

BIBLE STUDIES RE 'THE RETURN OF JESUS ~ WHAT ~ WHY~ HOW ~ WHEN.

STUDY FOUR: THE SAD 'TIME OF TRIBULATION' ~ THE 'BEAST' AND 'THE FALSE PROPHET'. Looking at just some of the 'characters' or personalities in Revelation 13 - 18.

Section A: ~ SEVEN YEARS THAT CHRISTIAN BELIEVERS NEED TO KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT.

• INTRODUCTION

- > It seems almost everyone has heard of a 'Time of TRIBULATION' because - it is real.
 - > Of all the 'End Time' topics, 'the time of Tribulation' seems to be the most prominent, and perhaps the most divisive, so it is important to *prayerfully read the Scriptures for yourself!*
 - > There are many explanations about this time and 'who's who' by many people, [esp on the Internet...]
 - > We can tell you that we do NOT know all the details, or follow very complicated explanations!
 - > We believe it is *more important to think about our own responses before God*, before that time!
 - > What we explain to you now, is how WE believe God has shown it to us, but we respect your ideas.
- We can 'agree to disagree in love' *but be determined to stand TRUE to God and His Word no matter what!*

The most important Biblical Beliefs that any human being must face, is whether we:

- A) ACKNOWLEDGE that each of us are sinners in God's sight, deserving His fair punishment.
- B) But ~ if we *repent and BELIEVE* that through the death of God's only and unique Son, Yeshua/ Jesus ~ (Who took the punishment instead of us) ~ we can KNOW that we will be in God's Royal family ~ forever.
- C) CONFESS that Jesus Messiah is the One, Who also won the Victory over sin and death and Hell by His Resurrection, so even if we die physically we will always belong to Him, and have His blessings.
- D) DEDICATE yourself to God knowing that what God allows ~ whatever happens to us, is *for GOOD reasons though puzzling to us*. Those who suffer for and with Messiah Jesus ~ will get a great Reward!

• LET'S BE VERY CLEAR - WE NEED TO KNOW FOR SURE:

THAT THE ONE, MAIN PERSONALITY BEHIND THE BAD EVENTS AND LEADERS - IS SATAN.

1. Please stop and read Revelation chapter 13, also ~ an ancient 'picture' of Satan and his beginning and end in Isaiah 14: 1 - 23.
2. Satan has several other names in the Bible, that show that he really is the; "Devil, Dragon, Tempter, Accuser, the Evil one, prince of the power of the Air, the Serpent and the father of Lies!"
[Your own background reading is important, here, so please keep reading the chapters we tell you about]

• WHAT THE TIME OF 'TRIBULATION' IS. IT IS ALSO CALLED THE 'DAYS OF DISTRESS'.

There are several places in the Bible that give a 'picture' of the 'TRIBULATION' *

- * Because of evil, cruel Leaders who hate God and Jesus and real Christians - it will be a time of *great persecution for them* - when true Christians will not give in to do what the Evil Leaders want them to do.
- * It seems that it will be an actual, literal period of time on this Earth, for 7 years. [Taken from Daniel's report of the words of an Angel in ch.9: vs 27 - Daniel uses the Hebrew idea of a 'week' as a symbol of 7 years.]
- * We believe it will happen *before Jesus Messiah comes back* to this Earth. So Christians and Jews will be on Earth throughout this time. *GOD will keep some safe*, as He always has done in times of Danger!
- * Not everyone agrees, but we believe it will be a bad time for the whole world, especially true Christians ~ except all Jews in Israel. [More later, but just see, Isaiah 60; 1 - 3 and think what the words mean].
- * Jesus spoke clearly about it. *However the Tribulation is NOT the specific Time of God's Anger or 'Bowl Judgements' as listed in Rev. ch. 16 which comes later on. All Believers will be kept safe at that time.*

> Reading: Matthew 24: 13 Yeshua/ Jesus says, "*There will be great distress, unequalled from the beginning of the world ~ until 'now' and never to be equalled again.*" We need to be ready for that time!

