

A Study Guide to God's Prophetic Timeline



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A basic summary of Israel's History leading up to the Messiah - The Lord Jesus Christ

BC									
		2100 - 1800 BC	1800 - 1400 BC	1400-1380 BC	1380 - 1045 BC	1045 - 930 BC	930 - 605 BC	605 – 538 BC	538 – 400
Creation Stage	Patriarchal	Exodus	Conquest	Judges	United Kingdom	Divided Kingdom	Captivity	Return	
Genesis 1-11	Genesis 12-50	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deuteronomy	Joshua	Judges Ruth 1 Sam. 1-7	1 Sam. 8-31 1 Kings 1-11 1 Chron. 1-9 Psalms Proverbs Ecclesiastes Song of Sol.	1 Kings 12-22 2 Kings 2 Chron. 10-36 Obadiah Joel Jonah Amos Hosea Micah Isaiah Nahum Zephaniah Habakkuk Jeremiah Lamentations	Daniel Ezekiel	Ezra Nehemiah Ester Haggai Zechariah Malachi	

Creation Stage

Genesis 1-11

Some events of:

- Ch. 1-2 God creates heaven and earth
- Ch. 3:26-27 God creates man and woman
- Ch. 2:21 God makes Eve from Adam's rib
- Ch. 2:23-24 God institutes marriage
- Ch. 3:1 Man's temptation and fall
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Exodus Stage

Exodus	Leviticus	Numbers	Deuteronomy		
Covers events From slaves to Mt. Sinai	Covers events at Mt. Sinai (1 yr.)	Covers from Mt. Sinai to promise land	Is a review from Egypt to the promise land		
Egypt slavery 430yrs. Moses call 10 plagues	Israel on the trail Glory cloud Chased by Pharaoh Red sea Waters of Marah Manna given The Sabbath Water from rock	Israel at Mt. Sinai <u>3 Major event</u> 1.Receive law 2.Golden calf 3.Tabernacle	Israel on the trail People want meat – Quails 70 men given to help Moses Miriam punished with Leprosy Constant complaints	Israel at Kadesh-Barnea 12 Spies sent in 10 spies – bad report 2 spies good report People complain and want to go back to Egypt God causes them to wander 40 yrs. In the wilderness	Israel wanders 40 yrs. Stoning of Sabbath breaker Korah’s rebellion Aaron’s rod buds and blossoms Moses sins Fiery serpents Joshua becomes leader

Patriarchal Stage

Genesis Ch.12-50 and book of Job

Abraham	
Isaac	
Jacob –	12 sons
<u>4 wives</u>	Reuben Simeon Levi Judah Issacher Zebulan Gad Ashler Joseph Benjamin Dan Naphtali
Leah	
Zilpah	
Rachael	
Bilhah	
	Book of Job

Conquest Stage

Joshua

Some highlights of:

A. Israel Invades the land

2 Spies sent in
Jordan river parts and they cross over
All males are circumcised
The Manna stops

B. Israel conquers the land

Walls of Jericho fall down
Achan's Sin – stoned to death
Kings and tribes defeated

C. Israel divides up the land

Land is divided among 12 tribes
Divided by casting lots

Judges Stage

Some highlights of:		
Judges	Ruth	1 Samuel 1-7
<p><u>List of Judges</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Othniel 2. Ehud 3. Shamgar 4. Barak 5. Gideon 6. Tola 7. Jair 8. Jephthah 9. Ibzan 10. Elon 11. Abdon 12. Samson <p>Judges 9 Gideon's son kills 69 of his half brothers.</p> <p>Judges 17-18 A man hires his own personal priest.</p> <p>Judges 19-21 Tribe of Benjamin is almost wiped out.</p>	<p>Was a Moabite</p> <p>Marries a Hebrew man, he dies</p> <p>Returns to Israel with Naomi</p> <p>Marries Boaz</p> <p>Boaz – a Kinsman Redeemer</p>	<p>Hannah's vow</p> <p>Samuel is born</p> <p>Is dedicated to the Lord</p> <p>Samuel's call from God when a young boy</p> <p>Eli and his sons</p> <p>Ark is taken and returned</p>

United Kingdom

Saul	David	Solomon
<p>1 Samuel Ch. 8-31 1 Chronicles Ch.1-10</p>	<p>1 Samuel Ch.16-31 2 Samuel 1 Kings ch.1-11 1 Chronicles Ch.11-29 Psalms</p> <p><u>1 Samuel</u> Anointed by Samuel David kills Goliath Saul tries to kill David David's life on the run</p> <p><u>2 Samuel</u> Becomes king of Judah Becomes king over all Sins with Bathsheba Has her husband killed His son Absalom rebels</p> <p><u>1 Chronicles 28:19</u> Gives his son Solomon the plans for the Temple</p> <p>Psalms Messianic – Chapters 2, 8, 16, 22, 23, 24, 40, 45, 68, 69, 72, 89, 102, 110, 118</p>	<p>1 Kings Ch.1-11 2 Chronicles ch.1-9</p>

Divided Kingdom

Upon the death of king Solomon his son Rehoboam becomes king. Choosing the advice of his friends, he tells the people that he would make their lives harder than king Solomon ever did. When they hear this, ten tribes revolt and become the northern tribes called Israel with their own succession of kings. Rehoboam is left with two tribes, calling themselves Judah.

