MissingPeopleTruth.org

READ THIS FIRST: Right now, not a single person on the Earth **knows** what's just happened; no not one. Because all who knew this truth are now missing, which is precisely the reason why we've been removed. It's also why we've pre-written this site for all who remain – so that you may know the truth.

We implore you to **read this carefully and objectively** because your very own life depends on it. Yes we are highly serious. Do not ignore this warning. The imminent consequences of doing so are dire.

| Part 1: Millions of People Have Now Disappeared Worldwide |

As you're aware millions of people are now missing from all over the world, having seemingly just disappeared off the face of the earth, vanishing instantly without a trace.

So what are you to make of this perplexing reality?

To answer this, let us start with a question: Do you believe God exists? Well regardless of your answer, you're about to find out. Because an imminent supernatural event is about to definitely prove or disprove the existence of God to all people once and for all - and here's why:

The Claim: The God of the Bible declares that shortly after this global disappearance, those who remain on the earth will **eye-witness Him rain down fire from heaven** to devour a massive military alliance that's attempting to invade Israel.

The Verdict: If this doesn't happen, then quite obviously the Bible is false and therefore the God of Israel is also definitively disproven as mere mythology. But if this does happen, then the existence of God and the authority of His declared Word in the Bible, is likewise definitely proven as truth.

Why is this important? Because if God does in fact rain down fire from heaven to prove His Word in the Bible as truth, then you're about to endure some indescribably horrendous personal suffering over the next seven years.

This is because God states His motive for this undeniably supernatural act is to prove His existence, supreme authority and power to all who dwell on the earth, and after doing so, He's going to pour out His wrath on all the inhabitants of the earth during a seven year period known as the Tribulation.

Fire from heaven... sounds impossible right? Wrath of God... that's just fiction isn't it? Before you get too comfortable, there's something else you should know.

The supernatural global disappearance you've just witnessed was also prophesied by God. Including how it would happen and even when it would happen. Furthermore, He also claims responsibility for doing it. This event is known by Christians as the rapture or "catching up" (harpazo in original biblical Greek) of "the Church" – being God's faithful people.

Now, at this point you've probably got a lot of skepticism and that's perfectly normal. In fact the Bible

actually encourages you to evaluate the evidence to validate its integrity – which is exactly what this site intends to do for you – because nobody wants to believe in a lie.

This site will explain all about the missing people in detail. We'll also explore God's claim to rain down fire from heaven and various other supernatural events prophesied in the Bible to occur over the next seven years, including exactly what God's wrath entails.

Think this is all falsehood? That's okay, God prophesied this too. If the simple fact that we knew about this mass disappearance before it happened is not convincing enough for you, then when you see fire raining down from the sky on the evening news you might change your mind. But in the meantime just make sure you download the PDF of this site before you leave, because the Government will take it down shortly (we'll explain why later) and you may regret not doing it now while you've still got the chance.

For the rest of those who seek the truth, read on.

The missing people and what's next...

Some immediate answers for you:

- Are more people going to disappear like this? **No**
- Are all the missing people safe and unharmed? Yes
- Will I ever see them again? Yes
- When will they be coming back? In seven years
- Where are they now? **Heaven**
- What will happen next? God's wrath on sinful mankind
- Can I be saved from God's punishment for sin? Yes. God is loving and merciful
- Can you prove all this? **Most definitely**, it's the purpose of this site.

The fact that millions of people have just disappeared is a truly horrifying reality; and what's about to follow is even more disturbing. But there is light at the end of the tunnel. So let us take your hand and lead you step-by-step safely through the darkness and into the light of understanding exactly what all this means for you.

We'll answer all your questions in detail, including:

- Who are these missing people and what actually happened to them?
- Why are there still Christians here?
- How did all these people get into heaven?
- What about all the children?
- Who is deserving of God's wrath?
- What happens before God's wrath on mankind begins?
- What exactly does God's wrath involve?
- What should I do now?
- How can I be saved?

We'll even tell you how and why the government will attempt to deceive you about what happened to all the missing people.

| Part 2: Validating Our Authority |

Verifying the credibility of this site

This site was written shortly before the mass disappearance by two of the now missing people. If you're skeptical, check the Whols Lookup for yourself - this site was registered on 18th April 2017. This site does not contain the opinions of its authors, but only the direct Word of God to you. Our motive is simple - that you may know the truth.

"And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:32)

This site was necessary because from now on the government will utilise every available avenue to deceive, mislead and plain lie to you in an attempt to conceal the truth about us missing people. They will present you with many authoritative scientists, professors and experts in an effort to rationally explain how and why this has occurred.

So when this happens, you should be asking yourself one question:

Who is the greater authority?

The One who foreknew and foretold this supernatural event in detail almost 2,000 years ago; or the one who now attempts to explain it after the fact? The answer is obvious.

God not only foretold the exact nature of this event, but He also provided signs to look for so mankind would know exactly when it was imminently approaching – which is precisely how we knew that it was time to write this site for you.

"For I am God, and there is no other...declaring the end from the beginning" (Isaiah 46:9-10)

Please understand that this site is not about debating biblical doctrine over other beliefs. But rather it's about providing you with the biblical evidence that explains what has just occurred and also what is about to happen next. So you may be equipped with the foreknowledge of these events in order to make an informed decision for yourself concerning the integrity of the Bible, or as God states it:

"And now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe."

(John 14:29)

STEP ONE: <u>Download the PDF version of this site NOW</u> - while it's still available to you, because it may not be here tomorrow.

Why is this so important?

Because we will explain exactly how world leaders will attempt to mislead you about this global disappearance - undermining their plans - therefore they will certainly seek to block your access to it very soon.

To be forewarned is to be forearmed. The information in this site will serve as your reference point for the many global events occurring over the next seven years, many of which are supernatural. You will first read about them here, and then watch as they unfold around the world before your very eyes – personally validating to you the truth of God's existence and His Word.

Why should I trust biblical prophecy?

Apart from the obvious fact that you've just witnessed its supernatural fulfilment, historically Bible prophecy is highly reliable. In fact its accuracy is unequivocally proven.

Nearly one-third of the Bible is prophecy and it holds a 100% perfect track record spanning hundreds of (often supernatural) prophetic events. Many of these were foretold thousands of years in advance and have been verified by the recorded history of mankind.

Furthermore, not a single biblical claim has ever been scientifically disproven, quite the opposite in fact. As science advances, more discoveries are made that continue time and time again to validate biblical claims. But we'll delve into this evidence a little later.

Now, we could list all the previously fulfilled prophesies here, but given you're about to eye-witness the supernatural fulfilment of many prophesies in the immediate future, historical validation is somewhat irrelevant to you at this point.

If the Bible is proven as truth, then why are there so many different beliefs?

Because "belief" is not relative to truth, but rather knowledge. Consider that just 500 years ago everybody "believed" that the world was flat - but that didn't make it true.

The human mind bases its beliefs on the knowledge it acquires from evaluating the available evidence at the time. However if that evidence - or ones evaluation processes - are flawed then their beliefs will mislead them. Truth, on the other hand is absolute and unchanging. The truth that the world is round has never changed regardless of anyone's knowledge or belief to the contrary.

So irrespective of your current beliefs, the truth of God's existence - and all the evidence that validates it - remains unchanged. The reason why many people dismiss God is because either they have not been exposed to the evidence, or because they've failed to objectively evaluate it. In fact it's doubtful that any rational mind, after objectively evaluating the evidence, could deny the existence of God.

Our aim is to provide you with all the evidence, so that you may acquire the knowledge to make an informed decision about what you believe; because failure to discern and accept the truth will result in horrific consequences.

"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

(Hosea 4:6)

Given that millions of people are now missing globally in a prophesied act of God, don't you think it's prudent to re-evaluate the knowledge base that your current beliefs are built upon? For example:

[Evidence] The Bible Itself. Did you know that modern science has validated the historical compilation of the Bible as being sixty-six individual books written by more than forty people, in three languages, across three continents and spanning some 1,500 years? This fact alone is nothing all that special, until you consider that the entire Bible maintains one consistent theme and is without a single contradiction. Now that is extraordinary.

Even more amazing is that the Bible also contains many interwoven prophecies that each describe unique aspects the same specific future event, despite having different authors/languages across multiple continents and generations. It's like a prophetic jigsaw puzzle; when you put all the pieces together they paint one complete picture of a future event in incredible detail. Prophetic events that have since been not only fulfilled but also scientifically verified.

Now think about that. How could the mere existence of this book - written from 3,400BC to 1,900BC - be possible without an overarching intelligence? Logically, it can't be. The Bible could not possibly have been written by the wisdom of man, so what options are left? Just one, and it is as God declares it – by inspiration of God through the pen of man (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

STEP TWO: Objectively Evaluate the Evidence for Yourself

There's a lot at stake here; to be specific we're talking about the eternal destiny of your soul. God declares that He has given all people an eternal destiny (Matthew 25:46), but where you reside for **all eternity** – either in the paradise of heaven or in the relentless torment of hell (lake of fire) – is entirely up to you (Matthew 25:31-46; Revelation 21:7-8).

Don't risk your soul on the opinions of others. This site will provide you with a great deal of evidence to validate the truth of God, but how objectively you evaluate that evidence will determine whether your outcome is truth or falsehood.

Why do we say this? Because the basis of any factual investigation must always be by objective analysis (i.e., not being influenced by personal feelings, opinions or beliefs of self or others). Anything other than honest objectivity is self-deception.

Sadly, the vast majority of mankind has been misled into false beliefs, often due to mistakenly giving credence to the subjective reasoning of others whom are perceived in the world to have wisdom. We implore you, **do not make this mistake**. Just because someone is considered wise by the worlds standards doesn't give them any credibility whatsoever regarding the things of God.

"For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God." (1 Corinthians 3:19)

Do not trust the "Experts". As you know, the experts once claimed that the world was flat and that the sun revolves around the earth. Why? Not because they intended to mislead, but because they lacked sufficient knowledge of these things to accurately discern the truth.

And right now, there isn't a single person on the planet with sufficient knowledge about what has just occurred for you to trust them with your soul, regardless of their credentials or claims. All those who possessed wisdom of these things, through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13-14; John 14:26; John 16:13-14), have now been removed from the earth.

"But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned." (1 Corinthians 2:14)

So how should you discern the things of God?

God Himself instructs us in this regard, because He wants to reveal His truth to you and promises that you need nothing more than a genuine desire to seek the truth and He will reveal it to you personally:

"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened."

(Matthew 7:7-8)

The key to receiving this promise of God is to seek the truth with a sincere heart. God will not be mocked (Galatians 6:7) and will remain silent to any insincere or superficial efforts, for He judges the motives of the heart (Proverbs 16:2; Hebrews 4:12).

Now you know the methodology that God instructs you to use when evaluating the evidence – personal and honest objectivity, motivated by a sincere heart. So let's continue exploring that evidence.

| Part 3: What Actually Happened |

Who are these missing people and what actually happened to them?

This event is described in the Bible as a bodily and alive "catching up" (or **rapture**) from earth to heaven of God's faithful people, the Christians - being true believers in Jesus Christ.

Sounds impossible doesn't it? Yet God states His abilities are unlimited:

"With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26).

Think about it. If it's not by divine authority, how could what's just happened to humanity be physically possible? Quite obviously, based on the known laws of physics, it simply can't be. Furthermore, if not by God then how did whatever took us discern all the true believers in Jesus Christ from the rest of humanity?

[Evidence] Fortunately, nearly 2,000 years ago God prophesied exactly what would happen:

"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep [died] in Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 4:14)

"For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up [raptured] together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord." (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17)

And this is exactly what has just occurred. Very soon (if not already) you will be hearing reports from hospitals that some of these missing people are those who have died just prior to the moment when this global disappearance actually happened.

The same is true of all those who have died in Christ since the Spirit of God indwelled believers at Pentecost (50 days after Jesus' Resurrection) and in the centuries following until the rapture. Those believers who have died prior to this time will be resurrected at the end of the Tribulation (Daniel 12:1-2), along with the Tribulation martyrs (Revelation 20:4-6). All unbelievers from the beginning of mankind will be resurrected the end of the Millennium to appear before the Great White Throne Judgement (Revelation 20:11-15).

For those believers who have died since Pentecost, God has now raised them to life by transforming their corrupted mortal earthly bodies into immortal and glorified physical heavenly bodies (Philippians 3:20-21). He then reunited their newly glorified bodies with their souls from heaven, where they have been residing with Jesus ever since they died (2 Corinthians 5:6-8).

And God did it all just moments before He similarly glorified the bodies of all genuine Christians who were alive on the earth at the time; "catching up" both them and us together to Jesus, meeting Him in the air and the proceeding into heaven.

"Behold, I tell you a mystery: We [genuine Christians] 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 [in Christ] will be raised incorruptible [glorified], and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality." (1 Corinthians 15:51-53)

The practical reality of the rapture is also described in the Bible:

"Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left." (Matthew 24:40-41)

Why have we all disappeared now?

It's because God had declared a finite timeframe for mankind to populate the earth and seek to know Him. But now this period is drawing to a close and He is about to pour out His righteous judgement on a sinful and unrepentant mankind (Romans 1:18), being all those who have failed to acknowledge Him. However before His wrath comes, God first removes His faithful people because His Word declares:

"For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thessalonians 5:9).

"Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth."

(Revelation 3:10)

Note: If you're somewhat familiar with biblical prophecy, the rapture of the Church is <u>not</u> the <u>Second</u> <u>Coming of Jesus Christ</u>. This is a separate event that will occur in just over seven years from now, as you will see detailed below.

So why are there still Christians here?

Because they are not **genuine** Christians. For there is no partiality with God (Romans 2:11).

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but [only] he who does the will of My Father in heaven... And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'" (Matthew 7:21, 23)

The primary reasons for this are:

1. They did not genuinely believe in Jesus Christ – having not "Confessed with their mouth" and "Believed in their heart" (Romans 10:9).

This means they are "in name only" or lukewarm Christians (Revelation 3:15-16) who may have externally appeared to others as genuine Christians, but in actual fact didn't truly believe in their hearts. Genuine inward belief is always manifested outwardly in ones words and actions. However God judges not by how one overtly presents to others, but by the motivations of their heart.

"All the ways of a man are clean in his own sight; But the LORD weighs the motives." (Proverbs 16:2)

2. They rejected the truth of Jesus Christ as revealed in the Bible – being deceived into following a false teaching or doctrine.

There are many "Christian" denominations whose adherents will have missed the rapture because they've followed religious leaders who profess non-biblical false teachings and religious doctrines created by man. Biblical Christianity is not a religion; it is a relationship as children to a loving Father, which every genuine Christian has with God through Jesus Christ.

Anything other than adhering to true biblical Christianity, exactly as it's written by God in the Bible – being the single, complete and inerrant written Word of God (2 Timothy 3:16-17; Numbers 23:19) – is heresy; and will not be honoured by God.

"For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light.

Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works." (2 Corinthians 11:13-15)

"[Satan] does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him... for he is a liar and the father of it." (John 8:44)

Sadly, these false teachers have deceived many millions of well-meaning Christians to miss the most blessed event of this age, to be raptured by Jesus Christ bodily and alive into heaven. So how could so many people be deceived? The answer is simple, because they've failed to **objectively** evaluate the evidence for themselves, but have mistakenly trusted the subjective reasoning of their religious leaders.

If you're a Christian who thought you were saved, consider when was the last time you asked yourself "Is that teaching biblical?" - most likely not for a while, if ever. Regrettably this is an all too common scenario because successful deception is convincingly delivered, easily believable and usually incorporates elements of truth to create validity, making perfect sense in the mind of the one being deceived.

The only protection against such deception is self-conducted objective evaluation, if you don't know the Word of God then how can you expect to identify such false teachings?

"Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Timothy 2:15)

If this is you, you're not alone. Consider the world's largest denomination comprising some 1.2 billion professing Catholics, many of whom will still be here if they've strictly upheld the doctrinal teachings of this false religion. Catholicism denies some of the most fundamental biblical truths such as faith in Jesus Christ alone as the only means for salvation, among others.

Often the leaders of such denominations are being deceived themselves, passing their erroneous beliefs onto their congregations with conviction. If your denomination is in this category, you need to return to genuine biblical Christianity immediately. To help you do this, we've written a white paper on the Top 10 Non-Biblical "Christian" Religions - Why they contradict the Word of God.

| Part 4: How They Got Into Heaven |

How did all these people get into heaven?

By accepting the free gift of salvation from sin, through faith alone in Jesus Christ. Being those who:

"That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." (Romans 10:9-10)

"For whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Romans 10:13)

Now the question arises, if you have to believe in the Resurrection of Jesus in order to be saved, how did the missing people know that Jesus was actually raised from the dead? Because they took the time to objectively evaluate the evidence in God's Word. This is a very important point that's accepted as truth by genuine Christians due to the overwhelming evidence in support of this fact.

Why is it so important? Because if God was not able to resurrect His only begotten Son Jesus Christ, then how can we believe His promise to give us eternal life and so put our faith and trust in Him? But if He did in fact resurrect Jesus, then He can certainly give us the eternal life He promises – if we choose Him.

[Evidence] Due to the criticality of the Resurrection, many great minds have meticulously researched and evaluated the integrity of this biblical claim, and there's substantial available evidence. In fact no other world-view has even close to the amount of credible evidence that the Bible contains in support of anyone overcoming death.

Consider the testimony of Sir Lionel Luckhoo, a defence lawyer listed as the "World's Most Successful Lawyer" in the Guinness Book of World Records for achieving an unprecedented 245 consecutive defense murder trial acquittals – quite possibly the world's foremost authority on objective evidence evaluation.

"I have spent more than 42 years as a defense trial lawyer appearing in many parts of the world and am still in active practice. I have been fortunate to secure a number of successes in jury trials and I say unequivocally the evidence for the Resurrection of Jesus Christ is so overwhelming that it compels acceptance by proof which leaves absolutely no room for doubt."

Sir Lionel Luckhoo, Defence Lawyer.

Two commonly misunderstood salvation truths

1. Just being a "good person" will NOT get you into heaven.

Do not be deceived. You can run an orphanage, feed the poor, clothe the homeless, minister to the sick and give your last dollar to the Church - yet still end up being condemned to hell.

Because salvation is a free gift of God (Ephesians 2:8-9), not something you can earn or deserve, but

rather something you can only **receive** by faith. Good works are the by-product of your salvation, not the means to obtain it. Only genuine belief in Jesus Christ **alone** for salvation is acceptable to God.

"Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:6)

2. God does NOT send anyone to heaven or to hell.

God has provided you with a free will to decide where you will spend eternity and He is very clear that He will abide by your decision, whatever that may be. Where you'll spend all eternity rests squarely on **you** and no other.

"He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him." (John 3:36)

What about the Children?

The Bible does not specifically state what will happen to babies, infants, and children when the rapture occurs. Therefore given this event has now occurred, you will have the hindsight to know the answer to this question.

However, if a child has not reached the age of accountability where they can make a decision for or against Christ for themselves, then it is our view that if they were to die, they would be granted entrance into heaven, based entirely on the grace and mercy of God. This viewpoint is, among others, based on 2 Samuel 12:21–23 where King David, a servant of God (Acts 13:22) destined for heaven, has a baby that dies and he states: "I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me."

Therefore it is our belief, albeit not explicitly taught in Scripture, that all those under the age of accountability will participate in the rapture and be taken into heaven.

Who is deserving of God's wrath?

God clearly defines these people for us:

"Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God." (1 Corinthians 6:9-10)

"(Those) being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful;" (Romans 1:29-31)

"But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." (Revelation 21:8)

No doubt you're thinking, how is anyone worthy of heaven if even "all liars" are deserving of God's wrath? Who on this earth hasn't lied at some point? And you're right, God declares "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). In fact all people are born with a sin nature,

inherited from Adam and Eve when sin first entered the world, thereby deserving of death (Romans 5:12).

So if we're all sinners, then how are the missing people in heaven?

It's because they have repented for their sins and put their faith in Jesus Christ. As a result **all** their sins – regardless of quantity or severity – were forgiven (washed away), and those people have been declared righteous (justified), made holy (sanctified) and purified even as Jesus Christ is pure, thereby becoming a "new creation" in Christ and acceptable to God.

"And such [sinners] were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God." (1 Corinthians 6:11)

"And everyone who has this hope in Him [Jesus Christ] purifies himself, just as He is pure." (1 John 3:3)

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new." (2 Corinthians 5:17)

How can eternal punishment for somebody's 80yrs of sin be justified?

Firstly you need to understand that all sin is ultimately committed against an eternal and infinite God (Psalms 51:4). Now if all you had to measure sin by was time, then clearly it would be unfair. But that's not what measures the grievousness of sin. The grievousness and heinousness of sin rises to its infinite proportions not by the length of time that we sin, but by the One whom we dishonour when we sin.

If you dishonour a toad, you're not very guilty. If you dishonour a man, you're very guilty. If you dishonour God, you're infinitely guilty. Any dishonour against an infinitely worthy, infinitely valuable, infinitely dignified, infinitely glorious, infinitely holy and pure being is an infinite sin, and therefore righteously deserving of an infinite punishment.

| Part 5: Events Before God's Wrath |

What happens before God's Wrath on mankind?

As outlined at the beginning of this site, God first reveals Himself to you through the supernatural raining down of fire from heaven onto a military force attacking Israel, making you an eye-witness to the truth of His existence. This event is an act of God's loving mercy towards you, by providing you with a personal testimony of His existence before real calamity strikes the whole world. But it also renders you unequivocally "without excuse" on the Day of Judgement at the end of the seven year Tribulation - which we'll explain a little later on.

[Evidence] The Battle of Gog and Magog (Ezekiel 38 & 39)

Although its timing is not specified by God, this battle will likely take place quite soon after the rapture of the church that you've just witnessed. Gog is a term given to identify an end-time leader of a military alliance of territories which attempts to invade Israel with the intention of seizing its economic assets i.e., to "take plunder and to take booty" (Ezekiel 38:12). Magog refers to a geographical location in biblical times.

This war is directly instigated by God, and then also concluded by a supernatural act of God – thereby undeniably revealing Himself to the entire world, fulfilling ancient prophecy and demonstrating His sovereign power. God clearly states that He is the initiator:

"I will turn you [Gog] around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out, with all your army..." (Ezekiel 38:4)

"You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that **I will bring you** against My land..." (Ezekiel 38:16)

Why does God supernaturally act in this war?

- 1. To bring judgement upon the enemies of Israel, God's chosen people; and
- 2. **For you personally.** God supernaturally intervenes for the express purpose that you may know the truth of His existence, supreme authority and power witnessing it for yourself first hand. He clearly states this purpose:

"...so that the nations may know Me, when I am hallowed [honoured as holy] in you, O Gog, before their eyes." (Ezekiel 38:16)

"Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. **Then they shall know that I am the Lord**." (Ezekiel 38:23)

The Bible identifies the following about this war:

• The invading military force is very powerful. Described as "coming like a storm covering the land like a cloud" (Ezekiel 38:9). The territories involved are listed by their current names at the time the Book of Ezekiel was written around 590 BC. So we can't be absolutely certain of

their exact modern day equivalent regions, especially given that some encompass multiple territories today. However the generally understood locations are as follows (Ezekiel 38:2-6):

- Russia and the Central Asian Republics (Magog)
- Turkey (Meshech, Tubal and Togarmah)
- o Iran (Persia)
- Ethiopia/Sudan (Cush)
- Libya (Put)
- Eastern Europe (Gomer)
- Other nations will rebuke the motives of this invading alliance but will not militarily intervene. Again we cannot be certain of the modern day equivalents, however the general consensus of understanding is that the nations involved are: Saudi Arabia (Sheba & Dedan), Britain or Spain (Tarshish) and followers (the young lions of Tarshish) (Ezekiel 38:13).
- The invading armies are supernaturally destroyed by God. God Himself rises up in divine fury to intercede for Israel through a combination of judgments being:
 - Fire, sulphur and great hail rains down from Heaven. "And I will bring him to judgment with pestilence and bloodshed; I will rain down on him, on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, flooding rain, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone [sulphur]." (Ezekiel 38:22)
 - God confuses the soldier's minds so that they turn on themselves and begin attacking each other - "Every man's sword will be against his brother." (Ezekiel 38:21)
 - A great earthquake in Israel. "Surely in that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel, so that the fish of the sea, the birds of the heavens, the beasts of the field, all creeping things that creep on the earth, and all men who are on the face of the earth [in the vicinity of Israel] shall shake at My presence. The mountains shall be thrown down, the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground." (Ezekiel 38:19-20).
 - Judgement by fire on other locations. "And I will send fire on Magog and on those who live in security in the coastlands. Then they shall know that I am the Lord." (Ezekiel 39:6)
- The invading armies are destroyed on the mountains of Israel (Ezekiel 39:4). Then God decrees what remains of them to become a sacrificial meal for "every sort of bird and to every beast of the field" and summons them to His table (Ezekiel 39:17-20).

[Evidence] Damascus Destroyed (Isaiah 17)

There is also another yet unfulfilled prophecy relating to the complete destruction of Damascus. The oldest continuously inhabited city on the planet will become a "ruinous heap". It will never be rebuilt or reinhabited again for it will "cease from being a city" (Isaiah 17:1). The Bible doesn't specify the timeframe of this event, nor how it will occur, only its outcome. It may result from the "great earthquake" of the Battle of Gog and Magog, or by the hand of Israel in a separate war taking place just prior to this battle or something else entirely, possibly even before the rapture (today, it still stands).

God has also prophesied many other specifics about the battle in Ezekiel 38 & 39. Such as that it will take Israel seven months to cleanse the land, that they will call the location the Valley of Hamon Gog

(literally, the multitude of Gog) and various others. In fact this is one the most specifically detailed battles described in the entire Bible - why do you think that is?

It's because God doesn't want you to enter the Tribulation blindfolded. He wants you to know every detail before it happens, so that when you see these things take place "you may believe", for God declares:

"Surely the Lord God does nothing, unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets." (Amos 3:7)

God loves you and doesn't wish to see you perish (2 Peter 3:9) but He is also righteous and will not force you to reciprocate His love through acceptance of His Son Jesus Christ, but rather gives you the free will of choice to determine your own eternal destiny.

"...but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." (John 20:31)

What exactly does God's Wrath involve?

What is about to happen to the remaining population of the world will be absolutely and horrifyingly catastrophic for the majority of inhabitants. Over the next seven years God is going to pour out His wrath on the earth to punish all those who have chosen not to recognise Him through acceptance of His Son Jesus Christ.

If you're thinking: Isn't God supposed to be loving, merciful and forgiving? Oh yes He is, but He is also righteous and just. And you are about to experience both His righteous justice and His loving mercy and forgiveness – if you're willing to accept it of course.

You'll recall we told you initially that there was light at the end of the tunnel. Well as God delivers judgement on the inhabitants of the world, He also displays His loving mercy and forgiveness to you by providing salvation to all those who have recognised the error of their ways, repented and turned their hearts to Him.

In addition, God hasn't left you all alone to fend for yourself during this time but has appointed 144,000 Saints sealed with the mark of God, two supernaturally empowered Witnesses and even Angels to guide and help you through it.

Summary of Prophesied Events over the next Seven Years:

- 1) Damascus Destroyed
- 2) The Battle of Gog & Magog God's revelation of Himself to mankind
- 3) The Seal Judgements of God's Wrath (Tribulation begins)
 - (1) The Antichrist is Revealed

He rises to power as a dominant world leader and, along with the false prophet, seeks to deceive all people away from the truth of God via:

- 1. One-world government, economy and religious system;
- 2. Falsely claiming to be God and demanding worship from all people;
- 3. Introducing the "mark of the beast" and killing all who oppose him;
- 4. Supernatural signs and wonders including:

- False resurrection of the Antichrist;
- Making fire come down from heaven;
- Giving "breath" to an image of the Antichrist.
- (2) Conflict and War on Earth
- (3) Scarcity of Food on Earth
- (4) Widespread Death on Earth
- (5) The Cry of the Martyrs
- (6) Cosmic Disturbances
- (7) Prelude to the Seven Trumpets

4) The Trumpet Judgements of God's Wrath

- (1) One Third of Vegetation Struck
- (2) One Third of the Seas Struck
- (3) One Third of the Fresh Waters Struck
- (4) One Third of the Sun, Moon and Stars Struck
- (5) Locusts Released to Torment Mankind
- (6) One Third of Mankind Killed
- (7) The Kingdom Proclaimed in Heaven

5) The Bowl Judgements of God's Wrath (Mid-Tribulation)

- (1) Loathsome Sores
- (2) The Sea Turns to Blood
- (3) The Fresh Waters Turn to Blood
- (4) Men are Scorched
- (5) Darkness and Pain
- (6) Euphrates River Dried Up
- (7) Great Earthquake and Massive Hail
- 6) Judgement of all mankind who remain on Earth
- 7) The Millennial Kingdom Jesus Christ's 1,000 year reign on Earth

The Seven Years of Tribulation - God's Wrath on a Sinful Mankind

These prophetic events are described in the Book of Revelation, recorded by the Apostle John who was permitted to see these future events by divine vision (Revelation 1:1-2; Revelation 4:1-2). The below judgements are for the most part listed chronologically and will literally occur as described.

God foretold these events for several reasons:

- 1. So that "you not be deceived" (Luke 21:8); and
- 2. As evidence, so that "when it does come to pass, you may believe" (John 14:29); because
- 3. God is "not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).

The Tribulation period commences with the revealing of the Antichrist and his "confirming a covenant" (peace agreement) with Israel (Daniel 9:27) and many nations. This is anticipated to occur in the wake of the Battle of Gog and Magog, although its exact timing is not biblically identified.

As part of God's judgment on a sinful and non-repentant mankind He permits Satan, the enemy of God, and his satanic agents (Antichrist and false prophet) to have power and authority over certain peoples and regions, and to cause supernatural signs and wonders for a specified period of time.

Who is Satan?

Satan (or Lucifer) is a very real angelic being with power and influence. Originally created and appointed by God as an anointed cherub (possibly the highest order of angels) in heaven (Ezekiel 28:12-19; Isaiah 14:12-15). But due to his pride - seeking to receive worship instead of giving it - Satan chose to rebel against God, convincing one third of the angels in heaven to attempt a coup to overthrow God.

However the created is never greater than the Creator, so God cast Satan and the one third of angels that followed him out of heaven and down to earth (Revelation 12:4). Satan and his fallen angel followers are commonly referred to as demonic spirits (Revelation 16:14). Since the fall they have resided on earth deceiving mankind away from the truth of God (Revelation 12:9), starting all the way back with Adam and Eve.

Satan is NOT the opposite of God.

