Prophecy forewarns that Planet Earth will soon enter the greatest, most intense series of wars, natural disasters and supernatural events ever to unfold before mankind. This succession of natural and manmade catastrophes, mysterious signs and wonders will escalate which, at their apex, will usher in the long anticipated last-day evil leader who will rise from the ashes of war. Satanic strategies leading to the final conflict have been ongoing and deliberate, although often unseen and undetected. Our futures are at stake, and all will be shaken—our families, friends, neighbors and acquaintances; our neighborhoods, communities and nations.

The world’s political structures continue to undergo a slow but deliberate transition toward the establishment of a new world order. On the surface these movements seem a culmination of international cooperation for peace and economic growth, but they are instead a well-devised scheme by Satan to unite the nations under centralized policies and control. The Grand Design will be brought to birth out of great chaos, mayhem and confusion.

The Creator of the Universe—known by many names in the Holy Scriptures and His avowed enemy Satan (Hebrew: haSatan) have been engaged in a universal conflict over morality and worship. First initiated in Heaven, Lucifer, the highly honored angel, has long desired freedom from God’s laws and the position and stature only due God and His Son Jesus (Yeshua). According to the Hebrew prophets, Satan will deceive as many as possible and attempt to overthrow the plans of the Creator for the restoration of His Kingdom of peace.

Lucifer persuaded other angels to his side by bribery and deceit. Under his rule he promised freedom from God’s commands. As Creator of all life and ultimate Judge, Hashem could have dealt a crushing blow to the rebellion and immediately silenced all opposition. However, our Father and His Son is a “compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin.”¹ He chose not to eliminate the rebellion without due process. In His omnipotent wisdom, God would let Satan’s ideas root and grow, which will serve God’s ultimate purpose: “The LORD will be King over the whole earth,” ruling from the New Jerusalem, and “on that Day there will be one LORD, and His Name the only Name.”²

What would life be like with total freedom and full license? Is happiness found there? Can God be trusted? Over time, the Eternal One knew Lucifer’s lust for power would be exposed,³ and the Creator’s love for men and angels would be

¹ Exodus 34:5-7
² Zechariah 14:9
³ Isaiah 14:13-14
illustrated on a small planet in the Milky Way Galaxy, in the land of Israel on a lonely hill called Golgotha.4

Ezekiel, a Hebrew prophet, wrote concerning Lucifer’s high position of honor and his fall from grace: “You were the model of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty. You were in Eden, the garden of God; every precious stone adorned you… You were anointed as a guardian cherub, for so I ordained you. You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones. You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you. Through your widespread trade you were filled with violence, and you sinned. So I drove you in disgrace from the mount of God, and I expelled you, O guardian cherub, from among the fiery stones,” (Ezekiel 28:11-16).

The controversy stretched across the galaxies and reached our world. Here the battle would be played out on the stage of Planet Earth and here the answers would be settled for all eternity to questions of sin and rebellion.

In God’s foreknowledge He knew mankind would become entangled in the dispute, although the path to an obedient and fulfilling life was made clear. El Shaddai communed face to face with Adam and Eve, and gave them every reason to be loyal and to follow His every word. No human need submit to Satan. The perfect environment was created for mankind’s enjoyment, and citizens of earth would be free to live and rule the domain. Designed in God’s image, the first couple was to have children and multiply the earth, and take pleasure in the beautiful scenery and the variety of animals. The LORD asked only that they love Him through their loyal obedience, and love one another.

According to the first book of the Scriptures, God had placed in the Garden of Eden a tree which, although simple in nature, would attest of their devotion to the Creator. Because God is love,5 He would not demand their loyalty; it had to be chosen. So, the forbidden attraction was set before Adam and Eve. The tree would be a visible sign to the couple of the mystical and unseen conflict between good and evil that was threatening universal peace. The Tempter was nearby and waiting for his opportunity to continue the lies; this time to the human race.

There was no apparent reason to eat of this tree since every good and needed source of food was readily available. The evil Serpent used deceptive and artful words to encourage Eve to partake from the branches, promising wisdom like God and causing her to doubt His words of warning. Adam then joined Eve in rebellion, most likely in fear of losing her, and their innocence was forever lost.6 By this simple failure the couple, disregarding the LORD who openly walked with them, submitted to the Challenger who crept among the garden vines.

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4 John 19:17-18
5 1 John 4:16
6 Genesis 3:1-7
All the offspring of our first parents were then destined to enter the conflict. No longer could the inhabitants of the earth be protected from the issues that plagued the universe. Adam relinquished his position, and this planet became Satan’s dominion and the centerpiece where the controversy would escalate until its climactic finale.

Because Adam turned over his dominion of the planet to the Adversary, much of the suffering we experience today derives from following the lifestyle promoted by Satan. Total freedom from God’s commands does not bring the happy existence promised by the Deceiver. He knows it. However, it is too late for him to turn back. Satan’s hatred for God burns within him to the degree that his eager pursuit is to see millions go to their fiery deaths with him.

Although Elohim withdrew from active communion with Adam and Eve, He did not fully separate Himself from the rebellious people of earth. God still holds His hand of protection over this planet; otherwise, there would be darkness, disorder and destruction. The plan of redemption, established from the foundation of the world, was set in motion for the recovery of mankind.

To this day humanity feels drawn in two directions. Our natural inclination is to rebel and sin against God in the manner of freedom and license, after the example of the Great Deceiver. Christ, on the other hand, invites us to the better way: to obey the Commandments of God and to hold fast to the testimony of Jesus. The Word of God encourages love and a life of commitment to our Savior. The decision to live by faith in allegiance to the Holy One, to turn from sin and to stand firm in trusting Yeshua as LORD will determine our eternal reward.

It is regrettablly taught, even in Christendom, that God’s Commandments are too demanding. However, 1 John 5:3 sets the standard high: “This is love for God: to obey His commands. And His commands are not burdensome.” Jesus declared while on this earth, “Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled,” (Matthew 5:18, KJV). A “jot” is the smallest Hebrew letter about the size of an apostrophe, and a “tittle” is the little decorative hook or serif on some Hebrew letters. Yeshua was saying that not the smallest letter or even the smallest part of a letter shall pass away until all is fulfilled. Messiah (Mashiach) underscores that we are to take the Word of God very seriously, for the words are His as He inspired the Hebrew prophets to write the sacred scrolls.

