THE END OF THE AGE

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The Lord indicated that He wanted me to write a short book that talks about "The End of The Age." It is to begin today, August 5, 2021, and reveal what I expect to happen between now and the return of Jesus Christ to rule and reign on the earth – which is the next age after this current Age of Grace. The next age after this current one is called The Millennium because it is 1000 years when Jesus Christ rules and reigns on the earth.

Now we live in "The Age of Grace" which began when Jesus came to earth and gave His life for all who would believe in Him, so that by His grace and His sacrifice we could be made right with God.

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith - and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God - not by works, so that no one can boast. (Ephesians 2:8)

This age will end when He takes from the earth in the Rapture His bride, His believers (who have been saved by grace), and the tribulation takes place.

This book is to help you find scriptures regarding the end of the era we are living in right now in August 2021. Every day the news gives us illustrations of end of the age activities, so they verify this. This is the order of the scripture topics listed:

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THE THOUSAND YEARS - THE MILLENNIUM

THE RAPTURE

ARISE, SHINE

REIGN ON EARTH

THE REMNANT

THE RIGHTEOUS ESCAPING JUDGMENT

THE 144,000

THE DAY OF THE LORD'S ANGER

THE END

IN THAT DAY - AT THE END OF THE TRIBULATION GOD'S WRATH AND BEING SAVED FROM GOD'S WRATH

{The words in blue italics are the thoughts the Lord gave me}

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Jeremiah 33:3 Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.

Prepare to write.

I hear you, Joan.

I hear your prayers. I will answer those prayers.

I hear your declarations for the Rapture to happen. I will answer those prayers at My perfect timing.

My perfect timing is perfect for you too, even though you would like to be raptured sooner rather than later. And "sooner" would have been previous to this year and not have to live through all this covid stuff, but I had a purpose in this too – and My purpose is always good and not evil.

But the time has come for you (My children, My bride) to depart from earth so I can continue the testing of all those who live on the earth.

Write the scripture here about that testing:

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth. (Revelation 3:10)

Remember I said I wanted a bride that was spotless and clean. How do I get her spotless and clean? --- by getting her off the distractions of the world and getting her sanctified and set apart unto Me alone.

I will not share the affections of My bride with anything or anyone else (including ball games, concerts, TV, radio, texts, and even church if it is a distraction from Me. I had to set her apart severely and strictly unto Me - and I did that through allowing covid.

Through covid I learned who would come to Me and call upon Me when they were alone and isolated and without other things to fill their needs. So, in that respect, it has been a good thing, used by Me to accomplish My purposes. I learned who trusted in Me and who didn't. And I increased that trust in My true bride.

And now it is time to call forth My bride and take her out of the way (Rapture) so she doesn't restrain any more the true things in the hearts of people.

*Lack of restraint – that will be one hallmark of the population living in the time of testing through tribulation that is coming.* 

The "mark of the beast" will be an outward sign of the inward condition of the people of this coming tribulation age. Those who take the mark will make their final outward decision of what is inside of them – the inward condition. They will be the ones I come back and destroy, for they are against Me, not for Me.

Those who are for Me will declare it visibly by their actions during this time of testing. And I will know, and the whole world will know, who they are who truly belong to Me.

I want you to start a book called THE END OF THE AGE. Put this material in that new book. It will be a short one. And B will put it online at the beginning of September.

Now I want you to put here all the scriptures you know of regarding the end times and the rapture, so these will be recorded for people to come who will read this.

Between now and "The Age to Come" there is a time period which I will call "The End of The Age." First recall scriptures about "The Age to Come."

Then put in here the scriptures you have gathered about the coming apostasy.

Then write about how I have an appointed time for everything.

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age. (Matthew 28:18-20)

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(All scriptures are from the NIV Bible unless otherwise indicated.)

Mark 10:29-30

"I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age...and in <u>the age to come</u>, eternal life."

Ephesians 1:19-22

That power is like the working of his mighty strength, which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in <u>the one to come.</u>

Ephesians 2:6-7

And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that <u>in the coming ages</u> he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 3:21 KJV

Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus <u>throughout all ages</u>, world without end. Amen.

Hebrews 6:5 Who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of <u>the coming</u> <u>age.</u>

Hebrews 6:5 AMP And have felt how good the Word of God is and the mighty powers of <u>the age</u> <u>and world to come</u>.

APOSTOSY

Luke 18:8 When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4, 6-12

Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day [day of the Lord] will not come, until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God.

And now you know what is holding him back, so that he may be revealed at the proper time. For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so till he is taken out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming.

The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with the work of Satan displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, and in every sort of evil that deceives those who are perishing. They perish because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. For this reason, God sends them a powerful delusion so that they will believe the lie and so that all will be condemned who have not believed the truth but have delighted in wickedness.

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1 Timothy 4:1-3

The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons. Such teachings come through hypocritical liars, whose consciences have been seared as with a hot iron. They forbid people to marry and order them to abstain from certain foods, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and who know the truth.

2 Timothy 3:1-7

But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without selfcontrol, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God - having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them...always learning but never able to acknowledge the truth.

2 Timothy 3:8-9

Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so also these men oppose the truth - men of depraved minds, who, as far as the faith is concerned, are rejected. But they will not get very far because, as in the case of those men, their folly will be clear to everyone.

2 Timothy 4:3-4

For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths.

Hebrews 6:4-8

It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have shared in the Holy spirit, who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age, if they fall away, to be brought back to repentance, because to their loss they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting him to public disgrace.

Land that drinks in the rain often falling on it and that produces a crop useful to those for whom it is farmed receives the blessing of God. But land that produces thorns and thistles is worthless and is in danger of being cursed. In the end it will be burned.

Hebrews 10:26-31

If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God. Anyone who rejected the low of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. How much more severely do you think a man deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God under foot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified him, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace? For we know him who said, "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," and again, "The Lord will judge his people." It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

2 Peter 2:1-2

But there were false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them - bringing swift destruction on themselves. Many will follow their shameful ways and will bring the way of truth into disrepute.

2 Peter 2:4-9

For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but sent them to hell, putting them into gloomy dungeons to be held for judgment; if he did not spare the ancient world when he brought the flood on its ungodly people, but protected Noah, a preacher of righteousness, and seven others; if he condemned the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah by burning them to ashes, and made them an example of what is going to happen to the ungodly; and if he rescued Lot, a righteous man, who was distressed by the filthy lives of lawless men...if this is so, <u>the Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials</u> and to hold the unrighteous for the day of judgment, while continuing their punishment.

2 Peter 2:20-21

If they have escaped the corruption of the world by knowing our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and are again entangled in it and overcome, they are worse off at the end than they were at the beginning. It would have been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than to have known it and then to turn their backs on the sacred command that was passed on to them.

1 John 4:1-6

Do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world...

They are from the world and therefore speak from the viewpoint of the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us. This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood.

Jude 4

For certain men whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among you. They are godless men, who change the grace of our God into a license for immorality and deny Jesus Christ our only Sovereign and Lord.

Jude 10-13

These men speak abusively against whatever they do not understand; and what things they do understand by instinct, like unreasoning animals - these are the very things that destroy them.

Woe to them! They have taken the way of Cain; they have rushed for profit into Balaam's error; they have been destroyed in Korah's rebellion.

