

Prophecy Fulfilled



Times and Timing

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True Preparation



❧ Unexpected response to last Presentation

❧ Thank you for watching and sharing the previous presentation of my observations from watching. Over 108,000 views, WOW!

❧ Calls from Netherlands, England, Australia – watchers everywhere.

Some seasoned watchers, some new:

❧ Brother Goddard, I came across an online devotional that you gave on the subject of the second coming of Jesus Christ. I stumbled across it on youtube and listened to it just yesterday. I was completely blown away. I have been a member of the church my whole life but feel like I have been asleep! I had no idea any of these signs were occurring. I am one that has not been watching. Thank you for sharing this message. I have been inspired to make this a topic of serious study as I consider many of the things you have shared.

❧ Wonderful! This is my hope and purpose in sharing my presentations.

Commanded to Watch



- ☞ Luke 21:36 **Watch** ye therefore, and **pray** always (and keep my commandments), that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to **stand before the Son** of man (when He shall come clothed in the glory of His Father).
- ☞ I present scriptures, quotes from prophets and my observations. I have not received dreams or revelations and do not represent the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.



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Watcher Cycle



- ❧ Preparation Progression (my perception)
 - ❧ **Phase One:** Curiosity because of friends, messages, video, conference, etc.
 - ❧ Person begins to study and investigate.
 - ❧ **Phase Two:** Acceptance and PANIC!
 - ❧ Focus on physical preparation. Need stuff!! (obedience)
 - ❧ **Phase Three:** Overwhelmed and worried
 - ❧ What about my children, friends, ward members? Can't do or even think of everything. (sacrifice)
 - ❧ **Phase Four:** The Lord's perspective and peace (consecration)
 - ❧ Spiritual preparation in faith, trusting God, joy for the Savior's coming
- ❧ **Question:** Are you a better person, a more spiritual soul, a more devoted disciple, a more Christ-like child of God, since starting your path in preparedness?



Times and Timing



⌘ How is this presentation different from the last one?

⌘ Focus on timing from the scriptures, etc.

⌘ Review and update of last presentation

⌘ Correction from last presentation

⌘ Review different perspectives in interpreting the prophecies



⌘ Important point: If you expect me to tell you a definitive time for the second coming or the events preceding His coming...you will be disappointed.

Christ's Prophecy of Second Coming



The disciples asked the Lord when he would come again (5 versions)

- ❧ **Matthew 24** ... **the sign of thy coming** and of the end of the world?
- ❧ **PGP: JS Matthew**...the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world...?
- ❧ **Mark 13** ...Peter and James and John and Andrew ...Tell us, when shall these things be? And what shall be **the sign** when all these things shall be fulfilled?
- ❧ **Luke 21** ...Master, but when shall these things be? And **what sign**...
- ❧ **D&C 45** ...As ye have asked of me concerning **the signs of my coming**, in the day when I shall come in my glory...

- ❧ **All sources:**
Signs and trials, parable of the fig tree,
commandment to **WATCH**.
- ❧ **Watch for what?**



Second Coming Warnings



After the signs for the temple's destruction, which were all fulfilled, Christ gave the signs of His second coming:

✧ Luke 21:24-27 JST: Now these things he spake unto them, concerning the destruction of Jerusalem. And then his disciples asked him, saying, Master, tell us concerning thy coming? And he answered them, and said, **In the generation in which the times of the Gentiles shall be fulfilled,**) there shall be... (signs described)



Time of the Gentiles



- ☞ Christ says “of that day and that hour knoweth no man” but immediately and repeatedly refers to the generation that will witness His coming
- ☞ Luke 21:32 Verily I say unto you, this **generation**, (JST: **the generation when the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled**), shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled. Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.
- ☞ When is the time of the Gentiles fulfilled?



The Parable of the Fig Tree



- ✧ Matt 24:32-34 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; when its branch is yet tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near: So likewise you, when you shall **see all these things**, know that it is near, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, **this generation** shall not pass away, til all these things be fulfilled.
- ✧ Fig tree represent Israel
- ✧ When you shall see all Israel blossom, fulfillment is within a generation



Time of the Gentiles-Fulfilled



- ☞ Luke 21: 24 ...until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.
- ☞ Orson Pratt: “That the times of the Gentiles are not yet fulfilled is proven by the fact that Jerusalem is still in **possession of the Gentiles**, and under their control...hundreds of thousands of the twelve tribes will return to Palestine, and **their capital city will be Jerusalem**, not Samaria.”
(JD 16:342)
- ☞ Parley P. Pratt “Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles until the times of the **Gentiles be fulfilled**...The people who shall live when the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled... **the generation that will be alive when Jerusalem and the Jews are about to be restored ...**“Then shall they see ...The Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.” (JD 3:132)



Time of the Gentiles-Fulfilled



- ☞ Luke 21: 24 And Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, **until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.**
- ☞ Gentiles populated Israel until 1947, Jerusalem until 1967 when the Jews returned. So, if the times of the gentiles was fulfilled, that generation will not pass away until all is fulfilled.



Generations



Is the prophesied generation alive today?

- ☞ Pres. Benson reviewed the same prophecies of Christ and then declared: “Youth of Zion, do you realize you are living in the days of the fulfillment of these signs and wonders? You are among those who **will see many of these prophecies fulfilled**. Just as certain as was the destruction of the temple at Jerusalem and the scattering of the Jews, **so shall these words of the Savior be certain to your generation.**”
(1982 BYU Devotional, May New Era- Prepare Yourself for the Great Day of the Lord)

☞ What is the significance of **generations**?

- ☞ Prophecies and powers, judgment and retribution, promises and blessings



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Surely our Prophets would warn us!



- ❧ Pres. Benson: Knowing what we know as His servants, can we hesitate to raise a warning voice to all who will listen that they may be prepared for the days ahead? Silence in the face of such calamity is sin! (Prepare Yourself for the Great Day of the Lord.)
- ❧ What about our living Prophet and Apostles?

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✧ Elder Eyring: Sisters in Zion

“I am blessed to speak during this wonderful time in the world’s history. Every day, we are **approaching closer** to the glorious moment when the **Savior Jesus Christ will come to earth again**. We know something of the **terrible events that will precede His coming**, yet our hearts swell with joy and confidence also knowing of the glorious promises that will be fulfilled before He returns...you will play a **crucial part in the grand times ahead**. We know that the Savior will come to a people who have been **gathered and prepared** to live as the people did in the city of Enoch.”



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✧ Elder Eyring: Sisters in Zion

“...to **gather out my elect** from the four quarters of the earth, **unto a place which I shall prepare**...Zion, a New Jerusalem. You sisters...will be at the heart of creating that society of people who will join in glorious association with the Savior. You will be an essential force in the **gathering of Israel** and in the creation of a Zion people who will dwell in peace in the New Jerusalem.”



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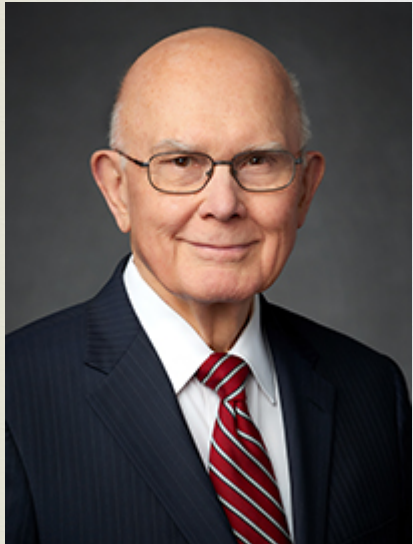


∞ **Elder Eyring:** Tested, Proved, and Polished

∞ “As you live worthy of the gift of the Holy Ghost, the Lord can direct you to **safety** even when you cannot see the way. (Referred to Joseph in Liberty Jail)



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∞ Elder Oaks: Love Your Enemies

“The **Constitution** and laws contain no invitation to revolution or anarchy.”

∞ Elder Oaks: Be of Good Cheer

“...we often give thanks that our physical challenges — **apart from earthquakes, fires, floods, and hurricanes** — are usually less than our predecessors faced.” (Referred to Joseph in Liberty jail.)

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✧ **Elder Uchtdorf:** God Will Do Something Unimaginable

He told how building of SL Temple was interrupted but led to the discovery and repair of flaws in the foundation. “This story can teach us how God uses adversity to bring about His purposes...I doubt there is a person who hears my voice or reads my words who has not been affected by the worldwide pandemic...**this virus did not catch Heavenly Father by surprise...**God has **prepared** His children and His Church for this time...the righteous are not given a free pass...things **might get worse before they get better...**with Christ at the helm, things will not only be all right; they will be **unimaginable**. (Referred to Joseph in Liberty Jail.)



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✧ **Elder Ballard:** *Watch Ye Therefore, and Pray Always*
“Among the “things that shall come to pass” before His Second Coming are “**wars and rumours of wars [,] ...famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.**” In the Doctrine and Covenants, the Savior said, “And all things shall be in **commotion**; ... for fear shall come upon all people.” Certainly, we live in a time during which things are in commotion.” Description of violence, moral denigration, pandemic, economic upheaval, riots, conflict.
“...we stand today at a **major crossroads in history**, and the nations of the earth are in desperate need of divine inspiration and guidance...Humbling ourselves and seeking heaven’s inspiration to endure or conquer what is before us will be our safest and surest way to move confidently forward **through these troubling times.**”

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✧ **Elder Holland: Waiting on the Lord**

“The point is that faith means **trusting God in good times and bad**, even if that includes some suffering until we see His arm revealed in our behalf...**Christianity is comforting, but it is often not comfortable.** .” (Refers to Joseph in Liberty Jail)



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✧ Elder Bednar: We Will Prove Them Herewith

“Some Church members opine that emergency plans and supplies, food storage, and 72-hour kits must not be important anymore because the Brethren have not spoken recently and extensively about these and related topics in general conference. But **repeated admonitions to prepare have been proclaimed by leaders of the Church for decades.** The consistency of prophetic counsel over time creates a **powerful concert of clarity and a warning volume far louder** than solo performances can ever produce...We learn for example, in the parable of the ten virgins that procrastinating preparation leads to unsuccessful proving...**Now is the time to prepare and prove ourselves willing and able to do all things whatsoever the Lord our God shall command us.**”

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✧ **Elder Bednar:** We Will Prove Them Herewith

“As we “press forward with a steadfastness in Christ, having a perfect brightness of hope, and a love of God and of all men,” we are blessed with an eternal perspective and vision that stretches far beyond our limited mortal capacity. We will be **enabled to “gather together, and stand in holy places”** and “be not moved, until the day of the Lord come.”