Jesus often spoke of Heaven’s requirements, which He gave so distinctly on Mt. Sinai centuries earlier when in thunderous voice He declared His will for man. He

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Revelation 13:8
1 Peter 1:19-21
Revelation 12:17
Matthew 24:13-14
came peacefully to show by word and example how obedience is lived out in one’s life. Jesus claimed He did not do away with the smallest detail which He had written with His own finger, but men have worked diligently to alter the Decalogue (Ten Commandments) and to challenge its validity. Even so, these ten percepts are so highly esteemed in Heaven that it required the death of God’s own Son to atone for sin, which is the transgression of the Law.\textsuperscript{11}

When Hashem relinquished His Son by sending Him into this world, He did not arrive as conqueror with Heaven’s armies and riches. Rather, Yeshua lived a simple life. Emerging from Mary’s womb a humble and helpless child, His path to victory would be much like ours. He grew up in an ordinary Jewish home in the Middle East, and worked with His hands in His father’s carpenter shop. He experienced firsthand the earthly allurements that we all must face. He was tempted at all points like us;\textsuperscript{12} yet, He did not sin, but followed His Father’s Commandments without reproach. Therefore, He accomplished for us what we could not perform ourselves—perfect obedience to the demands of the Law.

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Not a lie or profane word came from His lips. He did not steal or covet. In every way possible He gave honor to His parents. Never did He bow to any graven image or place any other god before the Father. Each seventh-day Sabbath He kept holy the sacred hours of rest, communing with God and helping the sick and bereaved. Messiah did not think evil of another man or take a life. The Law was complete in His heart and His behavior. He truly loved His Father with all His heart and His neighbor as Himself.

Elohim did not send an excellent angel or high official of His Kingdom, rather, His very own Son in human form. Only flesh and blood could conquer Satan and reclaim Planet Earth, for “without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness,” (Hebrews 9:22). Therefore, “the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth,” (John 1:14).

It was a solemn time of great risk for the entire universe, but Jesus did not fail. Still a young man, Yeshua prepared in the wilderness by fasting and prayer; then, He successfully overcame the allusive temptations of the Devil.\textsuperscript{13} The LORD triumphed where Adam had failed. Messiah then launched a public ministry that continued three and one-half years, and multitudes were healed of both physical

\textsuperscript{11} 1 John 3:4  
\textsuperscript{12} Hebrews 4:15  
\textsuperscript{13} Matthew 4:1-11
and spiritual ailments by His divine touch.

The Son of Man performed wonderful righteous acts which threatened Satan’s powerful stronghold on the human race, so He manipulated the affairs of men to dispose of the Truth. The Evil One could not entrap Jesus by enticements as recorded in Matthew 4:1-11, so He schemed to silence His voice once and for all. A few years later, the Creator of Life was dragged to Pilate’s hall to hear the sentence of death. He who touched the multitudes to heal their diseases and who raised Lazarus to life laid down His life willingly, even for His accusers.

The cruel acts of men against Messiah reflected the inner drama of the Lamb of God, who took upon Himself the transgressions of every person who would ever live. Because Christ’s life was so intimately connected with the Father, when the wretchedness of the sin separated the Father and Son it crushed the heart of Jesus. He cried, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” (Mark 15:34).

Messiah willingly offered up His life, spilling His blood at the cross, so that salvation would be made possible for every believing man and woman. The requirements of the Law were met by the sacrificial Lamb. “For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Him [Messiah], and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in Heaven, by making peace through His blood, shed on the cross,” (Colossians 1:19-20). Through His blood, peace was made with God and the demands were met for the recovery of sinful humanity.

Satan, too, dealt his own crushing blow when he plotted the death of Jesus. It demonstrated his wicked heart, while Christ demonstrated His love toward us. The cross exposed the marked differences between Christ and Satan. While Messiah stretched His arms over the cross to yield Himself for all, Lucifer was scheming victory for one.

The lashing Yeshua received, the spit in His face and the crude nails pierced through His hands and feet, revealed the length to which the Savior would go to win back mankind. These evil acts did not turn God against us. No, it was a demonstration of God’s love for us that He allowed His Son to endure the unclothed shame and spill out His life. “For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life,” (John 3:16). Escape has been provided that we should not forever perish in the flames of hell; rather, that we might receive eternal life.

In spite of Satan’s apparent victory when Jesus died, the grave could not hold Him. After resting over the Sabbath from His work of redemption, Christ raised to life on the third day, defeating the hold of death for all time. “When this Priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God. Since that time He waits for His enemies to be made His footstool,” (Hebrews 10:12-13).
The delay in His return to reign in supreme power proves the grace and patience of Elohim, while it reveals the shortsightedness of man. Not even the cross and the love Jesus has shown can move every soul to turn from sin in allegiance to Messiah. However, many through the centuries have accepted Him as LORD and Savior, looking for a better day and the promised arrival of the conquering King. However, the long delay has given opportunity for more individuals to respond to Christ’s sacrifice; and, because of Heaven’s delay, out of the evil days Yeshua will harvest a multitude of citizens for His Kingdom.

In the meantime, the Word of God abounds with instruction on this controversy and its eventual end. Almost two thousand years have elapsed since the death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus. To us, the centuries seem unending. However, this struggle will prove to have its rewards for the faithful and patient believers. For those who have experienced the blight of sin, Heaven will offer a soothing remedy. The ransomed will cherish what others in eternity past could never have experienced before the crucifixion—God’s redeeming love, demonstrated through His only Son’s condescension to human flesh, knowing this decision would lead to His bloody cruel death. Today, as followers of Yeshua, we are recipients of God’s greatest love gift—life instead of the death we deserve.

Jesus spoke these convicting words before His departure to Heaven: “As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Now remain in My love. If you obey My commands, you will remain in My love, just as I have obeyed My Father's commands and remain in His love. I have told you this so that My joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete. My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are My friends if you do what I command,” (John 15:9-14).

Today, many in this world are oblivious of the long-raging controversy that began in Heaven long ago, which continues to plague mankind. They believe life’s goal is to live primarily for self and this world’s gain, but they have failed to use even reasonable thinking. Nature declares there is a Creator who designed life and brought mankind into existence. Hebrew prophets have been visited and inspired with wisdom, and the Scriptures have been written, collected and widely published, showing even further evidence of Divine intervention in the affairs of the human race. Despite God’s efforts to gain our attention and to turn mankind from their wicked ways, multitudes ignore His Sacred Word, and by doing so risk ultimate loss.

Now we are reaching the end of this long-standing contest between good and evil, and we remain careless to the changes in our world which attest that time may be short. We doze, but if God wills, dramatic disasters could soon arouse the whole world from lethargy and into the reality of the day.

The ancient Hebrew prophecies, particularly the visions of Daniel and Revelation,

14 Romans 1:18-20
lay the foundation for the period of the last days called in Scripture the “appointed
time of the end,” (Daniel 8:19). Knowing and understanding the apocalyptic
predictions foreshadowed in these books and in God’s Festivals (Moedim) would
shield believers against repeating serious blunders of the past. Sadly, a great many
in our churches and synagogues today will follow the path of ancient Israel in not
discerning the Scriptures and rejecting the prophets’ counsel. This need not be so.