- **God is omniscient** or all-knowing (Isaiah 46:9-10; Psalms 139:1-6), Satan is not. Satan doesn't know the future, but has had a great deal of experience with human responses/reactions to situations so he's adept at predicting behavioural outcomes, however does not have prior knowledge of them.
- **God is omnipresent** or being in all places all the time (Psalms 139:7-13), Satan is not. Satan can only be in one place at one time (Job 1:7), so he must rely on his agents to acquire information about events occurring outside his immediate location.
- God is omnipotent or all-powerful (Revelation 19:6), Satan is not. Satan must obtain permission from the One who is all-powerful before he's given power to do anything to anyone (Job 1:12). Something God will only allow when it serves His purpose (Luke 22:31-34), is for His glory, and is for our good in the end (Romans 8:28; 1 Peter 1:6-7). Even though we may not see that 'good' in the present, yet God Who is omniscient knowing the end from the beginning (Isaiah 46:10) does.

| Part 6: The Seal Judgements of God |

[Evidence] The Seven Seal Judgements of God's Wrath

The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse comprise the first four seals and are released at the commencement of the Tribulation, riding throughout the entire seven year period, they are:

First Seal - The Conqueror – white horse (Revelation 6:1-2)

Second Seal - Conflict and War on Earth - red horse (Revelation 6:3-4)

Third Seal - Scarcity of Food on Earth – black horse (Revelation 6:5-6)

Fourth Seal - Widespread Death on Earth – pale horse (Revelation 6:7-8)

"...And power was given to them over **a fourth of the earth**, to kill with sword, with hunger, with death, and by the beasts of the earth." (Revelation 6:8).

The Antichrist

First Seal - The Conqueror/Antichrist (Revelation 6:1-2)

The Conqueror is the Antichrist, meaning both "opposing" and "in place of" Christ. This is a literal man who will rise to become a very influential world leader with the primary objective of deceiving as many as possible away from the truth of God.

His tactic to achieve this deceptive rise to power is by appearing to be a man of peace; but it will in fact be a false peace "Through his cunning he shall cause deceit to prosper under his rule" (Daniel 8:25). Seeking to bring "peace and safety" to all peoples, he will reasonably establish what appears to be peace; however his focus will suddenly change causing many wars, death and destruction.

"For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labour pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. " (1 Thessalonians 5:3)

He will then attempt to exalt himself in the place of Jesus Christ with lying signs and wonders, even to the extent of falsely declaring that he himself is God. As this man must be revealed (2 Thessalonians 2:3-8) at the start of the Tribulation his identity is currently unknown, however so that you may not be deceived the Bible describes his various attributes and activities as follows:

Origins and Power of the Antichrist

The Antichrist will rise out of Europe to gain power over ten "kings" (or nations) and during that process he will subdue three (Daniel 7:24), with the remaining seven nations giving their power and authority to him as the leader over all (Revelation 17:13).

The Antichrist is referred to as "the beast" (Revelation 13:1) out of the sea whose power, position and authority comes from Satan "the dragon" (Revelation 13:2). He will become so militarily powerful that people will say "Who is like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?" (Revelation 13:4).

Antichrist's Purpose: To CONDEMN your soul.

The Antichrist, along with his accomplice the false prophet, will attempt to deceive the whole world (Revelation 12:9; Revelation 13:14) with lies (John 8:44), thereby ultimately securing their own eternal punishment in the lake of fire (Revelation 20:10) along with all those people who have not accepted the truth of Jesus Christ (2 Thessalonians 2:12; Revelation 20:15).

Jesus Christ's Purpose: To SAVE your soul.

In contrast, Jesus is the "Lamb of God" (John 1:29), having been sacrificed for the sins of the world (1 John 2:2), He is "the way, the truth and the life" (John 14:6) and through believing in Him all people may receive the free gift of eternal life in heaven (Ephesians 2:8-9; John 3:16).

[Evidence] Personal attributes of the Antichrist

- **He is charismatic** who speaks very convincingly and will persuade many to follow him (Revelation 13:5).
- He is a deceiver, who will deceive many. God forewarns you:

"For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. See, I have told you beforehand." (Matthew 24:24-25).

The "elect" refers to those who have accepted Jesus Christ during the Tribulation period.

• **He is "the lawless one"** and a destroyer. He is "The man of sin... the Son of perdition (destruction)" (2 Thessalonians 2:3).

"The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders." (2 Thessalonians 2:9).

- He is a heretic, speaking blasphemy against God, promoting false doctrine and denying that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh (1 John 4:2; 2 John 7). He speaks "blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, and His tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven" (Revelation 13:6). He will deny the rapture of the church and speak against those who have been raptured, blaspheming "them that dwell in heaven".
- **He has no "desire of women"** (Daniel 11:37), but is a sodomite. Although it's unlikely that this will become public knowledge initially, but possibly during the second half of the Tribulation.

[Evidence] Activities of the Antichrist

God grants supernatural power and authority to the Antichrist for a specific period of forty-two months (3 ½ years) (Revelation 13:5), being the second half of the Tribulation. Although several of the below events will take place in the first half of the Tribulation they will not occur by the supernatural power of God, but instead only by human means in accordance with the influences of Satan.

- **He causes many wars** in an effort to expand his domination. "...therefore he shall go out with great fury to destroy and annihilate many." (Daniel 11:44).
- He establishes a one-world government and many will worship him.

"And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue and nation. All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb [Jesus Christ] slain from the foundation of the world." (Revelation 13:7b-8).

- **He establishes a one-world economy** in order to control world commerce. To be permitted to buy or sell, he will mandate that all people must take the "mark of the beast" symbolising ones allegiance to the Antichrist (Revelation 13:16-17).
- **He establishes a one-world religious system** in order to control the people. This is not one religion but rather a system that amalgamates all religions under one governing authority. At

mid-Tribulation he will destroy this system prior to announcing himself as God, eliminating any opposition to his false claim of divinity (Revelation 17:15-18).

• He breaks the peace agreement and invades Israel. At the start of the Tribulation he made a peace agreement with Israel and many other nations for seven years, but then 3 ½ years later at its mid-point, he breaks that covenant (Daniel 9:27). At that time he will invade Israel and take over Jerusalem, set up his headquarters in the temple of God (Daniel 8:11; Daniel 11:45) and defile God's sanctuary ("abomination of desolation") (Daniel 11:31; Daniel 12:11).

He will kill two-thirds of the Jewish people in Israel (Zechariah 13:8) and the remainder will flee to a place of refuge in the mountains (Matthew 24:15-16; Revelation 12:6) known as Bozrah (Micah 2:12) meaning "sheepfold". This is likely to be modern day Petra in southern Jordan, located within an area of ancient Edom and Moab which will not be conquered by the Antichrist (Daniel 11:41).

Note: There has not been a temple of God in Jerusalem since 70AD when the Second Temple was destroyed by the Romans. However a Third Temple will be built before mid-Tribulation when the Antichrist will occupy and defile it.

- **He falsely claims to be God.** "[He] opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4).
- **He seeks to kill all who oppose him** and that refuse to worship him and his image (Revelation 13:15).

"It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation." (Revelation 13:7).

This reference to "saints" refers to all the people who have accepted Jesus Christ during the Tribulation, these new Christians will be a prime target of the Antichrist.

• He assembles the armies for the Battle of Armageddon. At the end of the Tribulation he will gather together the "kings of the earth" and their armies in the Jezreel Valley (Megiddo - plains of northern Israel) to make war against Jesus Christ. But they are quickly defeated. By the Word of God (two-edged sword (Hebrews 4:12)), Jesus will cast the Antichrist and the false prophet alive into the lake of fire and destroy all their armies at the Battle of Armageddon (Revelation 19:19-21).

The False Prophet

The false prophet is the accomplice of the Antichrist and is referred to as the "beast coming up out of the earth" who will have all the power of the Antichrist (Revelation 13:11-12). His objective is the same as the Antichrist's, to deceive you away from the truth of God and from receiving eternal life.

[Evidence] Activities of the False Prophet

The false prophet will attempt to achieve his deceptive objectives by:

• Falsely appearing to be a man of God and peace but in fact he is an agent of Satan (Revelation 13:11).

- **Performing supernatural** "signs and lying wonders" (2 Thessalonians 2:9), through which he will deceive many (Revelation 13:14). These "signs and lying wonders" include:
 - Performing a false resurrection of the Antichrist. His head will appear "...as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed." (Revelation 13:3). But do not be deceived as this is in fact just an elaborate illusion because only God has resurrection power (1 Samuel 2:6; Deuteronomy 32:39).
 - This act will be so convincing that the false prophet will use it as proof of the Antichrist's divine nature, calling on all people to worship him (Revelation 13:12).
 - Making "fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men" (Revelation 13:13). This is not the same event as the fire from heaven commanded by God that's described in the Battle of Gog and Magog above. This event will take place sometime after Mid-Tribulation once God has authorised Satan to give the false prophet use of these supernatural powers.
 - o **Giving "breath"** to an image of the Antichrist. He will instruct all that dwell on the earth to make an image in honour of the Antichrist (Revelation 13:14).
 - "He was granted power to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed." (Revelation 13:15).
- Cause all to receive the Mark of the Beast (Revelation 13:16-18).

The Mark of the Beast

When taken on one's right hand or forehead, this mark symbolises allegiance to the Antichrist. He will use this mark with the intention to control world commerce: declaring that nobody can buy or sell without either the mark, the name of the Antichrist or the number of his name - being 666.

Due to the commerce implications associated with it, many prophecy scholars speculate that this mark will be some form of microchip inserted under the skin. It may be promoted to the people as a means of accessing Government benefits, a secure substitute for credit cards or as a means of combatting money laundering, fraud and the financing of terrorism through the implementation of a cashless society.

BEWARE! DO NOT TAKE THIS MARK <u>UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES!</u>

God declares that the moment you take this mark **you seal your eternal destiny in the lake of fire**. There are no second chances.

"If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or on his hand, he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation.

He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone...and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."
(Revelation 14:9-11)

Think very, very carefully about this.

It's the most infinitely serious decision you will ever have to make. And we'll tell you now, it won't be easy. The decision may seem obvious to you right now, but pressure and persecution will soon mount upon you and tragically many will succumb and take the mark. Do not let this happen to you.

The primary reason why so many will take the mark is because they simply don't know the eternal consequences of doing so. They are "destroyed for lack of knowledge" (Hosea 4:6), the very knowledge that you're acquiring right now. By objectively evaluating the evidence you will solidify your knowledge in the truth of God providing you with the resolve to endure the temporary hardships of refusing the mark in order to gain an eternal reward.

"...God our Saviour, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth." (1 Timothy 2:3-4)

Accepting the mark will mean:

You're allowed to live, buy and sell under the Antichrist's regime for the next 3 ½ years before you're condemned to be eternally tormented without rest day and night in the lake of fire (Revelation 14:11). You will only have a maximum of 3 ½ more years to live on the earth because the mark is introduced at the mid-point of the Tribulation and all people who have accepted it are condemned at the end of the Tribulation (Matthew 25:31-46).

Of course, that is assuming you don't get killed by one of the many plagues comprising the wrath of God (explained in detail below) during this 3 ½ year period. These plagues are so horrific that in just one of the judgements one-third of all mankind (left on earth at the time), some 2 billion people will be killed (Revelation 9:15). If this happens, then you're condemned to hell at the moment you're killed.

Before you even consider taking this mark, you should be aware of exactly what hell (or the lake of fire) entails. Hell is a literal place, just as heaven is. A place as tangible as the earth you stand on right now. It's a place where the most horrific physical and mental suffering you can imagine on this world is mere dust on the scales in comparison to what awaits those who are condemned to hell and eternal separation from God.

Refusing the mark will mean:

You will have the opportunity to accept Jesus Christ and receive eternal life in heaven, living forever in paradise with unfathomable and indescribable joy, peace, happiness and love; permanently residing in the very presence of God Himself (Revelation 20:4; Revelation 22:3-4).

Important: Just refusing the mark is not enough to get you into heaven; you MUST also accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour. Refer the below section "How can I be saved?" to find out exactly how to accept His free gift of salvation.

Once you've accepted Jesus, your name is written in the "Book of Life of the Lamb" (Revelation 3:5). Giving you complete assurance by God Himself that you will not only receive eternal life in heaven but also be adopted as a child and heir of God, equally as Jesus Christ is (Ephesians 1:5; 1 John 3:1). You will receive a glorified physical body of great power, a mansion in heaven, complete knowledge of all things and eternal communion with God, dwelling in His own abode.

By accepting Jesus, you are denying the Antichrist and therefore since you're still living under his regime for the next 3 ½ years, you will encounter serious – but short term – hardship; you may even be killed for your testimony to Jesus. But if this happens you can take comfort in God's assurance that you will immediately go to heaven to be with the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6-8; Revelation 20:4) and even receive special honour by God as a martyr for your faith, being privileged to reside under the very altar of God Almighty until all the remaining events of the Tribulation have been fulfilled (Revelation 6:9-11).

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on [mid-Tribulation]. Yes, says the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours, and their works follow them." (Revelation 14:13)

At the end of the Tribulation all people still living on the earth will be judged by Jesus (Matthew 25:31-46). Anyone who has not accepted Jesus (regardless of whether or not they have accepted the mark) will be eternally condemned. Anyone who has genuinely accepted Christ, evidenced by their lives bearing fruit – being good works through obedience to God's Word – will be saved and rewarded in heaven.

Why does God allow Satan to supernaturally empower the Antichrist to deceive mankind? By authorising Satan (Revelation 13:5) to empower the Antichrist (Revelation 13:2b) with supernatural abilities to deceive, God is passing judgement on those who have rejected His Son Jesus Christ, by sending them "strong delusion".

"The coming of the lawless one [Antichrist] is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness."(2 Thessalonians 2: 9-12)

However, God is fair and just, therefore He doesn't do this until mid-tribulation when He's already allowed mankind to see the evidence for themselves of His existence, supreme authority and power. God has clearly done this through the supernatural revelation of Himself in the Battle of Gog and Magog, then 3 ½ years of exposure to the truth of His Word through the ministry of the 144,000 evangelists and also the initial stages of the two witnesses supernatural ministry.

God provides this 3 ½ years of undeniable evidence so that it may bear witness in your heart to the truth of His Word, so that you may believe and be saved into eternal life. Yet despite all of this proof, some people will still choose to deny God and continue fulfilling their sinful desires. Therefore God acknowledges their unwillingness to ever change and honours their decision, giving them over to their own unrighteousness by facilitating "that they should believe the lie".

Second Seal - Conflict and War on Earth (Revelation 6:3-4)

"Another horse, fiery red, went out. And it was granted to the one who sat on it to take peace from the earth, and that people should kill one another; and there was given to him a great sword." (v.4)

Third Seal - Scarcity of Food on Earth (Revelation 6:5-6)

"So I looked, and behold, a black horse, and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand. And I heard 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 the wine."" (vv.5b-6)

A denarius is the equivalent to a day's wage and a quart is about 1.1kgs. This judgement is not outright famine where food simply doesn't exist, but rather extreme scarcity, thereby inciting conflict and violence between those who have and those who do not.

Fourth Seal - Widespread Death on Earth (Revelation 6:7-8)

"So I looked, and behold, a pale horse. And the name of him who sat on it was Death, and Hades followed with him." (v.8a)

Fifth Seal - The Cry of the 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 testimony which they held. And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"" (vv.9-10)

As the tribulation unfolds and people see these supernatural events taking place, many will recognise their errored beliefs and put their faith in Jesus Christ that they may be saved. While this is obviously a wise decision and guarantees your eternal security in heaven, it will also mean that you will become a target of the Antichrist and may be killed for your new faith.

With this fifth seal being opened, God is assuring those who are martyred for their belief in Him that they will receive a very special honour in heaven, being permitted to reside under the alter of God until the full number of martyred tribulation saints is completed.

"For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake [Jesus] and the gospel's will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?" (Mark 8:35-36)

Sixth Seal - Cosmic Disturbances (Revelation 6:12-17)

"...there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood. And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place." (Revelation 6:12-14)

Seventh Seal - Prelude to the Seven Trumpets (Revelation 8:1-6)

When this seal is opened it releases upon the earth "...noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake" assumedly to signify the commencement of the Seven Trumpet Judgements, one of which is unleashed directly on the people who dwell on the earth.

| Part 7: The Trumpet & Bowl Judgements of God |

[Evidence] The Seven Trumpet Judgements of God's Wrath

First Trumpet - One Third of Vegetation Struck (Revelation 8:7)

"The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass [in the vicinity of the 'third of the trees'] was burned up."

