

Eschatology ABF Series
Objections to the Rapture [most of the notes are credited to Dr. Richard Mayhue]
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Review

Objections to Pre-tribulational Rapture

1. Since the phrase “*to meet the Lord*” in I Thessalonians 4:17 ἀπανταῶ (apantao) and ἀπαντησις (apantasis) can refer to a friendly city going out to meet the visiting king and escorting him back to the city, does not this phrase point decidedly to a post-tribulational rapture?
 1. First, this Greek verb/noun can refer to either meeting within a city (Mark 14:13; Luke 17:12) or going out of the city to meet and return (Matthew 25:6; Acts 28:15). So, the use of this particular word is not at all decisive.
 2. Remember that Christ is coming to a hostile people in general who will eventually fight against him at Armageddon. So, the pre-tribulational rapture best pictures the king rescuing, by a rapture, His faithful followers who are trapped in a hostile world and who will later accompany Him when He returns to conquer His enemies and set up His Kingdom (Revelation 19:11-16).
2. Why does Paul write in I Thessalonians 5:6 for believers to be alert to “*the Day of the Lord*” if according to pre-tribulationism they would not be in it?

Paul exhorts believers in I Thessalonians 5:6 to be alert and living godly in a Day of The Lord context just as Peter does in II Peter 3:14-15 where the Day of The Lord experience is clearly at the end of the millennium when the old heavens and earth will be destroyed and replaced with the new. In both cases, they are exhortations to present godly living for true believers in the light of God’s future judgment on unbelievers.

These texts really are not determining factors for any positions on the time of the rapture.

3. Does not Matthew 24:37-42, where people are taken out of the world, teach a post-tribulational rapture?

In fact, Matthew 24:37-42 teaches just the opposite.

The historical illustration of Noah (vv. 37-39) teaches that Noah and his family were left alive while the whole world was taken away in death and judgment. This is exactly the sequence to be expected at Christ’s second coming as taught in the parable of the wheat and tares (Matthew 13:24-43), the parable of the dragnet (Matthew 13:47-50), and the sheep-goat nation judgment (Matthew 25:31-46). In all these cases, at the final event in Christ’s second coming, unbelievers are taken away in judgment and righteous believers remain. No, this passage does not teach about the rapture.

4. Does not a pre-tribulational rapture result in two second comings of Christ while Scripture teaches only one second coming?

Not at all. No matter what rapture position one holds, Christ's second coming is one event which occurs in two parts; Christ coming in the air to rapture the church and Christ coming to earth to conquer, judge and set up His kingdom.

5. When Jeremiah writes (30:7), "*And it is the time of Jacob's distress, but he will be saved from it,*" is this not the same kind of language used in Revelation 3:10 (kept from) and would not Revelation 3:10 then point to a post-tribulational rapture?

The Septuagint (37:7, LXX reference) translates the Hebrew text of Jeremiah (30:7, Hebrew and English reference) with the verb and preposition combination σωζω απο (sozo apo) in regard to Israel. They will actually be saved through the judgment and emerge out of it as the people of God over whom Christ will reign as promised to David (II Samuel 7:8-17) and prophesied by Ezekiel (37:11-28). Because σωζω απο (sozo apo) means "protected in the midst of," this has no bearing on the meaning of a different verb and preposition used in Revelation 3:10 τereo εκ (tereo ek). See the earlier discussion on the actual verb/preposition combination in Revelation 3:10.

Finally, there is no necessary equation of the outcome to Israel and God's plan for the church.

6. If pre-tribulationism is true, why is there no mention of the "church" in heaven in Revelation 4-19?

It is true that the word for "church" εκκλησια (ekklesia) is not used of the church in heaven in Revelation 4-19. However, that does not mean the church is invisible. There are at least two distinct appearances of the church in heaven.

1. The twenty-four elders in Revelation 4-5 symbolize the church.
2. The phrase "*you saints and apostles and prophets*" in Revelation 18:20 refers clearly to the church in heaven. So, what rapture scenario best accounts for the church being in heaven in these texts at this time? A pre-tribulational rapture.

7. Why is Revelation addressed to the church, if the church will not experience the tribulation of Revelation 6-19 due to a pre-tribulational rapture?

God frequently warned Israel in the OT of impending judgment, even though the generation who received the prophecy would not experience it. As mentioned in the previous answer to Question 2, both Paul (I Thessalonians 5:6) and Peter (II Peter 3:14-15) used a future judgment, which the people to whom they wrote would not experience, to exhort God's people to present godly living. The exact same pattern was followed by John in Revelation. The church was alerted to God's future judgment of sin on earth as a basis for the church to teach pure doctrine and live holy lives (Revelation 2-3).

8. Is there any relationship between the rapture trumpet of I Thessalonians 4:16 & I Corinthians 15:51-52 and the trumpet of Joel 2:1, or the trumpet of Matthew 24:31 or the trumpet of Revelation 11:15? If so, does this not contradict a pre-tribulational rapture?

