



EARTHSHAKER

THE COMING GLOBAL DESTRUCTION

...IS THERE ANY HOPE?

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"Earthshaker: The Coming Global Destruction" by John Benjamin is a new Bible prophecy book that will shake up even those who think they're part of the "unshakeables." Benjamin's portrayal of what lies ahead is so spellbinding I dare not even hint at what he brings forth from Scripture. You'll have to see it for yourself - and I recommend that you take a tranquilizer first!

----Dave MacPherson, author of "The Rapture Plot"

This book was written for all those who have become increasingly aware that many things seem to be going terribly wrong in our present, rapidly changing world. There seems to be an alarming rise in bad weather, destructive earthquakes, volcanic activity, solar storms, massive floods and resultant crop failures. In general, very bad things appear to be coming our way on the horizon. Instead of world peace being ushered in, as many had hoped for, we now face the increased risk of terrorism, as well as rising tension between many of the world's leading nations, which may lead to future horrific and destructive wars. We are facing the worst economic troubles we've seen in many decades, with many who have lost their jobs and homes, now living in despair.

Many people are at wits end, having no idea what to do or where to turn for help; and most everyone senses that something very dark, ominous, and foreboding is settling over our world. It seems at times that the whole world has gone completely mad and that it is headed straight off the tracks for a huge train wreck! This book gives an up close and personal look at all the problems we are presently facing, as well as those we will most likely face in the future, and shows that in the end there will indeed be a positive outcome. The storm clouds will clear and the sun will come out shining brightly once again as the earth enters a new and golden age.

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INTRODUCTION:

Many movies, such as 2012, Deep Impact, The Day After Tomorrow, Armageddon, as well as a "host" of others have been made of late, depicting end of the world scenarios, cataclysmic disasters, and earth-shaking extinction level events. Many of these films portray the end of civilization as we know it.

These movies show incredible computer enhanced footage that is very dramatic and shockingly realistic! They certainly are real attention getters, and tend to generate a very real and underlying fear in the hearts of many, and great uncertainty concerning the future of our planet.

To make matters even worse, much of the modern scientific research and many of the documentary films that have been made recently, seem to back these movies up in their terrifying portrayal of coming events, and give great credence to the possibility of many of these horrifying things actually happening!

Many very credible scientific and historical documentaries have been made for television, and shown on The History Channel, National Geographic, and other related science and educational channels that speak of the possibility of these very same earth-shaking events actually happening to our world shortly:

Great end time disasters, from such things as large asteroid impacts, enormous solar flare-ups, mega-earthquakes, volcanoes, and a myriad of like and related events that may work together to produce a horribly destructive effect on the earth's fragile environment, and the future of mankind's continued survival as a living species in general.

Well, believe it or not, according to the Bible, these movies may not be so far off in their graphic portrayal of certain future events. Great disasters are predicted to begin to occur on our planet in the very near future, in greater magnitude and frequency.

In fact, many of these disastrous events are exactly what are predicted, or prophesied in the Bible, and are beginning to occur even now. Certain prophetic Scriptures, written thousands of years ago, foretell in very specific detail what will happen to this planet at the very end of days.

They describe what appear to be large asteroids and even a possible comet that will impact the earth in the near future, along with great meteorite showers, and a tremendous increase in destructive earthquakes and volcanic activity.

There are Scriptures that seem to describe such events as huge solar storms coming off the sun and burning the earth, as well as a massive, earth-shaking "polar shift" that causes near total destruction. There are even Scripture passages that seem to be describing what could only be "nuclear war!"

Great and intense earthquakes do seem to be on the rise dramatically all over the world! Almost on a weekly basis now there are huge destructive quakes being reported around the entire globe. Every time you turn on the news you seem to hear of another new "earth-shaker" bringing terrible devastation somewhere.

The earth also seems to be showing signs of increased volcanic activity. Scientists are very closely monitoring many older volcanoes that have been dormant for years, which are now beginning to show signs of firing back to life with a vengeance!

Monsters such as Anak Krakatau and Mt. Merapi in the Pacific, the Icelandic volcano that recently went off and its big brother Katla, South and Central American volcanoes, the

Alaskan and West Coast volcanoes of North America, Hawaii, and basically, the entire "ring-of-fire" area as well as the rest of the whole world.

And, as is portrayed so dramatically in the recent movie 2012, the greatest predicted monster of them all is Yellowstone National Park in the USA, which is right now showing increasing signs of great pressure under its billowing magma dome, and swarming with quakes!

The United States is experiencing the most violent weather on record now with enormous hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding and storms that seem to be increasing in number with much greater intensity and severity.

Many of these storms are producing straight-line winds and "micro-bursts" that were heretofore unheard of by the generations of our relatives in times past.

Before the late 1980's and 90's it was virtually unheard of for a heavy semi-trailer truck to be blown over by straight-line winds. Now they are blown over by the dozens, like toys in these new super-cell storms.

Just within the last two years reports have begun to surface of enormous heavy steel freight trains and freight cars weighing hundreds of tons being blown over by these literally monstrous micro-bursts.

The Weather Channel has many times, of late, reported that what they are seeing are some of the most violent and destructive storms, and the worst flooding on record, as well as the most enormous and costly amounts of property damage and crop losses they've seen in decades.

Many small towns and entire neighborhoods in larger cities, have been literally "washed away" or severely damaged by floods, all across the United States, some of great historical value.

The greater tragedy in all of this includes not only the loss of property, but the irreplaceable loss of life, and the lives of loved ones changed in an instant, with many now living in great despair, either with other relatives, or homeless.

Extreme weather, enormous floods, gigantic sand and dust storms, as well as large and out-of-control range fires are happening world wide, even in places not normally affected by such things.

These odd, and out-of-place "weather-anomalies," have most recently happened in Europe, Russia, China, Pakistan, India, and Australia, on a scale and magnitude not seen before in their histories. There have been horrific mud-slides that have buried whole villages in China.

India and Pakistan have had thousands of people literally washed out to sea in recent floods of monstrous proportions. The cold frozen north of Russia has seen the hottest summer on record, with huge range fires blazing completely out of control in many areas.

Australia recently suffered from the some of the worst sand and dust storms in their history, that literally blanketed Sydney, and other cities, with such thick clouds of debris, that people had to stay in doors and breathe through face masks and respirators.

Many photographs were taken and shown world-wide of the famous Sydney Opera House, barely visible, in the midst of thick, bright red-orange clouds of sand and dust.

Recent range fires in Australia sent thousands of giant spiders, that normally live in the bush, fleeing into the cities and literally scaring the daylight out of the residents, who were

already perplexed enough by having to fight the smoke and fires to keep them from destroying their homes and properties.

Most of the people in these countries say that these terrible storms and disasters are the worst that they have ever seen, or can remember in their lifetimes.

Many countries, that were here-to-fore unaffected by certain types of weather, are seeing brand new types of storms, and are facing new and extremely difficult challenges from these out-of-the-ordinary weather-related events that they are not prepared for, and don't have the equipment and facilities to deal with properly.

And topping them all is another great challenge that we may all face shortly, that is of global proportions! What is coming may be the prime culprit that is actually causing this present increase in bad weather, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and other related earth changes and anomalies: the possibility of the passing of the great "death star" called "Planet-X," or "Nibiru," as the ancient Sumerians called it. Some scientists have referred to it as "the tenth planet."

The name "Nibiru" means "the planet of crossing," as its long elliptical orbit, which takes around 3600 years to complete, comes up into the flat plane of our solar system at almost a 90 degree angle from the south, or directly below us. Therefore it crosses into the paths of the planets in our solar system causing massive destruction to some, due to its enormous size, density, and gravitational pull.

(This 90 degree angle is from a "frontal view" of the computer enhanced orbital charts that have been made of its projected path. From a "side view" of its orbit, it passes into our solar system in a "long elliptic" at basically a 60 degree angle.)

Its approach is also very hard to monitor and see, as it comes up almost from the direct south, and therefore springs itself upon us very rapidly, by great surprise, and with very little advanced warning. This huge "astral monster" is said to be an actual star called a "smoldering brown dwarf," and not a planet.

As it has continued on its extremely long orbit, or "journey," throughout the centuries, it is thought to have collected a large number of dangerous asteroids, comets, and thousands of smaller meteorites that are caught in its huge gravitational field and dragged along with it, which violently impact the earth upon its passing.

According to history it has already passed by at least once before, sending a tremendous volume of this "space trash" thundering down upon the earth's surface.

As it passed, wreaking this terrible havoc, it also is thought to have caused a massive "polar shift," cracking tectonic plates and causing the earth to wobble violently off its axis.

This is thought to have "flipped the poles," both physical and magnetic, and caused the continents to separate, such as South America from Africa, and some land-masses to rise above the ocean floor, while others, such as possibly Atlantis, have sunk. This is why we have found woolly mammoths in Siberia with tropical vegetation still in their stomachs.

They were once eating in a more tropical environment and were suddenly thrust or thrown, along with the land-masses they were on, into a completely new area and climate in the cold, snowy north, where they were instantly "flash-frozen" as the earth began to wobble violently off its axis and to shift itself into a new position, altering the locations of its land masses very dramatically and suddenly.

The enormous number of craters, pock marks, plate cracks and other related anomalies on the surface of the moon give us clear proof in vivid detail of the dramatic effects of its passing with some very large in size while the majority are smaller but far greater in

number, showing that this great "astral monster" drags with it a great number and variety of sizes of asteroids, meteorites, and even comets, when it comes sailing by.

As it approaches the earth, its enormous density and gravitational pull is said to actually cause a dramatic rise in all the things that were just mentioned as it tugs hard on the earth, sun, and other planets with great suction and pull.

This, in turn, causes such things as increased earthquake activity, volcanic activity, gigantic solar flare-ups, and solar storms, as well as violent destructive weather in all forms. Are we seeing this occur right now? Is this happening once again? Something is surely causing the "very noticeable" and dramatic increase in all these things which we have just mentioned!

The earthquake area under the ocean in the recent Asian Tsunami was said to be more of an "earth bulge" than a plate shift. That would certainly fit with the idea of this large and dense object's huge gravitational pull, as it approaches, tugging, pulling, and sucking on the earth's plates.

This "tugging" or "suction" causes some land masses to rise, while others begin to fall, totally re-structuring the earth's geography. Is this great gravitational pull and suction therefore also the cause of the huge reported solar flares of late, coming off the sun? One was so large that it is said to have been one fourth of the Sun's width in size!

These enormous solar flares, solar storms, and "coronal mass ejections," as the scientists call them, may have disastrous effects on the earth's present fragile atmosphere and environment, as well as possibly destroying our electric power grids and modern civilized societies that are so dependent upon computers and electronics.

Giant solar storms are on the increase, with enormous solar flare-ups coming off the sun in greater number and intensity. The recent big ones have had the scientists greatly concerned.

They have said that if a large one were to come through the earth's weakened magnetosphere, it could cause the electric grids to go down, and in a worse case scenario, push modern society completely back into a preindustrial age.

And on top of it all we are faced with the constant threat of nuclear war, chemical and biological attacks, plagues of disease and ill health, famine, crop failure, water shortages, and terrorism to deal with on a world-wide basis! There is just not a lot of good news out there right now! Things are really beginning to go haywire all over the world.

Well, amazingly, all of these things have actually been predicted in the Bible thousands of years ago and we may be right now entering into the time period it speaks of as "the beginning of sorrows," or "the last days!"

Most people, including even many in the Christian world, are not aware that there are ancient prophecies given in the Bible that seem to corroborate the coming of these terrible events very shortly, describing them in vivid detail.

Few books or videos that are being circulated mention these powerful prophecies, even among those put out by Christian groups. It is the purpose of this writing to familiarize you with these incredible predictions, and to help you to see the Bible's astounding accuracy and prophetic insight into the future.

The Bible actually backs up modern science, rather than running contrary to it, as has been put forth by those who seek to destroy and discredit religion, God, and His written, recorded Word!

Most of the world's greatest scientists, such as Albert Einstein and Sir Isaac Newton, as well as a host of others well-renowned, believed in God.

It is only this new generation of scientists that have been deceived by the false teachings of the modern "rationalist" thinkers, who aren't actually "rational" at all, but merely prejudiced; that have been highly influenced, or actually "brain-washed" by the teachings of men like Darwin, Malthus, Freud, Nietzsche, etc... that have fallen away from the Faith.

Even when presented with actual facts and testimonies of many modern miracles that have been experienced by very credible and intelligent people, some of great reputation, proving the reality of God, these highly educated "simpletons" refuse to believe.

They ignore outright evidence which proves that God is real, and that the Bible is really true, such as the many fulfilled Bible prophecies or predictions that have come true over time.

But real science and the Bible go hand in hand together and back each other up. They do not contradict each other. It is the hope and goal of this presentation to help you to understand this.

Hopefully, you will see and recognize that there is a God that foretold all these things, and that He is real, and most importantly, that no matter how bad all these terrible events that are coming may seem, that He loves you personally, and has made a way for you to escape the worst of these things, and this coming "hell-on-earth."

Yes, there is hope, great hope! Because, even though all these terrible events are most certainly coming, it is all actually part of a great plan: He is going to come and remove all those who turn to Him in sincerity, to a place of safety before the absolute worst of these terrible disasters strike the planet.

Then, after the earth has been "purged" by these fiery catastrophes, the Lord will renew the entire surface of the earth to make it once again into a gorgeous heavenly paradise for all mankind to live in like the original Garden of Eden.

And, surprise! ...He wants every single man, woman, and child who has ever been born into this terrible old world and lived on this present earth, to be there with Him: their loving, gentle, and kind hearted Creator.

He hopes to renew not only the present "worn-out earth," but to renew and redeem the souls of all mankind, even those who have committed great evil if they will only turn to Him for salvation, and allow Him to forgive and change them into "new creatures in Christ," that will show love and kindness to their fellowman just as He does.

All who turn to Him in sincerity will be granted the priceless gift of "eternal life" that He will freely give through the amazing and incomparable sacrifice made by His Son Jesus Christ when He gave His own life for us all, dying on the cross so long ago.

This is the good news, and the rest of the story that is not being portrayed in these films. There is a positive outcome and a wonderful ending to the story for all that turn to the Lord, but first the bad stuff has to happen.

The darkest part of the night is just before the dawn. Just so, we must first go through this darkest time in mankind's history before we enter into the dawn of the coming new "golden age," in a world that is beautiful beyond description!

So let's examine some of the possible end time scenarios that are predicted to come shortly upon the earth in this most marvelous of books, the Bible.

CHAPTER ONE:

"THE APPROACH OF THE GREAT DEATH STAR" "SOMETHING WICKED THIS WAY COMES!"

Lets start with the massive world-wide destruction that would occur if a large astral body such as Planet-X, or even some other enormous heavenly object, were to come close too, or impact the earth:

As I said, apparently from history, this large "death star" has already passed by at least once, causing a massive polar shift.

This may have occurred by the enormous gravitational pull exerted on the earth by its passing, or by the impact of a large asteroid being pulled along with it, which actually impacted the earth, and caused it to suddenly "flip" sideways or upside down violently wobbling off-center, and changing the earth's axis to a new location.

As stated before, that is why they have discovered flash-frozen woolly mammoths in Siberia, with buttercups and tropical vegetation still found in their stomachs that they had been eating at the time of this earth-shaking incident.

This may be what happened during the days of Peleg in the Bible, when it says that "the earth was divided," while some think it may have occurred at the time of the great flood of Noah.

As you can see from looking at any globe, South America once fit neatly into the coast of Africa. And other areas of land mass seem to fit together as well. Some surmise that the infamous continent of Atlantis sunk at this time.

Scientists have shown in images from satellites what appears to be the impact site of an enormous asteroid in the Atlantic that literally drove the continents apart, and caused some continents to sink and others to rise.

In the United States, shark's teeth were found in the wheat fields of Kansas when they were first plowed many years ago, and occasionally still are today.

You can see for yourself at the Earthquake Site on the Internet, how these continents are still moving. As they move, on the leading edge are constant quakes such as in California and Alaska, as well as the entire "ring-of-fire" area, which goes down the coast of Russia, Korea, Japan, and China, then into the Island areas, and off Australia back around to South America.

Also this movement of the continents is what caused the various mountain ranges to form. As the earth was pushed along, this resultant pushing effect caused the earth's crust to force the various mountain ranges upwards.

This is due to pressure from the land masses on one side of the continent pushing against the land masses on the other side of each continent. In the weak spots of the continental plate they would push up the various mountain ranges.

You can see an example of this principle by merely placing a blanket or towel on a floor with a smooth surface, and instead of pulling it, push on it from behind. In various places the blanket or towel will wrinkle and push parts of the cloth up into the air.

This is the same thing that is happening on the earth's surface, as the continents are still being pushed along from the momentum of this ancient impact event that happened so

long ago.

The largest ranges, such as the Rockies and Andes, in both North and South America, are near the leading edge of each continent, showing the results of this continental drift or motion. This movement occurs over, what is to us, a great length of time.

WELL THE GREAT PROPHET ISAIAH SEEMS TO ACTUALLY PREDICT THAT THIS SAME TERRIBLE EVENT MAY BE COMING ONCE AGAIN AT THE VERY END OF THIS PRESENT EARTH AGE, IN CHAPTER 24 OF HIS AMAZING BOOK:

Isaiah lived around 700 B.C. and was shown many of the terrible events that are to come near the "end of days." In this one chapter alone, it seems to be describing exactly what would happen should a large astral body like Planet-X come close to the earth, as it passes by very rapidly causing tremendous destruction.

Not only would the entire continental structure of the earth be greatly altered by its enormous density and gravitational pull, but there would also be great and destructive "earth impacts" from the large number of asteroids, comets, and meteors that are being dragged along with it.

The earth's rate of rotation may also be changed quite drastically from all this, causing a possible "slow down," which would aid in the "wobbling effect," cracking of tectonic plates, and rupturing of the earth's surface.

All of these combined events would most likely cause the earth's poles to shift around in many different directions, like a child's top as it wobbles, creating the final massive "polar shift" that Isaiah seems to be describing in this incredible prophetic passage.

Now granted, many will say that this could be speaking of something that God Himself does, with or without the use of some large "astral body," and this is true. God is fully capable of doing whatever He wants, however He wants, and He doesn't need anything physical to depend upon to perform His will.

Often times, however, He does use physical things and occurrences to accomplish His will, such as when He had Noah build a big boat, "the Ark," in order to survive the enormous flood of water that covered the earth.

So because it is recorded in ancient history, that this great "death star" has already passed by the earth once wreaking terrible havoc, and certain astronomers and scientists have calculated the approximate length and timing of its orbit and have stated that they think it may possibly be coming once again very shortly, Planet-X, or "Nibiru" may indeed be part of what God uses to destroy the old polluted and worn out earth, in preparation for renewing it once again.

This may or may not occur. We cannot be completely certain, but what Isaiah seems to be describing here sounds very much like the "polar shift" and accompanying "wobbling" of the earth off its axis and cracking of the tectonic plates, as well as the great earthquakes that would result if such a thing were to occur.

PLEASE OBSERVE ISAIAH'S ASTOUNDING PROPHECY:

Isaiah 24:1

"BEHOLD, THE LORD MAKES THE EARTH EMPTY, AND MAKES IT WASTE, AND TURNS IT UPSIDE DOWN, AND SCATTERS ABROAD THE INHABITANTS THEREOF!" That is a very accurate description of a "polar shift!" How would a writer in 700 B.C. describe such an event if he saw it in a vision of the future? It would certainly appear to him that the earth had been "turned upside-down!"

What a perfect description of such a thing! And "the inhabitants of the earth are scattered abroad?" As with the woolly mammoths mentioned before, this is a perfect description of most likely what would happen in such a powerful, earth-shaking event! People would probably be thrown around very powerfully and helplessly like rag dolls!

Isaiah may have viewed it in a vision from the Spirit of God, as if he were watching it from outer space. The ancients knew that the world was round and not flat. Isaiah even stated that the world was round in Isaiah 40:22:

Speaking of God here, he says, "It is He that sits upon the circle of the earth..." He meant that the earth is round like a ball, not flat.

The ancient Sumerians also depicted the earth and planets of our solar system and our sun as round objects in their paintings and on their clay tablets. They were aware that we had a solar system. It's written right in their history.

These were not the dull-witted "knuckle-draggers" of evolutionary theory, or the "flat-earthers" that lived during the days of Christopher Columbus that must have come along later during the dark ages, when this knowledge of old was either lost or deliberately hidden.

The following verses are also part of this same horrifying vision that was shown so clearly to Isaiah: They describe this coming world-wide destruction in very similar detail to the graphic portrayal of the same, that is shown so vividly in the movie 2012.

It's almost as if they were written as "part of the script." The earth is "shaken so terribly," and "moved so exceedingly" that it appears to be "broken down," "dissolved," and almost completely destroyed:

Isaiah 24:18-20

"...FOR THE WINDOWS FROM ON HIGH ARE OPEN, (the magnetosphere? ...the earth's protective shields?) ...AND THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE EARTH DO SHAKE."

"THE EARTH IS UTTERLY BROKEN DOWN, THE EARTH IS CLEAN DISSOLVED, THE EARTH IS MOVED EXCEEDINGLY!"

"THE EARTH SHALL REEL TO AND FRO LIKE A DRUNKARD..."

To "reel to and fro like a drunkard" is a very accurate description of the earth having been knocked off its axis and wobbling violently as the poles begin to shift around in many different directions, cracking tectonic plates and moving them, destroying entire mountain ranges and even whole continents, as some go into the sea, and the entire continental structure is changed.

The terminologies of "the 'foundations' of the earth being shaken," "utterly broken down," "clean dissolved," and "moved exceedingly" also present a very accurate description of these same terrible events, and everything that has been talked about so far.

When the earth's extreme wobbling and vibration finally come to a stop, this will place its new axis in an entirely different location than it was originally; a complete "polar shift."

These may have been the closest words that a man from 700 B.C. could find to describe this terrifying event that he witnessed in a vision, which is set to occur shortly in the time of the end.

Everything that Isaiah said here portrays a very accurate description of what would happen should this great astral body come close to the earth in a flyby, and the tremendous

destruction that would ensue from its enormous gravitational pull, as well as the "earth impacts" of the many trailing asteroids, comets, meteors, and accompanying "space trash" as it is called.

Although a large astral body passing close by the earth is not necessarily depicted as the primary cause of the devastation in some of these films, the type of devastation is very much the same as what would occur as the result of such an event.

When you view scenes out of movies like 2012, you can really begin to understand what Isaiah must have seen in this terrifying vision, as the cities and interstate bypasses are literally collapsing and "dissolving" into a fiery abyss of red hot magma below, and the earth literally crumbles as fire belches forth from below, and entire shelf plates with whole sections of major cities on them slide into the ocean.

And once again, the tell-tale signs that this huge "astral monster" may actually exist, and is rapidly headed towards the earth, are the present, and very noticeable increase in earthquakes, volcanic activity, solar storms, and extreme weather all over the world.

As it gets closer and closer it will continue to cause a dramatic rise in both the frequency and intensity of all these things proportionately. They will become greater and greater as it closes in on the earth.

Are we watching this happen right now? The daily news reports from all over the world do indeed seem to indicate that we are. This should really get our attention, and make us all much more aware that something out of the ordinary seems to be going on here.

We should stand up and take notice, and be watching and monitoring these events very closely. Jesus even said that we should watch for these "signs of the times," and "signs of the end," in Matthew chapter 24.

Now if all this activity begins to "die down," we will know that it was just part of some sort of a big "cycle" of these things, perhaps related to the recent solar activity, or the gravitational pull of a "planetary alignment," or some other source.

But, whatever the source, the Scriptures do indicate that dramatic and destructive events will indeed transpire on the earth as we approach the end of this present age.

As you will see shortly, the Book of Revelation even describes what sound very much like great asteroids, comets, and meteorite showers violently impacting the earth in the days ahead.

So whether the infamous "Planet-X" really exists or not, and is the actual cause of all these things, they are still going to happen at some point, as this is what the Bible very clearly says.

It has never been wrong yet in any of its many fulfilled prophecies concerning nations, peoples, and events down through time. It is something you can count on.

But as you will see in the following chapters, there is ample evidence, presented by the scientists themselves, that Planet-X, or some other enormous heavenly object like it, does indeed exist and is being carefully monitored in its approach towards our solar system, and appears to be very dangerously heading in the general direction of the earth.

Concerning the present alarming rise in violent destructive earthquakes, please take into account this very interesting prophecy given by Jesus Christ Himself:

When asked by His disciples what would be the sign of His second coming and of the "end of the world," He replied not just with one sign, but with many, and one of the primary

signs He mentioned was "earthquakes occurring in many different places:"

Matthew 24:3 (near the end of the verse, the disciples ask ...)

"TELL US ... WHAT SHALL BE THE SIGN OF YOUR COMING, AND OF THE END OF THE WORLD?"

Matthew 24:7 (Jesus answered ...)

"FOR NATION SHALL RISE AGAINST NATION, AND KINGDOM AGAINST KINGDOM: AND THERE SHALL BE FAMINES, AND PESTILENCES, AND EARTHQUAKES, IN DIVERSE PLACES." (divers meaning "various" or "many different places")

Again, are we watching this happen right now? Though some scientists try to deny it, so as not to panic the masses, it is apparent from watching the news, that earthquakes are beginning to occur in much greater magnitude and frequency all over the world!

This is not something that is just happening occasionally, as they were up to only a few years ago, but now almost on a daily basis huge destructive quakes are happening all over.

You can see this yourself if you will get on the internet and go to "The Earthquake Site," and take a look at the various maps on it frequently. It's quite startling!

There have been certain reports on the internet, and You Tube, which claim to be from concerned scientists, who are saying that the American Government has placed a "gag order" on them from releasing information on this increase in quake activity. Whether this is true or not, we cannot be sure, but it's very interesting that internet postings of this nature are beginning to appear.

They say it started under the Bush administration concerning the "swarm" of quakes that have started around Yellowstone National Park, and has continued on into the Obama administration concerning the alarming situation in Southern California, with the "continuing Mexicali quake zone," as well as the noticeable increase in quakes world-wide.

The scientists at the USGS, who monitor the quakes, are really downplaying all this on their website, and trying to make it sound like everything is normal and fine. "There is nothing out of the ordinary going on." "Go back to sleep folks." "Everything is OK." Yet the daily news reports from all over the world portray a very different message.

As my wife said, "if there is nothing out of the ordinary going on, why do they even have to put up a message saying that?" They never did before. This really makes a lot of sense if you think about it.

People must be noticing this alarming rise in these things and contacting them to ask questions about it all. Are they really going to admit it if they know that hellish and terrifying events are about to occur, and cause such fear and terror in the hearts of so many?

Think of the repercussions of such an announcement. It could cause mass hysteria and panic among the population, so they seem to be keeping a pretty "tight lid" on it all. In this case, "what we don't know CAN really hurt us!"

But the news reports speak for themselves. It is quite obvious to anyone with a thinking mind that something out of the ordinary is going on here.

The dramatic increase in bad weather is the most noticeable of these events that are beginning to transpire. It is very obvious, that these violent and destructive storms are getting increasingly worse and worse.

And almost on a weekly basis now there are reports of a large earth quakes bringing down

buildings in major cities all over the world, and causing enormous destruction and damage, as well as terrible loss of life.

It certainly appears that Jesus' prophecy is truly beginning to be fulfilled, showing that we are very possibly entering into the time period He referred to in Matthew chapter 24 as "the beginning of sorrows," or "the time of the end."

CHAPTER TWO:

"WILL THE WORLD END IN 2012?" "WHAT DOES THE BIBLE HAVE TO SAY?"

Due to the movie 2012, and the prophecies of the Mayan Calendar, there has been much concern of late over the year 2012 heralding the end of the world as we know it. Something big may indeed occur at this time, but according to the Bible, the world cannot end just yet.

The reason for this is because the last seven years of Bible prophecy have not yet been fulfilled. According to the Bible there will be a final seven year period in which the terrible events presented here will begin to occur in earnest, especially during the last three and a half years of that period.

Many of the disasters and destructive events that have been spoken of here may dramatically increase in 2012, and something of monumental proportions may indeed occur on the date they have set. But the final events of the very end cannot occur just yet.

Since the main purpose of this study is to present Bible Scriptures that describe these coming cataclysmic earth changes and this in itself is a major undertaking, to get into detail presenting all the Scriptures that speak of the last seven years of Bible prophecy would simply not be possible here, as it would take another whole study just in itself.

But in order to familiarize you with these things I will briefly summarize for you here the major events that the Bible says occur during this time.

According to Bible prophecy, there is coming a final seven year period when a ruthless tyrant, known as the Antichrist, will rule the world! He will come on the world scene as a great man of peace, one of the greatest peacemakers in world history.

One of the first things he will do when he appears, is to sign a great world "peace treaty," even providing a solution to the great dilemma that presently appears to be impossible: forging a treaty between the Muslim world and the modern nation of Israel.

This treaty will even allow for the rebuilding of the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem, at the beginning of this time period, and they will once again be allowed to resume the practice of their religious beliefs of old, including even the ancient ritual of animal sacrifice.

Then half way through this time period, the Antichrist will stop those sacrifices, place an image of himself in this Temple, and even sit in the Temple claiming to be God himself. He will begin a campaign of religious intolerance so great that he will attempt to kill all who refuse to worship him as God.

At this time he will try to force everybody in the world to take the infamous "mark of the beast" that you've probably heard about, without which you cannot buy or sell.

Many think that this mark, which the Scriptures indicate will be received in the right hand or forehead of the individual, may possibly be one of the many new micro-chip implant technologies that have come out on the market of late, such as the Veri Chip system.

The Lord says not to take it, and to trust Him to feed and care for us, and He will, miraculously. The Bible says that this will be the most terrible time in world history!

This "mark of the beast" may well be the Veri Chip, that they are beginning to advertise, or

some other future form of micro-chip implantation system that will be inserted under the skin.

But the Lord will protect and care for those of us who have received Him as our Savior, and are truly following Him through this period, which is called "the great tribulation." This period lasts for three and a half years, the last half of this final seven year period.

According to Matthew 24:29-31, Jesus will then return to rescue us "immediately after" this time period, when things get really bad and reach the "near extinction level events" spoken of here, right before the time period known as "the wrath of God."

This awesome event is known as "the gathering unto Christ" or "the rapture." He will then take us to a place of safety when the most terrible and horrific of these end time devastations occur.

But getting back to our end time scenario: Since we have this particular prophecy concerning the "rebuilding of the Temple," and the "reign of the Antichrist," and "the last 7 years" as yet to come sometime off in the future, the year 2012 cannot be the "end of all things."

It could, however, very possibly herald the beginning of these things. Then again, even this may be further off. It all remains yet to be seen.

MANY TIMES IN WORLD HISTORY THE PASSING OF A GREAT COMET OR FIERY STAR HAS HERALDED THE ARRIVAL OF A GREAT KING OR WORLD RULER:

The birth of Jesus Christ Himself was heralded by just such a "star;" a very magnificent and beautiful one. So the coming of this last great world ruler could also be heralded by the passing of a "great star" or astral body.

Since he is prophesied to be the most cruel, and wicked tyrant in all of history, perhaps his "star" or passing sign in the heavens will be something very dramatic and horrifying, such as Planet-X?

Then again, since he comes in at first pretending to be one of the greatest men of peace in history, to deceive the world into following him, perhaps a glorious and beautiful "comet" will pass by the earth near the beginning of his reign.

Then later, at the beginning of the tribulation period, when he takes off the "halo" and puts on his "horns", and shows his true colors as the most cruel dictator in all of world history, perhaps at that time the infamous Planet-X, the dramatic "death star" will appear, and pass by earth in its horrifying display.

Time will tell; but with the rate at which the world seems to be speeding along toward the brink, I don't think we'll have long to find out.

If Planet-X appears at the beginning of the tribulation period, dragging asteroids, comets, and meteorites with it that violently impact the earth, that would certainly fit with Scriptures in the Book of Revelation which seem to be describing these very same events as occurring during this very same time period.

As stated before, Planet-X is said to be very scary looking: a "smoldering brown dwarf" star. It is an actual star, not a planet. It would literally scare the daylights out of people as it goes by, flaming and belching out fiery flames like some "demon star from hell," especially if it also causes the horrifying and cataclysmic earth changes predicted.

Apparently, it is not supposed to be seen until it is so close that it is almost right upon us! The reason for this, as stated by film maker Marshall Masters and certain astronomers and

scientists, is because it is approaching our earth and solar system from a near 90 degree angle from the South Pole area.

(It's orbit is at a 60 degree angle if viewed from the side, but a 90 degree angle if viewed from a frontal position, head on, in relation to the relatively flat plane of our solar system.)

It is called "the planet of crossing," since its orbit is basically at a 90 degree angle to the flat plane of the orbits of our planets, so as it comes up into our solar system from the south, it "crosses" the plane of our solar system.

It is very hard to see, and at this time some scientists and astronomers say that it can only be seen from Australia. Mr. Masters says that right now it appears to the untrained eye to look just like all the stars around it, so it is very hard to spot.

It can only be detected by those who have the proper equipment, and telescopes, to notice even the slightest "perturbations," or small movements of it, in relation to the stars around it.

As was stated in the last chapter, If it is really true that this great star is approaching, as is believed by many, we should notice a dramatic increase in bad weather, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions, as its tremendous gravitational pull begins to tug on the earth's tectonic plates.

It will also cause large solar flares, and "coronal mass ejections" to explode off the sun in increasing size and magnitude. These are also the tell-tale signs, along with the increase in earthquake activity!

Is this happening too? The evidence speaks for itself! According to the solar websites that monitor the sun, they say that the present sunspots, solar storms, and solar flare-ups are the greatest that they've ever seen!

So all the evidence points to the idea that Planet-X, or some other enormous astral body is definitely approaching. Something is causing all this increased activity in solar storms, earthquakes, and volcanic activity, as well as the worst weather on record! "Something wicked this way comes!"

And if indeed there is a Planet-X approaching as they surmise, it will suddenly come upon us by great surprise, causing great dread and fear among the peoples of earth.

This is just like Satan, the devil, and how he operates. He likes to come in by complete surprise, and overwhelm us with great fear suddenly! He likes to strike in "guerrilla warfare" type attacks, suddenly, and by complete surprise, with overwhelming fear and shock!

This is one of his trademarks, so this planet coming in this fashion would certainly go right along with how Satan works and how he would most likely prefer to announce the coming of his "son of perdition" or "man of sin" as the Antichrist is called in the Bible.

So this "great star of horror" that may be coming, could quite possibly represent the rise of Satan's man, the Antichrist, into a position of world rulership. This would certainly be a very fitting way to announce his arrival: a great and terrible "sign in the heavens!"

He likes to pull out all his big guns first and hit his poor victims as hard as he can to try to create as much panic, fear, death, and destruction as possible.

He is known as "the destroyer," and his goal is the ultimate deceiving and destruction of all of mankind, as many as he can get his hands on.

WELL, THIS WHOLE SCENARIO FITS PERFECTLY WITH ANOTHER PROPHECY THAT JESUS HIMSELF GAVE, CONCERNING THESE TERRIBLE EVENTS THAT COME IN THE TIME OF THE END:

Luke 21:11

"AND GREAT EARTHQUAKES SHALL BE IN DIVERSE (or many different) PLACES, AND FAMINES AND PESTILENCES, AND FEARFUL SIGHTS AND GREAT SIGNS SHALL THERE BE FROM HEAVEN."

I'd say that would be a pretty "fearful sight," and a "great sign from heaven!" And once again we have the resultant earthquakes caused by its passing as you can see here!

The Lord may have even mentioned these two things as occurring together in this verse, to show that they are related in some way, like by one causing the other?

PLEASE OBSERVE THESE EVEN MORE DESCRIPTIVE PASSAGES GIVEN BY JESUS IN LUKE CONCERNING THE EVENTS OF THE VERY END:

Luke 21:25,26

"AND THERE SHALL BE SIGNS IN THE SUN, AND IN THE MOON, AND IN THE STARS, AND UPON THE EARTH, DISTRESS OF NATIONS, WITH PERPLEXITY; THE SEA AND THE WAVES ROARING;"

"MEN'S HEARTS FAILING THEM FOR FEAR, AND FOR LOOKING AFTER THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE COMING ON THE EARTH; FOR THE POWERS OF THE HEAVEN SHALL BE SHAKEN."

Wow! What a fearful and scary time! This sounds like a perfect description of what we have presented here so far: Scary and terrifying things being observed in the heavens, and the earth and sea being affected dramatically.

This will create "great distress" among the nations, and even cause people to have heart attacks! This is going to be a very terrifying time to those who do not know Jesus.

There are so many things spoken of in these verses that go along with what we are talking about: "signs in the heavens," and "the powers of the heavens being shaken!"

"Signs in the heavens" is certainly descriptive of Planet-X, or some other large astral body like it passing by, as well as the accompanying asteroids, comets, and meteorite showers. "Signs in the sun", such as gigantic solar flares coming off the sun, and "people utterly perplexed" and not knowing what to do.

The "sea and the waves roaring," like in some of these movies where the enormous tidal waves and tsunamis are washing over whole cities, destroying everything in sight, possibly from the gravitational pull of this "monster star."

And speaking of "the powers of the heavens being shaken," Planet-X is said to really affect the orbits of the other planets as it passes, as well as the earth also, shaking everything out of its place!

