An Unexpected King for An Unprepared Generation Part 2: Coming Persecution; Fig Tree; Days of Noah (7/7 2018)

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The message began with a video from David Wilkerson entitled 1973 End Time Visions. It can be seen in its entirety at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XMfxyVvYuws

God has placed me here tonight to warn of a coming hour of persecution. The Holy Spirit is my witness that this convention tonight has been warned here and now of an intense hour of persecution for all Spirit-filled believers. You are to prepare to be hated, rejected, maligned, and ridiculed. Now if you believe Acts 2:4 about a special power from on High, then you have also got to believe Act 2:17—your sons and your daughters will prophesy, and your young men will see visions.

I saw a vision this past April so frightening it staggered my mind, and for the past three months I've tried to shake it off, but I can't do it. I've only had two [visions] in my life. The first, fifteen years ago, took me to the streets of New York, and every fact of that vision has been fulfilled.

I've been terribly afraid to share this vision up till tonight for fear I would be called a fanatic. The same Holy Ghost that prompted me twelve years ago to share the story of the *Cross and the Switch Blade*, has prompted me tonight to share this vision with you.

In this vision, I saw five terrible calamities coming to America and the world. First of all, [there will be a] worldwide recession caused by economic confusion. I saw in my vision a few more fat years and then an economic recession that's going to affect the lifestyle of every wage earner in the world. The world economists are going to be at a loss to explain what's happening. It is going to start in Germany and spread to Japan and finally the United States. Large entrusted corporations are going to go bankrupt. Many churches are going to go into bankruptcy, and some missionary projects are going to flounder. One of the clearest messages I've ever received from God in my life was this, use the next, few good years left to prepare for financial crises. Get your house in order because hard times are coming.

Number two, I saw all nature having labor pains. Supernatural signs and changes that can't be explained by men. Worldwide disasters that we're witnessing right now I see as labor pains in nature which are going to become more and more frequent and more intense the closer we get to the birth of the Kingdom of God.

I saw major earthquakes coming to the United States. I saw a worldwide famine especially in China, India, and Russia. I saw all the world's food supplies completely dwindle and millions starving.

I saw a new kind of cosmic storm appearing as a raging fire in the sky leaving a kind of vapor trail. Tornadoes, hail storms, floods, and hurricanes are going to pound the earth with such intensity and violence that all of mankind is going to have to admit the world is under supernatural siege.

Number three, [I saw] a load of filth and a baptism of dirt in America. I see the prophecy of Naham coming to pass in the very near future. God said, "I'll pour abominable filth upon you." This means triple X rated movies on cable television after midnight. This means R rated movies within the next few years on network television. This means our newsstands are going to be flooded with such filth that Playboy Magazine will look like a puritanical piece of trash. It means sex education classes in school will be using animated cartoons and films to dramatize sexual intercourse.

Just when it seems the Supreme Court is ruling against pornography, or when it appears the nation is returning to old-fashioned, moral standards, suddenly the floodgates are going to swing open and Satan is going to vomit filth out of hell, and it will be just like in the days of Lot. It will vex the souls of God's most devout Saints.

Number four, rebellion in the home. I see the new number one youth problem in America as hatred toward parents.

I am reading this tonight for fear [I might] change a single word of what I've seen. [Because of that,] I had to write down, as the Holy Spirit laid on my heart, that man's worst enemies will be those of his own household. That is what the Bible says. Children are going to turn against their parents with a passion. Parents will be betrayed and will die a thousand deaths at the hands of children who have learned to despise their hypocrisy.

There will be millions of stay-at-home run aways who need not go away anymore and run away from home because their parents are going to give them what they choose and what they want as long as they stay at home. Kids will not even be expected to communicate with their parents. They're going to live under the same roof but will be like enemies living under a truce.

This is the clearest vision I have ever seen in my life. It's going to be bigger than drug addiction, sex abuse, alcohol, or any other youth problem.

In a recent survey we did [with] 5000 kids in twelve major cities, over forty-five percent said, "I hate my parents already."

Number five, a persecution madness against truly Spirit-filled Christians who love Jesus Christ.

