

Time is the framework on which we will hang the sessions of our study this weekend.

In large part, it is the measure of human existence.

We started this meeting at 10:00 – a specific time that we used to plan and adjust our morning activities thus far.

In fact, Time is a basis for many of the decisions we make every day.

This will not be as much a study of "time" as it will be a study of "times".

The British cleric, C. C. Colton described time as "that black and narrow isthmus between two eternities."

Not really two eternities, but one continuous eternity with neither beginning, nor ending.

Eternity is God's domain.

One infinitesimal slice of eternity contains time as we know it – the fleeting domain of man.

And yet, God designed time specifically for you and for me.

The heavens were created in part to help man keep track of time...

Christian History Research Institute – at the creation, all of the visible planets were lined up in the night sky.

Scripture emphasizes time in many regards.

"in the process of time..." (Gen. 4:3) lit., "at the end of days"

"Now is the accepted time..." (2 Cor. 6:2),

"...when the fulness of time had come..." (Gal. 4:4),

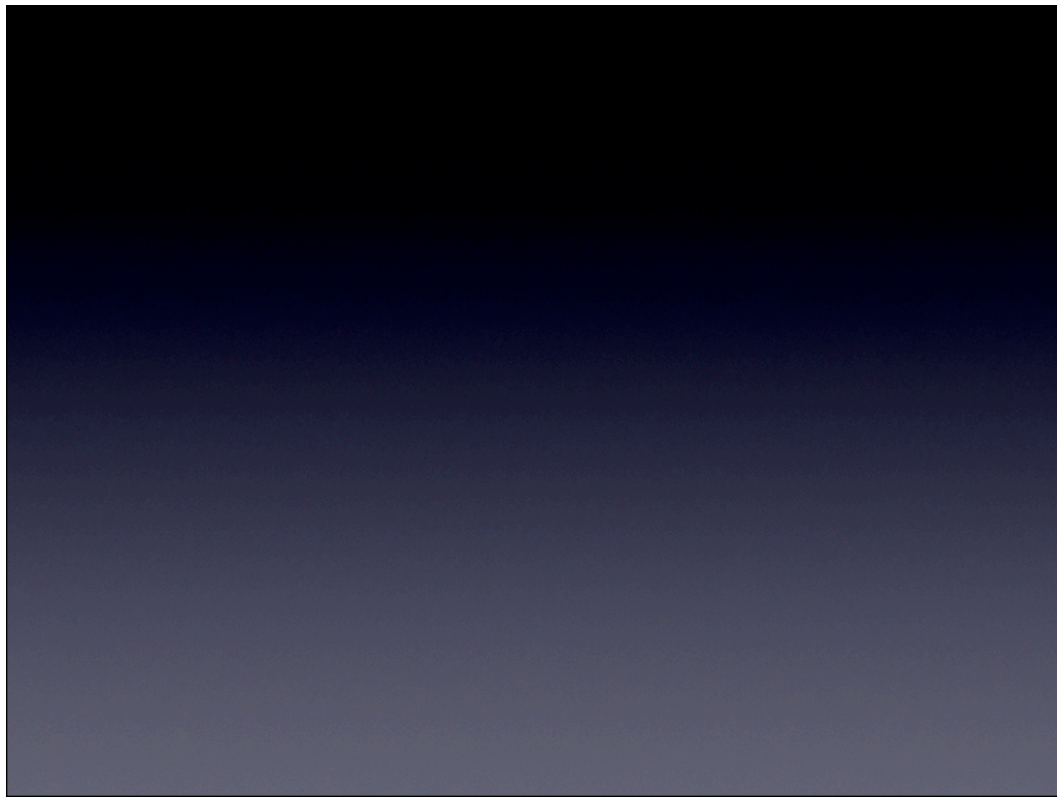
"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: " (Eccl. 3:1)

"...according to the time of life" (Gen. 18:14)

...when the time was come that he should be received up, (Luke 9:51)

# The Next Event in God's Calendar

(That We Know About...)