This, in fact, was how it was first discovered by the astronomers: They noticed that some large object was affecting the orbits of the outer planets of Neptune and Uranus.

When Pluto was first discovered, they thought that it might be this mysterious "planet." Then, realizing that Pluto was way too small to cause the enormous "perturbations" that they were witnessing in these other much larger planets, they kept on searching for this

"elusive," but apparently, much larger heavenly body.

Then in 1983 they discovered and even photographed it with the new space-based telescopic "infrared stellar camera" they had just invented called "IRAS."

Pictures of it were even put in major news magazines such as "Time," and "U.S. News and World Report," along with lengthy scientific articles, and charts showing its predicted orbital pattern. For a long time it was the hot topic in many of the scientific journals.

Then, very possibly realizing the gravity of it all, and the seriousness of the situation, and just how badly its passing might affect the earth, the scientific community went "mum" on it for years, and now have even begun to deny it's existence.

They put up the Hubble telescope, probably to get a better glimpse of it, apparently "completely freaked out," and said Hubble had a scratched lens that would take months to fix.

They quit talking about it, and after the "scratched lens" was "fixed," they began to show pretty pictures of other parts of the Galaxy, and then began to deny it's existence. If anyone asked any more questions about it, they tried to make them sound like conspiracy nuts or kooks.

They know that we in the general public tend to have a short memory when it comes to history, or looking back at what has happened in the past because our lives are so filled with the many daily tasks of mere existence.

Most of us have to feed our families and try to make a living, and are so occupied in doing all that this takes to do in our modern fast-paced society, that we hardly have time to breathe, let alone pay attention to what the astronomers are discovering.

So they just quit talking about all the scientific hub-bub concerning Planet-X, that they themselves had discovered in the 1980's, and blathered about so greatly in the scientific magazines and journals of the time.

They put it all to rest for a good length of time, and then when Hubble was "fixed," they began to show us pretty pictures of other galaxies in National Geographic Magazine, and lovely colored gas clouds in space, and "nebulas," to take our minds off the "scientific bomb" that they had just previously dropped on us all a decade or so before.

They knew that we would soon forget about it, and turn our attention to the other more important issues of life. Then they could cook up other stories of what is supposedly "really" going on out there, and begin to officially deny what they had here-to-fore begun to reveal as "scientific evidence" of something potentially "earth-ending" coming our way in space from the "South Pole area."

Then, very suspiciously, they quietly built the enormous, and secretive, South Pole Observatory, with it's giant "infrared telescope." This is in an area that has one of the harshest environments on our planet. It is very dangerous to live and work there.

They say that you can find yourself and your whole building buried in sixty feet of snow in one night after one big storm. The planes that fly in and out of there often face very dangerous weather to take off and land in.

As Marshall Masters pointed out in one of his films, "why would they risk such a dangerous venture, and risk the lives of so many valuable scientists, workers, and pilots on a continuing basis; just to get a good view of the stars from the South Pole?"

There is obviously something of "great importance" to them that they are carefully

monitoring in the southern skies, or they would not be involved in such a risky venture that is of enormous and costly expense, in what is a very dangerous and harsh environment.

Also, around the same time, they then began in earnest building huge underground facilities for the Government and rich elite to go into that are stocked with food and supplies, very possibly to "ride out the storm" if indeed this great "death star" comes sailing by and causes the massive destruction they so greatly fear.

Some of these underground facilities have even been reported on the news now, and newscasters allowed entrance to report on them, since so many people have become aware of them.

Of course the government states that the reason for all this "underground building" is for the "continuity of government" in case of a nuclear war, and that may indeed be part of it.

But its highly suspicious that all of a sudden so many underground facilities, such as the enormous complex under the Denver Airport, are being built in the U.S., as well as the renovating of old hardened missile silos for such purposes.

In places all over the United States, such as Kansas, these old missile silos are being renovated and made into fancy underground condominiums, that are being stocked with food and supplies, and re-enforced to supposedly withstand great earth upheavals.

According to some recent television documentaries on the subject, the reason for all this underground building is that the rich people and elite who are paying for it all are very concerned about something terrible happening to the earth around the year 2012!

This has been reported by both insiders, and even some of the building contractors who have been hired to build or renovate some of these facilities.

If you haven't heard about this yet, just get on the internet and either do a web search, or go to You Tube, and type in: "The Underground Facility at the Denver Airport." You will be quite shocked!

They are being quite up front with it in many articles and videos. There is much that has come to light on this now that has leaked out, that was kept highly secret before.

You can also do a search on "Underground Government Bases and Complexes," or "Tunnel Boring Machines," and it will yield a host of videos and materials revealing all this information.

Some of them even show the giant earth-boring tunnel machines they have invented, that are reported to be able to bore through up to seven miles a day of solid granite rock underneath the earth.

It is commonly reported that these underground facilities are being built and stocked with supplies all over the United States, as well as in other countries in the world that also possess this technology such as Russia.

But getting back to the main theme of our chapter, and what the Lord said in prophecy so very long ago, these coming "great signs in the heavens" will actually cause people to have heart attacks through the terrifying spectacle of it all, as well as great fear as to what is coming next!

Think of it: What a description by the Lord Himself of what is possibly being depicted in some of these modern "end of the world" movies, as well as the scientific evidence, first reported in the 1980's, of something terrible coming our way from space that they have now begun to hide! Wait until it's not just a movie anymore? Wait until it really starts

happening!

Maybe some of these movies, even though they are not always accurate according to the Bible, are inspired by the Lord to make people much more sober minded as to what is coming on the earth shortly in hopes that they will realize their need for Him, and turn to Him for help, and receive Him as their Savior since most of the modern churches are not warning anyone of these coming horrible end time events?

Most of them aren't even aware of these things themselves. Most Christians aren't even aware that these incredible prophecies are in their own Bibles -- of coming asteroid and comet impacts, meteorite showers, signs in the heavens, etc...

Now perhaps nothing noticeable will happen in 2012, but then again, maybe something notable will happen. We shall see. But it cannot be the extinction level event, or the "end of all things" just yet, as many fear. And on that subject of the "end" of all things, it's not really the end anyway! Just the beginning.

Because according to Bible prophecy, Jesus Christ will return at the end of that final seven year period to bring a thousand years of peace on earth, and to renew the earth once again back to a gorgeous paradise, similar to the original Garden of Eden.

After these devastating global catastrophes, and also the terrible wars brought on by this devil-man, the "son of perdition" as the Bible calls him, Satan's last final terrible ruler of earth, the Antichrist, the Lord will return to set things straight.

Out of the ashes of this former period, that end in such a terrible nightmarish disaster, the Lord will restore the surface of the earth once again, making it inhabitable and absolutely beautiful, a literal paradise of resplendent beauty.

But getting back to the "bad stuff" that has to come first, as I stated before: According to the Scriptures, some of these events, such as asteroid and comet impacts, fiery meteorite showers, earthquakes, volcanoes, wars, and the final hellish nuclear war will happen mainly during the last half of the Antichrist's seven year reign.

The near "extinction level events" spoken of here in Isaiah, as well as in Revelation and other places in Scripture, that are shown so vividly in these movies, will not occur until it is near the very end of the Antichrist's terrible and repressive reign over the earth.

But from this present time forward we will most likely see a continued increase in wars, and violent acts of terrorism, along with very destructive weather, earthquakes, solar storms, and all the related events that are presently beginning to spring up with much greater intensity. As it says in Matthew 24, great famines are coming globally, from the enormous crop failures created by the extreme weather we are experiencing.

Immediately after this "darkest night in human history" will come the beautiful period known as the "Millennium," the thousand year reign of "peace on earth," with Jesus Christ as earth's first, truly, kind and loving King and Ruler. What a wonderful change from the evil monster of a man who just ruled our planet, and tortured and killed so many.

But before getting into the specifics and Bible passages that deal with all of this, let's discuss some of the other incredible Scriptures that describe these coming events of the end, like the coming asteroid and comet impacts, as well as meteorite showers and other "signs from the heavens."

CHAPTER THREE:

"THE INCREDIBLE BOOK OF REVELATION" "THE END TIME GUIDE STONE OF PROPHECY"

Many people are not aware that the Bible speaks of what appear to be asteroid impacts, comet impacts, meteorite showers, and even nuclear war, coming during the time of the end.

The Book of Revelation, the last book in the Bible, was written around 70 to 90 A.D. by one of Jesus' closest disciples known as "John the Beloved," or "John the Revelator."

At the "Trumpet Judgments," spoken of in chapters 8 & 9 of this amazing book, which are prophesied to come at or very near the end of this present earth age, it describes what sound very much like terribly destructive earth-impacts by large asteroids and even a possible comet!

In chapters 17 & 18 it later describes what appears to be a coming nuclear war! These particular chapters speak over and over of a "great commercial empire," whose businessmen have become fabulously wealthy down through time, even to the point of ruling over the kings of other nations through economic means.

This "great empire" is then destroyed at the very end of time, in the short period of only "one hour" by "fire!" According to Revelation 17:16, this destruction by fire is not an act of God through nature, such as a large asteroid impact, earthquake, or any of the other things mentioned so far in this study, although many of these things could also occur during this same time.

It is an "act of war committed by men;" ten kings, who join forces with this coming Antichrist. What other means do modern men possess that have the capability of destroying an entire empire in only one short hour by fire? Nuclear war is about the only thing that comes to mind.

We will examine these Scriptures in great detail shortly, but let's start first here in the Book of Revelation by closely examining the astounding descriptions of what appear to be asteroid and comet impacts striking the earth in the time of the end and even possible meteorite showers.

As I said before, very few people, even among those in the Christian community are aware that these incredible prophecies are in the Bible at all:

REVELATION CHAPTERS 8 & 9:

Revelation 8:7

THE FIRST ANGEL SOUNDED, AND THERE FOLLOWED HAIL AND FIRE MINGLED WITH BLOOD, AND THEY WERE CAST UPON THE EARTH: AND THE THIRD PART OF TREES WAS BURNT UP, AND ALL GREEN GRASS WAS BURNT UP."

Now there have been different theories as to what could cause this, and just exactly what it may be describing. Some people think that it sounds very much like nuclear war.

This is entirely possible, and may be part of it, as what sounds like nuclear war is vividly portrayed in other areas of Scripture too, which we will cover shortly, and it appears to occur at this same general time period!

But it would be awfully hard for all the green grass in the entire world to be burned up from a nuclear exchange, which would be primarily limited only to the areas affected near the blasts.

It is of interest to note though, that some of the possible effects of a nuclear blast, at different ranges in distance, include hail, fire, blood, and bloody body parts from humans and animals.

Some of these things were described in the Hiroshima and Nagasaki blasts. Also in the hydrogen bomb tests in the Pacific in the 1950's, it was reported that some of the ships that were a certain distance from the blast had enormous hailstones hit their hulls!

Perhaps intense heat occurring in one area causes intense cooling to occur in another? It's hard to say. But there is ample scientific evidence from nuclear testing and observations of the blasts that occurred in Japan, and the later hydrogen bomb tests done in the Pacific to verify what is being presented here.

But as you will see from some of the other trumpet judgments that follow, since they are describing what appear to be asteroids and comets striking the earth, it is more likely that this burning of the grass and trees at the first trumpet may also be the result of another large astral body passing near the earth.

It could be something such as a comet coming so close by, that the earth passes through its fiery tail. Not all comet tails may be made of ice crystals melting. Some may actually be explosive gasses. We simply do not know at this time.

Or it could be the nearby passing of Planet-X or something similar to it, that causes giant solar flares to suck off the sun and come through the earth's broken-down magnetosphere, burning the earth with this great planet wide devastation.

Some have also surmised that it could be a large meteorite shower, made up of thousands of smaller meteors that are dragged along by a larger body like Planet-X, as "space trash" that impact the earth with literally thousands of fiery little meteorites that ignite these fires all over the globe.

This is very feasible, and Jesus spoke of an event that occurs around this same time that would make it appear that "the stars were falling from heaven:" a perfect description of what we would refer to in modern terminology as a "meteorite shower."

As stated before: a large astral body, such as Planet-X, would probably "drag" a great variety of sizes of different asteroids, comets, and meteors along with it, caught in its huge gravitational field. There would probably be an enormous number of smaller meteors, possibly in the thousands, as well as a smaller number of much larger asteroids and comets.

These several scenarios could account for "all the green grass being burned up and one third of the trees" more so than an event like nuclear war, although nuclear war could certainly be part of it, and could occur at the same time, which would account for the description of "hail and fire mingled with blood."

Revelation 8:8,9

"AND THE SECOND ANGEL SOUNDED, AND AS IT WERE 'A GREAT MOUNTAIN BURNING WITH FIRE' WAS CAST INTO THE SEA:"

"AND THE THIRD PART OF THE SEA BECAME BLOOD, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE CREATURES WHICH WERE IN THE SEA, AND HAD LIFE, DIED, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE SHIPS WERE DESTROYED."

Many interpret this to mean an asteroid impact! Asteroids, such as "Apophis," which the astronomers are carefully monitoring, due to its close earth orbit, are of an "irregular shape." They are not perfectly round. Many asteroids would be "mountain-shaped" or look like a giant hunk of rock, or a "great mountain burning with fire," as they plummet to earth.

Some have theorized that this could also be describing a large land-mass like California going into the ocean in a devastating earthquake. Both would fit with the above scenario of Planet-X passing by, and either causing a large asteroid being dragged along with it to hit the earth, or a part of a continent to sink from the gravitational pull of Planet-X on earth as it passes. It could be either.

But since most of the next trumpet judgments are definitely described as what appear to be "falling stars" which violently impact the earth, it is most likely that this "great mountain burning with fire" that is cast into the sea is an asteroid. The word "cast" goes more along with an asteroid falling rather than the gradual sinking of a large land mass.

Revelation 8:10,11

"AND THE THIRD ANGEL SOUNDED, AND THERE FELL A 'GREAT STAR' FROM HEAVEN, 'BURNING AS IT WERE A LAMP,' AND IT FELL UPON THE THIRD PART OF THE RIVERS, AND UPON THE FOUNTAINS OF WATERS."

"AND THE NAME OF THE 'STAR' IS CALLED WORMWOOD, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE WATERS BECAME WORMWOOD, AND MANY MEN DIED BECAUSE OF THE WATERS, BECAUSE THEY WERE MADE BITTER."

As you can see, by the use of the terminology "star," and a "great star falling from heaven, burning as it were a lamp," this is very possibly describing a comet or a very brilliant and fiery asteroid striking the earth, and the gasses given off by its chemical structure or makeup are poisonous, and pollute the water so badly that many people die from drinking it!

But what is amazing here is that in some of the ancient writings, what we call "Planet-X" is also referred too as a star called "Wormwood!" How incredible is that? Since it is so large that it is actually a small star, perhaps part of it breaks off, or is emitted in the form of a smaller asteroid or comet that strikes the earth and poisons the waters.

If it were to impact the earth itself, it is said to be so large that it would totally destroy our whole planet. But the point here is this: If it is called "wormwood," and this "star" or fiery comet in Revelation is also called "wormwood," then there must be some sort of correlation here.

Possibly part of it that has broken off from it and is still trailing it strikes the earth, and is made of the same chemical composition.

At this point, it is also important to note that during these "tribulation-trumpets" only one third of the earth and sea are affected by these judgments. This will mean something of great significance later on here, concerning the two different Biblical time periods of the "tribulation," and the "wrath of God."

Revelation 8:12

"AND THE FOURTH ANGEL SOUNDED, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE SUN WAS SMITTEN, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE MOON, AND THE THIRD PART OF THE STARS, SO AS THE THIRD PART OF THEM WAS DARKENED, AND THE DAY SHONE NOT FOR A THIRD PART OF IT, AND THE NIGHT LIKEWISE."

Now even though another astral body doesn't impact earth at this trumpet, you can see the results of what the first three trumpet judgments caused here.

A darkening of one third of the sky by smoke from the resultant fires, impacts, and volcanic eruptions that were triggered from these enormous "earth strikes," not to mention the smoke trails from the falling astral bodies themselves.

But in the next trumpet judgment the entire sky is darkened from what sounds like an asteroid strike that is so large and powerful that it may actually crack the earth's crust, causing billowing smoke to ascend into the heavens in such a great volume that it is described as a "huge furnace!"

Revelation 9:1,2

"AND THE FIFTH ANGEL SOUNDED, 'AND I SAW A STAR FALL FROM HEAVEN UNTO THE EARTH,' AND TO HIM WAS GIVEN THE KEY OF THE BOTTOMLESS PIT."

"AND HE OPENED THE BOTTOMLESS PIT, 'AND THERE AROSE A SMOKE OUT OF THE PIT, AS THE SMOKE OF A GREAT FURNACE,' AND THE SUN AND THE AIR WERE DARKENED BY REASON OF THE SMOKE OF THE PIT."

Now this may be speaking in a mystical, and cryptic language spiritually, as the Bible often does, but in the physical realm, it sounds like this "star which falls to earth" may indeed be an asteroid impact so great that it actually cracks the earth's crust, causing smoke to fill the heavens to such a degree that the entire sky is darkened for an extended period of time!

The scientists have said that if the collapsed volcano underneath Yellowstone National Park were to go off, that it would be the largest volcanic eruption in the world, that would darken the entire sky for many months, and possibly even years, and that if it were to go off, it would most likely set off other volcanoes too!

Just think of the thick clouds that would cover the earth in such a scenario! In fact, as was just mentioned in a previous chapter, this area of Yellowstone is right now frequently swarming with quakes once again.

The scientists are watching it very closely right now, due to the enormous magma dome that has risen so dramatically there in recent years. Perhaps this is what is set off by this "star," or "asteroid" that falls from heaven, triggering a massive eruption not only of this area, but many others also.

This event of the "darkening of the sky" by the thick clouds and smoke from these disasters is also spoken of in other places throughout the books of the Prophets and the New Testament. Let's check some of them out.

CHAPTER FOUR:

"THE BOOK OF JOEL- PROPHECIES OF THE END" "WONDERS IN THE HEAVENS" "THE DARKENING OF THE SKY"

Joel is one of the oldest of the books of the Prophets, written around 800 B.C. It also speaks of the coming dramatic events that will occur near the end of this present world.

It seems to be describing what could only be the very same events that we just observed in the Book of Revelation, of asteroids and comets falling from the heavens in a fiery display, with dramatic smoke trails following them.

These terrifying celestial events will create great wonder in people, as they stand marveling and watching in awe, as these enormous "fire-balls" impact the earth, possibly setting off volcanoes, which will also create "pillars" or "columns" of smoke rising into the air and darkening the sky:

Joel 2:30-32

"AND I WILL SHOW 'WONDERS IN THE HEAVENS,' AND IN THE EARTH, BLOOD AND FIRE, AND PILLARS OF SMOKE."

"THE SUN SHALL BE TURNED INTO DARKNESS, AND THE MOON INTO BLOOD, BEFORE THE GREAT AND THE TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD COME."

"AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS THAT WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL ON NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE DELIVERED..."

Notice the term "wonders in the heavens?" This corresponds perfectly to the description given by the Lord in the Book of Luke, of "great signs and fearful sights from heaven" and "signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars" that occur in the time of the end, as well as the asteroids, comets, and meteorite showers that we just read about in the Book of Revelation.

And the resultant "fire" and "pillars of smoke?" What else could this be describing but the smoke trails, from these same, dramatic and fiery asteroids, comets, or meteorites falling from the sky, and starting huge fires all over at their impact points, as well as also setting off volcanoes that fill the heavens with these great "smoke columns" too, and also start great fires from the intense heat of their lava flows?

According to many scientists, large asteroid impacts would most likely also trigger massive volcanic eruptions that send even more "pillars of smoke" high into the air. These are about the only things that could fit the description of whatever it was that Joel saw here in vision, or was trying to describe, as he prophesied through God's Spirit what he beheld.

Since this prophecy is speaking of events that will occur during the "time of the end," what else could this be speaking of but the same dramatic celestial events that we just observed in the Book of Revelation?

What else could cause people to "gaze in wonder at the heavens," and then come down to the earth, and cause death and destruction, or "blood" as it is described here, and also "fire," and "pillars of smoke?"

Once again, about the only things that come to mind are large asteroid impacts, comet impacts, and meteorite showers, as well as the resultant massive volcanic eruptions.

Many have theorized that these "smoke columns" could also be describing nuclear war and the resultant mushroom clouds, which resemble "pillars" or "columns" of smoke. In any case, the "blood" and "fire" are certainly descriptive of nuclear war as well.

There are other Scriptures, which I will present shortly, that most certainly seem to be describing what could only be nuclear war, and this terrible event appears to happen during the same general time period as the asteroid and comet impacts, the end time period known as "the great tribulation."

So nuclear war may play a big part in this also. It could occur at the same time as these destructive celestial events!

The military forces in one country may see a great advantage in striking an enemy country if that country is suddenly besieged by an onslaught of natural disasters, and thereby thrown into a weakened state by having to turn their attention to dealing with these problems.

At that time the attacking country may see the advantage in using nuclear weapons to totally annihilate their enemy.

So what we have here are "pillars of smoke" all over the place, from asteroid impacts, volcanoes going off, giant earthquakes everywhere, possible nuclear explosions, fires, and the sky being entirely darkened as a result. At this point, it must look pretty grim to the people on earth who have made it this far.

It may be very hard to breathe, and the darkness will have probably closed in so greatly upon everyone that it may be nearly impossible for people to see very far off in the distance.

It would seem that there would be destruction everywhere, and the Bible does say that this time will be the "worst time in the history of the world," of any time before it, or any time that will come after it:

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."

Daniel 12:1 (middle of verse...)

"...AND THERE SHALL BE A TIME OF TROUBLE, SUCH AS NEVER WAS SINCE THERE WAS A NATION EVEN TO THAT SAME TIME:"

There have been some pretty bad times in world history. Take World War II for example, and the terrible destruction in Germany and Japan that we have seen in the horrifying photographs of the burned out cities and buildings, and giant heaps of rubble that were once whole cities and neighborhoods. Well, this is going to top them all!

But the most important thing to see from the Scripture passage in Joel 2 above, is that even at this late stage in world history, that there is still hope.

It tells here just exactly who you can call upon to be saved from this terrible end time horror story. Notice that it says: "and it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the Name of the Lord shall be delivered?"

Even at this late date in this horrifying time of the end, the Lord is still there, patiently waiting for any who will turn to Him for salvation.

Is mankind so stubborn that this is the point that the earth must be brought to before many will begin to call upon the Lord's Name for deliverance, or to be saved?

Apparently so, because according to Matthew 24:14 the only thing that is holding up the whole show and keeping the Lord from coming back right now, is that He is patiently waiting for everyone to have a chance to hear His message and to receive Him. It says:
Matthew 24:14

"AND THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM SHALL BE PREACHED IN ALL THE WORLD FOR A WITNESS UNTO ALL NATIONS, AND THEN SHALL THE END COME."

He lovingly, and patiently gives people many chances in life, and freely offers them salvation, but when they reject His love, He often allows things to begin to go wrong in their life, waiting patiently in hope that they will realize their need for Him, and turn to Him.

If they don't, He quite often repeats the process over and over until finally, when they have had plenty of chances to receive His wonderful gift of love and eternal life, if they still stubbornly refuse, and continue to turn away, then, with great sadness, He has to close the door on salvation for them personally, and let them enter the next life to face the consequences of the horribly wrong decision that they have made.

Well, apparently this is what happens in the very end on a world-wide scale. He allows the world to come to the point of almost total destruction, still waiting for even that one last little person to turn to Him and be saved. What love!

Satan, the destroyer, meanwhile, is busy bringing disaster after disaster, hoping to destroy as many as he can as fast as he can so that hopefully Jesus can't save them.

But God is in full control. Satan cannot win. Everyone is eventually going to be given the message of the Gospel at some point, and to have a chance to receive Jesus and be saved. God will see to it! It is His promise.

SPEAKING OF THE VERSE THAT SAYS "WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED," THERE ARE MANY OTHER VERSES IN THE BIBLE THAT SAY THE SAME THING:
HERE ARE BUT A FEW:

Speaking of this same event concerning the end time, and quoting out of the Book of Joel himself, Jesus' disciple Peter said to the multitude that stood before him:
Acts 2:19-21

"AND I WILL SHOW WONDERS IN THE HEAVEN ABOVE, AND SIGNS IN THE EARTH BENEATH; BLOOD, AND FIRE, AND VAPOR OF SMOKE:"

"THE SUN SHALL BE TURNED INTO DARKNESS, AND THE MOON INTO BLOOD, BEFORE THAT GREAT AND NOTABLE DAY OF THE LORD COME:"

"AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS THAT WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED."

Romans 10:13

"FOR WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED!"

Isaiah 43:11

"I, EVEN I AM THE LORD; AND BESIDE ME THERE IS NO SAVIOR!"

Acts 4:12

"NEITHER IS THERE SALVATION IN ANY OTHER, FOR THERE IS NONE OTHER NAME UNDER HEAVEN GIVEN AMONG MEN, WHEREBY WE MUST BE SAVED."
"THAT NAME IS JESUS CHRIST!"

Acts 16:31

"BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND YOU SHALL BE SAVED..."

BUT GETTING BACK TO OUR END TIME SCENARIO, HERE ARE A COUPLE MORE VERSES OUT OF JOEL ON THESE TREMENDOUS EVENTS THAT CAUSE THE SKY TO BE DARKENED:

Joel 3:14-16

"MULTITUDES, MULTITUDES IN THE VALLEY OF DECISION; FOR THE DAY OF THE LORD IS NEAR IN THE VALLEY OF DECISION..."

"THE SUN AND THE MOON SHALL BE DARKENED, AND THE STARS SHALL WITHDRAW THEIR SHINING."

"THE LORD ALSO SHALL ROAR OUT OF ZION, AND UTTER HIS VOICE FROM JERUSALEM, AND THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH SHALL SHAKE!"

Joel 2:10

"THE EARTH SHALL SHAKE BEFORE THEM, THE HEAVENS SHALL TREMBLE, THE SUN AND THE MOON SHALL BE DARK, AND THE STARS SHALL WITHDRAW THEIR SHINING."

So as you can see, we have a pretty consistent theme running here, with Joel, and Daniel, as well as the Lord Himself, and His disciple John the Beloved, saying basically the same things!

They all predict the same disasters as coming in the end of the world, describing them in perfect detail, yet with each from their own perspective, in their own words.

You will see as we continue, that this same consistency is carried on throughout the whole Bible with all the Prophets and the writers of the New Testament.

Their descriptions and wording may vary slightly, such as where the Lord says there shall be "great signs and fearful sights from heaven," while Joel says in prophecy, "I will show wonders in the heavens, and in the earth; blood, fire, and pillars of smoke."

Then John speaks of "stars falling," and what appear, very obviously, to be "asteroids, comets, and meteorite showers" in the Book of Revelation:

But you can see clearly that they are all on the same page spiritually, and speaking of the same terrible events that will devastate the earth in the days ahead. According to what we see happening around us on the news every day now, that time may not be far off!

CHAPTER FIVE:

"THE SUN SHALL BE DARKENED" "THE FINAL SIGN" "THE IMMINENT RETURN OF CHRIST"

THIS EVENT OF THE SUN BEING DARKENED IS A VERY IMPORTANT END TIME SIGN! IT IS THE FINAL SIGN THAT JESUS SAID WOULD SIGNAL HIS IMMEDIATE RETURN TO EARTH AT HIS SECOND COMING TO RESCUE ALL WHO TURN TO HIM FOR HELP:

Matthew 24:29-31

"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."

"The sun shall be darkened?" Some say that this will be from a giant solar eclipse and that may be true as the Bible says in Matthew 27:45 that there was what sounds very much like a solar eclipse "from the sixth hour to the ninth hour," or from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm in the afternoon on the day that Jesus was crucified.

So if there was a giant solar eclipse at the time of Christ's crucifixion, perhaps His second coming will also be heralded by the same type of event. The Lord did say in Genesis 1:14 that these types of celestial events are meant to be for signs in the heavens that mark important events that are happening upon the earth.

However, when put together with all the other Scriptures concerning this event of "the darkening of the sky," you will see that this great and final "sign-post" of Christ's immediate return, is most likely also due to the thick billowing clouds of smoke from all the asteroid, comet, and meteorite impacts, and the resultant earthquakes and volcanoes going off, as well as the mushroom clouds from nuclear war, and smoke from other types of bombs, gasses, and chemical agents used in warfare.

All these combined events will cover the whole earth with such a massive volume of clouds and thick volcanic ash that it is in near or total darkness.

And right here in this same passage it even confirms this notion, by stating that "the stars shall fall from heaven," which is most likely the main cause of all this mayhem!

As we touched on earlier, the terminology "the stars shall fall from heaven" would most likely include a vast array of astral bodies of various sizes from small to large.

That would mean possibly thousands of smaller meteorites and a number of larger asteroids and comets as well. This is also consistent with the "space trash" that Planet-X is said to drag with it, if indeed Planet-X is the actual cause of all this.

This corresponds perfectly to what we just covered in the books of Joel and Revelation. All of these falling astral bodies would sure make it "look like the stars were falling from heaven."

Some of the larger ones would be extremely horrifying in their dramatic display and hellish destruction, as they plummet to earth, and impact it very violently, while literally thousands of other much smaller meteorites would also fall to earth along with them, causing many fires all over the globe, which all put together would create large volumes of smoke filling the heavens.

And as was just pointed out, this tremendous onslaught of falling astral bodies would then probably trigger the enormous earthquake and volcanic activity that would also occur at this time, filling the sky with even more huge billowing clouds of smoke and volcanic ash and dust.

This event spoken of here, of "the stars falling" also happens at the exact same time as the events mentioned in Revelation and Joel at the very time of the end, proving that they are speaking of the same colossal events.

"...AND THE POWERS OF THE HEAVENS SHALL BE SHAKEN?"

Is this also referring to an astral body of enormous density, like Planet-X, or some other large heavenly object, passing through our solar system and "shaking everything out of its place," from its enormous gravitational pull, causing the other planets and nearby heavenly bodies to actually move out of their places, giving the appearance that the "powers of the heavens are being shaken?"

Or when it passes, does it "shake the earth so badly" that it makes it "appear" to those on earth, that the heavens are being shaken around violently? This could be describing either, or both, and these descriptions given here by the Lord fit perfectly with everything that we have discussed so far.

BUT HERE'S THE GOOD PART: (verses 30 & 31)

"AND THEN SHALL APPEAR THE SIGN OF THE SON OF MAN (JESUS) IN HEAVEN, AND THEN SHALL ALL THE TRIBES OF THE EARTH MOURN, AND THEY SHALL SEE THE SON OF MAN COMING IN THE CLOUDS OF HEAVEN WITH POWER AND GREAT GLORY."

"AND HE SHALL SEND HIS ANGELS WITH A GREAT SOUND OF A 'TRUMPET', AND THEY SHALL 'GATHER TOGETHER' HIS ELECT FROM THE FOUR WINDS (every direction) FROM ONE END OF HEAVEN TO THE OTHER."

This "gathering together unto Christ" to meet Him in the clouds is also referred to as "the rapture of the church." It is the event I spoke of earlier in this study, where Christ comes to rescue His people, all those who have turned to Him for salvation, and to be spared, kept, and finally delivered from the very worst of these terrible end time events.

He comes "right on time," just when He is needed to valiantly save His people!

As you can plainly see from Matthew 24:29, this marvelous event of the rapture occurs "immediately after" the tribulation period, and not before, as many of the modern churches have mistakenly placed it on their end time time-lines.

Let's take another look at that particular verse so that you can clearly see and understand this:

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 ..."
(Then the rapture, or "gathering" spoken of in verses 30 & 31 occurs:)

This spectacular "rapture" event is also spoken of in 1st Thessalonians chapter 4, verses 16 & 17.

1 Thessalonians 4:16,17

"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:"

"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." (The words "caught up" are translated from the Latin word "raptio" from which we get the modern word "rapture...")

This particular set of Scriptures out of 1st Thessalonians 4, are the main passages that most churches use to refer to the "rapture" in their teachings, but as I said, most mistakenly think that this great event will occur "before" the tribulation period begins instead of after.

However, as you can plainly see, both these areas of Scripture are quite obviously speaking of the same event concerning "the gathering unto Christ" and "the rapture" because they each contain these same three identical elements:

Number one: Jesus returns in the clouds of heaven.

Number two: A great trumpet is blown... and,

Number three: We are "gathered together into the heavens" or are "caught up into the heavens" to meet the Lord in the air.

Therefore, this great "gathering together in the heavens" spoken of in Matthew 24 is indeed the same event as Christ's followers "rising into the clouds to meet the Lord in the air" spoken of in 1st Thessalonians 4. Can you see any difference between what these two areas of Scripture are describing?

And as was just mentioned, the term "rapture" comes from the Latin word "raptio," which is the word used in the original Scripture texts of old for being "caught up" and "rising into the air to meet the Lord," as it says in 1st Thessalonians 4.

So this comparison of Scriptures should provide ample proof, to any serious seeker, that this wonderful experience of being "caught up" to meet the Lord in the air, in the rapture and resurrection, is the same event referred to in other areas of Scripture as "the gathering unto Christ" to meet Him in the heavens. The term "resurrection" means "the raising of the dead."

This is the glorious future for all those who choose Jesus as their Savior. He will come to rescue all those who turn to Him for deliverance from these things that are coming upon the earth, and to "raise from the dead" all who have personally received Him, and followed Him all down through time, giving each a new immortal body to live in that is impervious to pain, suffering, or death.

Much of this sounds like total foolishness to many modern educated people. Concepts such as "the stars falling from heaven" make many an unbelieving scientific minded atheist mock and laugh at this idea, as it sounds so childish and uneducated!

"The stars falling from heaven?" "Ha!" "It just shows that Jesus wasn't really the Son of God, or He would have known that the stars are huge, some even bigger than our own sun!" "How then could they fall to the earth?"

"Obviously these are just the ramblings of an ordinary, common, uneducated man from ancient times who didn't know any better." "If He were really the Son of God, and if there even was a God, surely He would have known this, and wouldn't have made such a ridiculous statement."

But as I said, what the Lord may have been referring to here are these coming great meteorite showers, as well as the thunderous asteroid and comet impacts, spoken of in Joel and Revelation, which would certainly give the "appearance" that the "stars are falling from heaven."

The Lord may have been speaking here to the greater majority of the simpler peoples of the earth in terms that they can easily relate to and understand.

He always reaches down to communicate with us on our level. To the vast majority of the people of earth, it really will appear that "the stars are falling from heaven!"

What do we even refer to a meteorite as? Still to this very day we call them a "falling star!" So this terminology is not so far out of place for the Lord to use in describing this particular type of event.

On another issue, many scientific minded folks will mock the idea of "the dead being raised," and people "rising in the air" to meet the Lord, and think that this just sounds absolutely ridiculous. "What fools these Christians must be to think such silly, childish ideas!"

But as you learn more about the Bible, you will find that we do not keep these present heavy earthly bodies. Jesus said in another place that when those of us who receive Him as our Savior pass through death's door, that we will receive a new type of body, a spiritual body that is "like unto the Angels."

We will be given brand new bodies that are capable of doing things we cannot presently do in this world, and in this life. It also says we will receive a new type of body just like Jesus has.

When He arose from the dead, He could appear and disappear, walk through walls, and rise into the air, yet He could still eat and drink like a normal person. He was, and is, capable of inter-dimensional travel, like the Angels also are, and like we will be too at that time.

You can read about this in 1st Corinthians chapter 15 of the Holy Bible in great detail if you are interested. Also, Philippians 3:20,21, and 1st John 3:1-3.

But going on with our research: A similar passage of Scripture to what we just read in Matthew 24 is also found in Mark chapter 13, and once again it states that Jesus will return "after" this great and terrible event of the "sky being darkened." So it is indeed the "final major sign of His imminent return."

Mark 13:24-27

"BUT IN THOSE DAYS, 'AFTER THAT TRIBULATION,' THE SUN SHALL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON SHALL NOT GIVE HER LIGHT, AND THE STARS OF HEAVEN SHALL FALL,"

"AND THE POWERS THAT ARE IN HEAVEN SHALL BE SHAKEN. AND THEN SHALL THEY SEE THE SON OF MAN (JESUS) COMING IN THE CLOUDS WITH POWER AND GREAT GLORY."

"AND THEN SHALL HE SEND HIS ANGELS, AND SHALL GATHER TOGETHER HIS ELECT FROM THE FOUR WINDS, FROM THE UTTERMOST PART OF THE EARTH TO THE UTTERMOST PART OF HEAVEN."

These Scriptures also make it very clear that this marvelous event of the "rapture" comes "after the tribulation period," and not before!

In the coming "days of darkness," this will be a very important thing to know. At that time, those who have been "steeped" in this other false teaching may find themselves in deep derision and great confusion. Don't let it happen to you. Study these things out for yourself carefully in sincere prayer, seeking the Lord for the truth on this issue.

CHAPTER SIX:

"THE GREAT AND FINAL EARTHQUAKE" "THE DAY OF THE GREAT SLAUGHTER"

There are even more Scriptures on the sky being darkened when the Lord returns, or what is called in many places "the day of the Lord," but as we examine these, please note that His return is also accompanied by a "great earthquake."

Although there are many earthquakes during the time of the end, as Jesus said there would be, there is one last and final "great earthquake." This quake is so great in magnitude that even the mountain ranges and cities are completely destroyed all over the entire world! This is a huge quake!

