

20 The Coming Times

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Tagline

"For yourselves know perfectly that **the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night**. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then **sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child**; and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief." | 1 Thessalonians 5:2-4

What to expect when you're expecting

Synopsis

This study is a walk through time to present what I believe we can expect from the coming times in light of my study of Bible prophecy as presented in the *HISTORY*, Our Future: Pearls for the Bride collection of studies. It is my estimation only and I claim no special revelation, only a logical examination of the Bible, taking God at His Word and using scripture to interpret scripture as much as possible. There are gaps in understanding lightly filled in with logical analysis inferred from the various points of scripture, but the goal is to make short explanations referencing the more detailed study to explain the reasoning behind this sequence of events.

While I think we can see seasons based on Bible prophecy, the actual years of these seasons are left to the progression of time to reveal. However, based on the signs of the times, I think we are very close to dusk and the darkness that comes just before and during the day of the Lord.

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Details

- Introduction
 - Don't take my word for anything presented here (Biblical foundation)
 - **Acts 17:11** - Search the scriptures daily to see whether these things are so
 - What makes now any different from the past regarding fulfillment of prophecy?
 - I can't say for sure the events of prophecy will come to pass within the decade or century, but I can say with confidence that if we don't understand what God says about those times, we might not be awake to notice they are happening.
 - Wars, famine, pestilence, earthquakes, false prophets, Love of many growing cold, and hatred of God's people have been with us for the past 2,000 years.
 - **Matthew 24:14** - "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."

- One thing that has exponentially increased is the ability to travel and communicate through technology. The Gospel has advanced to many in the world who did not hear it before through increased missionary travel and the Internet, opening up avenues of immediate communication. I imagine the places the Gospel has not reached are becoming much fewer and far between than centuries past.
 - **Daniel 12:4** - But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.
 - **1 Thessalonians 5:19-22** - Despise not prophesying - **prove all things and hold fast to the good.**
 - Overview Timeline
 - Probably more than previous studies, the overview timeline will come in handy here as we are jumping through the future based on the prophetic narrative described in *HIS*tory, Our Future: Pearls for the Bride. As a reminder of where we are at in the prophetic narrative, keep an eye on the overview timeline.
- Signs of the times - There are certain elements that must exist for Bible prophecy to be fulfilled. While the testimony of Yeshua is the spirit of prophecy, Israel is center stage in it. This is because God is not done with Israel. When they were blinded by their Messiah in 30 AD, there was still the everlasting covenant that God would not forsake His people, and a remnant would come to know their Messiah. From the early church made up of Jewish followers of the way to modern times, many Jews have united with Gentiles in accepting the Messiah of the Jews as their Lord and Savior.
 - **Romans 11:1-5** - "I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, [of] the tribe of Benjamin. God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying, Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life. But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to [the image of] Baal. Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace."
 - Israel in the land
 - From around the destruction and diaspora in 70 AD there was no nation of Israel upon which to apply Bible prophecy. Jews had lived in the land, slowly returning at times as Europe and the Middle East pushed them out. It began in earnest when Jews from around the world came to Israel following the Holocaust and resurrected the daily use of the native language and text of Hebrew. The land blossomed under Israel's growth from a desolate wasteland to a very prosperous nation. Through many wars, Israel has survived, sometimes quite miraculously.
 - May 14, 1948 - The State of Israel is declared.
 - May 15, 1948 - March 10, 1949 – After declaring independence, Israel was attacked the next day by an Arab coalition and the first Arab-Israeli War concluded with armistice agreements in 1949.
 - Israel in Jerusalem
 - January 23, 1950 Israel declared Jerusalem the capital of Israel. This is significant to Bible prophecy in that Jerusalem, in addition to the people of Israel, are central to what the Bible has to say about the end of daily life as we know it.
 - June 5-10, 1967 - The 6-day war started with a pre-emptive attack by Israel due to the declared closure of the Straits of Tiran to Israel, war machine buildup, and Egypt telling UNEF to leave. After defeating all her enemies, and attacking US and UNEF leaving casualties, ceasefires were signed and Israel controlled the Golan Heights, the West Bank, the Sinai Peninsula, and the Gaza Strip.
 - All of Jerusalem was taken, including full control of the Temple Mount. However, the control over the Temple Mount was ceded to the Waqf. Since

then, conflict has continued and a growing part of Jewish culture seeks to gain access for the purpose of rebuilding the temple.

- The Temple Institute has already created all the temple instruments and garments according to the Old Testament and is training the priesthood.
- October 6-25, 1973 – Yom Kippur War Egypt and Syria led a coalition of Arab states in the Golan Heights and Sinai Peninsula.
- August-September, 2005 – Israel forcibly removed her own Israeli citizens from Gaza, leaving the infrastructure there, which was destroyed by those in Gaza that remained.
- Note how since May 14, 1948, the people of Israel have established their state first in the promised Land, then the capital in the city of Jerusalem. They had control of the Temple Mount, but since giving up control have lived with the consequences and for fear of exploding tensions in the Middle East have largely stayed away from dealing with it.
- At the same time, they have given up land for peace except in the cases where they leave themselves vulnerable to the continued attacks from terrorists embedded in the surrounding Islamic controlled states.
- October 7, 2023 Israel was attacked by Hamas from Gaza and 1,139 people were killed and 250 taken hostage back into Gaza. Since that time, Israel has been resolute to eliminate Hamas and later Hezbollah to the North in Lebanon.
 - This event clearly was the straw that broke the camel's back in how Israel has dealt with her neighbors. Rocket attacks were happening constantly before that day, but Israel remained on the defensive and dealt with it. After October 7, 2023, the gloves came off.
 - The response of the vocal minority of the world and political leadership further revealed to Israel who her friends weren't and reinforced the idea that they are on their own in the world. Will there come a point when Israel comes to the conclusion that they need to turn to God? Will this begin to prime the population for the signs and wonders to come?
 - Israel has dominated and destroyed much of Hamas in Gaza while simultaneously working to get the hostages back. They also responded to Hezbollah by taking out most of their leadership.
- September 17, 2024 Israel showed their incredible control of the information war with an attack planned long before it was carried out. Hezbollah had long ago moved to pagers for communication after Israel was able to track them on modern phones. Knowing Hezbollah was ordering pagers, they opened a front company to supply the pagers that were packed with explosives. On this day, Israel killed 32 people and injured thousands more in Hezbollah with some other collateral damage, including two children.
- September 18, 2024 Israel followed up the pager attack with a similar attack, having placed explosives in the walkie talkies of Hezbollah. According to the Lebanon Health Ministry, this attack killed 20 and injured at least 450 others.
- September 27, 2024 Israel hit Hezbollah with bunker buster bombs taking out Hassan Nasrallah in Beirut and some other leadership, striking a deadly blow to the head of Hezbollah.
- October 1, 2024 Iran launches 181 missiles at Israel resulting in only one casualty, a Palestinian from Gaza who was killed by debris from a missile in Jericho.
- October 3, 2024 Israel struck Hezbollah again with bunker buster bombs in Beirut
- My expectation is that in the near future a kind of quiet will fall over the Middle East as the current conflict will wind down. Knowing they are unable to defeat Israel in the war they started, her enemies will back off and lick their wounds while preparing yet again for another assault.
- As we will get into later, it's possible the next time will include Egypt, Syria, and Iran and spell certain defeat for each one of them as a defiant Israel holds nothing back.

- God has not forgotten His people and will save a remnant of Israel, but does her existence give any clues to the signs of the times?
- Daniel's 70 Weeks
 - **Daniel 9:24** - "Seventy weeks are determined **upon thy people and upon thy holy city...**"
 - The first 69 weeks of years, 483 years, were fulfilled with great precision. This prophecy given to Daniel in answer to his wanting to know His peoples' future places the arrival and crucifixion of Yeshua and the destruction of the second temple and Jerusalem between the first 69 weeks of years and the last week of years, or 7 years.
 - It is within this final 7 years that the majority of unfulfilled prophecy takes place. Given that these weeks are determined for Israel and Jerusalem, it follows that the events of the end all orbit the context of this prophecy, Israel and Jerusalem.
- The Great Tribulation
 - Often referred to, and often misunderstood, the term "great tribulation" occurs only 3 times in the New Testament, while the Greek Thlipsis is more common at 45 times in 43 verses. The context of Yeshua referring to this time in Matthew and Mark's accounts of the Olivet Discourse places it as an unparalleled time.
 - **Matthew 24:15-16, 21-22** - "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, **stand in the holy place**, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then **let them which be in Judaea** flee into the mountains: ... **For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.** And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened."
 - Note the context of this unparalleled time and who is warned to flee to the mountains. This isn't a global event, it is focused on those in Judea.
 - The term abomination of desolation is a very Jewish one tied to the temple's desecration and subsequent desolation of God's presence. Yeshua points to the Hebrew prophet Daniel to understand this event. Daniel provides 2 historical and 2 future events tied to this term, also tied together in his other visions. An event specifically pointed to by Yeshua elsewhere in scripture itself that is always tied to the existence of a temple should be a pretty good indication to us that Israel in Judea and Jerusalem with a temple are in view at this pivotal time.
 - And the nature of unparalleled requires it is unlike any other time, and so with this understanding we can see several other scriptures also claiming this similar distinction, tying them to this same time.
 - **Jeremiah 30:4, 7** - "And **these [are] the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.** ... Alas! for **that day [is] great, so that none [is] like it:** it [is] even the **time of Jacob's trouble;** but he shall be saved out of it."
 - These words about the unparalleled time of Jacob's trouble, which in itself points to Israel, are the words YHWH spoke concerning Israel and Judah.
 - **Daniel 11:45-12:1** - "And **he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain;** yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him. And at that time shall Michael stand up, **the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people:** and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation [even] to that same time: and **at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.**"
 - The man of sin, the leader who was and is not and is again, the 8th head of the 7, plants his tabernacle in the holy mountain Zion, which is Jerusalem where the tabernacle of God will be. It is at this time when he comes to his end that an unparalleled time of trouble happens when Daniel's people, Israel, will be delivered.
 - Now this is not the whole great tribulation, Revelation 12:7-17 provides clarification that the great tribulation, the Dragon's wrath on God's people, comes in two phases. First to Israel in Judea, then after her protection when that initial phase is cut short, to

- Israel's remnant outside Judea and those holding the testimony of Yeshua.
- The point is clear, Israel and Jerusalem are central to the most clarified event of the revealing of the man of sin, the false christ, and his revealing is directly tied to the temple of God in Jerusalem at a time when the people of Israel will be in Judea.
 - Temple or tabernacle
 - Some see the temple spiritually, that it's not a physical temple, but symbolic of something else. This is often associated with the idea that Yeshua's sacrifice on the cross precludes any possibility of a temple in the future.
 - This was easy to do before 1948 because the idea of Israel in Jerusalem with a temple was not something seen on the horizon. Yet a nation was born in a day and later controlled Jerusalem. Now the only thing preventing a temple or tabernacle existing is their control of the Temple Mount.
 - I would also caution that symbolizing away those things that can be taken plainly and have no foundation in interpreting them from scripture leads to multitudes of division in understanding. I think it is possible to discern statement of reality from something requiring symbolic interpretation and I further think that something needing symbolic interpretation can be arrived at from within scripture itself.
 - I would also ask that you consider all the times the Bible documented and prophesied of things God did not desire, yet were part of reality. Whether or not God wants a third temple is irrelevant because Bible prophecy is not about foretelling only good things that God desires. It is about foretelling things as they will be, in objective reality. It's one of the evidences that the Bible is not fiction because so many bad things were done and documented for all to see. Most of even world history is built on the exaggeration of the victors.
 - Let us not forget the amount of judgement coming on the world because of the things they do. Taking the Word seriously it is clearly speaking of a physical temple unlike any other temple in history.
 - **Revelation 11:1-2** - "And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. 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."
 - This is not a spiritual temple in heaven that John is told to measure with a reed. If it were, how did the Gentiles get there to trample it for 42 months? This is a physical, measurable temple that will exist in both space on Mount Zion in Jerusalem and for a time of 42 months.
 - The temple was separated into 4 separate courts. Going from the outer to the inner courts were the court of the Gentiles, court of the women, court of Israel (men), and the court of the priests. The outer court was as close as the Gentiles could get to the temple. It was a defined place, yet John is told not to measure it because it has been left out.
 - This could make sense in a modern context where the fight over the Temple Mount and the existing Dome of the Rock could be resolved by limiting the size of the Jewish temple to just the inner courts, leaving the Dome of the Rock in place, side by side with the Jewish temple. Whether that will be the case remains to be seen.
 - **2 Thessalonians 2:3-4** - "Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come] [Coming of Yeshua and our gathering to Him], except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God."
 - This can't be the temple in heaven as the false christ will declare himself god in

it. Some have said it's the temple in the sense of the body, but this is the temple of God. Would we suggest that God will allow the man of sin to enter his temple?

- This all makes sense in the context of the abomination of desolation, when the sacred space intended for God's presence among His people Israel in Jerusalem is desecrated and causes the temple to be desolate of God's presence until it can be consecrated again.
- Some say the temple isn't needed and is even an abomination because Christ died on the cross and so the sacrifice is no longer required.
 - It is true that Yeshua's sacrifice covers sin for all time, but the Jews don't believe it, they're blinded to it.
 - Also note that the daily sacrifice of **Exodus 29:38-46** and **Numbers 28:1-8** is not related to sin, it's "a **continual burnt offering throughout your generations** at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD: where I will meet you, to speak there unto thee. And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and the tabernacle shall be sanctified by my glory. And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar: I will sanctify also both Aaron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office." This speaks of relationship and the meeting of God and His people at the place where He resides on earth.
 - If you read **Ezekiel 40-48**, you also see a temple complex much larger than anything historically existing in the Messianic Kingdom and intricately measured and defined for us. We saw that the third was missing the defined outer court of the Gentiles, so it's smaller than the two historical ones, meaning Ezekiel's temple must be after the third temple.
 - Of course with the sacrifice of Yeshua and the arrival of the Holy Spirit, we are the temples of God, but Bible prophecy is not about the already redeemed church, it's about the redemption of His blinded people, the Jews. I would also say that two things can be true at the same time, and indeed it is imperative to not take one passage out of context, but compare scripture with scripture under the acceptance that all of it is true and thereby looking outside the box of our traditions we clutch to in our minds to accept the Word of God as written.
 - I believe when the time comes, most of Israel will actually be desiring relationship again with the God of their fathers. However, I also believe that the great deceiver will successfully inject himself in place of God for many and lead them once again into great apostasy in their blindness to commit adultery and whore after another god.
 - Yeshua said the temple would be desecrated (**Matthew 24:15**) and so a temple has to be in place. I would advise an approach of humility in accepting we don't fully understand God's design rather than self-imposed blinding to both Biblical witness and objective reality.
- Location and building
 - The political situation in Israel has always prevented the desire of a growing group of Orthodox Jews to rebuild the temple. However, a resolute attitude following the October 7, 2023 attacks combined with a strong leader who makes it happen regardless of the consequences could bring this about.
 - There have been suggestions of building a tabernacle at Shiloh where the first tabernacle stayed until the temple was built.
 - The Temple Mount, in various locations, is the primary suggested site. This would obviously cause the further breakout of war in the Middle East.
 - In the city of David is a suggested forgotten location just South of the Temple Mount. This is currently not contested land and there are some intriguing points related to close proximity to the Gihon Spring and the Temple Mount better representing Fortress Antonia that housed the Romans controlling Jerusalem

- North of the temple in the first century. But this view is widely panned by the experts.
- Where it will be built and in what form we will have to wait and see, but it is clear that it is going to be built prophetically, and there is a growing desire amongst the Jews to see it completed as well.
 - So we have now determined from Bible prophecy that the Hebrews, the region of Judea, the city of Jerusalem, and the third temple are all central to the Biblical narrative of the time of the end.
 - **Matthew 24:32-34** - "Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer [is] nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, [even] at the doors. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled."
 - The fig tree was used many times to represent Israel. Obviously before Israel existed as a nation there was no fig tree. Yet in the middle of May, 1948 a nation was built in a day, the fig tree put forth its chutes.
 - The whole of the Olivet Discourse are those things of the end that will be seen by that generation. The generation that sees this will not pass till all the things be fulfilled. The WWII generation is fast disappearing, I think time is very short.
 - The details are covered in the *HIS*tory, Our Future: Pearls for the Bride studies, I just want to make clear what elements are required in the context of the end for it to happen. This is important in understanding the signs of the times and their nearness.
 - Even with just these 4 elements, it would seem that the only piece missing is the temple, and the only thing required for that is a place to put it. However, there is one more element that is critical for the temple to return to service according to the statutes of God for Israel.
- Red heifer
 - **Numbers 19:1-19** - Blood sprinkled before the tabernacle and ashes of the red heifer are required for purification of the unclean, including those to minister in the temple. Also, whoever touches the dead body shall be unclean 7 days. He shall purify himself on the 3rd day, and on the 7th day he shall be clean.
 - "The Red Heifer sacrifice was not directly for the atonement of sins in the way sacrifices were typically understood in other contexts, such as the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). Instead, the Red Heifer sacrifice was a unique and complex ritual meant for purification, specifically to address the ritual impurity associated with death. So, while the Red Heifer sacrifice was not about atoning for sins in the moral or ethical sense, it played a crucial role in the religious and communal life of ancient Israel by addressing the profound concept of purity and impurity, especially as it related to the inevitability of death and the need for a community to be ritually prepared to approach the divine." [\[#\] RED HEIFER CONFERENCE IN HISTORIC SHILOH!](#) (Israel MyChannel) 3/28/24
 - Historically, only 9 were offered from the time the command was given (Moses, Ezra + 7 others) It is held by some Jews that the 10th will be brought in at ushering in of Mashiach. This is because the Messiah is expected by Jewish tradition to rebuild the third temple. However, to purify the priesthood to actually minister at the temple, the red heifer without blemish is required.
 - These had to be sacrificed and burned to ashes in their specific way outside the city, and so the Mount of Olives overlooking the Temple Mount is the expected location to perform this when the time comes.
 - In 2022, a Christian rancher in Texas raised 5 red heifers that had nothing but red hairs, fitting the requirement. On September 15, 2022 these arrived in Israel as pets to be taken care of, in hopes they would reach the appropriate age and still be candidates.
 - Over a year later, on October 7, 2023, what was termed the "Al Aqsa Flood" attack

was stated by Hamas spokesman Abu Ubaida to be partially a response to the Jews "bringing red cows." [#] [CBS News](#) The Muslims in the Middle East who are paying attention, know what this means to the Orthodox Jewish culture in Israel and they know what having the ashes would mean to the desire to rebuild the temple and restart the daily sacrifice on the Temple Mount.

- As of 2024, there were still 3 candidates in their 3rd year, but unless done in secret somehow, these would have aged out. However, they now have some to potentially breed in addition to that ranch they originally came from potentially being able to produce more.
 - The group who worked to bring the 5 red heifers from Texas to Israel also own the property on the Mount of Olives overlooking the Temple Mount, where they plan on sacrificing the heifer for the ashes.
- So will it happen, and if so, when?
 - The political climate was too dangerous and didn't appear to happen, but as Israel has wiped out most of Hamas and the hierarchy of power in Hezbollah to the North, could this attitude change? I think it's not likely until Israel as a people turn from their secular mentality back to the God of their fathers. Even then, the fear of retaliation may be a limiting factor.
- The accomplishment of the ashes of the red heifer then would be the last piece required for events to potentially unfold very quickly.
- These prophecies were problematic for most of church history, causing many to attempt to translate them outside of the context in which they were given. After all, Israel no longer existed as a nation and while their culture and traditions survived in the communities dispersed throughout the world, the people were not in the land and did not have control over Jerusalem.
- Having established the centrality of Israel, Judea, Jerusalem, the temple, and the prerequisites to the starting of the 70th week, let's look at the first signpost I think we will begin to see that should catch our attention. That is assuming an event like the red heifer sacrifice doesn't precede it.
- Global Governance in the Four Corners of the Earth
 - Things have to fall apart to "build back better"
 - Leaders will use the natural desire for stability to create and/or take advantage of instability so they can solve it with laws that would not ordinarily be accepted. They may not even realize what they're going along with.
 - This is the nature of the mystery of iniquity and deception. Let us not forget that our adversary has been around since before man. He uses deception and pride to control ignorant men. Thought is the voice of the spirit realm and many a man and woman have been inspired or driven to wickedness by the thoughts and desires that flow from our deceitful hearts. There are elements actively working toward a new world order of consolidated power that will play right into the dragon's plan to give his power to his false christ. Then the consolidated power will make control and domination easier. Most of the world will be on his side and likely view this as the fulfilled dream of utopia. Only those who reject him will deal with his wrath. Anyone who accepts him, Jew or Gentile, he won't mind using as tools until his own time is up.
 - **Matthew 10:16** - "Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves."
 - Humanity are the pawns in a game of 4D chess they are ignorant to. The Dragon has been setting up his pieces patiently for millennia to deceive mankind. Corrupting religions and politics to be the pawns needed to create the chaos he requires to have us begging him to deceive us.
 - But thank God we have the Word of Truth to light our path and lead us to understanding and open our eyes, putting our trust in God, who died for us that

we can live with Him. We know that all of the Dragon's plans are but a pawn on God's board and His King is going to win.

- Global debt crisis leads to more monetary technologies and standards integrations
 - Financial collapse and shifts to Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs) have the potential to tie metadata to any digital currency purchases, something not seen before in finance. It's a convenience now, but we've seen how groups of people are lumped together and given a negative label.
 - Could emergencies force this new type of banking on us in preparation for Bible prophecy? Could we be entering an era where the only method to buy and sell would exclude anyone who refuses to bow the knee to the false christ?
- Global warming/climate change leads to further government integrations
 - Laws being passed to further entwine nations together
- Pestilences can be used to further consolidate power and control populations.
- Political unrest affects stability of nations priming the divisions to lead to collapse of the traditional.
- Watch for further consolidation of power, not into a global government, but more global governance. Nations would remain stable, but their power will be given over to larger legally binding agreements of control over them in various areas.
- Visions of Daniel and John provide insight into the political climate before and after the abomination of desolation.
 - Daniel's vision in chapter 7, in the first year of king Belshazzar of Babylon, depicts 4 kings that are said to be diverse from each other. The first beast is compared to a lion with plucked eagle's wings who is made to stand like a man and a man's heart given it, the second to a bear raised on one side with 3 ribs in its mouth that devours much flesh, the third to a leopard with 4 wings and 4 heads and dominion is given to it, and the fourth having iron teeth that broke in pieces, feet that stamped out what remained, and 10 horns.
 - The first three are said to stand before the fourth in the sense of locality, not time.
 - We also see in the destruction of the 4th kingdom that the other 3 are allowed to remain for a season. These point to all 4 being contemporaneous with each other.
 - Much has been made about connecting these animals to nations like Babylon, Medo/Persia, Greece, and Rome in other visions of Daniel where explicit animals are not defined. I think it's important to build first on what is explicitly defined before assuming other connections.
 - There are some important correlations from John's vision of the dragon, false christ, and the false prophet and how their kingdom is depicted symbolically that connects to Daniel's vision. Whereas these 4 beasts are labeled as diverse, yet standing together physically by Daniel, the dragon that John sees in Revelation 13 shows the Dragon with the mouth of a lion, feet of a bear, body of a leopard, and the head with 10-horns united as one in the characteristics of the Dragon, or beast.
 - And this is no wonder since the Dragon gives the false christ, depicted as the beast, his power, seat, and great authority to the extent that the world gives their power to him.
 - So we see in John's vision the Dragon's kingdom, through his proxy false christ and prophet.
 - This seems to be a more solid connection to Daniel's vision in chapter 7. And since John's vision is of the end where these 4 are united as one and only 3 remain after Christ's return to establish the Messianic Kingdom, then it follows that Daniel's vision must be showing these 4 diverse beasts before they are united after the midst of the 70th week of Daniel.
 - Prior to their uniting, from amongst the 10 horns of the 4th kingdom comes a little

horn that plucks 3 of the 10 up by the roots and they fall before him. Now the 10 horns and 1 little horn are also interpreted for us as kings within the prophecy. Clearly the little horn can't be considered little in terms of strength as it is able to subdue 3 of the normal horns. In both the case of the 4 beasts and the 11 horns, they are called kings, yet the 4th beast is also called a kingdom. This makes sense because you can't be a king without a kingdom unless it's in your own imagination. Therefore, the little horn must be the king of a physically smaller kingdom than those he arises in the midst of.

- This also highlights the nature of the four beasts, or kingdoms, representing more than one kingdom as the fourth kingdom has 10 kings representing it.
- Since the little horn comes up as a distinct horn amongst the 10 existing horns, it would imply that Israel, the one non-Islamic, non-Arab nation in the region, stands out as both unique and small in the region and is therefore represented by the little horn as its king. This is in agreement with all the depictions of the false christ doing things like strengthening the covenant, changing the times and laws, bringing about the third temple and daily sacrifice, defeating Israel's enemies, and taking over the temple claiming to be God in the temple of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. It's almost like in his great deception, he is attempting to put himself in place of the anointed one, Christ, or Messiah, in order to deceive the people he's leading.
- As clear from current events, not all Islamic nations are ok with Israel's existence. Iran, Syria, Lebanon, Gaza, and others are constantly antagonistic toward her. Interestingly, 3 of the 10 kings in the future alliance are plucked up/fall before the little horn. We have seen how these nations reacted to the importing of the red heifers, how might they react to a third temple? More on that later.
- As already discussed, the false christ and the majority of the events of prophecy are tied to Israel, Judea, Jerusalem, and the temple. We also know this little horn represents the false christ, the king of a kingdom that is smaller than the 10 surrounding it. Since Israel is in the Middle East, we can therefore deduce that the fourth beast with 10 horns is representative of the Middle East in some sort of alliance of 10 kings or kingdoms. I lean toward the idea of kingdoms because even though 3 horns, or kings, fall before the little horn, there are still 10 horns, which means the horns are symbolic of the position of leadership of the kingdom and less about the king himself.
 - Looking at population of the kingdoms of the Middle East, Egypt is the highest with 97.644 million followed by Iran, Turkey, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Syria, Jordan, UAE, Israel, Lebanon, Oman, Kuwait, Qatar, and Bahrain with 1.7 million.
- So in Daniel 7 we see a time before they are united where the same 4 beasts, which correlate to kingdoms, coexist separately. These exact same 4 animals symbolized as parts of the united Dragon's kingdom in John's vision of the end. This would seem to imply that at some point we are going to arrive at some sort of global governance such that the political power in the world is divided into 4 corners of the earth. This consolidation of power is probably the next solid sign after Israel's existence in the land and Jerusalem that I would expect to see before anything else prophetically related happens.
- My best estimation at this point is either something in the Middle East like the Abraham Accords, or perhaps a more Arab-focused alliance of 10 kingdoms that then interact with the little kingdom in the transition to the Dragon's kingdom.
 - As we are seeing with the Abraham Accords, not all Islamic nations are against Israel, but there are definitely some primarily Suni kingdoms that are involved or ready to be at any moment. Let's not forget too that the reason the Abraham Accords was used as the name is because Isaac's descendants are

representative of Israel while, at least partially, the Arab people are descendants of Ishmael, both sons of Abraham.

- The fact that there are 10 kings together in a land that is primarily Islamic nations may also imply a caliphate or some similar alliance in the region that doesn't include Israel since the little horn comes up amongst the 10.
- Islamic eschatology looks for a leader of Islam to come against the Dijjal, uniting Islam. While some may view Middle East alliances in this way, some may be looking for more peaceful and personally beneficial reasons. Interpretations of alliances may differ among the adherents.
- Recall too that **Revelation 17:16-17** states of the 10 kings, "God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled." This could point to an alliance of convenience or because of recognized powerlessness against the little horn. However, they still hate the little kingdom he represents, which is why they eventually attack Jerusalem and destroy her.
- Keep in mind too that there may also be current interpretations of the various eschatological beliefs held by the major religions that will be "properly interpreted" by this coming supernaturally powered leader that is unbeatable in war. The foundation of Christianity is the Old Testament, revealed in the New Testament. The foundation of Islam is reinterpretation of the Old and New Testaments. Isaac and Ishmael are half-brothers and both the antichrist kingdom and Islamic nations will be united against a common enemy, Jews and Christians who reject their false christ. They may just find themselves united against the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob who will be coming with judgement and wrath from heaven on them all.
 - For the other 3 corners of the earth, agreements like NATO or BRICS comprising the global governance movements that don't necessarily have to rewrite existing nation states, but through binding treaties effectively consolidate power. We've seen these kinds of agreements focused on financial unions in Europe, defensive agreements, and more globally for things like climate change. There may be some indications that the other 3 beasts, or kingdoms, are comprised of multiple kingdoms in descriptions like the 4 heads of the leopard, but at this time it's just too speculative for me and I don't think we are at that level of consolidation of power yet.
 - However, all the kingdoms of the world must be prepared to be able to consolidate power from the 4 kingdoms in the earth. This will then see them united with the Dragon's kingdom when they give their power over to the little horn from the Middle East.
- How exactly all this comes about I can't say, but as covered in greater detail in the [Visions of Daniel and John](#) study, I believe we are given a vision of the political climate of the world either just before or at the start of the 70th week of Daniel.
- Buildup to persecution
 - I speak from the perspective I live in and before speaking to persecution in the Western nations, I want to acknowledge the far greater persecution, even to death, throughout the rest of the world. We tend to forget how privileged we are to live in a society that until recently recognized the value of the Judeo-Christian foundation upon which it was built. The faith of those in active persecution tends to be so much stronger because they must rely on God while we tend to get lazy, complacent, and less communicative with God. Having said that, I think the West has been and will continue to see greater signs of that privilege going away.
 - In the last decade, we've seen a push to eliminate borders and globalize the world. The enforcement arm of the coming kingdom may be utilizing this gift in preparation. The ideologies that bring about the kind of persecution in the rest of the world can easily be imported because of this. The mystery of iniquity is hard at work in the world to bring about

the designs that scripture tells us about. It was hard to see the coming persecution 20 years ago in places like the US, but it has recently become possible to see that future with greater clarity once the trap is sprung in Jerusalem.

- When there are so many laws that even those voting them into effect don't read the bills, you can end up with a method of entrapment because everyone is likely breaking laws without even knowing it. If you get in the crosshairs, I'm sure whoever is aiming for you will be able to find something.
- Laws were put into place following 9/11 like the Patriot Act for the purpose of combatting terrorism and preventing another attack like that. Initially meant to monitor foreigners. Slowly over time, the concern that the definition of a terrorist can be redefined in the name of peace and safety.
- Then you have the selective enforcement of laws, building and being used to divide people.
- In 2024, Christian nationalism is becoming the boogeyman with claims of bigotry and overthrowing the government in the US. The right's support of Trump and the religious backing only furthers this. This is just one example of the kinds of ways culture can be nudged toward rejection of Christians.
 - [What Is Christian Nationalism?](#) Christianity Today
 - "Most scholars agree that nationalism starts with the belief that humanity is divisible into mutually distinct, internally coherent cultural groups defined by shared traits like language, religion, ethnicity, or culture. From there, scholars say, nationalists believe that these groups should each have their own governments; that governments should promote and protect a nation's cultural identity; and that sovereign national groups provide meaning and purpose for human beings."
 - "Christian nationalism is the belief that the American nation is defined by Christianity, and that the government should take active steps to keep it that way. Popularly, Christian nationalists assert that America is and must remain a "Christian nation"—not merely as an observation about American history, but as a prescriptive program for what America must continue to be in the future. Scholars like Samuel Huntington have made a similar argument: that America is defined by its "Anglo-Protestant" past and that we will lose our identity and our freedom if we do not preserve our cultural inheritance."
 - I can see why some would prefer to tie the term nationalism to Christian than stick to the traditional view of conservatism. I remember a time when the Constitution and Bill of Rights was defended at all costs by everyone, at least vocally, and conserving those foundational principles and laws was acceptable by all sides. But we all know that there have been forces at work attempting to slowly shift the Overton Window to degrade our defense of our foundations. Now that defense of what already exists and the desire to keep it as it is, brings a new label, perhaps a subtle attempt to associate with all the national socialist attacks thrown around. After all anything with nationalism must be bad right?
 - I think it's important as Biblical Christians to know our kingdom is not of this world, and those knowledgeable of Bible prophecy and watching global events unfold know generally how the end will come, and it's certainly not a Christian takeover of the nations, even though it is so often thrown out as scare tactics to those who don't understand our faith. Yes America became great because of her freedom inherited by the principles of God in our founding, but as much as it pains me to say it, it was never going to last forever.
 - Should we use our power to vote according to the principles from scripture? Of course, that's our duty as citizens and we should do so for the distinct purpose of ensuring our freedoms are kept for as long as it is within our power. I love our nation's founding principles because I see the origins of them, and I see the attempts to destroy them, blindly believing the nation will be better without them.

- **Romans 1:22-25** - "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen."
 - Also have an expectation that things are not going to turn out in our favor over time. The love of many will continue to grow cold as this selfish culture without hope becomes even more hopeless.
 - **Ephesians 5:1-7** - "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them."
 - The amount of gaslighting and flipping the world on its head, calling good evil and evil good, can be a tool to try and trigger a response.
 - **Romans 12:14-21** - "Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. [Be] of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but [rather] give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance [is] mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."
 - Let us be a light of continual good in our purview, that men will see the light and be drawn to the fruits of the Spirit that flow from God within us, the hope of glory.
 - **Colossians 1:24-29**
 - What is coming against us must be met with peace and love, even to our own detriment. Yeshua went like a lamb to the slaughter, let us reason and not fight, expecting the promise of persecution the more firm we hold to our faith. Our treasure is in heaven and our kingdom is not of this world. We have been warned this exact thing would happen in the time of the end. Be patient and wait on the Lord, our redemption draws nigh.
- Vocal hatred of Israel and siding with her enemies by vocal minority, while simultaneously the silent majority, repulsed by the illogic of it, moves toward supporting Israel.
 - There are so many aspects of life today where good is called evil and evil good. This gaslighting is meant to have an effect on the psyche of the population along with selective enforcement of the law and general uprooting of the way things have been. It's also meant to be a wake up call to those wrapped up in the cares of this life as that life is shaken.
 - The reaction of the silent majority when injustice is dealt with will facilitate the transition to the moment when the false christ defeats Israel's enemies and that the silent majority now silently agrees with to bring peace and stability in the Middle East
 - Once the transition to him declaring himself god at the abomination of desolation, 2/3 of the Jews will zealously follow him as their messiah while most of the world will either fall in line willingly because of his supernatural power or begrudgingly to save their own necks.
- Forerunner in the Spirit of Elijah

- Could it be that the false prophet arrives around Passover and points to the false christ, who will perform the sacrifice of the red heifer around Passover and then lead Israel into battle against the inevitable Muslim response to this event?
- [Appendix viii. Rabbinic Traditions About Elijah, the Forerunner of the Messiah](#) - Rabbinic tradition is not always scriptural, it has a lot of oral tradition interpreting the original in sometimes insightful and sometimes odd or false ways. But the point of mentioning this is not to accept it as scripture, but to point out that in deception, the hint of truth can be changed into something else entirely. In the context of deception, it doesn't have to be true from God, it just has to appear to be.
 - ◇ "Elijah will work in reconciling God and Israel, and bringing Israel to repentance"
 - ◇ "In Jewish legend Elijah is always introduced as the guardian of the interests of Israel, whether theologically or personally - as it were the constant living medium between God and his people, the link that binds the Israel of the present - with its pursuits, wants, difficulties and interests - to the bright Messianic future of which he is the harbinger."
 - ◇ "When, at length, the time of Israel's redemption arrived - then would Elijah return. Of two things only are we sure in connection with it. Elijah will not come yesterday' - that is, he will be revealed the same day that he comes - and he will not come on the eve of either a Sabbath or feast-day, in order not to interrupt the festive rest, nor to break the festive laws (Erub.43 b, Shabb.33 a). Whether he came one day (Er.43 b) or three days before the Messiah (Yalkut, vol. ii. p.53 c, about the middle) his advent would be close to that of that Messiah (Yalkut, vol. i. p.310 a, line 21 from bottom)."
- Daniel's 70th Week: Bringing Israel back to the Mosaic Covenant
 - Spring Moedim
 - For reasons covered in greater detail in [The Moedim: Appointed Times](#) and [Framework of the End](#) studies, the 1,260 days covers a period of 3.5 years when viewing time from the religious calendar of God's appointed times for Israel.
 - If the middle of the week, and start of the day of the Lord, falls on Yom Kippur, then 1,260 days earlier will fall on firstfruits in the spring about 60% of the time. That's 9 times out of 15 where the spring and fall feasts are connected within a day of each other 1,260 days. If you widen the spread to fall within 3 days, that's 13 out of 15, or 87% of the time.
 - **Isaiah 61:1-2** - "The Spirit of the Lord GOD [is] upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to [them that are] bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;"
 - Yeshua read this after His baptism and temptations, except He stopped reading before getting to the day of vengeance of our God.
 - When you take into account that Christ's ministry at His first coming fulfilled all four of the spring appointed times in presentation of Himself to His Father's house on lamb selection day, His crucifixion on Passover, His burial during Unleavened Bread, His resurrection on firstfruits, and His sealing the new Covenant with the Holy Spirit on Shavuot, it would seem to follow that His second coming would likewise be related with the remaining appointed times.
 - That the day of the Lord is a day of vengeance and treading the winepress while the fall appointed times revolve around the gathering of the fruit harvest, among other things, it seems a logical season in which to plug into the framework of exact day prophecies given in scripture.
 - Seal 1: Covenant Strengthened
 - The first seal speaks of the rider of the white horse who is given a crown, has a bow, and goes forth conquering.
 - The fact that he is given a crown indicates that he does not take the crown, but

- the people recognize him as their leader and give it to him.
- He also has a bow. The fact that he is conquering immediately associates the bow with accompanying arrows, which are not mentioned. However, there is another possible connection.
 - ◆ **Genesis 9:13** - "I do set my bow in the cloud, and **it shall be for a token of a covenant** between me and the earth."
 - ◆ **Daniel 9:27a** - "And **he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week...**"
 - It is important to point out that I believe the majority of Israel will truly be desiring a return to the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Being blinded to the true Messiah, the only way they know to achieve this relationship is the return to the Mosaic Law, the rebuilding of the temple, and the daily ministry at the temple where God would meet with them as a people in Jerusalem.
 - The Old Testament lays out identifying markers of the Messiah, but the Rabbinical traditions in the Oral Law has been interpreting in a particular way for the masses for almost 2,000 years
 - The false christ will use the expectations of the religious leaders of Israel, whether accurate or not, to deceive them into accepting him as the messiah.
 - Changing Times and Laws
 - A natural part of the return to the Mosaic Covenant by a largely secular state of Israel will involve changing of the law of the land to conform to the scriptures, or an Oral Law interpretation of them.
 - This would also likely include greater enforcement of the appointed times on a national level.
 - Archaeological Discovery?
 - So what could possibly bring the bulk of Israel to this point of turning back to the God of their fathers?
 - Aside from the continued pressure by the world to make them feel isolated with nowhere to turn and constantly at war with their neighbors, one possibility would be the uncovering of the Ark of the Covenant, lost since before the Babylonian captivity.
 - **2 Maccabees 2:4-8** states there was a document stating Jeremiah hid the tabernacle, ark of the covenant, and altar of incense in a cave before the Babylonian conquer of Jerusalem.
 - Undoubtedly, this kind of evidence unearthed and presented in light of current events will cause a sea change in the hearts and minds of the people of Israel.
 - Examining the Moedim, and assuming the return of Christ would coincide with fulfilling the fall moedim, 3 1/2 years earlier, the start of the 70th week, would happen just after Passover.
 - Each Passover, according to some traditions, Jews put out a cup of wine for Elijah in expectation.
 - Elijah is to prepare the way for the Messiah (understanding that was in reality John the Baptist in the spirit of Elijah)
 - RAMBAM said the Messiah would sacrifice the 10th heifer
 - According to Rabbinic tradition, Elijah "would also restore to Israel these three things which had been lost: the golden pot of Manna (Ex. xvi.33), the vessel containing the anointing oil, and that with the waters of purification - according to some, also Aaron's rod that budded and bore fruit."
 - ◆ **Hebrews 9:3-5** - "the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant"
 - If this archaeological find, that was reportedly hidden by Jeremiah before the

Babylonian siege for the purpose of being revealed at the end of days were to come back, how strong of a purpose would Israel suddenly have to return to God? What would the children of Israel around the world do in response? This is the worst case scenario for those who hate Israel.

- Whispers of Messiah
 - Already you can find a heightened expectation for the return of the Messiah in the Jewish Orthodox communities and a return of non-religious Jews to the faith tradition. Current events have shaken many.
 - Those in the Orthodox Jewish community who are paying attention will begin to whisper of Messiah as they see his forerunner, the false prophet, bringing back the people to God and the false christ re-establishing the Mosaic Covenant and enabling the building of the third temple.
- Seal 2: Wars of the False Christ
 - If the importing of red heifers would be part of the cause for the October 7 attacks and the beginning of the war between Israel, Hamas, Hezbollah, and Iran, then this would undoubtedly trigger a serious response in the Middle East.
 - In response to Israel's new leader re-establishing the Mosaic Covenant and initiating the building of the third temple, some of the surrounding Islamic nations and people will respond with attacks and the false christ will use his new leadership position to lead the Israeli army against all that come against them.
 - I expect that this war and unrest will begin just after the first seal is broken, marking the start of the 70th week with Israel re-dedicating themselves as a nation to serving God, and last through the 4th seal.
- Seal 3: Temple Dedication
 - With the ashes of the red heifer, the priesthood and people could be purified as well as the temple instruments.
 - The 3rd seal speaks to the yoke, grain, oil, and wine, all part of the reinstatement of the Mosaic Covenant and the return to the daily sacrifice.
- Apostasy: Falling away from Truth
 - In general, we've seen an increased rejection of Christianity, and I've always associated this to
- Seal 4: Middle East Unrest
 - **Daniel 11:40-45** speaks of a period of time where the false christ attacks Egypt, a nation to the North and a nation to the East before coming back to Jerusalem at the time of unparalleled tribulation.
 - At some point we are told the false christ will defeat Egypt and then news out of the North and East will trouble him and he goes forth with great fury to destroy and utterly destroy many.
 - **Isaiah 17:1-9** says that "Damascus is taken away from [being] a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap. The cities of Aroer [are] forsaken: they shall be for flocks, which shall lie down, and none shall make [them] afraid. The fortress also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from Damascus, and the remnant of Syria: ... At that day shall a man look to his Maker, and his eyes shall have respect to the Holy One of Israel. And he shall not look to the altars, the work of his hands, neither shall respect [that] which his fingers have made, either the groves, or the images. In that day shall his strong cities be as a forsaken bough, and an uppermost branch, which they left because of the children of Israel: and there shall be desolation."
 - It is said that Damascus is the oldest continually inhabited city, yet the Bible says it will be a ruinous heap and the strong cities forsaken because of the children of Israel.
- False Gog/Magog Attack
 - It is my belief that similar to the clear connection of the 4 beasts of Daniel 7 being interpreted by their explicit connection to the beast of Revelation 13, the Gog and Magog mentioned in Ezekiel 38 & 39 should be tied to the explicit mention of both in

Revelation 20. This means that the armies that come against Jerusalem occurs after the 1,000 year Messianic Kingdom when the Dragon is loosed one last time and comes against Yeshua at Jerusalem and is finally defeated.

- However, that doesn't mean that traditional expectations can't be used for great deception. After all, we know that the false christ is said to call fire from heaven like Elijah and that is how the Gog/Magog attack is thwarted.
- So it could be that in response to Israel's plucking of the three kings of Egypt, Iran, and Syria, that a final coalition comes against Israel and its strong leader, but are destroyed in a supernatural way.
- By this time, any whispers of Messiah are likely open conversation and general acceptance in Israel.
- Revealing of the False Christ
 - Daniel 11 ends with the false christ coming to his end at Jerusalem and none can help him. However, chapter breaks are a late addition to scripture and the story doesn't end there. Daniel 12:1 continues with an unparalleled time of trouble that is mirrored not only by Jeremiah 30:4-7 as the time of Jacob's trouble, but also by Yeshua in the Olivet Discourse.
 - John's vision of the history of the Dragon's influence over Jerusalem in Revelation 17 gives us a view into both the history and the future. It is the future where we see the last of these 7 heads wounded to death and it becomes the 8th head, but of the 7.
 - This beast is said to be, then is not, then ascends out of the bottomless pit.
 - The one place on earth you can go where no matter what direction you walk you are going South is the North Pole. Similarly, the only place you can go where a pit has no bottom is the center of the earth.
 - **Matthew 12:40** The correlation of Jonah to Christ's death and resurrection places Yeshua in the heart of the earth for 3 days and nights.
 - **1 Peter 3:18-19** speaks of Christ preaching to the spirits in prison
 - **Ephesians 4:7-10** likewise suggests that Yeshua descended into the lower parts of the earth before He ascended into heaven.
 - **1 Samuel 28:13-15** the medium of Endor sees the spirit of Samuel ascending out of the earth
 - This all would seem to point to the idea that coming from the bottomless pit is speaking of a resurrection.
 - So the false christ comes to his end at Jerusalem and is resurrected, what was the 7th head now becomes the 8th head, a new form of the Dragon. Having cheated death, he now has the bonafides to fully deceive the world, who have never accepted a resurrection or seen it before.
 - **2 Thessalonians 2:1-11** speaks to this event and I believe this is what leads to the revealing of the false christ when he declares himself to be god in the third temple he built.
 - He, of course, is not really God, but many will be deceived and his resurrection is what I believe is the strong delusion that God sends for those who want him to be the Messiah to accept him as such.
 - These deceived, who began their journey in sincerity to return to relationship with God will have been hijacked by the Dragon into apostasy and cut off from the true spiritual Israel, God's people.
- Great Tribulation Phase 1: Time of Jacob's Trouble
 - The great tribulation is always looked upon as a terrible time. This is because it is for those who reject the false christ. Christians are the primary readers of this text, but for those who accept the false christ, at least initially, their lives will be wonderful. The chaos of the world will suddenly seem fixed as all the warring between nations is calmed when they all focus their worship on the false christ, a unification behind the problem solver. And he enforces this for the good of mankind as the messiah they

- think they've all been waiting for.
 - Seal 5: Souls under the Altar
 - Fall Moedim
 - Seal 6: Celestial Signs
 - Christ Returns in Glory
 - Catching Away of the Bride of Christ
 - Remnant of Israel Saved from Spiritual Egypt
 - Four Corners of the Earth Unite Under False Christ
 - Great Tribulation Phase 2: Mark of the Beast
 - Day of the Lord: Wrath of God
 - Trumpet 1
 - Trumpet 2
 - Trumpet 3
 - Trumpet 4
 - Trumpet 5
 - Trumpet 6
 - Trumpet 7
 - Bowl 1
 - Bowl 2
 - Bowl 3
 - Bowl 4
 - Bowl 5
 - Bowl 6
 - Bowl 7
 - Armageddon: Defeat of the Dragon, False Christ, and False Prophet
 - Remnant of Israel: Into the Promised Land
 - Spring Moedim
 - The end of the seven years would arrive on Passover as well, the time just after Yeshua defeats the armies at Armageddon and sets up His kingdom and the marriage supper of the Lamb.
 - Marriage Supper of the Lamb
 - Messianic Kingdom
 - Millennial Temple
 - Jerusalem Pilgrimage
 - Dragon Released
 - Great White Throne Judgment
 - New Heavens and New Earth
 - New Jerusalem
 - Eternity
 - Conclusion
 - Can we “save” what we have, should we be focusing on fighting back?
 - Why not?
 - Yeshua made a point about disciples not fighting back because the kingdom is not of this world
 - What is our mission on earth once we know the truth of the gospel? Freely give! We each have a different personal twist on how we came to Christ, share it!
 - Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar’s.
 - Not an easy task for our flesh, but not being as passionate about the world as we are about its souls leads to an elimination of control over your life and thoughts.
 - Let the world do their worldly things and search out the meek
 - Do we think the things foretold prophetically can be stopped because we’re not “ready” for them to happen?

May God continue to bless you as you remain in Him.

Pulled from introduction to leave all personal interpretations to the end of the studies - merge in with this study.

- Israel will continue to conquer all those that come against her. The attacks of October 7, 2023 by Hamas have made Israel more resolute and united.
 - Hamas is an Arabic acronym meaning *Ḥarakat al-Muqāwamah al-Islāmiyyah*, or Islamic Resistance Movement
 - **Genesis 6:11** - "The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence."
 - [H2555](#) - Transliteration: Hamas, English: violence
- All it will take is some fulfilled desire of a powerful leader, rediscovered religious relic, or something to bring secular Israel back to the only religion they are not blinded to, the Mosaic covenant.
 - There are rumors that the Ark of the Covenant's location is known and they are just waiting for the right time to reveal it. Some Rabbinical teachings believe that Elijah will come before the Messiah with some of the contents believed to be in the Ark of the Covenant.
- The ashes of the red heifer are central to the ritual purity required to return to the Mosaic Covenant. The combination of Israel becoming a nation again in 1948 and having the required ashes to purify the priests and temple instruments are major signs that combine into a huge sign that the end is near. A physical, measurable temple on earth is part of end-time prophecy.
 - **Revelation 11:1-2** - "And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and **measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein**. 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.**"
 - Priests are being trained to perform the ministry at the temple.
 - Until the ashes of the red heifer exist, the Biblical mandate for the consecration of the priests, temple instruments and the people is not possible. There have been red heifers imported from Texas to Israel that fulfill the requirements, and the attacks on October 7, 2023 were at least partially due to their arrival.
 - Only 9 red heifers previously sacrificed and Jewish tradition says the 10th will bring the messiah.
 - Remember that Israel was blinded at the triumphal entry and only knows relationship with God via the temple.
 - The trust of Rabbinical teaching over personal study of the Tanakh can lead to following the teachings of men over the teachings of God, making them ripe for deception.
 - Rabbinical teachings and oral law bring in things like Elijah and Passover, the messiah and the 10th red heifer.
 - This paired with the desire for a conquering messiah and the temple will likely be part of the great deception, apostasy (adultery going after other gods), and the revealing of the man of sin. The reasoning behind this will be covered in greater detail in these studies.
 - While the ultimate fulfillment of these is not yet here, serious Orthodox Jews are making plans for the inevitable return of Israel to her religious roots and the statutes given by God to Israel to perform.
 - I believe these things will all play into the great deception Yeshua warned of, when a sincere desire to return to God is hijacked by the Dragon, his false prophet, and false christ.
 - Understanding how this deception will play out from scripture is the antidote to deception. We know money is counterfeit by studying the real thing so we can tell the false currency apart from the real currency.

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