Scholars and teachers have, in times past, interpreted the prophecies to correspond
to the events of their day, and various ideas and doctrines have been established
from centuries of examination. Numerous times the predictions did not come to
pass, thereby discouraging the faithful. As a result, a great number of
denominations have downplayed the end of days as fanciful or distant events way
in the future, while others have forgotten about the conquering Messiah altogether.

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Skeptics are certainly living up to the prediction that in the last days scoffers will
come, following their own evil desires. They will say, “Where is this ‘coming’ He
promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the
beginning of creation,” (2 Peter 3:3-4). The infidel’s heart kept many from
entering Noah’s ark, from listening to the prophets through the centuries, and from
accepting Jesus when He walked on earth. Doubt has always been the wall that
separates man from God. In contrast, faith opens up the heart, motivating us to
follow Christ in virtuous living. Biblical faith is a faith that is to change us from a
disobedient life to righteous submission. Such conversions, where heart and mind
are given to Messiah, will sustain God’s people during the last days; yet, these
dedicated faithful are rare. In this context the question is asked, “When the Son of
Man comes, will He find faith on the earth?” (Luke 18:8).

Before the return of Messiah son of David (a Jewish title for the Messiah) lie a
series of events, which were penned by Hebrew prophets centuries in advance of
the crises. Signs in the world are matching with alarming accuracy the predictions
written in Daniel and Revelation. The moment has arrived that God is opening the
long hidden messages, which are promised to be unsealed. Daniel was told the
mysteries delivered to him would not be understood until “the time of the end,”
(Daniel 12:4, 9). Now that the end seems imminent, the Spirit of truth is fulfilling
the promise.

During the appointed time of the end, God’s Spirit will be poured out in great
measure. Without large organization and popular platform, present truth will
spread like the leaves of autumn around the globe. The previously hidden
segments of prophecy will reveal the wisdom and foreknowledge of God as they
are offered to humanity at this late hour. With a fresh anointing, the power of the
Word will be unleashed to counter the claims of the Man of Sin. The nations will
say, “Who is like the Beast? Who can make war against him?” Messiah, with the “sword of the Spirit... the Word of God,” will vanquish the rebellion. “He is LORD OF LORDS AND KING OF KINGS—and with Him will be His called, chosen and faithful followers.”

The Foolish Shame the Wise

You will not find the contemporary explanations of prophecy in this book. It does not echo any church’s prophetic prejudices and commonly held views; God’s truths extend beyond denominational boundaries and theological mindsets. Daniel was a young, yet faithful Hebrew slave chosen by God to receive and pen the prophecies of Daniel. John, a prisoner on the island of Patmos, was chosen to see visions and to write the scroll of Revelation, while the Scribes and Pharisees, the religious leaders of his day, were passed by. The Hebrew Scriptures are pervaded with men of God, chosen not because of wealth, education or clerical position, but for their faith. “God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong,” (1 Corinthians 1:27).

John the visionary wrote, “Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near,” (Revelation 1:3). The predictions are to be realized in the last days. The movements in the Middle East which count down toward the appointed time have already begun.

As students of prophecy, our best efforts to grasp the solemn events and to write about them will fall short in pinpointing every single event of the last days. Not all has been revealed, for not until the Seventh Angel begins to sound will all the mysteries of God be finished and the final chapter written. Even so, last-day prophecy is evidence that El Shaddai is still concerned for His people. Although many end-time events have been hidden since time began, Heaven’s bold unfolding of the predictions and the working of God in the affairs of mankind today can encourage the holy ones that God is faithful, even to the remnant. Daniel’s prediction is particularly poignant for our day and time: “Many will go here and there to increase knowledge,” about the last-day visions (Daniel 12:4). Indeed, you may be a part of this fulfillment as you seek to understand final events. This is a book about “The Book.” Prophecy will be fulfilled in the appointed time according to the inspired visions relayed in the Biblical prophecies.

The stage is set. The New World Order sets in motion Satan’s final movements. However, his work will not be similar to Christ’s. He will persecute the faithful instead of healing their diseases. He will kill instead of offering life. The Wicked One will be exposed, when the holy ones are scattered and God’s last restraining source is cut off and taken out of the way. At Jerusalem (Yerushalayim), just

15 Revelation 13:4; Ephesians 6:17; Revelation 17:14
16 Revelation 10:7
17 Daniel 9:26; 2 Thessalonians 2:7
before the Day of the LORD, the Man of Sin will be revealed for who he truly is—a liar and impostor.

By demonic mastery in the final moments of time, Satan, along with the Beast and False Prophet, will emerge unified, and through signs and wonders the whole world will succumb to the *Evil Triumvirate*. Only those who have fortified their minds with the testimony of Jesus will resist this overwhelming deception. And, at the end of the Armageddon battle, the light of the sun will go out and with it the reflection of the moon, and this galaxy will be plunged into blackness; therefore, we must stand with the only Light of the World and endure to the end in faithful obedience (Matthew 24:13), that we might be counted among the victors in His glorious Kingdom.

“Then I saw the Beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the Rider on the horse and His army. But the Beast was captured, and with it the False Prophet who had performed the signs on its behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the Beast and worshiped its image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. The rest [of mankind] were killed with the sword coming out of the mouth of the Rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh,” (Revelation 19:19-21).

Isaiah, the Hebrew prophet, wrote of the complete desolation of Planet Earth on that Day, “The earth will be completely laid waste and totally plundered. The LORD has spoken this word. The earth dries up and withers, the world languishes and withers, the heavens languish with the earth... The earth is broken up, the earth is split asunder, the earth is violently shaken. The earth reels like a drunkard, it sways like a hut in the wind; so heavy upon it is the guilt of its rebellion that it falls—never to rise again. In that Day the LORD will punish the powers in the heavens above [Satan and his demon angels] and the kings on the earth below. They will be herded together like prisoners bound in a dungeon; they will be shut up in prison and be punished after many days. The moon will be dismayed, the sun ashamed; for the LORD Almighty will reign on Mount Zion and in [the New] Jerusalem, and before its elders—with great glory,” (Isaiah 24:3-4; 19-23).

He continues, “See, the Day of the LORD is coming—a cruel day, with wrath and fierce anger—to make the land desolate and destroy [all] the sinners within it. The stars of heaven and their constellations will not show their light. The rising sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light. I will punish the world for its evil, the wicked for their sins. I will put an end to the arrogance of the haughty and will humble the pride of the ruthless,” (13:9-11).

Jeremiah writes of the earth’s devastation, following Armageddon and God’s divine wrath against all sinners and this planet, “I looked at the earth, and it was formless and empty; and at the heavens, and their light was gone. I looked at the mountains, and they were quaking; all the hills were swaying. I looked, and there were no people; every bird in the sky had flown away. I looked, and the fruitful
land was a desert; all its towns lay in ruins before the LORD, before His fierce
anger,” (Jeremiah 4:23-26).

