

Transcript of Four Horsemen & Signs

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Speaker A (00:29)

Okay, well, last week we covered a whole bunch of things, and we basically brought to a conclusion that events in space are going to play a big role in what is coming up in our future. And one of them was, hey, things go bumping into one another up there.

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At first, this little asteroid was thought to be a comet of some kind, and they had a hard time figuring that out. And after doing a lot of work and calculations and simulations, come to find out it was a collision between two asteroids.

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And that ended up being a literal explanation to the term that Jesus says, "Heavenly bodies will be shaken." So up until that time, people would talk in terms of, "Oh, well, shaken just means that they're going to twinkle a lot more than they usually do when we look at them." But no, it was these things really get

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shaken. And we looked at the big observatory that's just coming online now in Chile, and that is going to have all kinds of news. That should show up about twice a year, so they'll find something dramatic that you'll see on the evening news.

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Plus, there's a whole bunch of other guys that are coming into play, and these are very big telescopes. When I was a kid, this Mount Palomar was the observatory for the world, that little thing right there.

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But since then, they've gotten lots of big stuff, some of it in orbit and in space. This one here is probably going to be the premier instrument that will be able to measure things so precisely they'll be able to tell us exactly where within a mile of where something would hit the Earth with the precision they'll have

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from this. The Chile telescope is this size, so just imagine what they'll be able to do with this one.

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Problem is, these big ones, they're not very good at finding things. They're good at, once you found something, really zeroing in on it and telling you what's there.

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But what's in Chile is the one that we want to follow on. And the other part is that there's a whole system that's been put in place to track asteroids and to warn the world.

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There's a whole list of them. Some of them are only the size of the table you see here, but they're tracking them.

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And we talked about the Catholic Church. Now, the Catholic Church makes up about 40% of all that is called Christian.

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And people don't usually think of the Catholic Church as having an extensive astronomical system. They've got telescopes here in the US.

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They've got a telescope in Italy. And they've got the staff.

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This was the fellow that really pulled it together in my lifetime. And the interesting part is that, yeah, he's got all these degrees from MIT and so on, but his specialty was asteroids.

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So it makes you wonder, what does the Catholic Church know that they don't talk a lot about? Then we looked at how events can be a precursor, not the event itself, but it's a precursor.

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And this is something that's going on right now. They finally determined where it would pass back in March.

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And 37 months into the future from March, which would take it into April of 2029, it is going to have this asteroid that's 1 to 2,000 feet wide buzz the Earth. It'll be visible in Africa and Western and Eastern Europe.

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Unfortunately for us, we're going to be facing the wrong way when it goes by. But you can bet that the year or so before that happens, you'll see a pile of TV shows on the astronomy of asteroids and what would happen if one would hit the Earth and so on.

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You'll see all of that. So you've heard it here first.

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Now, the other thing that we did was also look at how is this going to look to the world. The Lord has given us a heads-up.

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And in his Olivet discourse, he even uses the little phrase, "Remember, I told you ahead of time." So as these things start to develop, we can have an appreciation for what is to be concerned with and what is not. And most of the hype that you see on the TV is usually nothing.

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They just hype it up. But the day is going to come when they'll have something.

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It'll sound like the other hype, but it's going to have a very, very serious overtone tied to it. So we introduce you to this little chart here a couple of weeks ago.

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And what we put on there is the mountain. In Revelations 8:8, when it talked about something like a huge mountain that's thrown into the sea, well, that's what this is here.

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They're going to find that someday. They're going to discover it.

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And they're not going to know if it's going to hit here or if it's going to be here, but it won't take them long. And what I mean, it won't take them long.

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I think they'll be able to do some of that within an hour, that it's going to be something to be concerned with. And it'll continue to the point where they say, "Now, we have to be careful.

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This thing may very well come and hit us." And you can be sure that the United Nations is going to be involved in it. And oftentimes, if you're from the evangelical side and have heard a lot of the dispensationalists talk about end-time stuff, they will often talk about the revived Roman Empire.

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The revived Roman Empire is not going to be playing a role. They're going to be in the same boat that everybody else is in.

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And the big news is going to be centered around the United Nations because all the nations in the world are going to be involved. And that's what the Lord tells us is Olivet discourse.

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He says that the whole world will be aware, and men will faint in apprehension of what is coming upon the world. So the UN is probably the place where you're going to see all of the activity that we covered that last week.

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So putting this on our chart, we can say that at some point in time, they're going to know for sure that this is going to strike the Earth. This is a chart we showed a few weeks back that shows the uncertainty at the beginning.

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And as time goes on, it becomes more and more certain that this event is going to take place, and they're going to know exactly when. They're going to know it to fractions of a second.