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✧ Elder Cook: Hearts Knit in Righteousness and Unity

“It has been 200 years since the Father and His Son first appeared and commenced the Restoration of the gospel of Jesus Christ in 1820. The account in 4 Nephi in the Book of Mormon includes a **similar 200-year period** after the Savior appeared and established His Church in ancient America...Unfortunately, 4 Nephi then describes a dramatic change that began in the “two hundred and first year,” when iniquity and division destroyed righteousness and unity...**At this 200-year hinge point in our Church history**, let us commit ourselves as members of the Lord’s Church to live righteously and be united as never before.”



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✧ **Elder Christofferson:** Sustainable Societies

“...Unfortunately,...the ideal society described in 4 Nephi of the Book of Mormon did not endure beyond its second century. Sustainability is not guaranteed, and a **thriving society can fail in time if it abandons the cardinal virtues that uphold its peace and prosperity**...When one has no higher god than himself and seeks no greater good than satisfying his own appetites and preferences, the effects will be manifest in due course.”

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✧ Elder Anderson: We Talk of Christ

“A recent study revealed that in the last 10 years, 30 million people in the United States have stepped away from believing in the divinity of Jesus Christ. Looking worldwide, another study predicts that in the decades ahead, more than twice as many will leave Christianity as will embrace it...

I witness that the day will come when every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is the Christ...everything in our worship should point to the Lord Jesus Christ...In the days ahead, those who believe in Jesus Christ will need the friendship and support of one another...Nothing lifts my desire to speak of Christ more than visualizing His return. While we do not know when He will come, the events of His return will be breathtaking!...Can you imagine being caught up to meet Him, whether on this side or the other side of the veil? That is His promise to the righteous. This amazing experience will mark our souls forever.”



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✧ **Elder Rasband:** Recommended to the Lord

“Let me emphasize, whether you have access to a temple or not, you **need a current temple recommend** to stay firmly on the covenant path.”

✧ **Elder Soares:** Seek Christ in Every Thought

“In his historic and touching message from April this year, our dear prophet, President Russell M. Nelson, made a promise that all those who are willing to “hear Him” – hear Jesus Christ – and obey His commandments “will be blessed with additional power to deal with temptations, struggles, and weakness” and that our capacity to feel joy will increase, **even during the increasing current turbulence.** (Refers to Joseph in Liberty Jail)



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☞ **Elder Stevenson:** Highly Favored of the Lord

“...’A home-centered Church, supported by what takes place inside our...buildings.’ What a **prophetic adjustment!**...I believe that in this life, and in the life to come, your afflictions, your Ammonihah, your Liberty Jail, will be consecrated for your gain.” (Referred to Joseph in Liberty Jail)



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President Nelson: Embrace the Future with Faith

“Admittedly, the Lord has spoken of **our day in sobering terms**. He warned that in our day “men’s hearts [would fail] them” and that even the **very elect would be at risk** of being deceived. He told the Prophet Joseph Smith that “**peace [would] be taken from the earth**” and **calamities would befall mankind**.

Yet the Lord has also provided a vision of how remarkable this dispensation is. He inspired the prophet Joseph Smith to declare that “the work of ... these last days, is one of vast magnitude. ... Its **glories are past description, and its grandeur unsurpassable**.”

Now, *grandeur* may not be the word you would choose to describe these past few months! How *are* we to deal with both the somber prophecies and the glorious pronouncements about our day? The Lord told us how with simple, but stunning, reassurance: “**If ye are prepared ye shall not fear**.”



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President Nelson: Embrace the Future with Faith

“If preparation is our key to embracing this dispensation and our future with faith, **how can we best prepare?**”

For decades, the Lord’s prophets have urged us to **store food, water, and financial reserves for a time of need.** The current pandemic has reinforced the wisdom of that counsel. I urge you to take steps to be temporally prepared. But I am even more concerned about your **spiritual and emotional preparation...** Moroni prepared his people in three essential ways. First, he helped them create areas where they would be safe – “**places of security**” he called them. Second, he prepared “the minds of the people to be faithful unto the Lord.” And third, he **never stopped preparing** his people – physically or spiritually.”



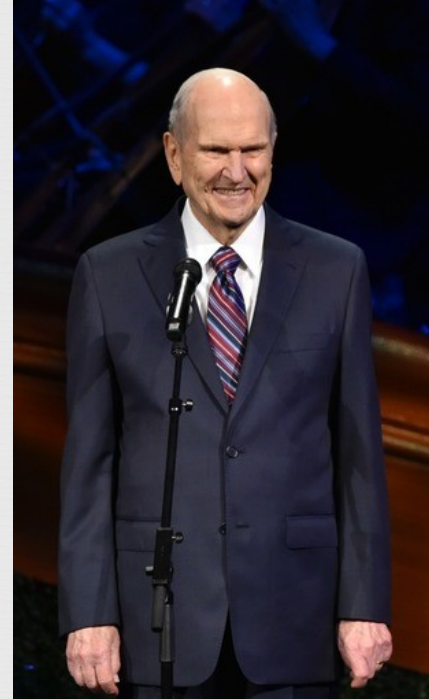
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President Nelson: Embrace the Future with Faith

“The Lord has promised that if we will ask, we may receive ‘revelation upon revelation.’ I promise that as you increase your capacity to receive revelation, the **Lord will bless you with increased direction for your life** and with boundless gifts of the Spirit”

“The adversary never stops attacking. So, **we can never stop preparing!** The more **self-reliant** we are – temporally, emotionally, and spiritually – the more prepared we are to thwart Satan’s relentless assaults...The Lord placed you here now because He knew you had the capacity to negotiate the complexities of the **latter part of these latter days**...I am not saying that the days ahead will be easy, but I promise you that the **future will be glorious for those who are prepared** and who continue to prepare to be instruments in the Lord’s hands.”



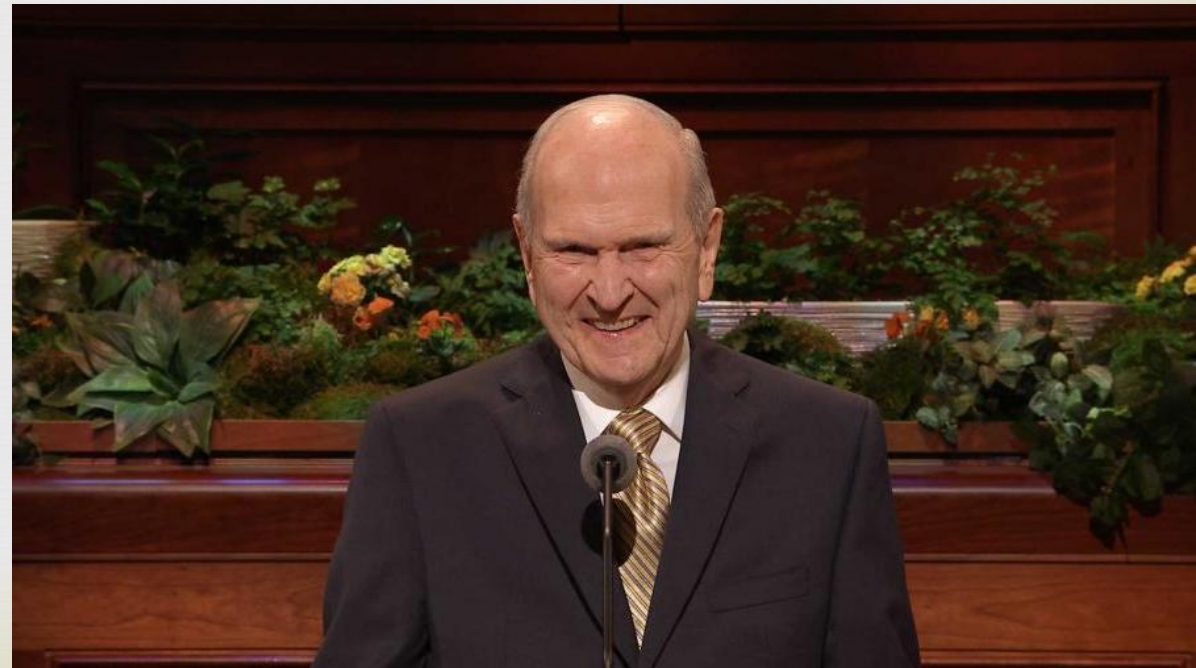
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🌀 **President Nelson:** Embrace the Future with Faith

“My dear sisters, let us not just endure this current season. Let us embrace the future with faith!

Turbulent times are opportunities for us to thrive spiritually. They are times when our influence can be much more penetrating than in calmer times.”

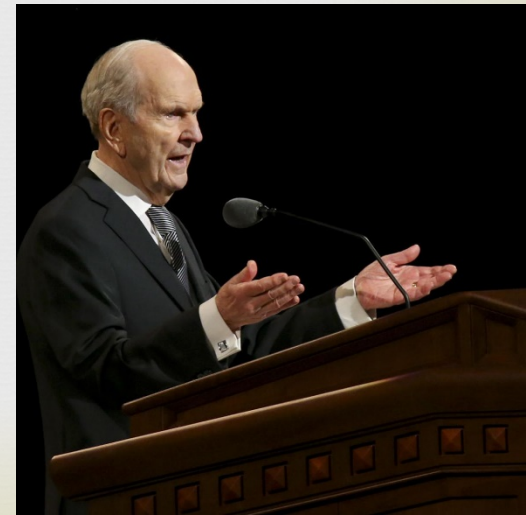


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✧ **President Nelson:** Let God Prevail

“For the more than 36 years I’ve been an Apostle, the doctrine of the gathering of Israel has captured my attention...and the **numerous prophecies about the gathering in our day**...For centuries prophets have foretold this gathering, and **it is happening right now!** As an essential **prelude to the Second Coming of the Lord**, it is *the most important work in the world!*...Are you willing to have your will swallowed up in His? During these perilous times of which the Apostle Paul Prophesied, (2 Timothy 3:1-13) Satan is no longer even trying to hide his attacks on God’s plan. Emboldened evil abounds. Therefore, the **only way to survive spiritually** is to be determined to let God prevail in our lives, to learn to hear His voice, and to use our energy to help gather Israel.”



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President Nelson: A New Normal

“We live in a **glorious age**, foreseen by prophets for centuries. This is the dispensation when no spiritual blessing will be withheld from the righteous. Despite the world’s **commotion** (D&C 45, 88), the Lord would have us look forward to the future ‘with joyful anticipation.’ ...**live each day so that you are more prepared to meet your Maker...** May we go forward together to fulfill our divine mandate — that of **preparing ourselves and the world for the Second Coming of the Lord.**”



President Nelson, Our Prophet



☞ “Just think of the excitement and urgency of it all: every prophet commencing with Adam has seen our day. And every prophet has talked about *our* day, when Israel would be gathered and the world would be prepared for the Second Coming of the Savior. Think of it! Of all the people who have ever lived on planet earth, ***we are the ones who get to participate in this final, great gathering event.*** How exciting is that! Our Heavenly Father has reserved many of His most noble spirits – perhaps, I might say, His finest team – for this final phase. Those noble spirits – those finest players, those heroes – are *you!*” (Hope of Israel, Worldwide Youth Devotional, June 3, 2018)

“Our Savior and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, will perform some of His mightiest works between now and when He comes again. **We will see miraculous indications that God the Father and His Son, Jesus Christ, preside over this Church in majesty and glory,**” (“Revelation for the Church, Revelation for Our Lives,” Apr. 2018 general conference).

☞ “Do the spiritual work to find out for yourselves, and please do it now. **Time is running out.**” (Come Follow Me, April 2019 GC)



President Nelson, Our Prophet



“We are just building up to the climax of this last dispensation – when the Savior’s Second Coming becomes a reality.”

The Future of the Church,

Preparing the World for the Savior’s Second Coming, April 2020, 200 Years of Light: 1820-2020



“But perhaps these days are more “latter” than we have ever imagined.” Sister Nelson, Hope of Israel, Worldwide Youth Devotional, June 3, 2018

Are members of the church preparing? What percent believe its soon and are actively preparing?

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Why Now?



Broken Covenants

Abrahamic Covenant

Abrahamic Blessings given:

Promised land, prosperity, posterity, protection



Abrahamic Blessings taken:

Shemita 2001: Protection – 9/11 (Isaiah 9, The Harbinger)

Shemita 2008: Prosperity – Financial crash

Shemita 2015: Posterity – Redefined family

Shemita 2022: Promised land – war?

Why Now?



Broken Covenants – Nephite Covenant

And he said: Thus saith the Lord God – **Cursed shall be the land**, yea, this land, unto every nation, kindred, tongue, and people, **unto destruction**, which do wickedly, when they are fully ripe. Alma 45:16

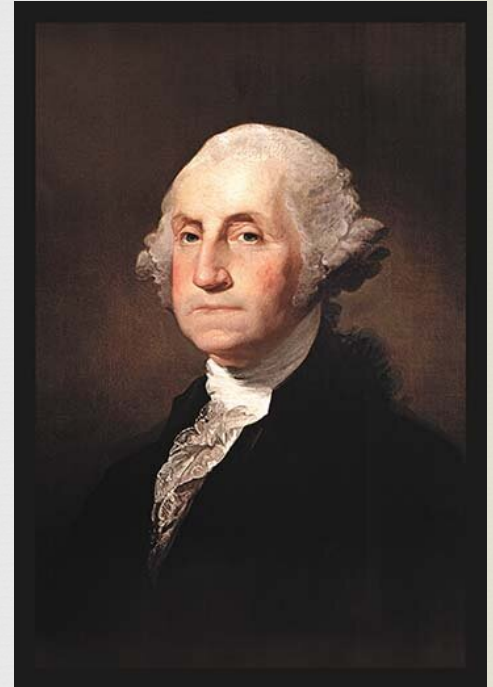


Why Now?



Broken Covenants – American

George Washington Inauguration: “No People can be bound to **acknowledge and adore the invisible hand**, which conducts the Affairs of men more than the People of the United States. Every step, by which they have advanced to the character of an independent nation, seems to have been distinguished by some token of **providential agency**...Since we ought to be no less persuaded that the propitious **smiles of Heaven**, can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and right, which Heaven itself has ordained”



Why Now?



Broken Commandments

- 10 Commandments

 - Mocking God

 - Immorality, Porn \$12 B in U.S., \$100 B globally

 - Breaking Sabbath

Further, we warn that the disintegration of the family will bring upon individuals, communities and nations the calamities foretold by ancient and modern prophets. (The Family Proclamation)



Why Now?



❧ Rejecting the Messiah

❧ **Elder Anderson:** *We Talk of Christ*

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But the Timing Was Known



Speech by Israel Prime Minister Netanyahu to the United Nations 9/19/17 referring to the historic year 2017 - Jewish year 5777 - Jubilee Year (Jubilee Year = Year following 7 Shemitas {Sabbath Years} of 7 years)

- ❧ 120 years ago (1897): first Zionist conference organized by Theodore Herzl - Modern Moses
- ❧ 100 years ago (1917): Balfour declaration giving Jews the right to a national homeland. (Jubilee).
- ❧ 70 years ago (1947): U.N. declared the rights of the Jews to a national homeland
- ❧ 50 years ago (1967): Jews returned to Jerusalem (Jubilee)
- ❧ **Was 2017 significant? Take note in the following slides.**



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Wickedness and Broken Covenants

→ 2017 (5777) Significance:

9/11/01 Attack -
Isaiah 9:10 100 years from Balfour (1917 - Jubilee), 70 years from UN (1947), 50 years from Jerusalem return (1967 - Jubilee)

Watch for These Signs



☞ Luke 21:24-27 Signs in the Generation

☞ ...signs in the sun, and in the moon and in the stars;

CELESTIAL SIGNS

☞ and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity;

DISTRESS OF NATIONS

☞ the sea and waves roaring; (The earth also shall be troubled, and the waters of the great deep;)

NATURAL DISASTER

☞ Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

FEAR FROM EVENTS AND HEAVEN'S POWER SHAKEN

☞ And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.



Wickedness brings the Signs of Judgment!



☞ Celestial Signs



☞ Distress of Nations



Christ's
Propheesied
Signs

☞ Natural Disasters



(Update)

☞ Fear, Heavens Shaken



Celestial Signs



Sun darkened

Isaiah 13:10, Joel 2:10, 31; 3:15, Matt. 24:29, Mark 13:24, Luke 21:25, Acts 2:20, 2 Nephi 23:10, Rev. 6:12, 8:12, D&C 29:14, 34:9, 45:42, 133:49

Moon turned to blood (darkened)

Isaiah 13:10, 24:23, Ezekiel 32:7-8, Joel 2:10, 31, 3:15, Matt. 24:29, Mark 13:24, Luke 21:25, Acts 2:20, Rev. 6:12, 2 Nephi 23:10, D&C 29:14, 34:9, 45:2, 133:49

Stars Falling

Matt. 24:29, Luke 21:25, Rev. 6:12, 8:10, 8:12, D&C 133:49

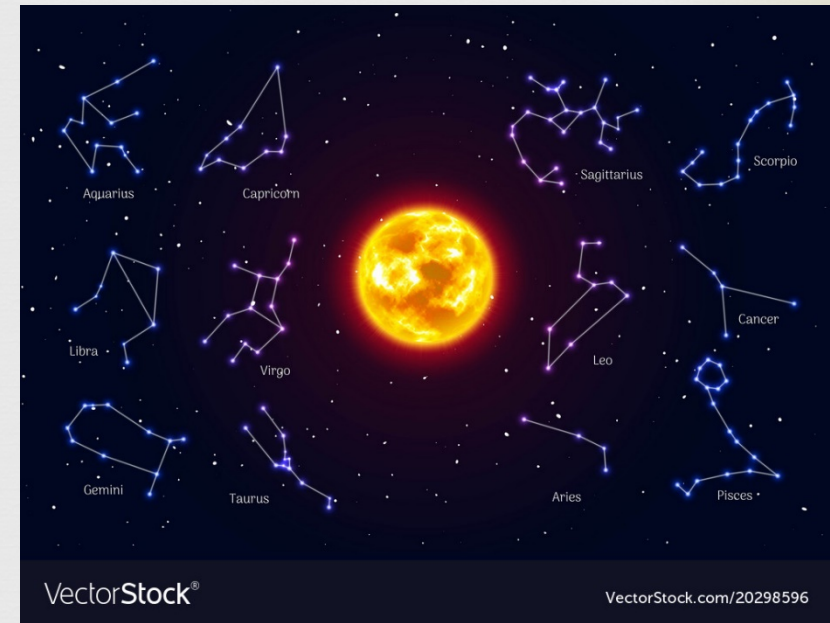
Celestial Signs



☞ What heavenly signs should we expect?

