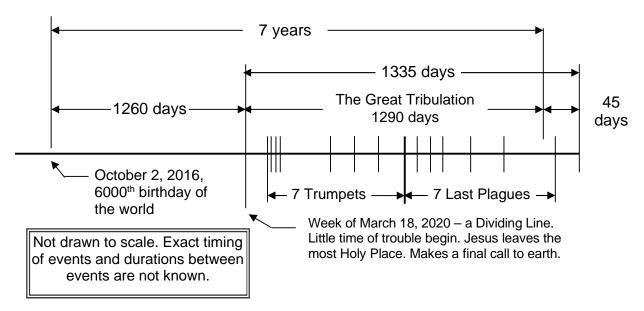
Preface to the paper, "What time is it?"

In the attached paper (originally written in 2016), a detailed argument was made based upon discovering God's time clock or watch, that March 18, 2020 would be a dividing line between the world as we have known it for hundreds of years, and the beginning of the end of the time of mercy for mankind, the removing of the restraining ones, followed by widespread plagues/ disease, famine, wild beasts/locusts, and war. This conclusion was not arrived at lightly but was based upon extensive study and verified by five God-signs given to me, that the timing of what was discovered was true (I will cover those signs in the paper). As with any prophecy, understanding the exact timing, duration and sequence of the events prophesied is difficult in advance of their fulfillment, but once we understand the time frame for their fulfillment and see the events, we may recognize them as way markers. God is the Almighty God and foretells the future with absolute certainty. We may depend upon His word!

Below is a summary graphic, for which much supporting information is provided in the main paper. The main paper has not been revised with new information but is still relevant along with this updated information.



As we have passed March 18, 2020, I am seeing more verifying signs and omens including:

- The effective shutting down of churches for congregational gatherings due to a ban on gatherings of more than 10 people which took place the week that included March 18, 2020. Evangelistic campaigns and congregational church services have been cancelled throughout the world. There will soon come a famine of the hearing of the word of God.
- An earthquake of note on March 18, 2020 (in Salt Lake City where the trumpet was knocked from the angel Maroni's hand atop of the Mormon temple), along with an earthquake off the coast of California. These were followed by other notable earthquakes nearly every other day since then.
- **Heavy locust swarms** forming and passing through the Horn of Africa (Kenya, Ethiopia and Somalia), the Middle East (Pakistan, Iran, Saudi Arabia and India) and moving towards the east.

- An enormous comet was to have become visible to the naked eye at the end of April and during May 2020.¹ Historically, "Comets have inspired dread, fear, and awe in many different cultures and societies around the world and throughout time. They have been branded with such titles as 'the Harbinger of Doom' and 'the Menace of the Universe.' They have been regarded both as omens of disaster and messengers of the gods." ² This comet disintegrated on March 22, before it became visible to the naked eye.
- The incremental suspension and removal of civil and constitutional rights as we have known for years due to the declaration of states of emergency by the Federal, State and local governments in combatting the spread of the coronavirus.
- The **very substantial increase in the national debt** by trillions of dollars due to the US stimulus bill (CARES Act), the rapid rise in unemployment, the volatility and collapse of the stock market, and the descent into what will become a Depression.
- The descent of society into chaos in a number of the major cities initially over protests, but now spilling over into anarchy. Crime, homicide rates have skyrocketed. This will continue to worsen.
- While governments are hoping the coronavirus plague will end soon, a prescient 2012
 German government risk analysis paper forecasting the consequences of a hypothetical
 coronavirus in detail, predicts a 3-wave, 3-year to recovery time frame.³ The negative
 effect of the coronavirus continues to spread around the world.
- A lengthy prophetic message, 2020-Year of Seeing Clearly, was released verifying some
 of the information that I will share with you and confirming that "the events of the end
 have begun."⁴

Based upon the contents of the following paper and the above verifications, I believe firmly that we are entering the final years of earth's history. 6000 years + 7 years + 45 days. If ever there was a call to repentance and godliness, that time is now! Read on for more details.

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I need Jesus You need Jesus We ALL need Jesus

¹ Green comet five times the size of Jupiter was set to light up the night skies in May, and then disintegrated the week of March 22.. https://www.mirror.co.uk/science/green-comet-five-times-size-21791972 and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/C/2019_Y4_(ATLAS)

² Comets in Ancient Cultures. http://deepimpact.umd.edu/science/comets-cultures.html

³ https://dipbt.bundestag.de/dip21/btd/17/120/1712051.pdf (in German) which looks at various risk scenarios to Germany. See the section "2.3 Risk analysis "Pandemic caused by Virus Modi-SARS" as quoted by Walter Veith in the video posted at https://youtu.be/abevOdBiPSQ

⁴ https://www.formypeople.org/dream/78-2020-year-of-seeing-clearly/

God's Watch - What time is it? An appeal?

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Galatians 4:4-5

"When the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, . . . to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons." Gal. 4:4, 5.

As Paul wrote, "When the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, . . . " Those who were expecting Him at His first coming, namely the wise men, looked for Him and were prepared. Are we near the fullness of time for Jesus Christ to come the second time? Is there evidence from the past, perhaps history, the Dead Sea Scrolls, the books of antiquity, the Scriptures of Jesus' time, which could provide us with some important insights as to where we are in earth's history? What time is it by God's Watch?

If one looks around at what is happening in this world, it is easy to see that something has changed. Something is very different. There is a veritable explosion of violence and terrorism around the world. There is the heavy growth of sexual immorality and perversion in the USA and what is known as the West. Wickedness is rampant, and our government is speaking as the dragon, attempting to set itself up above God with regards to morality. But there is also an explosion of positive spiritual activity and what appears to be the presence of the Holy Spirit working among those who were previously disinterested in or hostile against the gospel and Christianity.

Evangelist John Carter held evangelistic meetings in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea and over a hundred thousand people attended with over 4,500 baptized at the first baptism and another 3,000 preparing for baptism.¹ This is not usual. What is going on?

Indonesia is the largest population-wise Muslim country in the world. Yet a 33-year old Christian Pastor has a church of over 30,000 members, most under 30 years of age, with children as young as 8 years old leading out in Bible studies. Powerful witch doctors are having their demons cast out by encounters with Jesus and becoming Christians.²

The Kandhamal District located in Orissa state, an area populated with Hindus known for its violent persecution of Christians, killing nearly 100 and destroying thousands of their homes and hundreds of their churches are hearing the gospel and turning to Jesus.³

A Christian Pastor holds evangelistic meetings in Lahore, Pakistan with tens of thousands in attendance. Nearly all of the attendees report that a man in a long white robe appeared to them in a vision or dream telling them He was Jesus and to follow Him. Over ten thousand Pakistani Muslims accepted Christ as their Savior in just one night alone.⁴ And throughout the Islamic world, rising numbers of Muslims are reporting dreams about Jesus.⁵

A Christian Pastor who had worked for 20 years among the Muslims mentioned that he had only been able to lead 2 people to Christ during those years. And yet now, preaching in the refugee camps, he

 $^{^{1}\,\}underline{\text{http://amredeemed.com/Bible-study/christianity/more-4500-baptized-into-the-seventh-day-adventist-church-in-papua-new-guinea/}$

 $[\]frac{2}{\text{http://www.imsoblesseddaily.com/thousands-of-young-people-and-children-on-fire-for-god-in-indonesia-powerful-miracles/}$

http://www1.cbn.com/cbnnews/us/2016/april/the-death-of-religion-what-it-means-for-people-of-faith

⁴ http://www.christiansvoice.com/2016/03/16/10000-pakistani-muslims-accept-jesus-in-one-night/

⁵ http://www.wnd.com/2014/11/rising-number-of-muslims-reporting-dreams-about-jesus/

 $^{^6 \, \}underline{https://www.opendoorsusa.org/christian-persecution/stories/tag-blog-post/muslims-turn-to-christ-in-unprecedented-numbers-pt-1/$

preaches to over 2,000 Muslims each night.⁷ God is working mightily to reach those who were previously shielded from Him. The Holy Spirit is being poured out in abundance. Why?

Is it perhaps that the fullness of time has come? Is there a chance that just as with Christ's prophesied first coming, that now the fullness of time regarding Christ's Second Coming is drawing near? Does God have some time clock, call it **God's Watch**, that He works by that we may be able to unravel to determine where we are at in earth's history? I believe the resounding answer is Yes!

In this somewhat lengthy document (really an eBook), I am going to provide startling evidence for something absolutely remarkable and amazing that a few people may have heard about but have not understood. I am also going to unveil what will likely happen in the future as a result of this time period that we are living in. Lastly, I am also going to point you to another paper that will lay out in detail what the church and each individual should do in preparation for the Sealing, the tribulation soon to break upon us and Christ's Second Coming. I ask that you be patient with me and if you have constructive comments or suggestions *after* you have studied the entire document, I am open to reviewing them.

By the testimony of two or three witnesses shall the truth be established.⁸ So what about four or five witnesses?

Before I go any farther, I would like to share a personal testimony. As I uncovered what I am about to share with you and the gravity of it, I prayed and asked God, "How do I know this is real? Can you give me a sign, something so that I can know that this is real, that this is the truth?" Back came the clear response, "I gave you a sign that began before you were born. I have called you for such a time as this. When is the beginning of the Hebrew Religious calendar year in 2016?" I did some quick checking, a stunned pause, "my birthday."

That was pretty amazing in itself, but God was not done. "When is the beginning of the Hebrew Civil calendar year in 2016?" I did some more checking, a pause, "my youngest son's birthday." Well, that got me a bit excited. "And when is the service for Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement held in 2016?" I checked, a pause, "my wife's birthday." "And what is the probability of that happening, that all three would line up that way?" I did some quick calculations, "One in 48.6 million." "Only by the testimony of two or three witnesses or pieces of evidence shall a matter be established. That is why I gave you not one, not two, but *three* witnesses in the form of dates." "Furthermore, like the prophet Hosea's family, your family is a sign that I set up years ago in anticipation of you discovering what I have led you to. Do not doubt, but share with those who will hear and believe, though they be but few. For the end will come at the appointed time."

⁷ As reported in a sermon by Dr. Bill Kilgore in his sermon at the Consecration service for graduation held at Southwestern Adventist University on May 8, 2016.

⁸ "...at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established." Deuteronomy 19:15. "In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established." 2 Corinthians 13:1
⁹ Probability is 1 in (365)^A3 = 48,627,125 or a 1 in 48.6 million for the three people currently living in the home. For skeptics who say, yes, but there are multiple feast days and you could pick your matches, here are those numbers for four of the immediate family members: The major dates and feasts of God as given in Exodus 12:2 and Leviticus 23:4-44. These are: 1. The beginning of the Hebrew religious calendar year, 2. Passover (along with the presentation of the unleavened bread and firstfruits offering), 3. Pentecost (also known as Shavu'ot), 4. Feast of Trumpets (the beginning of the Hebrew civil calendar), 5. the Day of Atonement, and 6. the Feast of Tabernacles. To have four family members' birthdays fall precisely on four of those six dates of the Hebrew Calendar year (in 2016), is beyond the realm of coincidence. Specifically the probability of that is 1/(365/6) x 1/(365/5) x 1/(365/4) x 1/(365/3) = 1 in 49.3 million. Does not God have His hand in this?

¹⁰ 2 Corinthians 13:1 "In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established." Deuteronomy 19:15 "at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established." (KJV) "A matter must be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses." (NIV) Matthew 18:16 "But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established."

Several months later, I got curious and so I did some further checking. My eldest living son's birthday in 2016 fell on the 50th day after the Passover on what is known among the Hebrews as *Shavu'ot*, the day on which God gave the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai, and which is more commonly known among Christians as the *Day of Pentecost*, the day the Holy Spirit was poured out on Jesus' disciples. Does not this make four witnesses?¹¹ Four birthdays that fell precisely on 4 of the 6 significant single day Hebrew holy days beginning with the first day of the first month of the Hebrew religious calendar, all in 2016!

There is a fifth member of the family, a third son. I looked up his birthday in 2016 as well but found nothing significant about his birthday in 2016. But I thought, 4 out of 5 is pretty good. After all, the probability of those birthdays falling on significant Hebrew dates as they did in 2016 is in the 1 out of millions. But God does not make mistakes. Later on, He revealed to me the significant fit for that last family member's birthday, which I will reveal to you later in this paper. Five out of five! That is truly amazing! God is good!

If God has provided these five witnesses in the form of matching dates for what I am about to share, I ask that you read and study with an open mind to see what God allowed me to discover regarding God's Watch.

Additionally, I am not God, nor is He beholden to me. I will share what He has permitted me to discover, but if He, in His infinite wisdom and mercy, decides to delay His second coming, that is His prerogative.

This document is written for the wise, for those who have faith, who do not doubt, but are ready to lead many to righteousness, for those who would shine like the stars forever (see Daniel 11:35; 12:3).

Abstract

Many people have tried to study the history of the world and the record of the Bible and archaeology to try to determine what year of the world's history we might be in. Does it even matter? And if so, then why? I would like to share with you some rather stunning information that I have gathered from studying historical dates, prophecies of the Bible, translations of the Dead Sea Scrolls and their more complete versions found elsewhere, more modern messengers, and modern events. For those who don't have the patience to make it through the details, the data indicates that the world's 6000th birthday occurred the evening of October 2nd/day of October 3, 2016, i.e. year 6000 A.M. or *Anno Mundi*, meaning year of the world. If this is true, then given the prophecies of the books of antiquity, the Bible, and more modern messengers, we would expect to see the Holy Spirit being poured out, the fulfillment of promised dreams and visions from God to both men and women, the Sealing as foretold in Revelation to take place and the world to enter a very tumultuous phase, riddled with weather and earthquake issues, political and religious challenges and conflicts, asteroid/fireball impacts, fire falling from heaven, the coming of Satan the Antichrist and eighth king of Revelation 17, the persecution and killing of Christians by the millions, widespread wars, God's wrath being poured out and more. We would also expect God to send messengers to this world that would bear witness of what God wants of His people (to correct misperceptions and worship issues) and to provide more details of events to come.