Second Trumpet - One Third of the Seas Struck (Revelation 8:8-9)

"Then the second angel sounded: And something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood. And a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed."

Third Trumpet - One Third of the Fresh Waters Struck (Revelation 8:10-11)

"Then the third angel sounded: And a great star fell from heaven, burning 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 men died from the water, because it was made bitter [poisoned]."

Fourth Trumpet - One Third of the Sun, Moon and Stars Struck (Revelation 8:12)

"Then the fourth angel sounded: And a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them were darkened. A third of the day did not shine, and likewise the night."

Fifth Trumpet - Locusts Released to Torment Mankind (Revelation 9:1-12)

"And he opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit.

Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power... They had tails like scorpions, and there were stings in their tails (v.10)... They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads [the 144,000].

And they were not given authority to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man. In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them." (vv.2-6)

This is an especially horrific personal suffering judgement. These are demonic locusts with tails like scorpions whose stings are so painful that people will attempt to commit suicide to end their torment but "death will flee from them".

Whatever techniques that would normally terminate human life will not do so during this five month period. Rather it will increase that persons suffering in accordance with any physical injuries sustained in their suicide attempt. Yet they will remain alive in their post attempted suicide state, until the five months has passed and death returns to claim them.

Sixth Trumpet - One Third of Mankind Killed (Revelation 9:13-21)

At the sounding of this trumpet, four fallen angels (demonic spirits) are released from bondage to assemble and command a two hundred million man army instructed to kill one third of mankind.

Yet the rest of mankind who survived still did not repent of their worship of demons, idols or gold (Revelation 9:20). "And they did not repent of their murders or their sorceries (witchcraft and drug use) or their sexual immorality or their thefts" (Revelation 9:21).

Seventh Trumpet - The Kingdom Proclaimed in Heaven (Revelation 11:15-19)

"Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" (v.15) ...And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail." (v.19b)

The Seventh Trumpet proclaims the earth officially redeemed as the Kingdom of God and Jesus Christ. This is not determined by the final Battle of Armageddon, as this event is a judgement of God, not a battle for supremacy.

Mid-Tribulation Point

Although its timing is not directly identified biblically, many prophecy scholars attribute the end of the Trumpet Judgements (Revelation 13) as marking the commencement of second half of the Tribulation, known as the "Great Tribulation", being significantly more intense and horrific than the first half.

[Evidence] The Seven Bowl Judgements of God's Wrath

First Bowl - Loathsome Sores (Revelation 16:2)

"So the first went and poured out his bowl upon the earth, and a foul and loathsome sore came upon the men who had the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image."

Akin to the locusts of the Fifth Trumpet Judgement, this will be a severely painful personal judgment; however all who have survived so far and accepted Jesus Christ prior to this point will be spared from it.

Second Bowl - The Sea Turns to Blood (Revelation 16:3)

"Then the second angel poured out his bowl on the sea, and it became blood as of a dead man [coagulated]; and every living creature in the sea died."

Effectively denying mankind of all food sources in the sea.

Third Bowl - The Fresh Waters Turn to Blood (Revelation 16:4)

"Then the third angel poured out his bowl on the rivers and springs of water, and they became blood."

All natural sources of domestic drinking water are removed. Mankind is denied all freshwater food sources and the means of agricultural crop irrigation or livestock watering.

Fourth Bowl - Men are Scorched (Revelation 16:8-9)

"Then the fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and power was given to him to scorch men with fire. And men were scorched with great heat, and they blasphemed the name of God who has power over these plagues; and they did not repent and give Him glory."

Fifth Bowl - Darkness and Pain in the Antichrist's Kingdom (Revelation 16:10-11)

"Then the fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom became full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues because of the pain. They blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and did not repent of their deeds."

Sixth Bowl - Euphrates Dried Up (Revelation 16:12)

"Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the kings from the east might be prepared."

The drying up of the Euphrates allows passage to the massive military contingent moving from the east on their way to Israel for the Battle of Armageddon.

Armies Gathered for the Battle of Armageddon (Revelation 16:14-16)

At this point Satan, the Antichrist and the False Prophet perform signs throughout the world to assemble their armies.

"For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty (v.14) ...And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon [Valley of Megiddo]." (v.16)

Seventh Bowl - Great Earthquake and Massive Hail (Revelation 16:17-21)

"Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, "It is done!" And there were noises and thunderings and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth." (vv.17-18)

"And great hail from heaven fell upon men, each hailstone about the weight of a talent [45kgs]. Men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail, since that plague was exceedingly great." (v.21)

| Part 8: Tribulation Salvation |

Can People be Saved During the Tribulation?

Yes. God is loving and merciful (Psalms 86:5), he hasn't forsaken those who remain on earth after the rapture. During this seven year period He has appointed three specific entities to perform public ministries declaring His truth and the deception of the Antichrist to all mankind. Ministering to all people so that they may acknowledge the error of their ways and accept Jesus Christ before it's too late. These three entities are:

[Evidence] The 144,000 Saints (Revelation 7:1-8)

God appoints 144,000 Jewish men as servants of God and seals them with His name on their foreheads, protecting them from the Antichrist and his minions. These men are tasked to proclaim the Word of God to all the nations and will begin their ministry during the first half of the tribulation.

[Evidence] The Two Witnesses (Revelation 11:3-13)

These two people, having been selected and sealed by God, will be easily identifiable to the whole world merely by their garments because "they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth." (Revelation 11:3). Due to the specific timeframe that the two witnesses prophesy, being 3 ½ years, it's anticipated that their ministry will predominantly span the second half of the tribulation.

As you can imagine these two witnesses will also be prime targets of the Antichrist, however so that all people may know that they speak the truth as prophets of God, He has provided them with some specific supernatural abilities being:

- Fire Breathing: "And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner." (Revelation 11:5)
- Power over Rain, Waters & Plagues: "These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire." (Revelation 11:6)

At the conclusion of their 3 ½ year ministry, God allows them to be killed by the Antichrist and their bodies will lie in the streets of Jerusalem 3 ½ days for the entire world to see (Revelation 11:7-9).

The sinful and unrepentant people of the earth will be very pleased with this outcome:

"And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth."

(Revelation 11:10)

But the joy of the unrighteous will be short lived:

"Now after the three-and-a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them.

And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they ascended

to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them.

In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city [Jerusalem] fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven." (Revelation 11:11-13)

[Evidence] Angels Proclaim the Word of God (Revelation 14:6-11)

The Bible details several different angels making proclamations to the nations during the Tribulation, one of which is described as:

"Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth — to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people — saying with a loud voice, "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water."" (Revelation 14:6-7)

What about the people who didn't know all this about God?

People who have never had the opportunity to know God's Word, such as remote jungle tribes, still have a moral compass that they are accountable to - the conscience - which is God's internal revelation to man, and He will judge them accordingly (Romans 2:12-16).

Even so, God has not left mankind without natural evidence of His existence. Do you really believe that the intelligent balance and incomprehensible complexity of everything you see on earth and in our universe evolved by natural selection and random occurrence?

[Evidence] The fingerprints of God are all around you.

Consider the humble butterfly, she begins life as a caterpillar then sheds her skin to become a chrysalis, self-dissolves into a soup like liquid, and then emerges just 10 days later as a beautifully adorned butterfly. Complete with respiratory, circulatory, digestive, reproductive, sensory, musculoskeletal and nervous systems; they have a brain, heart, eyes and can even taste. Furthermore, their many colours are not merely simple pigment, but actually light-interacting structures on their wing scales, meaning they diffract the incoming light waves to interfere with each other to form the patterns of colour we see.

Now ask yourself, how did this process evolve? Evolution posits it takes millions of years for a species to evolve, yet the humble caterpillar has got just 2-4 weeks (as a caterpillar) to work out how to pull off this complex 10-day caterpillar/soup/butterfly transformation process or she's going to be extinct on her first attempt. Why? Because caterpillars don't have reproductive systems, only butterflies do.

The evolutionists themselves are perplexed by this. Scientific American states: "The evolution of insect metamorphosis remains a genuine biological mystery even today".

This is just one of the countless examples in the natural world that can't be explained by evolution, because evolution is a concept created by man to explain the origins of our world with the absence of God. This is why anyone who objectively investigates evolution will ultimately conclude that it's simply not possible. Why? Because God is most certainly not absent from our world.

"Indeed My hand has laid the foundation of the earth, and My right hand has stretched out the heavens; When I call to them, they stand up together." (Isaiah 48:13)

[Evidence] Science Disproves Evolution and Validates Creation

If you still think evolution is possible, let's get a little more technical. Take DNA, the same genetic information in every living organism on the planet. DNA is an exquisite 'language' composed of some 3 billion genetic letters storing information - the detailed instructions for assembling proteins - in the form of a four character digital code.

The amount of DNA information stored in a single human cell is roughly equivalent to 384 volumes of The Encyclopaedia Britannica. Humans have approximately 10 trillion cells, so if you were to line up all of the DNA double helix strands found in every cell in the human body it would stretch from the earth to the sun 100 times.

So what does this concept of cellular information storage have to do with evolution? Everything. In fact there's an entire field of scientific study dedicated to this. It's known as Information Science and is concerned with the analysis, collection, classification, manipulation, storage, retrieval, movement, dissemination and protection of information - and one of the foundational Scientific Laws of Information (SLI) is:

"Universal information can only be produced by an intelligent sender" (SLI-4)

An intelligent sender is defined as:

- is conscious
- has a will of its own
- is creative
- thinks autonomously
- acts purposefully

The theory of atheistic evolution posits that matter and energy alone have given rise to all things, including biological systems. To hold true, this theory must attribute the existence of all information ultimately to the interaction of matter and energy without reference to an intelligent or conscious source.

The simple fact that **every living organism on the planet** contains masses of information in their DNA disproves the very foundational basis of evolution via acutely indisputable scientific evidence. Not surprisingly, the proponents of evolution have no answer for the origins of information in DNA either.

"For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God." (1 Corinthians 3:19)

When you take the time to objectively evaluate the evidence for yourself, the only rational answer is creation; any other conclusion one could reach lacks objectivity and is therefore self-deception. In fact God declares that He has made us and our environment like this, so extraordinary in so many ways, in order that mankind would be "without excuse" in ignoring His works and therefore Himself.

"For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they [mankind] are without excuse..." (Romans 1:20)

So in light of the above obvious evidence: Why do evolutionists - some of whom are very intellectually gifted - continue to adhere to their flawed theory? God continues:

"...because, although they knew [of] God [acknowledging His unexplainable creation], they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened." (Romans 1:21)

Intelligence does not automatically translate into wisdom, because intelligence is only the mental capacity to understand, whereas wisdom is the knowledge of the truth. Anyone who chooses to ignore God has misdirected the focus of their intellectual gift; therefore God honours their decision by allowing their hearts to be "darkened" to the truth, resulting in a depraved mind and facilitating their trust in such feeble and fanciful theories. God's next statement describes the outcome of such people:

"Professing to be wise, they became fools..." (Romans 1:22)

| Part 9: Judgement of Mankind & The Millennium |

The Second Coming of Jesus Christ (Matthew 24:29-31; Revelation 19:11-16)

At the end of the seven years of Tribulation, the sun and moon will be darkened and the stars will fall from the sky (Matthew 24:29), the earth will be in a period of total absence of natural light. Then all the people of the earth will see Jesus descending from heaven on the clouds with power and great glory.

"Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, 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." (Matthew 24:30)

All who were raptured, along with all those who were martyred during the Tribulation, are then gathered together (Matthew 24:31) to return with Jesus on white horses as His "armies of heaven" (Revelation 19:11-14) descending to the earth for the battle of Armageddon.

Then Jesus will stand on the Mount of Olives and it shall be split in two from east to west creating a large valley (Zechariah 14:4) and waters will fill the valley (Zechariah 14:8), destroying the current Temple Mount to rubble beneath its crystal depths. (Note: The future third Temple will not be built on the current Temple Mount site.)

The Battle of Armageddon (Revelation 19:19-21)

Upon Jesus Christ's second coming to the earth, a massive military power comprising all the armies under the Antichrist's control will gather together in the Jezreel Valley (Megiddo - plains of northern Israel) to battle against Him and His armies of heaven.

This battle is not one to determine supremacy but a judgement of God on the Antichrist and his armies — which is swiftly administered. By speaking the Word of God, Jesus casts the Antichrist and the false prophet into the lake of fire, and then destroys all the forces of the Antichrist in a single moment. This battle is described as:

"And I saw the beast [Antichrist], the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him [Jesus] who sat on the horse and against His army [of glorified saints].

Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

And the rest were killed with the sword [Word of God] which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh." (Revelation 19:19-21)

Judgement of all who remain on Earth (Matthew 25:31-46)

After the Battle or Armageddon, Jesus will supernaturally gather all the people of the earth before Him and they will be judged according to how they treated Christian believers and the Jewish people ("His brethren" i.e., His brothers and sisters) during their persecution throughout the Tribulation.

It's called the Sheep and Goat Judgment, with the sheep being those who showed their true hearts by helping them through the horrific times just past and the goats being those who didn't. These Tribulation survivors are not being judged by their works. Their works are being cited as evidence of their genuine faith, because when you "believe in your heart" you will progressively develop the fruit of the spirit (Galatians 5:22-23) which is evidenced by your good works.

"Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead." (James 2:17)

To give aid to a believer and/or the Jewish people during the Great Tribulation will take even more courage than it did in Hitler's Germany, and it's anticipated to be an offense punishable by death. Only a follower of Jesus, certain of their eternal destiny, would dare to do it or even want to. Those believers who have helped will have demonstrated the genuineness of their faith by their works and will be ushered alive into the Millennial Kingdom on earth. Those who refused to help will have condemned themselves to "everlasting punishment" by this evidence of their lack of faith.

Some of the believers ushered into the Millennial Kingdom will be new Christians, having just received the Holy Spirit's gift of faith and are only beginning to change their lives and bud fruit. Others will have more developed faith, increasing their fruit (and reward in heaven) by studying and sharing God's Word. Still others will have even greater faith, putting it into action daily and risking their lives in the process. But just like it's been throughout history, all are saved by faith.

The Millennial Kingdom | Christ's 1,000 Year Reign on Earth (Revelation 20:4-6)

After the Sheep and Goats Judgement, the Millennial Kingdom Age begins, a one thousand year period where all those Jesus deemed to be fruit bearing genuine believers will live on earth in their natural bodies. Since it will be re-populated by tribulation survivors, only believers will initially inhabit earth, enjoying the truly utopian environment that mankind has always dreamed about, but only God can create. Children will grow up without fear and adults will grow old in peace.

Those people who were pre-tribulation raptured, along with all the martyrs of the tribulation, will live and reign with Jesus over the inhabitants of the earth (Revelation 20:4) in our new glorified bodies (Philippians 3:20-21).

New Heavens, New Earth and New Jerusalem (Revelation 21:1-22:5)

At the commencement of the Millennium, the current heavens and earth will be destroyed by fire (2 Peter 3:10), and God creates new heavens, a new earth and a great holy city called the New Jerusalem that descends out of heaven.

"Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."

(Revelation 21:1-2)

In biblical times, the "heavens" referred to three separate entities above the earth.

- 1. **The skies/earth's atmosphere.** The first heaven "birds of the heavens" (Psalms 104:12); "the heaven gave rain" (James 5:18).
- 2. **Outer space.** The second heaven "stars of heaven and their constellations" (Isaiah 13:10); and

3. **The realm in which God dwells.** The third heaven – "the temple of God was opened in heaven" (Revelation 11:19); the apostle Paul was also "caught up to the third heaven" (2 Corinthians 12:2-4).

