

2012 – Return of Quetzalcoatl, and the Wrath of Satan

The year 2012-2013 looks to be a “humdinger” of a year of mounting world troubles, government collapses, war and destruction on a global scale. Why? What is going on? What does Bible prophecy say about it? How do ancient Mayan prophecies and the calendar help explain the mystery and holocaust facing the nations today?

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According to the Chinese calendar, 2012 is the “year of the dragon.” It began on January 23, 2012. Is there significance to the “year of the Dragon”?

What will the year 2012 bring? Science fiction movies have been trumpeting the end-of-the-world scenarios of the year 2012, and the apocalypse – but others claim there is no significance at all to this year – it is just another meaningless calendar date.

What is the truth?

Is there more to these end-time prophecies than most people, politicians and pundits think about?

With all the hype about the ancient Mayan calendar suggesting the demise of human civilization taking place in 2012, an American author wants everyone to know that other calendars predict the same outcome, and he claims a demonic plot bringing about the end date could be hiding in plain sight inside the U.S. Capitol and your wallet right now.

Tom Horn, a Bible-believing Christian and author of *"Apollyon Rising 2012,"* says he never actually had an interest in the Mayan calendar, which comes to a cyclical end on Dec. 21, 2012. But then he became aware of numerous unrelated calendars and prophecies spanning many centuries, all predicting the end of the current human age at this year's winter solstice. His book makes for fascinating reading.

Says Tom Horn, prolific author, in an interview with World Net Daily, "I started finding that it wasn't just the Maya," but in his book he also notes prognostications from Jewish mystics, as well as the ancient Chinese, Hindus, Cherokee Indians, and even artwork among famous American symbols that all point to the same time frame.

Despite not having telescopes, the Mayan people of Central America were extremely accurate observers of celestial movements, with the zenith of their civilization occurring between A.D. 250 and 900. The year 2012 has been foretold to be a very pivotal year, but not just in the Bible. According to Don Alehendro, an elder of the Mayas, December 20, 2012, mother earth will pass inside the center of a magnetic axis and a great cloud will darken it for 60-70 hours but it will pass. But when it does, he said that there will be great and serious events, such as earthquakes, tsunamis, floods, volcanic eruptions, and great illness on planet earth with few survivors left.

The final day of the Mayan calendar ends on December 21, 2012, and Mayans consider this date as the end of time and possibly the end of the world at which point human history could come to a close. The period just prior to this is called the time of trial—Judgment Day and the time of great purification. It is also a day where tumultuous changes are expected to take place. In their concept of cycles, one is called the precession that we call the precession of the Equinox. It is a 26,000 year period through which the earth transits through each one of the twelve signs of the Zodiac.

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Other Calendars and Predictions

"The Aztec saw the same thing, a flying serpent, Quetzalcoatl," Horn said, adding, "their calendar ends in 2012."

He says the Kali Yuga calendar of the Hindus forecasts global changes around 2012.

Horn says 38 years ago, when scientists Terrence and Dennis McKenna created a stock-market-like linear graph based on the "I-Ching," the timeline abruptly plunged off the graph into infinity on precisely Dec. 21, 2012.

"This finding is all the more astonishing given that McKenna's research was published in 1973 independent of any knowledge of the ending date in the Mayan calendar," Horn declared.

Meanwhile, the Zohar, a collection of books in the mystical Jewish Kabbalah that first debuted in Spain in the 13th century, talks about the coming of the Messiah at the same general time the other calendars forecast the end.

It predicts in late 2012, “All the kings of the world will assemble in the great city of Rome, and the Holy One will shower on them fire and hail and meteoric stones until they are all destroyed, with the exception of those who will not yet have arrived there. These will commence anew to make other wars. From that time the Mashiach (Messiah) will begin to declare himself, and round him there will be gathered many nations and many hosts from the uttermost ends of the Earth.”

Horn says, “Given the rejection of Jesus by orthodox Jews as Messiah, this coming could herald the coming of Antichrist in 2012.”

Pagan Sun Worship and America

What's perhaps most fascinating is Horn's discussion of what could be the mother of all conspiracy theories, dating back to the Bible's Book of Genesis, involving Noah's great grandson Nimrod, who not only built the famous Tower of Babel, but is the “mighty hunter” who scholars believe became worshipped as the sun god, with names such as Osiris in Egypt and Apollo in Greece.

