

Is there a Second Coming of Jesus Christ?

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Ministry Logo Meaning.

Many, many years ago I got a picture in my heart of a hand holding a sword that was on fire and I knew what this meant and just hung onto it in my heart for many years

A few years ago I was in Melbourne at a breakfast meeting listening to a Ministry Couple from Canada talking and while I was listening to them talking about their location and their Ministry and the time that it took before a harvest started to be produced of the people in the area.

I pictured the hand with the flaming sword in it, coming up out of a harvest field of wheat.

So this is what it means.

- **The harvest Field of Wheat is the world, the same as in Matthew 13.**
- **The hand is my hand, the hand of Man.**
- **The 2 edged Sword is the Word of God.**
- **The Fire is the Fire of God, the Holy Ghost anointing that Word.**

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Introduction

As we are aware, the written contents of this book alone can certainly be discussed in relation to the subject matter depending on what our teaching has been in our Christian walk as well as our own personal knowledge of the scriptures that has come from our own personal study of God's Word, or what you may have heard from various ministry as they have taught the Word of God.

The concern that I have is that there does seem to be a complacent spirit in some Christian circles about not only will Jesus Christ return but if and when.

There does not seem to be an urgency or hunger to know and understand the scriptures concerning Christ's return and I certainly do not want to see the Church fall into the **Matthew 25** situation in regards to the five wise and the five foolish Virgins where we have some Church groups have been praying and reading God's Word for a number of years and have an abundance of oil. The Oil speaks of the Holy Ghost used to keep their lamps burning. The lamps speak of having the Word of God quickened and made alive by the Holy Ghost.

Then we have other Church groups that may have not been as enthusiastic as others or have not had any, or enough teaching to help them create enthusiasm to understand the Word of God. Some may not be interested in forming a relationship with the Lord and having not spent the time in prayer that was needed and as a result when Christ comes back as the Bridegroom they did not have sufficient oil to enlighten the way and while they spent the time to go and get some more oil or praying so earnestly, the Bridegroom came and gathers up his bride who are the saints of God and are made perfect in a twinkling of an eye.

He then closes the door so that those people who were not ready for him when he came were refused entry into the Kingdom of God or as the scriptures put it, were refused entry into the marriage of the lamb and the wedding feast.

This then starts a three and a half year period where the Lord hides his Church in the wilderness and after his return then a 1000 year rest in Christ where we shall rule and reign with Christ for that 1000 years and meet up with those who have already gone before us, the men and woman of God who were believers and were already in the kingdom of God.

After that 1000 year period of time there is a time called the Great White Throne Judgment where all the dead outside of Jesus Christ or all of those that did not believe in Jesus Christ or were not that enthusiastic about building a relationship with the Lord even though they were believers to a point are made to stand before this Judgment seat of God and make an account of their lives and how they have accepted or rejected Jesus Christ and him crucified and judgment will be made and then those whom judgment is passed onto shall be sent to a place of fire called hell where there shall be great torment which shall go on for eternity.

This is a place away from the presence of the Lord.

My heart is; that as many people as possible will be able to read or hear the word of God and be able to become believers or certainly get a better understanding of the Word of the Lord and this will increase their relationship and walk with the Lord that will hopefully create an enthusiasm for the Lord that will enable them to a part of the Bride of Christ.

The ministry of the study guide goes into asking the question “Is there a Second Coming of Jesus Christ?” and goes into a brief overall picture of what the scriptures say about the second coming of Jesus Christ and at the end of this chapter there will be a chart that shows what is known as the Creation Week which gives an explanation of the time that God took to create the earth in relation to his time and all the creatures in the earth and then at the end of the book I will put another chart known as the Redemptive Week so that it will be easy to compare and relate to.

I have written this study guide as a resource compiling many scriptures under certain headings so that the reader will be able to check up the word of God to verify the things that I have said to make sure that they are true according to the Word of the Lord.

I written a book for the encouragement and enlightenment of the believer and Christians hoping and praying that the subject matter will be as exciting to you as it is to me and that the reader who ever they may be will gain a greater understanding of the times that we are living in and will become more watchful for it understanding that we were born for such a time as this. The book has a number of extra pages as well as commentaries.

The scripture references used are the **Old King James** version as well as **The Message Bible** as this version can really give a clearer picture to some people of what the Lord is speaking to us about.

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Is There a Second Coming of Jesus Christ?

It is amazing how some people who confess to be Christians and believe in the Word of God, do not believe that Jesus Christ is going to return again to the earth in all his power and glory, and have even more trouble believing that everyone is not going to make it into the kingdom of heaven and that God is going to destroy those who do not seek after the Lord with all their heart, their mind and their spirit.

In this lesson we will read what the scriptures says about Christ's second coming, and not so much what happens at this period of time, when, or in what order.

Hosea. 4;6.

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because thou has rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou has forgotten the law of God, I will also forget thee.

It's better that we hear not the Word of God and hear it and turn away from it.

Luke 9;62.

And Jesus said unto them, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

The Message Bible says.

Jesus said, "No procrastination. No backward looks. You cannot put God's kingdom off till tomorrow. Seize the day".

The Message Bible says.

*My people are ruined because they don't know what's right or true.
Because you have turned your back on knowledge, I have turned my back on you priests.
Because you refuse to recognize the revelation of God, I'm no longer recognizing your children.*

Amos. 8;11-12.

Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread nor of thirst for water, but of hearing the Words of the Lord.

And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the Word of the Lord, and shall not find it.

The Message Bible says.

Oh yes, judgment day is coming!

These are the words of my master God. I'll send a famine through the whole country.

It won't be food or water that is lacking, but my Word.

People will drift from one end of the country to the other, roam to the north, wander to the east. They'll go anywhere, listen to anyone, hoping to hear God's Word, but they won't hear it.

Matthew. 24;36.

But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no not the Angels of heaven, but of my father only.

The Message Bible says.

But the exact day and hour? No one knows that, not even heaven's angels, not even the Son, Only the Father knows.

Mark. 13;32-37.

But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no not the Angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.

Vs. 33.

Take ye heed, watch and pray for ye know not when the time is.

Vs. 34.

For the son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.

Vs. 35.

Watch ye therefore, for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at cockcrowing, or in the morning.

Vs. 36.

Lest coming suddenly he finds you sleeping.

Vs. 37.

And what I say unto you, I say unto all, **Watch.**

The Message Bible says.

But the exact day and hour? No one knows that, not even heaven`s angels, not even the Son. only the Father. So keep a sharp lookout, for you don`t know the timetable, It is like a man who takes a trip, leaving home and putting his servants in charge, each assigned a task, and commanding the gatekeeper to stand watch. So, stay at your post, watching. You have no idea when the homeowner is returning, whether evening, midnight, cockcrow, or morning. You don`t want him showing up unannounced, with you asleep on the job. I say to you. and I`m saying to all: Stay at your post. Keep watch.

Matthew 25;1-13.

This chapter is very prophetic concerning the end of the age and is in a way a parable to one extent but is a prophetic word concerning the second coming of Jesus in another way.

Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, [**which speaks of the knowledge of the Word of God**] and went to meet the bridegroom. **Jesus Christ.**

And five of them were wise and five were foolish.

They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them. [**Holy Ghost.**]

But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. [**they had spent many years praying and reading God`s Word.**]

While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold the Bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

Then all those arose, and trimmed their lamps.

And the foolish said unto the wise, give us your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you; but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage and the door was shut.

Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

The Message Bible says.

God`s kingdom is like ten young Virgins who took oil lamps and went out to greet the Bridegroom. Five were silly and five were smart.

The silly virgins took lamps, but no extra oil. The smart virgins took jars of oil to feed their lamps. The Bridegroom didn`t show up when they expected him, and they fell asleep.

In the middle of the night someone yelled out, He is here! The Bridegroom`s here!

Go out and greet him.

The ten virgins got up and got their lamps ready. The silly virgins said to the smart ones, Our lamps are going out; lend us some of your oil.

They answered, there might not be enough to go around; go buy your own.

They did, but while they were out buying oil, the Bridegroom arrived. When everyone who was there to greet him had gone into the wedding feast, the door was locked.

Much later, the other virgins, the silly ones, showed up and knocked on the door, saying, Master, we're here. Let us in.

He answered, Do I know you? I don't think I know you.

So stay alert. You have no Idea when he might arrive.

Matthew 26;40.

And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could you not watch or pray with me for one hour.

The Message Bible says.

When he came back to his disciples, he found them sound asleep. He said to Peter, Can't you stick it out with me a single hour? Stay alert; be in prayer.

Hebrews. 9;28.

So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many, and unto them, that look for him, shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

The Message Bible says.

Everyone has to die once, then face the consequences. Christ's death was also a one-time event, but it was a sacrifice that took care of sins forever. And so, when he appears, the outcome for those eager to greet him is, precisely salvation.

2 Timothy. 4;1-5.

Vs. 1.

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom.

Vs. 2.

Preach the Word, be instant in season, out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort, with all long suffering and doctrine.

Vs. 3.

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves, teachers, having itchy ears.

Vs. 4.

And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables. [Or myth.]

Vs. 5.

But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make proof of thy ministry.

The Message Bible says.

I can't impress on you too strongly. God is looking over your shoulder. Christ himself is the Judge, with the final say on everyone, living and dead. He is about to break into the open with his rule, so proclaim the message with intensity; keep on your watch. Challenge, warn, and urge your people. Don't ever quit. Just keep it simple.

You're going to find that there will be times when people will have no stomach for solid teaching, but will fill up on spiritual junk food, catchy opinions that tickle their fancy. They'll turn their backs on truth and chase mirages. But you, keep your eye on what you're doing; accept the hard times along with the good; keep the message alive; do a thorough job as God's servant.

James. 5;8.

Be ye also patient, establish your heart, for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

The Message Bible says.

Meanwhile friends, wait patiently for the Masters Arrival. You see farmers do this all the time, waiting for their valuable crops to mature, patiently letting the rain do it's slow but sure work. Be patient like that. Stay steady and strong. The Master could arrive at any time.

Acts. 3;20-21.**Vs. 20.**

And he shall send Jesus Christ which before was preached unto you.

Vs. 21.

Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his prophets since the world began.

The Message Bible says.

He will send the Messiah he prepared for you, namely Jesus. For the time being he must remain out of sight in heaven until everything is restored to order again just the way God, through the preaching of his Holy Prophets of old, said it would be.

Moses for instance, said, Your God will raise up for you a prophet just like me from your family. Listen to every word that he speaks to you.

Every last living soul who refuses to listen to that Prophet will be wiped out from the people.

Hebrews. 6;1-2.**Vs. 1.**

Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith towards God.

Vs. 2.

Of the doctrines of baptisms, and of the laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. [in the house of God.]

Eternal judgment in the house of God is supported in the book of Acts. Chapter 5, where it speaks of Ananias and Sapphira.

This couple lied to God and the disciples about how much they sold something for and how much they gave to the church.

They did not have to give any amount of money to the Lord but they chose to say one thing and do another.

The spirit of God dwelt with their deceit by the Spirit by having the Holy Ghost deal with that deceit in the house of God. They both were struck down dead.

Matthew. 24;3.

And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? And what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

Following is the answer of things that Jesus said must happen before he comes back again.

- Matthew. 24;5,11, 24. False Christ's & false prophets claiming to be him.
- Matthew. 24;6. Wars and rumors of wars.
- Matthew. 24;17. Nation shall rise against nation.
- Matthew. 24;7. Kingdom against Kingdom.
- Matthew. 24;7. Famine and pestilences.
- Matthew. 24;7. Earthquakes in many places.
- Matthew. 24;8. All these are the beginning of sorrows.
- Matthew. 24;9. Persecution of the Christians.

- Matthew. 24;12. Sin will abound.
- Matthew. 24;14. The Gospel to be preached in all the world for a witness
- 2 Timothy. 3;1. Perilous times upon the earth.
- 2 Timothy 3; 2-5. The self will of mankind and his depraved state.
- Luke. 17; 26-37. As it was in the days of Noah.
- Daniel. 12; 4. Many running to and fro. Increase in knowledge.
- Luke. 21; 24. Nation of Israel established. Jerusalem was no longer under Gentile rule after 1917. In 1948 Israel was declared a nation again.

- 2 Thessalonians. 5; 1-3. When peace and safety is proclaimed throughout the whole world, then shall come sudden destruction.
- Matthew. 24;21 There shall be great tribulation like there never was before
- Luke. 21;25-28. Signs in the heavenlies, in the sun, moon and stars and the power of heaven shaken.
- Luke. 21; 32-38. All these signs and more shall be fulfilled before the coming of the Jesus Christ.
- Matthew. 24; 34-35.

2 Timothy. 3;1.

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

2 Timothy. 3;2-5.

The self will of mankind and his depraved state.

The Message Bible says.

Don't be naïve. There are difficult times ahead. As the end approaches, people are going to be self-absorbed, money hungry, selfpromoting, stuck-up, profane, contemptuous of parents, crude, coarse, dog-eat-dog, unbending, slanders, impulsively wild, savage, cynical, treacherous, ruthless, bloated windbags, addicted to lust, and allergic to God. They'll make a show of religion, but behind the scenes they're animals. Stay clear of these people.

Luke. 17;26-37.

As it was in the days of Noah and Lot so shall it be also in the days of the Son of Man.

The Message Bible says.

The time of the son of man will be just like the time of Noah, everyone carrying as usual, having a good time right up to the day Noah boarded the ship. They suspected nothing until the floods hit and swept everything away.

It was the same time of Lot, the people carrying on, having a good time, business as usual right up to the Lot walked out on Sodom and a firestorm swept down and burned everything to a crisp. That's how it will be, sudden total when the Son of Man is revealed.

When the day arrives and you are out working in the yard, don't run into the house to get anything. And if you're out in the field, don't go back and get your coat.