Now I don't have time tonight to go into all the details about the four calamities I just mentioned; however, the Holy Spirit has prompted me to share in detail what I see coming in the way of persecution.

Now it was Jesus Himself who told us [?] of Pentecost. Jesus Himself told us the Holy Ghost would fall upon us. Jesus Himself promised this power from on High, but it was also Jesus Christ who predicted

persecution was coming for all true, Spirit-baptized believers. Jesus predicted it.

Daniel starts to speak.

We are in the second half of our teaching, An Unexpected King for an Unprepared Generation. I want to open up by taking you to one of the most prolific, prophetic chapters found anywhere in Scripture. It is found in Matthew 24:32 where we find Yeshua's own words, His own discourse, on what is coming. That chapter opens up with His disciples asking Him what will be the sign of His coming, what will be the end of the age. They want to know how they will know. Yeshua starts going through what is recorded in Matthew 24 and starts giving them signs and telling them, "This is how you will know."

One of the things He says is this—Now learn this parable from the fig tree (Matthew 24:32). I want to stop here because Yeshua employs a very powerful teaching tool of parables and being able to take a very high and lofty spiritual concept such as His return, His second coming at the end of the age, which is very mysterious and bring it down into the physical realm. He makes it tangible so everybody who hears it, with the illustration, can identify with it. All of his audience knew exactly what a fig tree was because it is one of the seven species in Israel. They knew exactly what he was talking about regarding a fig tree. So He employs this very powerful teaching tool for a very lofty concept and says—Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near (Matthew 24:32).

If you want to know about the signs of the times regarding the return of Yeshua, look at the parable of

the fig tree. Notice there are two pressure points Yeshua focuses on. He focuses on the fact a fig tree puts forth leaves. If you look at the picture, you can see how it has tender, green shoots, and its leaves are sprouting forth. Yeshua focuses on that, and then He says that's how—you know summer is near.

You see, the concern here is about the end; summer is coming. So what do the leaves represent? They represent the



signs. When you see the leaves sprout, you know summer is on the way. Summer represents the end of the age which is the second coming of the Messiah. You will see this as we get into this a little bit further.

To expound on this and help you appreciate when Yeshua spoke the parable of the fig tree and correlated it to His coming, this was not something new. In fact, this is something quite old. You can find this very parable exists in that very context in the Tanakh. To help you appreciate this on a much deeper level, I want to take you there.

This information is not in a book you would anticipate such as Jeremiah or Ezekiel. It is in a very unsuspecting book known as the Song of Solomon 2:10—My beloved spoke, and said to me: "Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away (emphasis added). You see, this is prophetic because we find the bridegroom has called out with His voice, and the dead in the Messiah are rising up just as when Yeshua spoke and literally said, "Lazarus, come forth." His voice is so powerful Lazarus could not refute him. He rose from the dead. That incident was a very small picture of what is coming at the end of the age when

the entire earth gives birth to the dead because the Messiah, the bridegroom, calls for His bride. So this verse in Solomon is highly prophetic.

However, it gets even more detailed—¹¹ For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone (Song of Solomon 2:11). One thing you should know about Israel is the time of the rainy season is winter from about October to March. It is during that period they have rains. This verse, then, is very specific regarding the time—the winter is past, the rain is over. Given that information, what time of year is it now? It is spring. The verse is very specific.

It goes on in Song of Solomon 2:12—The flowers appear on the earth; **the time of singing has come**, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land (emphasis added). This is all prophecy! Do you know what the prophets say regarding the resurrection of the dead and what's going to happen? We are going to sing Isaiah 26:19—Your dead shall live; together with my dead body they shall arise. **Awake and sing**, you who dwell in dust; for your dew is like the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead (emphasis added).

This is highly prophetic; we are going to be singing. Think about what happened when the LORD took the Israelites out of Egypt. They went through the Red Sea and witnessed their enemies destroyed. What is the first thing they did after that? They sang the Song of Moses.

What did we learn in Revelation 15? John received this vision, and he saw the righteous who had overcome the devil singing the Song of Moses, the bond-servant of God, and the Song of the Lamb. This is highly prophetic.