Isaiah 13:9-13

"BEHOLD, THE DAY OF THE LORD COMES, CRUEL, BOTH WITH WRATH AND FIERCE ANGER, TO LAY THE LAND DESOLATE, AND HE SHALL DESTROY THE SINNERS THEREOF OUT OF IT."

"FOR THE STARS OF HEAVEN AND THE CONSTELLATIONS THEREOF SHALL NOT GIVE THEIR LIGHT, THE SUN SHALL BE DARKENED IN HIS GOING FORTH, AND THE MOON SHALL NOT CAUSE HER LIGHT TO SHINE."

"AND I WILL PUNISH THE WORLD FOR THEIR EVIL, AND THE WICKED FOR THEIR INIQUITY, AND I WILL CAUSE THE ARROGANCY OF THE PROUD TO CEASE, AND WILL LAY LOW THE HAUGHTINESS OF THE TERRIBLE. I WILL MAKE A MAN MORE PRECIOUS THAN FINE GOLD, EVEN A MAN THAN THE GOLDEN WEDGE OF OPHIR."

"THEREFORE I WILL SHAKE THE HEAVENS, AND THE EARTH SHALL REMOVE OUT OF HER PLACE, IN THE WRATH OF THE LORD OF HOSTS, AND IN THE DAY OF HIS FIERCE ANGER."

Doesn't this sound just like the Scriptures mentioned before where the earth is described as "staggering like a drunken man" and "wobbling off its axis?" ("...I WILL SHAKE THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH SHALL REMOVE OUT OF HER PLACE?") These two areas of Scripture are related.

This is more than likely the same great earthquake that is also spoken of in other areas of Scripture, and this "shaking of the heavens" certainly relates to the possible passing of the giant Planet-X, or some other great astral body like it, that would literally move whole planets out of their orbits and shake the earth violently!

Whether the Lord uses this enormous heavenly body to create this "great shaking" of the heavens and earth, or whether it is something that is going to be done entirely by the Lord Himself remains to be seen. But one way or the other it is indeed coming!

Joel 2:1,2 & 10,11

"BLOW YE THE TRUMPET IN ZION, AND SOUND AN ALARM IN MY HOLY MOUNTAIN. LET ALL THE INHABITANTS OF THE LAND TREMBLE, FOR THE DAY OF THE LORD COMES, FOR IT IS NIGH AT HAND."

"A DAY OF DARKNESS AND GLOOMINESS, A DAY OF CLOUDS AND OF THICK DARKNESS... "

"THE EARTH SHALL SHAKE BEFORE THEM, THE HEAVENS SHALL TREMBLE, THE SUN AND THE MOON SHALL BE DARK, AND THE STARS SHALL WITHDRAW THEIR SHINING."

"AND THE LORD SHALL UTTER HIS VOICE BEFORE HIS ARMY, FOR HIS CAMP IS VERY GREAT, FOR HE IS STRONG THAT EXECUTETH HIS WORD. FOR THE DAY OF THE LORD IS GREAT AND VERY TERRIBLE, AND WHO CAN ABIDE IT?"

Revelation 6:12-14

"AND I BEHELD WHEN HE HAD OPENED THE SIXTH SEAL, AND, LO THERE WAS A GREAT EARTHQUAKE, AND THE SUN BECAME BLACK AS SACKCLOTH OF HAIR, AND THE MOON BECAME AS BLOOD."

"AND THE STARS OF HEAVEN FELL UNTO THE EARTH, EVEN AS A FIG TREE CASTETH HER UNTIMELY FIGS, WHEN SHE IS SHAKEN OF A MIGHTY WIND."

"AND THE HEAVEN DEPARTED AS A SCROLL WHEN IT IS ROLLED TOGETHER, AND EVERY MOUNTAIN AND ISLAND WERE MOVED OUT OF THEIR PLACES."

These last Scripture passages out of Revelation present a very graphic portrayal of most all of the end time events we have discussed so far. The "great earthquake," the "sun and sky being darkened," and the "stars falling from heaven," or possible meteorite showers and asteroid impacts.

The "heaven departing as a scroll" in a "rolling motion" could be describing the burning off of the atmosphere, as great solar flares come off the sun igniting it, or the Lord Himself igniting it at His coming, as it speaks of fire as being one of the major elements involved in His return. We'll cover these Scriptures on "fire" right after the ones on the "great earthquake."

It is interesting to note here, concerning the possible burning off of the atmosphere; that in 2 Peter 3:10 it says that when the Lord returns, the heavens shall pass away with a "great noise," or "explosion," and the elements, or what the earth is made of, will melt with fervent heat:

2 Peter 3:10

"BUT THE DAY OF THE LORD SHALL COME AS A THIEF IN THE NIGHT, IN THE WHICH THE HEAVENS SHALL PASS AWAY WITH A GREAT NOISE, AND THE ELEMENTS SHALL MELT WITH FERVENT HEAT, THE EARTH ALSO AND THE WORKS THAT ARE THEREIN SHALL BE BURNED UP."

But since we are still on the subject of the "great earthquake" that comes at the very end when the Lord returns, let's go on with even more Scriptures that speak of this great earth-shaking event.

These next two sets of Scripture are probably the most descriptive passages in the Bible, of just what will happen during this "greatest of earthquakes in world history."

They state that it is so intense, and of such great magnitude that it even destroys whole mountain ranges and causes the buildings and structures in every city in the entire world to collapse!

This is a big quake, and something that is so far off the scale of what any of us can possibly imagine, that it is incomprehensible!

Ezekiel 38: 19,20

"...SURELY IN THAT DAY THERE SHALL BE A GREAT SHAKING IN THE LAND OF ISRAEL, SO THAT THE FISHES OF THE SEA, AND THE FOWLS OF THE HEAVEN, AND THE BEASTS OF THE FIELD, AND ALL CREEPING THINGS THAT CREEP UPON THE EARTH, AND ALL THE MEN THAT ARE UPON THE FACE OF THE EARTH, SHALL SHAKE AT MY PRESENCE, AND THE MOUNTAINS SHALL BE THROWN DOWN, AND THE STEEP PLACES SHALL FALL, AND EVERY WALL SHALL FALL TO THE GROUND!"

Notice that it says that the mountain ranges fall? Think of the incredible force and destructive power that it would take to cause an event of this magnitude to occur?

This is something so huge that it causes the utter destruction that is so vividly portrayed in the movie 2012, where large land-masses and cities are utterly destroyed and cast into the fiery abyss of hot magma below or cast into the sea, some with shelf plates that have whole cities or large parts of cities on them.

Now please observe this very similar prophecy given nearly 900 years later by John in the Book of Revelation. The Bible is magnificent in keeping its continuity over time. No other book is so perfect without flaw!

As I stated earlier, the Prophets didn't contradict, or disagree with each other down through time, but rather their prophecies enhanced one another. They back each other up remarkably. Here, John was shown this same great and final coming earthquake that Ezekiel saw, and what he describes is very similar in detail:

Revelation 16: 17-20

"AND THE SEVENTH ANGEL Poured OUT HIS VIAL INTO THE AIR... "

" ...AND THERE WAS A GREAT EARTHQUAKE, SUCH AS WAS NOT SINCE MEN WERE UPON THE EARTH, SO MIGHTY AN EARTHQUAKE, AND SO GREAT."

"AND THE GREAT CITY WAS DIVIDED INTO THREE PARTS, AND THE CITIES OF THE NATIONS FELL, AND GREAT BABYLON CAME IN REMEMBRANCE BEFORE GOD, TO GIVE UNTO HER THE CUP OF THE WINE OF THE FIERCENESS OF HIS WRATH."

"AND EVERY ISLAND FLED AWAY, AND THE MOUNTAINS WERE NOT FOUND."

Notice that in Ezekiel it says that "the mountains are thrown down" and "every wall falls to the ground," and in Revelation, given almost 900 years later, it states that "the mountains were not found," and "the cities of the nations fell?"

If you think about it, these correspond perfectly with each other, and are actually describing the same event and saying the same thing. The mountain ranges are destroyed, and the cities collapse and fall.

The terminology of "every wall falling to the ground" would certainly be descriptive of the homes and buildings collapsing in the cities, as these structures are all made of "walls."

Likewise, in Ezekiel "the mountains are thrown down," while in Revelation "the mountains were not found." These are obviously describing the same great and final earthquake, because how could the mountain ranges be destroyed "twice" in the time of the end? Therefore these Scriptures can't be speaking of two separate end time events.

Now please observe this same continuity of vision in Psalm 46, a prophetic Psalm, written in approximately 1,000 B.C. concerning the same coming great end time event of the destruction of the earth's surface, and the mountain ranges being destroyed and some even falling into the ocean:

Psalm 46:1-3

"GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH, A VERY PRESENT HELP IN TROUBLE."

"THEREFORE WILL NOT WE FEAR, THOUGH THE EARTH BE REMOVED, AND THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS BE CARRIED INTO THE MIDST OF THE SEA".

"THOUGH THE WATERS THEREOF ROAR AND BE TROUBLED, THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS SHAKE WITH THE SWELLING THEREOF."

As you can see, this prophetic Psalm speaks of the same terrible events that will occur at the end of this present age, when "the mountains are carried into the midst of the sea!"

The Bible truly is an amazing Book, "foretelling the end from the beginning" as it says in some places. Perhaps this is what God's people will be saying in the days ahead as they observe these things occur, probably from heaven, in the place of safety with Jesus at that time, looking down upon earth from above.

HERE ARE EVEN MORE SCRIPTURES ON THE FINAL GREAT EARTHQUAKE THAT CAUSES PLANET-WIDE DESTRUCTION WITH CITIES UTTERLY DESTROYED AND MOUNTAIN RANGES COLLAPSING:

Isaiah 2:12,14,15

"FOR THE DAY OF THE LORD OF HOSTS SHALL BE UPON EVERYONE THAT IS PROUD AND LOFTY, AND UPON EVERYONE THAT IS LIFTED UP, AND HE SHALL BE BROUGHT LOW."

"AND UPON ALL THE 'HIGH MOUNTAINS,' AND UPON ALL THE HILLS THAT ARE LIFTED UP,"

"AND UPON EVERY 'HIGH TOWER,' (every skyscraper and building...) AND UPON EVERY FENCED WALL,"

Isaiah 2:19

"AND THEY SHALL GO INTO THE HOLES OF THE ROCKS, AND INTO THE CAVES OF THE EARTH, FOR FEAR OF THE LORD, AND FOR THE GLORY OF HIS MAJESTY, WHEN HE ARISES TO 'SHAKE TERRIBLY' THE EARTH."

Isaiah 13:13

"THEREFORE I WILL 'SHAKE THE HEAVENS,' AND THE 'EARTH SHALL REMOVE OUT OF HER PLACE,' IN THE WRATH OF THE LORD OF HOSTS AND IN THE DAY OF HIS FIERCE ANGER."

Isaiah 30:25

"AND THERE SHALL BE UPON EVERY HIGH MOUNTAIN, AND UPON EVERY HIGH HILL, RIVERS AND STREAMS OF WATERS IN THE 'DAY OF THE GREAT SLAUGHTER' WHEN THE TOWERS FALL."

Notice that last horrifying description of what is to come? "The day of the great slaughter when the towers fall?" What an absolutely terrifying description of what will happen when the skyscrapers and buildings in the great cities of the world collapse and fall: "World-wide slaughter!"

Some have interpreted this to mean when the Trade Towers fell in New York. Sorry! It's much bigger than that! That was just a preview of things to come. This is speaking about the world-wide event described in Revelation 16 that we just presented, where the cities of

the nations fall.

As I stated before, what an event of this magnitude would be like is quite vividly portrayed in the movie 2012 as well as others. This is death on a scale that is incomprehensible to the human mind. It is so shocking that it is mind-numbing to even think about it.

Towers in the Bible were tall buildings. In the Gospels, Jesus spoke of "the tower of Siloam," a tall building which had collapsed on a group of people. Also, in other books of the Prophets, tall buildings were referred to as "towers."

They didn't really begin to build our modern skyscrapers in earnest until around 1910 to the 1920's & 30's in New York City, and of course, from that time forward getting bigger and bigger.

The rest of the world then followed New York's lead, but New York City is where it all really began in modern times, with the gigantic steel structured and framed buildings of enormous height.

Before that, buildings were basically just brick and mortar, or hewn stone, and only built as high as that particular method of building would allow. But once they perfected their technologies in hardening and tempering steel, and in welding and riveting, this "great tower building to the heavens" began in earnest.

Back in the 1950's they still called them "skyscrapers," but during the 1970's and 80's they began to refer to them once again as "towers," such as the "World Trade Towers," or the "Sears Tower," helping to fulfill Bible prophecy.

Perhaps that is why some believe that New York City is the prophesied "Babylon the Great" that is described so perfectly in Revelation chapter 18, because of all the modern "Towers of Babel" that have been built there: enormous structures reaching high into the sky, as did the original Tower of Babel!

Other cities in the world then began to follow New York's lead, possibly fulfilling the Scripture that calls Babylon "the mother of harlots and abominations of the earth!"

Interestingly enough, parts of New York are actually called "Babylon." The name "City of Babylon" is even painted right on one of its large water towers. I'm sure that this is no coincidence, but some sort of literal "marking sign" allowed by God Himself.

But getting back to that last Scripture, this is what Isaiah is so dramatically referring to in this terrifying vision, of "the day of the great slaughter when the towers fall," and that is the day of this future great world-wide earthquake that brings down every building in every city all over the globe.

The Lord allowed the great Prophet Isaiah to peer far off into the future to see a glimpse of our modern world with all the towering skyscrapers in the all the great cities collapsing in a horrifying slaughter in the end, killing and maiming millions of people who did not take heed to God's warnings to leave those dangerous areas.

The majority of people have never believed God's messengers in their time. Apparently they won't believe them and take heed to their dire warnings now either, in this, the time of the end. Will you take heed?

The Lord is presently trying to warn everyone who will listen, and to get as many as are able to do so, to move out of these dangerous areas, and back to the country side in God's beautiful creation.

Many of the Lord's people cannot leave these areas though, for one reason or another, so

He will probably mercifully take them on with Him before they are allowed to suffer for very long in such terrible tragedies. He is in full control of every one of the lives of His children.

There have been many reported accidents, in which someone who was a saved Christian was killed in what appeared to be a horrible fashion, and then for some reason, the Lord miraculously allowed them to come back to life and to testify to the reality of heaven.

Most of you have probably heard testimonies or read stories of people having "near death experiences," as they are called. There are many books out that tell of story after story of someone passing on and going through what appeared to be a "long dark tunnel," at the end of which they find themselves standing before the Lord, and "bathed" in a beautiful glow of light in which they feel an "overwhelming love" that they have never known before.

Often times many are allowed to visit heaven for a brief time, and to even speak with their departed loved ones that are there, and then for one reason or another the Lord allows them return to this life to finish something important that they are supposed to do, or perhaps to take care of others that are dependent upon them.

In almost every case they always say that they have no recollection whatsoever of the tragic accident. I think the Lord takes His own before they can experience the horror involved in such disasters. God is truly loving and merciful, especially to His own dear children.

One such recent book is called "90 Minutes in Heaven," by Don Piper, which you can order on-line, or from most Christian book stores. It is an incredible testimony of a tragic auto crash in which his small car was completely ran over and crushed by a large truck.

Mr. Piper had no recollection whatsoever of the accident. He suddenly found himself at the gates of heaven with his Grandfather and friends, who had passed on, running to greet him. Then after spending time with them for a while, he was shown that he needed to return to earth to finish out his time and duties here for the Lord as a pastor.

It was not all "fun and games" when he returned and suffered in pain from the accident, but he knows from firsthand experience where he's going now when he passes on from this life, and where his beloved relatives and friends are already at, awaiting his return.

I hope you can obtain a copy of this book and read it for yourself. It will really build your faith and show you that heaven is a real place, and that Jesus is the way to get there.

So it's all real folks! Heaven is real. The Bible is the truth. Jesus Christ is really real, and He indeed is the "doorway" into God's Kingdom, as He said in John chapter 10.

Many of these testimonies would greatly encourage your faith if you have time to check into them further, either on the internet, or from the many books that are now out on this subject.

But getting back to the Scriptures that deal with this great end time earthquake, according to Revelation 16:17-20, this terrible event comes at the pouring out of "the last vial of the wrath of God." So Christians will have already been raptured out by the Lord at this time and taken to a place of safety with Him when this horrible event occurs.

In the Book of Revelation, the "tribulation" and the "wrath" are two separate events, with the wrath following the tribulation. It comes after it. The tribulation period is heralded by the "blowing of seven trumpets," and the wrath is signified by the "pouring out of seven vials," or some translations say "bowls."

Contrary to the belief of most churches, Christians are still here witnessing for the Lord during the tribulation period. We are then raptured out at the blowing of the seventh and

"last trumpet," as the Apostle Paul said in 1st Corinthians 15:51 & 52, when the dead are raised in what is commonly referred to as "the resurrection."

1st Corinthians 15:51,52

"BEHOLD I SHOW YOU A MYSTERY; WE SHALL NOT ALL SLEEP, (die or pass away) BUT WE SHALL ALL BE CHANGED,"

"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." (the resurrection)

The blowing of this last trumpet, which signals the time of the "rapture and resurrection of the dead," is the same trumpet that I just spoke about in the last chapter, that is blown in 1st Thessalonians 4:16 and 17:

"FOR THE LORD HIMSELF SHALL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN WITH A SHOUT, WITH THE VOICE OF THE ARCHANGEL, AND WITH THE "TRUMP" (or trumpet) OF GOD: AND THE DEAD IN CHRIST SHALL RISE FIRST:"
(the "dead rising" is the resurrection)

"THEN WE WHICH ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN SHALL BE 'CAUGHT UP' (meaning "raptured," or "raptio" in Latin) -TOGETHER WITH THEM IN THE CLOUDS, TO MEET THE LORD IN THE AIR: AND SO SHALL WE EVER BE WITH THE LORD."

So as you can plainly see, just as Matthew 24:31 and 1st Thessalonians 4:16 were paired together by the blowing of a "great trumpet" in the last chapter, now 1st Corinthians 15:51 & 52 is also added to this list, as it speaks about this same "raising of the dead" or resurrection and rapture, and even uses the same terminology of a "trump" or trumpet being blown; specifically the "last trumpet", to signal the occurrence of this great event.

Then, in Revelation 11:15 and 18, when this seventh and "last trumpet" is actually blown, it says that it signifies "the time of the dead that they should be judged..." "This terminology is an obvious reference to this same "raising of the dead" or resurrection that we have just covered in these other Scriptures.

It also says that at this time, Christ's servants from small to great are rewarded for their faithful service to Him. So right here we have the dead in Christ being raised and judged just as Paul said, at this "last trumpet" of the tribulation period.

Revelation 11:15,18

"AND THE SEVENTH ANGEL SOUNDED; (the last trumpet is blown) AND THERE WERE GREAT VOICES IN HEAVEN, SAYING, THE KINGDOMS OF THIS WORLD ARE BECOME THE KINGDOMS OF OUR LORD, AND OF HIS CHRIST; AND HE SHALL REIGN FOREVER AND EVER. (Jesus has returned in all His glory to gather His elect in the rapture.)

"AND THE NATIONS WERE ANGRY, AND YOUR 'WRATH IS COME,' AND THE 'TIME OF THE DEAD THAT THEY SHOULD BE JUDGED', (the Resurrection of the dead) -AND THAT YOU SHOULD GIVE REWARD UNTO YOUR SERVANTS THE PROPHETS, AND TO THE SAINTS, AND THEM THAT FEAR YOUR NAME SMALL AND GREAT; AND SHOULD DESTROY THEM THAT DESTROY THE EARTH."

So now we have linked together all these Scriptures by the association of the same events that occur in each one: 1st Thessalonians 4:16 and 17, Matthew 24:29-31, 1st Corinthians 15:51 & 52, and Revelation 11:15-18.

By putting these Scriptures all together and taking the information out of each one, we have established that the "rapture," or resurrection, comes "after the tribulation period," at the blowing of the "seventh and last trumpet."

Notice that it also says in Revelation 11:18 that the "wrath of God" comes at this time? Apparently the "wrath" had not yet come. The "wrath of God" is then symbolized by the pouring out of seven "vials" later on in Revelation chapter 16.

So at the blowing of the seventh and last trumpet, the dead are raised or resurrected, and Christ's servants are rewarded, raptured out, and taken to a place of safety, while the "wrath of God" is then poured out on those left behind.

There is a "left behind" as many churches teach in their books and modern movies, but they just have it in the wrong place. It comes "after" the tribulation period, during the wrath which follows.

As you can hopefully see, Christians are here for the "tribulation," but not for the "wrath." 1st Thessalonians 5:9 actually says this:

1st Thessalonians 5:9

"FOR GOD HAS NOT APPOINTED US TO WRATH, BUT TO OBTAIN SALVATION BY OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST."

Many Christians have confused these two time periods as being one and the same, and think that almost the entire Book of Revelation falls under "the wrath of God." Therefore they think that they won't even be here during most of the events spoken of in the Book of Revelation.

I have heard it said, "if we are not going to be here during the tribulation period, God sure wasted a lot of time, money, and paper having that book written, copied, and printed over the centuries!" Why are there so many specific time prophecies and important end time events discussed in Revelation if it is not even meant to apply to any of us?

So this is all a gross misinterpretation of the Scriptures, and may cause a lot of people to lose faith, when things do not turn out the way that they have been taught by the vast majority of modern theologians and teachers in the Christian world.

Despite 2,000 years of church history, in which millions of Christians have suffered terribly for their faith, and been persecuted; some even facing martyrdom for the Lord, these modern preachers are almost all putting everyone to sleep spiritually by telling them that they will be raptured out before anything bad happens, or any "tribulation."

This is why you very rarely hear anything mentioned about Christian history, during the last 2,000 years, in the teachings of most modern churches; because what has happened to many Christians down through time flies in the face of these modern "comfortable" teachings. Sometimes there is a great price to be paid for following Christ, and standing up boldly for Him and the truth.

The great lady evangelist, Corrie Ten Boom spoke of these modern Christian writers and leaders, calling them, "the false teachers that Jesus said would come in the latter days."

Jesus spoke of this in Matthew chapter 24, and said that many would come in His Name, deceiving people, specifically concerning the "sign of His coming" and of "the end of the world."

Corrie Ten Boom was the great saint, who along with her sister, Betsy, was arrested and sent to the Ravensbrück concentration camp in Germany, during the days of Hitler in WW II,

for the crime of hiding Jews in her Father's clock shop, which also served as their house. Her Father, of course, was arrested too, and died shortly thereafter of pneumonia in the hallway of a local hospital. Betsy also died in the concentration camp from the adversity of living under such harsh conditions.

But the Lord got Corrie out by a complete miracle through a "mistake" that was made in the German's paperwork in the records department. This was another of God's miraculous "setups" to release her so she could be a witness for Him.

He often does these marvelous miracles for His children when they are serving Him with their whole hearts, and many like things will no doubt occur in the days ahead for those of us who are truly following Him.

The false teaching that I am referring to here, that is believed by the majority of modern churches, is called "pre-tribulation rapture."

In all fairness though, most of the Christians who believe this teaching are not "evil deceivers." For the most part, they are good hearted, well meaning Christians who are simply following what they have been taught since the beginning of their faith life from their particular denomination.

Most have not taken the time to really study what the Bible says concerning this teaching, or to research what all the Scriptures say on this subject for themselves in sincere prayer.

But time will soon prove them wrong when things do not turn out the way that they have been taught, and hopefully they will then begin, in earnest, to study more deeply into all the Scriptures that speak of this great event of the second coming of Jesus, and the rapture of His beloved ones.

But getting back to Isaiah's prophecy though, perhaps the "rivers and streams of waters" that are spoken of there are God's fire department, putting out the enormous fires that accompany these horrendous events.

Because along with the great earthquakes spoken of here in Isaiah, as well as the other places in Scripture describing this same time period that the "cities are destroyed world-wide," the Bible also speaks of fire, and great heat that scorches the earth, and the earth being burned.

The very next verse after this passage is the one quoted earlier about the sun getting seven times hotter. But it also speaks here of "rivers and streams of waters" being poured out from on high.

So there are earthquakes, fires, and apparently "rivers and streams of waters" involved in this horrendous event of the cities being destroyed and the great towers or skyscrapers coming down.

These passages present a very similar scenario to the disasters in the movie 2012, where cities are being destroyed, towers falling, massive fires engulfing everything, and then huge tidal waves begin to roll over everything.

"Rivers and streams of waters" don't sound nearly as dramatic as a giant tidal wave, but may perhaps play the same role here of putting out the massive fires that engulf the world in the end time.

According to the Bible, fire is one of the main things God uses to purge the earth in the end time. From certain Scriptures it is apparent that this will be something that God Himself performs as in one place it says that "A fiery stream issues and comes forth from before Him". (Daniel 7:10)

But much of this fire will also probably be a result of these massive asteroid and comet impacts, meteorite showers, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, nuclear war, and other related end time disasters we have mentioned so far, that cause so much destruction upon the earth. We will cover many of the Scripture passages that specifically talk about this "end time fire" in greater detail shortly.

The Lord promised in Genesis that He would never destroy the earth again by a flood. It says that the earth will be destroyed this time by fire. But that doesn't mean that after it's destroyed this time by fire, that He won't use water in some dramatic method to put those fires out.

So once again, this idea of water being used to put out the fiery disasters quite possibly fits with Scripture.

People do not have to perish in this hellish nightmare. It says in Matthew 24:14 that the Gospel will be preached in all the world as a witness to all nations.

The Gospel is the message that Jesus gave His life for us all, when He died on the Cross for our sins and wrongdoings, and then rose again from the grave 3 days later to save and grant eternal life to every single man and woman and child who has ever, or will ever live. Everyone! Jesus wants everyone to be saved:

2 Peter 3:9

"THE LORD ...IS NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH, BUT THAT ALL SHOULD COME TO REPENTANCE."

Salvation is a free gift, and Jesus will freely give it to all who humbly and simply ask for it in sincerity. The Lord doesn't want anyone to have to suffer through this coming fiery destruction.

But once everyone has had their chance to hear and receive the Gospel, and to either say "yes" to Jesus or "no", then He will return to rescue those who've chosen to be His, and to close the door on this chapter in earth's history.

At this point, this old world will have already nearly been destroyed by all these coming cataclysmic disasters, and the hellish wars in which whole nations have tried to destroy one another, even with the ultimate fiery hell of nuclear war.

So the Lord will come and totally purge and renew the earth back to the original paradise that it once was, where everyone will live in love, peace, and harmony.

Remember the verses out of Joel, how that clear up until nearly the very end, while volcanoes are going off, asteroids and meteorites are falling, there is possible nuclear war, and other related disasters that cause "pillars of smoke" to fill the heavens; Jesus is still right there offering salvation and deliverance to all who will turn to Him and call upon His Name?

He sticks with this horrible old world clear up until the very end, freely extending His hand and offering salvation to all who will call upon Him. What wonderful love and patience He has with us all!

CHAPTER SEVEN:

"THE COMING GREAT NUCLEAR WAR" "DESCRIBED IN VIVID DETAIL IN THE BIBLE"

On our last subject of the coming great and final earthquake, there is one last set of Scriptures I would like to share out of chapter 14 of the book of Zechariah.

This incredible, and very descriptive chapter not only speaks about this coming great and final quake, but even includes a verse that seems to be describing what could only be nuclear war, that happens at this same time!

Perhaps this is even part of what causes this great, world-wide, "mega-quake," and makes it so intense. This is a prophecy of what will befall the city of Jerusalem right before the coming of the Lord:

Zechariah 14:1-5

"BEHOLD, THE DAY OF THE LORD COMES, AND YOUR SPOIL SHALL BE DIVIDED IN THE MIDST OF YOU..."

"FOR I WILL GATHER ALL NATIONS AGAINST JERUSALEM TO BATTLE, AND THE CITY SHALL BE TAKEN, AND THE HOUSES RIFLED, (or "robbed") ...AND THE WOMEN RAVISHED, AND HALF THE CITY SHALL GO FORTH INTO CAPTIVITY, AND THE RESIDUE OF THE PEOPLE SHALL NOT BE CUT OFF FROM THE CITY."

"THEN SHALL THE LORD GO FORTH AND FIGHT AGAINST THOSE NATIONS, AS WHEN HE FOUGHT IN THE DAY OF BATTLE."

"AND HIS FEET SHALL STAND IN THAT DAY UPON THE MOUNT OF OLIVES WHICH IS BEFORE JERUSALEM ON THE EAST, AND THE MOUNT OF OLIVES SHALL CLEAVE (or "split in half") IN THE MIDST THEREOF TOWARD THE EAST AND TOWARD THE WEST, AND THERE SHALL BE A VERY GREAT VALLEY, AND HALF OF THE MOUNTAIN SHALL REMOVE TOWARD THE NORTH, AND HALF OF IT TOWARD THE SOUTH."

"AND YOU SHALL FLEE TO THE VALLEY OF THE MOUNTAINS, FOR THE VALLEY OF THE MOUNTAINS SHALL REACH UNTO AZAL. YEA, YOU SHALL FLEE, LIKE AS YOU FLED FROM BEFORE THE EARTHQUAKE IN THE DAYS OF UZZIAH, KING OF JUDAH."

So this is speaking of a very great earthquake here, and it is probably speaking of the same great earthquake that is mentioned in Revelation chapter 16, and Ezekiel chapter 38, as well as Isaiah chapters 24 and 30, because it happens right when the Lord returns at the very end. The Mount of Olives splitting completely in half would take a pretty big quake!

BUT THIS NEXT VERSE SEEMS TO BE DESCRIBING NUCLEAR WAR:

Zechariah 14:12

"AND THIS SHALL BE THE PLAGUE WHEREWITH THE LORD SHALL SMITE ALL THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE FOUGHT AGAINST JERUSALEM, THEIR FLESH SHALL CONSUME AWAY WHILE THEY STAND UPON THEIR FEET, AND THEIR EYES SHALL CONSUME AWAY IN THEIR HOLES, AND THEIR TONGUE SHALL CONSUME AWAY IN THEIR MOUTH."

This is a perfect description of what happened to people in Hiroshima and Nagasaki in World War II, who were at various distances from the blasts.

There was a famous picture of a woman's skeleton still standing holding her baby's skeleton with the bones welded together from the intense heat.

Their flesh literally "consumed away as they stood upon their feet!"

Also, at a certain distance away from an atomic blast, people who are watching the fireball have been reported to have their eyes melt out!

THERE ARE OTHER VERSES THAT ALSO SEEM TO DESCRIBE WHAT COULD ONLY BE NUCLEAR WAR IN REVELATION CHAPTERS 17 and 18.

If you will obtain a copy of the Holy Bible, or New Testament, or bring up any of the free on-line versions of the Bible on the internet and read through these two chapters, you will see that they are describing a "great commercial empire" that exists in the time of the end solely for the purpose of the buying and selling of goods.

Revelation 18 says that the primary reason for all this buying, selling, and commerce is so that Babylon's "merchants," or big businessmen, can become fabulously wealthy, and become the ruling elite of the world! It says that they become so wealthy and powerful that they even rule over the kings of other nations!

In your mind, please place the template of the description of this great end-time empire over all the major nations in the world at this present time. Place it over each major nation, one at a time.

Does it seem to fit like a giant puzzle piece over any particular nation that you can think of? Think hard about it for a moment... What nation or empire does it seem to best describe or fit over most accurately?

Does anything come to mind? Think about the term "free enterprise system." That may give us a possible great clue as to just who this may be talking about in today's modern world.

WELL IT SAYS IN SEVERAL PLACES IN THESE TWO CHAPTERS THAT THIS GREAT END TIME EMPIRE IS DESTROYED BY "FIRE" IN THE SHORT SPACE OF ONLY ONE HOUR!

It is very possible that this is speaking of nuclear war, because in Revelation 17:16,17 it says that this great empire is burned with fire by "ten kings!"

So this fire that destroys this great empire, is an "act of war committed by men," and not a natural disaster like a large asteroid strike or meteorite shower, or solar flare-up from the sun, although those things may also happen at the same time.

A more thorough reading of these chapters makes it plain that these ten kings are working under the authority of this last great world ruler known as the Antichrist, or "beast" as it calls him. So this is happening under his guidance.

Then, also, in chapter 18 it mentions three times that this burning happens in the short time of only one hour! What weapons do we have in our modern arsenals of today that are capable of burning an entire empire in only one short hour? Nuclear missiles are about the only thing that come to mind!

These passages describe this great commercial empire as a "great whore," or "Babylon The Great." She is described as a woman dressed in the finest apparel, with ornate

jewelry, symbolic of her control of the wealth and finest things that this world has to offer.

They refer to the Antichrist as the "beast," and to the ten kings as "ten horns." They also indicate that this great whore is a great city which rules or reigns over the kings of the earth.

Many have theorized over the years just who this could be talking about? Some of the older Protestant denominations of the churches link it to the city of Rome, while others link it to New York City, and the wealthy merchants and bankers centered out of there.

Others have linked it to the city of Jerusalem, and some to the rising power of the European banking community.

One theory, is that it ultimately represents the whole earth, and all the cities world-wide, and their worship of commercialism and materialism, or as the Bible calls it "mammon worship," the worship of money and things.

It is not the purpose of this writing to try to pin down the particular identity of just who this may be talking about here, although the United States of America, and New York City in particular, certainly does come to mind rather strongly, perhaps at least as the epitome of it, but rather, to show that whoever it is speaking of, they are destroyed in "one hour by fire," and that fire sounds very much like nuclear war.

Because, again, quite simply: What other means do modern men have at their disposal that could burn an entire empire in only one short hour?

HERE ARE THOSE VERSES:

Revelation 17:12,13

"AND THE TEN HORNS WHICH YOU SAW ARE 'TEN KINGS' ...WHICH RECEIVE POWER AS KINGS FOR ONE HOUR WITH THE BEAST." (THE ANTICHRIST!)

"THESE HAVE ONE MIND, AND SHALL GIVE THEIR POWER AND STRENGTH UNTO THE BEAST." (They work for him...) (The ANTICHRIST!)

Revelation 17:16-18

"AND THE TEN HORNS WHICH YOU SAW UPON THE BEAST, THESE SHALL HATE THE WHORE, AND SHALL MAKE HER DESOLATE AND NAKED, AND SHALL EAT HER FLESH, AND BURN HER WITH FIRE."

"FOR GOD HAS PUT IT IN THEIR HEARS TO FULFILL HIS WILL, AND TO AGREE, AND GIVE THEIR KINGDOM UNTO THE BEAST UNTIL THE WORDS OF GOD SHALL BE FULFILLED."

"AND THE WOMAN WHICH YOU SAW IS THAT GREAT CITY WHICH REIGNS OVER THE KINGS OF THE EARTH."

Once again, any ideas on just what "great city" this could be talking about in today's modern world? Think of the names "Federal Reserve Bank," and "World Bank," and "World Trade Organization," which is run by the world's wealthy elite.

Although some are not necessarily even citizens of this particular great empire, they have still used it as their main economic engine and power base to literally extend their rule over the other nations of the world through financial means, and to also extend their influence over the "kings" or leaders of these other nations.

Revelation 18: 8-11

"THEREFORE SHALL HER PLAGUES COME IN ONE DAY, DEATH, AND MOURNING, AND FAMINE. AND SHE SHALL BE UTTERLY BURNED WITH FIRE, FOR STRONG IS THE LORD GOD WHO JUDGES HER!"

"AND THE KINGS OF THE EARTH, WHO HAVE COMMITTED FORNICATION AND LIVED DELICIOUSLY WITH HER, SHALL BEWAIL HER, AND LAMENT FOR HER, WHEN THEY SHALL SEE THE SMOKE OF HER BURNING, STANDING FAR OFF FOR THE FEAR OF HER TORMENT, SAYING, ALAS, ALAS THAT 'GREAT CITY' BABYLON, THAT MIGHTY CITY!"

"FOR IN 'ONE HOUR' IS YOUR JUDGMENT COME!" (ONE HOUR!)

"AND THE MERCHANTS OF THE EARTH (BIG BUSINESSMEN) SHALL WEEP AND MOURN OVER HER, FOR NO MAN BUYS THEIR MERCHANDISE ANY MORE."

Revelation 18: 15-19

"THE MERCHANTS OF THESE THINGS, WHICH WERE MADE RICH BY HER, SHALL STAND AFAR OFF FOR THE FEAR OF HER TORMENT, WEEPING AND WAILING," "AND SAYING, ALAS, ALAS THAT 'GREAT CITY,' THAT WAS CLOTHED IN FINE LINEN, AND PURPLE, AND SCARLET, AND DECKED WITH GOLD, AND PRECIOUS STONES, AND PEARLS!" (GREAT RICHES AND MATERIAL POSSESSIONS...)

"FOR IN 'ONE HOUR' (AGAIN: ONE HOUR!) ...SO GREAT RICHES IS COME TO NOUGHT. AND EVERY SHIP MASTER, AND ALL THE COMPANY IN SHIPS AND SAILORS, AND AS MANY AS TRADE BY SEA, STOOD AFAR OFF, AND CRIED WHEN THEY SAW THE SMOKE OF HER BURNING, SAYING, WHAT CITY IS LIKE UNTO THIS GREAT CITY?"

