



# End Time Chronology Part 2

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*The Old and New Testament prophets give us the order of events*

Note: Scripture used in this Bible Study is from the New King James Version.

## 31. Revelation 1:1 - What is revealed in the book of Revelation?

Revelation 1:1 - The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants-- things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John,

- The revelation of Jesus Christ and things which must shortly take place.

### What is the revelation of Jesus Christ?

It is the revealing of who Jesus is to the whole world. Every person on earth will see Him when He comes.

## 32. Revelation 1:19 - What may we conclude about the order of events in Revelation?

Revelation 1:19 - Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this.

They are generally chronological, this is however not something to be dogmatic about.

Chapters 2 & 3 are letters to 7 churches that existed in John's day but many Bible scholars believe that the reason God addressed these particular churches and chose this particular order was significant: It represents the church age. Prophetic passages often have multiple applications through "types", partial fulfillment and actual fulfillment. Also, the fact that there are 7 churches is significant: the number 7 has symbolic significance in the Bible, it means "completion". (as in completing creation in 7 days).

At any given time (including John's time) congregations can be found that have these characteristics. However, if one was to describe the church taken as a whole throughout its history, it maps very closely to Chapters 2 & 3. A brief summary is as follows:

**Ephesus:** Duty without love - the Apostolic church - 33-100 AD

**Smyrna:** Poor & persecuted but rich - the trials of Rome - 100-312 AD

**Pergamos:** Compromise with the world system - the state endorses the church - 312-590 AD

**Thyatira:** The great counterfeit - middle ages (dark ages), image worship, superstition, priestcraft - 590-1517 AD

**Sardis:** Dead Orthodoxy - reformation era, complacency & new legalism - 1517-1750 AD

**Philadelphia:** Revival & evangelism - missionary era - 1750-1925 AD

**Laodicea:** Compromise & apostasy - lukewarm relationship with Christ, scientific & philosophical rationalism - 1900-Tribulation

**Reference: Revelation 6** The four horsemen of the apocalypse (prophetic revelation)

## 33. Revelation 6:2-8 - The first four seal judgments are the four horsemen. What effect do they have on the earth when they appear?

1. white horse - consolidation of political power: conquering and to conquer
2. fiery red horse - war: to take peace from the earth, and that people should kill one another.
3. black horse - famine: "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not harm the oil and the wine."
  - Note: a day's wages will buy a day's food, but luxuries will be inexpensive
4. pale horse - death: a fourth of the population of the earth dies from war, hunger, & pestilence

## 34. Revelation 6:9-11 - What does the fifth seal reveal?

- The followers of Christ during the tribulation will have to die for their faith

### Does Revelation 6:12-16 describe supernatural events?

They could be but I believe they describe the use of nuclear weapons.

## 35. Revelation 6:12-16 - What events are associated with the sixth seal?

- a great earthquake (blast)
- the sun became black as sackcloth of hair (dust in atmosphere - "nuclear winter")
- the moon became like blood (dust in atmosphere - further away from the detonations)
- the stars of heaven fell to the earth (ICBM warhead entering atmosphere)
- the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up (air sucked into mushroom cloud)

- every mountain and island was moved out of its place (terrain changed)
- people hid themselves in the caves and in mountains (bomb shelters)

**Why would God allow the use of nuclear weapons rather than bring about these events supernaturally?**

It is consistent with the pattern God has established for the way He operates, acting as subtly as possible. God allowing nuclear weapons to be used will accommodate those eager to explain away the course of events. If the destruction is man's doing, they think it can all be fixed given enough funding and education because they have faith in the fundamental good of mankind (which is a deception).

**If the destruction during the tribulation were supernatural, would people turn to God?**

Even if the events were supernatural, they would fail to attribute them to God. Note that people accused Jesus of performing miracles by the power of Satan. If God do not orchestrate events to provide for a convenient explanation people would still come up with some reasoning that provides for any cause but God. If they were to admit it is God's doing, they would have to admit their need for Him and repent.

**As I was refreshing this lesson, I started to waiver in my conviction that Revelation 6:12-16 described the use of nuclear weapons because of verses 15-17. Why do these verses argue for these events being supernatural?**

Rev 6:15-17

15 And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains,

16 and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!