These men are blemishes at your love feasts, eating with you without the slightest qualm - shepherds who feed only themselves. They are clouds without rain, blown along by the wind; autumn trees, without fruit and uprooted - twice dead. They are wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame; wandering stars, for whom blackest darkness has been reserved forever.

Jude 18

They said to you, "In the last times there will be scoffers who will follow their own ungodly desires." These are the men who divide you, who follow mere natural instincts and do not have the Spirit.

Revelation 3:15-18

I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other! So, because you are lukewarm - neither hot nor cold - I am about to spit you out of my mouth. You say, "I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing." But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see.

(NIV Scofield Study Bible p. 1533 summary on Apostasy)

- Apostasy is the act of professed Christians who deliberately reject revealed truth as to (1) the Deity of Jesus Christ, and (2) redemption through His atoning and redeeming sacrifice (1 John 4:1-3; Philippians 3:18; 2 Peter 2:1).
- Apostates depart from the faith, but not from the outward profession of Christianity.
- Apostate teachers are described in 2 Timothy 4:3; 2 Peter 2:1-19; Jude 4, 8, 11-13, 16.

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• Judgment of apostasy: 2 Thessalonians 2:10-12; 2 Peter 2:17, 21; Jude 11-15; Revelation 3:14-16.

#### AN APPOINTED TIME

Habakkuk 1:2-5

Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation awaits *an appointed time*; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.

This is about an appointed time, Joan. That's what I want you to write about today - an appointed time.

Psalm 119:126 It is time for you to act, Lord.

Today is an appointed time for Me to act, Joan. It is an appointed time and I will act. You will see, eventually, what My act will cause to happen. Then you will know what this day is an appointed time for.

#### Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens. A time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to tear and a time to give up, a time to keep and a time to throw away, a time to tear and a time to mend, a time to be silent and a time to speak, a time to love and a time to hate, a time for war and a time for peace.

**Ecclesiastes 8:6** For there is a proper time and procedure for every matter.

Isaiah 60:22 I am the Lord; in its time I will do this swiftly.

This is right. When it is My time to do something, when it is the appointed time, then I will do it swiftly. There will be no holding back or reticence. I will do it swiftly.

John 7:6, 8

My time is not yet here; for you any time will do...I am not going up to this festival, because my time has not yet fully come.

When I was on this earth, I knew My appointed times. My Father and I discussed them. In the same way, you are to know appointed times as you and I discuss them.

#### (From Books of Destiny by Paul Keith Davis, p. 18)

"Presently we are at the threshold of a "fullness of time" juncture in Church history. A door stands open before us, and a Voice calls us to higher, heavenly realms. God invites us to understand experientially the unfolding of heavenly blueprints and to apprehend spiritual mysteries that have been hidden until now. These secrets of God and mysteries of His Kingdom are hidden in the depths of Christ.

1 Peter 4:17 For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God.

*I* want to talk about this topic of judgment more. Do a study on judgment.

Esther 4:14 And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this?

Hosea 10:12 For it is time to seek the Lord, until he comes and showers righteousness on you.

Romans 9:9 For this is how the promise was stated: "At the appointed time I will return, and Sarah will have a son."

#### BE READY

#### Matthew 24:44

So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

#### Luke 12:35-40

Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, like men waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him. It will be good for those servants whose master finds them watching when he comes. I tell you the truth, he will dress himself to serve, will have them recline at the table and will come and wait on them. It will be good for those servants whose master finds them ready, even if he comes in the second [9 p.m. to midnight] or third [midnight to 3 a.m.] watch of the night. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

Am I watching, Lord? Am I dressed and ready for service? Am I keeping my lamps burning?

Yes, you are, Joan. You ARE watching and ready. I want you to focus on this subject today of watching and being ready. Follow up on the references and see where they take you.

#### Matthew 24:36, 39-42

No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father...That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

#### Matthew 24:45-46

Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the master has put in charge of the servants in his household to give them their food at the proper time? It will be good for that servant whose master finds him doing so when he returns.

#### Matthew 25:1-13

At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. The wise, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

At midnight the cry rang out: "Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!"

`Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, ''Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.''

"No," they replied, "there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves."

But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut.

Later the others also came, "Sir! Sir!" they said. "Open the door for us!" But he replied, "I tell you the truth, I don't know you."

Therefore, keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-2, 4, 6, 9-10

Now, brothers, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night...But you brothers, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief...So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be alert and self-controlled...For God did not appoint us to wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him.

**Revelation 16:15** 

"Behold, I come like a thief! Blessed is he who stays awake and keeps his clothes with him, so that he may not go naked and be shamefully exposed."

**Revelation 22:12, 20** 

"Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done"...He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon."

#### THE BLESSED HOPE

#### IN THE AIR - BEFORE THE TRIBULATION

Titus 2:13-14

We wait for the blessed hope - the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

John 14:2-3

In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go there and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

#### Acts 1:9-11

After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven. "

Hebrews 9:28

He will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

Hebrews 10:37 For in just a very little while "He who is coming will come and will not delay."

James 5:8 You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near.

2 Peter 2:9

The Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials and to hold the unrighteous for the day of judgment.

1 Corinthians 15:51-52

Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed - in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

#### 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17

We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

#### Philippians 3:20-21

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

#### **Revelation 3:10**

I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth.

#### TO THE EARTH - AFTER THE TRIBULATION

#### Matthew 23:39

For I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

#### Matthew 24:30-31

At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds from one end of the heavens to the other.

#### Matthew 24:36-39

No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in those days in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.

#### Matthew 25:31-32

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

Revelation 19:11-16

I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. He will rule them with an iron scepter. He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

#### Matthew 24:3

As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

#### Matthew 24:27

For as lightning that comes from the east is visible even in the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

#### Matthew 24:30

At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory.

#### Matthew 24:37, 39, 42, 44

As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man... That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man... Therefore keep watch because you do not know on what day your Lord will come... So you must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

#### Acts 1:11

"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

#### 1 Corinthians 15:22-23

For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.

#### 1 Thessalonians 2:19

For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes? Is it not you? Indeed, you are our glory and joy.

#### 1 Thessalonians 3:13

May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

#### 1 Thessalonians 4:15

According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep.

#### 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.

#### 2 Thessalonians 2:1

Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to him, we ask you, brothers, not to become easily unsettled or alarmed by some prophecy, report or letter supposed to have come from us, saying that the day of the Lord has already come.

#### James 5:7-8

Be patient, then, brothers, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near.

#### 2 Peter 1:16

We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

#### 2 Peter 3:4

They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation. But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

#### 1 John 2:28

And now, dear children continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming.

#### **Revelation 1:7**

Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth will mourn because of him. So shall it be! Amen.

#### **Revelation 3:11**

I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown.

#### BOOK OF LIFE

#### **Philippians 4:3**

Help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

#### **Revelation 13:8**

All the inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast - all whose names have not been written in the Lamb's book of life, the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world.

#### Revelation 20:11-15

Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it... And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books... Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

#### **Revelation 21:27**

Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

#### DAY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

(NIV Scofield Bible note on 1 Corinthians 1:8): The expression "the day of our Lord Jesus Christ," identified with His coming (1 Corinthians 1:7), is the period of blessing for the Church beginning with the rapture. This coming day is referred to as "the day of the Lord" (1 Corinthians 5:5), "the day of the Lord Jesus" (2 Corinthians 1:14), "the day of Christ Jesus" (Philippians 1:6), and "the day of Christ" (Philippians 1:10; 2:16). In all six references in the N. T. this "day" relates to the reward and blessing of the Church at the rapture *in contrast with the expression* "the day of the Lord" which is related to judgment upon unbelieving Jews and Gentiles (compare Isaiah 2:12, Joel 1:15, and Revelation 19:19) and blessing on millennial saints (Zephaniah 3:8-20).