Therefore the above verse is referring to the entire universe being re-created – a new earth, new skies, and new outer space. It's unlikely to be also referring to the third heaven, as related verses only describe the skies (Revelation 6:14) and outer space (sun, moon and stars) (Matthew 24:29) as being removed.

The new earth will be back to its original Eden-like environment when Adam was created, with a consistent temperature subtropical climate. The lands will be fertile and bear crops with ease, as all the hardship of today's agriculture was only introduced by God when He cursed the land due to the sin of man (Genesis 3:17-19). The new earth will also include restoring peace between man and animals.

"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the young goat (v.6a)... And the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, and the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den." (vv.7b-8). (Isaiah 11:6-8)

The New Jerusalem is "heaven", as our modern day defines this term, during the millennium (and possibly for all eternity) for all those who have their names written in the Lamb's Book of Life (Revelation 21:27). It is a "holy city" being the abode of God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit (Revelation 21:22); 22:3), all believers (Revelation 21:3), angels (Revelation 21:12) and various other heavenly creatures dwelling "in the midst of the throne, and around the throne" of God (Revelation 4:6-7).

The concept that heaven is "in the clouds" is unbiblical. The concept that believers will be "spirits floating around in heaven" is also unbiblical. The New Jerusalem is a real physical city, just as all believers will receive real physical glorified bodies.

What will the New Jerusalem be like?

Some characteristics of the New Jerusalem are described in the Book of Revelation (vv. 21:10 - 22:5), including:

- **Dimensions.** The city is laid out as a square with its length, width and height all being equal at 2,414 kilometres (12,000 Furlongs) or by comparison to today's standards, if it were one structure, it would have 475,000 floors and 5.8 million square kilometres on each level (yes, it's quite huge), which is roughly two-thirds the size of the moon (Revelation 21:16).
 - The Bible doesn't specify if it's a cube or pyramid-shaped, however considering that the Most Holy Place in Solomon's Temple was a cube (1 Kings 6:20) where the "Ark of the Covenant" was kept (1 Kings 8:6) then it's more likely to be a cube than a pyramid-shaped city.
- There is no night in the New Jerusalem, it has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminates it. Jesus Christ is its light (Revelation 21:23).
- Location. The New Jerusalem will likely be situated above the new earth, not on the new earth, potentially akin to a low orbiting satellite. Although its locality is not specifically stated in the Bible, this assumption is based not only on the sheer size of the city, but also because God states that "the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light" (Revelation 21:24), yet "while the earth remains...day and night shall not cease" (Genesis 8:22).

So if there's no sun or moon, and the people inhabiting the new earth walk in the light of the New Jerusalem, yet also have day and night, then is must be statically positioned above a

revolving earth. Furthermore, the Bible only identifies it as "coming down out of heaven from God", not landing on the earth.

- Made of Pure Gold. The construction of the city and its streets are of pure gold, yet inherently transparent like glass (Revelation 21:18); (Revelation 21:21), assumedly to facilitate "the glory of God" (Revelation 21:11) that emanates from Jesus Christ to shine through the city and illuminate the new earth.
- The wall around the city is 65 meters tall (144 cubits) and constructed of jasper (Revelation 21:17-18) with twelve gates, three on each side. Each gate is made from a single pearl (hence "Pearly Gates") (Revelation 21:21), has an angel appointed to it, and is named as of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel (Revelation 21:12-13).

The wall has twelve foundations and on them are the names of the twelve apostles of Jesus Christ (Revelation 21:14). The foundations are adorned with all kinds of precious stones (Revelation 21:19-20).

Now a thought. If the foundations and the streets of the New Jerusalem are created so incredibly opulent, what kind of extravagantly luxurious features do you think the mansions (just one of <u>God's</u> <u>promises to every believer</u>) in the New Jerusalem will include?

What will the Millennium be like?

Our existence in the millennium and the magnificence of heaven is one of a different dimension, so awe-inspiring that our human minds are incapable of even imagining such things:

"But as it is written: [What] 'Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." (1 Corinthians 2:9)

God Himself resides with man:

"...the tabernacle [dwelling place] of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God." (Revelation 21:3)

"They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads." (Revelation 22:4)

The curse that came from sin will never have any influence again (Revelation 22:3). It's difficult to imagine a world without pain or sorrow, but that's exactly what God promises – a reality beyond imagination.

"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

(Revelation 21:4)

A believer's existence in the millennium will not be marred by any negative memories of the old sin stained earth. Our memories of these things will be completely wiped away:

"For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former shall not be remembered or come to mind." (Isaiah 65:17)

Will glorified believers be able to explore the new universe in the Millennium?

The answer is that it's not specifically stated in the Bible, but it's certainly possible considering that God states that angels have this ability when He identifies "an angel standing in the Sun" (Revelation 19:17); and believers are given to "judge [also meaning rule or govern] the angels" (1 Corinthians 6:3).

Therefore we can surmise from these verses that believers, as God's children, will be given a higher position/authority than the angels in heaven.

Great White Throne Judgement (Revelation 20:11-15)

At the conclusion of the 1,000 year Millennial Kingdom, the Great White Throne Judgement occurs where God judges all unbelievers who have died from the beginning of mankind; plus all believers and unbelievers who have either died during the Millennium or are alive on earth at the time.

"And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books...And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire." (Revelation 20:12-15)

The books that are opened contain records of everyone's deeds, whether they are good or evil, because God knows everything that has ever been said, done, or even thought and He will reward or punish each one accordingly (Romans 2:6). After which, eternity begins.

The Bible doesn't provide a lot of detail about eternity, it concludes at the end of the Millennium yet teaches us that every person ever to have received life – being at the moment of conception (Jeremiah 1:5; Psalms 139:13; Psalms 139:16) – has eternal life (Matthew 25:46). Either with God in glory, or separated from Him to be tormented in the lake of fire.

| Part 10: What This Means For You |

What Does All This Mean For Me?

It means that as of right now, you live in a very different - and time limited - world. The fact that there's currently millions of missing people all over the globe fundamentally changes humanity as you've previously known it in an undeniable way. Demanding all who remain to re-evaluate their current world-view (i.e. your belief regarding the origins of the universe and mankind) to account for the reality of today.

Failure to do so by attempting to deny your reality can only be described as foolishness. We implore you not to make this tragic mistake. Diligent, rational and objective evaluation of the evidence will always develop true knowledge.

"The heart of the prudent acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge." (Proverbs 18:15)

Do not be ignorant, apathetic or deceived about the seriousness of your current reality and the importance of taking immediate action, because what you decide to believe right now will determine where you spend all eternity.

"Wise people store up knowledge, but the mouth of the foolish is near destruction."

(Proverbs 10:14)

What should I do now?

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STEP TWO: Objectively Evaluate the Evidence for Yourself

"Do not be deceived: Evil company corrupts good habits." (1 Corinthians 15:33)

[Evidence] Start by evaluating your current world-view.

Now it's quite obvious to all that only one world-view can in fact be true. So given that accurately fulfilled prophecy undeniably validates the prophesier as authoritative, you should start by asking yourself how your current world-view answers the following three questions:

Question One: Why have only the genuine believers in Jesus Christ been removed from the earth – and how were they discerned from the rest of mankind?

God states His ability to discern our true natures:

"Would not God search this out? For He knows the secrets of the heart." (Psalms 44:21)

If your current world-view is based on evolution then you'll have trouble getting past this point without introducing considerable subjective reasoning and speculation.

If your world-view is creation based, but not biblical, then this point is likely to be problematic but not necessarily impossible to overcome with some selective interpretations of your particular scriptural

texts – and we're sure many will come up with what they believe to be credible explanations. But the second question you should be asking yourself is considerably more difficult.

Question Two: How is this supernatural event the exact fulfilment of a 2,000 year old prophecy by the God of Israel?

If your world-view dictates that the God of Israel is not the actual one true God. Then what possible reason could the actual one true God have for supernaturally validating a 2,000 year old prophecy of the God of Israel? Quite clearly this act would be rather detrimental to the credibility of the actual one true God, unless of course He is in fact the God of Israel.

And the third question is even more perplexing. Because in the immediate future God is going to give you your own personal testimony – via your eye-witness account of the Battle of Gog and Magog – to verify His biblical claims of Himself. Then you will also need to ask yourself:

Question Three: How does your current world-view answer the supernatural fulfilment of yet another prophecy, declared by the God of Israel to be the undeniable revelation of Himself to you?

Why would the actual one true God supernaturally validate - in exacting detail - another 2,600 year old prophecy that's specifically declared by the God of Israel to validate His own existence, supreme authority and power to all mankind? And then give all who dwell on the earth undeniable proof of this fact, by ensuring their eye-witness account of its fulfilment?

"...so that the nations may know Me, when I am hallowed in you, O Gog, before their eyes...and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the Lord." (Ezekiel 38:16, 38:23)

Clearly this is impossibly problematic to any deity's claim to be the one true God – unless of course that deity is the God of Israel who prophesied, and then fulfilled these things.

So with this evidence in mind, on what basis could any rational mind possibly claim that the prophesied events detailed on this site will not occur exactly as God's described them? Remember, not a single biblical prophecy has failed in human history, ever.

God has provided you with all this evidence to make it absolutely and undeniably clear that He is the actual one and only true God.

"For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me" (Isaiah 46:9)

God declares that there is only one way to eternal life in heaven – through His Son Jesus Christ – and that every other world-view is a deception of Satan (2 John 7; John 8:44) that results in one's eternal torment in the lake of fire (Revelation 21:8); Revelation 20:15).

"And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent." (John 17:3)

The good news is that through God's revelation of Himself to all mankind "a great multitude which no one could number" will put their faith in Jesus Christ during the Tribulation and receive eternal life (Revelation 7:9-11). Will this include you?

Why all other World-views and Religions are deception

To answer this, we need to objectively evaluate the evidence. How can anyone know for certain whether any given world-view or religion is true or false when no person alive today has ever actually seen a deity? How can we know that one even exists?

Just like how we know the wind exists; not because we can see it, but because its existence is evidenced by the resulting visible effects of its actions. So too is God's existence evidenced, not because we see Him directly, but because we see the results of what He does.

So what is the single most undeniable action that only the actual one true God could take in order to prove His existence, authority and power to all mankind? The answer is prophetic revelation and fulfilment. So let's then objectively evaluate why this is the case.

[Evidence] For any action of a deity to be undeniably proven, it requires three elements:

- **1.** It must be supernatural. In order for an event to be objectively deemed as an "act of God", it must be something beyond the realms of our scientific understanding. The greater the act is, the greater the deity.
- **2.** It must be verifiable by mankind. If a deity performs a supernatural act but mankind doesn't see that act for themselves, doubt quickly arises. So for it to be undeniable, man must also witness it directly because "seeing is believing".
- **3.** It must be prophesied with specificity. Because just seeing an "act of God" doesn't attribute that act to any one deity, so in order to assign ownership of the supernatural act it must be foretold by the deity. The more specific the prophecy and the earlier it's foretold, the more credibility it holds.

Specificity is crucial, because anyone can look at darkening clouds in the sky and prophesy "It's going to rain today". But only a true deity could prophesy: "It's going to rain in Jerusalem on the 11th of October 2117 for three hours, during which time your donkey will speak to you". (Yes, God's done that (Numbers 22:22-35))

So if this hypothetical event were to take place 100 years from now, then clearly the existence, authority and power of the prophesier is undeniably proven. Which explains why God has allocated nearly one-third of His declared Word to prophecy – so that you may have a mass of available evidence to irrefutably validate the integrity of His claims in the Bible for yourself. No other doctrinal texts can make this claim.

Now let's apply these three requirements to the Battle of Gog and Magog. During which fire from heaven will be rained down (supernatural), for the entire world to eye-witness (verifiable by mankind), and it was prophesied 2,600 years ago with two full chapters of the Bible (Ezekiel 38 & 39) detailing it's specific elements (prophesied with specificity). Therefore:

Once the Battle of Gog and Magog occurs: Any attempt to rationalise an alternative worldview can only be based on subjective reasoning, and is therefore self-deception. Due to the fact that fulfilled prophecy provides indisputable evidence that demands acceptance, God Himself uses this method to directly challenge all other deities to prove their existence to all people by means of any act (good or evil). Yet none come forward.

"Present your case, says the Lord. Bring forth your strong reasons... Let them [other deities] bring forth and show us what will happen... Show the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that you are gods; Yes, do good or do evil, that we may be dismayed and see it together.

Indeed you are nothing, and your work is nothing; He who chooses you is an abomination." (Isaiah 41:21-24)

Why isn't this evidence of prophetic validation common knowledge?

The reason is that there are two opposing spiritual forces in this world, one is God who seeks to provide good for all people (1 Timothy 2:4) and the other is Satan, who seeks only to kill, steal and destroy (John 10:10). Satan is the "ruler of this world" (John 14:29-30) and has been deceiving mankind since creation to hold a belief in anything (including nothing) that is not the one true God of Israel.

This is why so many different world-views and religions exist today, it's why most schools teach evolution instead of creation, and it's why society is so self-focused instead of God focused, resulting in the depravity of mankind that we see all around us.

Now that you have been exposed to the truth, will the God of Israel accept your failure to acknowledge Him? Certainly not, for you are indeed "without excuse" (Romans 1:20).

What's most important to God right now is not your mistakes of the past, but rather what you choose to do with your future. Do not be troubled by your past beliefs or actions, you can't change the past, and quite frankly it really doesn't matter anymore. Virtually every person that has ever lived started out being deceived by a false belief until they took the time to objectively examine the evidence of God's Word for themselves. Exactly as you are doing right now.

The moment you accept Jesus Christ **all** your sins of the past, regardless of quantity or severity, are immediately forgiven and permanently forgotten by God (Hebrews 10:17).

Furthermore, God provides exactly the same salvation to those who find Him in their youth as He does to those who have been deceived all their life and only find Him in the closing moments of their time here on earth (Matthew 20:1-16). As long as you still have breath in you, the free gift of salvation is offered to you by your loving Creator.

| Part 11: The Choice Is Yours |

STEP THREE: Make Your Decision

As you have learned throughout this site, all people have eternal souls and there is only one of two places yours will reside for all eternity, either the glory of heaven or the torment of hell. The choice is yours alone to make and God will honour your decision. We implore you to carefully and objectively evaluate the evidence for yourself and choose wisely because **you won't get a second chance.**

Your time is short. Remember, you're now living in the Tribulation which means there's no guarantee that you will be alive tomorrow. If you put off making a decision, you may end up spending all eternity in the lake of fire purely due to procrastination. Yet right now you are holding all the evidence you need to receive eternal life, so we implore you to make the decision today, right now.

DO NOT BE DECEIVED! | How the World Will Attempt to Deceive You

All governments will soon be subject to the Antichrist as the one-world governmental leader, and as outlined above, his objectives are not in your best interests. Many will come, including political leaders, religious authorities and various other 'experts' with the world's wisdom as to why millions of people have just mysteriously vanished.

Their devised theories are something that we can only speculate on, but it could be anything from aliens to the CERN to cosmic phenomenon or anything in between. They will present you with **very convincing explanations** and create 'evidence' to support their false claims.

They may generate strikingly real holographic images/signs in the skies or even produce 'aliens' before you – **but be warned** – any such 'evidence' is nothing more than an elaborate hoax, fabricated to deceive and mislead you.

Do not be deceived! Don't just accept their explanations as truth – objectively evaluate it for yourself. Remember, effective deception makes perfect sense and is easily believable to the one being deceived.