"AND THEY CAST DUST ON THEIR HEADS, AND CRIED, WEEPING AND WAILING, SAYING, ALAS, ALAS THAT 'GREAT CITY,' WHEREIN WERE MADE RICH ALL THAT HAD SHIPS IN THE SEA BY REASON OF HER COSTLINESS!"

"FOR IN 'ONE HOUR' IS SHE MADE DESOLATE!" (AGAIN: TOTALLY DESTROYED IN ONLY ONE SHORT HOUR!)

Once again, I would like to point out: what else could this possibly be describing but a coming great nuclear holocaust? No other weapons that we presently have in our modern day arsenals are capable of producing a feat of this magnitude in the manner in which it is described in such a short period of time.

CHAPTER EIGHT:
"HE IS A MERCHANT"
"THE BALANCES OF DECEIT ARE IN HIS HAND"
"HE LOVES TO OPPRESS"

At this point, I would just like to once again reiterate how amazing and incredibly accurate the Bible is in its prophecies and predictions of what is to come in the future.

Just think of it! What we have just read in the last chapter was written 2,000 years ago and paints a perfect picture of just exactly what is going on in our modern world, even to the point of describing modern nations and empires down to the tee!

Look at the United States great businessmen in league with the great businessmen of Europe, England, Canada, and all those who mainly constitute what is known collectively as "The West," who fit this description so perfectly!

Look at how almost the entire rest of the world is right now lining up against the power of the West, both economically and militarily. They mainly blame the United States, as the leader of this great financial empire, and America's economic policies for the destruction of their economies and the poverty that they are experiencing in many of their nations.

These great businessmen have traveled the world for many decades, doing business deals with the poor, and basically ripping them off! They give them only paltry peanuts for the valuable resources and things that they want from their various nations, and often bring their people to abject poverty, while they take the lion's share for themselves in their great greediness.

How many times have you heard it said, "it's just good business," as some big businessman begins to brag telling the story of how he talked the other party or business down to what turned out for them to be a really bad deal. Usually you hear these big corporate heads make this type of statement, as they kind of laugh and take a big puff off of their cigar.

Also there are greedy leaders and businessmen in these very same poor nations that these rich Westerners sign business deals with who keep most everything for themselves as well, and have very little concern for the poor workers, or the people in their own countries.

This cheating the poor of other nations even happens through what seem to be benevolent gestures on the part of these greedy western businessmen and big bankers, through such things as giving them loans to seemingly help pull their nations out of poverty.

These bankers know that these poor third world countries cannot possibly pay these loans back. They are given with the goal in mind of grabbing up everything of any wealth that these poorer nations possess, such as natural resources, oil, diamond mines, gold mines, rubber plantations, bauxite mines, iron ore, valuable minerals for modern technologies, and on and on; anything and everything that they have that is of value.

These poorer nations must put up virtually everything they have that is of any real value as collateral, in order to get these loans. It is like hanging a carrot in front of a donkey to many of the dictators and men of power, or "kings" that run these other nations.

This is what is described so accurately in Revelation chapter 18 where it says that these "merchants," or big businessmen, rule over the kings of other nations. The rich elite know that when these loans cannot be paid back, and when these poorer nations default on

them, that they will now own or possess everything of value in these countries.

These poorer nations traded everything they had for worthless pieces of paper, worthless paper money, with which the now rich dictators of those nations who have become the puppets of these rich elite, arm themselves to the teeth with private armies and the best weaponry possible to keep themselves in power.

Usually they get a new fancy limousine to ride around in, expensive cigars, fabulous mansions with swimming pools, and every available luxury that they can get their hands on, while the poor of their nations live in filth, disease, and poverty!

But most of the nations of the world are now getting wise to these deceitful policies, and are joining forces together with bigger nations like Russia and China, against the rich West.

These same greedy businessmen, bankers, and power brokers are even destroying America itself now. Having effectively robbed much of the rest of the world blind of everything that they had of value, they have now turned on the people of the U.S. to take from the middle-class of America everything that they own.

They have done this through such insane policies as NAFTA and GATT, which have allowed American businesses to move overseas and basically use slave labor to make their products, and then they turn around and sell them for ridiculous profits to the rich of the rest of the world and United States.

In doing this they have put Americans out of work by the millions, and are now bringing this same level of poverty to many poor people in that once great nation.

They have effectively destroyed the middle-class of America through these policies, and the result of all this insane madness will be the utter confusion that will ensue from the complete collapse of the American economy.

This will cause people to lose their jobs and their homes by the millions and will possibly cause America to descend into anarchy and civil war, and unless God intervenes through the prayers of His people, this may indeed be what is coming in the U.S: Complete mayhem!

And the poor that work in these factories in other countries, that America's jobs have been sent too are not making hardly anything at all. Many are basically just "slave-labor." They are not getting rich or pulling themselves up out of the poverty level at all. They are just barely making enough to get by.

Let's examine some Scriptures which speak of these "great and mighty rich men" that live in the time of the end, and see just what the Lord thinks of them:

Hosea 12:7

"HE IS A MERCHANT, (a "businessman") THE BALANCES OF DECEIT ARE IN HIS HAND; HE LOVES TO OPPRESS." (many of them love to oppress the poor) (doesn't sound like the Lord thinks much of them does it?)

In the old days they used a set of scales to weigh things on as they bartered, or traded goods. There were two slightly bowl shaped objects held by chains on a balancing device. They would put so much of one item on one side, and the other person would place so much of their product they were trading on the other side.

By this method they "traded" or bartered. Well the merchants learned quickly how to offset the scales without it being noticed and to cheat the other party by falsifying the scales.

This angered the Lord greatly, and He often spoke in the Old Testament of how He hated people "falsifying the balances by deceit."

This is the same basic idea of using trickery or deceit to cheat people in modern times by these modern "merchants" or big businessmen and bankers.

Their entire system of "Fractional Reserve Banking" is based on deceit and trickery, not to mention the way the stock markets are run and the practices of investment bankers. It's all based on deceit, cheating, and fleecing people out of their money.

They've got a thousand tricks up their sleeve and ways to get your money, and to take over or control your business once it becomes successful, if you have one. People are milked like cows and fleeced like sheep on a daily basis! There are many more losers than winners in the Wall street games.

Not all of these people are lying cheaters. There are actually a few good honest men among them. There have been many great Christian businessmen down through time who cared wonderfully for their workers, who have a fear of God and wish to do what is right.

It's just that they are so few in number compared to the vast majority of the greater number of crooks that they are barely noticeable! Now observe these even more descriptive verses out of the book of James on what the Lord thinks of these ultra-rich men, and elite of the end times:

James 5:1-7

"GO TO NOW YOU RICH MEN, WEEP AND HOWL FOR YOUR MISERIES THAT SHALL COME UPON YOU!"

"YOUR RICHES ARE CORRUPTED, AND YOUR GARMENTS ARE MOTH-EATEN."

"YOUR GOLD AND SILVER IS CANKERED, AND THE RUST OF THEM SHALL BE A WITNESS AGAINST YOU, AND SHALL EAT YOUR FLESH AS IT WERE FIRE! YOU HAVE HEAPED TOGETHER TREASURE FOR THE LAST DAYS."

(Notice that this is speaking to the rich elite of the "last days?")

"BEHOLD, THE HIRE OF THE LABORERS WHO HAVE REAPED DOWN YOUR FIELDS, WHICH IS OF YOU KEPT BACK BY FRAUD CRIES OUT, AND THE CRIES OF THEM WHICH HAVE REAPED ARE ENTERED INTO THE EARS OF THE LORD OF SABAOTH."

(This is an obvious analogy meant to cover the broad spectrum of cheating the poor in general. It doesn't just apply to field workers. God just doesn't like cheating of the poor, no matter what their profession, period!)

"YOU HAVE LIVED IN PLEASURE ON THE EARTH, AND BEEN WANTON, YOU HAVE NOURISHED YOUR HEARTS AS IN A DAY OF SLAUGHTER."

(They have lived in fabulous wealth, having everything their souls desire.)

"YOU HAVE CONDEMNED AND KILLED THE JUST, AND HE DOES NOT RESIST YOU."

(They care not for the poor and the people they oppress and are not afraid to even kill when people get in their way.)

"BE PATIENT THEREFORE, BRETHREN, UNTO THE COMING OF THE LORD..."

(The Lord will get them in the end. They will pay dearly for all that they have done, while the people they have oppressed will be blessed and cared for wonderfully by the Lord.)

But getting back to the present bad world situation here: The big bankers and businessmen have no particular great love for the United States or it's people. They are just out to make all the money they can and gain all the power and dominance over the world that they can.

But the rest of the world still blames the people of America and the West in general, for all their woes and are preparing for war! Right now the nations are all lining up and taking sides.

This is so sad, because many of the American people are not the guilty parties here, yet they will pay for the sins of their leaders and wealthy elite in the coming acts of terrorism and war. Most are just normal people who are trying to make a living and support their families as best they can.

Many are good Christian people, who are trying to not only raise their families right, but to be a valuable asset in their communities, who always come to the aid of people who suffer from losing their jobs, or homes in floods or storms.

Many are very kind, and generous in their giving and help to others, including rushing to the aid of disaster victims in other countries and other parts of the world to help, after great earthquakes hit, or hurricanes and storms .

But the majority of the great leaders of America, both politically and in the economic realm, those who really run the country and its big businesses, and are the real movers and shakers, aren't anything at all like this in spirit!

Most of these great ruling elite hate and despise Christians and the Christian religion, and fight against it at every turn, yet they "hide behind it as a cloak" when it suits their purposes, to fool others.

Although there are a few good men among them, most are merely "great pretenders" who are greedily just out for themselves, and making as much money, and gaining as much power as they can.

And Hollywood, and the film industry, for the most part, seem bent on helping to produce what may now become the most violent and evil generation of young people, and people in general, through their movies that are beginning to promote the most vile and wicked things. Many of these movies seem to be designed to push the youth and as much of the world as possible, into total corruption, evil, violence, and mayhem.

So this whole greater scenario that we have covered is, in fact, probably one of the main reasons for the burning of this "great empire" that is spoken of in Revelation chapters 17 and 18, and may happen much sooner than many expect! The poor of the world are going to strike back against what they deem to be their enemy which has brought upon them many of their woes.

And God Himself is allowing it as a judgment upon a wicked nation, that for the most part have forgotten Him and His ways, and no longer seek Him, or to do what is right, but to follow headlong into iniquity and destruction at a break-neck pace.

Psalm 9:17 says:

"THE WICKED SHALL BE TURNED INTO HELL, AND ALL THE NATIONS THAT FORGET GOD."

This appears to be happening right before our very eyes! A great number of the people in the United States have completely forgotten God, and are trying to throw Him out of every sphere of public and private life! Only a few truly seek and follow Him, even among the Christians and churches.

Many of the so-called "churches" are really just into chasing the almighty Dollar and trying to get rich, and have unabashedly thrown it all to the wind in chasing after riches and material possessions, power and having positions of great reputation, even to the point of twisting Bible Scriptures, and making up "false doctrines" to support their spiritual disobedience and madness!

In Russia, Bibles can still be handed out in the schools. Even in Iraq while Saddam Hussein was still in power, he allowed Bibles to be handed out in the High Schools of that country. Yet in America, supposedly "God's nation," this is outlawed! Missionaries can't even legally hand out a small Christian pamphlet at a shopping center or a mall!

It just shows who really rules the United States, and it is not God's people, but as I just said, a wealthy elite who hate Christ for the most part, and fight against Him and His people at every turn, in government, in finance, in the public schools, in the universities, in the text books, in the work place, in business, in television, in the movies, and in every available form of media and outreach except for a small and precious few.

Much of this falling away from the true Christian faith can be traced back to the spirit brought in by these same "merchants" that we started out talking about in the beginning of this chapter. It is the "unbridled spirit of greed" that has taken over the greater majority of Americans.

Great American leaders such as Thomas Jefferson and Abraham Lincoln saw this same great "spirit of greed" taking over clear back in their life times, and spoke out against it.

Thomas Jefferson said in so many words, that "a merchant has no heart or soul, or particular love for his country, and that the gold which he holds in his hands is of far greater value to him than the soil on which he stands..."

Abraham Lincoln spoke out, right before he died, about how he was deeply concerned for the coming welfare of America's future generations, as he saw an era of great corruption beginning to occur, and large corporations being enthroned, and the "money power" ultimately taking over and ruling the nation, leading to coming economic enslavement of the peoples, and to America's ultimate and final demise.

I think that it is very clear that they were both right. The terrible policies of both NAFTA and GATT, were the "nail in the coffin" for the United States, and the fulfillment of what both Jefferson and Lincoln so greatly feared and saw coming.

What was once the freedom to worship God as one felt led, quickly turned into the freedom to try to get as rich as possible, and to acquire as much wealth as possible, even at the expense of the poor, and with a total selfish disregard for other people.

Sadly, "freedom" in the United States no longer holds the same meaning as it once did in the days of that great nation's founding. Now the entire nation has degraded itself spiritually to the same status as Sodom and Gomorrah of the Bible days of old, and will shortly incur the same wrath of God that they once did . **THIS IS WHY THIS TERRIBLE AND HELLISH NUCLEAR FIRE IS COMING ON AMERICA IN THE DAYS AHEAD!**

In fact, as you have seen from many of the Scriptures presented so far, the whole world will soon be purged by fire.

CHAPTER NINE:

"THE PURGING OF THE EARTH BY FIRE" "AND THE GREAT METAMORPHOSIS"

AS YOU HAVE SEEN FROM THE BIBLE PASSAGES PRESENTED SO FAR, FIRE, FROM MANY DIFFERENT SOURCES IS A MAJOR INSTRUMENT USED TO DESTROY THE EARTH IN THE END:

So far we have seen how this fire is quite possibly caused by the impacts of large astral bodies like comets and asteroids, meteorite showers, resultant volcanoes going off, nuclear war, etc...

Many fires may also be caused by smaller things such as gas lines exploding during the many earthquakes that come in increasing intensity as we near the end and specifically the last great earthquake that comes at the very end which causes the "cities of the nations" to fall.

But there is also another possible source of fire that may burn the earth in the end that is quite notable: There has been much talk in the scientific community recently about the possibility of large solar flares coming through the earth's broken down magnetosphere, destroying electric grids, and even possibly burning the earth with great heat.

The scientists have said that there appears to be a large hole in the earth's magnetosphere which shields the earth from harmful radiation and solar flares. Well, there are certain Scriptures which seem to corroborate this, and which may be speaking of this very event:

Isaiah 30:26

"MOREOVER, THE LIGHT OF THE MOON SHALL BE AS THE LIGHT OF THE SUN, AND THE LIGHT OF THE SUN SHALL BE SEVENFOLD, AS THE LIGHT OF SEVEN DAYS, IN THE DAY THAT THE LORD BINDS UP THE BREACH OF HIS PEOPLE AND HEALS THE STROKE OF THEIR WOUND."

This particular verse out of Isaiah here is speaking of the terrible heat that will be produced by the sun getting seven times hotter near the end of this final end time period. Well, it has a sister verse out of Revelation which appears to be speaking about same event.

Once again, I'm just amazed at how many prophecies from the Old Testament have "sister" prophecies, or similar prophecies given in the New Testament, often separated by the span of many centuries, describing in very vivid detail, the same things.

They all line up with incredible consistency, proving that the Bible is a supernatural book, spanning thousands of years, yet keeping the same themes throughout with a perfect integrity:

Revelation 16:8,9

"AND THE FOURTH ANGEL Poured out his vial upon the sun, and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire!"

"AND MEN WERE scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which has power over these plagues..."

The descriptions given in these verses seem to go along with modern science, and the

approach of a large astral body such as Planet-X actually sucking large solar flares off the sun, which could most certainly come through our broken down magnetosphere.

This would not only destroy our electric power grids and modern computerized world, but also heat up the atmosphere to tremendous temperatures, such as those that are described in these incredible passages out of the Books of Isaiah and Revelation that are set to come so shortly, at the time of the very end.

Fortunately, according to the Scriptures we covered back in chapter 6, Jesus has returned by this time and rescued His people and taken them to a place of great safety. Those who suffer through this terrible ordeal, will have done so at their own volition, having chosen to reject the Lord's kind and patient offer of salvation from such a hellish nightmare.

In the Book of Revelation, this particular event comes at what is known as the "fourth vial of the wrath of God." Therefore it comes after the great event known as the "rapture" or "gathering unto Christ" of all who have chosen Him to be their Savior. We are taken to a place of safety in heaven with Jesus at this point.

As you may remember, from the Scriptures presented in chapter 6, in the Book of Revelation there are seven "trumpets of tribulation" followed by seven "vials of wrath." Those who belong to Christ are gathered unto Him at the blowing of the 7th and last trumpet as it says in Revelation 11:15-18. It speaks there of "the time of the dead that they should be judged," which, as I stated previously, is the event that is also known as the "resurrection of the dead," or the rapture.

Revelation 11: 15 & 18

“AND THE SEVENTH ANGEL SOUNDED, AND THERE WERE GREAT VOICES IN HEAVEN SAYING, “THE KINGDOMS OF THIS WORLD ARE BECOME THE KINGDOMS OF OUR LORD AND OF HIS CHRIST, AND HE SHALL REIGN FOREVER AND EVER.”

"AND THE NATIONS WERE ANGRY, 'AND YOUR WRATH IS COME,' AND 'THE TIME OF THE DEAD THAT THEY SHOULD BE JUDGED, (the resurrection of the dead) AND THAT YOU SHOULD GIVE REWARD TO YOUR SERVANTS THE PROPHETS, AND TO THE SAINTS, AND THEM THAT FEAR YOUR NAME SMALL AND GREAT,' AND SHOULD DESTROY THEM THAT DESTROY THE EARTH.”

So as you can see from these Scriptures, God's people are with Him in safety here when this fourth vial of wrath is poured out later on in the Book of Revelation; and are spared from this terrible heat of the sun that is "destroying" many of those that are left behind.

As I said, there are seven trumpets blown in the Book of Revelation that signify the tribulation period, but at none of them does anything even remotely resembling the rapture or "resurrection of the dead" occur, until you get to this last and final one.

It is then, after Christ's people are raised from the dead, and taken out of this terrible hellish old world to safety, and rewarded for their faithful service to the Lord, that what are known as the "seven vials of the wrath of God" are poured out upon those left behind, for their terrible stubbornness and refusal to accept the Lord's kind and patient offer to save them.

Notice once again, that it also says in Revelation 11:15 and 18 that “THY WRATH IS COME”, and that at this time God will “DESTROY THEM THAT DESTROY THE EARTH.”

So this "wrath" had not come yet! Here we are at the seventh and last trumpet when the "wrath of God" is finally poured out, "after" God's people are removed. It is poured out on those left behind who did not go with the Lord to safety here in the resurrection.

The point here once again, is that the period of the "wrath" and the "tribulation" are two distinct and different time periods. The "wrath" follows the "tribulation." We are here for the "tribulation," but not for the "wrath." The vials of wrath are spoken of later in Revelation chapter 16, where each one is described in vivid detail.

As I said earlier, most churches are completely deceived on this issue, and teach that we are taken out in the rapture "before" the tribulation period, which is simply not true.

They are therefore, unwittingly, deceiving most of the entire church system and putting them to sleep, telling them that they won't even be around during the Antichrist's reign, and terrible persecutions, which will mainly be directed against Christians, when there are whole Scriptural passages and chapters that state very clearly that Christians will be here during that time.

THE FOLLOWING SCRIPTURES STATE THIS VERY CLEARLY AND PLAINLY!
CHRISTIANS WILL STILL BE HERE DURING THE ANTICHRIST'S REIGN:

2 Thessalonians 2:1-4

"NOW WE BESEECH YOU, BRETHREN, BY THE 'COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,' AND BY OUR 'GATHERING TOGETHER' UNTO HIM."

(...This introduction states plainly that this chapter is going to speak about the Second Coming of Christ and our subsequent "gathering together unto Him" or "rapture.")

"THAT YOU BE NOT SOON SHAKEN IN MIND, OR BE TROUBLED, NEITHER BY SPIRIT, NOR BY WORD, NOR BY LETTER AS FROM US, AS THAT THE DAY OF CHRIST IS AT HAND."

(It is theorized that someone sent the Thessalonian church a letter telling them that the rapture had come and gone, and that they missed it, to try to discourage them. Whoever was responsible for this lie then signed Paul's name to the letter to give it great credence. Paul is now writing them to refute this, and to remind them of something very important that he told them beforehand, that they had apparently forgotten, that has to happen "first" before Jesus can come to gather us unto Himself in the rapture...)

"LET NO MAN DECEIVE YOU BY ANY MEANS, FOR - 'THAT DAY' ...

(...'THAT DAY' is the day of Christ's coming, and our subsequent "gathering together unto Him," or "rapture," as verse one just stated very clearly.)

..."THAT DAY 'SHALL NOT COME' EXCEPT THERE COME A FALLING AWAY 'FIRST,' AND THAT MAN OF SIN BE REVEALED, THE SON OF PERDITION."

"WHO OPPOSES AND EXALTS HIMSELF ABOVE ALL THAT IS CALLED GOD, OR THAT IS WORSHIPED, SO THAT HE AS GOD SITS IN THE TEMPLE OF GOD, SHOWING HIMSELF THAT HE IS GOD."

As you can see, these passages state very clearly that the "Antichrist must come first," and sit in the Temple of God claiming to be God, "before" Jesus comes to gather us unto Himself in the rapture.

Then in verse 8 it makes it plain that the Antichrist is "destroyed" at this very same "coming of Christ" in which we are "gathered unto Him."

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."

If the Antichrist is "destroyed" by the brightness of Christ's coming in which we are "gathered" or raptured out to safety, how then could he rule and reign for another three-and-a-half to seven years after this time, as is taught by so many in the modern church world of today?

If you will read slowly and prayerfully through this whole chapter, you will see that the entire reason it was even written in the first place was to make this one very important point: That the Antichrist must come "first," and sit in the Temple claiming to be God Himself, and causing a "great falling away from the Christian Faith," - before - Jesus comes to rapture us out, or "gather" us unto Himself, not "after."

It also speaks of people who will try to deceive us into thinking that this can happen some other way. Sadly, most of the Christian teachers and theologians of today are doing just that: Teaching that Jesus will come "first" and rapture us out before the Antichrist comes to power, and a great persecution of the Christian Faith begins in earnest, which will cause many to "fall away."

They are setting almost the entire church system up for what may possibly be the biggest fall in its history when things do not turn out as they have been taught that they will. Many Christians will be terribly discouraged, as they will think that the Lord has left them behind to suffer, and that He is not with them.

This is a very serious false teaching that needs to be brought out into the light of Scripture, where it can be easily proven wrong, before it is too late, and it wreaks terrible havoc on much of the Lord's church, and many of His sincere followers.

Here is another set of Scriptures that make it very plain that Christians are still here, with some being persecuted and even killed for Christ during the time of the Antichrist's reign:

Revelation 20:4,5

"AND I SAW THRONES, AND THEY SAT UPON THEM, AND JUDGMENT WAS GIVEN UNTO THEM, AND I SAW THE SOULS OF THEM THAT WERE BEHEADED FOR THE WITNESS OF JESUS, AND FOR THE WORD OF GOD, AND WHICH HAD NOT WORSHIPED THE BEAST, NEITHER HIS IMAGE, NEITHER HAD RECEIVED HIS MARK UPON THEIR FOREHEADS, OR IN THEIR HANDS, AND THEY LIVED AND REIGNED WITH CHRIST A THOUSAND YEARS."

"...THIS IS THE FIRST RESURRECTION."

As you can plainly see from these verses, not only are Christians obviously still here on earth at this time, being persecuted, and some even beheaded by the Antichrist for their faith, but the "first resurrection," or "raising from the dead" has not even come yet.

When this persecution is finally over, and these dear Christian martyrs are raised from the dead, "judged," and rewarded by the Lord for their faithfulness, it then calls this "the first resurrection."

So if this "first resurrection" spoken of here, comes "after" the Antichrist's reign, in which he persecutes and even beheads many Christians, then what resurrection is it talking about back in 1st Thessalonians 4; the chapter that most of the churches use when they teach about pre-tribulation rapture?

Let's look at 1st Thessalonians 4 once again to see what we are talking about here:

1st Thessalonians 4:16,17

"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,' (this is speaking of the resurrection) THEN WE WHICH ARE ALIVE AND REMAIN SHALL BE CAUGHT UP TOGETHER WITH THEM IN THE CLOUDS TO MEET THE LORD IN THE AIR..."

The "dead in Christ rising" in this passage is speaking of "the resurrection!" That is what the terminology of "the dead rising" means by definition! It cannot come "before" the resurrection spoken of in Revelation 20, or the one in that passage could not be the "first one!" Therefore both these areas of Scripture have to be speaking about the same resurrection; the "first one."

So therefore, according to Revelation 20:4-6, it comes "after" the Antichrist's reign and beheading of Christians, not before. There it is in plain black and white. There is no getting around it.

Most churches teach that the rapture spoken of in 1st Thessalonians 4 happens "before" the Antichrist comes to power, but in light of what we have just read there is simply no way that this can be true.

Obviously, these people still had to be here on earth during the Antichrist's reign in order to refuse to receive his "mark," and to be killed by him as martyrs for the Lord. They could not have been "raptured out" yet. They also receive the great honor of ruling and reigning as Kings and Queens with the Lord when He returns, for their willingness to give their very lives for Him.

This is hardly the type of reward that would be given to someone who had been "left behind" like the churches teach, and therefore punished by the Lord. This sounds more like a reward for someone that the Lord is very proud of!

All of Jesus' original disciples died as martyrs except for John the Beloved, and of course Judas, the traitor; who died, but not as a martyr. Countless numbers of devout Christians have given their lives as martyrs for the Lord all down through time in every century since Jesus walked the earth!

So this is something that is bestowed upon a person as a great honor, not something that a person is punished with because they were not ready for the Lord when He came for them, as most churches falsely teach.

So once again, just to drive the point home, if the "first resurrection" spoken of in Revelation 20 clearly comes "after" this great persecution and reign of the Antichrist, then the "resurrection" spoken of back in 1st Thessalonians 4 must therefore also come at this same time, "after" this terrible tribulation, and not before!

They have to be speaking of the same resurrection. There is simply no way around it. This message is mainly for other Christians who may be reading or hearing this message, that have been led astray by this false teaching, to help you prepare for what is actually going to happen before it's too late.

It may seem like I'm "beating a dead horse" here on this subject, and you may have grown tired of hearing it by now, but later on when things get really bad under the terrible persecution of the Antichrist, and you see how people begin to react to this false teaching they've been fed, and the terrible destructive influence it will have, you will see the great importance in understanding the truth concerning this matter, and why I have "harped" on this subject so long and hard.

It will be a very important thing to know in that day, which does not look to be very far away according to present world events.

Getting back to these "vials of wrath" that are described in detail in Revelation 16: They do not paint a pretty picture! They are, in fact, going to be more terrifying than any horror movie that Hollywood has ever yet made, and they've made some pretty hellish ones.

It is at this time that the most terrible events that we have spoken of will occur, such as the terrible nuclear war, and the absolute worst of the many natural disasters strike in earnest, which are so dramatically portrayed in many of the end time movies like 2012, where whole cities are collapsing and either falling into the fiery abyss of red hot magma below or sliding into the sea.

But before this time we who have received Jesus are all gathered by the Angels who come with the Lord.

We will all begin to rise into the air to meet the Lord in this most wonderful of experiences, which, as I said before, is known as the "gathering unto Christ" or the "rapture of the church" in which we are taken not only to a place of safety in heaven with Christ, but to an awesome party in the sky known as "the wedding supper of the Lamb."

This terminology of a "wedding" refers to His true Church as being like His Bride, "the Bride of Christ," who He is forever married to in a wonderful victory celebration over death and hell, and there is an actual enormous wedding feast where we all dine with the Lord and have a wonderful get-together with our King and Savior.

This will be the time of great joy for all of us who've chosen to follow Christ, and even to suffer for Him, as each one of us is called before the King to receive great rewards for all that we have done for Him in this life in helping others, and being His messengers and His hands of love to the world in feeding the poor, ministering to the sick, bringing people to salvation in Jesus, and all the many related things that true Christians and missionaries do everyday, day in and day out.

But in the mean time, there is hell being poured out on the earth as the Lord is having to "purge it with great fire" to destroy all the damaging and terrible pollution brought on by these hellish wars, as well as the host of harmful polluting chemicals which were so destructive to the environment, and to all life on the planet. So the Lord purges it with great fire.

HERE ARE MORE VERSES THAT SPEAK OF THIS GREAT PURGING AND "FIRE" IN VERY GRAPHIC DETAIL:

Psalm 50: 3 (1,000 B.C.)

"OUR GOD SHALL COME, AND SHALL NOT KEEP SILENCE: A 'FIRE' SHALL DEVOUR BEFORE HIM, AND IT SHALL BE VERY TEMPESTUOUS ROUND ABOUT HIM."

Joel 2:1-3

"BLOW YE THE TRUMPET IN ZION, AND SOUND AN ALARM IN MY HOLY MOUNTAIN: LET ALL THE INHABITANTS OF THE LAND TREMBLE, FOR THE DAY OF THE LORD COMES; FOR IT IS NEAR AT HAND;"

"A DAY OF DARKNESS AND GLOOMINESS, A DAY OF CLOUDS AND OF THICK DARKNESS, AS THE MORNING SPREAD UPON THE MOUNTAINS: A GREAT PEOPLE AND A STRONG; THERE HAS NOT BEEN EVER THE LIKE, NEITHER SHALL BE ANYMORE AFTER IT, EVEN TO THE YEARS OF MANY GENERATIONS."

"A 'FIRE' DEVOURS BEFORE THEM AND BEHIND THEM A 'FLAME BURNS:' THE

LAND IS AS THE GARDEN OF EDEN BEFORE THEM, AND BEHIND THEM A DESOLATE WILDERNESS; YEA, AND NOTHING SHALL ESCAPE THEM."

Joel 2:30

"AND I WILL SHOW WONDERS IN THE HEAVENS AND IN THE EARTH, BLOOD, AND 'FIRE' AND PILLARS OF SMOKE."

Isaiah 24:6

"THEREFORE HAS THE CURSE DEVoured THE EARTH, AND THEY THAT DWELL THEREIN ARE DESOLATE: THEREFORE THE INHABITANTS OF THE EARTH ARE 'BURNED,' AND FEW MEN LEFT."

Isaiah 30:30

"AND THE LORD SHALL CAUSE HIS GLORIOUS VOICE TO BE HEARD, AND SHALL SHOW THE LIGHTING DOWN OF HIS ARM, WITH THE INDIGNATION OF HIS ANGER, AND WITH THE 'FLAME OF A DEVOURING FIRE,' WITH SCATTERING, AND TEMPEST, AND HAILSTONES."

Isaiah 66:15

"FOR, BEHOLD, THE LORD WILL COME WITH 'FIRE,' AND WITH HIS CHARIOTS LIKE A WHIRLWIND, TO RENDER HIS ANGER WITH FURY, AND HIS REBUKE WITH 'FLAMES OF FIRE."

Daniel 7:9,10

"I BEHELD TILL THE THRONES WERE CAST DOWN, AND THE ANCIENT OF DAYS DID SIT, (GOD) WHOSE GARMENT WAS WHITE AS SNOW, AND THE HAIR OF HIS HEAD LIKE THE PURE WOOL: HIS THRONE WAS LIKE THE 'FIERY FLAME,' AND HIS WHEELS AS 'BURNING FIRE."

"A 'FIERY STREAM' ISSUED AND CAME FORTH FROM BEFORE HIM, THOUSAND THOUSANDS MINISTERED UNTO HIM, AND TEN THOUSAND TIMES TEN THOUSAND STOOD BEFORE HIM: THE JUDGMENT WAS SET, AND THE BOOKS WERE OPENED."

Psalms 46:6

"THE HEATHEN RAGED, THE KINGDOMS WERE MOVED, HE UTTERED HIS VOICE, THE EARTH 'MELTED."

Malachi 4:1

"FOR, BEHOLD, THE DAY COMES THAT SHALL 'BURN AS AN OVEN,' AND ALL THE PROUD, YEA, AND ALL THAT DO WICKEDLY, SHALL BE STUBBLE AND THE DAY THAT COMES SHALL 'BURN' THEM UP, SAYS THE LORD OF HOSTS..."

Luke 17:28-30

"LIKEWISE ALSO AS IT WAS IN THE DAYS OF LOT, THEY DID EAT, THEY DRANK, THEY BOUGHT, THEY SOLD, THEY PLANTED, THEY BUILT;"

"BUT THE SAME DAY THAT LOT WENT OUT OF SODOM IT RAINED 'FIRE' AND BRIMSTONE FROM HEAVEN, AND DESTROYED THEM ALL."

"EVEN THUS SHALL IT BE IN THE DAY WHEN THE SON OF MAN (JESUS) IS REVEALED."

Acts 2:19-21

"AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS, ...I WILL SHOW WONDERS IN THE HEAVEN ABOVE AND SIGNS IN THE EARTH BENEATH; BLOOD, AND 'FIRE,' AND VAPOR OF SMOKE:"

"THE SUN SHALL BE TURNED INTO DARKNESS AND THE MOON INTO BLOOD BEFORE THAT GREAT AND NOTABLE DAY OF THE LORD COME:"

"AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS THAT WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD (JESUS CHRIST) SHALL BE SAVED!"

2 Peter 3:7-13

"BUT THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH, WHICH ARE NOW, BY THE SAME WORD KEPT IN STORE, RESERVED UNTO 'FIRE' AGAINST THE DAY OF JUDGMENT AND PERDITION OF UNGODLY MEN."

"BUT, BELOVED, BE NOT IGNORANT OF THIS ONE THING, THAT ONE DAY IS WITH THE LORD AS A THOUSAND YEARS, AND A THOUSAND YEARS AS ONE DAY."

"THE LORD IS NOT SLACK CONCERNING HIS PROMISE, AS SOME MEN COUNT SLACKNESS; BUT IS LONG SUFFERING TO US-WARD, NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH, BUT THAT ALL SHOULD COME TO REPENTANCE."

"BUT THE DAY OF THE LORD WILL COME AS A THIEF IN THE NIGHT, IN THE WHICH THE HEAVENS SHALL PASS AWAY WITH A GREAT NOISE, AND THE ELEMENTS SHALL 'MELT WITH FERVENT HEAT,' THE EARTH ALSO AND THE WORKS THAT ARE THEREIN SHALL BE 'BURNED UP."

"SEEING THEN THAT ALL THESE THINGS SHALL BE DISSOLVED, WHAT MANNER OF PERSONS OUGHT YOU TO BE IN ALL HOLY CONVERSATION AND GODLINESS,"

"LOOKING FOR AND HASTING UNTO THE COMING OF THE DAY OF GOD, WHEREIN THE HEAVENS BEING 'ON FIRE' SHALL BE DISSOLVED, AND THE ELEMENTS SHALL MELT WITH FERVENT HEAT?"

"NEVERTHELESS WE, ACCORDING TO HIS PROMISE, LOOK FOR NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH, WHEREIN DWELLS RIGHTEOUSNESS."

(NEVERTHELESS WE, ACCORDING TO HIS PROMISE,) "LOOK FOR NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH?" WHAT? ..."NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH?" ..."HIS PROMISE?" ...WOW !!!

THAT'S A BEAUTIFUL ENDING TO WHAT SOUNDS SO FAR LIKE A VERY SCARY AND TRAGIC STORY!?

IT IS AT THIS POINT THAT WE BEGIN TO GET THE PICTURE OF JUST WHERE GOD IS GOING WITH ALL THIS, AND TO GET THE VISION OF THE WONDERFUL NEW WORLD THAT IS TO COME.

But first, let's talk more about why the present earth must be purged with fire to destroy the terrible pollution that has overwhelmed it in centuries gone by, and especially now in this, the last days, when the earth is being polluted to such a degree that it is almost beyond comprehension. This is why the Bible says in Revelation 11:18 that, "He will destroy them that destroy the earth."

CHAPTER TEN:

"HE WILL DESTROY THEM THAT DESTROY THE EARTH!"

So far it may look to many of you like God is a pretty mean guy. It appears that He is just going to come for no apparent reason and destroy the poor old world with all these terrible events:

Violent weather, tornadoes, hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, plagues, disease, wars, and terrorism... the impacts of asteroids, comets, and meteorite showers, volcanoes going off, a gigantic earthquake that is unprecedented in world history, nuclear war; and finally a world-wide fire!

It's not a pretty picture! But much of the end time devastation, as well as the pollution of the world, and the destruction of whole civilizations down through time has been caused by man's inhumanity to his fellow man, not God!

Greed, corruption, oppression of the poor, massive destruction of the earth through the violence of hellish wars, from massive bombs of different types going off, leaving behind pollution and radiation, to land mines everywhere killing innocent children.

Then there's poisoning of the atmosphere, the earth, and the water, by the host of many polluting chemicals, and wastes such as nuclear waste, mercury poisoning, and poisoning of the food supply through pesticides.

And just look at the horrible damage that has occurred from the terrible incident of the B.P. Oil platform that blew up, and has spewed millions of gallons of oil into the Gulf of Mexico, as well as all of the large oil spills of the past.