- * Then in Revelation there are references to those "*who have come out of*" [or from], "*the great tribulation.*" So we know clearly true Christians will be involved in this time, some will live, *many will die*.
- * There are many questions surrounding this time, but we only give our basic Beliefs for you.
[Please read Matthew 24: 29 - 31 carefully, notice the word '*after*'!]
- * Yet there are 3 pieces of God's **LOVING CONCERN FOR US** ~ that we will share next study [#5,] giving God's Plans for some Last Days Believers in Yeshua/ Jesus. God knows every individual in His Family so HE can choose the events He will (NOT send) ~ but allow ~ for each person who trusts completely in HIM.

Section B: THE THREE MAIN CHARACTERS AT THE TIME OF TRIBULATION.

It will be under the cruel and evil rulership of 'A TRIAD OF EVIL' - 3 POWERFUL PERSONALITIES, (one hides at first, but two are clearly described in Revelation ch 13, which you need to read with this Study!)

1. First: SATAN is the leader, and is called 'The Dragon'. There is a good description of him in Revelation 12: 7 - 9. [He is the One who hides at first, so will not be seen till later on - after 3.5 years.]

• Here is a description of Satan, (the Dragon) where he came from - and what happens to him.

> Reading: Revelation 12: 7 - 9. *"And there was War in Heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the Dragon, and the Dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in Heaven. The great Dragon was hurled down - that ancient Serpent, called 'the Devil' or 'Satan' who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the Earth, and his angels with him."*

> So SATAN, the Dragon, the Accuser, is the main instigator, as he has *always wanted to take over the rulership of the world and to make everyone worship himself as god!*

> You will remember Luke 4 tells us that Satan even tried to make a bargain with Jesus to worship him, in Yeshua/ Jesus second temptation! See Luke 4: 1-13.

Reading: *"The Devil led Jesus to a high place and showed Him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And Satan said to Jesus 'I will give you all their authority and splendour, for it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. So if You worship me, it will all be yours'."*

> Question: Did 'someone' really give Satan authority over the entire world?

> ANSWER: Of course we know it was sinful mankind that gave Satan some position of control, by rejecting God, [at the 'fall' -see Genesis 3], but it seems God will allow Satan to set up a testing time for many true, Christian Believers, soon. This will give true Believers the opportunity to really Glorify God.
> Sinful people - will 'help' Satan (who is already at work) to give him - *his longed for worship*, by turning people against God! This is seen in the 'Humanistic Religion', worshipping 'GAIA' a female god.
> And sadly - Satan will be given power over most of the world for a few years, but only because *GOD allows it!* Many man-made plans and equipment - like modern communication Technology is helping him.
> People may not actually see SATAN, at first, but Believers will know very well, who he is!

2. Second, but 1st visible Leader: called 'The BEAST', or 'the Anti-christ' ~ the worst 'False-Messiah' ever!

> Other names are; 'the first Beast' [in Rev'n] or 'the Lawless one', 'the Fourth Beast' [in Daniel] 'the Scarlet Beast', or: *'the Anti-christ'*. Daniel and John describe him as a Monster - a mixture of other great 'Powers'.

> So the BEAST or 'Anti-christ' is the main person that people will actually SEE first - and the most.

> He could look like a man, but how he ACTS and what he does is described by his NAMES .

> You will need to read the Scriptural details of who he is, and his time of Authority and other details, *but pray for God's Spirit to shine His light on the words as you read*. He is a Leader and a Political System.

> So he is The False-messiah/ or Anti-christ, the human AGENT for Satan, as a world DICTATOR.

> His 'kingdom' is called 'Babylon' so the leader and the system he controls are both 'Beastly Anti-christ'.

> Paul talks about him in 2 Thessalonians ch. 2, and says clearly Jesus will not come until *after this time*.

3. The Third Person: is the 'FALSE PROPHET' also a **second very visible 'BEAST'** coming out of 'the Earth' or 'Land'.

> So he will use the *Conservation/ 'green'* ideas to encourage people to worship the Evil Dragon Spirit. This is already, the written policy of those planning the future world Government!

> The False Prophet is the main helper and 'organiser' for the 'First Beast', (the Anti-christ), as he tries to force people [by threatening them with death], to WORSHIP the Anti-christ, as god.

> He pretends to be like a lamb - [but not like the true 'Lamb of God'] as he is VERY CRUEL!