☞ Matthew 16:4 The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a **sign from heaven**. (Sign in Hebrew means **constellation**. Healings and raising people from the dead were not enough, the Jews believed in heavenly signs.)

☞ "He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the **signs of the times**? A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, **but the sign of the prophet Jonas**.



Celestial Signs Given?



☞ Are there enough Celestial Signs to fulfill Christ's prophecy?

☞ Sign of Jonas: Sign of the Times, Eclipse – 2017 and 2024

☞ Sign of the Woman from the book of Revelation--2017

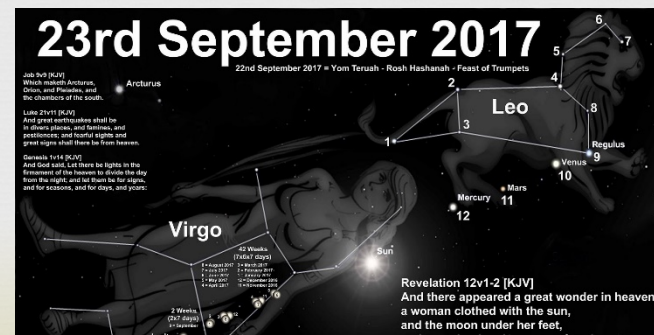
☞ Also the "Star of Bethlehem" reoccurrence in 2015 – first time since 3-2 BC

☞ Conjunction of Venus, Jupiter, and Mars (Times of Israel)

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☞ Sextet of "blood moons" – 2014-15

☞ Dec 21, 2020 – conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn.
First since 2000, closest since 1623.



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2017 (5777) Significance:

Signs in Heavens

Sun

Eclipse (Sign of Jonah) 3.5 7 Years 3.5 Eclipse (Sign of the Times)

Moon

Blood Moons ↔

Stars

Star of Bethlehem? Sign of Woman Woman (Church) Protected for 1260 days (3.5 years to March 5, 2021)

Israel

Distress of Nations



War

Isaiah 13:15-18, Ezekial 32:11-13, Joel 2:11, Matt 24:6-7, Mark 13:8,
Luke 21:10, 2 Nephi 23:15, D&C 45:63

End of Nations

D&C 87:6

Economic, Cultural, Political Turmoil

Distress: Political



Orson Pratt and Politics of the Last Days

“It has been revealed that the time will come in the history of our nations, that **one State will rise against another**, one city against another, even every man’s hand shall be against his neighbor, until the whole Republic will be in **general commotion and warfare**...For aught we know, the fulfillment of this prophecy may **grow out of politics**. If the people are very nearly equally divided in politics, this feeling may run so high, in years to come, as to be the **direct cause of war**. And if this should be the case, it would very naturally spread to every neighborhood in the Union.”



Distress: Political



Orson Pratt and Politics of the Last Days (Continued)

“One class of political opponents would rise up against the other class in the same city and country, and thus would arise a war of mobocracy. If a war of this description should take place, who would carry on his business in safety? Who would feel safe to put his crops in the ground or to carry on any enterprise? There would be fleeing from one State to another, and **general confusion** would exist throughout the whole Republic. Such eventually is to be the condition of this whole nation, if the people do not repent of their wickedness; and such a state of affairs means no more or less than the **complete overthrow of the nation**, and not only of this nation, but the nations of Europe”

Orson Pratt, Journal of Discourses, Vol.20 p.150-151,
March 9, 1879



Distress: Race Riots



President Benson, Sept. GC 1967

“As far back as 1928, the communists declared that the cultural, economic, and social differences between the races in America could be **exploited by them to create the animosity, fear, and hatred** between large segments of our people that would be necessary beginning ingredients for their revolution. Briefly, the three broad objectives were – and are – as follows:

- Create Hatred

- Trigger Violence

- Overthrow Established Government”

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President Benson

- “1. **Create Hatred.** Use any means to **agitate blacks into hating whites and whites into hating blacks.** Work both sides of the split. Play up and **exaggerate real grievances.** If necessary, don’t hesitate to **manufacture false stories** and rumors about injustices and brutality. Create **martyrs** for both sides. Play upon mass emotions until they smolder with resentment and hatred.
- “2. **Trigger Violence.** Put the emotional mases into the streets in the form of **large mobs,** the larger the better. It makes no difference if the mob is told to **demonstrate “peacefully”** so long as it is brought into direct confrontation with the antagonist. Merely bringing the two emotionally charged groups together is like mixing oxygen and hydrogen. All that is needed is one tiny spark. If the spark is not forthcoming from purely spontaneous causes, **create it.”**

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“3. **Overthrow Established Government.** Once mob violence becomes widespread and commonplace, **condition** those who are emotionally involved to accept violence as the only way to “settle the score” once and for all. Provide leadership and training for guerrilla warfare. Institute discipline and terrorism to insure at least **passive support** from the larger inactive segment of the population. Train and battle-harden leadership through sporadic riots and battles with police. Finally, at the appointed time, **launch as all-out simultaneous offensive** in every city.”

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“...And what if riots come? Then **more government housing, government welfare, government job training, and, finally, federal control over police.** Thus the essential economic and political structure of Communism can be built entirely “legally” and in **apparent response to the wishes of the people** who have clamored for some kind of solution to the problems played-up, aggravated, or created outright by Communists for just that purpose... As President David O. McKay has stated, "The position of this Church on the subject of communism has never changed. We consider it the **greatest Satanical threat to peace, prosperity and the spread of God's work among men that exists on the face of the earth.**" (*Conference Report*, April 1966, p. 109)¹³ He has also counseled that, "next to being one in worshipping God, there is nothing in this world upon which this Church should be more united than in **upholding and defending the Constitution of the United States!**" (President David O. McKay, *The Instructor*, 1956, p. 94)

Ezra Taft Benson: General Conference September 29, 1967 Trust Not in the Arm of Flesh

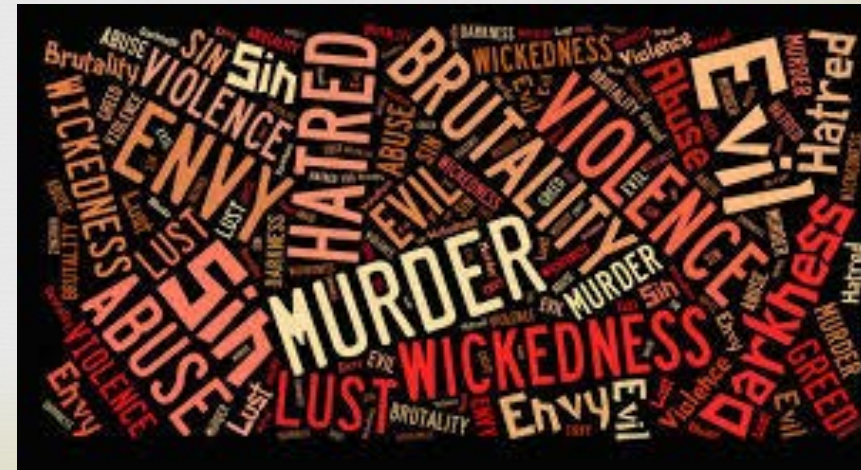
Distress: Wickedness



Sound familiar?

“...in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be **lovers of their own selves**, covetous, **boasters**, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, **unthankful**, unholy, **without natural affection**, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, **despisers of those that are good**, traitors, heady, highminded, **lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God**; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof...ever learning, and **never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.**”
2 Timothy 3: 2-5

And in that day... make a man **an offender for a word**, and lay a snare for him that reproveth in the gate, and turn aside the just for a thing of nought.
Isaiah 29:18-21



Distress of Nations



Review of global distress

China

- 1.8 Billion US military aid to Taiwan
- China threatens retaliation over US-Taiwan arms sale
- China President tells soldiers to prepare for war

Middle East (especially Israel)

- Peace deals expanding, continue after election?

Russia

- Disinformation campaigns, election meddling, etc.



World Situation



Is there sufficient Distress of Nations to fulfill Christ's prophecy?

Political Unrest

Riots

Mobs

Offended for a word

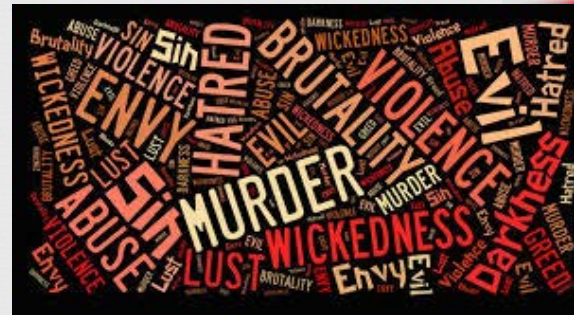
Religious Liberty Under Attack

Economic Insecurity

Covid Disruptions

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Natural Disasters



Earthquakes

Isaiah 13:13, Joel 2:10, 3:16, Matt 24:29, 24:7, Mark 13:8, Luke 21:11, Rev. 6:12-14, 8:5, 11:13 & 19, 16:18, 2 Nephi 23:13, 27:2, D&C 87:6

Hail/Fire

Isaiah 66:15-16, Rev. 8:7, D&C 29:16, 45:41

Famine, Plague, Pestilence

Matt 24:7, Mark 13:8, Luke 21:11, D&C 87:6

Sea, Thunder, Lightning

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2020 Disasters



- ∞ Pandemic/Plague: Coronavirus 42.8 M cases, 1.15 M deaths
- ∞ Weather: Hurricane Zeta now approaching Gulf, ties record for named
- ∞ Locusts: Swarms continue in Ethiopia and Somalia
- ∞ Civil Unrest: Riots continue (Election spike?)
- ∞ Fires: California, Colorado
- ∞ Drought: Continuing worldwide
- ∞ Famine: “Historical levels”, “biblical proportions” expected
- ∞ Earthquakes/Volcanoes: M 7.6 in Alaska (Oct 19)



Natural Disasters



☞ Are there sufficient natural disasters to fulfill the prophecy?

