

ENDGAME

A Study On Revelation (Week #56)

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Revelation 12:6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness where she *had a place prepared by God, so that there she would be nourished for 1,260 days. **7** And there was war in heaven, Michael and his angels waging war with the dragon. The dragon and his angels waged war, **8** and they did not prevail, and there was no longer a place found for them in heaven. (NASB)

Revelation 12:6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days. **7** And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, **8** but they [were not strong enough] did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. (NKJV)

Revelation 12:6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where God had prepared a place to care for her for 1,260 days. **7** Then there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon and his angels. **8** And the dragon lost the battle, and he and his angels were forced out of heaven. (NLT)

The _____ (Pauses)

- There are a total of 24 in the Bible
 - Where else do we see the number "24"? _____
 - What / Who do they represent? _____
- Other passages of Scripture
 - Psalms 34:12-16 (Quoted in 1 Peter 3:10-12)
 - Psalms 118:22
 - Isaiah 9:6
 - Isaiah 53:10
 - Isaiah 54:7
 - Isaiah 61:2 (Quoted in Luke 4:18-20)
 - Lamentations 4:21,22
 - Daniel 9:26
 - Daniel 11:20,21
 - Hosea 2:13,14
 - Hosea 3:4,5
 - Amos 9:10,11 (Quoted in Acts 15:13-18, Out of the Septuagint, translation of the OT, which is why it sounds different from our current Hebrew translations used in the English Bibles)
 - Micah 5:2,3

- Habakkuk 2:13,14
- Zephaniah 3:7,8
- Zephaniah 9:9,10
- Matthew 10:23
- Matthew 12:20
- Luke 1:1,32
- Luke 19:42 (until Romans 11:25)
- Luke 21:24
- John 1:5,6
- 1 Peter 1:11
- Revelation 12:5, 6
 - ▶ Also see: Matthew 13:34, 35; Ephesians 3:5, 9; Col 1:18; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Acts 1:5, 11:15-16
 - ▶ Mystery (Only known by Divine Revelation) of the Kingdom (the Millennial Kingdom), Matthew chapter 13 had seven parables, which coincided with the seven church letters of Paul (he wrote 13 letters, 3 were continuations to the same churches, 3 were to individuals, and 7 were to churches), which coincided with the seven church letters Jesus dictated in Revelation (Matthew 13:11, Revelation 2 & 3)

Luke 4:16 And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and as was His custom, He entered the synagogue on the Sabbath, and stood up to read. **17** And the scroll of Isaiah the prophet was handed to Him. And He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: **18** "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He anointed Me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to captives, And recovery of sight to the blind, To set free those who are oppressed, **19** To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord." **20** And He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all the people in the synagogue were intently directed at Him. **21** Now He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." (NASB)

Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, Because the Lord anointed me To bring good news to the humble; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim release to captives And freedom to prisoners; **2** To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn, **3** To grant those who mourn in Zion, Giving them a garland instead of ashes, The oil of gladness instead of mourning, The cloak of praise instead of a disheartened spirit. (NASB)

Revelation 12:9 And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole [inhabited earth] world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. (NASB)

Revelation 12:9 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. (NKJV)

Revelation 12:9 This great dragon—the ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, the one deceiving the whole world—was thrown down to the earth with all his angels. (NLT)

Warfare

- Background:
 - 2 Corinthians 2:11

2 Corinthians 2:11 so that no advantage would be taken of us by Satan, for we are not ignorant of his schemes. (NASB)

- Revelation 9
- Amos 7:1 (LXX)
- Ephesians 6:10-13

Ephesians 6:10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. **11** Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. **12** For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. **13** Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist on the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. (NASB)

- Isaiah 59:17

Isaiah 59:17 He put on righteousness like a breastplate, And a helmet of salvation on His head; And He put on garments of vengeance for clothing And wrapped Himself with zeal as a cloak. (NASB)

- Elisha speaking to his servant
 - ▶ 2 Kings 6:16

2 Kings 6:16 And he said, "Do not be afraid, for those who are with us are greater than those who are with them." (NASB)

- Powers behind major empires
 - ▶ Daniel 10:12-20
 - ▶ Does every country (or major country) have a spirit being?
 - ▶ Even the United States?