There is no telling to what magnitude the degree of destruction from this spill will finally reach, or what the final effect of it will be on the oceans, and the aquatic life, as well as the earth's environment as a whole, not to mention the horrible effects it will have on the local economies of the main affected areas, and the loss of jobs, and ruin of much of the fishing industry, and tourism.

Also there are many "mad scientists" secretly messing around with things they shouldn't be, like the well documented HAARP system in Alaska and the Russian Woodpecker system, that are both capable of altering the weather and creating earthquakes.

The book "Angels Don't Play This HAARP" was a major player that broke the story on it. It speaks of how the Alaskan "High Altitude Auroral Research Project" was first created by Dr. Bernard Eastlund to help oil companies find oil, by the use of low frequency radio waves sent into the earth to find oil pockets.

Then they noticed that one of the side-effects that was produced as they did this, was that it made the ground shake! Enter the U.S. Air Force.

They came in immediately and bought Dr. Eastlund's project and began to work with it themselves in the sphere of what are known as "black" or secret operations for the military. They wanted to use this new technology as a weapon to produce earthquakes in enemy nations.

This has now been well documented in many scientific journals and television documentaries, and is why Hugo Chavez, the President of Venezuela, accused the U.S. of using this "earthquake technology" on Haiti recently.

He blamed them for having created the quake there for their own purposes to allow them to put a large number of U.S. troops in Haiti to help control and dominate the region. Whether there is validity to this or not is disputable, but that is not the point here. The point is that the cat is out of the bag on this technology.

They say that if a quake is being created by this machine, that the Aurora Borealis or the "Northern Lights" will be seen near the quake area by people before hand. This has been seen in several recent quakes world-wide, and reported by many.

But there is another anomaly that they are also able to create with this system: Giant radio wave transmitters, a whole field of them put together, shoot extremely powerful radio waves at different frequencies into the upper ionosphere.

When they do this, it heats up the ionosphere, and bounces a beam back to earth that also dramatically heats up the spot it hits in as they focus it properly. They then found out that they were able to manipulate the weather with this technology.

They are called "Ionospheric Heaters." Supposedly they can magnify the intensity of hurricanes and large tornadoes, as well as guide them by heating the water or air and land masses in front of the storm. Some sources say that they can actually "create" hurricanes and large storms with this "atmospheric heating technology."

People have found this very hard to believe, yet there is ample documented evidence that proves that this technology is capable doing these things dating clear back to the 1970's.

Zbigniew Brzezinski, former President Jimmy Carter's top foreign policy advisor was one of the first to break the story on it in the 1970's. He wrote a book called "Between Two Ages," that you can check out at any major library or probably look up on line.

In this book, a whole chapter was devoted to the new devices they had invented clear back then, some of which could dramatically alter the weather, making them a possible tool of modern warfare to use against other countries.

Not only can they help create and magnify tremendous storms, but they can put the jet stream into a "holding pattern" for extended periods of time, creating super-high temperatures and resultant drought, crop failure, and famine on one side of the jet; while on the other side are extreme storms that produce tremendous flooding, washing away nearly everything in sight!

So many of the tremendous storms and flooding we've had of late globally may not just be the approaching of "Planet-X," or some other large astral body, but also the secret use of these ionospheric heaters creating much of this damage.

It is probably a combination of both! As shown in the previous chapter, there is an interesting verse in Revelation 11:18 which states:

"HE (GOD) WILL DESTROY THEM THAT DESTROY THE EARTH..."

Is the tremendous loss of life, crops, top soil for growing, and land mass from massive flooding in some of the larger agricultural areas of the world, as well as the terrible weather related disasters in many nations we've been experiencing lately, possibly what this verse may be referring too, along with the many other types of pollution mentioned above that "destroy the earth," including the terrible destructive wars?

These areas that have been hit so hard by these great disasters have suffered tremendous loss of life and property, with people dying in great numbers.

Those who survive usually lose everything they have, and are displaced out of their homes

as they are destroyed, when these tremendous hurricanes, tornadoes, and super-intensified storms and flooding hit.

Many suspect foul play involved in Hurricane Katrina, because at the last minute that storm took a very unusual sharp left turn directly into New Orleans. It was going to miss it, and suddenly turned for some unexplained reason.

Many believe that the only thing that could possibly cause an anomaly such as this is one of these "weather-warfare machines," or "ionospheric heaters." We can not be sure, but God knows! He is watching. It is all being recorded and will be accounted for in the end by Him!

There was even a treaty signed in the 1970's between the world's leading nations, when these machines were first invented, and they began to secretly use them, and experiment with them, stating that they would not use these "weather technologies" against each other in war.

Other nations now have their own versions of these machines too. I mentioned the Russian Woodpecker system. They call it this because they say that it sounds like a woodpecker when firing up.

Both of these giant radio frequency antennae systems have been shown on television now on various shows. What was just recently laughed at by most of the general public has now become common knowledge to many, that these things exist and are being secretly used.

Another terrible side-effect of this technology is that not all the radio waves bounce off the ionosphere and come back down to earth. Part of the waves go far into outer space and come back around in an elliptical orbit deep into the earth's crust, possibly causing deep earthquakes of greater magnitude.

Some have surmised that the 600 mile deep quake in Peru in the last decade, that cracked tectonic plates all over the world, and caused the earth to "ring like a bell" was caused by the use of this technology.

But one of the worst side-effects of this technology is that where those beams go through the ionosphere into outer space, and also where they come back in, they destroy the ozone in those areas making huge holes.

This may be the actual prime culprit in much of the destruction of the ozone layer, and not just carbon emissions. This is what may be responsible for the large hole in the earth's magnetosphere that the scientists are all so worried about.

It has been the hot topic of late, with all the concern over giant solar flares coming through the broken down magnetosphere, and destroying all the earth's electric grids, possibly pushing modern society clear back into the preindustrial age! But have you ever noticed that they never say "why" the magnetosphere is broken down?

It is very possibly from the irresponsible actions of these "mad scientists" that are so in to playing with nature and performing their experiments to see what will happen when they do "this" or "that," that they have just cast it all to the wind in their mad blindness, not caring at all how many people they hurt, or what happens to the environment of the earth.

Perhaps it is because so many of them have become atheists as I stated before, due to the false teachings of the modern "rationalist thinkers" so-called! So therefore they regard mankind like ants: worthless, meaningless creatures which it is perfectly fine to experiment on without regard to human life or the pain and suffering they cause!

These highly educated men are indeed like monkeys playing with dynamite and matches! In their out-of-control disregard for human life, and lack of concern for what they are doing to the planet, they are racing at break-neck speed to come up with more and more destructive technologies.

God will have to intervene and stop it all, or we will destroy ourselves before Planet-X can even get here!

These are not the only secret things that have been done that have hurt mankind by these "black-ops" or secret operations. There is also much that has come out recently on the television news, and documentary shows about the secret projects like the creation of diseases in government laboratories, and chemical and biological warfare.

Before the great news anchor Peter Jennings passed away, he reported on ABC Nightly News that one of the flu viruses that hit America in the latter half of the 20th century wasn't from natural causes at all. It had been created in a government laboratory and sprayed into the jet stream over California by Navy jets to see how it would follow the jet and how it would affect the population of the U.S. so that they could possibly use it in warfare against an enemy nation.

Supposedly it was to be a very low dose that would only make people sick for a short while, but they could track how it spread throughout the country and see if it was a viable option to use in war. Well, many people died from it, and it was all swept under the rug. Mr. Jennings said that he obtained these reports through the "Freedom of Information Act."

Also, around that same time, it was reported on ABC news and other news channels, as well as just recently on a public documentary channel, that the CIA had secretly experimented on soldiers and sailors, without their knowledge or permission, with small doses of chemical and biological agents, and even nerve gas!

Many died from it, and now the children of those who survived have leukemia, and are suing the government of the United States.

But to amaze you even further with this madness, it was then reported on these same shows that the government thought this was such a good idea, that they would also test these things secretly in American cities on innocent civilians, without their knowledge of what was going on, only in low doses of course.

Once again, many died and were made terribly sick by it. They put up a map of the U.S. right on the television screen on ABC news, showing the cities marked in red that they released these harmful toxins in, and they were all over the country.

And we all know, or have heard on the news how the former Soviet Union did many experiments on people with nuclear radiation and chemical and biological agents, testing to see how these things could be used in war. It was widely reported that parts of Russia are so polluted, where they dumped this toxic waste in the ground, that many people are sick from.

The US, Russia, and many other governments of the world have polluted the earth and "destroyed" it as the Bible says, by dumping these toxic wastes in the oceans, and burying them in the ground, literally turning the earth into one giant cesspool of toxic garbage.

All of this will have to be burned off by the Lord when He returns, to restore the planet back to pristine conditions. So this is very possibly why the earth's surface and the atmosphere must be burned so severely by the Lord, to destroy all these toxins and pollutants and chemicals that are so harmful to mankind.

The dioxin in Agent Orange, the chemical "jungle-defoliant" that was used massively in

Vietnam by the U.S. Air Force to "kill the weeds" or defoliate the jungle so that the enemy could be better seen, is said to now have reached a level of such terribly high concentrations in the ground, that the crops grown there are so polluted that children are being born with terrible birth defects at enormously high rates, not to mention the thousands of poor Viet Nam veterans it "rained down" on, and how so many have suffered and died from it.

It was called "Orange Rain." If it started raining, and was orange colored, that meant that they were spraying it from above out of large Jets. Thousands of Nam Vets have suffered terribly from the side effects of this chemical, and also their children, with their immune systems weakened terribly, and many even dying from cancer as a result.

And just look at what is happening in the scientific world of gene-splicing and the human-genome experiments. It really appears that they have actually gone mad with some of their ideas concerning the things that they are trying to create. It was reported a few years back that they want to create a "man-bull."

Does this have anything to do with the ancient "man-bull" god of old? Are the same evil spirits guiding these "misguided men" in their quest for what they wish to create in such awful experiments?

They wanted to produce a combination of a man and a bull, a man and a horse, and, of all things, a man and a spider? ...what's up with that?

And they have many other ridiculous combinations of creatures that they have said they wish to experiment with, crossing different animals and insects. All this has been reported on the news.

In the Bible, God specifically forbid cross-breeding of the species, and this may even be one of the reasons for the early destruction of the earth by the great flood of Noah.

What they are doing with human genetics often borders on being criminal, and is certainly against God's rules in the Bible, although some of this research seems to be for the good of mankind, such as to find cures for certain diseases.

Most of the scientists and doctors who are working on these projects are good people who are really trying to help mankind. Not all of these people are working on evil secret experiments.

Most truly care about helping mankind, and have given their lives to come up with new ideas and creations in the field of medicine for the benefit of mankind, and should be praised for their achievements and work. So there are good people among them, and I'd say probably the greater majority.

But what you have just read above is the main reason the Lord has to "purge the earth with great fire," to cleanse it in preparation for restoring it back to its original condition, for mankind to live on in good health, with healthy crops and thriving agriculture.

CHAPTER ELEVEN:

"THE GREAT DECEIVER - THE FATHER OF LIES" "THE GREAT WAR FOR THE SOULS OF MANKIND"

We just covered, in the last chapter, how Jesus will soon return and purge the earth with fire, and how He will then restore the surface of the earth and the atmospheric heavens; making the world back into the beautiful "paradise" that it once was.

Right before this great purging, He will come and remove all of His children to safety in the great event referred to earlier as the rapture. We will then return with Him to help Him establish His glorious Millennial Kingdom, ruling over the survivors of this great "earth purge" in great love and compassion, and starting a brand new world.

Though few in number, as Isaiah said, these people will quickly repopulate the earth, in the newly restored lush and glorious beauty of it's original "pristine condition," similar to the original Garden of Eden. It will be a world of incomparable beauty.

Unfortunately though, before this wonderful story can play itself out, there is a very big problem! You see; just as mankind has a Savior who dearly loves us all, and died for us, that we might live forever; we also have a great enemy that seeks to destroy as many of us as possible. This evil spiritual entity is Satan. Very shortly he will bring forth a man to rule the world.

This is the Antichrist that we spoke of earlier; Satan's son, "the son of perdition" or "damnation" as the Bible calls him. He will come first before Jesus returns to try to deceive as many as possible into following him into death and destruction. At first he will portray himself as a great man of peace who is going to save the world.

Yet he is hateful beyond measure and he also has a plan: to destroy as many souls of mankind as he can, and to prevent you from hearing and understanding this glorious good news of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and especially to prevent you from accepting it. He will do everything he can to keep you from receiving Jesus as your Savior.

He will have some really good lines and arguments. The Bible says that he will "speak great words against the Most High," (God) and His followers. Jesus said that his words would be so powerful and convincing that if it were possible even the very "elect" or specially chosen of God would be deceived.

Think of how powerful and convincing Hitler's words were to the people of Germany in his day? The antichrist will greatly eclipse Hitler in his oratory and ability to persuade people of his cause! After all the Devil who possesses him is the "king" of deceit and lies, as the Bible states in John 8:44.

Fortunately his reign on earth will be short, a mere seven years. During the first three and a half years of this reign he will appear to have solved many of the world's problems and even brought peace to the Middle-East between Israel and its neighbors. As stated before he, will even allow the rebuilding of the Jewish Temple and the re-starting of their religious sacrifices of old.

After the first half of his reign he will take off his "halo" and put on his "horns!" His true nature will come out! He will be seen for the evil king of terror that he really is, as he begins to try to subjugate the entire earth into one religion: The worship of himself as God! During this time he will even sit in the Temple of God, claiming to be God!

According to Revelation chapter 13, he will even have a false prophet performing

supernatural miracles in his name to help deceive the world into believing he's really God.

This false prophet will even be able to call down fire from heaven to help deceive the people of the world to worship him and receive him as God.

According to Revelation 13:14 & 15, he will even have an "image" of himself made, that could very well be one of the incredible new life-like robots, that they have recently begun to invent, that may even have its own artificial intelligence, or that may actually possess his own intelligence somehow through some new technology they may yet come out with.

It will probably be much more state of the art than today's first versions they are just now inventing, but even these are quite startling when people first see them. Some of them are so life like and realistic that people can hardly tell the difference between them and real human beings, with the newest ones most recently being made.

The Bible says that this image will be able to, "SPEAK, AND TO CAUSE AS MANY WHO WILL NOT WORSHIP THE IMAGE OF THE BEAST TO BE KILLED!" That would be quite terrifying to most people. It will have the ability to kill people! Perhaps this will be more scientific than people will know.

Since it appears to be some sort of robotic-android type thing, maybe it will be hooked electronically into a laser satellite system to which it sends signals, that can "zap" and destroy those who refuse to receive the mark of the beast with some sort of "laser-lightning bolt."

As mentioned in verse 13 of that chapter this "false prophet" has the ability to "call down fire from heaven!" This could very possibly apply to the new laser technologies that have been invented.

So once again, Revelation chapter 13 is right on target with the modern technologies that are being invented right now today. How could John have seen these things nearly 2,000 years ago that are just now being developed?

Think of it for a minute: John was shown that in the future, during this Antichrist's reign, there would be a world-wide financial system established that will no longer be based on money, but by doing transactions, buying and selling, by using something that appeared to be a "mark" in a persons "right hand or forehead."

Revelation 13: 16 - 18

"AND HE CAUSES ALL, BOTH SMALL AND GREAT, RICH AND POOR, FREE AND BOND, TO RECEIVE A MARK IN THEIR RIGHT HAND, OR IN THEIR FOREHEADS:"

"AND THAT NO MAN MIGHT BUY OR SELL, SAVE HE THAT HAD THE MARK, OR THE NAME OF THE BEAST, OR THE NUMBER OF HIS NAME."

"HERE IS WISDOM. LET HIM THAT HAS UNDERSTANDING COUNT THE NUMBER OF THE BEAST: FOR IT IS THE NUMBER OF A MAN; AND HIS NUMBER IS SIX HUNDRED AND SIXTY SIX."

(This is the infamous "666" that you have all probably heard about by now...)

As you can see, nearly two thousand years ago, John the Revelator peered far off into the future, and was shown that in the end of time, this final great world leader would try to force everyone in the world to take something that he referred to as a "mark" in their right hand or forehead, without which they cannot buy or sell.

When you think of the various new micro-chip implants that are designed to go under the skin, and that one of the main purposes for this new technology is for buying and selling,

this is indeed an incredible prophecy!

Perhaps to John it may have looked like a person was taking a writing tool and "marking" people in the right hand or forehead as the device they presently use to implant these chips is a large shot needle that would certainly resemble such a thing.

There may also be some kind of tattoo or mark that actually goes over the chip so they can see exactly where to pass the scanner across it to make purchases, or for other things such as going to the hospital, or any of the many daily duties they are presently showing in commercials that people will use this technology for.

But you must admit, that what John saw here a full two thousand years ago is pretty amazing in light of what is presently coming onto the world scene, where people will be able to buy and sell using this new implant-chip technology, as well as the introduction of these new android type robots that are so human and life-like that they can even think for themselves with artificial intelligence!

They may become so sophisticated with this new technology, that they can hone in on a person's brain wave frequency, and somehow impart this directly into the electronic brain of the robot, so that the person is able to operate it with their own thoughts.

Perhaps this will be the next great scientific marvel and invention that they are able to come out with, that will open the door for the Antichrist to be able to use this technology to operate this coming "image" of himself.

The things that John saw here in vision that would come in the end of the world should astound you! This truly is an amazing miracle that he saw and described these things so accurately, so very long ago, things are right now coming onto the world scene!

This should be real proof to anyone with a truly seeking heart or a "listening ear" that the Bible really is a supernatural book, and that what it teaches is really the truth.

Concerning this "mark of the beast," the Lord says not to take it, and to trust Him to feed and care for us miraculously, and He will. He has never failed in all the years of earth's history, to provide very wonderfully for His people, even in the most adverse of circumstances.

Many of the horrible and painful tribulation judgments that are talked about in the Book of Revelation, fall on the Antichrist and his people who have taken this mark, and not the people of God who are protected. They are the ones that get the bad end of the deal!

So for heaven's sake, and your own sake, don't take this mark and have these same terrible judgments fall on you. Turn to Christ, and trust Him fully, and He will protect and provide for you and yours through these perilous times ahead. The Lord miraculously protects all those who turn to Him. He is very faithful! He will supply all of our needs! He has promised it!

Philippians 4:19

"BUT MY GOD SHALL SUPPLY ALL YOUR NEED ACCORDING TO HIS RICHES IN GLORY BY CHRIST JESUS."

Unfortunately, Satan's words through the Antichrist will sound so convincing to many of the world's population. Christians and people of other religions will appear to be so old fashioned, superstitious, and stupid for their beliefs.

He will have a propaganda machine such as the world has never seen, like Hollywood, and it may even possibly be Hollywood, according to the content of some of the movies, entertainment and talk shows, and news programs that are now coming out of there; not to

mention the so-called "scientific and historical" documentaries.

This great public relations outreach will be designed to appeal to mainly the youth of the world, and sweep everyone into a "euphoria" of believing that this is the best guy who has ever come along to rule the world. He is our savior! How could anyone not accept him? His popularity among great world leaders will be without comparison in the annals of history.

He will persecute, and attempt to kill all who refuse to receive him and worship him as God, and most of the world will agree with him, that "yes, these fools need to go with their superstitious beliefs and stubborn refusal to change with the times and accept this wonderful man!"

Look at the "euphoria" that swept the German populace when Hitler came onto the world stage and spoke to the masses. Look at the same type of "national hysteria" that swept Russia under Lenin and Stalin, and to an even greater extent in China under Mao, whether by great fear, or the power of their words and ideas.

The vast majority of their peoples stood behind them and cheered when they began their "purges" in the killing of millions of Jews, Christians, and anyone else who refused to go along with their madness in implementing their new ideas, philosophies, and governments.

The world has seen some pretty terrible tyrants and ruthless dictators in its history, but what this man does will top them all. Yet, Jesus will totally protect and care for all who turn to Him and follow Him closely during this time, from the wrath of this maniac.

SCRIPTURES THAT SPEAK OF THE ANTICHRIST :

Daniel 7:25

"AND HE (The Antichrist) SHALL SPEAK GREAT WORDS AGAINST THE MOST HIGH, (God) AND SHALL WEAR OUT THE SAINTS OF THE MOST HIGH, AND THINK TO CHANGE TIMES AND LAWS: AND THEY SHALL BE GIVEN INTO HIS HAND UNTIL A TIME AND TIMES AND THE DIVIDING OF TIME."

He will speak "great words" against God and His followers. As I said, this man will have even greater speaking ability and power to persuade and influence the masses of the world, than Hitler, Lenin, Stalin, Mao, or any of the great political "movers and shakers" in history.

His hypnotic words will captivate and literally mesmerize his listeners. His charismatic personality and powers of persuasion will command the utmost respect, loyalty, and obedience from his followers, leading to mindless zealotry!

When he issues his infamous "mark of the beast," spoken of in Revelation 13, this adoration and worship could actually become real mindless zealotry, as people's minds may be literally be taken over by this chip implantation system that will have the ability to influence their thinking, and actions to the point that they are like mindless robots, or "Manchurian Candidates," blindly following this crazed man.

The miracles, or supernatural acts performed by his false prophet will cause most people to want to accept this mark by the millions, thinking that he is indeed God in the flesh.

As stated before, he will even be able to call down fire from heaven to destroy many who refuse to worship this man as God, and to take his mark. That in itself will literally scare the daylights out of most people who don't know the Lord.

Talk about putting pressure on people. Satan uses fear and pure brute force to subjugate

the people and crush them under his leadership. This will make the NAZIS of old, and the Communists like Lenin, Stalin, and Mao look weak!

Yet Jesus will miraculously protect all who turn to Him in sincerity. These things will not be allowed to harm those who turn to Christ with all their hearts. The Bible says that they are "sealed" by God for protection.

He will think to change "times and laws." He will most likely try to change the great Christian sign-post of how modern time is measured in most countries of the world.

B.C., before Christ in many places has been changed to BCE, before the Common Era. This is, of course, because this "focal point" upon which most of modern time is based relates to the birth of Jesus Christ, who is his arch-enemy.

He may well try to change other time related measurements also, that have been established by God since the beginning, such as perhaps the number of days in a week. This changing of "times and laws" could also apply to many other areas as well.

God will only grant him the power to do these things for "a time and times and the dividing of time." This means "a year, two years, and a half of a year", or three and a half years, in the language of old, given to Daniel the Prophet.

One of the main reasons he may try to change the measurement of time is to make it hard for the followers of God to be able to count the number of days, months, or years of his short reign that are spoken of in these very prophecies, and to be able to count down the days until Christ will part the heavens and come to rescue them.

These prophecies are based on the Judean calendar of old, that has 360 days in a year: So as the many events of the end begin to unfold, and things like asteroid impacts, and volcanic eruptions begin to darken the sky, it may become very hard to keep track of things like day and night.

If all the clocks and devices that measure time are changed, then this would make it very confusing to most people to keep track of the number of days, especially under such darkened and cloudy conditions, not being able to tell the difference between day and night.

It may be hard to measure time by the old standards that he has changed, and become very confusing to the followers of God. This could be done in a massive attempt to make it impossible to keep track of the days, and therefore cause many to become discouraged or even to fall away from their faith. He will want to make it as hard as possible on the followers of God, and "wear out the Saints" as it says above.

Daniel 8:23 - 25

"AND IN THE LATTER TIME OF THEIR KINGDOM, WHEN THE TRANSGRESSORS ARE COME TO THE FULL, A KING OF FIERCE COUNTENANCE, AND UNDERSTANDING DARK SENTENCES, SHALL STAND UP."

"AND HIS POWER SHALL BE MIGHTY, BUT NOT BY HIS OWN POWER: AND HE SHALL DESTROY WONDERFULLY, AND SHALL PROSPER AND PRACTICE, AND SHALL DESTROY THE MIGHTY AND THE HOLY PEOPLE."

"AND THROUGH HIS POLICY ALSO HE SHALL CAUSE CRAFT TO PROSPER IN HIS HAND, AND HE SHALL MAGNIFY HIMSELF IN HIS HEART, AND BY PEACE SHALL DESTROY MANY: HE SHALL ALSO STAND UP AGAINST THE PRINCE OF PRINCES, BUT HE SHALL BE BROKEN WITHOUT HAND."

The "latter time of their kingdom" refers to the "last days" or the "time of the end," when the "transgressors," or people of the world and world leaders who do not obey God "are come to the full," or have reached the climax of their evil misguided ways. At this time, which is soon to come, this great world leader will arise, with a "fierce" or stern countenance, that commands great respect.

He will have the ability to "understand dark sentences," possibly out of ancient books and writings that may yet be brought forth upon the world scene, or brought out into the open, which will be presented as being very good in nature, containing "the wisdom of the ages," yet which will be based on witchcraft or the occult.

He will appear to bring forth a "great understanding" from these ancient writings which will be presented to the world as wonderful new-age concepts. It will all just make so much sense to the world. It will really seem like "The Way!"

"His power shall be mighty, but not by his own power," because he will be possessed by Satan himself with all his wisdom and might. And his main goal will be to "destroy the mighty and the holy people," or the people of God.

Most interpret this to mean the Jews, or modern nation of Israel and their Christian supporters and counterparts in the West. Christianity and Judaism will be his main targets, although, as you will shortly see, he will appear to be against all the religions of the world.

"He shall cause craft to prosper in his hand." Many interpret this to mean witchcraft or supernatural acts. "He shall magnify himself in his heart." His pride will be great, without equal among world leaders of the past. "And by peace shall destroy many."

This is one of the verses that show how he will use the promise of "peace" and "great words of peace" to influence the masses and come to power; yet he will "destroy many" just as in the former Communist purges of the past, in which the great Communist leaders convinced the masses that certain people had to go as they were standing in the way of this "great peace" being implemented for the world.

This is not to say that he will be a Communist, but he will appear to have some very similar beliefs as you will see as we go on. In fact, the form of Government that he will bring forth will actually be an improvement on the type of government that Communism failed to produce, and will appear at first to actually help the poor of the world.

Concerning bringing "world peace," is not this the very motto and supposed goal of the United Nations? He may even use the U.N. as a vehicle to introduce himself to the world and begin his reign of terror over the earth.

By his preaching of peace he will deceive many into thinking he is a good, wonderful, and charitable man, caring only for the poor, and he will begin to destroy the rich, and to take from them to give to the poor.

God may even allow this as a punishment upon His people for their forsaking of His ways, that are centered around love, unselfishness, and helping the poor, and for their unabashed "throwing of it all to the wind" concerning obeying Him, or trying to seriously follow any of Christ's teachings.

Many have begun to follow hard and fast after mammon worship, and the love of money and material things, in their quest for having this world's goods above all else in their lives, totally ignoring the poor around them, and their plight, instead of truly following the Lord and putting Him first by helping these people in what ever way they are able.

As Jesus said, you cannot serve God and mammon. One or the other will come first in

your life. Jesus wants us to put God first in our lives by serving Him and helping others. Then He blesses us above all that we could ask or think, when we put Him and others first above ourselves.

In the end though, this arrogant world leader will stand up even against Jesus Christ Himself, who is the "Prince of Princes," but this will be his "Waterloo!"

He will be broken without hand by the Lord Himself upon His glorious return at His second coming, like a weak little reed bent in the wind, crushed as if he is totally powerless, and absolutely nothing in the Lord's sight, like a bug.

Daniel 11:21 - 24

"AND IN HIS ESTATE SHALL STAND UP A VILE PERSON, TO WHOM THEY SHALL NOT GIVE THE HONOR OF THE KINGDOM: BUT HE SHALL COME IN PEACEABLY, AND OBTAIN THE KINGDOM BY FLATTERIES."

"AND WITH THE ARMS OF A FLOOD SHALL THEY BE OVERFLOWN FROM BEFORE HIM, AND SHALL BE BROKEN; YEA, ALSO THE PRINCE OF THE COVENANT."

AND AFTER THE LEAGUE MADE WITH HIM HE SHALL WORK DECEITFULLY: FOR HE SHALL COME UP, AND SHALL BECOME STRONG WITH A SMALL PEOPLE."

"HE SHALL ENTER PEACEABLY EVEN UPON THE FATTEST PLACES OF THE PROVINCE, AND HE SHALL DO THAT WHICH HIS FATHERS HAVE NOT DONE, NOR HIS FATHER'S FATHERS, HE SHALL SCATTER AMONG THEM THE PREY, AND SPOIL, AND RICHES: YEA, AND HE SHALL FORECAST HIS DEVICES AGAINST THE STRONGHOLDS , EVEN FOR A TIME."

The Antichrist will appear to the world to be a wonderful person, yet God sees him as "vile." In his heart he is very wicked! If you read the Scriptures just prior to this verse, it sounds like he comes to power after another great leader before him dies suddenly, and obtains ruler ship of the world "peaceably" by "flatteries," or in modern terms, he is a really smooth talker and has a "silver tongue."

His powerful, persuasive words will literally mesmerize and hypnotize the masses and other world leaders, and once again, as you can see from this verse, he comes in by peace speaking great "words of peace."

It sounds like the world will follow after him like a "flood." Like the overwhelming power of a great flood of water pushing aside everything in its path, his smooth words will catapult him onto the world stage with the crowds cheering in thunderous volume.

It speaks of "the Prince of the Covenant" being overthrown by him too. It may be that the great seven year peace treaty we have spoken of, that comes in the time of the end, is written by someone else, and that the Antichrist just signs on to it. Apparently the vast majority of the world side with the Antichrist against this treaty and its Prince who came forward with it and presented it.

After he signs this treaty, or makes this league with other world powers, he begins to secretly work deceitfully behind their backs, against them and this covenant he has signed.

He will also come to power with the help of a "small people," or a group of people that are small in number. All these things that are being mentioned here are things for you to watch for in coming world leaders, so you will begin to recognize just who this Antichrist is when he comes upon the world scene.

Once again, it says in the last verse above, that he will enter even the "fattest" or most

wealthy and prosperous nations or areas of the world, and that he will do what his fathers or even his father's fathers have not done.

He will take from the rich and scatter the wealth among the poor of the world. This will immediately and overwhelmingly win the favor of the masses of the common people who are mainly poor, and will catapult him to such heights of great stature in the eyes of the world that his fame and reputation will be unequaled among all the world leaders of history.

He actually doesn't really care about the poor. They are like ants to him. He merely wishes to deceive and use them. Since he will own the world it will be like "paltry peanuts" to him to give this wealth to the poor, and he is only doing it to deceive them totally, so that they will blindly follow him, cheering him on, and want to kill others who refuse to accept and worship him.

Nobody before him has ever really done this. The early Communists promised to do this, to take from the wealthy, and distribute it among the poor, but they failed miserably in keeping their promises.

Instead, most of them formed little groups of "wealthy elite" just like the people they took the great amounts of wealth from and made virtual slaves out of the poor in their various countries, to the point that they are like living in giant prison camps in these Communist nations, in which they have virtually no rights or possibility of pulling themselves up out of poverty.

It is interesting that what the Antichrist will do here is one of the stated goals of world-wide Communism, just one that they have never fully carried out. Perhaps this last world leader will help them with that? So look for a coming great world leader that actually takes from the rich and gives to the poor.

That will be another great sign. As I said earlier, he will have some very close similarities to the Communists in his coming form of government, only actually carrying out his promise to give to the poor, and lift them out of poverty. What better way to win the favor of the masses of the world? Who would dare to speak against such a wonderful man?

Daniel 11:36 - 39

"AND THE KING SHALL DO ACCORDING TO HIS OWN WILL, AND HE SHALL EXALT HIMSELF, AND MAGNIFY HIMSELF ABOVE EVERY GOD, AND SHALL SPEAK MARVELOUS THINGS AGAINST THE GOD OF GODS, AND SHALL PROSPER TILL THE INDIGNATION BE ACCOMPLISHED: FOR THAT THAT IS DETERMINED SHALL BE DONE."

"NEITHER SHALL HE REGARD THE GOD OF HIS FATHERS, NOR THE DESIRE OF WOMEN, NOR REGARD ANY GOD, FOR HE SHALL MAGNIFY HIMSELF ABOVE ALL."

"BUT IN HIS ESTATE SHALL HE HONOR THE GOD OF FORCES: AND A GOD WHOM HIS FATHERS KNEW NOT SHALL HE HONOR WITH GOLD, AND SILVER, AND WITH PRECIOUS STONES, AND PLEASANT THINGS."

"THUS SHALL HE DO IN THE MOST STRONGHOLDS WITH A STRANGE GOD: WHOM HE SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE AND INCREASE WITH GLORY, AND HE SHALL CAUSE THEM TO RULE OVER MANY, AND SHALL DIVIDE THE LAND FOR GAIN."

These verses state a very interesting thing here that many in the Christian world are apparently overlooking: It says that he will exalt himself and magnify himself above "every god!" This means that he will not honor any of the gods of the other religions of the world either.

Up till now it has appeared that he will only be against Christianity and Judaism, and those are his two "main targets," but according to these Scriptures, he will also be against every other god, and therefore every other religion too: That is, every religion that refuses to go along with him and fit their religious beliefs into his "new religion."

As stated earlier, some in the Protestant Christian community think that he will be a coming Catholic Pope. Others are just sure that he will be a Muslim, and there is even a book out called, "The Muslim Antichrist." There are many various theories as to just who he will be. Some think he will be Prince Charles, while others believe he will be King Juan Carlos of Spain.

Some believe that he will come from the House of Rothschild, or the Von Hapsburgs, or one of the elite, secret, ultra-rich ruling dynasties of Europe. Some believe that he is President Obama, or that he will be a coming president of the United States.

Many of these people have written books which present their various reasons for believing these things in great detail. At this time however, we simply do not know.

All this is like a big "shell-game" in which Satan has always previously had a man come forward that seems to fit the description of many of these things that it says that this coming great leader will do: Then he either dies or falls out of the lime light, and another comes forward who appears to also fit the same description of many of these things.

Jesus said in Matthew chapter 24 that there would be "great deception" and "many false prophets" in the end time, possibly to throw people off from just who the actual final Antichrist and false prophet may be.

Satan does this to create confusion among God's people, and to make them look stupid, or like false prophets, when the man they "fingered" or pointed too as the one that they were just sure was the Antichrist falls away from a position of world prominence, or dies.

This just happened when Yasser Arafat passed away. There were many who were just sure that he was the "little horn" of the Antichrist, because of the little horn on his Palestinian head dress that he wore. There were even books written on it.

We have not covered that Scripture here, but in Daniel it refers to the Antichrist in some places as a "little horn." "Horns" were symbolic of rulers in the Bible, rulers of nations and kingdoms.

If you read through Daniel and Revelation, you will see many more verses that speak in much greater detail about this man, the Antichrist, but for the sake of brevity, I have kept the verses that speak of him in this writing down to only the most important ones that pertain to this study.

Right now there are many different ideas as to what particular religion and faith this man will come out of. Most of the people who study this seem to overlook these verses that say that "he will not even honor the God of his own fathers, nor regard any god!"

It states in particular that he will take a great dislike to the God of Gods, which of course is speaking of "The Lord God, Jehovah," or "Yahweh," the God of the Christians and Jews. But it also appears that he will not consider any of the gods of the various other religions of the world either.

It sounds like he starts his own brand new religion and worships a strange god called, "the god of forces." Who knows what that could be? Force is "power."

Could it be speaking of nuclear power, modern scientific wonders, modern marvels of science that look almost like "magic," such as the "image" or android / robot we spoke of

earlier, and the possible "calling down of fire from heaven," perhaps through space based lasers to destroy his enemies? It's hard to say at this point!

But for all these people who are saying that he will be the next Pope, or that he will be a Muslim, or any of the various religions and belief systems that people think this man is going to come out of; whatever it is, he will not stay in that particular belief system.

If he is at first a Muslim, he will not remain a Muslim! If he comes out of Catholicism, he will not remain a Catholic, like some of the older Protestant denominations believe.

Whoever he is, he will not regard the god of his fathers, but will honor a brand new god, "a god whom his fathers knew not." So this is also something to watch for. It says he will not regard the "desire of women." Many interpret this to mean that he may be a homosexual.

The last verse above states that he will divide the land for gain. This sounds once again, like taking from the rich and distributing among the poor.

At first this will cause the adoring masses of the poor of the world to absolutely fall in love with this man. Later on, after the great persecutions, imprisonment, torture, and deaths that will result, from all those who refuse to worship him as God, all of this will change.

Daniel 11:45

"AND HE SHALL PLANT THE TABERNACLES OF HIS PALACE BETWEEN THE SEAS IN THE GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN, YET HE SHALL COME TO HIS END AND NONE SHALL HELP HIM."

Here it states that he will build his "palace" in the very mountain of God, the glorious Holy Mountain, but as you can also see, he comes to his final end, and none shall help him.

Here are more Scriptures out of the book of 2nd Thessalonians that tell of how he will even sit in the "Temple of God" which will soon be rebuilt in Jerusalem, pretending and claiming to be God:

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."

"WHO OPPOSES AND EXALTS HIMSELF ABOVE ALL THAT IS CALLED GOD, OR THAT IS WORSHIPED, SO THAT HE AS GOD SITS IN THE TEMPLE OF GOD, SHOWING HIMSELF THAT HE IS GOD."

These passages were written by the great Apostle Paul, who also lived around six hundred years after Daniel the Prophet, yet stated the same things:

That this evil end time ruler, called "the man of sin," or "the son of perdition" would oppose and exalt himself above every other god and religion, and actually sit in the Temple of God, which will soon be rebuilt in Israel, claiming to be God himself.

