

Return of the Stargods

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Introduction I write this book for the all the lonely Bible discerners out there such as myself. We discerners like digging up scriptures and investigating them from all angles. What we learn, we keep to ourselves. A good cop does not tell his wife or friends what he has discovered because it is too bizarre, too uncomfortable, and far too risky to tell others. So we learn in time to hold it all in and go on with are regular lives. Bible detectives learn things that change them forever. Things we never noticed in the past come to mind and suddenly make sense. There is evil all around as a great spiritual warfare rages on. You try to share with friends at church but they just don't get it. They tell you to not be so negative and not be dwelling on such negative things. Focus on salvation and the love of Jesus they say. Then you go to your pastor and he gives you a warm smile to hide a blank expression in the eyes.

You may end up going from church to church trying to find others that have studied the scriptures and have come to the same conclusions as you, but you find nobody. Bible studies that you attend are watered down and meaningless. You may come home from church meetings feeling frustrated and wondering what you learned, if anything. The life of a Bible discerner is a lonely life. You are labeled as paranoid, negative, and judgmental. Most Christians just don't seem to care about learning all that God has for them. They are too wrapped up in the world.

This book will not be error free. There may be misspelled words, typos, and misspelled names, mistakes in grammar, along with other mistakes. This book has not been put out with the luxury editors, large budget and a team of paid staff and researchers. I have written and produced this book on a shoe-string budget. Please note that all scripture here is quoted from the King James Version unless indicated otherwise.

If you are a follower of Christ and you want to draw from deeper study then this is for you. If you have ever had questions about UFOs, Fallen Angels, organized evil and such, then

again this book is for you. Be forewarned that this book may be disturbing at times, but truth is not always warm and fuzzy. This book is meant to wake people up and become aware of the intense battle that is all around them. We are living in the endtimes and there is no time left for patty-cake-churches. This is war and there is nothing gained by hiding in foxholes called churches while chanting “Praise God” and “Jesus is Sweet.” It is now time to get up out of the warm fuzzy foxhole and start attacking with the sword of salvation!

"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints." Eph 6:12-18

When is the Day of the Lord *“The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.” Joel 2:31*

“The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.” Joel 2:10. It is clear in these passages that the Day of the Lord can only come after the moon turns to blood.

“And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?” Rev 6:12-17

Above we see that when the Day of the Lord begins, Christ will appear for the Second Coming. The Second Coming Jesus Christ will mark the beginning of the vials of wrath being poured out onto the earth. All the believer's in the Messiah will first be gathered up for protection then the Vials of God's wrath will for the first time be poured out in full and complete strength.

“The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of

his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone.” Rev 14:10

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Notice in this above passage that after the moon turns to blood, the Second Coming of Christ begins and the Vials of Wrath are about to be poured out. This is a time of great fear. Notice to that it is also a time when the stars, moon, and sun will dim. Again this is tied in with the Second Coming of Christ.

“Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.” Matt 24:29-31

I think that it is very clear from these scriptures that the Day of the Lord is not the 7 year Tribulation. It is a time when Christ will return to gather the elect and begin the out pouring of His wrath upon all those remaining on the earth. It is a time of complete and utter terror! This is also not to be confused with the time of Jacob's Trouble when God will allow Satan to come against Israel as never before in the last 3 ½ years of the Tribulation. For Israel it will be a time of great horror as never seen before. It is also a time when Israel will look up because her redemption will draw close.

“Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.” Jer 30:7

Day of the Lord One vital aspect to this book is the concept of the Pre-

Tribulation, which explains many other concepts that are a concern to many. Some feel that they must go through the Tribulation because they have to be purified and refined like gold through the fire. Well the fact is that the blood of Jesus Christ and his sacrifice on the cross purifies us. Tribulation saves no man. When one strips the Jewishness from the scriptures as the churches do, this can lead to much confusion as far as the timing of the Rapture goes.