Daniel 10:12 Then he said to me, "Do not be afraid, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart on understanding this and on humbling yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to your words. **13** But the prince of the kingdom of Persia was standing [opposite me] in my way for twenty-one days; then behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left there with the kings of Persia. **14** Now I have come to explain to you what will happen to your people in the [end of days] latter days, because the vision pertains to the days still future." **15** When he had spoken to me according to these words, I turned my face toward the ground and became speechless. **16** And behold, one who resembled a human was touching my lips. Then I opened my mouth and spoke and said to him who was standing before me, "My lord, due to the vision anguish has come upon me, and I have retained no strength. **17** For how can such a servant of my lord talk with such as my lord? As for me, there remains just now no strength in me, nor has any breath been left in me." **18** Then this one with human appearance touched me again and strengthened me. **19** And he said, "You who are treasured, do not be afraid. Peace be to you; take courage and be courageous!" Now as soon as he spoke to me, I felt strengthened and said, "May my lord speak, for you have strengthened me." **20** Then he said, "Do you understand why I came to you? But I shall now return to fight against the prince of Persia; so I am leaving, and behold, the prince of Greece is about to come. (NASB)

- Satan's Methods:
 - Genesis 3
 - Deceit (leads to doubt and denial)
 - ▶ 2 Corinthians 4:3-4

2 Corinthians 4:3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, **4** in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they will not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. (NASB)

- ▶ John 8:44

John 8:44 "You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth

because there is no truth in him. Whenever he tells a lie, he speaks from his own nature, because he is a liar and the father of lies." (NASB)

- Ultimate lie
 - ▶ 2 Thessalonians 2:11

2 Thessalonians 2:8 Then that lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will eliminate with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; **9** that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and false signs and wonders, **10** and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not accept the love of the truth so as to be saved. **11** For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false, (NASB)

- The ultimate victory
 - 1 John 4:4

1 John 4:4 You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world. (NASB)

- 2 Kings 6:16

2 Kings 6:16 And he said, "Do not be afraid, for those who are with us are greater than those who are with them." (NASB)

- Romans 8:25-38

Romans 8:25 But if we hope for what we do not see, through perseverance we wait eagerly for it. **26** Now in the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words; **27** and He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. **28** And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. **29** For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters; **30** and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified. **31** What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who is against us? **32** He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things? **33** Who will bring charges against God's elect? God is the one who justifies; **34** who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, but rather, was

raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. **35** Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or trouble, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? **36** Just as it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We were regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." **37** But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. **38** For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, (NASB)

- Satan already defeated
 - 1 John 3:8

1 John 3:8 the one who practices sin is of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil. (NASB)

- Hebrews 2:14

Hebrews 2:14 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, so that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, (NASB)

- James 4:7

James 4:7 Submit therefore to God. But resist the devil, and he will flee from you. (NASB)

- Ephesians 1:20-21

Ephesians 1:20 which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, **21** far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. (NASB)

- Hebrews 10:12-13

Hebrews 10:12 but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, sat down at the right hand of God, **13** waiting from that time onward until His enemies are made a footstool for His feet. (NASB)

- Philippians 2:9

Philippians 2:9 For this reason also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, (NASB)

- Psalm 110:1

Psalm 110:1 The Lord says to my Lord: "Sit at My right hand Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet." (NASB)

- Revelation 12:10

Old Testament _____ (Tricks) of Satan

- Cain's murder of Abel
 - Genesis 4
- Corruption of Adam's line (Nephilim)
 - Genesis 6
- Abraham's seed
 - Genesis 12, 20
- Famine
 - Genesis 50
- Destruction of male line (going after Moses)
 - Exodus 1
- Pharaoh's pursuit
 - Exodus 14
- The populating of Canaan
 - Genesis 12:6
 - Joshua commanded to wipe out every nation in the promise land
 - ▶ Gene-pool problem
 - ▶ Land has been corrupted by Satan
- Against David's line
 - 2 Samuel 7

Satan attempts to thwart the Plan of God by destroying the nation and the Messianic line.