> He makes a huge, talking, computer Statue of the 'First BEAST' that seems alive and *can select Christians and order them to be killed!* This is all explained in Revelation 13, and some in chapter 17.

> HERE IS THE BIBLE READING ABOUT THE FALSE PROPHET:

The Apostle John describes what he saw, reading from verse 11 of Revelation chapter 13,

"Then I saw another Beast coming up out of the Earth. It had two horns like a those of a lamb", [that is a mature one-year old ram], "but it spoke like a Dragon. It exercises all the authority of the First Beast", [the False-messiah], in his presence; and it makes the Earth and its inhabitants worship the first Beast, the one whose fatal wound had been healed".

Each of these 3 work closely together, and have one goal, to TAKE the worship and rulership of this world's people's from the True GOD and His Human but Divine SON, by the ministry of the Holy SPIRIT, for themselves. By taking 3 different 'roles' that try to mimic God the Father, Jesus the Lamb of God and The Holy Spirit of Prophecy, they hope to trick people about themselves. We need wisdom NOW.

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Section C: WHERE TO READ ABOUT THIS TIME IN THE BIBLE.

- > You could start with Revelation 13; linked to other chapters in the Bible like 2 Thessalonians ch 2, and Jesus words in Matthew 24, along with Daniel ch. 7: vs 7 to the end. Look for others.
- > You could have a note-pad and maybe write 'WHO' ~ WHEN ~ WHY ~ HOW and 'ACTIONS TAKEN' ~ on separate blank pages, to write on. We have written out the main Scriptures in an appendix on Page 8.
- > Only in Revelation 13, and chs. 17 & 19, do we read about the 'Helper': 'The False Prophet' and the control he has on all the people in the world, (especially on Believers in God and His Son, Yeshua/ Jesus Messiah.) We need to remember many non-Christians will die too - but not by persecution like the real Christians. We cannot take time to give every detail here, as God sends some judgements through God's TWO really Godly prophets, [See Revelation ch.11: 3-6,] but we give you a summary of the most important parts, on the next page, with some of the main points. The Study of the 'Last Days' is a BIG complicated Study... We need to be humble and prayerful and leave out some hard parts! We will know one day.

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Here is the main description of the 'False Prophet'.

> Reading: Revelation 13: *"He had 2 horns like a lamb, but he spoke like a Dragon. He exercised all the Authority of the first Beast on his behalf, and made the Earth and its inhabitants worship the first Beast... And he performed great and miraculous signs, even making fire to come down from heaven to Earth in full view of men. Because of the signs he was given power to do on behalf of the first Beast he deceived the inhabitants of the Earth. He ordered men to set up an Image (Statue) in honour of the first Beast..."*

[Using clever, modern Technology!]

He was given POWER to give breath to the Image of the first Beast, so that it could speak, and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed."

- > You really DO need to read it yourself! You see, (as we have said elsewhere), we believe that God has put a lot of information in the Bible, for us to be informed, guided and comforted by as we search for TRUTH. But some details we will find out about when they happen, maybe not now.
- > YET best of all, you will read in Revelation chapter 7, how true Christians will be affected, but finally, totally blessed and victorious because of being allowed to suffer in this time!
- > In modern times, Jesus clear words about each individual day of the Tribulation, being shorter, will be due to the Earth's shorter revolutions due to massive Earthquakes, (though still the same number of days). The timing of Jesus' Coming, are in Matt. 24: 21 - 29... *"Immediately after the distress of those days... at that time the Sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky... They will see..."*

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Section D: HOW SATAN WILL GET TO BE THE 'SUPREME LEADER' OF THE WORLD.

This is very important for us to know about. *It is all because of big LIES!*

> Reading: This is how the Apostle Paul explained the real problem in 2 Thessalonians 2: *"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, and in every sort of evil that deceives those who are perishing. They perished because they refused to love the TRUTH and so be saved. For this reason GOD sends them a powerful delusion so that they would BELIEVE THE lie; and so that all will be condemned who have NOT believed the TRUTH, but have delighted in wickedness."*

Believing the TRUTH of Jesus' Words ~ is vital to every person!