1 Kings Ch. 12-22 – 2 Kings 2 Chronicles 10-36	
Northern Kingdom	Southern Kingdom
<p><u>Called Israel</u></p> <p>Capital – Samaria Consisted of ten tribes</p> <p>Had 19 kings</p> <p>Dispersed and taken into captivity by the Assyrians (721 BC)</p> <p>There was never a return of these Jews</p> <p><u>Prophets</u> to the Northern tribes were:</p> <p>Elijah Elisha</p> <p>Amos Hosea</p>	<p><u>Called Judah</u></p> <p>Capital – Jerusalem Consisted of two tribes</p> <p>Had 20 kings</p> <p>Dispersed and taken into captivity in three separate attacks by King Nebacadeser Babylonians. (606 BC)</p> <p>After 70 years of captivity (Jeremiah 25:12 2 Chronicles 36:21) These Jews are allowed to return, rebuild and repopulate.</p> <p><u>Prophets</u> to the two southern tribes were:</p> <p>Joel Isaiah Micah Zephaniah Habakkuk Jeremiah – Lamentations</p>
<p>These Prophets were to foreign nations</p> <p>Nahum – Nineveh Jonah – Nineveh Obadiah – Edom</p>	

Captivity Stage

After destroying the northern tribes the Assyrians turn their attention upon Judah with intent of doing the same. (790 BC) Upon seeing the armies surround Jerusalem, Isaiah cries out to God and 185,000 Assyrians are slain by the angel of the Lord. Needless to say the Assyrian army retreats. The Assyrian empire was defeated by the Babylonians at the battle of Carcemesh 609 BC. and become the dominate empire of their day.

Because of their sins God allows the Babylonians to conquer Judah and take captive many people of Jerusalem in 3 separate military campaigns.

3 Phases of the captivity (Palms 137 describes the beginning of this time.)

- a. 605 BC Daniel and others of noble birth are taken
- b. 597 BC King Jehoiachin, Ezekiel and others taken
- c. 586 BC King Zedekiah (Judah's last king) taken. Walls of Jerusalem are torn down, the temple and city are burned.

Two Major Prophets in this time period are:

Ezekiel	Daniel
<p>Reminds the Jews of their sins and God's future blessings.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ezekiel's call Ch.1-3 b. Warns of judgment on Jerusalem 4-24 c. End time prophesies 34-39 d. Millennial temple and it's worship 40-48 <p><u>12 Symbolic acts</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Draws a map of Jerusalem 2. Lays on left side 390 days – portion 3. Lays on right side 40 days – portion 4. Fixed meal using dung for fire 5. Shaved head, and beard 6. Stomped his feet and clapped hands 7. Dug thru a wall 8. Trembled as he ate 9. Slashed with a sword 10. Drew a map of middle east 11. Boiled a pot of water dry 12. Could show no remorse or tears at the death of his wife 	<p>Served under 3 kings –</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Nebuchadnezzar Belshazzar Darius</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Daniels early life Ch.1 2. Nebuchadnezzar's vision of great image Ch.2 3. The fiery furnace Ch.3 4. Humbling of Nebuchadnezzar Ch.4 5. Daniel's experience under Belshazzar and Darius Ch.5-6 6. Daniels vision of four beasts Ch.7 7. Prophecy - defeat of Persians by the Greeks, desecration of temple 8. Daniel's prophecy of 70 weeks Ch.9 9. Daniels final vision Ch.10-12

Return Stage

Three separate returns

Zerubbabel 536 BC, Ezra 455 BC, Nehemiah 445 BC

Ezra	Esther	Nehemiah
<p>Ch. 1-6 King Cyrus of Persia issues decree to return.</p> <p>1st. return led by Zerubbable to rebuild and build 2nd. temple Ch. 7-10</p> <p>Between Ch.6 and 7 - fifty years elapse. During this time period the book of Esther takes place.</p>	<p>50 Yrs pass between 1st. return led by Zerubbabel and 2nd. return led by Ezra. Book of Esther takes place In this time period.</p> <p>Ch.1-2 Esther (a Jew) become queen of king Ahasuerus</p> <p>Ch.3-5 Haman become prime minister and plots to kill all Jews.</p> <p>Ch.6-10 Esther and Mordecai devise a plan to save Jews. Haman is executed.</p>	<p>Ch. 1-2 Nehemiah receives permission to return to Jerusalem, he inspects the walls and city.</p> <p>Ch.2-7 He rebuilds the walls and city.</p> <p>Ch.8-10 Revival under Ezra</p>
Prophets to the Jews during this time		
Haggai	Zechariah Prophecy future ? Put this in ?	Malachi

