**Jesus Christ**

***From***

**Armageddon**

***To***

**The Kingdom of God**

**A Bible Prophecy For This Generation**

***“He gathered them together into …Armageddon”***

***(Revelation 16:16)***

***“Thy Kingdom Come Thy Will Be Done In Earth”***

**(Matthew 6:10)**

**Jesus Christ**

***Will***

**Return To The Earth**

***John 14:3*** *“I will come again.”*

***2 Thes 1:7*** *“The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels.”*

**Direct The Events At Armageddon**

***2 Thes 1:7 “****The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

***Rev 16:16*** *“He gathered them together into…Armageddon.”*

**And Establish The Kingdom Of God**

**On The Earth**

***Rev 11:15*** *“The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ: and he shall reign for ever.”*

***Psa 2:7*** *“Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the (nations – NIV) for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.”*

***Luke 2:14*** *“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.”*

**Preface**

*Armageddon* and *The Kingdom of God* are terms that most of us are familiar with. They are however generally misunderstood. This book gives a Biblical understanding of these terms using many direct quotes.

Also generally misunderstood is the role that Jesus Christ will play in these events. Without a correct scriptural understanding of the role of Jesus Christ in these coming events many sincere “Christians” will misidentify Christ for the AntiChrist!

Anyone who has a general interest in world events and what the future holds will find this book of value. Although it is from a Biblical perspective it is distinctly non-orthodox. The Bible has plainly warned us that *“grievous wolves”* (Acts 20:29) would enter into the Christian community that was established in New Testament times and that “Christianity” would develop into a system of *“fables”* (2 Tim 4:4). Sadly this has occurred. And sadly most of mankind will not see the significance of this until the Armageddon conflict is upon them, if they see it at all. To find out what the Bible says it is wise to read it for yourself.

On page iii, “The Sequence” is a condensed version of Chapter 2. If you photocopy or print this page you can have a one page ready reference of the “coming events.”

The *Quotes and Notes* beginning in Chapter 3 are the largest and the most important section. Here one can read direct quotes from the Bible and decide for themselves their significance. We have not included specific endnote references in chapter’s 1 and 2 since the *Quotes and Notes* give detailed references and this section must be read in its entirety for a proper comprehension of the book.

In this Notes and Quotes section you will find a number of thoughts that are repeated. This is because one topic involves a number of other topics. For example, when we speak of the resurrection of the dead we obviously need to know the *state* of the dead, how the *soul* relates to this process, the meaning of *heaven* and *hell*, etc. All aspects of God’s plan harmonize with every other part, and with the whole.

All quotes are from the King James Version of the Bible unless indicated otherwise. Occasionally a word from the KJV is antiquated and so I will use either the New International Version (NIV) or the Revised Standard Version (RSV) to give the modern meaning. These changes are shown. Generally speaking any translation will say the same thing, so one can look up these quotes using their own favorite translation. You are encouraged to do so since many of the ideas presented herein may be new to you.

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It is my hope that you immediately act on the message contained herein and that you are accepted by Jesus Christ when he returns. However, whether you act or not, the coming events will soon overtake the world and as Jesus warned, *“as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth” (Luke 21:3).*

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**The Sequence Of Coming Events**

1. Jesus Christ will return secretly during this present generation. He will resurrect the responsible dead, take the responsible living and judge them. Most of mankind will be “left behind.”
2. Those found acceptable will be given an immortal body. Those found unacceptable will die and cease to exist forever.
3. Elijah will be sent to the Jews and notify them that the Messiah is about to reveal himself to them. He will not tell them who the Messiah is.
4. The nations will belligerently move into the Mid-east.
5. About 10 years after Jesus Christ secretly returns he will supernaturally confront the warring nations at Armageddon.
6. After their deliverance at Armageddon, the Jews will accept Jesus Christ as their Savior and Messiah.
7. Catholic Europe will claim that Jesus Christ is the Anti-Christ and will make war with him. Europe will be wholly taken over by Christ and Rome destroyed by fire.
8. During the next 40 years all the nations of the earth will gradually be brought into full subjection to Jesus Christ and The Kingdom of God. The Millennium will then begin and will last for the next 1000 years.
9. At the end of the Millennium the “Devil and Satan” will be loosed for a short time (see item #’s 48 and 60). The wicked of mankind will oppose Jesus Christ and be destroyed.
10. There will be a second resurrection and judgment for those who have lived during the Millennium with the righteous immortalized and the wicked destroyed in death. The earth and mankind will have reached the state that God originally intended. Only perfected immortals, “equal unto the angels”, and free from their devilish human tendencies will then be living on the earth. The earth will then be a heavenly abode!

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**Chapter 1**

**Something BIG is coming!**

**Bible Prophecy Concerning Events Coming Upon This Generation**

Planet earth is on the cusp of something **BIG!** Most of mankind can sense this and are waiting expectantly to see what is going to happen. The issues facing us force their self upon our attention in nearly every aspect of our lives. And of course, the cataclysm that we see coming, generally speaking, we have brought upon ourselves. Man through his ignorance and presumption is attempting to control things for which he is wholly unqualified: governing the earth, the environment, the genetic code, etc. Man’s pride and arrogance has brought the earth to the brink of destruction. A world-wide economic collapse looms before us; global environmental problems threaten the physical survival of the planet; man is tinkering with weapons of mass destruction: biological, chemical and atomic; immorality from Biblical standards has become an accepted way of life and has resulted in the destruction of the family and brought upon us destructive social evils so that we are now living in times like those of Noah and Sodom. In the times of Noah and Sodom God had to intervene in the affairs of men and destroy the wicked so as to save the world. These times are similar. Furthermore, we are beginning to see general social and civil disorder; the attempted development towards one world government controlled by man, who has already brought such disasters upon us. There are planetary-solar effects that could cripple man’s technological world; floods, droughts, oil and gas shortages, and a Third World War that could erupt at any time and literally destroy both mankind, and the earth, etc.

From just about any area that we look we can see imminent threats of worldwide disaster. When we look at all of these problems together it seems clear that something of earth-shaking magnitude is about to occur. Jesus Christ warned us of this time saying, *“Men’s hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth”* (Luke 21:26).But God has assured us that He would not permit man to destroy His creation but rather He would *“destroy them which destroy the earth”* (Rev 11:18).

Man is cursed. He is cursed with his inherited “human nature”, or as he sometimes calls it “the human condition”. Many people believe that their nature is “inherently good” and so they do whatever they can to allow it to fully express itself in an attempt to find their greatest happiness. This view is false and has contributed to the conditions that we now see on the earth. Jesus Christ gives us the correct view of the matter in Mark 7:21. He says “*from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts*.”

But let us go back to that something BIG that is about to occur. It is a “New World Order.” Not a natural political new world order overseen by a group of wealthy, prideful, presumptuous men, as most people think of it. This is really going to be **BIG.**

God is going to overthrow all the governments of the earth, all the false religions and then establish His own Government, His own Kingdom on the earth.It is called in the scriptures, **“The Kingdom of God.”**

“Christians” pray for it in The Lord’s Prayer:*“Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. 10 Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. ... 13 For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever.”*(Matthew 6:9-13).

These “Christians”, however, are generally ignorant of what they are praying for. This prayer is asking for God Himself to intervene in the affairs of the earth and establish His own Kingdom on the earth so that His will will be done on the earth even as His will is now done in heaven. *“Thy Kingdom come.* ***THY will*** *be done in earth, as it is in heaven.”* Notice that the prayer is not for us to die and go to a “heavenly” kingdom, but rather for God’s Kingdom to come to the earth so that God’s will is done in the earth. The earth under these conditions will itself be a “heavenly” Kingdom. The ignorance of mankind, including the “Christians”, concerning the plain teachings of the Bible is why they will be taken by surprise by the events soon to unfold.

Notice also a major emphasis of this prayer. It opens with a prayer for God’s Kingdom to come to the earth and closes with a prayer that His Kingdom last forever *“****Thy Kingdom come*** *Thy will be done in earth…For Thine is* ***the Kingdom,*** *and the power, and the glory,* ***for ever****.”*

This is the prayer that Jesus gave to his disciples, including the disciples of today. His true disciples will continue this prayer until he comes again and establishes this kingdom as a fact. This was also his main message when he taught some 2000 years ago. *“Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching* ***the gospel*** *[the “good news”]* ***of the kingdom****”* (Matt 4:23). Or again, *“Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of* ***the kingdom of God”*** (Mark 1:14). The apostle Paul taught the same thing. *“He went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning* ***the kingdom of God****”* (Acts 19:8). They were giving us the gospel, the “good news” that at some time in the future God was going to intervene in the earth and set up His own Kingdom over the entire earth. It is this Kingdom that Jesus told us to pray for. It was the focal point of Jesus and the Apostles and is in fact the main message of the entire Bible.

The Old Testament also informs us of this same gospel message. *“Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion… Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. 8) Ask of me, and I shall give thee the [nations - NIV] for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. 9) Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel” (Psalm 2:6).* The prophet Daniel is equally clear. *“The God of heaven [shall] set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms* [of men], *and it shall stand for ever”* (Dan 2:44).

These quotes are unambiguous. God is going to break in pieces the Governments of men and set up his own kingdom on the earth in their stead and His Kingdom will then last forever. This process will involve giving the kingship of the earth to His son so that he will have authority over all the nations of the earth. God’s king will be the Jewish and Christian Messiah, Jesus Christ, and he will establish this New World Order, “the Kingdom of God,” on the earth. The Kingdom of God will have its capital in Jerusalem and all other kingdoms and governments of the earth, the United States, Russia, China, France, Brazil, etc. will be brought into unconditional subjection to this newly God-appointed king and ruler of the earth. *“Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him”* (Psa 72:11).

The **Muslims** are also looking for such a ruler, whom they call the Mahdi, who, in a time of war and calamities, will bring justice to the world. They will be taken by surprise because this looked for king will be Jesus Christ “the king of the Jews,” whose kingship they presently reject. The **Jews** will be taken by surprise because this king will be Jesus Christ whom they rejected and whom their fathers slew about 2000 years ago. The **“Christians”** will be taken by surprise because they will believe that this Jew from Jerusalem, claiming that he is Jesus Christ the King and ruler of the earth, is their long looked for “Antichrist.”

Hindus, Buddhists, Confucians, the non-religious and the secular, all believing in their own various superstitions, or nothing at all as they see fit, will also be baffled and astounded at this Jew from Jerusalem claiming he is now the king of the entire earth and that all nations must obey the laws promulgated from his government.

Rumors of something big being in the works will first begin when a hundred thousand or so people claiming to be Bible believers and waiting for the return of Jesus Christ to take them to his judgment seat will disappear from the earth. Most of Traditional Christianity will be “left behind” and so will attribute this disappearance to some misguided attention seeking from a “Jim Jones-like” non-Christian cult.

And in any case, they will argue, if Jesus Christ had returned they, the true Christians chosen by God, would certainly have been taken by him. Life will go on and soon these few missing persons will generally be forgotten.

These missing persons will be taken by Jesus Christ to be judged according to their faithfulness to the laws of God during their mortal lives. Jesus will already have resurrected the responsible dead who will now be alive again in their mortal bodies. These will “*all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad” (2Cor 5:10).* Those who are found to be acceptable will have their mortal bodies changed into a glorious, non-dying, immortal body of the divine nature. They will then assist Jesus Christ in the government of the Kingdom of God. Those who are judged to be unacceptable will be left in their dying mortal bodies. After a suitable punishment they will die, will have no thoughts or memory and will cease to exist forever

A few years after this group became missing something else will occur that will get the world’s attention. Some Jews will claim that someone claiming to be Elijah has appeared to many of them and is telling them that their Messiah is even now in the earth and will soon reveal himself to them. This Elijah will encourage them to commit themselves fully to following the Laws of God given to their fathers by Moses. There will be a religious revival among many of the Jews as they commit themselves to fully following the Law of Moses. The world at large will again be forced to take notice. Many religious “Christians” and Muslims will be incensed at the idea of God taking special notice of these accursed Jews. The result will be a dramatic worldwide increase in anti-Semitism, particularly in Catholic Europe. About ten years from the original disappearance of that small Christian sect something will occur that cannot be ignored. **Armageddon.**

This will get the world’s attention. Through Armageddon God will formally introduce His King to the world. Armageddon with its supernatural devastating destruction will be the first shot across the bow of humanity notifying them that the end of man’s rule is at hand. This will be the initial battle and will notify mankind that God Himself has intervened into the governments of the world. Jesus Christ will make a proclamation from Jerusalem stating that he has the full power and authority of God, is now the King of the entire earth and that all nations must obey him and his laws coming from Jerusalem. He will notify them that the time has arrived when all of mankind must fear God and give glory to Him (Rev 14:7). This astounding claim will be rejected and disdained by most of mankind. Especially by the “Christians” who have been left behind. And so with their pride and their love of power, they will resist to the death this imagined imposter claiming he is in fact the Antichrist.

Armageddon is a Hebrew word signifying *“a heap of sheaves in a valley for judgment.”* This battle will occur at and around Jerusalem and will be a military contest between the governments of men and God. God will be supreme in this conflict and will require, through Jesus Christ, an unconditional surrender from all nations of the earth. God will then establish His king and His righteous laws over the entire earth and will require every person and every nation to be subject to the laws of this new government. This Kingdom, “The Kingdom of God”, will be the “end of the world” as we know it; this is a misunderstood phrase, even as the word Armageddon is misunderstood. In the phrase “the end of the world” the word, “world” in the Greek is *aion,* and means “age”. Thus it signifies *“the end of the* ***age****”.* It will be the end of the age of mankind’s rule on the earth. The earth itself will not be destroyed, only the wicked from the earth. God has plainly told us that *“the earth abideth for ever”* (Eccl 1:4), and that ultimately the earth would *“be filled with the glory of the LORD”* (Numbers 14:21).

Armageddon and the end of this present age, however, is exactly what the earth needs. The wicked, which includes most of mankind, will be destroyed and their ruling power will be taken away and given to a righteous King who will have immortal assistants with power equal to the angels and with the full authority and power of God supporting them. Armageddon, therefore, is necessary to save the world. The earth is presently being destroyed by man, physically and morally, and this God will not permit, but rather He will *“destroy them which destroy the earth”* (Rev 11:18).

Armageddon will begin with a Russian force supported by a confederacy of nations, including Catholic-Europe, which will move southward through Turkey into the Mideast area. This force will be opposed by a British-USA confederacy of nations who will resist them. But even though there will be two main forces, all nations will be involved in this conflict in that all nations will support one side or the other. God said, *“For I will gather* ***all nations*** *against Jerusalem to battle”* (Zech 14:2). Armageddon will begin as the Third World War and will surpass the other two in all respects.

The Russian confederacy will be successful over the Anglo confederacy and will establish her headquarters in Jerusalem, the very center of God’s Land. When Gog (the name of the Russian leader) takes Jerusalem, God takes notice; and takes action. *“Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. 4) And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof* ” **(**Zech 14:3-4).

Jesus Christ, working on behalf of God, will direct these events. He will go forth with his immortal assistants who will also have God-given angelic like powers. There will be a great earthquake, hail, fire and brimstone and men’s flesh will melt away while they are still standing on their feet. Only one-sixth of the original Russian force will survive this battle (Ezek 39:2). *“The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day”* (Isa 2:11).

After this initial battle of Armageddon, the nations of the earth will gradually be brought into subjection to Jesus Christ, but it will take about 40 years of conflict before God’s Kingdom is fully established over the entire earth.

There will be some Jews in the Jerusalem area who will survive both the occupation of the Russian forces and Armageddon. They will see first-hand the supernatural miraculous destruction of their enemy and see also their own miraculous salvation. After an earthquake, hail, fire and brimstone destroys their enemy and at the height of their anticipation as to what this means, Jesus Christ will call to them saying “*Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.”* They will ask cautiously, *“Who is this King of glory”?*  Jesus will respond in the Hebrew name that they will not speak, *“Yahweh [Heb.] strong and mighty, Yahweh [Heb.] mighty in battle. 9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.”* They will in astonishment again ask, *“Who is this King of glory”?* Jesus will again respond, *“The LORD of hosts, [Heb. “Yahweh of armies”] he is the King of glory. Selah” (Psa 24:7-10).*

The surviving Jews will open to their Messiah and Jesus Christ will reveal himself to his Jewish brethren. He will declare that he is their brother, Jesus Christ, whom their forefathers slew and that he has been sent by Yahweh to save them, to deliver them from their 2000 year curse and to elevate them to be a special people in the earth. He will reveal to them that he is going to establish God’s Kingdom with God’s laws over the entire earth and he will request their support. He will explain to them that the time has finally arrived for the fulfillment of the prophecy of Zechariah, when *“Ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you”*(Zech 8:23).He will show them the nail prints in his hands and they, seeing the miraculous salvation wrought by the destruction of their enemies at Armageddon, and being faced with irrefutable evidence, will recognize and acknowledge that this is in fact Jesus Christ, sent by God to deliver them. The veil covering their eyes will be lifted and they will be thoroughly humbled and ashamed of their past ways and accept Jesus Christ as their Messiah, their savior and their lord. *“In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty because of my holy mountain. 12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD”* (Zephaniah 3:11).

All of the Jews throughout the world will then be notified that their Messiah has come and saved them and that it is in fact Jesus Christ! With the cameras, TV’s, satellite images and the instant communication available today, they will of course be fully aware of the great destruction of their enemy and of the miraculous salvation of the Jews in Jerusalem. They will be invited to return to the nation of Israel and to be a special people in The Kingdom of God. Those who unconditionally accept Jesus Christ as their Messiah and Lord will return. The 12 tribes of Israel will be identified and given special tribal areas to live in and will occupy the entire land area *“from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates”*as promised by God to Abraham(Gen 15:18)with the 12 apostles ruling over these 12 tribes of Israel (Matthew 19:28).

The Arab nations also will be fully humbled by the Russian domination before and during the Armageddon conflict and will accept this Jewish King. *“In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the land: 25 Whom the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed be Egypt my people, and Assyria the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance”* (Isaiah 19:24-25).

Armageddon alone, however, will not be enough to humble the pride of men. Although Russia will be removed from being a military threat after Armageddon, Catholic Europe will now claim that this Jew from Jerusalem is an imposter, has bamboozled the Jews and is in fact “the Anti-Christ” and *“these shall make war with the Lamb”* (Rev 17:14). Many of Catholic’s Protestant daughters will support Rome in her opposition to Jesus Christ whom they will also affirm to be the Antichrist.

The nations of Catholic-Europe will have their power completely taken away by the symbolic fires of war, with the city of Rome being wholly destroyed by literal fire (Dan 7:11; Rev 18). Over the next 40 years after Armageddon, all present governments and religions will be abolished and God, through His King Jesus Christ, will establish His Kingdom with His laws and the One True Religion concerning Him throughout the entire earth. It will take a 40 year period because mankind, generally speaking, will fight to the death to retain their power. *“And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth”* (Jeremiah 25:33) and there will be *“few men left”* (Isa 24:6).

Jesus Christ, the king of the Kingdom of God, will establish and permit only one religion, one government and one set of laws in the earth. These laws will be similar to the 10 Commandments along with the other laws governing the Jews in Old Testament times. Unlike Old Testament times however, God’s Laws will be perfectly and justly implemented without fear or favor by Jesus Christ and his immortal assistants. All man-made religions and governments will totally cease to exist and righteousness will reign on the earth. *“Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth”* (Jer 23:5).

Armageddon and the end of mankind’s rule will result, not in the destruction of the earth, but rather in its salvation. God will take direct control over the earth and establish His own Kingdom with His own king and His own laws on the earth. After all, it is He who has created man. He arranged the genetic code of man and of every plant and animal on the earth. He alone knows exactly how man should live, physically, spiritually and morally. And He will at this time insist upon it.