I will also share with you why the 6000th birthday is spiritually important and what one might anticipate as a result of reaching that milestone. While Christ will not come in the year 6000, there are prophecies that suggest when He will come thereafter. Details follow in this paper for the more diligent. The point is to provide an additional impetus to motivate people to get ready, to develop characters with God's help that are fit for the Sealing of the Holy Spirit as written about in the Word of the LORD, whether the Bible or more ancient or modern prophets. Those who desire to truly repent and prepare for the Sealing are encouraged to read my paper at: http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/How_to_Repent.pdf

¹¹ My firstborn who died of SIDS ten weeks after his birth was born on the same calendar day as Moses' date of birth and death (according to Jewish teachings). http://www.chabad.org/calendar/view/day.asp?tdate=2/16/2016

No Time Test

Be aware that there is no time test, so knowing where we are in time is not an issue of salvation, but rather of hope. Let me give you an example:

A story was told of two nearly identical frogs. The first frog was placed in a container with a lid. No light entered the container. Within 20 minutes or so the frog stopped swimming sank to the bottom and died. A second frog was placed in the container, but this time light was allowed to enter through a hole in the top. That light represented hope to the frog, and it swam for 17 hours before finally being loosed from the container. A little light provided hope, hope led to effort, effort led to survival. So while in the deepest darkness of the tribulation, look up. Your salvation by Jesus draws nigh! (Luke 21:28)

Brief Background

For those who wish to know a little of my background: I am a deep student of the Bible (including a compiler of the Sola Scriptura or "What does the Bible say about ..." series of exhaustive scripture compilations, ¹² and the editor of a Bible study website (www.Bibleplus.org). I have studied a number of the books of antiquity, including but not limited to the writings of Josephus Flavius and several books containing translations of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Due to those scrolls' fragmented natures, I have also studied and worked with the translations of more complete versions of those books as found often among the Ethiopic people (I am not talking about any books that are part of the Apocrypha). Without a doubt, these helped amplify and clarify the Bible, especially parts that seem confusing or to lack detail. I have also studied the writings of more recent and contemporary messengers of the Lord. Thus, I have a more informed base of information to draw from than many people who haven't studied or had access to these writings. I have served as a missionary, Bible teacher, evangelist, Bible study facilitator, assisted with a Bible school with over 3000 monthly Bible students and much more. I have served at meeting series held by evangelists Kenneth Cox, Brian McMahon, Mark Finley, Sean Boonstra and more, greeting, loving, teaching people and facilitating their commitment. I have served as preacher/evangelist in India, the Philippines and India again, leading to over 800 commitments to Jesus and hundreds of baptisms. I graduated at the top of my mechanical engineering class, placed in the 98th percentile nationwide on the Graduate Record Engineering Exam, and obtained my professional engineering license. My background in mathematics, engineering, and as an artist and inventor uses my God-given talents to see things that other people do not. Prophecy has to make sense to me; thus, I tend to be more of a literalist than many.

My interest in technical things pales in comparison to my love for Jesus and His Words. I love the Lord and have no greater desire than to point people to Jesus, our Creator, Redeemer and Savior, the Word of God. He is to be of the highest priority in our lives, trusted and obeyed as part of the Godhead. Any credit for the discoveries that I am about to share with you goes to Him and not me. I am simply a servant. If what I am about to share with you does not point you to Jesus, then please ignore it (but do not critique it without studying it). But if it points you to Jesus and renews your commitment to Him, then the many hours spent in writing this eBook will have been worth it. Whether you believe *all* the information I am about to share with you is not important, and you may pick and choose aspects. But as the events foretold come to pass, ask yourself, does this corroborate what I have read here? If what I share happens, you can know that the other details foretold will also happen.

While I hope and pray that others have also discovered the same information, what I am about to share is the result of my own research and not of any other person. It is original to me, though two or three others have made suggestions that launched or continued me on this journey of discovery. These are mentioned in the footnotes. I have studied prophetic time in detail since 1993, but more pieces of the puzzle have fallen into place as I study and learn more. Let me take you on the journey as well.

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¹² http://www.bibleplus.org/compilations.htm

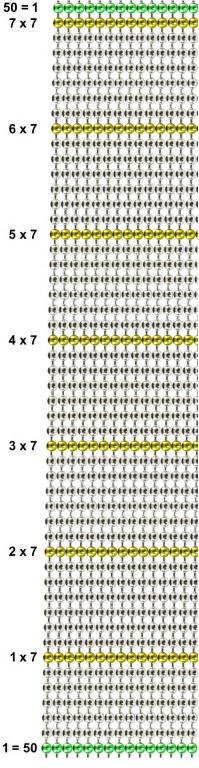
God's Watch - The Jubilee Calendar

Years, Weeks of Years (Sabbaticals) and Jubilees (7 weeks of **vears**): For those who are not familiar with the concept of Sabbatical years or Jubilee years, I would refer you to Exodus 23, 25 and Deuteronomy 15. In brief, in God's Watch or system of time-keeping, He uses a system of 7-year cycles also called "weeks of years" or Sabbatical cycles. Seven of these 7-year cycles or weeks of years constitute a 49-year cycle, which is also known as a Jubilee cycle. The Jubilee year is the 50th year of a 49-year cycle which makes it the same as the first year of the next cycle. In the ancient sacred book of the Hebrews called the Book of the Law and the Testimony, more commonly knows as Jubilees, dates or time periods are often given both as regular years and in jubilees, weeks of years, years, months and days. 13 In fact, the word jubilee is used over a hundred times in the book of Jubilees, hence its modern name. Jubilees, weeks of years, years, months, days, as a system of time keeping is important to the LORD! It is God's Watch!

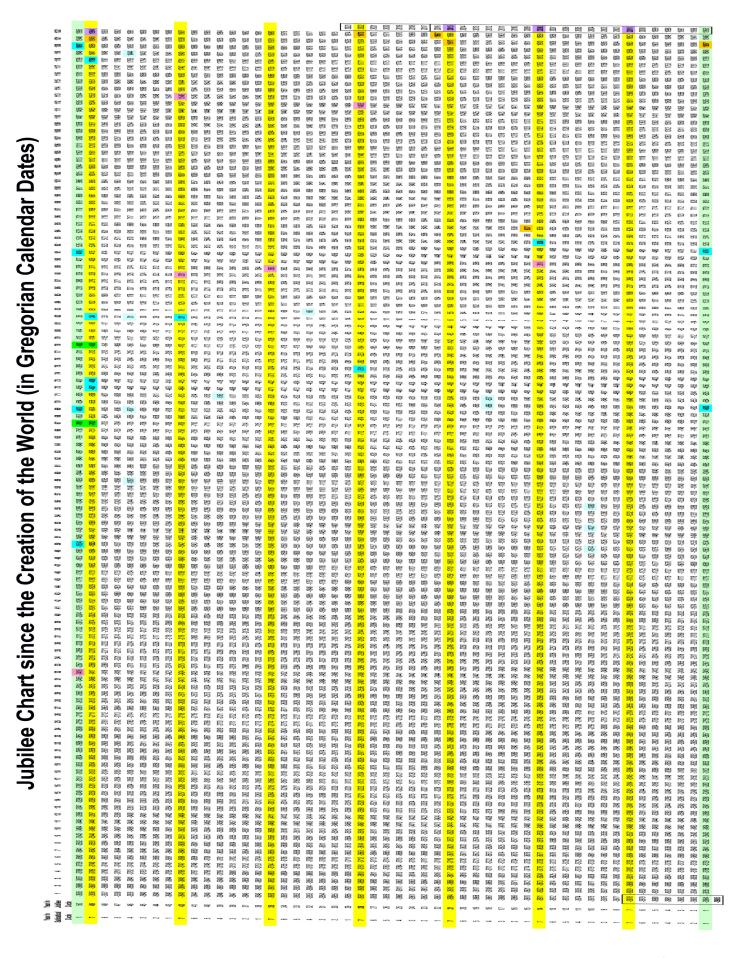
To envision a Jubilee Chart, visualize a timeline with beads representing years. Most beads would be white (or chrome in the adjacent picture). Every 7th year is represented by a yellow bead. Every 50th year (same as the first year of the next 49-year cycle) is represented by a light green bead. Now wind that timeline around a cylinder of just the correct diameter such that the light green beads all line up on one line – Let's wind it clockwise and from left to right. When you are done, you would also have 7 rows of vellow beads or yellow lines indicating the Sabbatical years and one row of green beads or a green line indicating the Jubilee year (two rows representing the same line are shown in the figure). You could spin the cylinder and fairly readily find various dates on it. For ease of seeing it in 2-dimensions, let's mentally glue the beads to the cylinder and then slice it open along the Jubilee year. One could then splay it open. A date at the top of the timeline would be the same as the date at the bottom of the timeline in the next slanted column to the right. Fifteen columns of beads or 15 Jubilee cycles are shown in the adjacent figure as an example.

Take a brief look at the Jubilee chart on the following page just to get an idea (rotate the page so the colored lines are horizontal). The print will be far too small to read, but just get an overview. If you wish to see a full resolution graphic that you can zoom in on, go to http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/Jubilee_Grid (Anno Mundi & Gregorian dates).pdf. Note how a number of colored squares (bright green, bright blue, magenta, orange, purple) fall on the yellow and pale green lines or midway in between. I will expand

certain segments as needed in this eBook. Then let's move on to some amazing discoveries!



¹³ You can download a free copy of this book from my website to study later along with a history of the book from: http://www.Bibleplus.org/endoftime/The Book of the Law and the Testimony.pdf



Discoveries

1. All day-for-a-year prophecies¹⁴ in the Bible have a beginning, ending or all dates on a Sabbatical year! The better-known dates, highlighted on the chart in bright blue, include:

603 BC	Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the image of gold, silver, bronze, iron and clay which represented the transition of world kingdoms. Daniel 2	
457 BC	The decree to go and rebuild Jerusalem (the beginning of the seventy sevens and the beginning of the 2300 day/year prophecy) Daniel 9:24, 25, Daniel 8:13-14	
408 BC	The walls of Jerusalem were rebuilt. Daniel 9:25	
331 BC	The transition from the Persian kingdom to the kingdom of Greece. Daniel 7:21	
27 AD	Jesus, the Messiah begins his ministry. He dies and is resurrected in the middle of the week of years (Passover in the spring of 31 AD). Daniel 9:25-27	
34 AD	The 70 sevens or 70 weeks of years for the Jewish nation end with the stoning of Stephen. Daniel 7:24, Acts 7:54-60	
476 AD	The year that the little horn power (the Papacy) began to pluck up the 3 horns. Daniel 7:24	
538 AD	The year that the little horn power (the Papacy) finished plucking up the 3 horns. Daniel 7:24. This also began the 1260 years of papal supremacy and the persecution of God's true church. Revelation 12:14. The Papacy is also known as "the beast" in the prophecy of Revelation 13 which reigned for 42 months of years (1260 years). Revelation 13:5	
1798 AD	The end of the 1260-year prophecy being the year that the Pope was captured by Napoleon's General Berthier and the deadly wound was caused to the beast (the Papacy). Daniel 7:25, Revelation 13:3	

You can see most of these dates highlighted on the expanded segments of the Jubilee charts on the following pages (the chart doesn't show the 1798 AD date).

Isn't that amazing! But there is a lot more!

How do we know which yellow line is the 49^{th} year or which two years are the back-to-back sabbatical years indicating the 49^{th} and $50^{th}/1^{st}$ year pairs?

2. There are two pairs of dates that I have found in history that are back-to-back sabbatical years. These line up perfectly on the Jubilee chart. They allow us to determine the Jubilee year with a high degree of certainty! These are highlighted in bright green.

¹⁴ There are two types of prophecies in scripture, Primarily Literal and Primarily Symbolic. In the Primarily Symbolic prophecies, time must be interpreted using the day-for-a-year principle (see Numbers 14:33,34a and Ezekiel 4:4-6). These are generally pretty obvious and usually an angel or the prophet *explains* the symbols. In Primarily Literal prophecy, days and years are to be taken literally. In these prophesies, no explanation is given. For more details on the different types of prophecy, see

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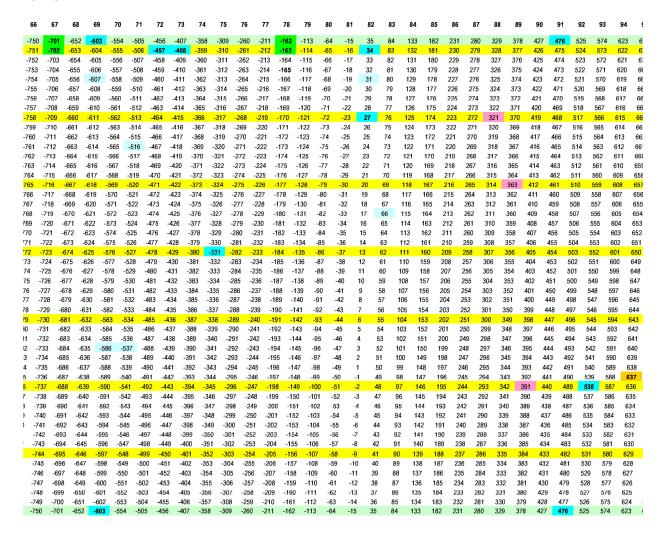
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¹⁵ Some sources say this was 700 and 701 BCE. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shmita, but that isn't corroborated with other date evidence.