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And we gave you some examples of that that we're able to do today. Plus, in order to verify that the term mountain, as it's used in Revelations 8:8, is referring to some big chunk of rock, we looked at if you have a big chunk of rock that hits the Earth the size of a huge mountain, what happens

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in the first two minutes, what happens in the next 45 minutes, what happens for the rest of the day, what happens in the months that follow. We went through those, and we found that, good grief, these are all of the plague judgments, the trumpet judgments, and the bowl judgments.

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So we've got that one, I think, pretty well buttoned down. And we take our little chart here and put that on here.

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This is at the point where things would happen. So last week, we looked at what happens with the first seal.

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Now, the reason that we kind of ran through the book kind of not in sequence is because the seal judgments are what the world is going to be doing because they know that this event is coming. So when we look at the seals, we're going to see a world that's going to be looking at how can we

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survive this. And the first seal we covered last week took him to be the first of the horsemen.

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So he's going to be basically the one in charge of how we're going to organize and try to maximize survivability. What is it that's going to be done in order to minimize the loss of life?

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Because the scriptures tell us in chunks, one-third of the people dying, one-quarter of the people dying. When you combine all of that together, half of the people in the world will die.

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So who's going to make the call? You're going to have to empty out some countries.

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If this thing were to fall in the North Atlantic, places like Iceland, places like the Azores, the Caribbean Islands, and those will all get wiped out. So somebody's going to have to be in charge to pull together the organizations of the different countries and the resources to move these people from point A to point B and telling

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the people in point B to move over. So there's going to be lots of problems, but they'll have a leader.

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But having a leader doesn't always mean that you're out of trouble. There was a time when there was a big leader.

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Some of you were around when that was going on. Some of us were around, I should say.

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And this was the big Nuremberg rally. And the party was interesting because its name in English was the National Socialist German Workers' Party.

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And they took a couple of syllables out of both National Socialists and made up the word Nazi. I don't know.

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And this is what happens. Socialism doesn't work.

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It promises everybody something so nice, but it does not deliver. It brings itself to bankruptcy.

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And what happens then is that if it doesn't work, it can't possibly be the socialists' fault. So they have to find somebody whose fault it is and take care of that.

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So they had the Jews. So those were the ones that went.

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And the Germans that had voted for this ended up being under a dictator. And that's where it goes every time.

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So all you have to do is pick up your history book and go through the countries that have adopted that and see where it took them. And now we've got a major part in the US and the elections that's coming up of these rah, rah, rah socialists.

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Get rid of the borders. Get rid of the police.

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Get rid of the agents and so on. So it's going to be the same kind of power that is going to be moving.

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And now they really have a problem to solve with that big rock coming. So it's going to happen at breakneck speed.

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So what we'll see and we'll go through we'll go through all of these seals. And what we're going to see is basically the weak will struggle to survive the chaos before the impact, while the powerful will strategize to rule the rubble after the impact.

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And you can be sure that that's always the case. Now, in Matthew, there's an interesting little parable that Jesus gave.

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It's standing right there in chapter 6. It says, "The Pharisees and the Sadducees came to Jesus and tested him by asking him to show them a sign from heaven.

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And he, Jesus, replied, 'When evening comes, you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red.' And in the morning, 'Today, it will be stormy, for the sky is red and overcast.' You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but you do not know how to interpret the signs of the time." And that

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fits us to a T today, just like it did 2,000 years ago. And there was another example that I like to use.

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And this is at the time when Lot had the angels come to tell him that Sodom and Gomorrah were going to get wiped out. So Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, who were pledged to marry his daughters.

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And he said, "Perry, and get out of this place because the Lord is about to destroy the city." But his sons-in-law thought that he was joking. And how many times have I experienced, in bringing this up to friends and loved ones, saying, "It can't be that.

Speaker A (18:03)

It can't be that." And in some cases, we've been told, "Look, I don't want you talking about the Bible anymore. You can talk about anything else, but you don't talk about the Bible with me." That's it.

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Well, the day's going to come when they're going to be scrubbing and trying to find what page was that on. So the first one was the leader.

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The next one is lawlessness, war, people killing one another. "When the land opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, 'Come.' Then another horse came out, a fiery red one.

Speaker A (18:57)

Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make men slay each other. To him was given a large sword." Well, it's understandable that when you get to the world knowing what's going to happen in their area, that people will want out of there.

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And we saw what happens with tsunamis. Now, this here was a big problem.

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Tsunamis are one thing. Earthquakes are another.

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These are all the consequences of that impact. And we went through that a couple of weeks ago in great detail.

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Right now, we've got the big earthquakes, two major earthquakes just minutes apart that happened in Venezuela. Well, the US is there.

