

1                                   **THE BEGINNING OF THE END**

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6                                   **WHEN CHRIST JESUS RULES THE WORLD**

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8   As often discussed in this and other prophetic series, the next  
9   event on God’s calendar will be the Rapture of the Church.

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11   1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

12   *For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout,*  
13   *with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and*  
14   *the dead in Christ shall rise first: [17] Then we which are alive*  
15   *and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds,*  
16   *to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the*  
17   *Lord. [18] Wherefore comfort one another with these words.*

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20   God will take His followers to be with Him where they will be a  
21   part of:

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23           \* The Marriage Supper of the Lamb and  
24           \* The Judgment Seat of Christ.

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27   On earth, survivors will go through (and endure, if possible)  
28   the Tribulation - the seven-year-long wrath of God that will  
29   eliminate millions of people. At the end of that seven-year period,  
30   Jesus will return:

1 Revelation 19:11-21

2 *And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that*  
3 *sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in*  
4 *righteousness he doth judge and make war. [12] His eyes were*  
5 *as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he*  
6 *had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. [13] And*  
7 *he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is*  
8 *called The Word of God. [14] And the armies which were in*  
9 *heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen,*  
10 *white and clean. [15] And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword,*  
11 *that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them*  
12 *with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the*  
13 *fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. [16] And he hath on his*  
14 *vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS,*  
15 *AND LORD OF LORDS.*

16 *[17] And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with*  
17 *a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of*  
18 *heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper*  
19 *of the great God; [18] That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and*  
20 *the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh*  
21 *of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men,*  
22 *both free and bond, both small and great. [19] And I saw the*  
23 *beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered*  
24 *together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and*  
25 *against his army. [20] And the beast was taken, and with him*  
26 *the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which*  
27 *he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and*  
28 *them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into*  
29 *a lake of fire burning with brimstone. [21] And the remnant*  
30 *were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which*  
31 *sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled*  
32 *with their flesh.*

1                                   **THE MILLENNIUM**  
2                                   **THE 1,000-YEAR REIGN OF CHRIST ON EARTH**

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4                                   **The Old Testament Prophecy:**

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6    Isaiah 2:2-4

7    *And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of*  
8    *the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the*  
9    *mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations*  
10   *shall flow unto it. [3] And many people shall go and say, Come*  
11   *ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of*  
12   *the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will*  
13   *walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the*  
14   *word of the Lord from Jerusalem. [4] And he shall judge among*  
15   *the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat*  
16   *their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning*  
17   *hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither*  
18   *shall they learn war any more.*

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20   Daniel 2:44

21   *And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a*  
22   *kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall*  
23   *not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and*  
24   *consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.*

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26   Obadiah 1:17-21

27   *But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be*  
28   *holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions.*  
29   *[18] And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of*  
30   *Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they*  
31   *shall kindle in them, and devour them; and there shall not be*  
32   *any remaining of the house of Esau; for the Lord hath spoken*

1 *it. [19] And they of the south shall possess the mount of Esau;*  
2 *and they of the plain the Philistines: and they shall possess the*  
3 *fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria: and Benjamin*  
4 *shall possess Gilead. [20] And the captivity of this host of the*  
5 *children of Israel shall possess that of the Canaanites, even unto*  
6 *Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, which is in*  
7 *Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the south. [21] And saviours*  
8 *shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and*  
9 *the kingdom shall be the Lord's.*

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11 Any number of Bible experts have agreed that there is more  
12 Biblical commentary on this 1000-year Millennium than any  
13 other time period in history. Perhaps more of those Bible  
14 references are found among the Old Testament books than the  
15 New. I have listed here only a couple of them.

### 16 17 **The New Testament Prophecy:**

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19 Matthew 24:3

20 *And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto*  
21 *him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and*  
22 *what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of*  
23 *the world?*

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25 Revelation 20:1-7

26 *And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of*  
27 *the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. [2] And he laid*  
28 *hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and*  
29 *Satan, and bound him a thousand years, [3] And cast him into*  
30 *the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him,*  
31 *that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand*  
32 *years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little*

1 *season. [4] And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and*  
2 *judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that*  
3 *were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God,*  
4 *and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image,*  
5 *neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their*  
6 *hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.*  
7 *[5] But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand*  
8 *years were finished. This is the first resurrection. [6] Blessed*  
9 *and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such*  
10 *the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God*  
11 *and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years. [7]*  
12 *And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed*  
13 *out of his prison...*

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## 15 **THE WORLD ECONOMY DURING THE MILLENNIUM**

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17 There will still be a work ethic among us. (Compare this with the  
18 agenda of some of today's politicians who project a "workless  
19 society," which God never promised us.) Biblical prophecy  
20 suggests work may be slanted more toward husbandry, such  
21 as farming:

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23 *Isaiah 61:5*

24 *And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of*  
25 *the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.*

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27 *Amos 9:13-14*

28 *Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that the plowman shall*  
29 *overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth*  
30 *seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills*  
31 *shall melt. [14] And I will bring again the captivity of my people*  
32 *of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them;*

1 *and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they*  
2 *shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them.*

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4 It is therefore possible that the world will return to a  
5 pre-industrialized society, at least more so than we now have.