The beloved disciple of Jesus proclaimed, “Long ago by God’s word the heavens
came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these
waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word
the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the Day of
Judgment and destruction of the ungodly… But the Day of the LORD will come
like a thief [to the wicked; those not watching]. The heavens will disappear with a
roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it
will be laid bare. Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of
people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look
forward to the Day of God and speed its coming. That Day will bring about the
destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. But in
keeping with His promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new
earth, where righteousness dwells,” (2 Peter 3:3-4; 10-13).

Messiah Himself said, “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the
churches. To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life,
which is in the paradise of God,” (Revelation 2:7). In ages past, Noah warned of
impending danger, along with Isaiah and Jeremiah; and, two thousand years ago
John the Baptist proclaimed the Kingdom of God was at hand, and to prepare in
repentance for Messiah’s entrance onto the world scene. People in their
generations faced important decisions. Today, the life and death decision is ours
to make. The world and its leaders will soon say, “Come multitudes, follow us!”
Yeshua said, “Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the
road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and
narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it,” (Matthew 7:13-14).

Very soon now, at the great awakening the Wicked One—also known as
Antichrist will proclaim that he can bring peace to our troubled planet. Revival of
spiritual interest will accompany the beginning of his supernatural reign, but it
will be built upon lying wonders and miracles. This should not surprise us; we are
forewarned that “many will come in My [Christ’s] name… and will deceive
many,” (Matthew 24:5). It will be deception by those who name the name of Jesus
that will lead the nations to ruin; threats will come from within Christianity, as
well as without.

Those who consider themselves God-fearing must remember the grave warning
Messiah proclaimed against those whose life and work looks righteous on the
outside, but whose heart is evil within: “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘LORD,
LORD,’ will enter the kingdom of Heaven, but only he who does the will of My
Father who is in Heaven,” (Matthew 7:21). He added, “Man does not live on
bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God,” (Matthew
4:4). This includes all who are faithful followers of Yeshua, our returning King.
Daniel was a remarkable young prophet, inspired by God. He interpreted two terrifying dreams that haunted King Nebuchadnezzar, and foretold the future with amazing accuracy. However, years later, the elder Daniel was tormented when he could not understand his own mystical dreams and visions. Even after Gabriel was ordered “tell this man the meaning of the vision” (Daniel 8:16), Daniel confessed, “I was appalled by the vision; it was beyond understanding” (8:27). After his fourth visionary encounter, Daniel was instructed to “close up and seal the words of the scroll,” for neither he nor future prophets and believers would fully comprehend it “until the time of the end,” (12:9).

Our failure to understand is not due to a lack of determination; many faithful students and scholars of prophecy have attempted to unlock Daniel’s book through the centuries, but we were destined to fail. God’s impenetrable seal across the scroll would prevent us from doing so until its divine removal at the time appointed.

However, some denominations contend that they are God’s chosen conduits of the unsealed prophecies, although their views are based on century-old interpretations from individuals who have long passed on. And, popular prophecy teachers of our day still repeat decades old views; nonetheless, the statement was repeated for emphasis—the tearing off of the seal comes at the end: “Go your way, Daniel,” he was told the second time in chapter 12, “because the words are closed up and sealed until the time of the end” (12:9). In the context of Daniel’s visions, the “time of the end” begins when last-day events are literally on the verge of fulfillment, when tensions between the nations are escalating and global catastrophes are poised to erupt. Jesus also promised that when the signs of trouble begin with cataclysmic global-wide events, which will lead to His glorious triumph over evil, everything will be fulfilled within one generation: “I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened,” (Matthew 24:34).

Daniel admitted his confusion once again when he was informed of the “time, times and a half” (1,260 days) time prophecy: “I heard, but I did not understand,” (12:7-8). He was told, “Many will be purified, made spotless and refined” by the end-time trial, “but the wicked will continue to be wicked. None of the wicked will understand, but those who are wise will understand” (12:10) the visions of the book.

Heaven’s messenger immediately followed up with still more mysterious time periods: “From the time that the daily [Hebrew: “tamid”]… is abolished and the

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18 Daniel chapters 7-12
abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days. Blessed is the one who waits for and reaches the end of the 1,335 days,” (12:11-12). Over the centuries, various theories have been advanced about the meaning of Daniel’s visions and these puzzling time periods of prophecy. Now the Spirit is at work bringing all the prophetic periods of Daniel into focus and confirming that momentous end-time events are linked to God’s times and Festival dates.

At this time in world history, we sit on the verge of the fulfillment of Daniel’s prophecies. His visions cannot be lazily ignored, relegated to historical events, or looked at through the lens of our forefathers, except at our own loss. Although written over two millennia ago, Daniel’s scroll offers God’s people insight into last-day events. Paul wrote a warning with more significance than when first penned: “Do this, understanding the present time. The hour has come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed,” (Romans 13:10).

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If your view of Daniel is rooted in century-old teachings, beware! Only the last generation—the generation that enters the time of trouble—will be at the right place and time for the guaranteed unsealing. Daniel’s visions have long been considered a series of historical episodes bearing little significance to modern man. In spite of this error, the ancient oracles will read like front page news.

What is your level of understanding? Can you explain the meaning of the “1,290 days” of Daniel 12:11? What is the “daily” which Daniel says will be “taken away”? Can you demonstrate how the “1,335 days” of Daniel 12:12 are charted in prophecy, along with the “2,300 evenings and mornings,” at the end of which the sanctuary is to be “reconsecrated” (Daniel 8:14)? If not, this book is for you. These prophetic time periods, linked to somber events of the last days, concern real life and death decisions, for in the end only two camps will remain—the saved and the lost. We need to understand the significance of all the time periods revealed in Daniel’s four visions, and how they match up to those in the book of Revelation.

Prophecy makes up a large part of the Scriptures, and these visions are a revelation of God’s final plan for mankind. However, for a myriad of reasons, spiritual leaders fear the subject and few teach it to their congregations. Many commentaries, often referred to by today’s preachers and teachers, write off Daniel’s timelines and visions as either distant historical incidents or, alternatively, futuristic unexplainable events, labeling them beyond comprehension. Educators tend to focus on the time periods that support their prophetic views, while ignoring or downplaying others they cannot explain.
The sad reality is that, in spite of the millions of religious devotees worldwide, few make a personal commitment to prove their views against God’s Word, or to seek to unlock the deeper mysteries within the Scriptures. Blinded by attitudes of superiority, religious leaders and members alike place their trust in religious institutions, and in the established doctrines of their founding fathers and prominent church theologians. They believe their house of worship to be the chosen instrument of truth and light to the world, while others are passed by. Therefore, they assume their dogmas are irrefutable, and find no reason to study the Word of God to prove the credibility of their long held traditions.