Remember what happened to Lot's wife! If you grasp and cling to life on your terms, you'll lose it, but if you let that life go, you'll get life on God's terms.

On that day, two men will be in the same boat fishing, one taken, the other left. Two women will be working in the same kitchen, one taken, the other left.

Trying to take all this in, the disciples said, "Master, where?"

He told them, "Watch for the circling of the vultures. They will spot the corpse first. The action will begin around my dead body."

Daniel. 12;4.

Seal the book, even to the time of the end; many running to and fro, Increase in knowledge.

The Message Bible says.

This is a confident report, Daniel, for your eyes and ears only. Keep it secret. Put the book under lock and key until the end. In the interim there is going to be a lot of frantic running around, trying to figure out what's going on.

Luke. 21;24.

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

Nation of Israel re-established. Jerusalem was no longer under Gentile rule after 1917. In 1948 Israel was declared as a world nation again.

1 Thessalonians. 5;1-3.

But of the time and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

The Message Bible says.

I don't think, friends, that I need to deal with the question of when all this is going to happen. You know as well as I that the day of the Master's coming can't be posted on our calendars. He won't call ahead and make an appointment any more than a burglar would.

About the time everybody's walking around complacently, congratulating each other. We've sure got it made! Now we can take it easy!, suddenly everything will fall apart. It's going to come as suddenly and inescapably as birth pangs to a pregnant woman.

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.

The Message Bible says.

This is going to be trouble what the world has ever seen, or will see again. If these days of trouble were left to run their course, nobody would make it.

But on account of God's chosen people, the trouble will be cut short.

Luke. 21; 25-28.

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 roar.

Men's hearts shall fail them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth; for the power of heaven shall be shaken.

Luke. 21;32-38. Matthew. 24;34-35.

Verily I say unto you, this generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my Words shall not pass away.

The Message Bible says.

When you see these things happen, you know God's kingdom is about here. Don't brush this off: I'm not just saying this for some future generation, but for this one, too, these things will happen. Sky and earth will wear out; my Words won't wear out.

But be on your guard. Don't let the sharp edge of your expectation get dulled by partying and drinking and shopping. Otherwise, that day is going to take you by complete surprise, spring on you suddenly like a trap, for it's going to come on everyone, everywhere, at once. So, whatever you do, don't go to sleep at the switch. Pray constantly that you will have the strength and wits to make it through everything that's coming and end up on your feet before the Son of Man.

He spent his days in the temple teaching, but his nights out on the mountain called olives. All the people were up at the crack of dawn to come to the Temple and listen to him.

Matthew. 24;27.

For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Lightening goes around the world between 3 and 7 times a second.

John. 5;24-25.**Vs. 24.**

Verily, verily I say unto you, He that heareth my Word and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting Life, and shall not come unto condemnation, but is passed from death to life.

Vs. 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.

The Message Bible says.

It's urgent that you listen carefully to this: Anyone here who believes what I am saying right now and aligns himself with the Father, who has in fact put me in charge, has at this very moment the real, lasting life and is no longer condemned to be an outsider.

This person has taken a giant step from the world of the dead to the world of the living.

It's urgent that you get this right : The time has arrived, I mean right now, when dead men and woman will hear the voice of the Son of God and hearing, will come alive. Just as the Father has life in himself, he has conferred on the Son life in himself. And he has given him the authority, simply because he is the Son of Man, to decide and carry out matters of judgment.

Don't act so surprised at all this. The time is coming when everyone dead and buried will hear his voice. Those who have lived the right way will walk out into a resurrection life; those who have lived the wrong way, into a resurrection judgment.

1 Corinthians. 1;7.

So that ye come behind in no gift, waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus.

The Message Bible says.

You don't need a thing, you've got it all! All God's gifts are right in front of you as wait expectantly for our Master Jesus to arrive on the scene of the finale.

And not only that, but God himself is right alongside to keep you steady and on track until things are wrapped up by Jesus.

Joel. 2;31.

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood before the great and terrible day of the Lord.

God has a place prepared for those that Love him and want him in their life, and place him as number one in their lives.

John. 14;1-4.**Vs. 1.**

Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me.

Vs. 2.

In my Fathers house are many mansions, if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

Vs. 3.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there you may be also.

Vs. 4.

And wither I go, ye know, and the way you know.

The Message Bible says.

Don't let this throw you. You trust God, don't you? Trust me. There is plenty of room for you in my father's home.

If that weren't so, would I have told you that I'm on my way to get a room ready for you? And if I'm on my way to get your room ready, I'll come back and get you so you can live where I live. And you already know the road I'm taking.

Matthew. 22;9.

Go up therefore into the highway, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. Go into the highways and the byways asking all that would listen.

The Message Bible says.

We have a wedding banquet all prepared but no guests. The ones I invited weren't up to it. Go out into the business intersections in town and invite anyone you find to the banquet.

The servants went out on the streets and rounded up everyone they laid their eyes on, good and bad, regardless. And so the banquet was on, every place filled.

Notes.

Questions.

Lesson. 1.

1 Hosea. 4;6. What will happen if we do not know or understand the Word of God?

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2 Amos. 8;11. What is going to come in the days ahead over all the world?

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3 Matthew. 24;36. Does anybody know when Jesus Christ is going to return to the earth?

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4 Matthew. 25. What is this story about?

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5 Matthew. 26;40. How did Jesus find the disciples and what did he say to them?

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6 James. 5;8. What are we encouraged to do?

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7 1. Corinthians. 1;7. While waiting for the Lord. What will happen?

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8 John. 14;2-3. Jesus tells us that he is going to do what?

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9 Matthew. 22;9. Jesus encourages us to do what?

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10 On page 11 and 12 it lists a number of things that are going to happen before Christ's return. List some.

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The Creative Week.

What this chart shows is the parallel between the two different charts.

The first chart shows the seven days that God took to create the earth and then rest.

The second chart shows the parallel from when Adam and Eve sinned to the time of the second coming of Christ. This is known as the redemptive week or the time that God shows us in his word as to the time when man will be restored to perfection as it was before Adam sinned.

God also shows the time that he is going to do it by looking at the scriptures mentioned so that we realize that God`s days are different to our days.

Gen. 1;3-31.

God created the earth and all the animals as well as the two lights, the sun and the moon. He then created man and woman and gave them dominion over all the earth and all the animals, birds and fish in the sea.

Gen.2;1

The heaven and the earth were finished and all the Hosts of them. The Hosts were, Adam and Eve.

Vs. 2.

And on the seventh day, God ended his work which He had made, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which he had made.

Creative Week.

1st Day. 2nd. Day. 3rd. Day. 4th. Day. 5th. Day. 6th. Day. 7th Day Rest.

Redemptive Week.

Psalm. 90;4.

2. Peter. 3;8.

2000 years.

2000 years.

2000 Years.

Millenium Rest.

Abraham. Isaac.

Christ.

Second Coming

Rapture

1000 years. 1000 years. 1000 years. 1000 years. 1000 years. 1000 years 1000 years.

1st Day. 2nd Day. 3rd Day, 4th Day. 5th Day. 6th Day. 7th Day.

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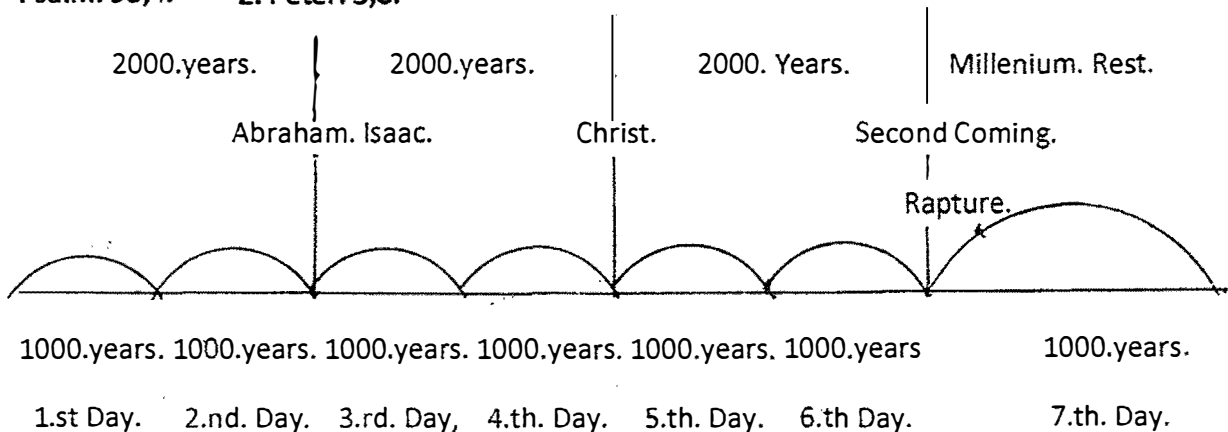
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Creative Week.

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Redemptive Week.

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God Revealing Himself in Scripture

As we look at God's time plan and time chart, we are going to look at the plan that God has, not just for the salvation of a fallen mankind, but also looking at the basic framework that he has in his Word, that allows us to understand much of what God has planned for the time that we live in.

By the grace of God and the quickening of the Holy Spirit, we will begin to understand the various events that God has planned and the time frame that the Bible shows us in the Word of God when these things will come to pass.

I hope that it will also give us a revelation or an understanding of the time that we are living in and how near we are to these events taking place in our life time, as we near the second coming of Jesus Christ.

In the last chapter we looked at what the Bible says in the word of God concerning the second coming of Jesus Christ.

We are going to look at.

- The Beginning God.
- The Godhead.
- Time. A Pattern for Time.
- Gods Plan.
- The Different Dispensations.
- Gods Numbers relating to End Times.
- A Jubilee Year. What is it and what happens, at His coming.
- The Millennium Period of Rest.
- Gods Time Chart.

This is just a brief outline to show and quicken to our hearts the truth of the coming of Jesus Christ and the events leading to that.

The Word encourages us to believe that we were born for such a time as this.

Genesis. 1;1.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

The Message Bible says.

First this; God created the Heavens and Earth, all you see, all you don't see. Earth was a soup of nothingness, a bottomless emptiness, an inky blackness. God's Spirit brooded like a bird above the watery abyss.

Revelation. 1;8.

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

The Message Bible says.

The Master declares, I'm A-Z. I'm the God who is, The God who was and the God about to arrive. I'm the Sovereign King.

Isaiah. 43 ; 10-11.

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant, whom I have chosen, that ye may know and believe me, and that I am he; before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

Vs. 11.

I even I, am the Lord, and beside me, there is no Saviour.

The Message Bible says.

But you are my witnesses, God`s decree.

You`re my handpicked servant.

So that you`ll come to know and trust me, understand both that I am and who I am.

Previous to me there was no such thing as a God, nor will there be after me.

God Revealed as Three.**1 John. 5;7.**

For there are three that bear record in the heaven, The Father, The Word, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

We know and have heard that the Godhead are three in one.

The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost are actually three separate distinct individuals of the Godhead, each having a special task to perform but at the same time being so much in unison and in agreement in everything that they do and decide, both in word and action.

The Message Bible says.

Jesus the divine Christ! He experienced a life giving and a death killing death. Not only birth from the womb, but baptismal birth of his ministry and sacrificial death . All the while the Spirit is confirming the truth, the reality of God`s presence at Jesus` baptism and crucifixion, bringing those occasions alive to us. A Triple testimony: the Spirit, the baptism, the Crucifixion. All three in perfect agreement.

God is revealed in the Bible as.

The Father.

Psalm. 68;5.

A Father to the Fatherless, is God in his Holy Habitation.

1 Chronicles. 29;10.

David said, blessed be thou Lord, God of Israel, our Father, forever and ever.

Psalm. 89;26.

The Lord said, he shall cry unto me. Thou art my father, my God, and the rock of my salvation.

The Word.

John. 1;1-14.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

- Same was in the beginning with God.
- All things made by Him.
- In Him was life.
- Light dispelled the darkness.
- A man sent from God.
- A light to the world.
- In the world, world made by him, world knew him not.
- Came unto his own, own received him not.
- Receive him, receive power to become the Sons of God.
- Not born of man, but of God.
- Word made flesh, and dwelt amongst us. The glory of the only begotten of the father, full of grace and truth.

The Holy Ghost.

Acts. 5;3-4.

The Holy Ghost revealed the lies of Ananias and Sapphira as they tried to deceive the Holy Ghost.

The Message Bible says.

Peter said, Ananias, how did Satan get you to lie to the Holy Ghost and secretly keep back part of the price of the field? Before you sold it, it was all yours, and after you sold it, the money was yours to do with as you wished. So what got into you to pull a trick like this? You didn't lie to men, but to God.

2 Corinthians. 3;17-18.

Vs. 17.

Now the Lord is that Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

Vs. 18.

But we all, with open face, beholding as in a glass, the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image, from glory to glory, even as by the spirit of the Lord.

The Message Bible says.

They suddenly recognize that God is a living, personal, presence, not a piece of chiseled stone. And when God is personally present, a living Spirit, that old, constricting legislation is recognized as obsolete. We're free of it! All of us. Nothing between us and God, our faces shining with the brightness of His face.

Genesis. 1;27.

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him, male and female created he them.

Just as the Godhead is triune, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, so man was created in a triune image, Body, Soul and Spirit.

The Number Three.

The number 3 in the Bible is the number for a perfect witness.

For God to be a perfect witness to the inspired Word of truth of his Word. God, God`s Word and Spirit are 3 yet one.

Three Individuals, but one in agreement in everything that they do and say.

Matthew. 18;16.

But if He will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses, every word may be established.

1 Timothy. 5;19. and Deuteronomy. 19;15. Say the same thing.

The Message Bible.

Do not listen to a complaint against a leader that is not backed up by two or three witnesses.