17 "For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

People know that it is God who is behind these events. They know it is God who allowed these human wars to take place but it still does not change their mind about Him. This is what happened to Pharaoh in response to the plagues Moses warned him about. God reinforced his already hardened heart so that the consequences of his sin would be more severe. This too is consistent with the pattern God has established, He gives us over to the desires of our heart (see Romans 1:18-28)

I need to pause here and give a testimony. I have written the following paragraphs as something of a daily journal to record the incredible way the Lord has been working in my life during June 3-7, 2002. I was actually wrestling over this nuclear weapons versus supernatural event over the course

of a couple days. It had me stumped and I prayed that God would help me to reconcile it. God did not help me settle the matter right away because He was prompting me to take another critical action...

**Written Tuesday, June 4, 2002...**

In 1995 I proposed a class on "Introduction to Bible Prophecy" to Leisure Learning Unlimited (LLU). It was rejected because they didn't do "religious" topics. I kept it in the back of my mind that this is something I'd try again some day with maybe a different angle. Well Monday June 3, 2002 I had strong impression to try again. The Lord started flooding my mind with ideas for topics and I spent my lunch time taking notes. That evening I looked over the class proposal I had submitted in 1995 and started thinking about how I could go about submitting another proposal. I started looking at the wind and the waves around me and dropped the idea as being futile. After all, I tried this once before and God made it clear that this was not to be... been there, done that. Yet the Lord was prompting me to take a step of faith.

**Written Wednesday, June 5, 2002...**

Well the next morning as I listened to Max McLean, he happened to be reading Acts 17 where Paul got an opportunity to present the gospel before a philosophy club in Athens. This was not a coincidence, God was encouraging me to take a step of faith. Ever since I had first read about Paul's experience on Mars Hill, I've wanted to take the gospel to a forum of unbelievers. So when I got into the office, I checked out the LLU website to find out when they were having their new teacher meeting for the next course catalogue. It was June 6<sup>th</sup>. I could just make it if I scrambled. This was not a coincidence and I began to think that my strong impression to attempt another try to go to Mars Hill was not my own thought but God's. Well I spent that evening composing a topic proposal and emailed it to LLU the evening of June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Written Thursday, June 6, 2002...**

On June 5<sup>th</sup> the Lord encouraged me that I was indeed on a mission from Him when I was surprised to find the my starting point on my Max McLean CD was the same chapter I had listened to the day before. Either I had recorded the wrong chapter or hadn't finished chapter 17, either way I got to listen to Paul's experience on Mars Hill again. Another experience that was beyond coincidence. I received a reply from LLU but it wasn't very encouraging... It seems that I'm not the only one moved to teach a LLU class on Bible prophecy, the reply said that there is a lot of competition for that subject. It must be a post September 11<sup>th</sup> thing. The response did encourage me to propose other religious topics though so I changed my plans to work on this bible study one more evening to write three different subject abstracts using the notes I made during lunch on Monday.

### **Written Friday, June 7, 2002...**

On June 6<sup>th</sup>, I took another step of faith by going to the 3-hour new teacher orientation at LLU lead by the co-founder, Ted Weisgal. Ted is your classic modern utopian secular-humanist. I was among about a dozen other prospective new teachers and as Ted talked he looked at me a lot probably because I was the oldest one in the room next to himself. After a brief introduction, all the prospective new teachers introduced themselves and their class topic ideas. I was the last one to speak and gave my topic idea, "Introduction to Bible Prophecy." I felt a wave of discouragement when the very next thing Ted talked about was that with his experience he knows which topics will fly and which will not. If he didn't think a topic will draw a crowd, he would not pay the \$150-200 cost for listing it. He did however say the teacher could pay this if they felt strongly enough about it. I felt pretty deflated. I was further discouraged when Ted handed out the applications people had sent him and it became apparent that he had not bothered to print out the one I had emailed him. I also observed that Ted no longer looked me in the eye as he spoke, he had already made his mind up about me and my topic.