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The Canadians are there. Jordan is there.

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I mean, you get people from all over the world going over there to help. But when it looks like Venezuela, all over the rest of the world, that's not going to be taking place.

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So it's understandable that the death toll will just soar. Even without having a major catastrophe in the wings, just people trying to immigrate to get "a better life." This is in the Mediterranean, in Greece.

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And this guy had a sign already made. It was in English.

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And these people are not crazy because English is almost an international language when it comes to international communications. He says, "We're not going back.

Speaker A (21:03)

Open the way." And they come in boats. A lot of them don't make it.

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They come sneak into trucks, ruin the whole when you have 20 or 30 people in a vegetable truck for a week and a half, you're not going to eat those vegetables. And these are from Europe, all kinds of migration problems.

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And the problems that they're going to know they're going to have, they're going to know what places are going to get hit. So they'll have to look at moving a lot of the infrastructure out of there.

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It's one thing to take people out, to take them someplace else. But that someplace else is going to need some of the infrastructure.

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So when you go up and down the coast of the Atlantic in the US, you see all of these power plants. Well, you can't let those generators and turbines all get ruined.

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So you're going to have to take them apart and move them in because there's no big supermarket where you can go in there and buy turbines and generators. So when they do that, power will go out in the places.

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And they'll have their super orchestrators that make the decision as to what gets shut down, what gets moved, what gets moved where. And people are going to take advantage of that.

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These are pictures of what happened in the little blackout that they had at Con Edison in New York City back in the '70s. And yeah, the power went out.

Speaker A (23:09)

And so did the people. They went out, and they took everything they could.

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The power was out. Traffic lights were down.

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Traffic was all jammed. The communications, radios were out.

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Burglar alarms didn't work. So people went, and they just emptied out those stores.

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Now, in this case, they may not be taking things where they can't move it to where they're going to go, but they're going to go in there and get all of the foodstuffs that they can. They will get the stuff in cans or whatever.

Speaker A (23:51)

And it's almost like they're getting ready. Louise and I go to HEB here on the other side of 35.

Speaker A (24:02)

I look at it. They took out all of the shrubbery and the grass, and they put all of these nice rocks, just about the size of your fist.

Speaker A (24:15)

So it looks like they've got all the ammunition laid out there. Now, today, it's difficult to communicate.

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Back when I'd just gotten out of the university, a big thing was always free speech. Free speech was the big thing.

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Now, 50 years later, it's no free speech. We have to have a safe space.

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We have to have safe spaces, no lights, no straights. So you end up in this world of political correctness, which is just another way of saying burning the books.

Speaker A (25:13)

We don't want to hear about those things. So these are events that are going to come.

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And they're going to be events that are driven not because the major driving event has occurred. It's still three years out.

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We're out in their future. But they know it's coming, and they'll believe that it's coming because we'll have the technology that can prove it.

Speaker A (25:45)

And it's being done now. The other one is that here comes this after the lawlessness and the people that perish in that will get the famine.

Speaker A (26:07)

Now, famine is going to start right away. It's not going to have to wait until the rock hits.

Speaker A (26:18)

And then afterwards, you have a problem. It will start right away.

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"When the land opened the third seal, there before me was a black horse, and its rider was holding a pair of scales in his hands, a quart of wheat for a day's wages and three quarts of barley for a day's wages." So inflation. This is going to be inflation driven by demand, supply and demand.

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And already, there are places on the planet that have food riots. We've got an example from back in the 1800s when I was just a little kid.

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There was an earthquake and a big volcano that erupted in Tambora. That's in the southeast Pacific.

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And it shot up 36 cubic miles of material into the atmosphere. The following year, there was famine throughout the northern hemisphere because of the crops.

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It wasn't warm enough to germinate early enough. And then the winters came before the plants matured.

Speaker A (27:56)

And there was loss of crops all over the place. Well, those are the kinds of things that they know will be coming.

Speaker A (28:06)

So famine would begin, to me, will be in the very first year after the discovery, knowing that two years after the impact would yield no new crops. Rationing would be essential for at least two years before the impact.

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So if we look at this is the amount of food that is consumed in a normal time. And then you have this impact.

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And now, the food supply dwindles down to almost nothing. So what they'll have to do is to start taking food from now, storing it for after the impact so that the half of the populations that survived will have something to eat.

Speaker A (29:03)

And not everybody will be lost. So this way here, you'll be able to save some.

Speaker A (29:09)

So that's why you'll have that super guy orchestrating, trying to get people and resources matched to maximize surviving. So in here, you'll start to have famine.

Speaker A (29:27)

And this will be something that we've experienced before, not to the point of extinction. And this, I remember.

