

## LESSON V , Part 1Y.1 BIBLE TREK

**1/3 Of The total Bible Is Prophecy! and 4/5 of all the prophecy about the end times has ALREADY been fulfilled!!**

**The Bible Deals Specifically With 3 Groups Of People:**

**Jews,**

**Gentiles**

**And The Church Of God.**

**It Is Important To Know That Conflict Develops In Interpretation When You:**

- Intermingle These Groups Prophetically.

***When They Are Left "Prophetically" As Separate Groups We Ultimately Can See Very Clearly That All Prophecy In The Bible Is Related To The Purpose Of God***

***There is NO PROPHECY in the Koran, Hindu Veda's, Baghavad Gita, the Ramayana or the saying of either Buddha or Confucius nor the Book of Mormon.***

- Why?

***Manmade Belief systems cannot take the chance that one of their prophecies will not come true or their Religious House of Cards will FALL!***

- Biblical prophecy is 100% accurate
- This proves that God, the author of the Bible is who he says he is
- And that the Bible is literally the word of God!!!

**The Question Is:**

- ***If*** The Old Testament Prophecies Were **Fulfilled Exactly** (Including To The Day And Even To The Minute)
- ***Why Won't The Prophecies about the end times Also Be Fulfilled.***

Isaiah 46: 8-11 [Excerpted]

"Remember This And Be Assured; Recall It To Mind, You Transgressors.  
 "Remember The Former Things Long Past, For **I Am God**, And There Is No One Like Me. **Declaring The End From The Beginning** ... Truly I Have Spoken: Truly I will Bring It To Pass. I Have Planned It, Surely I will Do It. (NAS)

When most people think of Prophecy **they think of the New Testament book of Revelation** with its fantastic descriptions of beasts, dragons and other images as **THE** prophecy book in the Bible.

- Actually, Revelation only makes sense when you check it against Ezekiel, Isaiah, Daniel (as well as others).

**Several things to understand about this:**

- The visions and descriptions **are from a man who has been allowed to look into the future**
- And see Tanks, Helicopters, Cars, Jets, Nuclear War, Aids and Chemical Warfare.
- He must then try and describe this to an audience that will span 2000 years!
- **Up until the last 50 years much of it was not even invented yet**
- So the keys to the secrets of Revelation were not even available until our generation.

How we are going to approach this!

Ramp up to Tribulation – Are we here?	7 year Tribulation	Millennium Reign
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Signs of the times</li> <li>•Jews in Israel</li> <li>•Rapture of Church</li> <li>•Gog-Magog war?</li> <li>•Revised Roman Empire</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Temple rebuilt</li> <li>•Anti – Christ</li> <li>•False Prophet</li> <li>•2 witnesses</li> <li>•144,000 missionaries</li> <li>•Gog-Magog war?</li> <li>•The Mark of the Beast</li> <li>•Kings of the East</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•What is it like</li> <li>•God has kept his promises</li> <li>•Satan Released</li> <li>•Great White Throne</li> <li>•Eternity</li> </ul>

Jesus returns

Signs of the times

**The prophet Daniel was given an incredible vision of the end times. At the end of the book of Daniel, God says this:**

**The end of Time as we know it?**

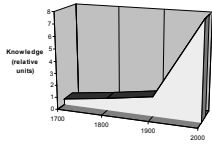
- Daniel 12:4 But you, Daniel, close up and seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end. Many will go here and there to increase knowledge.
- The end times would not be understood until the time of the end.

The end times would not be understood “ until the time of the end” or until now!!

However, at the time of the end we would be able to unlock the secrets:

**This is one key to knowing IF we are in the end times!**

“Many will go here and there to increase knowledge.”



Knowledge has increased 10,000 times since 1945!

Source: Reasons to Believe Foundation Genesis One: A Scientific Perspective, Dr. Hugh Ross Ph.D. Page 2

**Luke 21:15-31**  
**For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. [16] You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers, relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. [17] All men will hate you because of me.**

**[18] But not a hair of your head will perish. [19] By standing firm you will gain life.**

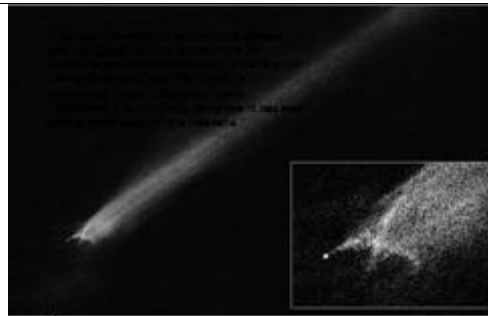
**[20] "When you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, you will know that its desolation is near. [21] Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city.**

**[22] For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written. [23] How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! There will be great distress in the land and wrath against this people. [24] They will fall by the sword and will be taken as prisoners to all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.**

**[25] "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. [26] Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. [27] At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.**

There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars.





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World environment ... msnbc.com

## 2011 already costliest year for natural disasters

Report: We are reaching the financial and economic limits of disasters on a global scale

Report: Natural disasters across the globe have made 2011 the costliest on record.



