

Could This Be The Year ?

“For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come.” Isaiah 63:4

“Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord GOD (Father), and his Spirit (Holy Ghost), hath sent me (Son)” (Isaiah 48:16). Oh by the way, the Trinity (1John 5:7) is clearly identified in this scripture refuting those who say that the Godhead is not mentioned in the Old Testament.

From the beginning, God has clearly spoken in the Bible (KJV) of two distinct comings to this planet by the Lord. The purpose of the first coming by God the Son (Jesus) was to redeem mankind from its bondage to sin (Titus 2:14). He would come, born of a virgin as prophesied in Isaiah 7:14, preach for three years, starting at the age of 30 (Numbers 4:35, 47), be rejected, arrested, illegally tried, and then crucified on a cross to pay the price for all of humanities sins – the just for the unjust (1 Peter 3:18). The Old Testament clearly foretold of this first coming in Psalm 22, Isaiah 50:5-7, 52:13-15, and in many other verses. This first coming of the Lord would result in the death, burial, resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:3-4), and ascension (Acts 1:9-11) back up into Heaven to take His appointed place at the right hand of God the Father (Psalm 110:1, Hebrews 10:12-13).

But, Jesus before He died, foretold of His second coming back to this planet in John 14:3. However, this clearly is not the literal second coming to this planet by Jesus with all of His angels and saints, as foretold in Revelation 19:14. No, this is the first phase of the second coming. In this phase, we go up to heaven to be with the Lord, not come down with the Lord when He returns as the battle of Armageddon is raging. Even the Old Testament foretold of this in Isaiah 26:20-21, *“Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast. For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.”* In the Old Testament, God referred to them as chambers, but Jesus in the New Testament called them mansions (John 14:2).

Christians have been anticipating the Lord’s return for some time now, but the events taking place around the world, and especially in the Middle East, are showing us that His return is near, very near, even at the door (Matthew 24:33). As we watch these events unfolding, especially in Syria, we know that the battle of Gog-Magog foretold in Ezekiel chapters 38 & 39 is approaching. In this war, Russia leads a confederation of nations to try to annihilate Israel and take away all of her wealth (Ezekiel 38:12).

Within the last five years, Israel has discovered huge deposits of natural gas off the coast of Haifa, in the Mediterranean Sea along with massive amounts of oil on the Golan Heights, totaling hundreds of billions, or perhaps trillions, of dollars. Combine this with the trillions of dollars worth of minerals found by Israel at the bottom of the Dead Sea, and we know why Russia and her allies are going to attack.

Russia’s main ally in this coming war will be Persia, who in 1935 changed its name to Iran. Presently, Iran is pouring thousands of troops into Syria, making it a springboard for the coming invasion of Israel in fulfillment of Bible prophecy. Also, tens of thousands of Russian troops, Syrian regulars, Hezbollah, and Shiite fighters from various other countries such as Iraq, Afghanistan, and Pakistan (Ezekiel 38:5-6) are massing in Syria for this war prophesied over 2,600 years ago. They have even occupied the de-militarized zone of the Golan Heights bordering Israel while flying Russian flags at their camps so that Israel won’t bomb them. This war is coming, and coming soon and it will be so devastating for the world economically that the church can’t be here when it occurs. That’s because the Lord never punishes the righteous with the wicked (Genesis 18:23). i.e. Noah and Lot.

Also, recently, a brother in the Lord received a stunning email along with a YouTube video [Hidden Third Temple Chambers Discovered by Western Wall](#) (copy and paste into your browser) of a tour guide taking a group of tourists through the newly built third Jewish Temple (Revelation 11:1-2). But, this Temple was built underground on the Temple Mount where the first and second Temples stood. This video shows that the existing Western Wall is part of this Third Temple. As the guide was taking the group through the brightly lit huge rooms where the 70 elders will meet, the altar was shown along with the solid gold, 8 foot tall Menorah. Needless to say, this video caused much excitement in the Christian community. At the end of the video, the tour guide actually said that this was not the Lord’s Temple, but the Temple of the antichrist (2 Thessalonians 2:4). If this is truly the Third Temple that the Bible prophesied would be built in the last days, then how close are we???

Furthermore, on Tuesday January 22, 2019, Governor Andrew Cuomo of N.Y. State passed the “Reproductive Health Act” and this was deliberately done on the 46th anniversary of the original Roe v. Wade abortion act passed by the Supreme Court back in 1973. In fact, the same attorney that helped to pass the original act was also present when Gov. Cuomo signed this Law. Some coincidence, huh?!

In other words, abortion will be available to women essentially on demand right up to the point of birth. Not only will this law preserve access to abortion, it also removes abortion from the state’s criminal code. This would protect doctors or medical professionals who perform abortions from criminal prosecution. The law also now allows medical professionals who ARE NOT doctors to perform abortions in New York, such as physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and midwives.

Now that this law has been passed in New York State, how many other states will quickly follow suit and do the same? The Bible says in Proverbs 6:16-17, “*These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,*”

These events along with all the devastating natural disasters taking place around the world ... the earthquakes, the volcanic eruptions, the hurricanes, the tornado outbreaks, the tsunamis, and the devastating forest fires, tell us that we are very close to the Lord coming back to take His true church home to be with Him, hopefully even this year.

If you are saved by trusting Jesus and Jesus only for your salvation, then get to work while there is still time, warning the unsaved (Ezekiel 3:19) of the coming tribulation which is going to engulf the entire world (Luke 21:35, Revelation 3:10).

If you are not saved, and what you have just read scares you, then get saved today by trusting in Jesus and what He did for you at the cross (Colossians 1:20). Repent of your sins to God (Acts 17:30), receive Him into your heart (John1:12), and get to know Him as your personal Lord and Saviour by praying (Luke 21:36) and reading the Bible daily (Acts 17:11). Then when the rapture, or evacuation of the church from off of this planet (I Thessalonians 4:16-18) takes place, you will be among those that will disappear (I Corinthians 15:51-53). Do it now before it is too late (II Corinthians 6:2). As the Bible says, “*And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh (Luke 21:28).* **IT COULD BE THIS YEAR!**

Amen

(All scripture references taken from the King James Bible)

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