The Militias in America and Canada are mostly PostTribbers meaning that they believe that the Rapture takes place at the Second Coming of Christ. Therefore they feel that they should take up arms to fight the government during the 7-year Tribulation. They fail to observe Jesus' words where he says, *"My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence."* John 18:36 If this were not true, he would have had nothing but praise for the anarchist Barabbas who was awaiting his sentence along with our Lord Jesus. Barabbas was a religious zealot who wanted to seize power over the Romans. I wonder what he would say knowing that Christ suggested that all his followers pay taxes to Rome. Our Lord Jesus was never involved in local politics even though he himself was a political hot potato. Another passage that gets overlooked is Romans 13. Here it is clearly written that we are not to come against the government when it says, *"Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves."* (NIV)

Americans have concerned about many presidents that have worked hard to take away their Christian rights, but do they ever stop to think that it could be God punishing them through these ungodly leaders? They fail to remember how America has sunken deep into sin. One example is abortion. Abortion is no better than when people sacrificed live babies to their gods. Today they don't call it a sacrifice, but instead call it abortion. The truth is that it is a sacrifice to the god of sex and self, which come first in the lives of the unsaved. So why shouldn't God punish America with ungodly leaders? Somehow America believes that God has to bless them. Bless them for what?

Many are in error when they don't separate the Jews from the Gentiles and claim we are all one in the Lord. Many times they will refer to Gal 3:28-29 where it says that, *"There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in*

Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.” This is true only for those Jews that come to the Lord Jesus Christ now. If a Jew comes to the Lord now, then he or she becomes a new creation in Christ Jesus and becomes part of the Bride of Christ. But the sad fact is that most Jews are not coming to Christ, and Israel as a nation does not accept Christ as their Messiah. Israel is not a Christian nation by any stretch of the imagination and their “law” will not save them. They completely deny the deity of Christ. Because they deny Christ, they are still waiting for the coming of their Messiah which leaves them wide open to accept the antichrist as their coming Messiah. “I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.” John 5:43. Once the Rapture takes place, God will then begin to punish Israel for her rebellion and chasing after other gods.

When Jesus Christ came to the earth in the form of a man he came as the long awaited Messiah. Our Lord Jesus came to this earth to rule over Israel and to be their King sitting on the Throne of David. The Jews would not have it, and Jewish religious leaders began to make plans on how to rid him from the earth. The plan was simple. This man Jesus claiming to be Jehovah God in the flesh (the Great I AM) had to be put to death at all costs. *“...nor do you consider that it is expedient for us that one man should die for the people, and not that the whole nation should perish.’ Now this he did not say on his own authority; but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, and not for that nation only, but also that He would gather together in one the children of God who were scattered abroad. Then, from that day on, they plotted to put Him to death.” John 11:50-53 (NKJ).* If Jesus was just a nut or a fanatic, the Pharisees would not even bother with him. They reason they wanted to kill him is because they knew that he was the Messiah and the Son of God come in the flesh. Jesus Christ had to be done away with since he had come for his people and to establish the Kingdom of God on earth. But these vipers would not allow it.

John the Baptist said *“I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.” Matt 3:11-12*

When Jesus came to the earth he was going to take those who believed in the Messiah and baptize them in the Holy Spirit. He was also going to remove all the unrepentant, and rule over Israel for 1000 years. But none of this was to happen because they had Jesus put to death and all plans were placed on the back burner. Now instead of the Holy Spirit of Salvation being poured out on Israel, it was to be given to the Gentiles. So, first the Spirit of God came to the elect Jewish followers of Christ, and then to the Gentile nations. When

the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the disciples, it was then that the Church of Christ was born. Anyone entering it would automatically become a bride of Christ.

The Church is the physical manifestation of the Holy Spirit on earth, and keeps all evil suppressed enough so as to stop the kingdom of Satan from taking over the world. The main purpose of the Church is that it acts much like the Alamo by holding its ground and keeping the dark forces at bay. Just before we begin to become overwhelmed, God will take us out. In other words he will save us. When this happens there will no longer be any restraint given to Satan. Instantly Satan will begin to rule a world where there will be no opposition. Imagine Hitler coming to power with absolutely no opposition against him and his Nazi party. How quickly he could rise to the position of world dictator!