When we come to this point, we get to the crescendo—¹³ The fig tree puts forth her green figs [This is springtime] and the vines with the tender grapes give a good smell. Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away! (emphasis added, Song of Solomon 2:13). This is a very powerful prophecy! So when Yeshua is presenting this parable and tells the listeners they need to learn this parable of the fig tree, he's grabbing from the Tanakh because this would have resonated on multiple levels with His own disciples who grew up listening to these teachings in the Tanakh presented in the Synagogues Sabbath after Sabbath.

Now learn this parable from the fig tree when its branches already become tender and puts forth leaves you know summer is near (emphasis added, Matthew 24:32). I want to focus on this because the LORD is concentrating everything in summer. It is a tragedy the Church today does not diligently read and study the Old Testament because there are so many things they don't understand. They don't realize if they would actually draw from these original sources of the Old Testament, it would unlock special doors of understanding.

I'll give you an example right here with Yeshua's statement—summer is near. Let me take you to the book of Amos 8:1-2 $^{-1}$ Thus the LORD GOD showed me: Behold, a basket of summer fruit. ² And He said, "Amos, what do you see?" So I said, "A basket of summer fruit" (emphasis added). In the Hebrew, this is (qayits) = summer. So in the Hebrew, this verse simply says, "I saw a basket of summer." The translators said, "Summer fruit," and I don't have a problem with that translation, but ultimately what it is saying is, "There is a basket of summer" which is before Amos.

Continuing in Amos 8:2—Then the LORD said to me: "**The end** (emphasis added). The LORD responds by saying, "The end." In the Hebrew language, this is אָק (qets). It is the very same Hebrew root word. The only difference is you have a *yod* in אָקיִי (qayits); therefore, what we are seeing in this verse is a play on words. Why is this important? Because summer is representative for the end of the age. It is prophetic.

So the whole context of this verse is God is bringing judgment against Israel. He utilizes this term קָיִץ (qayits), which equated to summer, and אָקִי(qets), which means the end, to let them know Judgment is coming. So when Yeshua said in Matthew 24:32—summer is near—He was telling them judgment is coming. Considering Yeshua is the One behind the word in Amos, His speech is consistent.

Now, this continues to go on and say in Matthew 24:33—³³ So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near--at the doors (emphasis added)! The question is, see what things? What do you see? What are these fig leaves He's talking about? What are we looking for? Well, that is what we are going to look at today.

So going back to Matthew 24:6-7—⁶ And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. ⁷ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.

This is one of those things, just like the fig leaves. This is a sign. If you want to know when summer is here and judgment is at hand, watch for kingdom to rise against kingdom. I'm going to tell you right now; we've had two of the most monumental occasions happen in the history of the world not that long ago. In 1914, we had what was called World War I. It was an entire world war where we had kingdom against kingdom. Then again in 1939, we had the same thing called World War II. You might want to make special note of that fact because it is highly prophetic and falls in line with what Yeshua was saying.

Yeshua goes on in Matthew 24:7-8—And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. ⁸ All these are the beginning of sorrows. I don't need to give you commentary on these things because every one of you with social media knows these things are prevalent today.

Continuing in Matthew 24:9—Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake (emphasis added). One of the precursors of Yeshua's second coming is when—you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake. Think about Revelation 13:15 where it says— He was granted *power* to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. It says he is given power to overcome them! If you want to know we are at the end, look for persecution against the true body of the Messiah start to happen. It will get ugly.

This is not going to happen simply because there are Christians running around saying, "Oh, I believe in Jesus. He's my savior." That's not going to be the reason. It is going to happen to those who follow Him and walk with Him.

Let me show you why the world hates Yeshua. John 7:7—The world cannot hate you, but it hates Me because I testify of it that its works are evil (emphasis added). If you follow Yeshua and go out and start to speak as He spoke, that's when they're going to hate you. When you do the things He did and refuse to compromise and to assimilate into the world standards, you will be hated. All you need to do

is look around the world today to know what time it is. Hatred is mounting against believers, true believers, because they dare speak up against abortion. True believers speak out against homosexuality. People who are in favor of these practices, metaphorically, are foaming at the mouth with hatred, and now it's turning into violence. It was prophesied that when we were at the end, this is what would happen.