162 or 163 BC 1 Maccabees 6:48-49, a historical book found in the Apocrypha, mentions a siege that occurred during a Sabbatical Year. "The soldiers of the king's army went up to Jerusalem against them and the king encamped in Judea and at Mount Zion. He made peace with the men of Beth-Zur, and they evacuated the city, because they had no provisions there to withstand a siege since it was a Sabbatical Year for the land." The date given in the verse footnotes for this siege is 162 B.C. or possibly 163 B.C. (p. 236, The Oxford Annotated Apocrypha, RSV)

Further corroborating **the proper orientation** of the Jubilee chart is that the date of 1280 BC, which the Orthodox Jews hold as the date for the Exodus also lines up perfectly with the date of 1574 BC, which as you will see in a bit is our date for the Exodus, just six Jubilee cycles offset (6x49=294 years). Note the **bright blue** highlighted trio on the same horizontal line, near the bottom and about 40% from the left of the earlier overview chart.

The Jubilee year being the 50th year, is the same as the first year of the next 49-year cycle, is highlighted in pale green and is shown twice, once each in both of those positions. The dates of prophecy provided above are shown in blue and the two back-to-back Sabbatical year pairs are show in bright green. Note how those two bright green pairs line up perfectly! BC dates are shown as negative numbers. AD dates are shown as positive or normal numbers. Per proper convention, there is no year zero ("0"). The magenta highlighted dates will be discussed later.



Other significant dates pertaining to Israel also fall on sabbatical years or the year after (a year of beginnings). These are highlighted in orange.

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637 AD to 1897 AD (1260 years or 180 weeks of years)	Revelation 11:2 reads: "But the court which is <i>without the emple</i> leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months." (Some interpret this as 1260 symbolic prophetic days or 1260 years). Revelation 11:8 further helps us identify the city: "the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified." Only Jerusalem meets this 4-way test. ¹⁶ The Zionist Movement to restore ferusalem to Israelite control began with the buying of land in ferusalem beginning in 1897! This is 1260 years from 637 AD when the Jews lost control of Jerusalem to the Rashidun Muslims ed by Abu Ubaidah and Caliph Umar. ¹⁷	
1917 AD	During World War I the British Empire prevailed against the Ottoman Empire and took over Jerusalem. General Edmund Allenby humbly entered the Old City on foot through the Jaffa Gate instead of horse or vehicle to show respect for the holy city. He was the first Christian in many centuries to control Jerusalem, which is a very important site for many faiths. "The establishment of the modern state of Israel and the roots of the continuing Israeli–Palestinian conflict are partially found in the unstable power dynamics of the Middle East that resulted from World War I." "Lobbying by Chaim Weizmann and fear that American Jews would encourage the United States to support Germany culminated in the British government's Balfour Declaration of 1917, endorsing creation of a Jewish homeland in Palestine." 19	
1945 AD	The formal end of World War II (the 49th year, a year of endings which then led to the formation of the state of Israel in 1948)	
1967 AD (beginning of the new Sabbatical cycle)	The old boundaries of Israel are re-established after a successful 6-day war against the Arab countries as those prepared to invade Israel.	
1973 AD	The 1973 Arab-Israeli War when Egypt and Syria attacked Israel's forces in the Sinai Peninsula and the Golan Heights, though Israel prevailed.	

These dates significant to modern Israel are shown in orange in the adjacent Jubilee Chart segment. Note the highlighted 1798 AD date.

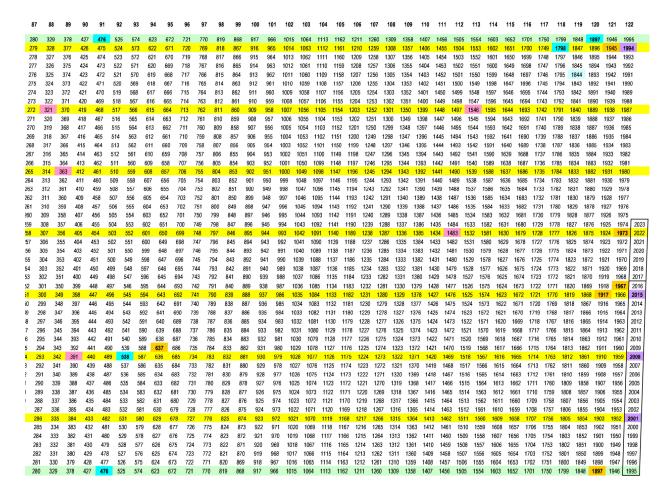
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¹⁶ Where the two witnesses' bodies lie is easily determined by the multiple descriptions provided, including "holy city," "Sodom," "Egypt" (Cush), "where also their Lord was crucified." Amos 9:7 states, "Are not you Israelites the same to me as the Cushites [Egyptians]?" declares the LORD." Additionally, the only city in the Bible called Sodom by God, other than the original Sodom, is found in Isaiah 1:8-10. "And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers, as a besieged city. Except the Lord of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been as **Sodom**, and we should have been like unto **Gomorrah**. Hear the word of the Lord, ye rulers of **Sodom**: give ear unto the law of our God, ye people of **Gomorrah**." God is calling Jerusalem Sodom and Gomorrah because of its wickedness. And that neatly coincides with the identifiers "holy city" and "where also their Lord was crucified."

¹⁷ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Siege of Jerusalem (637)

¹⁸ "Balfour Declaration (United Kingdom 1917)", Encyclopædia Britannica quoted at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World War I

¹⁹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World War I



3. A significant event in antiquity, the dividing of the world among the offspring of Noah, also happened during a Jubilee year.

2416 BC This was a Jubilee Year The dividing of the earth in the time of Peleg (meaning "division" or "little river", as in a "boundary river"), took place at the beginning of the 33rd Jubilee. "And in the sixth year thereof, 'Azurad bare Eber a son, and he called his name Peleg; for in the days when he was born the children of Noah began to divide the earth amongst themselves: for this reason he called his name Peleg. And they divided (it) secretly amongst themselves, and (then) told it to Noah. And it came to pass in the beginning of the thirty-third jubilee that they divided the earth into three parts, for Shem and Ham and Japheth, according to the inheritance of each, in the first year in the first week, when one of us who had been sent [an angel], was with them." *Book of the Law and the Testimony* (Jubilees) 7:10. See Genesis 10:25.

4. While perhaps coincidental, there are other significant events that fall on Sabbatical years. These are the magenta colored dates in the above chart.

321 AD

In this year, Emperor Constantine issued the first Sunday law, "On the venerable Day of the Sun let the magistrates and people residing in cities rest, and let all workshops be closed. In the country, however, persons engaged in agriculture may freely and lawfully continue their pursuits; because it often happens that another day is not so suitable for grain-sowing or for vine-planting; lest by

	neglecting the proper moment for such operations the bounty of heaven should be lost." ²⁰	
363 AD	The Council of Laodicea where sixty canons were decreed, including one "Outlawing the keeping of the Jewish Sabbath (Saturday) and encouraging rest on the Lord's Day (Sunday) (canon 29)" Another was "Specifying a Biblical canon (canons 59–60)" "The 59th canon forbade the readings in church of uncanonical books. The 60th canon listed the Canonical books, with the New Testament containing 26 books, omitting the Book of Revelation, and the Old Testament including the 22 books of the Hebrew Bible plus the Book of Baruch and the Epistle of Jeremy. It is also believed that they may have demonized 'The Book of Enoch', which led to its degeneration." This latter decision was most unfortunate as Jesus, His brothers and His disciples referred to details revealed in the <i>book of Enoch</i> as it was lumped together with "the Prophets." Also sadly left out was <i>The Book of the Law and the Testimony</i> which gives much more information than Genesis such as names, dates, times, and places. "2000 Places of the Incompany of the I	
391 AD	Emperor Theodosus makes Christianity mandatory and outlaws paganism ²³	
1483 AD & 1546 AD	The birth and death years of Martin Luther, German professor of theology, composer, priest, monk and an important figure in the Protestant Reformation ²⁴	

5. Other dates of vital importance are offset one half of a week of years or 3½ years from a Sabbatical year. These are indicated in pale blue on the Jubilee Chart and include:

1097 BC	The year Saul became king of Israel and began the ensuing 490 years during which the Sabbatical years were not kept. ²⁵	
607 BC	The year Daniel along with others from Judah were taken captive to Babylon, the end of the aforementioned 490 years and the beginning of the 70 years of captivity and the years of the 70 sabbath years' rest. (Daniel 9:1-2)	
586 BC	The year Solomon's temple was destroyed by Nebuchadnezzar's army.	
537 BC	The year the 70 years of captivity ended, and the decree by Persian king Cyrus the Great was issued to allow the Jews to return to Israel and to begin rebuilding the temple. (See Ezra 1:1-4, 2 Chronicles 36:22-23). This was exactly one Jubilee cycle or 49 years from 586 BC the year of the temple's destruction.	
516 BC	The year the second temple was rebuilt. ²⁶ It was dedicated the following year.	
31 AD	The year of Christ's crucifixion. ²⁷	
1844 AD	The end of the 2300-year prophecy from 457 BC to 1844 AD. Note that 1844 AD falls on the same line as Christ's crucifixion in 31 AD and is exactly 37 Jubilee cycles later. $457 + 1844 - 1 = 2300$.	

²⁰ Source: Codex Justinianus, lib. 3, tit. 12, 3; trans. in Philip Schaff, History of the Christian Church, Vol. 3 (5th ed.; New York: Scribner, 1902), p. 380, note 1.

²¹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Council of Laodicea

²² The Book of the Law and the Testimony (aka Jubilees) was the 6th most common scroll found among the Dead Sea Scrolls, more common in fact than several other books of the Pentateuch and most other books of our current Bible.

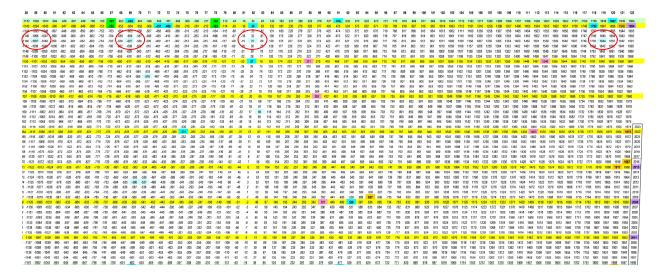
²³ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/391

²⁴ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin Luther

²⁵ These and several other dates in this table come from

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²⁷ The dates of AD 27, 31 and 34 for Jesus' baptism, crucifixion and the end of the seventy-sevens (490 years) for Israel are commonly held by those of the Seventh-day Adventist faith and others. There are many articles on this subject. Here is one decent example: http://clearbibleanswers.org/ad-31-and-the-friday-crucifixion.html. and another: http://www.hope-of-israel.org/31ad.html. Note that while many nations used the lunar-solar calendar, this was not God's original calendar for His people and we do not need to be limited to an event tied to a lunar new moon or crescent moon event. See later in this eBook for details.



Observe from the Jubilee Chart that **four** of the above dates (those in **boldface** in the list) fall 45½ years into the Jubilee cycle, that is on the same horizontal line or 3½ years before the end of the 49-year cycle!

An exhaustive search for more significant events falling on sabbatical years has not been done, leaving that for another enterprising researcher.

6. A sabbatical year or Shmita/Shemitah year ends on the last day of the Civil year of the Hebrew Calendar, a day known as the 29th of Elul. The Shmita year is also the year of release from all personal debts, and a giving back of gains. This must occur by the 29th of Elul. 28 According to a Wikipedia article on the Shmita, "The first Shmita year in the modern State of Israel was 1951-52. Subsequent Shmita years have been 1958-59, 1965-66, 1972-73, 1979-80, 1986-87, 1993-94, 2000-01, 2007-08, and 2014-15. Recapping that last date, the last Shmita year began on Rosh Hashanah in September 2014 and ended in September 2015, corresponding to the Hebrew calendar year 5775"²⁹.

Note that these dates correspond perfectly with what I have presented so far on the Jubilee chart and confirm the Sabbatical years as I have indicated.

When was the end of the most recent 49-year cycle and which Jubilee cycle was completed?

- 7. Based upon all the foregoing, the most recent Jubilee would have been declared in September of 1994.³⁰ More specifically, it would have been announced on the Day of Atonement, the 10th day of the 7th month of the **Religious** Hebrew calendar at the beginning of the 50th year as measured in the Civil calendar (Leviticus 25:8 ff) or 10 days after the end of the 49-year cycle. This year is highlighted in purple in the above chart. The question is: which Jubilee does this represent? The 120th, 121st or 122nd Jubilee since Creation?
- 8. The Book of the Law and the Testimony provides a clear time span from Creation to the year of the Exodus of forty-nine jubilees, one week of years and two years (2410 years) and of entry into the Promised Land of exactly fifty Jubilee cycles or $50 \times 49 = 2450$ years. So there is another

²⁸ Deuteronomy 15:1 At the end of every seven years thou shalt make a release. (KJV), At the end of every seven years you must cancel debts. (NIV). See also Deuteronomy 15:9, 31:10.