Horn says from deepest antiquity, a plot involving pagan sun-worshippers, America's Founding Fathers, Masons and Freemasons has apparently been in the works, culminating in the end time with the return or resurrection of an evil, supernatural being. That character may actually be pictured as the all-seeing eye on top of the uncapped pyramid on the Great Seal of the United States, found on the back of a \$1 bill.

Others have speculated the eye on top of the pyramid could be a representation of Jesus Christ, since the Bible notes, “The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone.” (Psalm 118:22 New International Version).

The date at the base of the pyramid is 1776, which is not only the year the Declaration of Independence was signed, but also the beginning of a new Mayan “katun,” a time period of 19.7 years. If each of the 13 levels of the pyramid on the Great Seal represents one of these time periods, the top level would mark the year 2012.

The Latin phrase “Novus ordo seclorum” is part of the American seal, and translates to “New order of the ages,” which some fear is what many U.S. presidents, including George Herbert Walker Bush, allude to when they use the phrase, “New World Order.”

Other strange connections to the United States include *the Frieze of American History*, a painted panorama at the U.S. Capitol. Among the artwork is “Cortez and Montezuma at Mexican Temple” by Italian artist Constantino Brumidi.



Montezuma is shown gesturing to the sacred fire with a serpent wrapped around it. According to the Aztec calendar, the fire is predicted to burn out on Dec. 21, 2012.

It depicts Spanish explorer Hernando Cortez, the conqueror of Mexico, entering the Aztec temple in 1519. He's welcomed by Emperor Montezuma II, who thought Cortez was a god.

“Montezuma's hand is pointing directly down at the sacred fire, which, in point of fact, goes out ... Dec. 21, 2012, the end of the calendar,” Horn noted.

Also featured in the frieze is the Aztec calendar stone, and the sun god Tonatiuh, to whom pagan priests had 80,000 people sacrificed in the year of 1487 alone.

“Hiding in plain sight is the god who demands human sacrifice,” said Horn.

The Mayan Calendar

Does the Mayan calendar also predict the “end of the age” in the year 2012?

According to the Mayan calendar, we are living in the Mayan “end times.” The Great Cycle of the Mayan Long Count calendar ends at the winter solstice in 2012 A.D., just *literally a few MONTHS from now!!!*

In Mayan mythology, the winter solstice sun corresponds to the deity known as One Hunahpu, or “First Father.” The dark rift of the Milky Way, in Mayan cosmology, is known as the “Black Road,” the mouth of the Cosmic Monster, and the birth canal of the Cosmic Mother.

The Mayan calendar has a Great Cycle, ending 13 “bactuns” or a period of 5,125 years. To the ancient Mayans, this conjunction of the sun and Milky Way center or mid-point occurring on the winter solstice, December 21, in 2012 A.D. is a major transition point, *the creation of a new World Age.*

The Mayan Long Count calendar is strikingly different from the Roman calendar, or any other for that matter. A “month” is 20 days, and 18 months is a year of 360 days.

Twenty 360 day years comprise a “katun,” and a “baktun” is 20 katun, equaling 144,000 days.

These numbers are surely interesting. In the days of Noah the year was one of 360 days (5 months were 150 days, so 12 months were 360 days – see Genesis 7:11, 8:3-4). The number 144,000 is also interesting, as it is the number of the “firstfruits” redeemed to God at the coming of the Messiah (Rev.14:1-4).

Authorities agree that the Mayan Long Count calendar began August 11, 3114 B.C. (Gregorian calendar). Why it begins at this date is anybody’s guess. This would have been during the life of the prophet Enoch, who was born in 3545 B.C. He lived for 365 years before he “was taken,” in 3180 B.C. Methuselah was born in 3480 B.C. and lived for 969 years. So the Mayan calendar begins 66 years after Enoch disappeared (was taken to a place of safety from his many enemies), and 366 years after Methuselah was born.

Quetzalcoatl was the “plumed serpent” of the Aztec mythology, the “god” of learning and of the priesthood. He was an ancient ruler who was subsequently deified and identified with the planet Venus – the morning and evening star – and as a “god” of vegetation. He was a benign figure, a teacher, and his name became the title for Mexican high priests. The name became frequent in early Mexican history, like Roosevelt or Adams. There are many traditions about his arrival, and departure. He taught the way of peace. He was noted as “the bringer of civilization and good ways of life, who was frequently locked in conflict with gods of evil” (*The Indian Heritage of America*, Alvin M. Josephy, Jr., p.201). Aztec legends say he sailed across the sea, but would one day return.