Since Israel has rejected her Messiah and still continues to do so, she has stored up the wrath of God that will come against her like a massive bolt of lightning. For nearly two thousand years God has been holding back his anger and fury. For 2000 years Gentiles have been worshiping Jesus Christ while Israel continued sunk deeper and deeper into rebellion and the witchcraft. This was all true even before Christ came to the earth. God does not view Israel as a faithful nation. Please examine the following verses for yourself.

“Plead with your mother, plead: for she is not my wife, neither am I her husband: let her therefore put away her whoredoms out of her sight, and her adulteries from between her breasts; Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born, and make her as a wilderness, and set her like a dry land, and slay her with thirst. And I will not have mercy upon her children; for they be the children of whoredoms. For their mother hath played the harlot: she that conceived them hath done shamefully: for she said, I will go after my lovers, that give me my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my drink.”

Hosea 2:2-5

“Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward. Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment. Your country is desolate, your cities are burned with fire: your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and it is desolate, as overthrown by strangers. And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city.” Isa 1:4-8

“Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever: That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the LORD: Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us

smooth things, prophesy deceits: Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us. Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, Because ye despise this word, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon: Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant.” Isa 30:8-13

“Notwithstanding the children rebelled against me: they walked not in my statutes, neither kept my judgments to do them, which if a man do, he shall even live in them; they polluted my sabbaths: then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in the wilderness.” Ezek 20:21

Since the Church has been worshiping Christ and accepted him for 2000 years, Israel has been storing up God’s wrath against her. For centuries Christians have been slaughtered like sheep for their faith while Israel has sunk deeper and deeper into apostasy and occultism. Soon God will come to remove the Church which consists of all believers in Christ both Gentile and Jew alike. This then will allow Satan to begin his reign of evil.

“And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.” Rev 13:7 But Jesus said, *“And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”*

Was Jesus a liar, or with the Bride Church be removed?

Once the Church is gone; God will begin to deal with Israel once again. The Church is like an intermission period for God and his dealings with Israel. When Christ was put to death, the Jews prophetic clock stopped. When the Church/Bride of Christ is taken out of the way, the prophetic clock will start up once again until the return of Israel’s Messiah. With many judgments, God will plead with Israel to come back to Him, and yet Israel will completely turn her back on Christ by accepting Satan as their true god through the antichrist beast.

During the Tribulation a saved remnant of Israel will be protected from God’s wrath when he allows Satan to come against his people. Unlike the Church, they will be saved “through” the Tribulation while the Church will be saved “from” the Tribulation. Noah was a picture of the Jewish Remnant that will be saved from God’s punishment through Jesus Christ who is represented by the Ark. Enoch on the other hand represents the Church being taken to heaven just as Enoch was taken to heaven before the flood began. In Rev 3:10 *“Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.”* This must

refer to the Church since Israel will be saved through the Tribulation and not taken out since they were promised an earthly kingdom and not heaven. The word “from” used in the above verse is the word “EK” in the Greek language. This word EK means “*out of, from, by, away from.*” So if we are to be taken out from the Tribulation then we must be taken from the earth since the Tribulation will affect the entire world. There is no other logical conclusion other than the fact that the Bride of Christ will be snatched away from the earth just before the 7 years of tribulation begins. This will be a time of God’s judgment and wrath upon the earth

When the Bride returns with Jesus Christ at the Second Coming, He comes with his wife and not his Bride. “*Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.*” Rev 19:7-8. We can see here that something has taken place. The Bride is now a wife and she has made herself ready so that the Bridegroom Christ Jesus can reveal her to the world. Obviously she has had time to prepare for this grand appearance. According to the Jewish wedding tradition, the Bride has 7 days of honeymoon with her companion. Then she no longer is a virgin and after the 7 days, the wedding feast begins as the bridegroom introduces his new “wife” to all that have come to the wedding feast. This seems to be a template for the book of Revelation. The PostTribbers believe that the Second Coming is the rapture of the Church. Therefore they believe that when Christ comes at the Second Coming. For them Christ will then rapture the Church to the clouds as he comes down to the earth. This sounds like a pretty rushed honeymoon and very little time for the Bride of Christ to prepare herself, never mind getting acquainted with each other. Another indication that there is a time given for preparation in heaven is found in Joel 2:16 where it says, “*Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.*” Coming from her room she has made herself ready. There needs to be time for the bride to be judged and given white apparel symbolic of righteousness.