²⁹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shmita

³⁰ Other scholars may disagree and in the Jewish mindset, Jubilees only apply to an agricultural society IN the land of Israel, but as a measurement of timekeeping, it applies regardless of location (see the Book of the Law and the Testimony/Jubilees). Furthermore, I refer to the 3-fold sign that the Lord provided me confirming this.

significant date that falls on a Sabbatical year, and more importantly, a Jubilee year!

Chapter 50:4 the Angel of the LORD states:

"Wherefore I have ordained for thee the year-weeks and the years and the jubilees: and from the days of Adam until this day, there are forty-nine jubilees, one week and two years [2410 years]: and there are yet forty years to come for learning the commandments of the LORD, until they pass over into the land of Canaan [for a total of 2450 years], crossing the Jordan to the west."

Recapping the math: $(49 \times 49) + 7 + 2 = 2410 \text{ A.M.}$ for the date of the Exodus and 2410 + 40 = 2450 A.M. or exactly 50 Jubilee cycles since the Creation for the entry into the Promised Land.

9. The writings of Flavius Josephus, a Jewish historian, provide an date for the exodus of the Israelite nation from Egypt which differs from the conventional archeological perspective and the current Jewish calendar. Josephus Flavius, *Against Apion*, Book 1, Sections 73, 93, 227. Josephus indicates that the Exodus of the Israelites was the departures of the Hyksos people (Shepherd Kings) which according to Wikipedia has been dated to *approximately* 1550 B.C. (K.S.B. Ryholt: The Political Situation in Egypt during the Second Intermediate Period, c.1800–1550 BC, Carsten Niebuhr Institute Publications, vol. 20. Copenhagen: Museum Tusculanum Press, 1997).³¹

If we reconcile the approximate date with the Jubilee calendar, knowing that the entry into the Promised Land would have been a Jubilee year, then the date of the Exodus would have been in 1574 BC with entry into the Promised Land 40 years later, likely in the fall of **1534 BC** when the harvest of the crops planted by the Canaanites would have been available to the Israelites.³²

Recapping from earlier, God's Jubilee would have been declared in September 1994. Thus based upon Josephus' dates, *Fall of 1994 would have ended the 122nd Jubilee cycle since the Creation* or 122 x 49 which is 5978 years. Specifically, from the Jewish Calendar, the 29th of *Elul*, 1994 would have been September 5, 1994 and Yom Kippur would have been September 15, 1994.

10. Calculating backwards, this puts the date of Creation in the Fall of 3985 BC. This date compares favorably to dates put forth by James Usshur (4004 BC), the Venerable Bede (3952 BC), Ussher's near-contemporary Scaliger (3949 BC), Johannes Kepler (3992 BC), Sir Isaac Newton (c. 4000 BC), 33 the Freemasons (4000 BC), 34 and John Lightfoot, the Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge University (3928 BC). 35

³¹ See http://www.realhistoryww.com/world history/ancient/Misc/Hyksos/Hyksos.htm

³² See Joshua 3:15 "for Jordan overfloweth all its banks all the time of harvest"

³³ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ussher_chronology

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/40th century BC

³⁵ http://mattstodayinhistory.blogspot.com/2007/03/in-beginning-march-18-3952-bc.html

A Change in God's Dealing with Mankind?

Let us see if we can find more evidence that substantiates or corroborates this.

11. Rabbi Jonathan Cahn, a messianic Jew of the priestly tribe of Levi, in his book, *The Harbinger*, stated that forgiveness of debts and giving up of gains must happen in the Sabbatical year by the last day of the sixth month of the Religious Hebrew calendar, i.e. the month of Elul, which is also the same as the last day of the Hebrew Civil year.

As the current Hebrew calendar follows a lunar monthly cycle of 29.5 days (some months 29 days, other months 30 days), then to make up the missing days over several years, an extra month is inserted approximately every 3 years. More precisely, an extra month called Adar II or Vi Adar is added in the 3rd, 6th, 8th, 11th, 14th, 17th and 19th years of the cycle. This makes the current Hebrew calendar month change with respect to the Gregorian calendar which the western world currently follows. The current months of the Hebrew calendar are as follows:

#	Name
1	Nissan
2	Iyar
3	Sivan
4	Tammuz
5	Av
6	Elul

#	Name
7	Tishrei
8	Cheshvan
9	Kislev
10	Tevet
11	Shevat
12	Adar I*
13*	Adar II*

^{*}In years where no extra month is added, the Hebrew calendar simply calls the twelfth month Adar. In years where the extra month is inserted, the twelfth month is called *Adar I* and the thirteenth month is called Adar II, or respectively Adar and Second Adar (Vi Adar).

12. God's last complete Jubilee or 49-year cycle which ended on September 5, 1994 (29th of *Elul*), I believe marked a change in God's dealing with mankind. As a great sign to the world, God put the world back onto the Sabbatical-year cycle for the final countdown! Watch what happened! As mentioned earlier, the Sabbatical year is also called the Shemitah or Shmita year, the year of release, of setting free from debts, of forgiveness of debts, of giving up of gains.

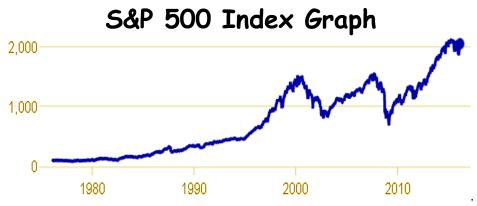
As an aside, but worth noting, shortly after this "In December 1994, President Bill Clinton signed the GATT Treaty in Uruguay, including a little-known clause that led the way to enforce the enumeration of the American public through the implementing regulation. The Welfare Reform Act of 1996 included the addition of **Title 42 USC section 666 paragraph** (a) stipulating that the Social Security Number (i.e. the number associated with your name) be collected upon issuance of a number of licenses, such as occupational, marriage and recreational licenses, birth and death certificates, divorce decrees, etc. Could future paragraphs include the requirements to show the number of your name to buy or sell as well as prophesied in Revelation?"36

13. At 7-year-intervals since September 5, 1994 (the 29th of the sixth Hebrew month of *Elul*), the U.S. and the world experienced the resetting of the gains of the prior 7 years in accordance with God's Sabbatical-year mandates. These market crashes, bear markets, corrections often accelerated in the respective months of Elul in September of 2001, September of 2008, and August/September of 2015.³⁷ There is usually a softening in the market in the year prior these dates, followed by drops continuing into the late winter. These cycles can be seen graphically in the following S&P 500 Index

³⁶ http://www.bibleplus.org/12signs.htm

³⁷ All conversion dates are obtained via http://www.chabad.org/calendar/view/month.asp?tdate=4/15/2016

chart. Note the steady gradual increases through 1995 and then the more accentuated gains and corrections since then.



The cycles can also be seen in the Dow Jones Industrial average. However, be aware that the companies making up the Dow Jones Average have changed periodically, on average every 2 years since 1997.³⁸ Since weaker companies are replaced, this chart is artificially strengthened.



Specifically, the New York Stock Exchange experienced its largest drop to date on the 29th of Elul, 2001 (Monday, September 17), 4 business days after the world-changing events of 9/11. This was surpassed by the crash on the 29th of Elul, 2008 (Monday, September 29) with a drop of 7% or 777.7 points, numbers which suggest the very fingerprints of God.³⁹ In the month of Elul 2015 (which began on August 16, 2015), the market dropped 1000 points the first week, 1000 points the following Monday (August 24) and lost around \$3 trillion in market capitalization during that month. After a rebound through the end of the year, it began sliding again in January 2016, bottoming out in February and has recovered substantially since then. These three Sabbatical cycles or 3x7 years are highlighted in purple beginning with 1994 on the Jubilee chart on a previous page. The aforementioned dates reinforce the accuracy of the yellow lines representing the Sabbatical years. It also suggests that something significant has changed in the way God is dealing with the U.S. and the world.

³⁸ See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Historical_components_of_the_Dow_Jones_Industrial_Average for specifics.

³⁹ While I had trouble initially verifying this figure, it was declared in an article surrounding the stock market's reaction to Donald Trump's drawing closer to winning the presidency. "The Dow's current would also challenge the record one-day plunge of 777.68 points back on Sept. 29, 2008, during the financial crisis." http://www.usatoday.com/story/money/markets/2016/11/08/markets-election-night/93499832/

The World Trade Centers - a Warning Sign from God?

Let me share a little known, yet very important fact pertaining to the destruction of the towers of the World Trade Center on 9/11/2001.⁴⁰ When George Washington was inaugurated on April 30, 1789, it was *not* in Washington D.C., which had not been built yet, but in New York City. He was inaugurated at the Federal Hall building on Wall Street where he delivered his inaugural address.

It may be helpful to see the following photographs. There is a statue of Washington outside the Federal Hall building with him positioned as if his hand was on the Bible when he was sworn in. On the pillar to the right of the stairways, there is a metallic relief of Washington praying to God.



In Washington's address, he made the following comments (note the various terms for God that he used, (**boldface** added for emphasis):

"It would be peculiarly improper to omit in this first official act my fervent supplication to that **Almighty Being Who** rules over the universe, **who presides** in the councils of nations, and **whose providential aids** can supply every human defect, **that His benediction** may consecrate to the liberties and happiness of the people of the United States a government instituted by themselves for these essential purposes ... In tendering this homage to the **Great Author** of every public and private good, I assure myself that it expresses your sentiments not less than my own, nor those of my fellow-citizens at large less than either. No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the **Invisible Hand** which conducts the affairs of men more than those of the United States. Every step by which they have advanced to the character of an independent nation seems to have been distinguished by some token of **providential agency**.

Washington also made the following prophetic statement and warning:

"... we ought to be no less persuaded that the **propitious smiles of Heaven** can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and right **which Heaven itself hath ordained**;..." ⁴¹

Please study that warning and bury it into your conscience. President Washington acknowledged that the blessings that had come upon this new nation had come from God. And that <u>disregarding God's</u> <u>eternal rules of order and right which Heaven itself had ordained</u> would result in the loss of Heaven's smiles and blessings! The blessings and the curses that God applied to Israel in Deuteronomy 28-30, in principle would also apply to the USA. If the nation rejected <u>God's eternal</u>

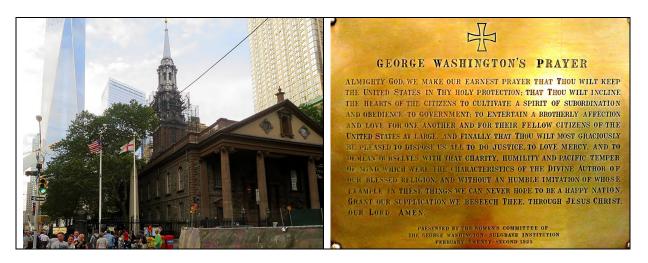
⁴⁰ Some of the insights for this understanding came from the book, *The Harbinger* by Rabbi Jonathan Cahn, though I have taken it further.

⁴¹ Source: The Avalon Project at Yale Law School, "First Inaugural Address of George Washington, the City of New York, Thursday, April 30th, 1789," http://avalon.law.yale.edu/18th_century/wash1.asp (accessed June 23, 2011 and May 5, 2016)

<u>rules ordained by Heaven</u>, then the nation would no longer be blessed by God, and God would, as with Israel of old, remove His hedge of protection and allow this nation to be destroyed both from within and without.

After his inauguration, Washington led the government officials and representatives a few blocks down the street to **Saint Paul's Chapel**, where he attended, and there **he and the others dedicated this nation to God**. His prayer, as posted in the Chapel and seen in the photograph below, is as follows (please read it carefully):

"Almighty God, we make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; to entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large. And finally that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean [conduct or behave] ourselves with that charity, humility and pacific temper and mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without an humble imitation of Whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplication we beseech Thee. **Through Jesus Christ our Lord**, Amen."



What a beautiful prayer of petition! While many of our nation's founders were deists believing in God, but not Jesus as the Son of God, Washington made his petition **through Jesus Christ our Lord**.

Does our nation reflect the characteristics that George Washington prayed for? Is there a spirit of subordination and obedience to government? Do the people, especially the young people, the up-and-coming generation, truly entertain brotherly affection and love for one another, or is bullying (including online trolling or flaming), profanity, slander, the debasing of the image of God in humans, sexual immorality and perversion the *modus operandi* of most secular people? Do we in the USA love justice as God designed, or do we have our own perverted secular forms of justice? Do we love mercy and forgiveness, or do we live in a litigation-happy culture?⁴² Do we conduct ourselves with charity, humility and the peaceful temper and mind that are the characteristics of our Creator God and do we seek to imitate Him?

Not anymore! As a nation, we have turned the opposite way from Heaven's eternal rules of order and

⁴² I am sad to say from my own personal exposure in watching others in court that many of our courts are no longer courts of justice or law, but rather courts of fallible and often corrupted lawyers and judges, who enforce their own whims and vagaries to prevail in a case, often to the harm of the true victims. It is sad that judges no longer judge for God or in fear of God (See 2 Chronicles 19:8-11).

right. Our judges no longer "Fear God and judge for Him." And thus, our nation is no longer deserving of the "propitious smiles of Heaven."

The towers of the World Trade Center, representing America's financial and economic strength, were built on the very property that once belonged to Saint Paul's Chapel, the very ground of America's consecration to God by its founders! (Note the proximity of the new World Trade Center towers in the above photograph behind the chapel), The bringing down of the former World Trade Center towers was a warning message from God that due to America's sin and rebellion against Him, He had withdrawn His hedge of protection from around the nation and her financial and economic strength. Rabbi Jonathan Cahn makes a very clear compelling case for this in his book *The Harbinger*, providing historical quotes and giving uncanny examples paralleling the prophesied warnings and destruction of the northern tribes of Israel with what happened post 9-11. I will not cover his findings here, but I do have a synopsis paper if you are interested. Otherwise, I encourage you to read his quite fascinating book.

