

# Prophecy: What Lies Ahead

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## First Address: [The Big Picture of the End Times](#)

In this special series titled “Prophecy: What the Lies Ahead”, we’ll be revealing what the Bible says will occur in the final years of man’s reign on earth. This will be particularly relevant to all of us in these times of disease, disaster and rapid change that is occurring in the world. This series will prove without any doubt that the Bible is God’s Word, and its teachings are the only source of truth in a world full of lies and confusion. This is because the Bible proves its divine origin through hundreds of remarkably accurate predictions of the future that have already been fulfilled and are continuing to be fulfilled in front of our very eyes.

These messages may not be what you want to hear, or may be inconsistent with your preconceived ideas of God’s plan for humanity, and will be shocking to those who are new to this teaching. But it is truth. And it is God’s Word. However, there is very good news at the end of the story and a solution that God has provided to every man and woman who wishes to escape the misery of the final days of humanity. This good news is the final climax of the Bible and world history when Jesus Christ returns to the Earth in His second coming to pronounce final judgement on the world who has rejected Him, and to set up the kingdom of God on earth where He will reign. It’s critical that you understand these teachings to ensure you are ready for the return of the Lord Jesus to the Earth.

**This series will address many questions that the world is asking, such as:**

1. What is the New World Order and how is related to what the Bible calls the revived Roman Empire?
2. Are there indications of a coming world crisis in the immediate future that will revolutionize society: politically, religiously and economically?
3. Who will be the leader of the New World Order and who is the Antichrist of the Bible?
4. What are the characteristics of the Antichrist and his sidekick, the False Prophet?
5. Are Jesus’ fourfold signs of Pestilence, Earthquake, War and Famine occurring to the degree predicted (“beginning of sorrows”) before the Antichrist will appear?
6. What does the Bible say about the players and outcome of the large world wars that are predicted to occur during the end times? How does Israel fit into these wars?
7. Will the Church go through a period of unparalleled persecution and suffering during the tribulation or will it be raptured out of it before the last 7 years of this age begins?

**We will also be discussing questions related to current events that are affecting the world, such as:**

8. Is coronavirus or COVID 19 a sign of the end times? How are globalists using this crisis to advance what they call a New World Order or one world government? Things such as the rapid advance of 5G, AI and surveillance technology, mandatory vaccinations with digital ID’s and tracking ability, the loss of civil rights and freedoms, the factual position of many elites who believe a massive depopulation of the planet must occur, and the increased amount of evil in the world.

These, my friends, are the questions that are engaging the minds of Christians who are familiar with Bible prophecy, and even unbelievers are now waking up to the changing world we are now living in and are asking what the Bible says about these things. Can politics, religion and economics shed light on where the world is headed? What is the ultimate destiny of the world and when will the terminal be reached? I will be providing answers to these questions from the Word of God alone. There is no other revelation, since only the Bible can lift the veil and reveal the future. So, with my Bible and current events as reported in the news, I will attempt to explain what is happening and what can be expected to occur in the not-to distant future. For the unbelieving world, these messages will be shocking and profound, but true nevertheless.

I will not be predicting any dates or times, since the Bible clearly tells us that no one knows the day or the hour when Christ will return. However, Jesus Christ Himself tells us to “watch” for many specific signs that will precede His return and these signs will be visible in the final days to all of those who are educated on these teachings. As we go through this detailed prophesy teaching from the Bible over the next few weeks, I think we will be able to see that the signs that Jesus and the prophets gave us are being fulfilled before our very eyes right now. I believe that this generation may very well be fortunate to witness earth’s final act and be alive to see the Lord Jesus Christ return to the air to rapture the saints. Whether this occurs in our lifetime or afterwards, or whether the rapture occurs at the beginning or the end of the tribulation, it doesn’t matter, for the goal of this teaching is to ensure you are ready to meet the Lord Jesus Christ and avoid the wrath to come.

After 2,000 years of ceasing to be a nation, one of the most significant prophetic end time events of the Bible was fulfilled in the year 1917 when Israel ceased to be trampled down by the Gentiles, and then in 1948 Israel formally became a nation again. This end times prophesy is referred to by Jesus as the fig tree budding in season, and we know that Israel is always symbolized as a fig tree. What makes this so miraculous is that the Old Testament prophets and Jesus Himself predicted both the scattering of the Jews and destruction of Jerusalem and the regathering of the Jews in their homeland in the end days, and the fact that they have managed to escape multiple extermination attempts, while maintaining their culture, language and beliefs after 2,000 years without a nation of their own is proof that the Bible is the Word of God.