> THE LIE will be ~ that the world needs a Powerful Leader to be a 'Messiah' - to 'Save the world', but not Jesus /Yeshua God's Son!

- SO, AFTER A POSSIBLE WORLDWIDE 'COSMIC' EARTHQUAKE - THAT GOD SENDS - THE WORLD WILL AGREE - TO THE 'ONE WORLD GOVERNMENT'.

[This writer believes the events in Ezekiel 38: 18 - 23, and Revelation 6:12 - 17 could be at the same time.]

The worldwide destruction will be so bad that ALL the nations [except Israel] will sign a Treaty to agree to let the 'Beast' be the LEADER of THE WORLD.

[Read those 2 Scriptures please, and see more details about these serious events below.]

- The PLANS ARE ALREADY MADE FOR THE 'GLOBAL GOVERNMENT'.

> This is a big subject, but the truth is that for at least 160 years a group of important people have been working on Plans for 'Global Governance', using Re Plans already completed! Yet John wrote about it! They base it on the so-called 'threat to the Planet'. You could study it yourself on the Internet.

See: www.green-agenda.com Note the hyphen and maybe look at the section on 'Religion'?

> In Prophecy, all the people of the world are pictured as a 'powerful heaving mass' ~ like the sea-ocean.
> Yet as God's Word says ~ this time is *based on lies*, and evolutionary theories, and is *totally anti-God*, especially against God as *Creator and Sustainer of this amazing Planet*. It is tied in with the economy.
> People will totally deny the Bible, and encourage worship of a false god called 'Gaia' or 'Mother Earth'...
>> This religion will be promoted by the Beastly Dictator. [We do NOT need to know who this person is now.] The truth is he will fit the 'code number 666', a far from perfect, 'godless human MAN'.
> As many people know, it will all be conditional on having a mark' or 'chip' in everyone, just to live!

- The RESULT OF THE FIRST 3.5 YEARS OF TRIBULATION.

> That time will only result in the bitter fruit of wickedness, cruelty and suffering! Such as: Destruction of the ecology of the Earth; Death to Christians in persecution; and dismay for wicked people in Disasters.
> Again we emphasise it is based on a form of religious worship, which is growing now, called 'The Gaia Hypothesis' - largely organised and directed by the 'False Prophet' that denies the CREATOR GOD.
> Instead - *as they worship 'SPIRITS of earth, water, fire and air', so God will punish worshippers in four serious Disasters* - one at a time announced by Angels with Trumpets. [See Rev. 8: 6 - 12.]
> Next article we give GOD'S answer to these lying ideas - and Who God uses to show His greater power!
> A SPECIAL NOTE: Anyone who 'takes the Mark' *will not want to ~ or be able ~ to turn to Jesus Messiah as Saviour after that*. So there'll be NO evangelism! However God will send help to suffering Christians.

- A SUMMARY OF HOW THE TRIBULATION WILL START ~ AND WHEN THE 'BEAST' WILL TAKE OVER THE WORLD.

[These concepts, like others we give you are how WE believe GOD has shown us...]

1. There will be a great increase of wickedness and wars and disasters, all over the world, as already seen.
2. A short war in the Middle East, soon, [mainly against Iran, by Israel], will make nations leave Israel alone and isolated. [Maybe this why Israel now has gas and petroleum of their own?]
3. This is partly because Nations will be very afraid of Israel's power. *But Israel will have security and false peace.*
4. Islam will get stronger and more angry about Israel being able to be so rich and prosperous.
5. SO ISLAM will plan a big THREAT against Israel - by a Muslim ARMY led by a leader = 'GOG'. It will be backed by Islam world wide.
6. This results in God sending a HUGE Earthquake *to destroy the Army and the power of Islam!* It will break Islam's power forever. [See Ezekiel chapters 38 & 39]
7. This 'Cosmic Earthquake' *will be felt all over the world*, and will be so bad Nations will not be able to govern because of the chaos and anarchy. It seems this is at the breaking of the 6th Seal, as given above