During the Tribulation Israel will be called to repentance. Two witnesses of God will preach the coming of Messiah along with the 144,000. When Jesus Christ came to the earth the Kingdom was to be established, but because Israel crucified Christ, then as I have said, the clock stopped. At that point God ended his relationship with Israel who is known as the adulterous wife. God then began dealing with the Gentiles through the Jewish roots of the Apostles. Unlike the Jews, the Gentiles took to the Gospel of Christ right away while the Jews continued to rebuke Christ the Son of God and continue to

refuse Him as their Messiah. Ask the Jews today who is the Messiah and most will say that they do not know since he has not come yet according to them. The reason why the Church accepted the Gospel right away is not that they were special; it was because they were given the Holy Spirit and Israel wasn't. Israel will not be given the Holy Spirit until the time of the Second Coming.

So because the Jews pressured the Romans to crucify Christ, God has blinded them so that they would not enter into the Holy Spirit of Salvation. God has blinded them so that they will enter into his judgment and wrath for what they have done.

“When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.” Matt 27:24-25

“What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day. And David saith, Let their table be made a snare, and a trap, and a stumblingblock, and a recompense unto them: Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow down their back always. I say then, have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.” Rom 11:7-8.

We can see here that Israel did not find salvation except the Jewish “elect” known to us as the Apostles and those they reached. God has blinded the eyes of Israel so that they shall enter into his judgment. In the middle of the 7 year Tribulation Israel will completely once and for all turn her back on God by worshiping Lucifer as almighty God. It is at this point when Jacob's Trouble will begin.

The Time of Jacob's Trouble is when God will allow Satan through the antichrist Beast to come against Israel with all power. *“For indeed I will raise up a shepherd in the land who will not care for those who are cut off, nor seek the young, nor heal those that are broken, nor feed those that still stand. But he will eat the flesh of the fat and tear their hooves in pieces.” Zech 11:16 (NKJ)*

The Time of Jacob's Trouble will be the most bizarre and horrifying time in all human history! Israel will be caught in a snare that will snap so fast that they will literally have to run to the hills. When the antichrist is killed and Satan fills his soulless body with his spirit, the antichrist will be raised from the dead as the Beast. It is at this time that our Lord Jesus warns all the Jews in Jerusalem to flee for their lives. Only those that have come to God during the Tribulation will see and heed our Lord's warning. When the Beast

sits in the Temple and declares that he is Almighty God, then the Jews are told that this is the sign of the beginning of the great slaughter and that they should flee.

“When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes. And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.” Matt 24:15-22

In ancient times people had flat rooftops that acted as patios. Once on the roof, one could jump from roof to roof without coming down. So our Lord warns the Jews not to come down for anything. It is my belief that troops will be placed all over Israel waiting for the signal to come before massive arrests and shootings take place. That signal will be when Satan sits in the Temple and declares that he is the God of all gods. Christ also warns the Jews to pray that this moment not happen on a Sabbath day since they would be much more vulnerable on Sabbath. When the Beast comes fourth from the dead, the time of Jacob's Trouble will begin. The Beast will start to arrest and execute all opposition. He will come against all Jews and Gentiles that refuse to accept the mark. The mark will be a symbol of people's worship and commitment to Lucifer their savior. Sadly the majority of Israel will accept the mark, but God has predestined a Jewish elect that will not bow to Lucifer. Near the end of the Tribulation Christ will come down to the earth to set up the millennium kingdom on earth. The angels will be sent to gather the elect from the four corners of the world and “gather” them together in order that they may enter the Millennium Kingdom. Shortly before this takes place, the Jews will receive the Holy Spirit for the first time.