Now, the next great event in the world’s history according to Bible prophesy is to be the revival of the Roman Empire, the Bible is unmistakably clear on this. 10 nations exactly are to become allied and form the revived Roman Empire. World leaders have been publicly declaring for decades that their goal is to create a “New World Order”, often disguised under the catch phrase “globalism”. Is it a coincidence that the United Nations was formed at the exact time Israel became a nation after WW2, that the headquarters of the EU was intentionally designed to resemble the Tower of Babel, and that France and Germany are calling for the creation of a European Army as NATO and the US alliance with Europe has been rapidly deteriorating. There is debate on the exact nations to comprise this revived 10 league Roman Empire and which nation will be the leadership capital of the Antichrist, primarily because the original Roman Empire was vast and encompassed many nations spanning from Europe, Northern Africa, the Middle East and Western Asia. It could be that the outcome may not be 10 nations as we currently define borders, but 10 leaders (“toes” Dan. 2 or “Horns” Dan 7:7; Rev. 13:1, 17:3) ruling over the entire region.

This New World Order or Revived Roman Empire will be ruled by an emperor and He is called the Antichrist, and he will rule the entire world as a dictator (Rev.13:7; Daniel 7:8). The 13<sup>th</sup> chapter of Revelation describes minutely the revived Roman Empire and the Antichrist. The 10 horns and 10 crowns represent 10 kingdoms, and all of them together represent the restored Roman Kingdom. Revelation 13 goes on to say that the Beast, or the Antichrist, receives its power from the Dragon, namely Satan. Revelation describes a figure called the False Prophet, who will be the Antichrist's assistant and who will head up a new one-world religion. Most believe the Vatican will be a key player in the New World Order and the current Pope has taken unprecedented steps to unify Catholics, Muslims and other religions under the banner of world peace and universalism.

War is not over. The Bible clearly teaches that nations will continue to war against one another right up until the end of the age. There are at least two major unfulfilled prophetic wars still to occur, the first being the Ezekiel war of Gog and Magog where the nations of Iran, Turkey and Russia will attack Israel, but will be defeated and culminate in a historic 7-year peace Agreement, made by the Antichrist himself with Israel. While we can expect a short gap of "peace and safety", the Antichrist will break the covenant 3.5 years into the agreement and bring an end to sacrifices in the temple, while declaring himself to be god.

The Bible indicates that the Antichrist will be wounded to death, but miraculously restored to life (Rev. 13:3). Then the Antichrist will require world-wide worship and no nation will have enough power to war against him. Blasphemy is one of the characteristics of the Antichrist (Rev. 13:5), and the saints are to be persecuted and martyred more than ever before in history. Miracles are to be performed by this Emperor and a statue of him will be brought to life and made to speak and eventually brought into the rebuilt Jerusalem temple to commit the unspeakable "abomination of desolation" where he will declare himself to be God in the rebuilt temple in Jerusalem (2 Thess. 2:3-4; Mark 13:14).

One of the most clear and relevant signs of the Antichrist reign described in Revelation 13, is the requirement of everyone in the world to receive a mark on their forehead or right hand, representing the mark of the Beast and allegiance to the Antichrist. Anyone who refuses the mark will not be able to buy or sell, and will ultimately starve to death or be killed, however, anyone who takes the mark will have no hope whatsoever of God's salvation and eternal life. Recent discussions of microchipping, vaccinating, tracking the entire population by AI and surveillance technologies and implementing social credit systems such as that being used in China, are not the mark of the Beast, but for the first time in history, they represent the technology infrastructure that would be required for the Antichrist to control the economics and freedoms of each individual in the world.

Then during the last 3.5 years or what Jesus calls the Great Tribulation period, a series of devastating acts and judgements will occur resulting in the death of half of the earth's population. Finally, there will be the mother of all wars, the final battle of Armageddon, when the armies of the Antichrist surround Jerusalem, but are defeated in the great and awesome Day of the Lord, when the Lord Jesus Christ returns to the earth which his resurrected saints and defeats the Antichrist and Satan.

Do we know the time Jesus will return to reign as king? I believe we have a very good idea. We know that these things will take place during the last 7 years of earth's existence, known as the Tribulation or

the prophet Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week. Since the **Revived Roman Empire** and the **rise of the Antichrist** are 2 unmistakable signs, associated with a specific timeline, that is the reason I've placed emphasis on these things in this opening address.

This is the picture the Bible gives us of the end days. For Christians, this message is a wake-up call to be ready for the Lord's Return and to impress a new urgency to share the Gospel with the lost world. It's also of urgent importance for Christians to understand these truths, since Jesus said that deception will be so strong that "even the Elect may be deceived". Jesus commanded us to "watch" for the signs, so this isn't an optional teaching, it's God's will that we understand it.

For unbelievers who are listening, this message could save your life. The message is ultimately why we need the Salvation of God, or the Gospel, which is the only way to escape the wrath of God in the end times, and receive eternal life. It is found by only way, which is putting your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and your God and turning from your evil ways. This is a message of life and death. Eternal life and eternal death.

While all this may sound scary, remember, this is all about ushering in the return of our King, the Lord Jesus Christ, to establish the Kingdom of God on earth and to reign from David's throne in Jerusalem with His followers for all eternity. This is the blessed hope of every Christian. God's plans are perfect and we must trust in Him.

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