> Reading: Ezekiel 38: 18 - 23. *"This is what will happen in that day. When Gog attacks the Land of Israel, My hot anger will be aroused", declares the LORD. "In My zeal and fiery wrath, I declare that at that time there shall be a GREAT Earthquake, in the Land of Israel. The fish... the birds... the animals... every creature AND ALL THE PEOPLE ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH WILL TREMBLE at My Presence. The mountains will be overturned, the cliffs will crumble, every wall will fall to the ground. I will summon a sword against Gog on all My Mountains, " Declares the Sovereign LORD. "I will execute judgement of him... and on the many nations with him. And so I WILL SHOW My GREATNESS and My holiness, and I WILL MAKE MYSELF KNOWN in the sight of many Nations. THEN THEY WILL KNOW THAT I AM ADONAI ~ THE LORD."* Now you need to read Revelation 6: 12 - 17, and compare what happens! - It is terrible.

> BUT ~ did you notice a small part of a sentence in Ezekiel 38: 20? It says about the Earthquake: *"The fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the beasts of the field, every creature that moves along the ground, AND ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE FACE OF THE EARTH WILL TREMBLE AT MY PRESENCE."*

> Therefore it seems this will be the first of at least 2 of these 'cosmic Quakes' in Scripture, involving *"the sun, moon, stars [planets?] and "every mountain and island was moved from its place."*
> God's way of ELIMINATING the power of Islam, so the One World Government can emerge to rule worldwide ! The main Leader will be the 'beastly Antichrist' who hates God and Christians.

- > ALL people will recognise the Cosmic Quake as deserved judgement *"From Him who sits on the Throne and from the wrath of the Lamb"*. [Even on His way to be crucified Jesus warned of an event like this ~ He cares so much! [Luke 23: 27 - 31 *"Then they will say to the mountains 'fall on us!'"*]
- > As one who has been through a major, plain Earth Quake, I know that it takes days for people to stop 'trembling' and shaking, and to realise what has happened and what will need to change.
- > So when the Governments of the world realise they cannot stop the anarchy (of looting and shooting and chaos of the economy collapsing), they will long for a Powerful leader to take over!
- > EVEN this will take time* (some months *) for the 'One World Government' to get organised; although much is in place already! [NOTE: almost immediately ANYTHING 'Christian' will be banned, esp Bibles.]
- > BUT do not worry! ~ **GOD will use this * time to fulfill Isaiah 19: 23 -25, Matt. 24: 14, and Joel 2: 28 - 32!**

ONE PROBABLE RESULT OF THE COSMIC EARTHQUAKE...

[The one that makes "all the people of the Earth, tremble."]

- > DID you notice from the description given in Revelation 6, ~ when Jesus broke the 6th Seal ~ where the Leaders and rich were hiding?
- > Revelation says: *"They hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains..."*
- > Leaders will be in safe 'Bunkers' - then come out, to see what has happened and what they can do.
- > The Anti-christ will emerge as THE LEADER - but pretend to get 'permission' from every nation to rule, as he asks EACH NATION to sign a COVENANT/ TREATY to give their sovereignty to him!
- > Most Nations already signed in 1995 to give sovereignty to the UNO if there was a world threat. That is why Daniel uses the word *"confirm a Treaty or Covenant."*
- > The Nation of Israel will have a separate Covenant ~ **TO NOT GIVE The Beast ~ THEIR SOVEREIGNTY!**
Reading: Daniel 9: 27 Note that in this prophecy a 'week' - is a symbol for 7 years. It is about the powerful Ruler: *"He will confirm a Covenant [or Treaty] with MANY for one 'seven'."* [NOTE it does NOT say "JEWS"!]
- > Most Bible teachers think The Anti-christ's 'Last days Covenant' - (to set up the time - later called 'The Tribulation') must be for a time of 7 years, [also referred to in Daniel as "a week", as we have mentioned.]
- > In the N.T. it mentions the 2 halves of Seven, (that is 3.5 years, or 42 months, or 1, 260 days, or 'a time, times and half a time'.) Rev. 11: 2, *"I will give power to My 2 witnesses - they will prophecy 1,260 days."*
- > The 2 halves are a bit different from each other. The second half is very, very cruel and sad, [even affecting the people living in Israel.] It is partly described in 2 Thessalonians 2, and Mark 13: 14 - 20
- > Revelation 17 tells more about it, but a lot of it is hard to understand at present. We do not totally understand it ourselves, (except for the part about the awful persecution of the true Christians.)