I Thessalonians 4:16 *“For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.”*

I Corinthians 15:51-52 *“Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.”*

Joel 2:1 *“Blow a trumpet in Zion; sound an alarm on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the LORD is coming; it is near,”*

Matthew 24:31 *“And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.”*

Revelation 11:15 *“Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.””*

A careful study of the almost one hundred uses of “trumpet/trumpets” in the OT will quickly advise the student of Scripture not to equate the trumpets in any two texts hastily, without a great deal of corroborating contextual evidence. For example, there is the trumpet used for warning (Jeremiah 6:1), the trumpet used for worship/praise (II Chronicles 20:28; Psalm 81:3; 150:3; Isaiah 27:3), the trumpet used for victory (I Samuel 13:3), the trumpet used for recall (II Samuel 2:28; 18:16), the trumpet used for rejoicing (II Samuel 6:15), the trumpet used for announcements (II Samuel 20:1; I Kings 1:34; II Kings 9:13), and the trumpet for disbursement (II Samuel 20:22) to name a few.

After looking at the texts in question, it appears that each trumpet is used for a purpose that is unique and different from the other three.

The trumpet of Joel 2:1 is a trumpet of warning that the Day of The Lord is near (Jeremiah 6:1).

The trumpet of I Thessalonians 4:17 & I Corinthians 15:52 is a trumpet which announces the approaching king (Psalm 47:5) so that people may go out to greet Him.

The trumpet of Matthew 24:31 is a trumpet call to assembly (Exodus 19:16; Nehemiah 4:20; Joel 2:15).

The trumpet of Revelation 11:15 is the 7th in a series of seven and is a trumpet that announces victory (I Samuel 13:3).

There is no compelling reason to equate the rapture trumpet with any of these other three trumpets. Therefore, these texts cannot be used to determine the time of the rapture.

9. Is not a mid-tribulational view actually a pre-tribulational view since the “great tribulation” (Matthew 24:21; Revelation 7:14) does not begin until the middle of Daniel’s 70th week?

To say that real “tribulation” does not begin until the midpoint of Daniel’s 70th week is to make an arbitrary delineation, not to mention contradicting the testimony of at least the first four seals of Revelation 6:1-8, which picture the tribulation on earth that will be triggered by Christ from heaven. These seals are described as “birthpangs” and “tribulation” in Matthew 24:8-9. Though the ultimate intensity of tribulation will come in the final half of Daniel’s 70th week, the entire period is marked by tribulation. Thus, the only true pre-tribulational position is the one that places the rapture prior to Daniel’s 70th week.

10. If the church partakes of the first resurrection and if the first resurrection is described in Revelation 20:4, does this not point to a post-tribulational resurrection/rapture?

The use of the phrase “first resurrection” in Revelation 20:5-6 refers specifically to the post-tribulational resurrection of those who will believe in Christ during Daniel’s 70th week, as made clear by the language of Revelation 20:4. However, nothing in this phrase limits the “first resurrection” only to this group of people or to this time. The “first resurrection,” which is contrasted with the “second death” (Revelation 20:6, 14; 21:8). The resurrection of all unbelievers is made up of several additional categories of people who will be resurrected at various times. These include:

Christ the first fruits (I Corinthians 15:23)

Church saints (I Corinthians 15:23, 50-58) at the rapture

OT saints (Ezekiel 37:12-14; Daniel 12:2) at the end of Daniel’s 70th week

Therefore, this text does not point to a post-tribulational resurrection/rapture.

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Tribulation Period [many notes credited to Michael Bradley]
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Review

Organization of the Book of Revelation

Chapters

Chapter 1 – Prologue
Chapters 2-3 – Letters to the Seven Churches
Chapter 4 – The Throne in Heaven
Chapter 5 – The Large Scroll
Chapter 6 – The First Six Seals
Chapter 7 – 144,000 Sealed Jews
Chapter 8 – Seventh Seal Events [Trumpet Judgments 1-4]
Chapter 9 – Completion of 70th Week [Trumpet Judgments 5-6]
Chapter 10 – The Little Scroll
Chapter 11 – Two Witnesses (Daniel 9:24 Completed) [Trumpet Judgment 7]
Chapter 12 – Woman & the Dragon / Satan on Earth
Chapter 13 – Two Beasts
Chapter 14
 A. Deliverance of the elect
 B. Decree to the wicked
 C. Destruction of the wicked
Chapter 15 – Prelude to Bowl Judgments
Chapter 16 – Bowl Judgments 1-7
Chapter 17 – The Great Harlot
Chapter 18 – The Great City
Chapter 19 – The Great Army
Chapter 20
 1-6 – The Beginning of the Millennium
 7-15 – The End of the Millennium
Chapter 21 – New Heavens, New earth, New Jerusalem
Chapter 22 – Epilogue

Organization of Judgments

Either:

 Cyclical – Judgments cycle back around

 Overlapping – 7th Seal contains all 7 Trumpet Judgments; 7th Trumpet contains all 7 Bowl Judgements

Chronological then Topical then Chronological then Topical, etc.

Timeline of the Rapture & Tribulation Period

Rapture

Can happen anytime!

Judgment Seat of Christ (in Heaven)(during Tribulation??)