Matthew 24:10—And then many will be offended. Offended in the Greek is σκανδαλίζω (skandalizō). I want you to understand this is a reference to being enticed to sin. You are being seduced; there is a falling away. This is something we saw Paul talk about in last week's message. Now here we read about Yeshua telling us many are going to fall away and be enticed. It is scary because they are going to go the way of the world. They are going to have the lust of the world, the lust the flesh, and the pride of life. They are going to desire what the world wants.

Yeshua does not end there. He says—and will betray one another (Matthew 24:10). The term betray in the Greek is a term that references to be delivered over such as to the judge. This is how we see it being used in the New Testament. I can show you that it is used this way and the Torah and in the Greek Septuagint.

I want you to think about something. When Yeshua says they are going to be betrayed, they're going to be delivered up, think about what is happening right now with Christians all over the world. Christians are being dragged into court if I don't want to bake a cake for a particular couple who subscribes to alternative lifestyle than they're going to drag me into court. We are living in a time prophecy is being fulfilled. That's why when I tell you we are in the last minute of the last hour; I'm not making this up. Everything I see in Scripture tells me that is happening right now. I'm looking at the fig leaves, and I'm looking at what's going on in the world. There isn't a question in my mind we are at the end.

Matthew 24:11—Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. We looked at this last week and talked about the multitude of people who are going to be deceived. Who are the false prophets going to? They are going into the churches. This deception is so great! What does Yeshua say in Matthew 24:24? For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect (emphasis added). The deception is so cunning. I get scared because of the ignorance and the arrogance of Christians who roll their eyes when it comes to being deceived. I get really concerned because they don't understand what Yeshua said. The deception is so great even those who are covered with the blood of Yeshua, the ones who are anointed with the Holy Spirit and are walking with Yeshua, if it were possible, will be taken out.

Do you understand what kind of deception we are up against? You will not avoid this deception if you are not immersed in Yeshua. You will be taken out. I guarantee it.

This is what's so scary about these words because even the elect will be taken out. That is why Paul says the devil comes as an angel of light and his ministers as ministers of righteousness. To some people, Christians are going to be walking around saying, "We are doing the right thing. We are doing what is Godly and holy. We serve Jesus," but they will be deceived.

Matthew 24:12—And because Lawlessness will abound (emphasis added). The word abound in the Greek is $\pi\lambda\eta\theta\dot{\nu}\omega$ (plēthynō). It means to increase. That is what we learned last week when Paul warned us impostors will increase. They will grow worse and worse. Now Yeshua tells us Torahlessness, a total rejection of God's holy Law, is going to increase. So I can tell you without reservation, if you think

things are as bad as they can get right now, you're deceived because everything we're told in Scripture says it's going to keep getting worse.

Now I will absolutely argue, and by the end of today I think you'll agree with me, things are not going to get a whole lot worse because we are that close to the end. Every day that goes by, things are going to get worse. Do not think things are going to get better because the Bible does not say that. You need to get ready; you need to get prepared.

Now because Torahlessness increases, there is an effect—The love of many will grow cold (Matthew 24:12). They exchange the truth of God, His word, His counsel, and His Torah, for the lie. What Torahlessness will do when you reject the counsel of God is it will inhabit your heart and purge out every cell that is pure and holy. It will purge out love, and God is love. If you reject God, He will leave. This is the testimony of the Word. All you're left with is delusional hatred. You may go out and proclaim, "I love and care about humanity," but you're living a lie when you're rejecting the counsel of the LORD.

I want to jump ahead to Matthew 24:37 to get to the crux of what I want to deal with today—But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. In this verse, Yeshua tells us the days of Noah are the template. This is the pattern. He turns us back to those days. If you want to know what time it is, study the days of Noah and learn about the environment of that time. It's the ultimate fig leaf. It will help you assess where we're at in this age.