## Revelation 6:12-17

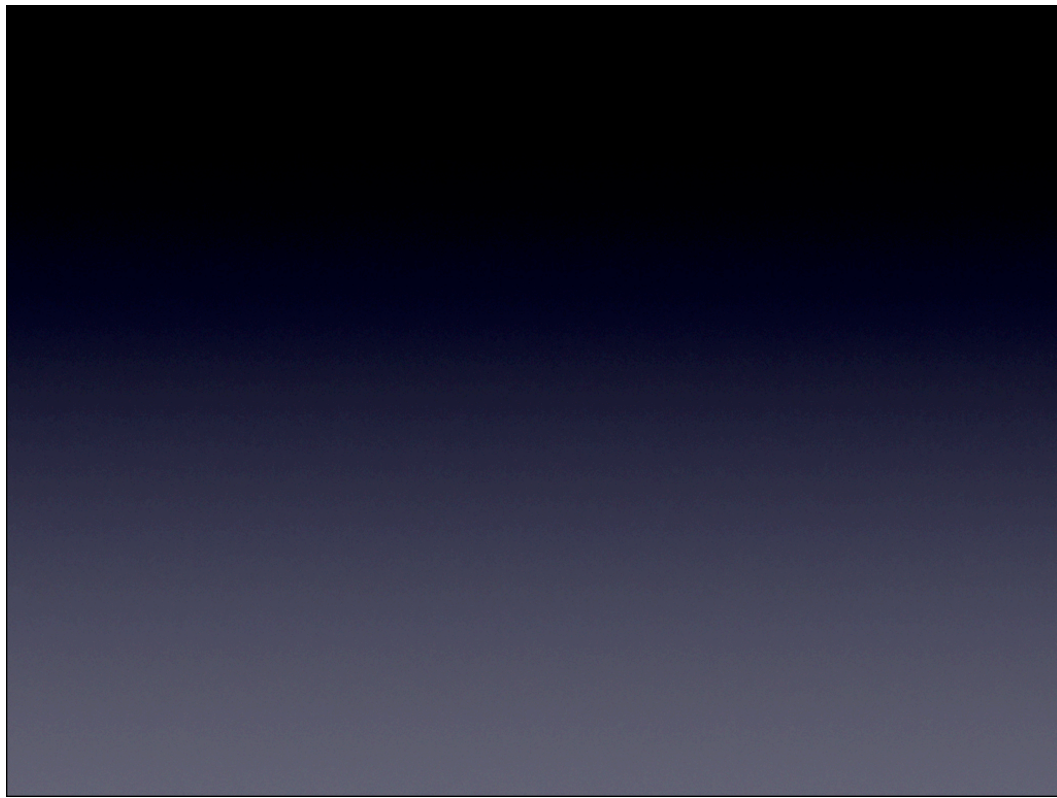
And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

## Revelation 6:12-17

And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

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And said to the mountains and rocks,  
Fall on us, and **hide us from the face of  
him that sitteth on the throne, and  
from the wrath of the Lamb**: For the  
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Revelation 11:18 – And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.

Revelation 14:19 – And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

Revelation 15:1 – And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.

Revelation 15:7 – And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever.

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Revelation 14:7 – Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

Revelation 15:4 – Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.

Revelation 16:5–7 – And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus. [6] For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy. [7] And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.

Revelation 19:2 – For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

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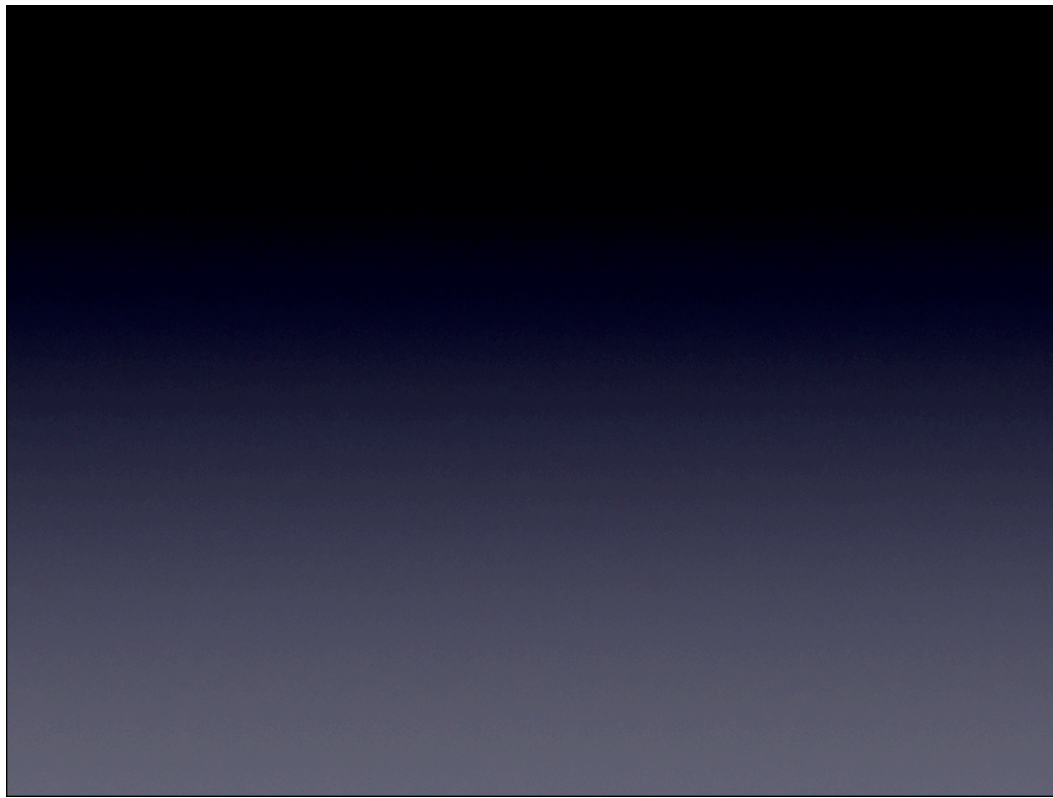
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Isaiah 26:20–21 – Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast. [21] For, behold, the LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

Isaiah 34:1–3 – Come near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people: let the earth hear, and all that is therein; the world, and all things that come forth of it. [2] For the indignation of the LORD is upon all nations, and his fury upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath delivered them to the slaughter. [3] Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up out of their carcasses, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood.