The nature of the Godhead revealed in his name.

The persons of the Godhead, Father, Son and Holy Spirit have a plan and special part to play in allowing us to understand their part in man`s salvation.

Not only is the heart of the 3 in the Godhead shown to us, but it also allows us the ability to respect the titles that the Godhead have.

Father.

Jeremiah. 33;2.

Thus saith the Lord, the maker thereof, the Lord that formed it, to establish it.

The Lord is his name.

The Word.

Matthew. 1;21.

And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shall call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins.

The Words name is Jesus.

The Holy Ghost

Acts. 2;36.

Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made the same Jesus, whom you have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

The name of the Holy Ghost is Christ.

Therefore the name of the Godhead is the, Lord Jesus Christ.

Examples.

Acts. 2;38.

Then Peter said unto them, repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts. 8;12.

But when they believed Philip, preaching the things concerning the kingdom, and the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and woman.

Acts. 8;16.

For as yet, he [Holy Ghost.] was fallen upon none of them, only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Acts. 10;48.

And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Acts. 19;5.

When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Godhead Revealed in the Heavnlies

1 John. 5;7.

For there are three that bear record in Heaven: the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost and these three are one.

Psalm. 19;1.

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork

1 John. 1;5.

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

The only light that we find in the heavnlies is that of the Sun, Moon and the Stars.

The Father.

Psalm. 84;11.

For the Lord God is a Sun and a Shield the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will ne withhold from them that walk uprightly.

Sun.**The Son. Jesus.****Acts. 2;20.**

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the Moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come.

The word tells us that the moon shall be turned into blood.

The moon is a lesser light than the sun.

Blood is always associated with the Son, [the Lord Jesus] who shed his precious blood for the remission of our sins.

Moon.**The Holy Ghost.**

The scriptures encourage and show us that the Holy Spirit to be the numberless one.

Stars therefore are the symbol of the Holy Spirit because they are numberless.

Stars.**Sun. Moon. Stars.****The Godhead Revealed in the Earth.****1 John. 5;8.**

And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit, and the water, and the blood; these three are one.

The Water.	Speaking of the Father.
The Blood.	Always speak of the Son.
The Spirit.	Speaking of the Holy Ghost.

The Whole Godhead was involved in the Plan of Salvation.**John. 3;16.**

For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

The Father gave his only begotten Son.

John. 10;15.

As the Father knows me, even so I know the Father, and I lay down my life for the sheep.
The Son, laid down his life.

Hebrews. 9;14.

How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal spirit, offered himself without spot to God.

Purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

The Holy Spirit is the eternal Spirit.

Notes.

Questions.

Lesson. 2.

1 What does the Word encourage us to believe for?

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2 Genesis. 1.14-31. Who Created the heavens and the earth and also man?

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3 Revelation. 1;8. What does God say that he is?

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4 1. John. 5;7. How many are there in heaven that bear record of one another?

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5 John 1-14. List 6 things that are written in these verses concerning God.

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6 11 Corinthians. 3;17. This scripture says that where the spirit of the Lord is there is what?

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7 1 John. 5;8. What does the Water, Blood and Spirit speak off?

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8 John. 3;16. Because of God`s love for the world, What did he do?

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9 John. 10;15. What did Jesus do?

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10 Hebrews. 9;14. What shall the blood of Christ do for you?

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God`s Time and Pattern.

In the previous two chapters we have learnt that there is going to be a second coming of Jesus Christ and that not everyone on the earth is going to be a part of it.

We have seen that God has appointed various scriptures in the Word, [Bible] as a witness to the Godhead, that the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are all in agreement of what is to come and when and how Christ will appear and the part that they as individuals in the Godhead have to play in it.

We have seen that the overall plan of the Godhead is to bring about salvation again unto the fallen mankind and eventually make them perfect through the Word of God and made alive by the Holy Ghost, so that we will become the perfect bride for a perfect bridegroom who is Jesus Christ.

Revelation. 21;9.

And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lambs wife.

Matthew. 25;6.

And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.

In this chapter we will begin to learn about God`s time and how it differs from our time and our perception of God`s time and the time frame instigated by God that he will return for his Church the Bride.

Time.

We started to see in the last two chapters that time began when Adam and Eve sinned.

If I was to ask you what was the first sin. What would your answer be?

The majority would probably answer the eating of the fruit.

Genesis. 2;16-17.

Vs. 16.

And God commanded the man saying, of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat.

Vs. 17.

But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it, for in the day that thou eatest thereof, thou shall surely die.

In these scriptures we plainly see that God told Adam not to eat of a certain fruit of a certain tree, and they did, so what I see is the first sin is **disobedience**.

Disobedience is a decision of the mind, and this is something that we all have control over. If we have trouble obeying what the Word of God says what we are to do, or not to do, then it will be very difficult for us as a man or woman of God to be able to receive in full, all that the Lord has for us, because there will be a limitation on what the Lord could give us because of our inability to do what the Word says, and be able to make a conscious decision to do that. **The Word says that we have received a new mind in Christ.**

The Message Bible says.

God commanded the man, You can eat from any tree in the garden, except from the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. Don't eat from it. The moment that you eat from that tree, you're dead.

When Does the Bible say Time Begin?

Time began when sin was allowed to be a part of mankind's life.

Genesis. 1;2.

And the earth was without form or void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

I believe that this was the time that Satan could have fallen and was cast out of heaven, I believe that when he landed on the earth, he could have destroyed the previous creation of God, because I do not believe that my God could create anything that was without form or void.

Luke. 10;18.

Jesus said. I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

The power and force in lightning can destroy anything if it is directed in a certain way.

Genesis. 3;1-7.

Vs. 1.

Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made.

Vs. 4.

And the serpent said unto the woman, ye shall not surely die.

The Message Bible says.

The serpent told the woman. God knows that the moment you eat from that tree, you'll see what's really going on. You'll be just like God, knowing everything, ranging all the way from good to evil.

Deception of the enemy, there is one thing that the enemy preys on, the woman or the Church, and his sole aim is to destroy the Church of the living God as this is the Bride of Christ.

Romans. 6;23.

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Adam sinned and had to pay the price for his disobedience.

The endless eternity was interrupted by sin, but the Godhead was quick to put a rescue mission into place to save the greatest of his creation. Mankind. So that one day, perfection is once again going to be a part of mankind and eternity is available to us at the end of the Church age, which we are in now. Adams days were numbered, as he began to age.

Genesis. 6;3.

And the Lord said, "My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh, yet his days shall be 120 years."

The Message Bible says.

Then God said, I'm not going to breathe life into men and woman endlessly. Eventually they're going to die; from now on they can expect a life span of 120 years.

God's Way of Measuring Time.

In the last chapter, We briefly discussed the two scriptures that God has placed in his Word so that we will be able to understand the mindset and heart of God.

Psalm. 90;4.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday, when it is past, and as a watch in the night.

2. Peter. 3;8.

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.

I consider these two scriptures a very important principle in God's word in understanding God's time week.

The Message Bible says.

Don't overlook the obvious here friends, With God, one day is as good as a thousand years, a thousand years as a day. God isn't late with his promise as some measure lateness. He is restraining himself on account of you, holding back the end because he does not want anyone to be lost.

He's giving everyone space and time to change.

God said to Adam in.

Genesis. 2;17.

That in the day that you eat of the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil is the day that he shall surely die.

If we change our mindset from that of a mankind mindset, using the scriptures in Psalm 90;4 and 2 Peter 3;8 and begin to look at it in the way that God will look at it, then we should be thinking that he will die within one of God's days which is 1000 years of our time.

Genesis. 5;5.

And all the days that Adam lived, **were nine hundred and thirty years**, and he died.

The Message Bible says.

When Adam was 130 years old, he had a son who was just like him, his very spirit and image, and named him Seth. After the birth of Seth, Adam lived another 800 years, having more sons and daughters. Adam lived a total of 930 years. And he died.

Therefore, He died within one of God's days which is 1000 years, and not one on man's 24 hour days.

All this according to the word of the Lord.

God's Pattern in the Bible of the Creative Week.

In our last two chapters we began to look at God's creative week as found in **Genesis. 1;3-31.** This was necessary for God to do because of the fall of Satan, in **VS. 2.** as man had not yet been created or been tempted by the devil and fallen into sin.

When Satan fell he caused great destruction of the then God's creation, as his anger against God and his creation was taken out on his creation, the earth. Now he works on us as being God's greatest creation. He wants to destroy the church which is the bride of Christ.

I believe that God then recreated his creation over the next 6 days, and [6000 years.] to set in place that which he had already done in time gone by, and set order in place of disorder.

He concluded his time of creation, by creating man on the sixth day, which was his greatest creation. That's why the number 6 in scripture is the number for man.

The 7th day he devoted it entirely to be a day of rest.

We can see from the scriptures that one of God's days is 1000 years, in Psalm 90;4 and 2 Peter 3;8. so we can conclude by these two scriptures that God could have actually taken 6000 years to create the earth and all that is in it and above it and on the 7th day he rested,

God's Pattern in the Bible of the Redemptive Time Week.

1 Corinthians. 15;46.

Howbeit, that was not first, which is Spiritual, but that which is natural, and afterward that which is Spiritual.

The Message Bible says.

We follow this sequence in scripture; The first Adam received life, the last Adam [Jesus] is a life giving Spirit. Physical; life come first, then Spiritual. A firm base shaped from the earth, a final completion coming out of heaven.

The first man was made out of earth, and people since then are earthy, the Second Man was made out of heaven, and people now can be heavenly. In the same way that we've worked from our earthy origins, let's embrace our heavenly ends.

Man was blessed in that God had made everything for him and placed him in the garden to care for it, with a command not to partake of the fruit of one tree He disobeyed him and his perfect relationship with God was broken, and by the Word of God, Adam had to be punished. So God said in Gen. 6;3. That His spirit shall not always strive with man, but the number of his days shall be 120 years.

Just as God's plan of creation took 6 days and a day of rest in the natural so a pattern had been formed that God was obligated to follow and copy for the creation of a perfect man, That would take place at the end of the 6th day, just as in his creation week and in the 6000 year period of time, as in the beginning of his creation and then a 1000 year period of rest where the perfect church would be taken to a place prepared by God where the church shall rule and reign with Him 1000 years. until it was time for the great white throne judgment that the Bible says will take place after the 1000 reign with the Lord Jesus Christ.

It is where every person who was not a part of the Bride of Christ, or one of those that the Lord has already gathered up unto himself will all have to stand before The Lord Jesus Christ and make an account of his life and what we have done with God's son Jesus Christ.

From the time that Adam sinned until the year 2000, is actually 6000 years or six of God's days. This shows us that from when time began it is only 6000 years, until the year 2000, despite what the scientists say.

Revelation. 20; 5.

But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

The Message Bible says.

I saw thrones. Those put in charge of judgment sat on the thrones. I also saw the souls of those beheaded because of their witness to Jesus and the Word of God, who refused to worship either the beast or his image, refused to take his mark on forehead or hand. They lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years! The rest of the dead did not live until the thousand years were up. This is the first resurrection and those involved most blessed, most Holy. No second death for them! They`re priests of God and Christ; they`ll reign with him a thousand years.

Revelation. 20;11-15,**Vs. 11.**

And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away, and there was found no place for them.

Vs. 12.

And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life, and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

Vs. 13.

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it. And death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them, and they were judged every man according to their works.

Vs. 14.

And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Vs. 15.

And whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life, was cast into the lake of fire.

The Message Bible says.

I saw a great white throne and the one enthroned. Nothing could stand before or against the Presence, nothing in heaven, nothing on earth. And then I saw all the dead, great and small, standing there, before the throne.

And books were opened. Then another book was opened; The Book of Life.

The dead were judged by what was written in the Books, by the way they had lived.

Sea released it`s dead, Death and hell turned in their dead. Each man and woman was judged by the way he or she had lived.

Then Death and Hell were hurled into the lake of fire. This is the second death, Lake Fire.

Anyone whose name was not inscribed in the book of life was hurled into Lake Fire.

Galatians. 3;24 – 29.**Vs.24.**

Wherefore, the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

Vs. 25.

But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

Vs. 26.

For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

Vs. 27.

For as many of you as been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ.

Vs. 28.

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

Vs. 29.

And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

The Old Testament is as a teacher in the natural, of what is going to happen in the New Testament, in the spiritual. God often uses a natural situation in the Old Testament to reveal his spiritual reality in the New Testament.

The Message Bible says.

Until the time when we were mature enough to respond freely in faith to the living God, we were carefully surrounded and protected by the Mosaic Law. The law was like those Greek tutors, with which you are familiar, who escort children to school and protect them from danger or distraction, making sure the children will really get to the place they set out for.

But now you have arrived at your destination; By faith in Christ you are in direct relationship with God, Your Baptism in Christ was not just washing you up for a fresh start. It also involved dressing you in an adult faith wardrobe, Christ's Life. The fulfillment of God's original promise.

In Christ's family there can be no division into Jew or non Jew, slave, and free, male or female. Among us you are all equal. That is, we are all in a common relationship with Jesus Christ. Also since you are Christ's family, then you are Abraham's famous descendant, heirs according to the covenant.

The Natural

In God's creative week, he brought forth a woman for Adam, the first Adam, and called her name Eve, this was after 6 days of work in creating the earth and all the creatures that are in it.

The Spiritual.

In the end time week of God, which is the redemptive week, God is working through the Holy Spirit, which is the third member of the Godhead, to bring forth a woman, [The Church.] for the second Adam who is Jesus Christ, the Bridegroom.

She shall be perfect in every detail, because the Word and the Spirit have been changing and moulding us all into what God would have us to be.

1 Corinthians. 15;45-49.**Vs. 45.**

And so is it written, The first man Adam was made a living soul, the last Adam was made a quickening Spirit.