Because of how important this statement is, I want to spend a little bit of time on this in order to give you some deep perspective. If we go to the Bible, we find these days of Noah talked about, but it is all kind of condensed in one chapter found in Genesis six. In that chapter it talks about how the world is wicked, the LORD is sorry He created man, He is going to destroy the earth, and He extends grace to Noah by warning him to build an ark. This is what we're given regarding understanding the days of Noah.

In my early years of study, many years ago, one of the things that fascinated me is what is said at the beginning of the chapter. There is a statement made that makes no sense. It looks completely odd and out of place. It makes no sense why you would even mention this and then go on and talk about the situation of the flood and what was going on in the environment. I want to focus all our attention on that one aspect found in Genesis 6:4—There were **giants** [Nephilim] on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men and they bore children to them. Those were the mighty men who were of old, men of renown (emphasis added).

So here we have this statement about angelic beings coming down to earth and taking human women as wives who bore them children. Those children were called Nephilim, and nothing else is said about them. It makes no sense. It is like this statement fell out of the sky. It is stated giants, Nephilim, were born, and then it goes on to the next statement—The LORD saw the wickedness of man was great in the earth and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was evil continually. The LORD was sorry that he made man (Genesis 6:5). So I am saying, "Wait a second! Time out. What just happened here?" It is like this thing just literally fell out of the sky. It doesn't tell you anything about it, and it really doesn't say how this corresponds to the flood.

I want to be very clear. This statement corresponds perfectly to the very next verse, but unless you know the backdrop, you won't make that connection. So we're going to dig into this a little bit today because ultimately I want you to have a boatload of fig leaves. I want you to have eyes to see and ears to hear.

So with that said, we are going to a very special book because nothing is really recorded in Genesis six about the topic. The book we are going to is the book of Enoch. This is a controversial book, and I haven't really brought this up for quite a while, but when I do bring it to our study, I always need to give a few tidbits of information to go along with this. The book of Enoch was found amongst the Dead Sea Scrolls in the caves of Qumran. There were multiple copies of the book of Enoch found there which tells us for centuries Jews, specifically the sect that was housing them, esteemed them highly because they were found with other manuscripts we find in the Bible. This book was being studied.

Let me take it a step further. I can also tell you even the early Church fathers were well acquainted with the book of Enoch. One of the second-century Church fathers, Tertullian, deemed it inspired. Why did he do that? All you need to do is read the New Testament and what you'll find is the book of Enoch, although not included with the sixty-six books in the canon of Scripture, has made its way into the New Testament. It is quoted explicitly in the context of being inspired. You can find it mentioned in the book of Jude where Enoch 1:9 is quoted.

There are some aspects here showing this was heavily relied upon in the early Church. There's no question about that. So indirectly, today, we do have the book of Enoch in the New Testament.

Now I want to take you to this book starting in Enoch 7:5—And they began to sin against birds. I want you to understand the context here. When we go back to Genesis six we learned angels came down, they impregnated women, and those women gave birth to Nephilim. Now one thing I didn't cover, and I know this sounds crazy, but when they gave birth to these giants, they gave birth to physical beings. However, when they gave birth to these Nephilim, evil spirits also came forth from their bodies because they were made from the watchers of heaven, angels, and also humans. So what ended up happening, if you want to think about it this way, is they had a set of twins. One was earthly, and one spiritual. It was not good in the spiritual context, but it was totally spiritual. It's what we call today, evil spirits. So this is the backdrop.

What we read after that backdrop is—⁵ And they began to sin against birds, and beasts, and reptiles, and fish, and to devour one another's flesh, and drink the blood. ⁶ Then the earth laid accusation against the Lawless ones. (emphasis added, Enoch 7:5-6). Isn't it interesting the world Lawless is used here? The Apostle Paul called the Antichrist the Lawless ones. Those who follow the Antichrist are called Lawless ones. In Matthew 7, Yeshua says—depart from Me you who practice Lawlessness. It is very important you notice that, but what I highlighted is what I want to focus on.

What was happening in the days of Noah? They literally started eating each other's flesh and drinking the blood of animals and humans. Who has ever heard of such a thing?