_____ on David's Line

- Jehoram kills his brothers
 - 2 Chronicles 21:4

2 Chronicles 21:4 Now when Jehoram had taken over the kingdom of his father and gathered courage, he killed all his brothers with the sword, and some of the leaders of Israel as well. (NASB)

- Arabians slew all (but Ahazariah)
 - 2 Chronicles 22:1

2 Chronicles 22:1 Then the inhabitants of Jerusalem made [Jehoahaz] Ahaziah, his youngest son, king in his place, for the band of men who came with the Arabs to the camp had killed all the older sons. (NASB)

- Athaliah kills all (but Joash)
 - 2 Kings 11:1-3

2 Kings 11:1 When Athaliah the mother of Ahaziah saw that her son was dead, she arose and eliminated all the royal children. **2** But Jehosheba, the daughter of King Joram, sister of Ahaziah, took Joash the son of Ahaziah and abducted him from among the king's sons who were being put to death, and put him and his nurse in the bedroom. So they hid him from Athaliah, and he was not put to death. **3** So he was kept hidden with her in the house of the Lord for six years, while Athaliah was reigning over the land. (NASB)

- 2 Chronicles 22

2 Chronicles 22:8 And it came about, when Jehu was executing judgment on the house of Ahab, that he found the princes of Judah and the sons of Ahaziah's brothers attending to Ahaziah, and killed them. **9** He also searched for Ahaziah, and they caught him while he was hiding in Samaria; they brought him to Jehu, put him to death, and buried him. For they said, "He is the son of Jehoshaphat, who sought the Lord with all his heart." So there was no one of the house of Ahaziah to retain the power of the kingdom. (NASB)

- Hezekiah assaulted, etc.
 - Isaiah 36, 38
- Blood curse on Jeconiah (Royal Lineage)
 - thus, the Virgin Birth
 - ▶ Matthew 1
 - ▶ Matthew's lineage goes through David > Solomon (1st son)
 - ▶ Lineage is traced to Joseph (Jesus's earthly father)
 - ▶ Luke 3
 - ▶ Luke's lineage goes through David > Nathan (2nd son)
 - ▶ Lineage is traced to Mary (Jesus's earthly mother)
 - Jeremiah 22:30

Jeremiah 22:30 This is what the Lord says: "Write this man down as childless, A man who will not prosper in his days; For no man among his descendants will prosper Sitting on the throne of David Or ruling again in Judah." (NASB)

- Haman's attempts
 - Esther 3

New Testament _____ (Tricks) of Satan

- Joseph's fears
 - Matthew 1

Matthew 1:19 And her husband Joseph, since he was a righteous man and did not want to disgrace her, planned to send her away secretly. **20** But when he had thought this over, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. (NASB)

- Herod's attempts
 - Matthew 2

Matthew 2:12 And after being warned by God in a dream not to return to Herod, the magi left for their own country by another way. **13** Now when they had gone, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up! Take the Child and His mother and flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you; for Herod is going to search for the Child to kill Him." (NASB)

- At Nazareth
 - Luke 4

Luke 4:1 Now Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led around by the Spirit in the wilderness **2** for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And He ate nothing during those days, and when they had ended, He was hungry. (NASB)

Luke 4:28 And all the people in the synagogue were filled with rage as they heard these things; **29** and they got up and drove Him out of the city, and brought Him to the crest of the hill on which their city had been built, so that they could throw Him down from the cliff. **30** But He passed through their midst and went on His way. (NASB)

- 2 storms on the Sea
 - Mark 4

Mark 4:37 And a fierce gale of wind developed, and the waves were breaking over the boat so much that the boat was already filling *with water*. **38** And yet Jesus Himself was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they *woke Him and *said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?" **39** And He got up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "**Hush, be still.**" And the wind died down and it became perfectly calm. (NASB)

- Luke 8

Luke 8:22 Now on one of *those* days Jesus and His disciples got into a boat, and He said to them, "**Let's cross over to the other side of the lake.**" So they launched out. **23** But as they were sailing along He fell asleep; and a fierce gale of wind descended on the lake, and they *began* to be swamped and to be in danger. **24** They came up to Jesus and woke Him, saying, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And He got up and rebuked the wind and the surging waves, and they stopped, and it became calm. (NASB)

- The Cross
 - Matthew 27
 - Mark 15
 - Luke 23
 - John 19
- Summary:
 - Revelation 12
- ...and he's not through
 - Revelation 13
 - Prerequisite for the second coming (not rapture)
 - ▶ Israel must repent (they rejected Him)
 - ▶ Ask Him to return (they must accept Him)