More than four times the number of natural disasters are occurring now than did two decades ago, ... The world suffered about 120 natural disasters per year in the early 1980s, which compared with the current figure of about 500 per year,



**So.....When do the end times really start? God tells us to look for these signs:**

### *When Will The "End Times" Start?*

- **Matthew 24:3-25**  
(excerpted)
- **Pestilence found in Revelation 6:8, 11:6, 16:21** (we won't read)

**Matthew 24:3-15 (Excerpted)**  
 As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

[4] Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you. ...

Note: time period!

[6] You will hear of *wars and rumors of wars ...* [7] *Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.* There will be *famines and earthquakes in various places.* [8] All these are the beginning of birth pains.

... [11] and many *false prophets* will appear and deceive many people. ...

Remember for later!

[14] And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

[15] "So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel--let the reader understand--

[Matthew 24:21-25]  
 For then there will be great distress, unequalled from the beginning of the world until now-- and never to be equaled again. [22] *If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive,* but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened. ... [25] *See, I have told you ahead of time.*

### Wars and Rumors of wars: Nation against nation:



Currently, there are over 82 conflicts currently raging in the world.

Wikianswers 2009



### Famines

- The World Bank estimates that **1.1 billion people live on less than \$1 per person per day.**
- Worldwide, **35,000 children die each day due to hunger.**

### Pestilences





Bird Flu is not a question IF, it is a questions of **WHEN**



**The greatest Pestilence UP TILL NOW is of course AIDS**

**37 million Dead 33 - 36 million Living with AIDS NOW!**



**Worldwide HIV & AIDS Statistics**

Global HIV/AIDS estimates, end of 2007

The latest statistics on the world epidemic of HIV/AIDS were published by UNAIDS/WHO in July 2008, and refer to the end of 2007.

Indicator	Estimate	Range
People living with HIV/AIDS in 2007	33.0 million	30.2-35.8 million
Adults living with HIV/AIDS in 2007	26.0 million	23.2-28.8 million
Women living with HIV/AIDS in 2007	15.0 million	13.2-16.8 million
People newly infected with HIV in 2007	2.5 million	2.2-2.8 million
Children newly infected with HIV in 2007	0.37 million	0.33-0.41 million
2000-2007 deaths in 2007	1.8 million	1.6-2.0 million
2000-2007 deaths in 2007	0.27 million	0.23-0.31 million

**The former were naturally occurring...**

- But what about man-made pestilences:
- Anthrax, Botulism, Smallpox, Bubonic plague etc. caused by the threat of terrorism?

**The Washington Times**

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**EXCLUSIVE: Al Qaeda eyes bio attack**

Under white envelope as attack

By David J. Cook 7/11/08

11:00PM

10/11/08

EXCLUSIVE: U.S. counterterrorism officials have intercepted a letter to an Al Qaeda affiliate threatening to smuggle a biological weapon into the United States via tunnel under the Mexico border. The threat came from a senior group's administration to stage another mass casualty attack in the U.S., according to the report.

"Four pounds of anthrax -- in a suitcase the big -- carried by a fighter through tunnels from Mexico into the U.S. are guaranteed to kill 100,000 Americans within a single hour if it is properly spread in population centers there," the recruiter said. "What a horrifying idea; 9/11 will be small change in comparison."

**False Prophets**



Heavens Gate Cult



David Koresh...+ thousands more

*"He has been expected for generations by all of the major religions."*

- Christians know him as the Christ, and expect his imminent return.
- Jews await him as the Messiah;
- Hindus look for the coming of Krishna;
- Buddhists expect him as Maitreya Buddha;
- Muslims anticipate the Imam Mahdi or Messiah



Link to this site on [www.bibletrek.com](http://www.bibletrek.com)

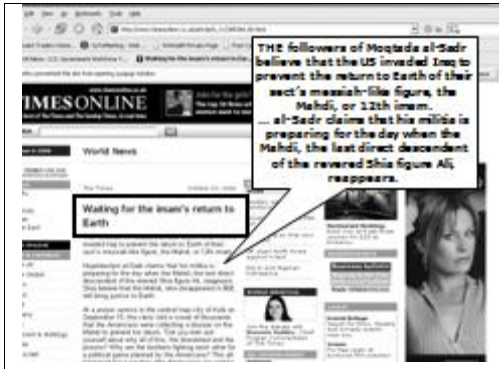
With over 80 countries already reached, more than 200 educational centers, 100,000 TV and radio satellite channels, 1000 TV and radio programs, an entourage of 1000 bodyguards, and a majority of billions of believers growing in numbers worldwide, the common perception is that this man has been leading the world since the year 2000.

**And then...**

The Allah Christ Jesus, Dr. Amir Ali, is working in the world. He is working in the world and leading it to a new era of peace and justice.