So this is the main sign to be watching for that will help us determine just who the Antichrist is for sure, and that is if someone comes forth and sits in the Temple in Jerusalem, after it's rebuilt, claiming to be God, with a false prophet performing "miracles" in his name! Then it will be pretty indisputable.

Here are some passages out of Revelation chapter 13, also written around six hundred years later, that speak of this coming great leader and the spiritual war that will ensue between him and God's people, that are very similar to what we have just read about in

Daniel:

Please note the amazing comparison between the two. They are identical in nature, once again showing the Bible's amazing consistency:

Revelation 13: 5 - 9

"AND THERE WAS GIVEN UNTO HIM A MOUTH SPEAKING GREAT THINGS AND BLASPHEMIES, AND POWER WAS GIVEN UNTO HIIM TO CONTINUE FORTY AND TWO MONTHS."

"AND HE OPENED HIS MOUTH IN BLASPHEMY AGAINST GOD, TO BLASPHEME HIS NAME, AND HIS TABERNACLE, AND THEM THAT DWELL IN HEAVEN."

"AND IT WAS GIVEN UNTO HIM TO MAKE WAR WITH THE SAINTS, AND TO OVERCOME THEM: AND POWER WAS GIVEN HIM OVER ALL KINDREDS, AND TONGUES, AND NATIONS."

"AND ALL THAT DWELL UPON THE EARTH SHALL WORSHIP HIM, WHOSE NAMES ARE NOT WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF LIFE OF THE LAMB SLAIN FROM THE FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD."

"IF ANY MAN HAVE AN EAR, LET HIM HEAR".

As you can see, just as it said in Daniel, this man will "speak great words against God," or "blasphemies," as they are called, and he will be given power to do this for forty two months. That is the same three and a half year period as is mentioned in Daniel.

Over and over in both Daniel and Revelation, this tribulation period is spoken of as lasting for three and one half years, forty two months, or 1,260 days. These are all the same length of time, so it is probably stated in this manner, in different verses, to show that this is speaking of the same time period: The great tribulation!

Once again, you can also see, that just as in Daniel, he is given power to "make war with the Saints," or the people of God, and to overcome them. This is most likely allowed by the Lord as a judgment on His own people for having strayed so far from Him.

Instead of showing His love to the world and helping the poor, for the most part, the Christian churches and modern nation of Israel have made war against the rest of the world.

From the crusades of old down to the modern wars such as the ones in Iraq and Afghanistan, those who are perceived by the rest of the world as "Christian" appear as aggressors and conquerors rather than loving, kind-hearted Christians, trying to reach out to their fellow man in other nations with acts of love and charitable kindness.

So this is most likely what is taking place here. The Lord will only allow it for so long, until His people cry out to Him for forgiveness, and acknowledge their sin, and are really, truly sorry. Then the Lord will return and fight for His people and destroy this lunatic and his followers.

As you can see, much of the world follows him from the tremendous power of his words and deeds in conquering the Christians and the West. It will appear to many that God is with him. But God will protect those who truly belong to Him and are trying to serve Jesus to the best of their ability under these adverse conditions, and to show His love to the world through this time.

This is borne out very clearly in the following passages, also out of Revelation: God's people are pictured here as a beautiful woman who is given "wings of a great eagle" to flee

into the wilderness where she is provided for with food, clothing, and sustenance during this entire three and one half year period of great tribulation.

There will be "martyrs" for the Lord, as there have been all down through time, from those who are called to such a glory. Many went on to be with the Lord, being taken out of their bodies before they could even feel any pain.

God is very merciful, especially to those who choose to give their lives for Him in such a manner, in order to reach others. But these great "heroes of the Faith" are usually in the minority. The vast majority of God's true church will be saved, spared, and protected clear down until the end, when Christ returns to receive them into glory.

Revelation 12: 14

"AND TO THE WOMAN WERE GIVEN TWO WINGS OF A GREAT EAGLE, THAT SHE MIGHT FLY INTO THE WILDERNESS, INTO HER PLACE, WHERE SHE IS NOURISHED FOR A TIME, AND TIMES, AND HALF A TIME, FROM THE FACE OF THE SERPENT."

Revelation 12: 17

"AND THE DRAGON WAS WROTH WITH THE WOMAN, AND WENT TO MAKE WAR WITH THE REMNANT OF HER SEED, WHICH KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD, AND HAVE THE TESTIMONY OF JESUS CHRIST."

Once again, this passage uses the same terminology as of that in Daniel, of "a time, times, and a half," and you can see therefore that this terrible time that the Lord's people endure in the wilderness only lasts for three and one half years.

You can also see that Satan, unable to kill the woman, returns in great wrath to make war with "the remnant of her seed" which keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

As I said, there will be martyrs for the Lord, as there have been all down through time, just as there are casualties in any war, but the vast majority will be protected supernaturally by God Himself, and spared.

No one knows for certain exactly just what or where this "wilderness" is yet. Many have seen it as leaving the cities and moving far up into the various mountain ranges. Others have seen it as moving to other nations that seem to be "out of harm's way."

However, the true significance of just exactly where this "wilderness" is, or what this is actually talking about for sure has not yet been made known. I'm sure that as time progresses, we will all be shown. The Lord is very faithful.

CHAPTER TWELVE:
"THE ALIEN QUESTION?"
"POWER SIGNS AND LYING WONDERS"

SOME HAVE EVEN SURMISED THAT THE ANTICHRIST MAY COME TO POWER WITH THE HELP OF "ALIENS" APPEARING IN UFO'S:

Some have broached the idea of the Antichrist being presented to the world by a supposedly benign alien life force, that will suddenly appear on the scene to present him as the "savior" of mankind.

They may say that they have actually been here for thousands of years, watching and observing us, and that now, as we have been unable to solve our own problems and come to terms of peace with each other as nations and peoples, they are going to have to step in to prevent us from destroying ourselves in a nuclear war, and teach us how to get along together, and progress into the next step of our "evolutionary development" as interplanetary beings.

They will then place or install this superhuman man as our leader to help us learn to get along, and to take us to this "next level." He may supposedly be part human and part alien, so as to have their superhuman intelligence, and powers that will help him govern the world properly.

He may supposedly have been produced by one of the many reported abductions in which a woman was taken aboard an alien craft and impregnated, and then returned for by them to give birth to this being, which is then taken by them to be raised and trained.

Many are the reports of such abductions, some sounding very credible by these poor women who are terribly shaken by the experience, and yet some even miss the baby and want to see it again. Many have been put under deep hypnosis to see if they are telling the truth, and it often only served to provide even more information on the abduction, in vivid detail, much to the chagrin of the doctors and scientists overseeing the investigation.

To the average person and even most intellectuals, these stories sound absolutely ridiculous and fictitious, so much so, that most refuse to even give them a passing thought.

But with the recent admission by Dr. Steven Hawking, the "Einstein" of our time, stating publicly that he believes that the existence of an "extraterrestrial presence," is entirely feasible, dozens of other scientists have now stepped forward, falling all over themselves to agree with him.

They all suddenly seem to be in a huge rush to get on board with this concept, which has here-to-fore been considered a "taboo" to admit in the scientific community. As we look into history, many great men and great minds down through time have believed in them.

Even though many "kooks" with incredible stories of aliens and UFO sightings or experiences have come forward and been debunked, there is also hard evidence of these sightings and phenomenon by very credible people, some in positions of great authority.

Some come from high ranking positions in law enforcement and the military, as well as scientists, historians and other civilians that are highly respected; enough to be certainly considered as credible information that we should all take note.

In decades past there was, of course, "the Roswell incident," "the incident at Exeter," "the Australian pilot incident," in which the frantic phone conversation of a pilot off the

Australian coast, was heard around the world on international radio, in which he described this incredible flying craft pull up right beside him, and then take off at "light-speed," and then come back up from behind him. Then the sound of "grinding metal" was heard, and he was never seen or heard from again.

All these were deemed as authentic, and unexplainable phenomenon that actually happened many years ago. You can look up any of these on the internet and read about the details in each story, if you wish. There are hundreds of other related sightings now, that have been recorded down through time that are just as credible.

There is the recent Texas sighting, within the last decade, in which an entire town of several hundred people saw a gigantic UFO, complete with flashing lights, which they viewed for quite sometime. In the crowd were policemen, fireman, former military men, and men and women that are greatly respected in their communities. One man was even a retired 757 jet pilot, who drew a picture of the UFO to show on television.

Then, just recently, UFO researcher Robert Hastings shocked the world with his widely publicized and televised announcement that UFO'S do indeed exist and have been witnessed by many of our nations top military brass and soldiers, hovering over our nations nuclear facilities and even deactivating many of our nuclear missiles.

At a press conference held in Washington D.C. in late September of 2010, at The National Press Club, he and 120 former military personnel; some of very high rank, told of their incredible experiences during their time in the military, in which UFO'S appeared over their bases, which housed nuclear missiles, and literally "shut them down" so that they would not function. At the same time these events were also reported to have been happening in Russia.

Many former top brass came forward, man after man, testifying that they and their Airmen had witnessed saucer shaped flying craft with flashing lights hovering over the bases, and then taking off at tremendous speeds. Then they would find that their nuclear missiles had been completely deactivated, and would not work."

This led Mr. Hastings, and many others of the panel, to conclude that these extraterrestrial craft and beings are trying to show us that they are here to intervene, and stop us from going to full scale nuclear war with each other as people's and nations, and destroying ourselves."

Among the noted speakers who personally witnessed these space craft, and incidents, and gave sworn testimony that day are: former commander Robert Salas, USAF retired; Patrick McDonough, USAF Nuclear Missile Site Geodetic Surveyor, retired; Robert Jamison, USAF Nuclear Missile Targeting Officer, retired; Bruce Fenstermecker, Combat Crew Commander, USAF, F.E. Warren Base from 1974-1976, retired.

These were just a few of the key-note speakers and eye witnesses who reported having these incredible encounters with UFO'S at their various missile installations, all around this same time. The reports coming out of Russia also claim to have been around this same general time period.

There is also the widely reported and incredible UFO encounter of the military personnel from Woodbridge, Air Force Base, in the United Kingdom, known as the 1980 Bentwaters, Rendlesham Forest, Suffolk incident. This base was being used at the time by the U.S. Air Force.

For several days, dozens of USAF personnel witnessed various unexplainable UFO phenomenon. It was an encounter of such magnitude, and with such mysterious sightings of what appeared, very obviously, to be alien craft, that it became known as "Britain's Roswell"!

You can go on line to You Tube, or just google the names of any of these above mentioned encounters, or people and view or read about them in much greater detail. All of these people's reports were received as being very credible.

So something is certainly going on here with all this UFO activity! It certainly must be for some great reason that is yet to be revealed, or it wouldn't be happening so extensively. People would not be seeing these things all the time if there is no reason for their existence in our world. So there must be some greater purpose here that is yet to be revealed.

Many of us have now seen on television the videos of phenomenon such as "The Phoenix lights" and "Project Blue Book," as well as a host of other documentary and news shows, where there is actual footage of UFO's.

So there is certainly enough information available now on this subject to make it into something that that we should all take into consideration, that may play a major role in the future of planet earth, and this "end time" scenario presented in the Bible:

DOES THE BIBLE SPEAK OF UFO'S OR DESCRIBE ANYTHING THAT COULD REMOTELY RESEMBLE A FLYING SAUCER?

Why yes it does! In Daniel chapter 7 there are some very interesting Scripture passages that speak of God coming to earth in "fiery wheels from the sky:" (circular objects?)

Daniel 7:9,10

"I BEHELD TILL THE THRONES WERE CAST DOWN, AND THE ANCIENT OF DAYS (GOD) DID SIT, WHOSE GARMENT WAS WHITE AS SNOW, AND THE HAIR OF HIS HEAD LIKE THE PURE WOOL: HIS THRONE WAS LIKE THE FIERY FLAME, AND HIS 'WHEELS' AS BURNING FIRE." "A FIERY STREAM ISSUED AND CAME FORTH FROM BEFORE HIM ..."

Now in the old days they didn't know of the term "flying saucers" or "UFO'S" like we use today to describe these flying craft. According to this, God comes down to earth in what appear to be "fiery wheels" or "round things" in the sky!

Perhaps in King James day in England of old, or even before, people who read what the prophets tried to describe, assumed that these "wheels" were like the wheels on a wagon, or like we have nowadays on a modern automobile, that sit up straight and roll as they go forward.

But there are other verses in the book of Ezekiel that make it very plain that this is not the case. They describe these same "wheels" in much greater detail.

Ezekiel was allowed a close-up look at them, and according to what he describes, these "wheels" or "circular objects" in the sky lay down flat like a dinner plate on a table, and go straight forward when they move, without turning!

That more accurately describes what we would call a "flying saucer," and like a flying saucer, they don't turn or spin when they move.

If you watch a UFO move in any of the various video footage available, they seem to travel just like Ezekiel says these "wheels" do, and not like some of the artists of the past who have portrayed Ezekiel's vision like ox-cart wheels bouncing along on the ground.

In fact, if you read Ezekiel's vision in both Chapters 1 and 10 of that Book, these wheels, or "saucers" not only lay flat as they travel, but also have the ability to go straight up into the air from off the ground, and to "hover!"

Ezekiel 1:16-18

"THE APPEARANCE OF THE 'WHEELS' AND THEIR WORK WAS LIKE UNTO THE COLOR OF A BERYL: (EMERALD OR AQUAMARINE COLORED) ...AND THEY 'FOUR' (THERE ARE FOUR OF THEM, LIKE POSSIBLY FOUR FLYING SAUCERS IN A "FLEET") ...THEY FOUR HAD ONE LIKENESS: (THEY ALL LOOKED ALIKE) ... THEIR APPEARANCE AND THEIR WORK WAS AS IT WERE A WHEEL IN THE MIDDLE OF A WHEEL."

Inside of each "wheel" or saucer was what appeared to be another wheel, probably seen from underneath, as part of the construction of each of the ships ...like a concentric circle that made up the inner circle of each ship, possibly with a "spoked" appearance, or some sort of radius rods going out from the center of the ship to the inner hull, or maybe just another large "disk" that is part of the design of each ship.

"WHEN THEY WENT, THEY WENT UPON THEIR FOUR SIDES: AND THEY TURNED NOT WHEN THEY WENT."

This is the key verse that shows that these "wheels" are like flying saucers, and not like normal wheels on a wagon or vehicle, that stand up straight and roll. It already stated that there are four of these circular objects, so this is talking about the number of circular objects.

It is not saying that each of these circular objects has four sides. That would make them squares, and not "wheels," or "circular objects." How could a normal type of wheel "go upon its side?" It would have to lay down flat to do that.

What this is saying is that all four of these circular objects laid down flat on their sides, like dinner plates on a table, when they traveled. Like four flying saucers in a fleet: Four "circular objects laying down flat on their sides" and traveling forward or upwards, and not turning or spinning as they move.

This is often what happens when translating things out of an ancient language: Some things, if translated literally from an old language come out sounding very different than what we would say if we were describing the same thing today with new words in English.

A modern example of this can be found in the difference between Spanish and English. In English the adjectives are pronounced first, before the noun they are describing, such as, "it's a beautiful day," whereas in Spanish, the noun comes first followed by the adjective, which if translated literally into English would read, "it's a day beautiful."

If this event were to be seen in today's world by a modern Prophet of God, He would probably describe it by saying something closer to this... "WHEN THEY TRAVELED, ALL FOUR OF THESE CIRCULAR OBJECTS MOVED ALONG LAYING DOWN FLAT ON THEIR SIDES..."

The way this is translated has made it sound to many writers and scribes, down through time, like these "wheels" each have four sides. As I said, that would make them "squares," and not "wheels" or circular objects. The ancients knew long before this was written, the difference between a square and a wheel. Geometry had already passed that point.

One poor artist even rendered them as four squares flopping along where wheels would normally be located on a car, on a big square shaped box that God was riding in.

"Pretty bumpy ride for the King of the Universe?" One would think that God, who designed the whole universe, would be able to figure out how to make a round wheel for a better ride! Ha! But that is not what this is describing at all...

"AS FOR THEIR RINGS, THEY WERE SO HIGH THAT THEY WERE DREADFUL, AND THEIR RINGS WERE FULL OF EYES ROUND ABOUT THEM FOUR."

Apparently Ezekiel stood near enough to one to see just how huge it was. I am reminded of the gigantic saucer whose shadow covered whole cities in the movie "Independence Day."

These things are big! And the concentric circles or "rings" seen in the construction of the ship's hull go high into the air and apparently have "portholes" or what would appear to Ezekiel as "eyes," probably to look out?

William Schnoebelen, a preacher from Isaquah, Washington, saw a particular UFO on more than one occasion, and it had these same "eyes" or "portholes" with beings looking out of them and waving at him. He has written many books on his life's experiences. You can find information about him and his writings on the internet by doing a search on his name.

Also, in comparing what Ezekiel saw in his experience, to today's modern films such as "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," a fire appears in a cloud "infolding itself," or "sucking back into itself." Ezekiel saw this very thing occur just prior to the saucers and Angels that accompanied them. They came out of this "cloud of fire infolding itself."

Ezekiel 1:4

"AND I LOOKED, AND, BEHOLD, A WHIRLWIND CAME OUT OF THE NORTH, A GREAT CLOUD, AND A FIRE INFOLDING ITSELF, AND A BRIGHTNESS WAS ABOUT IT, AND OUT OF THE MIDST THEREOF AS THE COLOR OF AMBER, OUT OF THE MIDST OF THE FIRE."

He then goes on to explain that four circular objects, or what we would call "saucers," came out of the midst of this fire along with four giant winged Angels.

Perhaps they are possibly enormous "guardian Angels," that stand guard over each ship when they land or get close to the ground, kind of like how the President of the United States has a team of Marines standing guard at the bottom of Air Force One, or his helicopter to see him off the steps safely as he lands.

That's a pretty poor comparison, but may perhaps be why these giant Angels are there. Perhaps they are some sort of security force? They probably come out of the ship while it's still in the cloud that hides it from view, to be there as protection when it lands.

Apparently God often uses "clouds" to hide these celestial flying craft from human view. Perhaps He allows this so people will not be scared, like they would most likely be if they were to actually see a "celestial space-craft" first hand.

When Jesus Christ ascended to heaven in front of his disciples in the Book of Acts, (Acts 1:9) it says that a "cloud" received Him out of their sight. Who knows what was in that cloud? A ship like the one Ezekiel witnessed?

Over and over in the Bible, it says that when Jesus returns, that He will "come in the clouds of heaven." Will these clouds be like the ones in Ezekiel, like a fire infolding itself, possibly with some sort of "celestial ship" inside? Guess we'll find out soon...?

Anyway, this is a much more accurate description of just what these "fiery wheels in the sky" may be, that God comes to earth in at the very end when He returns to straighten things out on this planet and to put Jesus Christ in charge of the world for all eternity; world without end.

I would encourage you to look up and read both Ezekiel chapters 1 and 10 to see for yourself how these celestial flying craft move around, and how they often go straight up into the air from off the ground, and hover, and how they travel when they move. It's quite shocking, and indeed, very similar to what we presently know about "flying saucers," or "UFO's."

Daniel 7:13,14 immediately follows the verses that speak of the "Ancient of Days" coming to earth here in these "fiery wheels," and is also one of these very same verses that has Jesus Christ returning in these "clouds" at this same time and being brought before God to receive this "Kingship" as Supreme Ruler Of The World:
Daniel 7:13,14

"I SAW IN THE NIGHT VISIONS, AND, BEHOLD, ONE LIKE THE SON OF MAN (A title Jesus referred to Himself as over and over in the New Testament...) CAME WITH THE 'CLOUDS OF HEAVEN,' AND CAME TO THE ANCIENT OF DAYS, AND THEY BROUGHT HIM NEAR BEFORE HIM."

"AND THERE WAS GIVEN HIM DOMINION, AND GLORY, AND A KINGDOM, THAT ALL PEOPLE, NATIONS, AND LANGUAGES, SHOULD SERVE HIM. HIS DOMINION IS AN EVERLASTING DOMINION, WHICH SHALL NOT PASS AWAY, AND HIS KINGDOM THAT WHICH SHALL NOT BE DESTROYED!"

When Jesus returns in these "clouds" are they clouds like the ones in Ezekiel also? Are they a cloud of fire infolding itself? We cannot be sure, but it is certainly very possible that if God comes in these "fiery wheels" or "round things" in the sky here, that perhaps His Son Jesus also comes in the same fashion, yet hidden from view in these "clouds?" Just a thought...

SO ALL OF THIS BEGS THE QUESTION: IF GOD AND HIS ANGELS HAVE THESE "SPACE VEHICLES," DO SATAN AND HIS DEMONS, OR FALLEN ANGELS HAVE THEM TOO?

It has been said that Satan always tries to mimic God in most everything he does. In trying to copy, or "mimic" God, and fool everyone into thinking that he is God, will Satan try to pull off a similar "grand celestial landing" upon the earth in these same type of dramatic flying craft to "shock and awe" all of mankind?

Just as God will come in this dramatic fashion in the end, and present Jesus Christ to the world as their Savior and King, the man that God has chosen to rule the world, will Satan come first in the same dramatic fashion, and introduce this coming Antichrist as "his son?"

Is he going to try to go all the way here in copying God, in what God will yet do when He and His Son Jesus Christ return, coming down from heaven, or "outer space" in a dramatic display with a "fiery flying craft?"

Will the Antichrist indeed be introduced to the world by a supposed group of "alien beings," or a supreme alien being such as Satan, that also come in these same type of vehicles?

There are certain verses that do indeed seem to corroborate this notion. Speaking of Satan's "son of perdition," the Antichrist, the Bible says:

2 Thessalonians 2: 8 & 9

"AND THEN SHALL THAT WICKED (THE ANTICHRIST) BE REVEALED, WHOM THE LORD SHALL CONSUME WITH THE SPIRIT OF HIS MOUTH, AND SHALL DESTROY WITH THE BRIGHTNESS OF HIS COMING."

"EVEN HIM, WHOSE COMING IS AFTER THE WORKING OF SATAN WITH ALL POWER AND SIGNS AND LYING WONDERS..."

This description of the Antichrist coming with "all power, and signs, and lying wonders" may possibly be describing this very thing. Where does he come from? From "heaven down to earth?" From the sky, like God and Jesus?

This description of "all power, signs, and lying wonders" fits very applicably with the idea of him coming down from the sky, or from "outer space," in some sort of shocking display in these "fiery celestial craft!"

Jesus did say that in the end there would be "great and fearful sights and signs from heaven," so scary that they will cause many to have actual heart attacks! Something of this nature would most certainly fit this description.

Taking into consideration the dramatic fashion in which God and Jesus return to earth in the end, along with the knowledge that Satan always tries to copy and mimic God, and everything He does at every turn, to fool mankind into thinking that he is God, this concept of Satan coming from the sky or from "outer-space" to introduce his "son" to the world in this same fashion is not out of the question at all.

When you put together the terms, "all power, signs, and lying wonders" with what Jesus said about "great sights and fearful sights from heaven," and the dramatic descriptions given in Ezekiel and Daniel of how God, and possibly Jesus too, will come down from the sky in what appear to be "fiery wheels," or "round celestial objects," the concept of Satan and his "son of perdition" coming in this same fashion are entirely feasible indeed!

Also Jesus said in Matthew chapter 24 that "great deception" would occur in the end time to fool and deceive the people of earth. Deceive them into thinking what?

If you study these passages, and the subject of the "end time" much at all, you will soon see that Satan and his many false prophets and final great false prophet come in the end time, performing miracles and magic, with the sole intent and purpose of fooling the world into thinking that the Antichrist is like God's son Jesus Christ.

So therefore it is certainly possible that Satan will also try to copy the same dramatic "fashion" in which God and Jesus will come down to earth from the sky when they return at the very end.

Just as Jesus has been called "God in the flesh," this great end time deception is all centered around making people think that the Antichrist is God in the flesh as well.

He will appear first as a great man of peace, here to solve the world's problems, and their biggest problem of all, trying to bring peace in the Middle East.

How else could you get the Jews and Muslims to quit fighting with each other, and allow the Jews to actually rebuild their Temple? Right now the minute a shovel is stuck in the ground near the Temple Mount area, people go mad and begin fire bombing everything in sight!

What great event could allow for such a dramatic reversal of present Muslim hatred concerning such a venture? I think that both sides in this seemingly unsolvable dilemma, would actually "throw it all to the wind" and go to all out, full scale nuclear war in their hatred of each other, before either side would presently give an inch on this issue!

The possibility of an "alien intervention" is actually about the only thing that I can think of that could shock and scare the daylights out of everyone involved in this matter, along with the miracles the false prophet will be performing, and the mouth speaking great things of the Antichrist which would actually allow such a thing to happen.

If this were to happen, the supposed "aliens" may have the Antichrist say something like, "now look, the Jews did actually live here two thousand years ago, so they should be allowed to have at least a portion of their nation back; at least half of the land that you will both now share, and to also be allowed to rebuild their Temple just as you Muslims have the Mosque of Omar on the Temple Mount."

"And you Jews are going to have to share, and allow the Palestinians to have their own nation here also, since they have now lived here in modern times and therefore have legal rights to this land too, with full unrestricted rights to free trade and to be able to bring prosperity once again to their peoples.

"Allot the Palestinians their portion of land for their nation, and the nation of Israel their portion also," including the partitioning of Jerusalem. Then allow the Jews to rebuild their Temple and begin practicing their religion once again, and everything will be just wonderful: Problem solved!

"You will both have your religious Temples, and be allowed to practice your religions, so you should both be happy, and everything should work out just fine.

Everyone would be in such shock that they would very possibly comply out of fear alone, especially if the Antichrist is presented by them as a "god-being." This would all work just fine for him temporarily, until he declares himself as God, and begins to speak out against the God of the Jews and Muslims, and every religion and god, and begins to kill and persecute all who refuse to follow him, from every religion. Then the big "party" will be over.

Now there is also the possibility that the Mosque of Omar may be destroyed in a coming earthquake. If this indeed happens, it may be either from an actual act of God, or very possibly by one of these "earthquake producing machines" we talked about earlier.

It all may be made to "appear" as an act of God, by the forces of the Antichrist, who wish for the Jewish Temple to be rebuilt in order that he may sit in it pretending to be God, as we have just shown from Scripture.

It does not say that he takes turns sitting in the Jewish Temple for a while, and then the Muslim Temple, and then the various temples of other religions either. It plainly says that he sits in the soon-to-be rebuilt Jewish Temple claiming to be God.

So perhaps the Mosque of Omar will actually be destroyed by a coming earthquake, and the Antichrist will then somehow be able to convince the Muslims that this was an "act of God," and that somehow this is all a part of God's will, in order to stop them from waging war against the Jews in their great anger, and desire to rebuild their Mosque on it's former site? Who knows?

All of the ideas that prophecy students and theologians have concerning these coming events are simply pure conjecture at this present time. As time goes on we will hopefully begin to see more clearly what is coming.

The idea that "aliens" may actually be involved in this coming appearance of the Antichrist is something that may never happen either. This is purely conjecture at this time, but there is a reason that they are showing themselves from time to time, in these "sightings," and letting people know that they are around.

These supposed "aliens," which are actually "fallen angels," or demons, may choose to stay behind the scenes, as they have so far in modern times, trying to guide the affairs of men and nations from the "spirit world."

We simply don't know at this time, but it is indeed an intriguing thought that Satan may well

try to copy God here and present his "son of perdition" in the same fashion that God comes from outer space, and presents Jesus to the world at the end.

That certainly makes a lot of sense if you study this all out and take all these Scriptures into consideration, along with the many recent dramatic UFO sightings. There simply must be a greater reason for it all, and this "presenting of the Antichrist as God may just be it!"

According to the Bible and ancient history, these beings have already visited earth before, and were very involved with the early races of man, actually cohabiting with women and producing "hybrid races."

They fooled mankind into thinking that they were Gods, in order to control and use them for their own purposes. If they did this back then in ancient times, are they going to try this again now in the end of the world? It's certainly something to ponder.

In actuality, they are not "aliens" at all in the sense that they are some higher form of evolved life from another part of the universe that just happened to bump into earth on one of their many travels, and discovered that we have human life here.

All that is a false notion put forth by modern scientists and writers, who are famous for getting it wrong all the time, and having to later correct their thinking, when new information comes to light to the contrary.

This "false notion" is also probably put into their minds by these very same demonic beings, for their next great deception they plan to foist upon mankind. They do have the power to control people's thoughts.

Speaking of ancient history, people have seen flying saucers from the beginning of time, and recorded them in their paintings and writings.

Christopher Columbus saw them as he crossed the ocean in search of the new land. They were seen above the battlefields of Alexander the Great, as well as above many battlefields down through time.

The fighter and bomber pilots in World War II saw them fly right next to their airplanes, and called them "Fu- Fighters." There are paintings of them in the art of ancient India, and in the Indian Holy Books.

There are paintings of them in early Christian art, as well as many of the ancient civilizations, and their various writings and paintings down through time: the Aztecs, the Mayans, etc..

But no information so far has been so shocking as what was put forth by Dr. Zechariah Sitchin in his archaeological findings, and Erich Von Daniken, who wrote "Chariots of the Gods." Both of these great researchers believe in God.

In their studies of ancient civilizations they came upon vast amounts of information that show that the early races of man were directly involved with these so-called "alien" entities. Dr. Sitchin was able to crack the code of the most ancient language of the most ancient recorded civilization on earth, the Sumerians.

They are known to be the oldest culture of mankind to date. Remarkably, they were not the dull-witted "knuckle-draggers" of evolutionary theory, but a very highly advanced culture with its own form of writing and communication, and an adept knowledge of the stars and planets of our solar system.

They are not the only ones. The ancient Aztecs and Mayans were also. They knew the earth was round, not flat, and part of a solar system, with other planets that orbited the sun.

The Sumerians were the first to record the passing of the great "death star" Nibiru, or "the planet of crossing," which, as explained before, is called that because it orbits in an elongated oval that is basically 90 degrees perpendicular to the plane of our solar system, whose planets are all in a flat plane like a dinner plate. The ancient Egyptians also recorded it's passing in their history too, and called it "the destroyer."

So when it comes up into the "flat plane" of our solar system, flying "hard and fast into it" from below, it "crosses" the paths of our planets at almost a 90 degree angle, kind of like a "giant fist" slugging our solar system in the belly from below, or from the South. They say that it comes by every 3600 years in its lengthy orbit, and causes great destruction upon its passing.

Well, in their historical writings, these early Sumerians also have some very incredible information on what our modern culture would call "aliens," as having regularly visited them, interacting with their culture, and actually mating with some of their women!

This produced "hybrid," super-human beings that were larger than regular men and women, and that had greater intelligence, and actual spiritual powers that made them capable of feats that are impossible to normal men.

This explains the amazing feats of the construction of such large edifices as the great pyramid, as well as other large structures that are impossible for modern man to build, even with our latest and best technologies. This is all recorded in many different books and writings down through time, for the serious seeker.

The Bible speaks in Genesis chapter 6 of the "giants" that were produced in the early days, when the angels, or "sons of God" came down to earth and chose the most beautiful among earth's women to be their wives. The children born to them became gigantic compared to normal men.

In the first three chapters of the work of the great Jewish Historian, Flavius Josephus, known as "The Antiquities of the Jews," which you can find at any major library, or read about on the internet, it speaks in very vivid detail of this mating of the "sons of God" or "fallen angels" with the daughters of men, and the resultant producing of giants.

Josephus even takes it a step further by saying that he believes that they became known as the legendary Greek gods, that are written about in Grecian history and although many accounts of their deeds became greatly embellished over time from story telling, and stretching things way out of proportion, he believes that these "legends" of the Greeks may indeed have their basis in supernatural acts that were originally performed by these ancient "god-men," or giants.

But the decoding of the Sumerian scrolls, by Dr. Zechariah Sitchin, provide the most comprehensive and interesting analysis of these "fallen angels," with incredible accounts from written historical text, decoded from their history, that tell of how these "god-men" came to earth from the sky in celestial craft, mated with human women producing giants, and what they said, taught, and did in their exploits among men.

There is one other book, however, that is so descriptive of these "fallen angels" that it even names the names of the first two hundred of them that originally came to earth: The book of Enoch! Enoch lived before the flood of Noah, and was "the 7th from Adam" the Bible says.

He spoke of all this in great detail, in what is probably the oldest book known to man, possibly brought over by Noah on the Ark from before the days of the great flood. You can look up "The Book of Enoch" on the Internet and bring up copies of it to read for free, or to buy if you are interested.

It is incredible to read the modern translation of the words of a man from so long ago, and to hear him speak of these very same things that the Sumerians did, and Josephus, and the Bible.

The Book of Enoch is the "smoking gun" that proves that these early celestial visitors are not "aliens" at all in the sense that we think of them today, but rather the fallen angels, super-human in strength, mind, and body to normal men, who followed Satan in his original rebellion against God, and therefore may be responsible for helping to bring forth "Satan's man," the Antichrist, to rule the world in the very end of this age.

Speaking of the giants that were born from their mating with human women, there have been many archaeological digs by road builders, as well as the the Army Corps of Engineers, and others, that have unearthed the remains of these giants, but when presented to the Universities that believe in Evolution, they are confiscated and "swept under the rug," destroyed, and gotten rid of.

It never goes to press. Why? Because it would prove that the Bible is true, and the ancient writings are true, and that the Theory of Evolution is wrong: The idea that man "evolved" over great periods of time into what we are today, from the same evolutionary branch, or "off-shoot" that produced monkeys!

These digs are direct proof that the Bible, and the various ancient writings that spoke of giants existing in the old days, are true, as well as how they were produced: Not by evolution over millions of years, but by fallen angels, or so-called "aliens" intermingling with humans! Therefore most Evolutionists have to be against it, because it proves them wrong and the Bible right!

Now, after all this new hard evidence, contrary to their teachings, has come out, they are trying to sneak in a new teaching that men still came from monkeys and dropped out of the trees a few thousand years before these "alien beings" came to earth, and then they mated with them producing these "giants."

That's odd! I don't remember that being talked about when these men first began to write their books on the history of these peoples, and their new discoveries! I just remember them speaking of mankind having been "star-seeded," or placed on this planet by these "alien beings!"

I think the Evolutionists see the handwriting on the wall, and not being afraid to stretch the truth when needed, to prop up their purely fictional ideas, which is obvious to anyone who has ever studied evolutionary theory with a truly "open mind," it's apparent that they are conveniently making it all up as they go along.

So they are now seeing that they are going to have to deal with this new research, which is based on actual facts from written, recorded history, and not purely conjecture on the part of some bearded professor with a Sherlock Holmes pipe hanging from his mouth, or some "expert" who found a pigs tooth in the ground, and built a whole new species of ancient man around it. So they are hastily coming up with a new history of what really happened according to them!

One of the main purposes for the Theory of Evolution, that it has now debauched itself into, is not to really get to the bottom of things, and actually find out what the real truth is about history, but to cover up any evidence of anything that is found that disagrees with the modern "status-quo" of Evolution, and mainly, to discredit the Bible!

As I said, they are making it all up as they go along, making huge assumptions of things that supposedly happened millions of years ago, that they have no way of actually proving, and daring to call it "science!"

Science used to be a field that prided itself on basing each new discovery or idea on things that were proven to be fact beyond doubt. Evolution is based almost entirely on pure conjecture and wild assumptions, with no actual direct "proof" to back up the majority of its claims whatsoever.

If you would like to see actual pictures of some of these giant skeletons, you can simply bring up You Tube, and type in the search box, "bones of the giants" and it will bring up many of these digs.

Some will argue that they are just faked photos, and some may be. But some are quite possibly very real, and the fake ones are put out there so no one will believe in the real ones when they see them, if it comes out on the news that one of them has been debunked.

These people are so desperate to protect their "sacred cow" of evolution, that they will go to any lengths and pay any price to keep the world in the dark and make themselves look good.

For instance, the footprints of giant men and women, 22 to 24 inches long were found at an archaeological dig site in Glen Rose, Texas. They were inter-mixed and crossed over with those of dinosaurs, showing that they both lived together at the same time, as shown in the Bible .

Evolution makes the wild claim that dinosaurs lived 60 million years ago, and died out before mankind came on the scene. They have absolutely no way of proving this ridiculous and far out assumption.

Carbon dating doesn't even go back anywhere near that far, and it has even proven to be unreliable in many instances, having dated "living creatures" such as the famous "crayfish" or "crawdad" that they tested as being thousands of years old! I think that they got that one just a little off.

The Bible speaks of two great dinosaurs in Job chapters 40 and 41. Look them up and read the descriptions of these enormous beasts that had scales like reptiles, and were so big they were almost beyond description. The Bible says that they were created with men in the beginning.

Some modernist Bible translators, trying to please the Evolutionists, and so-called modern "science," say that these chapters are describing an alligator and a hippopotamus. Some translations say, an alligator, and an elephant. But if you read the descriptions of them, they are speaking of animals so huge and with such incredible characteristics, that they are obviously dinosaurs.

The descriptions of them given in the Bible don't even slightly resemble any form of an alligator, a hippo, or an elephant, by any stretch of the imagination. For instance, an elephant or a hippo doesn't have a tail "as huge, thick, and long as a giant cedar tree." The cedar tree that it is referring to is the "cedar of Lebanon," which was a form of our giant redwood or sequoia... ENORMOUS in height!