To answer that question, just recently the *National Geographic* magazine had this to say, "Cannibalism—the Ultimate Taboo Is Surprisingly Common. It's a toad-eat-toad, spider-eat-spider, and yes, human-eat-human world." (By Simon Worrall, Feb. 19th, 2017, National Geographic). That's unbelievable when you think about it.

The *B.B.C.* had this to say in its article entitled *The People Who Drink Human Blood. "In most major cities around the world, communities of ordinary people – nurses, bar staff, secretaries – are drinking human blood on a regular basis. The question is, why? There are thousands of people drinking blood in the US alone." (BBC, Future, By David Robson, 21 October 2015). You cannot make this stuff up. This is something that happened in the days of Noah.*

Business Insider reported the following, "Insane photos of US Marines drinking cobra blood during a jungle survival exercise in Thailand," (Peter Jacobs, Feb 19, 2018, 2:05pm). This came across my desk not that long ago. It happened this year. I am not going to put them up on the screen, but in the pictures, their faces are covered in blood as they're drinking the blood of cobras. I'm telling you right now; we are in the days of Noah. If you understand this backdrop, it is frightening.

Continuing on in Enoch 8:1—And Azâzêl taught men to make swords, and knives, and shields, and breastplates, and made known to them the metals of the earth and the art of working them, and bracelets, and ornaments, and the use of antimony, and the beautifying of the eyelids, and all kinds of costly stones, and all colouring tinctures. Azazel is a fallen angel. He is what we would today call a demon. He's making known to men these things.

So here we have these fallen angels. They've come down to earth, and they starting incorporating with mankind. They start revealing things that mankind never had before. They didn't possess this knowledge, and it brought mankind into a completely different world.

That's incredible when you consider some of the recent headlines you will find. This is from *The New York Times. "Innovation Is Happening Faster Than We Can Adapt."* (Marina Gorbis, July 22, 2015). Do you think this is human ingenuity alone? Do you think we are the ones doing this?

Let me read another piece to you. An analysis of the history of technology shows that technological change is exponential, contrary to the common-sense "intuitive linear" view. So we won't experience 100 years of progress in the 21st century — it will be more like 20,000 years of progress (at today's rate). (The Law of Accelerating Returns, March 7, 2001 by Ray Kurzweil). Astronomical men, with brilliant minds, cannot get their brains wrapped around what is happening.

One more. Bio, nano, robotic and computer technology will become so rapid, so advanced, and so profound that today's limited understanding does not allow us to describe, within reason, what life will be like. In the early 2040's, the rapid pace of improved changes will be hundreds of millions of times faster than today as each year passes. The only way humans will be able to keep up or even know about these changes will be with virtual assistants and computers inside us, and around us. Evolution will bring about artificial general intelligence (AGI). AGI will come in the form of intelligent machines that have the ability to create and improve its own software and hardware, and evolve according to its own interests (if interests still exist). (T.E.F, the Emerging Future).

Do you understand what they're talking about? They are freaking out. Some of the most prolific men are freaking out over this stuff. They are terrified of AGI (artificial general intelligence) and what that means.

I have to tell you this is amazing. Most of you already know about stuff that is happening such as 3-D printing human organs, nanotechnology, brain transplants, regrowing limbs in a lab, genetic modification, and transhumanism. We have super soldiers who are being created, and the weapons technology is beyond frightening. All of this stuff has happened recently as though someone poured out a boatload of knowledge upon the human race.

This is exactly what happened in the days of Noah. The demons came, educated men, and brought them intellectually to places they could never even imagine. What's happening right now is absolutely crazy!

The way I like to describe it is the days of Noah were days where the spiritual realm, spirit beings who were unseen and unknown, merged together with the physical realm. There was a breaking down, if you will, where the spiritual mold melds together with the physical realm. I'm telling you right now, the stuff going on, the stuff our eyes are seeing today, and the stuff they think they're inventing on their own accord is from the same source as in the days of Noah. There are real things going on here in the spirit realm that are absolutely crazy.