Tribulation Period Begins (?? on how much time after the Rapture)

Anti-Christ comes to power

Signing of Peace Treaty with Israel

Sacrifices allowed (Temple rebuilt)

First Half of Tribulation Period

Two Witnesses Begin Ministry

Seal Judgment 1

Seal Judgment 2

Seal Judgment 3

Seal Judgment 4

Seal Judgment 5

Seal Judgment 6

Calling of the 144,000

Seal Judgment 7

Trumpet Judgment 1

Trumpet Judgment 2

Trumpet Judgment 3

Trumpet Judgment 4

Trumpet Judgment 5

Trumpet Judgment 6

Middle of Tribulation

Anti-Christ is Killed, then “Resurrected”

Two Witnesses Killed, then Resurrected

Antichrist becomes world head

Antichrist institutes the “Mark of the Beast”

Antichrist Breaks Peace Treaty

Abomination of Desolation

Jews Flee

False Prophet Promotes the Antichrist

Last Half of Tribulation

Trumpet Judgment 7

Bowl Judgment 1

Bowl Judgment 2

Bowl Judgment 3

Bowl Judgment 4

Bowl Judgment 5

Bowl Judgment 6

Bowl Judgment 7

End of Tribulation

Armageddon

Marriage Supper of the Lamb (in Heaven)(right before Second Coming ??)

30 Days??

Second Coming

Mount of Olives Split

Destruction of Rome

Antichrist & False Prophet Destroyed

Jewish People Get Saved

45 Days??

Sheep / Goat Judgment

Satan is Bound for 1,000 Years

Millennium

Satan is Released for a Short Time

Final Deception / Final Battle / Final Destruction of Satan

White Throne Judgment

Eternity Future

New Heavens & New Earth

Tribulation Period Begins (?? on how much time after the Rapture)

Anti-Christ comes to power

Daniel 7:24-25 *“The ten horns are ten kings who will come from this kingdom. After them another king will arise, different from the earlier ones; he will subdue three kings. He will speak against the Most High and oppress his saints and try to change the set times and the laws. The saints will be handed over to him for a time, times and half a time.”*

Signing of Peace Treaty with Israel

Daniel 9:27a *“And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week ...”*

Sacrifices allowed (Temple rebuilt)

Revelation 11:1-2 *“I was given a reed like a measuring rod and was told, “Go and measure the temple of God and the altar, and count the worshipers there. But exclude the outer court; do not measure it, because it has been given to the Gentiles. They will trample on the holy city for 42 months.”*

First Half of Tribulation Period

Two Witnesses Begin Ministry

Revelation 11:3 *“And I will give unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.”*

Probably needed because at the beginning of the Tribulation Period there are no saved people left on the earth. The two witnesses are needed for initial evangelization of the world.

Seal Judgments

Seal Judgment 1 – Rise of the Antichrist

Revelation 6:1-2 *“Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, “Come!” And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer.”*

The first seal judgment is the releasing of the Antichrist upon the earth. The rider on the white horse is the Antichrist. He is given a crown to wear. He is also riding a white horse. The color white stands for the fact that he will initially rise to power on peace and diplomacy.

People will think he will have the answers to all the world's problems. He will appear to be a good guy. However, the color of his horse is going to change in the 2nd seal revealing his true evil nature.

This verse says that a crown was given to him. This means that God is allowing this man to come forth at this time to eventually rule most, if not all the world, for a specified period of time. This man would not be able to come to this kind of power unless God Himself would allow it to occur.

Also notice how this verse ends. Even though he is riding on a white horse, his ultimate aim is to conquer and gain control of the entire world. This verse then ends with the statement that he goes out to conquer.

Once he is allowed to be released by God, this man will waste no time in gaining control of his 10-nation confederacy, which he will eventually rule from, along with the rest of the nations of the world.

Seal Judgment 2 – Antichrist Shows His True Nature

Revelation 6:3-4 *“When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, “Come!” And out came another horse, bright red. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword.”*

The 2nd seal is again with the Antichrist riding on it, but this time the color of his horse changes from white to fiery red. This means that the Antichrist starts to show the rest of the world his true evil nature.

Again, the key word is the word “granted.” It says that it was granted for this man to start to wage war and to take peace from the earth.

The last half of this verse tells you that this man will be allowed to take peace from the entire earth – not just from a few countries. When he starts to do this, this verse says that people will start killing one another. The last sentence says that the Antichrist is given a great sword, which means that he now can go out to start wars so he can get all the nations of the world under his rule.

Seal Judgment 3 – Disease, Famine & Food Shortage

Revelation 6:5-6 “When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, “Come!” And I looked, and behold, a black horse! And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand. And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, “A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wine!””

Once again, Jesus is the One who opens this next seal. In this seal, the horse of the Antichrist will now change from fiery red to black. As a result of the wars and the killing that starts to occur when the 2nd seal is opened, the color black represents the results of what wars will start – and that is famine, disease, and food shortages.

People will work all day long in order to get just enough food to get them through for the day. It says a “quart of wheat for a denarius.” A denarius was one day’s wages back in the days of the Bible. A quart of wheat or three quarts of barley were just enough food to get by with.