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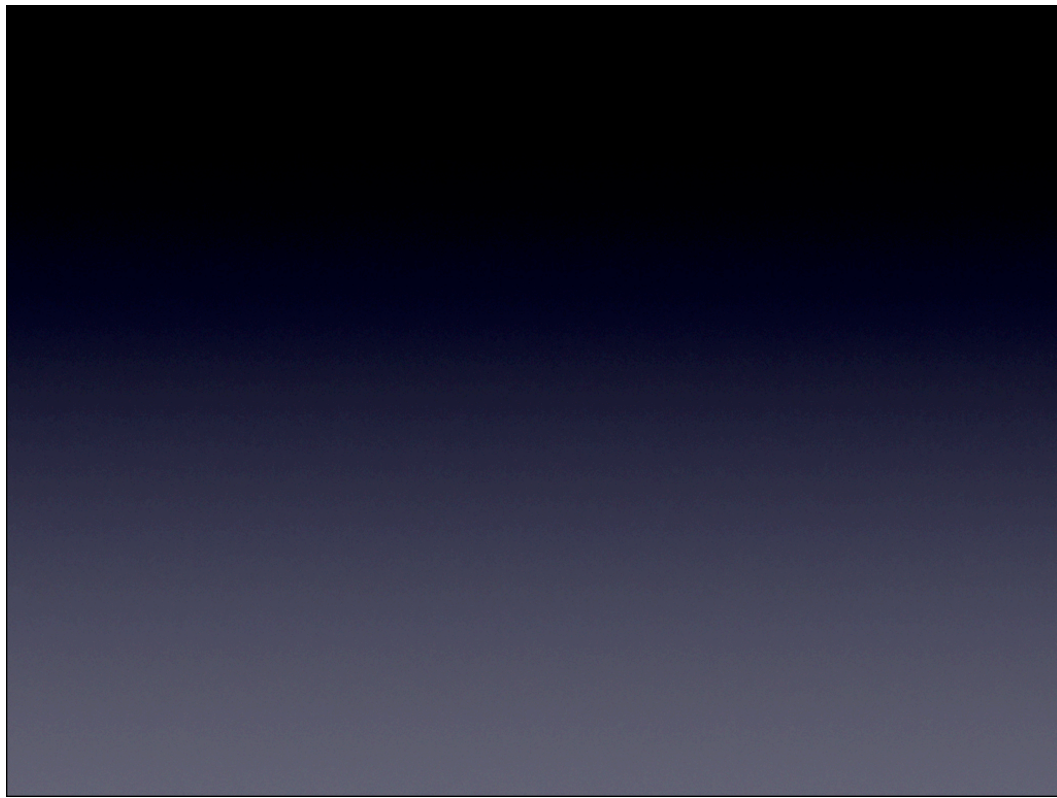
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- **Punishment, Hour of Trial/Trouble, Destruction, Darkness**, etc.



Since the character of the 70th week is the wrath of God, the church must be exempt from this week of judgment.

# 1 Thessalonians 5:9-10

For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.





## Colossians 1:25-27

Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; Even **the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:** To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

The mystery of the church was hidden from previous ages and generations.

The church did not exist until the death, burial, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus, and until after the Holy Spirit was given at Pentecost.

So, the church could not have been included in the first 69 weeks of Daniel's prophecy. Nor is it included in the 70th week.

## Ephesians 3:1-6

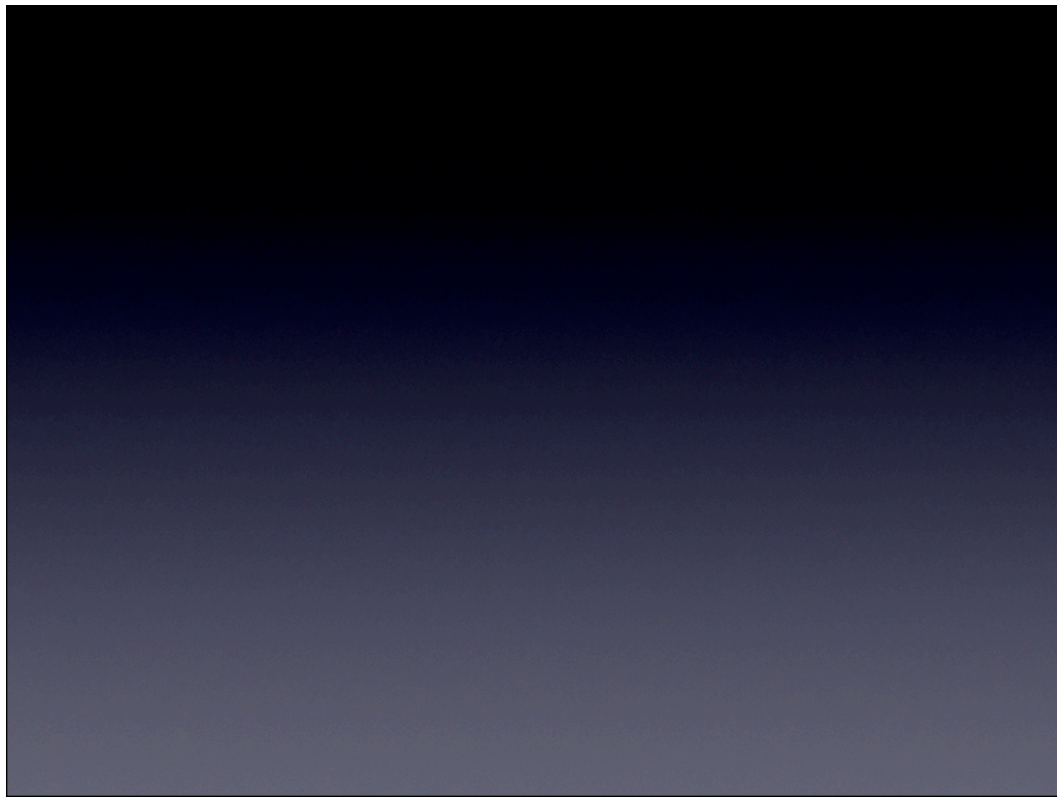
which **in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men**, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; that the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