Continuing in Enoch 8:2—And there arose much godlessness. Isn't that amazing? So after all this information these fallen angels, these demons, give to mankind, there's an effect. Godlessness rises up. It comes out, and then we read—and they committed fornication. Fornication is one of the primary things the book of Enoch is careful to pinpoint regarding the days of Noah. It is one of the most important precursors to the Day of Judgment.

You know, the ancient rabbis have amazing commentary in regard to the flood. They hone in on one specific sin God could not handle any more; therefore, He had to come down and destroy the world. What was that sin? Well, I want to show you in this commentary—Rabbi Huna said in the name of Rabbi Joseph, "The generation of the Flood was not wiped out until they wrote marriage documents for the union of a man to a male or to an animal" (emphasis added, Genesis Rabbah 26:4-5, Lev Rab 23:9).

When the rabbis look back at the days of Noah, the number one reason God poured out His judgment upon man with the flood was because He could not handle the fact man started writing marriage certificates with men or animals. They started gay marriage.

We are living in the days of Noah. A hundred years ago there was no gay marriage, and now it's global. This is not a United States phenomenon. This is global. This is why I'm telling you, and I have no reservation, we are living in the days of Noah. We are so close to the return of Yeshua. God is coming to pour out His judgment. We are making marriage certificates now for same-sex couples. It is over. This age is coming to an end.

Let me show you another rabbinic idea on this—Rabbi Hiyyah taught: The passage reads 'I am the LORD your God' two times — I am the One Who punished the generation of the Flood and the people of Sodom and Gomorrah and Egypt, and in the future I will punish those who do as they did. The

generations of the Flood were kings and were wiped off the earth when they were soaked in sexual sin" (emphasis added, Leviticus Rabbah 18:13).

They were wiped off the earth when they were soaked in sexual sin. This is the precursor. We are seeing unbridled passion, lust of the flesh and eyes, and the pride of life. We have skyrocketing divorce rates and adultery. There is pornography. Probably the biggest problem right now, which leads to infidelity and divorce, is unbridled fornication, and it is the reason Yeshua is coming back with garments of vengeance. It is these things that are bringing Him back. Therefore, this is not stuff you want to be messing around with right now.

There is one interesting thing I want to mention about this rabbinical commentary. Notice how they lump together the flood with Sodom and Gomorrah. I want you to understand this is what the New Testament does over and over and over again. We see it with Peter. We see it with Jude. We even see it with Yeshua, and it is something worth pointing out. Luke 17:26-28—²⁶ And as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: ²⁷ They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all. ²⁸ Likewise, as it was also in the days of Lot.

Isn't that interesting? As we find these ancient rabbis lump together the flood with the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, we see there's something prophetically important here in regard to these things, and Yeshua does the same. To see this, we will go to Luke 17:28-30—²⁸ Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot: They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; ²⁹ but on the day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. ³⁰ Even so, will it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed.

That is absolutely unbelievable! In other words, you want to know the signs of the times? Do you know what time it is? Do you want to know how scary this is? Just as the days of Noah, it will also be as the days of Sodom and Gomorrah. What do we know about Sodom and Gomorra? They were completely given over to immorality. They wanted to know angels intimately. They were embracing homosexuality. These things are terrifying when you recognize where we're at in time right now. It is frightening because this is happening right now. We are at a time where everybody needs to walk on their knees. In other words, we need to be on our knees praying.

Going back to Enoch 8:2—And there arose much godlessness, and they committed fornication, and they were led astray and became corrupt in all their ways (emphasis added). That is interesting! They were led astray. There was seduction which is exactly what Yeshua told us would happen at the end of the days. We know in the days of Noah this is what happened. There was total deception. They were being led away by demonic influence.

Enoch 8:3—Semjâzâ taught enchantments, and root-cuttings, Armârôs the resolving of enchantments, Barâqîjâl, taught astrology, Kôkabêl the constellations, Ezêqêêl the knowledge of the clouds, Araqiêl the signs of the earth, Shamsiêl the signs of the sun, and Sariêl the course of the moon. And as men perished, they cried, and their cry went up to heaven. These are all fallen angels teaching men these things. So there's this total revelation of things man had no idea existed.