Oil and wine are not to be harmed, which means the rich and the affluent will still have their rich lifestyles, while many other people will go under this type of tyranny where they will basically be living under slave labor conditions.

The rider on the black horse, who is the Antichrist, has a pair of scales in his hand. These scales show that the Antichrist has the power and authority to tip the scales in his favor. He will have the power to arrange for many countries to be living under these slave labor conditions where they will have to work all day long just to be able to buy enough food to barely live on.

Bottom line – living conditions will become horrible and deplorable for many people throughout the entire world once the Antichrist is able to adjust the scales to make all of this happen.

Seal Judgment 4 – Death

Revelation 6:7-8 “When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, “Come!” And I looked, and behold,

a pale horse! And its rider's name was Death, and Hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth."

In this next seal judgment, things start to go from bad to worse. The color of the horse now changes to a pale color. The pale color stands for death.

This is still the horse of the Antichrist. This states that power is given to him to kill ¼ of the earth's population by sword, hunger, death and by the beasts of the earth.

Again, notice that this power is given to him. This means that God is "allowing" these turn of events to occur through this unholy man. This also says that Hades follows death. Hades (hell) is the place where nonbelievers go when they die.

Nonbelievers do not go to the Lake of Fire and Brimstone until after the 1,000-year Millennium Kingdom has passed. Hades (Hell) is their temporary place of torment until that event happens. With Hades following after Death, it seems to be implying that the people who are being killed in this judgment are nonbelievers, not Christians.

Many of the Christians that get saved after the Rapture are going to be martyred, but God seems to be keeping their deaths separate from the deaths talked about in this seal judgment.

So, if you put these two together, you will have most of the Christians who are saved after the Rapture getting killed by the Antichrist, along with ¼ of the rest of the nonbelievers also getting killed due to the wars and bloodshed that will be caused by this man and some of the other kings of the earth.

This will be a mass killing of humans on a scale that the world has never seen before. This will be a world holocaust, not just a Christian-Jewish holocaust.

The beasts of the earth are other kings and rulers who will be joining forces with the Antichrist in setting up this mass slaughter of humans.

Seal Judgment 5 – Cries of Martyrs

Revelation 6:9-11 "When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been."

This seal judgment is different than the first four. With many Christians now under heavy persecution, along with ¼ of the nonbelievers, this judgment deals with the cries of the martyrs who are now living in heaven with God.

They are literally crying out to God asking Him when He is going to stop all this persecution and bloodshed and avenge them for being killed in this manner. God tells them to wait just a little while longer until the number of their fellow servants still on earth are killed and martyred as they were. These days are literally numbered by God Himself, which we already know from previous verses. We already know that once the 7-year Tribulation starts, it will run for a full 7 years.

This also tells us that even though the martyrs are crying out in heaven for God to take some kind of action on their behalf, God is still not going to move until these events run their course by the exact number of days as prophesied in Scripture. For God to allow this event with the martyrs crying out in heaven for Him to do something to act as one of the actual seal judgments – this shows us how bad this persecution is going to be on the earth.

This verse may also be implying that we, who may already be in heaven from the Rapture, may be allowed to watch all these events unfold from heaven since the last 7 years on earth will be a major history lesson that God will never want us to forget.

God wants to show us what will happen to our world once He pulls back His restraining hand and allows Satan and one evil man, the Antichrist, to wreak as much havoc and destruction as they possibly can. With the main body of believers having already been raptured before all these events start to occur, God is going to show us what will happen to our world when He is not a part of our lives and a part of our world.

All the atheists and unbelievers who are living during this time are going to wish they were never born after they see what will be coming their way once God pulls His Church off the earth. Atheists and the rest of the unbelieving world are going to find out the hard way that man does not have all of the answers to solve all the world's problems – only God does. And if you take God out of the equation, then you will end up with maximum death as will be shown in these last 7 years.

Seal Judgment 6 – Judgments on the Earth

Revelation 6:12-17 *“When he opened the sixth seal, I looked, and behold, there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth, the full moon became like blood, and the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale. The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the*

mountains, calling to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?””

In this seal judgment God starts to take direct action Himself. With all the killing that is starting to occur in the above events, God causes a great and massive earthquake to strike the earth to the degree that every mountain and island is moved out of its place.

This verse says that when the kings of the earth see this event unfold, they will know that it is God Himself because of the intensity and magnitude of it. All the rich men, great men, the mighty men, the commanders-in-chief and all the kings of the earth will initially hide themselves in caves and in the rocks of the mountains fearing that God will be coming after them next.

They will know that God has just released His furious wrath against all them for all their atrocities and evil deeds. This will be a warning shot that their days are numbered, and that God will be coming after them very shortly to avenge the deaths of all Christians and Jews who have been martyred during this time.

You will see in some of the other judgments to follow, these people still will not repent and turn to God. They will still continue to hold on to their evil ways and curse God. Eventually pride and arrogance is going to get them thrown into the Lake of Fire and Brimstone for all eternity.

Notice in addition to this great earthquake, that the sun will turn black and the moon will look like blood. It also says that stars will fall to the earth. This could be possible meteor activity. But with God turning the sun black and the moon into blood, He is making a very powerful statement to the rest of the world.