Hosea 5:15 I will go away and return to My place Until they acknowledge their guilt and seek My face; In their distress they will search for Me. (NASB)

- Why is Satan still at it?
 - ▶ He lost after the cross...right?
 - ▶ If he can get the remnant, the Jewish people, wiped out. Then he can thwart God's plan.
 - ▶ They cannot repent if they are all dead.
 - ▶ They cannot repent if those who still believe in the Messiah are gone.
 - ▶ Remove the productivity of Christian to witness.
 - ▶ Remove the remnant from hearing, believing, existing.

- ...in your life and mine!
 - Ephesians 6:10-18

Ephesians 6:10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might.

11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. **12** For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. **13** Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist on the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. **14** Stand firm therefore, having belted your waist with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, **15** and having strapped on your feet the preparation of the gospel of peace; **16** in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. **17** And take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. **18** With every prayer and request, pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be alert with all perseverance and every request for all the saints, (NASB)

Revelation 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers and sisters has been thrown down, the one who accuses them before our God day and night. **11** And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death. (NASB)

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Revelation 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice shouting across the heavens, "It has come at last—salvation and power and the Kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ. [Messiah] For the accuser of our brothers and sisters has been thrown down to earth—the one who accuses them before our God day and night. **11** And they have defeated him by the blood of the Lamb and by their testimony. And they did not love their lives so much that they were afraid to die. (NLT)

How Did They _____?

- Jesus' Blood
 - Ultimate sacrifice
 - ▶ Hebrews 9:12

Hebrews 9:12 and not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered the holy place once for all time, having obtained eternal redemption. (NASB)

- Word of testimony
 - Book of Life
 - ▶ Matthew 4:4,7,10

Matthew 4:4 But He answered and said, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes out of the mouth of God.'" **5** Then the devil took Him along into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, **6** and he said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written: 'He will give His angels orders concerning You'; and 'On their hands they will lift You up, So that You do not strike Your foot against a stone.'" **7** Jesus said to him, "On the other hand, it is written: 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" **8** Again, the devil took Him along to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; **9** and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me." **10** Then Jesus said to him, "Go away, Satan! For it is written: 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.'" **11** Then the devil left Him; and behold, angels came and began to serve Him. (NASB)

- ▶ Ephesians 6:10-18
- ▶ Isaiah 59:17
- ▶ Exodus 32:32 - WOW!!! Punish me - not them!

Exodus 32:31 Then Moses returned to the Lord and said, "Oh, this people has committed a great sin, and they have made a god of gold for themselves! **32** But now, if You will forgive their sin, very well; but if not, please wipe me out from Your book which You have written!" (NASB)

- ▶ Daniel 12:1

Daniel 12:1 "Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. (NASB)

- Loved not their lives
 - 2 witnesses of Revelation Ch 11
 - ▶ Romans 6:11-13

Romans 6:11 So you too, consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus. **12** Therefore sin is not to reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, **13** and do not go on presenting the parts of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those who are alive from the dead, and your body's parts as instruments of righteousness for God. (NASB)

▶ 2 Timothy 1:12

2 Timothy 1:12 For this reason I also suffer these things; but I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that He is able to protect what I have entrusted to Him until that day. (NASB)

▶ Acts 20:24

Acts 20:24 But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of God's grace. (NASB)

Revelation 12:12 For this reason, rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you with great wrath, knowing that he has only a short time." (NASB)

Revelation 12:12 Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time." (NKJV)

Revelation 12:12 Therefore, rejoice, O heavens! And you who live in the heavens, rejoice! But terror will come on the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you in great anger, knowing that he has little time." (NLT)

The _____

- Inhabitants are not the believers
 - We are raptured.
 - It is those who remain.
- Rapture has a countdown til maximum capacity
 - 2 Peter 3:9
 - Romans 11:25-28

Romans 11:25 For I do not want you, brothers and sisters, to be uninformed of this mystery—so that you will not be wise in your own estimation—that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in; **26** and so all

Israel will be saved; just as it is written: "The Deliverer will come from Zion, He will remove ungodliness from Jacob." **27** "This is My covenant with them, When I take away their sins." **28** In relation to the gospel they are enemies on your account, but in relation to God's choice they are beloved on account of the fathers; (NASB)

- ▶ Getting Christians to not follow the Great Commission pushes back or removes the return of the King?
- The Jewish remnant will be awakened

The _____ Woe?