This Kingdom will soon begin. Armageddon is just before us. Jesus Christ will soon return to the earth and resurrect the responsible dead. He will then take the few responsible believers that are alive at that time and judge them so as to determine who is and who is not acceptable to him. When he returns it will be as *“a thief in the night”* (1 Thes 5:2) since the occupants of the world will be mentally “sleeping” and will not immediately realize that Jesus Christ has returned and is in the earth. Most of the world, including most of the so-called Christian world will notbe taken for judgment. They will be “left behind.” They are ignorant of the true message of Jesus Christ and The Kingdom of God and so will not be responsible to this judgment.

As we have already stated, only those who are responsible to the judgment of Jesus Christ will be taken for judgment. They must have an accurate understanding of and a belief in *“the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ”* (Acts 8:12). This will include two groups. Those who have died will be resurrected and those who are living when Jesus Christ returns will be taken. They will all be judged *“according to their works”* (Rev 20:12).

Those found to be unacceptable will be left in their mortal dying bodies. Ultimately these rejected ones will die and cease to exist forever, to join the rest of mankind who have died. The Bible teaching is plain. Man does not die and go to a place of bliss or torment. They die and go to the grave and completely cease to exist, having no thoughts or memory.

Those who are judged to be acceptable will “*in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye”* will have their bodies “changed” from mortality to immortality (1 Corinthians 15:51-54). They will have real “flesh and bone” bodies like Jesus Christ after his resurrection and will be *“equal unto the angels”* (Luke 20:36), and like the immortal angels, they will be knowledgeable, faithful and powerful.

Like the angels of the Bible they will be able to appear as normal men or as divine beings as the circumstances dictate. They will be able to appear and disappear at will. They will know every thought and action of all the mortal inhabitants of the earth and so will be able to exercise perfectly righteous decisions and immediately punish any wrong doer. These will be the assistants of Jesus Christ, the king of the earth and together with him will teach the inhabitants of the earth righteousness. They will rule mankind with a rod of iron, yet in mercy and perfect justice. This Kingdom will therefore be a Theocratic benevolent dictatorship.

Many, especially those of the so-called Christian world, will think that Jesus Christ is the Antichrist, *“the prince of the devils”* (Matt 12:24) and they will think that his immortal helpers are his diabolical assistants. Others with a more secular bent may initially think that they have been invaded by extra-terrestrials with supernatural powers.

Actually, the new rulers will be terrestrials, having been knowledgeable of God and fully committed to the things of God during their normal fleshly existence on the earth. They will be the resurrected dead and those who were alive when Jesus returned who have been judged by him to be acceptable and then immortalized and given divine powers for this very purpose.

ThisNew World Order, “the Kingdom of God”, will last for 1000 years with Jesus Christ and his immortal assistants ruling the mortals of the earth with a perfect blend of mercy and justice. The Jews who have unconditionally accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior, Messiah and Lord will be recognized throughout the earth as the natural brethren of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and also of Jesus Christ and will be specially blessed of the Lord. Jesus Christ will use these now faithful Jews to assist him in bringing the nations of the earth into subjection to the laws of God. After Armageddon God will say to the Jews, “*Thou art my battle axe and weapons of war: for with thee will I break in pieces the nations, and with thee will I destroy kingdoms” (Jer 51:20).* And again, “*When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man. 14 And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the Lord GOD shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south. 15 The LORD of hosts shall defend them” (Zech 9:13).* The Jews therefore will assist Jesus Christ, their Messiah, in bringing all the nations of the earth into subjection to his righteous laws.

Once the Kingdom of God is set-up on the earth and perfectly and righteously administered by Jesus Christ and his immortal assistants, mankind will experience a time of blessedness such as it has never seen before. Everyone on the planet will have one true religion recognizing and worshiping God their Creator, and will accept His king Jesus Christ; there will be one set of perfect laws which will be perfectly, justly and immediately enforced by Jesus Christ through his immortal assistants; there will be one language; there will be food for all; the inhabitants will not experience disease and sickness; wars and armies will totally cease to exist and all people will live in peace and security, giving glory to God in the highest and having peace on earth and good will towards men.

During this 1000 year millennial period, Satan will be bound (Rev 20:2). Satan is a word that simply means “adversary”, and as used here it is an adversary to God. Today the adversary of God is the governments and religions of man. Coincidentally many Muslims refer to the United States as the great Satan, and to Israel as the little Satan. This is accurate as far as it goes. Certainly both of these governments are “Satan’s”, or adversaries to God. But so too is every Muslim government along with every other government on the earth. It is **this** adversary, the governments and religions of man that will be bound for 1000 years. No man-made government or religion will be permitted during this period. The earth will be blessed with The Kingdom of God, the Government of God, and a religion based on the Truth concerning God, for this 1000 year millennial period.

However at the end of this 1000 year period Jesus Christ will relax his rule and allow the mortal population to express their normal “human nature” as a means of testing them. A new leader will emerge to oppose Jesus Christ and will bring a multitude of his supporters against Jerusalem. Fire will come down from heaven and destroy them all.

After this the mortals who died during this 1000 year period will be resurrected and judged. Those who did not oppose Jesus Christ and are still alive at this time will also be judged. Those found acceptable will have their human mortal bodies changed to divine immortal bodies, like Jesus Christ and his assistants. Those found unacceptable will not be changed from their mortal bodies and so will die, leaving only “perfected” immortals to live in a perfected earth. Every man and woman at this time will be intelligent, knowledgeable, faithful, and immortal, of the divine nature, loving God without reserve and one another as themselves. They will live forever on a perfected earth made like the Garden of Eden. Mankind and the earth will have finally reached the perfection that God intended and the earth will become part of God’s heavenly universe. This is the “heaven” to which believers are invited. At this time God will have subdued all things unto Himself and *“then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all”* (1 Corinth 15:28). The perfected earth and mankind upon it will then take their place in the heavens of God’s universe.

All those who have lived during this turbulent seven thousand year period and who have not been immortalized will have died and will remain dead and cease to exist forever having no feelings, thoughts or memory; *“they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake”* (Jer 51:57).

Armageddon and the forceful establishment of The Kingdom of God is about to take place. If you find yourself in the earth when these events begin to take place remember, the person speaking from Jerusalem claiming that he is now the King of the Earth is in fact **Jesus Christ, the King of the Earth**. He will have the full authority and power of God. Submit yourself fully to him.

Do not be deceived. After Armageddon, the so-called Christian world will proclaim that this Jewish king ruling from Jerusalem has deceived the Jews and is the Anti-Christ. These so-called Christians *“shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he* [Jesus Christ] *is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him* [his immortalized assistants] *are called, and chosen, and faithful”* (Rev 17:14).

If on the other hand you decide to commit yourself to the things of God before these events overtake you, you must do what the New Testament believers did. *“When they* ***believed*** *Philip preaching* ***the things concerning the kingdom of God****, and* ***the name of Jesus Christ****, they were* ***baptized,*** *both men and women”* (Acts 8:12). Notice there are at least four things required in this verse:

[1] They believed, [2] the things concerning the kingdom of God, [3] the name of Jesus Christ and [4] they were baptized. After this we have requirement number [5]. We must *“walk in newness of life”* (Rom 6:4).Every element of this process was required then and is equally required now.

If you are interested in committing yourself to becoming an immortal assistant in God’s coming Kingdom we will be happy to assist you towards that end. You can contact us at [**www.TheNewWorldOrder.org**](http://www.TheNewWorldOrder.org)**.** At this site we also have this complete book that can be **freely down loaded and freely distributed.** You are encouraged to do so. We also have there a fuller explanation of Bible principles and of what God requires from us. If you have any specific question let us know and we will be happy to assist you.

If you would rather have the printed book it can be purchased from [**www.thebookpatch.com**](http://www.thebookpatch.com) for a small charge. Having the book in hand is recommended since it will allow you to read it without being at your computer.

**Chapter 2**

**The Sequence Of Coming Events**

1. Jesus Christ will return secretly during this present generation. It may be that Russia will militarily take Turkey before Jesus returns.
2. He will resurrect the responsible dead, take the responsible living and judge them. Those found acceptable will have their mortal bodies changed to immortal bodies. Those who are found unacceptable will be left in their mortal bodies to die and cease to exist forever.
3. Elijah will be immortalized and sent to the Jews informing them that the Messiah is in the earth and is about to reveal himself. He will turn the Jews back to the Law of Moses so as to prepare them for receiving the Messiah but will not at this time reveal who the Messiah is.
4. About 10 years after Jesus Christ secretly returns to the earth Russia will descend into the Mid-East resulting in a world-wide conflict.
5. Armageddon! God, through Jesus Christ and his now immortal assistants, will intervene with a supernatural destruction of His enemies and save Jerusalem.
6. Jesus Christ will then reveal himself to his Jewish Brethren and they will accept him as their Savior, Messiah, and King.
7. Catholic Europe will claim that Jesus Christ is the Antichrist and will fight against him. Europe will be completely subdued and their government wholly transferred to Jesus Christ. Rome, the so-called “eternal city”, will be utterly destroyed by fire.
8. During the next 40 years all the nations of the earth will gradually be brought into subjection to God’s requirements for The Kingdom of God. During this time a literal Temple will be built in Jerusalem and will be inaugurated at the end of this 40 year period.
9. The Millennium. From the Messiah’s return until the start of the millennium will most likely be a 50 year Jubilee Period; 10 years for the resurrection and judgment and then Armageddon and 40 additional years to bring the earth into full subjection to the laws of God.
10. At the End of the Millennium Jesus Christ and his immortal assistants will relax their rule so as to see who will serve God and who will not. This is referred to as Satan, the adversary of God, being loosed. Many of the mortal population, now with the freedom to do so, will rebel against the restrictions that have been placed upon them and will come against Jerusalem. Fire will come down from heaven and destroy them.
11. There will then be a second resurrection and judgment for those mortals who had lived during this one thousand year period. Those found acceptable will be rewarded with eternal life. Those found unacceptable will be destroyed in death and cease to exist forever.
12. “Then cometh the end” when the earth, after seven thousand years of turmoil will have reached the perfected state that God intended. Jesus Christ will at this time *“deliver up the kingdom to God and be subject unto Him that God may be all in all”* (1 Cor 15:24-28).

**Chapter 3**

**Quotes and Notes**

**Introduction:**

 In this *“Quotes and Notes”* section we have purposefully placed the *Bible Quotes* first since they are first in importance and should be the basis of all of our judgments. The *Notes* follow and attempt to clarify some things that may not be clear from the short quotes. Also it is common for all of us to read the Bible Quotes from our pre-conceived perspective. If we read something that contradicts our pre-conceived perspective we tend to ignore or disregard it. It is hoped that the following *“Quotes and Notes”* will allow one to look with a fresh perspective at the Word of God. After all we claim it is ***“God’s Word.”*** It has after all,

**Been given to us by God.**

**2 Tim 3:16,** *“All scripture is given by inspiration of God.”*

**Is our only source of light.**

***Isa 8:20,*** *“If they speak not according to this word it is because there is no light in them.”*

**Must be completely obeyed.**

***1 John 5:3****, “This is the love of God, that we keep His commandments.”*

**Able to save.**

***2 Tim 3:15****, “The Holy Scriptures* *holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto* ***salvation*** *through faith which is in Christ Jesus.*

**Enlightens and gives understanding.**

**Psa 119:130** *The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.*

**Enables us to be born again.**

***1 Peter 1:23*** *Being born again…by the word of God.*

 Should we not commit ourselves to knowing accurately what it is that God requires of us?

 We must also remember that “*Without faith it is impossible to please…God ” (Heb 11:6).* And *“faith cometh by hearing…****the word of God****” (Rom 10:17).*

I therefore recommend that you read the Bible every day following a Bible Reading Schedule called **“The Bible Companion.”** By following this schedule you will read the Bible about ½ hour every day and at the end of one year you will have read the Old Testament once and the New Testament twice. Many Bible Students worldwide use this reading program daily and yearly. For example, if one faithfully followed this schedule for 10 years they would have read through the Old Testament ten times and the New Testament twenty times. It is **God’s Word** that must guide us, not the doctrines and traditions of men.

Our web site is **TheNewWorldOrder.org.**  Here we have a copy of “The Bible Companion” that can be freely downloaded along with much other free material.

**Part 1**

**Jesus Christ Will Return To The Earth And Begin His Work**

**Jesus Christ Will Return To The Earth.**

***John 14:3***  *Jesus answered… I will come again.*

***Acts 1:11*** *This same Jesus…shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.*

***Matt 16:27*** *The Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels.*

***II Tim. 4:1***  *Jesus Christ… shall judge the living and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom.*

***2Thes 1:7*** *The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels.*

***1Thes 4:16*** *For the Lord himself [Jesus Christ] shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 Jesus Christ will, “*come again in the glory of His father with his angels.”* At the time of his appearing he will call to judgment the living and the dead and then establish his kingdom on the earth (II Tim 4:1).

1. **Jesus Christ Will Return During This Generation.**

***Luke 21:24*** *And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles,* ***until*** *the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. 25…Upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; 26 Men’s hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth…29 And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; 30 When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. 31 So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that* ***the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.*** *32 Verily I say unto you,* ***This generation shall not pass away****, till all be fulfilled.*

***Psa 102:13*** *Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea,* ***the set time****, is come...16 When the LORD shall build up Zion****,*** *he shall appear in his glory.*

***Rev 11:18*** *The nations were angry, and thy wrath is come.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

*When the LORD shall build up Zion****,*** *he shall appear in his glory.”* In AD 70 the Jews “fell by the sword and were led away captive to all nations”. God however had a “set time” to bring them back to their land and He also has a “set time” to establish His kingdom on the earth; it will be after the Israelitish fig tree becomes a nation (this occurred in 1948); and after Israel has control of Jerusalem (this began in 1967); and when the nations are in a turmoil (now! the Arab Spring, the worldwide economic problems, the gross immorality, etc.); *“this generation shall not pass away”* until the kingdom of God comes.

 **Jesus Christ Will Return To Establish The Kingdom Of God.**

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of His Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

***Psa 2:6*** *Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. 7 I will declare the decree…Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the [nations, NIV] for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.*

***Dan 2:44*** *In the days of these kings* [the kings at the time of Armageddon] *shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.*

***Dan 7:13*** *One like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven… 14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.*

***Mark 1:14*** *Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel* (“the good news”) *of the kingdom of God.*

***Matt 6:10*** *Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven...13 For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

God’s Kingdom, the Kingdom of God established on the earth, is **the basic gospel message**. It was the main message of Jesus Christ and of his Apostles. The word “gospel” is from the Greek word *euaggelion,* and signifies “good news”. The Gospel, then, is the good news that God is going to intervene in the affairs of the earth, take over all of man’s kingdoms, and set up His own Kingdom on the earth in their stead.

 Jesus Christ in The Lord’s Prayer tells us to pray for God’s Kingdom to come to the earth forever. When God’s kingdom comes to the earth God’s name will be hallowed in the earth. His will, not man’s will, will be done on the earth. God’s Kingdom will begin to come at Armageddon when He steps into the affairs of men through His son Jesus Christ and begins to take over the control of the earth. His intervention will continue until the whole earth is brought into subjection to His laws. This same good news of God’s coming kingdom was spoken of in the Old Testament, as we can see from the above quotes. It is what Jesus Christ preached and what he told us to pray for: “*Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.”* *(See also Item numbers 19 and 20)*.

1. **Jesus Christ Will Resurrect The Responsible Dead And Take The Responsible Living.**

***Luke 20:37***[Jesus said] *Now that the dead are raised, even Moses shewed at the bush, when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 38 For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living.*

***2 Tim 4:1*** *I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom.*

***Dan 12:2*** *And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.*

***Isa 26:9*** *Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.*

***Rev 11: 8*** *The nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.*

***John 5:22*** *The Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son… 25 The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live…28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, 29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.*

***1 Thes 4:14*** *Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

The Greek word translated “resurrection” is *“anastasis”,* and means, *to rise again.* This is shown in Isaiah 26:9,*“Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise.”*  This is what happened to Jesus Christ when God raised him from the dead. He arose with a real tangible body that was then changed into an immortal body with a “divine nature” (2 Pet 1:4).

 Daniel tells us that “many” of those sleeping in death would awake to be judged. Notice, it is “many”, not “all”. Only those who have an accurate knowledge concerning the things of God will be raised since only they are responsible to his judgment.

In 2 Tim 4:1, the “quick” are those responsible ones who are living when Jesus returns. The “dead” are those who became responsible in their mortal life and then died. These dead will be resurrected, that is they will be made alive again. They will be resurrected in the same kind of mortal body in which they died. Both groups then, the resurrected dead, and those who were alive, will be taken for judgment. All who are judged to be acceptable will have their mortal bodies changed into an immortal one. Those who are rejected will be left in their mortal dying bodies. They will eventually die and cease to exist forever, without any thought or memory *(See item #’s 56-58).*

In 1 Thes 4:14, those who *“sleep in Jesus”* are those who came to a knowledge of the Truth while they were alive and so became responsible to his judgment. When Jesus returns he will resurrect them from the dead to be judged.

1. **Our Judgment By Jesus Christ - According To Our Works.**

***Matt 16:27*** *For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man* ***according to his works****.*

***Rev 20:12*** *And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.*

***Eccl 12:14*** *For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.*

***John 12:48*** *He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.*

***James 2:19*** *Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble. 20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?*

***Gal 5:19*** *Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, 21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things* ***shall not*** *inherit the kingdom of God.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

What we **DO** in this order of things will determine what our judgment will be. Not what we believe. We will be judged *according to our works.*  Faith is not enough. If our works are *“works of the flesh,”* we **will not** inherit the kingdom of God no matter what we believe (Gal 5:19).

1. **Those Who Are Accepted By Jesus Christ Will Be Made Immortal And “Equal Unto The Angels.”**

***Luke 20:36*** *Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels.*

***1 Cor 15:21*** *By man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive...42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: 43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: 44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body…. 49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. 50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.*

***2 Pet 1:4*** *Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

In 1 Corinthians 15:21-54, it informs us that death came by the “man” Adam and life by the “man” Jesus Christ. Our present “mortal” body that we have inherited from Adam is a “natural”, “dishonorable”, “weak” one that “corrupts,” or, dies and decays. If we are given an immortal body it will be incorruptible, that is it will be non-dying and so non-decayable. It will be “glorious”, “powerful,” bearing the image of “the heavenly,” a “spiritual body,” “equal” to the angels and like the angels it will be a real corporal, tangible body composed of the “divine nature.” The next section gives us more details on what our bodies will be like.

1. **The Angels – Their Bodies, Nature, Power and Abilities.**

***Luke 20:36*** *Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.*

***Judg 6:21*** *Then the angel of the LORD put forth the end of the staff that was in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there rose up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes. Then the angel of the LORD departed out of his sight. 22 And…Gideon perceived that he was an angel of the LORD.*

***Judg 13:16*** *And the angel of the LORD said unto Manoah... For Manoah knew not that he was an angel of the LORD...20…the angel of the LORD ascended in the flame of the altar.*

**Gen 18:1** *And the LORD appeared unto him* [Abraham] *in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day; 2 And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw them, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, 9 And they said unto him… lo, Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard it in the tent door, which was behind him… Sarah laughed within herself …13 And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh… 16 And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom.*

***Gen 19:1*** *And there came two angels to Sodom at even…11 And they smote the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door…13 For we will destroy this place… and the LORD hath sent us to destroy it… 28 the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.*

***Matt 28:2*** *The angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. 3 His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: 4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.*

***Heb 1:14*** *Are they* [the angels] *not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?*

***Heb 6:5*** *The powers of the world to come.*

***Num 22:22*** *The angel of the LORD stood in the way for an adversary* [Hebrew, “a satan”] *against him* [Balaam]*. Now he was riding upon his ass, and his two servants were with him… 28 And the LORD opened the mouth of the ass, and she said unto Balaam, What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me these three times? 29…Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head, and fell flat on his face.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

In Luke Chapter 20 above, Jesus Christ tells us that those who are found acceptable after their resurrection will be “equal” to the angels and cannot die anymore.