But as I sat there thinking about it the Lord began to encourage me. I knew that the feeling of discouragement I had felt the first night I had considered re-submitting my class topic was satanic oppression. There had to be spiritual warfare taking place over my bringing the gospel to the unchurched. And so this latest discouragement was not of God either. Ted hadn't said he wouldn't offer my class, he just had indicated that I might have to pay to have it listed initially. Also, if the Lord is truly leading me to teach this class, it would happen no matter what. I also figured out what Ted meant in his email to me that said "there was a lot of competition for my subject, virtually all the churches in Houston." He was not talking about a new trend of Bible prophecy teachers coming forward to teach at LLU in this post September 11<sup>th</sup> age but that people could go to church for free and didn't need LLU. What Ted doesn't realize is that Bible prophecy is a topic people rarely hear about in the mainstream churches where most people go (believe it or not).

During my run on the morning of the 7<sup>th</sup>, I realized I have a pretty good testimony already if I get an opportunity to share on Sunday. This is a great opportunity to get God's people to share in this mission God has given me by praying that it will bear fruit. God has shown me that I am being called to teach a LLU class on Bible prophecy in at least three ways: (1) The way I was impressed to check into it with just enough time to make it happen. (2) The encouragement He gave me by hearing Max McLean read Paul's Mars Hill experience in Acts 17. (3) The steps of faith He had lead me

through which continue to look like it will happen (timing, email response, training). Pray that my phone interview next Wednesday will go well with Ted and that I will get the opportunity to teach this class. Pray for Ted's spiritual needs. Pray that the class will bear eternal fruit. And pray that this class will be a spring-board for other opportunities to share God's word among the unchurched.

OK, back to Revelation...

### **36. Revelation 6:16-17 - What is the period of time called?**

The great day of wrath of the Lamb is the Great Tribulation.

### **Who is the Lamb?**

The Lamb is Jesus Christ who is revealed to the world as Savior during the course of the great day of wrath and in-person at the end of the day.

John 1:29 - The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

### **Reference: Revelation 7**

### **37. Revelation 7:1-8 - Who will God protect during the tribulation?**

God will supernaturally protect 144,000 of the children of Israel that represents the nation of Israel.

### **38. Revelation 7:9-14 - Who makes up the "great multitude"?**

- The great multitude is a countless number from all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before God and praising Him.
- Verse 14 explains that these are those who believed in Christ and died for their belief.

### **39. Revelation 7:15-17 - What is the reward of the martyrs of Christ?**

Martyrs of Christ will serve God in His temple, they shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; not feel discomfort but live forever (per the living fountains of waters) without any sorrows.

### **40. Revelation 8:1-2 - What does the seventh seal represent?**

The seventh seal introduces the next set of judgments: the seven trumpets. Please note that this reinforces the idea that the book of Revelation is basically chronological.

### **41. Revelation 8:6-9:19 - What effect do the first 6 trumpet judgments have on earth?**

Hail and fire mingled with blood was thrown to the earth causing a third of the trees and all green grass to be burned up. Please note that nuclear detonations compress the atmosphere causing huge hail to form, burning debris are fire falling, dust mingled with rain looks like blood.

#### **What is the Second Trumpet and what does it represent?**

Something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea destroying a third of all sea creatures and ships. Some have said( this could be a comet but I believe it describes a nuclear denotation in the ocean.

#### **What is the Third Trumpet and what does it represent?**

There is a great burning star that will fall from heaven poisoning a third of the earth's fresh water. I believe this is a reference to radioactive fall-out would make water poison.

#### **What is the Fourth Trumpet and what does it represent?**

A third of the heavens will be obscured. I believe this refers to dust in the atmosphere that occurs from dirty nuclear detonations. Dirty detonations are those that occur on the ground that brings dirt into the atmosphere thus producing radioactive fall-out that causes a lingering effect on people over an extended area. During the cold war it was Soviet doctrine to employ nukes in this fashion while the U.S. intended to use air bursts, relatively clean by comparison. Airbursts would destroy with blast only and not produce a lot of fall-out.

#### **What is the Fifth Trumpet and what does it represent?**

Locusts that sting like scorpions will torment only people but not the 144,000 for 5 months. One thought that comes to mind is that this could be that this is John's way of describing a 21<sup>st</sup> Century scene in the 1<sup>st</sup> Century: helicopters spreading chemical agents. Or it could be supernatural demon led insects, I would not be dogmatic on this issue. One thing I'm sure of, when this prophecy is fulfilled, it will be pretty obvious to the people of God that it has been fulfilled.

