

Parody Posters & Cartoons

My Journey

By Joe Perrott

Is there anybody going to listen to my story
The Beatles



INTRODUCTION

It was January first 2010, I woke up in the early morning on the floor of the waiting room of Uxbridge Cottage Hospital. Earlier that New Year's night I had driven my wife and 3 year old granddaughter to Emergency. The little girl was wheezing and gasping for breath, the wait had been long and I had been advised there was an overflow waiting room down the hall where I could get a few winks. I was now being stirred and being told that my wife and granddaughter were leaving by ambulance to another hospital – I could go home now and wait it out there – that's how the year began. I went home that early morning having no idea how and that my world was about to change.

Ok, so the changes that were about to happen were in the realm of: Eschatology, Demonology and Forever Torment-ology so if you're not interested in any of those things you might as well drop this paper right now. If you don't even know what those things are but want to continue on anyways, then stay on for the ride, fasten your seatbelt, loosen your funny bone and be prepared to be moved.

CHAPTER 1

MOTIVATION

I had noticed on Facebook that several of my friends were posting what looked like "motivational" business posters, however these had a twist. They were actually a parody of the real posters that usually had a real nice saying on them and a single word photo caption of some noble and honourable business trait: Endurance, Opportunity, Pride, Leadership, Perseverance – I think you've seen them. I found a web site that would make these somewhat fake motivationals by letting a person upload their own photos, enter a



caption and make up a saying all with the capability of changing the font and colours as desired. As a fan of MacGyver and Norris I also found there were "quotation sites", joke sites, and

“episode dialogue” sites where I could go and easily copy and then paste the sayings in the motivational saying section of the creation. By adding a caption and finding a picture of my own or something fun on the internet I could create a fun poster in minutes. Many of my Facebook friends were (and still do) post amazing crazy status updates so a Parody Poster artist is never without material. I posted these in a Facebook photo album called “**Fun Stuff**”^a and a later one called “**Seasons of change, smirks the same**”.^b As easy as it seems, a Parody Poster artist has a hard job since he must be a reductionist. The caption is usually limited to 10 to 12 letters, and the cute saying to approximately 140 characters. Just before publishing I usually added a little joke on the bottom right or left of the poster. I added a fake “dot com” website to further emphasize the saying and hammer home the point.

CHAPTER 2

INTERNET RADIO

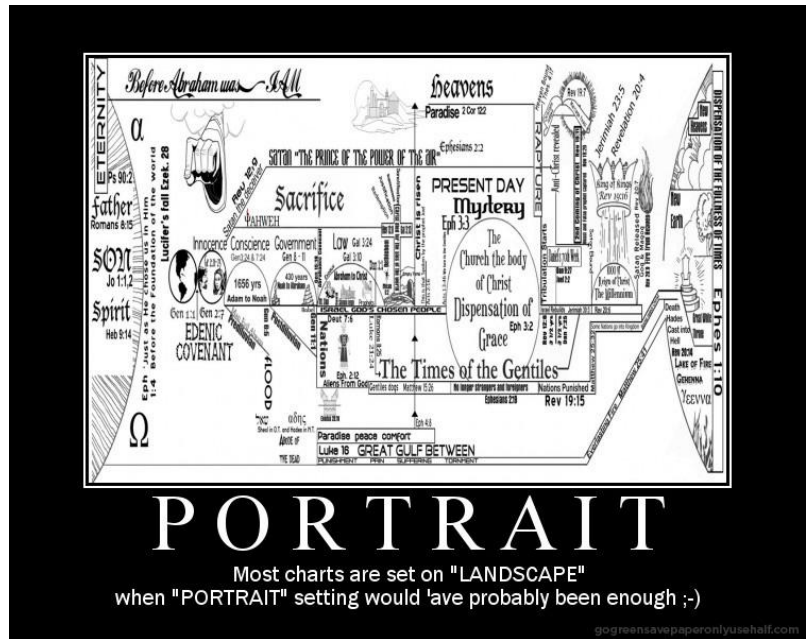
One of my Facebook friends; Bryan Sherwood kept asking probing questions in a certain group we were both members of and invited folks to visit a group he was in (or had formed) called: **Bible Fulfilled Prophecy**. Now as a guy who had underlined every Messianic prophecy and had labelled, underlined and coded each one I was sure I believed in *Fulfilled Bible Prophecy*. If you’ve ever celebrated Christmas or Easter I’m pretty sure you do too. Bryan had also promoted an internet

radio site called AD70.net. I gave it a try and was pleasantly surprised as it did not play the usual Christian Rock or huckster preachers asking for money every 15 minutes, but seemed to have a nice mix from all music sources. So I was in my office on Feb 4th 2010, it was mid afternoon and the music turned into a speaker named Dr John Noé. Whatever he and the interviewer Michael Loomis were talking about just about stunned me and I was there frozen with my jaw dropped in my office chair wondering about what new heresy statement I was about to hear next. As I listened however even on this very first occasion I was hearing things that were starting to make sense. They were however completely opposite and 180 degrees from both my upbringing and the last 40 years of hushed agnostic Bible Prophecy beliefs.



You see I was brought up in a religion that was begun by a disgruntled Church of Ireland priest named John N Darby. As well as dropping every form of outward High Protestantism he also is credited with the formation of the now famous dispensational pre-trib rapture view of future events. My families roots go back to Torquay England and it is in our history that Darby was an occasional Sunday luncheon guest at great great grandfather's house. Yes and as they sat around in the afternoon they probably discussed how John thought the amazing invention of the telegraph was the harbinger of the great battle of Armageddon itself! (they could be forgiven, after all it was the 1830's)

The preachers in my youth would come to "the assemblies" and spread their banners across the front of "the hall" (that's what they called their churches). The large sheet would usually be called "From Eternity to Eternity" with the "Garden of Eden" in the upper left corner, a heavenly picture in the upper right with the middle filled with: arrows, lines, crosses, armies, seals, lambs, horses and the obligatory fires of hell in the bottom right. ^a



Although the charts were drilled into us as kids by the time I was in my early twenties I had long forgotten the order of things. Anyways we had been so afraid as kids it was suppressed and really didn't matter and became a taboo subject for our sanity's sake. My wife and I never discussed it in our 40 years of marriage, I had no idea what her so called "end times" beliefs were, and sorta didn't care. It appeared to us that if the experts with their PhD's in theology couldn't agree then how could we ever be committed or get excited until they would at least come to some consensus amongst themselves. No matter what the future events "were to be" or "in the right order" it didn't matter much, we were "ready" for anything in any order and "what ever would be, would be". Now that sounded a little bit like Doris Day's mother and what she said to Doris after Doris asked about her future husband and love life. ^b

So for forty years I was a confirmed Que-Sara-Saraist, I didn't know it or didn't even need to defend it much. Just two more things, well maybe three: My pastor, Dale Dawson calls this view **Pan-millennialism** (because everything "Pans" out in the end) and I've since discovered that Pan-Mil is its proper name, SECOND: As I started to interview friends and other folks on their views I discovered that it is the most prevalent view and most people are Pan-Mil just like I used to be, and THIRD when I asked my wife – she was Pan-Mil. Whew!

The radio show came to an end – I was exhausted – how could these guys (even a Dr.) say such things – I just had to get his books. I called the number, John wasn't available but I talked with

^a You can find a sample of a typical banner here: <http://digitalsojourner.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/BoothChart.jpg>

^b Listen: <http://grooveshark.com/#!/s/Que+Ser+Ser/18jb2?src=5>

Still can't figure out why Doris' American mom, answered in Spanish!

his wife and ordered everything I could get my hands on; little did I know it at the time, but this stunned Canadian had just been speaking with Cindy J. Noé the Republican member of the Indiana House of Representatives, representing the 87th State District.

CHAPTER 3

PRESUPPOSITIONS

Hey, what about that “Original” poster and the Four Horsemen? (pg 3) When I first saw my Facebook friend Nathan Lambshead’s quote: **THE FOUNDATION OF A THING DOES NOT BELIE WHAT IT IS. TIME TURNS IT INTO TRADITION THAT ENDEARS IT TO THOSE WHO DISREGARD THE ORIGIN**, I thought he had spelled “believe” wrong and then I discovered the meaning of **belie**. I thought and thought and as I pondered it dawned it on me, this is exactly what my forefathers had done to their so called end times rhetoric! We had been taught the horseman were in our future and had dressed them up into so many costumes that their original Roman army uniforms had been replace so we could no longer see their past fulfillment. My forty years of laissez faire attitude had blinded my search as I had quietly succumbed to tradition rather than the words of Scripture. Therefore it’s probably best to let you know exactly where this writer is coming from so here are some of my current major presuppositions.

1 Hermeneutics. Oh, that’s the fancy Seminary word for “how to read a book”. You’ve probably been doing it since you were in the **Beavers Reading Group** in Grade 2. It’s reading a sentence, paragraph, chapter or a book and asking: Who, What, Why, Where, When, Background, Time and Audience. I’ll be asking about the original audience and how they understood the text, I am continuously saying: It can’t mean it now, what it never meant then!

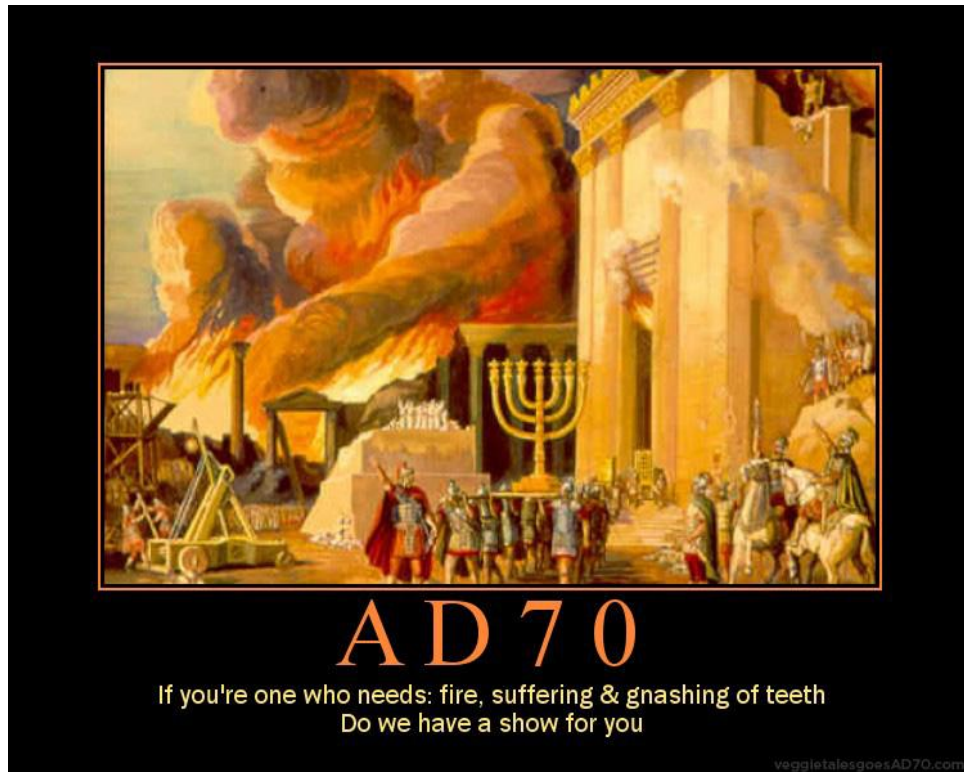
2 Context. I’ve discovered that for almost anything I want to defend there is a Bible verse that will prove any side of an argument. This I will call “cherry picking” or “proof texting” and should be avoided. I will require of myself to back up at least 10 verses and go forward 10 beyond the original. If the verse still works with the 10 & 10 then we’ll let it stand. So what about “slavery” there’s hundreds of verses that support it or at least tell the reader how to live with in it, whoops. – I wish there was more against – and I’m still looking for one verse with the word “pastor” (singular) in it (Oh well, maybe I’ll go back and check out King James).

3 Honesty. If it’s in the Greek, translate it and then put it in the English. But, what if it doesn’t match with current theology? Put it in anyways.

4 Prophecy. The four major components are: 2nd coming (Parusia), Resurrection, Judgement and Millennium. I once thought these were all in MY future, I now realize they are all in the past. The rest of this essay will be my journey.

5 Translation. I bet you have a favourite, me too. Preachers like the ones that prove their points the best and will switch around until they find it. As seekers on a quest we will consider all and not limit ourselves to the ones that prove our point and the above presuppositions the best. My leanings are to the Majority Greek Text and to the NKJV translation, so there!

I would soon receive Dr John Noé's books by UPS but needed to know more even before they arrived, so went to his website and downloaded a 13 week course given at Madison Park Church^a called Unravelling the End Audio.^b Actually that's how I learned how to download podcasts. At first I would go to the office after dinner, plug in the headphones, listen online, my notebook, keyboard and Bible all in front on the desk like a control panel as I manipulated the course PowerPoint on the laptop screen. My wife is probably thinking: "what in the world has gotten into him!" Around week 4 or 4 days in, I realized that I could download the course into MP3s and put them on my Blackberry and listen to them in the car, or make CDs and do the same. John has an interesting and humorous way of presenting the four major views and he attempts to unravel the mystery and knots between the terms and the views. If you are unfamiliar with the various views, yes, I recommend you give this course a try.



The fourth view Dr Noé presents not only posits the four major events in the past but puts them at the time of the apostles and places the Judgement and all other events circa the year AD70 when Jerusalem was sacked and the temple destroyed. The flames and suffering of those days sounds a lot like the "hell" or as we will see "the Gehenna" promised to those who wouldn't believe. It was a pretty big show so my first poster of the course was a gentle mixture of Roman army, hell and Veggie Tales. If you don't know Bob the Tomato then this one might not be funny.

a <http://www.madisonparkchurch.org/>

b <http://www.prophecyrefi.org/podcasts/unraveling-the-end-audio/>

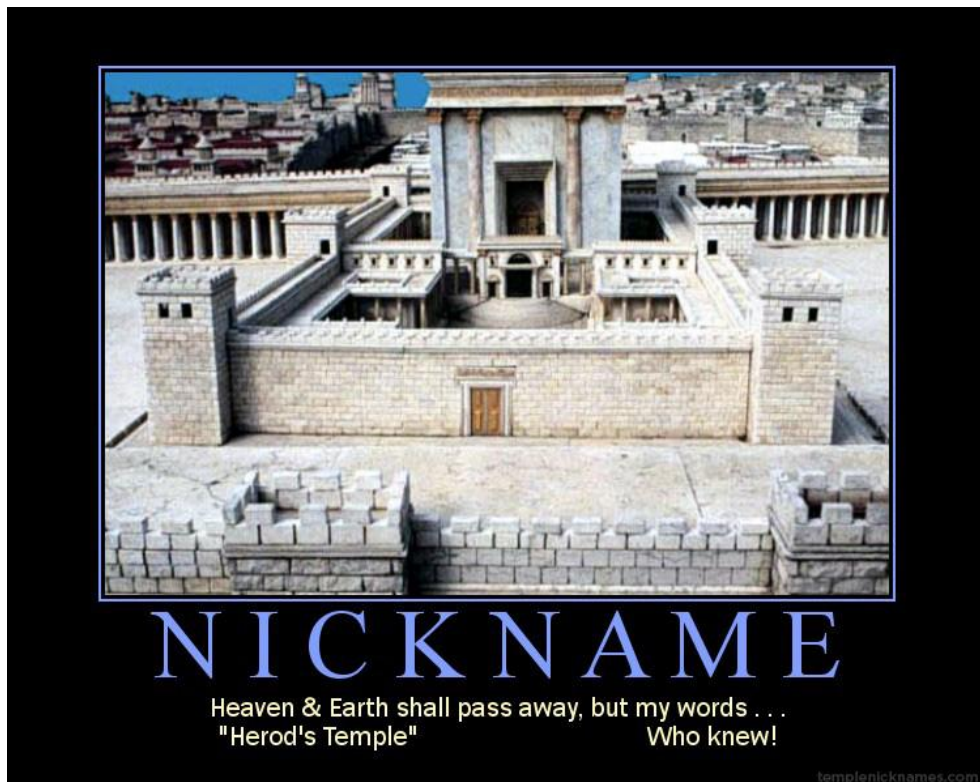
So I'm into the course a week or so and at a Friday morning ITL Bible Study (I've been a part of for years), I blurt out the question: "So in regards to Bible Prophecy, what's next? What's the next big event?"

I was kinda thinking I'd get at least one of the 4 major events, maybe a Rapture or two but instead got nothing! As we went around the boardroom table they didn't know or no one had a definite opinion. They were just like me! It was an: *"everything's going to be all right, we win in the end, why fight we're on the next flight"* kind of reaction. Several of the ladies in the group had not even heard of the term "the Rapture". This quest I was on was going to be harder than I thought. I then put every prophecy word I could think of on the white board. Each person in the group chose or had chosen for them a word on the board that would be their speciality word. They would do the research and present throughout the year their findings. I had put up the word that no one in the room had even heard of, a word that days before I hadn't even known myself! I was chosen to do the word "Preterist" and be the specialist... little did I know.

The next day was the Saturday Annual Business Meeting at our church. Now at a lunch break it's usually Pot-Luck and the congregants sit around discussing at large round tables. Whether it was because of Harold Camping predictions or what I don't know but somehow the unusual topic came around to "end times". Mrs Helen Wilson at our table then made the statement: "You know, you don't hear much about the Rapture anymore". I didn't say much that day, but I could have piped in "I think I have a hunch" but didn't. I was determined and wanted to find out why, because I knew she was right!

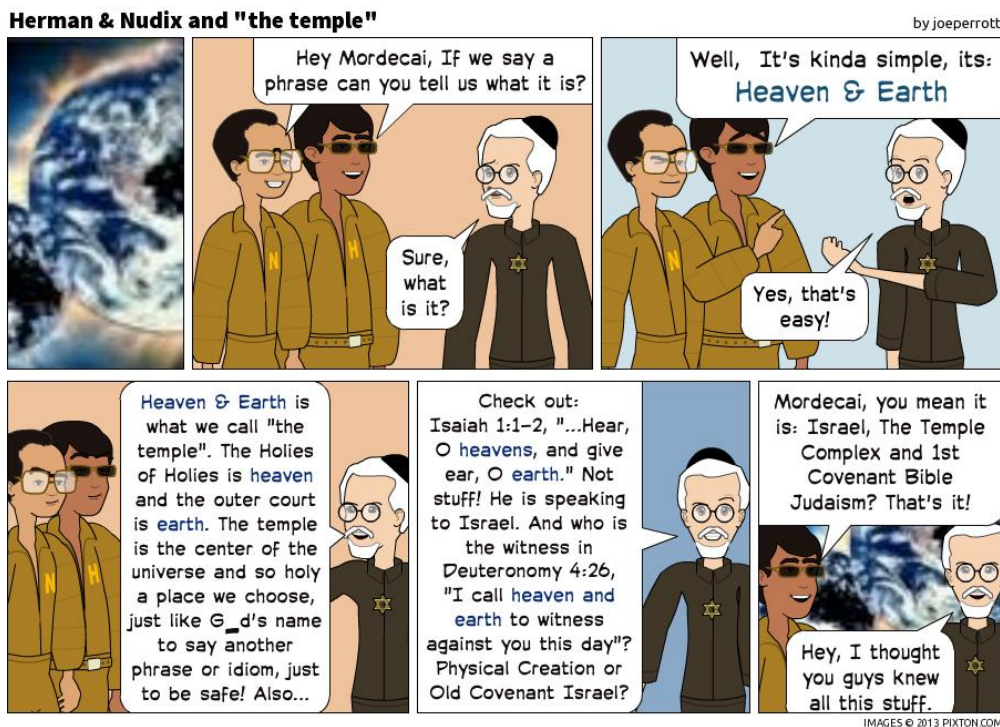
CHAPTER 5

THE NICKNAME



At the southern edge of the Billy Rose Sculpture Garden at the [Israel Museum](#) stands a model of Jerusalem and this shot of Herod's Temple.^a I used this picture in the next poster I did to illustrate "the Temple" and the story John Noé was about to tell.

He told of a Jewish associate he had and the response he got when he asked this individual about the phrase: "Heaven and Earth". He was promptly told that the phrase was kind of a replacement phrase they used to indicate they were talking about "the Temple" without actually saying it. It was sort of like how they say God's name LORD or THE NAME instead of YHVH or write "G_d" so that no disrespect comes in the saying or writing. They further added that the source of the phrase came from the fact that the Holies of Holies is where Heaven meets Earth and was the center of the universe. The outer court was "Earth"! Now this may not seem very pivotal to you but it was a big change in perspective since I knew that this phrase occurred all over the Bible. If "Heaven and Earth" was the nickname for the temple, then I now had to reread my Bible from Genesis to Revelation.

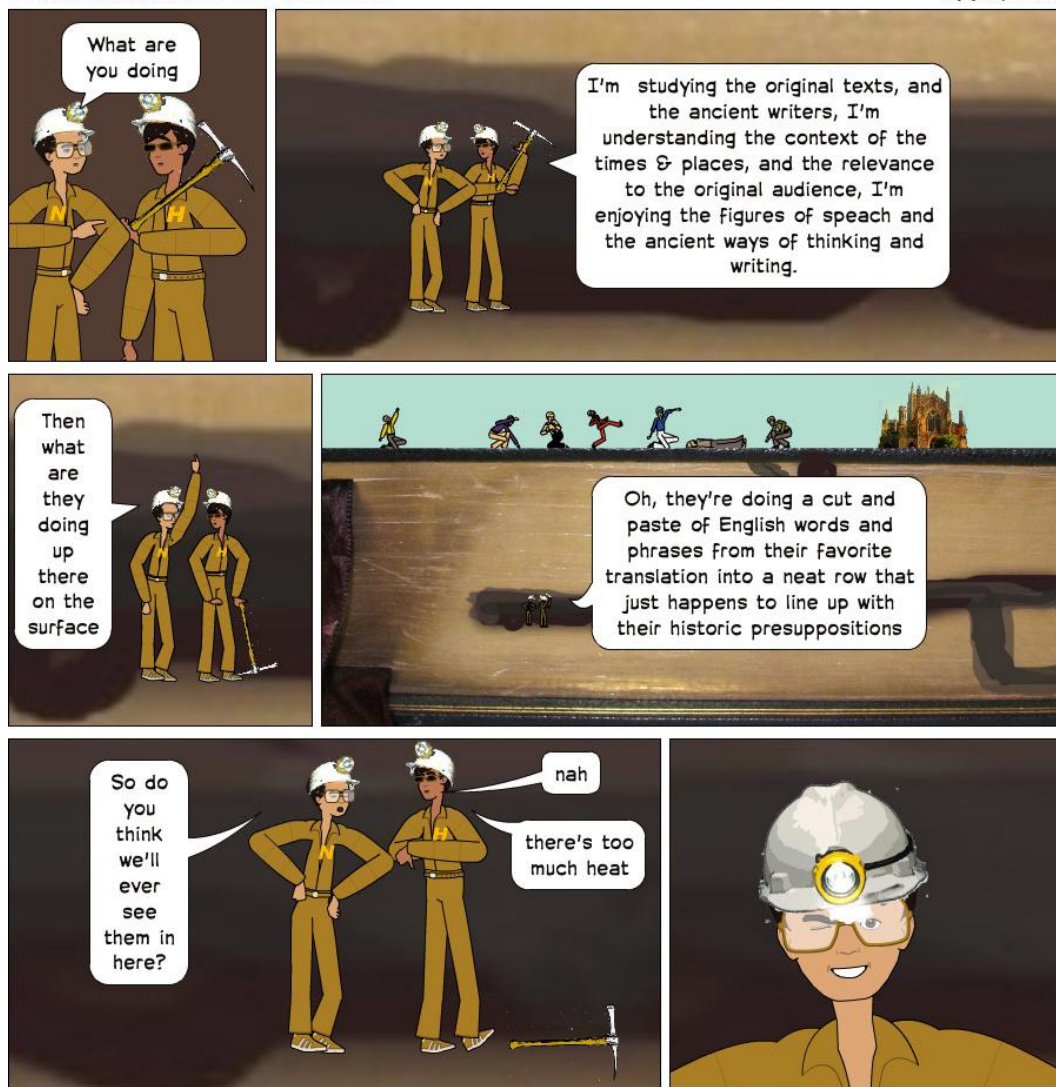


I too had an ace up my sleeve, if this was wrong I could go to my Orthodox Jewish friend Marc and ask him the same question and see what he would say. So I did. Now my friend's real name is Mordecai and here he is showing up in a Herman & Nudix cartoon and being asked the identical question John asked and sure enough the answer was the same. This was going to be a big problem since all I had ever been told that Heaven was the "sky" and "universe" that was going to pass away just like "the earth" was the dirt and land of this planet Earth that would someday melt way. If Jesus and the prophets are talking about the Temple and the Jewish covenant and people then what business did I have in thinking it was my self-centric world of planets and sky when I knew that the temple, covenant and people had already melted and passed away just as Jesus had predicted they would.

After doing hundreds of the Parody Posters I discovered an online cartoon creating program called Pixton.^a It seemed pretty easy to use and I soon found myself using my characters as a way of passing on humour and jokes. I could even create very similar caricature of myself and Facebook friends. One day I got the idea of creating two characters who would be Bible miners. They would dig deep and would not be satisfied with cut and pasting their favourite Bible verses together lining them up to make a palatable story that just so happened to line up with their's and Christianity's historic presuppositions. Herman & Nudix seemed like good names to call them since it sounded like that fancy Seminary word about understanding the text. Here's my very first Herman & Nudix cartoon.

Herman & Nudix in "Too Much Heat"

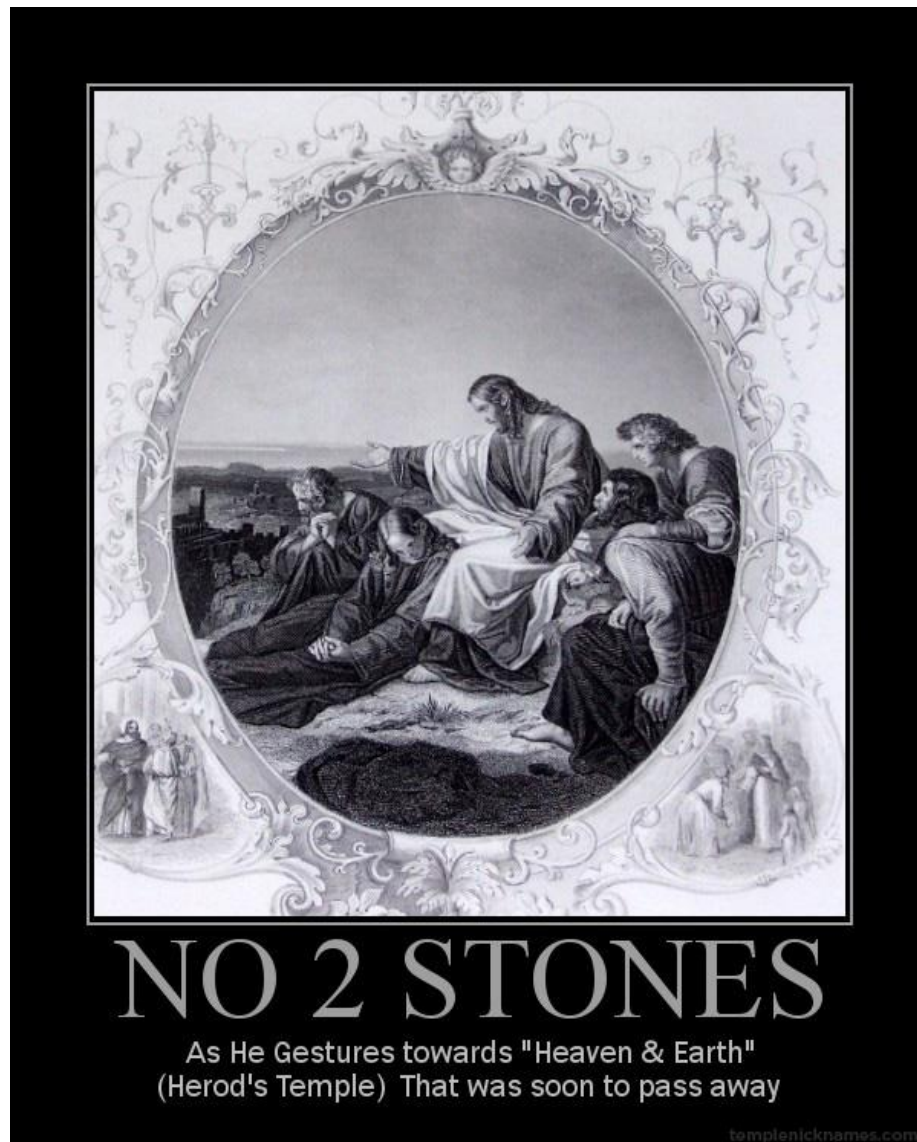
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a <http://www.pixton.com/ca/>
and Herman & Nudix on Facebook

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CHAPTER 6

NO 2 STONES

I guess you already know that the gestures we use are very important to emphasize the points we are making. I've become convinced there is a whole lot of missing gesture notes in the Biblical text. We don't have the playwright's margin notes to cue the actor's entrance, exit or gestures. If we did, maybe the story would be like this.

So get your sandals on, robes flowing and climb up with that group over there. Hot and sweaty after the climb we merge into the group resting now on the Mount of Olives. The disciples have previously commented on the real nice buildings of the temple complex now seen on the other side of the valley. Jesus replies and informs us that the destruction will be so complete that no two stones will be left on another. Now that's a little hard to grasp since the buildings of Herod's Temple we're looking at are one of the strongest walls and fortress in the empire. Anyways an invading army usually tries to inflict as little damage as possible since the conquered fortress will now be theirs to defend. No one tears down every stone! We ask Jesus

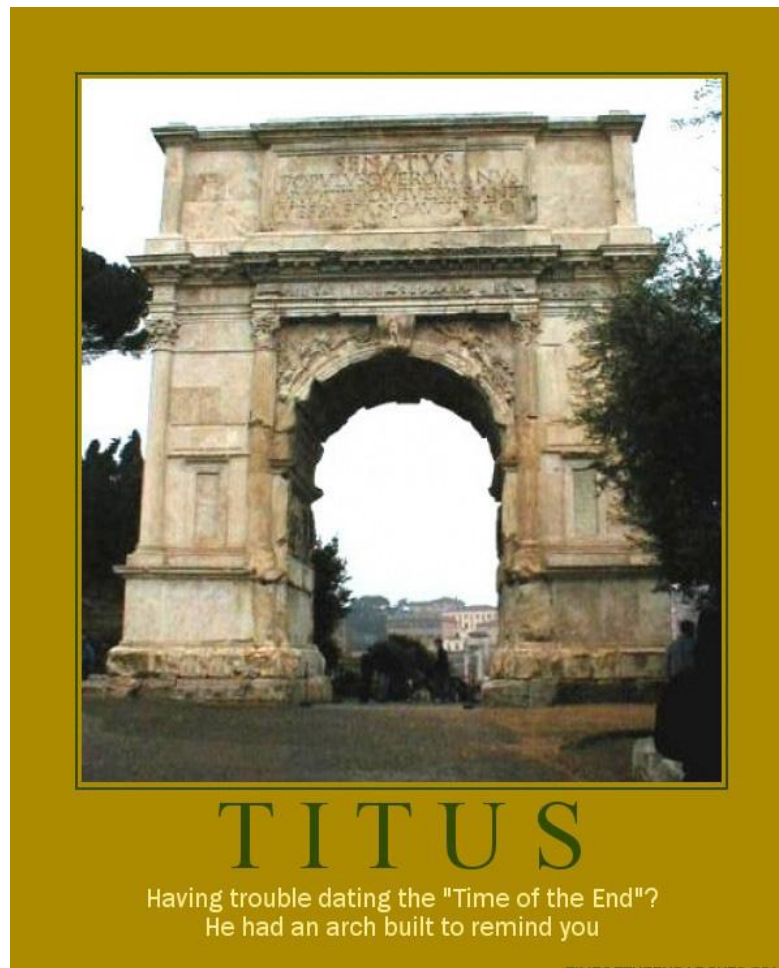
“when will these things be”? As he goes through the when, where, & what, he concludes: “Heaven and Earth (LIFTING HIS ARM ACROSS THE VALLEY) will pass away, but my words...”

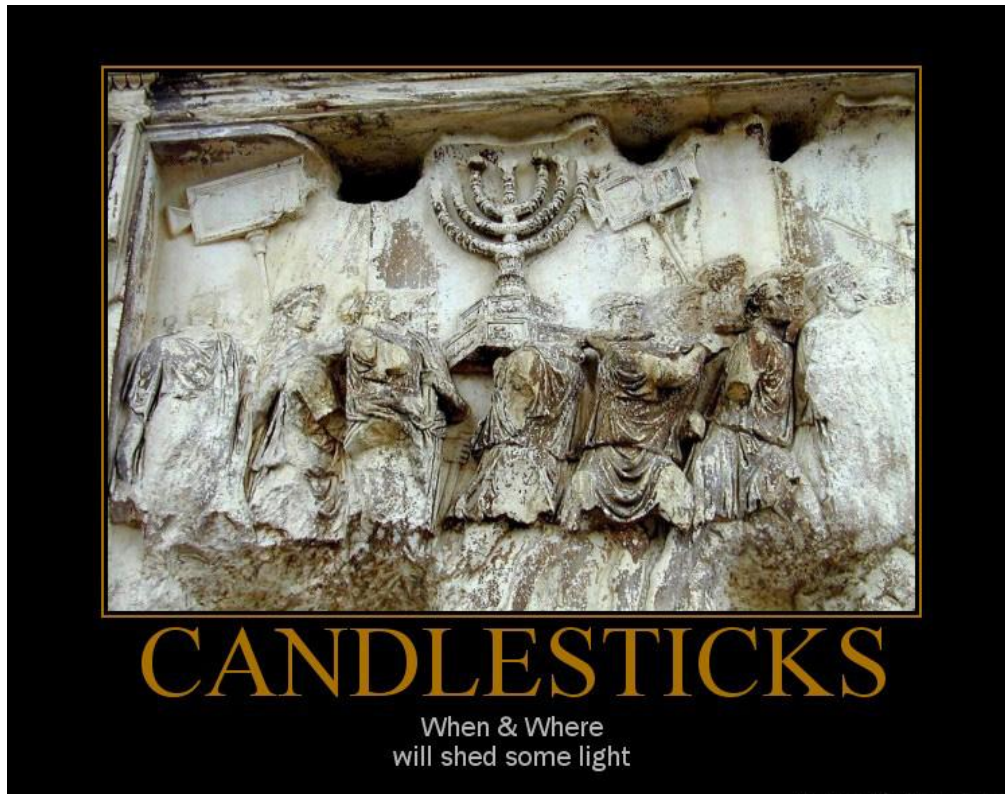
Some folks over the years have missed the gesture and missed the idiom and mistook the temple “NICKNAME” for actual planet dirt and heavenly sky. A very serious and troubling error if we miss the Hebrew idiom and think that “Heaven and Earth passing away” is referencing a cosmic, earth shattering, Biblical proportion, atom splitting, universe destroying disaster.

CHAPTER 7

TITUS

By March 22, 2010 I posted this reminder that Titus was the guy in charge if the “Passing Away of Heaven & Earth”. I say reminder, but actually I have no memory of ever being taught that it was Titus who was in charge of the final destruction of Jerusalem. I can’t remember being told that he reluctantly burned and tore the whole place down. I was equally unaware that to honour the destruction of Heaven and Earth, Titus had a commemorative structure, an Victory Arch erected in Rome so that there would be no mistake and no way someone could miss it. I marvel at myself and keep asking “how is it possible that for sixty years I missed it”? Notice the phrase: “Time of the End”, we’ll get to that later.





CHAPTER 8

CANDLESTICKS

This poster is from the interior of the arch above. The message to us today is as simple as “follow the money!”, except in this case it’s “follow the gold”. This is one of the elements that didn’t melt in the fire but made its way to Rome as a trophy of war. The light that once burned bright in the temple was never to be lit again. Out was Judaism, out was the Jewish covenant, out were the records, out were the sacrifices, out was the central dispatch of Christian persecution! Did I learn this in Sunday School, learn it in Art History, High School Classical History? I don’t remember, can you?

CHAPTER 9

DELAY

Harold Lloyd made movies in the '30 and in this famous picture he is shown hanging over a street scene. Yeah I know it’s not Keyton after all but why change it? “Buster” sounds a lot better than Harold, don’t you think? I imagined the gears of the clock getting messed up and running forever in “delay”.

The major eschatology theory of these days runs on delay. Over 100 times and in many contexts the appearing (coming) is to be: soon, shortly, about to be and according to the writer of Hebrews: “WILL NOT DELAY”!³ What If what we hear and sing about today is that a coming is yet to happen, then the only explanation is that there must have been some delay imposed or happened by mistake. Somehow God’s prophetic clock stopped or slowed down considerably to account for these last 2000 years with no spectacular coming in the clouds earth melting event.



DELAY

Buster, get off the clock
You're causing havoc with my theory

1930'sdelaytheory.com

We haven't seen the eminent "soon to be" time statements yet, (They'll begin around page 95) but believe me, you either will see a "big delay" as our modern prophecy teachers insist or you will take Jesus and the apostles at their word – there's just no other option.

For those who insist on "a gap" the irony is now obvious since the original audience (for instance the churches of Asia Minor) were not going to get the relief and vindication they were promised. They were hoodwinked into believing that John the Apostle was talking to them, but if he wasn't, then they were being used as pitiful hopeless props in a story we think is going to happen to us now 2000 years later. If the precious eminent promises made by all the apostles to all their readers were for us today after hundreds of years of delay then they were fooled and we are using their desperate situation, stealing it and thinking it's ours today.

You guessed it. Charlie sees the clock that's in "delay mode" and jumps in to fix it. He sees the gap and immediately goes to work. The Apostle John will eventually say to his readers that it was the final hour^a then when he was writing, so it either was the last hour or there was a gap.



This poster poignantly asks the viewer to consider if they've succumbed to adding "a gap", or like Charlie are they willing to help readjust the clock?

Herman & Nudix and "Mistake #1"

by joeperrott

COMMON

1

MISTAKE

What's a Bible Prophecy mistake?

LIFTING "THE LAST DAYS" OUT OF THEIR 1ST CENTURY, HISTORICAL CONTEXT AND RE-APPLYING THEM TO OUR TIMES, TODAY.

Every mention of "the last days" or equivalents [last times, last hour] in the New Testament refers to the 1st Century. There are no exceptions!

Check: Hebrews 1:2;
Acts 2:17;
1 Timothy 4:1;
2 Timothy 3:1;
James 5:3;
2 Peter 3:3;
Jude 18;
1 John 2:18

My friend Barry Grisdale used to raise sheep. I once took a picture of one his lambs peacefully grazing and wondered what it was thinking. This took me back to the hills of Bethlehem where the lambs were raised for the temple sacrifices. I wondered what the sheep and shepherds thought as they saw in the distance Jerusalem in smoke and flames. The shepherds imagine their customers being slaughtered and are probably bemoaning their loss of income, the lambs on the other hand were sighing a sigh of relief!



RELIEF

Yeah, for me AD70 couldn't
have come sooner

withoutblemish.com

So what's the difference you say, why is the medium important and how does it transfer misinterpretation? The scene below is from above the altar in the Sistine Chapel (It's fairly famous and done by Michelangelo) It's a fresco – a method of putting pigment in fresh plaster. The pigment as it dries becomes one with the plaster. Tempera on the other hand predates oil paints and the binder is egg whites as opposed to oil. Whereas the title is called “the Last Judgement” a careful concordance search will reveal that there is no such phrase in any Bible. Jesus however 12 times in Mathew alone warns the unbelieving Jewish leaders that their bodies will be thrown in Gehenna, the garbage dump where the fire never goes out if they don't repent and leave Jerusalem when they see it surrounded by armies.

The slaughter(s) was so great, history tells us that hundreds and thousands of bodies were dragged off to Gehenna to be burned. The city ran with blood and one could hardly walk for bodies the historian tells us. So what's the misinterpretation? The first error is that the Pope and leaders then, just like some today say that the last judgement of the Jewish leaders and nation is in “the future”. Second is that the Roman soldiers wore uniforms and the folks in the painting are clearly quite nude or semi-nude – quite an error by Michelangelo and his advisors! His pigments have deceived many just like a false teachers words. There's more about these missing words and phrases in the chapters to come.



TEMPERA

misinterpretation can come word by word or
pigment by pigment

Even Herman & Nudix are getting into this stuff now. They've discovered 12 COMMON MISTAKES and will share them with you, Here's number 2.

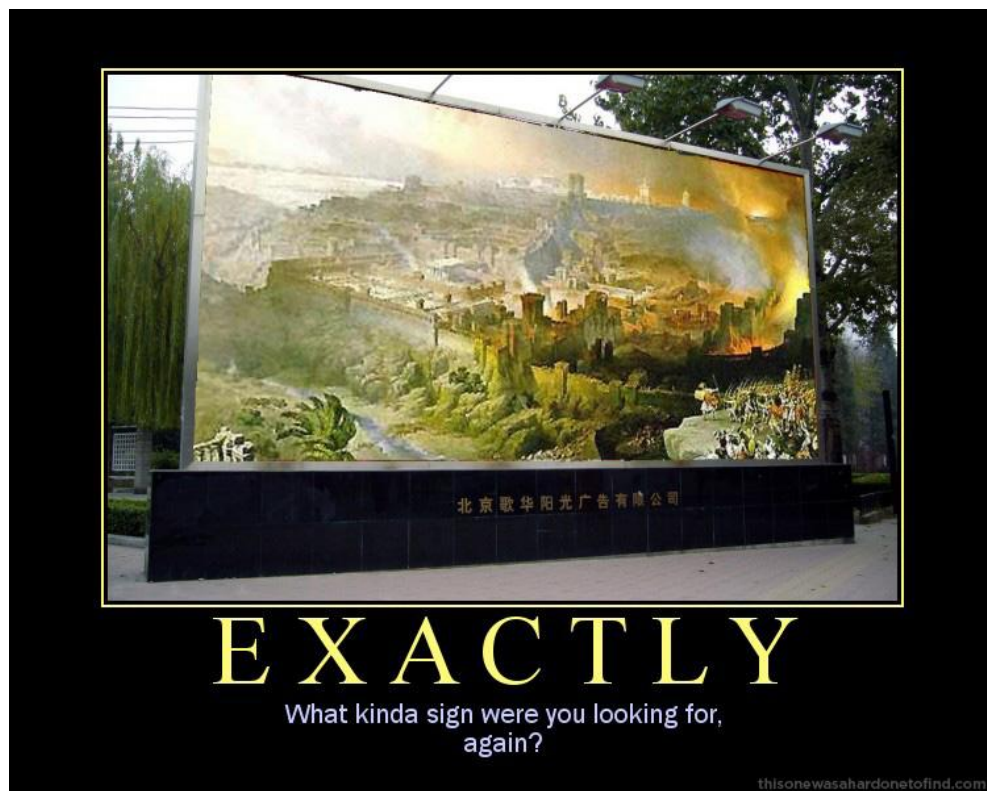


Daniel's 70 Weeks of years [490 years] were literally, perfectly and sequentially fulfilled, within the time frame of his four world empires. Its starting point was the Decree of Artaxerxes in 457 B.C. Its finishing point was in 34 A.D., when the time determined exclusively upon the Jews was over and the gospel was free to go to the Gentiles. There is no scriptural warrant nor precedent for inserting a gap of any kind or duration.

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CHAPTER 12

EXACTLY



One of my favourite Parody Posters and was the one that stretched my early Photoshop ability. It came from a Chinese Coca-Cola billboard. I not only had to erase the Coke image but had to make it transparent and place the new image of David Roberts' 1850 painting of the Destruction of Jerusalem in from a layer behind. The magic is that it looks real and unaltered on the billboard because each angle of the original had to be changed into a perspective that would match the original billboard's two point perspective.

The disciples just like the religious leaders were looking for a "sign".^a I thought a billboard would be the largest sign they could think of and of course Jesus had told them: **"But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near.** Yeah I

a Mark 13:4 Tell us, When shall all these things be? And what shall be the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?

know, “the sign” is in the “red Letters” What kinda sign were they looking for do you think? Jesus kinda nailed it, and all within 40 years (a generation) exactly!

Chapter 13

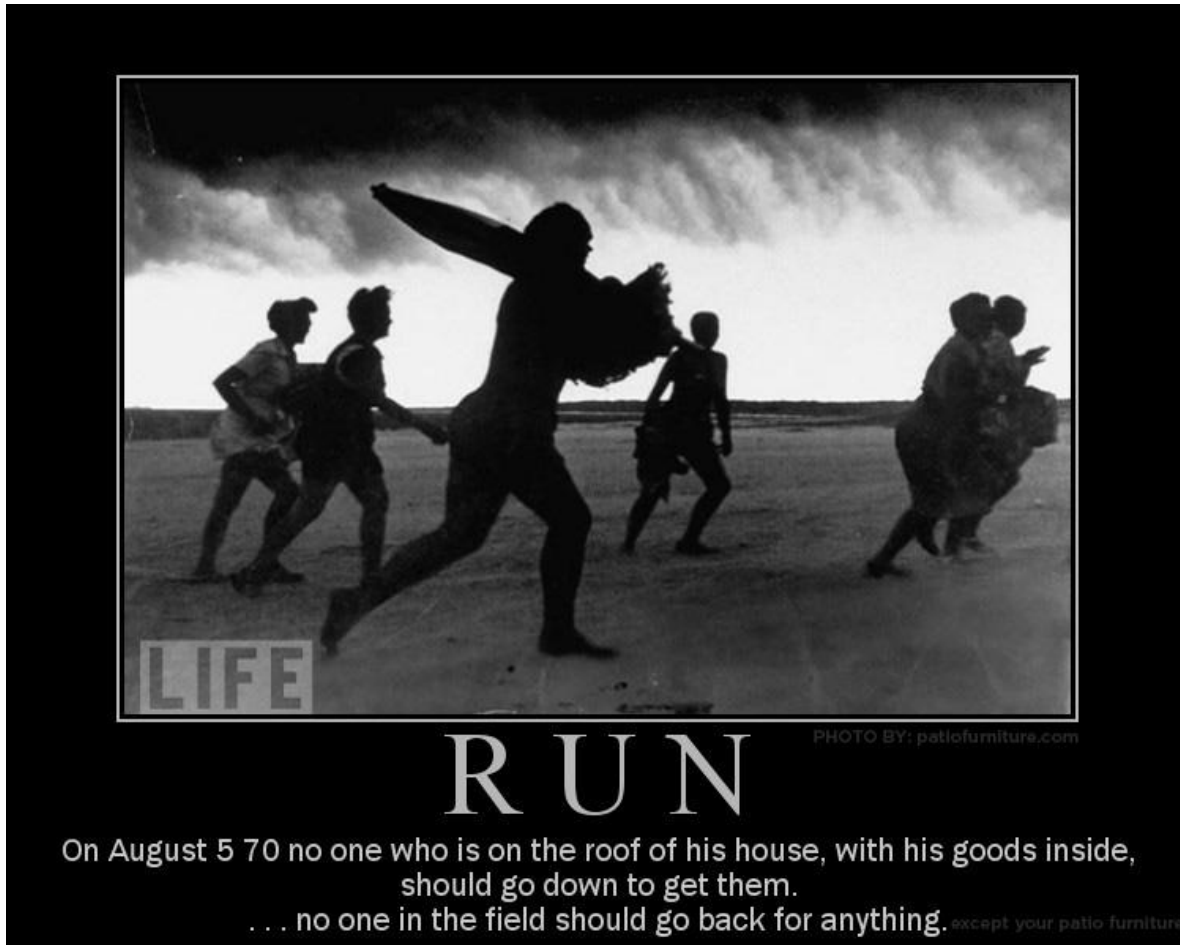
RESTRAINT



Oh those naughty Romans destroying everything in their sight, right? Well not exactly. They ran the empire like a giant corporation. The best thing for commerce and the flow of wealth was peace. (PAX ROMANA) Sure they were pretty ruthless but law and order was what the system ran on and strong fortresses were usually kept intact since that would be their new fort. The total destruction and flattening of Jerusalem was therefore not the norm – someone or something must have put them up to it. Maybe it was the temple catching on fire, maybe it was the gold flowing down into the cracks between the stones, or maybe it was just the crazy

Jewish Zealot resisters who also were fighting amongst themselves and slaughtering their own fellow Jews in the temple grounds and burning their very own food stores.

The Zealot leaders must take squarely the blame for making the Romans restore their necessary Law and Order. Unfortunately this meant eradicating the Zealots and everything around them. For information on the real anti-Christ figure of that day you might want to do a Google search on "John of Giscala".



CHAPTER 14

RUN

Usually the practice of those times was to head off to the city fortress whenever an enemy army approached. Jesus gives them the command to do the opposite. The sign of the surrounding army was to signal for them to "flee" the city; not to go into it for safety. Of course the fun thing of the poster is that it actually mentions a date. Since the siege and battles took over 4 years (66AD to 70AD) there is no one I know who says that he/she knows the day or even the hour. Of course Jesus is saying don't take anything since you'll have to travel light and these folks in the LIFE photo are definitely escaping with their beach umbrella. The Jesus

believers did escape and nearly all made it to Pella – but that’s another story. (see Bonus Section)



CHAPTER 15

SORRY BOSS

I once saw this picture with a “Gospel” label on the donkey. The way I was kinda seeing it was the exact opposite. You can see the back of the cart is quite over loaded and this is exactly how our most current popular eschatology loads on a lot of extra stuff to the poor donkey just trying to deliver the Kingdom. This extra load contains non-Biblical terms and concepts such as: Rapture, Dispensations, Pre/Post/Mid Trib, required delays and gaps, Battle of Armageddon, The Anti-Christ and many others that we’ll discuss in a few chapters.

To illustrate this undocumented added load, here are some questions I’ve had to deal with:
“Give me the Biblical text that supports the claim that the church will be Raptured before a future Great Tribulation: _____

Give me the Biblical text that supports a “gap” of indefinite time between the 69th and 70th week of Daniel’s prophecy and between Revelation 3 and 4: _____

Show me the New Testament Biblical text that clearly shows that Israel becoming a nation again is a “timing key” for the fulfilment of Biblical prophecy: _____

Show me how Jesus' use of "this generation" in the Olivet Discourse (Matt 24:34; Mark 13:30; Luke 21:32) means something different from the way "this generation" is used by Jesus in every other instance: _____

In Revelation 1 and chapter 22 (plus many other occurrences) there are "time words" like "near," "shortly,"^a "quickly" and "at hand". How do they mean something different from the way they are used elsewhere in the Bible and in ordinary speech? _____

You may be curious to know that no verses can be found or no plausible explanation can be made." ("?'s" by Gary Demar) Surely the backend of the cart has been loaded with unnecessary stories and non-Biblical extrapolations.

CHAPTER 16

GEHENNA

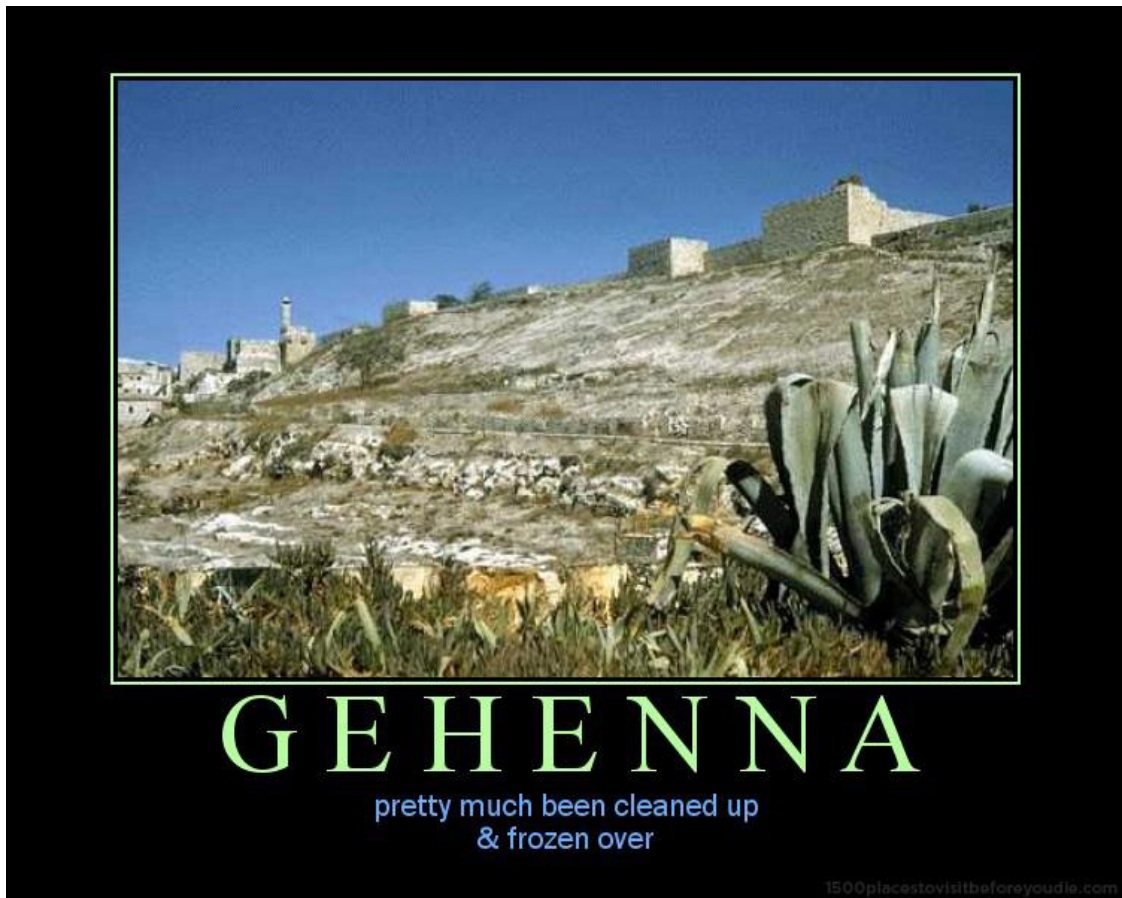
It's probably time to either "heat" things up or as our current poster suggests, "to cool things down". I had seen this photo in an essay^a written by Samuel Dawson probably in the spring of 2009. I propose that time frame since I had done an oil pastel at the cottage on Aug 25, 09 of basically the same view except 2000 years earlier. My oil pastel is showing the **Valley of Hinnon**, and that in the first century it had become Jerusalem's city dump. Quite likely it had developed the nickname of having an "eternal flame" or everlasting fire since the garbage of the next day was burned by a perpetual flame from the day before. Bodies of unclaimed citizens were burned there and due to the Jewish restrictions on handling death, decay and mould just the mention of the place would bring a shudder to Jesus' audience.

When I was a kid the preachers would come around and tell us that Jesus talked way more



about hell than he ever talked about heaven so it surprised me to find out that this word Gehenna translated into hell had only 12 occurrences in the Gospels. I was also curious how a "place name" and a "proper noun" could or would need translating at all since all other Bible places are left pretty much alone or transcribed so an English person could pronounce it. If a person were to translate Gehenna properly, it would probably sound something like this:
"Valley of Hinnon".

a <http://www.tentmaker.org/articles/jesusteachingonhell.html>



By now you're probably wondering about which rule of translation exists where you are allowed to take a proper name and change it into a lower case "thing" (such as the word hell)

We all have Google maps now so I prepared the Google coordinates in the "KEEP CALM" poster. Just plunk them in the Google maps search box with a comma in between and you'll be taken right to the place. (*Gehenna, Jerusalem* works just as well) The point of the numbers is that **IT IS A PLACE** on the surface of the earth with real longitudes and latitudes and it is remembered to this day. However, today it's been all "greened" over and looks more like a park or cemetery. In Jesus' day with such ill repute you wouldn't want to say to someone "**go to Gehenna**" but that's exactly what he did. Expecting the scorn and unbelief of the Jewish leaders and most of national Israel he 12 times called down the nation's fiery fate should they disregard his words in disbelief. As we've previously discussed of the one million plus that were slaughtered in those days sure enough they were dragged off and burned in the everlasting fires of Gehenna, just as Jesus had predicted.



I now take you to the bedroom of a four year old little girl who had grown up in a hypothetical Baptist family and in the terror of the night sobs to her mother that she: "doesn't want to go to

hell” and by a simple prayer becomes a Christian right there on the spot. What! What relation is there to a place where first century Pharisees and Zealots were burned and not wanting to go



to a park in Jerusalem! Is either one a good or legitimate reason for “becoming” a Christian? Thanks King James. We’ll maybe talk about the old king later but for now we’ll just mention that the Hebrew word **Sheol** and the Greek word **Hades** (meaning: death, grave, cold, forgotten) and also **Tartarus** (dark pits) were all translated as “hell” even though they were proper names and the word “hell” is and never was the proper translation. Your Bible translation today will most likely have far less “hells” than the KJV. That’s the version the old time preachers preached from. Of course in the literal translations the word hell wouldn’t be used and can’t be found at all! Who knew? Again, that Sam Dawson article^a probably is a good place to start if you’re ever interested in finding how we got in such a mess.

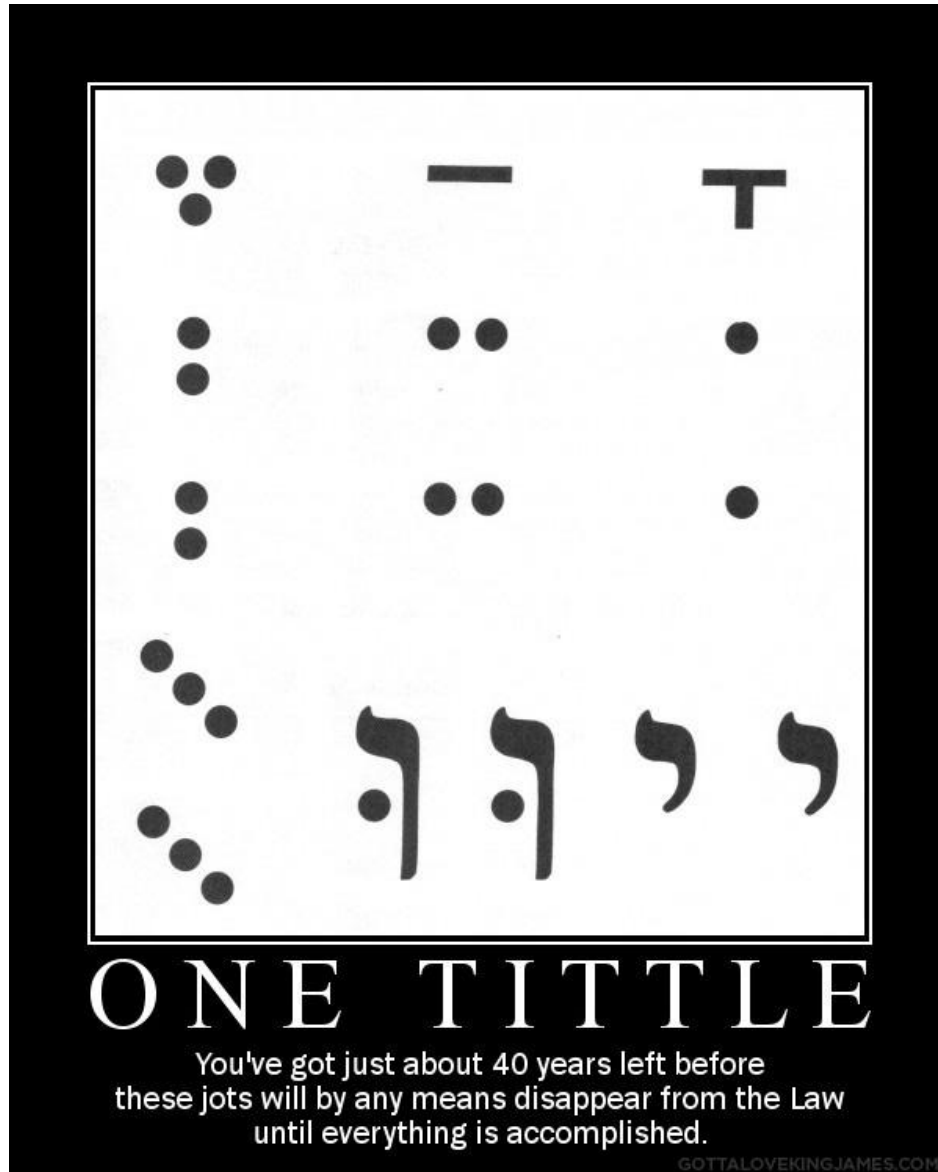
Herman & Nudix and "Mistake #3"

by joeperrott

<p>COMMON 3 MISTAKE</p>	<p>Well what about the use of "this generation"?</p> <p>YEAH, "THIS GENERATION" IN JESUS' OLIVET DISCOURSE, SAYS IT IS THE ONE THAT WOULD EXPERIENCE EVERYTHING HE DESCRIBED, DOES NOT MEAN SOME OTHER, YET-FUTURE GENERATION.</p>	<p>Every New Testament use of the phrase "this generation" always refers to the generation then-and-there present in the 1st Century.</p> <p>He never mentioned nor inferred any other generation diferent from that of those he was addressing.</p> <p>Matthew 23:36; 11:16; 12:41, 42; 16:4</p>
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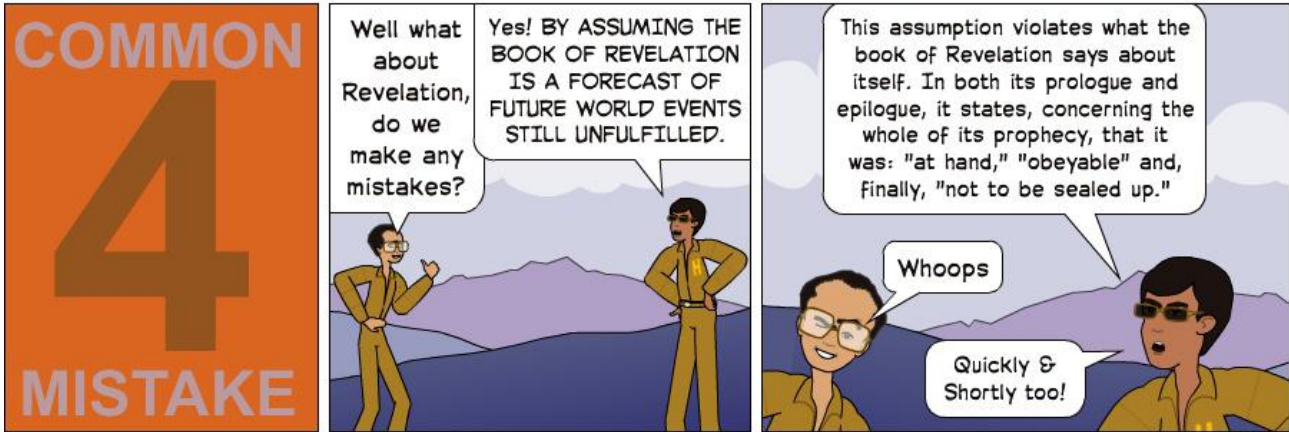


CHAPTER 17

TITTLE

I originally posted this poster in Facebook on Tuesday March 2 2010. After I noted that "tittles" didn't sound like a very religious word one of the viewers commented: "Please explain?" Here is what I answered her:

...Tiny things in those days were the accent marks over the Hebrew word. Since the Hebrew alphabet has no vowels, the clues for pronunciation are the added dots and dashes above and below the letters. We don't know how to actually pronounce God's name YHVH since they never put in the "jots and tittles"^a (so called by the King James folks) because it was never going to be spoken anyways - a reader would simply glance over it and read in "Adonai" or "ha shem" instead.



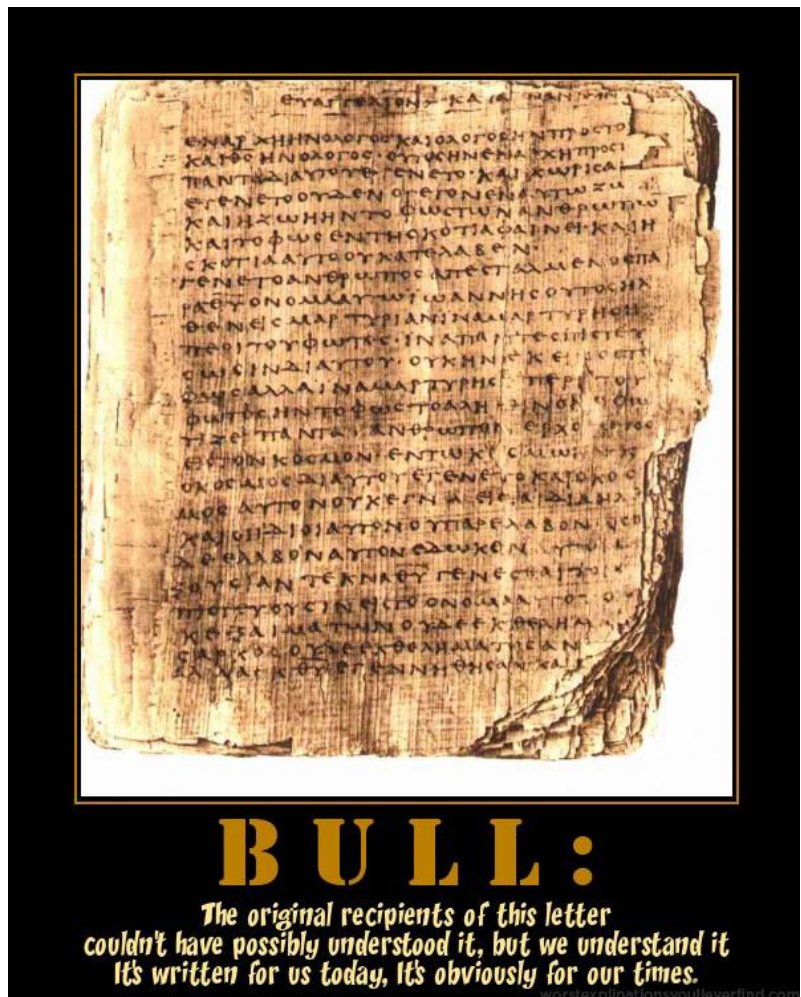
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Now if you're just asking me to explain why "tittles" doesn't sound like a Bible religious word today - ask your husband or your baby"

So not only had I learned that the KJV's Jots & Tittles were the tiniest squiggles of the Hebrew alphabet that Jesus is comparing to the tiniest part of the Law (Torah) but also that they all will be in effect until the destruction of the Temple. Pretty simple, Eh? There are no cosmic heavenly universes collapsing nor earthy dirt terrestrial ball explosions but simply a religious building and all its systems of commands disappearing. Obviously if Jesus had really meant "physical universe and planet earth" since it's a fact they haven't "passed away" yet, then every bit and all parts right to the smallest "jot" of "the Law" would still be applicable now. I know of no Christian theologian that would support the "full law" today because of the physical universe still being intact! Do you?

CHAPTER 18 BULL

I can see now in hind sight that I had started to try to figure out why I had missed so much in the past. There it was, I just had no respect for the original recipients of the documents. I had been taught that the Bible was God's special "love letter" to ME. I had been taught that MY answers were on every page. I was taught that even though the writer is saying "you" it could possibly be to those he wrote, but it was definitely to ME. The things that the original audience were told would happen to them, to their



generation and in their lifetime actually wasn't true – the writer actually meant it was soon going to happen to **ME**, to MY father's generation and for sure in **MY** lifetime.

We the Christian community have actually been fooled into believing that the original recipients couldn't have possibly understood the prophecy texts. If they could they would have experienced a false and deceptive hope since the original writer(s) had told them that it was in their future, not to some unknown people in the future 2000 years away.

There's another word that goes with "bull" but I didn't have room for it.

CHAPTER 19

BUNNIES



BUNNIES

HUSBAND: They're soon going to melt with fervent heat

WIFE: That's not going to happen, vacuum anyways

NARRATOR: When it comes to house cleaning, most wives are full preterists

housecleaningfordummies.com

When it comes to building projects around the house I used to think: "I'm building for this to last at least 500 years (1/2 a Millennium). However, when it comes to house cleaning it's a

different matter. Looks like I just like to let the “dust bunnies” live. Inconsistently I could easily put off the house work since all the dust was just about to, soon and shortly all disappear, melt or pass away. Or so I had been told and thought. Wives of course know better and will always insist that the chores be done regardless of their procrastinating husband’s particular futuristic eschatological views.

The Noé unravelling course had taught the salient points of each of the major “end times” views. I was now ready to sum each one up according to manly household chores. See what you think:

A man decorates and keeps his accounts and banking as if he was a Premillennialist; "doesn't have to be perfect, I'm out of here"

A man waxes and cares for his car like a Preterist: "Hey, it's gotta last till it dies, might as well look after it"

A man's wardrobe is amillennialist: "this shirt has lasted me 100 years, oughta last another 900 or so!"

A man sets the table like a Postmillennialist: The King is coming but I don't know when exactly"

A man cuts his grass like a Que-Sera-Seraist: "I don't care when you do yours. I'll do mine -

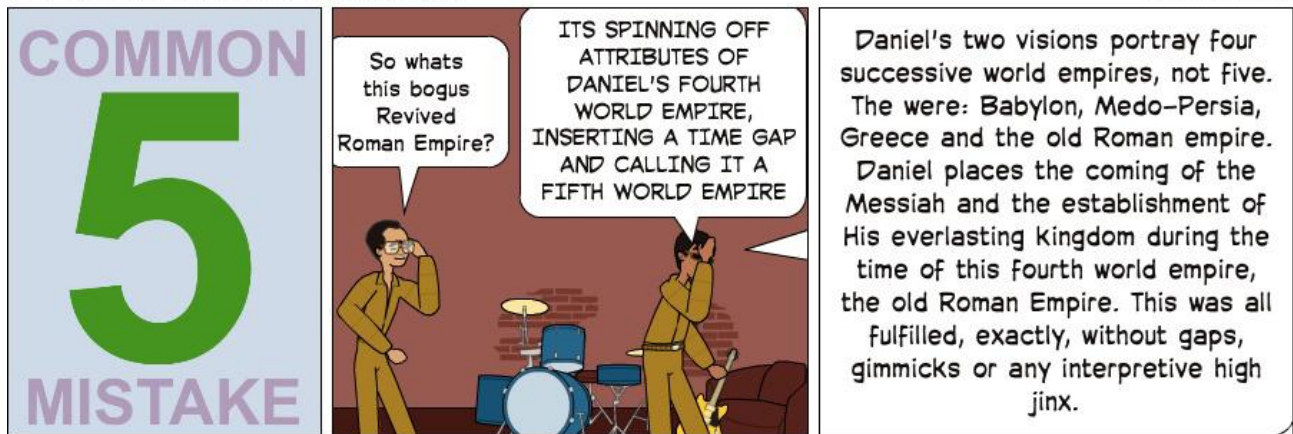
CHAPTER 20

JOCKEY

Are you there yet? Yeah, these are my shorts and I could see they’re in at knot. I had forgotten

Herman & Nudix and "Mistake #5"

by joeperrott



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in my studies the: who, why, where and when. I had succumbed to the combined mutt of prophecy teachers and had ignored the obvious “time statements”, missed the relevance to the original audience and bought into the “IT MUST BE ME AND US” and the “already but not yet” futuristic theologies. I had blatantly ignored the original languages the dictionaries and was happy with the English of my NIV Student Bible and the clever notes and deceptive paragraph titles. Sure did like that phrase “hermeneutical^a gymnastics”. Reading so called “end time”



a I like hermeneutics, but I use it only every two weeks, because I forget how to spell it.

literature now just about makes me dizzy from the stretching, gapping, the delays and overall disregard for the plain meaning of the text in it's context. So there, I'm committed to no more knots!



Herman & Nudix and "Mistake #6"

by joeperrott

<p>COMMON</p> <p style="font-size: 4em;">6</p> <p>MISTAKE</p>	<p>What about those re-enactment actors?</p> <p><i>THEY TEACH THAT 1ST CENTURY SOCIAL, POLITICAL AND RELIGIOUS CONDITIONS MUST BE RE-ENACTED FOR ENDTIMES FULFILLMENT TO OCCUR, AGAIN.</i></p> 	<p>Why go through that needless redundancy and gyration?</p> <p><i>The source of almost all endtimes error is in the failure of interpreters to recognize the significance of the historical events surrounding the predicted destruction of Jerusalem, the Jewish temple and biblical Judaism</i></p>  <p>70 A.D. ...the real Endtimes</p>
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I pictured Mother Teresa, King James and many others arriving in heaven and being assigned their “mansions”. What if they remembered that Jesus had said: “...And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.” I pictured them on heaven’s doorstep and remembered that he “hadn’t come back yet” so what on earth and why they were there...

"OPEN" for business poster is a study of the following two sections from John. The 1st sounds like heaven is closed for business, whereas the 2nd sounds like its soon to be under construction - and when finished will be "open" for business **BUT** Jesus has to "come back" first to open it. I know you’re going to check them out, and don’t forget the 10 and 10!

John 3:13

No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven — the Son of Man.



OPEN

Peter: We're open, your room is ready
 Believer: Hey I thought He had to come first
 Peter: Sir, we're open, your room is ready.

John 14:2-4

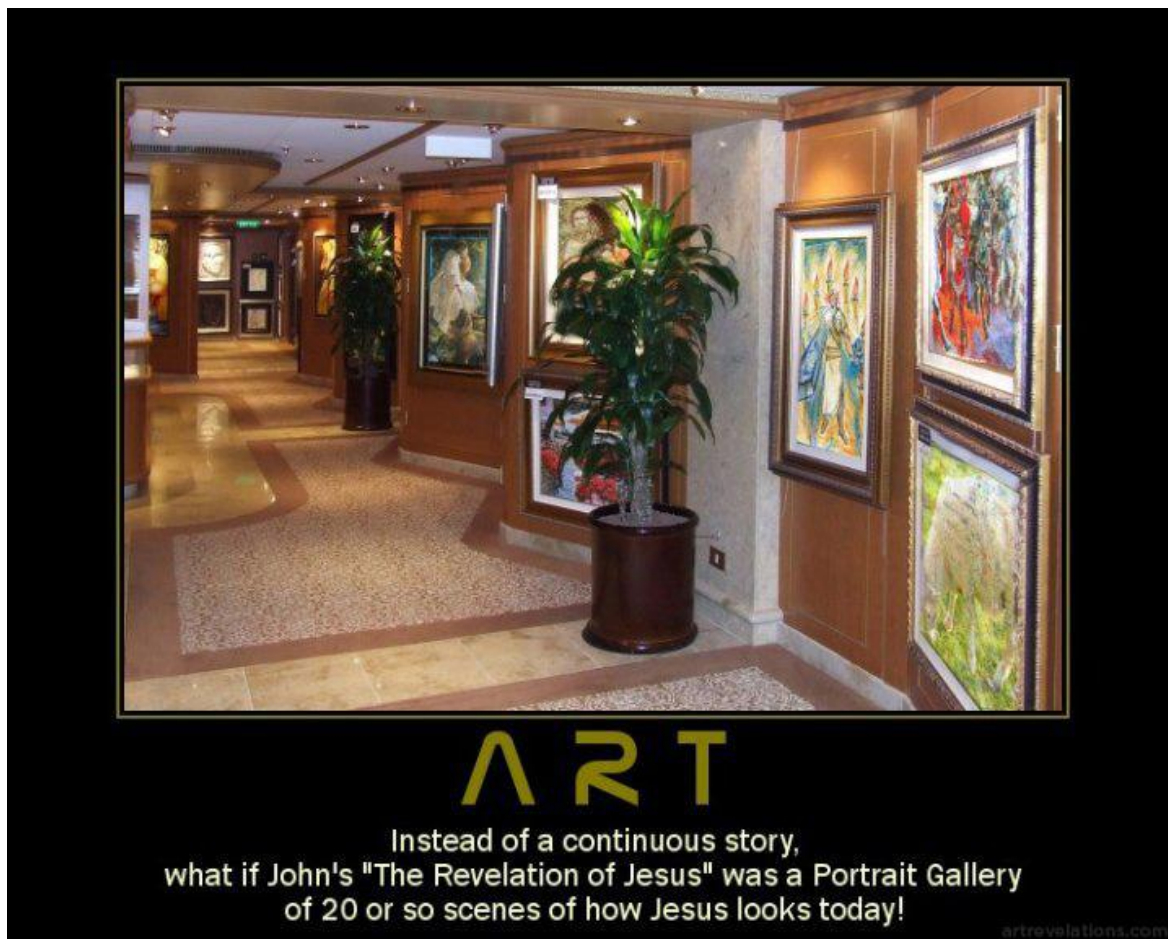
In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

So at funerals we hear it said that the deceased is in a better place, "with the Lord". Did I miss something, did He come back and I missed Him? How come on "funeral days" we all talk like a bunch of Preterists? - "Heaven is open! Because he returned as He said He would!"

Gotta love King James, here he is looking at the text and sees "rooms" (or abode) but he doesn't like rooms but he does like mansions. - so King Jimmy's version gets very big houses. I wondered if I could make a poster about John 14 without using the words: Heaven, mansions, "Saint Peter", pearly or Wal*Mart greeter. Can you hear the frustration in St. Peters response?

CHAPTER 22

ART



Did you ever discover Jesus all over the Old Testament? Did you ever discover Him as "physical God"? Well I did, and I could almost find Him on every page. Think of these stories: Wrestling with Jacob, Having a roast calf sandwich with Abraham and Sarah, Appearing in the Fiery

Furnace, Talking to Samson's mom & dad, Appearing to Joshua just before the Battle of Jericho, and hundreds and hundreds of others where God appears or looks or we are literally told "He was seen". Consider the events at Mount Horeb in Exodus. From your training or Biblical knowledge would ever expect to read: **Exo 24:9-11** Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:

And they saw the God of Israel: and *there was* under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in *his* clearness.

And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also they saw God, and did eat and drink.

You just read "they (74 of them) saw God" at Mount Sinai, were you expecting that? Do you think there might be other occasions where Jesus shows up? What about to Paul on the Damascus Road, or here just before he goes to Jerusalem: **Act 23:11** But the following night the Lord stood by him, and said, "**Be of good courage; for as thou hast testified the things concerning me at Jerusalem, so thou must bear witness at Rome also.**"

It's probably easy to see the Jesus on the Island of Patmos as John records in Revelation One. This appearance is so familiar as it is the one that Daniel, Ezekiel, Isaiah saw and the one at the Transfiguration witnessed by the disciples and recorded in the Gospels and in Peter's letters.



But what about the rest of Revelation? What if John is showing us about 20 views of Jesus. Instead of the book of Revelation being an eschatological single time line of future events or an over and over again repetitious story of future events but with the same story portrayed by "seals, horses and vials"; ...what if, just what if it is a portrait gallery of Jesus? Here in "ART" I took out the originals paintings and put in several photos you've already seen. If you look close you'll see Barry's lamb, and the Four Horseman and even a famous painting from the Isle of Patmos shown with Jesus with a sword in His mouth. The Photoshop exercise is of course to get the perspective and proportions correct so you actually think this flat view is actually hanging on the gallery wall. This particular view of Revelation is a component of the "Idealist" understanding. My bet is that you weren't taught it either!

Much talk in modern prophecy is the “who and what” of the anti-Christ. Here in this poster I’m trying to draw attention to the “real” anti-Christ. The “who” question is very puzzling since the phrase does not occur in the Bible and for sure can’t be found in Revelation, the one place where you’d expect it. John in his letters does however four times refer to “anti-Christ’s” plural, NOT a person but a “spirit” and the spirit(s) that were there right when he wrote the letters.

1 John 2:18-19 "Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have arisen; from this we know that it is the last hour. They went out from us, but they were not really of us; for if they had been of us, they would have remained with us; but they went out, in order that it might be shown that they all are not of us."



AUNTIE

Not a popular politician but rather, the "antichrist" could be that sweet elderly lady living next door who openly teaches the neighborhood kids that Jesus just was a myth.

1 John 2:22-23 "Who is the liar but the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, the one who denies the Father and the Son. Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father; the one who confesses the Son has the Father also."

1 John 4:2-3 "By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God; and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God; and this is the spirit of the antichrist, of which you have heard that it is coming, and now it is already in the world."

2 John 1:7 "For many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not acknowledge Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the antichrist."

From the Bible we can clearly see 3 things. First, the "antichrist" is defined as anyone who doesn't believe Jesus is the divine son of God. Second, "antichrists" appear to actively teach against Christ. Third, there were many "antichrists" in the world when John wrote the book. This directly contradicts the teaching of modern speculationists who say that one antichrist will arise at some still future time.

The Greek word from which our English word "antichrist" is translated is very simple to understand. It is a simple compound word and means "anti" + "Christ" = "antichrist". We use the same compound word every day. We have people who are "anti-smoking" or "anti-gay" or "anti-hunting" or "anti-Semitic" or "anti-abortion". There really is no big mystery as to what the word means. "Anti-Christ" is anyone who opposes Christ.

Take this test to see if you are an "antichrist": 1. Do you actively teach or simply believe that Jesus Christ never walked the earth, but was a mythological figure? 2. Do you actively teach or simply believe there was a man named Jesus Christ, but he did not actually raise from the dead? 3. Do you actively speak out against or simply believe Christianity is a false religion? 4. Jesus said, "He who is not with Me is against Me; and he who does not gather with Me scatters" Matthew 12:30. Are you an atheist or agnostic who is indifferent and non-religious? Then you too are an "antichrist"! The Bible term "antichrist" could be simply understood to be equivalent to being a "non-believer."

The "antichrist" then, has no horns or red glowing eyes. Neither is the "antichrist" some demon possessed super-intelligent human clone. Rather, the "antichrist" is that sweet elderly lady living next door who openly teaches the neighborhood kids that Jesus just was a myth. (and she's probably somebody's "Auntie")



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Spelling was never something I was very good at and usually my spellchecker takes good care of me. I noticed a lot of strange words come up when writers spoke in their “end times’ books and essays. Instead of getting simpler the words became longer and harder to spell and weren’t usually in my spellchecker. I thought it might just be fun to summarize some of the more difficult ones. For some very interesting research you might want to go on Wikipedia and start the Hebrew trail off with exploring “tikkun olam” or the Greek trail off with “Ekpyrosis”.

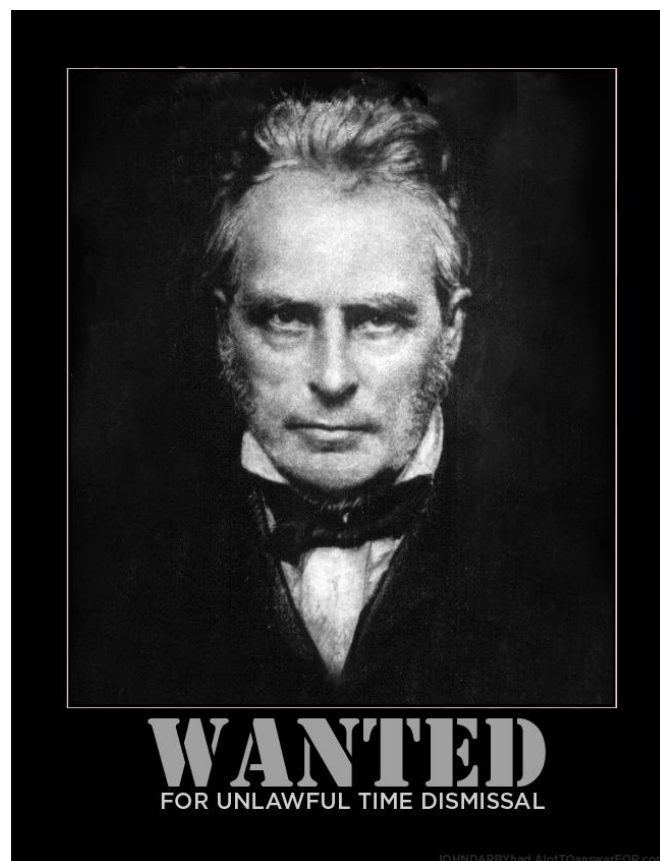
Hay, I'm a puor spelfer, no wonder I could never get into this stuphf.

then today . . . I realized AD70 was a four letter word! Posted: Friday, March 19, 2010 at 10:49pm

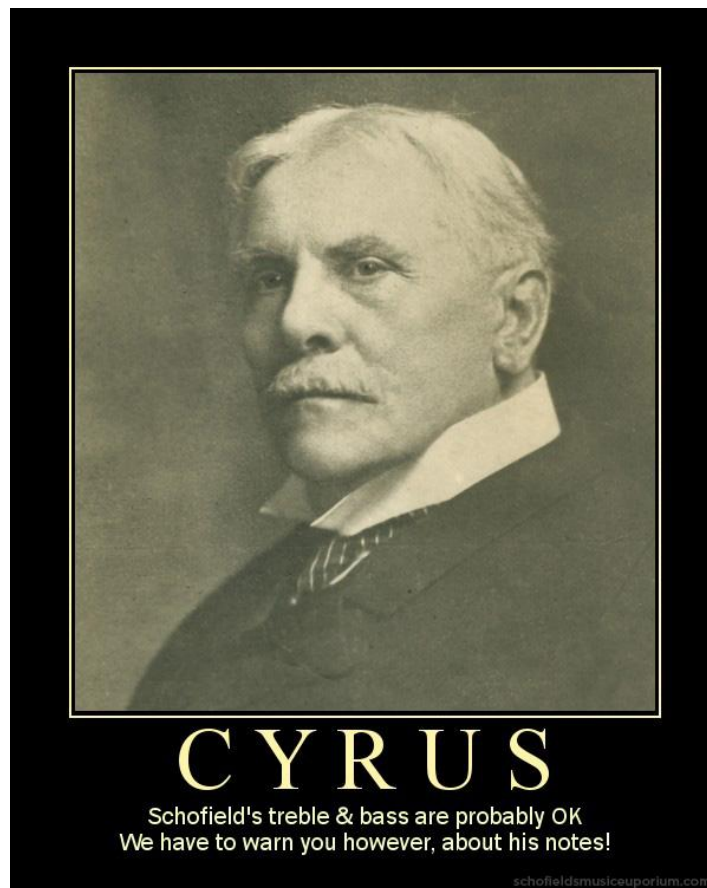
CHAPTER 25

The CULPRITS

Do you remember the “donkey picture”. When originally posted I had “tagged” two guys at the back of the cart. They were John and Cyrus. Take a look at them on these pages. They were the ones who loaded the cart with all the extra stuff. John was the guy that toured the United States with his newly minted “Rapture” theory and the Pre-Trib-Pre-Mil Dispensational end time charts. It’s a “wanted” poster because of his total disregard for the 100’s of “time statements”. Sure he noticed many but took them out of the 1st century context



and applied them to the 1800's and the world's problems of those days. For more information you may want to look up: "Margret McDonald (visionary)" , "Millerism"^a and "The Great Disappointment" to understand those times.



Scofield's KJV Bible was the main source of Dispensational Pre-Tribulation^b preaching in the early 1900's and on. The basic King James text was interspaced with notes that only promoted this one view. The poster is kinda saying that C.I. Scofield might be OK, but his Bible notes are highly suspect. Unfortunately his Bible notes have greatly infected Christianity on many continents. For more information just put "C. I. Scofield" on your Google browser and see what happens. (As for his stealing of political contributions, taking bribes from railroads, his divorce, dubious DD designation, his children's detachment, his support from the Zionist community, etc, I'll let you be the researcher)

Look at these men carefully. These are the individuals that manipulated, cherry picked, exaggerated, and created the story at the beginnings of the greatest Christian fiasco. They have bamboozled many into not taking the inspired Bible writers seriously and scoffingly spun a tale of "blessed hope" that any day believers would become space-men and be magically rescued from this evil world.

a <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Millerism>

b <http://www.moresureword.com/MacPherson.htm>



ARMAGEDDON

Like Vimy Ridge to a Canadian, Alamo to an American,
that's Armageddon to a person living in AD65
way more meaning than a GPS co-ordinate!

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CHAPTER 26

ARMAGEDDON

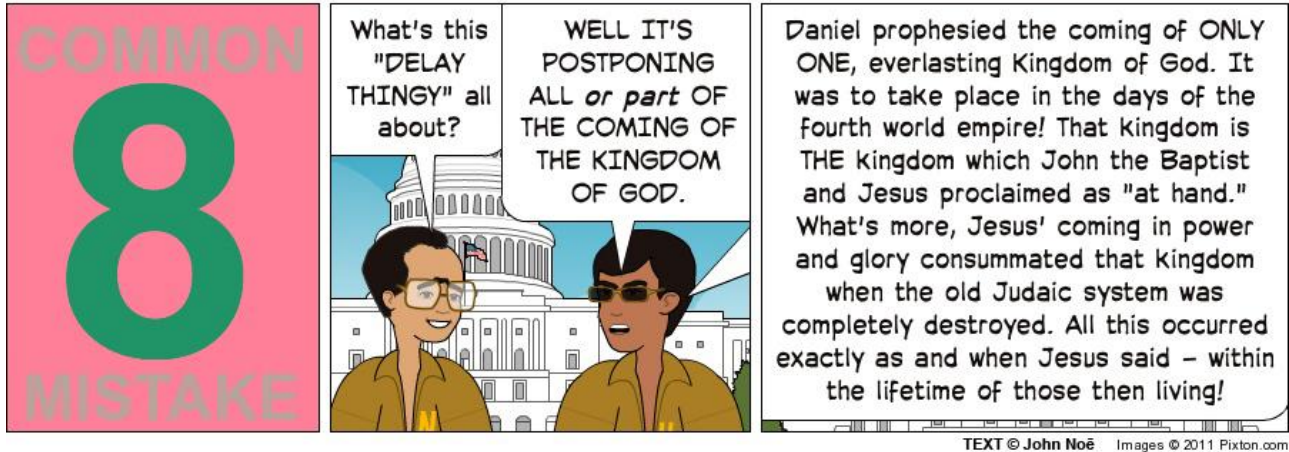
Ever hear of the “Battle of Armageddon”? Yeah, me too. It was always presented as the mother of all battles, the battle to end all battles. The great battle at “the end of time”! Well, maybe it is in there somewhere but not in the Bibles I’m looking at. (Read Rev 16:16) First of all you won’t find “Battle of Armageddon” anywhere because that phrase doesn’t exist. Second you won’t find a battle! Remember the 10&10 rule? Look what happens; the action immediately goes to Babylon (the code name for Jerusalem, CHAPTER 34) in the next verse and we’re in the temple in Jerusalem and it’s being torn apart by quaking ground and then in comes the artillery. The Romans had whitewashed their catapult ammo so it couldn’t be seen on it’s decent onto it’s target. (see Bonus #3, pg 119) Those in Jerusalem are cursing the accuracy of the Roman Catapult Engineers. Read it. There’s just no battle up in the valley of Armageddon, period! Yeah I know - those Bible guys have to go back and call it the “Battle for Jerusalem”. Just because the various battalions mustered in Megiddo for their final assault on Jerusalem there’s no need to call it “a battle” since no one died as the Roman forces marshalled from all over the empire in that place.

Now historically it was a place of great power shifts and those living in Jerusalem at that time would have not liked to hear the news that there was an army assembling up the valley in

Megiddo. Of course every Christian living in the city would be stirred with the memory of Jesus' words and the message from John in Revelation. A lot of Christian moms might have started packing. Yes Vimy Ridge, The Alamo was just about to begin. Today of course the Megiddo valley is a fertile food growing region in the modern state of Israel.

Herman & Nudix and "Mistake #8"

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CHAPTER 27

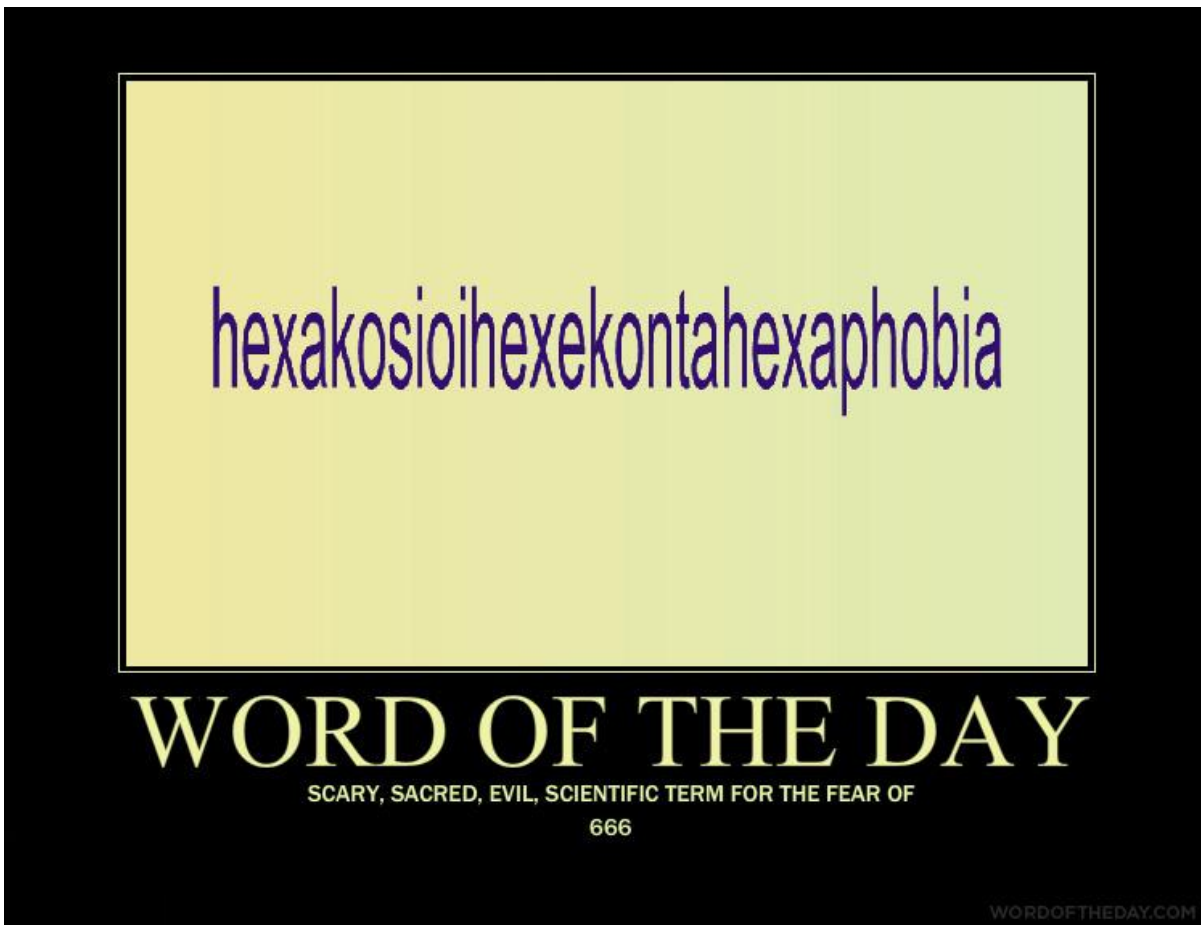
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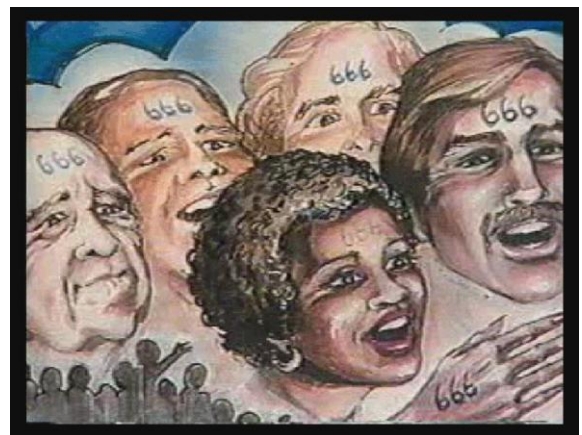
This one's really easy. Right? Whatever a person's presuppositions are, then *the back-up verses* are close to follow. If I take a verse out of context then it can mean anything to anybody at any time. If however I read it as the original audience read it, then I'm more likely to understand what it is saying. The Bible is not a magic book! I can't take verses out of their original texts, put them all in a row that just happens to match up with what I was thinking in the first place – That's called **eisegesis**, not the best way to say "I see Jesus"!


CHAPTER 28

The NUMBER and the MARK OF THE BEAST



Have you ever known anybody who got nervous when the bill came out to \$6.66 or got nervous if the address was 666 or shuddered anytime the three 6 number came up in any situation. Well, I sure was surprised to hear that there was even a name for this serious Christian superstition. But, then it's probably not surprising! When we were kids, the preachers used to tell us that we were soon going to all be hauled off to tattoo parlors and get a 666 implanted on our forehead and on our



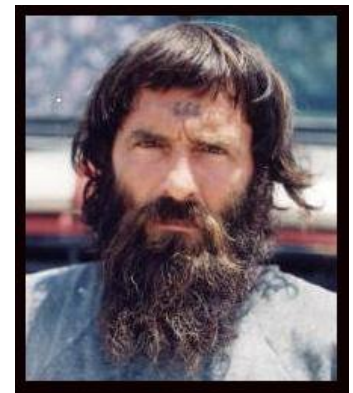


MARK

RFID: invisible radio waves don't leave a mark
Whoops, there goes my "mark" theory again!

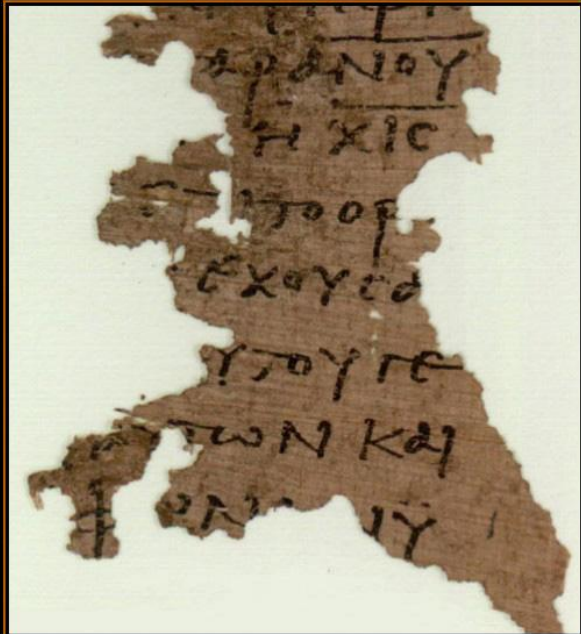
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hand. We were all supposed to resist, of course, but the result was that we would beheaded if we didn't get the mark. As time went on it was no longer the tattoo parlor we had to fear but the new fangled "bar code". Heaven forbid if "666" should ever come underneath the code. Decades later came the RFID chip, Iris readers, thumb readers, heart thumping readers and so forth. Every device as they were launched had the superstitious Christians and so called prophecy experts claiming the "end of the world" was about to unfold, just as Darby had thought with that new telegraph machine!

If you're interested and have Google handy, type in this phrase: "666 or 616". You'll probably get about four million hits and after reading a few articles you'll soon discover that there's been a lot of wasted time a lot of useless fearful energy spent on this. You'll also discover that those prophecy guys have deceived you into thinking that the number is SIX, SIX, SIX.



616

At a closer look it may not be 666 after all!
616 just doesn't look as Superstitious, and you say it's NERO
Now I've got to go and rework my math

Not So Scary.com

Listen to my Facebook friend Gary Demar: “When trying to match up “six hundred and sixty-six” with a known historical figure, we need more than a plausible candidate; we need a relevant candidate. The first readers of Revelation were told to “calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six” (13:18). Since Revelation was written to a first-century audience (“these things must shortly take place . . . for the time is near . . . the hour of testing is about to come on the land. . . . Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book for the time is near”: 1:1, 3; 3:10, 22:10), we should expect some first-century readers to have been able to calculate the number with relative ease and understand the result. They would have had few candidates from which to choose. It’s unlikely that this number of a man identifies someone outside their time of reference. The same is true of the rest of the book.

So what name is behind the cryptic 666? When Nero Caesar’s name is transliterated into Hebrew, which a first-century Jew would probably have done immediately, he would have gotten Neron Kesar or simply nrwn qsr, since Hebrew has no letters to represent vowels. (The w represents a long “o” sound and the q represents the “k” sound in Hebrew.) “It has been documented by archaeological finds that a first century Hebrew spelling of Nero’s name provides us with precisely the value of 666. Jastrow’s lexicon of the Talmud contains this very spelling.”⁽⁴⁾ When we take the letters of Nero’s name and spell them in Hebrew, we get the following numeric values:

n = 50, r = 200, w = 6, n = 50, q = 100, s = 60, r = 200.

Put together, the sum is 666.

Every Jewish reader, of course, saw that the Beast

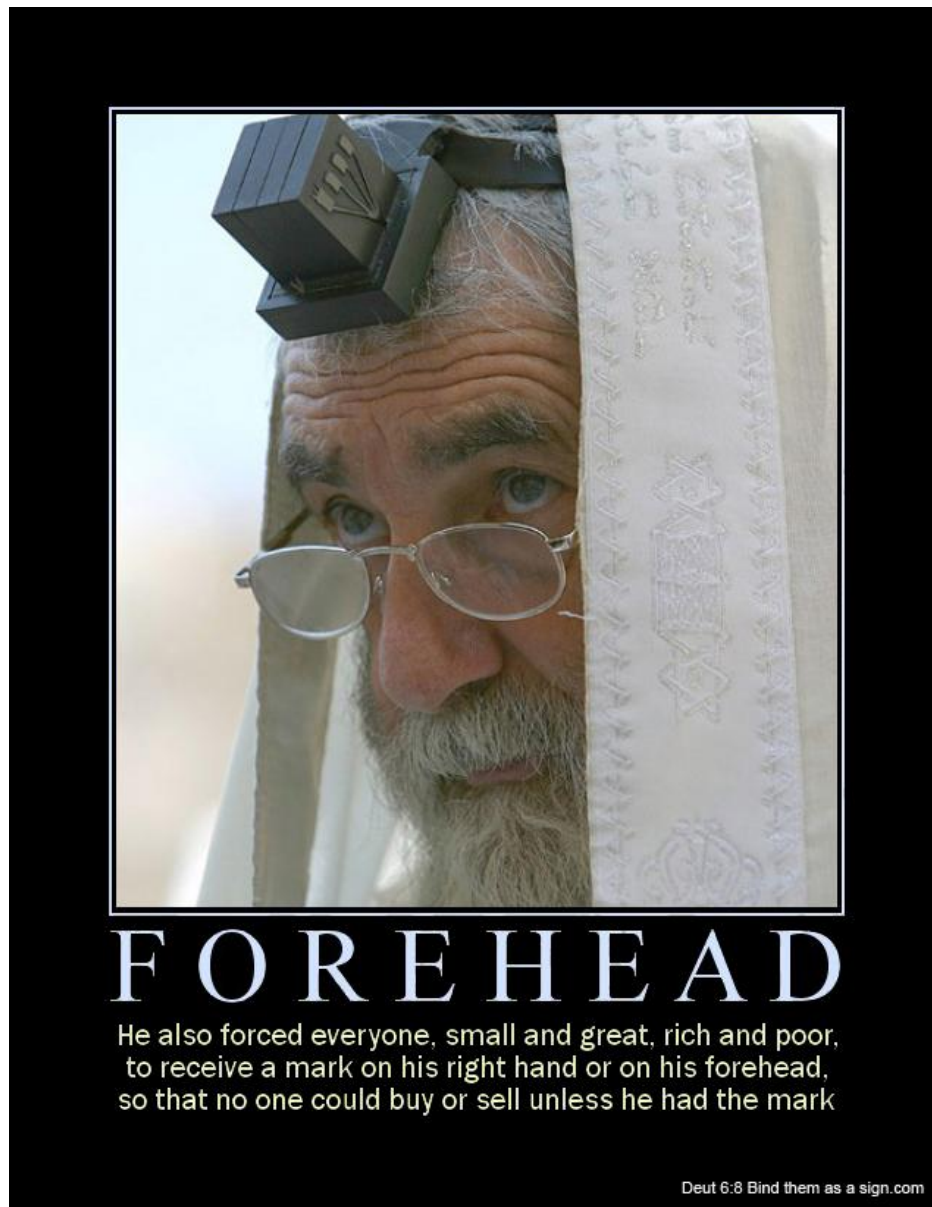
was a symbol of Nero. And both Jews and Christians regarded Nero as also having close affinities with the serpent or dragon . . . The Apostle writing as a Hebrew, was evidently thinking as a Hebrew . . . Accordingly, the Jewish Christian would have tried the name as he thought of the name—that is in Hebrew letters. And the moment that he did this the secret stood revealed. No Jew ever thought of Nero except as “Neron Kesar.”⁽⁵⁾

נ = 50	ר = 200	ו = 6	נ = 50	ק = 100	ס = 60	ר = 200
thus:						
נרונ קסר = 666						

So not only does Nero Caesar add up to 666 when transliterated into Hebrew letters, but the Hebrew transliteration of the Greek word for “beast” also comes to 666. By paying attention to the specific time elements in Revelation and audience relevance, we can conclude that John’s Beast with a name that adds up to 666 is long dead and gone. Today’s end-time speculation is foolish and counter-productive and dilutes the Bible’s message of the finished work of Jesus Christ and the end of the old covenant system that passed away with the destruction of the temple in A.D. 70. We should focus on the name of Jesus “and the name of His Father” (**Rev. 14:1**). The Lamb has conquered the Beast of Revelation 13 and any beasts to follow.”^a

By now I hope you’re convinced that the “number” is not some super computer in Belgium or any other modern day device, chip or credit card. Unless you’re livin’ off the grid and no government knows you exist then you are already “marked” and have no fear, you’ll never be

beheaded. There is one more mark or symbol to consider for that those in the 1st century would understand. So we ask: what if your “buying and selling” in Jerusalem in those siege times was linked to “your Jewishness”? Then what was the mark? I thought back to my Orthodox friend Marc. Every morning he dons a symbol on his hand and forehead (Tefillin). Below is my most commented on poster. On it, I’m causing the viewer to consider that maybe the author John was trying to let the folks in Jerusalem know that it was going to be “an inside job”. The Greeks, other foreigners and even some Christians (if any were left) may not have these Jewish



symbols that the Zealot commanders may have insisted on if you were to receive any of the diminished (self destroyed) rations. Check out Deut 6:8, yes and the straps do leave a mark!



CHAPTER 29

CRY WOLF

Yeah I know, you think there's a verse in the Bible that says the lion will lie down with a lamb. Well, if there isn't any verse, how come we're told of a coming time when all natural instincts in animals will be erased and lions won't want to eat lambs anymore? You've maybe seen many of these lion and lamb images (like this one on the left). They are not depicting some future time on earth – NO! This is the "logo" of Jesus! He is both the lamb that was slain and the Lion of Judah.

The verses in Isaiah actually talk of a "wolf" living with (lying down) with the "lamb". There is a list of "clean' and "unclean animals" : The wolf also shall

dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand

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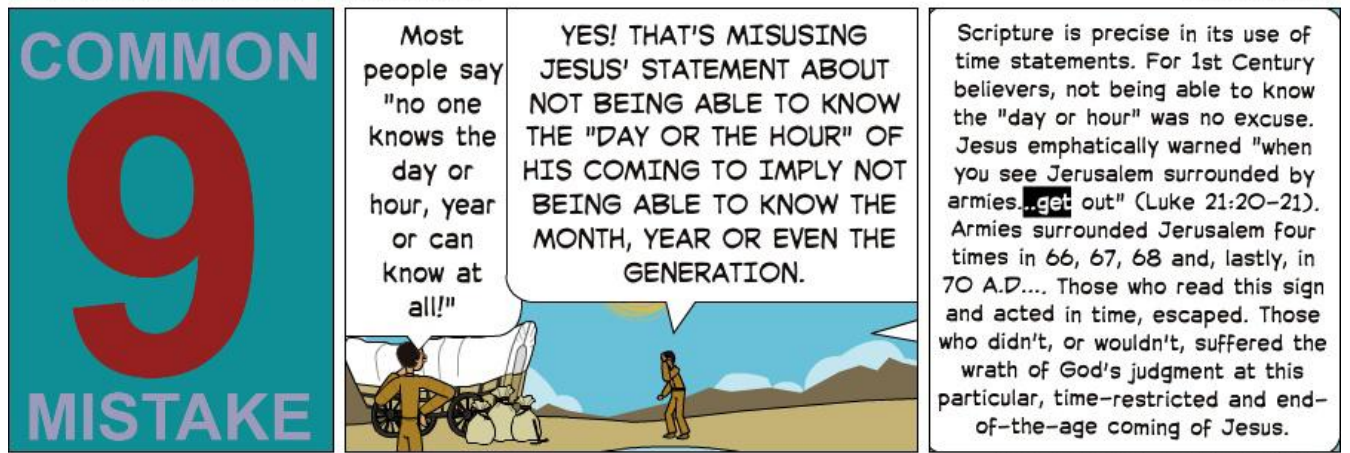
He will not judge by what He sees with His eyes
 or decide by what He hears with is ears
 The wolf will lie down with the lamb. . . Isa 11:3-6

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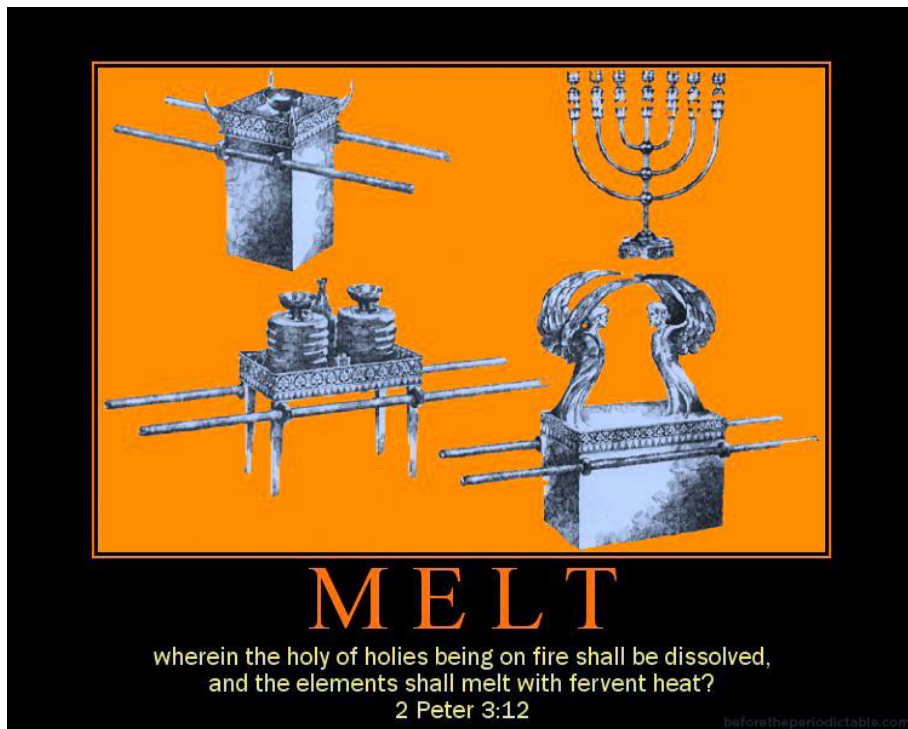
on the cockatrice' den. Isa 11:6-8. (Check out Isaiah 65 as well) So it's quite simple; the clean animals symbolize Israel (the remnant) and the "wild" animals were symbolic of the Gentiles. In the time when the "new" thing that was to take place the Gentiles and Jewish believers would come together and symbolically, "live together", "feed" (fellowship together) and age was no longer the determining factor in leadership. Wow. Isaiah is predicting "the Church"! For more research on how the early church was the integration of gentiles and Jewish believers check out Luke's book of Acts. The lamb lying down with the wolf happened 2000 years ago and has been happening ever since. It is not some mythical pastoral animal peaceful time in your future. You're livin' it now!

Herman & Nudix and "Mistake #9"

by joeperrott



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CHAPTER 30 MELT

You might have heard that the world someday will "melt" with fervent heat, a heat so great that the actual atoms, elements will dissolve into their base electrons, protons, neutrons and even into tiny neutrinos etc. It is interesting to note that the table of elements was first presented in 1869 many hundreds of years after Peter wrote of elements. Are they the elements of what? Well the Greek word is actually referring to "religious

elements". These are the items and utensils used in Hebrew worship. (for more details of the actual elements see: Exodus 25 to 30) We use the same element concept when a Christian speaks of the elements of the "bread and wine".

We've learned earlier that the candlesticks were taken, but most others items were left and burned in the great Temple fire. We are told that the fire was so fierce that the heat melted the gold off all these items and it flowed into the cracks of the Temple floor. The soldiers realizing this, literally dug up the floor and flattened the mount just as the prophets had said. We are told that there was so much gold that the price of gold dipped due to the glut caused from the fall of the Jerusalem Temple. The good news is that the planet earth does not burn up, remember it's heaven *the holies of holies* and earth *the outer courts* that are burned up and as some translations put it nicely "laid bare" and that's exactly what happened!



CHAPTER 31

DEBATE

"John Smith is six feet under". I suppose another way of saying that is "John Smith is dead". Ever wonder how that first sentence will be translated 2000 years from now in another culture and language. The "body part", the number "six" and the "under what" question would hardly seem to point to the original authors original meaning of "dead". So around April 5th 2010 I posted this artwork to remind me of what I was discovering: That the Hebrew literature was sprinkled with hundreds of idioms and figures of speech. We've already discovered some of them as we looked at the idiom of "heaven & earth" for example. By reading the raw words alone, it is possible to miss the actual meaning of the author's intent and the common local usage of words and phrases. The

figures of speech I chose for this poster are just a few of the hundreds of (some unpronounceable) ones you can find on the internet. There are also hundreds of articles and books written on the use of "Bible Figures of Speech and idioms".^a I also discovered that you must take special care of these Hebrew and Greek idioms if you are using a translation from the literal "word to word" philosophy because the words will be repeated into the second language but not the meaning. In translations that follow the phrasing or sentence meaning many of the figures of speech are corrected for the reader. As you know, one of the classic examples is "the camel going through the eye of a needle". Here's Herman & Nudix with their two cents worth.

a http://www.biblicalstudies.org.uk/article_idioms.html

Herman & Nudix in "horses bridles"

by joeperrott

Revelation 14:20

Hey Nudix, Whats your problem?

I need the liters of blood in the average war horse!

I know the dimensions of the Valley of Megiddo, world population of people and horses and the blood in a human - I'm just missing this one thing!

Hey that's no sweat - its 54.5 liters

Oh no! Then the Battle of Armageddon won't be any time soon, I need 28 billion more people!

Actually, what the world needs now is more: Horses Sweet Horses

Nudix, I'm pretty sure the battle was already fought!

You need help with your idioms, not math!

Herman & Nudix and "the idioms"

by joeperrott

So Herman, Whats an idiom?

It's a group of words established by usage as having a meaning not deducible from those of the individual words,

... they are a form of expression natural to a language, person, or group of people

If you don't get them you'll fall flat on your ass or the roof will fall in.

If you don't think outside the box you might not be able to put two and two together.

so let's get the ball rolling, 'cause two heads are better than one!

Once in a blue moon you'll get a good idea and you'll have the inside track.

Don't lose your touch or you'll loose your shirt and no longer look like a million bucks!

so what are you doing now!

pushing the eschatological envelope

So when it came to eschatology it was not surprising that the great debate between the various views and systems all stem back to your translators recognition of the figures of speech and your own knowledge of them. A very dangerous book would be one that was written to an audience almost 2000 years ago where the author begins by saying he is writing in "signs and symbols" where the "unders", "feet" and "sixes" would mean something to the contemporaries of the author and in those times! (the book of Revelation)

CHAPTER 32

SKY and MEET



Greek has a perfectly good word for "Sky" (Strong's G3772 on upper plane)
If you had to attend a meeting in "the sky" then the Apostle Paul could have certainly used the word on the upper plane!

Now another word "aer" the lower plane (Strong's G109) is the word he used (not a good sky word) which is a good word for "air" except it's the air we breathe in and out. It's root comes from the word for automatic breathing, and is at best the whoosh of blowing, probably no more than a 10' radius from the breather. To meet someone in this air you don't even have to leave the ground!

As you remember, when I was a little boy the preachers would come around and speak of an impending event in which all living believers would be snatched off planet earth and meet Jesus up in the sky. Only a clump of earthly clothes would remain on the sidewalk or chair and hopefully not in a bar or theatre!

These sincere folks probably didn't know Greek and that the word for sky wasn't used. The air word in the poster is the puff of air coming from your lungs, and has nothing to do with the sky where birds or planes fly. Unfortunately they also did not know that the "meet" word used was a technical word for going out to meet someone to escort them back to where you were originally. Examples: the Bible usage is in the story of the Ten Virgins, as they go out to meet the bridegroom to escort him back to the feast and also used in Acts as the folks near Rome go out to meet Paul's entourage to accompany the group back to Rome.^a So if you do not need "lift-off" to meet Jesus in the breathing air zone and if meeting is escorting Him to earth, how can a Rapturest ever get from the Greek, a "snatching away to the sky" and a kidnapping?

"ἀπάντησις" (apantēsis-transliteration) is a great Greek word for showing honor to a guest to your home or military entourage to your city. You go and meet them and return, escorting your guest back to your place. So, 1 Thes 4:17 might mean the opposite to what is popularly thought! The nature of the meeting (apantēsis Strong's G529) and the place of the meeting are in these days ill conceived due to the lack of knowledge of these figures of speech and the Greek word meanings.

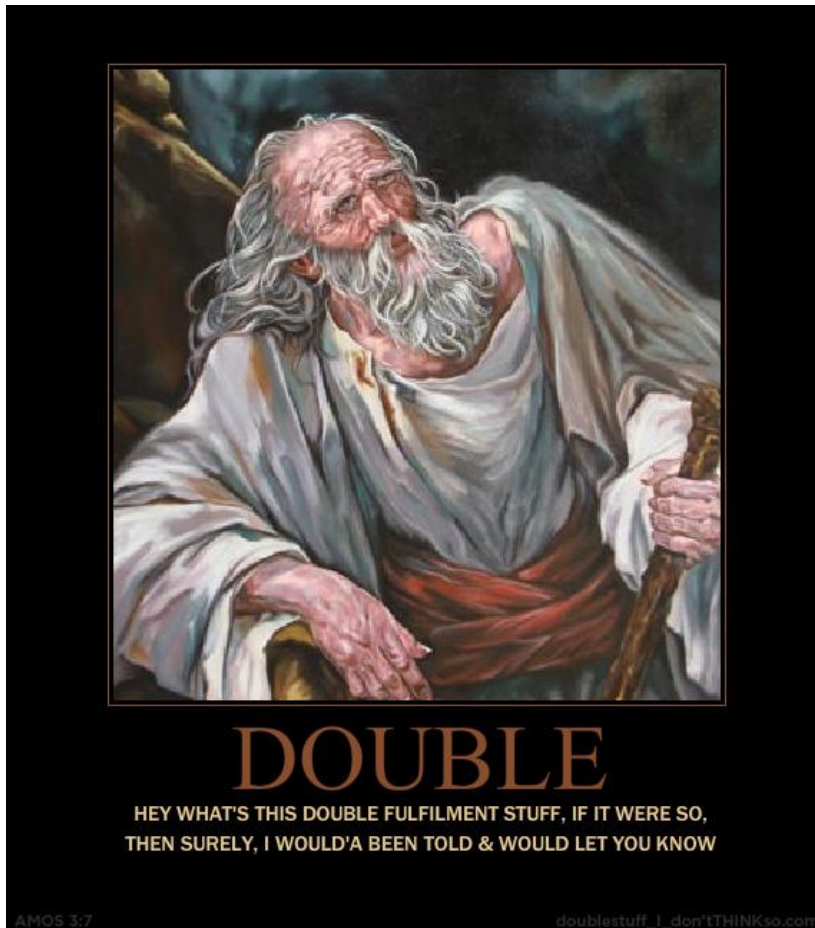


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a For more information, go to Amazon and type in: "We Shall Meet Him In The Air, The Wedding of the King of Kings", by Don Preston.



Surely the Sovereign LORD does nothing without revealing his plan to his servants the prophets.
AMOS 3:7

Have you ever heard of “Double Fulfilment”? How about: The Law of Double Fulfilment

The Phenomenon of Double Fulfilment

The Principle of Double Fulfilment

Telescopic Prophecy

Bifocal Prophecy

Generic Prophecy

Gap Prophecy

Unforeseen Partial Prophecy

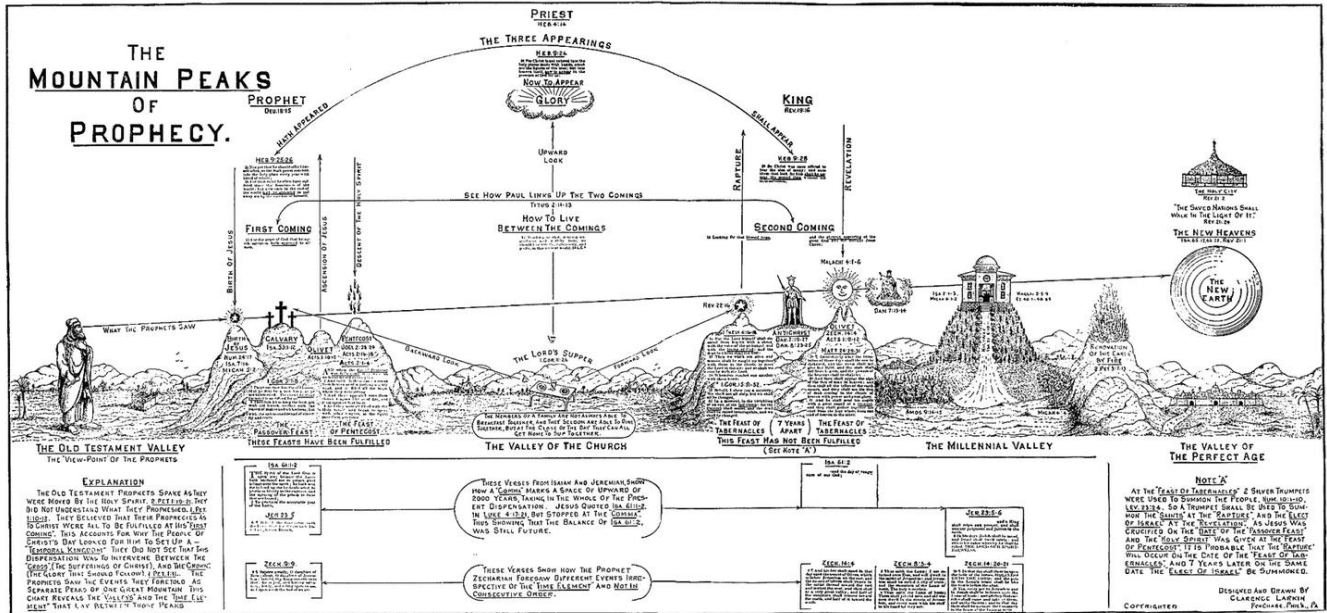
These are all man-made

terms to explain away or sidestep the obvious and clear meaning of Scripture. It’s kinda like this: If a prophecy wasn’t fulfilled “big” enough or “not how you’d imagined it” then it must be that *what you wanted and in the Biblical proportions you desired is yet to happen a second time* and the first was merely a rehearsal. I don’t know if the old prophet in the picture is Amos or not but for sure he looks a little troubled when he considers that God reveals to his prophets what’s going to happen. He’s wondering why God did not tell him or all his fellow prophets about this “double fulfilment” stuff. He’s also wondering why Jesus didn’t mention it either! He had an excellent opportunity on the “Road to Emmaus” and failed to mention it to the troubled disciples (instead he talks about himself in ALL Scripture). If it is true, then the Apostle Paul (and the other inspired writers) should have also mentioned it, but somehow didn’t. But doesn’t “history repeat itself”? Yes, similar events are constantly occurring but not “identical”. Let’s say it another way: “History does not repeat itself, but history reveals that ‘man’ repeats mistakes.”

I like the word “scintilla”, partially because you don’t hear it much, so I’ll add it here in a quote from James Stuart Russell’s book ‘The Parousia’:

‘There is not a scintilla of evidence that the apostles and primitive Christians had any suspicion of a twofold reference in the predictions of Jesus concerning the end.’

This is how the “gaps” were invented that we discovered back in chapter 12. You are staring Messianic prophecy square in the face and if you deny their fulfillment then the only place to put them is in “your” future since every prediction in the past 2000 years has proven false. Here’s how the explanation goes (observe chart): There must be a “gap valley” between



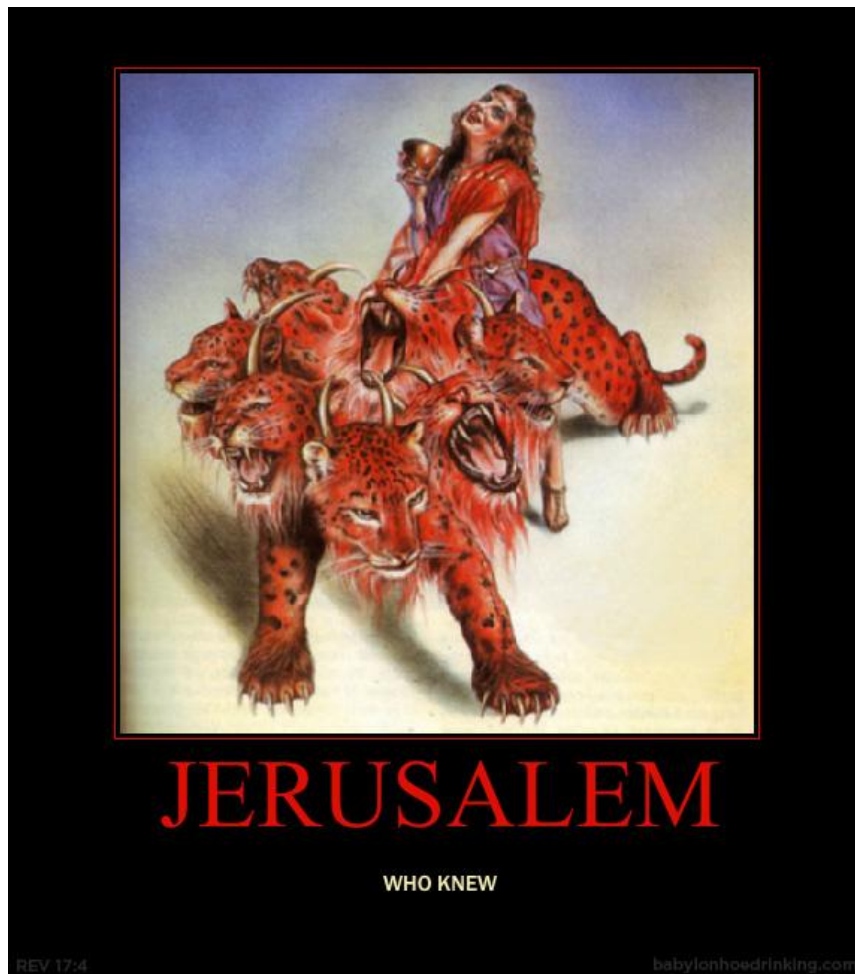
mountain tops, that the prophet couldn't see, and that puts you living now in the “Church Valley”! This happens if you do not recognize that the New Heaven & New Earth is the New Covenant, New Jerusalem and the Christian Church of today. The dispensational view is completely blinded and in denial. The scoffers promised in the last days are surely come and gone but these modern day chart makers are the “New Messianic Age Scoffers” for their deceptive charts declare: “...where is the promise of the Masters coming”. They move us way back in time, and make us today crave for another fulfillment – a “double fulfillment”!

CHAPTER 34

JERUSALEM

By April 17th, 2010, I produced this poster about the “mystery of Babylon”. We had been taught the Babylon of Revelation was actually the code name for Rome and was probably the Roman Catholic Church; that made sense since the anti-Christ was the Pope. In my Que-Sara-Sara days, I probably wouldn't have been so dogmatic about “the Pope” but still would have leaned to Rome – so here's my story on the way to the Coliseum . . . there I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was covered with blasphemous names and had seven heads and ten horns. The woman was dressed in purple and scarlet, and was glittering with gold, precious stones and pearls. She held a golden cup in her hand, filled with abominable things and the filth of her adulteries. This title was written on her forehead:

**MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT THE MOTHER OF PROSTITUTES
AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.**



I saw that the woman was drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of those who bore testimony to Jesus.

When I saw her, I was greatly astonished. Then the angel said to me: “Why are you astonished? I will explain to you the mystery of the woman and of the beast she rides, which has the seven heads and ten horns. The beast, which you saw, once was, now is not, and will come up out of the Abyss and go to his destruction. The

inhabitants of the earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the creation of the world will be astonished when they see the beast, because he once was, now is not, and yet will come. . . Rev 17

I made this discovery by following the four syllogisms (sounded a lot like Don Preston) presented in the course: each with a major and minor premise and a conclusion, as follows:

Major premise #1: Three times Babylon is called “Oh Great City” (rev. 18:10, 16, 19). Twice it is called “great city” (Rev 18:18,21).

Minor premise #1: “The great city” is “where also their Lord was crucified” (Rev 11:8).

Conclusion: Jerusalem is Revelation’s Babylon.

Major premise #2: Babylon was guilty of “the blood of the prophets” (Rev 18:24, 17:6).

Minor Premise #2: According to Jesus and Paul, only Jerusalem killed the prophets (Matt. 23:34-37; Luke 13:33; 11:47-51, 1 Thess. 2:15-16).

Conclusion: Jerusalem is Revelation’s Babylon.

Major premise #3: John's people are commanded to "come out of her, my people, so that you will not share in her sins, so that you will not receive any of her plagues" (Rev. 18:4).

Minor Premise #3: The only city Jesus ever commanded his followers to flee from is Jerusalem – when they saw two specific signs. (Matt. 24:15-16; Luke 21:20-21).

Conclusion: Jerusalem is Revelation's Babylon.

Major premise #4: This Babylon would be destroyed (Rev. 18:2, 8, 10, 11, 17, 19-23).

Minor Premise #4: The only city Jesus said would be destroyed was Jerusalem – it would be "left to you desolate" (Matt.23:38) ...with "not one stone ... left on another" (Matt 24:2).

Conclusion: Jerusalem is Revelation's Babylon.

It should be noted that Ezek 16 & 23 are quoted or at least alluded to in the above text in Rev 17. The other note is this: you have now come "to the fork in the road". If you cannot see Jerusalem as the "code" for Babylon, then you're off on another road. Maybe you're off to Rome, Belgium, New York, Moscow, or Bagdad, and if so you'll miss the Olivet Discourse, parts of Daniel and most of Revelation.

Herman & Nudix and the Fork in the Road

by joeperrott



FIRST INTERMISSION

We're probably ½ way through the posters, and this is your first break. Hope your seatbelt wasn't too tight and the road thus far not too bumpy. Tonight (03-30-14) Pastor Dale Dawson said he'd be delighted to be one of my editors, so from this point on things might ratchet up a notch or two. Look down at your feet. Do they still have socks on? You're about to get them blown off! Just sayin'.

Herman & Nudix and "Mistake #10"

by joeperrott



CHAPTER 35

EAST TO WEST

I took a trip with my wife and Arthur Zillmann in 2009 to visit native settlements in Northern Ontario north of Kenora. One night while Karen was off visiting the grandkids, Arthur and I were out on a boat cruise from Minaki out on Gun Lake. This is a picture earlier in the evening. Later on we got to see the most spectacular sight. As the storm came in and there was at least a half an hour of cloud to cloud lightning. We could hear the muffled sound, but the light show was amazing as the sky was lit with almost continuous back-lit clouds. Maybe some of the clouds were the ones I had taken a picture of earlier in the evening. Now it's the spring of 2010, and I remembered that night and also Jesus words about lightning going from east to west. Now usually you first imagine lightning as being vertical so to mention east to west it makes you want to think of cloud to cloud lightning. I found a picture on the internet that shows this back-lit cloud formation.





EAST TO WEST

AS LIGHTNING COMES FROM THE EAST IS VISIBLE EVEN IN THE WEST
HEY, THE CLOUDS HIDE IT - SO IT'S NOT ACTUALLY SEEN?

Noé Knowy

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One of the mysteries that Dr. Noé explained was the “as lightning” was possibly a metaphor to the disciples for the visibility of his coming, they would want it to be so visible yet were supposed to be well on their way to Pella Jordan. At best, all they could see is the clouds and smoke in the night sky, back-lit and brightly glowing from Jerusalem’s flames. That was their “sign”!

Now as a Trinitarian you probably recognize God the Father, as spirit who dwells in unapproachable light, a Holy Spirit who as a person in the Godhead that can indwell a human soul and finally The Son, the second person of the Trinity who is Physical God and also known as Jesus. So let’s make a statement about Biblical battles: “Jesus was at almost every one of them and appeared usually just before they started.” I hope to find a book some day called: “Jesus and the Bible Battles”, but until I find it here’s a summary.

Let’s go to a banquet hall in Babylon. Belshazzar the son of Nebuchadnezzar has just broken out the Temple’s golden vessels and over there by the candlesticks, Jesus’ hand appears and starts carving words into the plaster. Just a few hours later the city is taken by the Persians just as Jesus’ warning script had spoken.

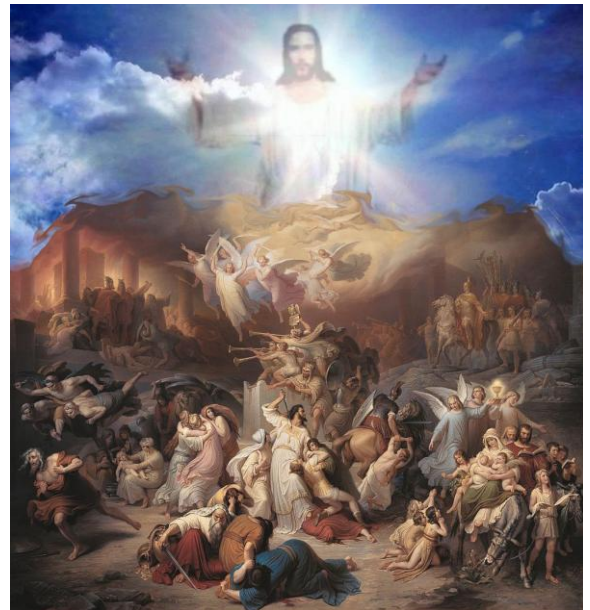
On the Damascus road, Paul later tells the story of how Jesus met him there “brighter than the noonday sun”. Thousands of years earlier Joshua had needed some extra light on the battle field and calls for Jesus to help. Jesus responds by going full lux over the plain and the battle continues as long as necessary. The writer recording all this says; Jesus was so bright it actually looked as if the sun had stopped. (Of course had the earth actually stopped dead in its tracks, every living and non living thing would have been thrown out into space by centrifugal force and anything remaining would have been demolished by the five mile high ocean tsunamis.)

There’s the battle of Gideon, all the battles of David, the battles of foreign conquest and in this all Jesus is appearing, or causing sounds or just downright routing the enemy or leading foreign troops into Eretz Israel for their punishment. One time as Moses is holding up his rod to him the battle’s fortunes actually changed due to Jesus seeing the strength in Moses arms and that of his aids. When the battle was over Jesus says: "Hold high the banner of the LORD! I will continue to fight against the Amalekites forever!" Exo 17:10.

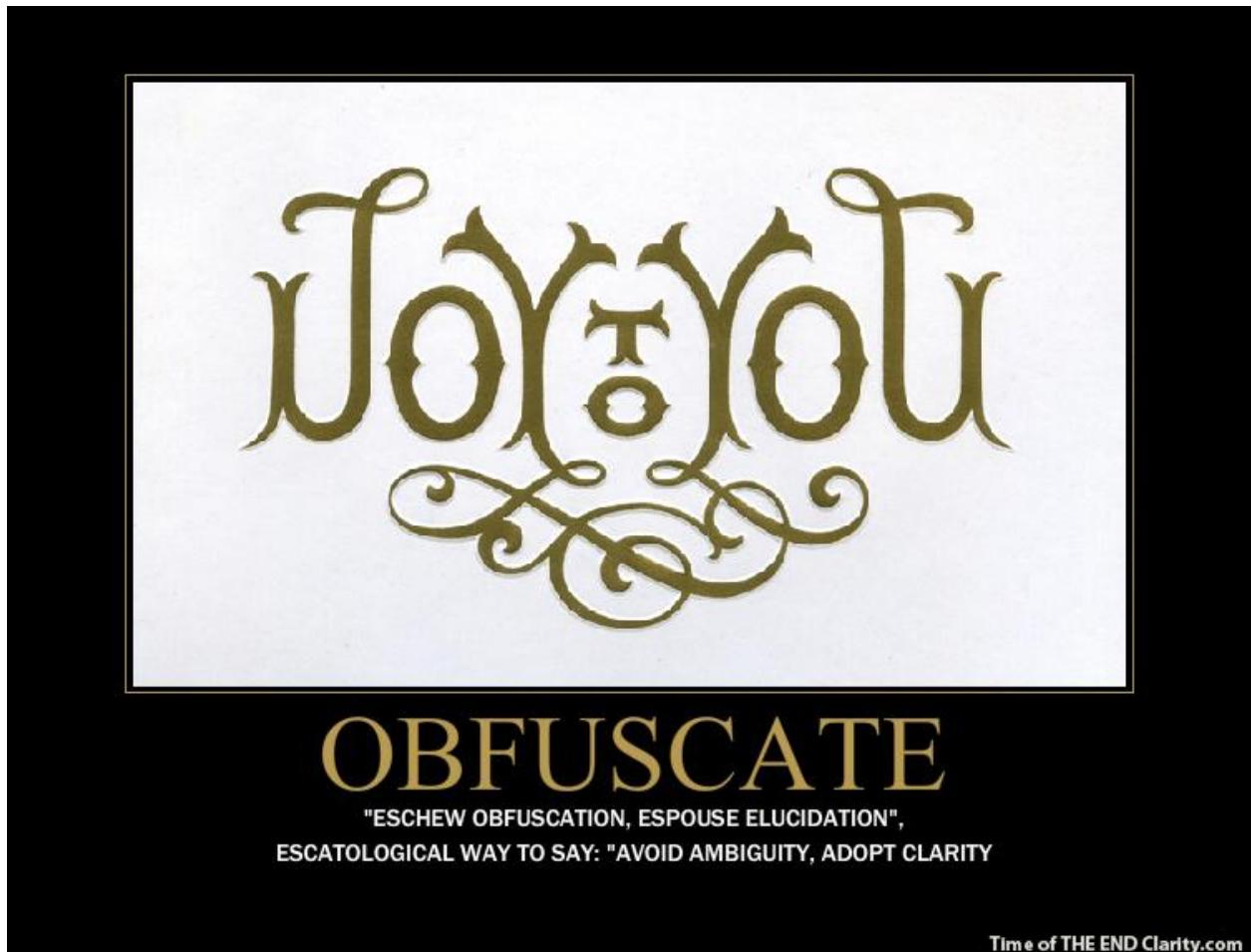
Perhaps the most famous instance is when Jesus as the “Captain of the Host” appears to Joshua just before the Battle of Jericho. Jesus asks him to take off his shoes and tells him: “See, I have given into thy hand Jericho, and the king thereof, even the mighty men of valour.” Joshua 5:13. He then goes on and tells Joshua all the details of the famous circling of the city and trumpet blowing, etc.

'Who is the King of glory?' 'The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.' Psalms 24:8

So if there was ever a Bible battle that I’m thinking Jesus isn’t going to want to miss it’s “the big one”. It’s the one that had been predicted all down through the prophets. It was also his own predictions of the battle in the Olivet discourse and most of John’s Revelation. It was the battle that was to be the end of the sacrificial Biblical Judaism. The battle was to be the end of all records, the end of the temple, the end of the Sadducees, scribes, Zealots and Essenes. To the right I have joined two classic paintings. The upper one is showing Jesus “directing things” just as he had done all through the Old Testament battles and the lower painting showing the destruction of Jerusalem.



If there was any doubt, Josephus records many supernatural occurrences in and around the temple during its final days. These are all Google searchable; just type in “josephus supernatural occurrences” for over a million references.



CHAPTER 36

OBFUSCATE

I hope I’m being clear and not using big words or causing ambiguity. I never liked big words that much – us poor spellers never do! I must have missed grammar classes, cause I have some kind of fascination for them today. The phrases I used in the above poster are called “Fumblerules. They are humorous rules for writing, collected from teachers of English grammar. A Fumblerule contains an example contrary to the advice it gives, such as “don’t use no double negatives” and “eschew obfuscation, espouse elucidation”.

The science editor George L. Trigg published a list of such rules in 1979. Another list was compiled by William Safire on Sunday, 4 November 1979, in his column “On Language” in the New York Times. Safire later authored a book titled A Lighthearted Guide to Grammar and Good Usage, Here are some more “Fumblerules” for the record

Make sure each pronoun agrees with their antecedent.
Just between you and I, the case of pronoun is important.
Watch out for irregular verbs which have crept into English.
Verbs has to agree in number with their subjects.

Don't use no double negatives.

Being bad grammar, a writer should not use dangling modifiers.

Join clauses good like a conjunction should.

A writer must be not shift your point of view.

About sentence fragments.

Don't use run-on sentences you got to punctuate them.

In letters essays and reports use commas to separate items in series.

Don't use commas, which are not necessary.

Parenthetical words however should be enclosed in commas.

Its important to use apostrophes right in everybodys writing.

Don't abbrev.

Check to see if you any words out.

In the case of a report, check to see that jargonwise, it's A-OK.

As far as incomplete constructions, they are wrong.

About repetition, the repetition of a word might be real effective repetition - take, for instance the repetition of Abraham Lincoln.

In my opinion, I think that an author when he is writing should definitely not get into the habit of making use of too many unnecessary words that he does not really need in order to put his message across.

Use parallel construction not only to be concise but also clarify.

It behooves us all to avoid archaic expressions.

Mixed metaphors are a pain in the neck and ought to be weeded out.

Consult the dictionary to avoid misspellings.

To ignorantly split an infinitive is a practice to religiously avoid.

Last but not least, lay off cliches.

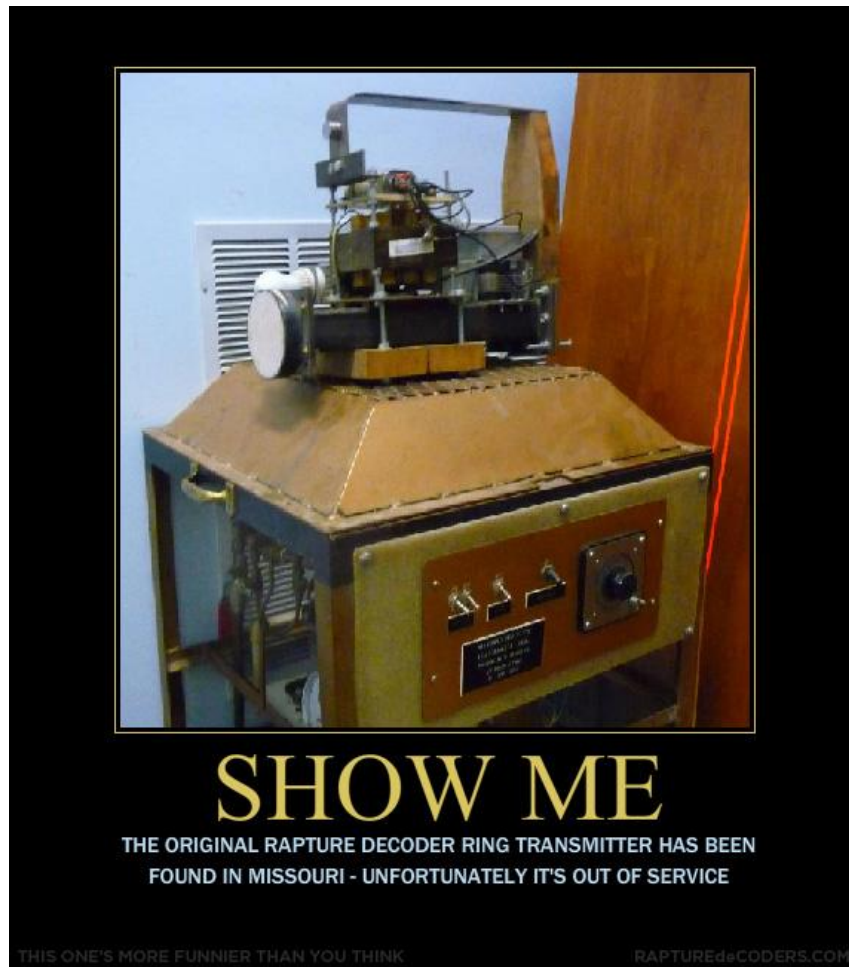


Obfuscate is an excellent word to describe the current state of Christian Eschatology.

CHAPTER 37

SHOW ME

In the spring of 2010, I took a trip to Missouri to visit my cousins and to be with them at their mom's funeral. I remembered I had a Facebook friend that had "liked and shared" a lot of my art work so when I was close by I thought I'd drop in on Mathew Schultz and meet one of my "fans" (or whatever you call friends who have their pages scattered with as much of your artwork as you do). I had yet to meet personally with anyone who was "into" or discovering "fulfilled eschatology" so Matt might as well be the first. Later that week I'd be driving back home through Indianapolis and was able to chat with my professor Dr. John Noé for an hour or so – he'd be Number Two.



I met Matt at his place of work at a Christian Radio Station located along HWY 54 on the way into Jefferson City. On a tour of the facility, I took this picture. It looked like an amazing contraption and was definitely “un-plugged”! Missouri is known as the “Show Me” State, and I just couldn’t help putting two and two together.

We learned previously that Aunt Helen had noticed correctly about “Rapture” preaching because more preachers were learning Greek and could no longer put “sky” into the story. Learning the “technical use” of the Greek “meet” also had meant a reversal or at least a toning down of the story. They were also discovering that a mysterious and secret escape out of this worlds problems was also in direct violation of Jesus’ prayer for his followers. The most serious defamation comes from the rampant abuse caused by “Rapture Preachers” who used to (and maybe still do) abuse the children by telling them that their parents would be taken from them



Father, I don't ask you to take my followers out of the world, but keep them safe from the evil one. John 17:15 CEV

and they would be left behind to fend for themselves. I can't tell you the terror and rejection of Christianity this alone has brought upon my generation. As I listen to those caught in the Canadian Residential Schools and are now telling their stories of family separation and break-up, back floods the memories of the preacher's words and the exact threat to us kids. Religious and spiritual abuse is too kind a phrase to call it. No child should ever be tricked into "the kingdom" under the threat of parental separation. It's becoming clear why no preacher could or should preach it today! (My grammar checker just told me that this paragraph was in the "Passive Voice", what a joke!)

In my interviews with folks my findings were that most Christians are a very confused lot. Most can't differentiate a "Rapture" from a "Second Coming". Most don't know if we're in the tribulation or not, whether the Anti-Christ is alive as a man or just a metaphor, if there's a "final" judgement, a "final" coming or even if "time" ends. No wonder Pan-Mil is the dominate view in Christianity today!

Back to some fun; so I imagined there must be a lot of Dick Tracy style decoder rings out there to let the Christians know when to rapture. The rings would need a transmitter, and there it was in Missouri, the original Rapture Ring Transmitter, old, unused and un-plugged. Whew! If there was a ring it would now be very old and very valuable. When did it "go off", you ask? At the great separation, you know the "sleeping, grinding, tending" couples. The Roman army



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USED ONLY ONCE, APPROX 1940 YEARS OLD

was always followed by the slave traders that took over the prisoners of war. Some of the prisoners were “taken” to Rome, others who were “left” perished in the fires of Gehenna. Yeah, I know, you want to know where those “Sleeping, Grinding” verses are:

Luke 17:34 I tell you, in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. KJV



It is a custom in Christianity these days to think that if two men are in the same bed that neither one is going to be involved in any kind of “escape rapture” so I hardly think that this is what Jesus is talking about. Since Jesus knew that “2 men in a bed” would be one the biggest debates plaguing His Church 2000 years from then, you’d think this would be an excellent “teaching moment” and at least He’d say a little negative word against, it instead of using it as an illustration. For a little fun,

check out the above verses in the more modern translations to see how it got “sanitized”. (Actually, you Greek scholars will know that “men” isn’t even in the text! Gotta love King Jimmy)

Several years ago at our church I attended a “wills seminar” at which I asked the question: “What provision do we as Christians have to make in our wills in regards to our sudden disappearance and in coincidence with a billion other mysterious disappearances”? (My tongue was firmly planted in my cheek, but I didn’t know it was that obvious) It was sorta serious, but I was promptly dismissed! Apparently we actually do not have to care for anyone who is “left behind”! We don’t have to make sure they are cared for or have any provision for a peaceful survival. I must have thought that all the lawyers would be left behind and it would greatly help them in the weeks following all those sudden disappearances if in the wills all property was “properly attended to,”.

So here’s your “Rapture Test”. I’ll take care of your dog. I’ll take care of your car. I’ll take care of your house, I’ll take care of your stuff, I’ll take care of your church. Do you think the trustees of your church will “will” me the property should there be a sudden disappearance of all of it’s members? Would they “will” it back to their hometown city counsel, do you think? Will you designate your car to me? Would you let me take care of your dog? If you can’t think of a single person to be your official custodian and are ready to take action to name him (or her) in your

will then you just aren't "Rapture Ready" or take "the care for others" seriously (especially those you love)!

CHAPTER 38

RELEVANCE

But Rahab the prostitute and her father's household and all who belonged to her, Joshua saved alive. And she has lived in Israel to this day... Joshua 6:25
Somehow we can figure out that Rahab isn't living in Israel today?



When you come, bring the coat that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. 2 Timothy 4:13

We also know that we're not supposed to bring Paul's coat to him. These examples are written in a very specific time to a very specific audience. We can read the "you", "I" and "shes" and understand that the audience they were written for are no longer there nor is Paul's coat in our closet and we aren't obliged to take it to him, Timothy was! So it's quite simple. If Jesus is talking to his disciples and warning them, then those things are not just automatically transferrable to us today. It has to first make sense to the audience to whom it was written. We discussed this a bit in Chapter 21 "BULL", but it looks like on June 19th, 2010 I thought it was important to remind us again. I guess if Jesus says to his disciples; "some of you standing here

won't taste death", until "something happens" then that's spoken directly and applies to them right?

CHAPTER39

KINGDOM OR EMPIRE

Two very recognizable images, nine simple words, this should be easy, NOT! You like puzzles, right? Here's the key:



- A there is no "air" in space
- B Is it heaven, the New Jerusalem or the "Bride of Christ that is a Pearly Gated Cube?
- C Are we to build "the Kingdom" or Empires?
- D What if the "Rubik's Cube" landed on earth?
- E Why did Joe "tag": Jack Van Impe, Benny Hinn, John MacArthur and many others on the "Death Star"?

The symbol of the Death Star is “Empire”. False teachers and preachers have been predicting all of the four major prophecy events down through the last 2000 years. If you want an extensive study just put “failed second coming prophecy” in your Google browser and you’ll have enough bedtime reading for the next 200 years. Chart after chart, list after list proclaims the absolute stupidity of hundreds and hundreds of Christian Empire builders. Oh, you haven’t looked up “millerism” or “April 28 1843” yet, right? So what exactly is the test of a “false prophet”?

Deut 18:20 But if I haven't spoken, and a prophet claims to have a message from me, you must kill that prophet, and you must also kill any prophet who claims to have a message from another god.
Deut 18:21 You may be asking yourselves, "How can we tell if a prophet's message really comes from the LORD?"
Deut 18:22 You will know, because if the LORD says something will happen, it will happen. And if it doesn't, you will know that the prophet was falsely claiming to speak for the LORD. Don't be afraid of any prophet whose message doesn't come from the LORD. CEV

I think Moses rather nails it. If God says “it will happen” THEN IT HAPPENS! If someone says “it will happen” and it doesn’t happen, then the prophet is FALSE. Now some modern day false prophets think they can avoid this title by not exactly naming an actual time or day. By keeping things vague, they think they’re off the hook! Unfortunately even Billy Graham makes many of the lists because he was claiming over 50 years ago that the “coming of the Lord” was about to occur “any day now” and could “even be tonight”. Many think 50+ years does not pass the “any day now” test! Of course all of my childhood preachers who claimed He’d “return in their lifetimes”, are all dead!



Harold Camping is a classic false prophet. Not only did he own an empire of Christian radio stations but in 2010 he was encouraging his followers to sell everything and put billboards up all over the land and on RV’s or any vehicle that would hold a sign. Yes, many lost their life

savings and were duped by this Christian charlatan. I produced several posters and did as much as I could to counteract this heterodoxy. Now if I was a reporter and wanted to find Harold on May 22nd I'd have to ask my editor for a ticket to the Holy Land right? He'd have followed the command and fled to the Judean hills? Nope! There he was the next day being interviewed at his front door – what a “Christian fail”!



Judgment Day
May 21, 2011

God... now commandeth all men every where to repent: because He has appointed a day, in the which He will judge the world... Acts 17:30-31

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RETURN OF CHRIST

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"He hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world." Acts 17:31

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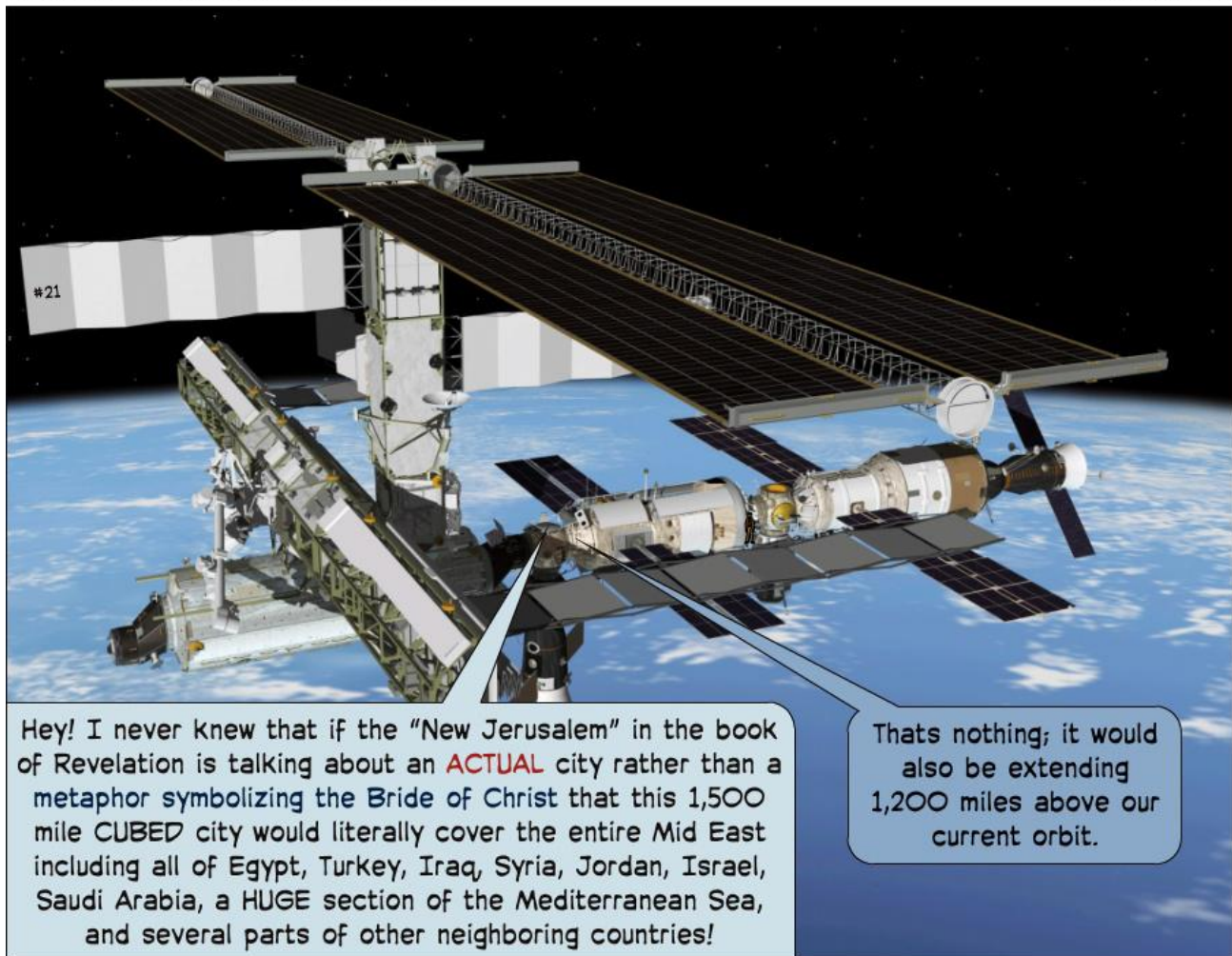
"IS THAT LOU'S PAINTSHOP, I NEED SOME REPAIRS ON MY OUTBACK"

YOU HAVE REACHED LOU'S PAINTSHOP, JOPLIN MISSOURI'S FINEST,
THERE IS NO ONE HERE RIGHT NOW TO TAKE YOUR CALL.
IF YOU'RE NOT BUSY TODAY PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE
HOSPITAL AND HELP US CLEAN UP.
FOR MINOR REPAIRS CALL AGAIN NEXT WEEK

The short list of these false prophets (both living and dead) include many “multi millionaires”, TV Hosts, Televangelists and include such names as Pat Robertson, Jack Van Impe, Hal Lindsay, Grant Jeffries, Jerry Falwell, Tim LaHaye, Jerry Jenkins, Thomas Ice, John MacArthur, Perry Stone and many many others! Aren’t these guys all “evangelicals”? If the answer is “yes”; then the last thing I ever want to be associated with is the prefix of “evangelical” attached to anything I do or have! By now you’re also probably asking yourself: “where are the true and strong Christian leaders calling these deceivers out” for their Deuteronomy 18 damn misrepresentations!

Herman & Nudix 220 miles in space

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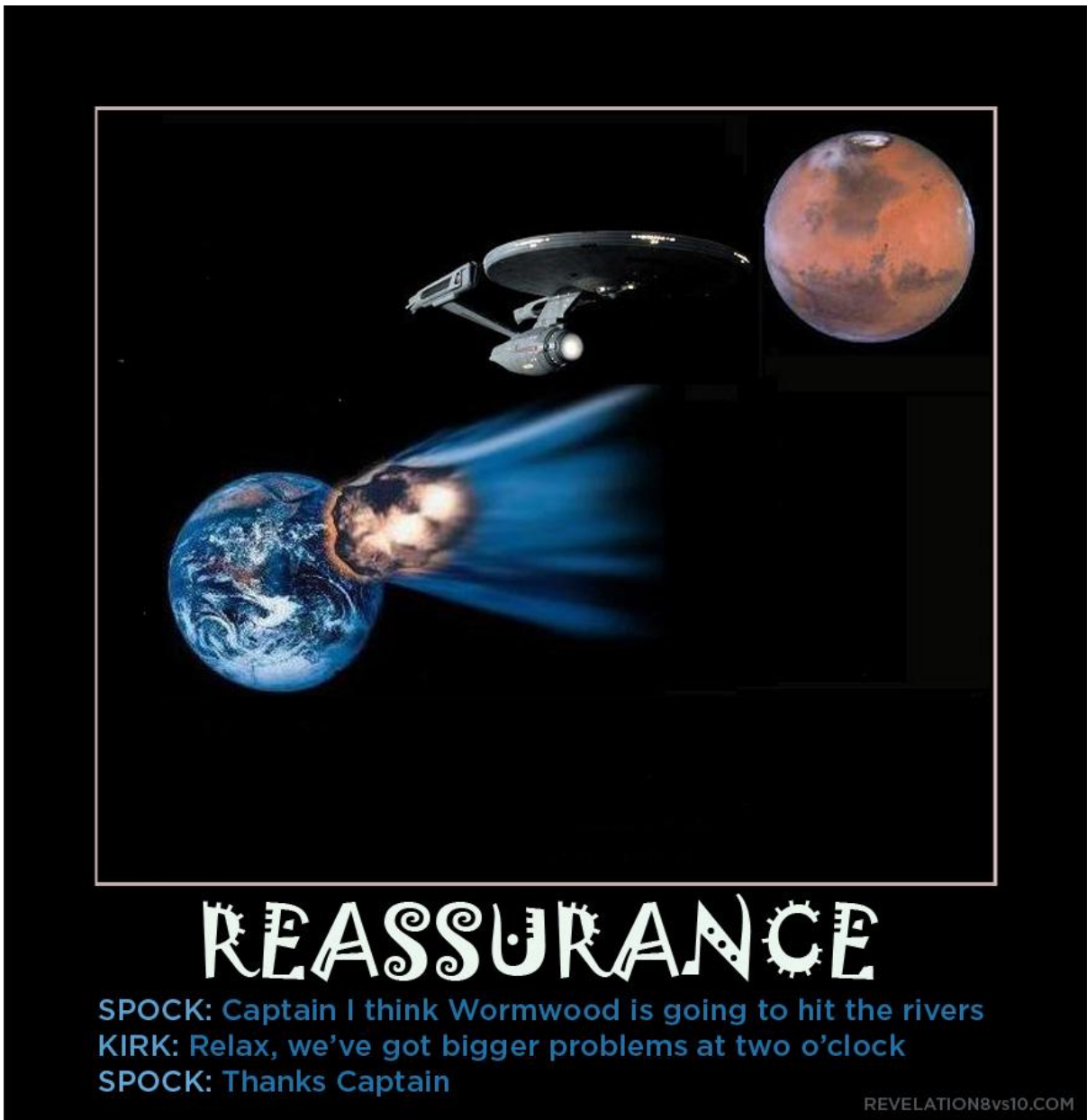


WHERE'S HERMAN

TEXT by Ken Dahl

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The Kingdom and the cube cannot be physical, or the earth would wobble off to destruction no matter how soft the landing was. This puzzle piece is truly a metaphor of “something else” and an excellent example of the many figures of speech in scripture. There truly is a puzzle in the “air”!



CHAPTER 40

REASSURANCE

By July 19, 2010, the Southern USA was in agony over a massive oil spill and contamination. The oil's dispersants were "red" so just on queue out came the prophecy gurus reminding us of Revelation 8. You see when you use "Newspaper Theology" as your primary modus operandi then you will practically find every: "tank", Apache Helicopter, satellite dish, Blackberry, George Bush or Wal*Mart mentioned in Revelation somewhere! So if it isn't a giant cube then it's a giant meteor called "Wormwood" about to hit the earth. Oh Boy! Kirk responds correctly: we've got bigger problems, and they're oh so much closer! I bet you can hardly wait until we talk about "Apocalyptic Literature"! Go ahead and look it up on Wikipedia now if you wish.

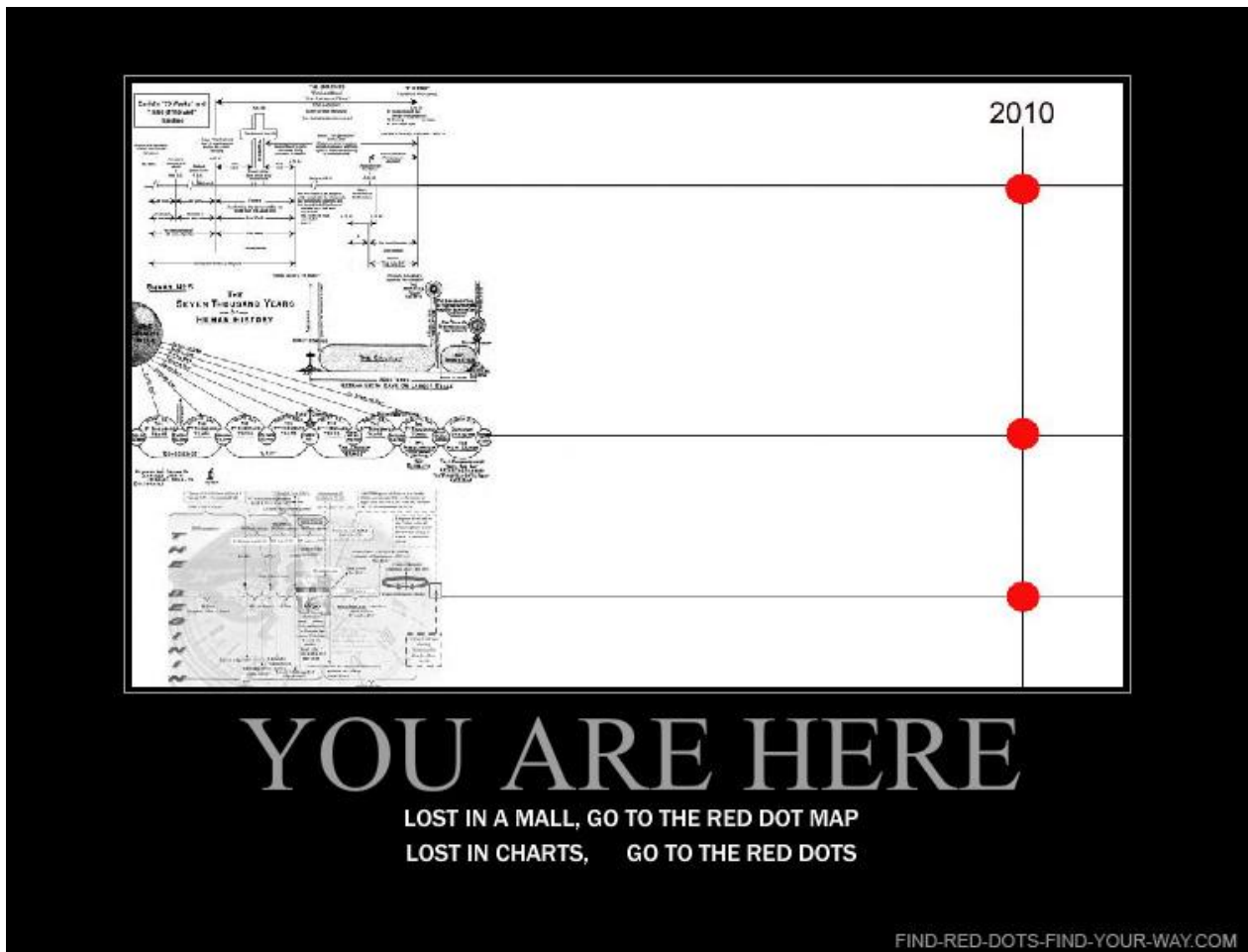


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CHAPTER 41

THE CHARTS

Do you remember those "chart preachers" I mentioned in Chapter 2? It was time now by July 30th to do a few of my own. If you look closely, no matter what eschatology persuasion chart most represents your position, I've made them all in the past. Yes, this represents where I was then in 2010 and where I am now!



2010 AD **100,000 AD**

JUST THINK
 98,000 YEARS FROM NOW
 THESE DAYS WILL BE CALLED THE "EARLY CHURCH"

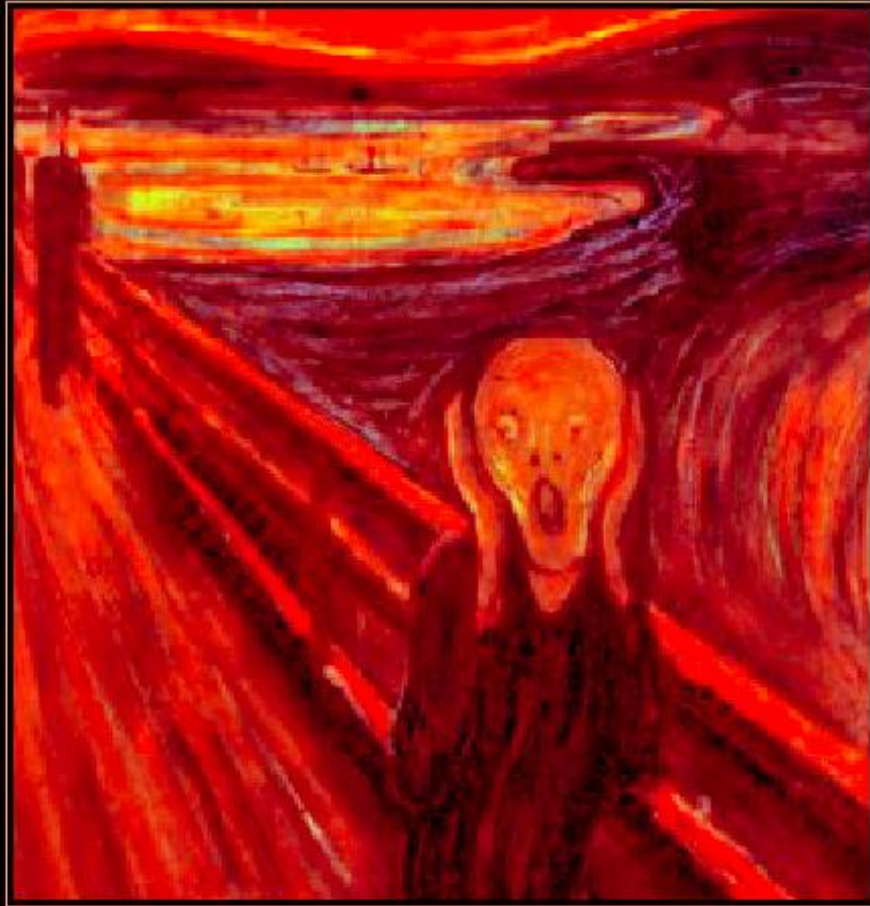
Davies, Noe & Larkin; all on the same page - who knew? Theres'Now-&-Theres'-Then.com

OK, on this one I'm not giving you any hints or clues. Do what it says, stop and think a while, think of the implications. It's no wonder my friends said my profound posters made their heads hurt.

As for the Russian Mig 35, I wondered what an apocalypse would look like in a rear view mirror. For 2000 years we have had all sorts of folks looking ahead and every one of those forward looking folks have been "proven false". On the other hand it's just about time to have another look in the rear view mirror. We teach this to our teenagers when they begin to drive. Maybe it's time to ask our theologians to take a second look in their rear view mirrors as well!

REAR VIEW
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TIME OF THE END

NOT END OF TIME, YOU GUYS THAT KEEP SAYING "END OF TIME"
JUST MAKE ME WANT TO SCREAM

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eskə'täləjē/

Christian eschatology is a major branch of study within Christian theology. Eschatology, from two Greek words meaning last and study, is the study of the end of things, whether the end of an individual life, the end of the age, or the end of the world. ...

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christian_eschatology

According to the traditional definition of eschatology you can see that this paper has had nothing to do so far with future events, the end of things, time, world or anything else. This essay is about the end of the Jewish Mosaic Age of Law and Sacrifices – it's history!

What does the Bible say about the “end of the World”? NOTHING!

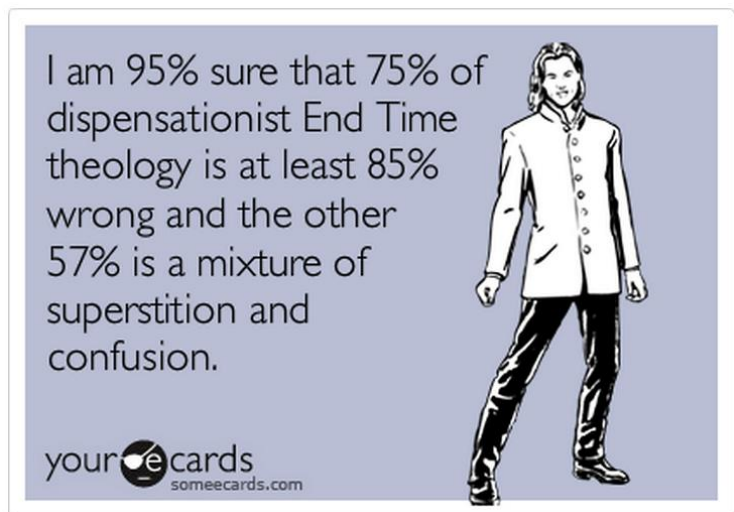
What does the Bible say about the “end of time”? NOTHING!

What does the Bible say about “end times”? NOTHING

No wonder our subject is screaming. He keeps hearing the words of Daniel being twisted around and erased. Consider the actual Bible phrase: “time of the end”. One would have to ask first: the end of what? It's the end of something, not the end of time! Switch the Bible phrase around and all of a sudden you invent “end times” and presuppositionally add events and “time” itself into the study. Add to the mix the mistranslations of the word “aion” by King James and all of a sudden you are reading “world” instead of “age”. With improper translations, the story gets larger and distorted into planetary proportions. You'll notice that modern translations correct some of these errors but to all us folks who grew up on King James we have a round globe pictured in our brains, even though we're reading the “time statement” word “age”.

The screamer is aware of the two ages in the Jewish scheme. First is the Moses Age and second is the Messianic Age. The Bible writers often called the Mosaic Age in which they were living “this present age” and called the Messianic age “the age to come”. It's not the “age to come” **for us**, it was the age to come **for them!** The Messianic Age is a never ending age. If you're not in it today then you're still back in the age of: law, ritual, sacrifice, temples, priests, blood, lambs and Gifelta fish (yuck!).

In summary, if you don't get the answer correct for “what it's the end of” then you and I go off in opposite directions. If Daniel isn't talking about the end of Mosaic Judaism (when the “continual burnt-offering was to be taken away”) then I am dead wrong! ^a



a ... And he said: 'Go thy way, Daniel; for the words are shut up and sealed till the **time of the end**. ...And from **the time that the continual burnt-offering shall be taken away**, and the detestable thing that causes appalment set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days. Happy is he that waits, and comes to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. But go your way till the end be; and you shall rest, and shall stand up to your lot, at the end of the days.' Daniel 12:9-13



CHAPTER 43

ACTUALLY

(no concordance can find them)

This is a short list of the many words and phrases we have taken for granted, assuming that they must be in there somewhere! Maybe you're surprised as many others are when they cannot find the phrases "second coming of Christ", or "Millennium", or "end of time" or even "end of the world" (if you translate aion correctly)! You've already noticed that "Battle of Armageddon" and "Judgment Day" are also prominent missing phrases.

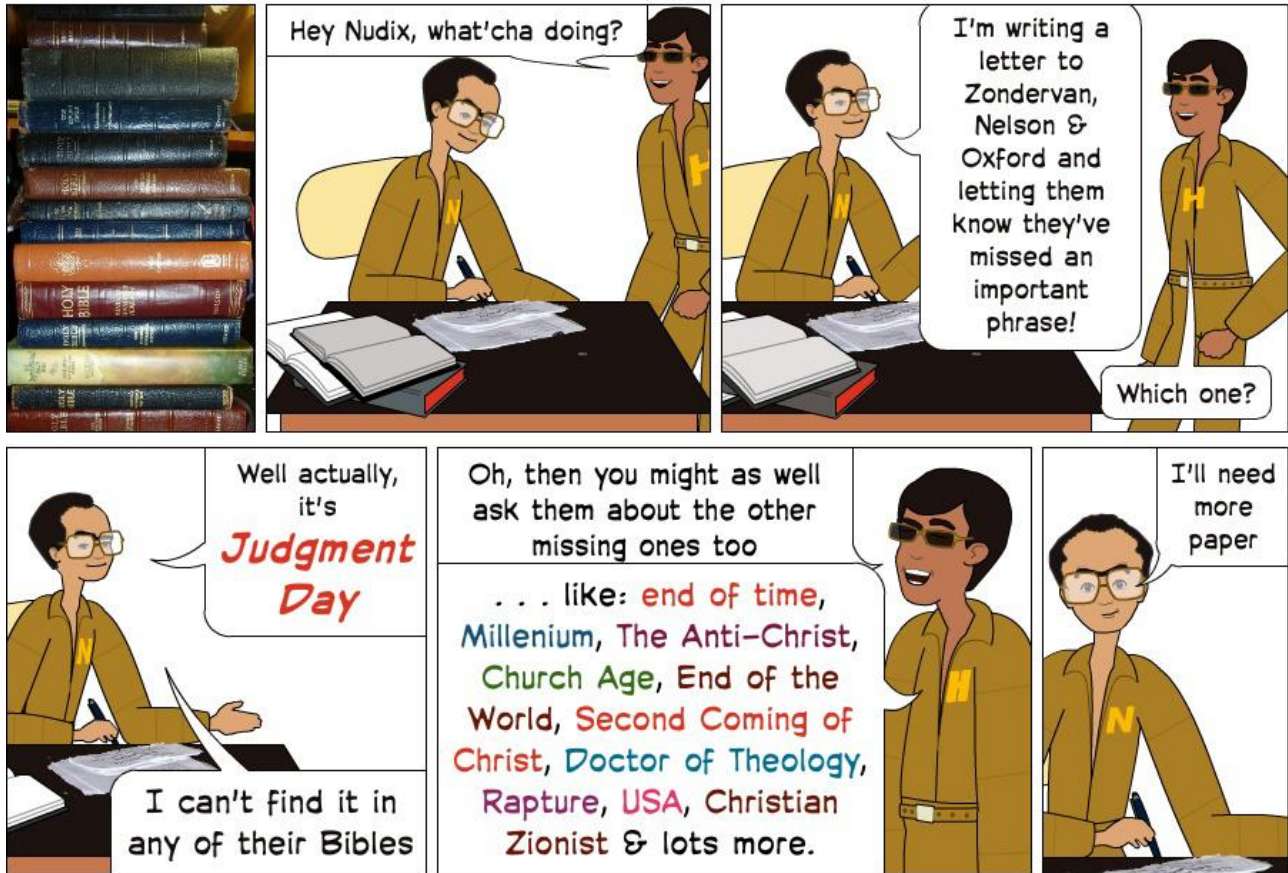
By taking a Biblical thought and distilling it down into another phrase the end result is sometimes the opposite to the intent as we discovered in the distortion of "time of the end". Let's consider "Millennium" for instance. The number 1000, when used throughout scripture, is referring to an infinite amount – the way it is used it means "all". Think about the hills that God owns the cattle on. Is there only One Thousand hills? What about hill #1001 or hill #32,590. He owns the cattle on ALL hills, doesn't he? If David was in God's house for 1 day, but he was somewhere else for 1001 days would the "elsewhere" then be better? I hardly think so! David was saying that 1 day was better than any and every other day! So John when he speaks of 1000 years is merely saying a long long time – like maybe ALL or FOREVER. By naming this infinite period the term "Millennium", the prophecy teachers are tied into a specific length of

time when every other use of the number 1000 is never anything adding up to 1000 items of anything!

False teachers such as Camping also use these non Biblical phrases on their billboards. One of his classics is that of "Judgment Day"! (pg 64) Even Herman & Nudix are having trouble finding these phrases even though they own a huge stack of Bibles!

Herman & Nudix and Judgment Day

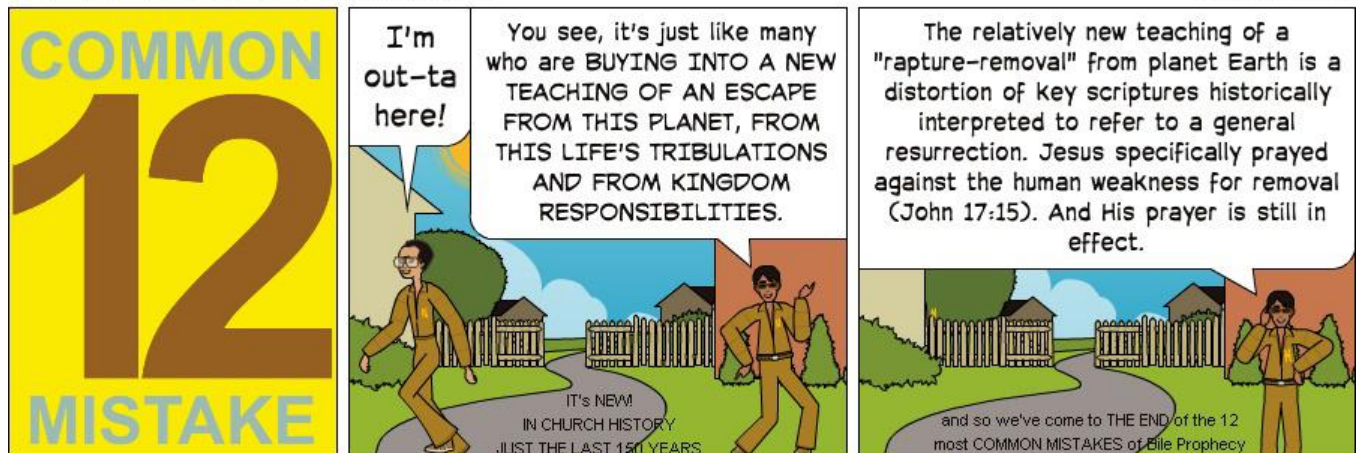
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Herman & Nudix and "Mistake #12"

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CHAPTER 44

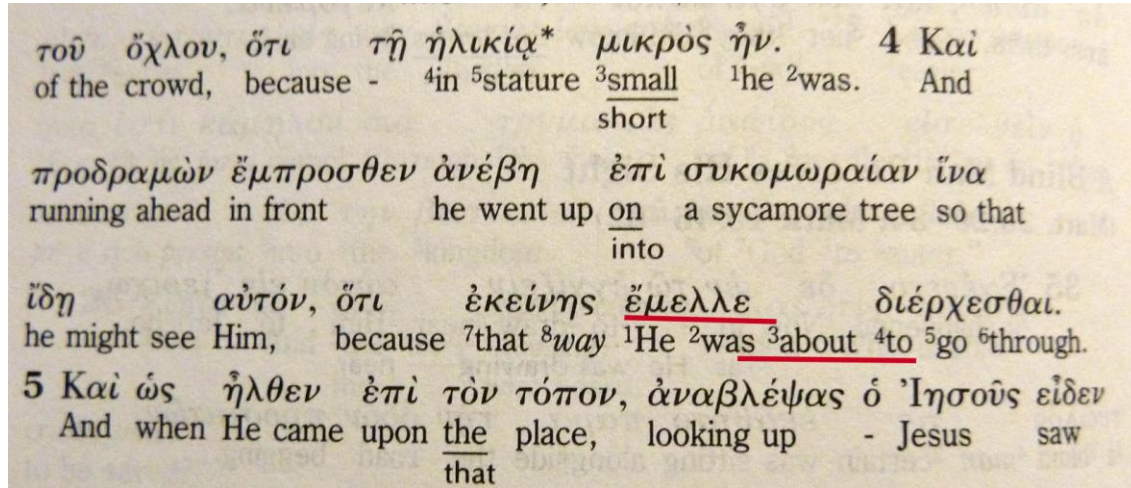
MELLO

Posted Feb 15 2011

The “Chill Out” poster may just be a little out of sequence but might just fit in here since I was exploring words and common phrases not found anywhere in my Bible. Perhaps the “granddaddy” of all is MELLO, so it’s about time we talk about one of the elephants in the room. One of the best illustrations of the word I found was in Edward Goodie’s book *Creeds, Credentials or Christ*. He begins chapter 13 by telling a story of an elementary school classroom where the teacher has been called to the principal’s office, and the rowdies of the class have gone to the black board to cause a little havoc. You and a fellow student have been asked to be scouts at the front and back door of the classroom. All you have to do is shout out when the teacher is about to come back to the class so the culprits can get back to their seats.

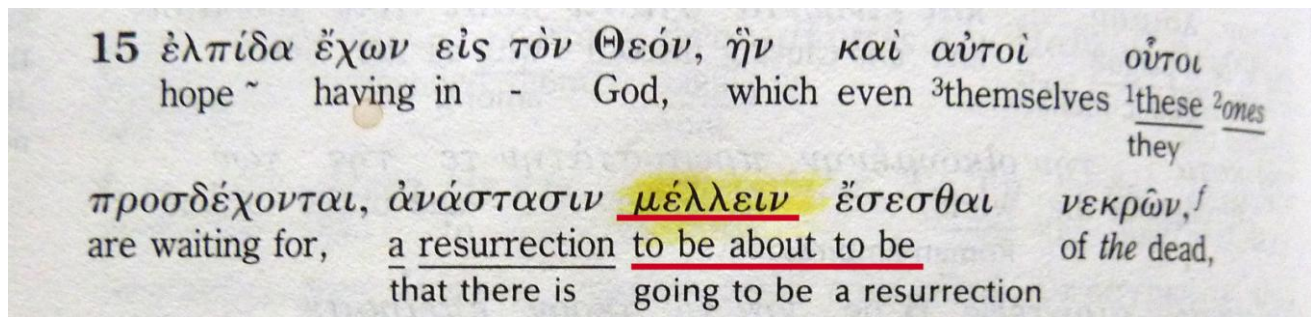
Sure enough, the teacher is about 35 feet from your door, and you yell back into the room: “The teacher shall come back to the class”. At such a warning call no one would move since all students knew from the start that the teacher “would” return. If the warning was “will return” or “should return” or “may return” the vagueness persists even though a degree of certainty remains. Was your job as a watchman to give “certainty” or to warn of an impending event? You only said “shall” and no one moved, you were supposed to say: “the teacher is about to come back to class”

The dilemma before us is that MELLO is the “about to” word. It’s right there in the Greek yet the translators have watered it down to a weak “will”, “shall” or “may”. Consider the story of Zacchaeus when he climbed up the Sycamore tree, he did so because Jesus was “ABOUT TO” go through. There is no way that anyone would translate the story as “Running ahead he



climbed a Sycamore tree to see Jesus because He will come by that way” The text is from the “NKJV GREEK ENGLISH INTERLINEAR” published by Thomas Nelson. Notice that the compilers, editors, translators know the meaning of MELLO underlined in red. This is Strong’s G3199, but I am sure they would also have: Vines Theological Dictionary, Thayers Greek-English Lexicon, Analytical The Greek Lexicon and Bauer-Arndt-Gingrich’s Second Edition at their disposal.

Now consider Acts 24: 15 below. Notice how the underlined and yellow highlighted word is again rendered as “about to be to be”. Sounds pretty much like what our lookout should have said when the teacher was 35’ from the classroom door. Right?



Now look in every translation you own. The “mello” is missing! If it’s not missing entirely then it’s been changed to a watered down “will” or a weakly “shall”! You probably do not own these two versions; The Literal Translation of the Holy Bible, Or Young’s Literal Translation, but if you had one then you would have found:

Act 24:15 ... having hope toward God, which they themselves also wait for, **that there is about to be** a rising again of the dead, both of righteous and unrighteous;

If I had 36 pages like other authors we could go verse by verse and but let's just sum it up. Basically in all stories and epistles in Greek text "mello" is translated as it should be with an "about to" in the sentence. There is one category that doesn't get the "about to" translation. They are the verses with the four main eschatological events in them. Here the translators use "shall", "will", "should" or "may". Now before I hear you whisper "conspiracy theory" I have come to the conclusion that it may not be intentional. After years and years of training and being told that the four events are yet to happen then the apostles and Jesus just can't be saying what they're saying, these poor folks just can't see it. They take an inspired word of Scripture and leave it out or water it down so that the version they now produce conforms to the theology of their day.

You see in the example above Luke is quoting Paul who is saying to the Governor that the "Resurrection" is about to be. That would mean that Paul thought it was soon to take place – like in his lifetime. This is certainly against what most Christians believe today. We know that Theophilus knew what Luke meant in the Zacchaeus story when Jesus was **about to** come by and a little bit later when Luke writes again he uses that "**about to**" to describe the resurrection. Theophilus knows something we would never be able to deduce from our English translations. They have sanitized Paul's speech and all other usage of the eschatological use of "mello" so the apostles, Jesus and Bible writers do not look so bad. We have watered down the inspired words of God so that the Apostle's words match with our theology.

Here's a listing of the "mellos" for your future study.

Matthew 2:13; 3:7; 11:14; 12:32; 16:27; 17:12,22; 20:22; 24:6;
Mark 10:32; 13:4;
Luke 3:7; 7:2; 9:31,44; 10:1; 13:9; 19:4,11; 21:7,36; 22:23; 24:21;
John 4:47; 6:6,15,71; 7:35,39; 11:51; 12:4,33; 14:22; 18:32;
Acts 3:3; 5:35; 11:28; 12:6; 13:34; 16:27; 17:31; 18:14; 19:27; 20:3,7,13,38; 21:27,37;
22:16,26,29; 23:3,15,20,27,30; 24:15; 25:4; 26:2,22,23; 27:2,10,30,33; 28:6;
Romans 4:24; 5:14; 8:13,18,38; 1 Corinthians 3:22;
Galatians 3:23; Ephesians 1:21; Colossians 2:17;
1 Thessalonians 3:4;
1 Timothy 1:16; 4:8; 6:19; 2 Timothy 4:1;
Hebrews 1:14; 2:5; 6:5; 8:5; 9:11; 10:1,27; 11:8,20; 13:14;
James 2:12;
1 Peter 5:1; 2 Peter 2:6;
Revelation 1:19; 2:10; 3:2,10,16; 6:11; 8:13; 10:4,7; 12:4,5; 17:8



REPLACED

IT IS PRESUPPOSITIONAL, CONTEMPORARY EXEGESIS THAT REPLACES
 OLD COVENANT JUDAISM WITH COSMIC, PLANETARY ANNIHILATION.

SO THERE!

Creeds, Credentials, or Christ? p304

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Another set of the great misunderstood words and concepts are “world”, earth, land and age. We had discovered a bit of the confusion in that original phrase “heaven & earth” a temple relationship”, now it’s time to turn to The Greek “kosmos’ (orderly arrangement G2889) “oikoumene” (known world G3625), “aion” (age G165, G104) and the Hebrew “erets” (land, H776) all translated as “world” or “earth”. Our first stop in Genesis One:

You’ll notice that H776 is beside capital “E” Earth when the “land” that is in italics (an indicator that its added for clarity) is the word for erets and should have the H776 beside it. If this were

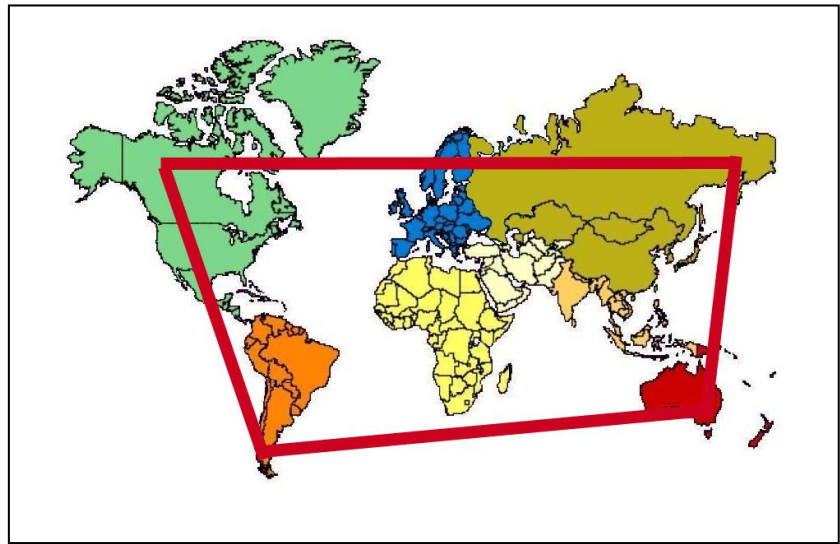
<p>Gen 1:10 And God^{H430} called^{H7121} the dry^{H3004} <i>land</i> Earth;^{H776} and the gathering together^{H4723} of the waters^{H4325} called^{H7121} he Seas:^{H3220} and God^{H430} saw^{H7200} that^{H3588} <i>it was</i> good.^{H2891}</p> <p>Gen 1:11 And God^{H430} said,^{H559} Let the earth^{H776} bring forth^{H18} grass,^{H1877} the herb^{H6212} yielding^{H2232} seed,^{H2233} and the fruit^{H6529} tree^{H6086} yielding^{H6213} fruit^{H6529} after his kind,^{H43} whose^{H834} seed^{H2233} is in itself, upon^{H5921} the earth:^{H776} and was^{H1961} so.^{H3651}</p> <p>Gen 1:12 And the earth^{H776} brought forth^{H3318} grass,^{H1877} and herb^{H6212} yielding^{H2232} seed^{H2233} after his kind,^{H4327} and the tree^{H6086} yielding^{H6213} fruit,^{H6529} whose^{H834} seed^{H2233} was</p>	<p>^{H776} ^{H776} erets eh'-rets From an unused root probably meaning to <i>be firm</i>; the <i>earth</i> (at large, or partitively a <i>land</i>): - X common, country, earth, field, ground, land, X nations, way, + wilderness, world. Strong's Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries</p>
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so, then the capital “E” Earth word is the “added” word. No big deal you say, except you can see even in the first 10 verses how the story goes from: land, dirt, soil to the planet Earth in our sun’s solar system. The reader in this case has no choice but to see “Earth” as planet not simply land! Did you notice all the other H776’s in that section? Well now, just start going through the Bible and see how the story changes if you put in “land” instead of “earth”!

Let’s try Revelation; I see messengers standing on the four corners of the land. Now I’m pretty sure The Greek word “ghay” (Strongs G1093) means land or Young would not have put it in

Rev 7:1 And after these things I saw four messengers, standing upon the four corners of the land, holding the four winds of the land, that the wind may not blow upon the land, nor upon the sea, nor upon any tree; YLT

there. Since it’s a Jewish story it makes you think about the shape of Israel’s borders and sure enough the land has “corners” (see below) . Now the translator has a pallet of words for “ghay”. Soil is one, so is “region” but the last is “world”. Look what happens when all your favourite versions have angels going to the four corners of the earth. The story becomes huge and extends to: Lima Peru, and Sydney Australia, Magadan Russia and even Saskatoon!



So our poster is quite simple. Is the world, especially the one that was “ending soon” the Jewish world as **they** knew it or a cataclysmic annihilation of planet Earth as **you** know it?

The above verse unfortunately has lead many Bible folks in the past to think that the world they lived on was flat and had corners. When the “big” world view is taken on this verse then many misconceptions occur. Galileo suffered as he tried to explain to the church fathers, what every school kid knows today. However then, responding to mounting controversy over theology, astronomy and philosophy, the Roman Inquisition tried Galileo in 1633 and found him "gravely suspect of heresy", sentencing him to indefinite imprisonment. Sadly, Galileo was kept under house arrest for the rest of his life. What if they had realized that “land” was Eretz Israel? That really changes the story. Especially for Galileo!

I had always been taught that just before the LORD comes the Gospel would finally be preached all over “the world”. The great commission was used by missionary folks to help complete this task and the sooner, the better. If I had been told then that there were verses in the Bible that told that such a task had already been completed I wouldn’t have believed it. Naw, there couldn’t even be one verse! If there was such a verse we would have certainly memorized it and the preachers would have certainly changed their timing on things. Boy was I surprised!

PROPHECY

Mat 24:14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be proclaimed in all the world (oikoumene) as a witness to all nations. And then the end shall come.

FULFILLMENT

Rom 10:18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes indeed, their voice went out into all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. (oikoumene)

PROPHECY

Mar 13:10 And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations. (ethnos)

FULFILLMENT

Rom 16:26 but now has been made plain, and by the prophetic Scriptures, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations (ethnos) for the obedience of faith;

PROPHECY

Mar 16:15 And He said to them, Go into all the world (kosmos), proclaim the gospel to all the creation.

FULFILLMENT

Col 1:6 which has come to you as *it has* also in all the world (kosmos), and it is bearing fruit, even also among you, since the day you heard and fully knew the grace of God in truth,

PROPHECY

Mar 16:15 And He said to them, Go into all the world, proclaim the gospel to all the creation. (ktisis)

FULFILLMENT

Col 1:23 if indeed you continue in the faith grounded and settled, and *are* not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which you have heard *and* which was proclaimed in all the creation (ktisis) under Heaven, of which I, Paul, became a minister,

PROPHECY

Act 1:8 But you shall receive power, the Holy Spirit coming upon you. And you shall be witnesses to Me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to *the* end of the earth. (gelland)

FULFILLMENT

Rom 10:18 But I say, Have they not heard? Yes indeed, their voice went out into all the earth, (gelland) and their words to the end of the world.

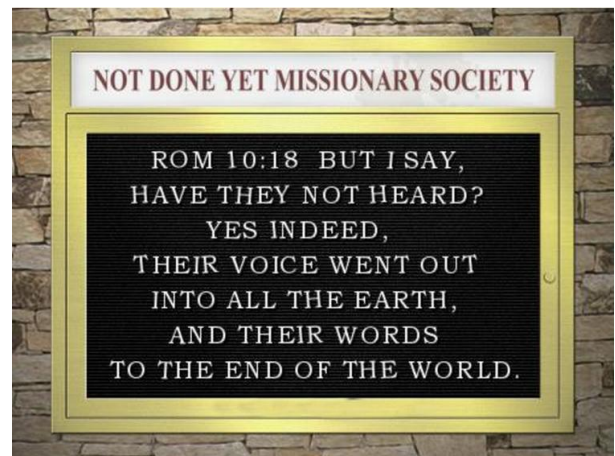
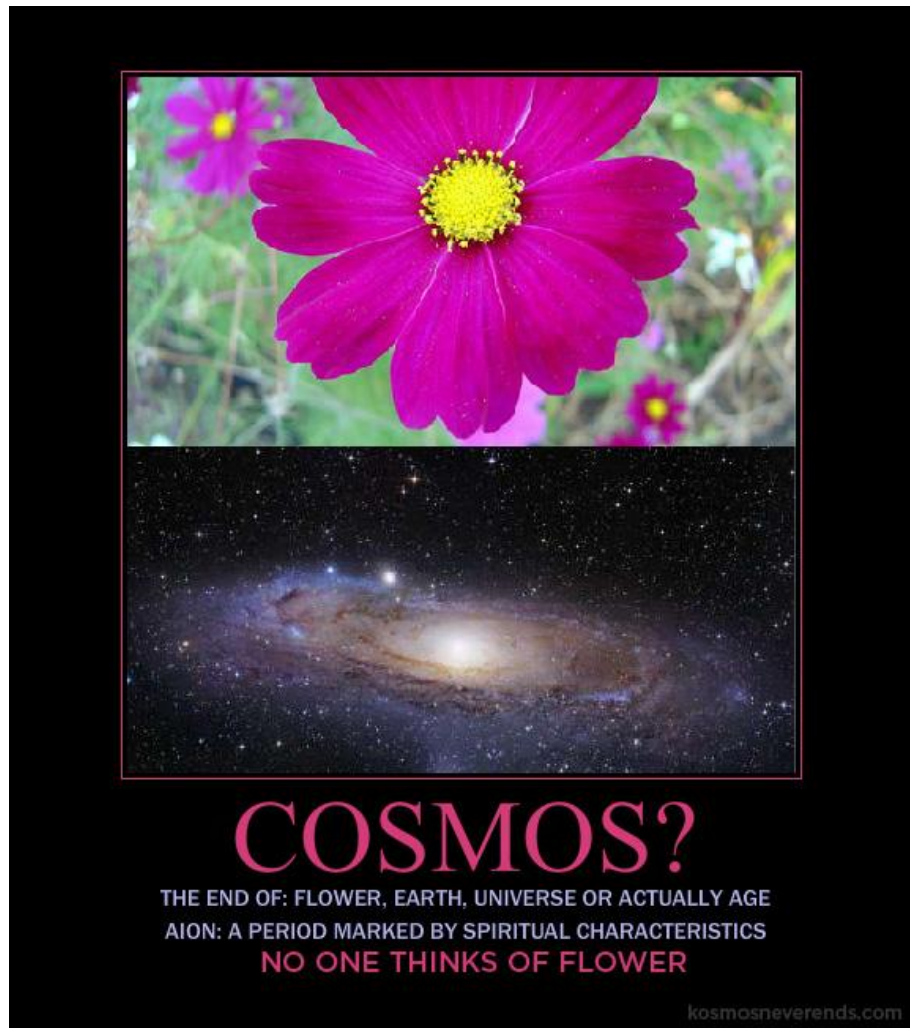
Somehow I think I'll never find any of those "fulfillment" verses on the "Welcome Letterboards" of any Mission Society Head office or anywhere in any of their brochures.

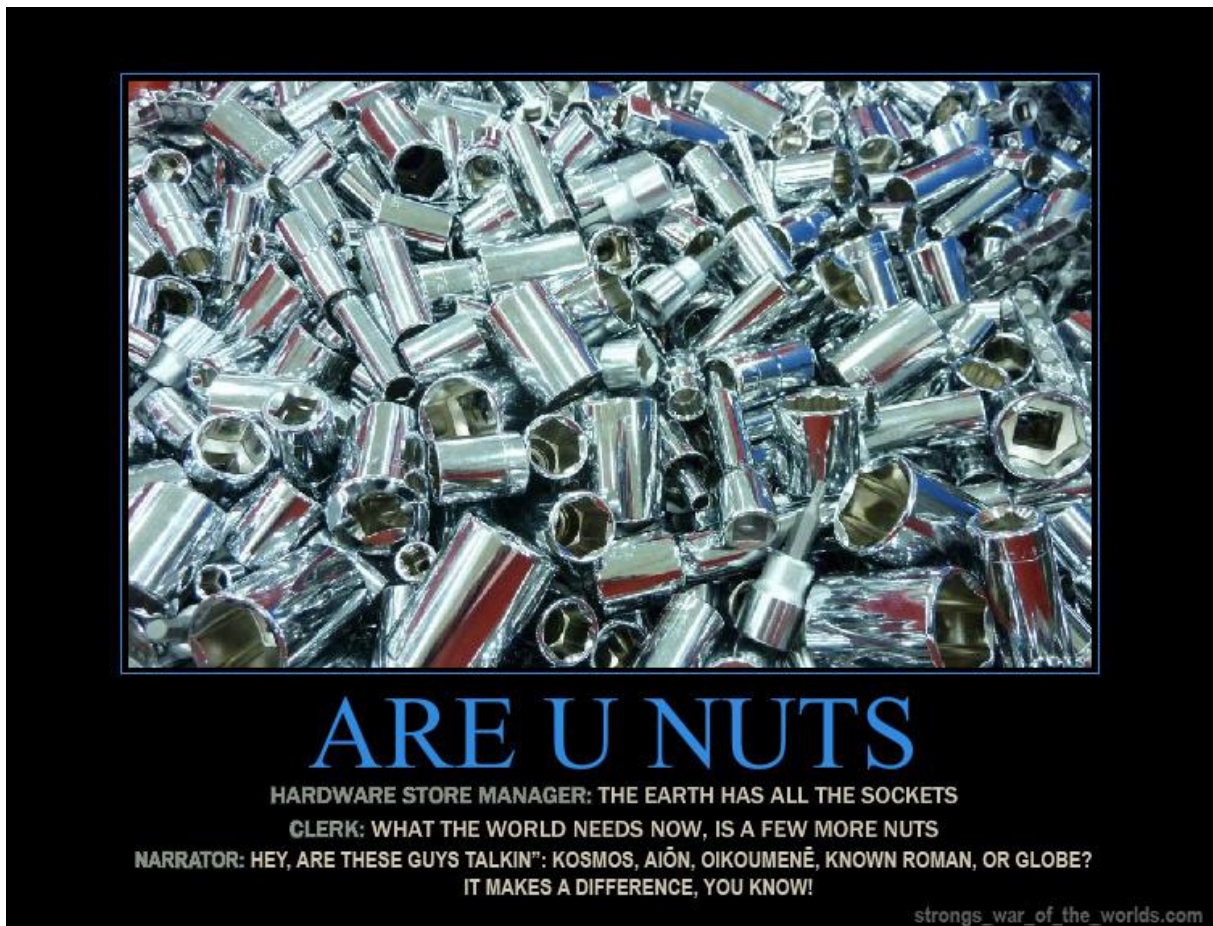
If you're not from the Ontario town of Uxbridge, you might not even know that Cosmos is a flower. You might be thinking it's some huge "universe" word, right? What about world? I know you don't think it's a period of "time" so listen to these questions:

RIGHT QUESTION: "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

WRONG QUESTION: "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the universe, galaxy, world as we know it, "end of time"?"

Weird: We read "age" (Greek aion – period of time) but think "earth" (Greek kosmos) Again we have to thank King Jimmy for this misconception that many of us have! You're right, no one thinks "flower"! For God so loved the kosmos (John 3:16) then he asks you to "do not love the Kosmos" 1 John 2:15. I appeal to you if you don't get your "worlds", "earths", "ages" and "dirt" correct, you'll be loving the wrong stuff, you'll be thinking the wrong thing has ended and smelling the wrong plant. Kosmos means: "the order of" – "a system of things in order". If it is written that "the ordered things" are ending then I'm quite happy to see that Jesus and the disciples are talking about the Temple order, the order of the Jerusalem society and the order of the Jewish folks in Eretz Israel; And yes, indeed those "ordered things" all came to a crashing end.



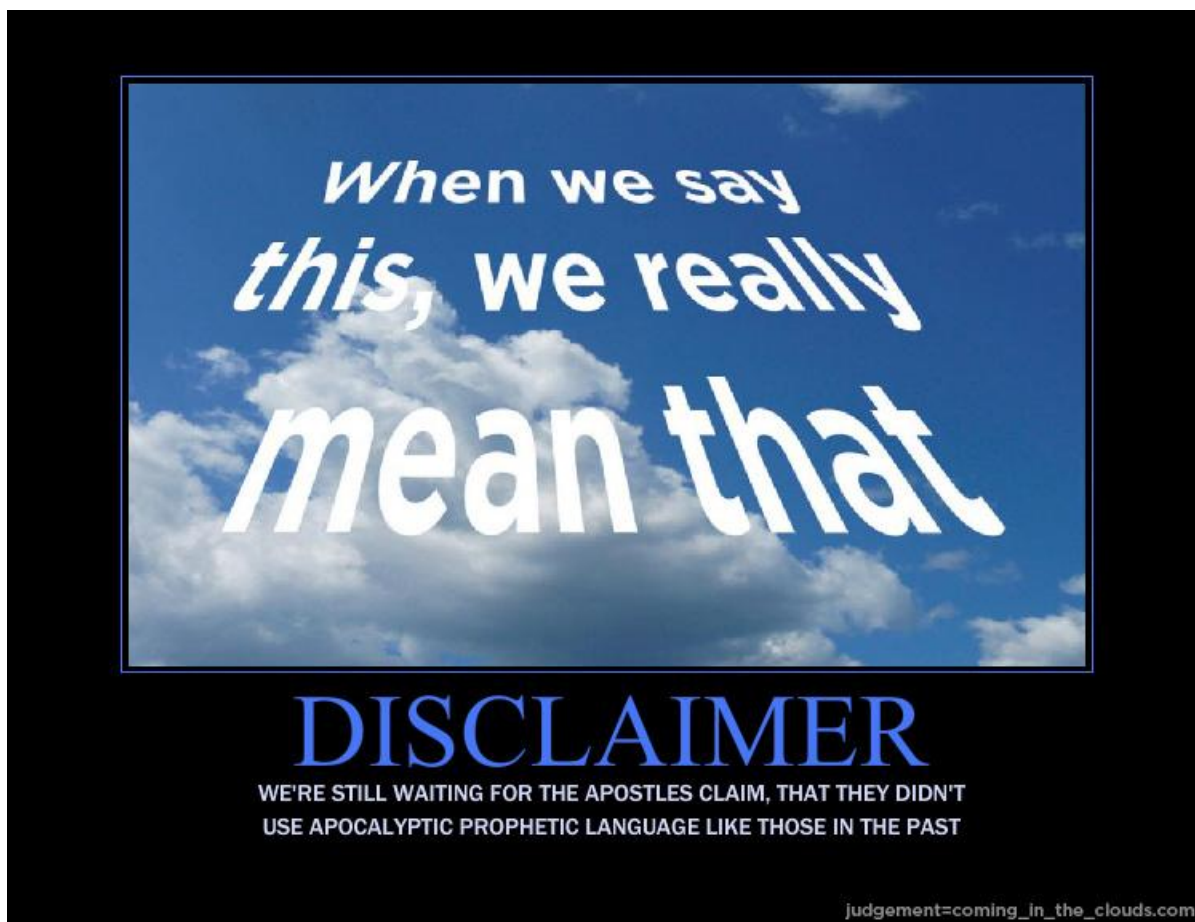


CHAPTER 46

DISCLAIMER

Apocalyptic language is probably the richest yet most misunderstood area of scripture. The ancient writers used a full pallet of figures of speech (probably not all 300 but close to it) In explaining things that had just occurred (such as a successful battle) or things that were to happen in the future; the concrete things were spoken of as figurative. Every phrase and sentence is bound in: Metaphors, Similes, Chiasms (balanced structure), Hyperbole, (exaggerations), Puns, Euphemisms, and every kind of Idiom going. In this literary style: stars fall, clouds carry God, chariots are made of fire, the sun vanishes, swords drink, skies get rolled up like scrolls, mountains soak up blood and there are lots of wars, distress, earthquakes, hail and heavens and earths passing away. They come in the form of: victory chants, songs in Psalms, rants against certain kings and countries. They appear in questions about the destruction of Jerusalem's Temple, and the demise of the Mosaic Hebrew religion. Now to a Jewish reader these visuals would be taken as the figurative embellished language. Obviously if the words were to be taken literally all a person in those days would have to do is look out the window and see that the sun, stars and the skyline was still there! (even when Babylon, Assyria, Egypt or any other country had been defeated and the world was promised to be destroyed).

The standard method of understanding all apocalyptic language was to first see it as a figurative way of saying the actual. The purpose of the DISCLAIMER posters is to ask a question. If this is

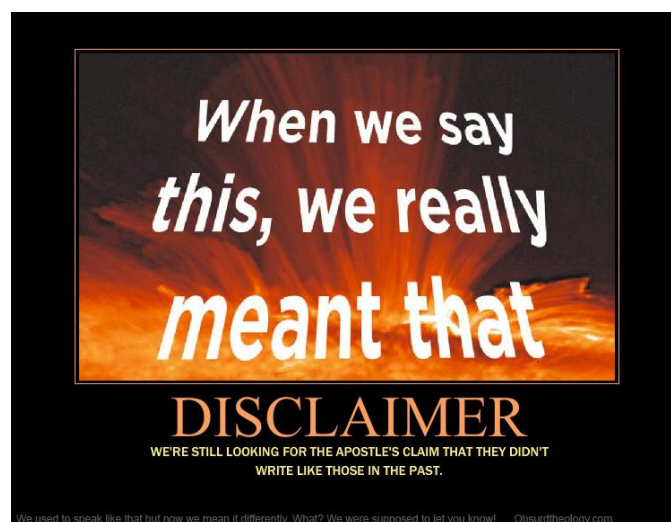


true then when Jesus, Matthew, Mark Peter, Luke, John, Paul and Jude wrote or talked in this way, how would the original readers have understood their words? If they meant something else then they would be obligated to let their readers be on alert and announce that even though all previous Bible writers used this language in a certain way, they were now using it in a completely different way.

They should have left at least one verse that directed their audience to **take literally** all that they had said or inform them that they should close up the book since these terrible exaggerated things wouldn't be happening to them but to a generation 2000 years from then.

There is no such verse. They kept saying that their words were for them, the original audience and Jesus pleads with John to please "don't close up the book" because "the time" is at hand!

...they would be obligated to let their readers be on alert and announce that even though all previous Bible writers used this language in a certain way they were now using it in a completely different way.



I did two "disclaimers" because there seems to be as much "clouds" as "fire".



CHAPTER 47

VANISHED

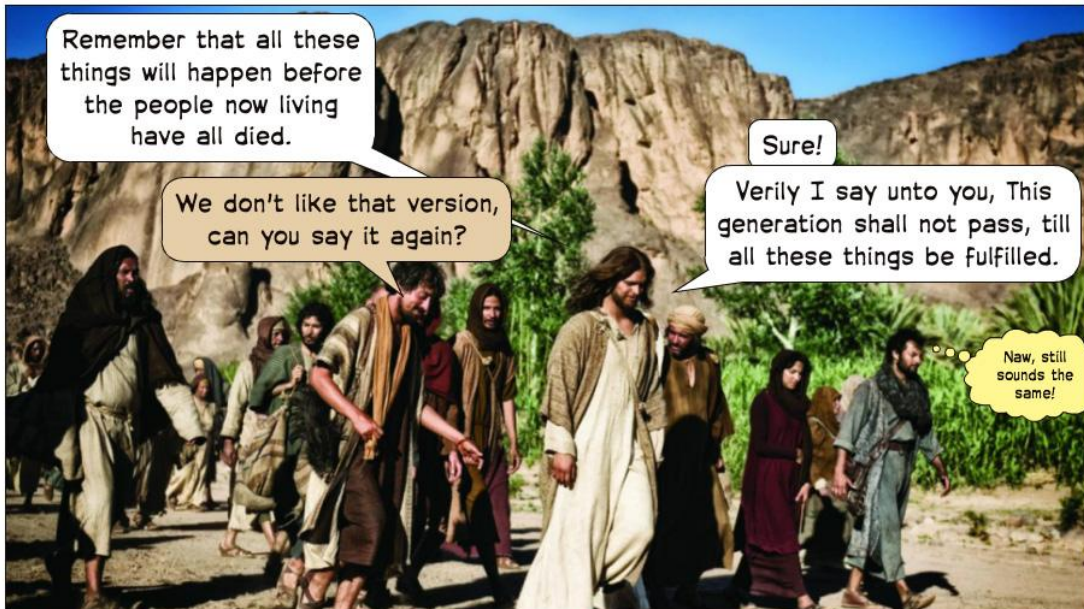
It appears that on Aug 29, 2010 I took seriously the words of Hebrews 8:13 and had accepted that “what was becoming obsolete” (when the writer wrote), was on or about AD71 all gone. Vanished! It was of course: the 1st Covenant, Heaven & Earth, the Jewish Kosmos, the Mosaic Age that had vanished!

CHAPTER 48

GENERATION

Verily not all will die until...

by joeperrott



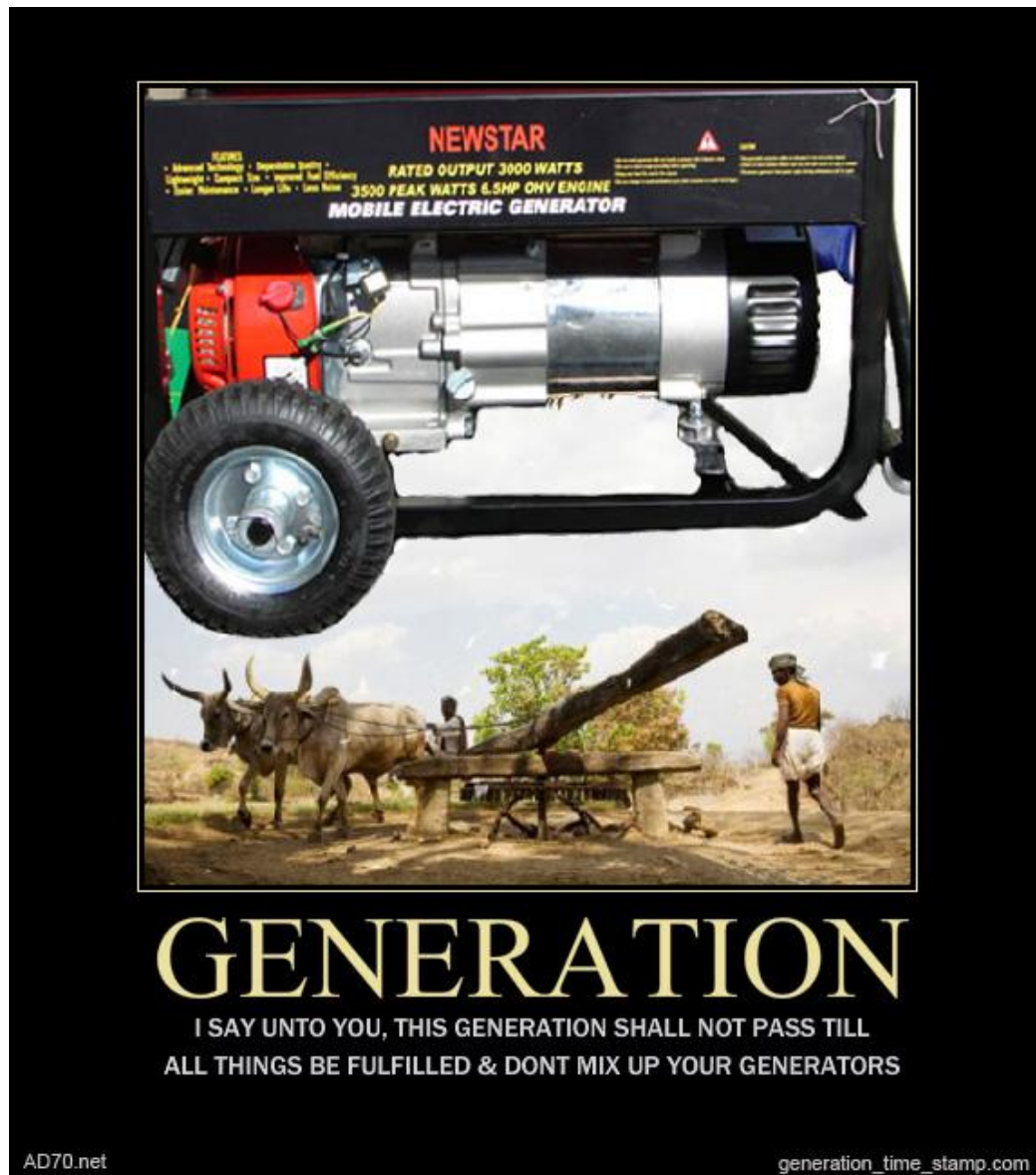
Remember that all these things will happen before the people now living have all died.

We don't like that version, can you say it again?

Sure!

Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

Naw, still sounds the same!



Jesus in his discussions often (quoting Isaiah) used the phrase “this generation”. Now you’d think the Bible prophecy guys would see the consistency and understand it is the exact generation to whom Jesus is speaking to in all cases. Unfortunately, when eschatology is involved they will tell us that since the “right” generation is the one that will see the end of the world, or the end of time or at least the Rapture, then it must be our generation today – this one here in 2014 and beyond. Twisting and sidestepping they’ve told us that “this generation” is not a “time period” (usually 40 yrs) but in this case in the Olivet Discourse is actually meant as a people group or the ones that actually see the literal “signs” of mountains splitting and cloud platforms and trumpets blowing and angels collecting. The problem is that Jesus in speaking to his disciples is saying that “all things will happen” before you guys all die. I imagined that just like today some of them wouldn’t like that and ask Jesus to repeat himself in a little more watered down way. Instead he repeats it but clarifies “the generation” and that it’s them that will see the fulfillment! Is it generation then or generation now? Like the poster says: I hope you don’t get your “generators” mixed up!



AS A THIEF

HE SAID 'AS' A THIEF IN THE NIGHT
WHICH MEANS UNEXPECTEDLY AND IN UNEXPECTED PLACES AND WAYS

YES! THOSE ZEALOTS & ROMANS SURE WERE SURPRISED

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CHAPTER 49

AS A THIEF

Just wonderin', A thief usually comes at night and “in a way” you didn't expect. Well, if Jesus is coming as thief in the night couldn't that mean He might come in the side window, instead of the front door? Could He come during the best part of the day, instead of at night when no one could see Him? During His lifetime on earth the Pharisees couldn't accept Him because He came in a form and in a way they didn't expect. In a few pages you are going to be exposed to a hundred Bible texts that are speaking to the original hearers and readers. What could they have possibly expected? How can the writer be plainer? Who are we today to claim that he didn't do it exactly how we thought and expected and in our time so we get to see it? You're right, that's not how thieves do it!

It's time for our **SECOND INTERMISSION** so take a break, refill your glass or mug and we'll have a little fun with translations in this little interlude.

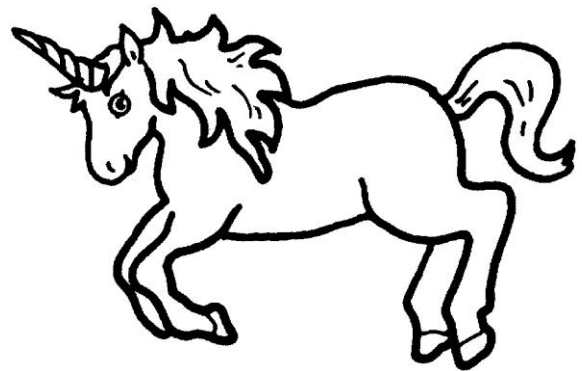


By the pool lay a great multitude waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain season into the pool, and troubled the water: whosoever then first after the troubling of the water stepped in was made whole of whatsoever disease he had. John 5:4

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We sometimes might correct someone who thinks that the Bible says : “God helps those who helps themselves” and politely say to them that it’s not found in the Bible. You’d be right, on the modern translations but if you look closely in the KJV there it is, in John 5:4 the concept is clearly stated. You’re going to check out your NIV on the break and see exactly what John 5:4 says, right? Nothing as in “blank”.



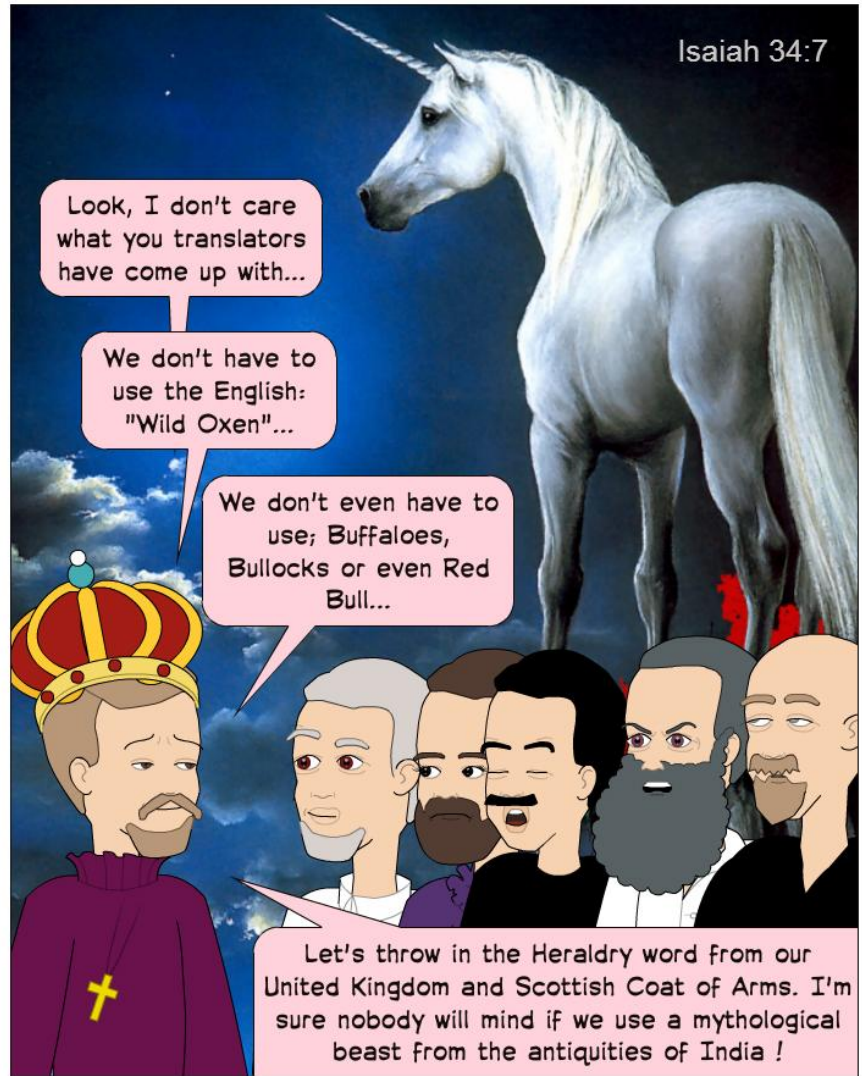
Easter Bunny, Care Bears, Leprechauns, Unicorns and the Tooth Fairy; there’s just some things you would not expect to find in God’s Holy Word. Right?

How King James Inserted Unicorn

by joeperrott

King Jimmy thought differently. Remember him? The guy who put "world" in for "age", "mansions" in for "abode" now he's at it with Unicorns.

Whereas most modern translations have just one or two mentions of "pastors", King James puts in at least NINE. The exact number of Unicorn verses. Now how's that for a tie game?



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Very few preachers ever talk about the Comma Johanneum so you probably never even noticed it. It occurs in 1 John 5:7 and 8. Your King James Bible will have both verses 7 & 8 complete, while nearly every other translation has only verse 7. However, the contents are strung over both verses, so it doesn't look like one is missing like in John 5:4. Why wouldn't they put in verse 8? Simply it's just not in any Greek text. But there below, I see it, right? Well actually not, they put it in afterwards – whoops!

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 ΤΟΙΝΑ ΕΣΤΙΝ ΙΟ
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 ΚΑΝΟΜΕΝ ΗΜΑΡ

Scholars were coming to the church where the forgery was displayed and kept turning to 1 John 5 so often, they eventually had to build a glass case and keep the manuscript open to 1st John 5. It is well beyond the scope of this essay to comment on the hundreds of books that have been written on this subject other than to say that the inserted bogus KJV verse 8 is a major occurrence of “Trinity” evidence! At least the NIV and New King James are pretty “clean”.

Right?

The “Rupert” cartoon is actually about a guy named Rupert Murdoch. His worth is in the Billions (like about 12) and he is said to be the 24th most powerful man in the world. To say he was in

Herman & Nudix and the Rupert

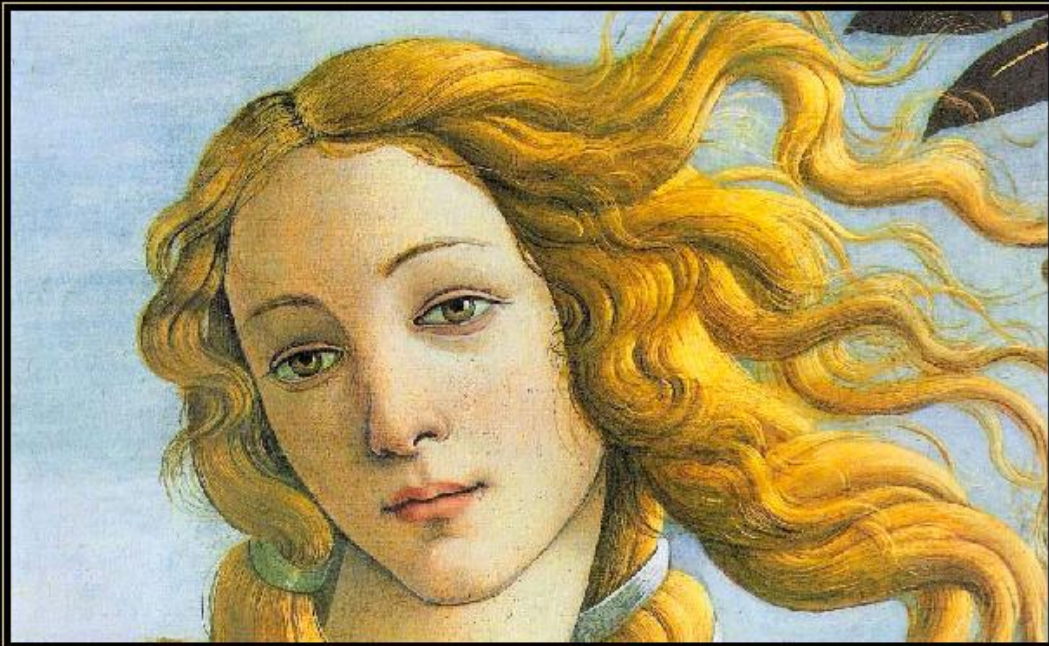
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“publishing” would be an understatement. So you know the Christian names Zondervan and Thomas Nelson, they publish the NIV and NKJV. They have been purchased by companies owned by Rupert. “No problem”, you say. You could be right because we can trust Mr. Murdock. He assures us that there will be no insertions from the other company he owns – PENTHOUSE. The Christian community has been assured that there will be no content from his editing room cutting floor stitched into his Bible products. Sure, just like King Jimmy didn’t slip in “mansions”, two “men” in the same bed and “beasts” from his coat of arms!

OK, that’s enough fun for now, back to the topic,

INTERMISSION’S OVER



LUCIFER

YA KNOW, THE LONGER AND LONGER I LIVE, I FIND
THERE'S MORE AND MORE I WISH I HADN'T KNOWN

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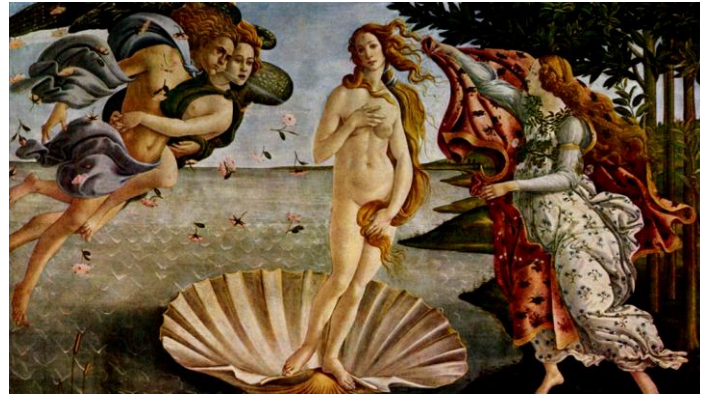
Pretend you work for an ad agency and the boss has just asked for the French translation of your client's new "Corn Flakes" cereal. They have seen the English cut sheets but now they want to see the three dimensional box and your job before the meeting is to prepare the French side of the cereal box. You do a perfect job, but then the boss comes in and asks you to change one of the words to "Russian". You think this rather odd since this is a "French" document after all! You then get him back and revert some of the French words back into the "sounds like English" words (transcription) complete with capital letters. If someone at your work had ever checked you'd sure be embarrassed, especially if the client pointed out the foreign languages on the French side of the box.

So what on earth is Botticelli's "Birth of Venus" doing on a "Lucifer poster? How are the two connected? Well, they're not but the planet Venus is! The ancient people in Bible times had thought the sky was a huge moving play and each night the stars told the stories. They had noticed several of the stars moved around and wandered all over the place so called them: "Wandering Stars" or what we call Planets.

They had noticed one that came up just before dawn, but didn't go across the sky like all the other stars. They thought this star must be weaker. It merely hung to the horizon and was called "The Morning Star". Now in my research I've stopped and asked folks "who or what is the Morning Star"?

I only get two answers: Venus and Jesus!

If we went to the culprit text of Isaiah 14:12 in all major translations we find the Hebrew word *hêylêl* (Strongs H1966) translated as "Morning Star" (or Day Star) there is only one English translation that I know of that inserts a foreign word. It's the Latin word that means the same star in the sky (Venus) – Lucifer! You're kidding me, right? One verse and in one



How King James Invented Lucifer

by joeperrott



ancient translation, Wow! When I do another question “who or what is Lucifer” no one has yet to say: “I’ve never heard the word”, or “what are you talking about”.

The most common response is: “That’s easy, It’s Satan’s name, he’s a fallen angel, in fact, the leader and he’s out to get you”. No one ever says: “Oh yes, that’s the Latin for “Morning Star” the planet we call Venus, and occurs only once in Christian folklore”.

When we spoke of figures of speech, we discovered that a lot get missed in translation. Perhaps there are jokes in the puns, rhymes, and euphemisms. Saul goes into a cave to “relieve himself” and Elijah tells the prophets to yell louder because Baal’s possibly “gone to a private place” – like an outhouse. Yes, I think the Bible has bathroom humour. Well, it just might also have “male virile” humour, as well. Let’s call it: “The Bible’s Viagra Joke”.

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The whole section of Isaiah 13 and 14 is titled “**Isaiah’s Rant against Babylon**”. He is dissing and insulting the King in every way he can think of. One way to insult a man would be to tell him you’re just like the flight path of the planet Venus (Morning Star) that just isn’t strong or manly enough. “You’re limp, you’re cast down to the earth” is just the old fashioned way of saying “Oh King, you just can’t get it up”, if you get Isaiah’s gist. The only way to see and adversary “Satan or Lucifer” in the text is to invent him and put him in yourself or rely on commentators who need an angel to fall and just can’t see the joke.

Just as you knew you should not have put in the Russian word so a Latin word should never have been put in an English document. Our parents, friends, children or grandchildren, should never have this Latin word so prevalent in their vocabulary. Never should the dark forces in our communities ever have been given a word to ply on Christian superstitions. So now you know: it’s a name of Jesus, Morning Star, Venus and Lucifer are all the same. Next time you see your favourite biker gang member why not go up to him and compliment him on his tattoo, gang name and club house, saying: “how nice it was that they named it after the Planet Venus and Jesus”!

This brings us to the transcribed words on the cereal box. You ignored the French and went ahead and kept the English making it readable in the French. This is done all the time with country and city names for example. It, however, isn’t usually recommended with regular nouns or adjectives. If one were to use the word “adversary” then, the back of the box should read “adversaire” not capital “A” “Adversary”. So let’s try it with the Hebrew “adversary word”. The English result should be and is in a few cases “adversary”. For the rest of the occurrences

the Hebrew (and Greek) are not translated but transcribed into a pronounceable word and so sâtân and satanas (Hebrew & Greek) are changed into capital "S" Satan. This is quite a powerful change. It takes a word that is "evil neutral" and changes it into the most villainous of all religious creatures and becomes "a name". Now when the opponent "S" word is used to describe God, the angel of the LORD, or King David then it is usually properly translated into English as "adversary".

The trouble with arbitrarily adding a capital "S" to satanas is that all of a sudden you produce such things as a Synagogue of Satan. From the context, it's pretty clear that it should read: "the synagogue of your Jewish persecutors". Just like Saul (now St. Paul) the biggest threat in those days was the persecutors that went out from the head office in Jerusalem. Their job was to: slander, imprison, intimidate, fight, block and perhaps even kill. So when Paul's entourage is said to be hindered by the adversaries so they couldn't be on their way, was it the Jewish persecutors in the vicinity or an invisible fallen angel that hindered them on the road?

Peter in his 1st letter spends five chapters talking about the "persecution" and then in the middle warns the folks that The Jewish persecutors with their slander go about like a roaring lion who seeks to destroy its prey. Yes, the modus operandi of Saul and of those that followed him. It would seem awfully strange to the readers of that day to get a one sentence doctrinal "rant" about an unseen "big shot" fallen angel right in the middle of the encouraging and warnings of the eminent Jewish persecution. Did I just say all "the Satans" in the Bible are not Satan? Yes, many are just "adversary"! The "slanderer" the Greek diabolos (Strong's G1228) which is indeed the translated word "devil" may also be just more "slanderers and accusers" than we think. The word "devil" is a lower case word and should never be capitalized except when it begins a sentence.

CHAPTER 51

BAGPIPES AND ACCORDIONS





It was on Sept 18, 2010 that Matt Schultz posted the Larson's "Harps for Heaven" Farside Cartoon and then on Nov 27, I posted the BAGPIPE poster response. Harps were the only instruments around in the first century then when fires of Gehenna consumed the unfaithful Jewish world and age. Giving "equal time" was all the rage back in 2010, so a few days later I



Herman & Nudix and "the Ologist"

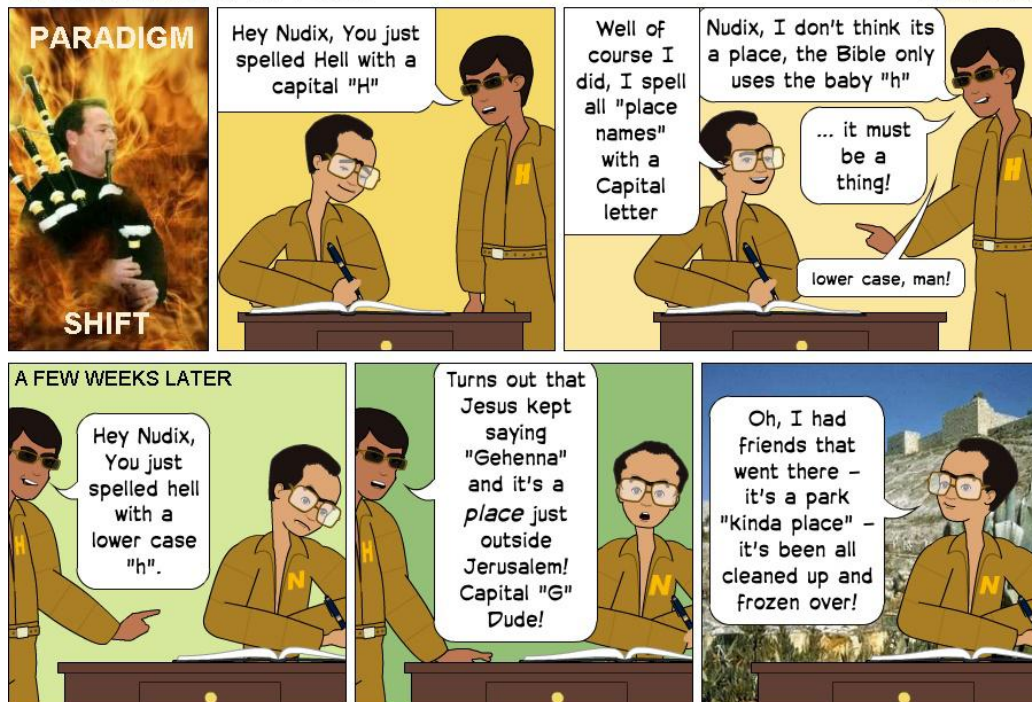
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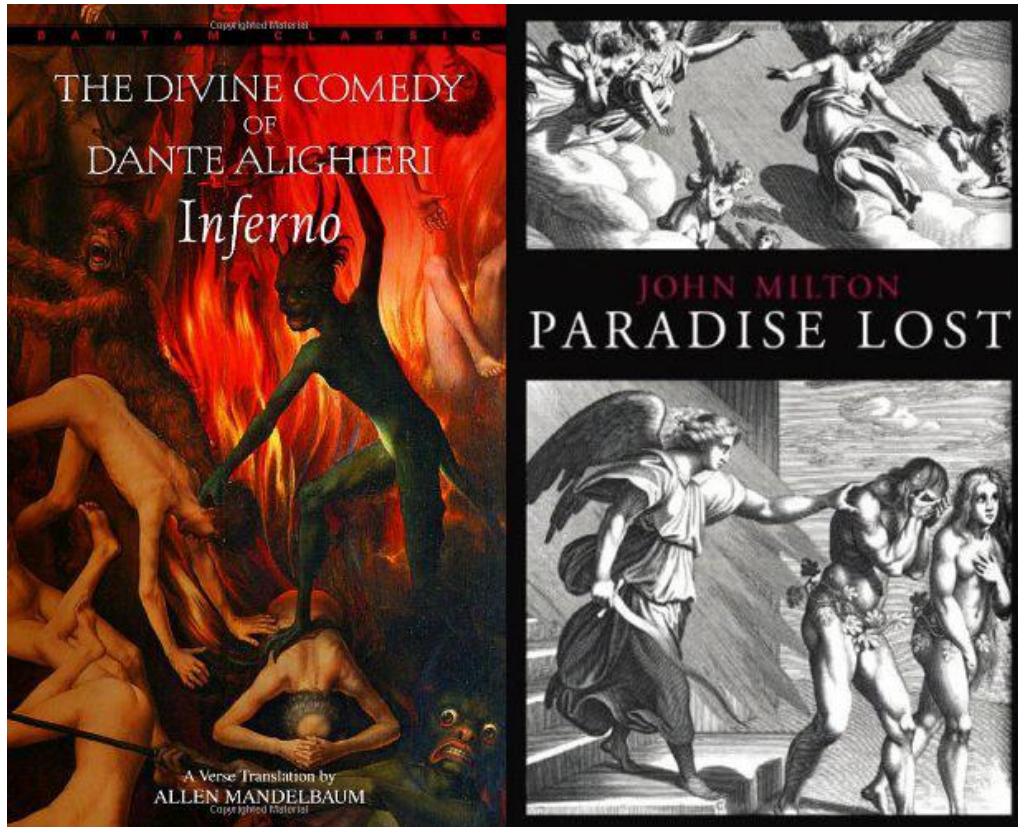
imagined the accordion players wanted the Bagpipers to share the heat. These instruments would not have been invented for another 1000 years so they couldn't have fired the flames of Gehenna. Only harps were around and would have been the only instrument thrown over the walls of Jerusalem into the flames. Yeah I know – the irony!

Herman & Nudix and "the PLACE"

by joeperrott



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So if Sheol, Hades and Gehenna aren't "hell" where did we ever get the ideas from? Remember the naked people over the Sistine Chapel's altar? They pop up in the popular writings on "hell". If Dante or Milton had never written a word we probably wouldn't be so infested today. So here it is as simply as I can say it: The "hellfire & brimstone" preachers of the last 200 years are preaching Dante and Milton. If a Seminary trained person were to preach it today from the Bible he would knowingly take verses referring to 1st century Jewish unbelievers and rebellion and sheepishly apply them to all peoples all over the globe today and hope he didn't get caught.

CHAPTER 52


COUNTDOWN & TIME STATEMENTS

In 2009, I purchased and read a book by Frank Viola and George Barna titled: Pagan Christianity. On page 223 they tell the parable of Marvin Snurdly. It illustrates the importance of arranging the books of Paul in their chronological order rather than the "largest to smallest" as is the tradition. When these letters are read in the order Paul wrote them (over a 20 year span) a whole new appreciation appears. I know, because I did it. Well, what would happen if we arranged the texts we have been exploring in their original "time order"? Instead of the subject fading away, (as you might expect) a very obvious intensification occurs. Dr. John Noé calls it a "countdown" and so I arranged the verses on the next two pages by time ("**T**" MINUS ...) and just notice the urgency that happens. In addition I did the "**101**" series as a data bank of time statements as they occur book by book in the New Testament.


Hope you like my characters: Jesus has a cross, Peter has Rock of Gibraltar, Paul has a thorn, Jude has a Hey stack, Hebrews has a Pint, etc.

**INTENSIFICATION
COUNTDOWN
(A.D. 30-70)**

T MINUS 40 years (circa A.D. 30)




I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened




Matt. 24:34

**INTENSIFICATION
COUNTDOWN
(A.D. 30-70)**

T MINUS 13 years (circa A.D. 57)




Time is short The world in its present form is passing away




1 Cor 7:29-31

**Intensification
Countdown
(A.D. 30-70)**

T MINUS 12 years (circa A.D. 58)




Understand the present time. . . because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. The night is nearly over; the day is almost here The God of peace will soon [shortly] crush Satan under your feet




Rom. 13:11-12; 16-20

**Intensification
Countdown
(A.D. 30-70)**

T MINUS 10 years (circa A.D. 60)



be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near (at hand). . . . The judge is standing at the door!



James 5:8-9

INTENSIFICATION COUNTDOWN (A.D. 30-70)

T MINUS 5 years (circa A.D. 65)

but in these last days he [God] has spoken to us by his Son. . .

In just a very very little while, 'He who is coming will come and will not delay. . .

Heb 1:2; 10:37

INTENSIFICATION COUNTDOWN (A.D. 30-70)

T MINUS 3-5 years (circa A.D. 65-67)

The end of all things is at hand.

For it is time for judgment to begin with the family [the house] of God. . .

1 Pet. 4:7; 17

INTENSIFICATION COUNTDOWN (A.D. 30-70)

T MINUS 2-3 years (circa A.D. 67-68)

Little children, this is the last hour . . . it is the last hour

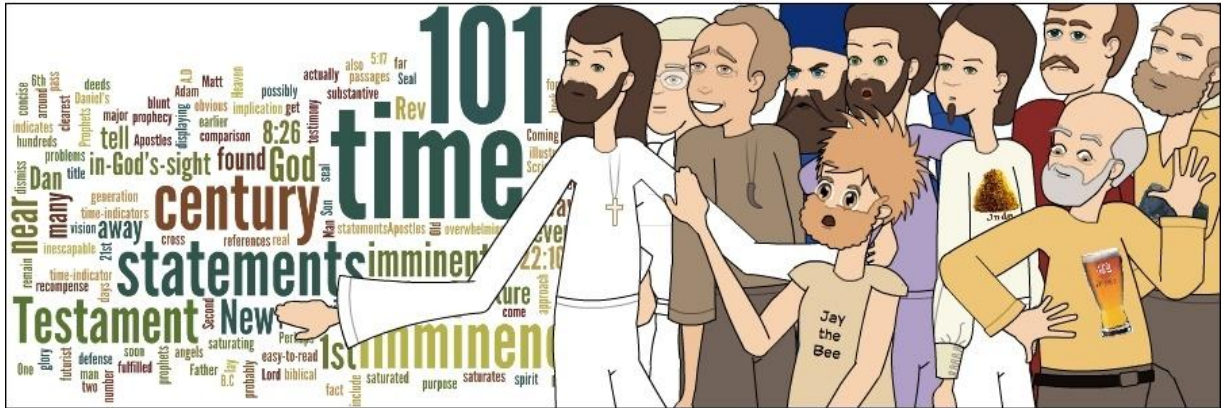
Jesus
♥
me

1 John 2:18

INTENSIFICATION COUNTDOWN (A.D. 70)

"No other interpretation is possible if the words are taken in the plain, primary, ordinary, usual, or normal sense, that is they are interpreted literally."

Gary DeMar



Jesus, his cousin, his brothers and his friends all preached and wrote in their books as if some event was to soon take place. Now "about to be" means almost, "soon" means soon and since "near" means near, it is impossible to imagine these 100s of statements meaning anything else.

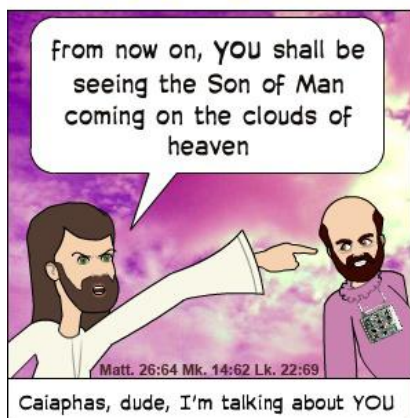
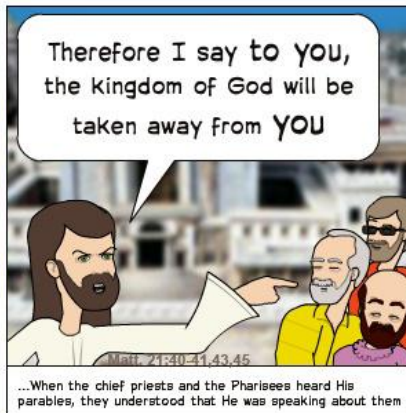
Now suppose they did mean something new – then they would have been obligated to let their original listeners and readers know. No inspired writer came afterwards and corrected any of their statements – no one ever warned the original audience that they weren't talking to them!

So if "at hand" doesn't mean 1000s of years later, then a great deception has taken place. Now, let the writers above speak to their original audience, let the writers tell them what they found.



TIME STATEMENTS 101

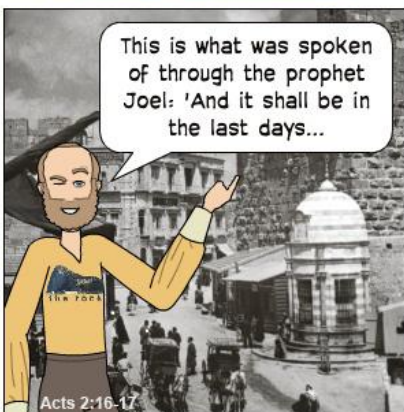
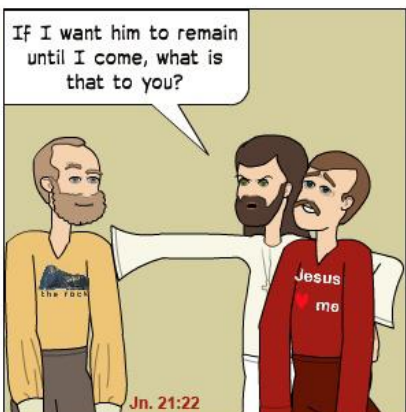
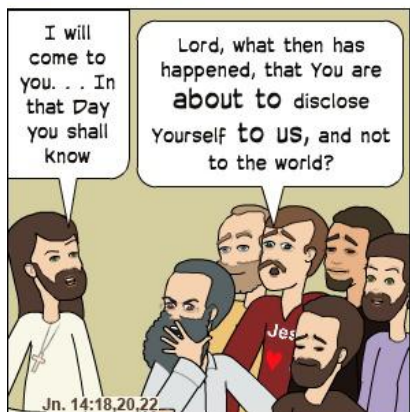
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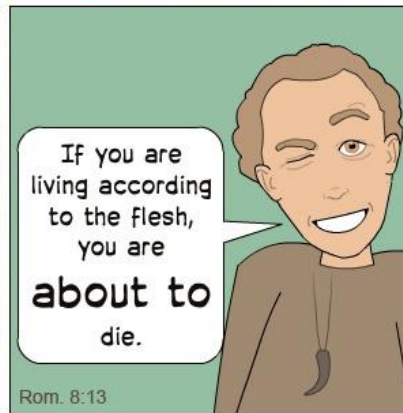
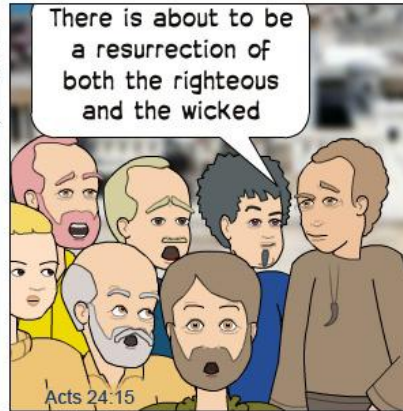
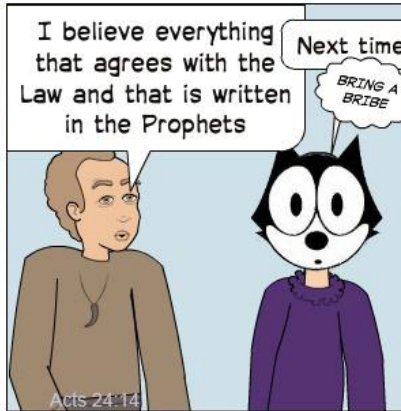
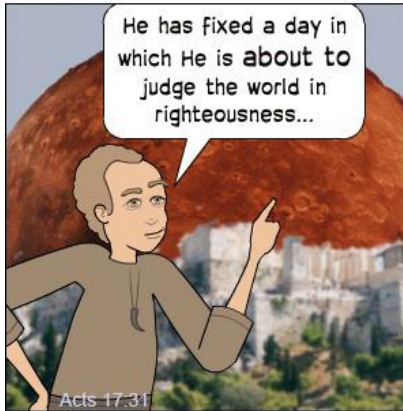
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Now these things ...were written for our instruction, upon whom the ends of the ages have come
I Cor. 10:11

We shall not all fall sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye,
I Cor. 15:51-52

at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed
I Cor. 15:52

Maranatha!
the Lord comes
I Cor. 16:22

...not only in this age, but also in the one about to come
Eph. 1:21

The Lord is near
Phil. 4:5

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The gospel ...was proclaimed in all creation under heaven
Col. 1:23
Compare Matt. 24:14; Rom. 10:18; 10:28; Col. 1:5-8; II Tim. 4:17; Rev. 14:6-7

..things which are a shadow of what is about to come
Col. 2:16-17

We who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds
I Thess. 4:15,17; 5:4

You, brethren, are not in darkness, that the Day should overtake YOU like a thief
I Thess. 5:4

May your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ
I Thess. 5:23


It is only just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict YOU, and to give relief to YOU who are afflicted and to us as well when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire
II Thess. 1:6-7

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Physical exercise has some value, but spiritual exercise is valuable in every way,



because it promises life both for the present and that which is about to come!

1 Tim 4:8

I charge YOU . . . that you keep the commandment without stain or reproach . . .

. . . until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ.



1 Tim 6:13-14

...storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for that which is about to come,

so that they may take hold of that which is life indeed.




1 Tim 6:19

In the last days difficult times will come. For men will be lovers of self... ...Avoid these men.



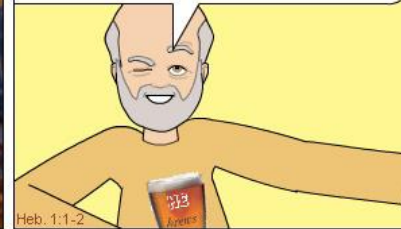
II Tim. 3:1

I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is about to judge the living and the dead...



II Tim. 4:1

God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in His Son."




Heb. 1:1-2

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Are they not all ministering spirits, sent out to render service for the sake of those who are about to inherit salvation?




Heb. 1:14

God has not placed the angels as rulers over the new world about to come ---the world of which we speak.




Heb. 2:5

those who abandon their faith . . . knew from experience that God's word is good, and they had felt the powers of the age about to come



Heb. 6:5

It is impossible to bring them back to repent again, . . . after being cultivated . . . it grows thorns and weeds, it is worth nothing; it is near a curse, and it's end is for burning.



Heb. 6:6-8

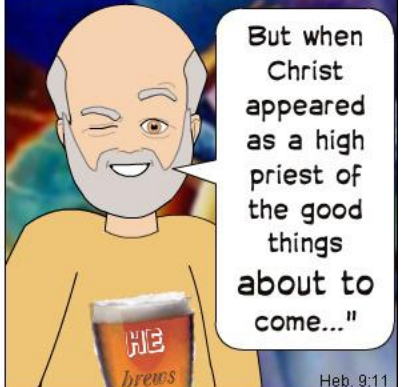
When He said, 'A new covenant,' He has made the first obsolete.

But whatever is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to disappear.



Heb. 8:13

But when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things about to come..."



Heb. 9:11

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The Holy Spirit is signifying this

that the way of the [heavenly] Holy Places has not yet been revealed, while the outer tabernacle is still standing, which is a symbol for the present time.

ACCORDINGLY BOTH GIFTS AND SACRIFICES ARE OFFERED WHICH CANNOT MAKE THE WORSHIPER PERFECT IN CONSCIENCE, SINCE THEY RELATE ONLY TO FOOD AND DRINK AND VARIOUS WASHINGS, REGULATIONS FOR THE BODY IMPOSED UNTIL A TIME OF REFORMATION.

Heb. 9:8-10; Compare Gal. 4:19; Eph. 2:21-22; 3:17; 4:13

Now once at the consummation of the ages He has been manifested to put away sin.

Heb. 9:26

For the Law, since it has only a shadow of the good things about to come...

Heb. 10:1

...as you see the Day drawing near

Heb. 10:25

...the fury of a fire which is about to consume the adversaries.

Heb. 10:27

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For yet in a very little while, He who is coming will come, and will not delay.

Heb. 10:37

For here we do not have a lasting city, but we are seeking the one that is about to come.

Heb. 13:14

Speak and so act, as those who are about to be judged by the law of liberty.

JIM

James. 2:12

Come now, you rich, weep and howl for your miseries which are coming upon you. . . . It is in the last days that you have stored up your treasure!

JIM

James. 5:1-3

My Bro, is coming for you

Be patient, therefore, brethren, until the coming of the Lord.

JIM

James. 5:7

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You too be patient; strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.

James. 5:8

Don't grumble about each other or you will be judged, and the judge is right outside the door.

James. 5:9

... who are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

1 Peter 1:5

He ...has appeared in these last times for the sake of you.

1 Peter 1:20

They shall give account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead

1 Peter 4:5

The end of all things is at hand; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober spirit for the purpose of prayer

1 Peter 4:7

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For it is time for judgment to begin with the household of God.

I Peter 4:17

... as your fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is about to be revealed.

I Peter 5:1

We have the prophetic word... which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the Day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts.

II Peter 1:19

In the last days mockers will come... For this they willingly are ignorant of...

II Peter 3:3-5

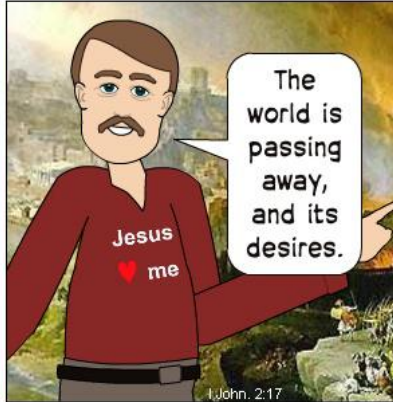
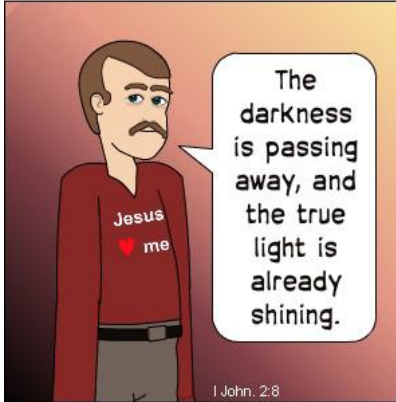
But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up. Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought YOU to be in holy conduct and godliness, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God."

II Peter 3:10-12

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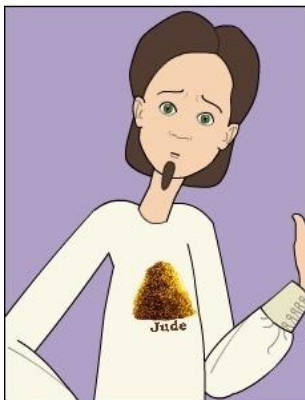
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For certain persons have crept in unnoticed, those who were long beforehand marked out for this condemnation. ...About these also Enoch . . . prophesied, saying, 'Behold, the Lord came with many thousands of His holy ones, to execute judgment upon all, and to convict all the ungodly.'

Jude 1:4, 14-15



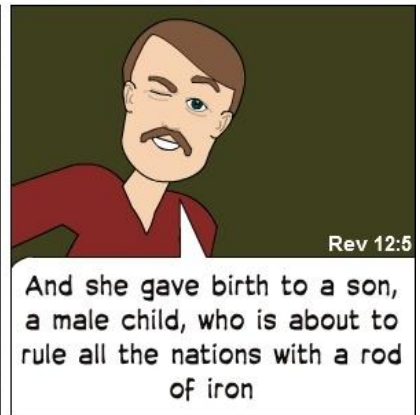
But you, beloved, ought to remember the words that were spoken beforehand by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ, that they were saying to you, 'In the last time there shall be mockers



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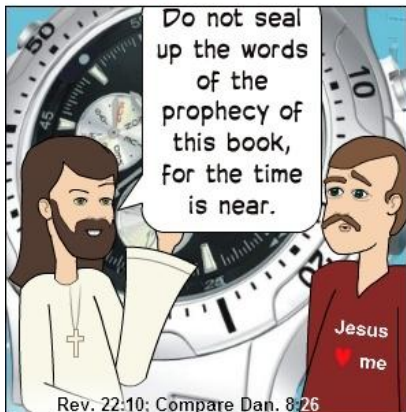
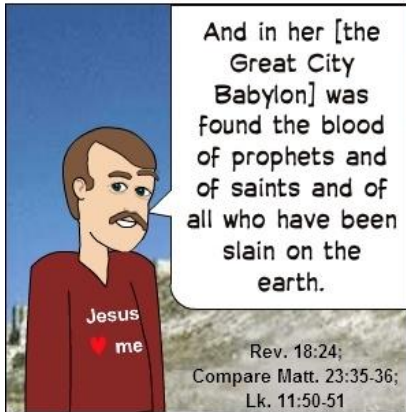
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The incredible eschatological confusion that has plagued the Christian world is a testimony to this fact that these last one hundred verses or so are not taken seriously. In contrast to the chaos of the way we have become to view things, the Scriptures you have just read have a straightforward teaching, which is this: The fulfillment of all prophecy was "at hand," "near," "soon," "about to be", etc. when the New Testament was written, and it was all to be fulfilled by the time the old covenant vanished and its temple was destroyed.

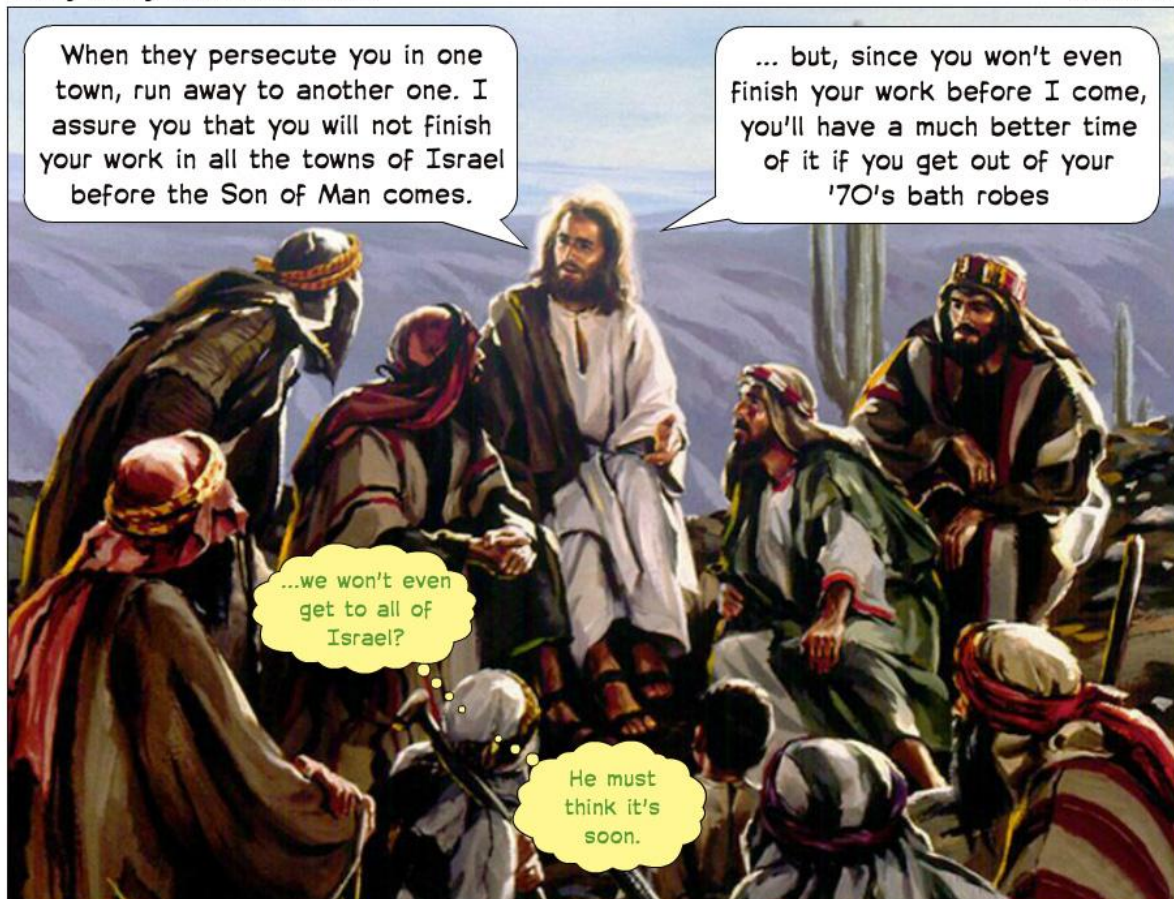
The prophetic message is so simple, yet it is so profound. In a way, it is not surprising that we had missed it for so long.

I hope you enjoyed this character study and the expressions I used on my subjects faces. (By the way, John Noé's caricature shows up in Rev. 22:6) These statements have been profound in my understanding, as I became unable to further defend, side step, or redefine terms to fit my former presuppositional teaching. I no longer feel it necessary to defend these writers so they will not look like false prophets; I now simply take them at their word!

The next four cartoons come from a series called: "Things we think Jesus said". I've used "Sunday School Paper" looking pictures and added text right from the Bible. Then added a little of my own for a twist. These are poignant sayings that are at the heart of the matter. I do not know how for 55 years they seemed so invisible to me.

Verily Verily not all the towns

by joeperrott



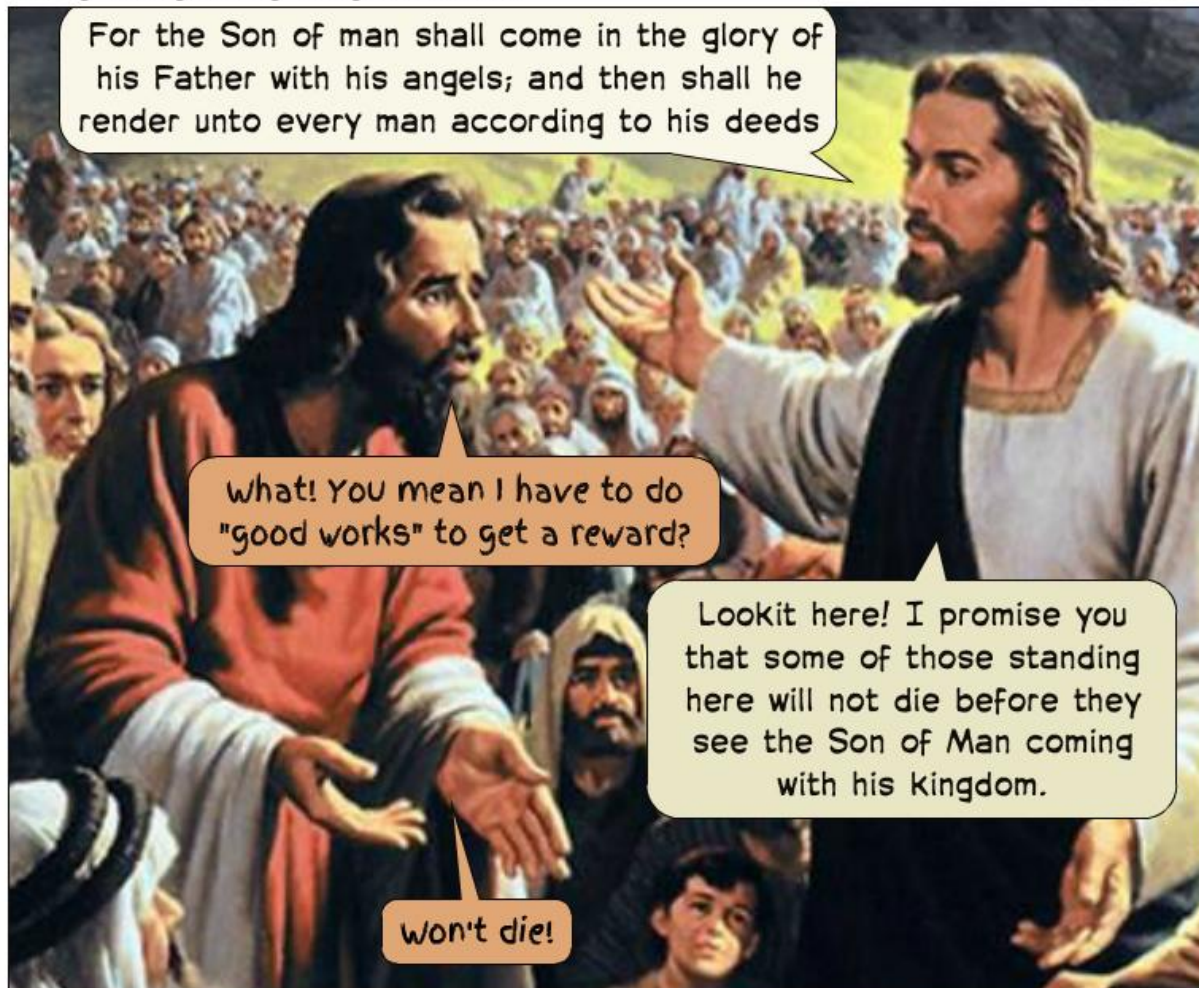
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MATT 10:23

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Verily Verily Verily I Say Unto You

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MATT 16:27-28 EDITORS NOTE: This is embarrassing, it couldn't mean what it says! (could it?)

John is either very old or Jesus did exactly what He said He'd do in John's lifetime!





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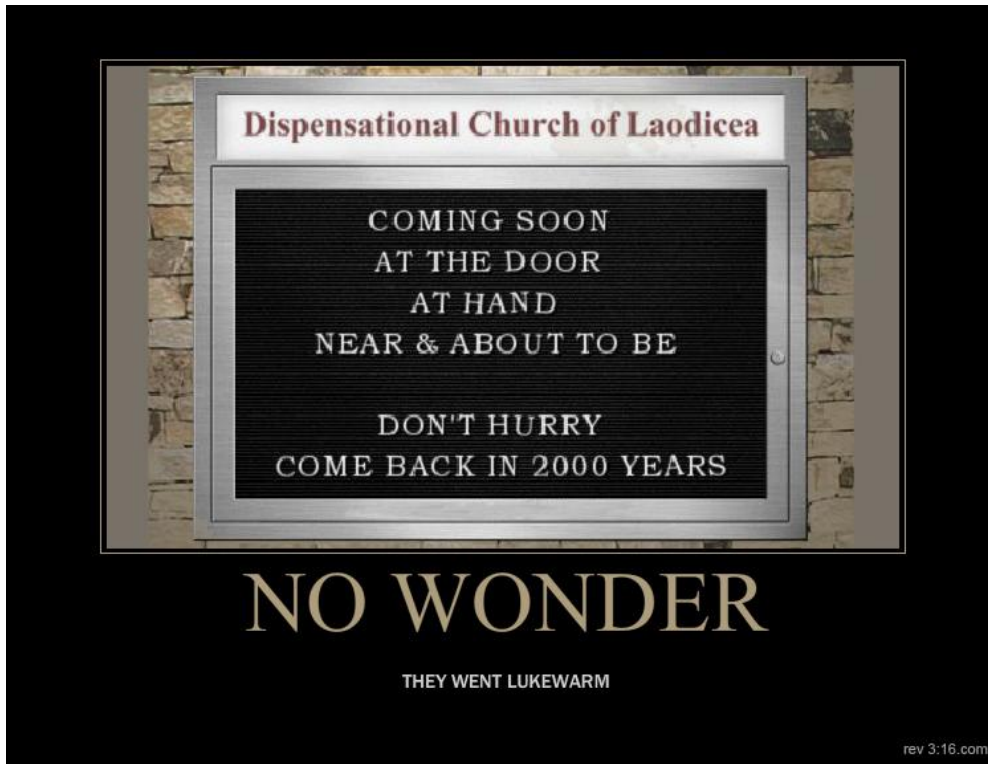
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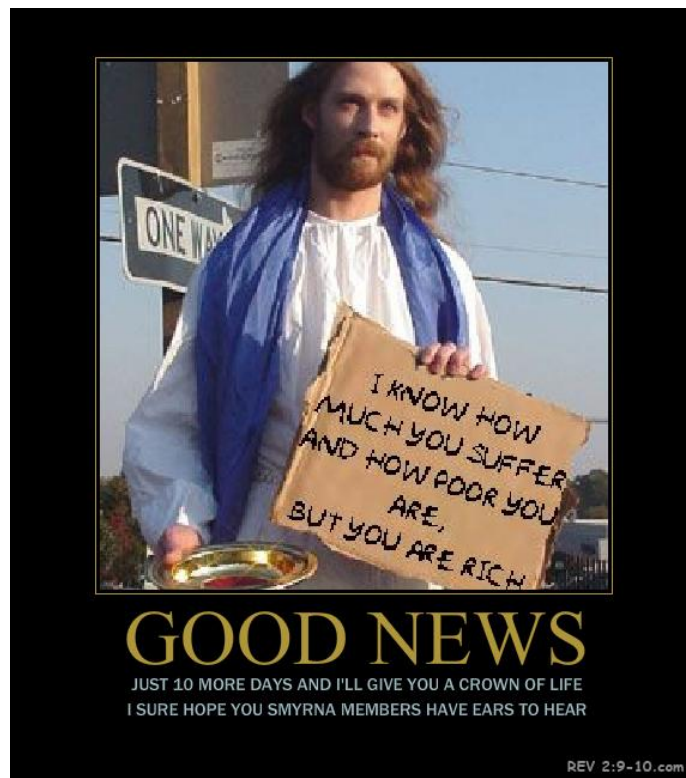
ACCURACY

DANTE, MILTON AND THIS LOCATION AREN'T THE BEST PLACES TO OBTAIN THEOLOGICAL TRUTH, BUT THEN, YOU ALREADY KNEW THAT!

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It's time to sum up and get this essay to its **time of the end**. How accurate do you think the images on the Sistine Chapel are? What about Milton's Paradise and Dante's comedy? What about the preachers who told us we were living in the Laodicean "lukewarm" Church age? How many days was it again until the Jewish persecution was to end for the dear folks in Smyrna? Are you accurately looking for a physical kingdom someday in the sky or are you building the invisible Kingdom of God, here today?



INVISIBLE

The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation,
because the kingdom of God is within you.

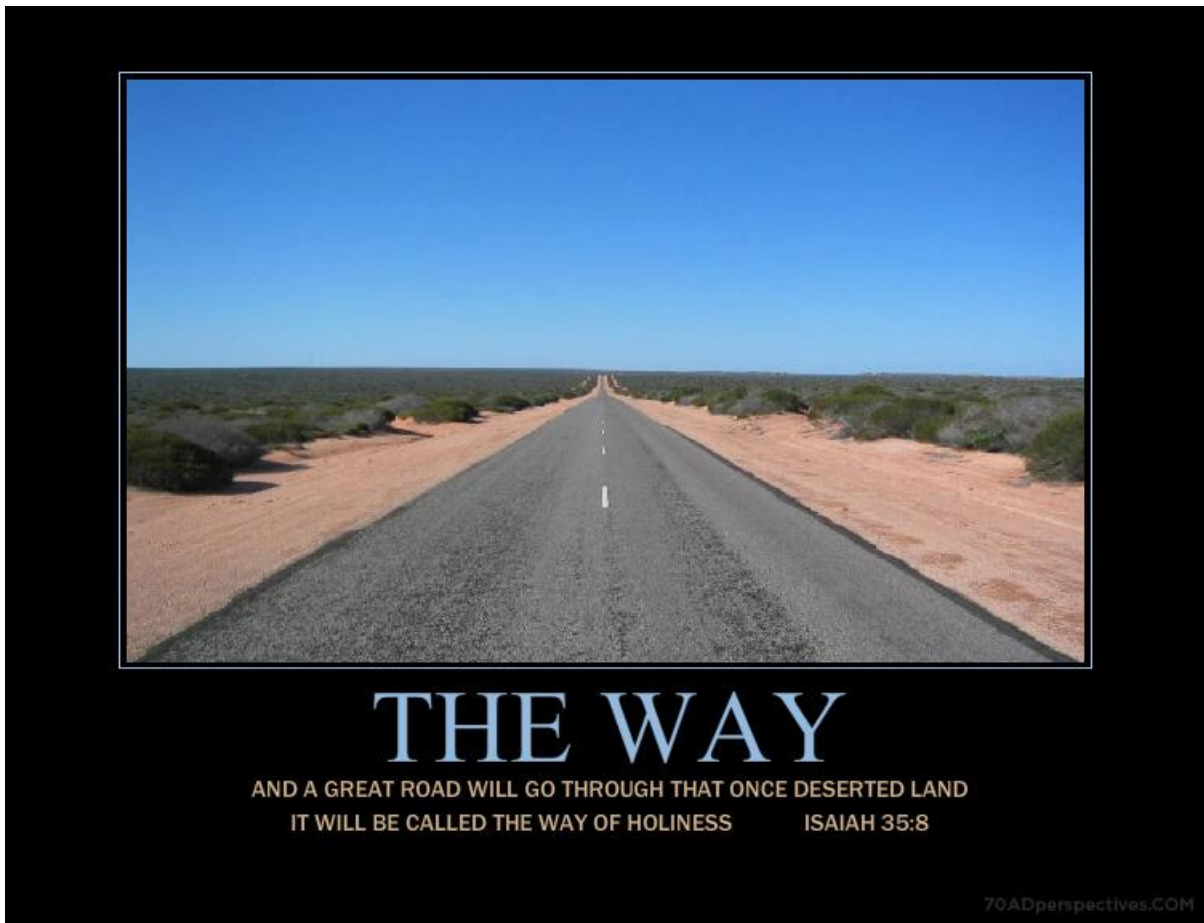
Luke 17:20 invisibletothosewhoobserve.com

Are you sickened by all those that prophesied incorrectly and are left unaccountable? Are you sickened by the multi-million dollar business that the bogus Bible Prophets has become?

SICKENING

THE ONE THING WORSE THAN FALSE PROPHETS
ARE THOSE WHO SOAK UP "END TIMES" PROFITS

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I hope these posters, cartoons and comments have met your expectations. I haven't answered all the questions (maybe created more) but I wanted you to know about my 2010 quest and beyond. I hope the questions I've raised will leave you with lots of "rabbit trails" for future study. It's a great road in a deserted land. Maybe someday I'll meet you on "The Way".

THE END

It cannot mean what it never meant
I've etched that on my brain
And when I study scripture
I echo that refrain
I've studied hermeneutics and exegesis too
So, as a consequence of this
I've somewhat changed my view

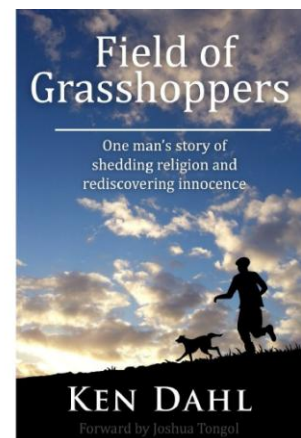
There is so much I want to know
How to ferret out the truth
I hope someday that I'll become
a Bible reading sleuth
A new respect has taken me
for God's own holy word
inspiring me to know the truth
to hear as it was heard
But I know I must remember,
I stepped through an open door
and never can return again
to where I was before

POSTLEGOMENON

Perhaps the greatest mistake our theologians ever made was to incorrectly blend in seamless fashion, the timeless spiritual teachings of Jesus, with the very time-based audience-relevant warnings of an upcoming regional war between first-century Rome and first-century Jerusalem^a. If you're still shaking at those words, don't worry it goes away in about 3 months. If you're new to this stuff and just had your socks blown off just let me know and I'll buy you a new pair.

I want to thank all the people who showed up in my life for the last four years, there's hundreds, I've named but a few in this journey. I didn't change any of their names because none of them are innocent. Dr. Jennifer Wilson was my teacher and took me through a series called "Lets Be Honest" and "The Difficult Questions" (or something like that). In one class, we had to sign a card saying that we'd "get on with something" we really knew we had to do. If you've gotten this far, then you know what was on my card and that Dr. Jen was my accountability person. We didn't have many meetings, she must have thought I went rogue. But if you think the spelling, grammar and readability are OK, then, she's had a big part at the end as one of the first readers and checkers.

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Marvin Snurdly is a world-renowned marital counselor. In his twenty-year career as a marriage therapist, Marvin has counseled thousands of troubled couples. He has an Internet presence. Each day hundreds of couples write letters to Marvin about their marital sob stories. The letters come from all over the globe. And Marvin answers them all.

A hundred years pass, and Marvin Snurdly is resting peacefully in his grave. He has a great-great-grandson named Fielding Melish. Fielding decides to recover the lost letters of his great great grandfather. But Fielding can find only thirteen of Marvin's letters. Out of the thousands of letters that Marvin wrote in his lifetime, just thirteen have survived! Nine were written to couples in marital crisis. Four were written to individual spouses.

These letters were all written within a twenty-year time frame: from 1980 to 2000. Fielding Melish plans to compile these letters into a volume. But there is something interesting about the way Marvin wrote his letters that makes Fielding's task somewhat difficult.

First, Marvin had an annoying habit of never dating his letters. No days, months, or years appear on any of the thirteen letters. Second, the letters only portray half the conversation. The initial letters written to Marvin that provoked his responses no longer exist. Consequently, the only way to understand the backdrop of each of Marvin's letters is by reconstructing the marital situation from Marvin's response.

Each letter was written at a different time, to people in a different culture, about a different problem. For example, in 1985, Marvin wrote a letter to Paul and Sally from Virginia, who were experiencing sexual problems early in their marriage. In 1990, Marvin wrote a letter to Jethro and Matilda from Australia, who were having problems with their children. In 1995, Marvin wrote a letter to a wife from Mexico who was experiencing a midlife crisis. Unfortunately, Fielding has no way of knowing when the letters were written.

Take note: twenty years—thirteen letters—all written to different people at different times in different cultures—all experiencing different problems.

It is Fielding Melish's desire to put these thirteen letters in chronological order. But without the dates, he cannot do this. So Fielding puts them in the order of descending length. That is, he takes the longest letter that Marvin wrote and puts it first. He puts Marvin's second longest letter after that. He takes the third longest and puts it third. The compilation ends with the shortest letter that Marvin penned. The thirteen letters are arranged, not chronologically, but by their length.

The volume hits the presses and becomes an overnight bestseller.

One hundred years pass, and *The Collected Works of Marvin Snurdly* compiled by Fielding Melish stands the test of time. The work is still very popular. Another one hundred years pass, and this volume is being used copiously throughout the Western world.

The book is translated into dozens of languages. Marriage counselors quote it left and right. Universities employ it in their sociology classes. It is so widely used that someone gets a bright idea on how to make the volume easier to quote and handle.

What is that idea? It is to divide Marvin's letters into chapters and numbered sentences (or verses). So chapters and verses are added to *The Collected Works of Marvin Snurdly*. But by adding chapter and verse to these once living letters, something changes that goes unnoticed. The letters lose their personal touch. Instead, they take on the texture of a manual.

Different sociologists begin writing books about marriage and the family. Their main source? *The Collected Works of Marvin Snurdly*. Pick up any book in the twenty-fourth century on the subject of marriage, and you will find the author quoting chapters and verses from Marvin's letters.

It usually looks like this: In making a particular point, an author will quote a verse from Marvin's letter written to Paul and Sally. The author will then lift another verse from the letter written to Jethro and Matilda. He will extract another verse from another letter. Then he will sew these three verses together and upon them he will build his particular marital philosophy. Virtually every sociologist and marital therapist that authors a book on marriage does the same thing. Yet the irony is this: Each of these authors frequently contradicts the others, even though they are all using the same source!

But that is not all. Not only have Marvin's letters been turned into cold prose when they were originally living, breathing epistles to real people in real places, they have become a weapon in the hands of agenda-driven men. Not a few authors on marriage begin employing isolated proof texts from Marvin's work to hammer away at those who disagree with their marital philosophy.

How is this possible? How are all of these sociologists contradicting each other when they are using the exact same source? It is because the letters have been lifted out of their historical context. Each letter has been plucked from its chronological sequence and removed from its real-life setting.

Put another way, the letters of Marvin Snurdly have been transformed into a series of isolated, disjointed, fragmented sentences—so anyone can lift one sentence from one letter, another sentence from another letter, and then paste them together to create the marital philosophy of his or her choice.

An amazing story, is it not? Well, here is the punch line. Whether you realize it or not, this is a description of the letters from Paul in the New Testament!

What, then, is the proper chronological order of these letters? According to the best available scholarship here is the order in which they were written:"

Galatians

1 Thessalonians 2 Thessalonians

1 Corinthians 2 Corinthians

Romans

Colossians

Philemon

Ephesians

Philippians

1 Timothy

Titus and then finally 2 Timothy

BONUS 2 <http://www.patheos.com/blogs/formerlyfundie/how-to-completely-misuse-the-bible-in-5-easy-steps/>

How To Completely Misuse The Bible In 5 Easy Steps *by Ben Corey*



The Bible is a notoriously difficult book (collection of books, actually) to understand. We've been wrestling with the meaning and implication of various texts within the Bible nearly since the moment it was written.

Every generation of Christians has the challenge of not only understanding the Bible, but also has the challenge of contextualizing the message to a specific time and place. However, even though studying the Bible with a heart for understanding the message is difficult, it is the most beautiful journey I've ever set out on. The richness found within this text is enough to occupy multiple lifetimes— and is something that I've quite honestly, grown addicted to.

On that same note however, with the Bible being so difficult to understand, it is also easy to completely misuse it. Such a misuse, even done unintentionally, distorts the beauty of what actually lies inside. We've all seen it. In fact, we've all done it.

Ultimately, misusing the Bible is destructive regardless of the intent of the one misusing it. If you and I are going to continue on in this quest of helping our generation find more beautiful

and emerging ways of expressing the message of scripture to our culture, we'll need to break ourselves of this horrible habit.

In order to help out, I – Ben Corey– have put together a handy-dandy list of how you too, can misuse the Bible in just five easy steps:

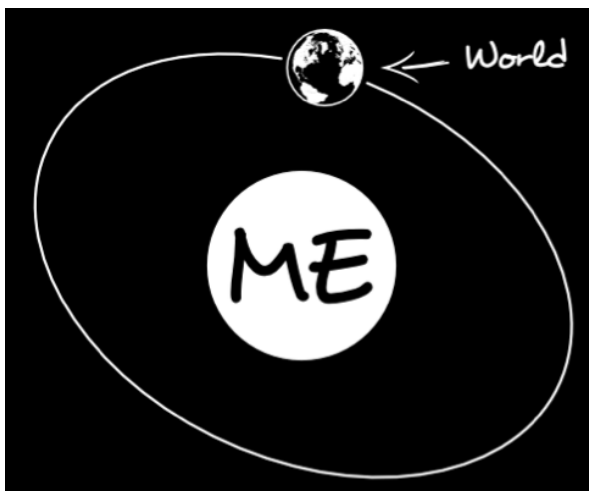
1. Just start quoting Old Testament rules when you want to govern someone's behavior.

Who cares if the Mosaic law was given to a nomadic tribe some 3,000 years ago– just pick one of the ancient rules they lived by and quote it whenever you need to win an argument with someone.

I remember when I got my first tattoo– I was just a teenager and somehow was able to get one by showing the old man at the tattoo shop my high school ID and saying “I'm 18, I swear”. (That aspect of what I did was totally wrong, by the way, but just keeping it authentic). Let's just say, when I sported my new tattoo at Youth Group, the night went south pretty quickly. The youth leaders were totally kind and loving, but one of the other teens had a full on meltdown over it. I literally (not making this up) had to leave early while he chased me to my car, screaming “YOU SHALL NOT TATTOO YOURSELF, I AM THE LORD!!!!” as he waved a Bible at me. He was reaaaaallly angry.

Here's the deal: the Old Testament is a large collection of books. Some of them are “historic narrative” and are designed to tell us the story of our ancestors. Some contain detailed sets of laws they lived by that cover everything from managing a menstrual cycle to how not to cook a goat. While these texts are some of my favorite in the Bible, this part of the Bible was NOT intended to be used as a rule book for here and now (unless we all want out-of-control sideburns). In fact, the New Testament teaches this very clearly.

It you're picking an arbitrary rule out of this section of the Bible (especially with the motivation of applying it to “the other”) you are misusing the Bible.



2. Assume the Bible is all about YOU.

Again, who cares if these books (66 of them) were written to multiple different cultures, times, and places– it's a book that's all about you, right?

Not so much. Yes, it is a book that God has provided for us, and I do believe it is inspired, but that doesn't mean we can just lift things out of context and blindly assume they were written all about us. As Americans, we do this every graduation season when we go to buy a graduation card for our beloved graduate.

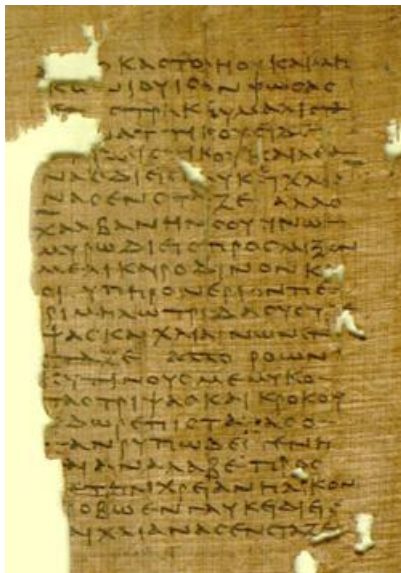
Which verse is on almost EVERY one of those cards? I don't even have to tell you, because I think you already know– Jeremiah 29:11.

“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

It’s a beautiful verse. The problem? It wasn’t written for graduation cards as a promise to give fine young Americans a bright career, but was a promise that God would bring Israel out of their captivity. Now, this doesn’t mean I don’t believe God has “good” plans– I remind my daughter constantly that God has a plan for her life. What it does mean however, is that as with the first principle, we can’t simply lift things from the Old Testament and use them in isolation. Whether we’re using it to demoralize “the other” or prop ourselves up, it’s still a gross misuse of scripture.

We do this with a lot of verses, and in the case of Revelation, we do it with an entire book. We must remember that this book was written for us, but not always to or about us. To view it as otherwise would be a very self-centered approach to understanding scripture.

3. Attempt to arrive at meaning without first understanding the culture it was written to.



In hermeneutics we often say that the “primary meaning of scripture is whatever it meant to the original audience”. This is a principle we so quickly forget when interpreting both Old and New Testaments. Consider this by way of illustration: Recently one of my mates moved into an old farmhouse. While he was doing some repair work to a wall, he reached inside and found a box of old letters that were written by a child who lived on the farm during the Great Depression. In order to really dissect and understand the letters, one needs to understand the world they were written in, and the parties involved. There’s an overarching culture, a specific family, even a specific town, all of which gives the text context... there are endless factors to consider in order to truly understand those letters.

This is the same situation we find ourselves in with the Bible, especially the New Testament which is mostly a collection of letters written by Paul of Tarsus. We cannot even begin to understand what these letters could mean for us until we understand what they actually did mean to Paul who wrote them, and what they meant to the specific recipients who first read them.

We also really blow this one with the book of Revelation. For some strange reason, American Christians think that this was a book written about our time, when the book itself teaches differently. This was a book written to encourage 7 specific churches, so whatever it meant, it was meant primarily for those seven churches. The idea that John would write a letter to 7 specific churches that was exclusively about what would happen 2,000 years later, is pretty poor hermeneutics.

One cannot understand the Bible in true depth, until they understand the people and culture who wrote it, as well as the people and culture who it was written to.

4. Discount the fact that it wasn't originally written in English.

This is a tricky principle to navigate because you can in fact, understand a vast majority of what the Bible teaches simply by reading it in English. However, one cannot discount the fact that it was not written in English— biblical languages must always play a serious consideration in the development of theology and the interpretation of texts.

Whenever one translates a document from one language to the next, they run into issues of translation. Regarding the New Testament specifically, we run into this issue because not all words or phrases in Greek will translate cleanly into English. Many words in Greek have multiple meanings, each of which carries nuance that can impact how we theologically interpret a given passage. Other times, we encounter idioms that don't always translate precisely. This is the challenge we encounter in the translation process— translation cannot always express the original thought in the exact same way it was originally expressed.

Where we misuse scripture in this regard, is when we hold hard and fast to a specific interpretation of a specific passage in English without consideration to biblical languages. No, you don't have to go learn them (trust me, it's not a pleasant experience) but what it does require is holding our interpretation of a passage in humility, and with an open hand as we consult the original language.

5. Let it point you to anything other than Jesus.

In the book of John, Jesus tells the religious leaders that although they know scripture cold, they've missed the most important aspect— that all scripture points to him! Also, early in his ministry he tells a parable of a wise and foolish man who are both building a house. The wise man, who is centered on the teachings of Jesus, is compared to a man who chose stone as a foundation while the foolish man (who neglected the teachings of Jesus) is compared to someone who built their house on sand. Finally, in the last hours of his life, Jesus reminded his disciples that he “was the way, the truth, and the life”. According to Jesus, this thing we're doing— and the book we read— is all about him.

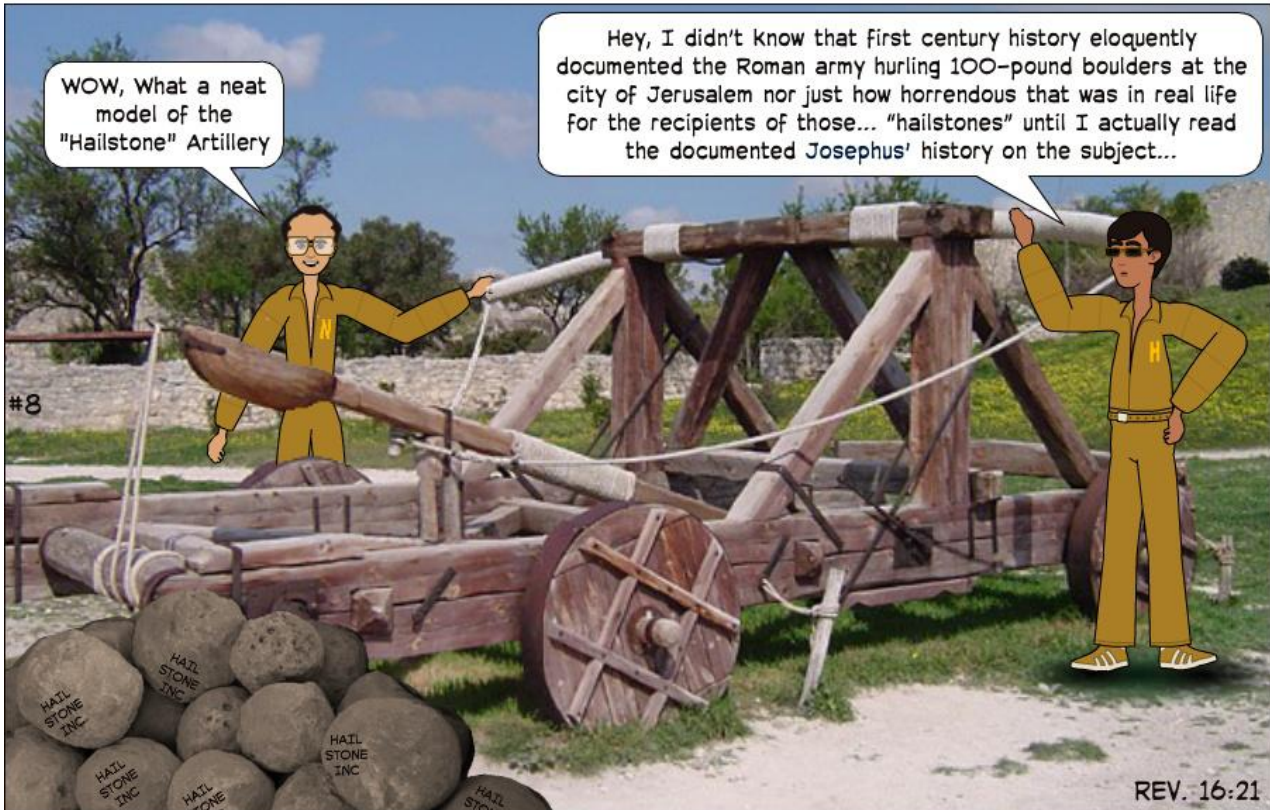
As we read the Bible, we must remember that it's all about Jesus and designed to point us towards Jesus. We must interpret everything in light of Jesus, and we must allow it to form us to be more like Jesus. If one allows the Bible to point them to anything other than Jesus of Nazareth, it is a misuse of scripture.

So read it, humbly try to understand the context, hold interpretations with humility, and let the words point you to the main character of the story— Jesus. *Yes, the Bible can be a complex set of documents to understand, and is easily misused. However, I think if we'll be conscious of these 5 ways we too often unintentionally misuse and misread the scriptures, we'll find ourselves on a trajectory that might be more exciting than anything we had previously anticipated.*

BONUS 3

Herman & Nudix and the boulders

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Remember the “hailstones” in the Armageddon Chapter (#26)? Looks like Herman & Nudix have found one of the Hailstone Launchers.

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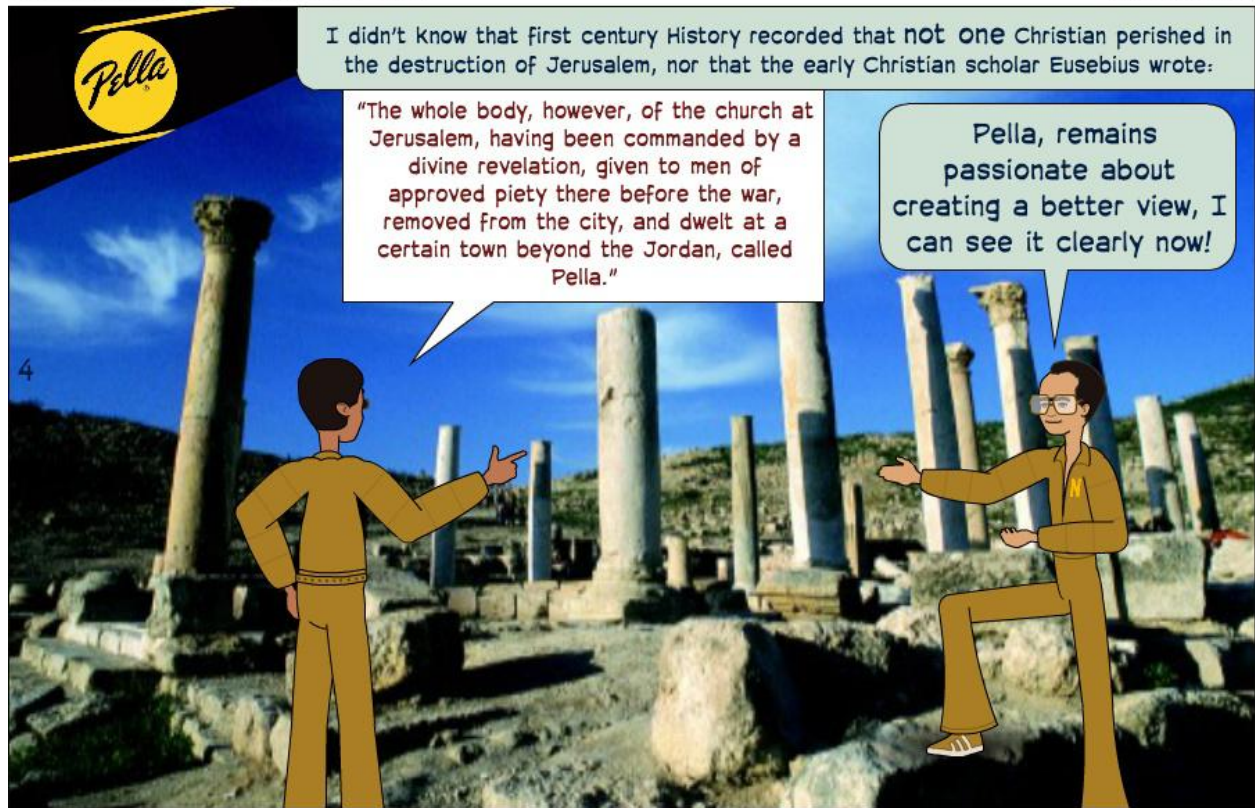
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BOUNUS 4

HERMAN & NUDIX go to Pella

by joeperrott



Here's the place that the 1st Century Christians "ran to" then they saw the armies surround Jerusalem. If Herman & Nudix can find it, anybody can! This is #4 in a series, the Hailstone Launchers is #8, If you want to see the other Forty Eight, go to Ken Dahl's "50 Things":

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... So I'm in buying a 3 ring binder for Dr Jen, and the "Staples Guy", Steve Oad asks me how many pages do you have to fill? I told him about one hundred and twenty, to which he exclaimed, "That's not an essay, that's a book"! Oh, if it's a book, then she'll need a Bibliography. All the following references are available from Amazon.ca or my book shelf.