Colossians 1:25–27 is next

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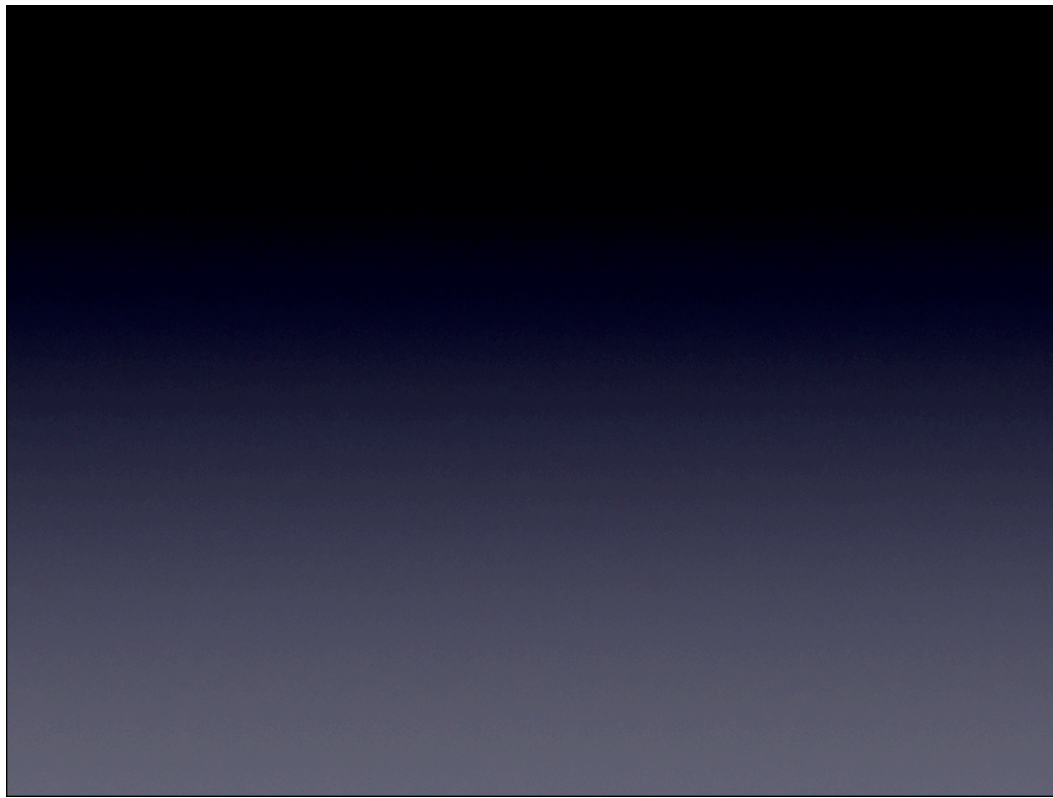
For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me toward you: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

When Daniel wrote his prophecy, the plan that God had to form the NT church was an unrevealed mystery.



## Revelation 3:10

To the church in Philadelphia write...  
because you have kept my admonition  
to endure steadfastly, **I will also keep  
you from the hour of testing** that is  
about to come on the whole world to test  
those who live on the earth.



Every passage dealing with the tribulation relates it to God's program for Israel (not the church).

Including passages in Matt. 24, Dan. 12, Luke 21, Mark 13, Jer. 30, and Rev. 7

He specifically guarantees deliverance for the church.

# Revelation 13:7-8

The beast was permitted to go to war against the saints and conquer them. **He was given ruling authority over every tribe, people, language, and nation, and all those who live on the earth will worship the beast**, everyone whose name has not been written since the foundation of the world in the book of life belonging to the Lamb who was killed.

Moses – Exodus 32:32–33 – Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin–; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written. And the LORD said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book.

