

This morning we're going to spend some time speaking of

- prophecy that is yet to be fulfilled,
- namely the rapture of the church,
- the alignment of countries that are
- preparing to invade Israel from the north,
- and the coming government on the earth
- as well as the currency and the world religion
- that is already in the making.

Let me briefly recap the end of last week's message:

Joel 3:2-9

2 I will also gather all nations,

And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; (Valley where the Lord judges, AKA Armageddon or Jezreel Valley)

They have also divided up My land. (Today, the Palestinians are wanting to enforce a two state solution, that's to give part of Israel to the Palestinians.)

9 Proclaim this among the nations:

"Prepare for war!

Wake up the mighty men,

Let all the men of war draw near,

Let them come up.

In 2015,

- the UN approved a document called "Transforming our World:"
- AKA the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development."
- Supporters called it a "New Universal Agenda."
- Some are calling it the "New World Order"
- or the "Great Reset"
- or "Agenda 21"

The document itself calls for a

- World Government,
- a world religion and
- a world economic system (Rev 13 alludes to this)

World leaders are pushing for the implementation of this by the year 2030.

They are also pushing for globalism,

- the pope is wanting to merge Christianity, Judaism and Islam
- America's debt today is right around 30 trillion dollars

The year 2030 is not a given, only the Lord knows when this will take place.

The Lord is ultimately in control:  
Prov 16:33 in the NLT  
33 We may throw the dice,  
but the Lord determines how they fall.

This morning I'd like to talk about prophecy yet to be fulfilled,

- namely the rapture,
- the war mentioned in Eze 38 & 39
- and the one world government coming soon.

We may still be alive when the rapture takes place but the Eze 38 war will most likely happen when the church is gone and the one world government will be in effect by the 3 ½ year mark of the tribulation.

There are a few points of view on the rapture.

Because this is a future event:

- we have to take the scriptures as a whole
- and see which view makes most sense.
- The timing of the rapture is not a doctrinal issue.

Concerning the rapture, we do have something in common.

We all recognize that God is in control of the timing of the event.

- We all agree that there will be a rapture
- there will be a second coming of Christ
- that's a different event from the rapture

The rapture is a future event in which Jesus will descend from heaven

- and He will meet the Christians in the air.

The dead in Christ, speaking of Christians that have already died,

- will also meet Jesus in the air: 1 Thess 4:13-17.
- Jesus went to prepare a place for us Jn 14:1-3
- 1 Cor 15 - not everyone will die.

Those believers that are alive when Jesus comes in the clouds will be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye.

So what are some of the biblical basis for a pretribulation rapture of the church?

Rom 5:9, 1 Thess 1:9-10, 5:9 all speak about us not being appointed to the wrath to come. Rev 6:17 tells us that no one will be able to stand the wrath of God.

1 Thess 1:10

10 and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

This verse explicitly says that Jesus will deliver us from the wrath to come. The verb to deliver in this verse is “rhuōmai,” it means “to draw or to snatch out to oneself, to rescue, to save or to preserve.”

Rev 3:10

10 Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.

The rapture is in my opinion is the next big event for the Christian.

1 Thess 4:15-17

15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we (Paul put himself in the category of we who are alive, Paul thought that Christ might return in his lifetime or at least allowed for its possibility) who are alive *and* remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

The Greek verb for “caught up” is *harpazo*, which means to seize or snatch up something suddenly with great force without the consent of the owner.

The Greek Verb “*Harpazo*” translated to the Latin is “*rapio* or *raptizimo*.” We get the English word “rapture” from the Latin translation.

We’ve all heard the term, don’t mess with mama bear. The mama bear is Russia. Many thought when the Soviet Union dissolved

- that the bear went into permanent hibernation.

The prophecies concerning Russia

- are more imminent than ever before.

The only mention of

- what many scholars believe to be Russia in the scriptures
- is in Eze 38 and that was 2600 years ago.

Many highly respected Hebrew scholars believe Rosh to be Russia but that’s the consensus.

Eze 38 prophecies of a coming war which will most likely happen

- in first half of the tribulation period.

- Could happen prior to the rapture
- or there may be a time gap of time
- between the rapture and the tribulation.

Regardless, there will be an alliance between Russia, Iran and Turkey, Ethiopia and Libya.

- They will invade Israel from Syria
- Isa 17:1 which tells us that Damascus will be destroyed.

Damascus is the oldest capital in the world which is located in Syria where the 4<sup>th</sup> holiest site to the Muslims is located.

Eze 38:13 tells us that other nations want the spoils of Israel, their riches.

Eze 38-39 battle is to bring Israel back to the Lord.

What are some signs that this war is not far off?

*One of the world leaders continuously in the headlines is Pope Francis who has been proclaiming the need for a one world government.*

*Turkey is in debt and needs a war, Russia currently has supersonic bombers in Syria, and Iran hates the Jews.*

*Israel - becoming weaker politically,*

- *declining morally.*

*Historically the US has sided with Israel, that's going to change at some point!*

What about the world government that coming soon.

