“The 3 Raptures Revelation”

(Explained employing manifold Scriptural citations to support my doctrinal stance and my own theological position)

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<u>"The 3 Raptures Revelation" Detailed, With All Scriptural Citations</u>
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I've written my first Book to proclaim this Revelation from God, but I have decided to expound all of the details of this Revelation methodically, explaining all my reasoning from Scripture that leads me to conclude that there are prophesied THREE Raptures, according to God's Word.

This is NOT meant to be contentious, as I am aware that there are those who disbelieve that Scripture even reveals ONE Rapture, and, for those who DO believe there is proclaimed a single Rapture in the Word, there are those who believe that this ONE Rapture will occur BEFORE the reign of the antichrist, and that others believe this will occur in the middle of his dominion, and that others yet believe that it will occur after his realm is diminished or finished.

The reason for this confusion is, in my estimation, lack of awareness of all the pieces of the puzzle that locks away the secrets of God's Word that reveal the truth about this matter of "The Rapture" – or, as I would rather say, "The Raptures" – and it is my intent to expound on what the Scripture will manifest of evidences to proclaim that there is truth to there being a "Catching Away" of the saints, and, actually, that there are yet three of them that will occur.

Now, let me state this from the giddiup:

The whole purpose of understanding Scriptural Truth is not to have "head knowledge" on any given subject or issue, but, rather, that there is sufficient evidence in God's Word to declare that there WILL BE a returning of Jesus to "Snatch Up," or Catch Away," God's people, and thus, to meet Him in the air; and, more importantly, THAT THERE IS, LIKEWISE, SUFFICIENT REASON TO BELIEVE IN, AND LIVE UNTO, JESUS CHRIST, AND THAT, IN ORDER FOR EACH ONE, WHO COMES TO BELIEVE IN AND LIVE UNTO HIM, TO BECOME A CHILD OF GOD BY HIM, AND TO KNOW, THEREBY, THE LOVE THAT GOD HAS FOR EACH ONE OF US THAT HE POURS UPON US TO SEEK EACH OF US OUT, TO LEAD EACH ONE TO FIND HIM, AND TO BECOME HIS OWN… BY FAITH IN HIS NAME AND FAITH IN HIS LOVE FOR US!

GOD IS THE LOVER OF OUR SOULS, SO MUCH SO THAT HE DIED FOR US TO GIVE US ETERNAL LIFE WITH HIM, AND THE THREE RAPTURES ARE EXEMPLIFICATIONS OF THAT LOVE THAT HE HAS FOR US!!!

SO, let it be known that I am sharing this with you IN ORDER THAT YOU MAY BE MADE MORE AWARE OF WHAT LIFE WILL INCLUDE – IN THE NEAR FUTURE, I DO BELIEVE – WHICH IS: THE 1st RAPTURE, FOLLOWED BY A 2nd RAPTURE, FOLLOWED BY A 3rd, AND FINAL, RAPTURE OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD; AND THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY SOME OF MANKIND BEING GIVEN LONGEVITY, AND BEING SPARED HELLFIRE, EVEN AFTER THE TIME OF GRACE, AND OF THE CHURCH AGE, IS COMPLETED; AND THEN, THIS WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS TO THE EARTH, WITH

HIS SAINTS, TO JUDGE THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD, AND TO SET UP THE 1000-YEAR REALM OF JESUS CHRIST ON THE EARTH… OF WHICH REALM WE REFER TO AS "THE MILLENNIAL REIGN OF JESUS CHRIST."

I intend to make those concepts, and prophesied forthcomings, evident by citing much Scripture, along with providing my own explanations of what you, the Student (i.e., the PUPIL) of the Word, are actually being informed by the many verses of Scripture that I will cite to you, wherein is concealed the things I was revealed to, by the Lord, about 25 years ago; and I have had that very "Three Raptures Revelation" further evidenced by Scripture ever since that time, the Word also confirming what I was shown then, many times over and over again!

I don't believe what I believe because it is MY OWN OPINION, I NOW ASSERT, BUT RATHER THAT I BELIEVE IT IS THE REVELATION OF THE ALMIGHTY BY HIS WORD THAT DECLARES WHAT I BELIEVE… AND I WILL, HENCEFORTH, SEEK TO DECLARE THAT TRUTH TO YOU SO THAT YOU MAY FORM YOUR OWN OPINION OF WHETHER WHAT I HAVE LAID OUT OFR YOU IS WHAT GOD SAYS, OR WHETHER IT IS JUST MISINFORMATION HAT I AM TEACHING WRONGLY!

In either case, KNOW that it is SOLELY my intent to reveal to you something to build up your FAITH IN THE CHRISTIAN FAITH SO THAT YOU WILL COME TO KNOW JESUS PERSONALLY, OR TO AT LEAST KNOW HIM BETTER AND TO SOLIDIFY YOUR FAITH IN HIM, AND SO THAT YOU WILL KNOW WHAT WE ALL AWAIT FOR, ACCORDING TO THIS VERSE OF SCRIPTURE:

"Titus 2:10-14
(10) **… showing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in all things.**
(11) **For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,**
(12) **Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;**
(13) **Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ**;
(14) ***Who gave himself for us,* that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.**

To that end, this Message is written, inspired by the love of God the Father, of Jesus Christ His Son, and of the Holy Spirit, that they, three Persons of the "Elohim" (i.e., Deity, pluralized), impart to each one of us who comes to live unto, and rely on, His Name, and His Grace, so as to save them from eternal separation from The Godhead!

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Perry Stone's "Rapture Revelation," Citing Old Testament Foreshadowing of the Rapture

Perry Stone is a tremendous teacher of God's Word, and I would direct you to learn from him as much as you are able to, as he is well-versed in Scripture and scriptural knowledge, and of revelation thereby. I have learned much from him over the years, and he has added to what I have been able to present in this Message of mine, whereof I can't recall all that I must attribute to him what I've presented herein and what was from my own direct revelations from God!

However, there are two specific things I must give him recognition for because he taught me these things through his Ministry:

(1) The word "Rapture" is NOT in the Bible, but it comes from the Latin word "rapio," which means "to catch away" – even as Paul the Apostle refers to this experience in 2Corinthians 12:2,4 and especially in 1Thessalonians 4:17, which details the Rapture itself, by using the term "caught up"; the Latin word merely DESCRIBES the same forthcoming meeting with us by the Lord in the air, but it is NOT a term used in the Scripture directly;
(2) Some people have stated that there is nothing written in the Old Testament that speaks of a "Rapture," or "Catching Away or Up" or "Snatching Up" at all, but that simply is NOT TRUE: Perry's "Rapture Revelation" Parts 1 and 2, are offered for free on YouTube at the following URLs:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8lbFWaAeNlA
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U7JG8vU-PqY

In these audio Messages from Perry Stone, somewhere therein, there is stated this revelation of Scripture as that very citation that foretells and foreshadows the Rapture, as we have come to comprehend it:

Exodus 19:20
(20) And **the LORD came down** upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses *up* to the top of the mount; **and Moses went up**.

The Apostle Paul's Directly Proclaimed Revelation In God's Word:

Perhaps the Apostle Paul was inspired in his own revelation of the Lord regarding being "caught up" by way of this verse of God's Torah, but Paul surely had been given far more, exceedingly, of that revelation directly from the Lord Jesus! Here is how we can KNOW that Paul received it from the Lord, Himself:

Acts 9:17
(17) And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, *even* **Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way** as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

Acts 26:1-3,13-16
(1) **Then Agrippa said unto Paul**, Thou art permitted to speak for thyself. **Then Paul stretched forth the hand, and answered for himself:**
(2) **I think myself happy, king Agrippa, because I shall answer for myself this day before thee** touching all the things whereof I am accused of the Jews:
(3) Especially *because I know* thee to be expert in all customs and questions which are among the Jews: **wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently**.
...
(13) **At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them which journeyed with me**.
(14) And when we were all fallen to the earth, **I heard a voice speaking unto me**, and saying in the Hebrew tongue, **Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?** *it is* hard for thee to kick against the pricks.
(15) And **I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am Jesus** whom thou persecutest.
(16) But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for ***I have appeared unto thee*** for this purpose, ***to make thee*** a minister and ***a witness*** both of these things which thou hast seen, and ***of those things in the which I will appear unto thee****;*

Acts 22:3-14
(3) I am verily a man *which am* a Jew, born in Tarsus, *a city* in Cilicia, yet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, *and* taught according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous toward God, as ye all are this day.
(4) And I persecuted this way unto the death, binding and delivering into prisons both men and women.
(5) As also the high priest doth bear me witness, and all the estate of the elders: from whom also I received letters unto the brethren, and went to Damascus, to bring them which were there bound unto Jerusalem, for to be punished.
(6) And it came to pass, that, **as I made my journey**, and was come nigh unto Damascus ***about noon***, **suddenly there shone from heaven a great light round about me.**
(7) **And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?**
(8) **And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, I am Jesus of Nazareth,** whom thou persecutest.
(9) And **they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid**; but **they heard not the voice of him that spake to me**.
(10) And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee to do.
(11) **And when I could not see for the glory of that light**, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.
(12) And **one Ananias**, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt *there,*
(13) **Came unto me**, and stood, **and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight**. And the same hour I looked up upon him.
(14) **And he said**, **The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest** know his will, and ***see that Just One***, ***and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth.***

So, it is clear from these accounts of Paul that JESUS, HIMSELF, intended to appear to Paul in the future to make him a witness of what he would be told and shown by the Lord, and, I presume, that was to share with him the revelations Paul made known regarding this "catching up" expressed and prophesied about in the following Scriptures:

1Corinthians 15:35-53
(35) But some *man* will say, **How are *the dead* raised up?** and **with what body do they come?**
(36) *Thou* fool, **that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die**:
(37) And that which thou sowest, **thou sowest not that body that shall be**, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other *grain*:
(38) But **God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him**, and to every seed his own body.
(39) **All flesh *is* not the same flesh**: but *there is* one *kind of* flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, *and* another of birds.
(40) **There are also celestial bodies**, and bodies terrestrial: but t**he glory of the celestial *is* one**, and the *glory* of the terrestrial *is* another.
(41) *There is* one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for *one* star differeth from *another* star in glory.
(42) **So also *is* *the resurrection of the dead***. It is sown in corruption; **it is raised in incorruption**:
(43) It is sown in dishonor; **it is raised in glory**: it is sown in weakness; **it is raised in power**:
(44) It is sown a natural body; ***it is raised a spiritual body***. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.
(45) And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam *was* made a quickening spirit.
(46) Howbeit **that *was* not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural**; and ***afterward that which is spiritual***.
(47) The first man *is* of the earth, earthy: the second man *is* the Lord from heaven.
(48) As *is* the earthy, such *are* they also that are earthy: and ***as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly***.
(49) And as we have borne the image of the earthy, ***we shall also bear the image of the heavenly***.
(50) **Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption**.
(51) **Behold, I show you a mystery**; ***We shall not all sleep***, ***but we shall all be changed,***
(52) **In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye**, **at the last trump**: for **the trumpet shall sound**, and ***the dead shall be raised incorruptible***, **and** ***we shall be changed***.
(53) For **this corruptible *must put on incorruption***, and **this mortal *must put on immortality***.

1Thessalonians 4:13-17
(13) But **I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren**, ***concerning them which are asleep***, **that ye sorrow not**, even **as others which have no hope**.
(14) For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so ***them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him***.

(15) For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that ***we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent*** [edit: the word used means "to precede"] ***them which are asleep***.
(16) ***For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven*** **with a shout**, **with the voice of the archangel**, and **with the trump of God**: and ***the dead in Christ shall rise first***:
(17) ***Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air***: and **so shall we ever be with the Lord**.

These revelatory words from Paul were, no doubt, revealed to him by the Lord Jesus. Himself, at some time after the road to Damascus appearance of the Lord to him, **and then Paul gives HIS REASONING TO SHARE THIS WITH THEM ALL:**

1Thessalonians 4:18
(18) **Wherefore** ***comfort one another with these words***.

Why? you ask.

Answer:
1Thessalonians 4:13-14
(13) But ***I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren***, ***concerning them which are asleep***, ***that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope***.
(14) For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so ***them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him***.

THIS IS CHRIST'S WAY OF COMFORTING THEM WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES, WHILE THEY WERE BELIEVERS IN JESUS, LOST TO PHYSICAL DEATH ALONE!

JESUS WANTS THEM – AND YOU, STILL TODAY, TOO – TO KNOW THAT HE WILL RESURRECT THEM WHO HAVE DIED, TAKING THEM TO MEET HIM IN THE AIR *FIRST, AND THEN* THE REST OF US, WHO ARE STILL ALIVE WHEN HE COMES TO THEM, TO RAISE THEM INTO THEIR CELESTIAL BODIES!

HE WILL, IMMEDIATELY AFTER THAT SAME COMING, *CHANGE US ALL INTO OUR SPIRITUAL, IMMORTAL, CELESTIAL BODIES, ALSO!!!*

THIS IS GOD'S COMFORT FOR US TO KNOW!!!

THE BODIES I'VE JUST SPOKEN OF WILL, HEREINAFTER, BE REFERRED TO AS "GLORIFIED BODIES" IN THIS MESSAGE OF MINE, EVEN AS JESUS SAID HE HAD ONCE HAD AND ONCE BEING GIVEN AGAIN, IN JOHN 17:5,24, AND THAT WE ALSO SHALL HAVE, AS JOHN PROPHESIED OF IN 1JOHN 3:2;

See here:

John 17:5,24
(5) And ***now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was***.
...
(24) Father, ***I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am***; ***that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me***: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

1John 3:2
(2) **Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, *when he shall appear*, *we shall be like him*; *for we shall see him as he is*.**

THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE TO LOOK FORWARD TO!!! ETERNAL LIFE WILL BE IN A GLORIFIED, INCORRUPTIBLE AND IMMORTAL BODY THAT HAS THE SAME LUMINESCENCE AS JESUS HAS NOW THAT HE IS RAISED FROM THE DEAD!!!

You say, "Well, the glory that is spoken of here is NOT speaking of the glory of light, specifically, so that is just conjecture…" I will show you that THAT is EXACTLY what Jesus was referring to by the Word:

Already I have shown you where Paul, formerly called Saul (his Hebrew name), had seen Jesus, and this was what he had stated in his account:

Acts 26:13,15-16
(13) **At midday, O king, I saw in the way a light from heaven, *above the brightness of the sun*, shining round about me and them which journeyed with me**.
...
(15) And **I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, *I am Jesus*** whom thou persecutest.
(16) But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for ***I have appeared unto thee* ...**

And again:

(6) And it came to pass, that, **as I made my journey**, and was come nigh unto Damascus ***about noon***, ***suddenly there shone from heaven a great light round about me***.
(7) **And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?**
(8) **And I answered, Who art thou, Lord? And he said unto me, *I am Jesus of Nazareth,*** whom thou persecutest.
(9) And ***they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid***; but **they heard not the voice of him that spake to me**.
(10) And I said, What shall I do, Lord? And the Lord said unto me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee to do.
(11) ***And when I could not see for the glory of that light***, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.
(12) And **one Ananias**, a devout man according to the law, having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt *there,*

(13) **Came unto me**, and stood, **and said unto me, Brother Saul, receive thy sight**. And the same hour I looked up upon him.
(14) ***And he said***, ***The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest*** know his will, and ***see that Just One*** **...**

But there is ALSO this account from Paul of what SHALL BE:

1Timothy 6:14-16
(14) That thou keep *this* commandment without spot, unrebukable, ***until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:***
(15) Which in his times he shall show, *who is* the blessed and only Potentate, ***the King of kings, and Lord of lords***;
(16) **Who only hath immortality**, ***dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto***; ***whom no man hath seen, nor can see***: to whom *be* honor and power everlasting. Amen.

PAUL COULD NOT SEE HIM, BUT WAS, INSTEAD, BLINDED BY HIS APPEARING TO HIM ON THE ROAD TO DAMASCUS!!!

So now, what do we need to know leading up to sharing about the "Three Raptures Revelation" details?

Answer:
Most importantly: **ARE *YOU* READY** FOR THAT "CHANGE," FROM MORTAL TO IMMORTAL OR TO RISE FROM THE DEAD TO MEET JESUS IN THE AIR IF YOU SHOULD DIE BEFORE THEN?!!

IF NOT, HERE ARE THE WORDS OF JESUS, FOR *YOU*, RIGHT NOW:
Luke 21:36
(36) ***Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass***, ***and*** **to stand before the Son of man**.

I will discuss Luke Chapter 21, along with Mark Chapter 13 and Matthew Chapter 24 in various places throughout all of this Message, but, for now, just know that the context of these Chapters is about the final things that are already happening, and those that will yet happen, at the end of the age, and then the coming of Jesus.

JESUS IS SAYING, PRAY THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ESCAPE ALL THOSE FINAL, END-OF-TIME THINGS THAT PRECEDE HIS COMING BACK TO REIGN ON THE EARTH FOR 1000 YEARS WITH HIS PEOPLE!!!

THE FEASTS AND THE HARVESTS OF ISRAEL – A FORESHADOW OF THE THREE RAPTURES – REVEALED IN THE TORAH (the 1st 5 Books of the Bible):

A Few Opening Words, And Some Concepts Regarding Revelations from the Lord:

Let me begin this part of my Message by saying that I have never once heard ANYONE say that they believe there are THREE Raptures: NOT BEFORE I was revealed this by Scripture and by the Holy Spirit of God enlightening me to the secrets of the Word of God, NOR AFTER I began to write about it.

Ephesians 1:17-18
(17) **That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory**, ***may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:***

(18) ***The eyes of your understanding being enlightened***; ***that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,***

I STAND IN FAITH THAT WHAT I AM SHARING WITH YOU **IS** THE TRUTH! AND I WILL DO MY HUMAN BEST TO ELUCIDATE THIS "THREE RAPTURES" SUBJECT; I WILL DO SO PRIMARILY BY MEANS OF INFORMING YOU WHAT SCRIPTURE STATES ABOUT THIS SUBJECT MATTER – AND I WILL BACK UP ALL OF MY CLAIMS WITH SCRIPTURAL CITATIONS, WHEREIN I WILL BOLDEN, ITALICIZE, AND UNDERLINE PORTIONS OF THEM, AS I'VE DONE IN THE PREVIOUS CITATIONS IN THIS MESSAGE, THEN EXPLAIN WHAT I AM TRYING TO CAUSE YOU TO DRAW FROM THOSE PORTIONS OF THE VERSES THAT I'VE HIGHLIGHTED, EXPOUNDING ON WHAT I BELIEVE EACH ONE OF THESE SCRIPTURES DECLARE.

YOU CAN BE THE JUDGE OF WHETHER WHAT I AM DRAWING FROM THE VERSES I WILL CITE IS ACCURATE OR IF I AM IN ERROR. I LEAVE THAT MATTER TO EVERYONE WHO WANTS TO STUDY ALL OF THIS IN SEARCH OF A RIGHT UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ON THIS MATTER!

I am NOT saying I am infallible! ON THE CONTRARY! I have learned what I have come to present by having made many assumptions and then seeking out the biblical accuracy of those conjectures; and I've learned the truths I have been revealed by doing so! I have been wrong a few times, but, with the guiding of the Holy Spirit to explain the secrets of the Word of God to me, I have mostly solidified my former thoughts with ironclad Scriptural evidences to support my assumptions!

I just want to share with you what has been the most significant revelation of my lifetime, in my study of the Bible – cover to cover – and I want to make you, God's PUPIL, see what is "the blessed hope" we can each have if we understand what Christ paid for us to have in eternity, and to help you decide to make that a priority in your heart and life!