#### **What is the Sixth Trumpet and what does it represent?**

A 200 million-man army kills a third of mankind on the way to the Mid-East. In our day this is pretty obvious what is being referred to here, Communist China's army is 200 million strong today!

#### **42. Revelation 9:20 - How did the people of the earth respond to these catastrophes?**

Humankind in general did not change but continued in their evil ways.

#### **What were the five major sins of the tribulation? (verses 20 & 21)**

- (1) practicing false religions
- (2) engaging in hate and violence

- (3) taking drugs – the Greek word for sorceries is pharmakeia, it is obvious what this means. Note that today there is already an attitude that if there is something wrong with you, there is a drug available that can fix it.
- (4) sexual immorality
- (5) thieves

#### **Reference: Revelation 11:1-12...**

#### **43. Revelation 11:1 - What important structure will be in existence during the tribulation?**

There will be another temple of God in existence during the tribulation.

#### **44. Revelation 11:2 - Who will control the city of Jerusalem for how long during the tribulation?**

- The Gentiles will be in control of Jerusalem for 3 1/2 years representing the second half of the tribulation. Recall that the second half of the tribulation begins when the Antichrist commits the abomination of desolation causing the Jews to flee the city.
- Note that "the court which is outside the temple", may indicate the solution for the temple mount. The peace treaty that the Antichrist confirms may accommodate both the Jews and the Moslems declaring there is room for both on the temple mount.

#### **45. Revelation 11:3-6 - Describe the two witnesses.**

There will be two Old Testament style prophets who will have God's protection and power "to strike the earth with all plagues as often as they desire."

#### **46. Revelation 11:7-10 - What happens to the two witnesses when they finish their ministry?**

The Antichrist will kill them and let their bodies lie in the street of Jerusalem

#### **What did the people think of these two witnesses?**

The people of the world hated the two witnesses of God and will celebrate their deaths.

#### **What means of communication is necessary to fulfill verse 9?**

It is obvious today that satellite TV makes it possible for all people in the world to see something going on in the Mid-East.

#### **Was this possible before satellite TV?**

"with God all things are possible" (Matt 19:26) but current technology helps us see how God will bring it to pass

#### **Revelation 11:11-12 - What becomes of the two witnesses?**

God will visibly resurrect them after 3 1/2 days

#### **Who are the two witnesses?**

- again, not something to be dogmatic about but which two prophets never saw death?
- Enoch & Elijah  
Malachi 4:5 - Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.
- The other theory is that they will be Moses & Elijah because the things they do are so similar

#### **What subject do the two prophets in Revelation 11 preach on?**

They are doing what Old Testament prophets did, warning about God's coming judgment.

#### **What is the strongest argument for why the second witness in Revelation 11 is Enoch and not Moses or some other Old Testament prophet?**

Like Elijah, Enoch was translated directly to heaven without dying and these two are the only two people to have been taken to heaven without dying. Given that we only suffer physical death once, "*it is appointed for men to die once*" (Hebrews 9:27) it seems that Elijah and Enoch are the only Old Testament prophets who qualify.

#### **Some people argue that Enoch couldn't be the second witness because he was not a prophet. How does Jude 14-15 address that argument?**

Jude 1:14-15 - Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints, to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him."

This passage makes it clear that Enoch was indeed an authentic, Old Testament prophet. Also that he was a prophet who not only preached judgment, he specifically dealt with the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### **Another argument against Enoch being the second witness is that he was not a Jew. How is that argument a weak one?**

Enoch was not a Jew because God had not established the nation of Israel yet. However, Enoch was an ancestor of Jacob whom God used as the father of the 12 tribes of Israel, one of whom was Judah where the term Jew comes from. Per Luke 3, Enoch was a forerunner of Shem in the messianic line. God used those forerunners of the nation of Israel to reach mankind with His message of salvation and Enoch was a key spokesman along with Noah during that time.

#### **How is it possible that people will witness these fantastic events and still reject God?**

There will be a strong delusion...

2 Thessalonians 2:9-12 - The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

#### **Reference: Revelation 13:1-18**

#### **Revelation 13:1-2 – What does this tell us about the beast?**

Sea is a common symbol in the Bible of the Gentile world, so the Antichrist comes out of the Gentile nations. The 10 horns and crowns are political power structures, see Revelation 17:6-17.