Speaker A (29:41)

During World War II, we lost a lot of men and went into the service. And so food had to be transported along with them because the places they went, they didn't have all these super HEBs ready waiting for them.

Speaker A (30:02)

So you ended up getting ration books issued by the government. And that's what that little warning said here.

Speaker A (30:09)

You don't tamper with this book because even though it's been given to you, it's the property of the US government. So that way, you could end up going to the store.

Speaker A (30:22)

And if you didn't have much money and somebody else had a lot, they'd get all the food. So with the rationing, it would allow people to get their required amounts of food without having the hoarding going on.

Speaker A (30:40)

And you did that on sugar and coffee and flour and gasoline. Get your picture, Lou.

Speaker A (30:55)

So rationing became an accepted thing. And I remember my mom putting me in the little wagon.

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I was about four or five years old. And we'd go shopping.

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We'd go to the little corner store, the First National Grocery Store. And she had that book.

Speaker A (31:17)

And later on, after the war, when I was a little older, she said, "That was the little book we used." And plus, we'd have all of the cans all flattened out. And we'd stop at the recycled place, jump all of that off.

Speaker A (31:34)

So that was part of growing up in World War II up in Maine. So yes, John.

John (31:44)

I went through the Vietnam War. And we had rationing there.

John (31:48)

And we had rationing books. I had a rationing book issued to me.

Speaker A (31:54)

In Vietnam?

John (31:56)

In Vietnam. And I neither drank alcohol nor smoked cigarettes.

John (32:06)

So the guys knew that about me. And the first of each month, which is today, the first day of the month, they would send me.

John (32:21)

They would go down with me. They wanted to make sure that I went in there and bought my ration of liquor and my ration of cigarettes.

John (32:32)

So I'd go in there and get six cartons of cigarettes.

Speaker A (32:36)

Well, yeah, those kinds of things.

John (32:39)

And then proofread. But by the time I take a few steps out of that place, all that stuff that I was carrying, those guys have now.

John (32:50)

So they can become very greedy very quick, is my point.

Speaker A (32:54)

You get all the chocolate bars and all of the other stuff.

John (32:58)

Yeah.

Speaker A (33:00)

Yeah. And those kinds of things will happen. Now, this is what we read when we were covering without the number.

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You can't buy or sell. It's the very same thing.

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And it'll go in very quickly. Now, when you look at the US and Canada, between the two of us, we export half of all the food that's exported in the world.

Speaker A (33:38)

So we're sort of like the Middle East of food. Now, can you imagine American longshoremen on food rations, loading foods for export, knowing that the coming years might produce famine at home?

Speaker A (34:02)

Forget it. That is not going to happen.

Speaker A (34:07)

And it's going to be at the detriment of people at the other end that are accustomed to getting a good chunk of their food supply from the US and Canada. And things of this type have happened before.

Speaker A (34:23)

The Irish potato famine was a case in point and why there was so much hatred between the Irish and the English. Now, the English were controlling Ireland, all of it.

Speaker A (34:39)

Today, it's just the northern part. But then, it was the whole thing.

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And what happened was that when they had a famine that was driven by a blight, the English landowners exported food just the same. And a million Irishmen died.

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Now, a lot of them ended up here. But other countries, when the crop failures occurred in Belgium and Russia and Alexandria, they responded by shutting off exports.

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Well, what's going to happen is that the big mighty guy in charge of everything is going to say, "Well, wait a minute. That ain't going to happen." And we had a little taste of that with the COVID when they were saying, "Oh, yeah."

Speaker A (35:48)

Well, the US has got all of this stuff being manufactured. So we want a chunk of that to automatically go someplace else." So there was a hassle about how much would leave the country versus what would be here for our own citizens.

Speaker A (36:05)

And when you look at the world, this is a chart that shows the colors in red and orange and yellow and again, red and orange. Those are places where they have to have a net import of food.

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And then the yellows and to the greens, those are the places where they have a net export of foods. So you can see the big imbalance.

Speaker A (36:41)

Another thing that will happen is that things will get rationed that you say, "Well, we get plenty of that." My dad had worked as a millwright in a shoe shop. And when the war was declared, he already had two kids.

Speaker A (37:03)

So he was given the option. You either get drafted or you go to work at the shipyard.

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Well, he took the job at the shipyard. And he got a ration ticket because he was going to he had a car.

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And he would transport other people. But the US had plenty of gasoline.

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We had so much gasoline. We were even exporting gasoline to the Japanese who were using that aviation gas to bomb the Chinese.

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And the answer was on the back of the ration coupon, "To save tires, drive under 35." And all of the things. We didn't have the rubber.