See the next section for scriptures on "the day of the Lord."

#### 1 Corinthians 1:7-8

You do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. - 1 Corinthians 3:12-13

#### 2 Corinthians 1:14

And I hope that, as you have understood us in part, you will come to understand fully that you can boast of us just as we will boast of you in the day of the Lord Jesus.

Philippians 1:6 Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

#### Philippians 1:9-11

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God.

#### Philippians 2:14-16

Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe, as you hold out the word of life - in order that I may boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor for nothing. 2 Timothy 1:18 May the Lord grant that he will find mercy from the Lord on that day!

2 Timothy 4:8

Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day - and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

#### THE DAY OF THE LORD

Compare "Day of Christ" with "Day of the Lord" (which is related to judgment upon unbelieving Jews and Gentiles, and blessing on millennial saints (Zephaniah 3:8-20)

#### Isaiah 2:10

The Lord Almighty has a day in store for all the proud and lofty, for all that is exalted (and they will be humbled).

#### Isaiah 10:20

In that day the remnant of Israel, the survivors of Jacob, will no longer rely on him who struck them down but will truly rely on the Lord, the Holy One of Israel.

#### Isaiah 13:6

Wail, for the day of the Lord is near; it will come like destruction from the Almighty...See, the day of the Lord is coming - a cruel day, with wrath and fierce anger - to make the land desolate and destroy the sinners within it.

#### Isaiah 24:1

See, the Lord is going to lay waste the earth and devastate it; he will ruin its face and scatter its inhabitants.

Isaiah 26:20 Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by.

Isaiah 34:8 For the Lord has a day of vengeance, a year of retribution, to uphold Zion's cause.

Isaiah 63:1

Who is this coming from Edom, from Bozrah, with his garments stained crimson? Who is this, robed in splendor, striding forward in the greatness of his strength? It is I, proclaiming victory, mighty to save.

Isaiah 66:15

See, the Lord is coming with fire, and his chariots are like a whirlwind; he will bring down his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire. For with fire and with his sword the Lord will execute judgment on all people, and many will be those slain by the Lord.

Jeremiah 25:29

See, I am beginning to bring disaster on the city that bears my Name, and will you indeed go unpunished? You will not go unpunished, for I am calling down a sword on all who live on the earth, declares the Lord Almighty.

Jeremiah 46:10 But that day belongs to the Lord, the Lord Almighty - a day of vengeance, for vengeance on his foes.

#### Ezekiel 20:34-38

As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign Lord, I will reign over you with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm and with outpoured wrath. I will bring you from the nations and gather you from the countries where you have been scattered - with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm and with outpoured wrath. I will bring you into the wilderness of the nations and there, face to face, I will execute judgment upon you. As I judged your ancestors in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will judge you, declares the Sovereign Lord. I will take note of you as you pass under my rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant. I will purge you of those who revolt and rebel against me. although I will bring them out of the land where they are living, yet they will not enter the land of Israel. Then you will know that I am the Lord.

#### Ezekiel 30:3

Wail and say, "Alas for that day!" For the day is near, the day of the Lord is near - a day of clouds, a time of doom for the nations.

#### Ezekiel 38:14-16

In that day, when my people Israel are living in safety, will you not take notice of it? You will come from your place in the far north, you and many nations with you, all of them riding on horses, a great horde, a mighty army. You will advance against my people Israel like a cloud that covers the land. In days to come, Gog, I will bring you against my land, so that the nations may know me when I am proved holy through you before their eyes.

#### Joel 1:15

Alas for that day! For the day of the Lord is near; it will come like destruction from the Almighty.

#### Joel 2:1

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy hill. Let all who live in the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming.

#### Joel 2:30-32

I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved, for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the Lord has said, even among the survivors whom the Lord calls.

Joel 3:14

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.

Amos 2:14

The swift will not escape, the strong will not muster their strength, and the warrior will not save his life.

Amos 5:18

Woe to you who long for the day of the Lord! Why do you long for the day of the Lord? That day will be darkness, not light.

Obadiah 15-21

The day of the Lord is near for all nations. As you have done, it will be done to you; your deeds will return upon your own head.

Zephaniah 1:7

Be silent before the Sovereign Lord, for the day of the Lord is near.

Zechariah 12:2

I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that sends all the surrounding peoples reeling, Judah will be besieged as well as Jerusalem.

Zechariah 14:1-2

A day of the Lord is coming, Jerusalem, when your possessions will be plundered and divided up within your very walls. I will gather all the nations to Jerusalem to fight against it.

Malachi 4:1

"Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire," says the Lord Almighty.

#### Matthew 24:29-36

Immediately after the distress of those days "the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken." Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory."

Matthew 25:31-33

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

#### Luke 17:30-31

It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed. On that day no one who is on the housetop, with possessions inside, should go down to get them. Likewise, no one in the field should go back for anything.

#### Luke 21:27

At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

#### Luke 21:34-35

Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth.

#### 1 Thessalonians 5:2

Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

#### 2 Peter 3:10

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.

#### Jude 6

And the angels who did not keep their positions of authority but abandoned their proper dwelling - these he has kept in darkness, bound with everlasting chains for judgment on the great Day.

**Revelation 6:17** For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?

#### **Revelation 16:17**

The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!"

#### **Revelation 19:19**

Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the rider on the horse and his army. But the beast

was captured, and with it the false prophet who had performed the signs on its behalf.

#### EARTHQUAKES

#### 1 Kings 19:11

The Lord said [to Elijah], "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

#### Isaiah 29:5-6

Suddenly, in an instant, the Lord Almighty will come with thunder and earthquake and great noise, with windstorm and tempest and flames of a devouring fire.

#### Joel 3:14-16

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision. The sun and moon will be darkened, and the stars no longer shine. The Lord will roar from Zion and thunder from Jerusalem; the earth and the sky will tremble. But the Lord will be a refuge for his people, a stronghold for the people of Israel.

#### Amos 1:1

The words of Amos, one of the shepherds of Tekoa - what he saw concerning Israel two years before the earthquake, when Uzziah was king of Judah and Jeroboam son of Jehoash was king of Israel.

#### Zechariah 14:4-7

On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will be split in two from east to west, forming a great valley, with half of the mountain moving north and half moving south. You will flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the Lord my God will come, and all the holy ones with him.

On that day there will be no light, no cold or frost. It will be a unique day, without daytime or nighttime - a day known to the Lord. When evening comes, there will be light.

#### **Matthew 24:7-8**

Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains.

Matthew 27:50-53

And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook and the rocks split. The tombs broke open and the bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. They came out of the tombs, and after Jesus' resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

#### Matthew 28:1-2

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it.

#### Mark 13:8

Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth pains.

#### Luke 21:10-11

Then he said to them: "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.

#### Acts 16:25-26

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose.

#### **Revelation 6:12**

I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as late figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. The sky receded like a scroll, rolling up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.

#### **Revelation 11:13**

At that very hour [when the two witnesses were resurrected] there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

#### **Revelation 11:19**

Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant. And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a great hailstorm.