☞ "...and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows." (Matt 24:7-8)

☞ Word for sorrows in Greek means birth pains – periodic pain, increasing in frequency as delivery approaches. From when the "times of the Gentiles fulfilled"?



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Fear

Luke 21:26, Rev 6:15-17

Elect Deceived

Matt. 24:24

Church Tried

Heaven's Power Shaken: Apostasy



How would heaven's power be shaken? Is it now?



Fear and Heaven's Power



Are the heaven's power being shaken?

Fear rampant

Temples mostly closed, Churches were closed

Missionaries mostly local

Belief in God and Christ dwindling, persecution

First Presidency Temporarily Closes All Temples



Coronavirus brings hundreds of LDS missionaries back to Utah



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Future Timing Scenarios



Revelation Timing

Daniel Timing

Timing Clues in the Scriptures



✧ Generation of the return

✧ Half hour of silence (20.8 years or 30 minutes)

✧ Represents warning that the bridegroom is coming (10 virgins)

✧ 3.5 years (Times, Time and a half; 42 months; 1260 days)

✧ 7 years (?)

✧ 70 years



Scripture Periods: 1/2 Hour



- ❧ Rev.8 Open 7th seal, silence for 1/2 hour (20.8 years)
- ❧ Then: Voices, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake
- ❧ First Angel: Hail and fire mingled with blood
- ❧ Second Angel: Mountain of fire in the sea (undersea volcano?)
- ❧ Third Angel: A great star falls from heaven (asteroid/nuclear attack?)
- ❧ Fourth Angel: Sun, moon and stars darkened
- ❧ Fifth Angel: War
- ❧ Sixth Angel: War
- ❧ Seventh Angel: The Coming

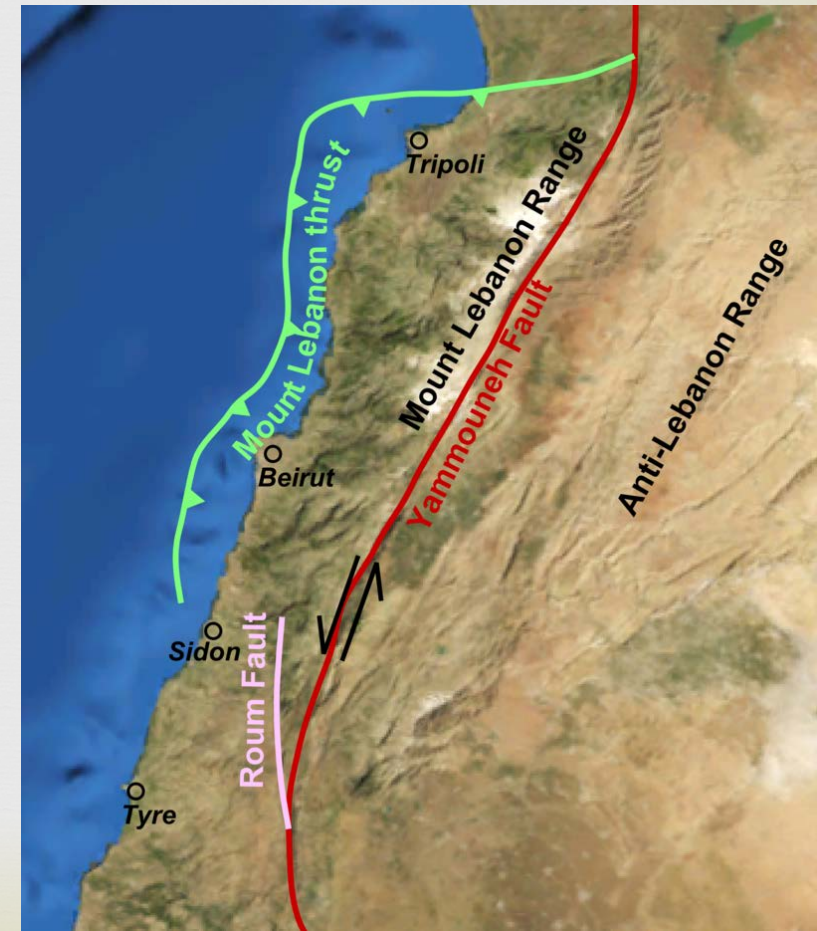


Has the Seventh Seal Opened?



☞ Sixth seal: Rev. 6-7

- ☞ Great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood, heaven as scroll, mountain and island moved, people hide
- ☞ 1202 Syria earthquake included Jerusalem and reportedly killed 1.1 million people. Caused a tsunami and failure of the Nile, resulting in famine and epidemics.
- ☞ Description seems to refer to later events: Isaiah 34:4, Rev. 16 (associated with 7th angel and Armageddon, after ½ hour), D&C 88



Sixth Seal Preparation for Seventh



☞ Sixth seal: Rev. 6-7

☞ “Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, (events that will happen in the 7th seal) till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.” Seal 144,000, 12,000 from each tribe, virgins (Rev 14:4), high priests

☞ Where do you find so many from each tribe? Lost ten tribes? Sealed to do what?

☞ Multitude before the throne, white robes, palms, angels. Came out of tribulation, washed their robes. Before the throne of God and serve in God’s temple, God dwells among them.

☞ Sounds like events in heaven to prepare for second coming. City of Enoch preparations? (Some think it is fulfilled by the Palmyra Temple Dedication)



Church Position on Seventh Seal



Seventh Seal Opening

- ☞ D&C 77:7 “...the first seal contains the things of the first thousand years, and the second also of the second thousand years, and so on until the **seventh.**”
- ☞ Church website: Book of Revelation Overview (Seals)
 - ☞ “5. (Rev. 6:9-11 – about AD 1 to AD 1000)
John sees the martyrs for Christ of the early Christian era.
 - ☞ 6. (About AD 1000 to AD 2000)
Great Earthquake (Rev. 6:12-17)
 - ☞ 7. (About AD 2000 to AD 3000)
Six Judgments (Rev.8 and Rev.9)”
- ☞ If still in the 6th seal, we still have the 20.8 years of silence when 7th opens

The Seventh Seal Opened



- ❧ April Conference 2020 like none other:
 - ❧ Celebrating the 200th anniversary of the first vision
 - ❧ No audience in the Conference Center, temple in China and Dubai
 - ❧ Proclamation to the world of the restoration of the fulness of the gospel
 - ❧ Those prepared by prophets for a “Home Centered Church” will watch from their homes in the midst of a global pandemic
- ❧ April 6, 2000 Palmyra, NY Temple Dedication
 - ❧ 77th Dedicated temple, 100th announced temple
 - ❧ Exactly 170 years from the church organization
 - ❧ First temple dedication to be broadcast via satellite to every tongue and people
 - ❧ Over 1,300 sites, dressed in white, waved white handkerchiefs representing palm leaves, representing the phrase “God Save Us” Rev. 7:9-11
- ❧ Then ½ hour of silence in heaven (20.8 years). Then tribulations.

Scripture Periods: 1/2 Hour



☞ D&C 88

- ☞ Not many days hence (1833): earth tremble, sun hide, moon blood, stars cast down, wrath, earthquakes, thunderings, lightnings, tempests, waves, hearts fail, angel trumps, great sign in heaven seen by all people, great church bound, sound trump and all hear – shall be silence in heaven for 1/2 hour (20.8 years? Maybe 30 minutes)
- ☞ Then: Immediately heaven unfolded as scroll, face of Lord unveiled, saints caught up, then trumps (7 resurrections, report on 7 millenia, Satan bound for a thousand years.)
- ☞ Does not appear that this is the 1/2 hour of Revelation. Maybe parallelism between God's time revelation and earth time revelation for two different events in the return.
- ☞ Makes a big difference on timelines.

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Scripture Periods: 3.5 Years



☞ This time periods occur seven times in scripture:

- Daniel 7:25, "time, times and a half".
- Daniel 12:7, "time, times and a half".
- Revelation 11:2, "42 months"
- Revelation 11:3, "1260 days"
- Revelation 12:6, "1260 days"
- Revelation 12:14, "time, times and a half"
- Revelation 13:5, "42 months"



Are these additive (24.5 yrs), are some the same event, simultaneous, overlapping? How do they relate to the "7 year tribulation"?

Scripture Periods: 3.5 Years

Seven 3.5 Year References		Start	Period
Church Protected	Rev. 12:6	Sign of woman in the heavens , woman (church of God) fled into the wilderness	fled (safe, protected) for 1260 days
	Rev. 12:14	Woman (church of God) given wings to fly into the wilderness from the serpent. Not associated with the sign described?	nourished for a time, and times, and half a time
Anti-Christ Rule (World)	Rev. 13:5	Power given to the beast speaking great things and blasphemies, to make war with the saints , over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations	for 42 months
	Dan. 7:25	King after 10 kings, speaking against God, wear out the saints , changes times and laws.	Saints given into his hands for time, times and dividing of time. Then destroyed. Kingdom given to the saints of the most High.
Jerusalem	Rev. 11:2	Gentile tread the holy city under foot , then reference to two prophets	42 months
	Rev. 11:3	Power unto my two witnesses , and they shall prophesy	for 1260 days in sackcloth
Temple Timeline	Dan. 12: 7, 11,	Time of trouble as never before , dead awaken, wise and righteous shine-" How long shall it be to the end of these wonders? " From the time when he shall scatter the power of the holy people.(Daniel asked for an explanation) Explanation: from time that the daily sacrifice is taken and abomination set up	Time, times and and half til "all these things shall be finished." 1290 days to the "end of these things", "at the end of the days."

Seven Days (Years)

1 WEEK
TO GO



☞ Daniel 9

☞ 27 And he shall confirm the **covenant with many for one week** (1 week, 7 years — only reference to 7-year period of tribulation): and in the midst of the week he shall cause the **sacrifice and the oblation to cease** (after 3.5 years), and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.”