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So we had to ration the rubber. But how do you ration rubber?

Speaker A (38:00)

You ration the gas on the cars and a lot of the metal. This 1941 Chevy that needed a bumper, but bumpers weren't available.

Speaker A (38:18)

People would replace them with an oak plank. And this next one, I got a big laugh.

Jack (38:26)

No.

Speaker A (38:29)

I had a lady in the Bible study. When she saw that, she says, "I saw that.

Speaker A (38:38)

We did that in the " she was in a girl's school. And nylons was going from making parachutes.

Speaker A (38:49)

So yeah. So you did a lot of lead shaving.

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And then you'd take an eyebrow pencil and put in the seam from nylons back then had seams because they hadn't figured out how to make it continuous all the way around without a seam. So you just would shave the legs and put the line on there, part of the makeup strategy.

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So famine. Now, these problems will be ongoing.

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As far as the world is concerned, these are going to keep right on going. They don't know how long is this going to last.

Speaker A (39:39)

Then the last of the horsemen. And this is almost like a catch-all of all of the other things that will take place.

Speaker A (39:52)

When the Lamb opened the fourth seal, there before me was a pale horse. It's right it was named Death.

Speaker A (40:01)

And Hades was following close behind them. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by the sword, famine, plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth.

Speaker A (40:18)

So what's going to happen when you take all of these people and squish them together in different places? And you'll have all kinds of different immunity systems that people have.

Speaker A (40:35)

They'll have no immunity to certain things. And the sanitation systems, the water systems, all of that is going to be crude at best as people are slapping everything together.

Speaker A (40:52)

So it's not surprising that a lot of people will die from that. And that's what these four horsemen were showing us as to what will the world be seeing.

Speaker A (41:13)

So again, it'll be a matter of the weak striving to survive. And the rich, the powerful will be looking at how we're going to rule these things.

Speaker A (41:23)

And you can be sure there'll be a lot of decisions made in light of what we're going to do afterwards to clear some of the problems. So it's not going to look pretty.

Speaker A (41:44)

Now, when we look at all of this, there are still the other three horsemen. Those are the ones that we identified that would have unprecedented events associated with them.

Speaker A (42:02)

One is the rapture of the church. The other one is the impact itself.

Speaker A (42:07)

And the other one is the return of Christ. Did you get that, Lou?

Speaker A (42:16)

So when we look at Revelation chapter 9, verse 20 and 21, there, we've gone through the trumpet judgments, six of them. And it says there, "The rest of mankind that were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands, nor did they repent of their murders, their magic arts, their sexual immorality,

Speaker A (42:55)

or their thefts." Now, this brings us to a point where we've got a world that is filled with dead people. And the ones that aren't dead aren't repentant.

Speaker A (43:17)

And that brings us to a question that Jesus asked. He says, "However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?" Now, why would he ask a question like that?

Speaker A (43:41)

Why would he plant that thought in people's minds? Apparently, the answer is not.

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There's not going to be any because only the unrepentant are left alive. Now, it's mentioned twice there in chapter 9.

Speaker A (44:05)

And in chapter 16, it's also mentioned twice. Now, in Mark, he says, "For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform signs and miracles to deceive the elect if that were possible." Again, he brings up a question like that.

Speaker A (44:39)

Well, it's not possible because there aren't any elect to deceive there. So when we look at chapter 16, we see the same thing.

Speaker A (44:59)

They were seared by the intense heat. And they cursed the name of God who had control over these plagues.

Speaker A (45:10)

But they refused to repent and glorify him. And a little the next group with the bold judgments.

Speaker A (45:23)

And they cursed God of heaven because of their pains and their sores. But they refused to repent of what they had done.

Speaker A (45:42)

So we see a world that as we get to the point, oops, the right word, Jesus is going to return, that there aren't any saved. Now, this has implication for what we'll cover next week with regards to the rapture.

Speaker A (46:10)

You probably can guess what it implies. Then the fifth seal.

Speaker A (46:19)

When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony that they had maintained. So yeah, there's our fifth seal.

Speaker A (46:41)

And what we've got is this is what they're facing. And when we look down, we find that Revelation also has insights into that.

Speaker A (47:03)

We covered that when we did Jesus evaluating the church. But now, we've got a place to put this on our chart.

Speaker A (47:14)

"Do not be afraid. You will suffer persecution for 10 days.

Speaker A (47:20)

Be faithful." So at the beginning, there will be believers. Then we get from Paul, "The dead in Christ will rise first.

Speaker A (47:39)

And we will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air." So there's apparently something that's going to take place. And this looks like a place where it would take place.