Ask yourself:

- 1. How did the Aliens/CERN/Cosmos (or whatever else they come up with) discern the genuine Christians from the rest of humanity?
- 2. Did they prove their omniscience (infinite knowledge) to you by prophesying this event 2,000 years ago in their self-declared written Word?
- 3. Have they also validated their existence, authority and power to you through prophesied then fulfilled supernatural acts before your very eyes?

Successful deception is **always** elaborately devised and convincingly delivered. Those who fail to **objectively** evaluate it for themselves, but choose to accept it as truth due to the worldly authority and conviction with which it's presented, are by definition naive.

"Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ." (Colossians 2:8)

BEWARE: Any and all explanations that contradict the Word of God explained on this site are nothing more than cleverly formulated lies, designed to deceive you away from the truth of God. We have provided you with biblical references for every claim on this site so that you may know that they do not come from us, but from God Himself (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

"...for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit (of God)." (2 Peter 1:21)

Religious Leaders will denounce the Rapture

You will also hear from prominent religious leaders denouncing this event as the rapture of the Church because they, and many other church goers, are still here. They will misinterpret or quote scripture out of context in an attempt to validate their claims, but do not believe them.

"Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits..." (Matthew 7:15-20)

All the genuine fruit bearing Christians have now been raptured, so the only people on the planet you can trust at the moment are the 144,000 sealed servants of God. Now be forewarned, you can expect that many will mock and ridicule the mere suggestion that God is responsible for this disappearance.

"knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts" (2 Peter 3:3)

But do not be shaken by their foolish ignorance, the eternal destiny of your soul is far too important to allow the arrogance of others to steal from you. You now hold the knowledge of the truth of God and His Word that can save your soul, if you choose to accept it.

"Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh [the ways of the world] will of the flesh reap corruption [eternal destruction], but he who sows to the Spirit [of God] will of the Spirit reap everlasting life." (Galatians 6:7-8)

Jesus actually instructs you to rejoice in such circumstances:

"Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you." (Matthew 5:11-12)

How can I be saved?

There is **only one way** to be saved from the eternal punishment for your sins and to ensure your place in heaven - by acceptance and belief in Jesus Christ alone as your Lord and Saviour.

"I, even I, am the Lord, and besides Me there is no savior." (Isaiah 43:11)

There are no pre-requisites or pre-conditions to salvation. No nothing. God offers you eternal life today and He wants you to come to Him exactly as you are right now, regardless of **any** sins that may be present in your life at the moment. But in order to do this you must first clearly understand exactly

what it is that you are doing and why.

The Problem – Why do I need to be saved?

Sin entered the world through the disobedience of Adam & Eve (1 Corinthians 15:21-22). Since that time we have all been infected with sin (Romans 3:23). We are born with sin (Psalms 51:5), and we all personally choose to sin (Ecclesiastes 7:20; 1 John 1:8). Sin is what makes us unsaved. Sin is what separates us from God, and sin is what has us on the path to eternal destruction.

The Consequences – What am I being saved from?

Because of our sin, we all deserve death (Romans 6:23). While the physical consequence of sin is physical death, that is not the only kind of death that results from sin. All sin is ultimately committed against an eternal and infinite God (Psalms 51:4). Because of that, the just penalty for our sin is also eternal and infinite. What we need to be saved from is the punishment of eternal and infinite physical and mental suffering, torment and separation from God in Hell. (Matthew 25:46; Revelation 20:15).

The Solution – How did God provide salvation?

Because the just penalty for sin is infinite and eternal, only an infinite and eternal payment would be acceptable to a righteous God. So God sent His infinite and eternal Son Jesus Christ to make atonement for sin on behalf of all mankind (1 John 2:2). Jesus took on human flesh, living a sinless life (2 Corinthians 5:21) among us, and teaching us the way to salvation.

When the people rejected Jesus and His message, seeking to kill Him, He willingly sacrificed Himself for us, allowing Himself to be crucified (John 10:15). Because Jesus Christ was fully human, He could die; and because He was (and is) also fully God (John 10:30; John 14:10), therefore His death had an eternal and infinite value.

Jesus' death on the cross was the complete and perfect payment for our sin. He took the consequences we deserved (1 Peter 2:24). When God resurrected Jesus from the dead it proved that He had overcome death, demonstrating that this act was both acceptable to God and the perfectly sufficient sacrifice for sin.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

The Response – What do I need to do?

Jesus has already done everything for you. **You don't need to "do" anything else** – No, nothing. Do I need to be water baptised? No. Give donations? No. Do good deeds? No. Do I need to... (insert anything else you want here) - the answer is still No. Nothing.

You need only to receive, by faith, the salvation God offers you as a free gift (Ephesians 2:8-9).

"That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, **you will be saved.**

For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." (Romans 10:9-10)

"Confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus" means declaring your knowledge of exactly who Jesus is, which includes: His coming, His death and resurrection, and why He came and died – for the salvation of mankind. Confessing this truth today and every day, to any and all who seek it.

"Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven." (Matthew 10:32-33)

"Believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead" means you believe that Jesus came into the world, died, then rose again to make atonement for the sins of all – for the salvation of mankind. To "believe in your heart" means your belief is genuine and sincere, being evidenced by your changed life and your bearing of the fruit of the Spirit (Colossians 1:10).

"For with the heart one believes unto righteousness" means when your belief is genuine it is evidenced by your changed life. You no longer seek to be self-pleasing but God-pleasing which is only possible through obedience to His Word (John 14:15; John 14:21; Romans 8:5-8). You will seek to act righteously in all things, just as Jesus is righteous.

"with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" means the confession of your genuine belief in Jesus; which results in your salvation by faith in Christ, whom God raised from the dead.

This salvation confession is usually done through praying a sinner's prayer, which is your expression of acknowledgment to God that you are a sinner, that you understand your need for salvation and that you believe the only way to be saved is through faith in Jesus Christ alone. This is often referred to as the ABC's of Salvation: Acknowledge – Believe – Confess.

"For whoever calls on the name of the Lord **shall be saved**." (Romans 10:13)

There are no specific words that are required to be said, but rather sincerity is the focus. An example of the sinner's prayer would be:

"Dear God, I know that I am a sinner and have done wrong in my life. Please forgive me for my sins. I know that I deserve the consequences of my sin and that I cannot save myself. By faith I gratefully receive your gift of salvation and am ready to trust in Your Son Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour.

I believe that His death and resurrection bore my sins and has given me the gift of eternal life. I trust in you Jesus and you alone as my personal Saviour and invite you to become the Lord of my life, to rule and reign in my heart from this day forward.

Thank you Dear Lord, for forgiving me and saving me. Amen."

Once you've sincerely prayed this prayer and seek with all your heart to be God honouring through obedience to His Word, then your salvation is assured. Jesus said:

"If you abide in My Word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (John 8:31-32)

The moment that you believe in your heart and have accepted Christ, you are saved – regardless of your past quantity or severity of sins. In that same moment God infills you with His own Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13) and you are accepted into the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-14), adopted as a child of God into His family of believers (Ephesians 2:19).

| Part 12: Your Salvation Is Assured |

The Assurance – How can I be sure that I've been saved?

This is an important point because many who thought that they were saved now realise that they didn't really "believe in their heart". God encourages you to examine yourself to see if you are truly "in the faith" (2 Corinthians 13:5); providing ample instruction for how you can know for sure that you have eternal life. The first epistle of John was written for this purpose:

"These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life..." (1 John 5:13)

The below is a series of questions that, as a believer, you can use to examine yourself and your faith. As you consider them, remember that no one perfectly fulfils all of them all the time, but they should highlight a consistent trend in your Christian life as you grow in grace through Jesus Christ (John 1:17).

- Do you enjoy having fellowship with Jesus and other Christians? (1 John 1:3)
- Would people say you walk in the light, or walk in the darkness? (1 John 1:6-7)
- Do you admit and confess your sins? (1 John 1:8-10)
- Are you obedient to God's Word? (1 John 2:3-6)
- Does your life indicate you love God rather than the world? (1 John 2:15-17)
- Is your life characterised by righteousness? (1 John 2:29)
- Do you seek to maintain a pure life? (1 John 3:3)
- Do you see a decreasing pattern of sin in your life? (1 John 3:4-6; refers to habitual sin)
- Do you demonstrate love for other Christians? (1 John 3:13-17)
- Do you "walk the walk" and not just "talk the talk"? (1 John 3:18-19)
- Do you maintain a clear conscience? (1 John 3:20-21)

If you're able to truthfully answer "Yes" to these questions – or at least the majority of them, and are working on the others – then your life is bearing the fruit of true salvation.

God depicts salvation as grafting you as a new branch into the vine of Jesus (John 15:1-8). Now in order to remain as a healthy branch, you need to abide in Christ (John 15:4) through obedience to His Word, so that you may continue to draw life from the vine of Jesus.

As you do this you will begin to bear fruit, being evidenced by your good works. Yet fruitless branches – being those who profess to be believers but do not truly "believe in their heart" and therefore display no fruit of the Spirit – are cut off and thrown into the fire (John 15:6), judged as lawless unbelievers (Matthew 7:21-23).

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law." (Galatians 5:22-23)

Jesus said that it is by our fruits that we are known as His disciples (Matthew 7:20). A genuine faith is one that not only believes in God (even the demonic spirits do that (James 2:19)), but one that lives obediently to God's Word.

Remember, we are saved by grace through faith, not by our works (Ephesians 2:8-9), but our works evidence the reality of our salvation (James 2:17-18), verifying that we truly do "believe in our hearts" and therefore possess a genuine saving faith.

"For as the body without the spirit is [physically] dead, so faith without works is [Spiritually; without salvation] dead also." (James 2:26)

So you can know that your faith is genuine when you see the fruits of the Sprit develop in your life. As you continue to seek more of God, the Holy Spirit will continue to nurture you so that you may bear more and more fruit.

No one can live a perfectly sinless life (1 John 1:8) but you can know that you are genuinely seeking to be God honouring when any sins that you do commit cause you to feel convicted (but not condemned (John 3:18)). Because this is the Holy Spirit leading you to repentance so that you may receive forgiveness from God (Romans 2:4) and restore your unimpaired connection to Him (1 John 1:9).

"No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it." (1 Corinthians 10:13)

The Result – What does God promise all believers?

At the moment you accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour, God promises you the following:

- Forgiveness of all your sins (Hebrews 10:12-14; 1 John 2:2)
 Every sin you have ever committed, regardless of its severity, is now forgiven by God and remembered no more (Hebrews 10:17). In the eyes of God you are washed clean as if you had never sinned, being justified (declared righteous), sanctified (made holy) (1 Corinthians 6:11) and purified even as Jesus Christ is pure (1 John 3:3).
- Salvation from eternal punishment (Matthew 25:46)
 When Jesus Christ came into the world as God in human form, He lived a sinless life (1 John 3:5) and was crucified as atonement for the sins (past, present and future) of all people who accept Him (2 Corinthians 5:21). Taking your place, Jesus willingly bore the eternal punishment on your behalf that you rightfully deserved (1 Peter 2:24). Therefore once you accept Him, the

accept Him (2 Corinthians 5:21). Taking your place, Jesus willingly bore the eternal punishment on your behalf that you rightfully deserved (1 Peter 2:24). Therefore once you accept Him, the penalty for your sins has been paid in full by Jesus and you are no longer liable for punishment.

• Eternal life in Heaven as joint heirs of God with Christ (1 John 2:25; John 3:36; John 3:16) Not only has Jesus taken the punishment for your sins, but He's also given you to be adopted as a child of God, being joint heirs with Himself (Ephesians 1:5); (Romans 8:16-17), sharing His very own home of heaven, the abode of God the Father.

"It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son." (Revelation 21:6b-7)

Heaven is infinitely beautiful, pleasurable, exciting and interesting. There is nothing boring or monotonous about heaven. The immense love, peace, joy and happiness you will feel in heaven is continual and never ending, there are no "ups and downs" just permanent elation, greater than anything you can comprehend in this world. God describes heaven as what:

"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man; the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." (1 Corinthians 2:9)

Glorified physical body & mind (Philippians 3:20-21)

You will receive an incorruptible (sinless), imperishable new physical body (Luke 24:36-39), perfect in every way, exactly as Jesus has. This new glorified body is without the requirement of sustenance or the capacity for injury, illness, pain, sadness, stress or even fatigue (1 Corinthians 15:53). You will travel at the speed of thought with no regard of the physical limitations we have here on earth (John 20:26).

• Judgement for all your sins is waived (John 5:24)

You will not appear at the Great White Throne Judgement of God to determine your salvation (Revelation 20:11-15), being judged in the presence of all heaven for every sin you've ever committed. Instead you will appear before the judgement seat of Christ.

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive [Jesus' evaluation of] the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether [motivated by] good or bad" (2 Corinthians 5:10).

Your works are judged (1 Corinthians 3:12-15) in light of your motives and you are rewarded accordingly, determining your status in heaven. There is no condemnation of failures (Romans 8:1) but only praise and reward for rightly motivated obedience to the Word of God.

What if I sin again after I've accepted Christ?

We don't lose our sin nature once we receive Christ; the Bible says that sin remains in us and therefore a struggle with the old nature will continue as long as we are in this world (Romans 7:15-25). However God is too pure and holy to look upon sin (Isaiah 59:2), so when you sin you're impeding the connection between yourself and God.

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

The more you sin the less God works in your life. All genuine Christians sin occasionally, the difference is that we don't have a continual practice of habitual sin. The goal is to avoid sin as completely as possible because this is what brings you closer to God. As you grow closer to God, He will progressively reveal more of Himself to you and you will receive increased favour and blessings, both now while you're on the earth and also in heaven where you're accumulating treasures.

"Whoever has been born of God does not [habitually] sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot [habitually] sin, because he has been born of God." (1 John 3:9)

It's prudent to note here that accepting Christ doesn't automatically exempt you from the trials and troubles of life (John 16:33; 2 Timothy 3:12), but rather gives you the strength to endure them with a purpose that leads to the joy of the Lord. We know that:

"the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." (Romans 8:18).

• A Mansion in Heaven (John 14:1-3)

Yes, God chooses to give you your very own indescribably luxurious mansion, far exceeding any luxuries of this world, beautifully adorned perfectly to your individual personal tastes. Be assured that when Jesus decorates, there is no room for error – all will be perfect in every detail. You will recall the opulence of the New Jerusalem, well your mansion is one of its residences and will be similarly adorned.

• Incredible Knowledge and Understanding (1 Corinthians 13:12)

You will know God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit as completely as they know you. You will have immense knowledge and understand the complexity and uniqueness of many things that are currently beyond us. A myriad of mysteries in life and existence will become open to you.

• Treasures in Heaven (Matthew 6:19-21)

In addition to the free gift of eternal life in heaven, when we bear fruit by living according to God's Word we are also storing up treasures in heaven and will be rewarded for our efforts (1 Corinthians 3:10-15). Jesus will bring our rewards with Him when He returns (Revelation 22:12), some of which are detailed in the Bible as crowns, being:

The Everlasting Crown of Victory (1 Corinthians 9:24-27)

Awarded to those who master the old nature, the sinful desires of the flesh. Achieving victory means getting rid of our selfish desires, our bad habits and attitudes, and any other behaviour that puts the Lord to shame. One of the places where the Bible has much to say about what it takes to win this crown is Ephesians 4-6.

The Crown of the Soul Winner (1 Thessalonians 2:19-20; Philippians 4:1)
Awarded to those who actively seek to win lost souls to Christ. We're judged here by our effort, not our results. Each person bears their own responsibility for his or her choice regarding salvation. This crown is won by those who diligently work to share God's Word with lost souls, regardless of the final outcome of that soul.

• The Crown of Righteousness (2 Timothy 4:8)

Awarded to those who long for the Lord's return. Since our righteousness is derived from our faith, this Crown is not for those whose lives have been the most pure. You can't get purer than God, whose righteousness has been imputed to us by faith (Romans 3:22). When we long for the Lord's return we're demonstrating our belief that He's coming for us and are absolutely certain that when He does, we'll be among those He takes.