#### **47. Revelation 13:2 - What three things will the dragon give the beast?**

The Dragon will give the Beast his power, his throne, and great authority.

#### **Who is "the dragon"?**

The dragon represents the devil (see Revelation 12:9).

#### **48. Revelation 13:3 - What kind of following will the beast have?**

All the world will marvel after and follow the beast.

#### **What is the head wound?**

Some say the Antichrist will make a miraculous recovery from a fatal wound thus mimicking the resurrection of Christ. However, this reference to a head is in a context which means a political power structure. I take it to mean then that he will be seen as dead politically at one point but comes back to the amazement of all.

#### **Who will give authority to the beast, a.k.a. Antichrist?**

The dragon or devil will give authority to the Antichrist.

#### **Who gives authority to the devil?**

God does, He permits Satan to have authority for a time because it serves His purpose. God is in control of all things and all authorities are ordained by God...

Romans 13:1 - Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God.

**Revelation 13:4 – Why will people say, “who is able to make war with the beast?”**

The Antichrist will be very powerful... As my wife and I watched a program on the Learning Channel about advanced fighter planes, she asked, “who will we use these planes against?” It occurred to me that these advanced fighters could be what the Antichrist uses to subdue nations.

**49. Revelation 13:5 – What is the significance of the time period here?**

The beast will continue 3 1/2 years, this is a reference to the second half of the tribulation which Jesus called the “great tribulation.”

**50. Revelation 13:5-6 - What will the beast talk about?**

The beast will speak of great things and blasphemies, he will be a great orator and a consummate politician.

**What three things will the beast blaspheme?**

The Antichrist will blaspheme God's name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. No doubt the Antichrist will dismiss the rapture by saying it is good that those born-again Christians are gone... their closed mindedness it what was holding society back from being a utopia (or something similar).

**51. Revelation 13:7-10 - Who will the beast persecute?**

The Antichrist will target saints, those who trust in Christ for salvation. There will be a lot of Christian martyrs during the tribulation. If you are not a Christian before the rapture, you'll pretty much have to expect to die for your faith if come to Christ after the rapture. Here is a parallel passage...

Daniel 7:25 - He shall speak pompous words against the Most High, shall persecute the saints of the Most High, and shall intend to change times and law. Then the saints shall be given into his hand for a time and times and half a time.

**What does it mean that the Antichrist will change times and law?**

The Antichrist will be a historical revisionist and he will say what is right is really wrong and visa versa.

**52. Revelation 13:11 - What does the appearance of the other beast suggest?**

The other beast looks like a lamb and speaks like a dragon, he is a religious leader who is a false prophet. Note that Jesus warned of false prophets...

Matthew 7:15 - "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravenous wolves."

Jesus also gave this warning specifically about the tribulation...

Matthew 24:11, 24 - many false prophets will rise up and deceive many... For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.

**53. Rev 13:12 - Where will the second beast get his power and what will he do with it?**

The second beast gets his power from the first beast. The second beast uses his power to cause people on the earth to worship the first beast.

**What pattern do you see here in the hierarchy of power between these two beasts?**

Satan is mimicking the triune Godhead setting himself up as the Father with the Antichrist trying to take the place of the Savior, the Son of God and the second beast having a role similar to the Holy Spirit who glorifies the Son. It is interesting to note that the second beast brings down fire from heaven (verse 13) which may be a satanic version of Pentecost.

**54. Revelation 13:13 - What other powers will the second beast have?**

The second beast will demonstrate great signs such as making fire come down from heaven. Note that Jesus warned us about such signs and wonders:

Matthew 24:24 - For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect.

**55. Revelation 13:14 - What effect will the powers of the second beast have on people?**

The second beast will use his powers to deceive people.

**56. Revelation 13:16-18 - What is the mark of the Beast?**

The false prophet will cause all people to receive a mark of either the name of the beast or the number of his name (666) on their right hand or foreheads. People will need this mark in order to buy or sell anything. There is nothing like choices! The world is into choices that masquerade as such but really are not choices at all. Abortion is called a choice but it is really murder. Here, the Antichrist gives three choices of mark on two choices of location but the net result of all these choices is the same, eternal damnation.

**What is the significance of the number 666?**

The number 3 is used in Scripture to represent God which makes since the Godhead consists of three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Likewise the number 6 is the Biblical number of man, so 666 is man's attempt to be as God.