As I started with this citation of Scripture, I will again state it for you, but with an added verse:

Titus 2:11-15
(11) **For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,**
(12) **Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world**;

(13) ***Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ***;

(14) ***Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.***

Let me end this foregoing statement by sharing with you what Paul said about his own revelations from God:

Ephesians 3:1-9

(1) For this cause **I *Paul***, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,
(15) ***These things speak, and exhort***, and rebuke ***with all authority***. Let no man despise thee.

SO YOU SEE, THIS IS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO GOD, AND YOURS ALSO, SINCE WE ARE BELIEVERS IN JESUS!!! WE ARE TO SPEAK WHAT WE ARE SHOWN BY GOD TO THOSE WITH EARS TO HEAR, AND WE ARE TO EXHORT THEM TO LIVE UNTO GOD TO ATTAIN TO THAT BLESSED HOPE!!!

(2) *If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God* ***which is given me to you-ward:***

(3) ***How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery***; ***(as I wrote afore in few words,***

(4) Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

(5) ***Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men***, ***as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit***;

(6) ***That the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:***
(7) ***Whereof I was made a minister***, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.
(8) **Unto me,** who am less than the least of all saints, **is this grace given, *that I should preach among the Gentiles*** *the unsearchable riches of Christ;*

(9) ***And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery***, ***which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God***, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

SO YOU SEE, AS WAS PAUL'S, SO ALSO IS THIS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO GOD, AND YOURS ALSO, SINCE WE ARE BELIEVERS IN JESUS!!! *WE ARE TO SPEAK WHAT WE ARE SHOWN BY GOD,* TO THOSE WITH EARS TO HEAR, *AND WE ARE TO EXHORT THEM TO LIVE UNTO GOD TO ATTAIN TO THAT BLESSED HOPE!!!*

PAUL SAID HIS REVELATION FROM GOD WAS HIDDEN IN GOD FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE WORLD, AND IN OTHER AGES WAS NOT MADE KNOWN TO MEN, UNTIL GOD REVEALED IT UNTO PAUL, HIMSELF!!!

I STAND TO SAY THAT THIS IS LIKEWISE THE CASE WITH THIS MATTER OF THERE BEING THREE RAPTURES: THAT GOD HAS REVEALED THIS MYSTERY (i.e, SECRET) UNTO ME, IN ORDER THAT I MAY DECLARE THE SECRET UNTO YOU, AND TO SET FORTH OPENLY WHAT THE BIBLE HAS TO AFFIRM REGARDING THAT HIDDEN MSYTERY!!!

Here is also what Paul had to say regarding his own Revelation from God, which is in regard to the very end of the age, of which he is speaking. (READ THIS AS A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO YOU, YOURSELF, FROM PAUL, AND NOW FROM ME, AS BEING THE ESSENCE OF THE REASON I DESIRE TO REVEAL THIS SECRET TO YOU!!!):

2Thessalonians 1:3-12
(3) **We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren**, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth;
(4) **So that we ourselves glory in you** in the churches of God **for your patience and faith** ***in all your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:***

(5) ***Which is*** **a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God**, ***that ye may be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which ye also suffer***:

(6) **Seeing** ***it is*** **a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;**
(7) ***And to you who are troubled rest with us***,
when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels**,**

(8) ***In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ*****:**

(9) ***Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power*****;**

(10) ***When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe*** (because our testimony among you was believed) ***in that day.***

(11) Wherefore also we pray always for you, **that our God would count you worthy of this calling,** and fulfill all the good pleasure of *his* goodness, and the work of faith with power:

(12) **That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him**, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

So, you see, there is also a Revelation that the Church will consist not only of the Jews but also along with the Gentile believers, as is found in the previous Ephesians citations, and is expounded on in the following:

Ephesians 2:11-22
(11) ***Wherefore remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;***

(12) **That at that time ye were without Christ,**
being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, *and* **strangers from the covenants of promise**,

having no hope, and without God in the world:

(13) ***But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.***

(14) **For he is our peace,**
who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

(15) ***Having abolished in his flesh the enmity***, *even* **the law of commandments** *contained* **in ordinances**;

for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;
(16) ***And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross,***
having slain the enmity thereby:
(17) ***And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.***

(18) For ***through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father***.

(19) Now ***therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God;***

(20) ***And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner*** *stone;*
(21) ***In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto a holy temple in the Lord:***
(22) ***In whom ye also are builded together for a habitation of God through the Spirit***.

AND THERE IS ALSO A REVELATION OF RAPID JUDGMENT WHEN THE LORD APPEARS WITH HIS ANGELS, AS IS ALSO REVEALED IN THIS PASSAGE:

Jude 1:14-15
(14) And **Enoch** also, the seventh from Adam, **prophesied of these**, saying, ***Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,***
(15) ***To execute judgment upon all***, a***nd to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed***, a***nd of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him***.

Paul had the Revelation of the Church, made up of Jews and Gentiles being made one by the Holy Spirit in them, and by the grace of God unto salvation for all of them;

And Paul also had a Revelation of JUDGMENT that would come when Jesus returns to Judge the ungodly, Jesus then being alongside His holy angels in doing the judging, and Jude explains it further by saying that the saints – us – will all be alongside Him in executing that judgment of the ungodly when Jesus appears. That appearing will not be during the Rapture but will come AFTER the Raptures, AND the Church Age of grace, will be terminated; and THEN He will return to the earth to set up His Millennial Kingdom and sit upon his Throne Judging the Nations!

We will speak on all of that later, with Scripture to confirm these things stated; but, for now, **suffice to say that Paul had two such Revelations that were never revealed previously, and I am now given this Revelation, that is, likewise, unprecedented!!!**

What Jesus Had To Say About The Time Preceding The 3 Raptures:

We must start by seeing what JESUS, HIMSELF, stated about the times immediately preceding the Raptures and His Second Coming to the earth; here is a brief view of that:

As stated previously, Jesus said this:

Luke 21:36
(36) ***Watch ye therefore***, and ***pray always***, **that ye may be accounted worthy *to escape all these things* that shall come to pass**, and to stand before the Son of man.

What else did he have to say about that time period, though? Here's a brief glimpse:

Luke 21:28
(28) And ***when* these things *begin to* come to pass**, ***then* look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh**.

And again, He reiterated the same, but with GREATER explanation, once the meaning is understood:

Luke 21:29-32
(29) And he spake to them a parable; ***Behold the fig tree***, and all the trees;

(30) ***When they now shoot forth, ye see and know*** of your own selves ***that summer is now nigh at hand***.
(31) ***So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand***.
(32) Verily I say unto you, ***This*** **generation** ***shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled***.

The secret to that is not only my own interpretation, but others have explained this, too; I only emphasize the importance of their revelation about this "fig tree" remark, and what follows:

To know that "the fig tree" represents the Nation of Israel is tantamount in importance to these verses' interpretation! **ISRAEL *IS* "*THIS* GENERATION"** that "SHALL NOT PASS AWAY TILL ALL JESUS SAID WILL TRANSPIRE IS FULFILLED!!!

When Summer is near, "the fig tree" "SHOOTS FORTH" – and ISRAEL BECAME A NATION AGAIN IN 1948, WHEN SHE SHOT FORTH AGAIN!!! The former Nation of Israel was destroyed in 70 A.D., even as Jesus foretold in Luke 13:34-35, concluding that Jerusalem will be "left ... desolate," and likewise stated in Matthew 24:2 the following:

"There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down."

That was fulfilled in 70 A.D. when General Titus besieged and destroyed Jerusalem, and the Jewish Temple was likewise burned and decimated!

But Jesus wasn't speaking about THAT time when He stated the following in Luke 21:20-24; see here:

Luke 21:20-24
(20) And ***when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies***, **[PLURAL]** ***then*** know that ***the desolation thereof is nigh***.
(21) ***Then*** let them which are in Judea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.
(22) ***For these be the days of vengeance***, that ***all things which are written may be fulfilled*** **[FINISHED/DONE/ENDED/COMPLETED]**.
(23) But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, ***in those days***! for ***there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people***.
(24) And ***they*** shall fall by the edge of the sword, and ***shall be led away captive into all nations***: and ***Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles***, ***until the times*** **[PLURAL AGAIN]** ***of the Gentiles be fulfilled*** **[FINISHED/DONE/ENDED/COMPLETED]**.

You see, this is the Battle of Armageddon being foretold, AT THE TIMES OF THE END OF THE AGES…, WHEN ALL WILL BE FULFILLED REGARDING ISRAEL…,WHEN THERE IS A LAND OF ISRAEL AGAIN…, WHEN THERE IS A PEOPLE OF ISRAEL AGAIN…, WHEN THE TIMES OF THE GENTILE NATIONS COMING INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD WILL BE COMPLETED, AND THE TIME OF GRACE AND GATHERING TOGETHER OF THE CHURCH IS COMPLETED AND ENDED (I will explain THAT much later in this Message, with significant detail)!

JERUSALEM WILL BE DESTROYED A SECOND TIME WHEN THAT OCCURS, AND THEN WILL COME THE FULFILLMENT OF JESUS' NEXT WORDS:

Luke 21:27
(27) And ***then shall they see the Son of man coming*** in a cloud with power and great glory.

So, THAT IS THE SECOND COMING, AND WHAT HE STATED WILL TAKE PLACE IMMEDIATELY BEFORE THAT IS ARMAGEDDON!!

And THEN He states THIS, which goes BACKWARD IN TIME JUST A BIT:

Luke 21:28-29
(28) And ***when these things begin to come to pass, then look up***, and l***ift up your heads***; for ***your redemption draweth nigh***.
(29) And he spake to them a parable; ***Behold the fig tree***...

The word "REDEMPTION" in verse 28 means "SALVATION" AND "RANSOM" (which is another word for "RELEASE" or "RESTORATION" – literally meaning to be "RESCUED!"

Webster's 1828 Dictionary defines that as this, in part:

"...that which procures the release of a prisoner or captive... and restores the one to liberty..."
Jesus is NOT talking about the SECOND COMING TO THE EARTH WITH HIS PEOPLE, BUT THE RESCUE OF THEM FROM THEIR CAPTORS TO BE BROUGHT INTO HEAVEN!!! HOW DO I KNOW IT IS INTO HEAVEN? HE SAID SO: LOOK **UP**! LIFT UP YOUR HEADS! YOUR RESCUER IS COMING WITH SALVATION!!!

The Apostle Paul said this:

1Thessalonians 5:4-10
(4) But ***ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief***.
(5) Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.
(6) Therefore let us not sleep, as *do* others; but ***let us watch and be sober***.
(7) For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.
(8) But ***let us, who are of the day, be sober***, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for a helmet, ***the hope of salvation***.
(9) ***For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,***
(10) Who died for us, ***that***, whether we wake or sleep, ***we should live together with him***.

SALVATION FROM WHAT? ANSWER: *WRATH*!!!
(More on that matter later in this Message!)

Luke 21:22
(22) ***For these be the days of vengeance***, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

So, therefore, Jesus is telling us that THESE FINAL THINGS WILL COME PRECEDING HIS SECOND COMING TO THE EARTH, WHICH IS DESCRIBED BY JUDE HEREIN:

Jude 1:14-18
(14) And **Enoch** also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied **of these, saying**, ***Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints***, [THEY ARE ALREADY THERE WITH HIM WHEN HE RETURNS FROM HEAVEN – John 3:13,31; 6:38,41-42,50-51; 17:1,5; Acts 1:11]
(15) ***To execute judgment upon all***, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.
(16) These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling *words,* having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.
(17) But, ***beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles*** of our Lord Jesus Christ;
(18) How that ***they told you there should be*** mockers ***in the last time***, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.

So, it is clear that the Lord intends to SAVE/RESCUE/SET AT LIBERTY His saints FROM THEIR CAPTORS ON THE EARTH (IN ALL THE NATIONS WHERE THEY WILL YET BE TAKEN CAPTIVE) by bringing them UP INTO HEAVEN, WHERE THEIR SALVATION FROM WRATH - THAT WILL BEFALL ISRAEL IN THE LAST TIMES - IS FACILITATED AND PROVIDED FOR BY JESUS, HIMSELF!!!
Now, we must take into account what Paul stated in the New Testament about what PAUL, HIMSELF, EXPERIENCED (when reading this, consider that John also eluded to himself when he said, "Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, ***and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved***,..." [see this in context and more fully in John 20:1-8]**), as is found in 2 Corinthians 12:1-7, as follows:**

2Corinthians 12:1-7
(1) It is not expedient **for me** doubtless **to glory**. **I will come to visions and *revelations of the Lord***.
(2) **I knew a man in Christ** above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) ***such a one caught up to the third heaven***.
(3) And **I knew such a man**, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;)
(4) ***How that he was caught up into paradise***, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.
(5) **Of such a one will I glory**: yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities.
(6) **For though I would desire to glory**, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but *now* I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me *to be,* or *that* he heareth of me.
(7) And ***lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations***, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, ***lest I should be exalted above measure*.**

This term "caught up" is the VERY SAME GREEK WORD that was used elsewhere to speak of the "catching away" of the saints into heaven, as formerly cited in this Message!

Paul said that HE KNEW THIS MAN (HIMSELF THE MAN) WAS CAUGHT UP TO THE THIRD HEAVEN, WHICH HE LATER DEFINED WAS CALLED PARADISE! So, then, what does Jesus actually say about Paradise in the Word?

Luke 23:39-43
(39) And **one of the malefactors which were hanged** railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us.
(40) **But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation?**
(41) And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.
(42) And **he said unto Jesus, *Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom***.
(43) And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, ***Today shalt thou be with me in paradise***.

Luke is telling us that Jesus going into Paradise IS GOING INTO HIS "KINGDOM," AND THAT JESUS WAS TELLING THAT MAN THAT BOTH OF THEM WOULD DIE BODILY THAT DAY BUT WOULD, THEREAFTER, ENTER INTO THAT KINGDOM - THE THIRD HEAVEN, AS PAUL HAD SAID – WHICH WAS ALSO CALLED "PARADISE!"

Where IS "Paradise?" Where IS "the Third Heaven?"

Jesus told us:

Revelation 2:1,7
(1) Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These ***things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks***; **[see Revelation 1:10-20]**

(7) He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; **To him that overcometh will I give to eat of *the tree of life*, *which is in the midst of the paradise of God*.**

And what does the Scripture say about "the tree of life?"

Genesis 2:8-9
(8) And the LORD God **planted a garden** eastward **in Eden**; and **there he put the man** whom he had formed.
(9) And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; ***the tree of life also in the midst of the garden***, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

Genesis 3:22-24
(22) And ***the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us***, to know good and evil: and now, ***lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever***:
(23) Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.
(24) **So he drove out the man**; and **he placed** at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and **a flaming sword** which turned every way, ***to keep the way of the tree of life***.

And Jesus restored that way unto mankind by His own sacrifice of Himself; see here:

Revelation 22:1-3
(1) And **he showed me *a pure river of water of life***, clear as crystal, ***proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb***.
(2) **In the midst of the street of it, and *on either side of the river***, ***was there the tree of life***, which bare twelve *manner of* fruits, *and* yielded her fruit every month: and ***the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations***.
(3) And there shall be no more curse: but ***the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it***; and his servants shall serve him:

(Note that Revelation, Chapter 21, in its entirety, tells us that "it," in verse 22:3, is speaking of the New Jerusalem that is to come down out of Heaven from God, where God shall abide with His people Personally, from that time on, and forevermore!)

THE TREE OF LIFE IS IN THE NEW JERUSALEM, AND GENESIS 3:22 DECLARES THAT THOSE WHO TAKE AND EAT FROM THE TREE OF LIFE SHALL LIVE FOREVER!!!

REITERATING, REMEMBER THAT REVELATION 2:7 CITES JESUS SAYING THAT THE TREE OF LIFE IS IN THE PARADISE OF GOD!!!

THE PARADISE OF GOD, THEREFORE, IS WHERE ONE WILL LIVE FOREVERMORE, WHICH WILL BE LOCATED WITHIN THE NEW JERUSALEM, WITH GOD THE FATHER, AND WITH JESUS, HIMSELF.

"PARADISE"/"THE NEW JERUSALEM"/"THE TREE OF LIFE" - WHERE ALL WILL BE GIVEN SALVATION FROM THE WRATH OF GOD, AND WILL BE RESCUED FROM CAPTIVITY (FROM OUT OF THE EARTH AND INTO THE AIR, SO AS TO MEET THE LORD THERE) - WILL BE LOCATED WITHIN "THE THIRD HEAVEN," ACCORDING TO PAUL!

ALL OF THE PREVIOUSLY-DETAILED WILL BE THE FINAL END OF ALL THINGS FOR THE SAINTS OF GOD - WHICH WILL LAST FOREVERMORE; THAT IS, LIKEWISE, THAT WHICH SHALL BE EXPERIENCED, BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER ARMAGEDDON, BY ALL OF GOD'S SAINTS RAPTURED OUT OF THE EARTH (to be explained much later on in this Message); KNOW ALSO THAT THE AFOREMENTIONED WAS ALSO EXPERIENCED BY THE THIEF ON THE CROSS, ALONG WITH JESUS, HIMSELF, IN THE TIME IMMEDIATELY AFTER THEY WERE EACH CRUCIFIED, AND DIED IN THE FLESH, SOME 2000 YEARS AGO!!!

One final thought about "the fig tree" (Israel) being "this generation" that "shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled" – according to Jesus (see here, once again):

Luke 21:29-32
(29) And he spake to them a parable; ***Behold the fig tree***, and all the trees;
(30) ***When they now shoot forth, ye see and know*** of your own selves ***that summer is now nigh at hand***.

(31) ***So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand***.
(32) Verily I say unto you, ***This* generation *shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled***.

The word "generation" is the word "genea" (ghe-neh-ah'); it means "an age" or "a generation." One must consider what "an age" really is to comprehend the meaning of this verse. Here is what one needs to consider:

Moses stated this in Psalm 90:
Psalm 90:10
(10) **The days of our years *are* threescore years and ten**; **and if by reason of strength *they be* fourscore years**, yet *is* their strength labor and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

A "score" of years is an Old English way of saying 20 years; so, threescore and ten years are 70 years, and fourscore years are 80 years. Moses clues us in that man's life will be about 70 or 80 years, and this is MOSES' definition of "an age" of time.

Israel was reborn as a nation in 1948; 70 years thereafter would be 2018; 80 would be 2028. *THIS* GENERATION THAT WE NOW LIVE WITHIN WILL MOST LIKELY BE THE ONE AGE THAT WILL EXERIENCE THE FULFILLMENT OF ALL THINGS ACCORDING TO LUKE, CHAPTER 21, AS WELL AS OF MATTHEW 24 AND OF MARK 13, ALL WHICH ARE JESUS' PROPHECIES ABOUT "THE END OF THE WORLD", THAT IS, THE "AGE!"

"WHAT WAS" WILL BE AGAIN:

Now, consider that which was written in the very last section of this Message:

General Titus destroyed Jerusalem; Jerusalem was desolate for almost 2 millennia;

then it became a nation, and was populated once again, in 1948... but she is destined to being destroyed one more time, when the Gentile armies of the whole earth surround and besiege her, and take her people captive into all of the nations of the world...

and then, Jesus will catch away the saints of that time to meet Him in the air – as He will also catch away those saints which precede them, not long before that devastating battle;

THEN He will return to the earth to judge the world's peoples, alongside His saints, who will be doing likewise;

THEN He will reign with the saints for 1000 Years on the earth in His Millennial Kingdom;

THEN He will create a new Heaven and a new Earth (Revelation 21:1);

and THEN, FINALLY, He will create a NEW Jerusalem, wherein ALL THAT REMAIN FAITHFUL TO HIM WILL ABIDE WITH HIM FOREVERMORE… WHICH "NEW JERUSALEM" WILL DESCEND OUT OF HEAVEN, ITSELF, FROM THE FATHER (Revelation 21:2)!!!