Speaker A (48:00)

Then in Luke, he tells us, "Watch and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen." Now, I had one person one time tell me about this. He says, "Oh, yeah.

Speaker A (48:20)

But you and your rapture and this and that, that's all that is. That's escapism." I said, "You're absolutely right.

Speaker A (48:27)

That's what Jesus said because that looks like the only sure way out of there." Now, in parallel with this, you've got another huge bunch of people. You've got roughly Christianity is, and they say, it's about 2 billion people.

Speaker A (48:57)

But there's another 2 billion that is looking for a caliph. Now, a caliph is Islam's world leader.

Speaker A (49:17)

He is the one that is going to pull all Islam together and make them into a world power. And this is Abu Bakhdari that claimed that he was the new caliph.

Speaker A (49:45)

But his troops and his group got all bottled in by a US raid. And he ended up committing suicide instead of dying at the hands of the Americans.

Speaker A (50:00)

So he was telling his people, he says, "Hold your heads up high for the day you have a caliph that will restore your dignity, power, rights, and leadership." Soon, he promised, "Muslims will walk everywhere like masters." And in their periodical, The Caliphate. And this was the IS, the Islamic States magazine.

Speaker A (50:46)

And it portrayed a romantic version of its caliph while showing images of their atrocities. Now, this is what they pictured as good.

Speaker A (51:01)

And it was the return of the caliph. And because at one time, they did have that under Muhammad and the immediate successors that he had.

Speaker A (51:14)

And today, we see them lumped together as ISIS or ISIL. All right?

Speaker A (51:21)

ISIS was the Islamic state of Iraq and Syria. And ISIL is similar.

Speaker A (51:27)

It's the Islamic state of Iraq and the Levant. And the Levant is basically the Fertile Crescent that runs from the Mediterranean near the Sinai into a big arc all over to what is today Iran.

Speaker A (51:49)

Now, in there, they would put their pictures of their great accomplishments. Now, for those of you that are and I'm not being derogatory.

Speaker A (52:04)

I mean, that might be squeamish that rather would not have these kind of images pop into your head in the middle of the night or at any other time, just look away. I've got just four slides.

Speaker A (52:15)

And the reason I want to show them is that we are being so manipulated by the media, especially the news media. They'll always show these bloodied little kids in Israel and in Gaza.

Speaker A (52:39)

They'll show all these atrocities that the Israelis have done. They've got their little bloody kid there in their arms.

Speaker A (52:48)

But they never show what they do, what Islam is doing. So they let and leave people with this image that there's genocide going on.

Speaker A (53:04)

But there's not. Now, for those of you, look away.

Speaker A (53:09)

And I won't pause and dwell on them. I'll just run them through.

Speaker A (53:15)

And this is actual pictures that took place during the Iraq War and during the Kuwait War. All right?

Speaker A (53:26)

Christians, Christians, Christians, church, and the caliphate's coins. Now, all of those things are in their periodical.

Speaker A (53:48)

Now, you end up having the media. And this I took from the BBC because they know better than over here.

Speaker A (53:58)

And they were going through a list of questions. And this one here, "Why aren't recruits to IS, the caliphate, deterred by the group's extreme violence?" And BBC is giving them the answer.

Speaker A (54:24)

It said, "Islamic State has exploited the appeal of the caliphate to justify violent practices and punishments." And that's a lie, just a bold-faced lie because what they were doing there is what's already in their Quran and the Sunnah. The violence is condoned and justified by the Quran and the Sunnah, which are the sources of Islamic law or

Speaker A (55:05)

Sharia. Now, one quote from the Quran or the Sunnah shows up in their reporting. "The most devout Muslims will learn Arabic in order to make sure that they can grasp fully what's in the Sunnah and in the Quran." Now, the Quran is the equivalent of our Bible to Islam.

Speaker A (55:40)

And the Sunnah is the equivalent of the commentaries. So when you look at the Quran, you also have to keep in mind the commentaries.

Speaker A (55:59)

Here's one. It says, "Oh, ye who believe, take not the Jews and the Christians for your friends and protectors.

Speaker A (56:11)

And he amongst you that turns to them for friendship is of them." Now, what you'll see in the quotes, things that are in the brackets are in their document. I just copied it just as it was.

Speaker A (56:29)

Things that will be in square brackets are mine. All right?

Speaker A (56:36)

And the same thing for the color and the underlines. So since I was studying this, and I had this that was given to me by one of my employees who's a Muslim from Pakistan.

Speaker A (56:58)

He was one of my managers. And he was a real nice guy.

Speaker A (57:06)

All right? And I think I probably ended up knowing more about what was in his documents than he did.

Speaker A (57:18)

And this is how the Quran is laid out. You'll have it in Arabic on one side and then English on the other.