**What technology today makes it more understandable how no one may buy or sell without a certain mark?**

Most transactions can not even be made without computers to keep track of the money. There are also today rice grain-sized transponders for identification of animals and body parts. It is also interesting to note that all product bar codes already display "666" on them... Check it out, the beginning middle and end of bar codes are marked with two thin parallel lines usually a little longer than the rest of the bar code bars. The two thin parallel lines is also the bar code for the number 6.

**Are there transactions you can not do today without a credit card?**

Yes, renting a car, buying airline tickets, or buying something on-line.

**Since some transactions require credit cards, does this mean that credit cards are the mark of the beast?**

No, the mark of the beast is required for all transactions and it only comes into effect during the tribulation. We are not in the tribulation and, in fact, the Church will not go through the tribulation so we do not have to fear the mark of the beast.

**Besides the time-frame, what else makes the mark of the beast what it is?**

According to Revelation 13:15, recipients of the mark of the beast will be required to declare their allegiance to the Antichrist by worshiping him in order to receive the mark.

**Revelation 14 & 15** – These chapters describe a “flash-forward” of the scene in heaven where the 144 thousand are before the throne of God. Flash forwards are used in the text to give the reader hope that, as terrible as things are in the tribulation, all will work out in the end.

**What is Revelation 14:6 a fulfillment of?**

A prophecy Jesus gave us during His Olivet Discourse that will be fulfilled prior to His return...

Matthew 24:14 - And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

**57. Revelation 16 - What do each the bowl judgments cause to happen on earth?**

1. a foul and loathsome sore will come upon the men who had the mark of the beast
2. the sea became blood (poison) and every living creature in it died.
3. all fresh water became blood - there will be no water to drink
4. the sun scorched men with fire and great heat
5. the beast's kingdom became full of darkness and they gnawed their tongues because of the pain
6. the great river Euphrates dried up to prepare the way of the kings from the east.

7. three demon spirits will come out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. (the unholy trinity)

**What is the purpose of the three unclean spirits? (verse 14)**

The three unclean spirits perform signs (or miracles) and gather the whole world to battle God Almighty at Armageddon.

**Why would people gather to fight God?**

The people must not recognize God for who He is. One likely scenario is for the Antichrist and his minions to say that the coming Christ is a bad alien coming to destroy earth. Note that the unclean spirits are described as frogs... What do pictures of man's concept of aliens almost always look like? They are hairless, smooth-featured, big-eyed, noseless creatures that have faces like a frog. The Antichrist will blame these “bad aliens” for many of the earth's problems. The unclean spirits will present themselves as “good aliens” there to help the people of earth. Certainly the people of earth will see Jesus coming in advance of His setting foot on earth...

Matthew 24:29-30 - Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

Note: verse 16:21 refers to "*great hail from heaven fell upon men, every hailstone about the weight of a talent*"

**What will cause great storms with 100 lb hail and a world wide earthquake that'll cause islands to disappear and mountains to flatten?**

- According to Websters dictionary, a talent = 3000 shekels = 756,000 grains troy = 48,989 grams = 108 lb.
- Tests of thermonuclear weapons have caused 100 lb hail due to compressing atmosphere in the mushroom cloud.
- This could be a supernatural storm or God could use weapons in existence today.

**58. Revelation 16:9 - How will mankind react to God's bowl judgments?**

Man's response to the bowl judgments will be to blaspheme God and not repent nor give Him glory.

**Revelation 17 & 18** – These chapters describe Mystery Babylon, the end-time economic system that will come crashing down. See my study on the Financial Signs of the End-Time for a detailed look at these chapters.

**59. Revelation 19:11-17 - What names are given for Christ?**

- verse 11 - Faithful and True
- verse 12 - a name written that no one knew except Himself.
- verse 13 - The Word of God
- verse 15 - Almighty God
- verse 16 - KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS
- verse 17 - the great God

**60. Revelation 19:11-15 - What will Jesus do when He returns to earth?**

- He comes in righteousness to judge and make war.
- He will lead the armies in heaven riding white horses and clothed in fine white linen.
- He strikes the nations with His Word which is as a sharp sword.

**Revelation 19:14 – Who make up the armies in heaven?**

The angles are probably part of this force but so is the church, note the parallelism with Revelation 19:8...