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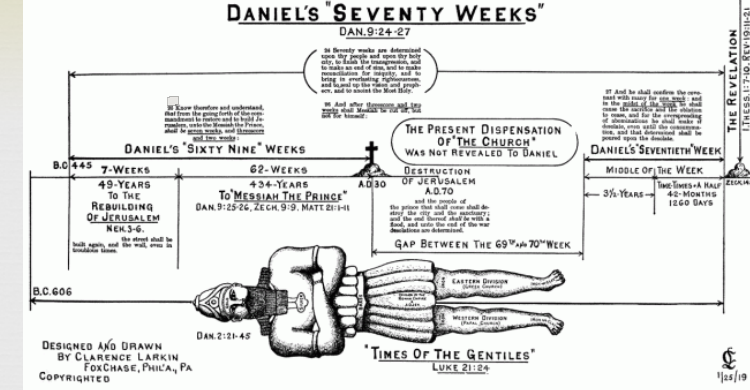
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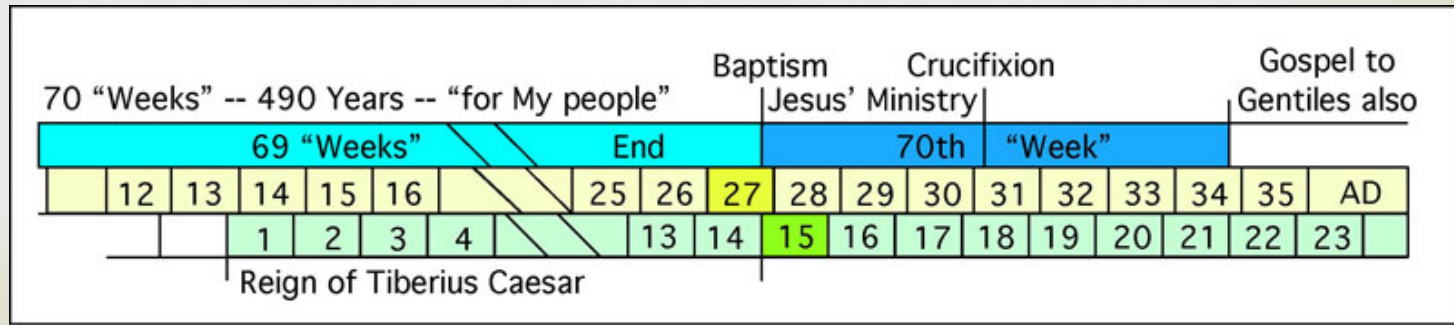
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- 25 “Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.” (7 weeks and 62 weeks- 483 days-years? From commandment to rebuild Jerusalem to the Messiah.)
- 26 “And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, (434 years) but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.”
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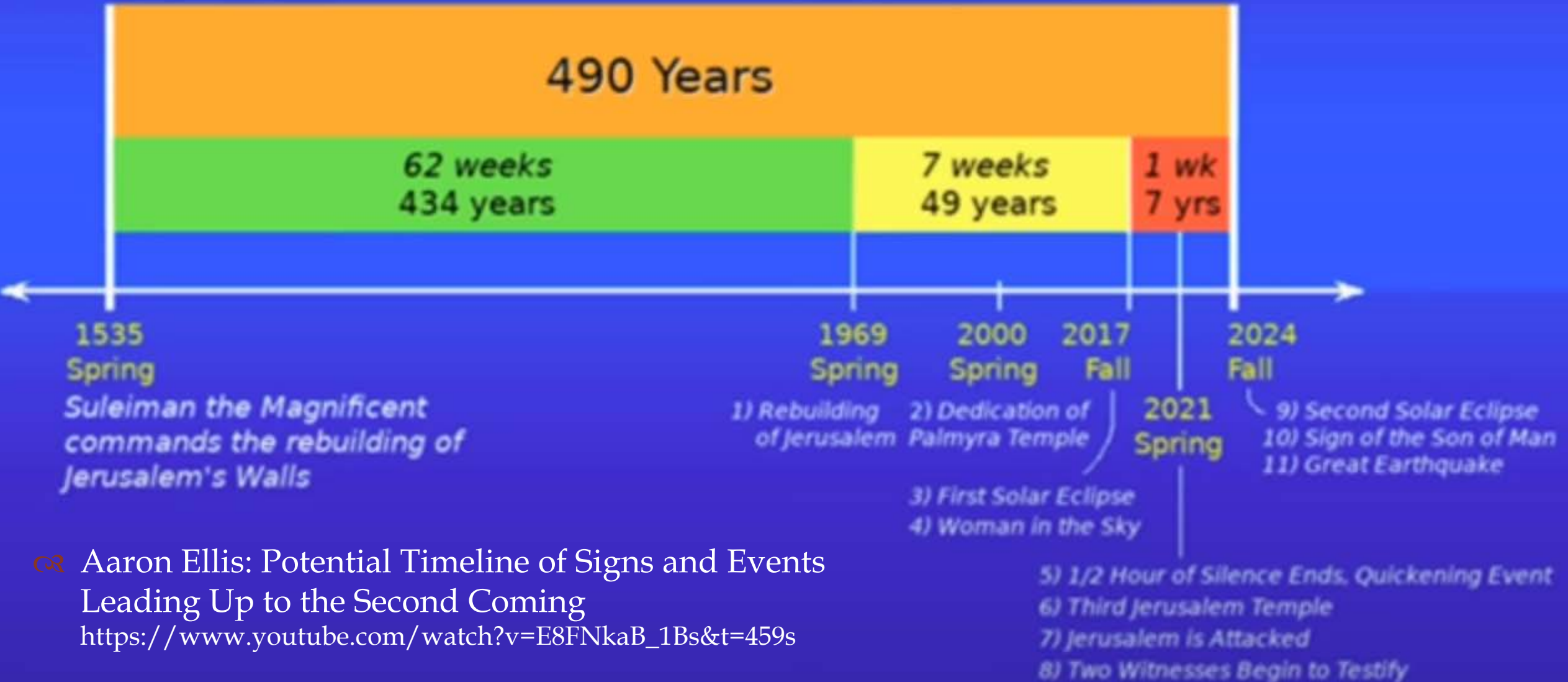
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- ∞ Daniel lived from 620-538 BC to Babylon in 605 BC
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- ∞ Does this timing also apply to His second coming?