- Terror
 - What is behind the terrible things that will happen in the Great Tribulation?
 - ▶ The devil's mad.
 - ▶ The terrors and woes that come are not only judgment from God, but the anger of a defeated enemy.

Revelation 12:13 And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. **14** But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, so that she could fly into the wilderness to her place, where she *was nourished for a time, times, and half a time, away from the presence of the serpent. (NASB)

Revelation 12:13 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. **14** But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent. (NKJV)

Revelation 12:13 When the dragon realized that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. **14** But she was given two wings like those of a great eagle so she could fly to the place prepared for her in the wilderness. There she would be cared for and protected from the dragon [serpent] for a time, times, and half a time. (NLT)

Dragon's _____

- Focus
 - Israel, particularly the faithful
 - With the Church safely raptured to heaven and with no way to stand before God accusing the saints, Satan now pursues the woman, Israel.
 - ▶ But God protects her on eagle's wings," and she gets to a place prepared for her.
 - ▶ Two "wings" - Two witnesses?

- Repetition
 - In verse 14, John repeats what he has said in verse 6.
 - ▶ In Bible times there were no parentheses marks.
 - ▶ Repetition was a way to set off what we would put in parentheses.
 - So verse 7 to 13 is like a parentheses and now we pick up from verse six with what John sees in verse 14.
- Length Of Time
 - A time" is one year.
 - Times" is two of a time," or two years
 - Half a time" is 2 a year
 - So this is 3 2 years

Jeremiah 30:7 Woe, for that day is great, There is none like it; And it is the time of Jacob's distress, Yet he will be saved from it. (NASB)

Matthew 24:15 "Therefore when you see the abomination of desolation which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place—let the reader understand— **16** then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains.

17 Whoever is on the housetop must not go down to get things out of his house.

18 And whoever is in the field must not turn back to get his cloak. **19** But woe to those women who are pregnant, and to those who are nursing babies in those days!

20 Moreover, pray that when you flee, it will not be in the winter, or on a Sabbath.

21 For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will again. **22** And if those days had not been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short." (NASB)

Israel's Respite _____ (relief, delay)

- Eagle
 - Exodus 19:4
 - Deuteronomy 2:9-11

Deuteronomy 2:9 Then the Lord said to me, 'Do not attack Moab, nor provoke them to war, for I will not give you any of their land as a possession, because I have given Ar to the sons of Lot as a possession.' **10** (The Emim lived there previously, a people as great, numerous, and tall as the Anakim. **11** Like the Anakim, they too are regarded as Rephaim, but the Moabites call them Emim. (NASB)

- Eagles' wings from Egypt
 - ▶ Exodus 19:4

Exodus 19:4 'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I carried you on eagles' wings, and brought you to Myself. (NASB)

- Wilderness
 - ▶ Deuteronomy 32:11-12

Deuteronomy 32:11-12 As an eagle stirs up its nest, And hovers over its young, He spread His wings, He caught them, He carried them on His pinions. **12** The Lord alone guided him, And there was no foreign god with him. (NASB)

- Return from Babylon
 - ▶ Isaiah 40:31

Isaiah 40:31 Yet those who wait for the Lord Will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary. (NASB)

- Wilderness
 - Matthew 24:16

Matthew 24:16 then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains. (NLT)

- Edom, Moab, Ammon escape Antichrist
 - ▶ Daniel 11:41

Daniel 11:41 He will also enter the Beautiful Land, and many countries will fall; but these will be rescued out of his hand: Edom, Moab, and the foremost of the sons of Ammon. (NLT)

- ▶ Isaiah 11:16

Isaiah 11:16 And there will be a highway from Assyria For the remnant of His people who will be left, Just as there was for Israel On the day that they came up out of the land of Egypt. (NLT)

- ▶ Ezekiel 20:35-38

Ezekiel 20:35 and I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples, and there I will enter into judgment with you face to face. **36** Just as I entered into judgment with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will enter into judgment with you," declares the Lord God. **37** "I will make you pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant; **38** and I will purge from you the rebels and those who revolt against Me; I will bring them out of the land where they reside, but they will not enter the land of Israel. So you will know that I am the Lord. (NLT)