In *(item # 6)* we considered 1 Corinth chapter 15. Those who are accepted by Jesus Christ after the resurrection and judgment will have their bodies changed from the “natural body” that we now have into a “spiritual body” of a “divine nature” that cannot die. The natural body that we now have is mortal and so dies and decays. It will be changed into a “spiritual body”, that is an immortal (non-dying), incorruptible (non-decayable), glorious and powerful body like the angels. Thus what we see the angels doing in the Bible shows what we will be able to do if we attain to this higher spiritual nature.

The angels have control over their bodies in a way that we do not. They could appear like regular men or like glorious powerful beings, as they chose, they could appear or disappear, they could physically descend from or ascend to the heavens, they knew what people were thinking, they could cause mental blindness and they could, and did, use the power of God to destroy Sodom.

The angels are working on God’s behalf as “ministering spirits” to help bring the mortal populations of the earth to salvation. If we are found acceptable and made immortal, we too will minister to the mortal population, working on God’s behalf to bring them to the same salvation during the millennial period.

These powers that we aspire to are called *“the powers of the world to come”* (Heb 6:5) because in the future Kingdom Age those who are given bodies like the angels will have powers like them.

Notice also that they had a spiritual **“body.”** It will be a physical body like the angels but will have powers that our “natural” bodies do not have. It will be of the same *“flesh and bone”* nature as the body of Jesus Christ after he was resurrected from the dead (Luke 24:39).

1. **Elijah Will Be Sent To The Jews Before Armageddon.**

***Malachi 4:4*** *Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.* *I will send you Elijah the prophet* ***before*** *the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD: 6 And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.*

**Notes on the Quote:**

From this quote we can see that Elijah’s purpose will be to turn back the hearts of these Jewish children to the fathers so that they fully follow the Law of Moses. He will come *“****before*** *the… great and dreadful day of the LORD;”* that is, he will come to the Jews *before* Armageddon so that when their Messiah, Jesus Christ, reveals himself to them after Armageddon, they will have been prepared for this astounding revelation.

The Jews have been waiting for the appearance of Elijah since about 400 BC when the book of Malachi was written. At their yearly Passover meal they commonly open the front door and pour a cup of wine for him in case he should visit them at that time. Soon their waiting will be over.

**Part 2**

**Armageddon - And Jesus Christ’s Beginning Work**

1. **Armageddon – An Overview.**

***Rev 16:16*** *And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.*

***2 Thes 1:7*** *The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction.*

***Dan 12:1*** *There shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time.*

***Joel 3:1*** *For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I (restore the fortunes – NIV) of Judah and Jerusalem, 2 I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.*

***Isa 26:21*** *The LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity.*

***Zech 14:2*** *For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle… 10 All the land shall be turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem…12 And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.*

***Zeph 3:8*** *The LORD…my determination is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them mine indignation, even all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy.*

***Jer 25:29*** *I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts… 31 The LORD hath a controversy with the nations… them that are wicked to the sword 33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth.*

***Isa 24:1*** *Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof. 5 The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. 6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left. 19 The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly. 23 Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.*

***Rev. 19:15***  *Out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron.*

***Hab 3:3*** *God came from Teman…4 And his brightness was as the light; he had horns coming out of his hand: and there was the hiding of his power. 5 Before him went the pestilence, and burning coals went forth at his feet. ..he… drove asunder the nations…12… thou didst thresh the [nations – NIV] in anger… 13 thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked.*

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever…18 Thy wrath is come… and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

**Armageddon** is a Hebrew word signifying “a heap of sheaves in a valley for judgment.” The Hebrew word, *Armah* signifies “of sheaves”, *Gai*, “valley” and *Don,* “judgment.” The Armageddon conflict will occur at and around Jerusalem. It will begin with Russia moving militarily into the mid-east in an attempt to extend her rule over the whole area. When however she presumes to take God’s land, the land of Israel, God will intervene. When this occurs it will be a military contest between the dominant government of men, Russia with her confederacy of nations, and of God. God will win. He will then set up His own Kingdom on the earth which will, over the next 40 years, gradually supersede all of the man-made governments on the entire earth.

 Mankind is even now in the process of destroying the earth and without God’s intervention he would do so. Armageddon and the Kingdom of God are therefore necessary to save the earth. God said, I will *“destroy them which destroy the earth”* (Rev. 11:18). He also said, *“I will also gather all nations”* to *“the battle of that great day of God Almighty”* (Joel 3:2; Rev 16:14). This battle is planned by and will be directed by God.

 The intervention of God at Armageddon and the subsequent establishment of the Kingdom of God are therefore necessary to save the world. As we have shown, God will intervene through His son Jesus Christ.

Mankind’s present destruction of the earth is both physical and moral. Physically, the atomic bombs that mankind has could alone do it. But this is not enough. Mankind with his tiny 3-pound brain is tinkering with the genetic code which the omniscient and omnipotent God has created. The genetic code has trillions of components with gazillions of possibilities, yet man makes something “new” and unceremoniously dumps it into the ecological system of plants and animals on the earth, having no idea what the world wide implications will be. He makes poisons that have never before existed and dumps millions of gallons of them into planet earth year after year. We could go on but we have all seen this and know that it is true.

 Morality is defined by God the Creator. Yet morality and the thoughts of God are not even considered by most of mankind today. God has created us and so knows exactly what is or is not in our best interest. And, as the Creator, it is His right to impose the laws that He sees fit on us. Mankind has, generally speaking, rejected God’s moral laws and set up his own laws based on his own limited perspective which comes from his own cursed human nature that he inherited from Adam. What has resulted? The destruction of the family, harm to the children and to society as a whole; immorality, abortion, violence and war. As with the nation of Israel of old, *“every man did that which was right in his own eyes”* (Jud 17:6), and ultimately they were *“vomited”* out of the land (Lev 18:25), first by the Assyrians, then the Babylonians and finally the Romans.

 Jesus Christ said that when he returned to the earth the conditions would be like they were in the two different time periods of Noah and Lot (Luke 17:26). At the time of Noah God destroyed all of mankind by a flood, excepting eight people. It has been calculated that over a billion people may have perished in this flood. Around 400 years after the flood at the time of Lot, the wickedness of man again became intolerable to God. Lot lived in Sodom, right next to the city of Gomorrah. The sin of Sodom was *“pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness … neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy”* (Ezek 16:49). This resulted in godlessness, violence, selfishness and immorality. At that time, God destroyed the wicked people of Sodom yet saved Lot who was amenable to His instructions. Today we see similar conditions. Often immorality is encouraged or even established by law whereas the moral are stigmatized or even punished by the same law. Armageddon and the subsequent Kingdom of God are therefore essential for the salvation of man and the earth.

 From the quotes above we see that the punishment will be upon those *“that know not God”* (2 Thes 1:8) and that they will be punished for their *“iniquity”* (Isa 26:21) because they have *transgressed* God’s laws (Isa 24:5). From these quotes we can see that Armageddon will cause great destruction to the wicked of the earth, even as it did at the times of Noah and Lot. Yea, it will totally bring to an end the age of man’s rule of the earth, and God will then begin His righteous rule through His beloved son Jesus Christ.

1. **At Armageddon The Rulership Of The Earth Will Be Transferred From Man To God.**

***Dan 2:44*** *The God of heaven* [will] *set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed …it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms* [of men], *and it shall stand for ever.*

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

***Dan 7:22*** *And the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom… 27 Whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.*

***Zech 14:9*** *The LORD shall be king over all the earth.*

***Isa 60:12*** *For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

***Psa 110:5*** *The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath. 6 He shall judge among (the nations- NIV), he shall fill the places with the dead bodies; he shall wound the heads over many countries.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 There are presently about 195 different nations on the earth with their own differing laws governing their different populations. They will be wholly done away with when Jesus Christ takes away their *“dominions”* and establishes One World Government, a benevolent Theocracy, the Kingdom of God, over the entire earth. Jesus Christ, with the full authority of God, will be the king of this kingdom and will rule the world in righteousness. And of course the thousands of religious faiths presently existing will be wholly done away with and all the inhabitants of the earth will *“serve and obey him.”*

1. **The Nations Involved In Armageddon And The Nature Of The Conflict.**

***Dan 11:40*** *And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships.*

***Ezek 38:2*** *Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, 3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: 4 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: 5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: 6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee…13 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof… 15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army:…18 And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face.*

***Zech 14:2*** *I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle.*

***Rev 16:13*** *And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. 14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. 15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. 16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.*

***Joel 3:9*** *Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up.*

***Dan 7:11***  *I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

The above nations are given with their ancient names. Persia in Ezekiel 38:5 above, for example, is known today as Iran. Significant research has been done that generally allows us to identify the present names and locations of these ancient names. I will give what I believe this research shows.

Notice first that there are two main coalitions involved at Armageddon, the **king of the north** and the **king of the south** (Daniel 11:40).The king of the north is referred to in Ezekiel as “Gog” who also comes *“out of the north parts.”* Thus both Ezekiel and Daniel tell us the general location of the invading force. It will come from the north.

Continuing with **Ezekiel Chapter 38** regarding the **“king of the north:”**

*15) “Thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts.”*

*2) “Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal.”*

**Note:** Gog is a Hebrew word meaning *mountain* and is the title of **the leader** of this northern confederacy. The word “chief” as used here is from the Hebrew word *“rosh.”*  This word “rosh” is better translated as the noun, “Rosh”, or “Ros” and is oldest name for modern day Russia. “Meshech” is referring to modern day Moscow and “Tubal” to modern day Tobolsk, a historic capital of Siberia in Russia. Thus Gog is a Russian leader. Magog refers to present day Germany.

*5) “Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them.”*

**Note:** Persia is referring to present day Iran, Ethiopia to Ethiopia, or perhaps to Sudan, and Libya to Libya.

*6) “Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters.”*

**Note:** Gomer is referring to present day France and Togarmah to Turkey.

The “King of the north” will thus have the support of Magog and Gomer (Germany and France) the two most influential countries in Europe. We will consider this a little more when we discuss the “beast” of Revelation chapter 16. Thus, Europe will be supporting Russia in her initial attack into the mid-east. We also have Iran to the east of Israel and two nations from northern Africa, Libya and Ethiopia, or as some suggest, the neighboring country of Sudan. Gog, Russia’s leader at this time will thus have significant support from many other nations.

Next let us consider the oppositional force called in Daniel, **“the king of the south.”**

This group of nations is spoken of in Ezekiel chapter 38 as ***“****Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof.”*Tarshish refers to Britain which still has the coat of arms and insignia of the lion. The young lions are the nations that developed from Britain or have been associated with her, such as the USA, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, etc. Sheba and Dedan will also be allied with her and is referring to some nations located in the Arabian Peninsula; perhaps Saudi Arabia and some of the smaller nations further south.

Although there will be two main coalitions *“all nations”* (Zech 14:2) will be involved either directly or indirectly in this Armageddon conflict.

The all-encompassing nature of this conflict will also involve religion. In our quote from Revelation chapter 16 we have the only time that the word “Armageddon” is used in the Bible. Three unclean spirits come out of the mouth of a dragon, a beast and a false prophet which gather the nations to Armageddon. Here, the **dragon** represents Russia as the dominant military force. The **beast** represents the European political power. The “false prophet” obviously has to do with a religious aspect of this conflict. A *“false”* prophet is someone who claims to be speaking on behalf of God, but in fact is giving false information, and so misleading the people. The **false prophet** is the Pope. The religious aspect of this conflict is also shown by the quote, *“the battle of that great day of God Almighty.”* This will be God’s battle. He will be overseeing and directing it, and so it is in some way related to those religious elements that oppose Him. The prophet Joel also refers to the religious nature of this conflict. He says of the nations, *“prepare war”* (Joel 3:9). The word “prepare” as used here is from the Hebrew word *kadash* and means “sanctify, hallow, holy” and is saying in effect “make a holy war.” Thus the combatants moving into the Mid-East area are in some way making a holy war, much like the Catholic Crusades of the 11th, 12th and 13th centuries. Rome of course desires to be the one religion over the whole area and ultimately, the world. Armageddon and the subsequent battles will destroy this myth along with Catholicism itself. All other false religions will similarly be destroyed and Jesus Christ and True Christianity will be the only religion permitted on the earth.

From the quotes discussed so far we can see that there will be both a military and religious aspect of this conflict. The prophet Ezekiel elaborates further on this. Gog, the leader of Russia and the leader of the military aspect of this expedition says, *“I will go up to the land of unwalled villages…to take a spoil, and to take a prey”* (Ezek 38:11-12). Thus there will be a desire for taking the goods of Israel along with an attack on their religion as we have already shown. Remember that the Holy Roman Empire, existing from approximately AD 800 to AD 1800, also had the same two aspects: The “Holy” standing for the religious/Papal and the “Roman” for the civil/military; not coincidentally, this civil/military head was often Germany, the Magog spoken of in Ezekiel chapter 38.

Notice also that Daniel in the Old Testament and Revelation in the New Testament both speak of a “beast.” In these two quotes given above they are speaking of the same beast. To understand this beast better you can read all of Daniel Chapter 7 where this beast along with 3 others is spoken of *(see also item # 13).* The beast spoken of here is the 4th Roman/European Beast and is referring to the European governments that developed out of the Roman Empire. This 4th beast began about 67 BC when Rome took over the geographical area of the third Grecian beast. This Roman European beast/government has gone through many phases in the last 2000 years and it will continue until the time of the end. Daniel tells us plainly what is going to happen to this beast at the time of the end. *“I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame”* (Dan 7:11)*.*  Revelation in chapter 16 tells us that this Roman/European beast would contribute to bringing the nations to Armageddon, “*to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty”.* After Armageddon this Catholic European beast will be wholly destroyed by the fires of war; whereas, the city of Rome, the heart of the religion of Europe, will be totally destroyed by literal fire, probably by a volcanic earthquake (Rev 18).

When Russia makes her move it will be like a “whirlwind” and she will come “*with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships,” “with a great company all of them bearing swords” (Ezekiel chapter 38).* She will come with confidence being supported religiously and politically by Catholic Europe. She will move south through Turkey, through the Mid-east and into Egypt. The opposition from Britain, the king of the south, and her allies will be ineffective.

We must keep in mind that God is involved in this process. He is overseeing all of this and directing it, saying to Russia, “*I will bring thee forth” (Ezek 38:4).* Remember also that the contested area is God’s Land of Israel and specifically Jerusalem (Zech 14:2). And when Gog moves into God’s Land, the land of Israel, God says that *“My fury shall come up in my face”* (Ezek 38:18) and “*then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations” (Zech 14:3).*

God will send forth Jesus Christ along with his newly resurrected and immortalized assistants to do this work. He will deliver Egypt, the nations of the western Saudi Arabian peninsula including Jordan and then continue northward into Jerusalem. Here in Jerusalem the Armageddon conflict will be joined with the Russian, Gogian force.

***This means*** *that we will see in this present time, and continuing into the near future, the economic and military decline of the Anglo powers and the increase of the economic, military and religious powers of Russia, Catholicism and Europe,* so as to allow Gog to be successful over the Anglo powers. These negative and positive developments will continue until Jesus Christ destroys this Russian-Catholic-European confederacy at Armageddon, and then further subdues and brings into subjection all nations of the earth.

1. **Armageddon - The Battle.**

***2 Thes 1:7*** *The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction.*

***Da 12:1*** *And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time.*

***Ezek 38:19*** *In that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel…20 and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground. 21 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man’s sword shall be against his brother. 22 And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.*

***Josh 10:11*** *The LORD cast down* ***great stones*** *from heaven upon them unto Azekah, and they died: they were more which died with* ***hailstones*** *than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.*

***Job 38:22*** *Hast thou seen the treasures of the hail, 23 Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?*

***Zech 14:2*** *For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle… 3 Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight…and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof …and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. 5 … and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee. 6 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark: …12 And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.*

***Ezek 39:1*** *I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: 2 And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee.*

***Rev 16:18*** *And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.*

***Isa 24:1*** *Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof. ..3 The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the LORD hath spoken this word. 4 The earth mourneth and fadeth away, the world languisheth and fadeth away, the haughty people of the earth do languish. 5 The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. 6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.*

***Jer 25:29*** *I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts… 31 for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations… he will give them that are wicked to the sword …33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth.*

***Isa 66:15*** *For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire. 16 For by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slain of the LORD shall be many.*

***Zeph 3:8*** *Gather the nations... all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy.*

***Rev 19:15*** *And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.*

***Rev 11:18*** *And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.*

***Psa 110:5*** *The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath. 6 He shall judge among (the nations – NIV), he shall fill the places with the dead bodies; he shall wound the heads over many countries.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

From our first quote in 2 Thessalonians we see that Jesus Christ is the one overseeing this event!

The “great hailstones, fire, and brimstone” may be referring to **meteorites** striking the earth as occurred at the time of Joshua (Joshua 10:11).

There will be a great earthquake dividing the Mount of Olives and elevating the entire Jerusalem area. There will be “hail” which is probably referring to meteorites striking the earth in this area at this precise time. Remember that fire and brimstone are associated with meteorites as they pass through the earth’s atmosphere and we know that Armageddon will be smitten not just with hail but with fire and brimstone. This would also explain why the light would not be “clear nor dark” (Zech 14:6) since such a “storm” could well block out the sun. God also informed Job that He has a treasure of hail that He has “reserved” “for the day of battle.” And as we have seen, this same terminology was used at the time of Joshua when hail and great stones cast down from heaven are used interchangeably (Joshua 10:11).

**A brief summary** of the destruction shows: ***Ezek 38:18*** *“The mountains shall be thrown down..* *every man’s sword shall be against his brother*… *pestilence and… blood; … an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.”* ***Zech 14:12*** *“Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.”* ***Jer 25:33*** *“And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth.”* ***Ezek 39:1*** *I am against thee, O Gog…2 And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee.*

Reading through these quotes shows the terrible destruction that will occur at Armageddon. And this is just the opening battle! The next forty years will see every earthly government brought into subjection, every false religion utterly eliminated, and God’s will alone done in the earth. Armageddon will thus open the door for the fulfillment of our Lord’s Prayer, *“Thy Kingdom come Thy will be done.”*

1. **Daniel Chapter 7 – The Kingdoms Of Men And The Kingdom Of God.**

***Dan 7:2*** *Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea. 3 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. 4 The first was like a lion, and had eagle’s wings: …5 And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear,…. 6… and lo another, like a leopard, …7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns. 8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things. 9 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. 10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. 11 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. 12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time. 13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. 14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.…16…So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. 17 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth. 18 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever. 19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast…23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces…26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. 27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.*

 **Notes on the Quote:**

We have given a more extensive quote in this instance since it covers a number of aspects relating to the time of the end, the age of Armageddon and the establishment of The Kingdom of God. It also refers to a fourth beast that is slain at the time of the end which is something that needs to be considered.

The four beasts are four kings or kingdoms *“which shall arise out of the earth”* (verse 17). From history we know that these four kingdoms were 1) the Babylonian, 2) the Medo-Persian, 3) the Greek and 4) the Roman.

All four of these kingdoms had successive control over the entire mid-east area including God’s Land, the land of Israel. The Babylonian kingdom took control over the area in 606 BC; the Medo-Persian wrested control from the Babylonians in 536 BC; the Greeks, under the leadership of Alexander the Great took over this area in 334 BC; and the Romans in 67 BC. From God’s perspective these kingdoms, controlled by men, were beastly kingdoms, or “beasts.”

Jesus Christ was born under the dominion of the Roman kingdom. This 4th beast of Rome took part in the crucifixion of Jesus Christ in AD 33 and in the destruction of Jerusalem in AD 70. No other world power ever took control of the Romans although they did decline into the 10 nations of Europe. This is referred to in verse 7 above as the beast with “ten horns” or nation powers. This Roman government has continued in varying states of existence for the past 2000 years and will continue until it is “slain” (verse 11) by Jesus Christ - “*one like the Son of man”* (verse 13). *“And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed” (verse 14).*

The kingdoms controlled by men will be taken away from them and the Kingdom of God will be established over the entire earth. This will be the same kingdom that Jesus and his disciples preached of when he was first on the earth: “*Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel* (“the good news”) *of the kingdom of God”* (Mark 1:14); (Paul also preached) *“the things concerning the kingdom of God”* (Acts 19:8).