Jesus often challenged the prevailing views of His day. The ancient Hebrew prophecies were dismissed concerning the suffering Messiah, while verses about the conquering Messiah were elevated. Jesus could not overcome the long-held belief that once Israel’s (Yisrael) Savior arrived, he would immediately conquer all enemies and establish an earth-bound kingdom. The disciples anticipated escape from their enemies, overwhelming victory and a place of honor without sacrifice. Nonetheless, despite the fact that Jesus—the “I AM” of the Scriptures—disclosed His own suffering, death and resurrection, His followers were still overcome by panic as the ancient predictions were being fulfilled during the crucifixion week of Passover. Ultimately, the disciples, filled with the Spirit of God and a holy zeal for the risen Savior, endured their own persecution and martyrdom and willingly drank the same cup of sorrow as Jesus.

In the same way, the failure to understand His divine plan may be our own, as last events overtake us. History repeats itself. The Israelites died in the desert despite Hashem’s miraculous intervention and their great escape from slavery just a short time beforehand. This proves God will not favor rebellion, in spite of His previous blessings, if we refuse to follow in faith His revealed instructions. Paul warns, “These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us”—the last generation—“on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come. So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don’t fall!” (1 Corinthians 10:11-12). One informed writer put it this way: “When rebellious conduct developed into national apostasy” for the people of Israel “it was punished by natural disasters, foreign invasions, and captivity, but it was never atoned through the sacrifices of the sanctuary system.”

The centuries come and go, but some things never change. Many Christians in our day have also dismissed prophetic warnings about the future suffering, and even death, of God’s people. Instead, they are looking for the conquering Messiah to snatch them away from trial and persecution. Instead, the people of God will someday awaken to panic and calamity. Churchgoers who thought they would escape to easy victory and a place of honor will suffer at the hands of their enemies; worse yet, many will deny Christ and give up their faith when confronted

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19 Isaiah 53:2-12
20 Matthew 10:37-39
21 Dr. Samuele Bacchiocchi, God’s Festivals in Scripture and History, pg 131.
by hardship. Jesus said, ‘Remember the words I spoke to you, ‘No servant is greater than his master.’ If they persecuted Me, they will persecute you also,” (John 15:20).

King Solomon wrote, “Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall” (Proverbs 16:18). Followers of Jesus who live at end of the age should not be surprised if they are forced to surrender faulty views they once held. We will no longer be able to depend upon great religious institutions and well-known evangelists, but only upon God and His Word. Now, more than ever, is the time to admit we need help from above. We must petition the Holy One of Israel for the prophetic insight He promised those who live just before His Kingdom arrives.

Down through the ages, great minds in good conscience attempted to unlock the ancient scrolls of Daniel and Revelation, in part, to make sense of the long delay in Messiah’s return. Even so, they were destined to fail. Not because they were bad, not at all, but because our Omnipotent God has hidden the meaning of the age-old predictions until just before the great climax. These faithful servants are dead and gone, but God remains alive and His Spirit is at work in the lives of His servants. The ancient Hebrew prophecies will be unsealed, revealed and fulfilled, followed by the triumphant King. We are that generation foretold of long ago.

**Knowledge Will Increase in the Last Days**

As the end-time begins, great loss of human life and indescribable ruin will escalate rapidly. Earthquakes will strike, wars will erupt, and nuclear holocaust will mushroom, along with other calamities of nature. Many nations, including Israel, will suffer great tragedy according to prophecy. World economies will collapse, and mobs, rioting and social disorder will increase, accompanied by frightening, supernatural phenomena. Pandemics will spread throughout the population. Despair, drug abuse and suicides will escalate. As peace gives way to terror, Bible prophecy will move to the forefront of conversations and world news. The survival of mankind and our fragile planet will be our political and religious leaders’ top priority.

Daniel predicts there will be many individuals who will investigate the prophecies in frantic pursuit of understanding. They will dedicate themselves to study and prayer until the mysterious predictions are better grasped and then followed. However, their commitment to the testimony of Yeshua Jesus will come at a terrible cost. Family and friends will break ties and betray those who respond to Christ’s warnings as the populace splits into two factions: those sympathetic to the world leader (known as Antichrist)—the majority of mankind “who believe the lie” (2 Thessalonians 2:11), and those who oppose him—the smaller band of faithful who will recognize the events unfolding before them have long been foretold in the prophecies.

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22 Revelation 1:2; 12:17; 17:6; 19:10; 20:4  
23 Matthew 24:9-12
After the Man of Sin’s cryptic rise to power through “the work of Satan displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders” (2 Thessalonians 2:9), he will be considered a God-sent hero the world over as he brokers peace out of chaos. As a political and spiritual leader, he will impose decrees to stop the religious decay and public disorder in our societies. Laws will be enacted to mandate religious observance, and counterfeit Christianity will gain millions of adherents. His demands will sound respectable, even admirable at first review, but they will be an intoxicating blend of true and false teachings. Spiritual revival will ignite, and Rome’s pagan creeds will gain stature across Europe and among the peoples and languages of the globe.

In contrast, the faithful will point out that Antichrist’s rapid rise to power has long been foretold in prophecy, and satanic manifestations, not Divine intervention, have brought this leader from obscurity to fame. Those in opposition will no doubt be judged as immoral by the religious class, and as time progresses, the faithful will be numbered among society’s outcasts and criminals. Coercion by threats and persecution will increase as Lucifer’s campaign of forced obedience strengthens, and he moves to overthrow all opposition. Jesus said His Kingdom was not of this world; in contrast, the Evil One will craft a worldwide kingdom of men and armies, in the spirit and power of Amalek. Despite his successes, the “overcomers” will still point out his false teachings, and the three messengers’ warnings will be broadcast concerning God’s judgment hour, Babylon’s fall, idolatry and the fatal mark.

Despite their devotion, students of prophecy will fail to comprehend every detail of the final ordeal. No human has the ability to fully comprehend the mind of Elohim, for His ways are beyond the faculties of men. For this reason, we must stay faithful moment by moment with Messiah to guide us. Only in the last moments of time will all secrets be made manifest: “In the Days when the Seventh Angel is about to sound His trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as He announced to His [two] servants the prophets” (Revelation 10:7) on the banks of the Tigris River centuries earlier. God’s mysteries include, in part, the insertion of Gentiles as priest rulers in His Kingdom, and the turning of Israel to faith in the true Messiah at His glorification. The Word proclaims, “Surely the Sovereign LORD does nothing without revealing His plan to His servants the prophets,” (Amos 3:7). Although hidden from before the foundation of the earth, many mysteries will come to light during the last days.