Jerusalem WAS destroyed, WILL BE destroyed again, and then NEVER will be destroyed EVER again!!! JERSUALEM TIMES THREE!!!
So then, there is Scripture to support this repetition of history concept that MUST BE understood to grasp the importance of knowing what the Old Testament Scripture foreshadows of what is yet to come. This Scripture is cited below, and you will do well to contemplate these verses deeply and pensively in order to recognize the rest of what I will be sharing with you, all of which is regarding there being THREE RAPTURES THAT ARE FORETOLD IN THE OLD TESTAMENT AND THEN PROPHESIED ABOUT BY JOHN IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION IN DETAIL – AND OF THE WHICH PAUL ALSO PROPHESIED, REVEALING NEW DETAILS ABOUT THEM THAT ARE HIDDEN FROM PLAIN SIGHT WITHIN HIS WORDING IN HIS EPISTLES, AND REINFORCING THAT WHICH IS REVEALED UNTO US BY THE TORAH AND BY THE BOOK OF THE REVELATION.

That Scripture is provided hereinafter:

Ecclesiastes 1:9-10
(9) ***The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be***; and ***that which is done is that which shall be done***: and ***there is*** **no new** ***thing*** **under the sun**.

(10***) Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us***.

AND:

Ecclesiastes 3:15
(15) ***That which hath been is now***; and ***that which is to be hath already been***; and ***God requireth that which is past***.

FINALLY, THERE IS THIS ACCOUNT OF WHAT SHALL BE IN THE FINAL STATE OF ALL THINGS:

Ecclesiastes 1:11
(11) ***There is no remembrance of former things***;

neither shall there be any remembrance of things that are to come with those that shall come after.

THAT IS SUPPORTED BY THE WORDS OF JOHN THE REVELATOR:

Revelation 21:3-5
(3) And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, **Behold, the tabernacle of God** ***is*** **with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them,** ***and be*** **their God**.

(4) **And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain**: ***for the former things are passed away***.
(5) And **he that sat upon the throne said**, ***Behold, I make all things new***. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

So then, it is clear that history shall repeat itself, and that which will be revealed, in the following portions of this Message I am declaring to you, will unfold the Old Testament's hidden secrets that speak of that "history that is yet to come" and reveal to you what prophecy teaches each one of us about that which WE ALL should "await" (NIV) and be "looking for and hasting unto [KJV] the coming of the day of God" (2Peter 2:13), and (Titus 2:13-14, in both the KJV ["looking for" and "zealous"] & the NIV ["await" and "eager"], as follows from the KJV):

Titus 2:13-14
(13) ***Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of*** **the great God** ***and*** **our Savior Jesus Christ**;
(14) Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, ***zealous of good works***.

The future "Three Raptures" are declared throughout the Old and New Testaments – as I will proceed to expound and declare to you in the following – but "The 3 Raptures Revelation" is tucked neatly away… and hidden within… the "Feasts" of the former Nation of Israel (hereinafter spoken of as being "the Israelites," or just "Israel"), as can be found and are revealed within the 5 Books of the Torah: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy.

It is ONLY with the intent that you, the "pupil" (Matthew 28:19 – "teach," in KJV, and "make disciples of," in NIV) of the Word of God, will have the eyes of your understanding enlightened by the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, THAT YOU MAY KNOW THE HOPE OF HIS CALLING THAT YOU, AS HIS SON OR DAUGHTER, MAY BE WELCOMED INTO HIS WONDERFUL KINGDOM, AND HIS LOVE, FORVERMORE, even as is written in these words of Paul's epistle to the Ephesians:

Ephesians 1:17-23
(17) ***That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him***:
(18) ***The eyes of your understanding being enlightened***; ***that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints***,
(19) ***And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,***
(20) Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places,*
(21) Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, ***not only in this world, but also in that which is to come***:
(22) And hath put all *things* under his feet, ***and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,***
(23) Which is ***his body, the fullness of him that filleth all in all***.

Consider these words of Jesus:

John 6:37-40
(37) All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and **him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out**.
(38) For **I came down from heaven**, ***not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.***
(39) And ***this is the Father's will which hath sent me***, ***that of all which he hath given me I*** should lose nothing, but ***should raise it up again at the last day***.
(40) And ***this is the will of him that sent me***, ***that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him,*** **may have everlasting life**: ***and I will raise him up at the last day***.

John 6:44
(44) ***No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him***: and ***I will raise him up at the last day***.

John 6:45
(45) It is written in the prophets, And ***they shall be all taught of God***. ***Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me***.

John 6:46
(46) Not that any man hath seen the Father, save ***he which is of God, he hath seen the Father***.

John 6:50-51
(50) ***This is the bread which cometh down from heaven***, ***that a man may*** eat thereof, and ***not die***.
(51) ***I am the living bread which came down from heaven***: ***if any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever***: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.

"The Feasts of the Lord," & their Foreshadowing of "The Three Raptures," is Next:

Here's the fun part for me! I love to share these nuggets of God's Word that unveil the mystery of the 3 Raptures Revelation! I intend to do so as best as I may, to elucidate the hidden manna that Moses prepared for us by God!

Let's start with understanding "the Feasts of the Lord" – which we would call "Festivals" today. They are very significant in understanding Jewish culture and traditions, even currently, but they are also keys to unlocking the future prophetic foreshadowing of the Word of the Lord for us, who live at "the end of the age!" THAT EXCITES ME!!!

First of all, there are 7 Feasts, the first of which occurs every Friday night at sundown, which is "the Sabbath" of rest for the people of God. The Jews have celebrated this Feast for millennia, faithfully upholding God's Word to them! This Feast can be found declared in Leviticus 23:1-4, especially 2-3:

Leviticus 23:1-4
(1) And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying,
(2) Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, **Concerning the feasts of the LORD**, which ye shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations, ***even these are my feasts*.**
(3) ***Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the sabbath of rest, a holy convocation***; ye shall do no work *therein*: ***it is the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.***
(4) ***These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons***.

So, what is the Sabbath declared to be? Here is what it says about that in the Torah:

Deuteronomy 5:12-15
(12) Keep the sabbath day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee.
(13) **Six days thou shalt labor, and do all thy work**:
(14) But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates; ***that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou***.
(15) And ***remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt***, ***and that the LORD thy God brought thee out thence*** through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: ***therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day***.

And there is this to define what God wanted Israel to do, and NOT do, every Sabbath day:

Exodus 20:8-11
(8) Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.
(9) Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work:
(10) But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates:
(11) ***For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day***: ***wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it***.

AND:

Exodus 31:12-17
(12) And **the LORD spoke** unto Moses, saying,
(13) Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily **my sabbaths ye shall keep**: ***for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the LORD that doth sanctify you***.

[To "sanctify" is to "set one apart;" so it is that the Lord sets His people apart unto Himself to be a holy, morally pure and penitent people. IT IS FOR THAT REASON AND PURPOSE THAT GOD GAVE THEM THE SABBATH REST, THAT THE PEOPLE OF GOD WOULD KNOW THAT GOD, THE LORD HIMSELF, SETS THEM APART UNTO HIMSELF!]

(14) Ye **shall keep the sabbath therefore**; for it *is* holy unto you: every one that defileth it shall surely be put to death: for whosoever doeth *any* work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people.
(15) **Six days may work be done; but in the seventh *is* the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD**: whosoever doeth *any* work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death.
(16) **Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath *throughout their generations*, for a perpetual covenant.**
[A "covenant" is a "binding agreement" like a "contract" – and the Lord made the Sabbath to be a non-consensual, binding agreement with all of the Israelites! "Perpetual" simply means WITHOUT ENDING!]
(17) ***It is a sign between me and the children of Israel forever***: for ***in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day *he rested*, *and was refreshed.***

There's more on that, but let that suffice to say that GOD RESPECTED HIS PEOPLE TO REST UNTO HIMSELF ON THE LAST DAY OF THE WEEK!

Exodus 35:2
(2) Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you ***a holy day, a sabbath of rest to the LORD***: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.

We must understand the implications of that perpetual covenant:

This is what the Apostle Peter reveals to us is a secret to unlock that mystery:

2Peter 3:8
(8) But, beloved, ***be not ignorant of this one thing***, that ***one day is with the Lord as a thousand years***, and a thousand years as one day.

Remember that the Lord created the Heavens and Earth in SIX DAYS and then RESTED ON THE SEVENTH DAY. That reveals to us that there will be SIX THOUSAND YEARS OF MANKIND'S HISTORY FOLLOWED BY ONE THOUSAND YEARS OF REST FOR MANKIND!

The 1000 YEARS REST IS CALLED THE MILLENNIAL REIGN OF CHRIST ON THE EARTH, AND IS FOUND IN REVELATION 20:2-6, but I will share with you the context of that by giving you 1-8:

Revelation 20:1-8
(1) And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.
(2) And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is ***the Devil, and Satan***, ***and bound him a thousand years***,

(3) And ***cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him***, **that** ***he should deceive the nations no more***, ***till the thousand years should be fulfilled***: and after that he must be loosed a little season.
(4) And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshiped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and ***they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years***.
(5) But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection.
(6) Blessed and holy *is* he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but ***they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years***.
[That is why that 1000-years period has been termed "The Millennial REIGN!"]
(7) And ***when the thousand years are expired***, ***Satan*** shall be loosed out of his prison,
(8) And ***shall go out to deceive the nations*** which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the sea.

So, that is the definition of the Sabbath Rest of the people of God, with Jesus as King of the world!!!

This is expounded upon by the writer of Hebrews:

Hebrews 3:10-19
(10) Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do always err in *their* heart; and they have not known my ways.
(11) So I swore in my wrath, ***They shall not enter into my rest***.)
(12) Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.
(13) But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.
...
(18) And ***to whom swore he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not***?
(19) ***So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief***.

AND ESPECIALLY:

Hebrews 4:1-11
(1) ***Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it***.
(2) For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it*.
(3) ***For we which have believed do enter into rest***, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.
(4) ***For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works***.
(5) And in this *place* again, ***If they shall enter into my rest***.

(6) Seeing therefore ***it remaineth that some must enter therein***, and ***they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief***:
(7) Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, Today, after so long a time; as it is said, Today if ye will hear his voice, ***harden not your hearts***.
(8) For if Joshua had given them rest, ***then would he not afterward have spoken of another day***.
(9) ***There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God***.
(10) ***For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his***.
(11) ***Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.***

So, then, the Sabbath is a PERPETUAL Feast unto the Lord God BECAUSE IT (AND WE) WILL ENDURE THROUGHOUT THE MILLENNIAL REIGN… AND THEN WE SHALL FOREVER BE WITH THE LORD IN HIS ETERNAL REST!!!

1Thessalonians 4:17
(17) Then ***we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air***: ***and so shall we ever be with the Lord***.

Now, getting back to the Feasts of the Lord, there are six other Feasts; I will name them as a list, then reveal to you what the Torah has to say about them; they are:

Passover;
Unleavened Bread;
Weeks/Harvest/Pentecost;
Trumpets (Rosh Hashanah);
Atonement;
Tabernacles/Ingathering.

Let me now provide you with what Moses wrote us about the Feasts directly, and then I will share with you the secrets and expound on what the Torah and other Scripture has to say about them, along with much Scriptural interpretation:

Leviticus 23:1-44
(1) And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying,
(2) Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, ***Concerning* the feasts of the LORD**, ***which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations***, *even* **these *are* my feasts.**

[The 1st Feast is the WEEKLY Feast of "The Sabbath"]:

(3) ***Six days shall work be done***: but ***the seventh day is the sabbath of rest, a holy convocation; ye shall do no work therein***: ***it is the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings***.
(4) **These are the feasts of the LORD, *even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons***.

[The 2nd Feast is the ANNUAL "Feast of PASSOVER," which originated in Egypt, when God delivered Israel from the Egyptians and brought them out of the land of Egypt, as is recorded throughout Exodus, Chapter 12.]:

(5) ***In the fourteenth day of the first month*** at even *is* ***the LORD's passover***.
[The first month of the year spoke of the month Abib (Exodus 13:3-4; Deuteronomy 16:1; Leviticus 23:5; Numbers 9:5 & 28:16), also called Nisan in Scripture (Esther 3:7; Nehemiah 2:1), which is in the spring of the year; that is the beginning of the Sacred Calendar Year. There is a second Calendar Year, which begins on the first day of the seventh month, and that begins the Civil Calendar Year. The Civil Calendar Year is mentioned in verse 24, below, which begins with the blowing of trumpets, literally rams' horns, to commemorate that Feast – and that verse is the ONLY definite explanation of that Feast in the Scriptures!]

[The 3rd Feast is the ANNUAL "Feast of UNLEAVENED BREAD," which originated on the Israelites' way out of the land of Egypt, as is recorded throughout Exodus, Chapter 12:33-34 and Deuteronomy 16:3-4.]:

(6) And ***on the fifteenth day of the same month*** *is* ***the feast of unleavened bread*** unto the LORD: ***seven days ye must eat unleavened bread***.
[The BREAD that is made at THIS time is made from the EARLY Harvest of BARLEY, NOT Wheat – this is significant, which I will explain why it is later on in this Message!]
(7) ***In the first day*** ye shall have ***a holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein***.
(8) But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD ***seven days***: ***in the seventh day is a holy convocation***: ye shall do no servile work *therein*.

[The 4th Feast is the ANNUAL "Feast of WEEKS," as is recorded in Exodus 34:22 and Deuteronomy 16:10,16. It is also called "the Feast of Harvest" in Exodus 23:16 and Exodus 34:22, the latter specifying that THIS Harvest is the WHEAT Harvest, which is actually the first of TWO Wheat Harvests – which is another secret I will share in the following, later on in this Message; this Feast is also referred to as "Pentecost;" the word Pentecost is derived from the Greek word "pente," which means five/fifth or fifty/fiftieth, in this case signifying that the Feast falls on the 50th day after the Passover Lamb was to be sacrificed.

Note that the Lord was the Passover Lamb that was sacrificed, and then, 50 days later, the baptism of the Holy Spirit was poured out on the 120 believers that were waiting for each one of themselves to be endued with power from on high, while they steadfastly prayed within the upper room of the inn (as is recorded in Acts 2:1-18, and in Luke 24:49, wherein Jesus had told them to tarry (wait) for that power to come upon them).

The significance of this 50th day "Feast of Weeks" was twofold:
Firstly, the 50th day was the Scriptural Day of Jubilee, wherein all debts were canceled, and everyone received back their inheritance that they'd lost possession of, prophetically signifying that our debt of sin guilt was paid for, and annulled, by being indwelt by the Spirit of the Living God... (see the

entire description of the Jubilee in Leviticus, Chapters 25:9 to end and 27:17-24 – note that 25:9 declares that this Jubilee occurred during the day of atonement in the 7th month on the 10th day of the month, which is its true prophetic fulfillment for the Jews, but the earliest Jewish and Gentile believers that received the baptism of the Spirit were the firstfruits of Jesus' resurrection power; the prophetic fulfillment of the day of atonement is for the believers that included both Gentiles and Jews that will appear AFTER the 1st of 3 Raptures)... and likewise prophetically foretells us that what Adam had lost in possession of all things in the earth (Genesis 1:26 especially, and 27-29 also) was restored to us by Jesus Christ, who gave us ALL THINGS (see Romans 8:32 and Revelation 21:7);

Secondly, and more importantly, the remaining 120, who were amongst the many earliest believers, which were there in the inn awaiting Jesus' promise to them (Acts 1:15; 2:1,46), WERE THE FIRSTFRUITS UNTO GOD THAT WERE BORN OF GOD BY THE SPIRIT (see John 3:5-6 and Romans 8:9) AND WERE, THEREBY, MADE READY FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD! THEY WERE THE PROPHETIC FULFILLMENT OF THE EARLIEST HARVEST, THE BARLEY HARVEST, OF THE 3 ANNUAL HARVESTS OF ISRAEL!]:

(9) And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying,
(10) Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, ***When ye be come into the land which I give unto you***, ***and shall reap the harvest thereof***, then ye shall ***bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest***:
(11) And ***he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD***, to be accepted for you: ***on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.***
[The Sabbath being spoken of herein is NOT the weekly Sabbath being spoken of, but rather the day of the Passover Feast on the 14th of Abib, as the Sabbath of rest from labor also applies to the other Feasts; this reality is expressed several times in the Torah but is highlighted in the New Testament, regarding the Passover, in John 19:31, stating "... that the bodies should not remain upon the cross ***on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was a high day,)*** **..." – which specifies that THIS Sabbath, being spoken of in Leviticus 23:11, is "a HIGH Sabbath," as opposed to the weekly Sabbath; this term is used in other Feasts to mean the same thing, so as not to be confused by that use of the term "Sabbath." ("Sabbath" merely means "SEVENTH" in Hebrew, but it is used for other "holy convocations" within the six other Feasts.)]**

(12) And ye shall offer that day ***when ye wave the sheaf*** a he lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD.
(13) And the meat offering thereof *shall be* two tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD *for* a sweet savor: and the drink offering thereof *shall be* of wine, the fourth *part* of a hin.
(14) ***And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto your God***: *it shall be* a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.
(15) ***And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete:***
(16) ***Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days***; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the LORD.

[The SEVEN Sabbaths being spoken of herein are literally referring to 49 days within THE SEVEN WEEKS FOLLOWING THE HIGH SABBATH OF THE FEAST OF UNLEAVENED BREAD, WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT FALL UPON A WEEKLY SABBATH; I'm NOT certain whether the Jews required the Feast of Unleavened Bread to fall on a WEEKLY Sabbath, or not, so I need to research and study that more fully, before I elude to that; however, that is most likely so.]

(17) Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; ***they are the firstfruits unto the LORD***.
(18) And ye shall offer ***with the*** **[WHEAT]** ***bread*** seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams: they shall be *for* a burnt offering unto the LORD, with their meat offering, and their drink offerings, *even* an offering made by fire, of sweet savor unto the LORD.
(19) Then ye shall sacrifice one kid of the goats for a sin offering, and two lambs of the first year for a sacrifice of peace offerings.
(20) And the priest ***shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits*** *for* ***a wave offering*** before the LORD, with the two lambs: they shall be holy to the LORD for the priest.

[People tend to think, as a result of the wording of this 20th verse, that "FIRSTFRUITS" is the name of THIS Feast, but that is NOT the correct name given the Feast in the Torah: This is incorrect because the very first small portion and sample of ALL of the offerings made to the Lord were so named "firstfruits" and are encapsulated in the writings of Paul, in 1Corinthians 15:20 and 15:23, which declares that the prophetic fulfillment of ALL OF THE "FIRSTFRUIT" OFFERINGS TO THE LORD IS "CHRIST JESUS," HIMSELF!

I will later explain, and cite Scripture supporting, that this Feast, which occurs on the 50th day after the Passover... 49 days after the wave sheaf of the EARLIER WHEAT Harvest was to be waved (see Deuteronomy 16:9), which WHEAT Harvest was the SECOND of the 3 annual Harvests of the field in the land of Israel... was called by THREE DIFFERENT NAMES (WHICH IS WHY IT IS A SECRET THAT CAN ONLY BE UNDERSTOOD BY MEANS OF INTENSIVE STUDY, AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, BY WAY OF THE REVELATION OF THE LORD!!!).

Those 3 names are: "*The Feast of Weeks*," "*The Feast of Harvest*," and "*Pentecost*."
All of THAT will be elucidated in this Message within the following, but with great detail and with citations of Scripture to support my own explanations.]

(21) And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day, *that* it may be ***a holy convocation*** unto you: ***ye shall do no servile work therein****: it shall be* a statute forever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.
(22) And ***when ye reap the harvest of your land, thou shalt not make clean riddance of the corners of thy field when thou reapest, neither shalt thou gather any gleaning of thy harvest: thou shalt leave them unto the poor, and to the stranger***: I *am* the LORD your God.