Immanuel Velikovsky points out that during the time of Quetzalcoatl, according to ancient Mexican records, many people died, that “the sun refused to show itself and during four days the world was deprived of light” (quoting Brasseur; see *Worlds in Collision*, page 157). At that time, according to legends from Polynesian peoples, “the earth was battered by countless fragments,” says Velikovsky (p.160).

During that time the sequence of seasons and the duration of days and nights became disarranged.

In Mayan chronology, 3,113 B.C. is written as 13.0.0.0.0. When the cycle or age is complete, in December 2012 A.D., the date will once again be written 13.0.0.0.0 – a complete cycle of 13 baktuns. That date will also complete the end of a katun cycle (of 20 years). The last katun of this Age began in 1992 and will finish in 2012. The Mayan “glyph” of this katun is “storm” followed by “sun” – a period of darkness, followed by one of light.

The origins of the Mayan calendar are obscured by the mists of time. The Mayas themselves were adept skywatchers. Their classical period is thought to be from 200-900 A.D. However, large ruins with Mayan features have been found dating back to before

the time of Christ, before the common era began. They attributed the origin of their incredibly complex calendar system to another people whose origin was lost in the dim past.

Researchers believe that the Mayan calendar actually hinges upon its calculated end point. What is so important about the winter solstice of 2012? The Milky Way seems to have played an important part in Mayan mythology. The Mayan Sacred Tree appears to be the crossing point of the sun's path, the ecliptic, with the Milky Way. The conjunction of the sun with the Milky Way at the winter solstice in 2012 A.D. appears to have had apocalyptic significance. The crossing of the Milky Way with the ecliptic represents a doorway – pointing both to the sacred source and origin – the finishing of the old and the beginning of a new birth. Thus the world, in 2012, is pictured as being at a celestial “crossroads.”

To the Mesoamerican Mayas, the approach of the end of a World Age – the time when the winter solstice “Doorway” opened up the Sacred Tree to the Center of the Milky Way and the Heart of the Sky – was a very significant and epochal time. The Mayan Long Count was also known to the Yucatan Maya as a “prophecy cycle.”

Students of the Mayan calendar see this as confirmation that we are indeed living in the twilight of this present age and approaching the beginning of a New Age – the end of one prophetic cycle and the beginning of a new cycle. The Mayans stated that “time would collapse” at the end of their calendar cycle.

The “collapsing of time” is a mysterious phrase. How would time itself “collapse”? Could this be a reference to the “time of refreshing” and “restitution of all things” foretold in the Scriptures – when the Calendar itself and the orbit of the earth itself will be changed?

A Matter of Chronology

According to Archbishop Usher's chronology, Adam and Eve were created in 4,004 B.C. Adam and Eve disobeyed God (sinned and cut themselves off from God) in the Garden of Eden exactly seven years after they were created according to the book of Jubilees which would be year 3,997 B.C.

According to ancient Biblical interpretation, God has given mankind 6,000 years to live on the earth, before the Kingdom of God will arrive – a thousand years for each of the six days of creation (see II Peter 3:8-10). Our article, “Does God Have a 6,000 Year Plan?” goes into this subject thoroughly.

If we count 6,000 years from 4004 B.C. we come to 1997 A.D. If we count from 3997 B.C., the year of the transgression, then we come to 2004 A.D. But a strange prophecy in Isaiah 38 seems to indicate that God has given the world an extra “fifteen years” before His day of judgment will arrive! This is based on the 15 additional years God gave king Hezekiah to live, after notifying him he would die (Isaiah 38). See our

article, “Is God Adding 15 Years Till the Coming of the Messiah?” . Counting from Creation in 4,004 B.C., the year 2012 is fifteen years from 1997. Is this then, a year of transition, beginning the transition to the end of this age and the world of tomorrow?

If the Isaiah 38 prophecy about Hezekiah’s added fifteen years refers is based on the 6,000 year period which started from the year of Adam and Eve’s transgression in 3997 B.C., then 15 years added to 2004 A.D. would bring us to 2019 A.D. – exactly seven years from now!