Shortly after the towers came down, three leading politicians of that time, including President George W. Bush, Dennis Hastert, speaker of the house, and John Edwards, candidate for President, all verbalized an interesting phrase from the book of Isaiah:

"The bricks are fallen down, but **WE WILL** build with hewn stones: the sycamores are cut down, but **WE WILL** change them into cedars." Isaiah 9:10 (Emphasis added)

But each left out verse 9, "And all the people shall know, ..., that say in the pride and [arrogance] of heart... The bricks ... WE WILL! WE WILL! WE WILL! The government and nation did not see the warning and continued on their corrupted paths including dignifying what God calls an abomination! The towers were rebuilt with hewn stone replacing the bricks. The sycamores that fell down were replaced with cedars. But in **no way** did the nation repent or change its arrogant course!

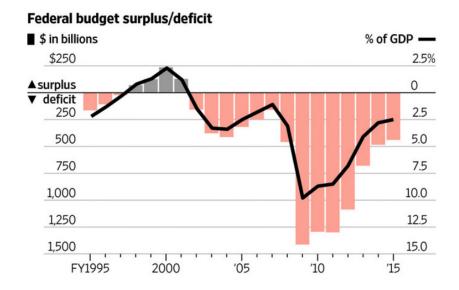




Above are two photos of the author, one standing underneath an artwork depicting the roots of an enormous sycamore tree that had fallen when the towers came down. It had protected St. Paul's Chapel, was known as the Sycamore of Hope, and was replaced with a tall cedar/pine tree. It was located outside of the Trinity Church a few blocks down from the Chapel but has since been moved from the location in the photo. The other is in front of the "new" New York City skyline featuring the new World Trade Center Tower.

⁴³ 2 Chronicles 19:5-7 Then Jehoshaphat set judges in the land throughout all the fortified cities of Judah, city by city, and said to the judges, "Take heed to what you are doing, for you do not judge for man but for the Lord, who is with you in the judgment. Now therefore, let the fear of the Lord be upon you; take care and do it, for there is no iniquity with the Lord our God, no partiality, nor taking of bribes." (NKJV)

In 2001, the USA national debt had leveled off below \$6 trillion and was dropping (note the budget surplus as represented in gray in the following chart). Since 2001, with the ensuing wars and spending increases, the national debt has tripled to well over \$19 trillion and the budget is still running at a large though diminishing deficit! The USA has become the world's most indebt nation!



Note that these financial crises and events happened precisely in the last month of the Hebrew civil calendar and often on the very last day of the civil year, in precise 7-year intervals following the end of the prior Jubilee cycle. 1994, 2001, 2008, 2015. Coincidence? Or a message from our Creator?

Many may not be familiar with the blessing and curses found in Deuteronomy 28. Moses lays out before the nation of Israel the blessings that would come to them if they obeyed God's Commandments and the curses if they didn't.

¹⁵ But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: ...

⁴³ The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. ⁴⁴ He **shall lend to thee**, and **thou shalt not lend to him**: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail. ...

⁴⁹ The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, **as swift as the eagle flieth**; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand; ⁵⁰ A nation of fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew favour to the young: ... ⁵² And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until **thy high and fenced walls come down**, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.

Have not these come true to the USA? Have not we become the foremost debtor nation in the world? Do not other nations lend to us, buying up our national debt so the government can meet its obligations and the entitlements that its citizens are clamoring for? Did not the terrorists who flew the planes come from a far away nation, traveling swift in flight? Did they not bring down the high walls of the towers forcing the spending of billions of dollars to prevent future attacks? Do not attacks or attempted attacks happen "throughout the land," from New York to Boston, to Florida to California with the majority thwarted?⁴⁴

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⁴⁴ http://www.heritage.org/terrorism/report/60-terrorist-plots-911-continued-lessons-domestic-counterterrorism

Is 6000 years significant? Was there ever a time prophecy foretelling 6000 years?

Let's move on and address the question, is 6000 years significant? Was it ever promised? If so, what about the 6000 years was promised?

Many creation-believing Christians and Jewish people are familiar to the concept of the earth lasting for 6000 years until the millennium, which will be a Sabbath rest for the earth of 1000 years, making a total of seven heavenly days as a day in heaven is as a thousand years on earth.⁴⁵ Where did this teaching or prophecy originally come from?

14. According to the *First Book of Adam and Eve*, after Adam's sin, God and then later Jesus the Creator stated that **He would reinstate Adam into the Garden of Eden after six heavenly days or 6000 years from the date of Adam's transgression**. In the following quotations, note the reference to *the Word* (Jesus Christ) who created Adam and Eve. ⁴⁶ Please note that "save you" does not mean Christ's death on the cross, but rather the reinstatement of Adam's glorious pre-fall nature in place of his fleshly post-fall nature.

Chapter 3 - Concerning the promise of the great six days.

- ¹ God said to Adam, "I have ordained on this earth days and years, and you and your descendants shall live and walk in them, until the days and years are fulfilled; when I shall send **the Word** that created you, and against which you have transgressed, **the Word** that made you come out of the garden, and that raised you when you were fallen. ² Yes, **the Word** that will again **save you when the six days are fulfilled**."
- ³ But when Adam heard these words from God, and of **the great six days**, he did not understand the meaning of them. ⁴ For Adam was thinking there would be only <u>six days</u> for him **until the end of the world**. ⁵ And Adam cried, and prayed to God to explain it to him.
- ⁶ Then God in His mercy for Adam who was made after His own image and likeness, explained to him, that these were <u>6,000 years</u>; and how **One** would then come and save him and his descendants. ...
- ¹⁵ And **the Word** of the Lord came to Adam and Eve, and raised them up. ¹⁶ And the Lord said to Adam, "I told you that at the end of the <u>six days</u> [6000 years], I will send **my Word** and save you.
- Chapter 7:2 Then God had pity on them, and said: "O Adam, I have made My covenant with you, and I will not turn from it; neither will I let you return to the garden, until My covenant of the great six days [6000 years] is fulfilled."

Chapter 56:7 Acknowledge, then, My favor towards you, and My mercy on you, My creature; that I have not avenged you for your transgression against Me, but <u>in My pity for you I have promised you that at the end of the great six days [6000 years] I will come and save you."</u>

First Book of Adam and Eve, edited 38

Clearly, the message is given to Adam that he will not be allowed to return to Eden until 6,000 years have passed (from the date of his transgression) and that the Word, Jesus Christ, will come to save Adam (and his descendants) via Jesus' second coming after which Adam will be restored to Eden.

⁴⁵ 2 Peter 3:8 "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

⁴⁶ http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/First Book of Adam and Eve.pdf

Beyond the restoration to Eden, Adam would also be restored to the glorious, immortal nature he had before he sinned. It is beyond the scope of this document, but according to the *First Book of Adam and Eve*, Adam's nature prior to his sin was similar to Christ's nature <u>after</u> His resurrection and consistent with the immortal resurrection body for believers as recorded in the Bible (e.g. no hunger or thirst, no sense of heat or cold, no pain nor suffering, not affected by gravity or solid materials, able to see astronomical distances), more like the angels in many ways. Adam's return to Eden is described in the following paragraphs from the book, *The Great Controversy* by the Lord's messenger Ellen G. White, who was shown the following in vision:

"...The Son of God redeemed man's failure and fall; and now, through the work of the atonement, Adam is reinstated in his first dominion.

"Transported with joy, he beholds the trees that were once his delight—the very trees whose fruit he himself had gathered in the days of his innocence and joy. He sees the vines that his own hands have trained, the very flowers that he once loved to care for. His mind grasps the reality of the scene; he comprehends that this is indeed Eden restored, more lovely now than when he was banished from it. The Saviour leads him to the tree of life and plucks the glorious fruit and bids him eat. He looks about him and beholds a multitude of his family redeemed, standing in the Paradise of God. Then he casts his glittering crown at the feet of Jesus and, falling upon His breast, embraces the Redeemer. He touches the golden harp, and the vaults of heaven echo the triumphant song: "Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and lives again!" The family of Adam take up the strain and cast their crowns at the Saviour's feet as they bow before Him in adoration." {White, *The Great Controversy*, pp. 647, 648}

15. Ellen White (1827-1915), a prolific writer and a cofounder of the Seventh-Day Adventist church, used the phrase **six thousand years** in a variety of ways, but one of the common ways was to refer to the conflict between Christ and Satan as spanning *nearly* 6000 years on this earth.

The great controversy between Christ and Satan, that has been carried on for almost six thousand years, is soon to close. {Signs of the Times, May 8, 1884 par. 1}

The great controversy between Christ and Satan, that has been carried forward for nearly six thousand years, is soon to close; and the wicked one redoubles his efforts to defeat the work of Christ in man's behalf and to fasten souls in his snares. { Great Controversy, p. 518.1}

... The law of God is set aside, the Spirit of grace despised, the blood of the covenant counted an unholy thing. The spirits deny the deity of Christ and place even the Creator on a level with themselves. Thus under a new disguise the great rebel still carries on his warfare against God, begun in heaven and **for nearly six thousand years continued upon the earth**. {*Ibid* 552.2}

Satan has great advantages. ... He who did not hesitate to brave a conflict with Him who holds creation as in His hand, has malignity to persecute and deceive. He holds mortals in his snare at the present time. **During his experience of nearly six thousand years** he has lost none of his skill and shrewdness. {*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. 2, p. 171.2}

Never has the world's need for teaching and healing been greater than it is today. The world is full of those who need to be ministered unto--the weak, the helpless, the ignorant, the degraded. **The continual transgression of man for nearly six thousand years** has brought sickness, pain, and death as its fruit. Multitudes are perishing for lack of knowledge. {Counsels to Parents, Teachers, and Students, p. 467.2}

"James Ussher (or Usher; 4 January 1581 - 21 March 1656) was the Irish Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland between 1625 and 1656. He was a prolific scholar and church leader, who today is most famous for his chronology that sought to establish the time and date of the creation as 'the entrance of the night preceding the 23rd day of October... the year before Christ 4004'" 47

A number of Bibles printed during White's time gave dates of events using Ussher's dates. It is my understanding that Ellen White used a Bible with those dates provided in the margin. While she may not have held onto the exact dates, she believed them to be within an acceptable or similar range.

So God's messenger Ellen White and many others of her time believed that the earth was less than 6000 years old. And according to the *First Book of Adam and Eve*, the Word promised to return to save Adam and Eve and restore them to Eden 6000 years *after their sin*.

Is there something special about the year 6000 or the number 6000?

16. Is there anything special or symbolic about 6000 years or the number 6000? 6000 years consists of 122 Jubilee cycles plus 22 years, i.e. 6000/49 = 122r22. In studying the Bible and the books of antiquity, God is big on numbers and numbers have meaning. From a symbolic standpoint, 122 + 22 = 144. If we multiply that by 1000 being the ratio of 1000 earthly years = 1 heavenly day as stated in the Bible and the books of antiquity, then the product is $144,000!^{48}$ The number 144 is only mentioned twice in the Bible, once with regards to the thickness of the walls of the New Jerusalem as measured in cubits; but more frequently with regards to the 144,000, the number who are to be Sealed before the time of tribulation. See Revelation 7:3-8, 14:1-5.

This would make sense as the Sealing of the 144,000 *must* take place prior to God allowing the four angels that hold back the winds of strife on the earth to be removed (see Revelation 7).

17. This year 6000 beginning on October 2^{nd} , 2016 is reflective of the sealing of the 144,000 process as foretold in the book of Revelation and the marking process as mentioned in Ezekiel 9.

The sealing of the 144,000 is a sealing with God's Holy Spirit of those who have perfected their characters during this tumultuous time. During the initial or "little time of tribulation" that occurs before the final sealing of the destiny of all, a portion of the 144,000 spread the news of Christ's eminent return, the need to hold onto the Testimonies of Jesus ⁴⁹ and to obey His commandments.

While it would be attractive to think that there is a difference between the end of the sealing process of the 144,000 and the sealing of the destiny of all, according to the sequence of events of Revelation, the completion of the sealing of the 144,000 is also the end of the Christ's intercessory ministry in heaven.

Once this is accomplished, then Christ discards His censer (Revelation 8:3-4) indicating the end of His intercessory ministry in heaven. This is accompanied by a notable earthquake (Revelation 8:5), followed by worldwide destruction by balls of fire (Revelation 8:6-12), and then the coming of Satan impersonating Christ (Revelation 9:11, 17:8-11). This equates to Daniel 12's ending of the daily sacrifice [intercession in heaven] and the coming of the abomination (demonic god) that causes desolation.

⁴⁷ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James Ussher

⁴⁸ I credit a friend and fellow church member, Patrick Jahn for seeing this unique perspective.

⁴⁹ See the document, "What Comprises the Word of God" http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/What Comprises the Word of the LORD.pdf

The throwing down of the censer and the earthquake would mark the beginning of the time of trouble, the great tribulation, and the sequence of apocalyptic events culminating in the second coming of Jesus Christ and the restoration of Adam to his Eden.

Fortunately, God has provided much insight into what will happen during this time period through His Word to His messengers. No true believer need be ignorant of these events. Unfortunately, very few study God's messages, contenting themselves with old news.⁵⁰ Skepticism is rampant, even among God's professed people, but Jesus said,

"Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children [trusting, believing, merciful], ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 18:3)

Little children with childlike faith in their Father, holding on to the Testimonies of Jesus and obeying the Commandments of God.