**And for Muslims...**

- As WorldNetDaily has reported, Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has urged his people to prepare for the coming of an Islamic "messiah," raising concerns a nuclear-armed Islamic Republic could trigger the kind of global conflagration he envisions will set the stage for the end of the world.
- He's also said, in a WND report, that Islam and its followers must prepare to rule the world, because it is a "universal ideology that leads the world to justice."



The whole world is waiting for the Messiah....

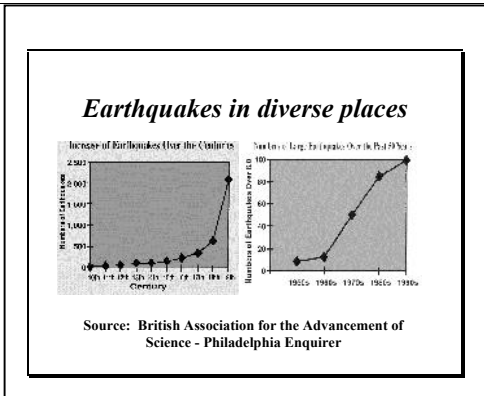
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**THE ANTI CHRIST!**

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But the Bible says they will accept a false Messiah...

**THE ANTI CHRIST!**





**The Bible refers to these signs as similar to birth pangs.**

Think that is a lot?

- We have always had war, famine, earthquakes
- but in the Last Days, **these will increase like birth pangs**
- starting slowly and gradually increasing in intensity and magnitude – This is exactly the pattern we see in the world today.

<p>Jews in Israel</p>		<p>[28] When these things <del>begin</del> to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because <u>your redemption</u> is drawing near."</p> <p>[29] He told them this parable: "Look at the <u>fig tree</u> and all the trees. [30] When they <del>sprout</del> leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. [31] Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.</p>	
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<p>The Fig Tree Is Mentioned 6 Times In The Ot And Is <u>Always</u> Symbolic Of Israel.</p> <p>ISRAEL </p> <p><i>Hosea 9:10</i> <b>When I found Israel, it was like finding grapes in the desert; when I saw your fathers, it was like seeing the early fruit on the fig tree...</b></p>		<p> The Fig Tree Is Israel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who Came To The Holy Land Given In The Abrahamic Covenant On May 14, 1948.</li> <li>• According to God the Generation Who Is Alive At This Time <u>Will See The End Of Time!</u></li> </ul>	
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This is the key to understanding "IF" we are in the end times. If Israel is back in the land given in the Abrahamic Covenant then God has fulfilled his promise that he would bring the Jews back after being scattered through out the world

THIS GENERATION????

YOU MEAN MY GENERATION???

<p><i>Luke 21:32-33</i> _ "I tell you the truth, <u>this generation will certainly not pass away</u> until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.</p>		<p>God will tell us in Prophecy the <u>EXACT DAY</u> that the Nation of Israel will become a Nation <i>starting this last generation!</i></p>
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*The Prophet Ezekiel is given an assignment by God to illustrate how long the Jewish people will be punished...*

**Ezekiel 4:5**  
 I have assigned you the same number of days as the years of their sin. So for 390 days you will bear the sin of the house of Israel. [6] "After you have finished this, lie down again, this time on your right side, and bear the sin of the house of Judah. I have assigned you 40 days, a day for each year.

Israels sin = 390 years  
 Judahs sin = 40 years  
 Subtotal 430 years  
 Less 70 years  
 time served in captivity  
 Total 360 years

Leviticus 26:18  
 "If after all this you will not listen to me, I will punish you for your sins seven times over.

7 X 360 Years = 2520 Biblical Years  
 2520 Biblical Years X 360 Days =  
 907,200 Days Converted To Our Calendar Of 365 Days =  
 ✨ 2483 years, 9 months, 12 days.  
 {Keep In Mind There Is Only 1 Year From 1 BC To 1 AD}

From:  
 July 23, 537 BC (537 years, 7 months, 23 days - end of Babylonian rule (day Anterexes declared the temple be rebuilt)  
 ✨ + 2483 years, 9 months, 12 days  
 + 1 year (1 BC To 1 AD)  
 = 1948<sup>th</sup> year, 5<sup>th</sup> month, 14<sup>th</sup> day  
 What happened on MAY 14, 1948?

**Israel became a Nation!**

• God will even tell us when they will regain control of Jerusalem

Starting at August 16, 518 BC which was the completion of "Desolations of Jerusalem" by Nebuchanezzar .  
 We have:  
 518 BC 518 years, 8 months, 16 days  
 ✨ + 1 year (1BC-1AD)  
 ✨ + 2483 years, 9 months, 12 days  
 = 1967<sup>th</sup> year, 6<sup>th</sup> month 6 days  
 What happened on June 6, 1967?

**Israel gained control of Jerusalem!**



*God Himself tells us that the fulfillment of this prophecy is incredible!*

Isaiah 66:8

Who has ever heard of such a thing?

Who has ever seen such things?

Can a country be born in a day or a nation be brought forth in a moment?

Yet no sooner is Zion in labor than she gives birth to her children.



- What are the odds of **two incredibly complex prophecies** coming true – **to the day** out of the **same 135 words** given in Daniel?

