THE FINAL COUNTDOWN: THE BEGINNING OF THE END

WEEK #1 OF A LIVE BIBLE STUDY SERIES

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Psalm 91:8: "Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked."

Daniel 12:1: "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."

Revelation 14:9-10: "And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man **worship the beast** and **his image**, and receive **his mark** in his forehead, or in his hand,

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

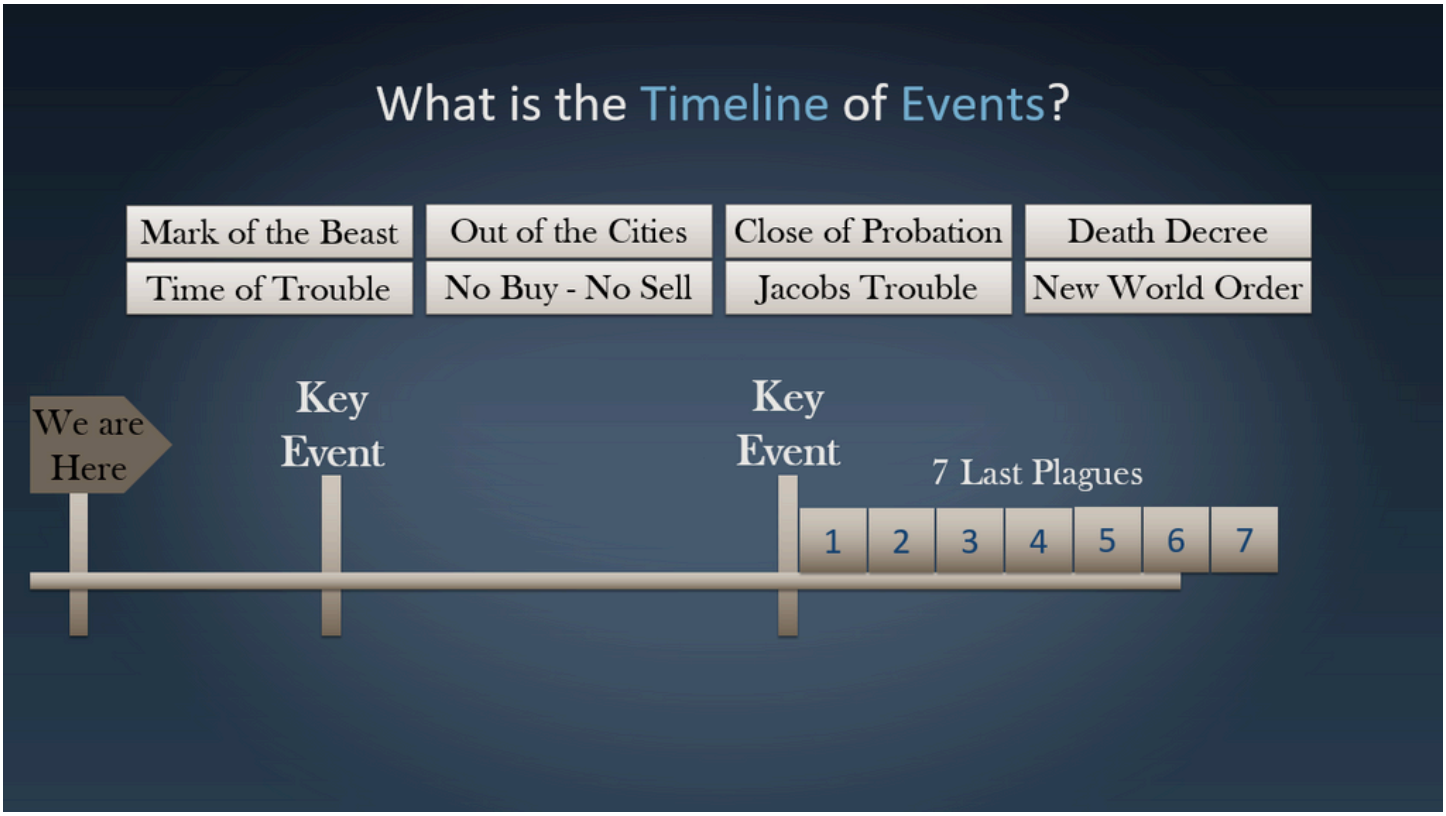
Revelation 16:1-2: "...Go your ways, and pour out the **vials of the wrath of God** upon the earth.

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

Last Day Events:

- Mark of the Beast
- No Buy - No Sell
- Time of Trouble
- Signal to Prepare
- Out of the Cities
- Jacob's Trouble

- Death Decree
- Sealing
- Close of Probation
- Time of Preparation
- How to Prepare
- Seven Last Plagues
- Image of the Beast
- New World Order



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."

Revelation 10:2: "And he had in his hand a little **book open**: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth."

Christ Triumphant p. 344.4: "The books of Daniel and the Revelation are one. One is a prophecy, the other a revelation; one a book sealed, the other a book opened."

