

## ***Overview of the Main People and Events in the End Times***

### **I. THE 2 EXTREMES RELATED TO THE TIME THAT JESUS RETURNS**

*<sup>11</sup> For the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; who can endure it? (Joel 2:11)*

*<sup>5</sup> I will send you Elijah...before...the great and dreadful day of the LORD. (Mal. 4:5)*

- A. **Great Day**: Those who call on Jesus' name will participate in the greatest revival in history.
- B. **Terrible Day**: Those persisting in rebellion will experience the most severe judgments in history.

### **II. GREAT DAY OF THE LORD: POSITIVE TRENDS**

A. **Greatest revival**: The Church will be victorious and full of God's glory (Eph. 4:13; 5:26-27; Jn. 17:21-26; Rev. 12:11; 15:2; 19:7). It will include miracles that were seen in the book of Acts and the book of Exodus combined and multiplied on a global scale.

B. **Great Harvest of souls**: There may be over 1 billion souls (Mt. 24:14; Rev. 5:9; 14:6).

*<sup>9</sup> A multitude...no one could number of all nations...out of the Tribulation... (Rev. 7:9, 14)*

C. **Salvation of Israel**: Will occur as the Church provokes Israel to jealousy by standing with her in affliction and operating in the power of God (Rom. 11:12-15, 25-26)

D. **Bridal revelation**: The Church will see Jesus as the Bridegroom God (Rev. 22:17).

*<sup>17</sup> The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come!" (Rev. 22:17)*

E. **Worship and prayer movement**: Will operate in great authority (Lk. 18:7-8; Isa. 62:6-7)

F. **Spirit of prophecy**: Will operate in the Church and rest on every believer (Acts 2:17; Jer. 31:9; 23:20; Dan. 11:33-35; Isa. 26:9; Rev. 11:3-6; 18:20; Mt. 17:11; Mal. 4:6)

*<sup>17</sup> I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and daughters shall prophesy. (Acts 2:17)*

G. **Supernatural direction**: By a great outpouring of prophetic revelation (Joel 2:28)

H. **Supernatural provision**: God will provide food and water and do great signs (Mic. 7:15).

I. **Supernatural protection**: The "Goshen principle" refers to areas where God's people are protected from God's judgment (Ex. 8:22-23; 9:4-6, 26; 10:23; 11:7). I refer to such geographic areas as pockets of mercy. The saints will be sealed by God (Rev. 7:2-3; 9:4; Ezek. 9:4-6).

*<sup>22</sup> I will set apart the land of Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there...<sup>23</sup> I will make a difference between My people and your people. (Ex. 8:22-23)*

### III. THE PRIMARY POSITIVE PEOPLE AND EVENTS IN THE END TIMES

- A. **Jesus' second coming:** Will establish His millennial kingdom (1000-year reign on earth) and is the primary end-time theme in the Scriptures (Rev. 20:1-6; 1 Thes. 4-5; Matt. 24)
- B. **Rapture of the Church:** Jesus will catch up all believers in the air (1 Thes. 4:13-17).
- C. **Two Witnesses:** Two prophets who will preach with great power for 3½ years during the Great Tribulation (Rev. 11:3-6). They will do great miracles like Moses and Elijah did (Mal. 4:5).
- D. **144,000 sealed Jewish believers:** Are prophetic singers who will preach the gospel in power during the last 3½ years (Rev. 7:4-8; 14:1-5)

### IV. VERY TERRIBLE DAY OF THE LORD: GREAT TRIBULATION

- A. **God's judgment:** Will be poured out on the Antichrist's empire (Rev. 6-19)
- B. **Satan's rage:** Will be released against the nations (Rev. 12:12; Dan. 7:21, 25; Rev. 13)
- C. **Harlot Babylon:** The emergence of the harlot Babylon as a one-world religion of tolerance (Rev. 17:1-6) will seduce the nations and persecute the righteous.
- D. **Antichrist:** The final world leader, in this age, who wages war against God and persecutes His people (Rev. 13:1-10). He will have a vast political, military, and economic alliance with a ten-nation confederation. He will have the greatest political coalition, the largest army, the biggest religious network and the most money of any man in history. He will use ***demonic miracles*** to deceive and will use ***economic oppression*** (Rev. 13:12-17).
- E. **Antichrist's 10-nation confederation:** Will be a political, military and economic alliance of ten nations that will provide him with the greatest power base of any leader in history
- F. **False Prophet:** The Antichrist's primary associate and the leader of a worldwide network that will be devoted to causing all to worship the Antichrist (Rev. 13:11-18)
- G. **Image of the Beast:** A statue that is demonically empowered to talk (Rev. 13:14-16).  
**Mark of the Beast:** Will be a mark on people's right hand or forehead (Rev. 13:16-17)  
**The abomination of desolation:** Will occur when the Antichrist declares himself to be God by setting up his image or idol (which is the abomination) in the Jerusalem Temple
- H. **Martyrdom of Christians:** The Antichrist will kill many, but not most of the saints.
- I. **Falling away from the faith:** (Mt. 24:9-13; 2 Thes. 2:3; 1 Tim. 4:1-2; 2 Tim. 3:1-7; 4:3-5)