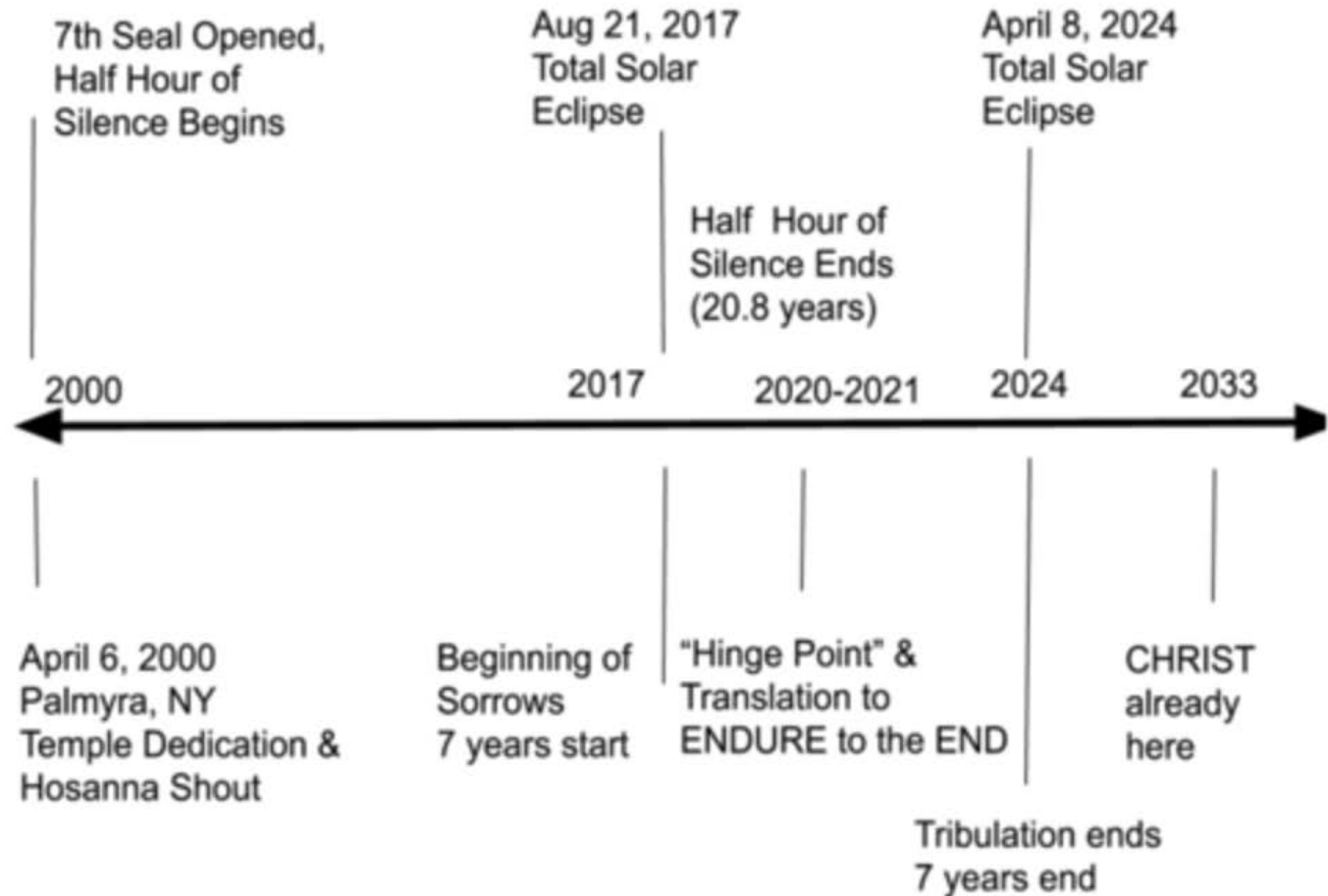
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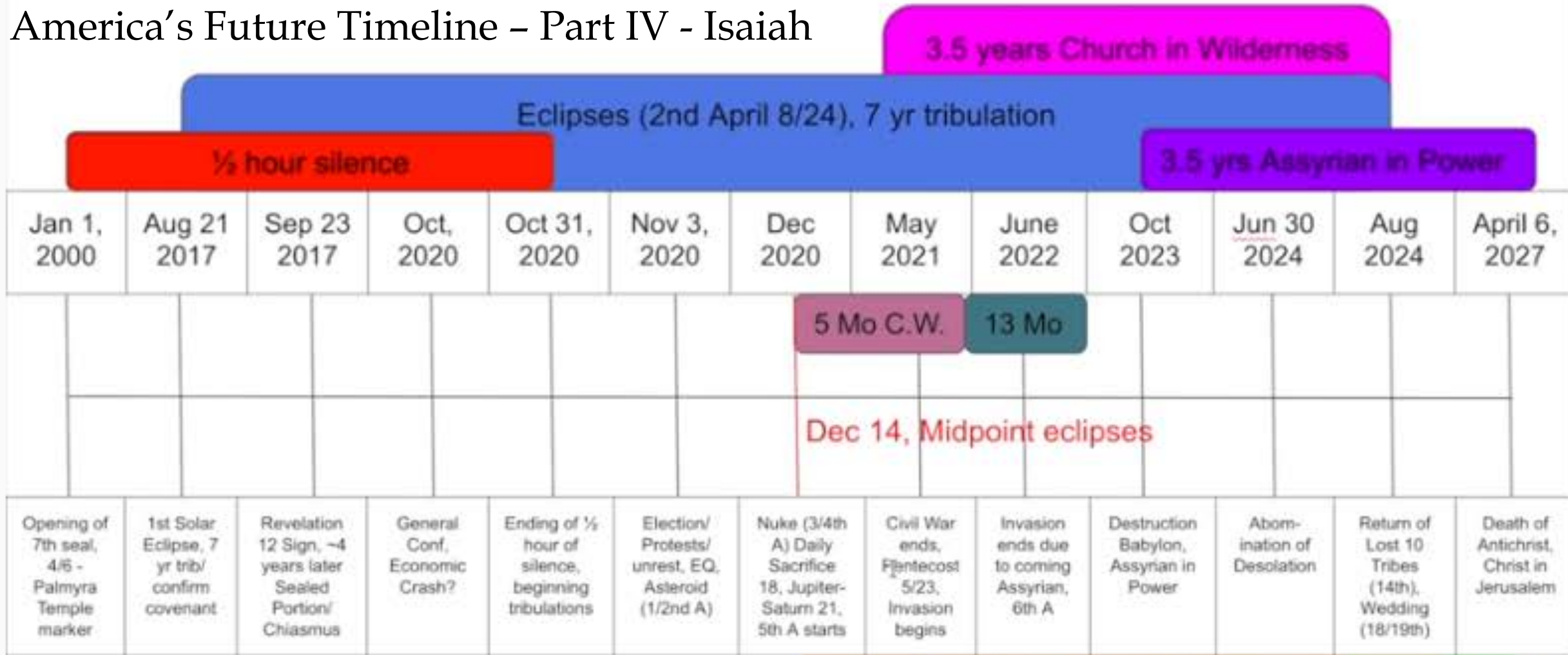
 Aaron Ellis: Potential Timeline of Signs and Events Leading Up to the Second Coming
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Signs of the Second Coming of Christ, private website, Masa Yoshi
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America's Future Timeline - Part IV - Isaiah



Ryan Allen

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Another Timeline



Daniel's first 1290 days
Revelation Trumpets 1-5
2020-2024

- 2020
End of Rev. ½ hr. silence (20.8 yrs.)
Daily sacrifice stopped
- 2021 In-country destruction
J. Smith prophecy: depreciation of \$ triggers civil war
- 2022 Shemita: Callout, Plagues, invasion
- 2023 Ten Tribes, City of Enoch, New Jerusalem
Savior visits saints, Adam-ondi-Ahman (time?)

Daniel's 2nd 1335 days
Revelation Trumpets 6-7
2024-2027

- 2024-2027
- Anti-Christ (42 Months)
 - 2 prophets in Jerusalem from New Jerusalem (1260 days)
 - Armageddon
 - Followed by ½ hr. of silence (30 min.)
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Preparation

Mental, Emotional Preparation

Physical Preparation

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Abrahamic Tests



☞ “God has always asked His covenant children to do **difficult things**. Because you are covenant-keeping sons and daughters of God, living in the **latter part of these latter days**, the Lord will ask you to do difficult things. You can count on it – **Abrahamic tests** did not stop with Abraham.

(Nelson, “Becoming True Millennials,” worldwide devotional for young adults, January 2016)



No Warning (Correction)



“With no warning, no last-minute preparation is possible...I believe that the Ten Virgins represent the **people of the Church of Jesus Christ** and not the rank and file of the world. All of the virgins, wise and foolish, had accepted the invitation to the wedding supper; they had knowledge of the program and had been warned of the important day to come. They were not the gentiles or the heathens or the pagans, nor were they necessarily corrupt and reprobate, but they were **knowing people who were foolishly unprepared for the vital happenings** that were to affect their eternal lives.” (President Spencer W. Kimball, Faith Precedes the Miracle, Ch. 23)



Hard to Wait



“Time had passed, and he had not come. They had heard of his coming for so long, so many times, that the statement seemingly became meaningless to them. **Would he ever come?** So long had it been since they began expecting him that they were **rationalizing** that he would never appear. Perhaps it was a myth. Hundreds of thousands of us today are in this position. **Confidence has been dulled and patience worn thin.** It is so hard to wait and be prepared always. But we cannot allow ourselves to slumber. The Lord has given us this parable as a special warning.” (President Spencer W. Kimball, Faith Precedes the Miracle, Ch. 23)



Now is the Time



☞ “While we are powerless to alter the fact of the Second Coming and unable to know its exact time, **we can accelerate our own preparation and try to influence the preparation of those around us.** *We are living in the prophesied time “when peace shall be taken from the earth, when “all things shall be in commotion” and “men’s hearts shall fail them.”* (President Oaks, April 2004 General Conference)

☞ **Has he changed his mind since 2004?**



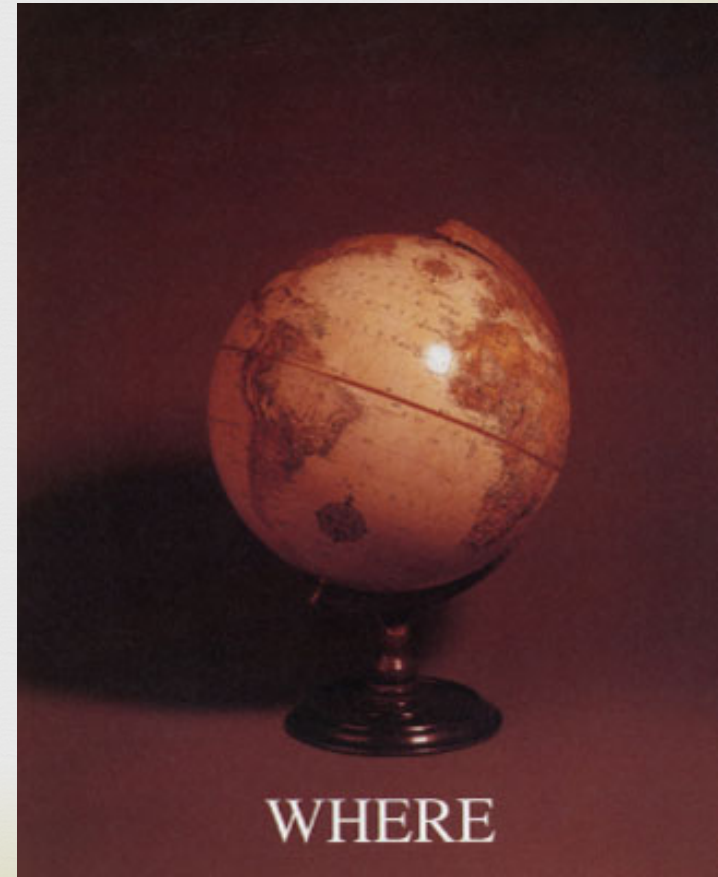
Prepare for Where?