Daniel:

2: World Kingdoms till End of Time

7: World Kingdoms focus until 1798

8: From Medo-Persia through History

11: From Medo-Persia through History
12: Time of Trouble, & Time Prophecies

Revelation:
2-3: Churches Through History
5-8: The 7 Seals
8-9: The 7 Trumpets
10-11: History from 1798 to 1844
12: Pagan Rome
13: Papal Rome & America
14: 144,000 & The 3 Final Messages
15-18: Judgment of the Beast
20: 1000 years / Millennium

"Howbeit when he, the **Spirit of truth**, is come, he will guide you into **all truth**: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will **show you things to come**." John 16:13

"Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the **wise shall understand**." Daniel 12:10

"If any of you **lack wisdom**, let him **ask of God**, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and **it shall be given him**." James 1:5

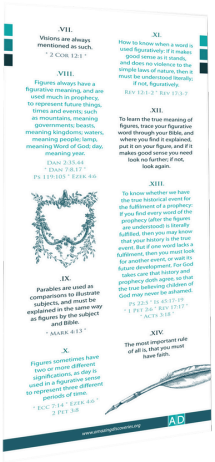
Testimonies for the Church, Volume 8 p. 301: "The **revelation of Jesus Christ**, which God gave unto Him, to show unto His servants things which **must shortly come to pass**; and He sent and signified it by His angel unto His servant John: who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw. Blessed is he that readeth, and they that **hear** the words of **this prophecy**, and **keep** those things which are **written therein**: for the time is at hand." Revelation 1:1-3.

The solemn messages that have been given **in their order** in the Revelation are to occupy the first place in the minds of God's people. **Nothing else is to be allowed to engross our attention**."

2 Timothy 3:16: "**All scripture** is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness."

Isaiah 28:10: "For precept must be upon **precept, precept upon precept; line upon line**, line upon line; **here a little**, and **there a little**."

Miller's Bible Rules



RH, Nov. 25, 1884, par. 23-25: "**Those who are engaged in proclaiming the third angel's message** are searching the Scriptures upon the same plan that **Father Miller adopted**. In the little book entitled "Views of the Prophecies and Prophetic Chronology," Father Miller gives the following **simple** but **intelligent** and **important rules** for **Bible study** and **interpretation**:

List several rules...

The above is a portion of these rules; and in our study of the Bible we shall **all do well to heed the principles set forth**."

Methods of Biblical Interpretation:

•"**Literal interpretation** asserts that a biblical text is to be interpreted according to the "plain meaning" conveyed by its grammatical construction and historical context."

•"**Moral interpretation**, which seeks to establish exegetical principles by which ethical lessons may be drawn from the various parts of the Bible."

•"**Allegorical interpretation**, a third type of hermeneutics, interprets the biblical narratives as having a second level of reference beyond those persons, things, and events explicitly mentioned in the text."

•"**Anagogical, or mystical, interpretation**. This mode seeks to explain biblical events as they relate to or prefigure the life to come. Such an approach to the Bible is exemplified by the Jewish Kabbala, which sought to disclose the mystical significance of the numerical values of Hebrew letters and words."

•"In modern times as in other periods, shifts in hermeneutical emphases reflected broader academic and philosophical trends; historical-critical, existential, and structural interpretation have figured prominently during the 20th and 21st centuries. On the nonacademic level, the interpretation of prophetic and apocalyptic biblical material in terms of present-day events remains a vigorous pursuit in some circles. "

•https://www.britannica.com/topic/hermeneutics-principles-of-biblical-interpretation

Bible Words & Meaning:

- Beast (Daniel 7:17, 23)
- Sea (Revelation 17:15)
- Earth (Revelation 17:15)
- Horn (Daniel 7:24)
- Woman (Jeremiah 6:2)
- Day (Numbers 14:34 - Ezekiel 4:6)

Revelation 13:15-17: "And he had power to give life unto the **image of the beast**, that the **image of the beast** should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the **image of the beast** should be killed.

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

And that **no man** might **buy or sell**, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name."

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Jeremiah 30:7: "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."

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Revelation 7:1-4: And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.

And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the **seal of the living God**: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have **sealed** the servants of our God in their foreheads.

And I heard the number of them which were **sealed**: and there were **sealed** an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel."

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Matthew 25:10: "And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the **door was shut**."

Genesis 7:16: "And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the **LORD shut him in**."

Revelation 15:1: "And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous, seven angels having the **seven last plagues**; for in them is filled up the wrath of God."

Revelation 17:12: "And the ten horns which thou sawest are **ten kings**, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings **one hour** with the **beast**."

Darkness Before Dawn p. 37: "When God sends to men warnings so important that they are represented as proclaimed by holy angels flying in the midst of heaven, **He requires every person endowed with reasoning powers to heed the message**. The fearful judgments denounced against the worship of the beast and his image (Revelation 14:9-11), should lead **all to a diligent study of the**

prophecies to learn what the mark of the beast is, and **how they are to avoid receiving it**. But the masses of the people turn away their ears from hearing the truth and are turned unto fables. The apostle Paul declared, looking down to the last days: "The time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine." 2 Timothy 4:3. That time has fully come. **The multitudes do not want Bible truth, because it interferes with the desires of the sinful, world-loving heart; and Satan supplies the deceptions which they love**."