So how long might the little time of trouble and the great tribulation last before Christ comes to take His redeemed home? Let us look at this in detail.

How long will the total time of trouble last?

18. God did not promise that **the Word** would return at the end of 6000 years *Anno Mundi*. However, He did promise that He would restore Adam to Eden at the end of 6000 years of *transgression* (i.e. 6000 years from Adam's sin). Quoting from earlier:

"But when Adam heard these words from God, and of the great six days, he did not understand the meaning of them. For Adam was thinking there would be only six days for him **until the end of the world**. And Adam cried, and prayed to God to explain it to him. Then God in his mercy for Adam who was made after His own image and likeness, explained to him, that these were **6,000 years...**" *First Book of Adam and Eve* 3:3-6

19. Taking the above into consideration, allowing for 6000 years of transgression, we just need to know when Adam and Eve sinned, i.e. when they succumbed to the deception of Satan. While the Bible does not provide an answer as to the date, fortunately the ancient Hebrew Scriptures, specifically *The Book of the Law and the Testimony* provides a very clear date for Adam and Eve's sin. Here is what the angel of the LORD dictated to Moses:

¹⁵ "Adam and his wife <u>were in the Garden of Eden</u> **for seven years** tilling and keeping it, and we [the angels] gave him work and we instructed him to do everything that is suitable for tillage."

¹⁷ "And after the completion of the seven years, which he [Adam] had completed there, <u>seven</u> <u>years exactly</u>, and in the <u>second month</u>, on the <u>seventeenth day</u> (of the month), the serpent came and approached the woman, and the serpent said to the woman, 'Hath God commanded you, saying, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?' "*The Book of the Law and the Testimony* 3:15-17

So recapping, Adam sinned after 7 years, in the 2nd month, on the 17th day from the date of the beginning of this earth's Creation.

⁵⁰ Read especially *The Great Controversy* http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/The Great Controversy-E.G. White.pdf.

45 days?

Now watch this: Genesis 1:25-27 and the *Book of the Law and the Testimony* 2:13-14 tells us that Adam was created on the 6th day of the Creation week. Then the latter states that Adam had to wait 40 days before he could enter the Garden of Eden.

"And after Adam had completed forty days in the land where he had been created [the land of Elda], we brought him into the Garden of Eden to till and keep it, but his wife they brought in on the eightieth day, and after this she entered into the Garden of Eden." *The Book of the Law and the Testimony* 3:9, see verses 8-12 as well.⁵¹

So Adam was conducted into the Garden of Eden on the fortieth day after his creation.⁵² As the 6th day is the same as the first day of the 40 (i.e. they overlap). 6 + 40 - 1 = 45 days!

If we use the Gentile lunar month of 29.54 days, Adam's first full day in Eden would have been the 16th. However in *the Book of the Law and the Testimony*, God commanded that rather than using lunar months like the Gentiles, His people were to use a system of four, four and five 7-day weeks for the three months of a quarter; in other words thirteen 7-day weeks to a quarter, and fifty-two 7-day weeks (364 days) to a year.⁵³ ⁵⁴ The reason, the angel explains to Moses is so that God's designated Feast Days would always

Thus the 1^{st} , 2^{nd} , 4^{th} , 5^{th} , 7^{th} , 8^{th} , 10^{th} , and 11^{th} months would have had 28 days or 4 weeks. The 3^{rd} , 6^{th} , 9^{th} and 12^{th} months would have had 35 days or 5 weeks. 4+4+5=13 weeks per quarter.

⁵¹ http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/The Book of the Law and the Testimony.pdf

⁵² The angel then explains why in verses 10 and 11 "And for this reason the commandment is written on the heavenly tablets in regard to her that gives birth: 'if she bears a male, she shall remain in her uncleanness seven days according to the first week of days, and thirty and three days shall she remain in the blood of her purifying, and she shall not touch any hallowed thing, nor enter into the sanctuary, until she accomplishes these days (which are enjoined) in the case of a male child. But in the case of a female child she shall remain in her uncleanness two weeks of days, according to the first two weeks, and sixty-six days in the blood of her purification, and they will be in all eighty days."

⁵³ Book of the Law and the Testimony 6:28-38 "And on this account he ordained them for himself as feasts for a memorial for ever, and thus are they ordained. ²⁹ And they placed them on the heavenly tablets, each had thirteen weeks; from one to another (passed) their memorial, from the first to the second, and from the second to the third, and from the third to the fourth. 30 And all the days of the commandment will be two and fifty weeks of days, and (these will make) the entire year complete. Thus it is engraven and ordained on the heavenly tablets. ³¹ And there is no neglecting (this commandment) for a single year or from year to year. 32 And command thou the children of Israel that they observe the years according to this reckoning—three hundred and sixty-four days, and (these) will constitute a complete year, and they will not disturb its time from its days and from its feasts; for everything will fall out in them according to their testimony, and they will not leave out any day nor disturb any feasts. 33 But if they do neglect and do not observe them according to His commandment, then they will disturb all their seasons and the years will be dislodged from this (order), [Alt: and they will disturb the seasons, and the years will be dislodged] and they will neglect their ordinances. ³⁴ And all the children of Israel will forget and will not find the path of the years, and will forget the new moons, and seasons, and sabbaths and they will go wrong as to all the order of the years, 35 For I know and from henceforth will I declare it unto thee, and it is not of my own devising; for the book (lies) written before me, and on the heavenly tablets the division of days is ordained, lest they forget the feasts of the covenant and walk according to the feasts of the Gentiles after their error and after their ignorance. 36 For there will be those who will assuredly make observations of the moon -how (it) disturbs the seasons and comes in from year to year ten days too soon. ³⁷ For this reason the years will come upon them when they will disturb (the order), and make an abominable (day) the day of testimony, and an unclean day a feast day, and they will confound all the days, the holy with the unclean, and the unclean day with the holy; for they will go wrong as to the months and sabbaths and feasts and jubilees. ³⁸ For this reason I command and testify to thee that thou mayst testify to them; for after thy death thy children will disturb (them), so that they will not make the year three hundred and sixty-four days only, and for this reason they will go wrong as to the new moons and seasons and sabbaths and festivals, and they will eat all kinds of blood with all kinds of flesh."

⁵⁴ While not stated, to adjust for the difference in the 364-day God-designated years and 365.25-day solar years, an extra 2 weeks were inserted every 11 years or a 4-week month every 22 years. How often a catch-up week would be needed is determined by the formula: $364 \times Z + 7 = 365.25 \times Z$. Solving for Z = 5.6. In other words, every 5.6 years,

fall properly as God intended, with their proper relationships to the all important seventh-day Sabbath.⁵⁵

Since the sun, moon and stars were not created until the 4th day after Creation started, let's use God's commanded month of 28 days. 45 - 28 = 17!

- So Adam would have entered the Garden of Eden on the 17th day of the second month. Remember this very important date!
- The Book of the Law and the Testimony tells us that **Adam sinned** after he had been in the Garden of Eden exactly 7 years. It even gives the date: the **17th day of the second month** after 7 years! ⁵⁶
- This date of the year set a precedent as the flood waters broke forth on this exact date, the **17th** day of the second month! ⁵⁷
- The First Book of Adam and Eve tells us that after Adam's transgression, God the Father and Jesus, the Word, told Adam multiple times that He would restore him to Eden six heavenly days or 6000 earthly years after Adam's sin.⁵⁸ Given this promise and the consistency of the three

the calendars drift a week apart, so a catch-up week or weeks needs to be periodically inserted (never a day or a partial week). These are called intercalary weeks or months. While these insertions of intercalary months or weeks may seem inaccurate, running a spreadsheet comparing God's method to our current solar calendar of 365.25 days suggests an offset of only 1 day difference in 100 years. In our modern calendar, we have our leap years in which an extra day is inserted every 4 years.

55 This seventh-day Sabbath is extremely important to God. Keeping it is a sign between God and His people that they are truly His and obedient to Him (Exodus 20:12, 31:16). God's seventh-day Sabbath will be kept throughout eternity (Isaiah 66:23). The angels were bidden to keep the Sabbath in heaven before it was made known to any man and only those who truly worship YHVH may keep it: "And they shall not bring in nor take out from house to house on that day; for **that day is more holy and blessed than any jubilee day of the jubilees**; on this we [the angels] kept Sabbath in the heavens before it was made known to any flesh to keep Sabbath thereon on the earth. And the Creator of all things blessed it, but he did not sanctify all peoples and nations to keep Sabbath thereon, but Israel alone: them alone he permitted to eat and drink and to keep Sabbath thereon on the earth." (*Book of the Law and the Testimony* 2:30-31)

We may understand that "Israel" includes spiritual Israel or the "Israel of God" as well (see Isaiah 56:1, 58:13, Romans 11:11-31), and moreover infer that the final test on this earth will be a test of loyalty to YHVH in properly and only keeping His Sabbath. Of great interest and a warning is that as I looked over the history of those who were not Israelites, but who kept the seventh-day Sabbath, those who drifted into apostasy in their doctrine were *not* allowed to continue keeping YHVH's Sabbath, but the Sabbath was removed from them! Examples included the early Christian church over time as it assimilated pagan teachings, the Waldensians, Armstrong's Worldwide Church of God, liberal Seventh-Day Adventist ("SDA") ministers who set up celebration type of services, and others. Furthermore, there were those such as the founder of Islam Muhammad and the founder of the Mormon faith Joseph Smith who considered keeping God's seventh-day Sabbath but were not permitted to as their doctrine was not true enough. The SDA Church, to date has been allowed to keep the seventh-day Sabbath but if it apostatizes over time, the Sabbath will be removed from it or significant groups. For a complete compilation of Bible verses on the Sabbath, see http://www.bibleplus.org/sabbath/sabbath.htm.

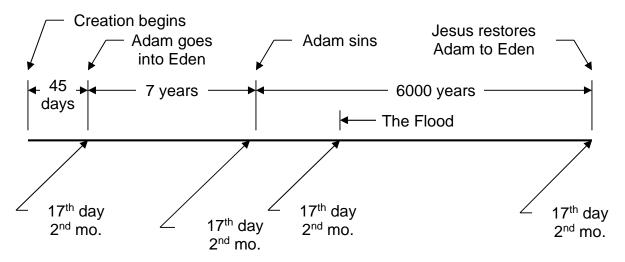
⁵⁶ Book of the Law and the Testimony 3:17 And **after the completion of the seven years**, which he had completed there, seven years exactly, and in the **second month, on the seventeenth day** (of the month), the serpent came and approached the woman, and the serpent said to the woman, 'Hath God commanded you, saying, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden?'

⁵⁷ Genesis 7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, **in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month**, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

⁵⁸ Several example among a number of repetitions: *Book of Adam and Eve* 3:1-6 God said to Adam, "I have ordained on this earth days and years, and you and your descendants shall live and walk in them, until the days and years are fulfilled; when I shall send **the Word** that created you, and against which you have transgressed, **the Word** that made you come out of the garden, and that raised you when you were fallen. 2 Yes, **the Word** that will again save you when the <u>six days</u> are fulfilled." But when Adam heard these words from God, and of the **great six days**, he did not understand the meaning of them. For Adam was thinking there would be only **six days for him**

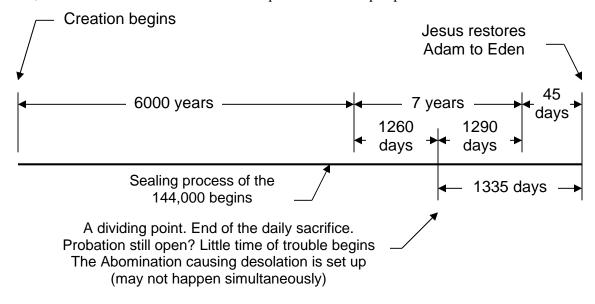
- precedent dates, we can reasonably anticipate that Jesus will restore Adam to Eden around or shortly after the **17th day of the second month** 6007 years from the first day of Creation!
- Restating these very important facts: from Creation's beginning to Adam's transgression was 45 days and 7 years. Then Jesus said there would be 6000 years until Adam would be restored to Eden.

Let me graph that out:



45 days, 7 years, 6000 years until Adam's restoration to Eden according to God's covenant with Adam.

Now, let us look at this combination of time periods from the perspective of Daniel 12:



until the end of the world. And Adam cried, and prayed to God to explain it to him. Then God in his mercy for Adam who was made after His own image and likeness, explained to him, that these were 6,000 years and how One would then come and save him and his descendants." [Continued below]

Chapter 3:15-16 And **the Word** of the Lord came to Adam and Eve, and raised them up. And the Lord said to Adam, "I told you that at the end of the six days [6000 years], I will send **my Word** and save you.

Chapter 7:2 Then God had pity on them, and said: "O Adam, I have made My covenant with you, and I will not turn from it; neither will I let you return to the garden, until My covenant of the great <u>six days</u> [6000 years] is fulfilled."

Total time: 6000 years + 7 years + 45 days, or from the perspective of the prophecy of Daniel 12 [6000 years] + 1260 days + 1335 days! Both arrangements of time have the same blessed ending!

So truly "Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the 1335 days!" Daniel 12:12

THE FIFTH SIGN: I mentioned that I have a third son, but whose birthday didn't fall on any date in 2016 that had any significance to the Hebrew Calendar. Initially, I figured 4 out of 5 matches was good enough. But God does not make mistakes. A couple of days before this son was to join us for the Christmas holidays in December of 2016, God impressed me to look again. After praying for a hint, I felt the following strong impression: "Why don't you add 1260 days to Rosh Hashanah in 2016 [the 6000th birthday of the world] and see what you come up with?" And there was that last son's birthday in late winter of **2020**, **specifically March 18**! If my understanding of what God was trying to convey to me is correct, it will be around this date that the daily sacrifice (Christ's intercessory ministry) will end, He will throw down the censer, and shortly thereafter, the abomination causing desolation will be set up. Time will tell.