[More will be explained, later on in this Message, regarding the significance of "the Gleanings" of the Harvest. You can see this in verse 22, above, and it is further described in detail in the Book of Ruth; see Ruth, Chapter 2.]

[The 5th Feast is the ANNUAL "Feast of TRUMPETS," as is recorded in Exodus 23:24 ONLY, within these following verses cited; it is now celebrated as the Jewish New Year, called "Rosh Hashanah," which means, in Hebrew, "the head of the year."]:

(23) And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying,
(24) Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, ***In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath*** **[another reference to a HIGH Sabbath versus a weekly Sabbath],** ***a memorial of blowing of trumpets***, ***a holy convocation***.
(25) ***Ye shall do no servile work*** *therein*: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

[The 6th Feast is the ANNUAL "DAY OF ATONEMENT Feast," as is recorded in Leviticus 23:27-29, cited below, as well as in Leviticus 25:9, wherein the blowing of a trumpet is ALSO commanded... yet NOT for "the Feast of Trumpets," as had formerly occurred upon the 1st day of the 7th month.]

(26) And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying,
(27) Also ***on the tenth day of this seventh month*** *there shall be* ***a day of atonement***: it shall be ***a holy convocation*** unto you; and ***ye shall afflict your souls,*** and offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.
[The term "afflict your souls" means merely to seek God in repentance and contrition, not to harm oneself.]
(28) And ***ye shall do no work in that same day***: for ***it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God***.
(29) ***For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people***.
(30) And ***whatsoever soul it be that doeth any work in that same day, the same soul will I destroy from among his people***.
(31) ***Ye shall do no manner of work***: **it shall be a statute forever** throughout your generations in all your dwellings.
(32) ***It shall be unto you a sabbath of rest***, and ***ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto even*** **[that is, from evening to evening],** ***shall ye celebrate your sabbath***. **[Another reference to a HIGH Sabbath versus a weekly Sabbath.]**

[The 7th of 7 Total Feasts is the ANNUAL "Feast of TABERNACLES" (as is recorded in Leviticus 23:34-36, cited below, as well as in Deuteronomy 16:13-16); you will TAKE NOTE that THIS FEAST IS ALSO CALLED "THE FEAST OF INGATHERING" (see Exodus 23:16 and 34:22), WHICH IS ANOTHER SECRET! See the following citations of the Torah]:

(33) And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying,
(34) Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, ***The fifteenth day of this seventh month*** *shall be* ***the feast of tabernacles for seven days*** unto the LORD.

(35) On ***the first day shall be a holy convocation***: ***ye shall do no servile work therein*.**
(36) ***Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD***: ***on the eighth day shall be a holy convocation unto you***; ***and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD***: ***it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein***.

Exodus 23:16
(16) And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labors, which thou hast sown in the field: ***and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labors out of the field***.

HERINAFTER, MOSES ENCAPSULATES ALL THE FEASTS, *PLUS* ADDS TO THAT THE PURPOSE OF "TABERNACLES" (i.e., "BOOTHS"), *PLUS* EXPLAINS THE "GATHERING IN" OF *THE FRUITS OF THE LAND* – WHICH FEAST IS THE SAME CELEBRATION AS "THE FEAST OF INGATHERING/TABERNACLES," AND WHICH FEAST ALSO REVEALS ANOTHER PROPHETIC SECRET, ONE THAT I WILL EXPOUND UPON BY MEANS OF AN ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURAL CITATION (AFTER THIS WHICH FOLLOWS, TAKEN FROM LEVITICUS 23:37-44):

(37) **These are the feasts of the LORD [6 FEASTS],** ***which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations,*** to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, ***every thing upon his day***:
(38) ***Beside the sabbaths of the LORD*** **[WEEKLY SABBATHS, THE 7th TOTAL NUMBER OF THE "FEASTS," BUT NOT SO NAMED],** and beside your gifts, and beside all your vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD.

(39) ***Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month***, ***when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land***, ***ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days***: ***on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath***.
(40) And ***ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days***.
(41) And ***ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year***. *It shall be* a statute forever in your generations: ***ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month***.
(42) ***Ye shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths***:
(43) ***That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt***: I *am* the LORD your God.

(44) And **Moses declared** unto the children of Israel **the feasts of the LORD**.

HERE'S THE SECRET:

Deuteronomy 16:13
(13) ***Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles*** seven days, ***after that thou hast gathered in thy corn and thy wine***:

Deuteronomy 11:14
(14) That I will give *you* the rain of your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter rain, ***that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil.***

Deuteronomy 7:12-13
(12) Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, **that the LORD thy God** shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he swore unto thy fathers:
(13) And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he ***will also bless*** the fruit of thy womb, and ***the fruit of thy land***, ***thy corn***, and ***thy wine***, and ***thine oil***, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep, ***in the land which he swore unto thy fathers to give thee***.

You may wonder what the significance of this is at first sight thereof, right? Well, let me open to you the secret:

The first of the annual Harvests of Israel was the Barley Harvest, during Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread; the second of the annual Harvests was the EARLY WHEAT Harvest, which was called, and was during, the Feast of Harvest, The Feast of Weeks, and Pentecost; then there is the Feast of Tabernacles, also called the Feast of Ingathering, which was when the fruits of the field were to be gathered in, even as we've read, right?

Okay! So it is! But there's more than meets the eye to this! LOOK:

The ingathering of the fruits, including the grapes that made the wine, and of the olive oil from the olive trees, was only PART OF the Ingathering during the end-of-the-year Harvest: The CORN was ALSO gathered in at that time. So, what does CORN have to do with anything, you ask?

Here's where Jesus revealed the hidden answer to that question:

John 12:24
(24) Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ***a corn of wheat*** fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.

Deuteronomy 16:13; 11:14; and 7:12-13, all cited above, with MANY MORE verses of Scripture that speak of "CORN" throughout the Torah, and elsewhere in the Bible, IS NOT SPEAKING ABOUT "CORN ON THE COB," AS WE THINK OF "CORN" TODAY!!! IT IS *THE LATE WHEAT HARVEST* THAT HAS BEEN VEILED BY USE OF THAT WORD!!!

Therefore, on the 15th day of the 7th month, we have the following occurring:

The Feast of Tabernacles speaks of the Israelites dwelling in booths made of tree branches and wood boughs;

The Feast of Ingathering, one and the same as the Feast of Tabernacles, speaks of bringing in the fruits of the land, such as the grapes and the olives, as well as all other manner of fruits;

And then, the Feast of Ingathering ALSO speaks of *the gathering in of the LATE WHEAT Harvest*, as well as of the fruits!!!

"SO WHAT?!!" (you might ask!)

Here's the prophetic relevance, and the hidden revelation, that is SO KEY TO "THE 3 RAPTURES REVELATION":

The Barley Harvest comes first; that prophetically foreshadows the 1st Rapture, wherein the believers who await the Lord, having never seen ANY of that occurring in their lives, who await Him by faith, following Him faithfully – sight unseen – will be taken as THE EARLIEST HARVEST FROM THE EARTH! They will be made up of some Jews, but mostly Gentiles (non-Jews, from all the nations over the entire world, that is)!

The next Harvest is the EARLY Wheat Harvest; this Harvest prophetically foreshadows the times of the MIDDLE time period of the realm of the antichrist on the earth, known as the "Tribulation" Period in the "LATTER DAYS" (Deuteronomy 4:30) – THANK YOU, PERRY STONE, FOR SHARING WITH ME, AND EVERYONE ELSE, THIS VERSE!!!

Deuteronomy 4:30
(30) ***When thou art in tribulation***, and all these things are come upon thee, ***even in the latter days***, if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice;

This time period will be when ALL HAVE ALREADY SEEN THE 1st RAPTURE OCCUR, AND THERE WILL HAVE BEEN A MASS EXODUS OF UNBELIEVERS FROM THEIR PLACES OF WORLDLINESS TO THE DOORS OF EVERY CHURCH AND TEMPLE THEY WILL FIND, WHO WILL HAVE COME TO CONCLUDE THAT THEY'VE MISSED THE ARK... AND THEY WILL BE "POUNDING ON THE BOAT TO LET THEM IN" AFTER THE LORD "CLOSED THE DOOR TO THE ARK," so to speak!!! (See Genesis 7:16, KJV)

This time period is foreshadowed prophetically, speaking of the 2nd Rapture, which will take place in the very MIDDLE of the 7-year Tribulation Period. How do I know that? It's good that you've asked! Here's how:

Daniel, Chapter 11, verses 21 through 45, all foretell what the antichrist will do, and is the focal human being discussed in the continuation of that prophecy in Chapter 12 of Daniel. The 12th Chapter states this about that man:

Daniel 12:1-7
(1) And ***at that time*** shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and ***there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time***: and ***at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book***.
(2) And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame *and* everlasting contempt.
(3) And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever.

(4) But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, ***even to the time of the end***: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.
(5) Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.
(6) And *one* said to the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, ***How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?***
(7) And **I heard the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river**, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and **swore by him that liveth forever that *it shall be for a time, times, and a half***; and ***when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished***.

So, what does "a time, times, and a half" mean?

Answer:
The word "time" used, in the original Hebrew, according to Strong's Dictionary/Concordance, means a "YEAR." Scholars have come to understand that this means that "a year, 2 years, and a half year" equals 3-1/2 years for this all to transpire.

This is also confirmed in the Book of Revelation, which I will discuss after all of that which is revealed in the Torah. But suffice to say that this 3-1/2 year period is spoken of in the following places in the Revelation of Jesus Christ by the Apostle John:

Revelation 12:14;
Revelation 11:2;
Revelation 13:5;
Revelation 11:3;
Revelation 12:6
Revelation 11:9
(I believe this verse coincides with that 3-1/2 years, even though it states "days," but that is truly conjecture, and is of my own opinion and interpretation, I admit – YET, WITH AWARENESS OF VERSE 11:3);
Revelation 11:11
(I believe this verse likewise coincides with that 3-1/2 years, even though it states "days," but that is truly conjecture, and is of my own opinion and interpretation, I admit – YET, WITH AWARENESS OF VERSE 11:3);

Interestingly, the Revelation has, WITH THESE TWO LAST VERSES, SEVEN TIMES THAT 3-1/2 YEARS WOULD BE REVELAED IN VARIOUS WAYS! THAT IS PARTIALLY WHY I CONCLUDE THAT "DAYS" IS NOT LITERAL.

THE OTHER REASON THAT I BELIEVE THIS IS ANOTHER SECRET FROM GOD'S WORD, WHICH IS WRITTEN IN NUMBERS IN THE TORAH, AND ALSO SPOKEN OF AS A PROPHETIC CLUE IN EZEKIEL:

Numbers 14:33-34
(33) And your children shall wander in the wilderness ***forty years***, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcasses be wasted in the wilderness.
(34) ***After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days***, ***each day for a year***, shall ye bear your iniquities, **even forty years**, and ye shall know my breach of promise.

AND:

Eze 4:5-6
(5) For ***I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity***, ***according to the number of the days***, ***three hundred and ninety days***: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.
(6) And ***when thou hast accomplished them***, ***lie again on thy right side***, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah ***forty days***: ***I have appointed thee each day for a year***.

So, with THIS as a reference to interpreting prophetic revelations, I conclude that 3-1/2 days spoken of in Revelation 11:9 and 11:11 are BOTH equivalent to 3-1/2 years.

However, I have not yet defined why I believe that the 2nd Rapture will occur at the end of that 3-1/2 years. Here is PART OF why that is:

This is the prophecy of Daniel that reveals the coming of the Messiah, Jesus Christ, as well as the coming of the antichrist – who is the one who makes "the covenant" written herein:

Daniel 9:24-27
(24) Seventy weeks **["a week" is a prophetic timeframe of 7 years]** are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.
(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.
(26) And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, 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.**
(27) And ***he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week*** **[that is, 7 years]:** and **in the midst of the week** ***he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease***, and ***for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate***, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

You will do well to understand this at much greater detail, which I will explain in this Message later on within it. But, for the time, I merely want you to see that the words "in the midst of the week" are used.

We have already seen that a week is 7 years; the word "midst" used in the original Hebrew means "MIDDLE!"

7 years is divided into TWO "3-1/2 years"/"forty-two months"/"1,260 days"/"time, times, & 1/2 a time" TIME PERIODS!!!

So, it is at the 3-1/2 year reign of the antichrist that the Third Temple of the Jews (not yet constructed) oblation (sacrifice by fire) will be forced to cease by the antichrist, according to verse 27, above.

It is also at the 3-1/2 year mark that the abomination that makes desolate shall be set up in that Third Temple.

How do I know? Consult the words of Jesus in Matthew 24, Mark 13, and Luke 21:

Matthew 24:15-24
(15) ***When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation***, ***spoken of by Daniel the prophet***, ***stand in the holy place***, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)
(16) ***Then*** let ***them which be in Judea flee*** into the mountains:
(17) Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
(18) Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
(19) And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck ***in those days***!
(20) But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
(21) ***For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be***.
(22) And ***except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved***: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.
(23) ***Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not***.
(24) ***For there shall arise false Christs***, and false prophets, and ***shall show great signs and wonders***; ***insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.***

THIS IS WHY IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND ALL OF THIS!!!

Mark 13:5-6
(5) And Jesus answering them began to say, ***Take heed lest any man deceive you***:
(6) For ***many shall come in my name***, ***saying, I am Christ***; and ***shall deceive many***.
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Mar 13:12-23
(12) ***Now the brother shall betray the brother to death, and the father the son; and children shall rise up against their parents, and shall cause them to be put to death***.
(13) And ***ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake***: but ***he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved***.
(14) ***But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not***, let (him that readeth understand,) ***then let them that be in Judea flee*** to the mountains:
(15) And let him that is on the housetop not go down into the house, neither enter *therein*, to take any thing out of his house:
(16) And let him that is in the field not turn back again for to take up his garment.
(17) But woe to them that are with child, and to them that give suck ***in those days***!
(18) And pray ye that your flight be not in the winter.

(19) ***For in those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be***.
(20) And ***except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved***: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days.
(21) And ***then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here is Christ; or, lo, he is there; believe him not***:
(22) ***For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall show signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect***.
(23) But take ye heed: ***behold, I have foretold you all things***.

Luke 21:20-31
(20) And ***when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh***.
(21) ***Then*** let them which are in Judea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.
(22) ***For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled***.
(23) But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! ***for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people***.
(24) And ***they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations:*** and ***Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled***.
(25) And ***there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars***; and upon the earth **distress of nations**, with perplexity; **the sea and the waves roaring**;
(26) **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***. **[THAT IS, demonic rulers will be coming down to the earth out of the heavenlies – see Revelation 12:12 and Ephesians 6:11-12 for context]**
(27) And **then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory**. **[VERSE 27 IS THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST TO THE EARTH, SAME AS JUDE 1:14-15, NOT "The Rapture"]**
(28) And ***when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh***.
(29) And he spake to them a parable; ***Behold the fig tree***, and all the trees;
(30) ***When they now shoot forth***, ye see and know of your own selves that ***summer is now nigh at hand***.
(31) ***So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand***.

AGAIN:
THIS IS WHY **IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND *ALL OF THIS*!!!**

So then, looking specifically at Matthew 24:15 and Mark 13:14, Jesus QUOTES DANIEL'S PROPHECY ABOUT THE ABOMINATION THAT MAKES DESOLATE, and we've already determined that THAT will take place IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SEVEN-YEAR REIGN OF THE ANTICHRIST.

Therefore, we can put a time-stamp on WHEN ALL, OF WHAT IS WRITTEN IN THE ABOVE-QUOTED SCRIPTURAL CITATIONS, WILL TRANSPIRE, WITH REFERENCE TO THE TRIBULATION PERIOD!!!

BE AWARE OF THE FACT THAT THIS IS IN THE VERY MIDDLE OF THE TRIBULATION, AND I HAVE YET TO SHARE WITH YOU WHAT LEADS ME TO CONCLUDE THAT THERE WILL BE A 2nd RAPTURE THAT TAKES PLACE AT THAT SAME TIME!!!

That is found in the Book of Revelation, and I will share that with you in the next Section of this Message. For now, be aware that I am CALLING THIS 2nd RAPTURE a "Mid-Trib" Rapture. (Even though I don't know precisely all of the things that Middle-Tribulation theorists believe about that, and what Scripture(s) they employ to support that position, I can only call that occurrence by this name because it happens in the very middle of the Tribulation Period.)

Lastly, there will be a 3rd and FINAL Rapture that takes place at the very END OF the Tribulation, I believe and conclude, based upon what I am aware of in the Book of Revelation. But, suffice it to say now that the Torah's prophecies about the WHEAT unfolds a secret that is a foreshadow of the End Times Church:

The Gentile nations are surely prophetically foretold in the Old Testament, as being shown the Good News of the GRACE OF GOD, and of the LIGHT OF THE GLORY OF GOD – see: Isaiah 9:1-2; 2Thessalonians 2:13-14; and the following:

Ephesians 2:4-20
(4) But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,
(5) Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, by (grace ye are saved;)
(6) And ***hath raised us up together***, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus:
(7) ***That in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace*** in *his* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.
(8) ***For by grace are ye saved through faith***; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:
(9) Not of works, lest any man should boast.
(10) For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.
(11) Wherefore ***remember, that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh***, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;
(12) ***That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise***, having no hope, and ***without God in the world***:
(13) ***But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ***.
(14) ***For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us***;
(15) ***Having abolished in his flesh the enmity***, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; ***for to make in himself of twain one new man***, ***so making peace***;

(16) And ***that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross***, having slain the enmity thereby:
(17) ***And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh***.
(18) ***For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father***.
(19) ***Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God***;
(20) And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner *stone*;

So, THAT is Paul's MYSTERY (i.e., SECRET, *AND* his own REVELATION from God); it is that Jew and Gentile ARE MADE ONE WITHIN THE BODY OF CHRIST, WHICH IS THE CHURCH!

So, we see that the Gentiles are ALWAYS within the 3 Raptures, but it is the Jews' obtaining the grace of God by Jesus Christ that has become questionable, as Israel has been thought to have been replaced by the Church... NOT SO!!!

Replacement Theology has NO PLACE IN SCRIPTURE!!! NOR IN TRUTH!!!

So, we can see that there are untold numbers of people who believe in Jesus, both Jews as well as non-Jewish Gentile peoples. They are waiting for their Lord to come to take them out of this world and to bring them into the Millennial Reign with Himself! THAT WILL TAKE PLACE... YET NOT FIRST!!!

The 1st Rapture will take place with both Jews and Gentiles, and the Gentiles will have taken the lead to convert unbelieving Jews to the faith in Christ – see Romans 11:7-27 for understanding all of that!

So then, the 1st Rapture of the 3 Raptures will be led by Gentiles, and will have far less a number of Jews who are saved as compared to the numbers of Gentiles.

The 2nd Rapture, however, will surely have manifold Gentiles within the people that are taken away, but it is also a likelihood that manifold Jews will be amongst them, as it is "THE WHEAT HARVEST" – which WHEAT is significant of the Jews, as opposed to the BARLEY representing the Gentiles in the prior Rapture (the 1st one)!

And THAT leads me to my final statement within this Section of this Message: The 3rd Rapture will come at the very end of the reign of the antichrist, at the end of the 7-year Tribulation Period, and it will be LED BY THE 144,000 Messianic Jews that will be the End-Times' Evangelists that reach out to save whomever of the Gentile nations' peoples will yet be converted!!!

How do I make this assessment? you may ask:

Answer:
The "corn of wheat" that Jesus spoke of reveals to us that the Feast of Tabernacles/Ingathering has a 3rd Harvest that consists of BOTH "fruits of

the land" AND OF A LATE "WHEAT HARVEST," TOO!!! The "corn" is representative of the Jews' being "gathered into the barn," so to speak; the "wine," the other "fruits of the field," and "the oil" all represents the Gentiles.