#### Revelation 16:17-21

The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!" then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since man has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. The great city split into three parts, and the cities of the nations collapsed...Every island fled away and the mountains could not be found. From the sky huge hailstones of about a hundred pounds each fell upon men.

#### END OF THE AGE

**Daniel 12:13** 

But as for you, go your way to the end; then you will enter into rest and rise again for your allotted portion at the end of the age.

Matthew 13:39 The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels.

Matthew 13:40 As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age.

Matthew 13:49 This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 24:3 As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, 'when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

Matthew 28:20 And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Hebrews 9:26 But now, once for all time, he has appeared at the end of the age to remove sin by his own death as a sacrifice.

1 Peter 1:5 Whom God in His power is guarding through faith for a salvation that even now stands ready for unveiling at the end of the age.

#### FULFILLMENT OF THE AGES

#### 1 Corinthians 10-11

#### NIV

These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, <u>on whom the fulfillment of the ages</u> has come.

#### NCV

The things that happened to those people are examples. They were written down to teach us, <u>because we live in a time when all these things of the past</u> <u>have reached their goal</u>.

#### Moffatt New Testament

It all happened to them by way of warning for others, and it was written down for the purpose of instructing <u>us whose lot has been cast in the closing hours</u> <u>of the world.</u>

#### Montgomery New Testament

Now these things were happening to them typically, but were written down for our admonition <u>who stand at the meeting of the ages</u>.

#### Amplified

Now these things befell them by way of a figure [as an example and warning to us]; they were written to admonish and fit us for right action by good instruction, we <u>in whose days the ages have reached their climax (their consummation and concluding period</u>).

#### **Twentieth Century New Testament**

These things happened to them by way of warning, and were recorded to serve as a caution to us, <u>in whose days the close of the ages has come.</u>

#### Williams New Testament

Those things continued to befall them as warnings to others, and they were written down for the purpose of instructing us, <u>in whose lives the climax of the ages has been reached</u>.

#### HOUR OF TRIAL

(The Tribulation)

**Revelation 3:10** 

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth.

Jeremiah 30:7

How awful that day will be! None will be like it. it will be a time of trouble for Jacob, but he will be saved out of it.

Daniel 12:1

At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people - everyone whose name is found written in the book - will be delivered.

Matthew 24:21

For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now - and never to be equaled again.

Mark 13:19-20

Those will be days of distress unequaled from the beginning, when God created the world, until now - and never to be equaled again. if the Lord had not cut short those days, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect, whom he has chosen, he has shortened them.

Revelation 7:14 These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

#### Isaiah 40:5

And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it.

#### Isaiah 56:1

This is what the Lord says: "Maintain justice and do what is right, for my salvation is close at hand, and my righteousness will soon be revealed."

#### Acts 1:11

This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.

Acts 3:20

He [Christ] must remain in heaven until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets.

#### 1 Corinthians 1:7

Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.

1 Corinthians 4:5

Therefore judge nothing before the appointed time; wait till the Lord comes.

#### 1 Corinthians 15:22-23

For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.

#### Philippians 3:20

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

Colossians 3:4 When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

#### 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead - Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

1 Thessalonians 2:19

For what is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when he comes?

#### 1 Thessalonians 3:13

May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

#### 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17

We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

#### 1 Thessalonians 5:23

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### 2 Thessalonians 1:7

This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels.

#### 2 Thessalonians 2:8

And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming.

#### 1 Timothy 6:13-15

I charge you to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which God will bring about in his own time.

#### 2 Timothy 4:8

Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day - and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

#### **Titus 2:13**

While we wait for the blessed hope - the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

#### Hebrews 9:28

So Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

Hebrews 10:37 For in just a very little while, "He who is coming will come and will not delay."

#### James 5:7-8

Be patient, then, Brothers, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near.

#### 1 Peter 1:7

These have come so that your faith - of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire - may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

#### 2 Peter 3:4

They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our fathers died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation."

#### 1 John 2:28

And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming.

#### 1 John 3:2

Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

#### Jude 14-15

Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men: "See, the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of his holy ones to judge everyone, and to convict all the ungodly of all the ungodly acts they have done in the ungodly way, and of all the harsh words ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

# ETERNAL JUDGMENT

Yes, judgment is eternal, Joan. That means when I judge it is forever. There are many ways I judge. Read My word and learn from Me who is judged and what they are judged for.

# JUDGMENT BY HIS WORD

## Matthew 7:24-27

Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.

But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.

# Luke 11:32

The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and now something greater than Jonah is here.

# John 12:47-48

As for the person who hears my words but does not keep them, I do not judge him. For I did not come to judge the world, but to save it. There is a judge for the one who rejects me and does not accept my words; that very word which I spoke will condemn him at the last day.

#### Romans 2:12-13, 16

All who sin apart from the law will also perish apart from the law, and all who sin under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not those who hear the law who are righteous in God's sight, but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous. This will take place on the day when God will judge men's secrets through Jesus Christ.

#### 2 Peter 3:5-7

But they deliberately forget that long ago by God's word the heavens existed and the earth was formed out of water and by water. By these waters also the world of that time was deluged and destroyed. By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

# JUDGMENT BY WHAT WE DO

## Matthew 7:21

Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

#### Matthew 25:31-32, 34-36

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

Then the King will say to those on his right. "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you invited me in. I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

#### **Romans 2:5-6**

But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. God will give to each person according to what he has done.

#### **Romans 14:10**

You, then, why do you judge your brother? Or why do you look down on your brother? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. It is written: "As surely as I live," says the Lord, "every knee shall bow before me; every tongue will confess to God." So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God.

#### 2 Corinthians 5:10

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

#### 1 Peter 1:17

Since you call on a Father who judges each man's work impartially, live your lives as strangers here in reverent fear.

#### **Revelation 20:11-12, 15**

Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it...and I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

#### Romans 1:18-21, 24

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities - his eternal power and divine nature - have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.

For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.

They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator.

#### JUDGMENT AFTER DEATH

Hebrews 9:27-28

Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people, and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

#### JUDGMENT WITH JUSTICE

John 9:23

Jesus said, "For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind."

Acts 17:31

For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed.

#### JUDGMENT IS BY GOD

Psalm 75:2 You say, "I choose the appointed time; it is I who judge with equity." Psalm 75:7 It is God who judges: He brings one down, he exalts another.

Romans 11:33 Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

Romans 14:10 You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat.

#### JUDGMENT FOR WORDS WE SPEAK

Jude 14-15

Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about them: "See, the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of his holy ones to judge everyone, and to convict all of them of all the ungodly acts they have committed in their ungodliness, and of all the defiant words ungodly sinners have spoken against him."

# JUDGMENT OF THE RIGHTEOUS

2 Timothy 4:7-8

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day - and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Know that I judge the righteous also, and their judgment is to reward them for the good things they did for Me, and their faithfulness to Me, and their love for Me and for others. This part of the judgment is for those who are just. They will stand before the judgment seat of Christ and receive their rewards.

# JUDGMENT WITH FIRE

#### 1 Corinthians 3:11-15

For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ.

If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work. If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames.

## JUDGMENT ON THE DAY OF THE LORD

## 1 Thessalonians 5:1-3

Now, brothers, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

# 2 Thessalonians 1:6-10

God is just. He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed.