¹¹ And *from* the time that **the daily sacrifice shall be taken away**, and the **abomination that maketh desolate set up**, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days. ¹² Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. (Daniel 12:11-12)

Within the context of this verse, **abomination** (a noun) refers to a false god, a demonic god, an idol representing a demonic god (see 1 Kings 11:5-7, 2 Kings 23:13). While there are number of possible interpretations of this verse, I believe this will be related to the coming of Satan who causes desolation upon the earth. He will set up the final test of loyalty, whether people will be loyal to and obey him as the counterfeit-christ, or whether they will be loyal to and obey our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.⁵⁹ The ending of the daily sacrifice means the end of Christ's intercessory ministry in heaven and the throwing down of the censer as depicted in Revelation 8:3-5. In Revelation's sequence of events, this take place before the fireballs (see Revelation 8:7-12), after which Satan incarnate appears. He is the king of the bottomless pit, Abaddon or Apollyon, the destroyer.

"And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon." Revelation 9:11 Abaddon/Apollyon both mean "Destroyer."

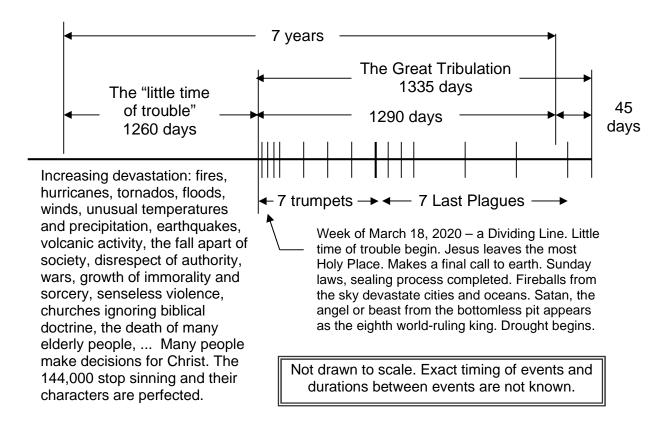
Satan, the king or angel of the bottomless pit, is also known in Revelation as the beast from the bottomless pit. In Hebrew understanding, the bottomless pit or abyss was considered the abode of demons. As the eighth king of Revelation 17:8-11, he who once was visible, now is not visible, yet will become visible again, will have world-wide dominion. The coming of Satan is discussed in greater detail in my paper "Understanding the Coming of Satan, the Antichrist" which will also include specific information from God on how to not be deceived by this imposter (see link in footnotes). 60

Following is a graphic of how the last seven years may look like. Please note that timings, durations, sequence are somewhat flexible, and events will bear them out. It's possible that the seven-trumpet sequence may have some overlap with the seven last plague sequence, though that seems unlikely.

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⁵⁹ God in His mercy has clearly indicated what this test will be. I will cover this in detail in a later paper, but it has to do with Satan's attempt to dispense with one of God's Ten Commandments, the one that is a sign between God and His people.

⁶⁰ http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/Understanding the Coming of Satan the Antichrist.pdf



So is there other evidence for this seven year period?

I believe there is! Besides what we understand from the prophecy of Daniel and the direct quotation that there are 7 years between the entry into the Garden of Eden (45 days after the Creation of World) and Adam's sin, there are four examples of **symbolic parallelism**⁶¹ that suggest that there are 7 years from the earth's 6000th birthday before Jesus comes.

The first piece of evidence is a **symbolic parallel** to what happened in Egypt during the time of Joseph. Genesis 41 records that God sent two dreams to Pharaoh to let him know about two 7-year periods of time. Joseph interpreted the dream for him. The first period would be seven years of plenty. These would be followed by **seven years of famine**. Consider the parallelism to the end of time. The first would be seven years of the Holy Spirit working to call people to God, of spiritual plenty. The second period would be seven years of increasing spiritual famine as God's Spirit and restraining hand is withdrawn from the earth. While there is great activity near the beginning, as evangelistic efforts diminish with the Tribulation, eventually it becomes a famine of hearing the Word of the LORD.

"Behold, the days come, says the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD: And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the Lord, and shall not find it." (Amos 8:11-12)

Why? Solomon wrote regarding God's attitude towards the wicked:

⁶¹ **Parallelism**: the quality or state of being parallel, bearing a resemblance or correspondence, but not causally related. **Symbolic parallelism**: a prior symbol or event that is similar, bearing a resemblance, though not having the same cause. Understanding the prior symbol or event provides a lesson from which we can learn. i.e. history repeats itself, events appearing to follow a precedence (e.g. the flood occurring on the same date as Adam's sin)

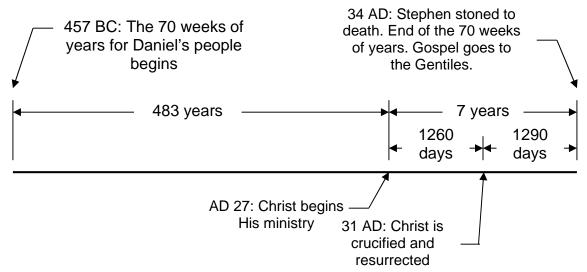
"I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me: For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD: They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof." (Proverbs 1:26-30)

The second piece of evidence is a **symbolic parallel** to the duration of a message given before the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 A.D.:

"For **seven years** a man continued to go up and down the streets of Jerusalem, declaring the woes that were to come upon the city. By day and by night he chanted the wild dirge: 'A voice from the east! a voice from the west! a voice from the four winds! a voice against Jerusalem and against the temple! a voice against the bridegrooms and the brides! a voice against the whole people!'--Milman, *The History of the Jews*, book 13. This strange being was imprisoned and scourged, but no complaint escaped his lips. To insult and abuse he answered only: 'Woe, woe to Jerusalem!' 'woe, woe to the inhabitants thereof!' His warning cry ceased not until he was slain in the siege he had foretold." White, *The Great Controversy*, p. 31

The third piece of evidence is a **symbolic parallel to the final seven years of the seventy-sevens for the Jewish people prophecy as found in Daniel 9:24-27**. See the following graphic. As we saw earlier, four of five of the dates of this prophecy (457 BC, 408 BC, 27 AD and 34 AD) fell on sabbatical years! More importantly, the prophecy foretold the coming of the Messiah at the beginning of the last seven years (27-34 AD) and a putting to an end of the daily sacrifice in the middle of the seven (representing Christ's death as the true sacrifice for sins).

See the Jubilee Chart to see where those dates fell on sabbatical years.⁶²



Is there an end-of-time parallel with the earth's final seven years? Is there a chance that the Sealing of God's 144,000 takes place before and during the initial part of the final seven years, that the 144,000 minister like Christ did, and then the opportunity for salvation closes in the middle of the seven years? At this dividing line, does Christ throw down the censer (Revelation 8:5) ending His intercessory ministry? Does He then make the pronouncement, "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still"? Revelation 22:11. It certainly seems to fit.

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⁶² http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/Jubilee Grid (Anno Mundi & Gregorian dates).pdf

The last piece of evidence is a **symbolic parallel as to what happened at the time of Noah**. Jesus said, "...as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." (Matthew 24:37) After Noah and his family entered into the Ark (in a sense, sealed in the ark by the angel who closed the ark's door), God's judgment of the flood was not immediately poured out on the world's wicked inhabitants. There was a **seven-day delay**! (Genesis 7:4-10) Why did God wait this long? Certainly, part of it was to match up the date of the beginning of the flood with the 17th day of the second month. But could it also have been a **symbol** of what was to come? For earth's final chapter, **what if** each day represented a year (as in primarily symbolic Bible prophecy), and it prophesied a **seven-year delay** from the beginning of the little time of trouble to the blessed end (restoration of Adam to his Eden)? I quote from White's book, **The Great Controversy**. I will let you mentally replace the seven days with seven years as pertains to the end of time, which is the context of the passage. See if this makes sense to you:

"The righteous and the wicked will still be living upon the earth in their mortal state—men will be planting and building, eating and drinking, all unconscious that the final, irrevocable decision has been pronounced in the sanctuary above. Before the tribulation, after God's people were sealed, God shut them in and shut the ungodly out; but for seven days the people, knowing not that their doom was fixed, continued their careless, pleasure-loving life and mocked the warnings of impending judgment. "So," says the Saviour, "shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Matthew 24:39. Silently, unnoticed as the midnight thief, will come the decisive hour which marks the fixing of every man's destiny, the final withdrawal of mercy's offer to guilty men." The Great Controversy p. 491.1

Note the underlined phrase, "Before the tribulation, after God's people were sealed, God shut them in and shut the ungodly out;" This is consistent with the understanding that once the sealing is completed, all destinies are decided. God seals them in ("he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still") and shuts the ungodly out ("He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still"). Note this quotation reinforces that the sealing ends just before the Great Tribulation begins, which from our earlier studies lasts around $3\frac{1}{2}$ years.

When does the Hebrew Calendar Begin?

20. There is understandably some confusion regarding God's Calendar; when does it begin, in the Spring or the Fall? And which do we track years of the earth from, in the Spring or the Fall?

God's instruction to Moses were to put **the beginning of the year in the Spring**. "This month [*Nissan*] shall be the beginning of months for you; it is to be the first month of the year to you." (Exodus 12:2). This began the series of memorial feasts beginning with the Passover which was the 14th day of the first month (see Exodus 12:2-6).

Some rightly ask, when was Adam and the world created? Unfortunately, the Jewish people themselves are not clear on this:

"The Talmud (Rosh Hashanah 10b-11a) cites two opinions as to the date of G-d's creation of the universe: according to Rabbi Eliezer: "The world was created in **Tishrei**" (i.e., the sixth day of creation--the day on which Adam and Eve were created--was the 1st of Tishrei, celebrated each year as **Rosh Hashanah**); [yet] according to Rabbi Joshua, "The world was created in Nissan." As interpreted by the Kabbalists and the Chassidic masters, the deeper meaning of these two views is that the physical world was created in Tishrei, while the "thought" or idea of creation was created in the month of Nissan." https://www.chabad.org/calendar/view/day.asp?tdate=4/9/2016

James Ussher borrowed the first and more prevalent view, that Adam and Even were created around the time of Rosh Hashanah, the first day of the 7th month.

However, I have not found any corroborating evidence regarding either of these options among the

manuscripts of the Dead Sea Scrolls. It may be rightly assumed that when Adam was created, there was fruit fully ripe, ready to be picked and eaten, but he was taught to work the ground. I suspect fruit was borne year-round in the more moderate climate God initially created.

I struggled with this concept of a spring vs. fall creation as well. It turns out there are two Hebrew calendars.

The first and less popular Hebrew Calendar, but which God instituted through Moses, is the **Religious** calendar which begins on the **first day of the first month** or the first evening of the current Jewish month of Nissan in the Spring. The Passover Festival follows 14 days later. It still forms the basis of the numbers of the months of the modern Jewish calendar, but the first day of this year is not even celebrated or hardly acknowledged. It is simply called Rosh Chodesh Nissan or the first day of the month of Nissan.

The second and more popular is the Civil calendar beginning with the first day of the seventh month. This is celebrated as Rosh Hashanah in the Hebrew Calendar, This is the day of the year used for counting years, for determining the beginning of the sabbatical or shmita year, for celebrating the New Year. The Day of Atonement follows 10 days later. For a good explanation of these two calendars, see http://therefinersfire.org/two_new_years.htm

There are a number of additional items to consider:

The first was that Christ died in the middle of the week of years at the time of the Passover, which would have been in the Spring (right on time!). 3½ years in either direction would be in the fall of the year with Rosh Hashanah being the turning point of the years. Christ was about 30 years old when He began His ministry, and He was born at a time that the shepherds were still in the fields, suggesting no later than October of the year. 63 Furthermore taking into consideration the priestly service of Zechariah, would put the birth of Jesus around September of the year.⁶⁴

Secondly, the Israelites left the land of Egypt in the Spring shortly after the event which was commemorated as the Passover. Forty years later when they entered the Promised Land crossing the Jordan River, it was the time of the spring harvest of grain.

Joshua 3:15 "And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark were dipped in the brim of the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all its banks all the time of harvest)"

The story continues for several chapters regarding the circumcision of all the males and then makes this interesting statement:

64 http://www.bibleinfo.com/en/questions/when-was-jesus-born

⁶³ Modern people celebrate the 25th of December as Christmas, the birth of the Christ child. However, as early Christianity began incorporating pagan practices into its festivals, many practices relevant to Babylonian mystery religion were incorporated. December 25th was the birthday of Tammuz who was the alleged supernaturally born child of Semiramis (the widow of Nimrod, founder of Babylon). Tammuz represented the rebirth of the Nimrod the Sun God in Babylonian Mystery religion. He is mentioned in Ezekiel 8:14 and the 4th calendar month in the modern Jewish calendar is named Tammuz (corresponding to our June/July). Semiramis is often depicted as the Madonna holding the child of promise (Tammuz). The two are often also represented by a crescent moon and a star, the moon representing the womb and the star as the rebirth of the sun god. God considers this an abomination, being worship of the heavenly bodies (sun, moon and stars) worship, a counterfeit religion to the true Messiah. The days of Lent were the days of mourning for Tammuz (the women weeping for Tammuz - Ezekiel 8:14) and ends with his supposed rebirth on what we now celebrate as Easter or Ishtar (ends the Saturday before Easter).