It is the same “kingdom” that Jesus told us to pray for in the Lord’s Prayer, “*Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven...13 For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever”* (Matthew 6:10-13). *“Amen”!*

1. **The Jews Will Return To The Land Of Israel And Be Accepted By God As His People.**

***Rom 11:2*** *God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew…26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob.*

***Ezek 11:17*** *I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.*

***Ezek 36:24*** *I will take you from among the [nations- NIV], and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.*

***Ezek 37:21*** *Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the [nations – NIV], whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land: 22 And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all…23 Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God. 24 And David my servant* [better: “my beloved servant”, i.e. Jesus Christ] *shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them. 25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children’s children for ever: and my servant David* [better: “my beloved servant”] *shall be their prince for ever. 26 Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.*

***Jer 3:14*** *Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:*

***Ezek 39:23-29*** *And [“the nations” – NIV] shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity: because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword. 24 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them. 25 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; [I will now bring Jacob back from captivity –NIV] and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name; …27 When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies’ lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations; 28 Then shall they know that I am the LORD their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the [nations – NIV]: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there.*

***Jer 30:10*** *Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid.*

***Lev 26:40*** *If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me; 41 And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity: 42 Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land…44 And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am the LORD their God. 45 But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God.*

***Zech 13:9*** *They shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

The Jews, because of their disobedience were punished, ruled over, driven out and scattered by the Assyrians, Babylonians, and the Greeks. Finally because of their wickedness and obstinacy, God, using the Romans, destroyed their temple and drove them out of their land. This occurred in AD 70 and occurred to the same generation of Jews who had participated in the death of their Messiah. They were scattered among the Gentiles where those who hated them ruled over them and they have been the tail and not the head, even as God had warned them would occur if they were disobedient to Him (Deut 28:15-68). For about 2000 years they have been scattered and punished so as to humble them and prepare them for the great work that God has planned for them. God will bring them back to the land that He gave to their fathers and will reestablish the Israelitish kingdom, the Kingdom of God, upon the earth.

After Solomon’s death the children of Israel were divided into two kingdoms, the northern kingdom of Israel, and the southern kingdom of Judah. In these quotes it is prophesied that they will be regathered in the latter days, and be one nation. This has already begun in a limited way. This “regathering” will come more fully after Armageddon when they acknowledge and accept Jesus Christ as their Messiah. God also informed them that they would have one king reigning over them. This king, God promised them, would be His beloved servant. The word “David” means “beloved” and this passage should be translated “my beloved servant” (Ezek 37:25).

The word “heathen” is from the Hebrew *gowy,* *goy* or plural, *goyim* meaning, “Gentile nations”, or just “nations”, as the NIV correctly translates it. From AD 70, for about the next 2000 years, the Jews were scattered throughout the nations. They were in some measure regathered in the 1900’s, became a nation in 1948 and took control over Jerusalem in 1967. A more complete regathering will occur after Armageddon.

It is well worth looking up the complete quotes given above and carefully reading through them. Much of Traditional Christianity has a mistaken view of the plan that God has for Israel’s natural children. God will yet, send Jesus Christ their deliverer out of Zion, turn away their ungodliness and be their God (Romans chapter 11). God will yet say, “*It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.” (Zech 13:9).*  God has not wasted the past two thousand years but has used it to thoroughly humble His people and prepare them for their coming work in His Kingdom. Their latter end will be glorious.

1. **The Jews Will Be Completely Humbled And Reformed When Their Veil Is Removed After Armageddon.**

***2 Cor 3:14*** *But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which vail is done away in Christ…16 Nevertheless when it* [their heart] *shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away.*

***Rom 11:2*** *God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew… 26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob.*

***Zech 12:9*** *And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. 10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son.*

***Ezek 39:23*** *The house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity: because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword. 24 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them. 25… [I will now bring Jacob back from capitivity – NIV] and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name; 26 After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, …27 When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies’ lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations; 28 Then shall they know that I am the LORD their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen [the nations – NIV]: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there. 29 Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.*

***Ezek 20:41*** *I will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen [the Gentile nations]. 42 And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers. 43 And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed. 44 And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I have wrought with you for my name’s sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.*

***Ezek 16:60*** *Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with thee in the days of thy youth, and I will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant. 61 Then thou shalt remember thy ways, and be ashamed... 62 And I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD: 63 That thou mayest remember, and be confounded, and never open thy mouth any more because of thy shame, when I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord GOD.*

***Zeph 3:11*** *In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty because of my holy mountain. 12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD. 13 The remnant of Israel shall not do iniquity, nor speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make them afraid.*

***Ezek 11:19*** *I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel. 18 And they shall come thither, and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof and all the abominations thereof from thence. 19 And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh: 20 That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.*

***Ezek 36:25*** *Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. 26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. 28 And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God. 29 I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you. 30 And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen. 31 Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good, and shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations. 32 Not for your sakes do I this, saith the Lord GOD, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel. 33 Thus saith the Lord GOD; In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities I will also cause you to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded. 34 And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by.*

***Jer 24:7*** *And I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the LORD: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.*

***Zech 13:9*** *And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.*

***Isa 40:1*** *Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. 2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD’S hand double for all her sins.*

***Jer 16:15***  *I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers…**17* *For mine eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from my face, neither is their iniquity hid from mine eyes. 18 And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double; because they have defiled my land, they have filled mine inheritance with the carcases of their detestable and abominable things.*

***Micah 4:8*** *And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 The Jews, the natural seed of Israel, have been and are still being punished double for their sins but with the purpose of humbling and reforming them and preparing them for their work with their Messiah in the Kingdom Age. God hath NOT cast away His people! There is still a veil over their eyes, however, when they at Armageddon are miraculously delivered from a greater holocaust than their parents and when their deliver identifies himself to be Jesus Christ whom they crucified and when they see the nail prints in his hands and when they look upon their fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Israel who have been immortalized, they will be thoroughly humbled; they will “*lothe themselves, be ashamed and confounded and their stony heart will be removed” (see quotes above).* Their two thousand years of punishment will perfectly prepare them to humbly submit to Jesus Christ as their Savior, Lord, and King.

 They will then become the head of the nations as they have been the tail (Deut. 28:13), with Jesus Christ “the king of the Jews” and of all the earth living amongst them in Jerusalem the Capital City of the earth, with the 12 Apostles now immortal, governing them (Matt 19:28). God will say of them, “*It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD [Yahweh] is my God.”*

 It is perhaps worth noting the parable between Joseph and Jesus Christ. They were both beloved of their father, spoke in parables, hated of their brethren, put into a pit without water (symbolic of the grave), went into a far country for a long time, in that country they become rulers next unto the king, in a time of great distress for their Jewish brethren they reveal themselves to them, saved them and give them a special place in the land. The life of Joseph was a living parable, showing what would happen in the future between their Messiah and his natural unfaithful brethren. Their Messiah will yet save them.

1. **The Jews Will Be A Special People In The Kingdom Age.**

***Zech 8:23*** *Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.*

***Zech 13:9*** *And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.*

***Jer 30:18*** *Thus saith the LORD; Behold, [I will restore the fortunes of Jacob’s tents – NIV], and have mercy on his dwellingplaces; and the city shall be builded upon her own heap… and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small. 20 Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them. 21 And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the LORD. 22 And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.*

***Hosea 2:18*** *And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven, and with the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, and will make them to lie down safely. 19 And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies. 20 I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the LORD…23 And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to them which were not my people, Thou art my people; and they shall say, Thou art my God.*

***Isa 60:1*** *Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. 2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. 3 And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. 4 Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. 5 Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee…9 Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee. 10 And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favour have I had mercy on thee. 11 Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought. 12 For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted. 13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious. 14 The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee, The city of the LORD, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel. 15 Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through thee, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations. 16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I the LORD am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob. 17 For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness. 18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise. 19 The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory. 20 Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended. 21 Thy people also shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified. 22 A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the LORD will hasten it in his time.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 God’s glory will soon arise upon His people and His land (Isa 60). When this occurs *“Ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations… of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you” (****Zech 8:23).***The Jews remaining after Armageddon will be refined as silver and tried as gold and those who fully accept Yahweh and His king Jesus Christ will be betrothed to God. God will say, “*It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God” (****Zech 13:9).***

1. **After Armageddon Catholic Europe Will Fight Against Jesus And Be Destroyed As A Polity.**

***Rev 17:1*** *And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: 2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. 3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness:**and**I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. 4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: 5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. 6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus.*

***Rev 17:14*** *These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.*

***Psa 2:1*** *Why do [the nations-NIV] rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed, saying, 3 Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us. 4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. 5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure. 6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. 7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the [nations- NIV] for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. 9 Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel. 10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. 11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.*

***Dan 7:11*** *I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.*

***Dan 2:31*** *Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof was terrible. 32 This image’s head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass, 33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay. 34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Armageddon will mainly involve the destruction of the military might of Russia while she is in the land of Israel. Although Catholic Europe will have supported them, Europe itself will be essentially untouched. This will change. After Armageddon, Catholic Europe will view this new leader of the Jews as the Antichrist with supernatural powers from Satan and will at the instigation of the Papacy, *“make war with the Lamb”* (Rev 17:14). This once again brings war to the heart of Europe. The entire Catholic European Beast will be slain, that is, it will be utterly destroyed by the fires of war and Jesus Christ will take direct governmental control over this whole area. During this conflict the home of the “false prophet” (Rev 16:13), Rome itself, the so-called eternal city, will be utterly destroyed by literal fire (Rev 18).

Both Daniel chapter 7 and Revelation chapter 17 speak of a “beast.” It is the same beast that is referred to in both of these quotes. In Daniel chapter 7 there are 4 different beasts spoken of, the Assyrian/Babylonian beast, the Medo-Persian beast, the Grecian beast, and the 4th Roman beast *(see Item # 13 above).* This fourth Roman beast continued in various phases from its inception at about 67 BC for approximately the next 2000 years. It will finally be slain by Jesus Christ after Armageddon and its body politic destroyed. This is the fate that awaits Catholic Europe. Before its destruction a proclamation will go forth from Jesus Christ saying, *“Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues 5 For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities”* (Rev 18:4).

We have also included Daniel Chapter 2 at this time since it may be more familiar to the reader than Daniel Chapter 7. Both Daniel Chapter 2 and Daniel Chapter 7 show the same 4 kingdoms of men. In Daniel Chapter 2 Nebuchadnezzar had a vision of a great, glorious, metal image of a man made up of 4 different metals. This represented the same four kingdoms mentioned above. The last iron kingdom of Rome was separated into the 10-toed nations of Europe. This Roman, feet phase of the kingdom will be smitten by the stone Jesus Christ, the image beaten into pieces and the Kingdom of God will fill the entire earth. This corresponds to Daniel Chapter 7 where the fourth Roman “beast was slain” and then the saints took over the kingdom (Dan 7:11 and 27).

 It is also interesting to note that from man’s point of view, in Daniel Chapter 2, the kingdoms of men are represented as a glorious image of a metallic man. In Daniel Chapter 7 we see God’s perspective. They are beasts.

Revelation 17:3-6 shows that a woman was sitting upon this Catholic/European beast. A “woman”, symbolically speaking, is referring to a religious system. Paul shows this when he speaks of the religious believers in Christ as representing a woman, a *“chaste virgin”* (2 Corinthians 11:2), and the apostle John shows these faithful believers as the *“bride”* of Christ (Rev 21:9). The religious system shown here in Revelation chapter 17 was also a woman. However she was not only unchaste but was a “great whore”, spiritually unfaithful, morally filthy and drunken with the blood of the saints. This “woman” is referring to the Papacy that down through the years has been filled with immoralities and has on her hands the blood of many tens of thousands of both natural Jew and believing Gentile. Notice also that she is riding upon the 10 horned beast of Europe; as the rider of a horse guides and directs the horse, so too the Papacy is sitting upon and guiding and directing the policies of this European/Roman beast.

1. **The City of Rome Will Be Totally Destroyed By Fire.**

***Rev 17:3*** *I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. 4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: 5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. 6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus…14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them.*

***Rev 18:2*** *Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. …8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her. 9 …when they shall see the smoke of her burning, 10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come. …18 And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is like unto this great city! …21 And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all. …23 for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived. 24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Rome, the “eternal city” spoken of here symbolically as, *“Babylon the Great the mother of harlots” (Rev 17:5)* is completely destroyed by fire, seemingly from a volcanic eruption from the description that God has given us in Rev Chapter 18. We know that “Babylon the Great” is symbolic since the city of Babylon has already been destroyed. Its destruction began with the Medes and Persians about 536 BC. Babylon the Great is therefore a symbolic system that has retained the false idolatrous worship of the original city of Babylon. After Armageddon Rome with her Catholic supporters will *“make war with the Lamb”* (Rev 17:14) and Rome will be completely destroyed by fire.

**Part 3**

**The Kingdom Of God**

1. **The Gospel Of The Kingdom Of God Is The Basic Message Of The Old Testament.**

***Gen 3:14*** *And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: 15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.*

***Gen 12:1*** *Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father’s house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.*

***Gen 17:1*** *The LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, …behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. 5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. 6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee…8 And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.*

***Gal 3:8*** *God… preached before* ***the gospel*** *unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed…Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ*.

***2 Sam 7:4*** *The word of the LORD came unto Nathan, saying, 5 Go and tell my servant David…12 when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever. 14 I will be his father, and he shall be my son.*

***Dan 2:44*** *And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.*

***Dan 7:27*** *And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.*

***Isa 9:7*** *Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever.*

***Zech 14:9*** *The LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

In Genesis chapter 3 God tells the serpent that He would provide an offspring from the woman who would crush the head of the serpent and so destroy all the evil that he, the serpent, had brought into the world. Thus the “good news” begins in Genesis. In Genesis chapters 12 and 17 God tells Abraham that this offspring, this Promised Seed, would come through him and that in him, Abraham, and in this Seed, all the nations of the earth would be blessed. As we continue on we see that David was also promised that this Seed would come through him, would sit on his throne (Isa 9:7; Luke 1:32) and that this Promised Seed’s kingdom would last forever. The good news of this coming kingdom is also spoken of in Daniel and Zechariah, yea it is the fundamental message of the Old Testament.

 In our quotes above we have included a quote from the book of Galatians in the New Testament. This shows that what God preached to Abraham was the **“gospel”,** the good news that the special seed promised to Abraham was Jesus Christ. The teaching and preaching of Jesus was focused on this. Mark 1:14 *“Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God.”*

1. **The Gospel Of The Kingdom Of God Is Also The Basic Message Of The New Testament.**

***Mark 1:14*** *Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God.*

***Acts 8:25*** (Peter and John) *preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.*

***Acts 19:8*** (Paul preached) *the things concerning the kingdom of God.*

***Acts 8:12*** *When they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.*

***Gal 3:8*** *God… preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed…9 So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham... 26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if ye be Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.*

**Matt 6:9** [Jesus said] *After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. 10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven… 13 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.*

***Acts 28:30*** *And Paul …received all that came in unto him, 31 Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ.*

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever… 17 We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

The word “gospel” is from the Greek word *euaggelion,* and signifies “good news.” As we can see from the context, the “good news” that was preached by Jesus, by the apostles and the other teachers in New Testament times was the good news concerning God’s coming kingdom (Mark 1:14). Jesus in the Lord’s Prayer told his disciples to pray for this kingdom to come so that God’s will would be done in the earth even as His will is now done in heaven (Matt 6:10). This “gospel” of God’s coming Kingdom was the same good news that was preached in the Old Testament as shown in Galatians Chapter 3 where God preached this *“gospel”* to Abraham telling him that when His Kingdom came to the earth, all the nations of the earth would be blessed in him and in his seed, Jesus Christ. We too can become heirs, or inheritors, of this same promise made to Abraham and Jesus Christ, by believing this same gospel message and the name of Jesus Christ and then being baptized into Jesus. When we are properly baptized into Christ we have “put on Christ” and so the same promises that were made to Abraham and to Christ were also made to us (Gal 3:29)!

 It should be noted however, that someone dipped into water **without believing** the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ is NOT baptized. They are someone who has been dipped in water. They lack the necessary scriptural belief. In Acts 8:12 it says*, “When they* ***believed*** *Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.” (See also Item #’s 50-51).*

 **The Kingdom Of God Will Be The Restored Kingdom Of Israel**

**Note:**

This section is essential for one to understand God’s Plan concerning His coming Kingdom. However since this section of God’s word is so generally misunderstood we have attempted to simplify it into subsections with only one or two Bible Quotes each. It is our hope that this will give the reader a general overview so as to see the big picture without getting lost in the details. A fuller consideration of each of these subsections is given at our Web Site TheNewWorldOrder.org under “Basic Bible Topics/A Declaration For Beginners” and “Basic Bible Topics/Bible Finger Posts.”

**The Kingdom of God existed in the past**

***1Chron 28:5*** *And of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many sons,) he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.*

**Note:**

Here David, through the Holy Spirit, is informing us that the throne that he and Solomon were sitting upon was *“the throne of the kingdom of the LORD.”* That is, they were sitting on God’s throne as the king over God’s kingdom.

 **The Kingdom of God was overturned because of Israel’s disobedience**

***Eze 21:26*** *Thus saith the Lord GOD; Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this shall not be the same: exalt him that is low, and abase him that is high. 27 I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no more, until he come whose right it is; and I will give it him.*

**Note:**

Here God was speaking to Zedekiah, the last king to sit upon David’s throne. The throne of this southern Kingdom of Judah was overturned by God because of their wickedness in about 585 BC. God used His “servant Nebuchadnezzar” (Jer 25:9) to overturn His kingdom. Zedekiah’s sons were killed before his eyes, his own eyes were then put out and he was taken as a captive to Babylon.

**God’s Kingdom Will Be Restored**

***Ezek 21: 27*** *It shall be no more,* ***until*** *he come whose right it is; and I will give it him.*

***Luke 1:30*** *And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary…thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32… and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.*

***Acts 1:6*** *They asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?*

 **Note:**

In **Ezekiel** above we see that the kingdom would be no more “until” someone came who had the right to sit upon the throne as its king. In **Luke** the angel told Mary that Jesus was the one who would attain to this right. In **Acts,** after Jesus was resurrected, his apostles ask him if this was the time to *“restore again”* the kingdom to Israel. Jesus responded that God had determined that they should not be told of the time when the Kingdom would be restored (Acts 1:7). The theme of all of these quotes is the same; the Kingdom of God would be the restored Kingdom of Israel.

1. **The Kingdom Of God – An Overview Of It’s Coming Reality.**

***Dan 2:44*** *The God of heaven [shall] set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed.*

***Zech 14:9*** *And the LORD shall be king over all the earth.*

***Dan 7:13*** *The Son of man came with the clouds of heaven…14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve and obey him.*

***Psa 2:6*** *Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the* [nations - NIV] *for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.*

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ: and he shall reign for ever.*

***Rev 19:11*** *He should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron.*

***Psa 72:11*** *Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him…17 His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun: and men shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed.*

***Isa 60:12*** *For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

***Micah 4:2*** *And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. 4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.*

***Matt 6:9*** *[Jesus said] After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. 10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven… 13 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.*

***Mark 1:14*** *Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God.*

***Acts 8:12*** *When they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.*

***Matt 19:27*** *Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? 28 And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.*

***Luke 19:16*** *Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds. 17 And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

After Armageddon Jesus Christ will require that all nations and religions submit unconditionally to his authority as the God appointed king over The Kingdom of God.

The Kingdom of God will be a “king”-“dom,” the “dominion” of a “king.” This king, Jesus Christ, will have the unconditional authority of God to reign as the king over this kingdom. This kingdom will be a divine political kingdom that will govern the entire earth. It will have laws that will be issued from the Capital City of Jerusalem by Jesus Christ the King which will go to all of the earth. “*The law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.* *And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off” (Micah 4:2-3).* This Kingdom will thus be a Theocratic benevolent dictatorship ruled by Jesus Christ with his faithful immortal assistants. The 12 tribes of Israel will have 12 areas in the holy land from *“from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates”* (Gen 15:18) which will be governed by the 12 apostles (Matt 19:27). Other immortal assistants will have authority over the other cities of the earth (Luke 19:16). During this Kingdom Age, also referred to as the Millennium, mankind will give glory to God in the highest, and on earth there will be peace, and good will toward men (Luke 2:14). There will be judgment and justice in the earth. All wars will cease. Food will abound for all the peoples of the earth. There will be one common worship and religion; all men will properly worship the God of Heaven and the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea (Isa. 11:9).

 This blessed kingdom will last for 1000 years after which there will be a resurrection and judgment for those mortals who have lived and died during this period. Those who are judged to be acceptable will be perfected with immortal life. All others will die and cease to exist forever, without thoughts or memory. Then, “*God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away” (Rev 21:4).*

 **After Armageddon Jesus Christ Will Be The King Of The Earth.**

***Psa. 2:6*** *Yet have I set my KING upon my holy hill of Zion. 7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art MY SON; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the (nations – NIV) for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.*

***Dan 7:13*** *The Son of man came with the clouds of heaven…14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve and obey him.*

***Psa 72:11*** *Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him…17 His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun: and men shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed.*

***Isa 60:12*** *For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

***Luk 1:30*** *And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.*

***Matt 25:31*** *When the Son of man* [i.e. Jesus Christ] *shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory.*

***Act 2:30*** *God had sworn with an oath to …raise up Christ to sit on his [David’s] throne.*

***Matt 21:5*** *Thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.*

***John 18:37****, Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a King then? Jesus answered…To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Jesus Christ will be the king of the Kingdom of God and will have his throne in Zion, which is another name for Jerusalem. This was also the location of David’s throne and Jesus Christ will sit upon the same throne, in the same location, Jesus Christ being the special son promised to David to sit upon his throne. The throne of Jesus however will be greater than the throne of David in that Jesus will inherit and rule over all the nations of the earth. When this occurs all of the other rulers will fall down before him, acknowledging him to be the king of the earth, and all nations will serve him.

1. **Jesus Christ Will Be The King Over The Kingdom Of God On The Reestablished Throne Of David.**

***2 Sam 7:8*** *Say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts…12 when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever. 14 I will be his father, and he shall be my son…16…thy throne shall be established for ever.*

***Luke 1:30*** *The angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.*

***Isa 9:7*** *Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever.*

***Matt 21:9*** *And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

In 2 Samuel Chapter 7 God is speaking to David through the prophet Nathan. Notice that this promised son would be genetically from David, yet God would be his Father. Jesus was genetically from David through Mary and God was the Father through the Holy Spirit (Luke 1:35), exactly as prophesied. Notice also that by comparing the two prophesies we can see that the promise to Mary through the angel Gabriel was specifically relating to the promise made to David in 2 Samuel. In Christ’s ministry upon the earth the common people recognized that Jesus Christ was that special seed promised to King David who would sit upon the throne of David over Israel and who shouted to the dismay of the Jewish rulers, “*Hosanna to the Son of David.”*

For the 1000 year millennial period Jesus Christ, the beloved and faithful son of God, will be given the authority of kingship to act on behalf of God over the Kingdom of God. His faithful immortal assistants will work cooperatively with him on this behalf.

1. **The Righteous Will At This Time Also Inherit The Earth With Jesus Christ.**

***Matt 5:5*** *Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth.*

***Psa 37:9*** *For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.... 11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace…29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.*

***Isa 60:21*** *Thy people also shall be all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever.*

***Rev 5:10*** *And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.*

***Matt 19:27*** *Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? 28 And Jesus said unto them, …in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.*

***Luke 19:17*** *And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 God’s faithful servants who in their mortal lives humbly submit to His righteous commandments will be resurrected from their death state and given eternal life. It is these meek ones that will then “inherit the earth.” The earth has always been the promised inheritance of the righteous; not the heavens. When the earth is perfected however, it will become part of God’s perfected heavenly universe *(see item # 61).*

1. **The Faithful Believers Will Be Made Immortal And Will Assist Jesus Christ From Jerusalem.**

***1 Cor 15:42*** *So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: 43 It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: 44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. 45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. 46 Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual…51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.*

***Luke 20:36*** *Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.*

***2Pet 1:4*** *Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

***Rev 1:6*** *And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.*

***Rev 5:10*** *And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Those judged to be acceptable by Jesus Christ at his judgment seat will have their mortal dying bodies changed to glorious non-dying immortal bodies, *“of the divine nature”, “equal unto the angels;”* then, as *“kings and priests”* they will assist Jesus Christ in governing the earth.

Our present mortal, dying body is not designed to live for all eternity. It is also defective in that it has inherited not only death from Adam and Eve, but also the devilish serpent-like tendency to sin *(see item #’s 59-60).* And as we know from Romans 6:23, *“the wages of sin is death.”* Our body must be changed to an immortal body of the “divine nature,” without the human tendencies to sin. As such it will be fitted for eternity in God’s universe. This is the purpose of the resurrection and judgment. Those who came to an accurate knowledge of the things of God during their mortal lifetime, and have died, will have their mortal bodies made alive again. This is the resurrection. If they are judged by Jesus Christ to be acceptable they will have their mortal bodies *“changed in the twinkling of an eye”* into an immortal body. If Jesus Christ judges them to be unworthy they will be left in their mortal dying bodies and eventually die and cease to exist forever; *“they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake”* (Jer 51:57), without thoughts or memory; *“His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish”* (Psa 146:4). We see then, that, *your body is you.* ***When it dies, you die*,** and have no more thoughts or memory. The false view of an ever living essence called the soul is a continuation of the serpent lie *(see item # 63).*

 **The Saints: Who They Are And What They Will Do.**

***2 Cor 1:1*** *Paul …unto the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints which are in all Achaia.*

***Eph 1:1*** *Paul… to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus.*

***Php 1:1*** *Paul and Timotheus… to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi.*

***Dan 7:18*** *But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever… 27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.*

***Rev 5:10*** *And* [thou] *hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.*

***Rev 20:4*** *they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 In the first three quotes above Paul is writing to the churches of Corinth, Ephesus and Philippi. He addresses all of the members as “saints”. The word saint in all of these passages is from the Greek word *hagios* and means *holy, separated for God’s use.*  All those who ultimately are accepted by Jesus Christ to be his immortal assistants will have been holy and separated for God’s use during their mortal lives. Thus all of the properly baptized believers in the true Church of God are “saints” in the scriptural sense.

 In Daniel Chapter 7 quoted above we see that the “saints” will inherit the kingdom. In Revelation 5:10 above we see that this same group of accepted believers are kings and priests and will reign with Christ on the earth.

1. **The Kingdom Of God Will Be A Benevolent Theocratic Dictatorship.**

***Psa 72:11*** *Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.*

***Isa 60:12*** *For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

***Psa 72:2*** *He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment. 3 The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness. 4 He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor.*

***Micah 4:2*** *The law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. 4 But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.*

***Zec 14:16*** *And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles. 17 And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 God’s laws will be issued from Jerusalem through God’s king, Jesus Christ. In Armageddon and the subsequent wars, Jesus Christ will bring all nations into full subjection and *“rule them with a rod of iron”* (Rev 2:27), permitting no dissent whatever from his commands. Many will fight against this imposition “a*nd the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground” (Jer 25:3).* Once however the millennial kingdom is fully established, and all of mankind fully submits, God’s blessings will rest fully upon all the inhabitants of the earth. Although this may seem harsh from our limited human perspective, it is exactly what is needed. In God’s Kingdom, God will insist that mankind live in a way that is in his ultimate best interest; and in a way that gives proper glory to God.

**Part 4**

**The Conditions Of The Kingdom Of God**

1. **The Millennium – One Thousand Years Of The Kingdom Of God On The Earth.**

***Rev 20:4*** *They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.*

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

***Matt19:28***  *Jesus said …when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also [the apostles] shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.*

***Rev 5:10*** *And hast made us [those given immortality] unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.*

***Matt 25:31*** *When the Son of man shall come in his glory… then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory.*

***Luke 19:17*** *Thou good servant…have thou authority over ten cities.*

***Rev 2:26*** *To him will I give power over the nations: 27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron.*

***Isa 16:4*** *The extortioner is at an end, the spoiler ceaseth, the oppressors are consumed out of the land. 5 And in mercy shall the throne be established: and he shall sit upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking judgment, and hasting righteousness.*

***Isa 2:3*** *He will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law.*

***Isa 32:17*** *The work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.*

***Isa 11:9*** *The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*

***Isa 25:7*** *He will destroy… the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 The believers who have attained to immortality will *“reign”* with Jesus. The word “reign” signifies to rule with sovereign authority. They will reign as *“kings and priests”* (Rev 5:10) thus having both civil and religious authority. The apostles were already notified that they would govern the 12 tribes of Israel whereas we are told that the other immortals would rule over the other cities of the earth (Luke 19:17). All of the mortal people of the earth will at this time have an accurate knowledge of God the Creator since the veil covering their eyes will have been taken away. This one thousand year period will therefore consist of immortals, Jesus Christ and his assistants, reigning over the mortals who have submitted to his authority. Those who refused to submit will have been destroyed.

Notice that the quotes on the Millennium are essentially the same ones as for “The Kingdom of God.” This is, of course, because the Millennium is referring to the one thousand year period that The Kingdom of God will be on the earth with Jesus Christ as king.

This will be the same Kingdom that Jesus Christ preached of while he was on the earth; *Mark 1:14 “Jesus came…preaching the gospel [the good news] of the kingdom of God.”*  It is the same prayer that we pray for in our Lord’s Prayer, *“Thy Kingdom come”.* In the Millennium our prayer will be fulfilled and God’s Kingdom will be a reality. God will be over all in “The Kingdom of God.” He will however appoint His beloved and faithful son, Jesus Christ, to be the King over the earth and to bring everything into subjection to His will. Jesus Christ will thus have the full authority of God as King over His Kingdom and will in turn have immortal assistants who had been faithful during their brief mortal life and whom he had judged to be worthy of immortality. Their bodies will have been changed from mortal bodies to immortal “spiritual bodies” (1 Corinth 15:44) that never die *(see item # 6).* These faithful immortal assistants will *“reign”* (Rev 20:4) with Jesus Christ.

1. **Satan Will Be Bound During The Millennium.**

***Rev 20:1*** *And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.*

***Gen 3:1*** *Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made…4**And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die.*

***Mark 7:21*** *For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, 22 Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: 23 All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.*

***Gal 5:19*** *The works of the flesh… Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, 21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like.*

***Rom 8:3*** *God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.*

***John 8:44*** *Ye* [Scribes and Pharisees] *are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.*

***Heb 2:14*** *Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself* [Jesus Christ] *likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil.*

***Rom 7:18*** *For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing:*

***Matt 23:33*** *Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?*

***1 John 2:15*** *Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. 17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.*

***James 1:14*** *But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. 15) Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

*“The dragon, that old serpent,* ***which is*** *the Devil, and Satan” (Rev 20:1)* will be bound for one thousand years. Notice that the dragon, that old serpent, the Devil and Satan **are all one and the same**. It (they) will be bound for 1000 years.

The serpent is referring to the serpent in the Garden of Eden. He lied about God and so slandered and falsely accused God of telling a lie. What the serpent did in, “slandering and falsely accusing” is in fact the meaning of the word “devil.” The Greek word for “devil” in this instance is “diabolos” and means, *“slanderer or false accuser.”* When Adam and Eve sinned this serpent principle entered into their genetic makeup and their bodies then had *a tendency to sin* and so they became dying bodies, since “the wages of sin is death” (Rom 6:23). We all have this tendency within us and those who allow it free expression are allowing this tendency to rule their lives. This is why Jesus was able to call some people in his day, “serpents” and “devils” (John 8:44; Matt 23:33). They were people who indulged in and expressed in themselves this diabolical serpent principle residing within them. Paul in Romans 7:18 said that within the flesh that he had inherited from Adam and Eve dwelt “no good thing.” Philosophers often call this tendency within us “the human condition.” In our quote from Revelation chapter 20 above we see that this tendency to sin will be prohibited from expressing itself in its various desires against God. It will be “bound” and so will not be able *to “****deceive*** *the nations”* (Rev 20:3). The serpent **deceived** Eve in the Garden of Eden. And Jeremiah 17:9 informs us that *“The heart is* ***deceitful*** *above all things, and desperately wicked.”* Our inherited fleshly desires and tendencies **deceive** us into thinking that we can do whatever we innately desire to do without regarding the laws of God.

The word “Satan” is from the Greek word “Satanas” or in the Hebrew, “Satan.” This word is often left un-translated and moved directly from the original language into the English, as in our quote above. The meaning of the word “Satan” is simply *“adversary.”* It can be any adversary, but is often referred to as an adversary to God.

Keeping in mind that the dragon the old serpent “is” the devil and Satan, let us continue. We have inherited the serpent tendencies within us from our natural father and mother, Adam and Eve. This serpent tendency results in mankind developing a system of things that are in harmony with his own innate nature. Hence the societies, governments and religions that mankind has developed emanated from his own fleshly serpent thinking. It is this that is satanic, or, adversarial to God. These *“Satanic”* societies, governments and religions are what 1 John 2:15 above is referring to when he speaks of the “world.” The word “*world”* in the Greek is *kosmos* and signifies *the order of things, the government, the world affairs.* We should not “love” this satanic order of things since it is an adversary to God and it will *“pass away”* when the Kingdom of God takes over.

During this One Thousand year period the mortal populations will still have the same kind of bodies with the same tendencies that we have now. They will still “desire” to express this fleshly inherited tendency and so desire to establish their own societies, governments and religions as they see fit. This will not be permitted. Jesus Christ will *“rule them with a rod of iron”* (Rev 2:27), absolutely forbidding such an expression. These desires and tendencies will be “bound” and so prohibited from expressing themselves.

This will result in a substantial reduction of sin which will in turn allow God to, in some significant measure, reduce the curse upon the earth and mankind. The earth will give forth her increase of food to the peoples and mankind will have their lives extended so that they will live for hundreds of years before death overtakes them.

**To summarize:** *“The dragon, that old serpent,* ***which is*** *the Devil, and Satan”* is the inherited tendency to sin within us *along with* the societal, religious and governmental expressions of this tendency. These “slanderous” and “adversarial” “human nature” tendencies within us will be bound and so limited in their ability to express themselves for 1000 years.

1. **God’s Laws Will Be In The Earth.**

***Micah 4:2*** *And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off.*

***Isa 2:3***  *Out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 4 And he shall judge among the nations.*

***Isa 42:1*** *Behold my servant…shall bring forth judgment to the (nations - NIV)…4) He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law.*

***Zech 9:9*** *(RSV) Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!...Lo your king comes to you…10 and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.*

***Zech 14:16*** *And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles. 17 And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.*

***Isa 60:12****, For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

***Jer 23:5*** *Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

We have seen that God’s Kingdom will be coming to the earth, as shown, for example, in our Lord’s Prayer, *“Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven”* (Matt 6:10). It is therefore obvious that His government with His laws must also necessarily be in the earth. These above quotes demonstrate this, *“for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem” (Micah 4:2).*

1. **All Of The Governments Of Mankind On The Earth Will Be Taken Over By God.**

***Dan 2:44****, And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.*

***Dan 2:35*** *Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.*

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

***Zech 14:9*** *And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.*

***Psa 22:27*** *All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee. 28 For the kingdom is the LORD’S: and he is the governor among the nations.*

***Matt 6:9*** *Our Father which art in heaven … 10 Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven…For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.*

***Isa 60:12*** *For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

***Dan 7:22*** *The Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.*

***Mark 1:14*** *Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel* (“the good news”) *of the kingdom of God.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

With God being king over all the earth there will be no place for mankind to have his own governments, laws or religions, as he has today. *“For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted”* (Isa 60:12). In Daniel Chapter 2 verse 35 he speaks of the kingdoms of men saying that they were all *“broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.”* The stone that will smite the image of the kingdoms of men will of course be Jesus Christ, *“the stone that the builders rejected”* who will yet become the head of the corner (Matt 21:42).

When Jesus Christ was on the earth he preached this good news of the coming kingdom of God when he, Jesus Christ, would be the king over the earth and oversee and implement God’s laws in God’s kingdom.

1. **All Peoples And Nations Will Be Required To Obey Jesus Christ, The King Of The Earth.**

***Psa 72:11*** *Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.*

***Psa 2:10*** *Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. 11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.*

***Isa 60:12*** *For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

***Micah 4:2*** *Many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.*

1. **God’s Glory Will Fill The Earth.**

***Num 14:21*** *But as truly as I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.*

***Hab 2:14*** *For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*

***Luke 2:14*** *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.*

***Rev 22:3*** *And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him.*

***Jer 31:****34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.*

***Mark 12:29*** *And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: 30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. 31 And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.*

***Rev 21:3*** *And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. 4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. 5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 Only when mankind gives “glory to God in the highest” will there be peace on the earth and good will toward men (Luke 2:14). God’s glory will cover the earth in that everyone on the earth will accurately know the things of God (Jeremiah 31:34) and will be required to fully submit to them. God’s laws, based on love, will establish the foundation of all of man’s interactions [1] with God and [2] with one another (Mark 12:29). Yea, these are the two great commands that mankind needs to learn. And during the kingdom age God will have His King, Jesus Christ, with his immortal assistants perfectly enforcing all of His laws.

 **God’s Kingdom Will Encompass The Whole Earth.**

***Psa 22:27***  *All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee. 28 For the kingdom is the LORD’S: and he is the governor among the nations.*

***Psa 72:1****, Give the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king’s son…8 He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.*

***Zech 14:9****, And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one…16 And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.*

***Dan 2:31*** *Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image... 32 This image’s head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass, 33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay. 34 Thou sawest till* *that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. 35… The stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.*

***Dan 7:27*** *And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Daniel Chapter 2 is a symbolic prophecy. There was a metallic image of a man that represented the four great kingdoms that would develop in the earth; 1) Babylon, 2) the dual kingdom of the Medes and Persians, 3) the Greeks and 4) the Romans. The Roman Empire declined into the ten nations of Europe, symbolized by the ten toes of the image. Jesus Christ, the small stone, will smite the last standing Roman/European kingdom upon its feet and utterly destroy it. He will then set up his own kingdom as a great mountain that will fill the whole earth. “*He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth” (Psa 72:8).*

 **Jerusalem Will Be The Capital City Of The World.**

***Micah 4:2***  *The law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off.*

***Jer 3:16*** *At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem.*

***Isa 24:23*** *Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.*

***Psa 48:2*** *Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is Mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.*

***Matt 5:35*** *Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King.*

***Zech 14:16*** *Every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Zion is another name for Jerusalem and these two names are used interchangeably. This was where David had his throne and this is where Jesus Christ will reign from as the angel promised Mary*, “the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David” (Luke 1:32).*

 **All Nations Will Be Required To Obey God’s Laws.**

***Rev 2:27*** *And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers.*

***Isa 60:12***  *For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

***Psa 72:11*** *Yea, all kings shall fall down before him* [Jesus Christ]: *all nations shall serve him.*

***Isa 24:6*** *The inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.*

***Zech 9:9***  *Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!... Lo your king comes to you… 10 and he shall speak peace to the nations [“command peace”- RSV].*

***Zech 14:16*** *Every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King… 17 And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem…upon them shall be no rain. 18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen (“nations” - NIV) that come not up.*

***Rev 19:9***  *Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb…15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron.*

***Micah 4:2***  *The law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Mankind has inherited the serpent thinking tendency from Adam and Eve. His heart is *“deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked”* (Jer 17:9). Jesus Christ also spoke of this saying, ***“from within,*** *out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, 22 Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: 23 All these evil things come from within, and defile the man”* (Mark 7:21-23).

 Jesus Christ, perfectly understanding the nature of man, will rule the nations “with a rod of iron,” requiring absolute submission to his righteous laws. However once mankind is brought fully into submission to the laws of God the greatest blessings possible will come upon them, as shown in the next several sections.

**There Will Be Justice And Righteousness In The Earth.**

***Isa 32:1*** *(RSV) Behold, a king will reign in righteousness, and princes will rule in justice…16 Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, and righteousness abide in the fruitful field. And the effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust for ever.*

***Psa 72:1*** *Give the king thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the king’s son. 2 He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment. 3 The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills by righteousness. 4 He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor…12 For he shall deliver the needy when he crieth; the poor also, and him that hath no helper.*

***Jer 23:5****, (RSV) Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

“Righteousness” is what God determines to be “right”. The righteousness expressed will be what is right based upon God’s correct, righteous and eternal perspective; not on what differing men with differing opinions based upon their cursed Adamic nature determine is right. We can see to some extent from the quotes above what righteousness is and what results from such righteousness: justice without favor to the rich or poor; peace where war is completely eliminated from the earth. This will result in “quietness and trust”. The oppressor will be eliminated and the poor and needy cared for.

This will all come from God through His beloved son and King Jesus Christ, that righteous branch that has sprung forth from David.

 **Wars Will Cease.**

***Micah 4:3*** *They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more (See also Isaiah 2:4).*

***Zech 9:9*** *(RSV) Your king…shall command peace to the nations.*

***Isa 32:17*** *(RSV) And the effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness and trust forever.*

***Isa 55:12*** *For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.*

***Luke 2:14*** *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Peace. This will be the absolute cessation of war, including all military training schools, *“neither shall they* ***learn*** *war anymore.”* The cost of war is incalculable. Just for the recent wars in Afghanistan, Iraq and Pakistan alone there have been an estimated 225,000 lives lost and the U.S. has spent some $4 trillion dollars. It is impossible to properly comprehend the blessings that will accrue to the earth when absolute world-wide peace comes to the earth! But first mankind must learn to give “glory to God in the highest” before there will be peace on earth and good will toward men (Luke 2:14); thus Armageddon first and the Kingdom of God and peace afterwards.

1. **Food Will Abound.**

***Ezek 36:29*** *I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you; I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field.*

***Psa 67:4*** *Thou shalt judge the people righteously…6 then shall the earth yield her increase.*

***Amos 9:13*** *The plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed.*

***Isa 35:1*** *The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.*

***Gen 3:17*** *And unto Adam he said…cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; 18 Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

There are an estimated 8.5 million people on the earth who die yearly from starvation and malnutrition. It is impossible for we who are *“rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing” (Rev 3:17)* to properly comprehend the terrible, desperate plight of much of the world’s populations.

When the Kingdom of God is established this will end. The plowman overtaking the reaper is speaking of the super abundance of food. Before one can reap all of last year’s harvest it will be time to plant again. And of course with *“The dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan” (Rev 20:1)* bound, the evils of human nature within mankind will not be permitted to express themselves. Thus false religions and the governments of man, along with wars, violence, immorality and all the associated expressions of human nature will be curbed or eliminated.

When God cursed Adam and Eve He also cursed the ground as shown in Genesis 3:17 above. He made it easy to produce thorns and thistles and difficult to produce edible foods. With the evils of human nature bound and the curse partially lifted that will change and the earth will yield her increase.

 **Sickness Will Be Greatly Reduced.**

***Isa 33:24*** *The inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity****.***

***Isa 65:22*** *As the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.*

***Matt 4:23*** *And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.*

***Gen 2:17*** *But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

When God brought death upon Adam because of his sin He did so by having his body become subject to sickness and disease and over time wear out and die. With the evils of human nature being bound, God will reduce this curse allowing mankind to live for a much longer period of time. His life will be extended to that of a tree, most probably for hundreds of years. In addition, with Jesus Christ and his immortal assistants on the earth the mortal inhabitants will be able to go to them to be healed from their sicknesses, as in New Testament times. This was foreshadowed by Jesus where the good news of God’s coming kingdom and his healing of the sick were directly linked (Matt 4:23).

 In 2012 in the U.S. every man, woman and child will spend an estimated $8650 on medical care. The Kingdom of God will see this cost essentially eliminated. This, along with the elimination of all war and military spending world-wide, will result in blessings beyond our comprehension.

1. **There Will Be A Religious Reform With The One True Religion Over The Entire Earth.**

***Jer 31:31*** *Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:…33 I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.* [This was also quoted by Paul in Hebrews 8:10-12].

***2 Cor 3:15*** *But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart* [The Jews]*. 16 Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away.*

***Jer 16:19*** *The Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit.*

***Isa 25:7*** *And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations.*

***Zec 14:16*** *And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.*

***Micah 4:1*** *But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. 2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.*

***Hab 2:14*** *The earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

From the quotes given above we can see that both the Jew (2 Cor 3:15), the Gentile (Jer 16:9) and “all people” and “all nations” (Isa 25:7), generally speaking, have a veil over their eyes. This veil will be lifted after Armageddon.

There are about 22 major religions in the earth today and tens of thousands of different religious faiths. Try to comprehend what the world would be like if there was only one religion! And what if this religion was the True Religion, a just and righteous religion based upon the eternal principles of the Creator of the Universe? Soon God, the Creator and sustainer of the universe and everything therein, will be recognized and acknowledged by everyone on the earth. They will give glory to Him in the highest and on earth there will be peace and good will toward men.

It is hard for us to appreciate the wonderful blessings of such a system since we can look down through history and see the untold evils, immorality and cruelty suffered by mankind under the various false “religions” in the name of their god as these leaders sought power and glory for themselves.

But there is a “truth” concerning our creation, our Creator, our Adamic nature and our need. This will soon be understood in its fullness. We must also remember that mankind is being prepared to live eternally in God’s universe. It takes time and it involves our free will. Most of mankind will not attain to this higher state but those who do will become part of God’s Heavenly eternal creation. All others will cease to exist in death, having no thoughts or memories *(see item #’s 56-58).*

1. **There Will Be A Required Conversion To The One True Religion.**

***Isa 60:2*** *For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee…11 Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought. 12 For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted… 14 … and they shall call thee, The city of the LORD, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.*

***Isa 2:2*** *And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD’S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. 3 And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem…11* *The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.*

***Isa 19:18*** *In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt speak the language of Canaan, and swear to the LORD of hosts…19 an altar to the LORD in the midst of the land of Egypt, …21 And the LORD shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the LORD in that day, and shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea, they shall vow a vow unto the LORD, and perform it...23 There be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria [through Israel]…and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians. 24 In that day shall Israel be the third with Egypt and with Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the land: 25 Whom the LORD of hosts shall bless, saying, Blessed be Egypt my people, and Assyria the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance.*

***2 Cor 3:15*** *But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart* [the Jews heart]. *Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away.*

***Jer 16:19*** *The Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit.*

***Isa 25:7*** *And he will destroy in this mountain the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations.*

***Isa 11:9*** *The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*

***Zech 8:23*** *Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.*

***Zech 14:16*** *And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.*

***Zech 13:1*** *In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness. 2 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that I will cut off [banish, NIV] the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land. 3 And it shall come to pass, that when any shall yet prophesy [falsely], then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through when he prophesieth. 4 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the prophets shall be ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear a rough garment to deceive.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Notice the condition of the earth when Jesus Christ first returns! *“Darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people”**(Isa 60:2).*The **Jews** hearts will be covered with a veil (2 Cor 3:15); the **Gentiles** will acknowledge that they “*have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit”* (Jer 16:9), yea there will be a veil “*that is spread over* ***all nation****” (*Isa 25:7). All of mankind has, generally speaking, like Cain, attempted to worship God in their own way. They have developed a “religion” of their own making that suits them best, based on their own natural, cursed, Adamic thinking nature. God and His Word and His requirements is not their emphasis, if considered at all. These various religious superstitions have resulted in the confusion that we see in the earth today.

Jesus Christ will proclaim God’s Law to the world in such a time as this. *“Out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem” (Isa 2:3).* This law proclaimed by Jesus Christ from Jerusalem will be both religious and civil as was the Law of Moses in Old Testament times, and so it will govern all aspects of one’s life. Not only will all governments of mankind be completely done away with, so too will every false religion; all 22 major religions along with the tens of thousands of differing religious faiths. “*The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day (Isa 2:11).*

1. **False Religion Will Be Utterly Forbidden As At The Time Of Joshua.**

***Deut 7:5*** *Ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.*

***Deut 2:34*** *And we took all his cities at that time, and utterly destroyed the men, and the women, and the little ones, of every city, we left none to remain: 35 Only the cattle we took for a prey unto ourselves, and the spoil of the cities which we took [this is referring to Sihon king of Heshbon].*

***Exod 23:24*** *Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do after their works: but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and quite break down their images.*

***Num 33:52*** *Ye shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you, and destroy all their pictures, and destroy all their molten images, and quite pluck down all their high places.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

When Joshua entered the Promised Land all places of false worship were to be utterly destroyed. Jesus, the Greek form of Joshua, will lead the people into the True Promised Land, and will also destroy all places of false worship.

At the time of Joshua the cup of iniquity was full (Gen 15:16) for these nations of Canaan, as had been the case earlier at the times of Noah and Lot. Thus all of the wicked inhabitants had to be destroyed. In Joshua’s time nations that were “far off” from Canaan were not wholly incorrigible and so were not destroyed but rather had an opportunity to come to the God of Israel (Deut. 20:10-18).

It will be similar after Armageddon. The Roman-Catholic-European “beast” will be *“slain and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame”* (Dan 7:11) since, like previous times, it will be determined that they too are incorrigibly wicked. In addition, the entire city of Rome, symbolically, *“Babylon the Great, the Mother of Harlots”* (Rev 17:5), will be utterly destroyed by fire (Rev chapter 18).

The other nations of the earth will have an opportunity to submit to the God of Israel and fully follow His laws and so receive the blessings that will come upon the earth. But even then *“the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth”* (Jer 25:33). Under Jesus Christ, the King of the Kingdom of God, no false worship will be permitted: *Isa 60:12 “For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

 **There Will Be One Language For The Whole Earth.**

***Zeph 3:9*** *For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.*

***Gen 11:7*** *Let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another’s speech. 8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. 9 Therefore is the name of it called Babel.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 From our quote in Zephaniah above we see that the peoples of the earth will be turned to one pure language. This applies to a pure religion which will most certainly come, but it also seems to apply to one “language” over the whole earth, particularly when we consider the reason for the confounding of the language in the beginning (Genesis chapter 11). The word “Babel” means *confusion,* and today we can see how speaking different languages places a natural dis-unity between the nations and peoples. Removing this barrier in the Kingdom Age will do much to establish the unity and peace that is prophesied to come. The “pure language” will most certainly be Hebrew.

1. **The Perfected Earth Will Be The Eternal “Heavenly” Inheritance Of The Righteous.**

***2 Pet 3:13*** *Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.*

***Rev 21:2*** *And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. 4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. 5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new.*

***Isa 66:22*** *For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain.*

***Isa 45:18*** *For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else.*

***Ps 115:16*** *The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD’S: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.*

***Isa 55:11*** *So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. 12 For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. 13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 The new heavens and the new earth will be different from the present in one main aspect. Righteousness will dwell therein. And when this occurs the curse will be removed. Notice also that in Isaiah God says of these new heavens and earth *“which I will make.”* God is even now in the process of developing sons and daughters who will ultimately populate this new earth and who will have developed within themselves His own righteous characteristics.

 Just because Adam and Eve brought sin and death into the world did not mean that God’s purpose was thwarted. God was quite able to obtain what He desired and *His word* ***will*** *accomplish that which He pleases* (Isa 55:11). He created the earth *to be inhabited* (Isa 45:18), and it **will** be inhabited. Just because Adam and Eve sinned and brought God’s curse upon man and the earth did not mean that God had failed. Yea, He has used this evil in the past 6000 years to develop sons and daughters who will be worthy to inhabit a perfected earth.

Mankind needed to learn the basic law of the universe: **God is supreme.** And God’s laws must (and will) be followed in His universe. Otherwise evil will result. God said, *“I make peace, and create evil”*, or as the NIV translates this passage, *“I bring prosperity and create disaster”* (Isaiah 45:7). God also told us at the birth of Jesus Christ what was coming to the earth through him; mankind would ultimately learn to give “glory to God in the highest” and this would result in peace on earth and good will towards men (Luke 2:14). When all the men and women who ultimately populate the earth are righteous, the curse will be removed and the full blessings of God will rest upon them, and on the earth. Even our Master, Jesus Christ, experienced this evil: *Heb 5:8 “Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered*.”

The new heavens and earth that God is creating will see an earth where all of mankind will have been educated and perfected while living in the midst of evil and wickedness. They will then all know God, give glory to Him and lovingly understand and accept that He is supreme in all things. The earth then and only then will enter into the “heavenlies” of God’s universe; all of mankind will then be immortal, in nature equal unto the angels, having learned through experience the necessity of obedience and the etiquette of living in the presence of the Creator of the Universe.

God is even now working towards that perfection that will come to the earth through His beloved son Jesus Christ. The earth will then become a “heavenly” dwelling place, having attained to the perfection that God desired.

 **Summary Of The Kingdom Of God.**

It will be established by Jesus Christ after Armageddon.

Jesus Christ will be the king over this Kingdom which will extend over the entire earth.

His Government will replace all other man-made governments and religions in the earth. This will result in One World Government and One World Religion with One set of laws for everyone on the earth.

The Laws of the Kingdom of God will be, with a probable slight adjustment, the laws of God in Old Testament times. These laws will, as in Old Testament times, govern both the civil and religious life of the people.

Jesus Christ will permit no dissent from God’s laws in God’s Kingdom. He and his immortal assistants will know every thought and see every action of every person on the earth.

There will be no prisons as today; there will be immediate apprehension and punishment of any wrong doer; death if they are worthy of death or any other punishment necessary to correct the problem. This will result in the elimination of ALL criminals from the entire earth.

Wars will cease with no war making, armaments or military on the earth.

There will be one language for all peoples of the earth.

Sickness will be greatly reduced so that the entire medical system will be done away with.

There will be food in abundance for all.

Mankind will learn to give glory to God in the highest resulting in peace on earth and good will to men.

**Part 5**

**At The End Of The Millennium**

1. **Satan Will Be Released For A Short Time At the End Of The Millennium**

***Rev 20:2*** *And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season…7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, 8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. 9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. 10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are.*

**Notes on the Quote:**

“The dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and

Satan” had been bound at the beginning of the Millennium. During this 1000 year period the sin-cursed human nature inherited from Adam and Eve had been forcibly restrained by Jesus Christ so that it could not express itself. Now, however, as the 1000 year period comes to a close, Jesus Christ will relax his restraint over the mortal populations of the earth. This will give the people living at this time the opportunity to choose whether or not they will serve God without the external restraints, or if they will serve their sin-cursed nature.

 From our quote above we see that the deception was great and that innumerable multitudes gathered themselves together against Jerusalem, the camp of Jesus Christ and his immortal assistants. Fire comes down from heaven and destroys them. We then have symbolic language indicating that the devil, the sin-cursed nature that we have all inherited from Adam and Eve, is completely destroyed from the earth.

 We saw how that at the beginning of the 1000 years there was a resurrection and judgment for all those who were responsible to Jesus Christ’s judgment. Those found acceptable had their Adamic sin-cursed bodies changed to a glorious, immortal body of the divine nature. This process happens again at this time. Those mortals who lived and died during the 1000 years will be resurrected and judged. Those who did not actively oppose Jesus Christ and come against him will still be alive in their mortal bodies. They will also be judged. Those who are found acceptable will be given a glorious, immortal body of the divine nature. Those who are found unacceptable will be left in their dying mortal bodies. They will die, have no thoughts or memories and cease to exist forever. *(See item # 56).*

 At this time there will be no mortals left on the earth. Only perfected immortals will populate the now heaven-like earth. The “devil” that slanderer and false accuser residing in human flesh, giving mankind the tendency to sin against God, will have been completely and totally destroyed. *(See Item #’s 59 and 60; Our nature and the Devil).* Mankind will now have attained to his higher divine nature and all the earth will be filled with the glory of God.

1. **The End Of God’s Work In Perfecting The Earth And Incorporating It Into The Heavens.**

***1 Cor 15:24*** *Then cometh the end, when he* [Jesus] *shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. 25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. 26 The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. 27 For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. 28 And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.*

***Rev 21:1*** *And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. 2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. 4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. 5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.*

***Isa 45:18*** *For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited.*

***Nu 14:21*** *But as truly as I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 After all Adamic, sin-cursed, human-natured, sin-tending, flesh and blood mortals have either passed away in death or been changed to a glorious, immortal body of the divine nature we will have reached “the end” of God’s process of perfecting the earth. There will then be “no more death” for only immortals with the divine nature will now live on the earth. These immortals will have reached the higher state to which Eve initially aspired. The Psalmist says of man *“for thou hast made him a little lower than the angels”* [Psa 8:5]. We are now by nature “a little lower than the angels” since we are mortal. However for those of us who attain to that higher state we will be “equal unto the angels” (Luke 20:36), having a “divine nature” and thus an immortal body even as do they.

 When this state is finally reached after 7000 years Jesus Christ will “*also himself be subject unto Him [God] that put all things under him,* ***that God may be all in all****” (1 Cor 15:28).*

At this point all things will be have been made new, there will be no more death, and the earth will have attained to its heavenly position in God’s universe. God has not told us what our function will be at that time, but we can see how He has used the angels as ministers to help bring us to salvation. We then will be *“equal unto the angels”* and will most likely assist God in bringing other earth-like orbs with their mortals to a similar higher state of perfection.

 Our present mortal state is educational and probationary. We are at present wholly unsuited to have immortality in God’s universe. The evil that we have experienced in our present sin-cursed body is part of our educational process. When the earth is finally perfected, all of the immortals who have attained to the higher state will love God with all their hearts, soul, mind and strength and their neighbor as themselves (Luke 10:27) and *“the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea”* (Hab 2:14).

**Part 6**

**What We Must Do Now**

 **Believe The Gospel And Be Baptized.**

***Acts 8:12****, “But when they believed Phillip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized.”*

***Mark 16:15-16****, “Preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.”*

***Acts 22:16*** *And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins.*

***Matt 4:23*** *And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom.*

***Acts 2:37*** *Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? 38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins.*

***Rom 10:2*** *For I bear them record that they* [the unbelieving Jews] *have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. 3 For they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

The gospel is the “good news” that God is going to intervene in the affairs of the earth and establish His own righteous rule, the Kingdom of God, over it. We can see what God required in New Testament times and therefore what He requires in our times. In Acts chapter 8 Phillip was preaching to the non-Jewish Samaritans. This is an excellent quote showing what is required of us; *“But when they believed Phillip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized.”*

***“They******believed.”*** Remember that “without faith it is impossible to please” God (Heb 11:6). But the question may be, “in *what* do we need to believe?” We have the answer:

***“The things concerning the kingdom of God****”* and,

***“The name of Jesus Christ.”*** Both of these aspects must be believed in their fullness. It is possible to be like some in Paul’s day (and in our own); they had a religious zeal for God *“but not according to knowledge”* (Rom 10:2). Zealousness is not faith in the things of God.