Revelation 19:7-8 - Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready. And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

**61. Revelation 19:20 - What will become of the beast and the false prophet?**

The beast and false prophet will both be cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

**62. Revelation 19:21 - What will become of those who worshipped the beast?**

Those who worshiped the beast will be killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse (Jesus).

**63. Revelation 20:1-3 - What will become of Satan?**

An angel locks Satan in the bottomless pit for 1000 years.

Why is Satan merely locked up and not thrown into the lake of fire?

God still has a purpose for Satan. He is locked up to show mankind the Satan is not the source of all their temptations, he is released to deceive those rebelling against God so that they may receive the consequences due them.

**64. Revelation 20:4-6 - Who is involved in the first resurrection?**

Christians raptured prior to the tribulation along with Christians killed during the tribulation

**Revelation 20: 6 – What will the saints be doing during the 1000 year reign of Christ on earth?**

The saints will be priests of God and of Christ, and will reign with Him a thousand years.

**Reference: Isaiah 65:19-25 - Conditions during the Millennial Kingdom**

19 I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in My people; the voice of weeping shall no longer be heard in her, nor the voice of crying.

20 "No more shall an infant from there live but a few days, nor an old man who has not fulfilled his days; for the child shall die one hundred years old, but the sinner being one hundred years old shall be accursed.

21 They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

22 They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for as the days of a tree, so shall be the days of My people, and My elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

23 They shall not labor in vain, nor bring forth children for trouble; for they shall be the descendants of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them.

24 "It shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear.

25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain," says the LORD.

**65. What five things will not exist in this glorious Kingdom to come**

1. verse 19 - weeping and crying
2. verse 20 - death before 100 yrs old
3. verse 22 - working for others
4. verse 23 - labor in vain or pain
5. verse 25 - animals killing each other

**66. How do we know that this Kingdom is not the eternal state?**

Per verse 20 there will be sin and people who do not accept Christ as their Savior will die at 100 years old. Per verse 22 those who receive Christ into their life will live as long as a tree.

**How long does a tree live?**

Trees routinely live many hundreds of years. There are redwoods on the west coast that were around since Christ first came. So people who come to Christ during His millennial reign will generally not die and will be given a glorified body when the Lord recreates heaven and earth ushering in the eternal state.

**67. Revelation 20:7-8 - What will happen at the end of the Millennial reign of Christ?**



Satan will be released from his prison and will go out to deceive the nations into confronting Jesus one last time

**Why do you think God will allow Satan to go free for a time?**

I think God releases Satan to remind mankind of his sin nature before the eternal state is ushered in. Everything God does is out of His grace and this is intended to shake-up those who are not saved to get them to repent and be saved before it is too late.

**68. Revelation 20:9-10 - How does God respond to this final rebellion?**

The rebels who did not repent are destroyed with fire from heaven and Satan will be cast into hell (the lake of fire and brimstone).

**69. Revelation 20:11-13 - What happens at the great white throne?**

At the Great White Throne, the dead were judged according to their works.

**How do you think those who are judged according to their works will fare?**

Per verse 15, anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into hell. Per Philippians 4:3 and Revelation 3:5, only those who have trusted Jesus as their personal Savior have their names written in the Book of Life. Everyone judged at the Great White Throne will end up in the lake of fire because salvation can not be earned by good works.

Isaiah 64:6 - But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags; we all fade as a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

**70. Revelation 21:1 - What happens to the world?**

God re-creates heaven & earth... The apostle Peter explained how God would do this...

2 Peter 3:10 - But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

**71. Revelation 21:4 - What will the new heaven and earth be like?**

There shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.

The rest of the chapter describes the New Jerusalem that will be like a cube 1500 miles high.

**Revelation 21:27 – Why does it say “no one who sins will enter the New Jerusalem?” How can there be anyone**

**who sins left on the new earth that will be created for the eternal state?**

There is two ways to look at this: (1) this is just to emphasize the fact that unredeemed sinners will not be there or (2) God is not done creating. (While I believe the second is true, I think that the first explanation better addresses this verse since it preserves the uniqueness our God's relationship with mankind.)

**Revelation 22 - What are the last words Jesus told John as part of His Revelation?**

Per verse 20, "Surely I am coming quickly."