God is showing His wrath by the sun turning black, and He is showing, by the blood on the moon, that He will be taking His vengeance upon all of these evil people very shortly due to all of the evil atrocities they have just committed – especially against His own people.

For God to get this mad shows you how evil people will really become during this time.

Calling of the 144,000 (Between 6th & 7th Seal Judgments)

Revelation 7:1-8 *“After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, that no wind might blow on earth or sea or against any tree. Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” And I heard the number of the*

sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel: 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed, 12,000 from the tribe of Reuben, 12,000 from the tribe of Gad, 12,000 from the tribe of Asher, 12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali, 12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh, 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon, 12,000 from the tribe of Levi, 12,000 from the tribe of Issachar, 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun, 12,000 from the tribe of Joseph, 12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.”

These are Jews! Not Jehovah Witnesses! God still knows each Jewish family, even if the world, or even the Jewish people, have lost those records.

This also is another great evidence that God is not done with Israel yet.

Seal Judgment 7 – Trumpet Judgments

Revelation 8:1-5 “When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer, and he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar before the throne, and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel. Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth, and there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake.”

This next and final seal judgment is another direct move from God. It is a prelude that will lead to the next series of judgments called the Trumpet Judgments.

In this chilling verse, it says that there was total silence in heaven for a half an hour. This is the quiet before the next round of storm activity – just like the quiet that sometimes occurs before a storm or tornado. The verse then ends with an angel throwing what is called a censer, which is filled with fire, to the earth. When he does this, the earth is hit by thunderings, lightnings, and another earthquake.

There are now 7 angels who are getting ready to sound what will be called the 7 Trumpet Judgments.

This last and final seal judgment is an introduction to what is getting ready to occur in the next series of judgments. What God did in the seventh seal judgment was just a warm-up compared to what He is going to do in the next series of judgments called the 7 Trumpet Judgments.

In the last seal judgment, the angel is offering all of the prayers of the saints to God. I believe the prayers this angel is offering to God are the prayers from His people to avenge their deaths.

Now God has heard their prayers – and He is now going to start to take very heavy action against the rest of the unbelieving and evil world. The Bible says that

“vengeance belongs to the Lord.” Now we will all get to see the vengeance and wrath of God released full force against these evil people.

Trumpet Judgments

Trumpet Judgment 1 – Hail & Fire

Revelation 8:6-7 “Now the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared to blow them. The first angel blew his trumpet, and there followed hail and fire, mixed with blood, and these were thrown upon the earth. And a third of the earth was burned up, and a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.”

In this 1st Trumpet Judgment, God will rain down hail and fire upon the earth. Literally 1/3 of the trees and grass will be burned up.

Trumpet Judgment 2 – Mountain Burning with Fire

Revelation 8:8-9 “The second angel blew his trumpet, and something like a great mountain, burning with fire, was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood. A third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.”

In this next judgment, a “great mountain burning with fire” is thrown into the sea, turning 1/3 of the sea into blood, killing 1/3 of all the living creatures in the sea, and also destroying 1/3 of the ships that are in the sea when this happens.

This great mountain burning with fire might be a meteor that is launched by God to the earth to continue His judgment against all the wicked people now living.

Trumpet Judgment 3 – Great Star Burning Like a Torch

Revelation 8:10-11 “The third angel blew his trumpet, and a great star fell from heaven, blazing like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water. The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many people died from the water, because it had been made bitter.”

In this next judgment by God, a “great star burning like a torch” falls from heaven on 1/3 of the rivers and springs causing major contamination, thereby causing many men to die because the waters were made bitter.

This great star burning like a torch would appear to be another meteor. In the previous judgment, 1/3 of the ocean waters became blood. Now 1/3 of the rivers and springs are going to be highly contaminated to such a degree that it will kill many men.

Trumpet Judgment 4 – Judgment on Sun, Moon & Stars

Revelation 8:12-13 “The fourth angel blew his trumpet, and a third of the sun was struck, and a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of their light might be darkened, and a third of the day might be kept from shining, and likewise a third of the night. Then I looked, and I heard an eagle crying with a loud voice as it flew directly overhead, “Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, at the blasts of the other trumpets that the three angels are about to blow!””

In this next judgment, God strikes $\frac{1}{3}$ of the sun, $\frac{1}{3}$ of the moon, and $\frac{1}{3}$ of the stars so they are darkened and thus give no light to the earth. This verse then ends giving a very serious warning about the next 3 trumpet judgments getting ready to be released.

Trumpet Judgment 5 – Locusts

Revelation 9:1-12 “And the fifth angel blew his trumpet, and I saw a star fallen from heaven to earth, and he was given the key to the shaft of the bottomless pit. He opened the shaft of the bottomless pit, and from the shaft rose smoke like the smoke of a great furnace, and the sun and the air were darkened with the smoke from the shaft. Then from the smoke came locusts on the earth, and they were given power like the power of scorpions of the earth. They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any green plant or any tree, but only those people who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. They were allowed to torment them for five months, but not to kill them, and their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it stings someone. And in those days people will seek death and will not find it. They will long to die, but death will flee from them. In appearance the locusts were like horses prepared for battle: on their heads were what looked like crowns of gold; their faces were like human faces, their hair like women’s hair, and their teeth like lions’ teeth; they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the noise of their wings was like the noise of many chariots with horses rushing into battle. They have tails and stings like scorpions, and their power to hurt people for five months is in their tails. They have as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit. His name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in Greek he is called Apollyon. The first woe has passed; behold, two woes are still to come.”