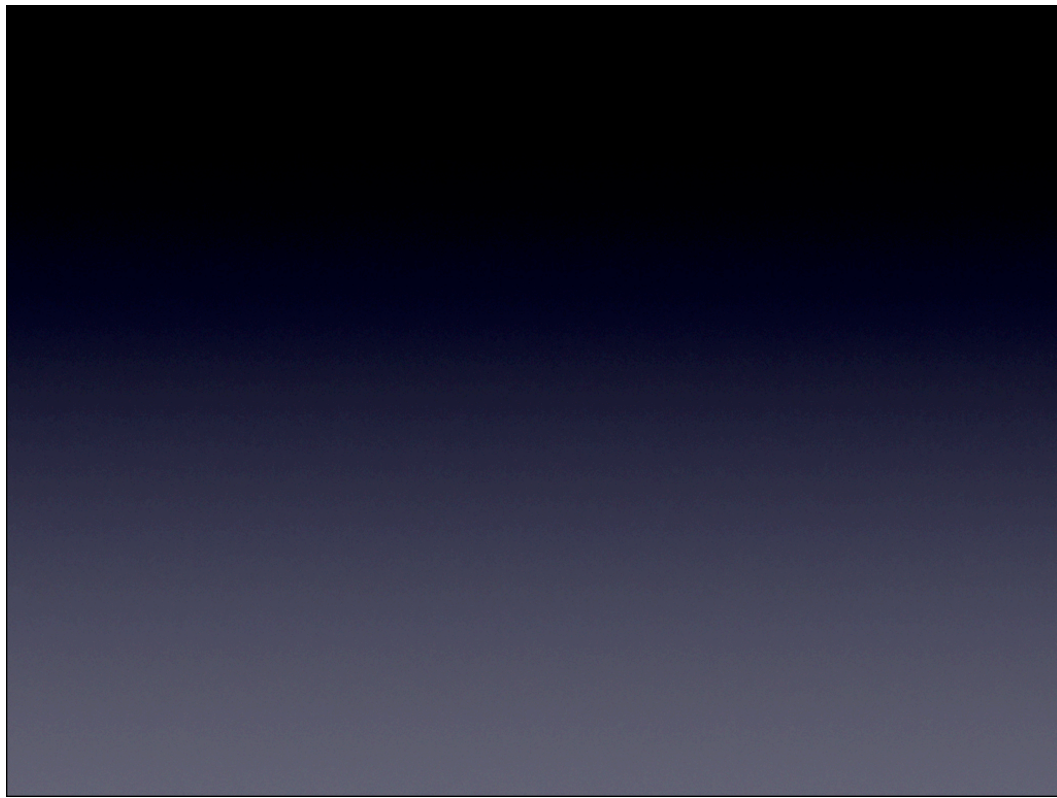
Revelation 3:5 – He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Revelation 17:8 – The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

Revelation 20:15 – And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 21:27 – And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Philippians 4:3 – And I entreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life.





# Blessed Be God, Our God

Horatius Bonar

BLESSED be God, our God!

Who gave for us His well-beloved Son,

The gift of gifts, all other gifts in one

Blessed be God, our God!

# Blessed Be God, Our God

What will He not bestow,

Who freely gave this mighty gift unbought,

Unmerited, unheeded and unsought?

What will He not bestow?

# Blessed Be God, Our God

He spared not His Son!

'Tis this that silences each rising fear;

'Tis this that bids the hard thought  
disappear.

He spared not His Son!

# Blessed Be God, Our God

Who shall condemn us now?

Since Christ has died, and risen, and gone  
above,

For us to plead at the right hand of Love,

Who shall condemn us now?

# Blessed Be God, Our God

'Tis God that justifies!

Who shall recall the pardon or the grace,

Or who the broken chain of guilt replace?

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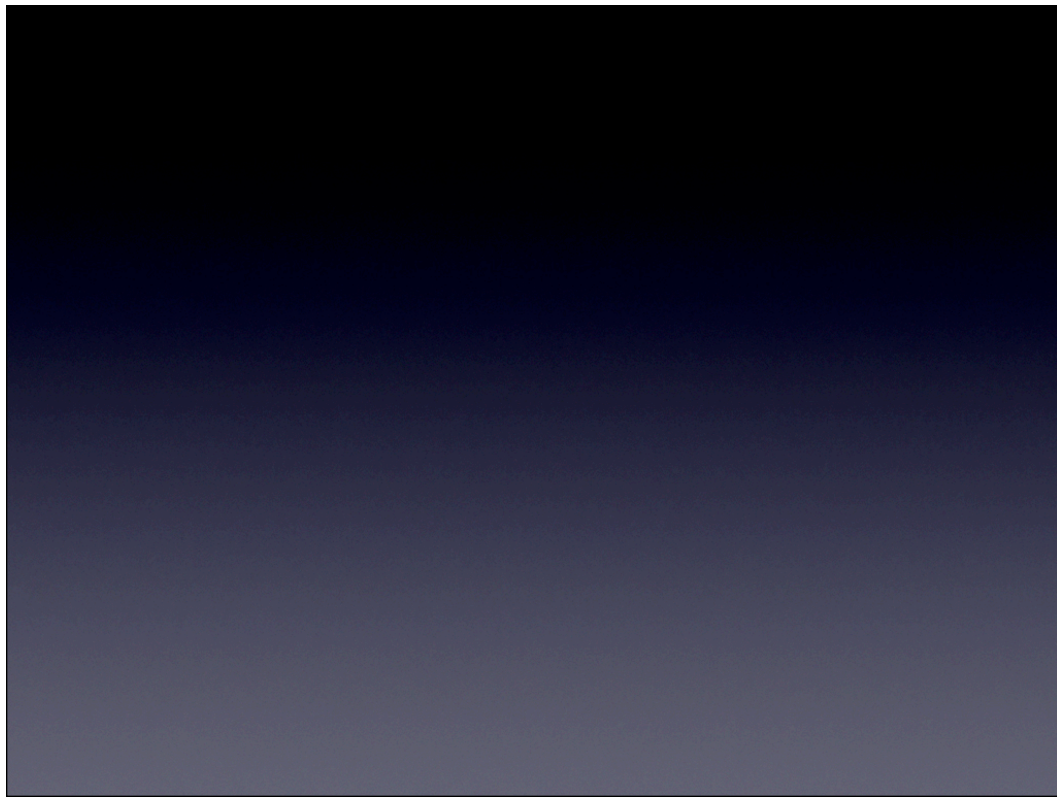
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The victory is ours!