So, UNTIL THE TIMES OF THE GENTILES ARE FULFILLED (Luke 21:24), AND THE MYSTERY (i.e., THE CHURCH) SHALL BE FINISHED (Revelation 10:7), THERE WILL REMAIN A CHURCH... ONE THAT IS MAINLY MADE UP OF JEWISH BELIEVERS IN MESSIAH JESUS, WHO WILL ALL BE ONE IN CHRIST – THE ELECT THAT WILL BE SAVED AT THAT FINAL TIME – WHICH WILL OCCUR JUST PRIOR TO, *AND* JUST AFTER, THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON!!!

THREE RAPTURES, FORESHADOWED BY THREE HARVESTS: THE FIRST ONE OF BARLEY; THE SECOND ONE OF WHEAT; AND THE THIRD ONE OF FRUIT *AND* MORE WHEAT. THESE THREE ARE, LIKEWISE, FORESHADOWED BY THE FOLLOWING VERSES OF SCRIPTURE:

Exodus 23:14-17
(14) ***Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year***.
(15) Thou shalt keep ***the feast of unleavened bread***: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)
(16) And ***the feast of harvest***, the firstfruits of thy labors, which thou hast sown in the field: ***and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labors out of the field***.
(17) ***Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD***.

EVERY YEAR, THE JEWS ARE REMINDED THAT *THEY ARE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE LORD THREE TIMES*!!! THIS *IS* "THE 3 RAPTURES REVELATION!!!"

***THAT* IS ALSO AFFIRMED IN THE FOLLOWING:**

Deuteronomy 16:16
(16) ***Three times*** in a year ***shall all*** thy males ***appear before the LORD thy God*** in the place which he shall choose; in ***the feast of unleavened bread***, and in ***the feast of weeks***, and in ***the feast of tabernacles***: and ***they shall not appear before the LORD empty***:

2Chronicles 8:13
(13) Even after a certain rate every day, ***offering according to the commandment of Moses***, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts, ***three times in the year***, *even* ***in the feast of unleavened bread***, and i***n the feast of weeks***, and ***in the feast of tabernacles***.

Psalm 126:5-6
(5) They that sow in tears shall reap in joy.
(6) ***He that goeth forth*** and weepeth, ***bearing precious seed***, ***shall doubtless come again*** with rejoicing, ***bringing his sheaves with him***.

Consider THIS:
THE "WAVE SHEAF" IS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SMALL NUMBER OF THE SOULS OF JEWISH BELIEVERS, COMPARITIVELY, WHO WILL BE RAPTURED OUT OF THE EARTH INITIALLY, IN THE 2nd RAPTURE…

…IN COMPARISON WITH THE MULTITUDE OF THE JEWS THAT WILL BE SAVED, AND BE CAUGHT AWAY TO MEET THE LORD IN THE AIR, IN THE 2nd WHEAT HARVEST, WHICH WILL BE AT THE 3rd (AND LAST) RAPTURE!!!

Proverbs 11:30
(30) ***The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life***; and ***he that winneth souls is wise***.

Revelation 14:12
(12) Here is the patience of the saints: ***here are they that keep the commandments of God***, **and** ***the faith of Jesus***.

THE BOOK OF REVELATION FORETELLS "THE 3 RAPTURES REVELATION"

First of all things from the Book of Revelation regarding "The 3 Raptures Revelation," there needs to be understood that John's revelation from the Lord Jesus was not only in accordance with the words of the Old Testament, but it was given as ***A MOSTLY CHRONOLOGICAL ACCOUNT*** OF WHAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE TIME AFTER THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS!!!

There ARE various occasions when John states something, then, later on in his prophesying, he'd reiterated an earlier matter, with more details added, but then brings us – the pupils of the Word – up-to-date again; and then he'd gone even past the formerly-revealed prophetic foretelling to prophesy what will yet occur, revealing the future events he'd seen that will surely come to pass. He does this caterpillar-like walk through the details of his vision, and understanding, in order to explain one matter after the next, all in a totally sequential, ordered manner, detailing time and events progressively.

It is a sort of "look in the mirror" of the revelatory account he was shown, in order to bring you chronologically, and methodically, back to the present… …and then well into the future! He covers past matters, then discusses the present, then the future, all tenses being witnessed in a methodical manner, in order to expound upon what he had seen, heard, and learned from the Lord Jesus, Who had appeared to him – IN GLORY (See: Revelation 1:10-19 right now!)!!!

THAT STATED, I AM REAFFIRMING MY EARLIER STATEMENT ABOVE: THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST BY THE APOSTLE JOHN IS, BY HIM, WRITTEN IN A MOSTLY CHRONOLOGICAL ACCOUNT OF PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE EVENTS - EVENTS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE, ARE TAKING PLACE, AND WILL YET TAKE PLACE!!! MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT:

THERE ARE NO PLACES WHERE HE SKIPS THROUGH TIME AND THEN STATES THE SAME, EVER-INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT FUTURE EVENTS, TO RECOUNT THEM CONCURRENTLY AND SIMULTANEOUSLY!

IN SHORT, AS A MATTER OF THE UTMOST, IN ORDER TO UNDERSTAND WHAT I AM REFERRING TO, THERE ARE WRITTEN IN HIS PROPHETIC TIME-LINE THREE DISTINCT JUDGMENTS:

THERE ARE "THE SEAL JUDGMENTS"
(Revelation, Chapter 6, and 8:1);

THEN THERE ARE "THE TRUMPET JUDGMENTS"
(Revelation, Chapter 8:2-13 and Chapters 9, 10, and 11 – especially 8:2 through 11:15);

AND, LASTLY, THERE ARE "THE VIAL (OR BOWL) JUDGMENTS"
(Revelation, Chapter 16, MOSTLY, but overlapping Chapters 17 and 18, also).

THESE THREE JUDGMENT ACCOUNTS ARE *NOT* THE SAME EVENT BEING RECOUNTED, NOR HAVE THEY BEEN RETOLD: EACH JUDGMENT ACCOUNT HAS VARYING DEGREES OF ATROCITIES, AND THEY OCCUR OVER DIFFERING SPANS OF TIME!!!

THESE JUDGMENTS ARE TOTALLY CHRONOLOGICALLY IN ORDER OF TIME, AND HAVE BEEN REVEALED SEQUENTIALLY BY DEGREE OF SEVERITY; THEY ARE NOT OVERLAPPING, BUT BECOME MORE SEVERE AS THEY PROGRESS; AND THEY ARE MEANT FOR DIFFERENT PEOPLE GROUPS, AT DIFFERENT INCREMENTS OF TIME AND OF PROPHESIED OCCURRENCES!

ALL OF *THAT* WAS RECOUNTED BY JOHN WITHIN THE BACKDROP OF THE EVOLVING DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPHESIED EVENTS, WHICH WOULD YET HAVE UNFOLDED IN THE ORDERLY PROCESS OF TIME – AFTER THE 1ST CENTURY WHEN HE HAD GIVEN HIS PROPHETIC ACCOUNT.

REITERATING, THE JUDGMENTS DO NOT OVERLAP! *THEY ARE DISTINCTLY DIFFERENT AND ARE, LIKEWISE, INCREASINGLY MORE DIFFICULT TO ENDURE BY THOSE WHO WILL YET ENDURE THEM!!!*

SOME OF THE SEAL JUDGMENTS ARE BELIEVED, BY SOME SCHOLARS, TO HAVE ALREADY OCCURRED. I AM NOT CERTAIN THAT THAT IS NOT SO, BUT I HESITATE TO THINK SO!

I TEND TO OPINE THAT THEY ARE ALL YET TO BE EXPERIENCED, AND DO NOT COINCIDE WITH PAST HISTORICAL EVENTS WHICH SOME CONCLUDE HAVE BEEN WRITTEN IN THE SEAL JUDGMENTS. THUS, I BELIEVE WE ARE YET TO SEE, FROM A DISTANCE (FROM HEAVEN, IF WE HAVE BEEN TAKEN THERE IN THE 1ST RAPTURE), ALL OF THE JUDGMENTS BEING REVEALED…DURING THE TRIBULATION PERIOD.

I AM EMPHATICALLY STATING THAT THE REVELATION BUILDS WITH TIME, SOMETIMES OVERLAPPING TO CATCH THE READER UP TO SPEED, BUT THEN GIVING NEW DETAILS OF FUTURE EVENTS THAT WILL FOLLOW WHAT WAS OVERLAPPED. *THE JUDGMENTS ARE NOT OVERLAPPING, HOWEVER.* THEY ARE METED OUT UPON HUMANKIND, WITHIN THE PROCESS OF TIME, AND BECAUSE OF THE DEGREES OF HUMAN IMPENITENCE AND LACK OF OBEISANCE TO ALMIGHTY GOD!!!

John Prophesied the Church FIRST, THEN The 3 Raptures, In THAT Order

Revelation 1:1-3
(1) The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, ***to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass***; and he sent and signified *it* by his angel unto his servant John:
(2) Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.
(3) ***Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein***: **for the time *is* at hand**.

Three things are to be understood by these first 3 verses of the Book of Revelation:

(1) These things written are to come to pass "shortly" – the word in the Greek meaning, specifically, "IN HASTE," *NOT* meaning "SOON!"

(2) The word "BLESSED" that is used in the Greek means "FORTUNATE" and "WELL OFF" – take THAT to mind of how IMPORTANT understanding the Revelation really is!

(3) Those who are "WELL OFF" will be those who "READ, HEAR, and KEEP" the words of the prophecy within the Book of Revelation!

THE QUESTION, THEN, REMAINS:
DOES THAT INCLUDE YOU???!!!!

Now, moving on to the next part of Chapter 1, we have this account from John:

Revelation 1:4-7
(4) John ***to the seven churches*** which are in Asia: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; ***and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne***;
(5) ***And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness***, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. ***Unto him that loved us***, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,
(6) ***And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father***; ***to him be glory and dominion forever and ever***. Amen.
(7) Behold, he cometh with clouds; and ***every eye shall see him***, and ***they also which pierced him***: and ***all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him***. Even so, Amen.

Let me start by declaring that the seven churches in Asia are merely TYPES AND FORESHADOWS of the seven Church AGES that have transpired, and are currently transpiring, on the earth, historically speaking.

There are also NOT seven Holy Spirits of God, as some have considered is meant by "the seven Spirits which are before His throne" – as Scripture interprets Scripture to explain what is meant!

Hebrews 1:13-14 states this:

Hebrews 1:13-14
(13) But to which of ***the angels*** said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?
(14) ***Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?***

Therefore, we can conclude that we are referring to seven angels that are before the throne of the Lord, by means of this explanation!

How can we be sure of that?

Here is what is stated in Chapters 2 and 3, all of which is prophecy regarding the 7 Church Ages:

Revelation 2:1
(1) ***Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus*** write;

THEN:
Revelation 2:7
(7) He ***that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches***;
[NOTE THAT THE WORD "CHURCHES" IS NOT PLURAL IN THE GREEK, BUT SHOULD READ "THE CHURCH" – IN THIS CASE REFERRING TO THE CHURCH AGE THAT RESEMBLES VARIOUS QUALITIES OF THE CHURCH IN EPHESUS; this will be the same with all seven churches and their angels/spirits, hereinafter, which will remain unstated but understood by the reader.]

THEN:
Revelation 2:8
(8) ***And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna*** write;

THEN:
Revelation 2:11
(11) He ***that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches***;

THEN:
Revelation 2:12
(12) ***And to the angel of the church in Pergamos*** write;

THEN:

Revelation 2:17
(17) He ***that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches***;

THEN:
Revelation 2:18
(18) ***And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira*** write;

THEN:
Revelation 2:29
(29) He that ***hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches***.

THEN:
Revelation 3:1
(1) ***And unto the angel of the church in Sardis*** write;

THEN:
Revelation 3:6
(6) He ***that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches***.

THEN:
Revelation 3:7
(7) ***And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia*** write;

THEN:
Revelation 3:13
(13) He ***that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches***.

THEN:
Revelation 3:14
(14) ***And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans*** write;

THEN, FINALLY:
Revelation 3:22
(22) He ***that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches***.

SEVEN CHURCH AGES, WHICH HAVE SEVEN DISTINCT "ANGELS" – ALSO REFERRING TO THEM AS "SPIRITS" – TO SPEAK THE WORD OF THE LORD WITH REGARD TO EACH OF THOSE AGES!

This may not seem all that important, but the understanding of that WILL BE of paramount importance in comprehending what is stated in the Chapters that follow Chapters 2 and 3!

Revelation 1:9-11
(9) ***I John***, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

(10) I ***was in the Spirit on the Lord's day***, ***and heard behind me a great voice***, as of a trumpet,
(11) ***Saying***, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, ***What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia***; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

It is doubtless that John did this literally, to speak these words to each of the seven churches, but the prophecies thereof were meant not only for those congregations, but were moreover meant to speak into the future ages of the Church, as it would go through its changes and growth, or even regarding its decline, as per Revelation 3:15-19!

Now, let us see what the Lord said to John after appearing to John in His glorified form (Revelation 1:12-16):

Revelation 1:12-13,17-20
(12) And ***I turned to see the voice that spake with me***. And being turned, ***I saw seven golden candlesticks***;
(13) And ***in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man***, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.
...
(17) And when ***I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead***. And he laid his right hand upon me, ***saying unto me***, Fear not; I am the first and the last:
(18) ***I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore***, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.
(19) **Write the things which thou hast seen**, and ***the things which are***, ***and the things which shall be hereafter***;
[Again, this foretells us that John's words of prophecy were for the seven churches in Asia AT THAT VERY TIME *AND ALSO FOR* THE CHURCH AGES THAT WOULD *THEREAFTER* COME TO PASS]
(20) ***The mystery of the seven stars*** which thou sawest in my right hand, ***and the seven golden candlesticks***. ***The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches***: and ***the seven candlesticks*** which thou sawest ***are the seven churches***.

With that in mind, we can affirm most definitely that the SEVEN SPIRITS OF GOD are NOT SEVEN "HOLY SPIRITS," BUT RATHER, SEVEN ANGELS THAT WERE, AND WOULD YET BE, SENT TO MINISTER THE WORD TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES, AND TO THE SEVEN CHURCH AGES, RESPECTIVELY!!!

Let's now move on from this matter and get into what occurs next:

Revelation 4:1-2
(1) ***After this*** **[That is, AFTER THE SEVEN CHURCHES HE HAD SEEN]** I looked, and, ***behold, a door*** *was* ***opened in heaven***: and ***the first voice which I heard*** *was* as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which ***said***, ***Come up hither***, and ***I will show thee things which must be hereafter***.
(2) And immediately I was in the spirit: and, ***behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne***.

Now, HERE is where it gets VERY INTERESTING!!!

You see, John sees THE THRONE OF THE LAMB AND OF THE FATHER, TOO! See this in Revelation 3:21 cited below:

Revelation 3:21
(21) ***To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also*** overcame, and ***am set down with my Father in his throne***.

So, what is John seeing with regard to the throne?

First, he was told that, AFTER THOSE THINGS IN THE CHURCHES, COME UP HERE TO HEAVEN AND I WILL SHOW YOU WHAT COMES NEXT – FOR EACH OF THE CHURCHES' SAINTS!!!

Revelation 4:4-6
(4) And ***round about the throne*** *were* four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw ***four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment***; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.
(5) And ***out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices***: and **there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God**.
(6) And ***before the throne*** *there was* ***a sea of glass*** like unto crystal: and i***n the midst of the throne, and round about the throne***, *were* ***four beasts full of eyes before and behind***.

Now, it takes going to Ezekiel to understand this! But, before I cite Ezekiel's prophecy, I will state what I believe is occurring herein:

Firstly, the 24 elders were "clothed in white raiment" – which is just to say that they will then have the glory of God upon them, and they will glisten and gleam with the appearance of light and/or lightning, even as the appearance of Jesus in Revelation 1:16!

Secondly, out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings, AND VOICES – I believe these VOICES originate from the GLORIFIED SAINTS – THE BELIEVERS IN JESUS THAT, BY THAT TIME, HAVE BEEN CHANGED INTO THEIR GLORIFIED, IMMORTAL, INCORRUPTIBLE BODIES, BEING FOUND WITHIN THE THRONE ITSELF!

Then, thirdly, we see THE SEVEN ANGELS THERE BEFORE THE THRONE… SIGNIFYING THAT THEY ARE THERE BEFORE THE THRONE IN HEAVEN WITH THE CHURCHES – MEANING THAT THE CHURCHES ARE THERE, ALSO!!!

The next matter is where we need to consult Ezekiel to learn what is meant; but, as I said before, I will first divulge what I BELIEVE is seen in verse 6:

There are four beasts that are "full of eyes" – I believe these "eyes" are the spirits &/or souls of men and women who have come to be transported into Heaven by the four beasts; John started his prophecy in Revelation 4 by saying, "…a door *was* opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard *was* as it were of a trumpet talking with me; ***which said, Come up hither***, and I will show thee

things which must be hereafter. ***And immediately I was in the spirit***: and, behold, a throne was set ***in heaven***, and *one* sat on the throne." (Revelation 4:1-2, in part).

Now, let's look at Ezekiel's words (I will attempt to share only what is truly needed from his prophecy to understand this, as it is very lengthy and detailed, and much of it is not totally pertinent to this discourse):

Ezekiel 1:3-6
(3) ***The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest***, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.
(4) And ***I looked***, ***and, behold***, a whirlwind came out of the north, ***a great cloud, and a fire enfolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the color of amber, out of the midst of the fire***.
(5) Also ***out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures***. And this *was* their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.
(6) And ***every one had four faces***, and every one had four wings.

Looking back to John for a moment, we see in Revelation 4 that 4:6-8 state that he had seen "FOUR beasts" – the word "beasts" in the Greek literally means "animals" but moreover means "LIVING THINGS." THESE ARE EZEKIELS LIVING CREATURES. (Compare Ezekiel 1:10 with Revelation 4:7.)

Ezekiel 1:13-14
(13) ***As for the likeness of the living creatures***, ***their appearance was like burning coals of fire***, *and* ***like the appearance of lamps***: it went up and down among the living creatures; and ***the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning***.
(14) And ***the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning***.

Hence, we see the reason for the words of John in Revelation 4:5!

(5) And ***out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices***: and **there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God**.

Continuing:
Ezekiel 1:15-21
(15) Now **as I beheld the living creatures**, behold ***one wheel*** **upon the earth by the living creatures**, with his four faces.
(16) ***The appearance of the wheels and their work was like unto the color of a beryl***: and they four had one likeness: and ***their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel***.
(17) When they went, they went upon their four sides: *and* they turned not when they went.
(18) As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; and ***their rings were full of eyes round about them four***.
(19) And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and ***when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up***.

(20) ***Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went***, ***thither was their spirit to go***; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: ***for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels***.
(21) ***When those went, these went***; and ***when those stood, these stood***; and ***when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them***: ***for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels***.
You will note that verse 15 says "I beheld the living creatures" – PLURAL – speaking of the four beasts of the Revelation of John in 4:7, and then, that Ezekiel said *"the spirit of the living creature" – SINGULAR – was seen WITHIN / INSIDE OF the wheels* that the living creatures held!

I believe that what Ezekiel is describing is that the living creatures, which are some sort of angelic beings (see "Cherubs/Cherubims/Seraphims" for study on that subject) are transporting some type of wheel... perhaps a whirlwind – see Ezekiel 10:13 says "O wheel," and the word "wheel" in Hebrew in that particular verse means, literally, a "whirlwind" – and that the spirits and/or souls of men are the eyes that are seen IN the whirlwinds, even as Ezekiel says that the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels (Ezekiel 1:20-21), and as John stated were "four beasts full of eyes" (Revelation 4:6). (See Ezekiel 10:9-14 to observe in context what is being said about the wheel/whirlwind.)

To understand this concept of being WITHIN the whirlwind, we must consider the words of Job, and of Moses:

Job 40:6
(6) ***Then answered the LORD unto Job out of the whirlwind***, and said,

Exodus 13:21
(21) And ***the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way***; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

WHAT IS A PILLAR OF CLOUD OTHER THAN A WHIRLWIND?

Exodus 14:24
(24) And it came to pass, that in the morning watch ***the LORD looked*** unto the host of the Egyptians ***through the pillar of fire and of the cloud***, and troubled the host of the Egyptians,

Exodus 14:19
(19) ***And the angel of God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and went behind them***; ***and the pillar of the cloud went from before their face, and stood behind them***:

See Exodus 3:1-6 hereinafter:

Exodus 3:2-6
(2) And ***the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush***: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush *was* not consumed.
(3) And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt.

(4) And ***when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush***, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here *am* I.
(5) And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest *is* holy ground.
(6) ***Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father***, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ***And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.***
So, we see therein that "the angel of the Lord" is another way of saying "GOD," HIMSELF!

So, then, Exodus 14:9 reveals to us that *GOD* WENT BEHIND THE PEOPLE, EVEN AS THE PILLAR OF CLOUD – THE WHIRLWIND – WENT BEHIND THE PEOPLE!!!

So, back to Ezekiel's vision, there was seen a "whirlwind" that had "living being(s)"/"eyes" within it; and I am stating emphatically that I believe those "eyes" and "spirit(s) of the living creature(s)" are indeed the spirits (and/or souls) of men and women who have been transported by the living creatures/beasts into Heaven, in order that they may remain before the throne of Jesus and of the Father!!!

You will see that this concept of transportation/trans-relocation by angelic beings is spoken of in various places in the Scriptures:

Of Jesus, it is stated:
Luke 24:51
(51) And it came to pass, ***while he blessed them***, ***he was parted from them***, ***and carried up into heaven***.

Acts 1:9-11
(9) And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, ***he was taken up***; ***and a cloud received him out of their sight***.
(10) And ***while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up***, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;
(11) Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? ***this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven***.

Luke 16:22
(22) And it came to pass, that ***the beggar died***, ***and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom***: the rich man also died, and was buried;

Genesis 5:24
(24) And ***Enoch walked with God***: and ***he was not***; ***for God took him***.

Acts 8:39-40
(39) And when they were come up out of the water, ***the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more***: and he went on his way rejoicing.
(40) ***But Philip was found at Azotus***: and passing through he preached in all the cities, till he came to Caesarea.

And then there will be the 2 Witnesses that will experience the same thing:

Revelation 11:3,11-12
(3) And ***I will give power unto my two witnesses***, and ***they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days***, clothed in sackcloth.
...
(11) And ***after three days and a half*** the ***Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet***; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.
(12) And ***they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither***. And ***they ascended up to heaven in a cloud***; and ***their enemies beheld them.***

ALL THAT WAS EXPLAINED AND EXPOUNDED UPON, ALL FOR THIS ONE PURPOSE: TO REVEAL THAT THE CHURCH, GOD'S PEOPLE – JEWS AND GENTILES ALIKE – WERE ALL TO BE FOUND BEFORE THE THRONE OF THE LAMB, WHEN SEEN IN JOHN'S VISION OF HEAVEN, WHEN HE WAS TOLD, "COME UP HITHER!" IN REVELATION, CHAPTER 4!!!

Revelation 4:1-6
(1) After this I looked, and, behold, ***a door was opened in heaven***: and the first voice which ***I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said***, ***Come up hither, and I will show thee things which must be hereafter***.
(2) And ***immediately I was in the spirit***: and, ***behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne***.
(3) And ***he that sat*** was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and *there was* ***a rainbow round about the throne***, in sight like unto an emerald.
(4) And ***round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment***; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.
(5) And ***out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices***: and *there were* seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.
(6) ***And before the throne there was a sea of glass*** like unto crystal: and ***in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind***.

Thus, it is plain that the Church Age believers, even before the Church Age is over and finished, will be "trans-relocated/transported/carried/caught up/taken up/carried" INTO HEAVEN BY THE ANGELS. *THAT* IS HOW *THE 1st RAPTURE* WILL TAKE PLACE!!!

IN FACT, REVELATION, CHAPTER 4, *IS* THE SOLE NEW TESTAMENT ACCOUNT OF *THE 1st OF 3 RAPTURES* THAT IS PROPHESIED OF!!!

You will notice that the Church is observed as being BEFORE THE THRONE!

IT SHALL BE SHOWN THAT THE BELIEVERS WHO ARE LATER RAPTURED WILL LIKEWISE BE BEFORE THE THRONE, WHEREOF THE OTHER TWO OF THREE RAPTURES' RAPTURED SAINTS WILL THEN BE FOUND, EVEN AS THEY ALSO ARE PROPHESIED ABOUT IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION!!!

Therefore, "The 1st Rapture" occurs IMMEDIATELY AFTER ALL BUT THE LAST CHURCH AGE IS COMPLETED, BUT PRIOR TO THE REALM OF THE ANTICHRIST AND THE BEGINNING OF THE TRIBULATION PERIOD!

(I will, soon after this, reveal why I believe there will be a "Pre-Tribulation Rapture," the 1st Rapture of 3 total, later in this Message; but that will first take some explaining to accomplish!)

How can I confirm that the saints/believers are in Heaven and are before the throne? JUST READ THE ACCOUNT OF REVELATION, CHAPTER 5:

Revelation 5:6
(6) And I beheld, and, lo, ***in the midst of the throne*** and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, ***stood a Lamb as it had been slain***, ***having*** seven horns and ***seven eyes***, ***which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth***.

THE CHURCH (BELIEVERS AND FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST JESUS, WHO IS THE LAMB) IS IN ALL THE EARTH, THUS ARE ALSO THE SEVEN SPIRITS/ANGELS OF THE CHURCHES! THEY ARE THE "EYES" THAT THEN APPEAR IN THE MIDST OF THE THRONE WITH THE LAMB!

Proverbs 15:3
(3) ***The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good***.

2Chronicles 16:9 (in part)
(9) For ***the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth***, ***to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him***...

Now, here is the entirety of Revelation, Chapter 5, and I will merely point out that the majority of the focus of that portion of John's Revelation is with regard to the opening or loosing of the seals; the "Seals" of "the Book" refer to the Seal Judgments that follow this prophecy in Chapter 5 – which Seal Judgments are found in Chapter 6 – but it is a must that I should point out the verses in Chapter 5 that ASSURE us that the saints/believers/followers of Jesus, that is, "the 1st Rapture" portion of the Church, WILL ASSUREDLY BE in Heaven at that time:

Revelation 5:1-14
(1) And ***I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book*** written within and on the backside, ***sealed with seven seals***.
(2) And ***I saw a strong angel*** proclaiming with a loud voice, ***Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?***
(3) And ***no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book***, neither to look thereon.
(4) And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.
(5) And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, ***the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof***.

(6) And ***I beheld***, and, lo, ***in the midst of the throne*** and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, ***stood a Lamb as it had been slain***, **having** seven horns and **seven eyes**, ***which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth***.
(7) And ***he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne***.
(8) And ***when he had taken the book***, ***the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb***, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odors, which are the prayers ***of saints***.
(9) And ***they sung a new song, saying***, ***Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof***: ***for thou*** wast slain, and ***hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation***;
(10) ***And hast made us unto our God kings and priests***: and ***we shall reign on the earth***.
[So, then, it is CLEAR BY THIS VERSE THAT "THE SECOND COMING" (OF JESUS TO THE EARTH) HAS NOT YET OCCURRED, BY THAT TIME THAT THE SEALS ARE LOOSED, AS IT SAYS "SHALL REIGN," WHICH IS FUTURE TENSE. THE 1st RAPTURE, HOWEVER, HAS POSITIONED THE BELIEVERS "BEFORE THE THRONE;" SEE THAT VERSE 6 SAYS THAT JOHN BEHELD "THE MIDST OF THE THRONE," AND THAT THEN VERSE 9 SAYS THAT THEY, THE BELIEVERS, "HAST" (i.e., HAVE) – PAST TENSE – BEEN "REDEEMED…OUT OF EVERY KINDRED, TONGUE, PEOPLE, AND NATION." SO IT IS THAT ALL OF THE CHURCH'S SAVED (ONES) WILL BE BEFORE THE THRONE THAT IS WITHIN THEIR MIDST!!!]
(11) And ***I beheld***, and ***I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders***: and ***the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands***;
(12) ***Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing***.
(13) And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, *be* unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever.
(14) And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four *and* twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth forever and ever.

So, all of Chapter 5 CONFIRMS that the Believers of Christ, *at that time that the Seal Judgments are loosed*, will be BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD THE FATHER, AND OF THE LAMB, IN HEAVEN, *AS A RESULT OF THEIR BEING CAUGHT UP THERE IN "THE 1st RAPTURE!"*

(Chapter 6 is about the Seal Judgments throughout the Chapter; I will NOT expound on all those Judgments, except for the verses of Chapter 6 that pertain to the 3 Raptures.)

"The Wrath of the Lamb" With Regard To "The 1st Rapture"

Revelation 6:1,12-17
(1) And ***I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals***, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.
…

(12) And **I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal**, and, lo, ***there was a great earthquake***; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;
(13) And ***the stars of heaven fell unto the earth***, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.
(14) And ***the heaven departed as a scroll*** when it is rolled together; and ***every mountain and island were moved out of their places***.
(15) And ***the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains***;
(16) ***And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb***:
(17) ***For the great day of his wrath is come***; and ***who shall be able to stand?***

Now, considering this 6th Seal Judgment, when it comes – that it will have been the beginning of THE WRATH OF THE LAMB – let us see what the Word of God has to say about that subject:

1Thessalonians 5:9
(9) ***For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation*** by our Lord Jesus Christ,

Salvation from what, you may ask? Answer: SALVATION FROM WRATH!!!

Luke 21:36
(36) ***Watch*** ye therefore, ***and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man***.

WHAT THINGS ARE "THESE THINGS THAT SHALL COME TO PASS?"

Answer:

Luke 21:22-26
(22) For ***these be the days of vengeance***, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.
(23) But ***woe unto them*** that are with child, and to them that give suck, ***in those days***! for ***there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people***.
(24) ***And they shall fall by the edge of the sword***, and shall be led away captive into all nations: ***and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles***, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.
(25) And ***there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring***;
(26) ***Men's hearts failing them for fear***, and f***or looking after those things which are coming on the earth***: ***for the powers of heaven shall be shaken***.

AND THEN, CONSIDER THIS, IN THE LIGHT OF THE 6th SEAL JUDGMENT, as is prophesied in Revelation, Chapter 6, Verses 12-14:

Luke 21:11
(11) And ***great earthquakes shall be in divers places***, and famines, and pestilences; ***and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven***.

So then, THE 1st RAPTURE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY NOT OCCUR AFTER THE 6th SEAL JUDGMENT, AND THE CHURCH IS ALREADY BEFORE THE THRONE AT THE TIME THE SEALS ARE LOOSED IN CHAPTER 5

THEREFORE, I BELIEVE THAT THE 1st RAPTURE WILL OCCUR BEFORE ALL OF THE SEAL JUDGMENTS, NOT MERELY BEFORE THE 6th SEAL'S EARTHQUAKE OCCURS...USHERING IN "THE WRATH OF THE LAMB!!!"

The 2nd Rapture Revealed in The Book of Revelation:

Turning now to the 7th Chapter of Revelation, we begin the Chapter with these words of prophecy:

Revelation 7:1
(1) And **after these things [that is, AFTER the Seal Judgments and Chapter 6]** I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.

Then it reads:

Revelation 7:2-3
(2) And **I saw another angel** ascending from the east, **having the seal of the living God**: and **he cried with a loud voice** ***to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea***,
(3) ***Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea***, ***nor the trees***, **till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads**.

Question: WHEN are the TREES supposed to be hurt?

ANSWER:

Revelation 8:1-2
(1) And **when he had opened the seventh seal**, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.
[So then, this is UNDOUBTEDLY AFTER The Seal Judgments are completed, and ended, when verse 2 of Chapter 8 occurs!]
(2) ***And I saw the seven angels*** which stood before God; and ***to them were given seven trumpets***.
[THUS BEGINS "THE TRUMPET JUDGMENTS!!!" THERE IS NO WAY POSSIBLE, ACCORDING TO WHAT WE'VE JUST READ, THAT "THE SEAL JUDGMENTS" OVERLAP WITH "THE TRUMPET JUDGMENTS," THEREFORE!!! REVELATION, CHAPTER 8, VERSES 1 AND 2 END THAT ENTIRE CONCEPT!!!]

CONTINUING:

Revelation 8:6-7

(6) And ***the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound***.
(7) ***The first angel sounded***, and ***there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth***: ***and the third part of trees was burnt up***, and all green grass was burnt up.

Again I ask the question, "WHEN are the TREES supposed to be hurt?" The answer is in Chapter 8, Verse 7, above:

Recall that this is what Chapter 7, Verse 3 states:

Revelation 7:2-3
(2) And **I saw another angel** ascending from the east, **having the seal of the living God**: and **he cried with a loud voice** ***to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea***,
(3) ***Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea***, **nor** ***the trees***, **till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads**.

It also details when that will be allowed to occur:
"till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads"

Then, in Chapter 7, Verse 4, John reveals that the 144,000 Jewish Remnant will be sealed unto God…as becoming the End-Time Evangelists in the world, I assert!

Thereafter, Verses 5 through 8 of Chapter 7 declare that each of the End-Times Tribes of Israel will have sealed 12,000 amongst them to be included in the 144,000-strong Remnant!

THAT BEING SAID, WHAT TAKES PLACE NEXT IS MARVELOUS!!! See Verses 9-11:

Revelation 7:9-11
(9) **After this** [**that is, AFTER THE 144,000 WERE SEALED]** ***I beheld***, and, lo, ***a great multitude, which no man could number***, ***of all nations***, and ***kindreds***, and ***people***, ***and tongues***, ***stood before the throne***, and ***before the Lamb***, ***clothed with white robes*** **[thus having the glory of God in themselves, by their being in their glorified bodies!],** and palms in their hands;
(10) ***And cried with a loud voice, saying***, ***Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb***.
(11) And ***all the angels stood round about the throne***, and *about* the elders and the four beasts, ***and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshiped God***,

THIS ACCOUNT IS CLEARLY THE EVIDENCE, PROPHETICALLY, THAT THERE WILL BE A 2nd RAPTURE… THIS ACCOUNT *IS* "THE 2nd RAPTURE" FORETOLD, AND THE BELIVERS ARE ALL FOUND BEFORE THE THRONE, BEFORE GOD THE FATHER, AND BEFORE JESUS!!! AND THERE WILL BE A GREAT INNUMERABLE MULTITUDE OF GENTILES AND JEWS – FROM EVERY NATION AND PEOPLE – THAT WILL BE IN THAT RAPTURE!!!

The reason that will be is that, AFTER the 1st Rapture takes place, the Church will thrive with new converts, and the antichrist and his government will proclaim that the people were abducted by aliens…

...THAT is why there is all of this push to convince people that there is life on other planets, and that spacecraft have abducted people already!

The Church will be TEEMING WITH NEW BELIEVERS! *SOME will fall away by the time of the 2nd Rapture,* who will have believed in and followed after Jesus immediately after the 1st Rapture takes the Church away into Heaven; but MOST of the people will then commit to being received by the Lord in the 2nd Rapture, which they will later learn WILL occur, *from this very Message... I am praying!!!*

"The Great Tribulation" Revealed in the Book of Revelation

Chapter 7 is not completed without discussing the subject of verses 13 through 17 thereof; see here:

Revelation 7:13-17
(13) And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, ***What are these which are arrayed in white robes?*** and ***whence came they?*** **["whence," in Old English, means "from where" (did they come)]**
(14) And **I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest**. ***And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb***.
(15) ***Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple*** **[in Heaven, that is]**: ***and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them***.
(16) ***They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.***
(17) ***For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.***

THIS SCRIPTURE REVEALS THAT "THE GREAT TRIBULATION" HAS BEEN COMPLETED, AS THEY "CAME OUT OF GREAT TRIBULATION" WHEN THEY WERE RAPTURED! (THIS MATTER IS SIGNIFICANT, BUT IT REQUIRES EVEN MORE DISCUSSION, ALONG WITH MANY MORE REFERENCES OF SCRIPTURE, TO EXPLAIN *WHEN* THAT WILL BE *AND WHY THAT IS THE END POINT OF "GREAT TRIBULATION," AND THE BEGINNING OF EVEN WORSE TRIBULATION THAT WILL FOLLOW IT*!)

The Matter of "Jacob's Trouble" Revealed in the Old & New Testaments

"The Time of Jacob's Trouble" can be referenced in the prophecy of Jeremiah, Chapter 30, Verse 7; here is what Jeremiah says about that:

Jeremiah 30:4-7
(4) And ***these are the words that the LORD spoke concerning Israel and concerning Judah***.

(5) ***For thus saith the LORD; We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear***, and not of peace.
(6) Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? ***wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness?***
(7) ***Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it***: ***it is even the time of Jacob's trouble***; ***but he shall be saved out of it.***

This is a reference to Jacob, the son of Isaac (who was himself the son of Abraham), whose name "Jacob" was changed by God to "Israel." See here:

Genesis 32:24-28
(24) And Jacob was left alone; and ***there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day***.
(25) And ***when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him***.
(26) ***And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me***.
(27) ***And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob***.
(28) ***And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed***.

So, this Scriptural reference to "The Time of Jacob's Trouble" is with reference to the nation of Israel, which people of Israel are the descendents of Jacob, the grandson of "Abraham the patriarch."

***(We must investigate what is meant by Jacob's TROUBLE with the next discourse, and with much explanation, with Scriptural references provided to support that!* See Genesis Chapters 29 through 31 for this account of "Jacob's Trouble.")**

The 3rd Rapture Revealed in The Book of Revelation:

Moving on to the matter of "The Trumpet Judgments," we need not discuss all of what judgments befall mankind during that time, but we must look at a few prophetic verses that have to do with the 3rd, and final, Rapture, all revealed within the prophecies of "The Trumpet Judgments." Let's investigate these gold nuggets:

First of all, there are seven Trumpet Judgments - all of which precede the Vial Judgments, which are also referred to as Bowl Judgments in other translations – and they can be found in Revelation, Chapters 8, 9, and 10. These seven Judgments mark the final warnings from the Lord to cause men to repent and turn to Him for mercy and pardon, and to thus receive eternal life by Him!

The first mention of the fact that there are seven Trumpet Judgments is found in Revelation 8:6, with these words:

Revelation 8:6
(6) And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

Interestingly, there is found in Revelation 8:7, immediately following that verse, the prophecy of the trees being burned up; see here:

Revelation 8:7
(7) The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: **and the third part of trees was burnt up**, and all green grass was burnt up.

If you will recall, *Revelation 7:1-3 (notably, verse 3) states that the trees were not to be harmed until AFTER the "servants of God," being the 144,000 Jewish evangelists, are sealed unto God*; see here:

Revelation 7:1-3
(1) And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, **nor on any tree**.
(2) And **I saw another angel ascending** from the east, **having the seal of the living God**: and **he cried** with a loud voice **to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea**,
(3) **Saying, *Hurt not*** the earth, neither the sea, nor ***the trees***, ***till* we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads**.

So stated, we can thereby know, with certainty, that the time of the 2nd Rapture – which can be found prophesied about in Revelation 7:9 (RIGHT AFTER THE MENTIONING OF THE 144,000 BEING SEALED) – MUST NOT BE AFTER THE TRUMPET JUDGMENTS BEGIN!

These following verses of Scripture are the ONLY references to the Feast of Trumpets in the entire Torah! Yet, this is one of the most important verses regarding the Trumpet Judgments! Here is WHY that Feast is so significant:

The 1st day of the 7th month is the day of the Jewish Civil New Year, called Rosh Hashanah (meaning "the head of the year").

THEREFORE, WHENEVER THERE IS A TRUMPET BLOWING DURING THE TRUMPET JUDGMENTS, A NEW YEAR HAS BEGUN – *7 NEW YEARS FOR SEVEN TRUMPET JUDGMENTS!*

Leviticus 23:23-25
(23) And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying,
(24) Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, ***In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation***.
(25) Ye shall do no servile work *therein*: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

and again,

Numbers 29:1
(1) And ***in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, ye shall have a holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work: it is a day of blowing the trumpets unto you***.

Now, knowing that there are 7 years, and that the blowing of the trumpet signifies the start of a new year, this point made in Chapter 10, verse 7, is one of the most substantial prophetic remarks made in John's Revelation:

Revelation 10:7
(7) But ***in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound***, ***the mystery of God should be finished***, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

What is the significance, you ask? Answer: The point of THE MYSTERY OF GOD BEING FINISHED AT THE START OF THE 7th YEAR!!!

The mystery of God is defined in the following Scriptures, according to the Apostle Paul:

Ephesians 3:1-6
(1) For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,
(2) If ye have heard of **the dispensation of the grace of God** which is given me to you-ward:
(3) How that by revelation he made known unto me ***the mystery***; (as I wrote afore in few words,
(4) Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)
(5) Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;
(6) ***That the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel***:

and:

Ephesians 2:11-19
(11) Wherefore remember, ***that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh***, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;
(12) That at that time ye were without Christ, **being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world**:
(13) But **now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ**.
(14) For he is our peace, **who hath made both one**, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*;
(15) Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; **for to make in himself of twain one new man**, *so* making peace;
(16) And ***that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross***, having slain the enmity thereby:
(17) And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.
(18) For ***through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father***.
(19) Now therefore ***ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God***;

The whole point of explaining all of that to you is that the mystery – which is the Church, and which is made up of Jews and Gentiles together as one new body of believers – is completed at the beginning of the 7th year of the

Trumpet Judgments (*when the angel BEGINS to sound*); *THAT will then be THE TERMINATION of the TIME OF GRACE* offered to the believers of Jesus *that enables them to receive EVERLASTING LIFE IN A GLORIFIED BODY!!!*

THEREFORE, that will be the end of the possibility of there being any other Rapture, signifying that the 3rd and final Rapture will, at that very time, be occurring!

How can I conclude this? you ask…If you will follow my understanding of the Scriptures regarding the foretold prophecies of the end times, you will then see that other Scripture coincides with that approximate timeframe!

Let's, then, look at those verses, and let's examine further what the Lord reveals to us regarding the time of the antichrist, and the time of the 2 Witnesses; but let's look first at the times of the Vial/Bowl Judgments to see if these concur with the Trumpet Judgments' signifying the end of the period of GRACE:

The Vial Judgments

Revelation, Chapters 15 and 16 reveal the following:

Revelation 15:5-8
(5) And after that I looked, and, behold, **the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened**:
(6) And **the seven angels came out of the temple, having** the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.
(7) And ***one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God***, who liveth forever and ever.
(8) And **the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power**; and ***no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled***.

Revelation 16:1
(1) And I heard a great voice out of the temple ***saying to the seven angels***, Go your ways, and ***pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth***.

So, you see, this is the finality of the mercy and grace of the Lord shown in His WRATH being unleashed upon the earth, and upon the people that inhabit it. But you ask, WHY WRATH?

Here's the reason:

Revelation 16:4-6
(4) And the third angel poured out his vial upon **the rivers and fountains of waters**; and they **became blood**.
(5) And I heard **the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord**, which art, and wast, and shalt be, **because thou hast judged thus**.
(6) **For [edit: BECAUSE]** ***they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink***; for they are worthy.

and herein is the rest of the justification of God's Justice upon them:

Revelation 16:8-9
(8) And **the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun**; and **power was given unto him to scorch men with fire**.
(9) And **men were scorched with great heat**, ***and blasphemed the name of God***, which hath power over these plagues: ***and they repented not*** **to give him glory**.

AND AGAIN:

Revelation 16:10-11
(10) And **the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness**; and ***they gnawed their tongues for pain***,
(11) ***And blasphemed the God of heaven*** **because of their pains and their sores**, ***and repented not*** **of their deeds**.

Here is God's HEART:

2Peter 3:9
(9) **The Lord is not slack concerning his promise**, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, ***not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance***.

BUT THEY WILL, AT THAT TIME, ALL REFUSE TO REPENT!!!

So, then, what else can we learn from the Vial Judgments?

For one thing, they *ARE* "JUDGMENTS":

Revelation 16:19-20
(19) And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and **great Babylon came in remembrance before God**, ***to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath***.
(20) And **every island fled away**, and **the mountains were not found**.

Revelation 17:1
(1) And there came **one of the seven angels which had the seven vials**, and talked with me, **saying unto me**, Come hither; **I will show unto thee *the judgment of* the great whore that sitteth upon many waters**:

So, this will be the Judgment of Babylon the Great, which is the kingdom and domain of the antichrist, and this will likewise be a judgment upon the earth itself, as well!

Will there be any doubt, then, that this dominion of the antichrist deserves such judgment? If so, then explain these words:

Revelation 17:1-6
(1) And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; **I will show unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters**:

(2) **With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.**
(3) So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and **I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast [edit: the antichrist]**, ***full of names of blasphemy***, having seven heads and ten horns.
(4) And ***the woman*** was arrayed in purple and scarlet color, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, ***having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication***:
(5) And upon her forehead *was* a name written, MYSTERY, ***BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH***.

(6) And ***I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus***: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

Now, if there's still any doubt:

Revelation 17:18
(18) And **the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.**

Revelation 16:12-14,16
(12) And **the sixth angel poured out his vial *upon the great river Euphrates***; and the water thereof was dried up, ***that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared***.
(13) And **I saw three unclean spirits like frogs *come* out of the mouth of *the dragon* [edit: see Revelation 12:7-9]**, and **out of the mouth of *the beast* [edit: the antichrist],** and **out of the mouth of *the false prophet* [edit: Revelation 13:11-17].**
(14) For ***they are the spirits of devils***, working miracles, **which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, *to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty***.
...
(16) And he ***gathered them together into a place called*** in the Hebrew tongue ***Armageddon***.

Therefore, THIS IS *THE END OF* THE END TIMES, NOT ANOTHER PERIOD OF GRACE AND MERCY FOR THE EARTH'S INHABITANTS!!!

The Blessed Of The Lord & The Gleanings

BUT LOOK AT GOD'S MERCY EXTENDED:

Nestled in the midst of that account is verse 15:

Revelation 16:15
(15) **Behold, I come as a thief**. [Edit: HE HASN"T RETURNED TO REIGN AS KING OF THE EARTH YET, THEREFORE!] ***Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments***, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

He says that there are STILL GOING TO BE THOSE WHO ARE "BLESSED" – that is, MADE HAPPY!!!

How? Answer: They will be given LONGEVITY (as opposed to eternal life). Longevity is when they will live a LONG life on the earth, even as the progeny of Adam and Eve lived, such as Methuselah, who lived till he was 969 years old [Edit: see Genesis 5:27]!

How can I foretell that? **you ask.**
Here's that answer, also:

Isaiah 65:18-25
(18) But be ye glad and ***rejoice forever in that which I create***: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.
(19) And **I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people**: and t***he voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying***.
(20) ***There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days***: for ***the child shall die a hundred years old***; but ***the sinner being a hundred years old shall be accursed***.
(21) And they shall build houses, and inhabit *them*; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.
(22) **They shall not build, and another inhabit**; they shall not plant, and another eat: ***for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands***.
(23) They shall not labor in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for ***they are the seed of the blessed of the LORD***, and ***their offspring with them***.
(24) And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.
(25) ***The wolf and the lamb shall feed together***, and ***the lion shall eat straw like the bullock***: and dust *shall be* the serpent's meat. ***They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD***.

So, if these things – such as the wolf and the lamb feeding together, and the lion eating straw – be experienced by them, then they ARE the "BLESSED" of the Lord, even being A CHILD OF A HUNDRED YEARS OF AGE!!!

IN THAT DAY THERE SHALL BE LONGEVITY, and the Believers that have been given glorified bodies shall rule and reign over, and be priests unto, these who are given longevity; so, these will dwell on the earth during Christ's 1000-year Reign ALONGSIDE HIS OWN FAITHFUL ONES!!!

Revelation 3:21
(21) ***To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne*, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne**.

Revelation 1:5-6
(5) And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. **Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood**,
(6) ***And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father***; to him *be* glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 5:8-10
(8) And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four *and* twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odors, which are the prayers of saints.
(9) And they sang a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for ***thou wast slain, and*** ***hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation***;

(10) **And hast made us unto our God kings and priests**: ***and*** ***we shall reign on the earth***.

So, then, we will be reigning over, and ministering to, the people that dwell, for approximately 1000 years, on the earth, and unto all their progeny!!!

So then, it will yet be that the Lord's people, the Jews, who are, THEN, NOT part of the Church that has been caught up to Glory, will dwell on the earth enjoying the fatness of the Lord, with all of the rest of Earth's inhabitants, at that time!!!

Now, as for THE GLEANINGS, let us look at what the Torah says about this:

Leviticus 19:9-10
(9) And **when ye reap the harvest of your land**, ***thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy field, neither shalt thou gather the gleanings of thy harvest***.
(10) ***And*** ***thou shalt not glean thy vineyard, neither shalt thou gather every grape of thy vineyard***; thou shalt **leave them for the poor and stranger**: I *am* the LORD your God.

Deuteronomy 24:19-22
(19) **When thou cuttest down thine harvest in thy field**, ***and hast forgot a sheaf in the field***, ***thou shalt not go again to fetch it***: **it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow**: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands.
(20) **When thou beatest thine olive tree**, ***thou shalt not go over the boughs again***: **it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow**.
(21) **When thou gatherest the grapes of thy vineyard**, ***thou shalt not glean it afterward***: **it shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow**.
(22) And **thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt**: ***therefore I command thee to do this thing***.

The Feasts of the Lord were about the bounty of the Lord, in their land, and the prophetic aspect of that is that the Lord will save those that have truly become His Own and will give them eternal perpetuity...even through the final end of the period of His Grace.

The Gleanings of the field, however, are for those who are NOT given eternal perpetuity but are the "BLESSED" of the Lord, who are given longevity, instead!

THEY, TOO, WILL RECEIVE MERCY FROM GOD;

BUT, THAT WILL ONLY BE AS THOUGH UNTO "THE POOR, THE FATHERLESS, AND THE WIDOW" IN THE EARTH… SO THEN, THEY SHALL BE UNABLE TO INHERIT THE RIGHTS OF THOSE WHO WERE SAVED BY GRACE!!!

THE END OF THE VIAL JUDGMENTS FORETOLD

The end of "the end of" the Vial Judgments will be as follows:

Revelation 16:21
(21) **And there fell *upon men* a great hail *out of heaven*, every stone about the weight of a talent [edit: that's about 100 pounds per each hailstone!]**: and ***men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail***; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

So, then, GOD IS JUSTIFIED TO BRING THESE FINAL JUDGMENTS ON THOSE WHO DWELL ON THE EARTH, *WHO REFUSE TO GIVE THEIR HEARTS TO THE LORD, TO GIVE HIM THE GLORY AND HONOR DUE HIM!!!*

The Two Witnesses, The Times Of The Antichrist, And THE 3 RAPTURES

It is important to understand what the Scripture teaches about the TIMES of the End Times, so as to understand what occurs within them. So said, I will share with you the Scriptures that foretell the times of the Tribulation Period:

3-1/2 Years = Times, Time, and Half a Time = 1,260 Days

Luke 4:24-25
(24) And he said, Verily I say unto you, **No prophet is accepted in his own country**,
(25) But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel **in the days of Elijah**, when ***the heaven was shut up three years and six months***, when great famine was throughout all the land;

James 5:17-18
(17) **Elijah** was a man subject to like passions as we are, and **he prayed earnestly that it might not rain**: and ***it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months***.
(18) And **he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain**, ***and the earth brought forth her fruit.***

Daniel 12:4-10
(4) But thou, O **Daniel, shut up the words**, and seal the book, **even to the time of the end**: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.
(5) Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.
(6) And *one* said to the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, **How long *shall it be to* the end of these wonders?**

(7) And I heard the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and **swore by him that liveth forever *that it shall be for a time, times, and a half***; and **when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these *things* shall be finished**.
(8) And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, **what *shall be* the end of these *things*?**
(9) And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for **the words *are* closed up and sealed till the time of the end.**
(10) **Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried**; but t**he wicked shall do wickedly**: and *none of the wicked shall understand*; but ***the wise shall understand***.

Revelation 12:1-17
(1) And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; **a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars**: [edit: THIS "WOMAN" IS "ISRAEL"]
(2) And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered [edit: THIS WAS ISRAEL BRINGING FORTH THE MESSIAH: JESUS].
(3) And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads [edit: THIS IS THE DEVIL, AND HIS "BEAST" - THE ANTICHRIST - AND THE DOMAIN OF BOTH THE DEVIL AND THE ANTICHRIST].
(4) And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.
(5) And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and *to* his throne. [edit: THIS IS ALL ABOUT JESUS]
(6) And **the woman** [edit: **ISRAEL**] **fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God**, that **they should *feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days***.
(7) And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and **the dragon fought and his angels**,
(8) **And prevailed not**; ***neither was their place found any more in heaven***.
(9) And **the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan**, which deceiveth the whole world: **he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him**.
(10) And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for **the accuser of our brethren is cast down**, which accused them before our God day and night.
(11) And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.
(12) Therefore rejoice, *ye* heavens, and ye that dwell in them. **Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, *because he knoweth that he hath but a short time***.
(13) And ***when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth*, he persecuted the woman [edit: ISRAEL] which brought forth the man *child* [edit: JESUS].**
(14) And **to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place**, ***where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time*, from the face of the serpent**.

(15) And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.
(16) And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.
(17) **And the dragon was wroth with the woman, *and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God,* and *have the testimony of Jesus Christ.***

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

There is also the prophecy that the two witnesses will lie in the street for 3-1/2 days, but then will rise again; I intend to show you, now, that this is speaking of 3-1/2 YEARS, NOT 3-1/2 DAYS!!!

The Revelation says this about that occurrence:

Revelation 11:3,6-11
(3) And I will give *power* unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.
...
(6) These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.
(7) And **when they shall have finished their testimony**, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.
(8) And **their dead bodies *shall lie* in the street of the great city**, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, **where also our Lord was crucified**.
(9) And **they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and a half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves**.
(10) And ***they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another***; ***because these two prophets tormented them*** that dwelt on the earth.
(11) And ***after three days and a half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet***; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.

Now, the first thing to question would be: How can these two witnesses die then for the whole earth to rejoice over them, and thus to send gifts to one another, AND not suffer their dead bodies to be buried, ALL within 3-1/2 days timeframe, in the first place?!!

THIS IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE!!!

But there's more to consider:

A DAY FOR A YEAR (REITERATING)

So, seeing this shall be the timeframe of the end of times, let's put all of this in proper perspective:

The Lord made a "breach of promise" to the Israelites when they entered Canaan land to "spy out" the land because of their unbelief at His Word to them…only Joshua and Caleb had a good report, but the other ten leaders of Israel brought up reasons why they could not inherit the land.

Thus, God made an ordinance – one that is a prophetic sign in prophetic revelations – by His ordaining that they would wander in the wilderness for 40 years, according to the number of days that they spied out the land. See here:

Numbers 14:32-34
(32) But *as for* you, your carcasses, they shall fall in this wilderness.
(33) And **your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years**, and bear your whoredoms, **until your carcasses be wasted in the wilderness**.
(34) **After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, *even* forty days**, ***each day for a year***, shall ye bear your iniquities, ***even forty years***, and **ye shall know my breach of promise**.

This prophetic secret, of God's timetable of events at the time of the end, He likewise confirmed with Ezekiel, as shown in the following two places in Ezekiel, Chapter 4:

Ezekiel 4:3-6
(3) Moreover take thou unto thee an iron pan, and set it *for* a wall of iron between thee and the city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it. ***This shall be a sign to the house of Israel***.
(4) Lie thou also upon thy left side, and **lay the iniquity of the house of Israel** upon it: ***according*** **to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity**.
(5) For **I have laid upon thee *the years of* their iniquity**, ***according to the number of the days*, *three hundred and ninety days***: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel.
(6) And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt **bear the iniquity of the house of Judah *forty days***: ***I have appointed thee each day for a year***.

***So then, this is the standard of prophetic calculation*, as an insight into the revealed meaning behind *the two witnesses' 3-1/2 days* lying in the streets unburied!**

Each day for a year, the 3-1/2 days are, ACTUALLY, going to be 3-1/2 years!

Thus said, we have another insight of the secrets of God's Word of prophecy in its fulfillment thereof!

Taking all of that into consideration, we have Revelation 11:3 saying that the two witnesses will prophesy for 3-1/2 years, and, thereafter, that this will be followed by 3-1/2 years of being unburied and the world rejoicing over their deaths…and then their resurrection!

This will be the 7 years of the Tribulation Period, again being confirmed by Daniel 9:24-27, taking note of the use of the term "weeks" – meaning 7 years each – and then the use of "ONE week" in verse 27; whereof, a 7-year period will be given to the one who will then be "confirming the covenant with many."

Daniel goes on to reveal for us that, "in the midst of the week, he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease."

The words "in the midst" literally means "in the middle" in the Hebrew language used. Therefore, the sacrifices of the 3rd Temple, and the oblations (the sacrifices that are BURNED on the altar) of the 3rd Temple – which shall be built according to Revelation 11:1-2 – WILL BE MADE TO END IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TRIBULATION PERIOD!!!

THIS SIGNIFIES THAT THE TIME OF THE ANTICHRIST'S PERSECUTION OF THE JEWS HAS BEGUN AFTER THE FIRST 3-1/2 YEARS!!! See again the context of that in Revelation 12:13.

You will note that "the woman" in that Chapter, which is Israel (i.e., the Jews of that time), WILL BE "FED" in the wilderness for 1,260 days, or 3-1/2 years, during the first half of the Tribulation;

And then, at the start of the second half of the Tribulation, there will be a military airlift of the Jews into another area of wilderness, likely being the nation of Jordan (see these verses of Scripture as to why I believe that: Daniel 10:14 and Daniel 11:41; Jeremiah 48:47; Deuteronomy 4:30; there's also more in Numbers 24, but I won't get into all of that with this explanation).

(Ammon, Moab, and Edom (with Mount Seir) are ALL part of the present-day country of Jordan, which country is East of the Jordan River.)

You will note that "two wings of a great eagle" are what brings "the woman" into "the wilderness;" I do believe that this is A MILITARY AIRLIFT BY THE UNITED STATES MILITARY'S PLANES, protecting the inhabitants of that time in Israel, and bringing them to safety, and out of the hands of the antichrist!

Furthermore, "a time (1 year), times (2 years), and a half (6 months, or half a year)" equals 3-1/2 years, as is found in Daniel 12:7 below; this will be the timeframe when he "shall HAVE ACCOMPLISHED to scatter the power of the holy people."