Joshua 5:10-11 "And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho. And they did eat of the old corn [grain] of the land on the morrow after the **passover**, unleavened cakes, and parched corn [grain] in the selfsame day."

According to various online articles, the grain harvest in Israel is in the **spring**, but most vegetables and grapes are harvested in the **fall**. Since the Israelites celebrated the Passover and ate corn (KJV translator's "grains" such as wheat, rye, oats of barley) this echoes the **Spring** time frame.

Thirdly, as was mentioned near the beginning of this document, was that the birthdays of the 3 people living in my home (myself, my wife and my youngest son) plus my eldest son **all** fell on significant days of the Hebrew Calendar in 2016! Specifically

- a. the evening of the first day of the Hebrew Religious calendar,
- b. the evening of the first day of the Hebrew Civil calendar, being also the Feast of Trumpets,
- c. the day when the service would be held on the **Day of Atonement** (Yom Kippur).
- d. the day of the giving of the law on Mt. Sinai and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the disciples (**Pentecost/Shavu'ot**).

Four dates in 2016 bearing witness that what I discovered is true, specifically that the world had its 6000th birthday beginning the evening of October 2nd, 2016.

The probability of these 4 birthdates in 2016 coinciding with four significant Jewish dates as they did ranges from a high of $(1/365)^4 = 1$ in 17.75 billion with more conservative probabilities of around 1 in 49 million. ⁶⁵ My middle son's birthday fell ~1260 days after the 2016 Rosh Hashanah, specifically **March 18, 2020**, the dividing line as shown on a number of the graphics. These birthdays were not by chance but determined by God's will and foreknowledge!

Only the Almighty could plan these dates so precisely well before we were born. Was God trying to send His people a message using my family as an example, just like with the prophet Hosea?

- 21. Thus the Hebrew calendar year for counting years is Rosh Hashanah. Here are the Gregorian calendar dates to match to the Hebrew Calendar for some important dates:
 - a. 1 Nissan 2016: April 8 evening to April 9 day (the beginning of the religious calendar year)
 - b. 1 Tishrei 2016: October 2 evening to October 3 day (the earth's 6000th birthday)
 - c. 10 Tishrei 2016: October 12 (Yom Kippur/Day of Atonement)
 - d. 6 Sivan 2016: June 12 (Shavuot / Pentecost)

An argument could be made that regardless of the lack of celebration of the religious calendar's new year, since God instituted it or refreshed its knowledge, that the Spring remains the beginning of the true year. This is a conundrum which I am still puzzled about. But for purposes of this paper, I'll use the more common Fall of the year as the beginning of the Hebrew New Year (Rosh Hashanah/Feast of Trumpets).

3. The Feast of Firstfruits or WaveSheaf offering

Of these 6, a family member's birthday fell on 4 of those (1, 4, 5, 6) in 2016. Calculating at the probability of these: $1/(365/6) \times 1/(365/5) \times 1/(365/4) \times 1/(365/3) = \sim 1$ in 49 million. For comparison winning the Powerball on a single ticket is 1 in 175 million. But there is more. Continue reading the paper.

⁶⁵ Other more conservative calculations of probabilities will yield smaller results. Here is one of the logical ones. Of God's designated annual days or feast days, there were seven plus the beginning of the Religious New Year. However, those that have a single day of celebration (as opposed to lasting a week or more) are:

^{1.} The Religious New Year

^{2.} The Passover

^{4.} The Feast of Weeks (Pentecost) or Shavu'ot

^{5.} The Feast of Trumpets (Rosh Hashanah or the Civil New Year)

^{6.} The Day of Atonement

Let us look at the final chapter of the Book of Daniel.

Dan. 12:1 "At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people --everyone whose name is found written in the book --will be delivered. ² Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. ³ Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.

- ⁴ But you, Daniel, close up and seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end. Many will go here and there to increase knowledge."
- ⁵ Then I, Daniel, looked, and there before me stood two others, one on this bank of the river and one on the opposite bank. ⁶ One of them said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, "How long will it be before these astonishing things are fulfilled?" ⁷ The man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, lifted his right hand and his left hand toward heaven, and I heard him swear by him who lives forever, saying, "It will be for a time, times and half a time. When the power of the holy people has been finally broken, all these things will be completed."
- ⁸ I heard, but I did not understand. So I asked, "My lord, what will the outcome of all this be?"

 ⁹ He replied, "Go your way, Daniel, because the words are <u>closed up and sealed until the time</u> <u>of the end</u>.

 ¹⁰ Many will be purified, made spotless and refined, but the wicked will continue to be wicked. None of the wicked will understand, but **those who are wise will understand**.
- ¹¹"From the time that the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days. ¹² Blessed is the one who waits for and reaches the end of the 1,335 days.

¹³"As for you, go your way till the end. You will rest, and then at the end of the days you will rise to receive your allotted inheritance."

Understanding the dates of Adam's entry into the Garden of Eden, Adam's sin, and Jesus' promise to him, helps us understand the dates of this passage. There are three types of time prophecy in the Bible: heavenly, literal and symbolic time. One must use the correct rule to interpret time prophecy correctly. If you are not sure as to how to do so, see my paper, "**How to decode time prophecies**." ⁶⁶ In the second part of that paper, I quote every time prophecy in the bible and where appropriate, give the proper interpretation.

In Revelation 11, the two witnesses prophecy in Jerusalem for a time, times and half a time, essentially 3½ years. They are killed by Satan, symbolized as the beast (also called a king or angel) from the bottomless pit or the Abyss. After 3½ days they are resurrected and taken up to heaven.

Using the parallel from Daniel of that last week of years, let us break it down:

The 144,000 are sealed, protected from the major cataclysmic events that will come upon the earth. They are 144,000 "Elijahs" who preach the word. All must choose between Christ or the evil one. After $3\frac{1}{2}$ years, Christ throws down the censer and probation for the world is ended. Fireballs come from the sky (controlled by Satan's angels) greatly damaging the earth and cities. The two witnesses begin their testimony. Satan, as the angel/king/beast from the bottomless pit (the Abyss), appears walking the earth as a being of light, deceiving many. He overpowers the two witnesses but not until the end of their allotted ministry. The $3\frac{1}{2}$ years or 1290 days (1260 days plus the extra month of $Vi\ Adar$) is complete. Now, we have 45 days to go until Adam is restored to Eden (i.e. 1290 + 45 = 1335). This could be around 17 Cheshvan 2023 or **November 1, 2023!** 67

⁶⁶ http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/How to decode time prophecies.pdf

⁶⁷ http://www.chabad.org/calendar/view/month.asp?tdate=11%2F30%2F2023

22. Christ will likely come some short time before then. We know that God has said He would cut the time of tribulation short (Matthew 24:22). Furthermore, the above date does not take into account the travel time to the New Jerusalem (Revelation 8:1), or some other details such as a repetition of a 40 days of purification before entering a holy place. So any time sooner than that, or around that time, is certainly viable, but I'm not going to provide a date. But one that has precedence with regards to Adam's fall and to the destructive flood of Noah seems of interest. Let's revisit Genesis 7:11, modifying it with what we know so far:

"After the six thousandth year after Adam's transgression, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day was the earth broken up, and the skies rolled back as a scroll and then the nations mourned as they saw the Son of Man coming in His glory."

However, it is not essential to be precise at this time, nor is it for us to know **the day nor the hour** of Christ's coming, for God Himself will provide that. According to a vision shown to Ellen White, God will declare the day and hour of Jesus' coming to the 144,000:

"Soon we heard the voice of God like many waters, which gave us **the day and hour of Jesus' coming**. The living saints, 144,000 in number, knew and understood the voice..." "And as God spoke the **day and the hour of Jesus' coming**, and delivered the everlasting covenant to His people, He spoke one sentence, and then paused, while the words were rolling through the earth. The Israel of God stood with their eyes fixed upward, listening to the words as they came from the mouth of Jehovah, and rolled through the earth like peals of loudest thunder."

Early Writings, pgs. 14, 34.

If my predictions are correct and the time of tribulation is going on during this time, it would be encouraging for those being persecuted to know an approximate date for the return of Jesus Christ. The important thing is to hold fast to Jesus, in spite of persecution or even martyrdom, as Jesus will have a crown of glory for you and a throne for you to sit on.

- 23. There is generally the notion of "Three strikes and you're out." God has sent 3 warnings through the economic and financial cycles to the U.S. and the West which have largely been ignored. His hedge of protection around the U.S. and the West has been withdrawn and they are constantly under attack or trying to prevent attacks. According to a list maintained on Wikipedia of terrorist attacks, from January through May 9th, 2016, there have been around 500 terrorist attacks around the world. ⁶⁸ In looking through the list, by far the majority were committed by Muslims (often against other Muslims), though a few were committed by Communist separatists. The attacks will grow in frequency and scope. And ISIS fighters have made it clear that they plan on attacking the USA on its territory.
- 24. Judgment starts at the house of God.⁶⁹ Thus we would rightly expect that some form of supernatural judgments would start with the Church and its institutions, to *cleanse* them from all unrighteousness. Remember that the Church is not the buildings or institutions but rather the people. And while God loves the sinner and hates the sin, if the two cannot be separated, then the sinner will be destroyed with his or her sin.

An appeal to believers!

It is important to be ready at all times, regardless of when one believes Jesus Christ is going to come. However, many people procrastinate, and delay any action that might draw them closer to God. If indeed the process of the sealing of God's people is taking place beginning with the Hebrew Civil Calendar year

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⁶⁸ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List of terrorist incidents, 2016.

⁶⁹ See 1 Peter 4:17, but more particularly Ezekiel 9.

in 2016, then it is important to know and understand the sealing process and how one might be sealed by God. Note that the sealing of God's people is a process and not a date, though the process has an ending date. If the marking angel of Ezekiel 9 passes you by, your opportunity for salvation has closed.

What I have discovered and shared should be a trumpet-like clarion call to get ready! To pray, to repent of sins committed, to ask for forgiveness

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and never to commit those sins again. It is time to forgive those who have done us harm. It is time to "wage stern battles with self, to overcome every inherited and cultivated tendency to sin". It is time to separate oneself from the teachings, music, entertainment, perversions, etc., of the world. It is time to study the Words of our Lord, both from the Bible and His past and present messengers. It is time to give all to Jesus, to engage in evangelism and outreach, to give our financial resources, to depend fully on Him to sustain us during the tribulation that is right before us. It is time to worship God in accordance with His prescribed methods, with reverence and submission, with no exaltation of the human, but only of God, with no hint of worldly music, rhythm or instruments, but rather in surrender, love, trust and obedience to Jesus.

Many will not be able to bear what I have shared. It will seem "interesting" or "intriguing", but then many will go back to complacency. It is not time for that! It is time to prepare, to get ready. The sealing process has begun. As one never knows when the marking angels will come by, it is essential not to delay. Are you ready?

So what should the Church and each individual do that becomes aware of this?⁷¹

- 1. Use this time to examine one's heart and life to make sure there is nothing that stands between you and God, and that no unconfessed sins remain in the record books. Please study and apply the chapters from the book *The Great Controversy* Chapter 27—Modern Revivals, and Chapter 28—Facing Life's Record. Remember that grace is given us to turn us *from* our sins, not to save us *in* our sins. All sins and sinful tendencies must be overcome before we can be fit to be sealed for the day of redemption. This is a requirement in order to be part of the 144,000. (for details see my paper "How to Truly Repent and Prepare for the Seal of God" posted at http://www.bibleplus.org/endoftime/How to Repent.pdf)
- 2. Downsize! Turn your resources over for God's glory. You will lose it all anyways during the soon coming tribulation. Don't let your possessions be a weight around your life and your decisions. Do you own your possessions or do your possessions own you? Donate to those who are ministering for the true cause of Christ, not just the Church establishment. Know the fruit of your donations. Place your resources at the disposal of God who will preserve you via the angels He will place around you. Your security will not lie in your possessions which will be forcibly taken from you, but in Jesus Christ and the protection of His angels that will surround you IF you have given your all to Him. Start first with selling extra houses, land, cars, possessions, etc. Then as the Lord guides you, begin selling whatever He bids you to divest yourself of and invest in spreading the true gospel. Pray, listen to and obey the Spirit of the Lord!
- 3. Examine your individual church's doctrines and worship services and cast out anything that is impure, that exalts the human rather than God, that challenges His hierarchy of leadership, that is irreverent or disrespectful, that teaches equality over submission and harmony, that winks at sinful behavior, that preaches grace, grace, grace, but not a turning from sin (there is no grace that

⁷¹ Much can be written on each of these suggestions, and I may have papers on some of them. But do your own study from the Word of the Lord and if you need help, ask.

⁷⁰ See the attached study on "What Comprises the Word of the LORD?"

covers sin that we willfully hang onto). Leave individual churches that reflect more the attire and music of the world, that focuses more on social issues rather than Jesus Christ and reflecting His character, and that is not open to hearing the Word of the Lord. It is better for small groups to worship in homes studying from the Words of the Lord than to be fed at the wellspring of the world. Your physical and spiritual health and well-being depend on it.

4. Use this last opportunity for all-out evangelistic efforts. Start in your neighborhood, your areas of influence, and if you can among Muslim refugees, camps, countries, wherever God may call you. If the Holy Spirit is working in a particular place, go there. Lend your shoulder and voice. It is efficient use of resources. "Where do you choose to do evangelism?" "Where the Spirit of the Lord is working." Find where the Spirit is working and join in.

Choose you this day whom you will serve, whose you will be. As for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.

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