***Astronomical*** – yet history records these ... **IN OUR LIFETIME!**

**The Jews must be Back into the Land of Israel!**

And God has brought the Jews back to Israel in fulfillment of the Abrahamic Covenant

**Why?**

*Ezekiel 20:34-37*

**I will bring you from the nations and gather you from the countries where you have been scattered--with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm and with outpoured wrath. [35] I will bring you into the desert of the nations and there, face to face, I will execute judgment upon you.**



The significance of this should be readily apparent, even to the most hardened of cynics. After all, whoever heard of an ancient lost tribe returning to its ancestral homeland 2,700 years after their deportation? Without exaggerating, it seems fair to say that this is a miracle of Biblical proportions.



[36] As I judged your fathers in the desert of the land of Egypt, so I will judge you, declares the Sovereign Lord. [37] I will take note of you as you pass under my rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant.

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Once they are back in the Land - they will never be uprooted again!  
 They must also be in possession of Jerusalem!

**Amos 9:15**  
**I will plant *Israel* in their own land, never again to be uprooted from the land I have given them," says the Lord your God.**

**Zech. 12:3**  
**On that day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make *Jerusalem* an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves.**

“... An immovable rock”



AAS 2/6/2000 “Palestinians say there can be no peace until they have part of Jerusalem. Israelis say ALL of Jerusalem is theirs FOREVER”.

**The Name Israel Is Mentioned 17 Times In Later Days - Israel Was Not Possible Until 1948, Jerusalem Was Not Possible until June 6, 1967. PROPHECY FULFILLED IN THIS GENERATION -**

- This is also one explanation for **Satan using Hitler. No Jews – No End times – No finishing off Satan!**

**Eze 20:37 SAYS.... And I will bring you into the bond of the covenant.**

**Which Covenant?**

**Ezekiel 36:25-28**

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. [26] I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. [27] And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. [28] You will live in the land I gave your forefathers; you will be my people, and I will be your God.

***The New Covenant***

**BUT THIS REQUIRES ACCEPTING JESUS AS THE MESSIAH!**

**Q. Do The Jews Accept The New Covenant Now?**



No. So Something Major Has To Happen To Change An Entire Country's Heart.

- **This is the KEY to understanding the horror of the last seven year period.** God is allowing Satan a "Free hand" in the world because the Jews must not be in a position of self-reliance. They must come to the point of relying on GOD...**accepting the New Covenant!**

**#2 The Jews Will Once Again Be Looking For The Messiah (As We Have Seen, The OT Is Full Of Promises Of The Messiah)**

**When the state of Israel was founded in 1948, David Ben Gurion the first Prime Minister said in an interview:**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Messiah</b></p> <p><b>" Whether you believe it or not, our people are coming back to Palestine to prepare the way for the coming of the Messiah. We are living today in the days of the Messiah."</b> David Ben Gurion the first Prime Minister of Israel</p>	
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<p><b>Amazing – A major Rabbinical figure claims the Messiah is Jesus</b></p>	



Let me quote from this article – from the great Jewish Leader Maimonides

Excerpted from the previous news reports:  
**“Ultimately the job of the Messiah is to gather the nations under the banner of the One God and to bring the world to Peace... We shouldn’t think that the King Messiah will have to perform miracles and wonders, and create new things in the world, or cause the dead to rise.**

**Instead, the model of the Jewish Messiah is “a human being involved in human activities, dependent upon the military expertise and ethical religious accomplishments of the nation. The proof that one is the Messiah is that he brings Israel national sovereignty and the world peace.”**  
 Maimonides Laws of Government Chapter 11, Law 3

**This description of the Messiah be very important to us later in the lesson!**



**#3 The Rapture Of The Church Will Have Occurred (*The Great Escape*)**

***The Word Rapture*** - (Latin Rapture = means snatched away) From 300 BC Until 11 Ad The Only Translations Were In Latin. After The Gutenberg Press Was Invented There Were Other Translations.

**1 Cor. 15:51-53**  
 Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed-- [52] in a flash, *in the twinkling of an eye*, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. [53] For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality.

**1 Thes. 4:13-16**  
 Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope. [14] We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

[15] According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. [16] For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, *and the dead in Christ will rise first.*

**1 Thes. 4:17-18**  
 After that, we *who are still alive* and are left will be *caught up* together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. [18] Therefore *encourage* each other with these words.

**Luke 21:32-36**  
 "I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. [33] Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. [34] "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you unexpectedly like a trap.

[35] For it will come upon *all those who live on the face of the whole earth.*  
 [36] Be always on the watch, and *pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen*, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."

We have always had tribulation – but never on the face of the whole earth!

## The Rapture

- **...pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen**
- **If it were not possible to pray that we will escape – why we he ask us to do it???**

If it were not possible to escape – God would not ask us to pray that we will!

**Matthew 24:36-44**  
 "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father..."

[42] "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. [43] But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. [44] *So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.*

## Is there an OT reference to the Rapture?

Isaiah 57:1

The righteous perish, and no one ponders it in his heart; devout men are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil.