Some prophecies concerning Israel

Fulfilled and Future

Fulfilled -1000 ? BC	Fulfilled – 400 BC	Fulfilled – Future 1948 AD to present
<p>★ Genesis 15:13 “Hebrews would be slaves in Egypt 400 yrs.”</p> <p>★ ★ Exodus 12:40 “Hebrews set free”</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">Fulfilled 700-600 BC</div> <p>★ Deuteronomy 28:64 If Jews don’t keep God’s covenant then the LORD will scatter you among all nations”</p> <p>★ Isaiah 66:22 “God would preserve them even scattered among the nations”</p>	<p>★ Jeremiah 32:36-37 “Judah would go into Babylonian captivity”</p> <p>★ Jeremiah 32:36-37 “God would bring them back to their home land, from Babylonian captivity</p> <p>★ Ezekiel 34:13 “God would bring them back to their homeland”</p> <p>★</p>	<p>★ Amos 9:14-15 “God will bring them back to their land and never be uprooted again” (may – 1948)</p> <p>★ Ezekiel 37:10-14 “Israel (dry bones) is brought back to life” (fulfilled 1948)</p> <p>★ Isaiah 66:7-8 “Israel born as a nation in one day”(1948)</p> <p>★ Ezekiel 37:21-22 “Israel would be one nation no longer divided”</p> <p>★ Zech 12:2-3 Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about and in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces. (Currently occurring)</p>

Israel in the future ★

Daniel 9:27 ...Israel makes a covenant with antichrist – temple rebuilt

Revelation 12:13-17...will be persecuted by antichrist after he breaks pact with them.

Zechariah 12:10...will receive Jesus Christ as their Messiah when He returns (Romans 11:25-)

Isaiah 2:1-4, Micah 4:1-7... Israel will be established as the prime nation of the world during Christ’s millennial reign.

Zechariah 8:22-23 God’s blessings will flow out to all the nations through the Jewish people during the Millennial reign of King Jesus


The Prophecies of Daniel

Four gentile empires that would have a direct impact on Israel from the days of Daniel to the 2nd. coming of the Lord Jesus Christ who will crush them and set up His Millennial Reign.


Daniel Ch. 2:37-45	Daniel Ch. 7:1-7	Daniel Ch. 9
<u>Vision of the great Image</u>	<u>Vision of the four beasts</u>	<u>The 70 weeks</u>
Four empires	Four empires	Daniel 9:24-26... 70 weeks determined upon thy people (Jewish people –Israel) and their holy city.
How man sees them – great, mighty etc.	How God sees them – wild ravaging beasts	<u>To accomplish 6 things-</u>
Head of Gold	Lion with wings	To finish transgression.
Chest and arms of silver	Bear with 3 ribs in mouth	To make an end of sins.
Belly and thighs of Brass	Leopard with 4 wings	To make reconciliation for Iniquity.
Legs of Iron	Terrible beast with 10 horns	To bring in everlasting righteousness.
Feet and toes iron and clay		To seal up vision prophecy.
		To anoint the most holy.
Head of gold – Babylonian empire (605 – 539 BC)	Is the Lion	70 weeks (Hebrew for weeks is sevens) 70 x 7 = 490 yrs
Chest and arms of silver – Medo-Persian empire (539 - 331 BC)	Is the bear	Daniel 9:25-26 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall <u>be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks</u> : the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.
Belly and thighs of brass – Grecian empire (321-150 BC)	Is the leopard	26. And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself:
Legs of iron – Roman empire (150 BC – 5 th century AD)	Is the terrible beast	<u>7 weeks = 49 years</u> rebuilding Jerusalem etc.
Ten toes – revised Roman empire	Is the ten horns	

		<p>62 more weeks = 434 years till Messiah the prince would come and be cut off – (crucified)</p> <p>1 week is left = 7 years – will be fulfilled in the 7 years tribulation (Jacob’s troubles)</p> <p>The 7 year tribulation is about Israel <u>not</u> the church.</p>
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The Gentiles in Prophecy

	Nebuchadnezzar's Dream (Daniel 2)	Daniel's Dream (Daniel 7)	The Kingdoms Prophesied
	Gold (Head)	Lion	Babylonian
	Silver (Breast & Arms)	Bear	Medo-Persian
	Brass (Belly & Thighs)	Leopard	Greek
	Iron (Legs)	Beast with Iron Teeth	Roman
	P R O P H E T I C G A P		
	Iron & Clay (Feet)	Ten Horns	Antichrist
	Stone	Son of Man	Jesus Christ