Notwithstanding, the apostle Paul understood that even the prophets, chosen as

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24 John 18:36
25 Exodus 17:15-16
26 Revelation 2:7,11,17
27 Revelation 14:6-9
28 Daniel 10:4-5; 12:5-7
29 Romans 11:25; 16:25-26; 1 Corinthians 2:1; Ephesians 1:9-10; 3:3, 9; Colossians 1:26-27; 2:2; 4:3; 2 Thessalonians 2:6-7.
messengers of warning down through the centuries, had limitations in knowing and predicting every single facet of the future: “For we know in part and we prophesy in part, but when perfection [Messiah] comes, the imperfect disappears… now we see but a poor reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known,” (1 Corinthians 13:9-12).

Regardless of our human inadequacies, the Merciful One has promised a more thorough grasp of prophecy as mankind enters and endures the conflict. Once the book of Daniel is unsealed, the book of Revelation will also take on a fresh and more obvious meaning. The visions of the ancient Hebrew prophets, collected, combined and added to the insights of the end-time discourse which Jesus laid out on the Mount of Olives (Mountain of Messiah), will reveal a composite picture of the final trial. Prophecy will be understood as having relevance to the events of our day. Not one single timeline from Daniel’s visions will be missing, for they all have equal value in shaping the calendar of the appointed tragedies.

**The Collective Futurist View**

The Collective Futurist View, a name coined to distinguish the prophetic view expressed in this book from the assortment of beliefs in Christendom, combines the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation into one concise presentation and is built upon the literal language of old. When prophecy says “days,” it means 24-hour days unless strong evidence proves otherwise. Too often popular explanations of prophecy have mystified the simplicity of the Scriptures, twisting them into a set of complex symbolisms. Still, others have applied most of Daniel’s time periods and episodes to historical events dated before and after the birth of Jesus, centuries before the appointed time of the end arrives. In doing so, their true intent to disclose facts about “the end” (“eth qets”) have been lost.

Even so, like a lighthouse beacon on a stormy night, prophecy can illuminate our way into a dark, turbulent future. God’s Spirit of truth will beam brightly, revealing a pathway through the perilous waters to eternity’s shore. Prophecy has had its many interpreters, and with it, quite a number of peculiar views and failed predictions, but truth shines through spiritual darkness when we allow the Bible to say what it means and to mean what it says. With this candid approach to our study, monumental discoveries are not only possible, but promised by God.

**Time Periods of the Prophecies**

It is written, “A wise man’s heart discerns both time and judgment, because to every purpose there is time and judgment,” (Ecclesiastes 8:5-6). Daniel has promised the “wise will understand” (12:10) God’s appointed schedule. God’s Word indicates that divine dates of disaster and deliverance will be laid before us in clear lines of evidence. In this regard, *The Kingdom Calendar* (pgs. 36-37) and

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30 Recorded in Matthew 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21
this book outline events of the last days; and, even greater insights, which are now concealed from all of us, will be revealed as the last days march rapidly toward their completion.

First, let’s consider the timelines, starting with the book of Daniel. There are five prophetic time periods in Daniel—490 days (9:24-27), 2,300 evenings and mornings, representing 1,150 days (8:14), 1,260 days (7:25; 12:7) and 1,290 days (12:11), which culminate at day 1,335 (12:12). These five run parallel to the 1,260 day periods, which are repeated five times in the book of Revelation (11:2; 11:3; 12:6, 12:14; 13:5).

**The Five Time Periods in the Book of Daniel**

- **490 Days**—“Seventy ‘sevens’ [490 days] are decreed for your people and your Holy City to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up the vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy,” (Daniel 9:24).

- **1,150 Days**—“He said to me, It will take 2,300 evenings and mornings [sacrifices, lasting 1,150 days]; then the sanctuary will be reconsecrated,” (Daniel 8:14).

- **1,260 Days**—“He [Antichrist] will speak against the Most High and oppress His holy people and try to change the set times and the laws. The holy people will be delivered into his hands for a time [1 year-360 days], times [2 years-720 days] and half a time [half a year-180 days],” (Daniel 7:25; 12:7).

- **1,290 Days**—“From the time that the daily sacrifice [“sacrifice” was not in the original Hebrew, and is a distortion] is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days,” (Daniel 12:11).

- **1,335 Days**—“Blessed is the one who waits for and reaches the end of the 1,335 days,” (Daniel 12:12).

Daniel speaks of two unnamed witnesses to his visions, while the book of Revelation reveals two prophets who rule during the last days and whose ministry will continue for 1,260 days. As their work nears completion, they will no longer be able to restrain the abominable act in Jerusalem. They will die a martyr’s death, being “cut off” in the middle of the week just before the abomination is set up in Jerusalem. For three and one-half (3½) days, their dead bodies will lie in Jerusalem’s streets, while the world celebrates their demise.

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31 Daniel 12:5-6  
32 Revelation 11:3  
33 Daniel 9:24-27  
34 Revelation 11:8-12
This short three and one-half (3½) day period represents a crucial link between the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation, which will be explained later in this book. The all-important questions remain, “Why did God reveal these very specific counting periods?” “What is their purpose?” “Do they reveal primal events of the past, or extraordinary events about our future?”

Now to the book of Revelation; there are five timelines—all representing 1,260 days, but referenced using different symbolisms (“42 months”, and “time, times and half”). This would indicate that 1,260 days represent the primary period and focus of end-time events, with a total of seven repetitions of this counting period in the books of Daniel and Revelation in its various forms.

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springtime Festivals, while the Feast of Trumpets (Rosh Hashanah), the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur) and the Feast of Tabernacles (Sukkot) are fall Festivals. Purim stems from the book of Esther, and Tisha B’Av, the fast of the fifth month, is discovered twice in Zechariah\(^\text{35}\) and is firmly established in Jewish culture and experience.

In spite of the fact that the major components of The Kingdom Calendar originate from the ancient scrolls, the belief that all five of Daniel’s time periods apply to the time of the end is, without doubt, a fresh concept. From this basic premise, all five of the timelines were first charted in the fall of 1990.

As the son of a Baptist minister, I had been exposed to the Word of God from childhood. Even so, it was much later in life that I began to appreciate the Festivals’ prophetic link to end-time events. Learning how, as Paul wrote, the “religious festivals” are “a shadow of things to come” at the end.\(^\text{36}\) I was curious about whether the timelines charted two years earlier might line up with the Festivals. To my amazement, Daniel’s timelines fell between the spring and autumn Festivals in the years 1997-2000. As I pondered just how important this discovery might be, many questions came to mind that only time, study and patience could answer. The LORD has allowed me to understand the significance of this breakthrough, and I am humbled by it. There are three other practical reasons why this discovery, long hidden in the ancient prophecies, deserves your attention.