“And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.”

Joel 2:28-32

Notice that when this takes place is when, *“The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon*

into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.” In Revelation 6 it gives an entire overview of events starting with the start of the apostasy (white horse) all the way up to the Second Coming.

“And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?” Rev 6:12-17

This prophecy was partially fulfilled at the time of Pentecost when the Church was born. Next time will be when Israel is born as a new nation under God. After the angels of Christ gather the elect from the four corners of the world, God will baptize them in the Holy Spirit and then under his protection, the wrath of God will be poured out on all flesh through the out pouring of the vials of wrath. *“And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.” Rev 16:1.* When Christ comes at the Second Coming with all his saints, he comes with his new wife (the Church) to save the elect of Israel from the coming wrath. They will be gathered, given the Holy Spirit, and protected from the wrath to come. All the scriptures that pertain to the Rapture have both the concept of Rapture and the Gathering blended together in the verses. The Rapture is the coming of Jesus Christ to the air for the Church. The Gathering is Christ the Messiah coming to the earth for His elect of Israel to deliver them from the wrath. These are two separate events that take place and are 7 years apart.

When the Rapture takes place the dead in Christ shall rise. Their bodies will now be redeemed and those of us will also have our flesh redeemed for the first time. Our spirits have been redeemed and made for everlasting life, but our flesh has not. This is why we wait for the redemption of our flesh so that it is made perfect. The Rapture is the redemption of the flesh for all New Testament saints and those who have died in Christ. The Gathering is the resurrection of all those who placed their faith in Christ the Messiah of the Jewish people. The Gentiles that are saved through the Tribulation are referred to as the Tribulation saints for reasons of clarity. This group of people will be known as friends of the Bridegroom. According to the Jewish wedding custom, the honeymoon takes place over a period of 7 days. After that the Bride is shown for the first time to the

guests that are waiting for the wedding feast to take place. The invited friends of the Bridegroom begin the feast and toast the Bride who is now the new wife since she has lost her virginity to the Bridegroom. *“Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they, which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, these are the true sayings of God.”* Rev 19:7-9.

All those who were not invited are the ones that died from the wine press and vials of God's wrath. A very misunderstood scripture is the parable of the 10 Virgins. Many Christians wrongly assume that this is the Church and use it as proof that the Church will go through the Tribulation. Let us now take a look at Matt 25:1-1

“Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise, give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying, not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.”

According to Jewish traditions of marriage, after the commitment was made, the bridegroom would go back to his father's house until it was time for him to return for his bride. During this time he would build an additional room on to his father's house that would be what we today would call the honeymoon suite. It would take some time to build, and the Bridegroom could be gone for some time. After completing the room, the Bridegroom would wait for his father's approval. Then the father would tell him it was now time to go get his bride. For this whole time the bride would wait in anticipation that her lover would return at any moment to snatch her away. Often the bridegroom would come at midnight and she would have to keep her lamp trimmed and full of oil. From knowing this we see that the foolish virgins in Matt. 25 were not really looking for the return of Christ.

When Christ returns at the Second Coming, his wife will be shown to all the invited guests. *“And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as*

the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, these are the true sayings of God.” Rev 19:6-9

With regards to the Second Coming, Joel 2:15-16 says, “*Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.” Zech 14:5 states that he comes with saints and not for his saints. “And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.”* Clearly we can see here the evidence of PreTrib Rapture of the Bride of Christ and her return with him at the time of the Second Coming.

The honeymoon chamber is known as the Cupah. Christ promised his Bride that he would go to his Father’s house and build one while the rest of us, the Bride of Christ, would have to wait for his return. “*Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.” John 14:1-3*

After the Second Coming of Christ takes place, he will establish his 1000-year Davidic Kingdom on earth where he will rule all the people with an iron rod. All the righteous that come through and out of the Tribulation will now live on the earth in a new paradise. During this time they will, unlike the Church in heaven, marry and give birth to many children. Some of these Children will rebel against God at the end of the 1000-year millennium only to be struck down once and for all by our Lord Jesus Christ. He will then judge all those that never accepted him. “*And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead, which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead, which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.” Rev 20:12-15*

After this great and final purification of takes place, the New Jerusalem will come down from heaven to the earth. “*And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great*

voice out of heaven saying, *Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, write: for these words are true and faithful.*” Rev. 21. So what is this New Jerusalem?