Add Berrean Daniel 70 weeks can find it in my documents

<p style="text-align: center;">Messianic Prophecies fulfilled by Jesus Christ</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>His first Coming</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">There are many more – I only chose the ones people are familiar with.</p>			
<p>★ <u>Genesis 3:15</u> “seed of the woman”</p>	<p>★ <u>Psalms 16:10</u> “not leave soul in hell” Nor see corruption of body</p> <p>★ <u>Psalms 22:6-8</u> “mocked and scorned while on cross”</p> <p>★ <u>Psalms 22:16-18</u> “pierced hands and feet – gamble for His cloths”</p> <p>★ <u>Psalms 34:20</u> “not one bone broken”</p>	<p>★ <u>Jeremiah 31:15</u> “Rachael weeping for children”</p> <p>★ <u>Isaiah 7:14</u> “a virgin shall conceive”</p> <p>★ <u>Isaiah 9:6</u> “ a child is born a son is given”...</p> <p>★ <u>Isaiah 11:1-3</u> “stem and branch of Jesse – Spirit of Lord on Him”</p> <p>★ <u>Isaiah 40:3-5</u> “forerunner crying in the wilderness”</p> <p>★ <u>Isaiah 42:1-7</u> “ Christ the servant of the Lord – heals brings prisoners out”</p> <p>★ <u>Isaiah 50:6</u> “spit on face, pullout hair beat His back”</p> <p>★ <u>Isaiah 53:1-12</u> “despised, rejected, carried our sorrows, afflicted, wounded, bruised for our iniquities etc.”</p> <p>★ <u>Isaiah 61:1-2</u> “anointed to....”</p>	<p>★ <u>Micah 5:2</u> “born in Bethlehem”</p> <p>★ <u>Zechariah 9:9</u>”rides into Jerusalem on donkey”</p> <p>★ <u>Zech 11:12</u> “betrayed for 30 pieces of silver”</p>




Messianic Prophecies concerning Jesus Christ

His Second Coming Future-anytime

There are many more – I only chose the ones people are familiar with.



<u>Phase I</u> – Rapture	<u>Phase II</u> – King Jesus returns to earth	His Glorious Reign 	His Millennial Kingdom
<p>★</p> <p>1 Thessalonians 5:16-17 “the church is caught up to meet King Jesus in the air”</p> <p>1 Corinthians 15:51-52 Christians will have glorified bodies”</p> <p>2 Corinthians 5:10 “Christians will stand before the judgment seat of Christ for rewards”(Rom. 14:10-12</p> <p>Meanwhile</p> <p>7 Year tribulation will be taking place here on earth</p> <p>(see chart concerning)</p>	<p>★</p> <p>Revelation 19:11-20 “King Jesus destroys antichrist armies</p> <p>Vs.20 false prophet and antichrist thrown into the lake of fire</p> <p>Revelation 20:1-3 “Satan bound in bottomless pit 1000 yrs.</p> <p>Zechariah 12:10-13:1 Israel accepts Jesus as their Messiah and is converted”</p>	<p>★</p> <p>Psalms 2:6-9 “will reign over the ends of the earth”</p> <p>Psalms 22:27-31 “all nations will bow down before Him”</p> <p>Isaiah 2:1-4 “will reign from Mt. Zion”</p> <p>Isaiah 11:3-9 “will reign in righteousness</p> <p>Isaiah 9:6-7 “will rule from the throne of David, giving the world a government of peace, justice, and</p> <p>Jeremiah 23:5 “will reign wisely and righteously”</p> <p>Daniel 9:13-14,18,27, “given dominion over all the earth by God the Father”</p> <p>Luke 1:26-38 “Rules from throne of David</p> <p>Revelation 19:15-16 “King of kings Lord of lords”</p>	<p>★</p> <p>Revelation 20:6 “the saint will reign with him</p> <p>Revelation 19:15 King Jesus rules with a rod of iron (This will be a Monarchy rule over all the earth.)</p> <p>Hebrews 1:8 His rule will be with a scepter of righteousness</p> <p>Isaiah 2:4 The nations shall beat their swords weapons into plowshares</p> <p>Isaiah ch.11 “total peace – wolf will lay with the lamb etc.”</p> <p>Romans 8:19-22 The curse that is upon the earth shall be removed</p> <p>Isaiah 35:1-2 The deserts shall blossom</p> <p>Zechariah 14:16-21 People will come to Jerusalem to worship the Lord</p>

The Church Age

In God's timeline, the church age was a mystery not revealed in the Old Testament. When Peter said to Jesus: "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.) Mat.16:16 Jesus said to him "upon this rock I will build my church" He wasn't saying Peter was the rock (Peter later denied Him 3 times) confession of faith in Him would be the rock on which He would build His church.

Matthew 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Matthew 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Gates of hell would not prevail against the church. The church is still thriving.