This would make Daniel’s seventieth week, or the final week of years of this age, to be from 2012 to 2019! This means the final Great Tribulation is scheduled to begin *THIS VERY YEAR!* This year is very likely the beginning of Daniel’s 70th week prophecy!

Fifteen years added to 2004 A. D. will be the year 2018-2019 depending whether we count inclusively or exclusively. If 2012 begins the 70th week of Daniel, the seventh inclusive year will be 2018 (beginning with 2012 as year 1). Counting exclusively, the first year of the count would be 2013 and the seventh year would be 2019.

There are many examples in the Bible that are counted inclusively, for example counting the Omer from Passover. The count begins with Nisan 16. Inclusive counting means counting beginning with the first day after Passover on Nisan 16. Beginning with the next day would be called exclusive counting. The time begins with 2012 which is the end point from 1997. It was seven years after Adam and Eve were put in the Garden of Eden that they sinned, as the book of Jubilees says so very plainly. Taking that fact into account then the 6,000 years ended in 2004. Adding fifteen years to 2004 A.D. will come to 2019 seven years from now.

With these things in mind, it is very interesting to me that the Mayan calendar does say that the calendar of time ends on December 21, 2012 which is the winter solstice this very year. Thomas Horn has written a book on this. He says, ‘the Mayans understood the progression of the Equinox basically not to end but to roll over—start over (a new beginning) on December 2012. Their prophets coupled that date with unrest in the earth, after which a new form of man would appear on the earth, plus the return of their dragon god which is a flying serpent who has the *power of the air.*’

The Mystery of Quetzalcoatl

Quetzalcoatl was the primary god of the early central Americans, in Mexico and Central America, among the Mayas, Aztecs, Toltecs, and prior Indian cultures. He was also known as Kulcan. The quetzal was a bird with bright, colorful plumage, and the word “coatl” means “snake.” Thus Quetzalcoatl was the “feathered serpent” god.

Does the Bible, the Holy Scriptures, reveal who this god really was among the bloodthirsty, human-sacrificing Mayas and their cousins in Meso-America?

The Bible says plainly that Lucifer, Satan the devil, is the prince of the power of the air. The apostle Paul says, “You who were dead in trespasses and sins; wherein in time past you walked according to the course of this world, *according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now works in the children of disobedience*: among whom also we all had (lived) our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others” (Eph.2:2). This prince of the power of the air is Satan the devil, the god of this world.

Paul also wrote, “If our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: in whom *the god of this world* has blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God should shine unto them.” (II Corinthians 4:3-4).

The apostle John tells us, “And the great dragon was cast out, *that old serpent, called the Devil and Satan*, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him” (Revelation 12:9). So the devil is a dragon god and a serpent. According to the Mayan prophets, the return of their dragon god, prince of the air would be in the year 2012 when the Mayan calendar ended.

Satan Cast Down to Earth

So this great flying serpent that is going to come down and that is worshipped by the pagans is supposed to come down to the earth this year. Does the Bible speak of a great serpent that is going to come down to this earth that is going to be cast out of heaven in the end time? The Bible does! Revelation 12:7 speaks of the last days—“And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, and prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was *cast out into the earth*, and his angels were cast out with him.” This might be at the end of 2012 or beginning of 2013.

The rebellious angels will be cast out of heaven down to the earth. Revelation 12:4 speaks about a great red dragon and talks about a previous time that this happened when there was a rebellion in heaven and one third of the angels (the reference to one third of the “stars” refers to angels, which are called “stars” in Rev.1:20) rebelled with Satan who ascended to heaven to take over the throne of God. This is recorded in Isaiah 14.

So Revelation 12 then speaks of another time when there is going to be war in heaven. Satan the devil will be cast down to the earth and all his angels with him a final time. “And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman (church) which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.”\

Verse 10—“And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren (Satan) is cast down which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.”

Revelation 12:12—“Therefore rejoice, you heavens, and you that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea for the devil is come down unto you having great wrath, because he knows that he has but a short time. And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman (church) which brought forth the man child (Jesus Christ).” Christ was born to the Jews of a Jewish family, Joseph and Mary. When the Devil is cast down to earth he is going to intensify persecution against Christians and Jews using the Muslim religion to foment and focus on persecution to the death.