☞ Many saints will likely gather from their homes to “places of safety”, which we may consider in our preparations

☞ **“The time is coming when those who do not obey the Lord will be separated from those who do.”**

Pres Nelson (The Future of the Church:
Preparing the World for the Savior’s Second
Coming, Ensign April 2020)



WHERE

Gathering = Standard Procedure



Examples of the Lord's people being gathered from among the wicked

Enos, Enoch, Noah, Jaredites, Abraham (three times), Lot, Joseph, Moses, Lehi, Nephi, Mosiah, Mulek, Alma, Joseph Smith

Find a very nice list at:

https://lookaside.fbsbx.com/file/Call%20Out%20Gathering%20Quotes.pdf?token=AWxB8Rlfdq5v-dgCqZ4ec-ir0sGQj6tZ0UG5JyNHBwZRNwIwP9FDqw2Ob6tcRYs_-yRsGulyM5VeJJ-pXGwmAn0_kwdO-2EZOVBlbDDGCUxzgSGliabnZ6KvxqdnHVIWvcBFdAoR2RLr58JlWJTgXwZnyAZTT9z8cbaZzfnSgHcZPtBLIZmqnQWAe3vP0sWBcs-tnMJh2zQshl0SMv7vvHtqeV-iULExjA5ncj0_WG_r2A



Exercise Faith



“Meanwhile, here and now, we live in a **time of turmoil**. Earthquakes and tsunamis wreak devastation, governments collapse, economic stresses are severe the family is under attack, and divorce rates are rising. We have great cause for concern. But we do not need to let our fears displace our faith. We can combat those fears by **strengthening our faith**...Do whatever it takes to strengthen your faith in Jesus Christ by increasing your understanding of the doctrine taught in His restored Church and by **relentlessly seeking truth**. Anchored in pure doctrine, you will be able to step forward with faith and dogged persistence and cheerfully do all that lies in your power to **fulfill the purposes of the Lord**.” (Pres. Nelson, The Future of the Church: Preparing the World for the Savior’s Second Coming, April 2020 Ensign)

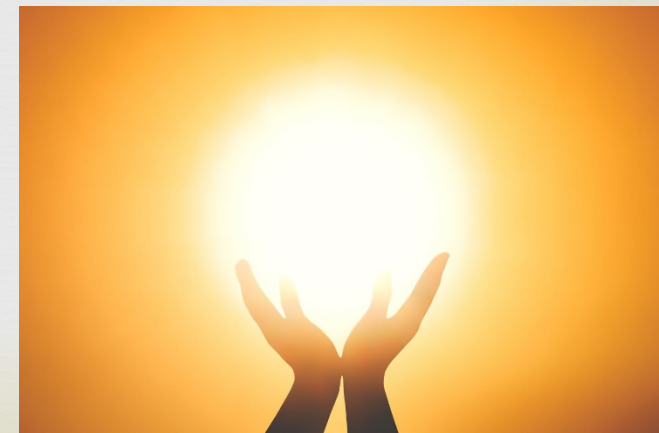


Remember Your Birthright



“How you deal with life’s trials is part of the development of your faith. Strength comes when you remember that you have a **divine nature**, an inheritance of infinite worth. The Lord has reminded you, your children, and your grandchildren that you are **lawful heirs**, that you have been reserved in heaven for your specific time and place to be born, to grow and become His standard bearers and covenant people. As you walk in the Lord’s path of righteousness, you will be blessed to continue in His goodness and be a light and a **savior unto His people** (see D&C 86:8-11) .”

(Pres. Nelson, April 2020 Ensign)



Keep Your Covenants



Keep your Covenants and the Commandments

Priesthood, Sabbath, Temple, Tithing

“I promise you that as you follow Jesus Christ, you will find sustained peace and true joy. As you **keep your covenants with increasing precision**, and as you **defend** the church and kingdom of God on the earth today, the Lord will bless you with **strength and wisdom to accomplish** what only members of the church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints can accomplish.”
(Pres Nelson, April 2020 Ensign)



Follow the Prophet



☞ Bruce R. McConkie: “In every age the Lord gives his people the direction they need at the **moment of their peril and danger**. And surely in the days ahead there will be times when **nothing but the wisdom of God**, descending from heaven and flowing **from prophetic lips** will be able to **save his people**.” *A New Witness for the Articles of Faith* (Deseret Book Company, 1985), 478

☞ Is every recent change in the church designed to help us prepare?

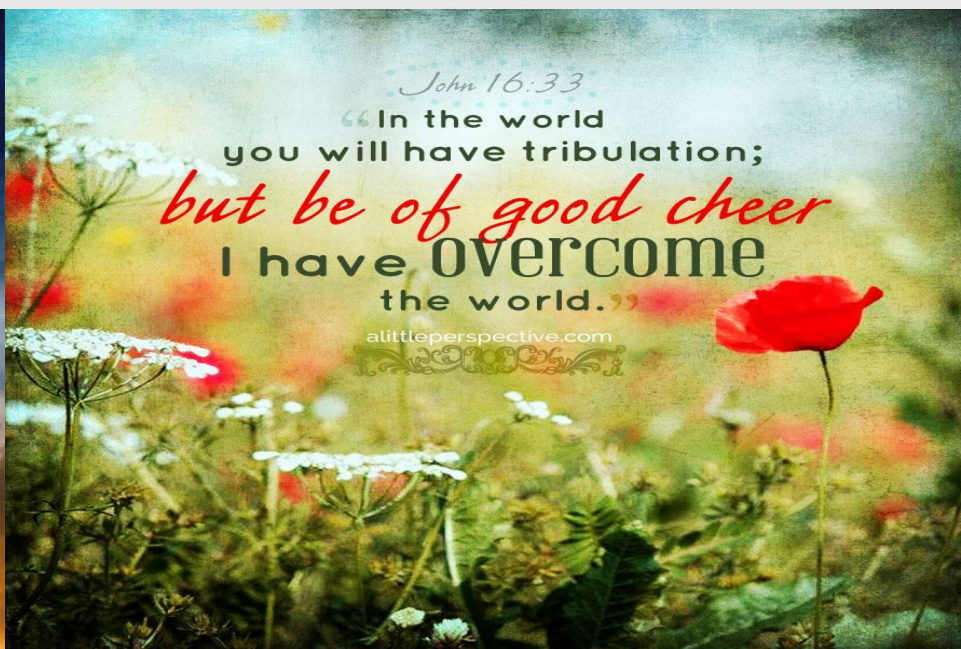
- ☞ Gather Israel
- ☞ Home centered church
- ☞ Priesthood quorums combined
- ☞ Temple changes
- ☞ Ministering



Be of Good Cheer



☞ “Therefore, dearly beloved brethren, let us **cheerfully** do all things that lie in our power; and then may we stand still, with the utmost assurance, **to see the salvation of God**, and for his arm to be revealed.” D&C 123:17

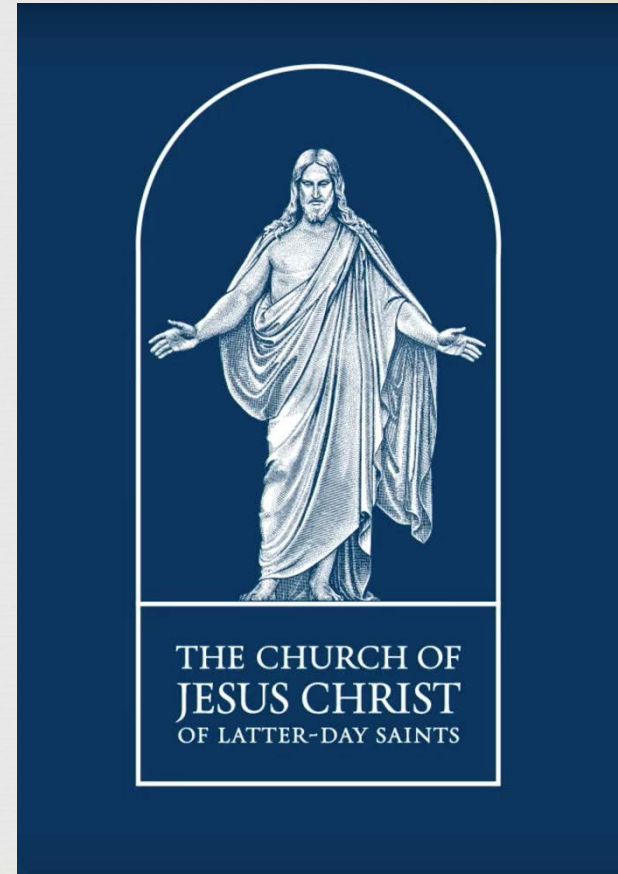


The Lord Will Prevail



“We know for certain that if and when everything else in the latter days is down or dying; if governments, economies, industries, and institutions **crumble**; if societies and cultures become a **quagmire** of chaos and insecurity, nevertheless, through it all the gospel of Jesus Christ and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints that bears that gospel to the world will **stand triumphant**. It will stand **undefiled** in God’s hand until the very Son of God Himself comes to rule and reign as Lord of lords and King of Kings. Nothing is more certain in this world. **Nothing is more sure.**”

Jeffrey R. Holland, Church Education System Broadcast, Feb. 6, 2015



Finally...



Are you watching?
Do you see the signs?
Is there oil in your lamp?



Signs Summary

2017/5777

2000 2002 2004 2006 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 | 2018 2020 2022 2024 2026 2028 2030 2032

Gospels

1967 Generation of "Time of Gentiles Fulfilled" (70 years per generation-Psalms 90:10)

Wickedness and Broken Covenants

2017 (5777) Significance:

9/11/01
Attack -
Isaiah 9:10

100 years from Balfour (1917 - Jubilee), 70 years from UN (1947), 50 years from Jerusalem return (1967 - Jubilee)

Signs in Heavens

Sun

Eclipse
(Sign of Jonah) 3.5

7
Years 3.5 Eclipse
(Sign of the Times) 3.5

Moon

Blood Moons
↔ Beginning of Sorrows?

Beginning of Tribulations? Late Tribulations?

Stars

Star of Bethlehem? Sign of Woman
→ Woman (Church) Protected for 1260 days (3.5 years to March 5, 2021)

Church to wilderness second time 3.5 yrs?

Distress of Nations

Political, International, Religious, Economic Distress

7th Seal
Opens

Natural Disasters

Hurricanes, Plague, Locust, Earthquakes, Fires, Famine

Fear, Heaven's Shaken

Temples closed, missionaries home, fear rampant, religious decline

Revelation

About half hour of silence in the Heavens before Tribulations (+/- 20.8 Years)

200 years from first vision, 400 from first settlement
D&C ½ hour of silence?
Storms, earthquake then 7 angels released

War with the Saints, 42 mo

Gentiles tread Jerusalem, 42 mo. Before Prophets, Jerusalem Prophets, 42 mo.

From daily sacrifice taken, end of wonders, 1290 days

Blessed he that waiteth, 1335 days, plus?

Jubilee Summary