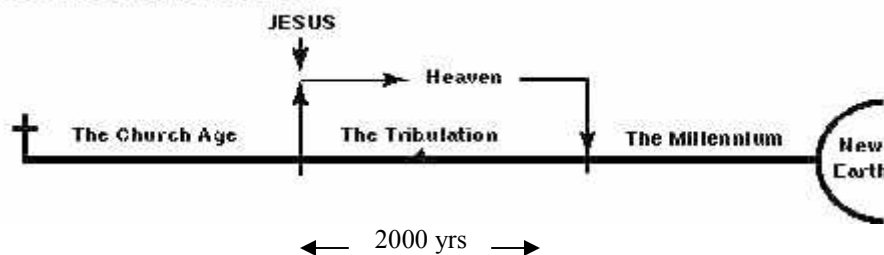
The church is not any one particular denomination, but is the universal body of Christ composed of born again believers from all over the world. We assemble in local congregations for the purpose of worship, the preaching and teaching of God's word, and fellowship.

The Church

God's continuing timeline was put on hold during the church age; just think of it as He hit the pause button.

Between the 69 and 70 week of Daniel is the church age, which has been going close to 2000 years. It is in this space of God's timeline that He is building His church from people all over the world through faith in Jesus Christ.

Modern Pre-Millennial View



Purpose of the Church

God's plan through the church

Matthew 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Matthew 28:20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

- ❖ In the great commission to the church, the Lord Jesus commanded his disciples to preach the Gospel to the lost, baptize the believers and then teach them. From the book of Acts we find that the early Christians did just that and that God confirmed His word with signs and wonders, just as He said He would do in the following:

Mark 16:20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

Some general statements.

- ❖ The heart beat of any church must be the salvation of souls. The scriptures declare that without a vision the people perish. In my estimation many churches in the body of Christ has lost the vision and in an effort to find purpose have adopted the world's view of what the church is and is about.

Many have departed from preaching the cross. WHY?
The preaching of the cross is foolish to the lost.

1Corinthians 1:18 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

The preaching of the cross is offensive.

Galatians 5:11 And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased.

- ❖ In an effort to not offend anyone, many have adopted a plan of good works and have ceased to preach Christ. Churches that once boldly proclaimed Christ on the streets, have been reduced to ringing bells at Christmas time to gather donations.
- ❖ In the pursuit of money to enlarge our beautiful buildings, we have given ourselves whole heartily to ice cream socials, chicken dinners and the like, all to the delight of Satan and those who desire the kind of preaching that tickles the ear.

Matthew 7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Why did Jesus Christ die a horrible death on the cross?

Why did He rise on the third day?

Why does He set at the right hand of God the Father?

What did He leave the church here on earth to do?

Luke 19:10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

Mark 10:45 For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

John 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

1Co 3:10-15 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.

11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

God's plan to the church

- ❖ God has supernaturally enabled the church to minister to people whether they be in the church or out in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit. All through the scriptures we find the Holy Spirit enabling people to accomplish God's will and purposes.

Jesus promised His disciples that they would receive the Holy Spirit.

Act 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

According to the Apostle Peter this was for all Christians of every era.

Act 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. (see all of Ch. 2)

By the Holy Spirit, God has blessed the church with gifts and callings to effectively minister to peoples spiritual needs as well as to the physical needs.

1Co 12:4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

5 And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.

6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

10 To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

1Co 12:28 **And God hath** set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.

29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles?

30 Have all the gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?

31 But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

Ephesians 4:11-12 And **He gave some**, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

- ❖ It was never God's intent that just the Pastor would minister to people. It takes a variety of calls and gifts to be effective. Paul compares the church to the human body in 1 Corinthians 12:22-27 and says that every part is needed. A Pastor cannot do it all.

A few examples

Ministry to:

The youth

The elderly – homebound etc.

Unmarried people

Married people

Christians that have needs –food, clothing etc.

The incarcerated

The Individual Christian – a few things

- ❖ Be a light to the lost and others, by our manner of life, maintaining a good testimony of God's grace.

Mat 5:13-16 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? It is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

14 Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15 Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Philippians 2:14-15 Do all things without murmurings and disputings:

15. That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

- ❖ Maintain a godly life – striving towards holiness

1Peter 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

- ❖ Remember who we are

1Jhon 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.

2Corinthians 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

1Peter 2:11 Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

- ❖ Individual responsibility

1Thessaloinans 4:11 And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

2Thessalonians 3:12-13 Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread.

13 But ye, brethren, be not weary in well doing.

- ❖ Assembling ourselves

Heb 10:24-25 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:
25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

❖ Watch for the return of our Lord

Titus 2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

❖ Love not the world, nor allow is to conform us to it's image

1Jn 2:15 Love not the world, neither the things [that are] in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

Romans 12:1-2 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

The Church's blessed Hope

Titus 2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

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.