When Satan is cast down to this earth, or when Quetzalcoatl returns, there will be “hell to pay” on the earth! He will be furious – full of wrath, anger, and hatred for God’s people, true Christians!

God’s people will need special protection from the wrath of the serpent. Revelation 12:14 – “To the woman [the church] were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time (3 ½ years), from the face of the serpent.”

Notice! Those who are faithful of God’s church will be spared and taken to a place of safety in the wilderness, not in heaven as mainstream Christianity teaches. They will be protected in a *wilderness area* that God has prepared on the earth.

What about the remainder of God’s people? We read: “The serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood. But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood (armies) which the dragon cast out of his mouth. The dragon was enraged with the woman and he went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep (obey) the commandments of God, and have the testimony (gospel) of Jesus Christ.” (Rev.12:15-17).

It is obviously talking about the church (sealed true believers). The Jews don’t have the testimony (teachings) of Christ, they have the teachings of Moses and the Old Testament, but they don’t understand the teachings and identity of Christ. The woman and her offspring are those who *keep the commandments* AND the *testimony of Jesus Christ*. These are the true Christians who believe that the Law is not done away by God’s grace. These are the ones who OBEY God’s law and do not despise it or teach contrary to it! These are the ones who are genuine, sincere, guileless, and who practice what they preach!

“Sixty Five Years”

An incredible prophecy for the end-time has been overlooked in the book of Isaiah the prophet. We read, speaking in typology of the end-time, God’s warning to the leader of end-time Judah – the nation of Israel, and its Prime Minister, today Bibi Netanyahu. God says, “Take heed, and be quiet; do not fear or be fainthearted for these two stubs of smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin and Syria, and the son of Remaliah (a type of President Obama, leader of the United States, the end-time tribe of Ephraim). Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remaliah have plotted evil against you, saying, ‘Let us go up against Judah and trouble it, and let us make a gap in its walls for ourselves, and set a [different] king over them, the son of Tabel’—Thus says the Lord GOD: It shall not stand, nor shall it come to pass. For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin. *Within sixty-five years Ephraim shall be broken [lit., shattered], so that it will not be a [united] people. The head of Ephraim is Samaria [America], and the head of Samaria is Remaliah’s son. If you will not believe, surely you will not be established”* (Isaiah 7:4-9).

What is this strange prophecy?

It seems as if many end-time prophecies date from the founding of the state of Israel in 1948, or the United Nations resolution endorsing a state of Israel in 1947. If we count the 65 years till Ephraim – the USA and the companion tribes, including Great Britain and Canada, also sons of Joseph – we come to 2012-2013 – indicating that Ephraim’s “fall” and shattering will take place in the time frame of 2012-2013.

With burgeoning national debt exploding, and America’s debt now exceeding \$15 trillion dollars, the world is becoming rapidly a most unstable and fragile mess. The Greek crisis, and European debt crisis over the Euro, the financial plight of Spain, Portugal, Ireland and Italy, portend increasing pressure on the rest of Europe, and the United States banking structure. Something’s got to give.

War threatens in the Middle East, with the U.S., Great Britain and France sending military naval vessels into the trouble region, to stand against Iran and its allies, while Russia also sends ships, and Russia and China defend Iranian motives and threaten reprisals against any nation which would attack Iran – the situation is increasingly explosive.

Will this year see the re-election of Barack Hussein Obama as President of the United States, and the “shattering” of America’s financial and economic power, and its military establishment around the world? The U.S. is already withdrawing troops from Iraq and Afghanistan. Will it continue pulling in its horns around the world? Is American “power” in the process of being shattered and its global reach nullified?

The Hebrew word translated “broken” or “shattered” here is *chath*, and means “crushed; also, afraid; abstract. Terror—broken, dismayed, dread, fear” (*Strong’s Concordance*, #2844). The *Gesenius Hebrew-English Lexicon* has it, “broken (as a bow),

confounded, fearful, fear, alarm.” *Strong’s Concordance* points out it is from #2845, “terror”. Is this the time period when SHEER TERROR will come upon America, perhaps due to violent acts of terrorism in American and British cities, military bases, including nuclear devices?

The prophecy seems quite explicit, as to the timing – 65 years from a certain pivotal date – and what more likely date than the founding of the state of Israel in 1947-1948?