#### JUDGMENT CONCERNING ISRAEL

# Joel 3:1-2, 12, 14

In those days and at that time, when I restore the fortunes of Judah and Jerusalem, I will gather all nations and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat. There I will enter into judgment against them concerning my inheritance, my people Israel.

Let the nations be roused; let them advance into the Valley of Jehoshaphat, for there I will sit to judge all the nations on every side.

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.

#### JUDGMENT OF THE DEVIL

John 12:31

Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out.

John 16:8

When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because people do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

# JUDGMENT BY THE SON OF GOD

John 5:22 The Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son.

# OTHER SCRIPTURES ON JUDGMENT

Psalm 75:2 I choose the appointed time; it is I who judge with equity.

Psalm 75:7 It is God who judges: He brings one down, he exalts another.

Jeremiah 25:31 The tumult will resound to the ends of the earth, for the Lord will bring charges against the nations; he will bring judgment on all mankind.

Matthew 5:21 You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, "You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment."

Luke 11:32 The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and now something greater than Jonah is here.

John 5:22

The Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father.

John 12:31 Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out.

Romans 11:33 Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

Romans 14:10 You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat.

1 Corinthians 11:29 Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat to the bread and drink from the cup. For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves.

# WHAT IS JUDGMENT?

# 1 Peter 4:17 For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God.

What is judgment, Joan, that is to begin with the family of God?

Judgment means to put things right, to place things in the right order, to make things right... to be righteous. And that begins (first happens) with My own people - the family of God.

*I want you to know - THIS is the appointed time for judgment in My house, My family, My body. Judgment comes to set things straight.* 

You will now see this happening. Watch the news. Read the reports you get by email. Listen to things people say. You will watch and see this judgment (not a bad thing, but a good thing) happening.

As usual when things change it takes some adjusting by those being changed. So watch for signs of people adjusting.

That is what you and B and T have been doing, under My loving and careful instruction, for many years. You have done it the easy way - the right way - a little at a time each day as I lead you.

But those who have resisted My changes in their lives will now experience those changes in a more abrupt way, quickly, and with more difficulty.

I use many natural events to cause great changes in people's lives... especially those who resist My gentle inward promptings to change.

And you are seeing that now when you watch the news - great changes. Yes, I use hurricanes and fires and snowstorms and earthquakes to make quick and drastic changes in people's lives.

But if they walk through those with Me they will be safe and will benefit as I work righteousness in them and in their lives. Remember how I have taught you to ask Me - what are You trying to teach me through this, Lord?

NOW is the appointed time for judgment to begin in the family of God. Watch and see.

It is the appointed time.

# THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE

## Exodus 32:32-33

"But now, please forgive their sin - but if not, then blot me out of the book you have written." The Lord replied to Moses, "Whoever has sinned against me I will blot out of my book."

#### **Deuteronomy 9:13-14**

And the Lord said to me, "I have seen this people, and they are a stiff-necked people indeed! Let me alone, so that I may destroy them and blot out their name from under heaven.

#### **Deuteronomy 29:20**

The Lord will never be willing to forgive him; his wrath and zeal will burn against that man. All the curses written in this book will fall upon him, and the Lord will blot out his name from under heaven.

#### Psalm 9:5

You have rebuked the nations and destroyed the wicked; you have blotted out their name for ever and ever.

Psalm 69:28

May they be blotted out of the book of life and not be listed with the righteous.

Daniel 12:1

At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people - everyone whose name is found written in the book - will be delivered.

Luke 10:20

However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.

Philippians 4:3

Yes, and I ask you, loyal yokefellow, help these women who have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

# **Revelation 3:5**

He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out his name from the book of life, but will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels.

**Revelation 3:14** 

All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast - all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world.

**Revelation 13:8** 

All the inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast - all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world.

# **Revelation 17:8**

The inhabitants of the earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the creation of the world will be astonished when they see the beast, because he once was, now is not, and yet will come.

#### Revelation 20:12

And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life.

## **Revelation 20:15**

If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

## **Revelation 21:27**

Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

# **Revelation 22:19**

If anyone takes words away from this book of prophecy, God will take away from him his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

#### **Revelation 20:1-2**

And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years.

#### **Revelation 20:4**

I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

# Isaiah 2:2-4

In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and all nations will stream to it. Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths."

The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.

# Isaiah 4:3, 5, 6

In that day...those who are left in Zion, who remain in Jerusalem, will be called holy; all who are recorded among the living in Jerusalem...Then the Lord will create over all of Mount Zion and over those who assemble there a cloud of smoke by day and a glow of flaming fire by night, over all the glory will be a canopy. It will be a shelter and shade from the heat of the day and a refuge and hiding place from the storm and rain.

#### **Isaiah 9:6-7**

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.

#### Isaiah 11:1-9

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him - the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord - and he will delight in the fear of the Lord.

He will not judge by what he sees with is eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth.

He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked.

Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them.

The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

The infant will play near the hole of the cobra, and the young child put his hand into the viper's nest.

They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

## Isaiah 24:23

For the Lord Almighty will reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, and before its elders, gloriously.

## Isaiah 28:5-6

In that day the Lord Almighty will be a glorious crown, a beautiful wreath for the remnant of his people. He will be a spirit of justice to him who sits in judgment, a source of strength to those who turn back the battle at the gate.

#### Isaiah 30:19-26

O people of Zion, who live in Jerusalem, you will weep no more. How gracious he will be when you cry for help! As soon as he hears, he will answer you...Your teachers will be hidden no more; with your own eyes you will see them. Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it."

He will also send you rain for the seed you sow in the ground, and the food that comes from the land will be rich and plentiful. In that day your cattle will graze in broad meadows...streams of water will flow on every high mountain and every lofty hill.

The moon will shine like the sun, and the sunlight will be seven times brighter, like the light of seven full days, when the Lord binds up the bruises of his people, and heals the wounds he inflicted.

## Isaiah 35:1-2

The desert and the parched land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom. Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom; it will rejoice greatly and shout for joy. The glory of Lebanon will be given to it, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon; they will see the glory of the Lord, the splendor of our God.

#### Isaiah 35:4-7

Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert. The burning sand will become a pool, the thirsty ground bubbling springs. In the haunts where jackals once lay, grass and reeds and papyrus will grow.

#### Isaiah 35:8-10

And a highway will be there; it will be called the Way of Holiness. The unclean will not journey on it; it will be for those who walk in that Way; wicked fools will not go about on it.

No lion will be there, nor will any ferocious beast get up on it; they will not be found there.

But only the redeemed will walk there, and the ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads. Gladness and joy will overtake them, and sorrow and sighing will flee away.

#### Isaiah 44:1-5

This is what the Lord says - he who made you, who formed you in the womb, and who will help you: Do not be afraid, O Jacob, my servant, Jeshurun, whom I have chosen. For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground; I will pour out my Spirit on your offspring and my blessing on your descendants.

They will spring up like grass in a meadow, like poplar trees by flowing streams. One will say, "I belong to the Lord"; another will call himself by the name of Jacob; still another will write on his hand, "The Lord's," and will take the name Israel.

# Isaiah 65:17-

"Behold I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered nor will they come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more.

Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; he who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere youth; he who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed.

They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat.

For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; my chosen ones will long enjoy the works of their hands. They will not toil in vain or bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the Lord, they and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, but dust will be the serpent's food.

They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain,'' says the Lord.

# Jeremiah 23:5-6

"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The Lord Our Righteousness."