For us in might came forth the Mighty One;

For us He fought the fight, the triumph won.

The victory is ours!



## 2 Thessalonians 2:3-7

Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God.

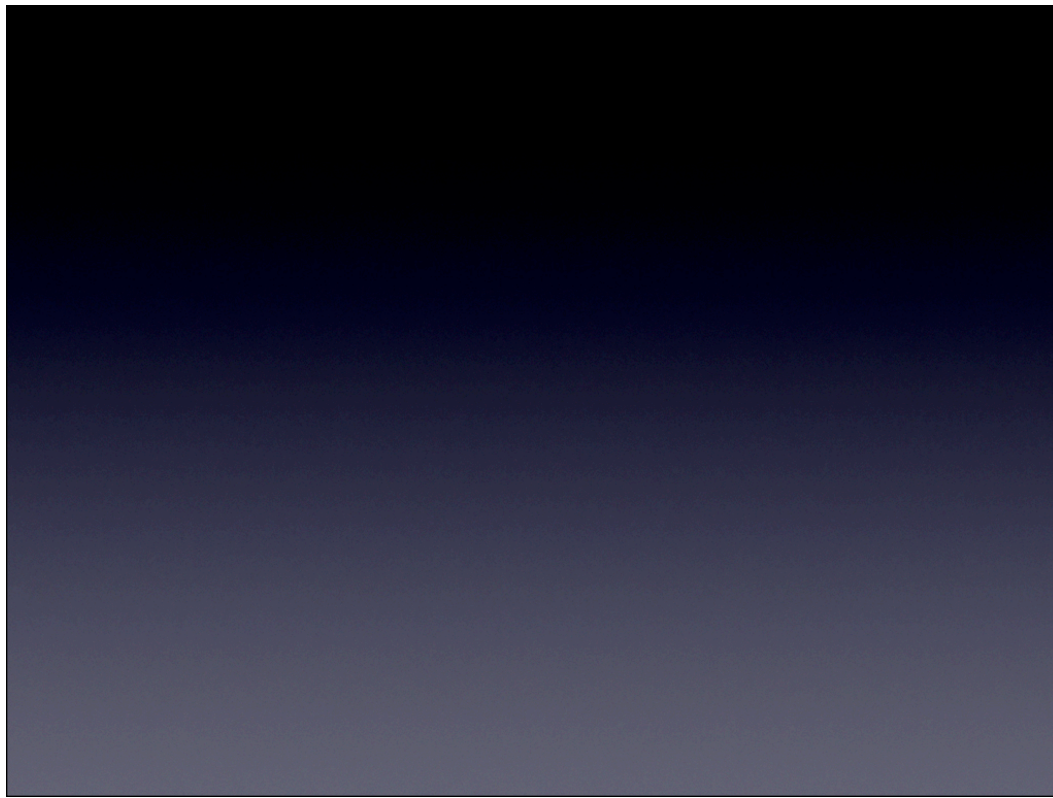


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Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things? And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way.



If not us, then whom?



This time is a continuation of God's description of His dealings with Israel following their return to their land.

## Jeremiah 30:3-9

For I, the LORD, affirm that the time will come when I will reverse the plight of my people, Israel and Judah,' says the LORD. 'I will bring them back to the land I gave their ancestors and they will take possession of it once again.'"

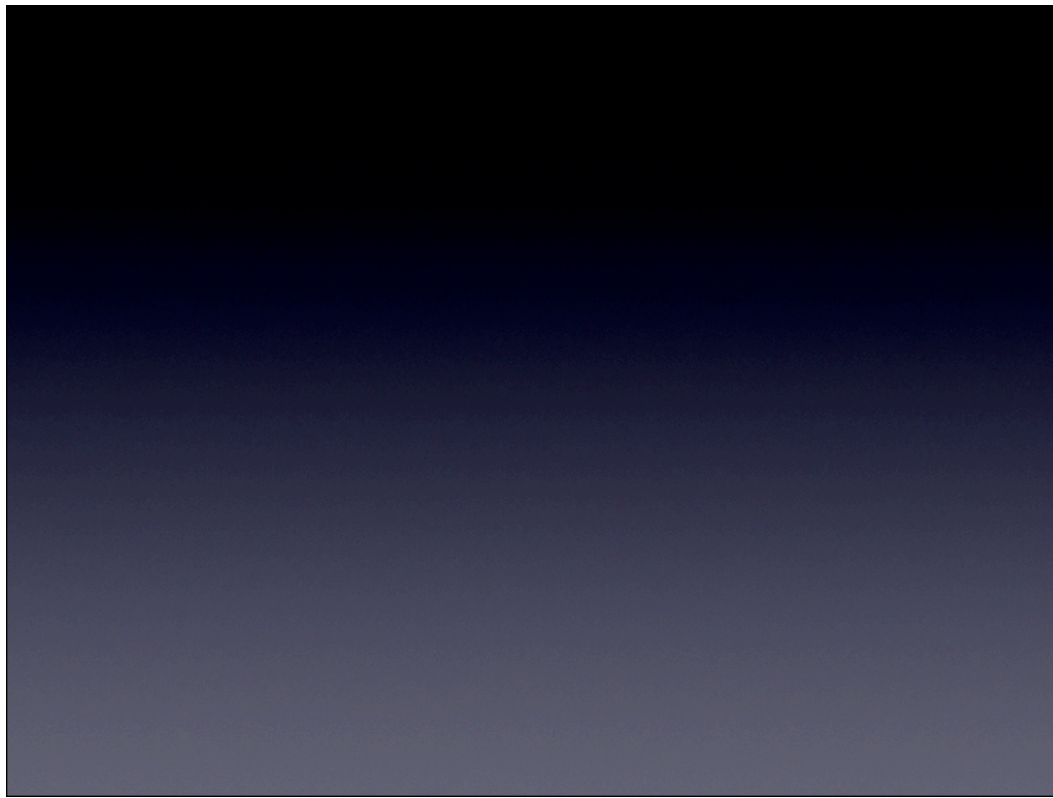
So here is what the LORD has to say about Israel and Judah. Yes, here is what he says: "You hear cries of panic and of terror; there is no peace in sight.