Vs. 46.

Howbeit, that that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural, and afterward that which is spiritual.

Vs. 47.

The first man is of the earth, earthy, the second man is the Lord from heaven.

Vs. 48.

As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy, and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

Vs. 49.

And as we are born the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

Notes.

Questions.

Lesson. 3.

1 Genesis. 2;16-17. What tree did God say that Adam and Eve were not to eat of?

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2. What was the first Sin?

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3. What are 4 things mentioned here in this verse?

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4. What deception was said here?

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5. Romans. 6;23. What 2 things are mentioned here?

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6. What does Psalm 90;4 and 2 Peter. 3;8 say?

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7. Genesis.5;5. If the Word says, that the day that you sin you shall surely die. How long did Adam live for?

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8. Genesis. 1;31. On what day did the Lord create mankind?

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9. 1 Corinthians. 15;45. Explain the difference here!

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10. Which was first? The natural or the Spiritual?

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The Creative Week.

Gen. 1;3-31.

God created the earth and all the animals as well as the 2 light and then man and woman both and gave them dominion over all the earth and all the animals, birds and fish in the sea.

Gen.2;1

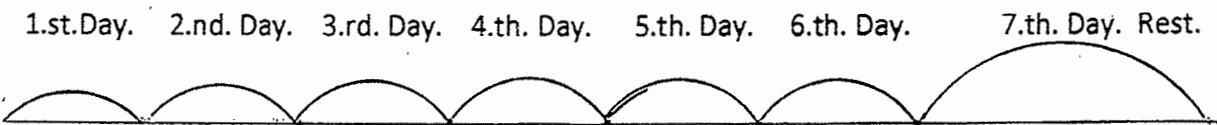
The heaven and the earth were finished and all the Hosts of them. The hosts were,

Adam and Eve.

Vs. 2.

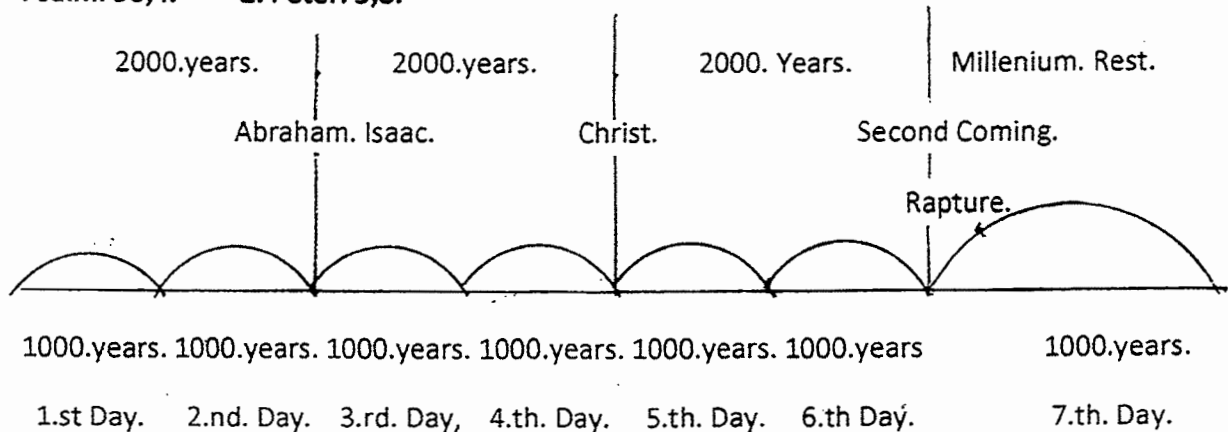
And on the seventh day, God ended his work which he had made, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

Creative Week.



Redemptive Week.

Psalm. 90;4. 2. Peter. 3;8.



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The Dispensation of Times and the Godhead's Involvement.

Lesson. 4.

A **Dispensation**, is a certain time period, at a certain period in time.

Clarence Larkin, a minister, published a book in 1920 called the "**Dispensational Truth.**"

The word dispensation is therefore nothing new.

The Word of God says, "the heavens declare the Glory of God."

The Heaven's Declare the Glory of God.

Genesis. 1;14-15.

And the Lord said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days and years.

And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth.

The Message Bible says.

God spoke; lights, come out, shine in Heaven's sky.

Separate day from night. Mark seasons and days and years.

Lights in Heaven's sky to give light to Earth. And there it was.

The Godhead are a trinity in that God the Father, Son and the Holy Ghost are three yet one in everything that they think and do.

In this principal we can see that the Sun, Moon and Stars are also a trinity in the Godhead each representing a member of the Godhead.

The Sun represents the Glory of God the Father.

The Moon represents the Glory of the Son of God.

The Stars represents the Glory of the Multiplicity of the Holy Ghost.

1 Corinthians. 15;41-42.

There is one glory of the son, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory.

So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in corruption.

The Message Bible says.

You get a hint at the diversity of resurrection glory by looking at the diversity of bodies not only on earth, but in the skies, sun, moon, stars. All of these varieties of beauty and brightness.

And we are only looking at pre-resurrection seeds. Who can imagine what the resurrection plants will be like!

This image of planting a dead seed and raising a live plant is a mere sketch at best, but perhaps it will help in approaching the mystery of the resurrection body.

Jesus himself declared that there would be signs in the heavenlies pertaining to the sun moon and stars before his second coming.

Mark.13; 24-26.

But in those days, after the tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, 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 coming in the clouds with great power and glory.

The Message Bible says.

The Sun will fade out, moon cloud over, Stars fall out of the sky, cosmic powers tremble.

And then they'll see the son of man enter in grand style, his arrival filling the sky, no one will miss it! He'll dispatch the Angels, they will pull in the chosen from the four winds, from pole to pole.

Matthew 24;29-31.

Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give up her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken;

And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven; and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming 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 his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

The Message Bible says.

Sun will fade out, moon cloud over, Stars fall out of the sky, cosmic powers tremble.

Then the arrival of the Son of man! It will fill the skies, no one will miss it. Unready people all over the world, outsiders to the splendor and power, will raise a huge lament as they watch the Son of man blazing out of the heavens.

At that same moment, he'll dispatch his Angels with a trumpet blast summons, pulling in God's chosen from the four winds, from pole to pole.

If the sun shall be darkened, it is because the glory of God has been taken away, and if this is the case, then in the natural the moons light comes from the reflection of the sun , then the moon will not be able to reflect any natural light either.

So we can see that if the glory of the father is not there anymore for people to see then the moon which speaks of Jesus will not be able to reflect the glory of God his Father.

Acts. 2;20-21.

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the 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.

When the moon is turned into blood it shows that blood is always related to Christ as the sacrificial lamb who sacrificed his blood for all mankind, so it indicates that the moon is related to Christ in that it is a type and shadow in representing Jesus Christ.

A type and shadow of something is where something that is written in the Bible is representative if someone of something.

If you follow the shadow of something you will always find that it will lead back to the source that is creating the shadow.

Luke. 21; 25-33.**Vs. 25-27.**

And there shall be signs in the sun, 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 heaven shall be shaken.

And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

The Message Bible says.

It will seem like all hell has broken loose, sun, moon, stars, earth, sea, in a uproar and everyone all over the world in a panic, the wind knocked out of them by the threat of doom, the powers that be quaking.

And then, then, they`ll see the Son of Man welcomed in grand style, a glorious welcome! When all this starts to happen, up on your feet, Stand tall with your heads high. Help is on the way.

Psalm. 19;1.

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth his handiwork.

The Message Bible says.

God`s glory is on tour in the skies, God- craft on exhibit across the horizon.

Genesis. 15;5.

And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward the heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them; and he said unto him. So shall thy seed be.

The Message Bible says.

Then he took him outside and said, Look at the sky. Count the stars, Can you do it? Count your descendants! You are going to have a big family Abram.

In the following scripture it indicates that the stars can also represent ministry or messengers.

Revelation 1;16.

And he had in his right hand seven stars; and out of his mouth went a sharp two edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.

Revelation. 19;17.

And I saw an Angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God.

The Message Bible says.

I saw an Angel standing in the sun, shouting to all flying birds in Middle Heaven, come to the great supper of God, feast on the flesh of kings and captains and champions.

Hebrews. 1;10.

And thou, Lord in the beginning hast laid a foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thy hands

The Message Bible says.

You, Master, started it all, laid earth`s foundations, then crafted the stars in the sky.

Ephesians. 1;10.

That in the dispensation of the fullness of times, he might gather together in one, all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth, even in him.

The Message Bible says.

Because of the sacrifice of the Messiah, his blood poured out on the altar of the cross, we`re a free people, free of penalties and punishments chalked up by all our misdeeds, And not just barely free, either.

Abundantly free! He thought of everything, provided for everything we could possible need, letting us in Christ, a long range plan in which everything would be brought together and summed up in him, everything in deepest heaven, everything on planet earth.

Isaiah. 14;24.

The Lord of hosts hath sworn, saying Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand.

The Message Bible says.

Exactly as I planned, it will happen. Following my blueprints, it will take shape.

Summary of the heavens.

Only God the Father knows the time and the hour of the coming of Jesus Christ and to see an Angel standing in the sun ready to gather the harvest in for the marriage of the Lamb certainly shows us that time is running out and the through the signs of the Sun, Moon and the stars we can see that everyone on the face of the planet will be able to see all that will be going on as it will be a worldwide stage.

There are many other scriptures pertaining to the sun, moon and stars, that I have not mentioned but what I have mentioned certainly shows us that God in his creation has put the sun , moon and stars in the heavenlies so as to remind us that there is a Godhead and that when the time of the second coming of Jesus Christ is drawing closer that there will be things happening in the heavenlies to show us of what is to come.

Over the last three chapters we have seen that God has divided the 6000 years of the time week into three distinct periods of time or dispensations.

Each dispensation or period of time consists of a 2000 year period of time, and shows where each member of the Godhead is present in and through the examples that God the father has put in the scriptures for us to see.

Some of these examples are natural, and some are spiritual, and some are heavenly.

A. The Dispensation of the Father, Lord, Sun and Water.

1. The Father.

This dispensation or period of time bears the imprint of the title, Father. It began with the first man that later became a father to humanity, Adam.

Genesis. 3;20.

And Adam called his wife`s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. If Eve is called the mother of all living, then Adam is the Father of all living. The next Father was Noah. As he became the father of all humanity after the flood, when there were only eight people survived the flood.

Abraham was the greatest of the Fathers in this dispensation, as he was known as the “Father of all who believe.”

Romans. 4;11.

And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised, that he might be the Father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised, that righteousness might be imputed unto them also.

Then we have the three Fathers of the nation of Israel . Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

A father is one that is known to be a provider, gives instruction and guidance, provides care and safety.

All of these Fathers mentioned, show us an example of the great father of all. Our Heavenly Father.

2. Lord.

The term Father as we have seen it is an Authority title.

The name of God is actually Lord.

Our God has always wanted us to look upon him as our Lord and Master. Someone who is in control of everything at all times and somebody who loves his children and wants them to be blessed without measure, as we believe in our heart and look to him.

Adam, Noah, and Abraham knew God as their Lord and master, and they learnt this through the experiences that God the Father put them through in their life.

In Revelation it speaks about how God is going to take us into a place prepared of him for us where we are going to rule and reign with him.

Revelation. 20;4.

And they lived and reigned with Christ a 1000 years.

Revelation. 3;21.

To him that overcomes, I will grant to sit with me on my throne.

The Message Bible says.

Look at me. I stand at the door. I knock. If you hear me call and open the door. I'll come right in and sit down to supper with you. Conquerors will sit alongside me at the head of the table, just as I, having conquered, took the place of honor at the side of my Father. That's my gift to the conquerors.

Revelation. 5;10.

We shall reign of the earth. They shall reign forever and ever with him.

The Message Bible says.

He came to the one seated on the throne and took the scroll from his right hand. The moment he took the scroll, the Four animals and the Twenty Four Elders fell down and worshipped the Lamb.

Each had a harp and each had a bowl, a gold bowl filled with incense, the prayers of God's Holy people, And they sang a new song.

3. The Water.

The fact that water was so impressed upon this dispensation, because of the time of the flood. The flood has been dated at approx. 2,344 BC. 344 years before the end of this dispensation.

We know that water is often referred to as the source of life.

We know that God the father is known also as the source of all life.

Genesis. 1;1

In the beginning God, created the heaven and the earth.

Genesis. 1;2.

The bible mentions that water, was not created, but rather existed, when God began to reset order, amongst disorder and recreate the heaven and the earth.

Psalms. 33;6.

By the word of the lord, were the heavens made, and all the hosts of them, by the breath of his mouth.

The Message Bible says.

The skies were made by God's command; he breathed the Word and the stars popped out. He scooped the Sea into his jug, put ocean in his keg.

4. The Sun.**Psalms. 84;11.**

For the Lord God is a Sun and shield, the Lord will give grace and glory, no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

The Sun if you like being the biggest light in the heavens is the father of lights to the earth.

James. 1;17.

Every good gift and perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

The Message Bible says.

So, my dear friends, don't get thrown off course. Every desirable and beneficial gift comes out of heaven. The gifts are rivers of light cascading down from the Father of Light. There is nothing deceitful in God, nothing two faced, nothing fickle. He brought us to life using the true Word, showing us off as the crown of all his creatures.

John. 1;5.

And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not.

The Message Bible says.

What came into existence was life, and the Life was light to live by. The Life light blazed out of the darkness; the darkness couldn't put it out.

The first dispensation reaches from Adam to Abraham. Bible Chronology reveals this to span a period of time of approx. 2000 years.

B. The Dispensation of the Son, Jesus, Blood, Moon.**1. The Son**

This second dispensation of 2000 years began with the offering up of Isaac the only begotten son of Abraham.

