY" in their Generation (Matthew 24:34)!

Jesus said, "TILL HEAVEN AND EARTH PASS, ONE JOT OR ONE TITTLE SHALL IN NO WISE PASS FROM THE LAW"... Matthew 5:18 "For verily I say unto you, TILL HEAVEN AND EARTH PASS, ONE JOT OR ONE TITTLE SHALL IN NO WISE PASS FROM THE LAW, till all be fulfilled." Are we still under the law or old covenant today? If not, then HEAVEN AND EARTH have passed away or Jesus is a LIAR! Which do you choose?

When talking to His Disciples about the Destruction of the Temple and Jerusalem Jesus said... Luke 21:20 And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. Luke 21:21 Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. Luke 21:22 For these be the days of vengeance, THAT ALL THINGS WHICH ARE WRITTEN MAY BE FULFILLED.

It is FINISHED! All things have been FULFILLED!

Thank you for taking the time to read this article. I hope you learned something.