• INFORMATION YOU KNOW ~ PLUS MAYBE SOME OTHER INSIGHTS...

- > Up till now, I think you probably knew, most of the information about THE BEAST, and Rev. 13.
- > We believe it will be a very hard time for true Christians, who will be facing death for Jesus!
- > But what other plans does God have for this time? *[Some very special good plans!]*
- > God has shown us some SPECIAL EVENTS we believe are woven together during this time, partly about other nations in the M. East.
- > You will have to read and pray and see what you think about those Scriptures we gave you above. [Like Isaiah 19: 23 - 25 and Matthew 24: 14, and especially Romans ch 11.

ESPECIALLY NOTE:

GOD HAS SOME SPECIAL PLANS for BLESSINGS a few years BEFORE the TRIBULATION.

BUT FIRST let us stop and remind ourselves of what *GOD'S PRIORITIES* are:

1. GOD longs for Salvation through Jesus death and resurrection for as MANY people as possible.
2. GOD longs for the JEWISH NATION of ISRAEL, and all Jewish people to know Him and Jesus, as Savior by repentance and faith, and as Messiah, *before they see Jesus at His Coming.*
3. GOD longs for the time when Jesus/ Yeshua can return and reign over the Earth in Justice and love, with all the Believing Saints [also called 'the Elect'] together ~ in Resurrection bodies, here.

Special NOTE: It would be really good if you could learn a bit about the Map of the Middle East countries; even what you can learn about them from the maps in your Bible, as well as some of the Prophecies about them. Isaiah 19: 23 - 25 is a key, because it tells that *"Israel... along with Egypt and Assyria [will be] a BLESSING on the Earth."* **There can be NO greater blessing than telling everyone ~ that they can know the true GOD, [not Allah] but only through His Son Yeshua/ Jesus/ El Mesiah as the New Testament especially explains!** In today's world Assyria is Jordan, Iraq, Syria, Iran, the Gulf States and Part of Saudi Arabia, and Turkey.

EXTRA BONUS PAGE OF INFORMATION! ☐ SOME MODERN INFO ABOUT THE M.E. NATIONS.

1. All the nations of the Middle East, (except Israel) have different denominations or various Muslim beliefs - though all are branches (like Sunni, Shi'ite, Wahabi, Salafist) of the Main Religion, called 'ISLAM'.
2. Most of them are ARAB people, that number some 350 million in the M.E. But there are many other Ethnic Groups, like Persians, Kurds, Ethnic Egyptians and many others, but most have the Muslim Faith.
3. From 2011 when the huge protests started in most of these countries, it seems GOD started some of *His Plans for these times!* [Just keep reading Isaiah 19!]
4. God has special plans for Israel, and one day the nation will be like Noah's Ark - a place of safety, especially for Christians who love them. *God always has kept his children safe in times of Judgement.*
5. Read Isaiah 60, *but especially verses 1 and 2 when dark tribulation will be over the rest of the world.* [This will NOT be true, during the 1,000 Reign of Yeshua/ Jesus after His Return, but 7+ years before.]
6. In N.T. times *God partly turned away* from Israel, to bless the non-Jewish Gentile world, so many of us non-Jews could come to know God. This has lasted nearly 2,000 years.
7. But in these 'Last Days' God has turned back again to bless and use 'Jewish Israel,' in special ways... while He will still be real to all true Christians. [Please see Romans chapters 9 to 11.]

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Here are some other Scriptures to start reading and praying over, please.

EGYPT, is already starting to fulfill the Prophecy of Isaiah 19, ~ never been completely fulfilled ever before!

DAMASCUS, can be just the City, of even the Nation of Syria, Isaiah wrote about in ch. 17: 1, and Jeremiah 49: 23 - 27.

IRAN, [PERSIA or 'ELAM'] is a key player in the future of God's Plans. Please see Jeremiah 49: 34 - 39.

EDOM, usually represents an EVIL nation or group, Jeremiah 49: 7- 22. [Edomite people are now extinct.]

'EGYPT, ASSYRIA and ISRAEL' have a most exciting prophecy of BLESSING to the whole world, one day in the Future!