# Hosea 6:2

After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence.

# Joel 3:16-17

The Lord will roar from Zion and thunder from Jerusalem; the earth and the sky will tremble. But the Lord will be a refuge for his people, a stronghold for the people of Israel. Then you will know that I, the Lord your God, dwell in Zion, my holy hill. Jerusalem will be holy; never again will foreigners invade her.

# Micah 4:1-4

In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and peoples will stream to it.

Many nations will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths."

The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He will judge between many peoples and will settle disputes for strong nations far and wide. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nations will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.

Every man will sit under his own vine and under his own fig tree, and no one will make them afraid, for the Lord Almighty has spoken.

# Zechariah 1:16-17

Therefore, this is what the Lord says: "I will return to Jerusalem with mercy, and there my house will be rebuilt. And the measuring line will be stretched out over Jerusalem," declares the Lord Almighty.

Proclaim further: This is what the Lord Almighty says: "My towns will again overflow with prosperity, and the Lord will again comfort Zion and choose Jerusalem." Zechariah 8:3, 7, 8

This is what the Lord says: "I will return to Zion and dwell in Jerusalem. Then Jerusalem will be called the City of Truth, and the mountain of the Lord Almighty will be called the Holy Mountain."

This is what the Lord Almighty says: "I will save my people from the countries of the east and the west. I will bring them back to live in Jerusalem; they will be my people, and I will be faithful and righteous to them as their God."

Matthew 25:31-32

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

# THE RAPTURE

# Genesis 5:24 Enoch walked with God; then he was no more, because God took him away.

Job 34:20 NASB

In a moment they die, and at midnight people are shaken and pass away. And the mighty are taken away without a hand.

Psalm 12:1

Help, Lord, for the godly are no more; the faithful have vanished from among men.

Song of Solomon 2:13 Arise, come, my darling; my beautiful one, come with me.

# Isaiah 57:1

The righteous perish and no one ponders it in his heart; devout men are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil.

#### Jeremiah 29:11-14

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the Lord.

Matthew 3:12

His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

# Matthew 13:30

Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.

# Matthew 24:30-31

At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other. (He gathers His elect who are already in heaven to return with Him to the earth at His glorious appearing)

## Matthew 24:39-42, 44

This is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come....so you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

# Matthew 25:1-13

(Jesus speaking) At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. The wise, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight the cry rang out: 'Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.' 'No,' they replied, 'there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.' But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. Later the others also came. 'Sir! Sir!' they said. 'Open the door for us!' But he replied, 'I tell you the truth, I don't know you.' Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

Scofield says in my NIV Bible (p.1246) "The fact that the righteous and the unrighteous are still mingled (Matthew 25:31-46 story of sheep and goats) and require separation after the establishment of Christ's throne on earth makes evident that no rapture, i.e. translation of the saints, could have taken place at the time of Christ's coming to the earth after the tribulation. In such a case the separation here described would have already occurred before the establishment of the throne. The sheep are Gentiles saved on earth during the period between the rapture and Christ's second coming to the earth."

#### John 10:3-4

He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

# John 14:2-3

I am going to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

#### 1 Corinthians 15:20-26

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

#### **1** Corinthians **15:51-52**

Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

#### Philippians 3:20-21

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

## 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17

We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

#### **Titus 2:14**

While we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

#### Hebrews 9:28

He will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

#### Hebrews 10:37

For in just a very little while "He who is coming will come and will not delay."

## Hebrews 11:5

By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so he did not experience death; he could not be found, because God had taken him away.

James 5:8

You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near.

# 2 Peter 2:9

The Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials and to hold the unrighteous for the day of judgment.

# Jude 14-15

Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men: "See, the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of his holy ones to judge everyone, and to convict all the ungodly of all the ungodly acts they have done in the ungodly way, and of all the harsh words ungodly sinners have spoken against him."

# **Revelation 3:8**

See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut.

# **Revelation 3:10**

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth.

# **Revelation 4:1**

After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this."

# **Revelation 11:12**

(The two witnesses) Then they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.

- Moses represents <u>dead saints</u> raptured.
- Enoch represents living saints translated
- Elijah represents <u>Jewish remnant</u> (144,000) caught up mid-tribulation (Revelation 7)

# ARISE, SHINE

# Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. (Isaiah 60:1)

In my Quiet Time listening to the Lord today, He quickened this scripture to me as applying to the rapture of the church. I had never thought of it as applying to that before. It was a brand new revelation thought to me.

I could imagine the event of the rapture happening in my mind and the Lord saying to us, His Bride,

"Arise, shine, My children, My precious ones, My bride, and come with Me. For your Light has come, your Bridegroom has come. My Light that covers you is now upon you. My glory rises upon you! Arise and come with Me."

Come away, My beloved. I have waited for this day from eternity past. I have awaited this day when My Bride comes to live with Me in heaven, and then upon the earth - together at last. Come away, My loved one from the foundation of the world.

Song of Solomon 8:14 Come away, my beloved.

Song of Songs 7:11 Come, my lover, let us go to the countryside.

Song of Songs 4:8 Come with me from Lebanon, by bride, come with me from Lebanon.

Song of Songs 2:13 Arise, come, my darling; my beautiful one, come with me.

Song of Solomon 2:10 My lover spoke and said to me, "Arise, my darling, my beautiful one, and come with me."

# For I know the PLANS I have for you.

# Plans, Lord?

Yes, plans. Let's write something about plans. Look up plans today and I will speak to you about My plans for you and for others. Not for everyone. Just for certain ones.

I have plans to teach you about PLANS today.

*My plans are for good and not for evil. If I planned for you to go through the tribulation, would that be good?* 

If you did, then it would be for my good, Lord, but it sure doesn't seem like good to me to go through it.

I know. And it isn't My plan for YOU to go through it - or for My faithful bride. I did not put my bride through such a terrible event to cleanse her. **I DIED** to cleanse her. She is spotless through Me, through My sacrifice. That is enough.

Otherwise it would be by works - and it is not by works. Had you thought of that? Otherwise her becoming clean and pure would have come by My sacrifice plus works and that is not so. It is by faith in Me only.

I will take out My bride and she will spend eternity with Me as clean and pure. Just because the current members of My bride live just before the tribulation doesn't mean those member have a different standard to be saved.

I am the same yesterday, today and tomorrow/forever.

Perry Stone is right. He has studied it out carefully with an open heart and mind, and he has come to the right conclusion - that the bride will be translated /raptured BEFORE the tribulation.

I know some have different ideas, but not everyone is right on everything. Even Rick Joyner.

*i didn't promise to take My bride away as Paul taught, and then change My mind later. My Word is truth and it is eternal. You know that. Count on the truth of My Word.* 

# Jeremiah 29:11-14

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the Lord.

## Jeremiah 29:11-14 AMP

For I know the thoughts and plans that I have for you, says the Lord, thoughts and plans for welfare and peace and not for evil, to give you hope in your final outcome. Then you will call upon Me, and you will come and pray to Me, and I will hear and heed you. Then you will seek Me, inquire for, and require Me [as a vital necessity] and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart.

## Jeremiah 29:11-14 NLT

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me. I will be found by you," says the Lord.

## Jeremiah 29:11-14 NCB

"I say this because I know what I am planning for you," says the Lord. "I have good plans for you, not plans to hurt you. I will give you hope and a good future. Then you will call my name. You will come to me and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will search for me. And when you search for me with all your heart, you will find me! I will let you find me," says the Lord.