1 John 3:2-3 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.

3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Philippians 3:20-21 For our citizenship is in Heaven, from which also we are looking for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,
21 who shall change our body of humiliation so that it may be fashioned like His glorious body, according to the working of His power, even to subdue all things to Himself.

Hallelujah!

The Rapture of the Church

1Thessalonians 4:13-17 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Our mortal Bodies changed

1Corinthians 15:52-57 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

The Judgments Seat of Christ for his Church right after the rapture

Romans 14:10 But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set a nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

2Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

1Corinthians 3:12-15 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. 15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

(This Judgment Seat is for rewards.)

Signs of the times

A. Signs of the times preceding the return of Jesus Christ.

1. Israel Re gathered

Beginning with the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D.70 by the Roman Empire, until Hitler's reign of terror 1945, the nation of Israel ceased to be, and the Jewish people were dispersed through out the world. In 1948 the Jewish people from all parts the world returned to their homeland and the nation of Israel was reborn, in fulfillment of Gods prophetic word.

Deuteronomy 30:3,4 That then the Lord thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the Lord thy God hath scattered thee.

Vs.4 If any of thine be driven out unto the outmosts parts of heaven, from thence will the Lord thy God gather thee, and from thence will he fetch thee.

Isaiah 11:11,12 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from the islands of the sea.

Vs.12 And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the out cast of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Amos 9:14,15 And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; and shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

Vs.15 And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the Lord thy God.

This return of the Jewish people to their homeland is a foreshadow of a greater return, that will take place, when the Lord Jesus Christ returns to this earth.

2. Jerusalem becomes the capital

Luke 21:24 And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations; and Jerusalem shall be trodden down by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

Since 70 AD. the city of Jerusalem has passed from one power to another; from the Roman conquerors, to the Persian, to the crusaders, to the Turks, to the British and finally in 1967 in the 6 day war, the Jews took control of Jerusalem for the first time in many centuries.

Many bible scholars believe that the Anti-Christ will form some sort of peace pact with Israel, at the start of the Tribulation Period and will have something to do with the construction of a new temple, for worship. Some believe that the Jews will accept this man as the long awaited Messiah, until midway through the Tribulation period, at which time he will set up an image of himself in the Holy of Holies, proclaim that he is God and demand that he and his image be worshipped.

The Jews will reject him and in doing so, will bring severe persecution from him. All this is to take place in Jerusalem, the capital of Israel. For these things to take place, Israel had to become a nation again and Jerusalem had to come back under the control of the Jewish nation.

* **Note** - For many Christians, these two signs have taken place in our lifetime, as well as many others: we are truly living in the last hour.

Matthew 24:15 When ye, therefore shall see the abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place... (Daniel 12:11)

Mark 13:14 But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation , spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not (let him that readeth understand), then let them that be in Judaea flee to the mountains.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 Let no man deceive you by any means; for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition,

Vs.4 Who opposeth and exhalteth himself above all that is worshipped, so that he, as God, sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

3. Knowledge is Increased

In the last 100 years man has went from the horse and buggy, to the moon. In the last 50 years, there has been an explosion of new technology in every field of expertise. Great strides in communications and travel has brought the whole world together, into one large community. The age of the personal computer, has given the individual, access to the world.

The problem with the technology that has made our lives easier, is that; sinful unregenerate man, will use it to destroy himself, such as mass weapons of destruction. The new advances that has brought healing in the medical field, has brought also greed and profiteering, and many times the poor go without.

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.

4. Signs in Man

One only has to turn on the TV to find scripture being fulfilled, as we are bombarded by the psychic networks, situation comedy shows that mock the Christian faith and our blessed Lord, that promote homosexuality, abortion, sexual permissiveness, and applauds anyone who supports their ungodliness. Our public schools have become killing fields, infested with drugs and disrespect for anyone in authority. What is happening?

a. Scoffers

2 Peter 3:2-3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,
Vs.3 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation.

b. Homosexuality

Romans 1:26-28, 32...for even their women did exchange the natural use for that which is against nature;
Vs.27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another, men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was fitting.
Vs.28 And even as they did not retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are seemly,
Vs.32 Who, knowing the judgment of God, that they who commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same but have pleasure in them that do them.

Homosexuality has been around since the dawn of time but never before in all of history has it been flaunted and embraced, with such enthusiasm by society. It has been dressed up in the clothing of an alternate lifestyle and passed off to society as normal. But God says that it is an abomination and will reap its reward.(Leviticus 20:13, Romans 1:26-32)

c. Lovers of Self

2 Timothy 3:1-5 This know, also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
Vs.2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
Vs.3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
Vs.4 Traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God,
Vs.5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power of it; from such turn away.