The Crown of Life (James 1:12; Revelation 2:10)

Awarded to those who persevere to maintain their fidelity, integrity, virtue and constancy under the trials of life. Recipients will be those who have endured the temptation to sin whether arising from our own internal desires or outward circumstances of adversity, affliction and trouble, which are trials that God permits in your life in order to test the quality of our faith.

The Crown of Glory (1 Peter 5:1-4)

Awarded to faithful preachers and teachers who have been called into ministry and diligently taught others the Word of God. Not to those who have done so for personal gain, recognition or praise, but for those motivated only by the desire to glorify God, thereby remaining true to His Word.

Eternal communion with God

As impressive as all of the above are, they pale in comparison to living and communing in the presence of God the Father, His divine Son Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

"Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God." (Revelation 21:3)

"They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads." (Revelation 22:4)

It's difficult to imagine what it would be like to stand in the presence of God Almighty. But to give you some understanding of this, the Bible records many occasions when angels of heaven were sent to deliver a message to men and the glory of their mere presence caused the recipient of the visitation to fall flat on their face, unable to stand. On each occasion the angel first needed to restore their strength before the message could be delivered. Now try to imagine the unfathomable glory, power, magnificence and splendour of the Creator of angels - God himself.

• The guarantee that your new existence with God will never change
God declares that you have "everlasting life" (John 3:36), that no one can "snatch them out of My hand" (John 10:28) and that His Word "shall not return to Me void" (Isaiah 55:11). Think about that. 100 billion years from now you will still be in heaven, joyfully glorifying and serving God in the fulfilment of His eternal purpose. Then 100 billion more equally glorious years will pass by and they will continue evermore.

God's indescribable love for YOU

God wants to give you all this as a free gift if you're just willing to believe in and follow Jesus. Now if you're thinking that all this is too good to be true, it's because you're not appreciating the infinite depth of God's love for you.

Consider that:

"God, who is rich in mercy, **because of His great love** with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses [sins], made us alive [eternally] together with Christ." (Ephesians 2:4-5)

So God loves you so much that while you were actively sinning against Him, the one true and holy God, He "gave His only begotten Son" (John 3:16) for you, knowing that the world "will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him" (Mark 10:34).

Yet even so, God "did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved" (John 3:17). Then Jesus, in an equally incomprehensible act of love, free willingly "gave Himself for our sins" (Galatians 1:4) so that you "should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3:16).

In addition to saving you from eternal destruction, God declares that it's His "good pleasure to give you the kingdom (of heaven)" (Luke 12:32), desiring that you "shall see His face" (Revelation 22:4) when all the saints will receive His promise to eternally dwell with Him in heaven (Revelation 21:3).

Think about this. What depth of love must God have for you to do this? Would you give your only begotten child to be mocked, scourged and painfully crucified in order to save someone who hates and despises you? Someone who grieved your spirit (Ephesians 4:30-32) every day of their lives? The answer is obvious, nobody would. But God did. And that someone He did it for is you.

| Part 13: God's Desire For You |

Once I've accepted Christ, what does God want me to do?

Demonstrate your faith.

"But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him" (Hebrews 11:6)

When you genuinely accept Jesus inwardly with a sincere heart, then it manifests action and is evidenced outwardly. For example, if you "believe in your heart" that it's going to rain, then you'll take an umbrella. Similarly, God wants to see your behaviours reflect your beliefs thereby evidencing that your faith is genuine.

"For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." (Mark 8:38)

How do I demonstrate my faith?

1) Obey the Ten Commandments (the Law) (Exodus 20:1-17)

You should start by evaluating your life to ensure you're obeying God's instructions:

- 1. You shall have no other gods before me.
- 2. You shall not make for yourself a carved image (idols).
- 3. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
- 4. Remember the Sabbath day (Saturday), to keep it holy.
- 5. Honour your father and your mother.
- 6. You shall not murder.
- 7. You shall not commit adultery.
- 8. You shall not steal.
- 9. You shall not bear false witness (lie).
- 10. You shall not covet.

When asked "which is the great commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied:

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment.

And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets." (Matthew 22:37-40)

So who is "your neighbour"? Jesus provides us with a scenario to illustrate this point in Luke 10:29-37 where He depicts a seriously injured man by the side of the road. Several people simply walk by ignoring the man's obvious needs before a Samaritan stops to provide him assistance. Jesus then identifies the "neighbour" as that Good Samaritan who "showed mercy on him" because he responded to the situation in the same manner as a neighbour of the injured man would.

So to "love your neighbour as yourself" means that in the same way we would take care of ourselves and are concerned about our own needs, we should likewise take care of and have concern for the needs of others.

By just applying these two commandments of love, you will always be adhering to the Ten Commandments, which prompts the question: How does God define love?

"Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." (1 Corinthians 13:4-7).

Showing love to others is a reflection of Jesus, and an essential quality to maintain in order to be pleasing to God.

"...though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor...but have not love, it profits me nothing." (1 Corinthians 13:2-3)

Do you know anyone that you can demonstrate the love of Christ to?

It's important to note here that one cannot obtain salvation just by following the Ten Commandments. Their purpose is not to provide salvation but rather to make us recognise that nobody can perfectly obey God's Law (Romans 7:7-8; Ecclesiastes 7:20) demonstrating that we have all sinned (Romans 3:23) and are therefore in need of God's forgiveness, mercy and grace to obtain salvation.

2) Read God's Word and Pray (Matthew 6:5-15)

Once you have these commandments in your heart, go deeper with God. Seek Him daily so that you may be "transformed" by the Holy Spirit through the "renewing of your mind", which is the "will of God" that can only be achieved through reading His Word in the Bible.

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

(Romans 12:2)

God states that you need nothing more than His inspired Word that you may be "complete, [and] thoroughly equipped for every good work".

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work." (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

If you don't have a Bible, you can <u>read the Bible online</u> or <u>download the mobile app</u>. We recommend the New King James Version (NKJV) as it's widely recognised as one of the most accurate translations. We also highly recommend you read the <u>Rules of Biblical Interpretation</u> before beginning as they are absolutely crucial to obtaining an accurate understanding of God's Word.

The Bible is God's inerrant Word to you, which once accepted and implemented in your life, bears fruit (Galatians 5:22-23). So when you see these qualities developing in your life then you can be sure that you're going in the right direction.

Pray regularly and sincerely

The only way to please God is through obedience to His Word (Hebrews 11:6). The ninth commandment is do not lie, so be open and honest in your prayers with a sincere and thankful heart. God already knows all your needs, sins, thoughts, desires and motives (Matthew 6:8). So open your

heart to him in every hidden detail, because you can't be forgiven if you don't first confess it to God. He is waiting to forgive you in the very moment you confess it to Him and ask for forgiveness.

"The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much." (James 5:16)

God declares that we are made righteous through our faith in Jesus Christ (Romans 3:22), a righteousness that is evidenced in our lives when we have genuine faith. In order that your prayers may "avail much" you need to ensure they are effective (or unhindered) and fervent (having a passionate intensity of spirit). If it's not important enough for you to pray fervently about, then you can't expect God to consider it important enough to answer either.

Hindrances to Prayer

The more closely you align your life with the perfect example of Jesus Christ the more your prayers will be heard and answered by God. There are several elements that will render your prayers ineffective, closing Gods ears to them. These include:

- Failing to address the sin in your life (Psalm 66:18)
- Failing to spend time in the Word of God (John 15:7)
- Failing to pray in faith, expecting God to answer (Matthew 21:22; James 1:5-7)
- Failing to ask due to a spirit of self-dependence (James 4:2)
- Failing to ask with right motives, supplicating in accordance with God's will (James 4:3)
- Failing to ask persistently, enduring until answered (Luke 18:1-8)
- Failing to forgive others (Mark 11:25-26)
- Failing to intimately approach God in prayer (Matthew 6:5-8)
- Praying in vain repetitions or cultic ritual (Matthew 6:7; Romans 10:2-3)
- Failing to treat your spouse according to God's Word (1 Peter 3:1-7)

Unanswered prayer is always due to our failures, not Gods. If you strive to maintain your life and prayers in accordance with the above requirements of God, you can be assured that He will act on your behalf because He states that His Word "shall not return to Me void" (Isaiah 55:11).

"Now this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us, whatever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we have asked of Him" (1 John 5:14-15)

"Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them." (Mark 11:24)

3) Save the souls of others

When the disciples saw Jesus for the first time after His resurrection, He gave them the **single most important task** that they should be doing, he said:

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations..." (Matthew 28:19)

What is a disciple and how can I become one?

A disciple is someone that follows the Word of God in their own life and actively seeks to show others the truth of God, so they too will be saved and escape eternal condemnation. Following God's Word by sharing it with others shows your appreciation for what Jesus has done for you and displays your love for both God and others, the greatest command of all.

Now given the fact that you're living in the Tribulation where an overt declaration of faith in Jesus Christ will likely result in persecution or even death, you will need to be very careful and discretely

spread the truth of God. God expects you to plant the seed of His Word in unbelievers and to water the seeds that you or others have planted, by ministering and encouraging other believers; but it is God who will grow those seeds.

"So then neither he who plants is anything, nor he who waters, but God who gives the increase. Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each one will receive his own reward according to his own labour." (1 Corinthians 3:7-8)

Given that everyone on the planet is in the same position as you, one of the most powerful ways you can share God's word is by disseminating this information. You can privately provide it to those close to you and publically share it anonymously anywhere you can. Print it out and put it in your neighbour's letterbox, mail it to random people in regions that don't have internet access or share it online.

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However this method will only be anonymous initially because once the Antichrist becomes the dominant world power he will likely infiltrate such anonymity organisations by force in order to identify users. The only truly anonymous method thereafter will be by physical mail. However be mindful that he may even attempt to thwart this avenue too; most international mail is weighed and x-rayed, so vary the size and contents of your letters to avoid easy detection.

Why is it so important to share God's Word?

Because it gives eternal life to all who choose to receive it. But you can't receive something if it's not first given by another (Romans 10:14, 17). In fact God deems His Word so important that He values it above all else (Psalm 138:2).

And for good reason, consider how important this information has been to you; it's equally important to those who are perishing, they just don't know it yet. Remember that Jesus will judge you at the end of the Tribulation according to how your works evidence your faith over the next seven years. When you share God's Word you are seeding a lost soul and also bearing fruit for yourself. The more you seed, the greater your reward in heaven.

"For everyone to whom much [knowledge of God] is given, from him much [action] will be required..." (Luke 12:48)

This is especially important during the first 3 ½ years. This is the only window of opportunity you will have to ensure that the maximum number of people receives the knowledge of the truth before the mark of the Beast is introduced, lest they are "destroyed for lack of knowledge".

Consider if you were one of those people without the means to receive this information electronically. How grateful would you be in heaven to the one who showed enough love for you to take the time to send you a printed copy? Without doubt, eternally so. Don't miss the bigger picture here, your situation is temporarily difficult, but you will soon be in eternal glory. For those without this knowledge, it's eternally horrifying. Yet right now, you hold in your hands the ability to save them from certain destruction. Remember, there are no second chances.

Jesus has given us the parable of the talents (Matthew 25:14-30) to explain this point. A talent is a Greek unit of measure, usually monetary and represents God's Word. Those who sow it into the hearts of others find that it multiplies in new believers. Those who study it find that their own understanding grows, multiplying their faith.

But those who ignore God's Word find that it's like burying it in the ground. They heard the truth but failed to accept and act upon it, condemning them as unbelievers, to be cast into outer darkness (Matthew 25:30; 2 Thessalonians 2:10).

"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." (Hebrews 4:12)

Where should I start? Obviously online is a great avenue but don't forget the billions of people in less developed countries that don't have internet access and can only be seeded by physical mail. Or those in a similar position who have internet access but lack the freedom of information online, such as the oppressed souls in countries like China, India, Viet Nam, Turkey, Iran, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

The 1.4 billion people in China are so heavily oppressed that they live in an electronic vault, nothing gets in without governmental approval (even text messages) and it's all blocked in real time.

There are some 3.3 billion people in the aforementioned countries that desperately need this information, yet have no way to receive it. But you can help by printing the language specific version and mailing it to random addresses. The more you can send out, the better. Remember, the Holy Spirit will work in the hearts of your recipients to continue sharing your gift. Sending a single copy can result in countless souls being saved, and you will personally know each and every one of them in heaven.

Note: If the rapture happens before we get all the translations done, you could make a huge impact by having the English PDF copy professionally translated and distributing it online (or in print) within that language's geographical regions. What a powerful disciple you would be for Christ!

| Part 14: Conclusive Evidence Of The Truth |

The Evidence Speaks For Itself

This site is not written by the authority of its authors, but solely by the authority of the Word of God. Once you see fire rain down from heaven you can be assured that He is the only one true God and what is described in this site is the truth because God cannot lie (Numbers 23:19).

We have provided you with a great deal of evidence to the truth of God and His Word, including some 400 Bible references to validate the authority of the information contained in this site.

As of right now you have received – by objective evaluation – the knowledge:

- That the millions of missing people are the prophesied rapture of the Church;
- That God has unequivocally proven His existence, authority and power to you;
- That there is only one true God, the God of Israel and the Bible;
- Of the evidence to rationally disprove all other world-views;
- Of what God has prophesied will happen over the next seven years;
- Of the means with which the Antichrist and false prophet will try to deceive you;
- Of the dire consequences of accepting the mark of the Beast;
- That you will be judged at the end of the Tribulation with eternal consequences;
- Of how you can be saved and the eternal destiny of your decision; and
- Of how deep God's love is for you and what He wants you to do now.

Now ask yourself. Do you think that you've discovered this knowledge of the truth by random chance? Or is it by the workings and grace of God, because he is "not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance" and receive eternal life?

"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways, says the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:8-9)

So the infinitely important question is...

Where will YOU be spending eternity?

The choice is yours and yours alone.

"It's doubtful that any rational mind, after objectively evaluating the evidence, could deny the existence of God."

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Our personal note to you: We pray that God may strengthen, encourage, bless and protect you during these troublesome times. Always keep your hearts and minds focused on the eternal glory that awaits you in heaven, not on the temporary hardships of this time.

Remember, if you've accepted God's offer to you of salvation through His Son Jesus Christ, then you're now a privileged child of God under His care, so regardless of what happens on this earth you will soon dwell with us in the glory of God for **all eternity!**

"And I [Jesus] give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand." (John 10:28-29)

"Yes, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me." (Psalms 23:4)

Now you know the truth... How do you intend to survive the next seven years?

Your current situation is very, very serious indeed. Assuming you've made the intelligent decision to spend eternity in heaven, you're still going to be faced with the next seven years on earth. At the midpoint it's going to become extremely difficult to refuse the mark and live, unless you act very wisely.

This being the case it's prudent that you start plaining how and where you are going to survive during this period. We suggest the following action plan:

In the first half of the Tribulation:

1. **Start stocking up on food and water** while you still can, as this will very soon be your primary concern. The Third Seal is scarcity of food on earth and it's anticipated that the first four seals are all opened immediately at the commencement of the Tribulation.

This food shortage lasts for the entire seven year period, so you should be stockpiling survival foods such as Pemmican bars now as they can last for many years. You can even make them yourself when retail supplies deplete. Likewise for water, as its supply will be reduced at the Third Trumpet, and then removed at the Third Bowl Judgement.

2. **Ensure you're seeding souls** by sharing this information everywhere you can. By doing so you're fulfilling the Great Commission – the most important role of every genuine Christian alive. Be assured that this is an act of selfless love, and a fruit of the Spirit.