One creature was so huge and ferocious that it says it could hardly be killed by any method. Even a jaguar can kill an alligator. Men with spears can kill a hippo! The descriptions of them given there are clearly those of dinosaurs to any rational thinking mind. Look these chapters up read the descriptions given of these enormous creatures and see for yourself.

But concerning the Glen Rose dig site, and the giant footprints that were found, when the Evolutionists were called in from a famous University to examine this incredible find, instead of going public with this information, they simply covered it all up, because it flew in

the face of their belief system that dinosaurs lived millions of years ago and died out before mankind came along.

Also, they didn't want people to know that giant footprints of men and women had been found, as that would prove that the Bible and these ancient historical writings are true, and that giants actually existed in the old days. It would totally ruin the Theory of Evolution.

Notice the word "theory?" It is no longer taught as a theory, but as fact, with absolutely no hard evidence to back it up whatsoever! So many of the bones of these giants have been found now, that it will be hard to keep a lid on it much longer, for these modern "Barbers" who don't really care what the truth is.

They just care about protecting their own reputations, and standing by an old worn out theory that is being proven wrong daily now with modern research coming out, and archaeological findings that will put them to shame in the eyes of the world soon.

The Apostle Paul spoke in the Bible of our modern "science" of today, that dares to present assumptions and far out fables as truth, without any actual factual evidence to really back it up, when he called it "science, falsely so-called." (1st Timothy 6:20)

The "Barbers" were the Doctors of the late middle ages, who thought that most illnesses could be cured by bleeding the sick person and removing quantities of blood from their bodies.

Apparently someone had once been cured by this method, so it became the basis for so-called "medicine" during this time. George Washington died after being "bled" a second time for pneumonia.

In this day and age they are looked back on by modern medicine as total "ninnies" for believing such a thing. So also will those who have fought so long and hard to put forth the bogus "Theory of Evolution" shortly, when more comes to light in the modern scientific community that they are not able to hide.

There is a book you can order that is chocked full of documented reports by road builders, the Army Corp of Engineers, and many others that has story after story of the unearthing of the remains of these giants, as well as photos that were taken at the dig sites. You can order it from David J. Smith by going on line to: www.newswatchmagazine.org It is simply called "Giants."

You may even possibly be able to view parts of some books of this nature on line, or other similar research: Proof that giants really once existed. Some are said to have been 14 feet tall, and the early ones even taller, with elongated heads and two rows of teeth, along with 6 fingers and toes.

You can view these incredible photos on line in some of the You Tube clips on "bones of the giants." Goliath, the giant in the Bible, had 6 fingers and toes. Just a coincidence?

The early Sumerians called these "star men"-"the Annunaki." This means, "those who from heaven to earth came." The Annunaki taught them all about the stars and possibly even made maps of the world.

There is another proof in itself: The ancient maps they've discovered in recent archaeological digs, some even showing longitude and latitude lines just like our modern ones, were made thousands of years ago before any of our more modern map-makers came along!

They recently even found a map in ancient Egypt showing the lay out of the earth's continents, complete with longitude and latitude lines. Look up "Ancient World Maps" on

the internet and do a study on it.

There have been many that have been dug up or found that are so ancient, that it has created a great dilemma to modern scientists and evolutionists to try to explain it. Supposedly we didn't have this knowledge until the great map makers of the 1600's - 1700's, such as Captain Cook!

This has recently been on The History Channel. It showed a half a dozen of these very ancient maps that had all the coastlines of the various countries perfectly intact, some even with longitude and latitude lines.

How did ancient man get this information that was only more recently begun during explorations in the 1700's by the more modern map-making sea voyagers?

Even on the History Channel, their only explanation for this was that these maps must have come from the Annunaki or others like them that came to earth long ago, and may still even secretly live here, traveling back and forth to other planets periodically.

So there is plenty of evidence and clear proof that these beings once inhabited the earth, mixing with the civilizations of men. The Bible called these giants, "the children of Anak" (Annunaki) and speaks of the different races of the Giants that were their offspring, and tells how the famous Goliath, who fought King David and was defeated by him, was the "last of the giants."

The children of Israel had to run the Giants out of the land God originally gave them, a land flowing with milk and honey, as well as giant fruits and vegetables. The Lord used hornets to literally chase the giants out of their land and keep them out.

There is so much in history that is fact and not fable, as has been taught by those who wish not for humankind to really become "enlightened," but to keep us in darkness, because these things fly in the face of men who have put their whole lives and reputations into building what is now being proven to be a bare-faced lie concerning the "history of mankind."

Argue with the fact of these maps that have been dug up and discovered, some dating back to Alexander's time and even much earlier, the days of Egypt. They won't be able to keep the digs of the bones of these giants a secret much longer either. Argue with what is written as factual history of the Sumerians, the ancient Peruvians, and others. Everyday new things are coming to light.

But the main idea here is this, these first "star men" were fallen angels who took sides with Satan in his rebellion against God, and came to earth and crossbred with women, which God commanded them not to do.

It speaks of them in the Bible in the Book of Jude, and says in verse 6, "AND THE ANGELS WHICH KEPT NOT THEIR FIRST ESTATE, BUT LEFT THEIR OWN HABITATION, HE HATH RESERVED IN EVERLASTING CHAINS UNDER DARKNESS UNTO THE JUDGMENT OF THE GREAT DAY."

So the point is: They were not supposed to do this, and mess with the genetics of humankind. They also lied to the men of earth, as you can see in the writings of the Sumerians, that they were gods themselves, and with their superhuman powers compared to men, this was probably easy to believe: But God says in Isaiah 43:10,11, "BEFORE ME THERE WAS NO GOD FORMED, NEITHER SHALL THERE BE AFTER ME. I, EVEN I, AM THE LORD, AND BESIDE ME THERE IS NO SAVIOR!"

He is called, "The Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end!" He is God alone, and there is no other. These other "pretenders" were only the fallen angels, not gods. The

Bible says in Genesis 6 that they became "men of great renown." They had great fame from the tremendous deeds they were able to perform, much of which looked like "magic" to men and women.

They had great supernatural powers, and became known as "sorcerers" or "wizards," and their wives became known as "witches." So thus began the ancient religion of Wicca, or "witchcraft."

They fooled the world into thinking that they were gods, and that is where the worship of many gods came about that still exists in some of today's cultures around the world.

According to the Book of Enoch, they even got into what sounds like possible scientific things like "gene-splicing," and created creatures that were here-to-fore thought to only be mythological. Like the bull-god, part man and part bull.

These guys just had something for having horns! Guess it made them look scary? Kind of like Vikings! Quite a fashion statement! They supposedly created the Satyr, part man and part deer, symbolized by Pan, as well as the Centaur which was part man and part horse.

But the bull god was probably the most prominent god that was worshiped, such as in Egypt, after which the Children of Israel fashioned the "golden calf" in the wilderness. Perhaps the modern Hindu worship of the cow stems from this very same ancient worship system?

The god Moloch was symbolized by a bull that people were required to offer their first born to in human sacrifice, to be burnt up. What a terrible and hellish thing for people to have to do, to please these satanic creatures! To place their precious little babies on the altar of fire as a sacrifice, and listen to them scream in agony as they died!

Think back on how painful even little things, like a tooth ache, an ear ache, or a head ache were to you as a small child. Only as we get older do we learn to deal with pain and become somewhat numb to it. How it must hurt for a little child to be burned to death! How wicked! Hold your finger over a candle for a second and think about it!

This is where the whole concept of "human sacrifice" came from that has been prominent in witchcraft all down through time. Many ancient societies partook of this, such as the Mayans, with their altars placed at the tops of their pyramids.

Many of the ancient cultures followed these rituals, and Satanic practices all over the world. Sadly this is still being practiced today by those who are deep into witchcraft, and Satanism.

This has even been exposed on television shows like "Geraldo," where the witches boldly came right on his show and talked of how they actually had babies that were born for the express purpose of being "sacrificed."

I won't go into the gory details of what this entails, but it is absolutely horrifying! These poor little babies have suffered unimaginable pain. God bless Geraldo for getting angry at them and telling them that they are "sick" people! The Lord will soon return put a stop to this terrible evil, for all eternity.

According to certain ancient writings, these demons also were responsible for altering certain plants to make various kinds of euphoric drugs which altered people's minds, and made them easier to control. They basically made slaves of mankind for their own selfish purposes.

Once again these "fallen ones" are coming to earth pretending to be "aliens," or perhaps never left in the first place, and are showing themselves every now and then, just enough

to keep people's interest, but not to get the major media and governments to actually admit their existence.

They still have the same plan they had in the beginning: To take the world for Satan and to gain control over those who are in positions of power on earth.

Have they indeed taken a woman from among men as they did in the days of old, and brought forth from her a new "savior for the world?" Will they soon appear to announce their "great one" that the Bible says will be the Antichrist?

I believe that we shall soon see, because of such shocking things as the recent admission by Dr. Steven Hawking, as well as the highly publicized, September 2010 press release by UFO researcher Robert Hastings, and the enormous panel of former military personnel, who presented indisputable evidence of UFO'S having deactivated their nuclear missile bases; as well as the "host" of shows that are presently being shown on television so regularly, such as The History Channel, that deal with the subject of aliens and UFO sightings.

It's like the "go-ahead" is being given from them in the spirit world for it to be announced to the world, or to at least "soften us up a bit" for increased sightings and phenomenon, and a final revelation of their existence officially, and perhaps some sort of an introduction made by them to the world. Who knows?

They may continue to remain behind the scenes as invisible demons, merely controlling certain people from the spirit world through their thoughts, as they have for the most part up till now, but should they choose to make themselves public as "alien entities" from another planet, who have come to earth to "help" us, it will be the most powerful deception ever yet foisted upon mankind!

Who will be able to argue with them and their "supernatural powers?" Jesus Himself said in Matthew 24, that "many false prophets would arise near the end of the world, showing great signs and wonders," to deceive if possible, even the very "elect of God," or his closest followers, but that they would not be allowed to overstep that bound.

God will hang on tight to all who turn to Him. During this horrendous time, the Bible says that, "WHOSOEVER SHALL CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED!"

The Bible says that this coming horrendous time period will be the worst that has ever occurred in the history of the world up to that time, or ever shall be again!

It is during this terrible time that many of these events mentioned in this Bible study will occur. They are part of this period of "great tribulation," as the Bible calls it, that this man of evil will bring upon the earth, and that God will bring upon this evil man and his followers also during this time, as He fights for His people to protect them.

Many of the judgments that come in the End Time will fall upon the heads of this Antichrist and his followers, and not the people of God according to the book of Revelation.

An example of this is found in Revelation 9:4, where it speaks of a plague of locusts that are unleashed upon mankind that have a very painful sting like unto a scorpion that lasts for five full months! It says that they are commanded only to hurt those men "WHO DO NOT HAVE THE SEAL OF GOD IN THEIR FOREHEADS..." So God's people are protected from this tribulation judgment, as well as others.

It's a war, where the Antichrist will be trying to wipe out the people of God, and getting terribly frustrated when he can not get his hands on the greater majority of them, and where God will be allowing judgment after judgment to fall upon the Antichrist and his

followers. God wins in the end!

In the mean-time God will miraculously protect and provide for all who turn to Him during this time, and even though many will actually die as martyrs for the Lord, they will be given great grace to do so, just as were those who died for Christ in the days of old. But according to Revelation chapter 12, these will only be a remnant or a small minority, compared to the greater majority of God's people.

The vast majority of God's people will be fed, cared for, and protected by the Lord marvelously in the wilderness for this last three and a half years until Jesus returns to take us with Him in the rapture, and then destroys this mad man and his followers, with our help, in the "Battle of Armageddon."

It is at this time that he takes us to safety, grants us our new supernatural bodies like His, that are impervious to pain, sickness, or death, and restores the earth back to its original beauty!

Jesus then brings us back, and many of us will actually be called upon to help Him rule and reign with true compassion and love over the survivors of these horrors who live on into the Millennium. This will be world's first truly lasting kind and loving Government, which will really and truly care about the people of earth, and their lives and needs.

This is the beautiful end, or rather beginning of what right now appears to many as a very tragic story of the end of our present age, which, without the knowledge of God's greater plan here, of restoring the earth, and saving as many people as will turn to Him, certainly looks very ominous, dark, and hopeless.

Many feel that the earth could be destroyed at any time, by any of a number of disasters, and that mankind will cease to exist forever.

This is the hopeless feeling that many are left with after viewing most of these "end of the world" movies, and after watching the nightly news, and television documentaries, which seem to corroborate the possibility of many of these terrible things actually occurring shortly.

People are left with a feeling of utter hopelessness and despair, but it doesn't turn out that way. Get the bigger picture! There is a God. He loves you, and has made a way for you to escape this terrible sad ending, and to go on with Him into the next life and the next world of sheer joy and happiness, a world without end:

RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST TODAY AND GUARANTEE YOURSELF A PLACE IN THE HEAVENLY WORLD THAT IS TO COME: BOTH IN THE MILLENNIUM, AND IN THE GLORIOUS NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH THAT WILL FOLLOW!

CHAPTER THIRTEEN:

"BEHOLD I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW" "THE GLORIOUS NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH" "THE GOLDEN CITY OF GOD"

SPEAKING OF THAT "GLORIOUS NEW HEAVEN AND EARTH," LET'S EXAMINE SOME OF THE BEAUTIFUL SCRIPTURE PASSAGES THAT SPEAK OF THIS WONDERFUL COMING EVENT:

Isaiah was one of the first Prophets to speak of this clear back in 700 B.C.

Isaiah 66:17 (The Lord speaking through Isaiah:)

"FOR BEHOLD, I CREATE NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH, AND THE FORMER SHALL NOT BE REMEMBERED, NOR COME INTO MIND."

Isaiah 66:22

"FOR AS THE NEW HEAVENS AND THE NEW EARTH, WHICH I MAKE, SHALL REMAIN BEFORE ME, SAYS THE LORD, SO SHALL YOUR SEED AND YOUR NAME REMAIN."

Then almost nine hundred years later, John the Beloved was taken into the Spirit by the Lord's angel and actually shown the coming "new heaven and earth," and described it all in much greater detail:

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."

In Revelation chapters 21 and 22, John gives us a very specific and detailed description of this "new heaven and earth," and the lovely, breath-taking "golden city of God" that comes down to earth at this time for all of us to dwell in: A city so beautiful and magnificent that the foundations are even made of precious stones, like emeralds and rubies, diamonds and sapphires, and the streets are made of pure gold!

Revelation 21:2 - 5a

"AND I JOHN SAW THE HOLY CITY, NEW JERUSALEM, COMING DOWN FROM GOD OUT OF HEAVEN, PREPARED AS A BRIDE ADORNED FOR HER HUSBAND."

"AND I HEARD A GREAT VOICE OUT OF HEAVEN SAYING, BEHOLD, THE TABERNACLE OF GOD IS WITH MEN, AND HE WILL DWELL WITH THEM, AND THEY SHALL BE HIS PEOPLE, AND GOD HIMSELF SHALL BE WITH THEM, AND BE THEIR GOD."

"AND GOD SHALL WIPE AWAY ALL TEARS FROM THEIR EYES; AND THERE SHALL BE NO MORE DEATH, NEITHER SORROW, NOR CRYING, NEITHER SHALL THERE BE ANY MORE PAIN: FOR THE FORMER THINGS ARE PASSED AWAY."

"AND HE THAT SAT UPON THE THRONE SAID, BEHOLD, I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW..."

Revelation 21:10 - 21

"AND HE CARRIED ME AWAY IN THE SPIRIT TO A GREAT AND HIGH MOUNTAIN, AND

SHOWED ME THAT GREAT CITY, THE HOLY JERUSALEM, DESCENDING OUT OF HEAVEN FROM GOD, HAVING THE GLORY OF GOD: AND HER LIGHT WAS LIKE UNTO A STONE MOST PRECIOUS, EVEN LIKE A JASPER STONE, CLEAR AS CRYSTAL;"

"AND HAD A WALL GREAT AND HIGH, AND HAD TWELVE GATES, AND AT THE GATES TWELVE ANGELS, AND NAMES WRITTEN THEREON, WHICH ARE THE NAMES OF THE TWELVE TRIBES OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL:"

"ON THE EAST THREE GATES; ON THE NORTH THREE GATES; ON THE SOUTH THREE GATES; AND ON THE WEST THREE GATES."

"AND THE WALL OF THE CITY HAD TWELVE FOUNDATIONS, AND IN THEM THE NAMES OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES OF THE LAMB."

"AND HE THAT TALKED WITH ME HAD A GOLDEN REED TO MEASURE THE CITY, AND THE GATES THEREOF, AND THE WALL THEREOF."

"AND THE CITY LIETH FOURSQUARE, AND THE LENGTH IS AS LARGE AS THE BREADTH: AND HE MEASURED THE CITY WITH THE REED, TWELVE THOUSAND FURLONGS. (approximately 1,500 miles, or 2400 kilometers) THE LENGTH AND THE BREADTH AND THE HEIGHT OF IT ARE EQUAL."

"AND HE MEASURED THE WALL THEREOF, AND HUNDRED AND FORTY AND FOUR CUBITS, ACCORDING TO THE MEASURE OF A MAN, THAT IS, OF THE ANGEL." (a cubit is approximately 18-22 inches, or 45 - 55 cm. in length) (so this averages out to an approximate height of 240 feet or 72 meters high... a very high wall)

"AND THE BUILDING OF THE WALL OF IT WAS OF JASPER: AND THE CITY WAS PURE GOLD, LIKE UNTO CLEAR GLASS."

"AND THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE WALL OF THE CITY WERE GARNISHED WITH ALL MANNER OF PRECIOUS STONES. THE FIRST FOUNDATION WAS JASPER; THE SECOND, SAPPHIRE; THE THIRD, A CHALCEDONY; THE FOURTH, AN EMERALD;"

"THE FIFTH, SARDONYX; THE SIXTH, SARDIUS; THE SEVENTH, CHRYSOLITE; THE EIGHTH, BERYL; THE NINTH, A TOPAZ; THE TENTH, A CHRYSOPRASUS; THE ELEVENTH, A JACINTH; THE TWELFTH, AN AMETHYST."

"AND THE TWELVE GATES WERE TWELVE PEARLS; EVERY SEVERAL GATE WAS OF ONE PEARL: AND THE STREET OF THE CITY WAS PURE GOLD, AS IT WERE TRANSPARENT GLASS."

As you can imagine, the beauty of all these precious stones must be beyond description with all the gorgeous colors, and with streets of gold, and a wall like diamond! WOW!

On earth these things are only seen in tiny jewelry like rings and necklaces. Can you even imagine seeing them in such great proportions with the light of the city shining through them from behind? It must be absolutely "breath-taking!"

Isaiah also spoke of this beautiful future "heavenly city of God" and the precious stones that adorn it in chapter 54 of his book:

Isaiah 54:10-14

"FOR THE MOUNTAINS SHALL DEPART, AND THE HILLS BE REMOVED; BUT MY KINDNESS SHALL NOT DEPART FROM THEE, NEITHER SHALL THE COVENANT OF MY PEACE BE REMOVED, SAITH THE LORD THAT HATH MERCY ON THEE."

"O THOU AFFLICTED, TOSSED WITH TEMPEST, AND NOT COMFORTED, BEHOLD, I WILL LAY THY STONES WITH FAIR COLORS, AND LAY THY FOUNDATIONS WITH SAPPHIRES."

"AND I WILL MAKE THY WINDOWS OF AGATES, AND THY GATES OF CARBUNCLES, AND ALL THY BORDERS OF PLEASANT STONES."

"AND ALL THY CHILDREN SHALL BE TAUGHT OF THE LORD; AND GREAT SHALL BE THE PEACE OF THY CHILDREN."

"IN RIGHTEOUSNESS SHALT THOU BE ESTABLISHED: THOU SHALT BE FAR FROM OPPRESSION; FOR THOU SHALT NOT FEAR; AND FROM TERROR; FOR IT SHALL NOT COME NEAR THEE."

This heavenly city is already in existence, and many Christians have been taken there by the Lord and then brought back to testify that it really exists, and to describe its incredible beauty.

Many have said that some of the buildings there appear to be made of pure gemstones, or crystal, gorgeous beyond anything this present earth has ever had constructed on it.

Many of these people have written books about their experiences that you can find in any major Bible bookstore, as well as on the internet. The book "90 Minutes in Heaven, by Don Piper was mentioned earlier as you may remember.

There is also an evangelist named Henry Gruver who was taken to the heavenly city and walked those streets of gold for six hours, following his guardian Angel.

Please look up "Joyful Sound Ministries" on the internet to find Henry's ministry. You can order this video from him. It is simply called "Six Hours in Heaven."

There is also a You Tube video you can bring up on the internet under his name, which presents a vision he had concerning the coming nuclear war. Like John the Beloved in the Book of Revelation, he was taken up over the earth by the Lord's angel, and shown a horrific vision of the future.

He saw the terrible coming missile war in a vision, in which many of the great cities of the United States of America will be completely destroyed in a terrifying nuclear holocaust.

But getting back to the beauty of God's coming heavenly Kingdom, according to Revelation chapters 21 and 22, this new heaven and new earth are of such resplendent beauty, that they defy description!

Please obtain a copy of the Holy Bible and read through these wonderful prophetic chapters yourself. You will just be amazed at the description given of the incomparable beauty of it all, along with the wonderful and magnificent "golden city" made by God for all of us to dwell with Him in forever; that is, all of us who turn to Christ.

For a bit of humor here, there is a joke about a man who died and wanted to take something with him to heaven that he greatly valued here on earth. He owned a bunch of gold bars worth millions. He just couldn't give them up. To try to hide them from St. Peter he put them in a bag. He begged Peter to let him in with his bag of "secret treasure."

St. Peter asked him what could possibly be so valuable to him that he wanted to bring it all the way into heaven, and asked to see what was in the bag that he held so tightly.

As the man reluctantly opened the bag, St. Peter looked in and loudly exclaimed, "YOU BROUGHT 'PAVEMENT' WITH YOU?" HA! So whole buildings, streets, and walls in

heaven are made of materials that are considered to be of great value here, and only kept in the smallest items like jewelry!

On another issue, regarding the shape of the coming heavenly city, many Christians and theologians down through time have "assumed" that this great city is a giant "cube," since it mentions that the length, and breadth, and height of it are all the same. (1,500 miles) A cube would have the same "length," "width," and "height."

So they teach this as a "fact," when they don't really know for sure, and haven't really sought the Lord about it for the most part.

All down through time people of the Christian faith have done this, and God seems to delight in proving them wrong. But there are other "geometric structures" that could have these same dimensions, of equal length, width, and height.

I have read reports now by two Christian writers who were allowed to actually see a vision of the coming heavenly city. They both said that it was a giant "crystal pyramid!" One of my personal friends also saw it in a vision, descending upon the earth in the end, and also said it was a crystal clear pyramid in shape.

They think that this is what the ancient Egyptians were trying to copy in the building of the great pyramid, which was once covered with a form of "gleaming limestone" that made it shine very brightly both day and night.

This make sense, and also fits with Scripture. Most people in the Christian world associate "pyramids" with Satan, and the New Age, and "occult mysticism." But think about this for a minute. These same people always say, "Satan cannot think up anything new." "He can only try to copy and mimic what God does, to fool everyone into thinking that he is God."

Well, if this is true, then instead of having his early Egyptian magicians and designers build "pyramids," why wouldn't Satan have had them build large "cubes," if indeed that was what the Devil was trying to copy with the building of the great pyramid, as well as all the pyramids?

Satan apparently wanted to copy God's coming heavenly city in some form, and have a replica on earth of a shiny and gorgeous pyramid that would glow at night in the moonlight, and even reflect direct sunlight brightly in the daytime, to "dazzle" the observers, and for the Pharaoh, who was worshiped as "God" by his people to rule from and be buried in when other's took his place as "God" after his death.

(hmnn... a god that dies? You'd think that would have raised some suspicions among the commoners? Apparently everyone was too afraid to ask any questions...)

This was probably as close as Satan could get to copying what God would do in the future, of ruling from a great, shiny, "crystal pyramid" over the earth and it's people.

So he had his little "phony" god, the Pharaoh ruling from a city with a giant glowing pyramid nearby. He may have indeed been trying to copy or mimic God's future plans for the heavenly city in this endeavor.

This truly makes sense if you think about it, even in the realm of physics. It says that the heavenly city "descends" or comes down from space onto the earth, and apparently is mounted on "foundations" made of precious stones.

So this giant structure apparently has to sit on the earth somewhere without affecting it's rotation. Where could that possibly be except for one of the poles?

Well, once again, we have a set of Scriptures which seem to indicate that this coming heavenly city of New Jerusalem may indeed sit atop the "north pole" when it "descends" upon the newly created earth in the future:

Psalm 48:1,2

"GREAT IS THE LORD, AND GREATLY TO BE PRAISED IN THE CITY OF OUR GOD, IN THE 'MOUNTAIN' OF HIS HOLINESS." (WOW! See the word "mountain?" This more accurately describes a "pyramid" in shape than a cube.)

"BEAUTIFUL FOR SITUATION, THE JOY OF THE WHOLE EARTH, IS MOUNT ZION, ON THE 'SIDES OF THE NORTH,' THE CITY OF THE GREAT KING."

There it is folks! This verse would seem to make this clear. Is the present city of Jerusalem at the north pole, or "on the sides of the north?" It has never been located there.

This is speaking of the coming new "heavenly city of God," or "New Jerusalem" that we have just read about in the Book of Revelation. It plainly says that it is the "city of the Great King," and is "mountain shaped," and sits upon "the sides of the North."

If you think about it, a giant cube would not allow for earth to rotate as well as a large pyramid, directly over the north pole. A giant cube would tend to throw the earth out of balance from the uncontrollable vibrations created just by its mere shape.

It would be "top heavy," with even the slightest movement out of alignment, of one of the heavy corners at the top, creating a "vibrating effect." A pyramid would most likely spin without vibration. ...Just a thought.

Also, this fits with the infamous "eye of the almighty," such as seen on the pyramid on the back of the dollar bill, as being at the top of the apex. If Satan is trying to mimic and copy God here, then the occult design of this pyramid with the supposed "eye of God" at the top would fit perfectly with God being at the top of the "apex" of His house, when it finally arrives, and "watching over everything."

But God will be watching over everything in great love and understanding for his subjects, and not to crush and destroy them as Lucifer presently plans to do through the Antichrist.

Concerning the coming heavenly city possibly being shaped like a pyramid or "mountain," the great Prophet Isaiah has a bit to say about this too: Not to be outdone, he envisions this coming great "dwelling place of God," as being "mountain" shaped in Isaiah chapter 2, verse 2:

Please observe Isaiah's vision of the "mountain of the Lord's house" that is to be established in the top of the mountains in the end, which is referring to the same "Holy City of New Jerusalem" in the Book of Revelation.

Does it not say in Revelation, that "the tabernacle of God is with men," and that He will dwell with them in this great and beautiful city?" This therefore is the "Lord's House!" Isaiah 2:2-4 (This is one of the most lovely passages in all of Scripture!)

Even during the thousand year reign of Christ, the Millennium, the Lord's house is described as a mountain in shape.

"AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS, THAT THE 'MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD'S HOUSE' SHALL BE ESTABLISHED IN THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAINS, AND SHALL BE EXALTED ABOVE THE HILLS; AND ALL NATIONS SHALL FLOW UNTO IT." (I'd say that 1,500 miles high would certainly be considered "exalted above the hills...")

"AND MANY PEOPLE SHALL GO AND SAY, COME YE, AND LET US GO UP TO THE 'MOUNTAIN OF THE LORD,' TO THE 'HOUSE' OF THE GOD OF JACOB; AND HE WILL TEACH US OF HIS WAYS, AND WE WILL WALK IN HIS PATHS: FOR OUT OF ZION SHALL GO FORTH THE LAW, AND THE WORD OF THE LORD FROM JERUSALEM."

"AND HE SHALL JUDGE AMONG THE NATIONS, AND SHALL REBUKE (or correct) MANY PEOPLE: AND THEY SHALL BEAT THEIR SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES, AND THEIR SPEARS INTO PRUNING HOOKS: NATION SHALL NOT LIFT UP SWORD AGAINST NATION, NEITHER SHALL THEY LEARN WAR ANYMORE."

Isn't that a lovely portion of Scripture, and vision of the future for what God has planned for the world and it's people? For all who receive His Son Jesus as their Savior? As you can see, "God's House" or dwelling place is "mountain shaped," and not a big cube as so many have falsely assumed.

And there will be no more war! GOD HATES WAR! He absolutely hates the useless slaughter of the poor and innocent, and man's inhumanity to man. He's going to put an end to it all, and all the weapons of war will be melted down and made into agricultural equipment for farming and growing crops. How wonderful.

What a wonderful world. Wouldn't you like to live in such a world? You can you know, and it is a "free gift," just waiting for you if you choose to receive the Lord.

Psalm 145:18,19

"THE LORD IS NEAR UNTO ALL THEM THAT CALL UPON HIM, TO ALL THAT CALL UPON HIM IN TRUTH."

"HE WILL FULFILL THE DESIRE OF THEM THAT FEAR (or respect) HIM, HE ALSO WILL HEAR THEIR CRY AND WILL SAVE THEM".

He will save everyone who calls upon Him in sincerity and in truth. He will hear your "cry" or sincere prayer, and will save you! He wants you to be with Him in this new heaven and new earth, this beautiful paradise that defies description, for all of eternity. That is the perfect will of God. What is your will? What is your desire?

You see, it has always been God's loving plan for man, almost from the beginning of time, since mankind "fell," to redeem us all, and to one day create a new world, a literal paradise for us all to dwell in, and to save as many poor souls as possible, who have been born into this present old worn out and polluted world.

He wishes so badly to save us all, and is trying desperately to reach as many as possible with the message of the Gospel, in hopes that all will turn to Him and be saved through receiving His Dear Son Jesus Christ as their savior, and His unspeakable gift of eternal life that cost Him more than any of us can possibly imagine.

This is what is holding up the whole show! He is patiently waiting for all that will turn to Him for salvation to do so. Then He will step in and bring an end to the old world and the start the beginning of the new.

Daniel 2:44

"AND IN THE DAYS OF THESE KINGS (the 10 final kings that rule under the Antichrist) SHALL THE GOD OF HEAVEN SET UP A KINGDOM, WHICH SHALL NEVER BE DESTROYED: AND THE KINGDOM SHALL NOT BE LEFT TO OTHER PEOPLE, (the ruler and His subjects shall have eternal life and will never die... hence they will not need to leave the kingdom to their children or to others like earthly kings have to do when they pass away...) ...BUT IT SHALL BREAK IN PIECES AND CONSUME ALL THESE

KINGDOMS, AND IT SHALL STAND FOREVER!"

There it is again in Daniel: THE COMING KINGDOM OF GOD WILL STAND FOREVER AND NEVER BE DESTROYED, and you have a "free ticket" to go there just waiting for you, with your name on it! Let's talk about this now at greater length:

CHAPTER FOURTEEN:

"WHO THEN CAN BE SAVED?" "IS ETERNAL LIFE REALLY A FREE GIFT?" "I THOUGHT IT WAS ONLY FOR THE PERFECT"

SO WHO DOES GOD ALLOW TO RECEIVE ETERNAL LIFE, AND TO LIVE IN THIS BEAUTIFUL NEW CITY AND ENVIRONMENT? ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE SOMEHOW MANAGED TO BECOME PERFECT IN GOD'S EYES BY THEIR OWN STRUGGLE TO "OVERCOME SIN IN THEIR LIVES?"

ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE, THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR MAN TO ACHIEVE BY HIMSELF. THAT IS WHY JESUS HAD TO COME AND GIVE HIS LIFE AS A SACRIFICE ON THE CROSS TO SAVE US ALL.

IT IS ONLY THROUGH RECEIVING HIM INTO OUR HEARTS AND LIVES PERSONALLY, AND RECEIVING THE POWER AND ANOINTING OF HIS VERY OWN SPIRIT AND STRENGTH, THE HOLY SPIRIT, THAT THIS WONDERFUL MIRACLE OF SALVATION CAN OCCUR, OR ANY GOOD AND LASTING WORKS THAT WE WILL ACCOMPLISH IN OUR LIVES.

THE BIBLE MAKES IT PLAIN THAT GOD WANTS EVERYBODY, EVERY MAN, WOMAN, AND CHILD WHO HAS EVER LIVED, OR BEEN BORN ON THIS PRESENT EARTH TO BE WITH HIM IN HEAVEN, NOT JUST A SELECT FEW. JESUS DIED FOR EVERYONE, THE WHOLE OF MANKIND.

John 3:16

"FOR GOD SO LOVED THE 'WORLD' THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, THAT 'WHOSOEVER' BELIEVES IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH, (or die) BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE.

("For God so loved the "world..." That means everyone who has ever, or will ever live. "The whole world!" The term "whosoever" means that "anyone," and "everyone" in the entire world is eligible to freely receive salvation and eternal life. Jesus loves and died for everyone!)

1 John 2:2

"AND HE (JESUS CHRIST) IS THE PROPITIATION (or "payment") FOR OUR SINS: AND NOT FOR OURS ONLY, BUT ALSO FOR THE SINS OF THE 'WHOLE WORLD!'"

(Once again, I think that the term "whole world" pretty much covers everyone that has ever, or will ever live doesn't it?)

Acts 2:21

"AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS THAT 'WHOSOEVER' SHALL CALL UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD (JESUS CHRIST) SHALL BE SAVED!"

(The term "whosoever" pretty much covers everyone? Right?)

2 Peter 3:9

"THE LORD IS NOT SLACK CONCERNING HIS PROMISE, AS SOME MEN COUNT SLACKNESS, (Meaning not slow in keeping His promises) BUT IS LONG SUFFERING

TOWARD US, NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH, BUT THAT 'ALL' SHOULD COME TO REPENTANCE."

God is "not willing that any should perish." He does not want anyone to suffer death. It is very clear from this verse that He is so very tender hearted and merciful, that He wants everyone to be saved, and to turn to Him.

"Repentance" means completely turning your life around and going the right direction with the Lord's help. It is not something that we can accomplish on our own. It is an act of God that occurs when we realize that we can't do it ourselves, and need Christ's help, and turn to Him with all our hearts and ask for His help and salvation. He then comes into our heart and life, and performs what we are not capable of doing, by the anointing of His Holy Spirit dwelling within us.

When you sincerely ask to receive Jesus into your heart and life, He comes in, and His Spirit within you then causes you to desire to do good, to stop doing evil, and to repent. If we could do it on our own, Jesus would have never had to come and die for our sins in the first place, plain and simple.

John 6:37-40

"ALL THAT THE FATHER GIVES ME SHALL COME TO ME; AND HIM THAT COMES TO ME I WILL NEVER TURN AWAY."

"FOR I CAME DOWN FROM HEAVEN, NOT TO DO MY OWN WILL, BUT THE WILL OF HIM THAT SENT ME."

"AND THIS IS THE FATHER'S WILL WHICH HAS SENT ME, THAT OF ALL WHICH HE HAS GIVEN ME I SHOULD 'LOSE NONE' BUT SHOULD RAISE HIM UP AGAIN AT THE LAST DAY."

"AND THIS IS THE WILL OF HIM THAT SENT ME, THAT 'EVERYONE' WHO SEES THE SON, AND BELIEVES ON HIM, MAY HAVE 'EVERLASTING LIFE: AND I WILL RAISE HIM UP AT THE LAST DAY."

It doesn't get much more clear than that! Jesus promised that He wouldn't turn anyone away from Him when they come to Him in sincerity. He also says here that He will not "lose" any of those who turn to Him and become His children. You cannot be "lost" or fall away. He will catch you and turn you around. Like the parable with the "lost sheep," He will seek for you until He finds you, and bring you back into the fold.

He also promises once again that "everyone" who believes in Him will be granted "everlasting life," and says twice that He will raise them up, or "resurrect" them from the dead at the last day. What a wonderful promise and set of Scriptures. Aren't they lovely? Here is another passage that speaks of us being "resurrected" or raised from the dead by the Lord:

John 11:25 and 26

"I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE: HE THAT BELIEVES IN ME, THOUGH HE WERE DEAD YET SHALL HE LIVE:"

"AND WHOSOEVER LIVES AND BELIEVES IN ME SHALL NEVER DIE."

What? If you believe in Jesus and receive Him, you will "never die?" That's right. Here is another Scripture that says the same thing:

John 8:51

"TRULY, TRULY, I SAY UNTO YOU, IF A MAN KEEP MY SAYING HE SHALL NEVER SEE DEATH." (His "saying" is His message, that He died for us all, and that eternal life only comes through receiving Him as our savior.)

When we receive Jesus as our savior we will never experience "death." When our time comes to pass from this world, it will be like passing from one room to another and closing the door behind us. We will go straight from this life to the next in an instant, and be with the Lord and our saved loved ones and friends who have gone on before us. This is His promise.

Here is another passage that shows of the great and mighty power of God, and of His ability to "keep" or hang on to all of His children, and to prevent them from ever being taken away from Him:

John 10:28-30 (He had earlier compared men to being like "sheep" in this chapter...)

"MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE, AND I KNOW THEM, AND THEY FOLLOW ME:"

"AND I GIVE UNTO THEM ETERNAL LIFE; AND THEY SHALL NEVER PERISH, NEITHER SHALL ANY MAN PLUCK THEM OUT OF MY HAND."