First, the Law of Probability. God established His Festival celebrations at Mt. Sinai centuries before the various end-of-day timelines were penned by the prophet Daniel from the inspired visions and dreams he received, and over 3,000 years before their ultimate fulfillment; yet, they align perfectly between the Festival calendar celebration dates observed by Judaism, Messianic Jews and other Biblical Festival celebrants today. The sheer odds of this happening by chance alone are not practical; so, how did these Festival dates get established?

Beginning in 70 AD, the Jews were scattered across the globe and no longer had the ability to follow the agricultural or lunar sightings at Jerusalem, which were an essential part of the Festivals; therefore, the need arose to create a uniform calendar of worship. In the fourth century, the Jewish rabbi and religious authority Hillel II established a fixed calendar based on mathematical and astronomical calculations, which in turn organized the Jewish calendar that remains to this day. You will notice, however, by review of God’s Festivals & Fasts (pgs. 169-172), the holy days shift yearly on the Gregorian calendar.

Daniel and Revelation’s last-day timelines, spanning over three and one-half years, must align on specific dates for the match to occur. Furthermore, events extending over 3,000 years of Israel’s history must also align in precise calculation

\(^{35}\) Zechariah 7:3, 5; 8:19  
\(^{36}\) Colossians 2:16-17
for The Kingdom Calendar to materialize. Due to the fluctuating Festival dates and the length of days involved in the chart, the likelihood of a match by accident is against human odds. This fact alone points to the Calendar’s supernatural origin—a long-hidden mysterious oracle of God’s own design, now allowed to be detected because we are nearing the close of human history.

The second reason why this study deserves your attention is the Biblical Types and Antitypes. The Word predicts that God’s Festivals will be fulfilled at the end of the age. The Day of the LORD is directly linked to the “times and dates,” that is, “Festival dates” of the spring and autumn seasons.37 Besides, the events of the end are said to come at the “appointed times,” which by Biblical definition means at or during the Feast Days. The connection is noted here and in other passages: “Blow up the trumpet in the new moon [at Rosh Hashanah—the Feast of Trumpets], in the time appointed,” (Psalm 81:3, KJV). In turn, Daniel confirms the link between the Festivals and last events: “The vision [in Daniel, chapter 8] concerns the appointed time [“Moedim”; Festivals] of the end,” (Daniel 8:19).

Important episodes in the life of Yeshua were fulfilled precisely at the spring Festivals, including the crucifixion at Passover and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit (Ruach HaKodesh) at Pentecost. Therefore, we should not be surprised that the culmination of end-time events leading up to the Eternal Kingdom are also connected to the fall Festivals. The same Moedim taught to the Israelites and recorded in the Hebrew Scriptures will be celebrated in the future Messianic Kingdom, according to the Word of God.38 This is why The Kingdom Calendar, with events and Biblical times connecting Daniel and Revelation to God’s final crowning Festivals, provides us with a monumental breakthrough in our study of end-time events. Previous generations were not allowed to connect the various time periods of last-day events found in Daniel and Revelation to the Festivals. However, believers who enter the final trial must understand the eternal mysteries that have been kept secret from ages past. They will need to know the appointed dates to counter the spiritual corruption and demonic deceit that will permeate the last days, and to maintain their steadfast hope in the soon return of Jesus Christ while being held in the grip of indescribable chaos.

The third reason The Kingdom Calendar and this book merits consideration is the Biblical Numbers. In the Hebrew Scriptures, there are repeating patterns of numbers. The number 7 represents perfection and completeness; 7 X 7 equals 49—periods of counting, and steps toward gaining wisdom, and 7 X 70 equals 490—a number depicting “ultimate completion.” The 40 day pattern is also repeated several times in the lives of Elijah (Eliyahu), Moses (Moshe) and Jesus (Yeshua), which carries prophetic significance (pgs. 177-178). As another important example, long ago the flood waters poured down judgment “for forty days and forty nights” to “wipe from the face of the earth every living creature,” (Genesis 7:4); likewise, the Great Tribulation of God’s fiery last-day judgments

37 Acts 1:6-7; 1 Thessalonians. 5:1-2
38 Isaiah 66:23; Zechariah 14:18-20
also match this same time period, lasting 40 days when every living creature will be destroyed from the face of the earth. All in all, these numerical structures are essential components of *The Kingdom Calendar*.

The book of Revelation, the very testimony from Jesus Himself,\(^{39}\) was written primarily about the last years of human history; and, now that the connection is made between Daniel’s scroll and John’s Revelation, new insights can be ours to grasp and follow. God’s unfolding roadmap is coming into focus, for we are entering the end of time. Will we pay attention? “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I also reject you,” (Hosea 4:6). Today, the Spirit of truth pleads with us to stop, look and listen. “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches” (Revelation 2:11) of our day.

When a new perspective is introduced and long-held views are challenged, it is the teacher’s obligation to present evidence from God’s Word. Whether it is received or rejected is determined by the reader. As followers of Christ, we have two choices: to be open-minded or empty-minded. To reject insights, when Scriptural facts are presented beyond a reasonable doubt, is to be empty-minded. God’s Festival Calendar is a supernatural sign given for the last generation; it should not be rejected to preserve false doctrines or to protect popular ideologies, which often are human inventions of previous generations.

The 21 Points that follow correspond to the 21 Points on *The Kingdom Calendar*. You will want to refer often to the Calendar on pages 36-37. A free printable color version in pdf format that can be studied and shared is available online at [www.focusontheprophecies.org](http://www.focusontheprophecies.org). As with any new presentation, it will take some time to absorb the details, but don’t lose heart. Prophecy is complex, but it has been revealed as the end of time marches nearer completion. This book is worth your undivided attention and worth sharing with as many family members, friends and acquaintances as can be reached.

A large segment of God’s Word speaks of perilous events leading up to the visible return of Messiah. The Scriptures will guide and encourage believers at a time when the majority of the population is looking to the Beast for deliverance through his mark, name and worldwide fame. Paul advises us to study to show ourselves approved of God that we will not be ashamed on the Day of Judgment. God’s chosen prophets of old have spoken. Will you trust the Spirit of truth to show you things to come? Jesus said, “I praise you, Father… you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children,” (Matthew 11:25).

Search the Scriptures to test what is truth, and measure every man’s word, including this author and all religious teachers and political leaders, against prophecy’s warnings for these last days. “Do not put out the Spirit’s fire; do not treat prophecies with contempt. Test everything. Hold on to the good,” (1

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\(^{39}\) Revelation 1:1-3
Thessalonians 5:19-21). Seek the LORD in prayer, depending upon Him day by day. Commit to an enduring faith-filled relationship with the only true Savior, Jesus our Messiah, and live a holy life for God, which is our reasonable service.