"The lips of the righteous feed many, but fools die for lack of wisdom" (Proverbs 10:21)

3. **Discern who you can trust.** Because the Antichrist will decree a severe punishment for anyone failing to turn in those who have accepted Christ and refused to take the mark. He will almost certainly also reward informants, rendering even complete strangers dangerous to you.

"Father will be divided against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother..." (Luke 12:53).

- 4. **Find the 144,000.** Follow their instructions to the letter. These are the only people on the planet right now that you can know are speaking the truth and will not mislead you; for they have been chosen and sealed by God (Revelation 7:2-8).
- 5. **Begin your preparations to disappear at mid-tribulation**. Your only chance to stay alive will be to completely go "off the grid". Remember that the Antichrist controls all commerce, so you won't be able to buy or sell anything and he'll be actively seeking you out. Therefore using anything electronically traceable to your identity could get you located and executed.

<u>Download this survival guide</u> because it's quite likely that your only option will be to live off the land.

In the second half of the Tribulation:

- 1. **Disappear.** When you see that the Antichrist's headquarters are being moved to Jerusalem then the mark of the beast will be introduced very soon. Ensure you're "off the grid" before this happens and don't re-enter society at any point. Having contact with anyone who's taken the mark could easily get you identified and killed. After a further 3 ½ years when it's all over, Jesus will supernaturally gather you to Jerusalem for judgement (Matthew 25:31-32).
- 2. **Continue anonymously seeding souls.** Ensure you maintain an anonymous method (by physical mail or otherwise) to continue sharing this information. Remember, the more you plant the seed of truth into the hearts of others, the greater your reward will be in heaven.
- 3. **Help other believers.** Whenever you can, do everything you can to help and support other persecuted believers and Jewish people also, in their physical and emotional needs. You're all in the same position and Jesus is closely watching how you respond to one another, whether it's with the selfless love of Christ or in apathetic selfishness (Matthew 25:31-46).
- 4. **Follow the works of the Two Witnesses.** There will be considerable media coverage of the words and supernatural actions of these two prophets of God. Listen to them daily and be encouraged by their testimony, knowing that they are your brethren in Christ.
- 5. **Keep your mind on heaven!** The hardships you endure now are temporary, and they will pass away. But the reward for your short term endurance and perseverance is eternal glory in heaven.

In your trials, spare a thought for the Apostle Paul who suffered immense persecution for over three decades including 195 lashings (2 Corinthians 11:24), being beaten with rods and imprisoned (Acts 16:22-24), stoned to within an inch of his life (Acts 14:19) and various others (2 Corinthians 11:25-29), eventually being imprisoned again and then martyred for his faith. Yet despite all this, Paul considered his persecution "light affliction" declaring:

"For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." (Romans 8:18)

"For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory... For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal." (2 Corinthians 4:17-18)

Your situation is very serious indeed.

If you think these precautions are extreme or excessive, we implore you to think again and much deeper. For God declares:

"For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be." (Matthew 24:21)

"Men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken." (Luke 21:26)

Let's comparatively consider this for a moment. Can you image being a Jew in Nazi Germany during the Holocaust when 6 million were exterminated? Or in a minority religion of the Cambodian genocide of 1976 when up to 3 million people were slaughtered? What about being a Tutsi in Rwanda during the 1994 Genocide when 1 million were brutally murdered?

These tragedies, as horrific as they are, become almost insignificant in comparison to the Tribulation. Consider that God states as a result of the first four Seal Judgments that one fourth of the population, some 1.9 billion people will be killed; and then at the Sixth Trumpet Judgement a further one third of those who remain, or some 2 billion people will also be killed.

So nearly **4 billion people** will be killed during the Tribulation, and that's without even considering the most severe of God's judgements against mankind that are released in the seven Bowl Judgements.

"And at that day the slain of the Lord shall be from one end of the earth even to the other end of the earth. They shall not be lamented, or gathered, or buried; they shall become refuse on the ground." (Jeremiah 25:33)

Are you starting to get the picture? Do not be deceived.

The action plan we've outlined above is a soft precaution. Today's technology is not your friend during the Tribulation. Do you have a Facebook account? Did you know that they've developed facial recognition technology that identifies 97.25% of people by the picture they've uploaded to their profile? Then consider that London alone has some 422,000 video surveillance cameras. So how hard do you think it would be for the government to locate you?

Your situation is dire and if you intend to stay alive you'll need to be constantly mindful of such technology at the disposal of the Antichrist. Do not become complacent in your due diligence, you are at the top of the Antichrists most wanted list – and you can be assured that he will be actively seeking you out.

Now all this sounds like the odds are stacked against you, but once you've accepted Jesus, then the tables are turned because you've got God on your side. With Him "all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26) and if you act wisely then **you will make it**, just remember:

"And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell." (Matthew 10:28)

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Philippians 4:13)

"If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31)

Wherever you are and whatever happens, may:

"The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace."

(Numbers 6:24-26)

Warning: Do not alter any biblical information on this site, there are perilous consequences for doing so.

"For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." (Revelation 22:18-19)

| Part 15: Biblical Christianity Beliefs |

True Biblical Christianity – A Summary of Key Beliefs

The Bible

Christians believe the Bible, comprised of the Old and New Testaments, to be the inspired, infallible and authoritative Word of God being the complete and final authority for faith and practice (2 Timothy 3:16-17). While still using the individual writing styles of the human authors, the Holy Spirit perfectly guided them to ensure they wrote precisely what God wanted written, without error or omission (2 Peter 1:21).

God

Christians believe in one God (Isaiah 46:9), who is Creator of all (Colossians 1:16), who has revealed Himself in three distinct Persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 13:14), yet who is one in being, essence, and glory (John 10:30). God is eternal (Psalm 90:2), infinite (1 Timothy 1:17), and sovereign (Psalm 93:1).

God is omniscient (Psalm 139:1-6), omnipresent (Psalm 139:7-13), omnipotent (Revelation 19:6), and unchanging (Malachi 3:6). God is holy (Isaiah 6:3), just (Deuteronomy 32:4), and righteous (Psalm 119:137). God is love (1 John 4:8), gracious (Ephesians 2:8), merciful (1 Peter 1:3), and good (Romans 8:28) Whose wisdom is infinite (Psalms 147:5).

Jesus Christ

Christians believe in the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. He is God incarnate, God in human form (John 1:14; Philippians 2:5-8), the expressed image of the Father (Colossians 1:15), who, without ceasing to be God (John 10:30), became man in order that He might demonstrate who God is and provide the means of salvation for humanity (Matthew 1:21; 1 John 2:2).

Christians believe that Jesus Christ was conceived of the Holy Spirit and was born of the virgin Mary (Matthew 1:23); that He is truly fully God and truly fully man; that He lived a perfect, sinless life (2 Corinthians 5:21); that all His teachings are true. Christians believe that the Lord Jesus Christ died on the cross for all humanity (1 John 2:2) as a substitutionary sacrifice (Isaiah 53:5-6).

Christians hold that His death is sufficient to provide salvation for all who receive Him as Saviour (John 1:12; Acts 16:31); that our justification is grounded in the shedding of His blood (Romans 5:9); and that it is attested to by His literal, physical resurrection from the dead (Matthew 28:6; 1 Peter 1:3).

Christians believe that the Lord Jesus Christ ascended to heaven in His glorified body (Acts 1:9-10) and is now seated at the right hand of God as our High Priest and Advocate (Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25).

The Holy Spirit

Christians believe in the deity and personality of the Holy Spirit (Acts 5:3-4). He regenerates sinners (Titus 3:5) and indwells believers (Romans 8:9). He is the agent by Whom Christ baptizes all believers in to His body (1 Corinthians 12:12-14). He is the seal by Whom the Father guarantees the salvation of believers unto the day of redemption (Ephesians 1:13-14).

Christians believe that the Holy Spirit is the Divine Teacher Who illumines believers' hearts and minds as they study the Word of God (1 Corinthians 2:9-12) and that He is ultimately sovereign in the distribution of spiritual gifts as He desires (1 Corinthians 12:11; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Humanity

Christians believe that humanity came into existence by direct creation of God and that humanity is uniquely made in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26-27). Christians believe that all humanity, because of Adam's fall, has inherited a sinful nature, that all human beings choose to sin (Romans 3:23), and that all sin is exceedingly offensive to God (Romans 6:23). Humanity is utterly unable to remedy this fallen state (Ephesians 2:1-5; Ephesians 2:12).

Salvation

Christians believe that salvation is a gift of God's grace through faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ on the cross (Ephesians 2:8-9). Christ's death fully accomplished justification through faith and redemption from sin. Christ died in our place (Romans 5:8-9) and bore our sins in His own body (1 Peter 2:24).

Christians believe salvation is received by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone (John 14:6). Good works and obedience are the results of salvation, not the requirements for salvation. Due to the greatness, sufficiency, and perfection of Christ's sacrifice, all those who have truly received Christ as Saviour are eternally secure in salvation (John 6:37-40; John 10:27-30), kept by God's power (1 Peter 1:5), secured and sealed in Christ forever (Romans 8:38-39), and free from condemnation (Romans 8:1). Just as salvation cannot be earned by good works, neither does it need good works to be maintained or sustained. Good works and changed lives are the inevitable results of salvation.

The Church - Genuine Believers in Jesus Christ

Christians believe that the Church, the Body of Christ, is a spiritual organism made up of all believers of this present age (1 Corinthians 12:12-14). Christians believe in the ordinances (not salvation requirements) of believer's water baptism (Matthew 28:19-20) by immersion as a testimony to Christ and identification with Him; and the Lord's Supper (1 Corinthians 11:23-26) as a remembrance of Christ's death and shed blood.

Through the church, believers are to be taught to obey the Lord, to testify concerning their faith in Christ as Saviour and to honour Him by holy living. Christians believe the primary mission of the Church is to "make disciples of all the nations" (Matthew 28:19). It is the obligation of all believers to witness, by word and life, to the truths of God's Word. The gospel of the grace of God is to be preached to the entire world (Acts 1:8; 2 Corinthians 5:19-20).

The Spiritual Realm - Angels and Demons

Christians believe in the reality and personality of angels, and that God created the angels to be His servants and messengers (Nehemiah 9:6; Psalm 148:2; Hebrews 1:14).

Christians believe in the existence and personality of Satan and demons. Satan is a fallen angel who led a group of angels in rebellion against God (Isaiah 14:12-15; Ezekiel 28:12-19). He is the great enemy of God and man, and the demons are his servants in evil. He and his demons will be eternally punished in the lake of fire (Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:10).

| Part 16: Rules of Biblical Interpretation |

Understanding How to Interpret the Bible

The Bible is a truly amazing book written by over 40 people in three languages, across three continents and spanning some 1,500 years - it contains one consistent theme, without a single contradiction.

Those who claim the Bible has contradictive verses fail to accurately interpret the text, because they either:

- Have not accepted Jesus Christ and received the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 2:12), and therefore
 cannot "receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him" (1 Corinthians
 2:14); and/or
- They are not following God's instructions for "rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15) in order accurately discern the intended meanings of what God is saying.

In order to do this, there are two interpretative principles one must adhere to:

- 1. **First, you must pray** and ask the Holy Spirit to impart understanding to you, because one of His functions is to "guide you into all truth" (John 16:13). God speaks through His Word and anyone can hear and understand what He is saying with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- 2. **Second, you must read the Bible in the manner in which it was written.** As the Bible was compiled over centuries, we would expect some words to change their meaning over that time. Our culture, language and society are also very different to that of Bible times. In order to accommodate these variables, we need to apply four generally accepted rules of biblical interpretation (hermeneutics): literal, historical, grammatical and contextual.

The Golden Rule of Interpretation is summarised as:

"When the plain sense of scripture makes common sense, seek no other sense; therefore, take every word at its primary, ordinary, usual, literal meaning unless the facts of the immediate context, studied in the light of related passages and axiomatic (self-evident) and fundamental truths, indicate clearly otherwise." Dr. D.L. Cooper

The Rules of Biblical Hermeneutics are defined as:

Literal: This means that each word is given the same exact basic meaning it would have in normal, ordinary, customary usage, whether employed in writing, speaking or thinking. In essence, unless it's clearly indicated otherwise, we're to understand that the Bible means exactly what it says.

Passages which are not intended to be taken literally include poetry, figures of speech, hyperbole or idioms. Parables are another example and are usually identified as such which alerts us to the fact that they're meant to be understood symbolically. Dreams and visions may often incorporate symbolism, though some are written to be predominately literal, as is the case with much of the Book of Revelation.

Historical: This means that each passage is put into its proper historical setting and surrounded with the thoughts, attitudes, and feelings prevalent at the time of writing.

For example, in Biblical times the Jewish view of the Messiah was one of a charismatic leader like King David. In seeking the Messiah they were therefore looking for a man, not God in human form - Jesus. Knowing that helps us understand why they failed to recognize Him and accused Him of blasphemy when He claimed to be God.

Grammatical: This means that words are given meanings consistent with their common understanding in the original language at the time of writing. A good concordance can be beneficial in this area.

Grammatical interpretation also includes following recognized rules of grammar and in its more advanced form, applying the nuances of the Hebrew and Greek languages to the understanding of a passage. For example, the Gospel of John begins with:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God." (John 1:1-2)

In this verse "the Word" refers to Jesus, because in biblical times the Greek and Jewish people often referred to God Himself in terms of His word, directly calling Him "the word of God". However in this passage, "the Word" is His own entity, being "with God" yet also at the same time being God Himself because "the Word was God".

So, the Father and the Son (the Word) are equally God, yet distinct in their Persons, and together with God the Holy Spirit make one God in three Persons. All eternally co-existing as "He was in the beginning with God."

Contextual: The rule of contextual interpretation involves always taking the surrounding context of a verse/passage into consideration when trying to determine its meaning. It also can mean being open to the cultural, religious or historical setting of the events described in the text. In most cases the Holy Spirit has also prompted the Bible's writers to place indicators in the text surrounding a passage to guide you in interpreting it.

For example, in 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 the apostle Paul compares our life to that of an athlete, training and competing for crowns. The reference to personal effort in order to obtain a prize tells us that the passage is not about salvation, which is a free gift, but about additional rewards that believers can earn through personal effort after being saved.

Internal Consistency. The Bible, being the word of God, cannot contradict itself. The Lord is just and righteous so He can't say something in one place and something different in another. He knows the end from the beginning (Isaiah 46:9-10) so He can't change His mind or take back something He's given. Everything He says has to agree with everything else He says. For this reason, when you follow the above principles the Bible is self-interpretive.

If you find a particular verse confusing or difficult to understand, make sure you're prayerfully and accurately applying biblical hermeneutics as "God is not the author of confusion" (1 Corinthians 14:33). He wants to reveal Himself to you through His Word, doing so by providing spiritual discernment to those who diligently seek Him.

If you don't have a Bible, you can <u>read the Bible online</u> or <u>download the mobile app</u>. We recommend the New King James Version (NKJV) as it's widely recognised as an accurate translation. It also capitalises all pronouns and other names used in reference to God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit in order to show reverence and clarify exactly who the text is referring to - which can be quite helpful.

If you're new to the Bible, it's helpful to be aware that the Old Testament is the story of God and His people before the coming of the Messiah - Jesus. The New Testament picks up the story beginning with the birth of Jesus. The best place to start is the Gospel of John. This book is John's eyewitness account of the life of Jesus with a focus on who Jesus is. John's purpose in writing is to help us believe, making it the ideal place to start.

"but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." (John 20:31).

Then you should read the books of Matthew, Mark, and Luke which are known as the three Synoptic (see-together) Gospels, each of which describes the ministry of Jesus from a different perspective, yet all focus on what Jesus taught and did.

"And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart." (Jeremiah 29:13)

Note: Throughout this site, all quoted Bible verses are from the NKJV and any emphasis contained therein has been added.