Speaker A (57:26)

And you can get them in any sets of languages. And then they'll have the usual footnotes on the bottom.

Speaker A (57:35)

So this is their definitions. "The Sunnah explains the Quran.

Speaker A (57:44)

The Prophet Muhammad did explain the Quran in his words and actions. Hence, interpretation of the Quran must be based first and foremost on the hadiths." Now, hadiths are the pieces that make up the Sunnah.

Speaker A (58:06)

The Sunnah gives details to the general rulings from the Quran. Well, I said, "I'm going to look into this Sunnah thing." So Louise and I got shopping bags.

Speaker A (58:26)

We went down to the UT Library. And we checked out the Sunnah.

Speaker A (58:32)

It comes in nine volumes.

John (58:35)

Oh, my goodness.

Speaker A (58:36)

They didn't have nine volumes all from the same publication. So we had to get a couple of others in there.

Speaker A (58:45)

But we got the whole thing. This would take another night just to go through what's in there.

Speaker A (58:52)

But just to get the gist of it, when you look at and compare it to what were taught by Christ, it said, "Jesus replied to the Sadducees and the Pharisees. He says, 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.

Speaker A (59:20)

This is the first and greatest commandment.'" And then you look at Islam. Then he, Muhammad, replied, "To believe in Allah and his apostle, Muhammad." Okay?

Speaker A (59:43)

No problem there. "And the second is like it.

Speaker A (59:48)

Love your neighbor as yourself." The questioner then asked, "What is the next in goodness?" Muhammad replied, "To participate in jihad, religious fighting in Allah's cause." Two different groups, two different places. Here's another one.

Speaker A (1:00:18)

"I heard the Prophet saying, 'In the last days of the world, there will appear young people with foolish thoughts and ideas. They will give good talks, but they will go out of Islam.

Speaker A (1:00:36)

Their faith will not exceed their throats. So wherever you find them, kill them, for there will be a reward for their killers on the day of resurrection.'" So that has a different overtone.

Speaker A (1:01:09)

"Allah's apostle said, 'The hour will not be established until you fight with the Jews. And the stone behind which a Jew will be hiding will say, 'O Muslim, there's a Jew hiding behind me.

Speaker A (1:01:26)

So kill him.'" He, Muhammad, said, "Signs of that " he said, "Signs that indicate the approach of the hour is the conquest of Jerusalem." And that is what we're seeing playing out now. One of the big things for their Mahdi that's going to be their ultimate caliph, their Mahdi, will come and pull all of Islam together.

Speaker A (1:02:09)

The sign that that's about to take place is when they conquer Jerusalem. Now, if they have to nuke everything else, so be it.

Speaker A (1:02:21)

But they want Jerusalem. "Allah's apostle said, 'The hour will not be established until the Son of Mary, that is Jesus, descends among you as a just ruler.'" That'll work out nice.

Speaker A (1:02:46)

"He will break the cross and kill the pigs." So that's how they see their world. So it's not surprising about what's going on over there.

Speaker A (1:03:06)

Just imagine those nut jobs with nukes. "When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those that had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony that they had maintained." Revelations 8:3, "Another angel came and stood at the altar.

Speaker A (1:03:36)

And he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all of the saints on the golden altar before the throne." This is the vision that he was having in the heavens. So this here is the altar of incense with the prayers of all the saints.

Speaker A (1:04:06)

"The smoke of the incense together with the prayers of the saints went up before God." Now, it's interesting what some of those prayers might be. One of them is one that Jesus didn't say dictate, but tells the disciples, "Be always on the watch and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen."

Speaker A (1:04:42)

John, who testifies to everything he saw, that is the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. "I, John, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus." So that is the message of that fifth seal.

Speaker A (1:05:12)

Yes, there's going to be some persecution. Yes, some are going to die, just like he said.

Speaker A (1:05:21)

But hang in there. It's a short time.

Speaker A (1:05:24)

Now, we had a 10-day type thing happen with Daniel when they were first captured. And they were brought to Babylon.

Speaker A (1:05:39)

For 10 days, they said, "Just feed us the water and vegetables. None of this rich food from the king's table." And after 10 days, they made their point.

Speaker A (1:05:55)

And then they were able to continue. We're told the same thing.

Speaker A (1:06:00)

What happens with the Christians during the time between Jesus' ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit? Jesus goes up on the 40th day.

Speaker A (1:06:18)

The disciples hide themselves for fear of the Jews. Then on Pentecost, the Holy Spirit comes 10 days.

Speaker A (1:06:31)

So then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels - and this is the bowls - "Go out. Pull out the seven bowls of God's wrath on the earth." Well, those have been all part of the trumpet judgments.