The Son of Man must be exalted above all others as the originator of prophecy—past, present and future, for He is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. Messiah will return to fulfill His appointed times and to establish His timeless rule over the universe. May Almighty God strengthen you in the days ahead to know His peace in the midst of terrible storms and to stand firm to the end against the prevailing tide of sin and the persuasive power of Satan, until the Sun of Righteousness arises with healing in His wings.\textsuperscript{40}

\textsuperscript{40} Malachi 4:2
According to the Scriptures, the annual religious calendar begins in the spring month of Nisan (March/April on the Gregorian calendar) and closes seven months later in the fall month of Tishrei (September/October). The religious Festivals are completed in this seven month period. The Word of God attaches importance to the number seven as the model of perfection and completion, beginning at creation. Every seventh day since creation the Sabbath has arrived, because our Creator added, blessed and set apart the seventh day the first week (Genesis 2:2-3). Sevens are also intricately woven into God’s prophetic roadmap and His plan of redemption. Leviticus 23 instructs us about seven annual Festivals beginning with Passover, the Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Offering of Firstfruits that open the yearly Festival season with seven days of observance in the first month of Nisan; from there seven weeks (49 days) of counting then leads to the Festival of Weeks (Shavuot) on day fifty (50). A few months later, the seventh month of Tishrei contains three seven day weeks of holy day observances—the Festival of Trumpets, followed by the ten (10) counting days of repentance called the Days of Awe, which lead up to the Day of Atonement; then, the building of temporary outdoor shelters follow with events culminating during the Festival of Tabernacles, when the religious calendar closes with the last seven days of celebration. Just as the seventh day marks the completion and culmination of creation week, so the seventh Festival of the seventh month marks the consummation of redemption. There are also longer counting periods in God’s Word related to the number seven, which include the Sabbatical Year (Shemitah, or Shmita) that arrives every seven years, and the Jubilee Year every seven times seven (49) years.

All these counting periods and the Biblical Festivals are an essential part of The Kingdom Calendar, and there is a current and future list of Festivals & Fasts found on pages 169-172 for your reference. The upcoming period of 2016-2019 is the next Festival watch period; and, if God wills, the fulfillment period. The prophetic timelines of Daniel and Revelation align between the Biblical Festivals over this three and one-half year period. No doubt, God’s annual rehearsals will soon meet fulfillment, guiding those who believe through the time of trouble and to the culmination of all the ancient prophecies—the return of the King of kings.

The Kingdom Calendar is initiated with major Middle East confrontations, which includes a showdown with Iran. The conflict with Old Persia has been brewing for many years, and a trigger event—likely involving events in Israel—will bring this confrontation to the forefront. Storm clouds are also gathering on the horizon for a major conflagration between Israel and her surrounding enemies, which will propel the opposing global powers toward World War III and nuclear holocaust.

The Kingdom Calendar counting begins with the winter, spring and summer
seasonal celebrations of Purim/Shushan Purim (Jerusalem’s celebration date for Purim),” Passover (Pesach), Pentecost (Shavuot) and Tisha B’Av, and ends three and one-half (3½) years later at the autumn season celebrations of the Feast of Trumpets (Rosh Hashanah), Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur) and Feast of Tabernacles (Sukkot).

Each counting period on The Kingdom Calendar is referenced from the books of Daniel and Revelation, including the 490 days, 1,150 days, 1,290 days, 1,335 days; plus, the short but crucial three and one-half (3½) day period (between Pt. 17 and Pt. 18) found in Daniel 9:27 and Revelation 11:9-11. This demonstrates the connection between the prophetic timelines and Jewish celebration dates, which God established for His divine purposes.

If God should choose the 2016-2019 Biblical Jewish Festival seasons to complete His plan of redemption, the start of global upheaval—including the financial realm—will accelerate in the months that follow the end of the Shemitah Year during the 70th Jubilee Year, which begins on the Day of Atonement, September 23, 2015, and continues through the end of September 2016. During this period we will see the liberation of Jerusalem’s Temple Mount from Muslim control—due to a massive shaking in Israel, and with it the demise of Islamic structures. Out of this destruction and turmoil, war with Islam will accelerate and Israel will begin to enlarge its territory through military conquests—a promise given to the Jews long ago in God’s Word (Joshua 4:1). World War will cause untold devastation, and Antichrist will rise speedily in its wake with many signs and wonders.

If 2016-2019 marks final events, during the second half of The Kingdom Calendar as it nears completion, the last 70 Weeks (490 days)—a counting period written as a last warning of mercy for Israel and Jerusalem—will begin precisely on June 7, 2018 at the culmination of fiftieth (50th) completed year since the liberation of East Jerusalem and the Western Wall during the Six-Day War on June 7, 1967; and, during the seventieth (70th) year since Israel became a nation in 1948.

The 21 Points (or chapters) that follow in this book relate directly to the 21 numbered points on The Kingdom Calendar, beginning with 1 at the top. Only God can choose the method and timing through which His ancient codes of understanding will be sealed, but they most assuredly will be. We know, because this is Messiah's sworn promise to the final generation, according to Daniel 12:9-10. And, He also promised “wisdom to the wise” as He “reveals deep and hidden things” to the seekers of truth (Daniel 2:21-22).

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41 Esther, chapter 9
42 Leviticus 23:4-14
43 Leviticus 23:15-22
44 Zechariah 8:19 (“the fast of the fifth month”)
45 Leviticus 23:23-25
46 Leviticus 23:26-32
47 Leviticus 23:33-44
Nearly 2,000 years ago the disciples were told, “it is not for you to know the times or dates [“times or the seasons”—KJV] the Father has set by His own authority,” (Acts 1:7). However, the last generation, those alive at the end of the age, is promised the “unsealing”—an increase of knowledge into the prophecies of the last days, and a realization of just how and when final events will transpire during the counting periods that will be fulfilled during the appointed time of the end.

The Apostle Paul adds one more caveat—that we live peculiar lives, staying awake, and remaining faithful and watchful for the promised series of events that will lead up to the Day of the LORD. Being caught by surprise is not acceptable: “You, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this Day should surprise you like a thief. You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober,” (1 Thessalonians 5:4-6).

The Dates of Israel’s Seventy (70) Jubilees

The Jubilees clock could have begun ticking in 1416 BC, if the children of Israel entered Canaan that year. If so, the first Jubilee was 49 years later in the fall of 1367 BC, which ran to the fall of the following year (1366 BC). Every 49 years thereafter, another Jubilee would occur to this present age. The 50th Year in each of the Jubilees becomes the 1st year of the next 49 year counting cycle, with 40 Jubilee cycles following Christ’s death to this moment. As already noted, this number is a significant in the Scriptures (pgs. 177-178). The 40 Jubilees after Messiah’s death would bring us to 2015-2016 and the 70th Jubilee. The Kingdom Calendar and the Festival counting periods of Bible prophecy would then lead the faithful to the culmination of all the ancient Hebrew prophecies, the Day of the LORD and the long awaited King and His Kingdom, starting this Jubilee.

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