For the purpose of selfish ambition, careers and a lack of personal responsibility, expecting mothers abort their unborn children, depriving them of a chance at life. Driven

by lust, and a few disgusting moments of personal satisfaction, a man will rape and then murder a child. The sordid list goes on and on. When self reigns, what self wants, self gets, no matter how vile and disgusting it may be and regardless of the pain it may cause others. Without God, man is lost in a downward spiral.

d. Iniquity Abounding

Matthew 24:12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall grow cold.

e. Cults and the Occult

Matthew 24:4-5 And Jesus answered and said unto them. Take heed that no man deceive you.

Vs.5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

Matthew 24:11,24 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

Vs.24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders, insomuch that, if it were possible, they should deceive the very elect.

Have you noticed the renewed interest in occultic practices? Almost in every city you can find advertisements for palm and tarot card readings, psychic predictions etc. Even our news papers carry the daily horoscopes.

f. As the days of Noah

Luke 17:26-27 And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the son of Man.

Vs.27 They did eat, and they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.

g. Warfare

Mark 13:7-8 And when ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars, be ye not troubled; for such things must needs be, but the end shall not be yet.

Vs.8 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.

* Note: The signs that are given preceding the return of Christ for the church, will have their greatest fulfillment during the 7 yr. tribulation period.

5. Signs in Nature

Mark 13:8 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be earthquakes in various places, and there shall be famines and troubles: these are the beginnings of sorrows.

Luke 21:25 And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring.

(Could landing on the moon be a sign?)

Most of us are aware of the global problems that this earth has experience in recent years; climate changes, a global warming, earthquakes, and devastating floods are a but a few of the global tragedies that are taking place.

6. Signs in Nations

Matthew 24:7 For Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom...

* Not only have we seen two world wars but also the the fall of the Soviet Union.

7. Signs in the Church

Apostasy

2 Thessalonians 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means, for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed.

1 Timothy 4:1 Now the Spirit speaks expressly, that in the later times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils.

2 Timothy 4:3-4 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; Vs.4 And shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

Apostasy means to fall away, to fall away: one must fall away from something or someone. There are many who have fallen away from the foundational truths that Christians have embraced and held dear to, for centuries. Many have departed from faith in Jesus Christ and have accepted a false gospel.

Matthew 24:44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of man cometh.

The Seven Year Tribulation Period

The 7 year tribulation Period will be the fulfillment of the 70th. Week of Daniel. ch.9

This 7 years will be divided into two parts consisting of 3.5 years each, or 1260 each; based on the Jewish lunar calendar.

Purpose of:

Daniel 9:24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, **to** finish the transgression, and **to** make an end of sins, and **to** make reconciliation for iniquity, and **to** bring in everlasting righteousness, and **to** seal up the vision and prophecy, and **to** anoint the most Holy.

- "Finish the transgression"
- "Make an end of sin"
- "Make atonement for iniquity" (accept Jesus' sacrifice)
- "Bring in everlasting righteousness" (Reign of King Jesus)
- "Seal up vision and prophecy" (fulfillment of prophecy about Jesus and Israel)
- "Anoint the most holy place" Hebrew "anoint most Holy"

The 70 weeks is weeks of years. A week = 7 years 70 weeks = 490 years

7 weeks (49 years) until the rebuilding of Jerusalem, walls, temple

62 more weeks (434 years) until the Messiah would come and be cut off. (killed)

This totals 483 years **leaving 7 years (1 week) left unfulfilled**. This 7 years will be fulfilled

in a time known as the great tribulation, also called time of Jacobs trouble. (Dan.12:1)

This 7 years will not only be tribulation for Israel but also the whole world.

Some elements of:

1. The revived Roman empire = the ten toes of Daniel ch.2 and ten horns of Daniel ch.7 the toes and the horns are one and the same.

The Roman empire (Legs of iron) has been dead for approximately 1500 years to date, it will be revived in the tribulation period as the ten toes-horns (countries, nations)

Daniel chapter 2 - dream/vision - from man's perspective glory, pride, prestige

- A. **Head of gold** - the Babylonian empire *Daniel* 2:32, 38 - (Nebuchadnezzar) 606 - 536 B.C.
- B. **Chest and arm of silver** - the Persian empire, who conquered the Babylonians. *Daniel* 2:32, 39 represented by the Mede-Persia, 536- 330 B.C.
- C. **Belly and thighs of brass** - the Grecian empire, who defeated the Persians. *Daniel* 2:32, 35, 39 represented by the Grecian (Alexander the Great) 323 - 30 B.C.
- D. **Legs of Iron** - Roman empire, who defeated the Persians. *Daniel* 2:33, 40 represented by the Romans, 30 B.C.
- E. **Feet and toes part iron and clay** - the revised Roman empire that will come to power in the last days. *Daniel* 2:33, 41-44 represented by the Revised Roman Empire

Daniel chapter 7 - dream/vision - from God's perspective ravaging beasts

- A. **The Lion** - Daniel 7:4, 17 Babylon (Nebuchadnezzar) 606 - 536 B.C.
- B. **The bear** - Daniel 7:5, 17 - Mede-Persia (Darius) 536 - 330 B.C.
- C. **The Leopard** - Daniel 7:6, 17 - Grecian (Alexander the Great) 330 - 30 B.C.
- D. **The dreadful and terrible beast** - Daniel 7:7, 8 - Roman 30 B.C.