### Why Are We Taken Away?

Isaiah 26:19-21 (NIV)

19 But your dead will live; their bodies will rise.

You who dwell in the dust, wake up and shout for joy.

Your dew is like the dew of the morning; the earth will give birth to her dead.

20 Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by.

21 See, the LORD is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins. The earth will disclose the blood shed upon her; she will conceal her slain no longer.

Dead in Christ Rise

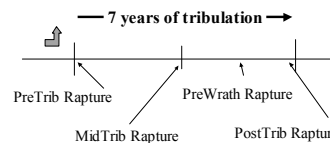
Rapture of the living

Tribulation Period

### The Rapture - Other Ideas ?

- Mid-Tribulation Rapture
- Post-Tribulation Rapture
- Pre-Wrath Rapture and
- NO RAPTURE.
- I believe scripture points to a "Pre-Tribulation Rapture." Only God knows. Anyone who sets dates is being unbiblical.

### Timeline of the End-times



1. **The good news** – at least for Christians is that God has promised a way of escape.
2. **The bad news** is there will be a 7 year period of intense ***worldwide*** trauma called the **Tribulation in the Bible**.

### Here is why I believe we Escape The Tribulation?

**How Do We Know We Escape  
The Tribulation?**

*Romans 5:8-9*

**But God Demonstrates His Love For Us In That When We Were Yet Sinners Christ Died For Us. Much More, Having Been Justified By His Blood, We Shall Be Saved From The Wrath Of God Through Him.**

*I Thessalonians 5:9*

**For God Has Not Destined Us For Wrath But For Obtaining Salvation Through Our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Rev. 3:10*

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also **keep you** from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth.

Note again

*I Thessalonians 1:9-10*

... you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, [10] and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-- Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

**VERY IMPORTANT!**

- The tribulation is a period of time that God has destined to bring the **Jews** into a **"personal relationship"** with the Messiah.
- **Christians** already have a **"personal relationship"** with the Messiah so there is **no reason** for us to go through this terrible time.
- Nowhere in the Bible are there **ANY** instructions about **how the church is to endure** the Tribulation Period,
- The only church that is mentioned in the Bible that is operating on earth during the Tribulation period is **the FALSE CHURCH!!!**
- *Additionally, We are told that the day will come **un-expectantly**. We are given enough information in the Bible to specifically pick this day out once **the tribulation starts** that we would know specifically when it would happen – this is not possible with a Pre-Tribulation Rapture.*

**The Rapture of the church Will Plunge The World Into A World Wide Chaos (Mortgages Not Paid, Cars Crashing On The Roads Etc.)**

- \*May Be The One Thing That The New Ager's Need To Propel The Lie That We Were Spirited Away "Because We are Holding Back The Collective Consciousness Of The World" On Its Way To "Godhood",
- Also a Possible Explanation for **UFO's**. I believe these are Demonic in nature.

According to a Gallop Poll in 1997 (available on their website)

- **45% of ALL Americans believe in UFO's / 12% claim to have actually seen a UFO.**
- Example: **if 45% of all Americans are True Believers and are Raptured – all that will be left will be those who ALREADY believe in UFO's – this will not be hard to SELL!**

We are not saying this is **HOW** it will be – only giving a **possible way** this could happen.

**By the Way – there will only be about 5 seconds where there will be NO CHRISTIANS on planet Earth. After that millions will realize that they missed it and were left behind.**

I happen to have a Post Rapture Artifact.....

Have you seen these people?



*Post Rapture Artifact*

Someone will have to come up with a plausible explanation for the instantaneous disappearance of millions of Christians and unborn and born Babies worldwide.

The next scripture will introduce this guy but we are not going to look at him until later....

He is the ANTI CHRIST

2 Thes. 2:5-7

Don't you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things? [6] And now you know what is holding him back, so that he may be revealed at the proper time. [7] For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so till he is taken out of the way.

In this scripture...

- **Q. Who is the secret power of lawlessness already at work in Paul's day?**
  - A. *the Devil himself*
- **Q. Who is the "HE" who will be revealed at the proper time?**
  - A. *the Anti Christ*
- **Q. Who is the one who is now holding "him" back?** (or who in this world has the power to hold back Satan?)
  - A. Only the Holy Spirit ...
- **Q. Where is the Holy Spirit right now?**  
A. In Christians- any one who has accepted the new covenant !

To take the Holy Spirit out is to literally take Christians out of the world!

- You or I **do not have the power to "hold back Satan"**, only God does!
- Therefore **the only restraint for Satan** is the other power working in the world - **the opposite** of the "secret power of lawlessness", **God through his Holy Spirit**.
- The Holy Spirit's function **now** is to "convict people of sin" and be "The Comforter" .
- However, the Holy Spirit is part of God who is OMNIPRESENT which means that **After the rapture**, God will still be working in the world because his desire is that no one will perish.
- **After Christians in the Rapture are removed what happens next?**

2 Thes. 2:8-9

[8] And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming. [9] The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with the work of Satan displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders,

- *Note the lawless one (the antichrist) will **not be revealed** until **After the Holy Spirit is removed** (rapture).*

Christians **before** the rapture will probably **not know** who this Antichrist is. But I believe he is alive today waiting for the world to turn upside down and ready for his brand of Gov't

The verse continues on....