Jumping ahead to Enoch 64:2—I heard the voice of the angel saying: 'These are the angels who descended to the earth and revealed what was hidden to the children of men and seduced the children of men into committing sin' (emphasis added). This is demonic influence. It's happening today. People, even pastors, will tell you they don't understand how people today are so attracted to pornography. They will tell you the attraction, the addiction, is almost like they're having out of body experiences. These people are being led to the slaughter. It's sensual through the demonic forces. It transcends everything that is simply fleshly in our mind. It is absolutely crazy.

When Paul talks in Ephesians 6 about putting on the whole armor of God and that we wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities, powers, and against spiritual host of wickedness in heavenly places, this is exactly what he's talking about.

Enoch 65:1—¹ And in those days Noah saw the earth that it had sunk down and its destruction was nigh. ² And he arose from thence and went to the ends of the earth, and cried aloud to his grandfather Enoch: and Noah said three times with an embittered voice: Hear me, hear me, hear me.¹ ³ And I said unto him: ¹Tell me what it is that is falling out on the earth that the earth is in such evil plight and shaken, lest perchance I shall perish with it?¹⁴ And thereupon there was a great commotion, on the earth, and a voice was heard from heaven, and I fell on my face.⁵ And Enoch my grandfather came and stood by me, and said unto me: 'Why hast thou cried unto me with a bitter cry and weeping? ⁶ And a command has gone forth from the presence of the LORD concerning those who dwell on the earth that their ruin is accomplished because they have learnt all the secrets of the angels (emphasis added).

Think about that statement. Judgment must come now because mankind has been seduced. They've been given all this secret knowledge that is not to be given.

Continuing in Enoch 65:6—and all the violence [which is interesting because if you go Genesis you find this is the one thing it does record. It says the earth was filled with Hamas. It was filled with violence] of the Satans [The devils and the Antichrist], and all their powers--the most secret ones--and all the power of those who practice sorcery, and the power of witchcraft, and the power of those who make molten images for the whole earth. There is another massive fig leaf you want to take note of.

What led to the destruction of these people is they were given over to sorcery. Our televisions are filled with demonic witchcraft. There is everything from Harry Potter, to the little shows, and even cartoons are filled with witchcraft. You can go to Deuteronomy eighteen and Leviticus eighteen. Leviticus eighteen says it was due to these abominations of sexual immorality the people have committed the land is going to vomit them out. This is talking about the land of Canaan, and they were vomited out. Judgment was brought upon them because of sexual immorality. The only difference between Leviticus and Deuteronomy eighteen is in Deuteronomy it says because they committed witchcraft and sorcery they're going to be destroyed. God said He was going to purge the land of them because of that.

Everywhere you look whether it be in the book of Enoch, the Torah, or the prophets, they all scream the same thing. We are living in the days of Noah and are at the end of the end. Judgment is coming.

We are going to go back to Matthew 24:37—But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. Then Yeshua gets into the scariest part of it all. He says—But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. ³⁸ For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be (emphasis added, Matthew 24:37-39).

So this concept that you are going to walk outside and see everyone on their knees is not true. People will not be proclaiming their citizenship is in heaven, and therefore we need to turn our eyes upward and not look at the temporary things. That is not how it is going to be. You are going to step outside and notice everybody's doing what they've always done.

This is where we gain scoffers. Scripture says scoffers would come in the last days and ask, "Where is the promise of His coming? Since the beginning, all things continue as they always were." They proclaim this because they're looking with eyes of flesh. They do not know the parable of the fig tree. They don't know what these fig leaves represent; therefore, they don't know how close we are to the end.

So the moral of this teaching is Yeshua is coming soon. That's the moral! If you're struggling with addictions of the flesh, I'm telling you in the interests of self-preservation you need to turn from those addictions today. You need to repent today. If you hear His voice, don't harden your heart. If you think you still have time because Jerusalem hasn't been divided yet, remember what Yeshua said, "Your time is always ready." You're not guaranteed tomorrow.