Remember Christ saying, *“In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.”* This place is heavenly honeymoon Cupah. But notice that there are many, and that they are far more glorious than the earthly ones. This strongly indicates that the entire believers in Christ are given separate and private Cupahs. Notice this part of the verse where it says, *“And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, behold, the tabernacle of God is with men.”* It would appear that all the separate Cupahs form a new city that comes to the earth to be known as the New Jerusalem. It symbolizes the permanent closeness and intimacy we will have with Christ for eternity. The second that the Church is Raptured, God will begin to deal with Israel once again. He will plead with them to return, but Israel will seek after Satan who will come in the flesh as the Beast.

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Many Churches preach that this chapter is about the Rapture. This is wrong since the context verses just before it clearly indicates the Second Coming. *“And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power.”* II Th 1:7-9.

The chapter is all about the coming of Christ at the Second Coming. The Lord will then send his angels to gather the elect from the four corners of the world. Christ will then

separate the unrighteous from the righteous. Then with burning vengeance the Lord Almighty will pour his wrath upon all the wicked that have been separated while all the righteous will be protected from the wrath to come.

“And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth.” Rev 11:18.

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This is a clear indication that the wrath of God will begin when the Lord will appear to the nations for the first time at the Second Coming. *“Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.” Rev 1:7* At this time God will begin to pour out his vials of wrath upon the nations. *“And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.” Rev 16:1.*

The last 7 plagues (vials) are the wrath of God upon the unrepentant wicked that were sifted from the righteous. *“Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.” Matt 13:30*

“For this is the day of the Lord GOD of hosts, a day of vengeance, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood.” Jer 46:10

Many Churches preach that the 7-year tribulation is the wrath of God and/or the Day of the Lord. This is not so. This is a time of God's judgment upon the earth and not the wrath. The Day of the Lord can only begin when, *“The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” Acts 2:20-21* In Revelation chapter 6 it outlines the entire seven-year tribulation ending with the Second Coming of Christ. It also lists the events of the Tribulation in order. *“And they cried with a loud voice, saying, how long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?”*

And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled. And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?” Rev 6:10-17

We can see here that the Tribulation saints are begging the Lord to take vengeance on the wicked. God then tells them to wait just a little longer until the final moment. Right after this we see the sign of God’s wrath at hand with the darkening of the sun and the moon becoming blood *“Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.” Matt 24:29-31*

The Trumpet here is the 7th judgment horn. It is the trumpet of Zion signaling the coming of Messiah. *“And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.” Rev 11:15* At this point in scripture there is an intermission explaining the rise of the Beast and the persecution of Israel by Satan the Dragon, then the sequence of events continue again in Rev 14:1 where it says, *“And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father’s name written in their foreheads.”* This 7th trumpet of Israel is not to be confused with the Last Trump of God. The Last Trump will signal the Rapture and not the Second Coming. *“The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly. That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.” Zeph 1:14-16*

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Note that as Christ comes at the Second Coming his Bride the Church is with him. In Rev 19:7 we see that the Church is now the new “wife” of Christ who comes to make her appearance. *“Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.” And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.” Rev 19:7-8.*

We see here that something has taken place. The Bride is now a wife and she has made herself ready so that the Bridegroom Christ Jesus can reveal her to the world. Obviously she has had time to prepare for this grand appearance. According to the Jewish wedding tradition, the Bride has 7 days of honeymoon with her companion. Then she no longer is a virgin and after the 7 days, then the wedding feast begins as the bridegroom introduces his new wife to all that have come to the wedding feast. This seems to be a template for the book of Revelation. The PostTribbers believe that the Rapture is the Second Coming. Therefore they believe that when Christ comes at the Second Coming, Christ will then Rapture the Church to the clouds as he comes down to the earth. This sounds like a pretty rushed honeymoon and very little time for the Bride of Christ to prepare herself. There would be no time for any deep intimacy or the judgment seat of Christ.