2 Thes. 2:10-11

[10] and in every sort of evil that deceives those who are perishing. They perish because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. [11] For this reason God sends them a powerful delusion so that they will believe the lie.

#### What Is The Lie Vs. A Lie ?

- **ONLY 4 Times is "THE LIE"** Mentioned In The Bible – especially Genesis 3:5





**The Lie is:**



- *"You can be like God"*

**The Lie Is...Man Becomes God, The Truth Is ...God Became Man**

- **The Bible declares that there will be a tribulation period for a period of 7 years** the Rapture of the church creates such chaos that the world is thrown into total turmoil setting the stage for the last 7 year period!
- The Tribulation could happen immediately after or possibly weeks or years after the Rapture. I believe it is very soon after but I would caution setting an absolute date.

<p style="text-align: right;">How we know it is our future</p> <p><b>Gog-Magog war – anytin now?</b></p> <p>This may happen BEFORE the Rapture or afterward? Ezekiel 37-39 describes a time when Israel <b>has been restored to her land but will then face an invasion force from a country in the north</b> and her allies after God puts hooks in their jaws.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>All the Players from Ezekiel 38 are in place</b></p> 
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<p>Ez 38:3,4,8 ...and say: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, 4) I will turn you around, put hooks in your jaws and bring you out with your whole army... 5) Persia, Cush [c] and Phoenicia will be with them, all with shields and helmets, 6 also Gomer with all its troops, and Beth Togermah from the far north with all its troops—the many nations with you. In future years you will invade a land that has recovered from war, whose people were gathered from many nations to <u>the mountains of Israel...</u></p>	
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## A possible time line?

- (04/11/09) The Hebrew-language daily *Yedioth Acharonot* reported Thursday that White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel told an American Jewish leader that a (Palestinian) state would be forced down Israel's throat by the end of Obama's term, regardless of which government rules.
  - "In the next four years, there will be a final status agreement between Israel and the Palestinians, based on 'two states for two peoples,' and we couldn't care less who the prime minister is," Emanuel was quoted as saying.
- http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/130856



Ezekiel 38 declares a major war will occur with Israel

- The players in this war are:
- RUSSIA
- Turkey
- ISRAEL
- THE ISLAMIC COALITION
- (each is named in this passage)

Are these groups moving into position?



And Russia will fulfill its Biblical  
Destiny as the King of the  
North!



The Bible says that Turkey  
(called Gomer in Ezekiel 38)  
will have an Army that will  
attack Israel in alliance with  
Russia

### The Koran says:

- *Surah 5:51 Believers, take neither the Jews nor the Christians for your friends!*
- *Surah 9:5 "slay the idolaters (non-Muslims) wherever you find them."*
- *or from Muhammad himself (from the Hadith) "The last hour will not come before the Muslims fight the Jews and the Muslims kill them."*
- *Qur'an 47:4: "Therefore, when ye meet the Unbelievers (in fight), smite at their necks..."*

### And Iran's President?

- Iranian President, Mahmoud Ahmedinejad, says he only wants a nuclear energy program for peaceful purposes, but he claims to be divinely inspired. He regularly refers to the imminent return of a Muslim Messiah figure called the Mahdi, signalling Armageddon and the end of the world.

<http://www.abc.net.au/m/religionreport/stories/2006/1554679.htm#>

And Iran's President?

- , Mr. Ahmadinejad flummoxed his audience of world political leaders by concluding his U.N address with a prayer for the Mahdi's appearance. "
- Mr. Ahmadinejad shocked western governments when he said **Israel should be wiped off the face of the earth.**

[http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/middle\\_east/july-dec05/iran\\_12-9.html](http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/middle_east/july-dec05/iran_12-9.html)



**Faced with an all out war against it, Israel will have no choice but to use its Nuclear weapons fulfilling the Prophecy in Ezekiel 38 – Iran may use it's arsenal – especially since they are committed to Israel's destruction.**

Is the USA in the Bible? Let's see...

**Ez. 38:13** Sheba and Dedan and the merchants of Tarshish **"and all her villages"** will say to you, "Have you come to plunder?"

- The original Greek (KJV) says it this way: Sheba and Dedan and the **merchants of Tarshish** and **"her strong lions"**

Is the USA in the Bible? Let's see...

- From Eatons Bible dictionary 1996..."There can be little doubt, however, that [Tarshish] is the name of a Phoenician port in Spain,"
- Columbus sailing under the flag of Spain discovered the USA. The original people groups of Sheba, Dedan and Tarshish also settled **England who's symbol is the LION.**

Is the USA in the Bible? Let's see...

- The USA *could be* the exact fulfillment of this prophecy since we are England's "strong Lion"!
- Who knows!



Europe is increasingly becoming Islamic

**In 1974, former Algerian President Houari Boumedienne warned Europe in a speech at the U.N.:** "One day, millions of men will leave the Southern Hemisphere to go to the Northern Hemisphere. **And they will not go there as friends. They will go there to conquer it. And they will conquer it with their sons. The womb of our women will give us victory.**"



But what about Muslims?  
According to the Barna Research group

- More Muslims converted to faith in Jesus Christ over the past decade than at any other time in human history.
- **Iraq:** more than 5,000 new Muslim converts to Christianity have been identified since the end of major combat operations
- **Egypt:** some reports say 1 million Egyptians have trusted Christ over the past decade or so.
- **Afghanistan:** only 17 Muslim converts to Christianity before 9/11/01, but now more than 10,000.

But what about Muslims?  
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In December 2001, Sheikh Ahmad al Qataani, a leading Saudi cleric, appeared on a live interview on Aljazeera satellite television to confirm that, sure enough, Muslims were turning to Jesus in alarming numbers. "In every hour, 667 Muslims convert to Christianity," ... "Every day, 16,000 Muslims convert to Christianity. Every year, 6 million Muslims convert to Christianity."

But what about Muslims?  
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- One of the most dramatic developments is that many Muslims -- including Shiites in Iran and Iraq -- are seeing dreams and visions of Jesus and thus coming into churches explaining that they have already converted and now need a Bible and guidance on how to follow Jesus.
- This is in fulfillment of Biblical prophecy. The Hebrew Prophet Joel told us that "in the last days, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days...And everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved." (Joel 2:28-32)  
SEE NEXT!



<p>It is also noteworthy that more than one in four respondents (27 percent) said dreams and visions were a factor in their decision to commit themselves to follow Christ. <b>For 40 percent of respondents, visions or dreams occurred at the time of conversion, and for 45 percent they occurred after they committed to following Christ.</b></p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Revised Roman Empire</b></p> <p>Just as in the days of Christ – so will it be in the LAST DAYS. The Roman Empire (revised) and Israel. Both are seemingly resurrected from the dead.</p>	
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**At the Start of the Tribulation an Alliance of countries will rise to power in the chaos of the after effects of the Rapture and will eventually Control The World**

**First ...IF we are in the last days, then it makes sense for this group to be on the world stage NOW, waiting to take the reins when the timing is right!**

- This Group Already Exists And Came To Power On January 1, 1993
- **So let's see if we can identify this group...**

**In the book of Daniel, Daniel is given a vision of the end times symbolized by 4 great beasts...**

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Last Evil Empire</b></p> <p><b>Daniel 7:16-18</b></p> <p>I approached one of those standing there and asked him the true meaning of all this."So he told me and gave me the interpretation of these things: [17] <b>'The four great beasts are four kingdoms</b> that will rise from the earth. [18] But the saints of the Most High will receive the kingdom and will possess it forever--yes, for ever and ever.'</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Daniel 7:19</b></p> <p><b>"Then I wanted to know <i>the true meaning of the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, and most terrifying, with its iron teeth and bronze claws--the beast that crushed and devoured its victims and trampled underfoot whatever was left.</i></b></p>	
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Daniel 7:23</b></p> <p><b>"He gave me this explanation: 'The fourth beast is a fourth kingdom that will appear on earth. It will be different from all the other kingdoms and will devour the whole earth, trampling it down and crushing it.</b></p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Last Evil Empire - how to spot it</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Is a World Empire that is part of the 4 ancient empires (great beasts)</li> <li>• 4 great Empires that affected the <u>whole world</u> are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Babylon</li> <li>• Medio Persia,</li> <li>• Greco</li> <li>• <i>Roman Empire (R.E.)</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
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<p>The Last Evil Empire - how to spot it</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ The fourth beast (R.E.) is different-</li> <li>◆ It was never conquered</li> <li>◆ It collapses from within (after controlling the known world at the time).</li> <li>◆ The rest of the clues come from Revelation 17:10</li> </ul>		<p><b>The fourth beast or the Revived Roman Empire will be different from all the other empires for two reasons:</b></p>
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- After a **long period of time** at *"the end times"* it will seemingly **resurrect** as a New World Empire or alliance.
- When it comes back it will be located in the **same exact geographical region** as the Old World Empire was. [Dan. 7:23] [Rev. 17:11 already read]

**Daniel speaks of the 4 great empires which affected biblical history . In Revelation, John tells about the past empires as well as the present and a future empire in Rev. 17:10.**

<p>Rev. 17:10 They are also seven kings. <b>Five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come</b>; but when he does come, he must remain for a little while.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Five Fallen...</li> <li>• Egypt</li> <li>• Assyria</li> <li>• Babylon</li> <li>• Medio Persia</li> <li>• Greece</li> <li>• One is...</li> <li>• Roman Empire (4<sup>th</sup> beast)</li> <li>• One to come</li> </ul>		<p>To John, This is <b>FUTURE</b> .</p> <p><b>But for us it is PRESENT TENSE!</b></p> <p><b>Who today occupies the very same land as the Roman Empire?</b></p>
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<p><b>The World is becoming One!</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Globalism –one world government/currency/religion</b></p> <p><b>Ultimately, a coalition of governments under one rule – just like what is currently underway in Europe. France is a country but now part of the EU.</b></p>	
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**On August 14, 1949, the International Herald Tribune reported:**

“The European movement is justifiable. ...It must be considered an expedient and at the same time a transition. We are not dealing with Europe alone. A **WORLD ORGANIZATION REMAINS OUR GOAL**. Make a *United States of Europe*, but integrate it **IN ADVANCE** with a universal super-state; make a Europe, but at the same time think of the world; think FOR the world.”



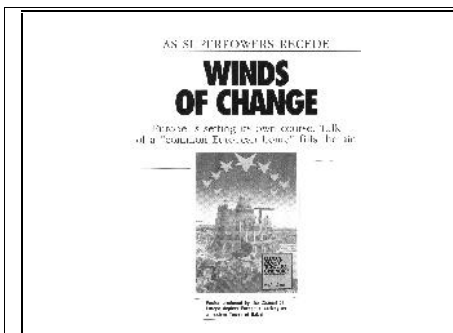
**Henri Spaak Former Secretary General of NATO (in a interview with the BBC regarding the creation of the European Union with the Treaty of Rome in 1957) said the following:**

**“We felt like Romans that day...We were consciously re-creating the Roman Empire once more.”**

- It’s almost as if the “Powers that be” read the Bible and are trying to put this identical world together.

**Can they really be that “Anti –Christ”?**

- The following poster was commissioned to unveil the “**NEW WORLD ORDER**” and the creation of the **European Union** known in the Bible as the “**Revived Roman Empire**” or the **4<sup>th</sup> beast**.
- Let’s look at it for a fascinating view of what they are really saying...



**This poster was commissioned by the EU to launch the European Union.**

**What message is it proclaiming?**



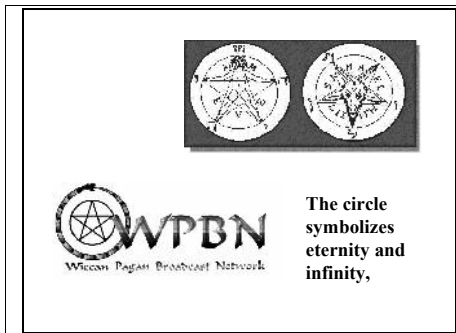
- First the poster states its theme - “**Europe: Many Tongues, One Voice**” signifying that it is becoming one – unified against the rest of the world.
- The illustration depicts **the rebuilding of the tower of Babel** – the place where God changed all the languages and forced them apart .

There are **11 inverted stars** (remember the Bible states that there will be 11 nations before the Antichrist overthrows three more). **These are not ordinary stars** ... these are ...**Satanic Pentagrams!**

### *Satanic Pentagrams – Are you sure?*

**The following illustrates not only the pentagram but also its use as a symbol in Witchcraft**

(The users of the symbol are the Wiccans - an ancient pagan religion celebrating witchcraft).



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- This Pentagram is upside down – the symbol of evil – so is the one in the poster!
- This pentagram is part of the logo for the witches own broadcast network. Notice it is the Serpent.

•Eliphas Levi, was the first to adapt the inverted as symbolic of evil.

•The Baphomet (upside down to allow the Goats head to be viewed) has become the official symbol of The Church Of Satan, which was started by Anton Szandor La Vey in 1966”.

James P. Warburg (speaking for the Council on Foreign Relations) warned in testimony to the US Senate subcommittee on Foreign relations (on Feb.. 17, 1950)

" We shall have world government, whether we like it or not. The question is only whether world government will be achieved by consent or by conquest."

This Geographical area is symbolized in the Bible as a woman riding a beast

Rev. 17:3

Then the angel carried me away in the Spirit into a desert. There I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was covered with blasphemous names and had seven heads and ten horns.

Rev. 17:7

Then the angel said to me: "Why are you astonished? I will explain to you the mystery of the woman and of the beast she rides, which has the seven heads and ten horns.

This Geographical area is symbolized in the Bible as a woman riding a beast



Only one area of the world meets this description exactly!



Are we here???

Ramp up to Tribulation – Are we here?	7 year Tribulation	Millennium Reign
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Signs of the times</li> <li>•Jews in Israel</li> <li>•Rapture of Church</li> <li>•Gog-Magog war?</li> <li>•Revised Roman Empire</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Temple rebuilt</li> <li>•Anti – Christ</li> <li>•False Prophet</li> <li>•2 witnesses</li> <li>•144,000 missionaries</li> <li>•Gog-Magog war?</li> <li>•The Mark of the Beast</li> <li>•Kings of the East</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•What is it like</li> <li>•God has kept his promises</li> <li>•Satan Released</li> <li>•Great White Throne</li> <li>•Eternity</li> </ul>