> Reading: Isaiah 19: 23 - 25. *"The LORD Almighty will BLESS them, saying, 'BLESSED be Egypt My people, Assyria My handiwork, and Israel My inheritance'."*

..... A BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE TWO 3.5 halves ~ OF the 7 Year -TRIBULATION TIME.

> The First part will be a terrible time of trouble, mainly for true Christians but also millions of people, lasting 3.5 years, or 42 months, or 1,260 days. We believe in this time the Angels will blow 4 (out of 7) Judgemental Trumpets against Gaia, [as described in Revelation ch. 8.]

> Also during the first part GOD has 2 special PREACHERS in Jerusalem, called 'Prophetic Witnesses.' They will preach and prophecy for 1,250 days, and *work with God to bring down judgements* of the 4 Trumpets on the Earth, against the evil spirits of earth-soil, water, fire and air or atmosphere.

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> But the Second half, will be an even worse time, because the 'Beast' will move his lethal Killing Statue to the Temple in Jerusalem and order everyone to worship him, as he says he is god. [2 Thess. 2: 3/ 4]

> This will change some things in Israel, where, (by that time) all Jewish People will already know WHO their God is and that Yeshua/ Jesus is their Savior and Messiah, so Jews in Jerusalem move to hills in the north, but not leave the enlarged Land of Israel.

> Soon after the Beast will call his vast Army to gather in Israel. This is an important part of the Last Days scenario of Events, which you can read about in Revelation 19: 17 - 21 and compare with Isaiah 13: 9-13.

----- WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW NOW ~ AND WHAT TO PRAY FOR.

1. True Christian and Jewish Believers, need to know, God has them securely in His loving hands.
 2. GOD has ALWAYS warned His own loved Family of coming Judgements, all through the Bible.
 3. VERY often GOD provided a PLACE of safety - like the Ark for Noah and his family *and anyone else who would believe Noah's message - though they did not believe him, and suffered disaster.*
 4. **GOD will especially provide a Safe Place in ISRAEL - for Jewish People who turn to Him**, as well as their friends, as well as thousand of true Believers in Jesus Messiah - our Immanuel! [Zechariah 8:23.]
 5. Whenever we can, we need to warn our families and friends of what is coming ~ maybe in the next Decade... [I do not want anyone to say to me 'Why didn't you tell me about this time?']
 6. Most of all, remember, God is looking for those who lovingly TRUST HIM, so He can help us. [Psalms 90 & 91.]
 7. This is a Promise from the Tanakh to warn and encourage us, even when things are getting very bad:
☐ Reading: 2 Chronicles 16: 9. *"For the eyes of the LORD, range throughout the Earth, to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to HIM'."*
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THE REASONS WE HAVE FOR BELIEVING THAT ISRAEL WILL BE A PLACE OF REFUGE DURING THE TRIBULATION – FOR SOME BELIEVERS IN JESUS/ YESHUA MESSIAH, WHO PRAY FOR JEWS NOW!

1. God has often provided a place of safety for His Servants.

The Ark for Noah *and anyone who would believe Noah's Message from God*. Elijah was hidden at the brook Cherith, and with the Widow of Zarephath. Moses and the Apostle Paul were kept safe by God in a Desert in Arabia, [Midian] for a time, until they were ready to serve Him. God also kept the 'Children of Israel' safe in the Desert for 40 years, [except when they sinned against Him.] Messianic Jews were able to escape to Pella in Jordan when the Temple and Jerusalem were ransacked by the Romans.

2. God will bring the Jews to faith in Him as a result of the Magog war in the Future. This is God's Word in the last verses of Ezekiel 39, "*I will show Myself HOLY through them in the sight of many Nations.*

Then Israel will know that I AM the LORD their God... for I will gather them to their own Land, NOT leaving any behind. I will no longer Hide My FACE [Jesus] from them, for I will pour out My Spirit on the House of Israel' declares the Sovereign LORD." So Individually, they will repent and in faith will "*call on the Name of the LORD.*" So all Israel [as a nation] will be saved," as Romans 11 indicates, esp verse 26!

3. Isaiah 60 has a beautiful description of the Nation when they accept the 'light of the glorious Gospel'. Verse 1 says to Israel: "*Arise, shine for your Light has come, and the glory of the LORD shines on you... But the LORD rises on you and His Glory appears over you.*"

4. But at the same time the rest of the World is in the darkness of the Tribulation. The above verses go on to say: "*see darkness covers the Earth, and gross darkness is over the peoples*" Many teachers put this verse in the Millennium - but when Jesus is King there will be no sin, then.

5. However not only is God going to arrange for all the Jews to return to the Land, but Zechariah has a verse for Non- Jews who love them! Space is gone so read Zechariah 8: 23 -for Christians - we believe.

THIS IS THE END OF THIS STUDY.

> We will talk about what exactly will be the situation in the Middle East, (not only for Israel) in the next study, which is beautiful and exciting! Being totally committed to Jesus will bring blessings!

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APPENDIX – SCRIPTURES TO REFER TO ABOUT THE TRIBULATION.

Revelation ch. 13. The two 'Beasts' that WILL be visible.

1. The Beast out of the Sea [of a swirling Mass of People.]

" The dragon[a] stood on the shore of the sea. And I saw a beast coming out of the sea. It had ten horns and seven heads, with ten crowns on its horns, and on each head a blasphemous name. 2 The beast I saw resembled a leopard, but had feet like those of a bear and a mouth like that of a lion. The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority. 3 One of the heads of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but the fatal wound had been healed. The whole world was filled with wonder and followed the beast. 4 People worshiped the dragon because he had given authority to the beast, and they also worshiped the beast and asked, "Who is like the beast? Who can wage war against it?" 5 The beast was given a mouth to utter proud words and blasphemies and to exercise its authority for forty-two months. 6 It opened its mouth to blaspheme God, and to slander his name and his dwelling place and those who live in heaven. 7 It was given power to wage war against God's holy people and to conquer them. And it was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation. 8 All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the Lamb's book of life, the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world.[b] 9 Whoever has ears, let them hear. 10 "If anyone is to go into captivity, into captivity they will go. If anyone is to be killed[c] with the sword, with the sword they will be killed." This calls for patient endurance and faithfulness on the part of God's people.

2. The Beast out of the Earth. [Also called 'the False Prophet'.]

11 Then I saw a second beast, coming out of the earth. It had two horns like a lamb, but it spoke like a dragon. 12 It exercised all the authority of the first beast on its behalf, and made the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose fatal wound had been healed. 13 And it performed great signs, even causing fire to come down from heaven to the earth in full view of the people. 14 Because of the signs it was given power to perform on behalf of the first beast, it deceived the inhabitants of the earth. It ordered them to set up an image in honour of the beast who was wounded by the sword and yet lived. 15 The second beast was given power to give breath to the image of the first beast, so that the image could speak and cause all who refused to worship the image to be killed. 16 It also forced all people, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads, 17 so that they could not buy or sell unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of its name. 18 This calls for wisdom. Let the person who has insight calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man.[e] That number is 666.

Daniel 7:19-27 New International Version (NIV)

19 "Then I wanted to know the 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. 20 I also wanted to know about the ten horns on its head and about the other horn that came up, before which three of them fell—the horn that looked more imposing than the others and that had eyes and a mouth that spoke boastfully. 21 As I watched, this horn was waging war against the holy people and defeating them, 22 until the Ancient of Days came and pronounced judgment in favour of the holy people of the Most High, and the time came when they possessed the kingdom. 23 "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. 24 The ten horns are ten kings who will come from this kingdom. After them another king will arise, different from the earlier ones; he will subdue three kings. 25 He will speak against the Most High and oppress his holy people and try to change the set times and the laws. The holy people will be delivered into his hands for a time, times and half a time. 26 "'But the court will sit, and his power will be taken away and completely destroyed forever. 27 Then the sovereignty, power and greatness of all the kingdoms under heaven will be handed over to the holy people of the Most High. His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all rulers will worship and obey him'."

Our Note: Daniel does not call these people 'Jews' as in other places. We believe 'Saints' or 'the Holy People' are all Jews and all Gentile Believers - made ONE in Yeshua the Messiah - that Daniel would not know details about. Other Scriptures as in Ephesians chapter 3, give more details.