"MY FATHER, WHICH GAVE THEM ME, IS GREATER THAN ALL; AND NO MAN IS ABLE TO PLUCK THEM OUT OF MY FATHER'S HAND."

"I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE."

What a promise! No one is able to take us away from God and Jesus once we turn to Him in sincerity, and become one of "His." He is "greater than all!" I'm sure this was put in the Bible to show that God is greater than Satan.

God is the greatest and most powerful entity in the Universe. Greater and mightier than any other being. Therefore we can rest assured that we will never be taken away from Him by the Devil, or anyone, or anything else once we receive Jesus. Here is another passage that says that there is "nothing and no one" can ever take us away from the Lord once we become His children. Not even anything that can happen in the future:

Romans 8:38 & 39

"FOR I AM PERSUADED, THAT NEITHER DEATH, NOR LIFE, NOR ANGELS, NOR PRINCIPALITIES, NOR POWERS, NOR THINGS PRESENT, NOR THINGS TO COME,"

"NOR HEIGHT, NOR DEPTH, NOR ANY OTHER CREATURE, SHALL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF GOD, WHICH IS IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD."

Wow! That pretty much covers it all! Anything and everything. "Nothing" and "no one" including "principalities or powers," which are the greatest and most powerful demons of Satan who rule this present world, can take us out of God's hand.

Also, "nothing that can happen to us in the future," can take us away from God and Jesus once we become theirs. This truly covers anything that can possibly happen to us or come our way. So how do we become theirs?

When we "receive" Jesus, we become a member of God's family and are "born of God," or "born again" spiritually. We become a son or daughter of God at that time:

John 1:12 and 13

"BUT AS MANY AS 'RECEIVED' HIM, TO THEM HE GAVE THE RIGHT TO BECOME THE CHILDREN OF GOD, EVEN TO THEM THAT BELIEVE ON HIS NAME:" "WHICH

WERE 'BORN,' NOT OF BLOOD, NOR OF THE WILL OF THE FLESH, NOR OF THE WILL OF MAN, 'BUT OF GOD.'

When we "receive" Jesus, we are "born of God" into His family. This is not a flesh and blood birth such as when we were born into this world. It is a "spiritual re-birth" into God's family, in which God's Spirit literally comes into us, inside of us, and we become "His," one of His dear children. So "receiving Jesus" into our hearts and lives is the first step. Just say "yes" to Jesus!

To "receive" Him means to "accept" Him. When you are approached with His message of how He died in your place as a sacrifice, to save you and grant you eternal life in heavenly paradise, you then believe and accept this message being presented to you. You thank Him, and say "yes" to Him, and ask Him to come into your life, and grant you this "priceless gift" of the salvation of your very soul. This is "receiving" Him. He then literally allows His Spirit to come inside of you, causing you to be "born into God's family."

Here are some more verses that explain this "new spiritual re-birth," or what is commonly called being "born again:"

John 3:3

"...EXCEPT A MAN BE 'BORN AGAIN' HE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD."

John 3:5 & 6:

"...EXCEPT A MAN BE BORN OF WATER AND OF THE SPIRIT, HE CANNOT ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD." "THAT WHICH IS BORN OF THE FLESH IS FLESH, AND THAT WHICH IS BORN OF THE SPIRIT IS SPIRIT."

To be "born of water" means to come out of the "water bag" in your mother's womb in a flesh and blood body.

To be "born of God" or "born again" is a "spiritual re-birth" of our inner man, when the Spirit of God comes into our hearts, and makes us anew, into one of His sons or daughters, and we become a member of His family; having His thoughts, love, and driving motivation to do good and help others.

As was just explained above, this happens when we "receive" His son Jesus into our hearts and lives. His Spirit literally comes into us and sets us free.

So this is where the terminology of being "born again" comes from, which you may have heard. It means to be born into the family of God spiritually. It is a marvelous transforming event that occurs on the spot when we receive Jesus.

It is not something that comes later on at the time of our death, if we somehow managed to be good enough, and our good deeds outweighed our bad, as so many falsely assume.

The split second we make the decision to receive Him as our Savior, and ask Him for the "gift of God," He gives it to us right then and there, and we "pass from death unto life," at that very instant, as it says in John 5:24:

John 5:24

"TRULY, TRULY, I SAY UNTO YOU, HE THAT HEARS MY WORD, AND BELIEVES ON HIM THAT SENT ME, HAS EVERLASTING LIFE, AND SHALL NOT COME INTO CONDEMNATION; BUT 'IS PASSED' FROM DEATH UNTO LIFE."

"His Word" is His "message" of salvation that was just explained above, about how

salvation is a "free gift" that can only be received through personally accepting His atonement for our sins and wrongdoings by His sacrifice made for us when He died on the cross.

When we hear His Word, and hear this message, and understand the tremendous sacrifice He made for us in giving His very life to save us from death and hell, we must then make the decision to believe this message and ask Him into our hearts and lives, and to "receive Him" as our savior, or to reject Him.

If we choose to believe and receive it, we are instantly transformed at that very moment, and "born" into the family of God, and we literally "pass from death unto life" at that time. The term "is passed" is "past tense," meaning something that has already happened, or just happened.

Jesus is saying here, that when you hear and understand the message of the Gospel and choose to believe it, and you therefore "ask to receive him as your savior," and invite Him to come into your life, that at that very moment you "pass from death unto life," and are saved. You begin your "eternal life" with Christ right then and there, and are born into the family of God as a son or daughter who will live forever with Him.

Here is another verse that proves that we are considered "sons or daughters of God" right here and now on this earth when we receive Jesus:

1st John 3:1-3

"BEHOLD WHAT MANNER OF LOVE THE FATHER HAS BESTOWED UPON US THAT WE SHOULD BE CALLED THE 'SONS OF GOD'..." (This of course includes "daughters" too. In the days of old they used male terminology to include both sexes.)

"BELOVED, 'NOW' ARE WE THE SONS OF GOD, AND IT DOES 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."

As you can see, we are considered "sons" or "daughters" of God "right now!" It isn't some future thing that may or may not occur if we somehow become "good enough." Here is another verse that says this:

Galatians 4:6

"AND BECAUSE YOU ARE SONS, GOD HAS SENT FORTH THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON INTO YOUR HEARTS, CRYING ABBA, FATHER." (Abba means "Father.")

So as you can see, we are considered as God's children "right now" when we receive Jesus into our lives. Just as John 5:24 indicated, we "pass from death unto life" right on the spot, when we receive Jesus, and are considered as sons or daughters of God, and members of His family from that time forward.

This does not mean, however, that we can just do as we please, and commit evil, or do bad things and get away with it. Just as we correct and discipline our own children when they disobey, God corrects us as a loving Father after we become His children.

This is what many churches don't seem to understand. They think that you can be saved one day, and then fall away and be unsaved the next. This gives people a terrible feeling of insecurity concerning their salvation, and God's love for them.

This erroneous teaching has caused many Christians to "fall away" from their faith life and just give up. Because none of us are perfect, and we all make mistakes.

If you have been taught that every time you "screw up" you are on your way back to hell,

you will finally give up in great discouragement, because you are going to make mistakes and bad decisions. None of us are perfect, and we will all make wrong choices, or a bad decision at one time or another.

Just as a small child makes many bad decisions, such as to disobey his mother and to go ahead and put their hand on the stove and get burnt, you and I are going to make mistakes over and over. We are imperfect humans.

But when we fall down, like a toddler learning to walk, the Lord, as a loving Father, picks us up, cleans us off, bandages the wounds, dries our tears, and helps encourage us to try again to do better and keep going.

If we become stubborn and obstinate against the Lord, He has to get more harsh in His discipline with us, by making things go wrong in our lives, and bringing us right back to our point of rebellion, so we can see the error of our ways and turn back. He is so loving and patient with us, but stern if need be, just as any good parent should be.

But we do not cease to be sons or daughters of God, and somehow become "un-born again," or once again headed for hell and destruction, if we fall and make mistakes. His Spirit goes to work in great love and patience, helping us want to turn around and go the right direction once again.

Like a "fishing bobber" on a line, it may go under the water for a while, but always comes back up to the top. This is what our spiritual life is like once we get saved.

God will correct us in measure until we change. His Spirit in us actually causes us to want to do good. Our "good works" are a result of His Spirit working in our hearts.

When we receive Jesus as our savior He promises to stay with us "forever," and to never leave us or forsake us. Here are some neat verses that state this:

Hebrews 13:5b

"...FOR HE HAS SAID, I WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU OR FORSAKE YOU."

(well that's pretty clear, and doesn't need any explanation... very comforting too)

When Jesus was getting ready to be crucified and to return to His Father in heaven, He assured His disciples in John chapter 14, that He would send them the "comforter" or the Holy Spirit after He left, that would actually be God's presence, living and dwelling their hearts. He said that once it came into them, it would be with them "FOREVER!"
John 14:15-18

"IF YOU LOVE ME KEEP MY COMMANDMENTS."

"AND I WILL PRAY THE FATHER, AND HE SHALL GIVE YOU ANOTHER COMFORTER, THAT HE MAY ABIDE WITH YOU 'FOREVER';"

"EVEN THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH; WHOM THE WORLD CANNOT RECEIVE, BECAUSE IT SEES HIM NOT, NEITHER KNOWS HIM: BUT YOU KNOW HIM, FOR HE DWELLS WITH YOU AND 'SHALL BE IN YOU."

"I WILL NOT LEAVE YOU COMFORTLESS: I WILL COME TO YOU."

What a lovely and comforting passage of Scripture. The Holy Spirit, or "the Spirit of Truth," abides, or "lives" with us "forever" once we receive it. It is God's very presence living inside of us. It says that it "dwells with us," and shall be "in" us. It calls it "the comforter." This is because we face a lot of difficulties and hardships in this

present life, and are in continual need of God's comfort to see us through, and He does. The Bible says that the Holy Spirit also "seals" us until the "day of redemption," or the day in which we go to be with the Lord in heaven: This means that we are forever "sealed" as belonging to God as one of His sons or daughters, and that this "seal" cannot be broken.

A "seal" is something that is stamped on a legal document, a signed contract, or a title deed of ownership, meaning that it is something that cannot be changed, broken, or violated in any way.

Now days, this is done by taking a legal document or title to a "public notary," in which they stamp their "seal" on it in ink, with a device that also puts an "imprint" deep into the paper. This "imprint" signifies that the notarization is the "real thing" and authentic, and not a forgery.

In the old days, the Kings would seal laws and contracts that they had signed with a "signet ring." It had the King's emblem on it, and was placed in hot red wax, and then stamped on the document somewhere, placing the authority of the King on it.

This meant that it was not to be changed or violated in any way. Often this was stamped directly over a folded document in order that it could never be legally opened. This is where the term "sealed" comes from. It was "sealed shut." It was considered as something that had officially been agreed upon for good, that would never be changed.

Well the Lord uses this "same terminology" in referring to us as belonging to Him now, once we receive Jesus as our savior. He says that we are "sealed" with the Holy Spirit of promise. The promise of eternal life.

He places His "seal" on this "spiritual contract" that has been made when we agreed to receive Jesus as our savior, and He places His very Spirit into our hearts as "His Seal," for Satan and all to see, that cannot be broken or altered in any way. We belong to Him now, and that cannot be changed, forever!

Here are those scriptures which state this very plainly:

Ephesians 1:13 and 14 (speaking of how the disciples were the first to "trust" or put their faith in Christ it says:)

"IN WHOM YOU ALSO TRUSTED, AFTER THAT YOU HEARD THE WORD OF TRUTH, THE GOSPEL OF YOUR SALVATION: IN WHOM ALSO AFTER THAT YOU BELIEVED, YOU WERE 'SEALED' WITH THAT HOLY SPIRIT OF PROMISE,"

"WHICH IS THE 'EARNEST' OF OUR INHERITANCE UNTIL THE REDEMPTION OF THE PURCHASED POSSESSION, UNTO THE PRAISE OF HIS GLORY."

This means that once we receive Jesus, His Holy Spirit comes into our hearts and "seals" us as forever belonging to Him. Satan cannot get us back. We are God's property now, His dear children, a "purchased possession," bought and paid for by the precious blood of Christ.

In the dictionary, the term "earnest" is defined as: "money given as a part payment and pledge in binding a bargain: in full." And, "something given or done as an indication or assurance of what is to come; "a pledge." It is like a "promissory note," or a legally binding, signed note to promise to pay in full. We are "promised" salvation, and an "inheritance" in God's kingdom, now being His children.

Therefore, the Holy Spirit of "promise" is the "earnest," or "down payment" on our salvation that will be finally "paid in full" when we pass on into the next life with Jesus. It is His "pledge" to us that we will be saved. It is His "assurance to us of what is to come," which

is eternal life.

It is our "promissory note," or His promise to us that we will be saved and go on to be with Him in heaven when we pass on from this life. This "promissory note" has an "unbreakable seal" stamped on it from God stating that we are His, and belong to Him for all of eternity.

It says that we now have an "inheritance" in heaven. An inheritance is something that is only given to someone's children. They "inherit" the possessions of their parents because they are their children. So when we become God's children, we "inherit" part of His Kingdom. Isn't that awesome?

Ephesians 4:30

"AND GRIEVE NOT THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD, WHEREBY YOU ARE 'SEALED' UNTO THE 'DAY OF REDEMPTION.'"

We shouldn't do things that we know are wrong and that grieve God's Spirit, but we are still "sealed unto the day of redemption," which is the day we leave this old earthly body behind and go to be with the Lord in heaven.

The Holy Spirit "seals" us until this time. So what Jesus told His disciples in John 14 is really true, the Father sends us the Holy Spirit in order that He may live with us, and in us "forever."

Once we receive it, and it comes into us, we are "sealed" by it "forever," with God's unbreakable promise of eternal life! ..."SIGNED, SEALED, DELIVERED!" "I'M YOURS!" (to quote a phrase from a popular song...) This is all quite comforting! The Holy Spirit is indeed "the comforter."

THE BIBLE ALSO MAKES IT VERY CLEAR THAT SALVATION IS A "FREE GIFT" GIVEN TO ALL WHO SINCERELY ASK FOR IT, AND NOT SOMETHING THAT CAN BE EARNED BY OUR OWN GOOD WORKS, OR ANYTHING THAT WE CAN POSSIBLY DO TO TRY TO EARN IT OURSELVES:

Romans 5:18

"THEREFORE AS BY THE OFFENSE OF ONE (Adam) THE JUDGMENT CAME UPON ALL MEN TO CONDEMNATION; (or death) EVEN SO BY THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF ONE (JESUS CHRIST) THE 'FREE GIFT' CAME UPON 'ALL MEN' UNTO JUSTIFICATION OF LIFE."

Can it be made any plainer, that eternal life is a "free gift" that is to be given to "all" who have ever lived, or will yet live? I think the term "all men" pretty much covers everyone! And it very plainly states that it is a "free gift."

(Once again, this includes women too of course. In the old days, when they spoke like this, they used the term "men" to include both men and women. It means "mankind in general.")

The Bible also says very plainly that this "gift of God" cannot be earned by our own good works or merit. It is something that is "freely given" that we cannot earn by anything we try to do to obtain it.

Ephesians 2:8 & 9

"FOR BY GRACE ARE YOU SAVED THROUGH FAITH; AND THAT NOT OF YOURSELVES: IT IS THE 'GIFT OF GOD':" "NOT OF 'WORKS' LEST ANY MAN

SHOULD BOAST."

(This is very clear: It is the "GIFT OF GOD," and it "cannot be earned by our works.")

Romans 6:23

"FOR THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH, BUT THE 'GIFT OF GOD' IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD."

(Once again, it is called the "gift of God.") (A gift is something that you give to someone else freely.)

In John chapter 4, Jesus had a very interesting conversation with a woman who many people of today would think was a "terrible sinner," because she'd had five husbands, and was now living with a 6th that she wasn't even married to.

It's almost as if the Lord picked a person that was probably looked down upon in her community by most, as a real "sinner," and a "harlot;" to make a very important point: That salvation has nothing to do with our own good works, or who we are, or what we have or haven't done in our lives.

He loves us all, and wants us to receive Him into our lives and let Him change each of us by His Spirit for the better; and salvation is indeed a "free gift" offered to all.

It is only through receiving Him that any of us can really change for the better, and any good works that follow are the result of Him coming into our lives, and inspiring us to want to do good, and to love and help others.

His Spirit inside of us causes us to want to do good. He puts these thoughts and desires in our hearts and minds from within.

People can do good works on their own without having received Jesus, but it won't gain them any favor or merit with God or save them. Only through obeying God, by receiving His Son Jesus, as He has instructed us to do, and letting Him change us from within, can any of us be saved. Good works on their own cannot "save" us. Only Christ's sacrifice can.

But getting back to the wonderful story of this woman, Jesus had been traveling with His disciples, and sat down to rest for a minute at a well, while the others went into town to obtain food. As he sat there, this woman approached the well to get water. Jesus asked her for a drink.

She was a bit surprised, because the Jews of that day considered her race and nationality to be inferior to them, and rarely even talked with them or traveled through their land, as they deemed it "unclean".

Jesus then shocked her by telling her in John 4:10:

"IF YOU KNEW OF THE 'GIFT OF GOD' AND WHO I AM, YOU WOULD ASK OF ME, AND I WOULD GIVE YOU LIVING WATER."

Then in verses 13 and 14 He told her:

"WHOSOEVER DRINKS OF THIS WATER (the water out of the well) SHALL THIRST AGAIN:" "BUT WHOSOEVER DRINKS OF THE WATER THAT I SHALL GIVE HIM SHALL NEVER THIRST; BUT THE WATER THAT I SHALL GIVE HIM SHALL BE 'IN HIM' A WELL OF WATER SPRINGING UP INTO EVERLASTING LIFE."

Later on in John chapter 7, verses 37-39, it explains that this "living water" that Jesus gives us is the "Holy Spirit." His very own Spirit comes inside of us and saves and redeems us, carrying us through this life into "eternal life," like a "well of living water, springing up, or continually bubbling up inside of us." This is something that He performs, not us. We are saved and carried through to eternal life, by this great "act of God" in our hearts.

But the neat thing to see from this story, and these passages above, is that Jesus picked someone who was probably considered one of the worst sinners in her community, and told her that if she would simply "ask" Him, He would give her the "free gift" of the Holy Spirit that would be inside of her like a "well of water" continually "springing up," or overflowing, until she entered into "eternal life."

How much plainer can it be made? He didn't point his finger at her and scream in her face, "You filthy whore!" "You are on the road to hell this very second." "REPENT OR PERISH!"

He didn't run her through a bunch of questions asking her: "Have you ever told a lie?" "Have you ever committed adultery, or had an extra-marital affair?" "Have you ever stolen anything?" "Have you ever coveted another persons property?" ...and on and on, trying to show her what a terrible sinner she was. He simply offered her salvation!

As He told the self-righteous Pharisees:

Matthew 9:12 and 13

"...THEY THAT ARE WHOLE NEED NOT A PHYSICIAN, BUT THEY THAT ARE SICK."

"BUT GO AND LEARN WHAT THIS MEANS, 'I WILL HAVE MERCY, AND NOT SACRIFICE: FOR I AM NOT COME TO CALL THE RIGHTEOUS, BUT SINNERS TO REPENTANCE."

He wanted them to learn to have compassion on people, and not such a "self-righteous," "I am holier than you" attitude toward others.

Here is an example for all Christians, set by the Lord Himself, of how to approach people and win them to Him. It should serve as an example of His great love for us all, and that His salvation is indeed a "free gift" offered to all.

When it came to the "repentance" part of the conversation, and the "pointing out of her sins and wrongdoings," the Lord "gently chided her" that he knew she had had five husbands, and was now living with another man she wasn't even married too.

He must not have presented it too her too sternly, because she ran off in "great joy" to tell her whole town, "Come, meet a man who told me everything that I ever did." "Is not this the very Christ?" The entire town came out to hear Jesus and got saved.

She didn't seem too depressed from the Lord's message to her. He must not have made it plain enough that she was such an evil sinner and bad person. She, of course, asked Him to give her this free gift that he offered, and I'm sure He did, because He doesn't lie, and keeps His promises.

The way the Lord loved, accepted, and spoke to her with such kind hearted compassion in this story, should serve as a glowing example to all Christians of the Lord's love for everyone, and how we should in turn treat everyone we meet, and that Christ's salvation is a "free gift," offered to all, no matter what they've done, and not something that can be earned by our own good works.

Before the great news anchor, Peter Jennings passed away, he did a special show called "Jesus and Paul." In this wonderful documentary, Mr. Jennings traveled to Damascus, Syria, where he found the church that was started by this "woman at the well" still in existence after all these centuries.

Her church is still there in downtown Damascus! Do you think she got saved? It is quite obvious from her "fruits" that she received the Lord's Spirit, and started one of the first Christian churches in history that is still going strong. ...all from this encounter with this one "sinful woman," that Christ's love and acceptance changed and made anew.

As it turns out, Peter Jennings himself was a dear Christian. He had his flaws, as we all do, but it was made public after his passing, that he had been going down to the homeless shelters in his area, and actually staying with them sometimes over night; often even sleeping outside with them on the side walks if there was no room inside.

He had been giving very generous donations to these shelters, and I'm sure has a great reward in heaven now for so doing, not to mention the religious shows he did right before he passed away, in which it was obvious that he was trying to get across God's message and to bring people to faith in Christ. May God greatly bless him, and may his reward in heaven be great.

Concerning the fact that salvation is a "free gift" that cannot be earned by our works, this is also made quite plain in Titus 3: 5 -7:

"NOT BY WORKS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS WHICH WE HAVE DONE, BUT ACCORDING TO HIS MERCY HE SAVED US, BY THE WASHING OF REGENERATION, AND THE RENEWING OF THE HOLY GHOST;"

"WHICH HE SHED ON US ABUNDANTLY THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR;"

"THAT BEING JUSTIFIED BY HIS GRACE, WE SHOULD BE MADE HEIRS ACCORDING TO THE HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE."

"The washing of regeneration" means to be "born again," or born into God's kingdom...and "regenerated" as brand new spiritual beings as we spoke of before. It is the renewing of our spirits by the Holy Ghost.

As you can plainly see, it is not something that is "earned by our works" or good behavior. It is a gift of God's mercy. It is shed on us "abundantly," meaning that it is poured out very willingly by the Lord in great volume or abundance. He is very willing to give it to all who ask.

We are then "justified" in God's sight, and made "free of guilt" before the Lord, by His grace, or "undeserved mercy." And we are "made heirs" according to the hope of eternal life. To be made an heir, you have to be someone's son or daughter. We become sons or daughters of God and thereby "heirs" of His coming kingdom.

Once again, I would like to reiterate here that salvation through Jesus is something that is freely offered to everyone who has ever, or will ever live:

Isaiah 52:10

"THE LORD HAS MADE BARE HIS HOLY ARM IN THE EYES OF ALL THE NATIONS, AND ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH SHALL SEE THE SALVATION OF OUR GOD." (everyone will get a chance to hear and receive this priceless gift) (His Holy Arm is Jesus.)
Isaiah 49:6

"IT IS A LIGHT THING THAT YOU SHOULD BE MY SERVANT TO RAISE UP THE

TRIBES OF JACOB, AND TO RESTORE THE PRESERVED OF ISRAEL. I WILL ALSO GIVE YOU FOR A LIGHT TO THE GENTILES, THAT YOU MAY BE MY SALVATION UNTO THE END OF THE EARTH."

(God speaking to Jesus on the role He would fulfill in bringing all of mankind back to the Father, and being His salvation "unto the end of the earth" for everyone in every nation!)

But what about the "dead" who never had a chance to hear this message, you may say? ...or all those from former generations who have never heard about Jesus, who lived before His time, or those of today who have never heard the message of the Gospel preached unto them, who pass through death's door? Well Jesus has even taken care of that situation.

In John chapter 5, Jesus told the Pharisees that the Gospel would even be preached to the "dead," in order that even they may have a chance to receive Him and be saved. Does it not say that He died for the sins of the "whole world?" Therefore they must also have a chance to hear His wonderful message and to choose to receive Him too, just as we do:

John 5:25

"VERILY, VERILY, I SAY UNTO YOU, THE HOUR IS COMING, AND NOW IS, WHEN THE 'DEAD' SHALL HEAR THE VOICE OF THE SON OF GOD: AND THEY THAT HEAR 'SHALL LIVE'." (That's pretty plain and self explanatory!)

In 1st Peter chapters 3 and 4, it even says that Jesus went down to the heart of the earth after He died on the cross, and preached this same glorious Gospel to the "dead;" specifically "those that had been disobedient in the days of Noah." WOW!
1st Peter 3:18-20

"FOR CHRIST ALSO HAS ONCE SUFFERED FOR SINS, THE JUST FOR THE UNJUST, THAT HE MIGHT BRING US TO GOD, BEING PUT TO DEATH IN THE FLESH, BUT QUICKENED (made alive) BY THE SPIRIT:"

"BY WHICH ALSO HE WENT AND PREACHED UNTO THE SPIRITS IN PRISON;"

"WHICH SOMETIME WERE DISOBEDIENT, WHEN ONCE THE LONGSUFFERING OF GOD WAITED IN THE DAYS OF NOAH, WHILE THE ARK WAS PREPARING, WHEREIN FEW, THAT IS, EIGHT SOULS WERE SAVED BY WATER."

1st Peter 4:6

"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."

As you can see here, the "Gospel" was also preached to "all" the dead at that time. The Gospel is the "good news" that Jesus Christ died for our sins, to grant each of us "eternal life" as a free gift which cannot be earned by our own good works.

Apparently those in the spirit world, or down in prison, at that time, who chose to receive Jesus, were then saved and granted eternal life just as we are, and allowed to "live according to God in the Spirit." What does that mean exactly?"

Does that mean they were allowed to come out of prison and be used by the Lord like Angels, or "ministering spirits," to help lead others to Christ; or at least to come out of prison and go to heaven like those of us who are saved do right now when we pass on to be with the Lord?

What does this mean, that they were allowed to "live according to God in the spirit?" Is this speaking of the spirit world, or the "unseen state" as it is called in the ancient Hebrew?

Why would they not be allowed to go to the same place that Christians go to now when they pass on, which is in heaven, with the Lord? Why would they not be allowed to become "new creatures in Christ" just as we are?

Here is another set of Scriptures that seem to indicate that this is indeed what happened to all who "received" Jesus in the spirit world, when He went and preached salvation to them:

Ephesians 4:8-13

"WHEREFORE HE SAYS, WHEN HE ASCENDED UP ON HIGH, 'HE LED CAPTIVITY CAPTIVE,' AND GAVE GIFTS UNTO MEN."

"NOW THAT HE ASCENDED, (or went up to heaven) WHAT IS IT BUT THAT HE ALSO 'DESCENDED' (or went down) FIRST INTO THE LOWER PARTS OF THE EARTH?"

"HE THAT DESCENDED IS THE SAME ALSO THAT ASCENDED UP FAR ABOVE ALL HEAVENS, THAT HE MIGHT FILL ALL THINGS."

This "descending into the lower parts of the earth," is referring to when Jesus went down and preached salvation to the spirits that were imprisoned there.

This "leading of "captivity" captive, spoken of here, is referring to the releasing those spirits which chose to freely receive Him, just as we who are presently alive do, and to get saved, and come out of this "prison" and to go with Him to heaven.

They then became "His," and "captive" to His love and salvation; no longer bound in prison in the heart of the earth. He led those who were held in the captivity of the prison of hell, "captive" to His love and a new life in heaven.

So it is very apparent that the "Gospel" of salvation through Jesus Christ must be preached at some point in time to everyone who has ever been born, whether it happens in this present life or in the spirit world, if they have already passed on without getting a chance to have heard it while alive.

Some will say that this is preaching a "second chance" after death. No, just as with the living, for most of them this was their "first chance" to hear the message of Christ. Most of them had never heard the Gospel preached to them before.

Think of the billions of Chinese over the centuries, and other nations of great number, who never had a chance to hear of Jesus. Why would they not be offered salvation as a "free gift" just as we who are alive right now? It's Christ's Spirit that comes into us and changes us, making us want to follow Him and do good. Why would this same thing not be offered to all, whether alive or dead?

This is very possibly why Jesus used such "mysterious language" in John 11:25 and 26:

"I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE. HE THAT BELIEVES IN ME THOUGH HE WERE 'DEAD' YET SHALL HE LIVE, AND WHOSOEVER LIVES AND BELIEVES IN ME SHALL NEVER DIE."

Perhaps they are then allowed to serve as "ministering spirits?" The Bible says that when we pass on, we become "like the Angels." It says that the Angels are sent forth as "ministering spirits," to help lead others to salvation, and to "minister to them that are to be heirs of salvation."

Perhaps this is what it means to be allowed to "live according to God in the Spirit;" to be "alive" in the spirit world, and used by the Lord somehow. Maybe they are even sent to their own relatives to try to bring them to Christ by influencing them through their "thoughts?" This is what God's Angels do.

Or, perhaps it means that they are allowed to go to heaven, just as those who pass away in Christ do even now from among the living, and then when the resurrection comes at the last day, they will start their life of service for the Lord.

Why would they not be allowed the same salvation and "brand new fresh start" in life that we presently are when we receive Jesus right now on this earth? If salvation is a free gift that cannot be earned by works, why wouldn't they be allowed the same opportunity as we are to receive it?

Remember the "thief" that hung on the cross next to Jesus as they were dying, who asked the Lord to "please remember me when you come into your Kingdom." (Luke 23:42 and 43) And the Lord told him, "Truly I say unto you, this day you shall be with me in paradise." WOW!

This man didn't have time to jump down off the cross and do any good works. In his case it was a totally "free gift," just as it is with all of us. Why would it not be the same for all who have ever, or will ever live?

The early church, and many of the early Christians understood these things much more fully, and believed and taught similar doctrines.

It has become increasingly clear to me over the years, from both my own life, and watching the lives of others, that Jesus is very patient and longsuffering, giving people "many chances."

Over and over He patiently approaches people through the Holy Spirit, trying to win them over. Many, for one reason or another, are reluctant to accept Him right away for one reason or another.

Most of us get many chances to hear the message of the Lord, and to receive Him. This doesn't mean though that you can just simply ignore Him either. When you hear, you should say yes and receive Him. **YOU MAY NOT GET ANOTHER CHANCE!** NOW is the day of salvation, as it says. Don't put it off.

So you see, God really does want everyone to be saved and have eternal life, and to live forever in this beautiful new heaven and earth that He will soon re-create.

He sent His own Son to perform this marvelous miracle of saving all of mankind, that is, all who will turn to Him for salvation, whether in this present life, or the spirit world.

He did this by giving His very life for us, each one of us! That was the price that had to be paid, that could only be paid by Jesus Christ, in His immeasurable love, and it is only something that can be received as a "free gift" from Him.

He is presently, patiently waiting for all to hear this wonderful message and to personally pray and "receive" Him as their Savior. He will then return shortly and gather us unto Himself in that marvelous event which we have previously discussed, known as "the rapture," and to take us to a place of safety while the vials of wrath are poured out upon the earth, followed by the Millennium.

Revelation chapter 20 speaks of how this will last for a "thousand years!" Jesus Christ will rule and reign during this period in great love over the nations of the world. This period is known as "The Millennial Reign of Christ."

Sadly, even after this thousand year reign of peace under Christ's loving rule, there has to be another final "sifting" or purging of the physical people of the earth's populations, and nations, to see whether they will choose God or the devil.

Satan is let out of his prison that he has been held in, in the "bottomless pit," in the heart of the earth during this time, and allowed to go out and deceive the nations once again, just as he is presently going to do under the coming Antichrist.

It doesn't say that there will be another Antichrist, but just that Satan is let out to "deceive the nations once again," and to lead them in rebellion against God and His people.

If you have received Jesus as your savior, and already belong to Christ, you won't be affected by this rebellion. You will already have experienced the salvation of your soul, and the gift of eternal life, as well as the first resurrection by this time, and will belong totally to Jesus, having a new body like the Angels.

You will always belong to Jesus, and will therefore be totally protected by Him, and you will never die or experience death, because you have chosen Christ. You won't be able to be deceived by Satan during this time.

This great "sifting" will be for the physical peoples of earth who manage to live on into the Millennium, who's offspring, by that time, may have reached enormous population levels, possibly even greater than we presently have today, as it describes them in Revelation 20:8, "AS THE SAND OF THE SEA IN NUMBER!"

Not everyone will be wiped out in the great earth-purges, that are coming shortly. God apparently will have small pockets of protected people who survive on into the Millennium, as it says in Isaiah 24:6 that at the very end of this present age:

"THE INHABITANTS OF THE EARTH ARE BURNED, AND 'FEW' MEN LEFT."

So there are a small number of people who survive all these earth-purges who live on into the Millennium to re-populate the earth once again. These are probably from among the people who resisted the Antichrist and fought against him, refusing to take his mark, yet who for some reason or another, had not heard of Christ, or had not yet made the decision to receive Him as their savior.

So they are protected and allowed to live on, and apparently multiply over this thousand year period.

This great and final "sifting" will be for those who have not yet made the personal decision to receive Jesus and be saved, even though they will have experienced a thousand years of His loving rule, and will probably have had plenty of chances to hear His message and to do so.

Isaiah 26:10

"LET FAVOR BE SHOWN TO THE WICKED, YET WILL HE NOT LEARN RIGHTEOUSNESS. IN THE LAND OF UPRIGHTNESS HE WILL DEAL UNJUSTLY, AND WILL NOT BEHOLD THE MAJESTY OF THE LORD."

Even in the most wonderful, beautiful environment, like the Garden of Eden, with the most kind and loving ruler, who gave His very life for all of mankind, still there will be unappreciative, unregenerate, wicked and selfish people, who refuse Jesus, and refuse to allow His Holy Spirit to enter them, and change them into kind and loving Godly people. Not everyone who lives on into the Millennium will receive or appreciate Jesus or the priceless sacrifice He paid for their souls, nor will many of their offspring, apparently.

So there has to be this final testing and sifting to see who will turn to God and Jesus from among the peoples of the earth, and who will follow Satan in his rebellion.

All who refuse to receive Jesus, the loving, kind, and merciful Lord and Savior, and who follow Satan in his last and final rebellion against God, will be destroyed by fire that falls from heaven, as they surround the "camp of God" and try to attack and destroy it. God fights once again for His own, and they are spared and not harmed, while the enemies of peace and love are utterly destroyed.

Then, at the end of that thousand years, after this final great purging and sifting, the most wonderful and greatest metamorphosis in all of history will take place: The Lord will entirely re-create the completely brand new heaven and earth, which we just spoke of at great length, that will last not just for a thousand years, but for all eternity, world without end!

So I don't know about you, but this is somewhere I want to go when I pass away! The other choice isn't so good. I choose Jesus, and who in their right mind wouldn't?

So what appears to be a very troublesome time that lies ahead for the world, filled at times with many horrifying events, will not last for long. The darkest night is just before the dawn.

Out of what appear to be the world's darkest hours will come the dawning of a new day, and peace and joy for all mankind, that is, all who willingly accept the dear Lord Jesus as their savior.

He gave His life for us. That is a pretty big price to pay! We should all be so thankful, and readily take Him up on His offer of this priceless free gift of eternal life, and of living for eternity in paradise. Why would anyone refuse such a wonderful gift?

FINAL NOTE:

I certainly hope that this study has been a blessing, as well as giving you Biblical perspective on just what is presently happening in our rapidly changing world.

I hope this also provides some answers to the questions you may have about why things seem to be going so terribly wrong all around us now everyday in almost every nation on earth, with great earthquakes, storms, flooding, and other natural disasters, as well as the political and economic turmoil that we all now face globally.

I also hope that this has given you a glimpse into the future, of what is coming, and most of all, great hope that everything is under God's control, and that Jesus Christ will soon return to rescue all who have turned to Him. He will set things straight, and make a brand new world, where all will dwell with Him for eternity in a literal paradise.

If you would like to find out for yourself if all of this is really true, simply call upon the Lord right now and ask Him, and He will show you that it is true.

If you would like to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior right now at this present moment, and become a member of God's greater family, and receive His free gift of eternal life, please pray right now and ask the Lord to come into your heart and life, and to grant you this unspeakable gift, AND HE WILL!

If you are lost for words, and don't know quite what to say, please just repeat the prayer below in sincerity, and the Lord will hear you and grant your request:
Simply pray:

"Dear Lord Jesus, I just call upon your Name. You promised you would deliver and save all of us who do. I call upon the Name of Jesus Christ, The Son of God. Please come into my heart, and grant me Your wonderful free gift of Eternal Life.

"Please forgive me for all the wrong I have done in my life. I want to live with you through the glorious coming golden age of the millennium, and also in the new heaven and earth that you will make, forever, in eternal heavenly happiness.

"Please save me and help me to reach my friends and family for you also, with your wonderful message of salvation to all who will turn to you. Help me to obtain a copy of the Bible, or New Testament, and to begin to study your Word.

(The Book of John in the New Testament is the best place for you to start:)

"Please lead me to those who truly know you, in a Christian fellowship that I would be most compatible with, who will really have a genuine love and understanding for me and what I have gone through in my life, and who can help me to grow as a Christian, and become a blessing to others. Thank you for your unspeakable gift of salvation. In Jesus' Dear Name. Amen."

-May God greatly bless you,
- John Benjamin

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