Daniel 9:23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise; and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

Rev 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. (The 7 heads are empires that have plagued Israel from it's beginning, as follows: Egypt, Assyrian, Babylonian, Mede-Persian, Grecian, Roman, and the revived/revised Roman.

Rev 13:2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. (this empire shall have characteristics of the previous ones, as notes by the beasts)

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. (The Roman empire will come back to life as the revived Roman empire, consisting of a federation / league of 10 nations/countries known as the 10 horns / 10 toes.

From these 10 horns (nations) a little horn (antichrist-man of sin) shall arise and gain controlling power over three.

Daniel 7:7-8 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, terrible and powerful, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

Daniel 7:8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another horn, a little one, before which three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Daniel 9:26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

The people of the prince that shall come - The Romans destroyed Jerusalem in 70 AD. His people are from the ancient Roman Empire. Some say that He will be from Italy. The ancient Roman Empire was composed of many of the countries of today's Europe as well as countries of the Middle East. (Only the Lord knows where he will be from)

Daniel 9:27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make *it* desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

At some point in that time frame he will negotiate a covenant (peace treaty with Israel) and they will be able to rebuild their long awaited temple. The signing of this deal will be the start of the 7 year tribulation period, called the time of Jacob's trouble. At the middle of the agreement the antichrist breaks his pact with Israel. He claims to be God and demands worship. The Jews reject him and thus begins his persecution of them.

The 7 year Tribulation period. - Time of Jacobs troubles
(fulfillment of Daniel's 70th. week)

Based on Israel's lunar years of 360 days per year

7 year tribulation

Events of 1 st <u>3.5 yrs.</u> 1260 days	Events of last <u>3.5 years</u> 1260 days
Some elements of:	Some elements of:
<p>1. The revived Roman empire a -10 league-federation-union of nations that comes out of the ancient Roman empire.</p> <p>2. The rise of <u>the antichrist</u> over this revived empire.</p> <p><u>Some things about him</u></p> <p>Daniel 7:8 ..called the little horn Daniel 9:26..called the prince that shall come. 2 Thessalonians 2:3..called the man of sin. Revelation 13:3..mouth that speaks against God.</p> <p>A. Will make a 7 yr. pact with Israel (Daniel 9:27) B. Will break the pact (Daniel 9:27) C. Deceive many with false peace. (Rev.6:2) D. Magnify himself (Daniel 8:11,25, 11:36-37 2 Thess.2:4) E. Speak against God (Daniel 7:8,20,25 Rev. 13:5-6)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Antichrist stops Jewish sacrifices (Dan.9:27, 12:11) 2. Antichrist sets in temple claims to be god. (2 Thessalonians 2:3-4) 3. Breaks pact with Israel - persecutes them (Rev.ch.12) 4. Devil cast down to earth, no longer can accuse the brethren (Rev.ch.12) 5. The antichrist number 666 (Rev. 13:16-) 6. Seven Vials poured out upon earth (Revelation Ch.16) 7. The harlot / the harlot destroyed (Rev.17) <p>(the harlot that rides the back of the beast is the false one world religious system, that is left on earth after the rapture.)</p>

<p>F. Will not regard God (Dan.11:37, 2 Thess.2:4)</p> <p>G. Wear out the tribulation saints (Rev.13:7)</p> <p>H. Receives his power from Satan. (Rev.13:5)</p> <p>I. Desires worship from man (Rev.13:4, 8)</p> <p>J. Will sit in the new temple (2 Thess2:4)</p> <p>K. Institutes mark of beast (Rev.13:13-18)</p> <p>L. Stops the Jewish sacrifices in temple (Dan.9:27, 12:11, Matthew 24:15-21)</p> <p>3. The rise of the false prophet the second beast of Revelation 13 over the religious system that is left on earth after the rapture. He will give his allegiance to the antichrist.</p> <p>4. The sealing of God's chosen 144,000 Jews who will preach to the masses. (Rev.7:4-)</p> <p>5. The 2 witnesses who prophesy, will probably be Elijah and Enoch, of the Old Testament seeing as neither of them experience a physical death. (Rev.11:3-)</p> <p>6. The 7 Seals - Revelation Ch.6-8 The four horseman</p> <p>7. The 7 Trumpets - Revelation Ch.8-11</p>	<p>8. The Lord Jesus Christ comes back and destroys the armies of the antichrist, casts him and false prophet in the lake of fire. Crushes the last gentile empire and sets up His glorious reign.</p> <p>9. Satan is bound in a bottomless pit for the duration of Christ's 1000 year reign.</p>
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