## Jeremiah 30:3-9

Ask yourselves this and consider it carefully: Have you ever seen a man give birth to a baby? Why then do I see all these strong men grabbing their stomachs in pain like a woman giving birth? And why do their faces turn so deathly pale?

## Jeremiah 30:3-9

Alas, what a terrible time of trouble it is! There has never been any like it. It is a time of **trouble for the descendants of Jacob**, but some of them will be rescued out of it. When the time for them to be rescued comes,” says the LORD who rules over all, “I will rescue you from foreign subjugation. I will deliver you from captivity. Foreigners will then no longer subjugate them. But they will be subject to the LORD their God and to the Davidic ruler whom I will raise up as king over them.

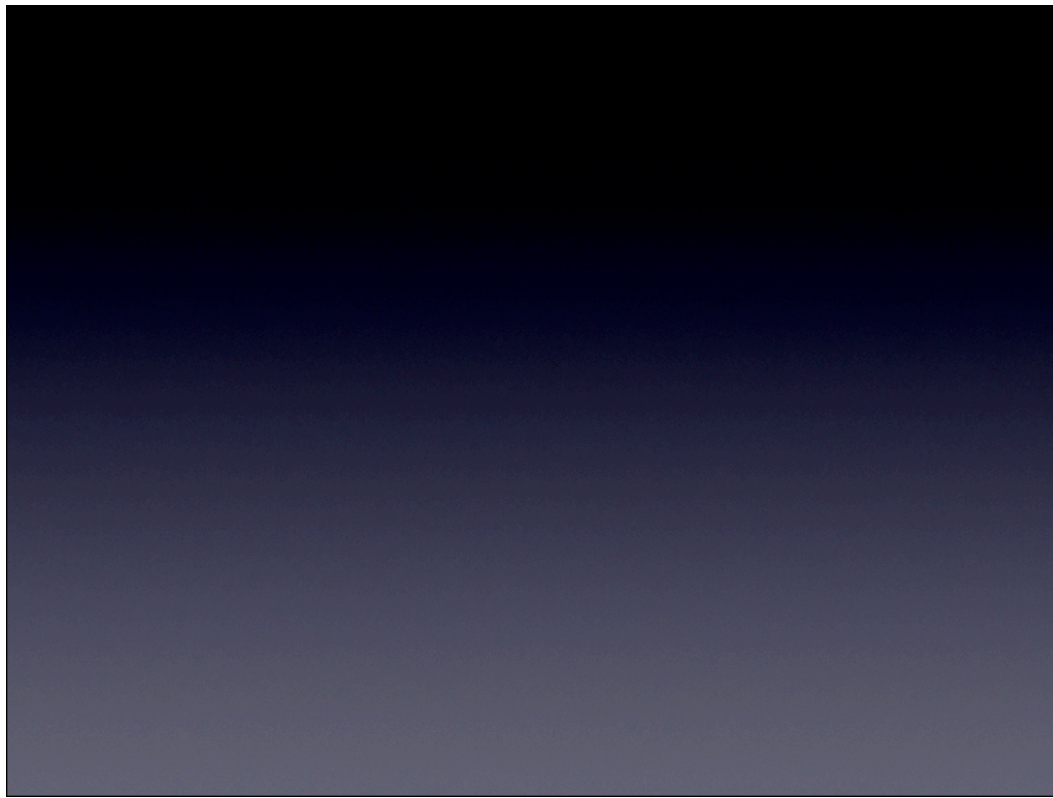


The entire 70 weeks of Daniel pertain to Israel and Jerusalem, including the 70th week itself (the tribulation).



## Daniel 9:24

Seventy weeks are determined **upon thy people and upon thy holy city**, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.