- Door of hope
 - ▶ Hosea 2:14-15

Hosea 2:14 "Therefore, behold, I am going to persuade her, Bring her into the wilderness, And speak kindly to her. **15** Then I will give her her vineyards from there, And the Valley of Achor as a door of hope. And she will respond there as in the days of her youth, As in the day when she went up from the land of Egypt. (NLT)

- ▶ Exodus 15

Exodus 15:19 For the horses of Pharaoh with his chariots and his horsemen went into the sea, and the Lord brought back the waters of the sea on them, but the sons of Israel walked on dry land through the midst of the sea. (NLT)

- ▶ Zephaniah 2:3

Zephaniah 2:3 Seek the Lord, All you humble of the earth Who have practiced His ordinances; Seek righteousness, seek humility. Perhaps you will remain hidden On the day of the Lord's anger. (NLT)

- Earth swallows enemies of God
 - Numbers 16:31, 33

Numbers 16:31 And as he finished speaking all these words, the ground that was under them split open; **32** and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them, their households, and all the people who belonged to Korah with all their possessions. **33** So they and all that belonged to them went down alive to Sheol; and the earth closed over them, and they perished from the midst of the assembly. (NLT)

- Micah 7:15

Micah 7:15 "As in the days when you went out from the land of Egypt, I will show you miracles." (NLT)

Revelation 12:15 And the serpent hurled water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood. **16** But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and drank up the river which the dragon had hurled out of his mouth. **17** So the dragon was enraged with the woman, and went off to make war with the rest of her children, who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. (NASB)

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Revelation 12:15 Then the dragon tried to drown the woman with a flood of water that flowed from his mouth. **16** But the earth helped her by opening its mouth and swallowing the river that gushed out from the mouth of the dragon. **17** And the dragon was angry at the woman and declared war against the rest of her children— all who keep God's commandments and maintain their testimony for Jesus. **18** Then the dragon took his stand on the shore beside the sea. (NLT)

Rapture Theory

- The whole church will not be raptured.
 - There are those that believe that only part of the Church will be raptured.
 - ▶ Only those who are "watching", "waiting", or those that love his appearing" will be raptured and that the rest must go through at least part of the Tribulation.
- This denies the effectiveness of salvation in Christ.
 - Christ saves us completely and we are his and will be received by him completely by grace.
 - The real problem with this doctrine is that it divides the Church, the Bride of Christ.
- Replacement Theology (NOT Biblical)
 - The reason this has gained acceptance with some is that they misread Scriptures which are given to Israel and apply them to the church, especially those out of Matthew chapter 24.
 - ▶ ("two women shall be grinding at the mill...")
- Dragon is angry at the "rest of her children" - The _____!
 - Satan didn't stop God's plan.

Psalm 124:1 "Had it not been the Lord who was on our side," Let Israel say, **2** "Had it not been the Lord who was on our side When people rose up against us, **3** Then they would have swallowed us alive, When their anger was kindled against us; **4** Then the waters would have flooded over us, The stream would have swept over our souls; **5** Then the raging waters would have swept over our souls." **6** Blessed be the Lord, Who has not given us to be torn by their teeth. **7** Our souls have escaped like a bird from the trapper's snare; The snare is broken and we have escaped. **8** Our help is in the name of the Lord, Who made heaven and earth. (NLT)

The _____ Between Two _____

- The "Seed of the Woman."
- The "Seed of the Serpent" (Satanic Trinity)
 - The Red Dragon: Satan
 - The Coming World Leader
 - The False Prophet
 - ▶ Anti-Christ is TWO (2) people
- Forces behind world powers today

Next Session

- Read Revelation chapter 13, which introduces the Satanic Duet
 - The Beast out of the Sea
 - The Beast out of the Earth
- Background Passages:
 - Origin of Satan
 - ▶ Isaiah 14
 - ▶ Ezekiel 28
 - The Assyrian (Roman Empire, not Western Europe)
 - ▶ Isaiah 10:24
 - ▶ Micah 5:5
 - Physical Description
 - ▶ Zechariah 11:17