Daniel 12:7
(4) But thou, O **Daniel, shut up the words**, and seal the book, **even to the time of the end**: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

(5) Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.
(6) And *one* said to the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, **How long *shall it be to* the end of these wonders?**
(7) And I heard the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and **swore by him that liveth forever *that it shall be for a time, times, and a half***; and ***when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people*, all these *things* shall be finished**.

If we are to recognize when this is occurring, according to the Revelation's 12th Chapter, verses 12-17 have much to declare about that same time:

Revelation 12:12-17
(12) Therefore rejoice, *ye* heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for ***the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath*, *because he knoweth that he hath but a short time***.
(13) And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, **he persecuted the woman** which brought forth the man *child.*
(14) And **to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place**, ***where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent***.
(15) And ***the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood***.
(16) And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.
(17) And ***the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed***, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

("Dragon" and "Serpent" are interchangeable in verses 14 and 17; see also verse 9.)

Daniel also wrote about this scattering of the power of the holy people in his other prophesying found in Daniel 7:23-25; see here:

Daniel 7:23-25
(23) Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.
(24) And the ten horns out of this kingdom *are* ten kings *that* shall arise: **and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings**.
(25) And **he shall speak *great* words against the most High**, ***and shall wear out the saints of the most High*, *and think to change times and laws***: and ***they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time***.

("A time, times, and the dividing of time" is also 3-1/2 years.)

The end of the matter follows that, in Daniel 7, verse 26, and then in 27:

Daniel 7:26
(26) But **the judgment shall sit**, and ***they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end***.

and:

Daniel 7:27
(27) And ***the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven***, ***shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High***, **whose kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him**.

So, the end of the end will be that God wins, and the devil is doomed!!!

But the point is made that the antichrist will be brought to ultimate power in the second half of the Tribulation Period. THAT will then be "The Time of Jacob's Trouble," which coincides with Daniel 12:1, in which Daniel states the following:

Daniel 12:1-4
(1) And **at that time** shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and ***there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time***: and ***at that time thy people shall be delivered***, every one that shall be found written in the book.
(2) And ***many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake***, some to everlasting life, and some to shame *and* everlasting contempt.
(3) And ***they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament***; and ***they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever***.
(4) But thou, O ***Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end***: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

and:

Mark 13:19-20
(19) For ***in those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time***, ***neither shall be***.

(20) And ***except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved:*** but ***for the elect's sake***, whom he hath chosen, ***he hath shortened the days***.

and:

Matthew 24:21
(21) For ***then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time***, no, ***nor ever shall be***.

So, this is what we ALL can expect, according to Jesus – IF ANY OF US ARE AMONG THOSE WHO WILL REMAIN ON THE EARTH DURING THE LATTER END OF THE TRIBULATION:

Luke 21:35-36
(35) ***For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth***.

(36) ***Watch ye therefore***, and ***pray always***, ***that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass***, and to stand before the Son of man.

So, it shall be that "The Great Tribulation" will END AT the 3-1/2 year mark of the entire Tribulation Period, when the sacrifice and the oblation are made to cease in the 3rd Temple which is to be built (see Revelation 11:1-2).

THAT first 3-1/2 years will be when the Jews will be made to believe that the antichrist is actually their Messiah. THEN he will be revealed as the counterfeit, and MANY of the Jews of that time will abandon the antichrist and believe in Jesus, instead – which will come as a result of the 144,000 Jewish Evangelists preaching the message of the Gospel to them, thereby saving myriad Jews AND Gentiles (non-Jews).

However, the start of the latter half of the Tribulation will be preceded by the 2nd Rapture, which will occur "in the midst of the week" [in the middle of two halves] of seven years, as aforementioned.

The second half of the Tribulation will be when the antichrist "wears out the saints" and scatters the power of the holy people" – and THAT will be when all of the context of Daniel 12:1, Mark 13:19, and Matthew 24:21 comes upon the world's peoples, especially upon Israel, who will be the Jews of that time!

The two witnesses will prophesy during the Great Tribulation for 1,260 days, which is the prophetic calendar's 3-1/2 years of 360 days per year. Then they shall lie in the street of Jerusalem dead for 3-1/2 years (3-1/2 days, "a day for a year," prophetically speaking), all while the antichrist exacts his wrath on the people of the world – especially upon the Jews – as the "days of vengeance," as is prophesied by Jesus in Luke 21:22; see that in context:

Luke 21:20-24
(20) And **when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies**, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.
(21) **Then let them which are in Judea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out**; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.
(22) ***For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled***.
(23) But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, ***in those days***! ***for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people***.
(24) And ***they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations***: and ***Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled***.

And there you have it:

The "times of the Gentiles" will be "fulfilled" at the end of "the mystery," which is the Church of Jesus, Himself… which will transpire at the end of the time of GRACE – which will be at the time of "the LAST TRUMP" (1 Corinthians 15:52) OF THE SEVEN "TRUMPET JUDGMENTS," as was and is prophesied by John in Revelation 10:7; THAT will be when the 3rd, and final, Rapture occurs!

THAT WILL BE SHORTLY BEFORE THE VERY ENDING OF THE 7-YEAR TRIBULATION PERIOD, *WHICH WILL COME TO FINALITY WHEN THE LORD RETURNS TO THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON, AND SMITES THE ARMIES OF THE EARTH WITH HIS GREAT SWORD FROM HIS MOUTH: HIS ALMIGHTY WORD!!!*

See here, in context:

1Corinthians 15:50-53
(50) Now this I say, brethren, that **flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God**; **neither doth corruption inherit incorruption**.
(51) Behold, ***I show you a mystery***; We shall not all sleep, but ***we shall all be changed***,
(52) ***In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye***, ***at the last trump***: for ***the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed***.
(53) For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and **this mortal must put on immortality**.

And again:

Daniel 7:26-27
(26) But the judgment shall sit, and ***they shall take away his dominion***, ***to consume and to destroy it unto the end***.
(27) ***And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,*** **and** ***all dominions shall serve and obey him*.**

And HEREIN, which follows this, IS THE FINAL END OF THE ARMIES OF THE WORLD ARRAYED AGAINST THE LORD AND AGAINST HIS PEOPLE AT THE END OF THE TRIBULATION PERIOD AT THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON:

Revelation 19:11-21
(11) **And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.**
(12) His eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.
(13) And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and **his name is called The Word of God.**

(14) ***And*** ***the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean***.
(15) And ***out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations:*** and ***he shall rule them with a rod of iron***: and ***he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God***.
(16) And **he hath** on *his* vesture and on his thigh **a name written**, ***KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS***.
(17) And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, **Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God**;
(18) **That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all *men***, *both* free and bond, both small and great.
(19) ***And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army***.
(20) ***And*** ***the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet*** ***that wrought miracles before him,*** with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshiped his image. ***These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone***.
(21) ***And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth***: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

AND LIKEWISE:

Revelation 16:13-19
(13) And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs *come* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.
(14) For **they are the spirits of devils**, working miracles, **which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty**.
(15) Behold, **I come** as a thief. Blessed *is* he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.
(16) **And he** [EDIT: **JESUS** SPEAKING] **gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon**.
(17) And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and ***there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done***.
(18) ***And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings***; ***and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great***.
(19) ***And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell***: and ***great Babylon came in remembrance before God***, ***to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath***.

So it will be that the Lord shall return with His holy people, and they will judge the nations' peoples with Him, at His second coming to rule and reign for 1000 years over all of the earth...from Jerusalem!!!

Jude 1:14-15
(14) And ***Enoch*** also, the seventh from Adam, ***prophesied*** of these, saying, ***Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,***

(15) ***To execute judgment upon all***, ***and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him***.

Daniel 8:23-25
(23) And ***in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full***, ***a king of fierce countenance***, and understanding dark sentences, ***shall stand up***.
(24) And ***his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power***: and ***he shall*** destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and shall ***destroy the mighty and the holy people***.
(25) And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify *himself* in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: ***he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes***; ***but he shall be broken without hand***.

AND THAT IS THE END OF THE STORY…UNTIL SATAN IS LOOSED ONCE AGAIN AT THE END OF THE 1000-YEAR REIGN OF JESUS!!!

MY FINAL DISCOURSE: REGARDING "JACOB'S TROUBLE"

Let's start with an explanation of who Jacob is:

In Genesis, Chapter 25, we see that Jacob was a twin born to Isaac, Abraham's son (son of the promise of God), and of Rebekah, Isaac's wife; his twin brother Esau was also called Edom, which means "red," as he wanted some red pottage of lentils from his brother Jacob…and he was born "red," too (Genesis 25:30,25)…which Jacob was trading Esau with for his birthright – which was to say that Jacob, who came out of Rebekah's womb last, would then get Esau's right to the double portion of Isaac's and Rebekah's possessions when Isaac would die (see Genesis 25:31-34).

Deuteronomy 21:15-17
(15) If a man have two wives, one beloved, and another hated, and they have born him children, *both* the beloved and the hated; and *if* the firstborn son be hers that was hated:
(16) Then it shall be, when he maketh his sons to inherit *that* which he hath, *that* he may not make the son of the beloved firstborn before the son of the hated, *which is indeed* the firstborn:
(17) But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated *for* **the firstborn, by giving him a double portion of all that he hath**: ***for he is the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn is his***.

Thus, Jacob inherited the double portion of Isaac's possessions because Esau sold him his birthright.

Then Esau was to be blessed by his father, Isaac, as Isaac was drawing near the time of his death. However, Rebekah, who loved Jacob more than Esau (Genesis 25:28), led Jacob to deceive Isaac, who couldn't see well in his old age, by having Jacob pretend to be Esau and used a hairy piece of animal skin on his arm to fool Isaac into believing that Jacob was Esau (Esau was a hairy man, and Jacob was not – Genesis 25:25 and Genesis 27:11).

You can read all about this in Genesis 27:1-40, which culminates in Jacob being hated by Esau because he'd taken from Esau his birthright, and then his father's blessing, also, therefore causing Esau to avow to kill Jacob after his father would yet pass away (Genesis 27:41).

Now, the point of all of that is to say that Jacob was in serious trouble with Esau, and he was, therefore, sent from the land of Canaan, which is modern-day Israel, by Rebekah, to his uncle Laban's house in Padam-aram, which is modern-day Syria. Jacob was led to go to Syria at the admonition of his mother (see Genesis 27:41-45 and Genesis 28:1-5, and verses 6-7, as well).

Here is where Jacob's troubles began: as there, in Haran, within Padan-aram/Syria (Genesis 27:43), Jacob met his wife-to-be, Rachel, and then was deceived by his uncle Laban, who gave Jacob his own firstborn, Leah, to be his wife instead of Rachel; then Jacob, still desiring Rachel to be his wife, who had worked for Leah for 7 years already, had then to work an additional 7 years for Rachel, too (see Genesis 31:41 below, and also Genesis 29:15-23, 25-28).

THERE WAS TROUBLE NUMBER 1!!!

TWO WIVES, BOTH SISTERS: ONE WHOM HE DID NOT DESIRE, THE OTHER WHOM HE CHERISHED…CREATING SIBLING RIVALRY!!!

Together, he served Laban, in laboring for him, for 14 years (Genesis 29:20,27-30 and Genesis 31:41). But then Jacob wanted possessions from Laban, so he worked another 6 years for Laban's flocks and herds to become his – and I will forego expounding on that entire saga (see Genesis 31:38-42, which follows):

Genesis 31:38-42
(38) **This twenty years *have* I *been* with thee**; thy ewes and thy she goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flock have I not eaten.
(39) That which was torn *of beasts* I brought not unto thee; I bore the loss of it; of my hand didst thou require it, *whether* stolen by day, or stolen by night.
(40) *Thus* I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from mine eyes.
(41) **Thus have I been twenty years in thy house**; ***I served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters***, and ***six years for thy cattle***: and ***thou hast changed my wages ten times***.
(42) Except the God of my father, the God of Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me, surely thou hadst sent me away now empty. ***God hath seen mine affliction and the labor of my hands***, and rebuked *thee* last night.

So then, Laban exacted 2 periods of 7 years from Jacob for his 2 wives, and then he exacted another 6 years from Jacob for the flocks of sheep and goats that he had gotten, somewhat deceitfully, from Laban, too (Genesis 30-25-43, especially 37-43).

So, after 14 years laboring for Laban for his 2 daughters, Jacob worked another 6 years to acquire Laban's strongest animals of his flocks. This totaled 20 years that he was with Laban and had worked for him (Genesis 31:38,41).

Then, on Jacob's way back to Canaan – 20 years after he'd left there for Padan-aram/Syria – Jacob met with the Angel of the Lord (I believe it was the pre-incarnate Jesus, a so-called "Theophany" – see John 17:5; Colossians 1:12-17; Genesis 48:16, and that which follows below), Who'd renamed Jacob "ISRAEL":

Genesis 32:22-30
(22) And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two womenservants, and his eleven sons, and passed over the ford Jabbok.
(23) And he took them, and sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.
(24) **And Jacob was left alone**; and ***there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day***.
(25) ***And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him***.
(26) ***And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh***. ***And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me***.
(27) And ***he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob***.
(28) And ***he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel***: ***for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed***.
(29) And Jacob asked *him*, and said, Tell *me*, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore *is* it *that* thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there.
(30) And ***Jacob called the name of the place Peniel***: ***for I have seen God face to face***, and my life is preserved.

Therefore, Jacob was the very beginning of the nation of Israel because GOD had so named him that!

Now, having explained all of that scenario, and those details, to you (and leaving you to read the cited verses for further understanding, as well), you can see that Israel (i.e., Jacob) served his uncle Laban (Genesis 24:29 and 27:43) for 20 years, which, broken down into 3 periods, was: 7 years, 7 years, and 6 years.

THESE 3 DURATIONS OF LABOR WERE "JACOB'S TROUBLE" (in the natural sense).

Prophetically speaking, here is how that works out *(this IS conjectured, of course)*:

I believe that this is the key that unlocks the timeframe of the events that shape the time of the End:

Matthew 24:3-8
(3) And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and ***what shall be the sign*** of thy coming, and ***of the end of the world?*** **[edit: the end of "the AGE" is what is meant in the original Greek]**
(4) And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.
(5) For **many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many**.

(6) And **ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars**: see that ye be not troubled: for all *these things* must come to pass, but **the end is not yet**.
(7) For **nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom**: and **there shall be famines**, and **pestilences**, and **earthquakes**, ***in divers places***.
(8) ***All these are the beginning of sorrows***.

and:

Mark 13:4-8
(4) Tell us, when shall these things be? and ***what shall be the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?***
(5) And Jesus answering them began to say, Take heed lest any *man* deceive you:
(6) For **many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many**.
(7) And **when ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars, be ye not troubled**: for *such things* must needs be; **but the end *shall* not *be* yet**.
(8) For ***nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom***: and ***there shall be earthquakes in divers places***, and ***there shall be famines and troubles***: ***these are the beginnings of sorrows***.

This period of the beginning of sorrows is also called "birth pains" in other translations, as depicting a woman being in labor to bring forth a child, who has increasingly-more-intense pangs before the child is brought forth!

I believe that this period of time, prophetically speaking, refers to a period of 7 years, coinciding with the 7 years that Jacob served Laban for Leah, his firstborn daughter.

I SPEAK THIS BY FAITH, AND BY MY OWN OBSERVATIONS, ALONE:

I BELIEVE we are ALREADY within that period, and are fast approaching the end thereof!!! *(THAT COULD BE WRONG!)*

After this "beginning of sorrows" period, there are very-much-more-difficult years ahead, which I believe coincide with the times of "the Seal Judgments;" it is MY OPINION that this time period will be, prophetically speaking, ANOTHER PERIOD OF 7 YEARS for the entirety of the timeframe of the Seal Judgments!

Many people believe that we are already in, or have already experienced the fulfillment of, the times of the Seal Judgments…I BELIEVE THAT IS PATENTLY UNTRUE!!!

I believe there is coming the time of, and are yet to be MORE YEARS OF, THE SEAL JUDGMENTS, coinciding with the 7 ADDITIONAL years that Jacob labored for Laban to obtain his younger daughter, Rachel, to be his second wife.

FINALLY (AND HERE IS WHY I BELIEVE ALL THIS, PRIMARILY):

The period of the Trumpet Judgments ENDS with THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS, WITH HIS GLORIFIED SAINTS, TO ESTABLISH HIS KINGDOM ON EARTH;

BUT, the time of GRACE will be completed AT THE SOUNDING OF THE 7th TRUMP, WHICH JUST BEGINS THE 7th YEAR – *HENCE, WILL JUST END THE 6th YEAR!!!*

Thus, the first 7 Trumpets are to be 7 years, and THAT will coincide with the Tribulation Period, and with the entire dominion of the antichrist, as well; BUT the FIRST 6 YEARS coincide with Jacob's years of toil in order for him to obtain his WEALTH and great possessions!!!

The time of GRACE will be OVER at the end of the 6th year of the Trumpet Judgments, as revealed in Revelation 10:7, *AND THEN THE CHURCH RECEIVES ITS ETERNAL INHERITANCE FROM JESUS!!!* SEE HERE:

Revelation 21:5-7
(5) And ***he that sat upon the throne said***, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.
(6) And he said unto me, It is done. ***I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end***. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.
(7) ***He that overcometh shall inherit all things***; and ***I will be his God, and he shall be my son***.

THEREFORE, I BELIEVE that the 3rd Period of "The Time of Jacob's Trouble" – prophetically signified by Jacob's labors for his Uncle Laban's wealth – is found in the first 6 Trumpet Judgments, RIGHT UP UNTIL "THE LAST TRUMP" (WHICH WILL BEGIN THE 7th YEAR) IS SOUNDED!

However, "The Time of Jacob's Trouble," according to the prophecy of Jeremiah (Jeremiah 30:7), specifically, will OCCUR AFTER "The Great Tribulation" – "The Time of Jacob's Trouble" ("Jacob's Trouble," for short) being the LATTER half of the Tribulation Period, and "The Great Tribulation" being at the FORMER half of the Tribulation Period. Each half of the Tribulation Period will be 3-1/2 years in duration, ending with "The 2nd Coming of Jesus" at the end of 2-1/2 years into "The Time of Jacob's Trouble!" (The 2nd Coming of Christ to the earth will be at the end of 6 years of the combined 7-year period of The Tribulation.)

All of the last section's remarks ARE CONJECTURE ON MY PART, which is why I had not included it in the main Message preceding it!

LAST REMARKS:

I believe The Torah teaches that there shall be 3 Raptures, as I've expounded in my entire previous Message, employing all of the citations of Scripture that coincide with the entirety of my exegesis about what the Feasts of the Lord reveal.

The MAIN thing that tells me that there are 3 Raptures is found in these following verses, which I've already shared earlier in this Message; I just want you to be sure to understand that the Torah says ALL OF THIS:

Exodus 23:14,17
(14) ***Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year***.
...
(17) ***Three times in the year*** all thy males ***shall appear before the Lord GOD***.

and:

Deuteronomy 16:16
(16) ***Three times in a year shall*** all thy males ***appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose***; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and ***they shall not appear before the LORD empty***:

WE SHALL APPEAR BEFORE THE LORD GLORIFIED…AND HAVING GREAT WEALTH:

THAT IS, WE WILL BRING BEFORE HIM THE SOULS OF THOSE WE'VE LED TO HIM, ALONG WITH OUR OWN SELVES!!!

1Corinthians 3:11-15
(11) For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ.
(12) Now ***if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones***, wood, hay, stubble;
(13) ***Every man's work shall be made manifest***: for ***the day shall declare it***, ***because it shall be revealed by fire***; and ***the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is***.
(14) ***If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward***.
(15) ***If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss***: ***but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire***.

AGAIN:

1Corinthians 3:11
(11) ***For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid***, ***which is Jesus Christ.***

Blessings2u!!
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