The Burden of Arabia

Interestingly, Isaiah also says: “The burden against Arabia . . . Bring water to him who is thirsty; with their bread they met him who fled. For they fled from the swords, from the drawn sword, from the bent bow, and from the distress of war.

“For thus the LORD has said to me: ‘Within a year, according to the year of a hired man, all the glory of Kedar will fail; and the remainder of the number of archers, the mighty men of the people of Kedar, will be diminished; for the LORD God of Israel has spoken it’ (Isa.21:13-17).

This is a prophecy against Arabia, including Saudi Arabia, and the people of the Arab world. Within a year, war will come in the Middle East, and upon Arabia, and their military will be diminished. Could this not mean that when Ephraim’s power is shaken and shattered, that Arabia also – our so-called Arab “allies” – will fall, and be overthrown, by spreading war and alien forces – perhaps the Shiite Muslims overthrowing the Sunni governments, and those allied with Iran, including Iraq which has a Shiite government, will “diminish” the power of the Arab gulf states, Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, etc.?

The world is approaching the edge of the abyss. Do we dare peer down into it?

Unparalleled Tribulation

World conditions will grow so bad that there is no comparison in all human history – so says the Word of God! Christ Himself prophesied, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be great earthquakes in various places, and famines and pestilences; and there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven” (Luke 21:10-11).

Christ added, “You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. And you will be hated by all for My name’s sake. But not a hair of your head will be lost. By your patience possess your souls. But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near. . . For those are the days of vengeance, that all things that are written may be fulfilled” (vs.16-22).

The Messiah warned, “For in those days there will be tribulation, *such as has not been since the beginning of the creation* which God created *until this time*, nor ever shall be” (Mark 13:19). The prophet Daniel described it, “And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation, even to that time” (Dan.12:1).

Jeremiah declared of this period of time, “Ask now, and see, whether a man is ever in labor with child? So why do I see every man with his hands on his loins like a woman in labor, and all faces turned pale? Alas! For that day is great, so that none is like it; and it is the time of Jacob’s trouble, but he shall be saved out of it” (Jer.30:6-7).

God says of our end-time generation of His people, “Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Because you have *multiplied disobedience* more than the nations that are all around you, have not walked in My statutes nor kept My judgments, nor even done according to the judgments of the nations that are all around you’—therefore thus says the Lord GOD: ‘indeed I, even I, am against you and will execute judgments within your midst in the sight of the nations. And I will do among you what I have never done, and the like of which I will never do again, because of all your abominations. Therefore fathers shall eat their sons in your midst, and sons shall eat their fathers; and I will execute judgments among you, and all of you who remain I will scatter to all the winds.

“. . . ‘One third of you shall die of the pestilence, and be consumed with famine in your midst; and one-third shall fall by the sword all around you; and I will scatter another third to all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them. Thus shall My anger be spent, and I will cause My fury to rest upon them, and I will be avenged; and they shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken it in My zeal, when I have spent My fury upon them’” (Ezek.5:7-13).

Hell on earth is about to erupt! We have been warned! God means what He says! And says exactly, precisely what He means to do!

The War to End All Wars

But the world, and God’s people will be saved out of this excruciating time of horror and terror and woe. Jacob will be saved from utter destruction.

At the last moment, when all seems lost and the game is over, then God will intervene to SAVE His people! As Jeremiah said, “It is the time of Jacob’s trouble, but he shall be saved out of it” (Jer.30:7). As Daniel said, “And at that time your people shall be delivered, every one who is found written in the book” (Dan.12:1).

Then Christ will make war with the nations of the earth bringing all the nations in compliance with the Kingdom of God which we read in Jeremiah 25:29-33: “For, lo, I begin to bring evil (disaster) on the city which is called by my name, and should you be utterly unpunished? You shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, says the Lord of hosts. Therefore prophesy you against them (mankind) all these words, and say unto them, The Lord shall roar from on high, and utter

his voice from His holy habitation; he shall mightily roar upon his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth. A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for the Lord has a *controversy with the nations*, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them that are wicked to the sword, says the Lord. Thus says the Lord of hosts. Behold, evil shall *go forth from nation to nation*, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth. 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*; they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.” This is what is going to happen when Christ returns to the earth.

John describes this final war to end all wars in Revelation 19:11-21—“And I saw heaven opened, and beheld a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he does judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he has on his vesture (robe) and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS”.

John continues, “And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God. That you may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. And *the beast* was taken, and with him the *false prophet* that wrought miracles before him, with which he *deceived them* that had *received the mark of the beast*, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.”

God Himself will be full of wrath and fury because of the sin, wickedness, destructiveness and violence in the earth today.

War in Heaven This Year?

Is this cosmic battle in heaven going to happen this year when Satan the devil is going to be cast out of heaven the final time, preparing the way for the Great Tribulation to follow? I am not setting dates. I think it is remarkable how these things do tie in.

It is the Mayan prophecies that talks about the dragon, the flying serpent coming back in the end of 2012. Satan the Devil is called in the Bible that old serpent-- dragon

and prince of the power of the air. He is going to persecute God's people with vehemence and a vengeance never paralleled in the history of mankind. So we need to be ready and prepared.

Jesus Christ, Yeshua the Messiah, warns us: "Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be weighed down with carousing and drunkenness, [drug addiction and cares and anxieties of this life,] and so that day will not come upon you unawares (unexpectedly). For as a snare it will come on all those that dwell on the face of the earth. Therefore, watch and pray always that you may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man" (Luke 21:34-36).

The Philadelphia Church

God speaks to the Philadelphia church, one of the branches of the church of God in the end times, "To the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, HE THAT HATH THE KEY OF DAVID, HE THAT OPENETH, AND NO MAN SHUTTETH; AND SHUTTETH, AND NO MAN OPENETH [David was a prophet, a great king that ruled in humility and in the fear of God]; "I know your works: behold, I have set before you an open door, and no man can shut it: for you have a little strength, and have kept my word, and have not denied my name. Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which *say they are Jews*, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know (realize) that I have loved you. Because you have kept the word of my patience; I also will keep you from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try (test) them that dwell upon the earth. Behold I come quickly: hold fast that which you have, that no man take your crown (of eternal life)" (Revelation 3:7-13).

This branch of God's Church will escape the things to come – they will be protected through the tribulation and calamity that lies ahead. The term "Philadelphia" in the Greek language means "brotherly love", so these people really love each other, and people in general. Their lives display their love and compassion, and they will be counted worthy to escape and have divine protection through the days ahead of us!

Christ says to the Philadelphia church people, "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God which is new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. He that has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit say unto the churches."

Hard Times

Hard times are coming on planet earth. They are quickening apace. The Messiah Himself tells us in Matthew 24:13. "But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved."

Christ declared, “There will be mighty and violent earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences (plagues: malignant and contagious or infectious epidemic diseases which are deadly and devastating); and there will be sights of terror and great signs from heaven.

“But previous to all this, they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, turning you over to the synagogues [churches, mosques, assemblies] and prisons, and you will be led away before kings and governors for My name’s sake. This will be a time (an opportunity) for you to bear testimony. Resolve and settle it in your minds not to meditate and prepare beforehand how you are going to make your defense and how you will answer. For I [Myself] will give you a mouth and such utterance and wisdom that all of your foes combined will be unable to stand against and refute” (Luke 21:11-15, Amplified Bible).

In Revelation 21:6-8, He says to us: “He said to me. It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. He that overcomes shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son. But the cowardly, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and the sexually immoral, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone; which is *the second death*.”

So what is it going to be?

Are we going to be holding fast, loyal to the truth, hanging on to every word of Christ and every commandment? Are we going to be willing to suffer and die for Christ, or are we going to be with the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters and liars and disobedient that are going to be cast into the lake of Gehenna fire?

Christ warned, “For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect’s sake those days shall be shortened” (Matthew 24:21-22). As the Amplified has it, “For then there will be great tribulation (affliction, distress, and oppression) such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now—no, and never will be [again]. And if those days had not been shortened, no human being would endure or survive, but for the sake of the elect (God’s chosen ones) those days will be shortened.”

Let us be sure to do what Christ says. Watch and pray always. Take heed that no man deceive you. Pray that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath day and that you be counted worthy to escape. We do not know what hour our Lord comes. Therefore, be ready for in such an hour as we think not the Son of man will very likely come, suddenly!

May the Almighty and righteous loving God speed that day and may Christ come quickly—and soon. Amen. Even so, come Yeshua.