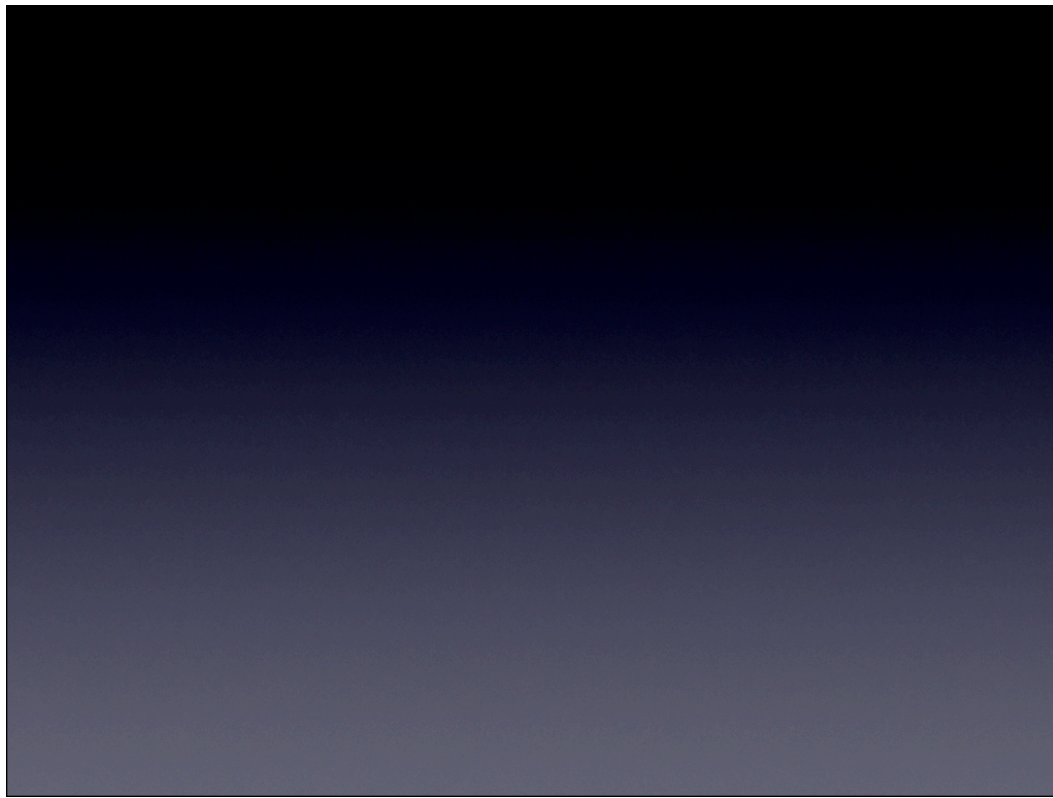
Only in the New Testament was the "mystery" of the church revealed.

# 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain to the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

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For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

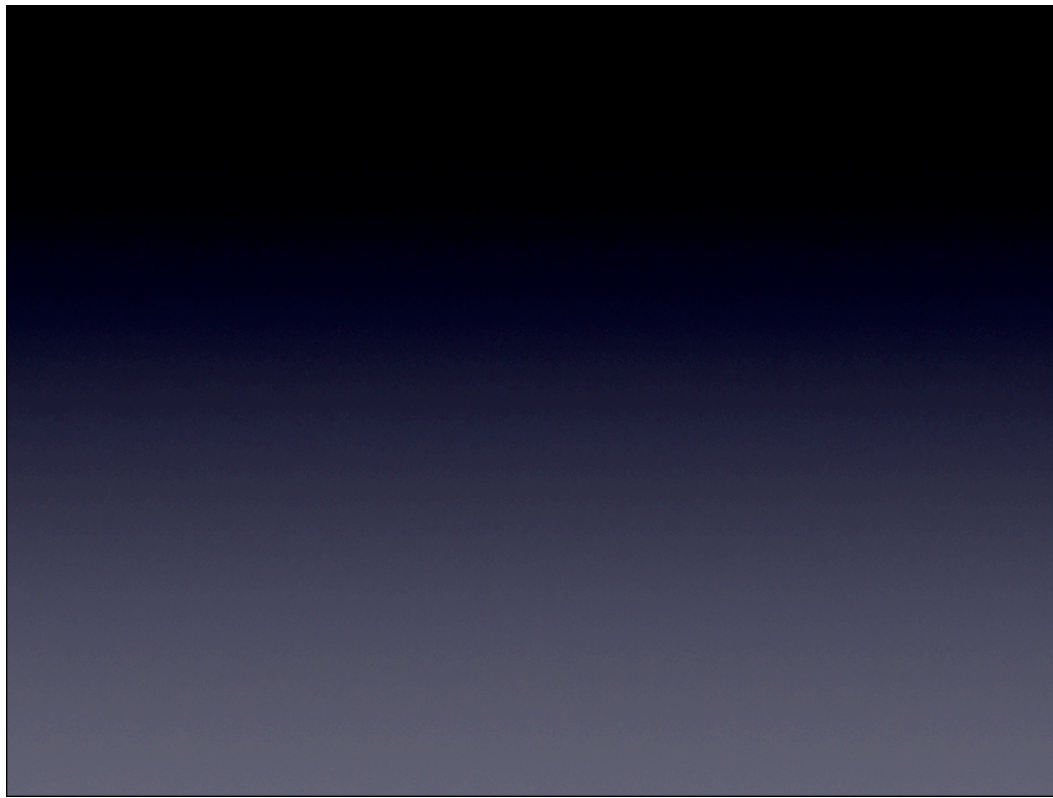


Typology (analogy) prevents the church from being present.

Noah  
Rehab  
Lot  
Israel in Goshen  
Etc.

# Genesis 19:22

“Hurry, escape there, for I cannot do anything until you arrive there.”



There will not be a pouring out of God's wrath on the earth until His Bride is gone.