Hebrews. 11;17.

By faith, Abraham when he was tried, offered up Isaac, and he that had received the promises, offered up his only begotten son.

The Message Bible says.

By Faith, Abraham, at the time of testing, offered Isaac back to God. Acting in faith, he was as ready to return the promised son, his only son, as he had been to receive him, and after he had already been told, your descendants shall come from Isaac. Abraham figured that if God wanted to, he could raise the dead. In a sense, that's what happened when he received Isaac back, alive from the altar.

Genesis. 22;1-4.

God tempted Abraham, telling him to offer his son as a sacrifice. Abraham took his son with the firewood and went to a place that God told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place afar off.

It ended 2000 years later with the offering up of Jesus, the only begotten son of God.

John. 3;16.

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth on him shall not perish, but have ever lasting life.

The Message Bible says.

This is how much God loved the world; He gave his Son, his one and only Son. And this is why; so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life. God didn't go to all this trouble of sending his Son merely to point an accusing finger, telling the world how bad it was. He came to help, to put the world right again. Anyone who trusts in him is acquitted.

2. Jesus

The English meaning of the name Jesus is **Savior**.

Acts. 13;23.

Of this man's seed, hath God according to his promise, raised unto Israel, A Savior, Jesus. During this period of time, the children of Israel, [The Church in the Wilderness.] were saved from the land of Egypt, [The World.]

This salvation time was made possible by the Passover Lamb, speaking of Jesus Christ.

The Message Bible says.

From out of David's descendants God produced a savior for Israel, Jesus exactly as he promised, but only after John had thoroughly alerted the people to his arrival by preparing them for a total life changing.
As John was finishing up his work, he said, did you think that I was the one? No.

John. 1;29.

The next day John sees Jesus coming unto him, and says, "Behold the Lamb of God, which takes away the sin in the world."

The Message Bible says.

The very next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and yelled out, "Here he is, God's Passover Lamb. He forgives the sins of the world! This is the man I've been talking about."

3. The Blood

This dispensation or time period, commenced with the blood of the ram, by Abraham, which was used as a substitute provided by God in place of Isaac.

Exodus. 12;2-14.

This is the account of God giving instructions for the Passover lamb. Blood always in the Bible speaks of redemption from sin.

Ephesians. 1;7.

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to his reaches in Glory.

Without the shedding of blood there could be no forgiveness of sins.

Hebrews. 9;22.

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood, and without shedding of blood, is no remission of sins.

The Message Bible says.

This is the blood of the covenant God established with you. Practically everything in a will hinges on death.

That's why blood, the evidence of death, is used so much in our tradition, especially regarding the forgiveness of sins.

The children of Israel after being saved by the blood of the Passover lamb had to continually shed the blood of Innocent animals to find forgiveness of sin with God.

This shedding of blood finally came to an end, with the once and for all sacrifice of Jesus, and we find this in the book of **Hebrews. 9; 11-28. Christ fulfilled the law.**

Any blood that was shed after the blood of Jesus Christ had no relevance to the forgiving of sin or any power with God. There is one name under heaven by which salvation can come into the heart of man and that is through Jesus Christ and him crucified.

4. The Moon

The moon reflects the light of the sun. **Jesus came to reflect his Father.**

John. 14.9.

Jesus said unto Philip. "He that has seen me, Hath seen the Father"

With God and his Son Jesus being part of the Godhead they agree on everything even conversation.

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John. 6;44.

No man can come unto me, except the Father which have sent me, draw him; and I will raise him up at the last day.

The Message Bible says.

The Father who sent me is in charge. He draws people to me, that's the only way that you will ever come. Only then do I do my work, putting people together, setting them on their feet, ready for the end.

This is what the prophets meant when they wrote, and then they will all be personally taught by God.

Another characteristic of the natural moon ,is that it is marred and disfigured, having been subjected to a tremendous beating from space junk and meteors hitting it over the centuries.

This is a sign in the heavenlies of Jesus during his crucifixion, marred and disfigured.

Isaiah the prophet foretold about the visual distortion and the physical marring of the Son of God.

Isaiah. 52;14.

As many were astonished at thee, his visage was so marred, more than any Man, and his form more than the sons of men.

The Message Bible says.

He didn't even look human. A ruined face, disfigured past recognition.

Nations all over the world will be in awe, taken aback, kings shocked into silence when they see him.

Before and during his crucifixion, Jesus was whipped, beaten, a crown of long thorns placed upon his head, piercing his head, he was speared, his beard was plucked, they pierced his hands and feet with nails, he was spat on, mocked and condemned. Jesus was hung on a cross all disfigured and marred.

The marred and disfigured surface of the moon hangs in the heavenlies for all man to see, as a reminder and sign of the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus.

C. The Dispensation of the Holy Ghost, Christ, Stars, Spirit.

This is the last dispensation or time period for the time.

The completion of this time period will be the 6 days or 6000 years of the redemptive week where we realize that we are on borrowed time as far as knowing when the Lord Jesus Christ will appear for the church and his bride.

We do not know the hour of his return, we only know that the final time period began at the birth of Jesus Christ, and we are now in the year 2011 AD.

We know that our calendars are out, and no one knows for sure if the time of the redemptive week starts at the birth of Jesus Christ, the start of his ministry or after he received the Holy Ghost at 30 years of age, or when the Holy Ghost was poured out as in the book of Acts onto the 120 people waiting in the upper room, 50 days after Jesus was crucified.

All we know for sure is that we are very close to his coming and we need to make sure that we as an individual are ready, as God is almost finished, restoring mankind back to his rightful place with him and putting into action the plan that God the Father has since Adam and Eve sinned..

1. The Holy Ghost.

This is the third and final time period and we see the third member of the Godhead, The Holy Ghost in action. This period began with the outpouring of the Holy Ghost upon the church on the day of Pentecost.

We see this in
Acts. 2; 1-4.

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

And suddenly there came from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

And there appeared unto them cloven tongues as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

The Message Bible says.

When the feast of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.

Without warning there was a sound like a strong wind, gale force, no one could tell where it came from. It filled the whole building.

Then, like a wildfire, the Holy Spirit spread through their ranks, and they started speaking in a number of different languages as the Spirit prompted them.

This happened 50 days after the death of Jesus.

This is where the Holy Ghost equips people with his Spirit and enables them to have a direct perfect line of communication with the Lord and turns their natural mind into a Spiritual mind, able to hear and recognize the voice of the Lord and having a boldness, feel a lot more confident in being a witness for Jesus Christ.

2. Christ.

The name Christ comes from the Greek word, “**Chrisma**” which means anointing. The anointing or Christ was poured out upon the church for all who wanted to be a part of it on the day of Pentecost. It gave the church the necessary power to be a witness and accomplish the task that Jesus gave unto it.

Acts 1;8.

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

The Message Bible says.

What you will get is the Holy Spirit. And when the Holy Spirit comes on you, you will be able to be witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, even to the ends of the world.

Acts. 11;26.

And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. This follows history in that the children of Israel took unto them the name of a third of their Father.

- The time that we live in now, we are going to see God`s spirit poured out on all flesh, as it says in **Joel chapter 2.**
- **This period is also known as the Church Age.**

Joel. 2; 28 -29.

And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophecy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.

And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

3. The Spirit.

The word tells us that to belong to God`s church and the kingdom of God, you must be born again, of the Spirit.

This present dispensation sees the Holy Spirit in action, convicting and convincing mankind of its sin, and the need to repent and have a spiritual rebirth if you like.

John. 3; 1-13.

Vs. 3.

Jesus answered and said unto him, “Verily, Verily, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

Vs. 5.

Jesus answered, “Verily, Verily, I say unto thee. Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit , he cannot enter the kingdom of God.”

The Message Bible says.

Jesus said, you are absolutely right. Take it from me; unless a person is born from above, it`s not possible to see what I am pointing to, to God`s Kingdom.

Jesus said, you are not listening, let me say it again. Unless a person submits to this original creation, the wind hovering over the water creation, the invisible moving the visible, a baptism into new life, it is not possible to enter God`s Kingdom.

But the person who takes shape within is formed by something you cannot see or touch. The Spirit., and becomes a living Spirit.

When Jesus left he promised us that we would not be left alone, but he shall leave a comforter, even the Spirit of Truth.

John. 14. 16-18.

Tells us

- That Jesus is praying to the father.
- That we receive a comforter.
- He will abide with us forever.
- He is known as the Spirit of Truth.
- The world cannot receive, because it sees him not.
- We know him, because he dwells with us, and he shall be in us.
- Jesus said I will not leave you comfortless, I will come unto you.

The Holy Ghost or the Spirit is accomplishing the task that Jesus left the Church by working in the very lives of the people, who are the church.

Luke 4;1.

And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost, returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

As Jesus was lead of the Spirit in the wilderness and tempted by the devil, so his church, the Body of Christ will be lead of the Spirit in all things.

Romans. 8;14.

For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Galatians. 5;18.

But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

1. John. 2;20.

But you have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.

The Message Bible says.

But you belong. The Holy One anointed you, and you all know it. I haven't been writing this to tell you something you don't know, but to confirm truth you do know, and to remind you that the truth doesn't breed lies.

4. Stars.

The Holy Spirit's ministry is to point, lead, and guide us to the Lord Jesus Christ.

This can be done by...

- Having the Word of God challenge us.
- A quickening in our heart by the Holy Ghost in relation to something.
- Circumstances in our life that create life issues.
- Relationships.
- Personalities.
- Having a heart that loves God and realizes that there are parts in our make up that need changing.
- Other situations.

A star in the heavenlies is able to point and lead us to our destiny, just as a bright star in the heavens led the shepherds or the wise men to the place where the baby Jesus and his parents were at the Inn.

Stars speak of the multiplicity of the Holy Ghost and the number of Christians that are going to be led by the Holy Ghost.

Abraham was told that his seed shall be as the stars of heaven in number.

Matthew. 2.

Is the story of the three shepherds that were guided to the baby Jesus by a bright star in the heavens.

The stars cover the whole universe and the expanse of the galaxies. They are everywhere.

So is the Holy Ghost, pointing mankind to the cross of Calvary, all over the world. He the Holy Ghost is everywhere giving directions to those who will listen.

In the dispensation of the Son, we had one Son of God, so by the Holy Ghost in this dispensation we will see many Sons of God.

Romans. 8;19.

For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

Just like the stars are numberless in the heavenlies, so also will all the spirit filled people who are Christians and make up the church of God be.

The Holy Ghost continues his great work of quickening sin to people and causing them to realize that there is forgiveness through the blood of Jesus Christ and a realization of eternal life through him.

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Lesson. 4.

1. What is a dispensation?

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2. Ephesians. 1;10. When shall the Lord gather together in one all things in Christ?

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3. Revelation. 20;4. What will we as Christians be doing with Christ?

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4. Revelation. 3;21. Who will the Lord grant to sit with him on the throne?

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5. Psalm. 33;6. How was the heavens made?

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6. Hebrews. 11;17. What caused Abraham to offer up his son Isaac?

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7. John. 1;29. What did John say when he say Jesus coming?

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8. Ephesians. 1;7. What do we have through the blood of Christ?

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9. How many days after the death of Christ was the Holy Ghost given?

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10. Luke. 4;1. What happened to Jesus after being full with the Holy Ghost?

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11. Romans. 8;14. Who are the sons of God?

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Lesson. 5.

God's Mystery of Times Revealed Through Numbers

This chapter will be built around significant points in scripture, concerning God's plan for mankind and his time limit that he set in place according to the word of God and using numbers as another way of revealing himself and the time frame for his redemptive plan for us reaching perfection again, 6000 years after man fell into sin.

- 1. The Biblical number of 120 and what it represents.**
- 2. The Jubilee Year and its relation to the number 120 and Christ's second coming.**

The Number 120.

When you look at the final time chart at the rear of this book, you will see the 120 number mentioned when the time chart reveals that there will be 120 x 50 year periods of time at the end of time and what it stands for in relation to the second coming.

The Bible always explains itself, but not always in the same scripture or passage or even the same book.

To find the biblical meaning of this number, we will be looking at a number of scriptures to explain its biblical meaning.

Genesis. 6;3.

And the Lord said, "My Spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh; yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years."

The following meanings of words come from the Hebrew meaning.

Spirit.

- Wind.
- Exhilaration.
- Life.
- A region of the Sky.
- Gods Spirit.

Strive.

- To judge like an umpire.
- To Strive as according to the Law.
- To contend and execute judgment.
- To minister judgment.
- To plead the cause because of the strife, or strive.

Flesh.

- A Body or a person.
- That of a man.
- Flesh, mankind, Kindred.
- Nakedness, self or skin.

Days.

- To be very Hot. This can be the temperature of the planet as well as trials and testing.
- A Space of time defined by an associated term.
- A period of time or age.
- A process of time in what appears to be another period of Time.
- In trouble weather and times.

The Message Bible.

The God said, I'm not going to breathe life into men and women endlessly. Eventually they are going to die. From now on they can expect a life span of 120 years.

The basic problem here is that God says in Genesis 6;3 that he is also **flesh** and because of this he only had a certain time period to live, and that time period was 120 years.

The Number 120 indicates the end of all flesh in dealing with God.

Genesis 6;13.

And God said unto Noah, the end of all flesh is come before me, for the earth is filled with violence through them, and behold I will destroy them with the earth.

Noah was 480 years old when he received his instructions to build the Ark and 600 years old when the floods came.

It took Noah 120 years to build the Ark.

Noah was a preacher of righteousness and ministered the Word for 120 years while he built the Ark. It was a word of repentance, and yet no one paid him any attention.

God sent a flood to destroy the wickedness and all ungodly flesh and only 8 people were saved when God saw that it was time.

The Word tells us that it was God who shut the door on the Ark so that the sinful man could not enter.