And that's the truth, Joan. I have good plans for you, not plans to hurt you. I WILL give you hope and a good future. I wanted you to read this in various translations so you will see this – good plans for you, not plans to hurt you.

#### Psalm 33:11

The plans of the Lord stand firm forever; the purposes of his heart through all generations.

# Psalm 40:5

Many, O Lord my God, are the wonders you have done. The things you planned for us no one can recount to you; were I to speak and tell of them, they would be too many to declare.

Job 42:2 I know that you can do all things; no plan of yours can be thwarted.

Isaiah 46:11 What I have said, that will I bring about; what I have planned, that will I do.

Ephesians 1:11

In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.

# REIGN ON EARTH

#### Genesis 1:28

God blessed them and said to them..."Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground.

Exodus 15:18 The Lord will reign for ever and ever.

#### Jeremiah 23:5

"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the earth."

#### Zechariah 9:10

He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

1 Corinthians 15:25

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

# 2 Timothy 2:11-12

If we died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him.

# Revelation 2:26-27

To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations - 'He will rule them with an iron scepter; he will dash them to pieces like pottery' - just as I have received authority from my Father.

# **Revelation 5:10**

You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.

#### **Revelation 20:6**

Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

# THE REMNANT

Then the Lord called to the man clothed in linen who had the writing kit at his side and said to him, "Go throughout the city of Jerusalem and put a mark on the foreheads of those who grieve and lament over all the detestable things that are done in it." (Ezekiel 9:3-4)

This scripture caught my attention, especially in regard to God noticing and protecting a "remnant" who didn't participate in wicked things. So I wanted to study about those referred to as the "remnant." The "remnant" can refer to those left over who survive something, or to those who are set apart because they are faithful to the Lord.

Unless the Lord Almighty had left us some survivors, we would have become like Sodom, we would have been like Gomorrah. - Isaiah 1:9

In that day the remnant of Israel, the survivors of the house of Jacob, will no longer rely on him who struck them down but will truly rely on the Lord, the Holy One of Israel. A remnant will return, a remnant of Jacob will return to the Mighty God. Though your people, O Israel, be like the sand by the sea, only a remnant will return. - Isaiah 10:20-22

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# PROTECTED

Once more a remnant of the house of Judah will take root below and bear fruit above. For out of Jerusalem will come a remnant, and out of Mount Zion a band of survivors. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this. Therefore this is what the Lord says concerning the king of Assyria: "He will not enter this city or shoot an arrow here. He will not come before it with shield or build a siege ramp against it... I will defend this city and save it." - Isaiah 37:31-52

SCATTERED

But I will spare some, for some of you will escape the sword when you are scattered among the lands and nations. Then in the nations where they have been carried captive, those who escape will remember me. - Ezekiel 6:8-9

#### GATHERED

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# REPENTANT

This is what the Lord says: "Sing with joy for Jacob; shout for the foremost of the nations. Many your praises heard, and say, 'O Lord, save your people, the remnant of Israel.' See, I will bring them from the ends of the earth... they will come with weeping; they will pray as I bring them back." Jeremiah 31:7-9

# FORGIVEN

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. - Micah 7:18

# SAVED

I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. - Jeremiah 23:3

Isaiah cries out concerning Israel: "Though the number of the Israelites be like the sand by the sea, only the remnant will be saved. - Romans 9:27

# A BLESSING

The remnant of Jacob will be in the midst of many peoples like dew from the Lord, like showers on the grass, which do not wait for man or linger for mankind. The remnant of Jacob will be among the nations, in the midst of many peoples. - Micah 5:7-8

# HOLY

But I will leave within you the meek and humble, who trust in the name of the Lord. The remnant of Israel will do no wrong; they will speak no lies, nor will deceit be found in their mouths. They will eat and lie down and no one will make them afraid. - Zephaniah 3:12, 13

# ELECTED

About Elijah - how he appealed to God against Israel: 'Lord, they have killed your prophets and torn down your altars; I am the only one left, and they are trying to kill me.'' And what was God's answer to him? ''I have reserved for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal.'' So too, at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace. - Romans 11:2-5

# REMNANT, SUMMARY:

In the history of Israel a remnant may be discerned, a spiritual Israel within the national Israel.

- In Elijah's time 7000 had not bowed the knee to Baal (1 Kings 19:18).
- In Isaiah's time, Israel had been reduced to only a few godly "survivors" (Isaiah 1:9), for whose sake God still refrained from destroying the nation.
- During the captivities the remnant appears in Jews like Esther, Mordecai, Ezekiel, Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.
- At the end of the seventy years of Babylonian captivity it was the remnant that returned under Ezra and Nehemiah.

- At the advent of our Lord, John the Baptist, Simeon, Anna, and those "who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem" (Luke 2:38) were the remnant.
- During the church age the remnant is composed of believing Jews (Romans 11:4-5).
- But an important aspect of the remnant is prophetic. During the great tribulation a remnant out of all Israel will turn to Jesus as Messiah, the "sealed" Israelites of Revelation 7:3-8.
- It is inferred by many students of Scripture that the great multitude of Gentiles of Revelation 7:9 will be saved by the witness of the 144,000 of vv. 3-8. Some of these will undergo martyrdom (Revelation 6:9-11), some will be spared to enter the millennial kingdom (Zechariah 12:6-13:9).

Many of the Psalms express, prophetically, the joys and sorrows of the tribulation remnant.

(Scofield NIV Study Bible, p 1446 note on Romans 11:5)

I had thought of the "remnant" as Christians previously, but I see by these scriptures that the "remnant" is referring to Israelites. But I heard the Lord say to me then:

*MY* remnant are all those who are faithfully and completely committed to Me. You, B and T are among those.

My remnant among "Christendom", as you call it, is My bride. She is faithful to Me, her Betrothed.

## Genesis 18:25

Far be it from you to do such a thing - to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?

#### Genesis 19:22

But flee there quickly, because I cannot do anything until you reach it. (That is why the town was called Zoar.)

# Genesis 19:29

So when God destroyed the cities of the plain, he remembered Abraham, and he brought Lot out of the catastrophe that overthrew the cities where Lot had lived.

# Exodus 12:23

When the Lord goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down.

#### Ezekiel 14:13-14

If a country sins against me by being unfaithful and I stretch out my hand against it to cut off its food supply and send famine upon it and kill its men and their animals, even if these three men - Noah, Daniel, and Job - were in it, they could only save themselves by their righteousness, declares the Sovereign Lord.

#### **Daniel 11:41**

He will also invade the Beautiful Land. Many countries will fall, but Edom, Moab and the leaders of Ammon will be delivered from his hand.

#### Luke 21:21-22

Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city. For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written.

#### Hebrews 11:7

By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

Hebrews 11:31 By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient. Revelation 7:3 Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.

# THE 144,000

Lord, will you teach me who these 144,000 were?

# Revelation 14:1

Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads.

Yes, I will. Listen and read what I lead you to read, and follow Me. I will show you the way to understanding them. They are a special select group of Mine.

- THEY WERE REDEEMED
- THEY WERE PURE
- THEY FOLLOW THE LAMB
- THEY WERE PURCHASED
- THEY WERE OFFERED AS FIRSTFRUITS
- THEY DID NO LIE

# **Revelation 14:3-5**

And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. These are those who did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure. They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among men and offered as firstfruits to God and the Lamb. No lie was found in their mouths.