This next judgment begins what is called the “woes” as mentioned 3 times in the above verse. This one is the first woe, which means that it is a very serious judgment.

In this judgment, the bottomless pit is opened up where a huge swarm of locusts are allowed to be released upon the earth. These locusts are only allowed to attack men who do not have God’s seal on their foreheads. They are not allowed to kill these men, but to only torment them with their bite. This verse tells us that their bite is like that of a scorpion and that this torment is allowed to last for 5 months.

This judgment will be so severe, that people will literally be seeking death and won’t be able to find it. They will literally be desiring to die and won’t be able to do so. These locusts are also not attacking in a random fashion. They will literally have a demon from the pit of hell leading them. His name is called Apollyon, which stands for “Destroyer.”

This verse then ends stating that this is just the first woe and that two more woes are getting ready to follow.

Trumpet Judgment 6 – 200 Million Demons

Revelation 9:13-21 “Then the sixth angel blew his trumpet, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar before God, saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, “Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.” So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour, the day, the month, and the year, were released to kill a third of mankind. The number of mounted troops was twice ten thousand times ten thousand; I heard their number. And this is how I saw the horses in my vision and those who rode them: they wore breastplates the color of fire and of sapphire and of sulfur, and the heads of the horses were like lions’ heads, and fire and smoke and sulfur came out of their mouths. By these three plagues a third of mankind was killed, by the fire and smoke and sulfur coming out of their mouths. For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails, for their tails are like serpents with heads, and by means of them they wound. The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands nor give up worshiping demons and idols of gold and silver and bronze and stone and wood, which cannot see or hear or walk, nor did they repent of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts.”

This next judgment is called the second woe. This one is almost beyond human comprehension. In this very severe judgment, 4 demonic angels are

released from the Euphrates river to literally kill $\frac{1}{3}$ of all mankind. They will be leading an army of 200 million demonic spirits.

This army of 200 million is not China. China emerges in the battle of Armageddon. This judgment will occur before the battle of Armageddon. We are talking about 200 million demons let loose upon this earth to literally kill $\frac{1}{3}$ of the people that are still left on it!

Remember, $\frac{1}{4}$ of mankind has already been killed in the fourth seal judgment. With $\frac{1}{3}$ now being killed in this trumpet judgment, 58% of the world's population will now have been killed after this judgment passes. And the most amazing thing occurs at the end of this verse – it says that the people who are still left on the earth watching and experiencing all of these horrors still refuse to repent and turn to God.

They still continue in their worship of demons and all of their wicked ways. They know that all of these severe judgments are coming direct to them from God Himself, but yet they still refuse to turn from their evil and wicked ways.

This really does show how stubborn the human heart can be when it comes to spiritual matters. Some people will refuse to accept the truth of our Lord and Savior, even when faced with God supernaturally showing Himself with the way He will be doing during these times.

Middle of Tribulation (the exact order of these can't be pinned down)

Anti-Christ is Killed, then “Resurrected”

Revelation 13:3 *“One of its heads seemed to have a mortal wound, but its mortal wound was healed, and the whole earth marveled as they followed the beast.”*

Revelation 13:12 (speaking of the false prophet, then the antichrist) *“It exercises all the authority of the first beast in its presence, and makes the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose mortal wound was healed.”*

Two Witnesses Killed, then Resurrected

Revelation 11:7-12 *“And when they have finished their testimony, the beast that rises from the bottomless pit will make war on them and conquer them and kill them, and their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city that symbolically is called Sodom and Egypt, where their Lord was crucified. For three and a half days some from the peoples and tribes and languages and nations will gaze at their dead bodies and refuse to let them be placed in a tomb, and those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them and make merry and exchange presents, because these two prophets had been a torment to those who dwell on the earth. But after the three and a half days a breath of life from God entered them, and they stood up on their*

feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here!" And they went up to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies watched them."

Antichrist becomes world head

Daniel 7:8 "I considered the horns, and behold, there came up among them another horn, a little one, before which three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots. And behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things."

Revelation 13:7-8 "Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation, and all who dwell on earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain."

Antichrist / False Prophet institutes the "Mark of the Beast"

Revelation 13:16-17 "Also it causes all, both small and great, both rich and poor, both free and slave, to be marked on the right hand or the forehead, so that no one can buy or sell unless he has the mark, that is, the name of the beast or the number of its name."

Revelation 14:9 "And another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand,"

Revelation 16:2 "So the first angel went and poured out his bowl on the earth, and harmful and painful sores came upon the people who bore the mark of the beast and worshiped its image."

Revelation 19:20a "And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur."

Antichrist Breaks Peace Treaty

Daniel 9:27b "In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on a wing [of the temple] he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him."

Abomination of Desolation

Daniel 9:27b *“And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.”*

Daniel 11:31 *“Forces from him shall appear and profane the temple and fortress, and shall take away the regular burnt offering. And they shall set up the abomination that makes desolate.”*

Matthew 24:15 *“So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand) ...”*

II Thessalonians 2:4 *“He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God.”*

Jews Flee

Matthew 24:16-21 *“... then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let the one who is on the housetop not go down to take what is in his house, and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak. And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! Pray that your flight may not be in winter or on a Sabbath. For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, and never will be.”*

Revelation 12:1-6 *“And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days.”*

False Prophet Promotes the Antichrist

Revelation 13:11-15 *“Then I saw another beast rising out of the earth. It had two horns like a lamb and it spoke like a dragon. It exercises all the authority of the first beast in its presence, and makes the*

earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast, whose mortal wound was healed. It performs great signs, even making fire come down from heaven to earth in front of people, and by the signs that it is allowed to work in the presence of the beast it deceives those who dwell on earth, telling them to make an image for the beast that was wounded by the sword and yet lived. And it was allowed to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast might even speak and might cause those who would not worship the image of the beast to be slain.”

Last Half of the Tribulation

Trumpet Judgment 7 – Bowl Judgments

Revelation 11:15-19 “Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.” And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying, “We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign. The nations raged, but your wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, and for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints, and those who fear your name, both small and great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth.” Then God’s temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.”

This last and final trumpet judgment is the final woe. However, it is not really a judgment per se. That is why I believe it encapsulates all of the final bowl judgements. In this judgment, we are shown that heaven is beginning to rejoice because they know the end is very near. They are rejoicing because God has been releasing His wrath on a sinful world and He is starting to take His vengeance.

However, the last part of the verse says that more lightnings, noises, thunderings, another earthquake, and more hail is released upon the earth once again. However, these events are almost tame compared to what has just been occurring over the last set of trumpet judgments.

Bowl Judgment 1 – Boils

Revelation 16:1-2 “Then I heard a loud voice from the temple telling the seven angels, “Go and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of the wrath of God.” So the first angel went and poured out his bowl on the earth, and harmful and painful sores came

upon the people who bore the mark of the beast and worshiped its image.”

In this first judgment, God releases a very foul and loathsome sore or boil to come upon all the people who have the mark of the Beast. Notice that this plague is not released on any of His saints who are still living at this time.

This verse also tells us that these bowl judgments are the wrath of God being “poured out” – hence the word “bowl” judgments.

Bowl Judgment 2 – Salt Water Destroyed – Turned to Blood

Revelation 16:3 *“The second angel poured out his bowl into the sea, and it became like the blood of a corpse, and every living thing died that was in the sea.”*

In this next bowl judgment, God causes the entire sea to turn to blood and every living creature in the sea is killed as a result. I believe the word “sea” is referring to all of our oceans.

Try to imagine the magnitude of such an event, not to mention the stench that will probably be in the air from all the rotting fish and sea creatures who have now died and who may be floating on top of the ocean waters.

Bowl Judgment 3 – Fresh Water Destroyed – Turned to Blood

Revelation 16:4-7 *“The third angel poured out his bowl into the rivers and the springs of water, and they became blood. And I heard the angel in charge of the waters say, “Just are you, O Holy One, who is and who was, for you brought these judgments. For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and you have given them blood to drink. It is what they deserve!” And I heard the altar saying, “Yes, Lord God the Almighty, true and just are your judgments!””*

In this next judgment, God now comes after all the rivers and springs and also turns them into blood. Also notice that an angel then makes the statement that the reason God is doing this is to pay back with vengeance those who have killed His prophets and saints. He says that God is now giving them blood to drink since these people spilled the blood of His saints and that this is now their just due.

Again, just imagine that all of the oceans, rivers, and springs on this earth will now be turned into nothing but pure blood.

Bowl Judgment 4 – Scorching Sun

Revelation 16:8-9 *“The fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and it was allowed to scorch people with fire. They were scorched by the fierce heat, and they cursed the name of God who had power over these plagues. They did not repent and give him glory.”*

In this next judgment, God allows the heat of the sun to scorch men with great heat.

And you will also notice that after this event occurs, along with all of the oceans, rivers, and springs being turned into blood, that people still refuse to repent and turn to God. This verse tells us that people are still cursing and blaspheming God through all of this instead of getting on their knees and asking Him for His forgiveness.

Bowl Judgment 5 – Darkness

Revelation 16:10-11 *“The fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and its kingdom was plunged into darkness. People gnawed their tongues in anguish and cursed the God of heaven for their pain and sores. They did not repent of their deeds.”*

In this next judgment, God goes directly after the Antichrist along with his kingdom. God causes total darkness to fall upon his kingdom.

This verse also tells us that the people are still being plagued by the boils and sores from the first bowl judgment and that they are in extreme pain because of all of this. And once again, even after this judgment falls, these people are still refusing to repent and turn to the Lord.

Bowl Judgment 6 – Euphrates Dries Up & Three Demons Released

Revelation 16:12-16 *“The sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, to prepare the way for the kings from the east. And I saw, coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs. For they are demonic spirits, performing signs, who go abroad to the kings of the whole world, to assemble them for battle on the great day of God the Almighty. (“Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!”) And they assembled them at the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon.”*

In this next judgment, two things will happen. The Euphrates river is allowed to dry up to prepare the way for the kings of the east to come for the last and final battle on planet earth – the battle of Armageddon. The kings of the east are China and several other Asian nations.

The second thing that occurs is that three demons, who proceed out of the mouths of the Devil, the Antichrist, and False Prophet, are allowed by God to go out to all of the kings of the earth to bring them to the battle of Armageddon.

Bowl Judgment 7 – Earthquake & Giant Hailstones

Revelation 16:17-21 *“The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, “It is done!” And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake. The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath. And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found. And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.”*

This next judgment is the last and final judgment. Early on in this verse the words, “it is done,” are shouted out. And God saves what may be His biggest shot yet for this last judgment. In this judgment, the greatest and most severe earthquake that has ever hit our planet will strike! And then to top it all off, great hailstones weighing about 135 pounds apiece will be launched at this earth!

This earthquake is so massive, that every island flees away and the mountains are no longer found. It says that cities of the nations fell, but it does not specifically tell us which cities these are going to be. Suffice to say that this earthquake is going to literally wipe out entire cities! The city of Babylon is apparently one of the cities that will be completely destroyed by this monstrous earthquake.

The great city that is divided into three parts is probably Jerusalem. The voice from the temple of heaven shouting “it is done” is probably God the Father. His Son Jesus said “it is finished” right before He died on the cross. Now God the Father is going to say the exact same words as His last and final judgment is thrown onto this earth.

After this last judgment has passed, the only thing that will be left is for all the kings of the earth to march towards the battle of Armageddon.

End of the Tribulation (again, hard to press some of these into a strict timeline)

Armageddon (7th Bowl Judgment)

Zechariah 14:2-3 *“For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses plundered and the women raped. Half of the city shall go out into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then the LORD will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle.”*

Revelation 16:17-18 *“The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, “It is done!” And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake.”*

Revelation 19:11-21 *“Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords. Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, “Come, gather for the great supper of God, to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great.” And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.”*

Marriage Supper of the Lamb (?? on timing, location is in Heaven)

Revelation 19:6-9 *“Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, “Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure”—for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. And the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are those*

who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.” And he said to me, “These are the true words of God.””

30 Days??

Daniel 12:11 “And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be 1,290 days.”

Everywhere else it refers to 3½ years, 42 months or 1,260 days. Why the extra 30 days?

Maybe to allow time for armies to gather.

Second Coming

Matthew 24:29-31 “Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.”

Mount of Olives Split

Zechariah 14:4 “On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley, so that one half of the Mount shall move northward, and the other half southward.”

Destruction of “Rome”

Revelation 16:17-21 “The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, “It is done!” And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake. The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath. And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found. And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.”

Revelation 18:8-10 *“For this reason her plagues will come in a single day, death and mourning and famine, and she will be burned up with fire; for mighty is the Lord God who has judged her.” And the kings of the earth, who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her, will weep and wail over her when they see the smoke of her burning. They will stand far off, in fear of her torment, and say, “Alas! Alas! You great city, you mighty city, Babylon! For in a single hour your judgment has come.”*”

Anti-Christ & False Prophet Destroyed

Revelation 19:20 *“And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur.”*

Jewish People Get Saved

Zechariah 12:10-11 *“And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. On that day the mourning in Jerusalem will be as great as the mourning for Hadad-rimmon in the plain of Megiddo.”*

Zechariah 13:8-9 *“In the whole land, declares the LORD, two thirds shall be cut off and perish, and one third shall be left alive. And I will put this third into the fire, and refine them as one refines silver, and test them as gold is tested. They will call upon my name, and I will answer them. I will say, ‘They are my people’; and they will say, ‘The LORD is my God.’”*”

Romans 11:25-27 *“Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written, ‘The Deliverer will come from Zion, he will banish ungodliness from Jacob; and this will be my covenant with them when I take away their sins.’”*

45 Days??

Daniel 12:12 *“Blessed is he who waits and arrives at the 1,335 days.”*

Sheep / Goat Judgment (might happen during this extra 45 days)

Matthew 25:31-34, 46 *“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world ... And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.’”*

Satan is Bound for 1,000 Years

Revelation 20:1-3a *“Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended.”*

Millennium

Revelation 20:4-6 *“Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.”*

Satan is Released for a Short Time

Revelation 20:3b *“After that he must be released for a little while.”*

Final Deception / Final Battle / Final Destruction of Satan

Revelation 20:7-10 *“And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea. And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and*

consumed them, and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

White Throne Judgment

Revelation 20:11-15 “Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. And if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.”

Eternity Future

Daniel 2:44 “And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall the kingdom be left to another people. It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever,”

Revelation 11:15 “Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.””

New Heavens & New Earth

Revelation 21-22 “Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more ...”