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7 One thing is sure:

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9 **IT WILL NOT BE A DEMOCRACY OR REPUBLIC**  
10 **UNDER WHICH WE LIVE, BUT RATHER A GLORIOUS**  
11 **RETURN TO A THEOCRACY – A GOD RULE.**

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13 Society will be blessed by its return to be led by God, not  
14 mankind. And Jesus, Messiah, will govern. There will be no more  
15 elections and “politicking” such as we now know. The Psalmist’s  
16 prophecy is glorious to our ears:

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18 Psalm 2:6

19 *Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. That holy hill*  
20 *is Jerusalem.*

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22 Our Lord will have a co-ruler:

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24 **DAVID WILL BE THE REGENT RULER**  
25 **IN THE MILLENNIUM**

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27 Isaiah 55:3-4

28 *Incline your ear, and come unto me: hear, and your soul shall*  
29 *live; and I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the*  
30 *sure mercies of David. [4] Behold, I have given him for a witness*  
31 *to the people, a leader and commander to the people.*

1 Ezekiel 34:23

2 *[23] And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed*  
3 *them, even my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall*  
4 *be their shepherd.*

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6 Luke 1:32-33

7 *He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest:*  
8 *and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father*  
9 *David: [33] And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever;*  
10 *and of his kingdom there shall be no end.*

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12 There is some debate about this. Some scholars believe that the  
13 reference to David typically here refers to Christ. Jesus rules from  
14 David's throne. But others say that Christ was never called David  
15 in Scriptures. I believe that the "prince" referred to in the Word is  
16 indeed David. Can you even begin to comprehend that THE  
17 David would be in Jerusalem and we would have access to him as  
18 the occasion demands?

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20 **OTHER ADMINISTRATION IN THE MILLENNIUM**

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22 There will be smaller subdivisions of authority. Jesus told about  
23 some of it in Luke 19:12-28:

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25 *He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country*  
26 *to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. [13] And he*  
27 *called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said*  
28 *unto them, Occupy till I come. [14] But his citizens hated him,*  
29 *and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man*  
30 *to reign over us. [15] And it came to pass, that when he was*  
31 *returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded*  
32 *these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the*

1 *money, that he might know how much every man had gained by*  
2 *trading. [16] Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath*  
3 *gained ten pounds. [17] And he said unto him, Well, thou good*  
4 *servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have*  
5 *thou authority over ten cities. [18] And the second came, saying,*  
6 *Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds. [19] And he said*  
7 *likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities. [20] And another*  
8 *came, saying, Lord, behold, here is thy pound, which I have kept*  
9 *laid up in a napkin: [21] For I feared thee, because thou art an*  
10 *austere man: thou takest up that thou layedst not down, and*  
11 *reapest that thou didst not sow. [22] And he saith unto him, Out*  
12 *of thine own mouth will I judge thee, thou wicked servant. Thou*  
13 *knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not*  
14 *down, and reaping that I did not sow: [23] Wherefore then*  
15 *gavest not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I*  
16 *might have required mine own with usury? [24] And he said*  
17 *unto them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give it*  
18 *to him that hath ten pounds. [25] (And they said unto him, Lord,*  
19 *he hath ten pounds.) [26] For I say unto you, That unto every*  
20 *one which hath shall be given; and from him that hath not, even*  
21 *that he hath shall be taken away from him. [27] But those mine*  
22 *enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring*  
23 *hither, and slay them before me.*  
24 *[28] And when he had thus spoken, he went before, ascending*  
25 *up to Jerusalem.*

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27 Some leaders would therefore have authority over ten cities or  
28 five cities. All would be responsible to their bosses who in turn  
29 would answer to David.

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## THERE WILL BE JUDGES

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Isaiah 1:26

*And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: afterward thou shalt be called, The city of righteousness, the faithful city.*

In this lifetime of ministry, I have occasionally met some who do not believe in “order” in God’s work. And the fruit of their labor usually shows it! God is a God of order and discipline. The Millennium will be a case in point.

More to come...