- THEY WERE SERVANTS OF GOD FROM ISRAEL
- THEY WERE SEALED

# **Revelation 7:2-4**

Then I saw another angel coming up from the east, having the seal of the living God. He called out in a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm the land and the sea: "Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God."

Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000 from all the tribes of Israel.

Am I one of them?

You are. ALL My redeemed are. You are sealed. You are sealed with My promised Holy Spirit. That mark is "on your forehead" in that it can be seen by all who look at you. You are stamped with My look, with My identification, to those who can see it. And I can see it. And all those in the spiritual world can see it.

You are pure and clean and stand for the truth. You are purchased by Me and for Me. And you follow Me wherever I go. Yes, I know that was and is the desire of your heart to follow Me wherever I go. And you do. And you will.

Israel represents My people - those who are chosen and set apart unto Me. Those who live separate lives from the rest of the world.

# THE DAY OF THE LORD'S ANGER

#### Jeremiah 23:20

The anger of the Lord will not turn back until he fully accomplishes the purposes of his heart. In days to come you will understand it clearly.

Zephaniah 1:14 The great day of the Lord is near - near and coming quickly.

## Zephaniah 1:18

In the fire of his jealousy the whole world will be consumed, for he will make a sudden end of all who live in the earth.

# Zephaniah 2:3

Seek the Lord, all you humble of the land, you who do what he commands. Seek righteousness, seek humility; perhaps you will be sheltered on the day of the Lord's anger.

# THE END

**Daniel 12:13** 

But as for you, go your way to the end; then you will enter into rest and rise again for your allotted portion at the end of the age.

Habakkuk 2:3 For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.

Matthew 10:22 All men will hate you because of Me, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved.

Matthew 13:39 The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels.

Matthew 13:40 As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age.

Matthew 13:49 This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 24:3 As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

Matthew 24:6 You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come.

Matthew 24:13 But he who stands firm to the end will be saved.

Matthew 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

Matthew 28:20 And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Luke 21:9

When you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened. These things must happen first, but the end will not come right away.

1 Corinthians 15:22-25

For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. Then the end will come when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

Hebrews 9:26

But now, once for all time, he has appeared at the end of the age to remove sin by his own death as a sacrifice. - Hebrews 9:26

1 Peter 1:5

Whom God in His power is guarding through faith for a salvation that even now stands ready for unveiling at the end of the age.

1 Peter 4:7

The end of all things is near. Therefore be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray.

# Isaiah 4:2-6

In that day the Branch of the Lord will be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the land will be the pride and glory of the survivors in Israel. Those who are left in Zion, who remain in Jerusalem, will be called holy, all who are recorded among the living in Jerusalem.

The Lord will wash away the filth of the women of Zion; he will cleanse the bloodstains from Jerusalem by a spirit of judgment and a spirit of fire.

Then the Lord will create over all of Mount Zion and over those who assemble there a cloud of smoke by day and a glow of flaming fire by night; over all the glory will be a canopy. It will be a shelter and shade from the heat of the day, and a refuge and hiding place from the storm and rain.

## Isaiah 10:20-22

In that day the remnant of Israel, the survivors of the house of Jacob, will no longer rely on him who struck them down but will truly rely on the Lord, the Holy One of Israel. A remnant will return, a remnant of Jacob will return to the Mighty God. Though your people, O Israel, be like the sand by the sea, only a remnant will return.

#### Isaiah 11:10-11, 12, 16

In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his place of rest will be glorious. In that day the Lord will reach out his hand a second time to reclaim the remnant that is left of his people...

He will raise a banner for the nations and gather the exiles of Israel; he will assemble the scattered people of Judah from the four quarters of the earth. There will be a highway for the remnant of his people that is left from Assyria, as there was for Israel when they came up from Egypt.

# Isaiah 12:1, 4-6

In that day you will say: "I will praise you, O Lord...In that day you will say: "Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."

#### Isaiah 30:18-21; 26

Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; he rises to show you compassion. For the Lord is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him.

O people of Zion, who live in Jerusalem, you will weep no more. How gracious he will be when you cry for help! As soon as he hears, he will answer you. Although he Lord gives you the bread of adversity and the water of affliction, your teachers will be hidden no more; with your own eyes you will see them. Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you saying, "This is the way; walk in it."

The moon will shine like the sun, and the sunlight will be seven times brighter, like the light of seven full days, when the Lord binds up the bruises of his people and heals the wounds he inflicted.

## Isaiah 40:1-2

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her hard service has been completed, that her sin has been paid for, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

#### Isaiah 40:4-5

Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, and the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it, For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

## Isaiah 52:6-10

Therefore my people will know my name; therefore in that day they will know that it is I who foretold it. Yes it is I.

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices, together they shout for joy. When the Lord returns to Zion, they will see it with their own eyes. Burst into songs of joy together, you ruins of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord will lay bare his Holy arm in the sight of all nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God.

# Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her righteousness shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch. The nations will see your righteousness, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow. You will be a crown of splendor in the Lord's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate. But you will be called Hephzibah [my delight is in her], and your land Beulah [married], for the Lord will take delight in you, and your land will be married. As a young man marries a maiden, so will your sons marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you.

#### Isaiah 62:11

The Lord has made proclamation to the ends of the earth: "Say to the Daughter of Zion, 'See, your Savior comes! See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him." They will be called the Holy People, the

Redeemed of the Lord; and you will be called Sought After, the City No Longer Deserted.

# **Daniel 12:1-3**

At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people - everyone whose name is found written in the book - will be delivered.

Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

#### **Revelation 10:1-2, 6-7**

Then I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven. He was robed in a cloud, with a rainbow above his head; his face was like the sun, and his legs were like fiery pillars. He was holding a little scroll, which lay open in his hand...And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, "There will be no more delay." But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets.

#### **Revelation 11:15**

The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever.

(Note from NIV Scofield Bible on Revelation 11:15 says: The seventh trumpet announces the beginning of Christ's reign on earth, when the kingdom of this world will become the kingdom of our Lord, and occurs close to the end of the great tribulation.)

#### **Revelation 11:17-18**

We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign. The nations were angry; and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your saints and those who reverence your name, both small and great - and for destroying those who destroy the earth.

#### **Revelation 17:14**

They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings - and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers.

#### **Revelation 19:7-9**

Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear. (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.) Then the angel said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!""

#### **Revelation 19:11, 13-14**

I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war...His name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following him.

#### Revelation 20:1-2, 4

And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

# GOD'S WRATH

# AND BEING SAVED FROM GOD'S WRATH

#### Psalm 91:7-8

A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked.

# Nahum 1:2

The Lord is a jealous and avenging God; the Lord takes vengeance and is filled with wrath. The Lord takes vengeance on his foes and maintains his wrath against his enemies.

#### Matthew 3:7

But when he (John the Baptist) saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath?

# Luke 21:36

Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.

## John 5:24

I tell you the truth, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned; he has crossed over from death to life."

#### Romans 1:18

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness.

# Romans 2:8

For those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger.

#### Romans 5:9

Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!

#### 1 Corinthians 11:32

When we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned with the world.

1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead-—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

# 2 Thessalonians 2:7

For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so till he is taken out of the way.

# 1 Thessalonians 5:9

For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

# **Revelation 3:10**

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth.