

Come Out of Her My People

In the last issue of 'The Journal.org', we looked at Revelation 14, as a key chapter we missed in understanding the last 7 years. This article, relates the biblical flow of end time events concerning the Church of God and specifically, God's people who are American and British [physically descended from Israel] . Only now, as we near the time of the end are these darkly seen events being revealed by God. Daniel 12:9, *'And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.'*

Chapter 17 of Revelation is about a great false church – spiritual Babylon. Chapter 18 is about the fall of the Greatest Trading nation on earth – physical and commercial Babylon. As we saw in Revelation 14 last time, before God brings about its fall, He will send an angel with a message which reaches all around the world, in order that His people may know that the last 7 years have arrived, Daniel 9:27, *'And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease...'*

That angel's message is found in Revelation 14:6-7 and announces Jesus Christ's soon return and the need of all mankind to repent, before the Tribulation.

It will be given in dreams and visions, the most graphic visual preview, to all men and women on earth, (associated articles are 'End Time Dreams and Visions' and 'The Tribulation, How Long?' on the OzwitNESS website). This amazing event will have worldwide impact, and will usher in the start of the last seven years leading up to the establishment of Christ's Kingdom here on earth.

The 1st seal of Revelation 6, the first of the 7 seals which cover the events of those last 7 years, parallels the events of Matthew 24. Verse 14 of that chapter warns that the end time will be preceded by that miraculous preaching by the angel, of the same gospel brought by Jesus Christ and John the Baptist – the gospel or good news of the coming kingdom of God and the return of Jesus Christ, *'And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations, and then shall the end come.'* God's Church has never been able to reach, 'all the world!'

Christ accompanied that, in Matthew 24:4-5, with the warning that many will then be deceived, by those who claim to be the returned Christ, starting from soon after the angel's message, and that warning will be published worldwide by God's Church; because the most successful deceiver will be the Beast. *'And Jesus answered and said unto them, take heed that no man deceive you .For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.'*

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4, *'Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.'*

The worldwide reaction to those miraculous dreams and visions, will be dramatic. The mainstream 'Christian' world, will rejoice – much less so the other religions! Many 'Christians,' will look forward to soon being raptured away to heaven, while the remaining 'sinners' are punished in the tribulation!

Serious Bible students however, will have quite a different reaction. They are well aware that, continuing on from Revelation 14:6-7, the rest of the same chapter mentions the work of several other angels, and the announcement of the **second** angel, in verse 8, is about anything but peace and safety. It is about **Babylon's fall**, the fall of those nations whose actions most epitomize the evil system of dominion over men by the projection of both military and commercial power around the globe, which was first invented and practiced by Nimrod, King of Babylon, long ago, (read our article about Babylon). Though we Israelites have long recognized our sins, we have not recognized that, in God's eyes, we have become the Babylon of Revelation 18, as opposed to the 'spiritual Babylon', of Revelation 17, which as we know, falls only towards the end.

The United States is only part of this evil system. Britain too, was once powerful enough to most epitomize its faults and still does! Together, these 2 great nations are descended from the patriarch Joseph, and became the two leading tribes in Israel, the nation chosen by God to represent His way to the world. That they should have so far despised and rejected His way, denied His Commandments, and failed to fulfill their God given role, has deeply angered their Creator, who intends to fulfill the warnings plainly given to them in Deuteronomy 28:15-68. Destruction and slavery are to fall upon Israel, for their sins, which also includes Britain's one-time colonies, Australia, New Zealand and Canada. But, what about the other tribes of Israel? They too have failed God and departed from His Law. God has no favorites, and punishment will fall upon the nations of NW Europe too and upon the Jews; in fact, upon all 12 tribes of Ancient Israel!

Today, you are being warned that God's words show that when that first angel delivers his dreams and visions, it is the signal for His people to escape from 'Babylon', to fulfill His Plan. God's people will obediently prepare to leave those nations to carry out His further instructions, Revelation 18:4-5, *'And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.**'* Do the scriptures really mean 'pack up and go'?

Not all of God's people will flee. Some may be too old or sick and will rely upon God's great mercy. Those who wish to, but are unable, He will gather from wherever they are, at the resurrection (Matthew 24:31). Fully half though, are so spiritually unprepared and not biblically diligent enough, to understand the need to avoid the coming disaster (see Matthew 25:1-10). So, they will stay put in their nations and fail to take advantage of the 6-7 months after the dreams and visions, before Babylon's evil system finally brings about Israel's downfall (see the timeline on our website).

When first, the USA is brought low by God (the world's policeman), probably by several cataclysmic, 'natural disasters' (cf. Jeremiah 51:55, Revelation 18:21), chaos, war and invasion will follow, so that international travel will rapidly become impossible for civilians. Jeremiah 50:41-42, *'Behold, a people shall come from the north, and a great nation, and many kings shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth. They shall hold the bow and the lance: they are cruel, and will not shew mercy: their voice shall roar like the sea, and they shall ride upon horses, every one put in array, like a man to the battle, against thee, **O daughter of Babylon.**'* Isaiah 10:5-6, *'O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation. I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets.'* So, only the forewarned and faithful will come out of Babylon, while they can.

But where should they go? Do not be deceived by anyone claiming to have received a vision telling you to go anywhere, other than where God's word **plainly instructs you**. Satan would dearly like

you to lose your life in defiance of God's given instructions, which are quite clear and specific!
1 Corinthians 14:37, *'If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that **the things I write** unto you are the commandments of the Lord.'* (No adding to God's written word !)

The book of Jeremiah refers to both Zion and Jerusalem as geographical places, as we can easily see from Jeremiah 50:4-5, *'In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together, going and weeping: they shall go, and seek the LORD their God. They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, saying, Come, and let us join ourselves to the LORD in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten.'* **This** describes the **final** re-gathering of the remnant of Israel **when all the tribulation is over**. However, God's people in Israel will escape from 'Babylon' just **before** He brings both Israel and Judah into their deep trouble!

Over the final 7 years, all Israelites will be oppressed together, something that has not happened in history before. Jeremiah 50:33, *'Thus saith the LORD of hosts; The children of Israel and the children of Judah were oppressed together: and all that took them captives held them fast; they refused to let them go.'* Jeremiah 51:6-8, *'Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; **for this is the time of the LORD's vengeance**; he will render unto her a recompense. Babylon hath been a golden cup in the LORD's hand, **that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine**; therefore the nations are mad. Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.'* (an obvious end time reference!) *'Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest with the **daughter of Babylon**,* Zechariah 2:7, ('in line with the scope of all his other night visions **about the end time**', Unger).

So, now let's notice exactly **where** God's people should go, when they flee from 'Babylon', before its fall! Jeremiah 50:28, *'The voice of them that **flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion** the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of his temple.'*

Could anything be clearer or more specific! God has given us a job to do **in Zion!**

And again, Jeremiah 51:10, *'The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and **let us declare in Zion** the work of the LORD our God.'* He confirms that our destination is indeed Jerusalem, so that we may have no doubt! Jeremiah 51:50, *'Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, stand not still: remember the LORD afar off, and **let Jerusalem come into your mind.**'*

Who is to tell God's people in His Church these things, for most have been given a false scenario of the last days? Jeremiah 31:6-7, *'For there shall be a day, **that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry**, Arise ye, and **let us go up to Zion** unto the LORD our God. For thus saith the LORD; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.'* The watchmen upon Mount Ephraim are today bringing you this warning message!

As we can also see from Ezekiel chapter 36, the church's message is to be broadcast not just to Judah but to the people of Israel worldwide. When we reach Jerusalem we are to act as watchmen for that city and to the world, giving warning of what is to happen through the next almost 7 years, until the establishment of God's Kingdom. Isaiah 62:6-7, *'I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the LORD, keep not silence, And give him no rest, till he establish, and **till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.**'* ---- 11-12, *'Behold, the LORD hath proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say ye to the daughter of Zion, Behold, thy salvation cometh; behold, **his reward is with him, and his work before him.** And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A*

city not forsaken.'

Our message is further detailed in Isaiah 40:9-10 (NIV), *'You who bring good tidings to Zion, go up on a high mountain. You who bring good tidings to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with a shout, lift it up, do not be afraid; say to the towns of Judah, "Here is your God!" See, the Sovereign Lord comes with power, and his arm [the saints – Rev 20:4] rules for him. See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him.'*

In fact, this is basically the same message John the Baptist brought, as described in verses 1-3 of Isaiah 40, as well as Jesus Christ, and Joel (cf. Matthew 3:1-2, 4:17, **Joel 2:1,13**), *'Blow you the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand..... 13, And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.'*

Today, God has given us additional information in the Book of Revelation, and we will also warn against involvement with, or worship of the ascendant Beast who then will begin to emerge in Europe and come to full power after the first 3 ½ years, – Revelation 13:4-5, *'And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? Who is able to make war with him? And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.'*

His arrival in Israel (Judah), on the invitation of its government when their protector America falls, with just a token force of troops at first, is designed to discourage further invasion by the surrounding Arab nations, but the Beast has his own agenda! *'And after the league made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.'* (Daniel 11:23). He gradually seeks more power and control in the nation, and attempts to silence the broadcasts of God's Church, which is warning the world against him as the Anti-Christ. In this, after many months, he is eventually successful, bringing about the persecution of the 5th seal in verse 33, in which many of God's people are killed, *'And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, many days.'*

In conclusion, the unprepared who failed to flee, will hear of the warnings preached by God's Church from Jerusalem and, after the fall of 'Babylon' comes about, some will try to join them, while others will recognize their mistake and determine to witness in their captivity, or under the very nose of the Beast's government in the Israelite countries of Europe. Matthew 10:23, *'But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.'*

The result of all this brave witness to the world will be a very large number who 'wash their robes' **during the Great Tribulation**, the final 3 ½ years (Revelation 7), **after the resurrection**, as we saw from Revelation 14:15, plainly before the Great Tribulation – verse 19!

God's word tells us to 'prove all things', by accepting only that which is written in the word of God. There are however, many who combine parts of God's word with unbiblical scenarios of dangerous origin. Such deception will be betrayed by lack of biblical backup in every step, so please check carefully with your Bible that every part of this scenario matches God's Word.

To be continued.