Speaker A (1:07:06)

They're all intermixed in there. The bowls tend to describe more what happens to the people.

Speaker A (1:07:13)

The trumpet judgments tend to describe more of what happens to the environment. But together, they paint the whole picture.

Speaker A (1:07:26)

"The third angel pulled out his bowl onto the rivers and the springs of water. The name became blood." They wanted our blood.

Speaker A (1:07:36)

So Lord, give them some blood to drink. Then I heard the angels say, "You are just in these judgments.

Speaker A (1:07:46)

You are and who were the holy because you have so judged. For they have shed the blood of our saints and prophets.

Speaker A (1:08:04)

And you give them blood to drink as they deserve." And after this, I heard, "Hallelujah, salvation and glory and power belong to our God. For truth and just our is judgments.

Speaker A (1:08:29)

He has revenged on her blood of his servants." And so that's why they were told to wait a little longer. Wait a little longer.

Speaker A (1:08:48)

And that little longer is in those 10 days. And that's where they fit.

Speaker A (1:09:01)

Now, when it comes to the rapture, I'm going to stop here because I don't want to break that up. We'll pick it up next week on that point.

Speaker A (1:09:14)

But look at where the Christian world is with regards to that. It goes from, "There is none." All right?

Speaker A (1:09:29)

That saves you a lot of work. You don't have to figure out anything.

Speaker A (1:09:34)

Just say, "Yeah, there's none." It's figurative of just day-to-day stuff, whatever. And then if there is, when is it?

Speaker A (1:09:46)

Not so much what date, but in what area does it fall in? Does it fall before any of these things start to take place?

Speaker A (1:09:57)

Does it fall after? Does it fall someplace in the middle?

Speaker A (1:10:05)

And there are good Bible verses that nail that down. They do it not only by saying what the rapture is, but they also do it by events that preclude it from being able to happen with something that's contradictory at the same time.

Speaker A (1:10:26)

So next week, what we'll do is we'll pick up the rapture. We'll start with the basics.

Speaker A (1:10:36)

All right? But the word rapture is not in the Bible.

Speaker A (1:10:41)

All right? And we'll show you what is in the Bible and what it means.

Speaker A (1:10:49)

Okay?

John (1:10:50)

Amen.

Speaker A (1:10:53)

Any questions? I had 300 other slides.

Speaker A (1:11:01)

I just didn't have time. Jack?

Jack (1:11:06)

Chapter 19, "The blood of the martyrs of the fifth seal were avenged." And it says, "By her." Who was her? And when was it avenged?

Speaker A (1:11:21)

The week after next. No, no, no.

Speaker A (1:11:27)

No, I do plan to cover that extensively. All right?

Speaker A (1:11:32)

Now, there's going to be a lot of effort in the world before the rocks get there. And what I believe will happen is just like there'll be a way to unite the resources through the "antichrist." I think that the religions of the world will get together under a leader that's going to have credibility.

Speaker A (1:12:08)

And they are going to pray and smoke and do whatever they need to be done in their routine to convince the gods to have this thing not do what it's going to do. All right?

Speaker A (1:12:27)

And that's why when the rock hits any place, anywhere, we hear that she ends up being burned. Now, I think that that's what is going to happen.

Speaker A (1:12:44)

And I'll pull the information together. Well, I've already pulled it together.

Speaker A (1:12:50)

We'll do it in two weeks. All right?

Speaker A (1:12:54)

And make a case for what that's going to be and how it's going to work. And it's going to have the church will have credibility.

Speaker A (1:13:10)

And that's where a lot of, I think, Christians will end up getting sucked in. And when they see that it doesn't work, it will be part of the unrepentant.

Speaker A (1:13:30)

Okay. Anything else?

John (1:13:34)

Yes. Yes and no.

Jack (1:13:35)

Just as a point of information, you showed a picture of the tabernacle. There is a copy of the tabernacle in Timna, Israel that was put there by the Southern Baptists.

Speaker A (1:13:46)

Yeah. They made a model of the whole thing. Yeah.

Speaker A (1:13:49)

And they had one that was kind of portable that they had on tour that was here in the US. I think it was in Waco at one time.

John (1:13:59)

Yeah. It was.

Speaker A (1:14:02)

Okay. Anything else? All right.

Speaker A (1:14:08)

Well, thank you very much. Heavenly Father, Lord, we thank you for having preserved those words that were given to these prophets of old and to the disciples, Lord, that can give us assurances that we know we are yours and that you will be looking out for us, that we are going to be part of this kingdom and

Speaker A (1:14:38)

it's coming into power. And right now, Lord, we know you're taking care of us as part of the kingdom in exile until.