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As the bridegroom made the journey to the bride’s father’s house, he would come with a ram’s horn called the Shofar. This trumpet would be blown often with the bridegroom’s best man shouting, “Behold! The bridegroom comes!” Naturally this would wake people up and some would join the march to the bride’s house. The bride would be woken by the sound of the trumpet and the shout. Instantly she would try to make herself ready, but before she could, the bridegroom would be at the door. She would then take her lamp and go with him to his father’s house for the 7-day honeymoon. There they would make love for the first time and she would now become his wife. For 7-days she and her husband would get to know each other intimately. Then near the end of the 7 days she would make

herself ready with clean white garments provided her along with magnificent jewellery. During this time, guest would gather together in the home waiting for the appearance of the new wife. When the time was right, the best man at the door would shout it was time and the husband and wife would now emerge. All the invited guests would now see her in all her glamour and beauty, and then the marriage feast would now begin. *“Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.”* Rev 19.

Notice how the wise virgins go with the bridegroom to the wedding feast and not the honeymoon chamber. This represents Israel who is called the friends of the Bridegroom. The Jews that go through the Tribulation will invited to the great wedding feast of of the Bride Groom. At the Second Coming Christ will come with his new wife (the Church) for the world to see. The guests will be the Jews and all the gentiles that were saved after the Rapture and now are invited to the wedding feast. They are told to *“Be like men who are waiting for their master when he returns from the wedding feast, so that they may immediately open {the door} to him when he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master will find on the alert when he comes; truly I say to you, that he will gird himself {to serve} and have them recline {at the table} and will come up and wait on them.”* Luke 12:36-37 (NAU)

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Thessalonians As I have said, 2nd Thessalonians is about the Day of the Lord and not the Rapture, as most believe. It says clearly that before the Second Coming of Christ can take place, there has to be the apostasy and the revealing of the Beast first! "*Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day (day of the Lord) shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition.*" II Th 2:3. So here we see that that the apostasy must take place first.

Now the Bible says that the Holy Spirit has to take away his restraining presence first. What restrains the evil in this world is the physical presence of the Holy Spirit known as the Church and Bride of Christ. With God's Spirit in us, we then become the physical arm of the Holy Spirit. Politically speaking, we are the only ones that say no to abortion and other issues. With all believers out of the way, where will the opposition come from? Once we are gone then there will be a spiritual vacuum left behind for the antichrist to fill. And he will exalt "*...himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they*

received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness. But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle. Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work."

We see that the one's left behind are the ones that had pleasure in unrighteousness, and that the ones that were serving God will be taken out of the way. "*For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.*" Some argue that the one that holds back the evil of the world is the Archangel Michael and not the Holy Spirit. Michael is not omni-present and no angel is given power over the whole world. Michael is the protector of Israel according to the book of Daniel. It can be very possible that the time of Jacob's Trouble will begin against Israel in the middle of the Tribulation when God begins to sift Israel with great judgment. It is at this time that God will allow the antichrist to die and then come back reborn as the Beast. The Beast will be Satan in the flesh bringing death and destruction and a reign of terror never seen before. The Beast will crush all opposition to Satan's world empire. He will go on a bloody rampage that will surpass all empires of the past and present.

Now let us examine 1Thes 5:1-12. "*But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.*" What we have here is a sudden destruction following peace and safety. The first half of the Tribulation will be the time of peace for Israel. The antichrist will protect Israel so that the Temple can be rebuilt. Israel will be the capital of the New World Order under Satan. At the mid-point of the Tribulation Israel will convulse with sudden labor pains known as the Time of Jacob's Trouble. She is to give birth to the coming Messiah and needs to be refined and purified through the fire first.

"And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces shall be as flames." Isa 13:8

"For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be." Matt 24:21 Now let us continue in Thessalonians. "*But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober. For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night. But*