Man had 120 years of hearing Noah minister the word of God, yet they did not listen, they only made fun of him and scoffed at him as he preached the Word of God.

2 Peter. 2;5.

And spared not the old world, but saved Noah, the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly.

The Message Bible says.

Neither did he let the ancient ungodly world off. He wiped it out with a flood, rescuing only eight people.

Noah, the sole voice of righteousness, was one of them.

Hebrews. 11;7.

By faith, Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house, by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness, which is by faith.

The Message Bible says.

By faith, Noah built a ship in the middle of dry land, He was warned about something he could not see, and acted on what he was told. The result? His family was saved. His act of faith drew a sharp line between the evil of the unbelieving world and the rightness of the believing world. As a result, Noah became intimate with God.

Moses

The next reference is in regard to Moses. We know that Moses was 120 years of age at the time of his death.

Deuteronomy. 34;7.

And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old when he died, his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

The Message Bible says.

Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eyesight was sharp; he still walked with a spring in his step.

We know that Moses according to the Bible must have been resurrected and translated to Heaven.

Mark. 9;4.

And there appeared unto them, Elias with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus.

The Message Bible says.

Six days later, three of them did see it. Jesus took Peter, James and John and led them up a high mountain. His appearance changed from the inside out, right before their eyes.

His clothes shimmered, glistening white, whiter than any bleach could make them.

Elijah along with Moses, came into view, in deep conversation with Jesus.

Luke. 9;30-31.

And behold, there talked with him, two men, which were Moses and Eljas.

Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.

The Message Bible says.

About eight days after saying this, he climbed the mountain to pray, taking Peter, John and James along. While he was in prayer, the appearance of his face changed and his clothes became blinding white.

At once two men were there talking with him. They turned out to be Moses and Elijah and what a glorious appearance thy made! They talked over his exodus, the one Jesus was about to complete in Jerusalem.

Jude 9.

Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil, he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord Rebuke thee.

The Message Bible says.

The Archangel Michael, who went to the mat with the devil as they fought over the body of Moses, who wouldn't have dared level him with a blasphemous curse, but said simply, No you don't, God will take care of you!

Moses is one of the two witnesses in the life and ministry of Jesus. He must have been alive to witness.

Moses died to his life in the flesh, but is now living in a resurrected body.

The principle of the number 120 is further given as an example of,

The end of all flesh.....Then a new Life.

The Dedication of Solomon`s Temple.

2 Chronicles. 5;11-14.

Vs. 11.

And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the Holy Place, [for all the priests that were present were sanctified, and did not then wait by course.

Vs. 12.

Also the Levites which were the singers, all of them of Asaph of Heman, of Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren, being arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psaltries, and harps, stood at the east end of the alter, and with them an hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets.]

Vs. 13.

It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music, and praised the Lord, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever; that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the Lord.

Vs. 14.

So the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of God.

The Message Bible says.

The priests then left the Holy Place. All the priests there were consecrated, regardless of rank or assignment; and all the Levites who were musicians were there, Asaph, Herman, Jeduthun and their families, dressed in their worship robes; the choir and orchestra assembled of the east side of the Altar and were joined by 120 priests blowing trumpets.

The choir and trumpets made one voice of praise and thanks to God, orchestra and choir in perfect harmony singing and playing praise to God.

Yes God is Good.

His Loyal loves goes on forever.

Then a blowing cloud filled the Temple of God. The priests couldn` t even carry out their duties because of the cloud, The Glory of God! that filled the Temple.

The cloud speaks of the presence of the Holy Ghost.

Exodus. 40;35.

And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.

The Message Bible says.

The cloud covered the tent of Meeting, and the glory of God filled the Dwelling. Moses could not enter the Tent of Meeting because the Cloud was upon it, and the Glory of God filled The Dwelling.

120 priests with 120 trumpets made one sound of worship. **Complete unity.**

The Holy Ghost filled the House of the Lord, so that not even the Priests could minister the Word of the Lord, because of the presence of God.

The ministry of man was not able to minister because the Glory of the Lord filled the House of God, again showing that the number 120 is associated with the end of all flesh, and any fleshly activities cease when God is in the house.

2 Chronicles 7;1-3.

Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the Lord filled the house.

And the priests could not enter into the house of the Lord, because of the glory of the Lord had filled the Lords house.

And when all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the Lord upon the house, they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the pavement, and worshipped, and praised the Lord, saying For he is good, for his mercy endureth for ever.

The Message Bible says.

When Solomon finished praying, a bolt of lightning out of heaven struck the Whole Burnt Offering and sacrifices and the Glory of God filled the Temple.

The Glory was so dense that the priests couldn't get in, God so filled the Temple that there was no room for the priests!

When Israel saw the fire fall from heaven and the Glory of God fill the Temple, they fell on their knees, bowed their heads, and worshipped, thanking God.

Vs. 6.

And the priests waited on their offices; the Levites also with instruments of music of the Lord, which David the King had made to praise the Lord, because his mercy endureth for ever, when David praised by their ministry, and the priests sounded trumpets before them, and all Israel stood.

Vs. 12.

And the Lord appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for a house of sacrifice.

The Message Bible says.

God appeared to Solomon that very night and said, I accept your prayer; yes, I have chosen this place as a Temple for sacrifice, a house of worship

2 Chronicles. 3;4.

And the porch that was in front of the house, the length or it was according to the breadth of the house, 20 cubits.

And the height was an hundred and twenty, and he overlaid it with pure Gold.

The entrance to the house of God contained the number 120 in the height, when you looked up it was like looking to heaven, no flesh could make it into heaven and the whole entrance was covered in pure gold, which speaks of perfection.

When we accept Christ into our life, that is the entrance into the kingdom of God, our flesh or sins are done away with and we start our life of being made perfect as we enter into the presence of the Lord.

The porch is the entrance to the Temple and it spoke of no flesh entering into the natural Temple.

When we accept Jesus Christ into our life the flesh or sin is done away with and we have a clean slate to start our journey with Christ, so no flesh or sin in God's eyes exist in our life so we are able to enter the kingdom God and speak to our Lord with a boldness and a confidence that he accepts us.

The Day of Pentecost.**Acts. 1;15.**

And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, the Number of Names together, were about 120.

So there were 120 disciples waiting for the outpouring of the Holy Ghost as Jesus described him as the comforter who shall lead and guide us into all truth.

The first truth is in believing in the person of the Holy Ghost.

Acts. 2;1-4.

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.
Unity.

And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house, where they were sitting.

And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the spirit gave them utterance.

We can look at this as a day that the Holy Ghost was released and poured out upon the individuals that make up the church.

Again it ended all fleshly operations as far as church activity was concerned, and from this time on the disciples were led and directed by the Holy Ghost and all fleshly input was ceased as the number 120 is again connected with flesh activity ending and a new life in the spirit beginning.

This does not mean that somebody may not seek the Lord before saying something and end up opening his mouth and sticking his foot in it.

Zechariah 4;6.

Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit says the Lord of Hosts.

Jonah. 4.

When Jonah went to Nineveh, 120 thousand were saved at his preaching. This was a city that had Dagon as their fish God.

The Jubilee Year.

A Jubilee is a period of time that happens every 50 years.

It is a time of releasing and setting free and a time of rejoicing.

Any money owed to anyone is forgiven and that payment does not have to be made. You are forgiven of that debt.

If you are a bond servant, man or woman you are forgiven and set free.

Leviticus.

Chapter 25; 10-11.

Vs. 10.

And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto the inhabitants thereof, it shall a jubilee unto you; and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family.

Vs. 11.

A jubilee shall that fiftieth year be unto you; ye shall not sow, neither reap that which groweth itself in it, nor gather the grapes in it of the wine undressed.

Every 50th year in Israel, it was to be a year of Jubilee.

It started on the 10th day of the 7th month, which is the day of Atonement.

Jubilee means liberty or freedom, so this jubilee year is a time of freedom and release to the nation of Israel.

Every slave was set free. Every debt was cancelled. No work was allowed to be performed. It was a year of rest and a year of deliverance.

Joining up the number 120 and the jubilee Year so as to be a reference to Gods Time Chart.

If we multiply the number **50** by the number **120** we end up with **6000**.

So what this means is that there are **120 x 50** year periods of time from when Adam sinned until the Lord shall return for his church and from this we realise that there will be a great time of rejoicing and releasing come to the body of Christ and the marriage of the Bride which is referred to as the Church and the Bridegroom which is related to Jesus Christ.

Now we know that Jesus Christ is perfect in every way so the Word of God and the Holy Spirit are doing a work in the hearts, minds and souls of the believer to change us into a perfect being culminating in perfection just as the believers that still remain on the earth are called up to meet the Lord in the air.

It is 6000 years from when Adam sinned to the year 2000.

God is certainly showing us through his Word that when he said in **Genesis 6;3** that his spirit shall not always strive with man, but the number of his days shall be 120 years, I believe that God was talking about a long term period of time, not a local point in time that some believe.

Matthew 24:36-39.

But as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it also be in the coming of the son of man be. God gave man 120 years to repent while Noah built the Ark and preached the word of God, but no one repented.

The Message Bible says.

But the exact day and hour? No one knows that, not even the heaven`s Angels, not even the Son. Only the Father knows.

The arrival of the Son of man will take place in times like Noah`s. Before the great flood everyone was carrying on as usual, having a good time right up to the day Noah boarded the Ark. They knew nothing until the flood swept everything away.

The Son of man`s arrival will be like that; Two men will be working in a field, one will be taken, one left behind; two woman will be grinding at the mill, one will be taken, one left behind.

So stay awake and alert.

God has given mankind 120 times 50 jubilee periods of time which is 6000 years to repent before he will destroy the earth as he did in the time of Noah.

From when Adam and Eve Sinned to Abraham is 2000 years.

From Abraham to the birth of Jesus is 2000 years.

From the birth of Jesus Christ to the year 2000 is 2000 years.

6000 years in total. The same time span that God took to create the earth and all that is in it. On the 7th Day God rested and that is the Mellennium period of rest that the church is about to go into.

God has shown us that the number 120 signifies that at the end of this 6000 year period of time, give a few years to allow for our calendars being out, all ungodly flesh shall be destroyed.

The jubilee aspect`s shows us the freedom and liberty that all those who have accepted Jesus Christ, will have at his second coming.

Today the Spirit of God is still striving with man, but the time is fast approaching when God shall take the Holy Ghost out of the earth and hence there shall be no spirit to strive with man and no more will there be the option of salvation as the Holy Spirit will no longer be able to do that.

2 Thessalonians 2:7.

For the ministry of iniquity doth already work; only he who now letteth, will let, until he be taken out of the way.

He is the Holy Ghost.

We are in the age of the Spirit and without the Holy Ghost to direct and calm and be a comforter, then, those that remain are going to be in big trouble when the full wrath of Satan is released upon those who did not make the Bride of Christ.

It is the Holy Ghost in this Church Age that we are in that is convicting mankind of the sin in their life, through the Word of God.

Once the ministry of the Holy Ghost is taken out of the way, then it is no longer possible to have sin forgiven and receive repentance in your life.

This is the time that the number 120 and the number 50 come together to show us the time in God's time chart of the end of all flesh and a great releasing to the church that will taken into a place, the wilderness the Bible calls it, prepared of God for the Bride of Christ, prior to the actual coming of Jesus Christ.

Notes.

Questions.

Lesson, 5.

1. Genesis. 6;3. What does the scripture say the number of years for man shall be?

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2, What does the number 120 speak of?

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3. 2 Chronicles. 5;14. What does the Cloud here speak of?

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4. 2 Chronicles. 7;1-3. What can happen when we pray?

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5. Acts. 2;1-4. When the day of Pentecost was fully come. How were the people?

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6. Zechariah. 4;6. How are things accomplished?

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7. Leviticus. 25;11. How long apart is a jubilee year?

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8. Matthew. 24;36-39. When Jesus returns. What shall the days be like?

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·9. 2 Thessalonians. 2;7. Who holds back iniquity?

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The Great Tribulation.

Lesson. 6.

We have learnt over the 5 chapters, that there is going to be a Second Coming of Jesus Christ, and at a time before the time of his coming, the rapture takes place. Also at the same time, we who are alive on the earth at this time and have a heart, mind and Spirit that is fully committed to Jesus Christ, shall be caught up in the air to meet Jesus Christ, changed and made perfect as the Bride of Christ, ready to meet the Bridegroom [Jesus Christ] and at that time are made perfect in spirit, soul, and body and shall be forever with the Lord and those that will be partakers of this event will not have to appear at the great white throne judgment after the 1000 year rest.

For those who have been sitting on the fence and have not thought about making a decision to accept Jesus Christ into our lives as our Lord and Saviour and not really been pressing in unto the Lord, or who have not been fully committed to Jesus Christ and the Word of God or have totally rejected Christ and all that he stands for, there could be a totally different situation happen, unless they do something that will change their situation and relationship with the Lord before he returns.

They will have to stand before God at the white throne judgment after the 1000 year rest and that is not what anybody wants to have to do.

The 1000 year rest is a time that the Bible says that we as believers shall rule and reign with Jesus Christ for a 1000 years after the rapture of when Jesus Christ takes all the believers out of the earth into the wilderness to a place prepared of God to hide and protect them until the Great Tribulation has finished and then the 1000 year rest and after that period there shall be a mandatory coming together to the judgment seat of God for everyone that were not part of the 1000 years rest where we are going to have to make an account of our lives and what we have done with the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Joel. 2;31.

The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord come.

The Message Bible says.

I'll set wonders in the sky above and signs in the earth below; Blood and fire and billowing smoke, the sun turning black and the moon blood-red, Before the judgment Day of God, the tremendous and awesome.

Whoever calls, Help God! Gets help.

This chapter is focusing on a period of time that you do not want to, or have to, go through it. It is a time that the Bible says that the Anti Christ shall be revealed and released in all his fury upon the planet.

The Anti Christ is a person who is filled with the wrath and power of Satan who will be given power and authority as the leader of the new one world government and its one world currency to deceive and torment the saints of God and give power to those who want nothing to do with God or his Word and he the Anti-Christ shall have power and authority leading up to the start of what the Bible calls the Great Tribulation and through this 3 ½ years but after Christ has come for his Church and the Church is taken out of this system, the full wrath of Satan will be released into the Anti- Christ because the Holy Spirit has been taken out of the world and there is no one to stop the avenging spirit from attacking God`s people.

It`s a time that the full wrath of the Devil or Satan shall be released upon the earth because the Holy Spirit has been taken out of the earth, and there shall be **time no longer** it says in,

Revelation. 10;6.

And swear by him that liveth for ever, who created heaven, and all the things that therein are, and the earth and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that **there should be time no longer.**

11 Thessalonians. 2;7.

And it`s because he, the person of the Holy Spirit has held back the forces of the evil one, and now he, the Holy Spirit has been removed from the earth.

We can tell by the **End time Chart** that we all now have the information as to roughly when this period of time is going to commence. No one knows exactly.

And over the years there has been a difference of opinion as what the time frame for this period of time is, some say that it 3 ½ years and some say that it is 7 years so we will start off with some scriptures in relation to this.

We know that there will be 7 years of tribulation but I am referring to the great tribulation as the Bible calls it.

How long is the Great Tribulation?

Daniel. 7;25.

And he shall speak great words against the Most High, 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.**

The Message Bible says.

Then he will blaspheme the High God, persecute the Followers of the High God, and try to get rid of sacred worship and moral practice.

God`s Holy People will be persecuted by him for time, times, half a time.

Daniel. 12;7.

And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swear by him, that liveth for ever, that it shall be for a time, times and an half, and when he shall have power of the Holy People, all these things shall be finished.

The Message Bible says.

The Man dressed in linen, who straddled the river, raised both hands to the skies.

I heard him solemnly swear by the Eternal One that it would be a time, two times, and a half a time that the oppressor of the Holy People was brought down the story would be complete.

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, times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

The Message Bible says.

The woman was given the wings of a great Eagle to fly to a place in the desert to be kept in safety and comfort for a time and times and half a time.

Time. = 1 year.

Times. =2 years.

Half a time. = half a year.

Total in all 3 ½ years. = 42 months. =1260 days.

Revelation. 11;2.

But the court which is without the temple, leave out, and measure it not, for it is given unto the gentiles and the Holy City shall they tread under foot, **forty and two months.**

The Message Bible says.

*Exclude the outer court; don't measure it. It's been handed over to Jewish outsiders. They'll desecrate the Holy City **for forty-two months.***

Revelation. 13;5.

And there was given unto him a mouth, speaking great things and blasphemies, and power was given unto him to continue **forty and two months.**

The Message Bible says.

*The beast had a loud mouth, boastful and blasphemous. It could do anything that it wanted **for forty two months**. It yelled blasphemies against God, blasphemed his name, blasphemed his Church, especially those already dwelling with God in Heaven.*

It was permitted to make war on God's Holy People and conquer them. It held absolute sway over all tribes and peoples, tongues and races. Everyone on earth whose name was not written from the world's foundation in the slaughtered Lamb's book of Life will worship the beast.

Forty and two months. = 3 ½ years.

Revelation. 11;3.

And I shall give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy **a thousand, two hundred and three score days**, clothed in sackcloth.

The Message Bible says.

*Meanwhile, I'll provide my two witnesses. Dressed in sackcloth, they'll prophesy for **1260 days**,*

These are the two Olive Trees, the two Lamp stands, standing at attention before God on earth. If anyone tries to hurt them, a blast of fire from their mouths will incinerate them, burn them to a crisp, just like that.

They'll have the power to seal the sky so that it doesn't rain for the time of their prophesying, power to turn rivers to blood, power to hit earth with any and every disaster as often as they want.

Revelation. 12;6.

And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there, **a thousand two hundred and three score days**.

The Message Bible says.

The woman gave birth to a Son who will shepherd all nations with an iron rod. Her Son was seized and placed safely before God on his Throne.

*The woman herself escaped to the desert to a place of safety prepared by God, all comforts provided her for **1260 days**.*

1260 days. = 3 ½ years.

1260 Days.

42 months.

Time, times and half a time.

These all equal a total of 3 ½ years, in which the scripture shows us that we are going to see various things happen in this period of time, known as the Great Tribulation.

Many people are really keen to know who the Anti Christ is, but the scriptures tell us that he shall not be revealed until after the Bride of Christ has been taken into the wilderness, so if you are around to see who the Anti-Christ is you will miss out on being a part of the Bride of Christ and you would not want to experience what man would have to go through in the great tribulation in order to make the Kingdom of Heaven.

Who Does God Indicate may have to end up going into the Great Tribulation.

Revelation. 13;8-9.

And all that dwell upon the earth, shall worship him, whose names are not found written in the book of the Lamb, slain from the foundation of the world.
If any man have an ear, let him hear.

The Message Bible says.

Are you listening to this? They've made their bed; now they must lie in it.

Revelation. 20;6.

Blessed and Holy is he that hath part in the First resurrection. On such the second death, hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

The Message Bible says.

I saw thrones, those put in charge of judgment sat on those thrones I also saw the souls of

those that were beheaded because of their witness to Jesus and the Word of God, who refused to take his mark on forehead or hand, they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years!

The rest of the dead did not live for a thousand years were up. This is the first resurrection and those involved are most blessed, most Holy. No second death for them! They're priests of God and Christ; they'll reign with him a thousand years.

Revelation. 20;11-12.

And I saw the dead, small and great stand before God, and the books were opened, and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

Revelation. 20;15.

And whosoever was not found written in the book of life, was cast into the lake of fire.

The Message Bible says.

I saw a Great White throne and the One Enthroned.

Nothing could stand before or against the Presence, nothing in Heaven, nothing on Earth, and then I saw all the dead, great and small, standing there, before the Throne!

And books were opened. Then another book was opened: The Book of Life. The dead were judged by what was written in the books, by the way they had lived.

Revelation. 19;20.

And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image.

These both were cast alive into a lake of Fire, burning with brimstone.

The Message Bible says.

I saw the beast and assembled with him, earth`s kings and their armies, ready to make war against the One on the horse and his army. The beast was taken, and with him, his puppet, the false prophet, who used signs to dazzle and deceive those who had taken the mark of the beast and worshipped his image.

They were thrown alive, those two, into the lake Fire and Brimstone. The rest were killed by the sword of the One on the horse, the sword that comes from his mouth. All the birds held a feast on their flesh.

Luke. 9;62.

And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

The Message Bible says.

Jesus said, No, procrastination. No backwards looks. You can`t put God`s Kingdom off till tomorrow. Seize the Day.

What we see here is that if you have not accepted Christ into your life and had your name written in the Lambs book of life, or being deceived, you received the mark of the beast and then worship his image or false idol, then you have not been a part of the first

resurrection, so then you will have to go through the great tribulation and face having your head cut off for your faith in Jesus Christ. [Rev. 20;4.] If you cannot admit to faith in Christ then you will not be a part of the second resurrection, and this will get you thrown into the lake of fire with the devil and his fallen angels if you have to face the second death or the great white throne judgment.

Matthew. 25;41.

Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.

Vs. 46.

And these shall go away into everlasting punishment; but the righteous into life eternal.

1 Corinthians.15;26.

And the last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

What will happen in the Great Tribulation?

A great deception will take place as we read in

Revelation. 19;20.

That many will receive the mark of the beast and begin to worship the image of the beast that had power to do miracles.

Revelation. 13;16-17.

And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their forehead.

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.

Revelation. 14;9-11.

And the third Angel followed them saying, with a loud voice, if any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead or in his hand.

The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation, and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the Holy Angels, and in the presence of the Lamb.

And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up forever and ever, and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

Revelation. 13;15.

And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

Revelation. 16;2.

And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth, and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had received the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.

The Message Bible says.

The first Angel stepped up and poured his bowl out on the earth. Loathsome, stinking sores erupted on all who had taken the mark of the beast and worshipped its image.

Revelation. 20;4.

And I saw the 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 worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads or in their hands, and they reigned with Christ a thousand years.

Mark. 8;35.

For whosoever will save his life shall lose it, but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the Gospel's, the same shall save it.

The Message Bible says.

Anyone who intends to come with me has to let me lead. You're not in the drivers seat: I am. Don't run from suffering; embrace it. Follow me and I'll show you how.

Self help is no help at all. Self sacrifice is the way to, my way, to saving yourself, your true self. What good would it do to get everything that you want and lose you, the real you.

What could you ever trade your soul for?

11 Thessalonians. 2;2-3.

That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that day of Christ is at hand.

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.

The Message Bible says.

Don't let anybody shake you up or get you excited over some breathless report or rumored letter from me that the day of the Masters arrival has come and gone. Don't fall for any line like that.

Before that day comes, a couple of things have to happen, First, the Apostasy, Second, the debut of the Anti Christ, a real dog of Satan. He will defy and then take over every so called God or altar.

Things that will happen in the Great Tribulation.

- The Holy Spirit will be taken out of the Earth, and there shall be time no more.
- There shall be no salvation for the Gentiles in the Tribulation.
- The Church or saints will be in the wilderness at a place prepared of God for them after the rapture and they begin their eternal life of perfection, being made perfect in Christ at his coming.
- The 2 witnesses are there to speak to the Jews and be a witness to what they believe.
- The full demonic wrath of the Devil shall be loosed upon the earth.
- The Son of Perdition shall be revealed.
- There shall be no buying or selling unless you have the mark of the beast.
- War shall be made against the remnant of Gods seed.
- All shall be made to receive the mark of the beast and worship the image.
- Christian`s who had to face this tribulation, are going to be challenged to deny Christ and him crucified of have your head cut off.
- After the Great Tribulation there is the Great White Throne Judgment after the 1000 year reign and rest with Jesus Christ that all who have to go through this great tribulation will have to face, and make an account for their life and what they have done with the word of God or Jesus Christ after they heard about him.
- Any who face this judgment will be cast into the pit for ever to eternal torment with no rest day or night.

What is the Mark of the Beast.

No one will be able to tell you at this stage what it will or will not be, including me, but I can say what I think that it may be, going by situations that have taken place in overseas countries, and research and trial sessions that have gone on in America since 1985.

Most of us have animals that have had to be micro-chipped so that if the animal strays, a quick scan of the scanner and all the information pertaining to that animal shows up on the scanner.

This includes.

- Owner.
- Address that the animal lives at.
- Has it been de-sexed.
- Has the animal had all its injections.
- Etc, etc.

There are many thoughts as to what the mark of the beast could be, it could be a system included in the overall plan of things that is used and the mark could be what is been left on the skin after something has been inserted or it could be a literal mark to show compliance to an organization.

When these micro-chips are inserted, they leave a mark in the skin where the needle has injected the micro-chip.

Farm animals have been using this system for decades to record the breeding program, age, sex, medical condition, owner and point of conception and eventually, sale at the sale yards. I remember back in the late seventies, when computers were still the size of a large room, and that a company over in Sweden had a computer so big back then that it shocked the world by saying that it was large enough to house the all the names and details of every person in the whole world, and strangely enough, it was called.... **The Beast**.

Now I think that we need to keep a level head on this, but it is interesting just the same. Computers are so small now, that it would not take much for a computer to house all the names and details of everybody in the world on it.

I remember watching a show on Christian TV last year that gave the name of a town in America that had 5000 people in it and every person had had a micro-chip inserted under the skin in their forehead or in their right hand since the mid 80`s, testing to see how the system would work as far as people not having any cash on them to buy or sell but being scanned for everything, in leading up to the impending one world government in having a cashless society, and seeing how it would work, and what the government had to put in place to make it work.

I have seen movies made in Europe that show people having their forehead, eyes, and right hand scanned, either for identification or for receiving payment for something.

At the same time there are mysteries in the Word of God that have yet to be revealed to mankind for they are for an appointed time, and this could be one of them, so we need to be open for correction if God reveals some of the mysteries that are hidden in His Word, that are only going to be revealed at the time of the leading up to his second coming.

The great tribulation is not going to be a better place to be in, especially for Christians who were not as committed or alert with the knowledge of God's Word as they could have been.

Revelation. 3;16.

So then because thou art lukewarm and neither hot nor cold, I will spew thee out of my mouth.

This is what the Message Bible says about Revelation. 3;16-22.

I know you inside and out, and find little to my liking, You are not cold, and you are not hot, it is far better to be either cold or hot, You are stale. You are stagnant. You make me want to vomit. You brag. I'm rich, I have got it made, I need nothing from anyone, oblivious that in fact, you are pitiful, blind beggar, threadbare and homeless.

Here's what I want you to do. Buy your Gold from me, gold that has been through the refiner's fire. Then you'll be rich. Buy your clothes from me. Clothes designed in heaven. You have gone around half-naked long enough, and buy medicine for your eyes from me so you can see, really see.

The people I love, I call to account, prod and correct and guide, so that they will live at their best. Up on your feet, then about face, Run after God.

Look at me, I stand at the door and knock. If you hear me and call and open the door, I will come right in and sit down to supper with you. Conquerors will sit alongside me at the head table, just as I, having conquered, took the place of honor at the side of my Father. That's my gift to the conquerors!

Are your ears awake? Listen, Listen to the wind Words, the Spirit blowing through the churches.

Notes.

Questions.

Lesson. 6.

1. Joel. 2;31. What will happen before the Lord returns?

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2. Revelation. 10;6. Says what?

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3. How long is the great Tribulation.

Daniel. 7;25.

Daniel. 12;7.....

Revelation. 12;14.....

Revelation. 11;2.....

Revelation. 13;5.....

Revelation. 12;6.....

4. Shall long shall God`s 2 witnesses speak and prophesy?

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5. Revelation. 13;8-9. Who will have to go into the Great Tribulation?

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6. Revelation. 20;6. What advantage is there in partisipating in the first resurrection?

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7. Revelation. 20;12. Who are judged at this time?

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8. Revelation. 20;15. What will happen to those who`s names are not in God`s book?

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9. Revelation. 19;20. What happens to those that receive the mark of the beast?

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10. 1 Corinthians. 15;26. What is the last enemy destroyed?

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11. Revelation 14;9-11. What does the angel of the Lord say here?

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12. Revelation 20;4. Tells us that some will have to do what for their witness for the Lord?

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13. Mark. 8;35. Tells us what?

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The Millennium Period.

Lesson. 7.

The Millennium.

The word Millennium is a Latin word which means... **1000 Years.** And it refers to the 1000 years mentioned 6 times in Revelation Chapter 20.

It refers to the period of time that occurs after the second coming of Jesus Christ when the Church or the Bride of Christ as the Bible refers to Christians who have gone before or remain alive on the earth at that time and have kept the faith, endured affliction and ministered the Word of the Lord.

It is the last day or the 7th day of God's Redemptive Week.

The word Millennium itself is not found written in the Bible, but it is the term that nearly all Christians use to describe the period of time that is the goal of all Christians to aspire to.

It is a time of great rest. A time where in the twinkling of an eye, we are made perfect by Jesus Christ at the beginning of this time period.

We receive a new incorruptible body, no pain ever again, no affliction evermore.

When does the Millennium Begin?

This period of time begins at the end of this kingdom age or at the 120th jubilee or 6000 years after Adam sinned, or at the end of the 6th day of God's Redemptive Week.

We know that it starts at the second coming of Jesus Christ which is also the end of the world as we know it.

Matthew. 24;3-16.

When Jesus returns, he shall declare that there shall be time no longer.

Revelation 10;6.

And sware by him that liveth forever and ever, who created heaven, and the things therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer.

It is a time that Jesus Christ shall take his place as the rightful Lord and King along with all that saints that believe in him and him crucified as the sacrificial Lamb.

Revelation. 20;4-6.

And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them, and I saw souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped 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. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

Blessed and Holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection, on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God, and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

Luke. 1;33.

And he shall reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom, there shall be no end.

The number 6 in scripture is the number for man because man was created on the 6th day of God's creation week and will be made perfect again on the 6th day of God's redemptive week, at the second coming of the Son of Man, "Jesus Christ."

As God allowed mankind to hear the righteous preaching of Noah for 120 years and then destroyed all mankind and everything that walked on the earth because they failed to take heed to the Word of the Lord, so at the end of the 6th day which is 120 times x 50 jubilee years, all of mankind that have not accepted Jesus Christ into their lives and be born again, and all those Christians who either cannot or will not sacrifice what they need to do in order to receive the fullness of Christ, shall be destroyed and not be allowed into the place that God has prepared for those that love him, and that is the 1000 years rest in Christ.

The First Resurrection.

The Bible declares that only the saints of God shall be allowed to rule and reign with him in the Millennium period or kingdom age.

Daniel. 7;27.

And the kingdom and dominion and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most high, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

The Message Bible says.

But when the court comes to order, the horn shall be stripped of its power and totally destroyed. Then the royal rule and the authority and the glory of all the kingdoms under heaven will be handed over to the people of the High God,

Their royal rule will last forever. All other rulers will serve and obey them.

And there it ended, I Daniel was in shock. I was like a man who had seen a ghost. But kept it all to myself.

Revelation 20;4-6.

Again I refer to this passage that we read before.

And I saw the thrones, and they upon them, and judgment was given unto them; and I saw souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the Word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his make upon foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

But the rest of the dead lived not again until a thousand years were finished.

This is the first resurrection.

Blessed and Holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection; on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

The Message Bible says.

I saw thrones. Those put in charge of judgment sat on the thrones. I also saw the souls of those beheaded because of their witness to Jesus and the Word of God, who refused to worship either the beast or his image, refused to take the mark on forehead or hand. They lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years were up.

This is the first resurrection, and those involved most blessed, most Holy, No Second death for them! They're priests of God and Christ; they'll reign with him a thousand years.

The first resurrection includes every saint who has died through all the ages, right back to Adam and onward.

This is the time that all the saints are caught up in the air to meet Christ. The dead shall rise first to meet Christ in the air and then those of us that remain are caught up to meet them in the cloud of his coming.

1 Thessalonians. 4;15-17.

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

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with a voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God, 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 Message Bible says.

And then this we can tell you with complete confidence, we have the Master`s Word on it, that when the master comes again to get us, those of us who are still alive will not get a jump on the dead and leave them behind.

In accrual fact, they`ll be ahead of us. The Master himself will give the command. Archangel thunder, God`s trumpet blast! He`ll come down from heaven and the dead in Christ will rise, they`ll go first. Then the rest of us who are still alive at the time will be caught up with them into the clouds to meet the Master. Oh, we`ll be walking on air! And then there will be one huge family reunion with the Master. So reassure one another with these words.

1 Thessalonians. 5;1-28.**Points of interest that are in this chapter.**

- We know the times and the seasons.
- We know that the day of the Lord shall come as a thief in the night.
- Some will say Peace and then sudden destruction.
- The woman, the church is bringing forth a man child.
- We are not in darkness that that day should overtake us.
- We are children of Light, not darkness.
- Let`s not sleep as some do, but be watchful and sober.
- Put on the breastplate of faith and love, and a helmet of salvation.
- God has appointed us to receive salvation through Christ.
- In Christ if we die or remain we shall be with him forever.
- Comfort yourselves, edify one another.
- Whatever you do for the Lord, he shall reward you.
- Esteem others for Christ`s sake.
- Support the weak, be patient toward men.
- Rejoice for evermore.
- Pray without ceasing.
- In everything give thanks.

- Quench not the Spirit.
- Despise not Prophesying.
- Prove all things, hold fast to that which is good.
- Abstain from that which looks evil.
- Cause your spirit and soul and body be preserved unto the coming of Christ.
- Be faithful to him that called you.
- Brethren pray for us.

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But of the times and the seasons brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. We shall know the times and the season of the coming of Christ, but not even the angels of heaven know the hour of his coming. Be ready and watchful, for he comes as a thief in the night, when we think not.

The Second Resurrection.

The second Resurrection occurs 1000 years after the first resurrection which is at the end of the millennium period or the time of great rest for the saints. At the beginning of the millennium, Satan was bound with chains and cast into the bottomless pit.

Revelation. 20;1-3.

Again I will mention this scripture.

And I saw an Angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit, and a great chain in his hand.

And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the devil and satan, and bound him a thousand years.

And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years be fulfilled, and after that he must be loosed a little season.

The Bible clearly shows us that the ungodly have no part in the first resurrection because they have denied Christ in their lives.

The Message Bible says.

I saw an Angel descending out of Heaven. He carried the key to the Abyss and a chain, a huge chain. He grabbed the dragon, that old snake, the very devil, Satan himself! Chained him up for a thousand years, dumped him into the Abyss, slammed it shut and sealed it tight. No more trouble out of him, deceiving the nations until the thousand years are up. After that he has to be let loose briefly.

Revelation 20;6.

Shows us that those that are part of the first resurrection have no part in the second resurrection as this is reserved for the ungodly, because our names are recorded in the Lamb's book of life.

This is known as the great white throne judgment **Revelation. 20;11-15**. Where all the ungodly dead, from all of time before, stand before God and the books were opened all those whose name was not found written in the Lamb's book of life, were cast into the lake of fire alongside the devil and his fallen angels.

The way to get your name written into the Lamb's book of life is to accept Jesus Christ into your life asking him to forgive you your sins, and that is it.

No ritual, no chants or anything else.

It is that simple.

Daniel. 12;2.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth, shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

The Message Bible says.

That's when Michael the great angel prince, champion of your people, will step in. It will be a time of trouble, the worst trouble the world has ever seen. But your people will be saved from the trouble, every last one found written in the Book.

Many who have been long dead and buried will wake up, some to eternal life, others to eternal shame.

John. 5;28-29.

Marvel not at this, for the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice.

And shall come forth, they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation.

The Message Bible says.

Don't act so surprised at all this. The time is coming when everyone dead and buried will hear his voice. Those who have lived the right way will walk out into a resurrected life; those who have lived the wrong way, into a resurrected judgment.

Acts. 24;15.

And have hope toward God, which they themselves also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

The Message Bible says.

And I admit to living in hopeful anticipation that God will raise the dead, both the good and the bad, if that's my crime, my accusers are just as guilty as I am.

I certainly pray that you the reader and partaker of the information in this study guide would have gained some truth of God's word about his return for the Bride of Christ which is the Church and be encouraged to seek and wait upon him so that when he does return, we shall be ready and waiting.

God Bless.

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Notes.

Questions.

Lesson. 7.

1. How long is a Millenium period of time?

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2. When will the Millenium period start?

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3. Revelation. 10;6. What shall there be no more?

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4. Revelation. 20;4-6. What did you personally get quickened and see in these scriptures?

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5. Luke. 1;33. Will the kingdom of God have an end?

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6. 1 Thessalonians. 4;16-17. What do you see in these scriptures?

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7. 1 Thessalonians. 5;1-28. Write down some things that stood out to you?

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8. Revelation. 14;14-18. What was in there hand?

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9. Daniel. 12;2. Explain what you see in this scripture!

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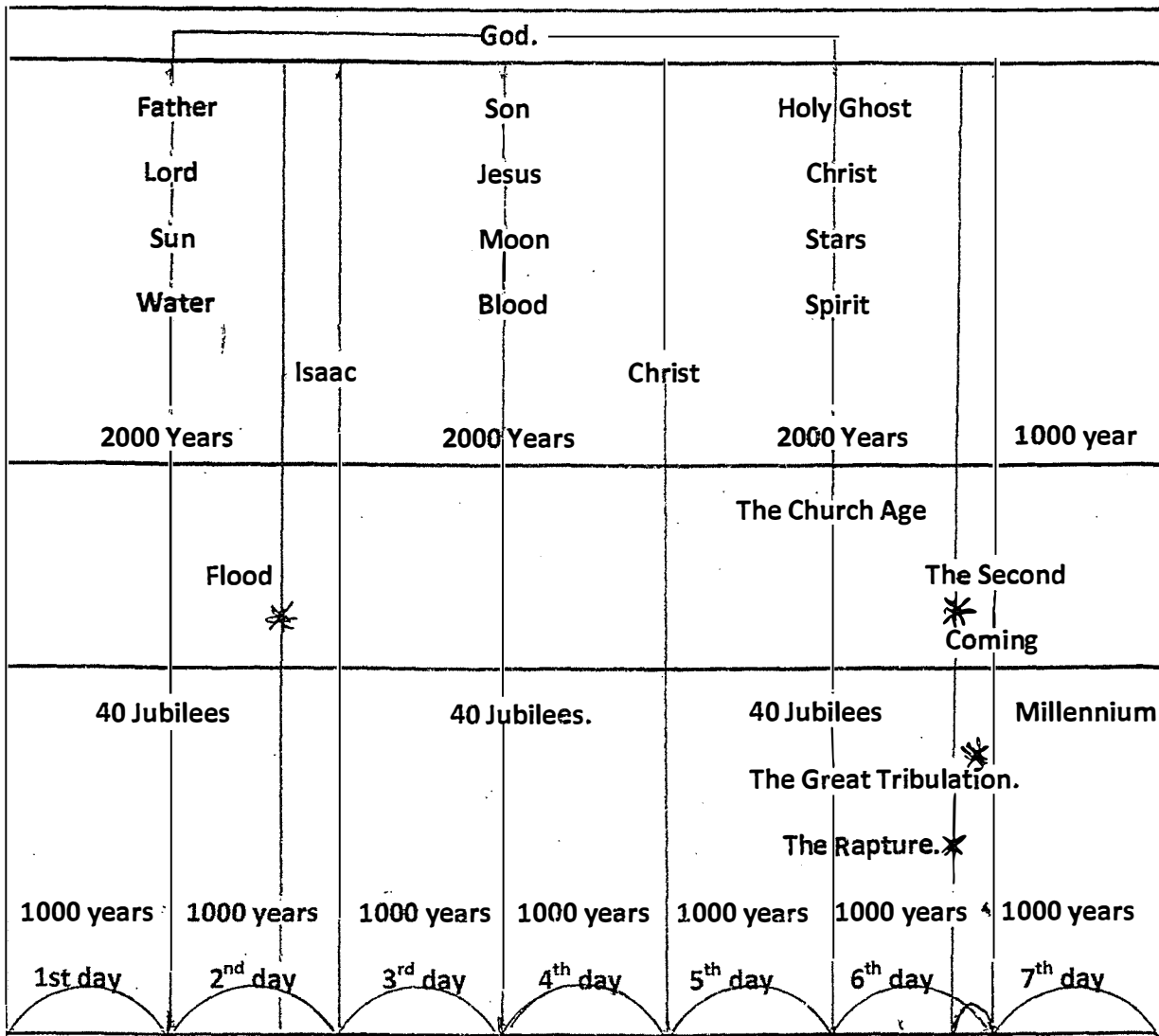
10. Acts. 14;15. What are we to do in the day that we are living in?

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God's Time Chart will look like this.

There are many things that could be added to this, but I did say at the beginning of these Sessions, that this is the basic of understanding Gods Time week and Redemptive week, so that you can study yourself and be quickened by the Holy Ghost as you are able to understand it.



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