Then, those who fully met these first three conditions,

***“ were baptized.”***

Anyone who does not fully meet these four conditions is not meeting the conditions required of New Testament believers. Such people, regardless of their zealousness, *“have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind”* (Hosea 8:7), since they “*have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God” (Rom 10:3).*

 In Acts chapter 2:37-38 above we see Peter and the other Apostles preaching to the religious Jews on the Day of Pentecost. When they heard that their leaders had killed their Messiah they were *“pricked in their heart”* and asked what they should do. Peter responded *“repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins.”*

Notice that Peter in this instance said nothing about believing in “the kingdom of God.” He did not mention this because all of the Jews at that time *already believed* in the coming Kingdom of God. Yea this is what they were waiting for. They needed only to believe in “the name of Jesus Christ” and then be baptized. Thus both Jew and Gentile needed to fully meet the four conditions listed above.

 Anyone who is dipped in water without this required “belief” is not “baptized.” They are merely someone who has been dipped in water.

 Thus all of mankind needs to understand and to “believe” in the good news that God is going to set up His own Kingdom on the earth and they also need to believe on the name of Jesus Christ. They then must be baptized. Then comes a fifth condition. They must “walk in newness of life” (Rom 6:4), as shown in our next section.

 **After Baptism We Must Be Obedient To God’s Commands, Walking In Newness Of Life.**

***Rom 6:1*** *Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? 2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? 3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? 4…even so we also should walk in newness of life. …6 henceforth we should not serve sin. ..11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. 12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, …13 but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you…23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

***I John 2:3*** *And hereby we do know that we know him, IF we keep his commandments. 4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.*

***Rev 22:14*** *Blessed are they that* ***do his commandments*** *that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.*

***I Cor 6:9*** *Know ye not that the unrighteous* ***shall not inherit the kingdom of God****? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.*

***Matt. 7:20*** *Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he the* ***doeth*** *the will of my Father which is in heaven.”*

***James 2:17***  *Faith if it hath not works is dead, being alone. 18)… shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.19) Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest will; the devils also believe and tremble. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead. 21) Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? 22) Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?... 26) For us the body without the spirit is dead, so* ***faith without works is dead*** *also.*

***John 14:15*** *If ye love me, keep my commandments.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Romans Chapter 6 shows that in baptism we have symbolically died to the “old man of the flesh,” that we have inherited from Adam. We now have God’s word in our minds guiding us and so our old natural way of thinking has changed. When we arise from the waters of baptism we must walk in *“newness of life.”* At baptism our old way of life and thinking was *“crucified with”* Jesus, and *“henceforth we should not serve sin,”* but rather we must now *“walk in newness of life”*, and *“live unto God”.*

Believing is not enough. “*Faith without works is dead” (James 2:17).* We must also cease from ungodliness if we are to enter God’s coming Kingdom; they that continue to sin against the commandments of God *“shall* ***not*** *inherit the kingdom of God”* (1 Cor 6:9).

**An Additional Note:**

Our overall heading in this section is, “What We Must Do Now.” We have shown that one must believe the gospel and be baptized and then be obedient to God’s commands and walk in newness of life.

 If one determines to do what God would have them do, how can this be approached? They must read the Bible for themselves! And they must keep in mind that traditional “religions” has already established many false beliefs concerning God’s word into the society as a whole. This of course makes the matter of understanding God’s Message, as shown in His Word, more difficult.

 We should also remember that “*Without faith it is impossible to please…God ” (Heb 11:6).* And *“faith cometh by* ***hearing…the word of God****” (Rom 10:17).*

Read the Bible for yourself! *(See our introduction at the beginning of Chapter 3, page 20, and ask for assistance if needed).*

**Part 7**

**Some Related Considerations**

1. **The Jews Were Dispersed Throughout The Nations Because Of Their Disobedience.**

***Jer 29:18*** *I will persecute them with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence, and will deliver them to be removed to all the kingdoms of the earth, to be a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven them: 19 Because they have not hearkened to my words, saith the LORD, which I sent unto them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them; but ye would not hear, saith the LORD.*

***Deut 28:15*** *It shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: 16 Cursed shalt thou be in the city, and cursed shalt thou be in the field. 17 Cursed shall be thy basket and thy store. 18 Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. 19 Cursed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and cursed shalt thou be when thou goest out. 20 The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me. 21 The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it. 22 …and they shall pursue thee until thou perish. …25 The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them: and shalt be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth. 26 And thy carcase shall be meat unto all fowls of the air, and unto the beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray them away…31 Thine ox shall be slain before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass shall be violently taken away from before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep shall be given unto thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue them. …37 And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee. …43 The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. 44 He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail. 45 Moreover* ***all these curses*** *shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee: 46 And they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed for ever. …48 Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all things: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee. …64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone. 65 And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind: 66 And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life: 67 In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.*

***Deut 29:18*** *Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD our God, to go and serve the gods of these nations; lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood; 19 And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of* ***this curse,*** *that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst: 20 The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and* ***all the curses*** *that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven. 21 And the LORD shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law: 22 So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that shall come from a far land, shall say, when they see the plagues of that land, and the sicknesses which the LORD hath laid upon it; 23 And that the whole land thereof is brimstone, and salt, and burning, that it is not sown, nor beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom, and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim, which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and in his wrath: 24 Even all nations shall say, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this land? what meaneth the heat of this great anger? 25 Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt: 26 For they went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and whom he had not given unto them: 27 And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring upon it* ***all the curses that are written in this book****: 28 And the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as it is this day.*

***Ezek 36:17*** *When the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman. 18 Wherefore …19 I scattered them among the heathen [the Gentile nations], and they were dispersed through the countries.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 Jeremiah’s message is clear and unequivocal whereas, Deuteronomy gives us more detail. Chapters 28 and 29 of Deuteronomy above are one continuous thought. They show many of the specific evils that God would bring upon the Jews to punish them if they were disobedient to Him, including being cast out of their land. These punishments are spoken of as *“this curse”* and *“all the curses that are written in this book.”* The Jews were scattered and punished by “this curse” in 721 BC when the northern kingdom of Israel was carried away by the Assyrians. They were punished in 606 BC when Babylon carried away the southern kingdom of Judah and shortly afterwards destroyed their temple. Their punishment continued as the Medes and the Persians took control over them in 536 BC, the Greeks in 334 BC and then the Romans in 67 BC. These evils were all aspects of *“this curse”* spoken of in these chapters for their disobedience. When we read through the prophets, particularly Jeremiah, Ezekiel and Daniel, it is absolutely stated that God caused the Jews to be driven out of their land by the Assyrians, and Babylonians because of their unfaithfulness and disobedience. This was most certainly the *“curse*” that God said would come upon them if they were unfaithful.

 In about AD 33 their final scattering occurred. The Jews, with the help of the Romans, crucified Jesus Christ. Less than 40 years later, this same generation of Jews were destroyed from the land, their temple burned to the ground, and the survivors scattered into all the nations of the earth, exactly as God had said.

 The Jews remained scattered for about 2000 years with this terrible curse resting on them. Nevertheless God had not, and has not, forgotten His people, nor His promises to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and David. God has always promised to bring them back to their land and bless them. This curse was not for their destruction, but to humble them and to prepare them for the greatness yet to come upon them. God began re-gathering them in the 19th and 20th centuries and on May 14, 1948, after about 2000 years of their diaspora, they became a nation and in 1967 they captured their beloved city of Jerusalem. Soon they will face Armageddon and then their Messiah. When this occurs the veil covering their eyes will be removed and they will be ready to enter into the Kingdom Age, as mortals, yet as a special people who have been specially prepared by God.

1. **“God Hath Not Cast Away His People” (Romans 11:2). The Jews Will Be Re-gathered Into The Kingdom Of God.**

***Rom 11:1*** *I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. …2* ***God hath not cast away his people*** *which he foreknew… 15 For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?...25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. 26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: 27 For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. 28 As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers’ sakes.*

**Note on Romans Chapter 11:**

The Apostle Paul is unequivocal. *“God hath not cast away His people”* of Israel. The natural Jew was temporarily put aside for their blindness so that God could more fully open the door to the Gentiles. Paul adds that those Gentiles who believed that God had cast away the Jews were conceited. They perceived themselves to be in a higher position than they really were. Some Gentiles whose eyes are blinded with their own conceit think that when Paul said *“and so all Israel shall be saved”* he was referring to “spiritual Israel”, that is to themselves, as they mistakenly suppose. It is the natural Jew as can be seen from the context. God is going to send Jesus Christ, the *“deliverer of Zion”*, and *“take away the sin”* of these Jews, who had been *“enemies”* of the gospel. This is not true of the Spiritual Jew.

***Quote:***

***Ezek 39:1*** *Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: 2 And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee …7 So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not let them pollute my holy name any more: and the [nations-NIV] shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel …21 And I will set my glory among the [“nations”-NIV], and all the [“nations”- NIV] shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them. 22 So the house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God from that day and forward… 23 And the heathen [“the nations”- NIV] shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity: because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword. 24 According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them. 25 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name; 26 After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made them afraid. 27 When I have brought them again from the people, and gathered them out of their enemies’ lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations; 28 Then shall they know that I am the LORD their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the (nations – NIV): but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there. 29 Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.*

**Note on Ezekiel Chapter 39:**

 In Ezekiel Chapter 38 we see that in the Armageddon conflict the Russian army, under a leader called Gog, is destroyed. Chapter 39 is a continuation of this action. God said to Gog in verse 2, “*I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee.”* Thus, 5/6th, or about 83 %, of his army is destroyed. In verse 7 God says, *“So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not let them pollute my holy name any more: and the [nations-NIV] shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.”* Here we see that the Jews of Israel had up to this point polluted God’s holy name. After Armageddon they would no longer be permitted to do so. The Gentile nations would then come to recognize that God had never forgotten the Jew, had now saved them, and was now ruling as *“the Holy One in Israel”* through His beloved son and King, Jesus Christ. In verses 27 through 29 God tells us that the Jews will then recognize that God had caused them to go into captivity and that God had brought them back and that from this time and forward God would be with them.

 Again we notice that it is the natural Jew who is spoken of here, not “spiritual Israel.” It was natural Israel who had “polluted God’s holy name” and who “*trespassed”* against God and whom He caused to go in to captivity because of *“their iniquity.”* It was also the natural Jew that God had *“gathered”* again into their own land. These quotes do not and cannot apply to “spiritual Israel.”

**Additional Quotes:**

***Micah 4:8*** *The kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.*

***Ezek 20:33*** *As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you: 34 And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out. …41 I will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen [the Gentile nations]. 42 And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers. 43 And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed. 44 And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I have wrought with you for my name’s sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.*

***Lev 26:44*** *And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am the LORD their God. 45 But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

In our quote on Ezekiel chapter 20 we again see God gathering the Jews out of the Gentile lands where they had been scattered and accepting them as His people. When they recognize their past blindness and God’s gracious forgiveness of them they will be so humbled that they will “loathe” themselves for their past evils.

In the beginning of Deuteronomy chapter 28, quoted above in *item # 52,* we have an itemization of the curses that would come upon the Jewish people. In our quote above in Leviticus chapter 26, we see that even though they had been cursed and scattered for some 2000 years, God has never broken the covenant that He made with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. God has promised, “*I will not …break my covenant with them” (Lev 26:44).*

1. **An Apostasy Was Prophesied To Develop From Original Christianity.**

***2 Tim 4:3*** *For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 4) And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.*

***1 Tim 4:1*** *Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; 2) Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; 3) Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.*

***Acts 20:29*** *“I know this that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. 30) Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them”*

***2 Peter 2:1*** *But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. 2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.*

***1 John 4:1*** *Many false prophets are gone out into the world.*

***1 John 2:18*** *Even now are there many antichrists.*

***2 John 1:7*** *For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.*

***Jer 16:19*** *The Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

“Apostasy” is the falling away from, or the abandonment of one’s religious beliefs. Anyone who has abandoned the beliefs of the New Testament Christians has apostasied from these beliefs and is an apostate. It was prophesied that the New Testament Christians would turn away their ears from the truth and be turned unto fables. This has occurred, beginning even in New Testament times. This should be an exhortation to us to *personally* study what the New Testament teaches so that we can have the same beliefs that the New Testament Christians had, remembering that *“many deceivers”* would attempt to misdirect us from this Truth.

We can see from these quotes that *“grievous wolves”* would enter in among this newly formed Christian Community and would destroy the flock of God. ***“Of your own selves”,*** of you Christians to whom I am writing, said the Apostle Paul, false leaders will arise speaking perverse things so that they can gain a following. Christianity then would develop into a system of “perverse fables” which would become “antichrist” and this antichrist system had already begun to develop within the Christian church in the Apostle John’s day. The word “antichrist” is from the Greek word *antichristos* and simply means an adversary to Christ, that is, an adversary to the true message of Jesus Christ. This adversarial relationship will be fully seen after Armageddon when Catholic Europe, with the support of many Protestants, will *“make war with the Lamb”* but, *“the Lamb shall overcome them”* (Rev 17:14). If we continue on to Revelation chapter 18 we can see the fullness of the destruction that is coming on the apostate system of Rome.

These above quotes are given so that one can plainly see what was prophesied. Anyone who questions these quotes should look them up for themselves. This is a critical element of the truth that must be understood or we will end up looking in the wrong place for false doctrines, fables, and antichrist. It is not **without** but **within** the Christian Church where these falsehoods would develop, as clearly shown by the apostles.

These quotes make it as plain as it is possible to make and yet sadly the flock of our day has, generally speaking, never heard this message since the basic truths from the Bible, as shown from these quotes, are not taught in their own churches. Yea “Christianity” has sadly, as prophesied, lost the fundamental message of the Bible and has substituted *“perverse fables”* in its place and so has developed into a system of antichrist.

Part of the truth of Jesus Christ is that he was born from Mary who came from Adam, Abraham, and David, among others. This indicates a clear “fleshly”, genetic link to Adam and thus to all of mankind, whom he came to redeem. Heb 4:15 adds to this point, saying, *“for we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin”.* Jesus Christ, now in heaven, is a perfect high priest *because* he had the same fleshly infirmities that we presently have. He *was* tempted in all points just like we are tempted and it is this very quality that allows him to be a perfect mediator for us. He understands every aspect of our temptations. He, of course, never ever gave in to his temptations, whereas all of us fail.

 A *“fable”* spoken of above in 2 Tim 4:4, is a fictional story; an untruth. Some fables that have developed out of True First Century Christianity are shown in the next section.

1. **Some Departures From First Century Christians That Are Held By Many Present Day “Christians”:**
2. *When you die, you live.* Present day “Christians” tell us, that a person continues living after they die, in heaven or in hell. Whereas God tells us in Psalm 146:4, *“His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.”*
3. *The soul cannot die.* Whereas God has told us in Ezekiel 18:4 *“the soul that sinneth, it shall die.”.*
4. *People who have not accepted Jesus Christ as their savior will be tortured in hell for all eternity.* Whereas God has told us that He is a merciful God and the person who sins will die, cease to exist and will have no thoughts or memories (Ezek 18:4; Psa 146:4).
5. *The Promised Land is not the land that was promised.* The land promised was “all the land of Canaan.” Present day “Christians” say it is in heaven somewhere, and our invisible, non-dying “souls” are going to float off to this unknown location when our body dies.
6. *God is never going to set up His kingdom on the earth.*  And so our Lord’s Prayer for God’s kingdom to come to the earth is a false hope to them. His kingdom, they say, is someplace else, perhaps in heaven, perhaps in the hearts of men, perhaps beyond the realms of space and time, etc.; someplace else but certainly not where God has promised – the earth.
7. *God has cast away His People, the Jew, and they have no more hope.* Whereas God has told us, **Rom 11:2** “*God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew.”*
8. *The Antichrist has not yet appeared.* Whereas even at the time of First Century Christians, John informs us that *“even now are there many antichrists”* (1 John 2:18). They are looking without the “Christian” community, and they should be looking within.
9. *Jesus Christ did not come in the same kind of flesh and blood body that we have.* Whereas we are told in Hebrews 2:16 *“he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham.”*
10. Etc.
11. **Death Is Thoughtlessness.**

***Psa 146:4*** *His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.*

***Isa 26:14*** *They are dead, they shall not live; they are deceased, they shall not rise: therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.*

***Eccl 9:5*** *The dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten. 6) Also their love, and their hatred, and their envy, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun…10) There is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.*

***Psa 6:5*** *For in death there is no remembrance of thee* [of God]*.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

The scriptures are plain. When you die, you die. You have no thoughts or memories; you know nothing and have no knowledge or wisdom. Most religious people today say with the serpent, “you do not surely die”, rather, they say, only the body dies but your immortal essence continues living forever. They thus continue the original serpent lie. The hope for a true believer is the same as the Apostle Paul’s. It was for *“the hope and resurrection of the dead” (Acts 23:6).*

1. **Death Is Sometimes Permanent.**

***Jer 51:57*** *They shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake.*

***Isa 26:14*** *They are dead, they shall not live; they are deceased, they shall not rise: therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.*

***Prov 21:16*** *The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.*

***Job 14:12*** *Man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they shall not awake, nor be raised out of their sleep.*

***Psa 49:19*** *He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light. Man that is in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts that perish.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 These above quotes show conclusively that some people die and are never resurrected from this death state and so remain dead forever. They have no thoughts or memories *(See Item # 56 above).* This permanent state of death includes most of mankind who live and die without an accurate knowledge of the things of God. *“He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light. Man that is in honour, and understandeth not, is like the beasts that perish” (Psa 49:19-20).*

1. **Death Is Sometimes Not Permanent. Some Will Be Resurrected From The Dead.**

***Dan 12:2*** *Many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake.*

***Acts 24:14***[Paul said] *“I… have hope toward God …that there shall be a resurrection of the dead.”*

***Isa 26:19*** *Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.*

***Psa 49:15*** *God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave.*

***Job 19:25*** *For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: 26) And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

Mankind is already under the sentence of death; **“Death”,** **NOT** burning in eternal fires forever, but **death**, a cessation of all thoughts, memories, experiences and feelings. The serpent was a liar when he said “thou shalt not surely die,” and was also *“a murderer from the beginning” (John 8:44),* as are all those who teach the same thing. This lie is a direct negation of the word of God who said “in dying thou shalt die” (Gen 2:17 margin).

Paul, on the other hand, had a hope in the promises of God that there would be a resurrection from the dead, both for himself and for all those who accurately believed in the promises of God. All true believers who have died are now sleeping in the dust of the earth, without thought or memory, awaiting the return of Jesus Christ to the earth to resurrect them from this death state and judge them according to their works. This was the hope of Daniel and Job (see above) as it is with all true believers in the promises of God.

1. **The Nature Of The Body That We Have Inherited From Adam And Eve.**

***Gen 2:17*** [God said]*in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.*

***Gen 3:1*** *Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made…4)**And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:*

***1 Cor 15:22*** *In Adam all die.*

***Jer 17:9*** *The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?*

***Mark 7:21*** *For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, 22) Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: 23) All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.*

***Gal 5:19*** *Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20) Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, 21) Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God…24) And they that are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.*

***Rom 7:18*** *For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing …bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. 24) O wretched man that I am! (Who will deliver me from this body of death? - RSV).*

***James 1:14*** *Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. 15) Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.*

***1 John 2:16*** *For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.*

***Rom 8:3*** *God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.*

 **Notes on the Quotes:**

 After Adam and Eve sinned their bodies became dying bodies and so everyone born from them inherits this same dying body. The serpent lied to Eve and deceived her when saying, *“Thou shalt not…die.”* Sadly Traditional Christendom continues this same original serpent lie, saying, you don’t *really* die when you die. Rather, they say, your immortal soul becomes free from its mortal coil, ascends to the heavens to enjoy fully the blessings of immortal bliss. The Scriptures oppose this fleshly serpent speculation saying in Psalm 146:4, *“His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.”*

The above quotes also plainly show that there is a *“law of sin”* in our members making our bodies a *“body of death”* and that this *“law of sin”* within us was inherited from Adam. Thus the bodies that we have inherited have built into them not only death but the tendency to sin. James tells us that it is our own desires that tempt us to sin and says that when we act on these temptations we do sin, and that sinning then brings forth death. *“Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. 15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death” (James 1:14).* Our Master Jesus Christ adds to this in Mark saying that our evil thoughts, including adulteries, murders, etc. *“come from within”* us and defile us.