The Bible does not use the terms, "one-world government," "one-world currency" or even "one world religion."

It does, however, provide plenty of evidence that all will exist under the rule of the Antichrist in the last days.

In the Book of Revelation, John sees the "beast," also called the Antichrist,

- rising out of the sea
- having seven heads and ten horns.

Rev 13:1

1 Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name.

Combining this vision with Daniel's vision (Daniel 7:16-24), we can conclude sort of world system will be inaugurated by the beast,

- will overpower the other 9
- and will wage war against tribulation Christians.

The ten-nation confederacy is also seen in Daniel's image of the statue in Daniel 2:41-42,

- The beast will ultimately reduce their power to nothing more than figureheads.

Rev 13:2

2 Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard, his feet were like the feet of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority.

- The beast will have power and great authority,
- given to him by Satan himself

Rev 13:3-4

3 And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the world marveled and followed the beast. 4 So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?"

- he's going to receive worship from "all the world"

Rev 13:7

7 It was granted to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them. And authority was given him over every tribe, tongue, and nation.

From this description, it makes sense

- that this person is the leader of a one-world government
- which is recognized as sovereign over all other governments.

Why a government would willingly subjugate themselves to a single ruler is beyond human comprehension, but the Lord knows.

Once in power,

- the beast (Antichrist) and the power behind him (Satan)
- will move to establish absolute control over all peoples of the earth
- to accomplish their goal, and that is to be worshipped. (Isaiah 14:12-14).

One day when people see Satan for who he is,

Isa 14:16-17

16 "Those who see you will gaze at you,

And consider you, saying:

'Is this the man who made the earth tremble,

Who shook kingdoms,

17 Who made the world as a wilderness  
And destroyed its cities,  
Who did not open the house of his prisoners?

Rev 13:

16 He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads, 17 and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

This will be some sort of satanic mark. Verse 18 tells us his # is 666

- People will be required to have the mark of the beast, not all will take it.

Rev 13:8

8 All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Is there a push today for a one world government:

24 leaders are calling for A “Great Reset” <https://en-volve.com/2021/04/01/new-world-government-24-world-leaders-openly-call-for-a-great-reset/>

Angela Merkel: Germany

Pope: <https://www.raptureforums.com/one-world-government/pope-francis-demands-a-one-world-government/#:~:text=Pope%20Francis%20has%20been%20successfully%20executing%20the%20Vatican%E2%80%99s,members%20of%20the%20Pontifical%20Academy%20of%20Social%20Sciences.>

Obama: <https://www.independentsentinel.com/obama-at-un-submit-to-one-world-government/>

Bush Sr: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=byxeOG\\_pZ1o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=byxeOG_pZ1o)  
And many others.

Israel is at the door step of the time of Jacob’s trouble:

- On their way to believing the anti-Christ
- Get ready for a two state solution

Luke adds to this prophecy:

Luke 21:20-22

20 "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near. 21 Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those who are

in the midst of her depart, and let not those who are in the country enter her. 22 For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

- The Jews are ready to fall hook, line and sinker

Israel is ready to receive a false Messiah.

Israel is one of the most technologically advanced nation in the middle east and probably of the world.

Their military is outstanding:

Now they're heading in a different direction with 8 parties in Israel.

Zeph 3:8 talks about the days when all the nations of the world will be gathered against the nation of Israel.

Israel is on the brink of judgement because they have rejected their God.

Zeph 3:1-5 speaking of Israel:

1 Woe to her who is rebellious and polluted,  
To the oppressing city!  
2 She has not obeyed His voice,  
She has not received correction;  
She has not trusted in the Lord,  
She has not drawn near to her God.

3 Her princes in her midst are roaring lions;  
Her judges are evening wolves  
That leave not a bone till morning.

4 Her prophets are insolent, treacherous people;  
Her priests have polluted the sanctuary,  
They have done violence to the law.

5 The Lord is righteous in her midst,  
He will do no unrighteousness.  
Every morning He brings His justice to light;  
He never fails,  
But the unjust knows no shame.

Interestingly: when they became a nation again

- they sought the Lord,
- Today, Tel-Aviv is the gay capital of the world.

Amos 2 starting in verse 4-6 speaks of the judgement of Israel.

The new PM of Israel says that the ties with the U.S. are as strong as ever.

We'll see what happens when the US turns their back on Israel.

Jer 30:7-9

The blinders are on and they're headed straight into Jacob's trouble but they're oblivious as to what is ahead of them. When the tribulation begins they will think they're doing a good thing.

1 Thess 5:1-3

1 But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. 2 For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. 3 For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.

The first 3 ½ years of the tribulation will be a time of peace, safety and security for Israel. Rev 12:14-17

Jeremiah spoke of a day when Israel would claim to be in peace but there will be no peace. Jer 6:14-18

Today Israel is forming an alliance with those that will not be there in the end.