 It was this same flesh that Jesus Christ inherited but he never gave in to its lusts and so never sinned. He perfectly crucified these inherited sinful tendencies throughout his life, *“and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh” (Rom 8:3).* Jesus in his life and in his death thus honored God in acknowledging God’s righteousness in requiring the death of the flesh that sinned against Him. We must also commit ourselves to daily crucifying the fleshly desires that oppose the commandments of God.

1. **The Devil Of The Bible Is The Sin Nature That We Have Inherited From Adam.**

***John 8:44*** *Ye* [Scribes and Pharisees] *are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.*

***Heb 2:14*** *Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself* [Jesus Christ] *likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is,* ***the devil****.*

***James 1:14*** *Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. 15) Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.*

***Gen 3:6*** *And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.*

***Gen 2:17*** [God said]*in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.*

***Gen 3:1*** *Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made…4)**And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:*

***Rom 7:18*** *For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not…23) But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. 24) O wretched man that I am! (RSV… “Who will deliver me from this body of death”?)*

***Rom 8:3*** *God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.*

***James 4:1*** *From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?*

***1 John 2:16*** *For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.*

***Gal 5:19*** *Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20) Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, 21) Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God…24) And they that are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.*

***Mark 7:21*** *For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, 22) Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: 23) All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.*

***Matt 23:33*** *Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?*

***John 3:14*** *And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: 15) That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. 16) For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

The Greek word for devil is ‘diabolos’, and signifies, a slanderer or false accuser. It was the serpent in the garden who slandered and falsely accused God when he told Eve, “thou shalt not die” and so in effect, called God a liar. When Adam and Eve acted on the serpent lie this principle of sin, this tendency of sin, entered into them and became an inherited condition that has been passed on to all of their offspring. This is why “in Adam all die” (1 Cor 15:22). This is why Paul would say that *in his flesh* dwelt no good thing. It was what Jesus Christ came to condemn and by submitting to crucifixion he “*condemned sin in the flesh” (Rom 8:3).* This is what Jesus was referring to when he said, “*from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts”* (Mark 7:21).

The devil is not a personal being, but rather refers to the personification of sin in the flesh. It exists in all of us. This is the reason that mankind “tends” to sin. He has within him this natural, devilish, “fleshly”, lustful serpent tendency, residing within him. It is this that must be crucified daily as we strive to serve God. It is also called the devil since it slanders and falsely accuses God whenever our deceitful nature tells us that it is OK to sin. It is often called by philosophers, “the human condition.”

 Jesus Christ never gave into his fleshly serpent devilish tendencies. He daily crucified them. And when his flesh was dead upon the cross, it had no more power over him. He was raised from the dead and given a divine body that does not have these fleshly devilish tendencies to sin against God. In this way he *destroyed the devil* (Hebrews 2:14). All that properly understand this, and come to God through Christ in the way appointed, also have hope of eternal life.

1. **The Earth Will Be The Eternal Inheritance And Home Of The Righteous, NOT The Heavens.**

***Matt 5:5*** *Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.*

***Matt 6:10*** *Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven…14 forever.*

***Psa 37:9*** *Those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth…29 and dwell therein forever.*

***Isa 60:21*** *Thy people…shall inherit the land for ever.*

***Rev 5:10*** *And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.*

***Psa 115:16*** *The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD’S: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.*

***John 3:13*** *And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven.*

***Act 2:34*** *For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand.*

***Prov 11:31*** *Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 The word “heaven” in the Hebrew is *“shamayim”* and signifies, “heaved up things.” It can refer to anything above the earth, but often refers to God’s heavenly abode somewhere above the earth in His universe. In John 3:13 Jesus was speaking to Nicodemus and said that no man had ascended up into heaven. This of course would have included all of the righteous men and women in the past that had died and so they had not gone to heaven with God. These righteous people were at this time sleeping in the dust of the earth, without thought or memory, awaiting their future resurrection to life. The heavens belong to God and the earth He has given to the righteous men and women of the earth. They will receive their inheritance after their resurrection and judgment, and after their bodies are changed into immortal ones. The heavenly kingdom that they will inherit is the one we pray for in our Lord’s Prayer, “Thy Kingdom come.” This prayer is for God’s heavenly kingdom to come to the earth. When the earth is perfected, and when all men and women have had their sinning Adamic natural bodies changed to the immortal, non-sinning “divine nature” bodies, and when the wicked cease to exist, then God’s glory will cover the earth as the waters the sea (Hab 2:14) and His heavenly kingdom will come to the perfected earth. The earth will then be a heavenly place. For the last 6 thousand years God has been working to this end. His heavenly kingdom is about to come.

 **Hell Is The Grave - Not A Place Of Eternal Torture.**

***Eccl 9:10*** *Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the* ***grave****, whither thou goest.*

***Psa 146:4*** *His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.*

***1Sam 2:6*** *The LORD killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the* ***grave****, and bringeth up.*

***Rev 1:18***[Jesus said] *I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of* ***hell*** *(hades, “the grave”) and of death.*

***Jonah 2:1*** *Then Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God out of the fish’s belly, 2) And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of* ***hell*** *cried I, and thou heardest my voice.*

***Acts 2:25*** *For David speaketh concerning him (Jesus Christ), I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved: 26) Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope: 27 Because thou wilt not leave my soul in* ***hell****, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption…30) Therefore (David) being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; 31) He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in* ***hell****, neither his flesh did see corruption. 32) This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

In every instance in the quotes above the Old Testament word for “grave” and also for “hell” is exactly the same word - *“sheol.”* The translators should have used the word “grave” in every instance. In the New Testament the quotes above the word for “hell” and “grave” is in every instance translated from the Greek word *“hades.”* Here too, the translators should have used the word “grave” in all of these instances. By intermixing different English words for the same Hebrew or Greek word they have confused the meaning of the original word.

For example, in Ecclesiastes above when it says, *“there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest”,* the word “grave” is from the Hebrew word “sheol.” Yet in Jonah it says, “out of the belly of *hell* cried I.” In this instance the Hebrew word is again “sheol” and is translated “hell.” This word should more properly have been translated “grave.” Had Jonah died in the whale’s belly it would have been his grave.

This is also shown in the quote by Jesus Christ above in Rev 1:18. He said, *I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.* Jesus said that he had the keys of ***hades*** (the grave) and of death. Jesus was here saying that he had the keys to open the “graves” (hades) of those with knowledge and to give them life, if they were worthy.

Remember also that when we are dead and in the grave our *“thoughts perish”* (Psa 146:4) and we *“know nothing”* (Eccl 9:5 - RSV).

1. **The Soul Is NOT Immortal.**

***Ezek 18:20*** *The soul that sinneth, it shall die.*

***Josh 10:39*** *And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining.*

***Josh 11:11*** *And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly destroying them: there was not any left to breathe: and he burnt Hazor with fire.*

***1 Tim 6:16***[God] *Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.*

***1 Cor 15:51*** *Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52) In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53) For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must* ***put on*** *immortality. 54) So* ***when*** *this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality,* ***then*** *shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

“Mortal” means dying and “immortal” means non-dying. Obviously we have a mortal body. It will die. The serpent who was a *“liar”* and a *“murderer”* (John 8:44) said that Adam and Eve would not die if they ate from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. This statement was in opposition to God’s plain commands. This was the first lie and through it the serpent murdered Adam and Eve and all of their subsequent children. All who teach the “immortality of the soul” are continuing this same serpent lie, and are also murdering all who listen to these “fables” (2 Tim 4:4).

1. **The Soul – It’s Capabilities.**

 ***Lev 17:10*** *And whatsoever man there be of the house of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that**eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.*

***Lev 5:1*** *And if a soul sin, and hear the voice of swearing, and is a witness, whether he hath seen or known of it; if he do not utter it, then he shall bear his iniquity. 2 Or if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether it be a carcase of an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the carcase of unclean creeping things, and if it be hidden from him; he also shall be unclean, and guilty. 3) Or if he touch the uncleanness of man, whatsoever uncleanness it be that a man shall be defiled withal, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty. 4) Or if a soul swear, pronouncing with his lips to do evil, or to do good, whatsoever it be that a man shall pronounce with an oath, and it be hid from him; when he knoweth of it, then he shall be guilty in one of these.*

***Jer 2:34*** *Also in thy skirts is found the blood of the souls of the poor innocents: I have not found it by secret search, but upon all these.*

***Gen 46:18*** *These are the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she**bare**unto Jacob, even sixteen souls.*

***Ezek 18:20*** *The soul that sinneth, it shall die.*

***Josh 11:11*** *And they smote all the souls that were therein with the edge of the sword, utterly**destroying them: there was not any left to breathe.*

***Isa 38:17*** *Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back.*

***Psa 49:15*** *But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave: for he shall receive me. Selah.*

**Notes on the Quotes:**

 The “soul” of the Bible is translated from the Hebrew word *“nephesh”* or the Greek word “*psuche.”* In both instances it is referring to “a breathing creature” or a “living creature.” When it is used in reference to a human, it should in most instances be translated “person.” For example, in the quote from Ezekiel 18:20 it says, *“The soul* [Hebrew, *nephesh*] *that sinneth, it shall die.”* This is simply saying that the person who sins will die.

This can be seen somewhat dramatically from the above quotes. A “soul” can eat, sin, hear, be a witness, touch, swear, has blood, can be born, can die, can be smote with the sword and utterly destroyed, can breathe, can undergo corruption (decay),can be redeemed. This is merely saying that all of these things are true of a person. It clearly is NOT “an immortal invisible essence” that leaves the body at death and goes to eternal bliss or torment.

The view that the soul lives forever when the body dies is false and is a continuation of the serpent lie from the beginning. When the “soul” dies, it is the person who dies. **Your body is you**. **When it dies you die;** all life processes cease to exist forever unless Jesus Christ resurrects you from this death state.

**Chapter 4**

**A Summary Of The Quotes And Notes**

**Part 1**

**Jesus Christ Will Return To The Earth**

**And Begin His Work**

1. **Jesus Christ Will Return To The Earth.**

***John 14:3*** *I will come again.*

1. **Jesus Christ Will Return During This Generation.**

***Luke 21:32*** *This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.*

1. **Jesus Christ Will Return To Establish The Kingdom Of God.**

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

1. **Jesus Christ Will Resurrect The Responsible Dead And Take The Responsible Living.**

***John 5:22*** *The Father …hath committed all judgment unto the Son…*25 *The dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.*

1. **The Responsible “Dead” And The Living Will Be Judged According To Their Works.**

***Matt 16:27*** *For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and* ***then*** *he shall reward every man according to his works.*

1. **Those Accepted By Jesus Christ Will Be Made Immortal And Equal To The Angels.**

***Luke 20:35*** *They which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, …36 Neither can they die any more:* *for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.*

1. **The Angels – Their Bodies, Nature, Power and Abilities.**

***Judg 6:21*** *Then the angel of the LORD put forth the end of the staff that was in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there rose up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes. Then the angel of the LORD departed out of his sight.*

1. **Elijah Will Be Sent To The Jews Before Armageddon.**

***Malachi 4:5*** *I will send you Elijah the prophet* ***before*** *the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.*

**Part 2**

**Armageddon – And Jesus Christ’s Beginning Work**

1. **Armageddon – An Overview.**

***Jer 25:29*** *I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts… 31 The LORD hath a controversy with the nations… them that are wicked to the sword 33 And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth.*

1. **At Armageddon The Rulership Of The Earth Will Be Transferred From Man To God.**

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

1. **The Nations Involved In Armageddon And The Nature Of The Conflict.**

***Ezek 38:2*** *Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him, …5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: 6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands…13 Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof.*

1. **Armageddon - The Battle.**

***Ezek 38:22*** *And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.*

1. **Daniel Chapter 7 – The Kingdoms Of Men And The Kingdom Of God.**

***Dan 7:9***  *I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit…14 And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.*

1. **The Jews Will Return To The Land Of Israel And Be Accepted By God As His People.**

***Ezek 11:17*** *I will even gather you from the people, and assemble you out of the countries where ye have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.*

1. **The Jews Will Be Completely Humbled And Reformed When Their Veil Is Removed After Armageddon.**

***Zeph 3:11*** *In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty because of my holy mountain. 12 I will also leave in the midst of thee an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust in the name of the LORD.*

1. **The Jews Will Be A Special People In The Kingdom Age.**

***Zech 8:23*** *Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you.*

1. **After Armageddon Catholic Europe Will Fight Against Jesus And Be Destroyed As A Polity.**

***Rev 17:14*** *These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.*

1. **The City of Rome Will Be Totally Destroyed By Fire.**

***Rev 18:2*** *Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen…8 and she shall be utterly burned with fire.*

**Part 3**

**The Kingdom Of God**

1. **The Gospel Of The Kingdom Of God Is The Basic Message Of The Old Testament.**

***Dan 2:44*** *And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.*

1. **The Gospel Of The Kingdom Of God Is Also The Basis Message Of The New Testament.**

***Mark 1:14*** *Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God.*

1. **The Kingdom Of God Will Be The Restored Kingdom Of Israel.**
2. **The Kingdom of God existed in the past.**

***1Cron 28:5*** *And of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many sons,) he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.*

1. **The Kingdom of God was overturned because of Israel’s disobedience.**

***Eze 21:26*** *Thus saith the Lord GOD; Remove the diadem, and take off the crown: this shall not be the same: exalt him that is low, and abase him that is high. 27 I will overturn, overturn, overturn, it: and it shall be no more, until he come whose right it is; and I will give it him.*

1. **God’s Kingdom Will Be Restored.**

***Luke 1:30*** *And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary…thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32… and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.*

1. **The Kingdom Of God –An Overview Of It’s Coming Reality.**

***Psa. 2:6*** *Yet have I set my KING upon my holy hill of Zion. 7 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art MY SON; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the (nations – NIV) for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.*

1. **After Armageddon Jesus Christ Will Be The King Of The Earth.**

***Psa 2:6*** *Yet have I set my KING upon my holy hill of Zion. I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art MY SON; this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the (nations – RSV) for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.*

1. **Jesus Christ Will Be The King Over The Kingdom Of God On The Reestablished Throne Of David.**

***Luke 1:30*** *The angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.*

1. **The Righteous Will At This Time Also Inherit The Earth With Jesus Christ.**

***Matt 5:5*** *Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth.*

1. **The Faithful Believers Will Be Made Immortal And Will Assist Jesus Christ From Jerusalem.**

***1 Cor 15:51*** *Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.*

1. **The Saints: Who They Are And What They Will Do.**

***Dan 7:18*** *But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.*

1. **The Kingdom Of God Will Be A Benevolent Theocratic Dictatorship.**

***Psa 72:2*** *He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment. 3 The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by righteousness. 4 He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor…11 Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.*

**Part 4**

**The Conditions Of The Kingdom**

1. **The Millennium – One Thousand Years Of The Kingdom Of God On The Earth.**

***Rev 20:4*** *They lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.*

***Isa 16:5***  *In mercy shall the throne be established: and he* [Jesus Christ] *shall sit upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking judgment, and hasting righteousness.*

1. **Satan Will Be Bound During The Millennium.**

***Rev 20:2*** *And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years.*

1. **God’s Laws Will Be In The Earth.**

***Micah 4:2*** *The law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. 3 And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off.*

1. **All Of The Governments Of Mankind On The Earth Will Be Taken Over By God.**

***Dan 2:44***  *And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.*

***Rev 11:15*** *The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.*

1. **All Peoples And Nations Will Be Required To Obey Jesus Christ, The King Of The Earth.**

***Psa 72:11*** *Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him.*

1. **God’s Glory Will Fill The Earth.**

***Num 14:21*** *But as truly as I live, all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.*

1. **God’s Kingdom Will Encompass The Whole Earth.**

***Psa. 22:27***  *All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee. 28 For the kingdom is the LORD’S: and he is the governor among the nations.*

1. **Jerusalem Will Be The Capital City Of The World.**

***Isa 24:23*** *The LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.*

1. **All Nations Will Be Required To Obey God’s Laws.**

***Isa 60:12*** *For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.*

1. **There Will Be Righteousness And Justice In The Earth.**

 ***Jer. 23:5****, (RSV) Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.*

1. **Wars Will Cease.**

***Micah 4:3*** *They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.*

1. **Food Will Abound.**

***Ezek 36:29*** *I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you; I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field.*

1. **Sickness Will Be Greatly Reduced.**

***Isa 33:24*** *The inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity.*

1. **There Will Be A Religious Reform With The One True Religion Over The Entire Earth.**

***Jer 31:34*** *(RSV) No longer shall each man teach his neighbor and teach his brother, saying, Know the LORD, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest*.

1. **There Will Be A Required Conversion To The One True Religion.**

***Isa 2:3***  *And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.*

1. **False Religion Will Be Utterly Forbidden As At The Time Of Joshua.**

***Deut 7:5*** *Ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.*

1. **There Will Be One Language For The Whole Earth.**

***Zeph 3:9*** *For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.*

1. **The Perfected Earth Will Be The Eternal “Heavenly” Inheritance Of The Righteous.**

***2 Pet 3:13*** *Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.*

1. **Summary Of The Kingdom Of God.**

*(See item # 47 a-k in the Quote and Note section above).*

**Part 5**

**At The End Of The Millennium**

1. **Satan Will Be Released For A Short Time At the End Of The Millennium.**

***Rev 20:2*** *And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.*

1. **The End Of God’s Work In Perfecting The Earth And Incorporating It Into The Heavens.**

***1Cor 15:24*** *Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.*

**Part 6**

**What We Must Do Now**

1. **Believe The Gospel And Be Baptized.**

***Acts 8:12***  *But when they believed Phillip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized.*

1. **After Baptism We Must Be Obedient To God’s Commands, Walking In Newness Of Life.**

***I John 2:4*** *He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.*

**Part 7**

**Some Related Considerations**

1. **The Jews Were Dispersed Throughout The Nations Because Of Their Disobedience.**

***Ezek 36:17*** *When the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman. 18 Wherefore …19 I scattered them among the heathen [the Gentile nations], and they were dispersed through the countries.*

1. **“God Hath Not Cast Away His People” (Romans 11:2). The Jews Will Be Re-gathered Into The Kingdom Of God.**

***Rom 11:1*** *I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. …2 God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew.*

***Micah 4:8*** *The kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem.*

1. **An Apostasy Was Prophesied To Develop From Original Christianity.**

***2 Tim 4:3*** *For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; 4) And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.*

1. **Some Departures From First Century Christians That Are Held By Many Present Day “Christians:”** *(See item # 55 above 1-9 in the Quotes and Notes section)*
2. **Death Is Thoughtlessness.**

***Psa 146:4*** *His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.*

1. **Death Is Sometimes Permanent.**

***Jer 51:57*** *They shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake.*

1. **Death Is Sometimes Not Permanent.**

***Psa 49:15*** *God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave.*

1. **The Nature Of The Body That We Have Inherited From Adam And Eve.**

***Genesis 2:17*** [God said]*in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.* ***1Co 15:22*** *In Adam all die.*

1. **Devil Of The Bible Is The Sin Nature That We Have Inherited From Adam.**

***John 8:44*** *Ye* [Scribes and Pharisees] *are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.*

***James 1:14*** *Every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. 15) Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.*

1. **The Earth Will Be The Eternal Inheritance Of The Righteous, NOT The Heavens**

***Psa 115:16*** *The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD’S: but the earth hath he given to the children of men.*

1. **Hell Is The Grave - Not A Place Of Eternal Torture.**

***Eccl 9:10*** *Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.*

***Psa 146:4*** *His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth; in that very day his thoughts perish.*

1. **The Soul Is NOT Immortal.**

***Ezek 18:20*** *The soul that sinneth, it shall die.*

1. **The Soul – It’s Capabilities.**

***Lev 17:10*** *I will even set my face against that soul that**eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people.*

***Lev 5:1*** *And if a soul sin, and hear the voice of swearing, and is a witness… 2 Or if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether it be a carcase of an unclean beast.*