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## The Gospel According To MATTHEW

### Chapter 24:15-22

#### “Understand the Abomination of Desolation & the Great Tribulation!”

> Let’s review: In Matthew Ch. 24:1-2 Jesus describes the future destruction of the temple, which took place in 70A.D. by the Roman Empire.

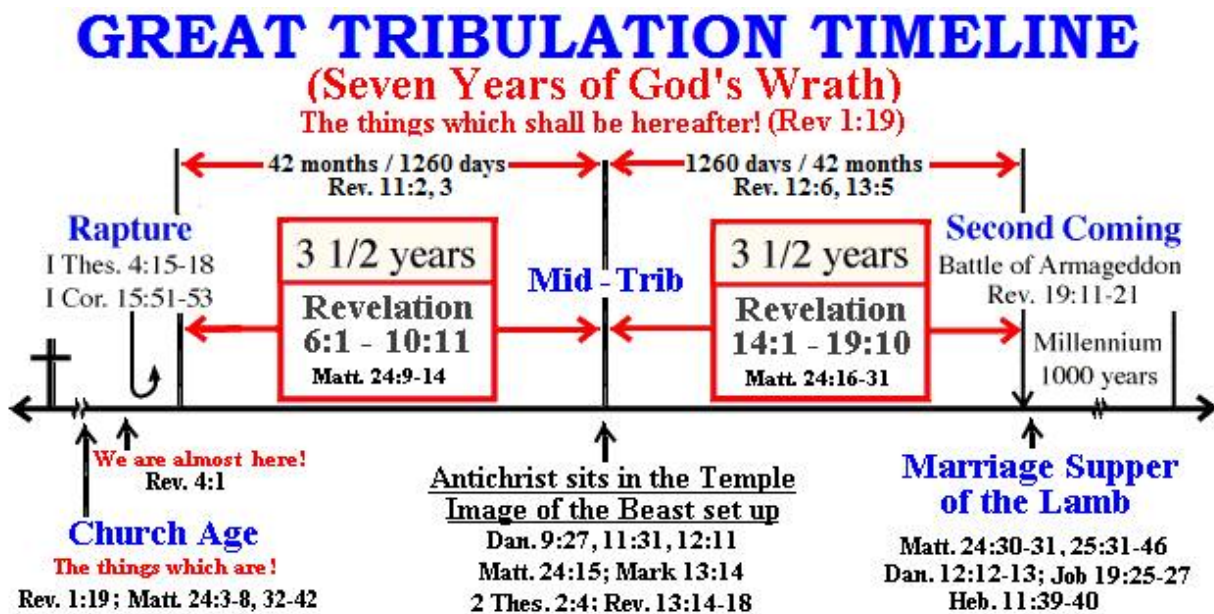
- **In verses 4-14**, Jesus prophetically proclaims future religious deceptions, global conflicts, worldwide catastrophic events, and perpetual persecutions against believers, whereas, all of these will increase with great intensity until the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. Jesus also shares that the gospel will go into all the world, then the end will come.

- **Now in verses 15-22**, Jesus reveals that Israel will be back in the land, and will rebuild the Temple, then the Antichrist will commit the **“abomination of desolation”** in the midst of what is called the **“Great Tribulation.”** Let’s read.

- **The Bible says in the “Latter Days” Jews will return to the land of Israel - (Deuteronomy 30:3; Isaiah 43:6; Ezekiel 34:11-13; 36:24; 37:1-14). Isaiah 10:20-23 - And it shall come to pass in that day that the remnant of Israel, and such as have escaped of the house of Jacob, will never again depend on him who defeated them, but will depend on the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth. The remnant will return, the remnant of Jacob, to the Mighty God. For though your people, O Israel, be as the sand of the sea, a remnant of them will return; the destruction decreed shall overflow with righteousness. For the Lord GOD of hosts will make a determined end in the midst of all the land.** (More on this when we reach the “Parable of the Fig Tree” (Matthew 24:32)

- **The affirms that the church will be raptured before the Great Tribulation (a seven-year period before the return of Christ). The Rapture of the church is the event in which God removes all born-again believers from the earth (1 Thess. 5:1-9; 2 Thess. 2:6-7) in order to make way for His righteous judgment to be poured out on the earth during the Tribulation period. The Rapture is described primarily in 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, 1 Corinthians 15:50-54, Revelation 3:10, etc.**

Observe this chart:



- **Let's look at the Biblical scenario for Israel in the "latter times / last days":**

(1) Return to their homeland (Ezekiel Ch. 36-37, Matthew 24, Romans 11, etc.)

(2) Israel will be invaded by Russia, Iran, Turkey, and surrounding Muslim countries (Ezekiel chapters 38-39), God will intervene and save Israel.

(3) The antichrist will make a 7-year covenant of "peace" with Israel (Isaiah 28:18; Daniel 9:27).

(4) The Temple will be rebuilt in Jerusalem (Daniel 9:27; Matthew 24:15; 2 Thess. 2:3-4; Rev. 11:1).

(5) The Antichrist will break his covenant with Israel, commit the "abomination of desolation", then Worldwide persecution of Jews will result along with anyone who will not take the "Mark of the Beast, 666", whereas, rejecting allegiance to the Antichrist and the New World Order (Daniel 9:27; 12:1, 11; Zech. 11:16; Matt. 24:15, 21; Rev. 12:13; Rev. 13).

(6) During the Great Tribulation Israel will finally recognize Jesus as their Messiah (Zechariah 12:10). Israel will be regenerated, restored, and regathered (Jeremiah 33:8; Ezekiel 11:17; Romans 11:26) at Christ's second coming.

> **Who is this ANTICHRIST that commits the "abomination of desolation?"**

- **The Antichrist empowered by Satan and will appear to be the Christ for the "New Age."** The Antichrist will be charismatic and appear to be a miracle worker. He will set himself up against Christ and the people of God in the last days before the SECOND COMING.

- **The Antichrist's primary work is deception**, which also characterizes SATAN in his attempts to undermine the work of God in the world. Satan's deception began in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 3) and will continue until the end of time.

- **The DRAGON (or serpent) of Revelation 12 is Satan, the Serpent mentioned in Genesis 3.** Thus, the thread of Satan's deceptive work may be traced from Genesis through Revelation. **That work reaches its climax in the Antichrist, who receives his authority and power from the dragon, Satan (Revelation 13:4).**

- **The Antichrist will be the sum of the beasts referred to in Daniel 7 (Revelation 13:1-4). He will speak arrogant, boastful words; and he will be aided by a FALSE PROPHET, who will make the entire earth worship him (Revelation 13:11-12) and receive his mark (Revelation 13:16-17). The number of the beast, says John, is 666-a mysterious code name.**<sup>1</sup>

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

> **In the tribulation there will be an "UNHOLY TRINITY" - One author writes, "Of course, as Christians, we are all acquainted with the Holy Trinity - The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit. As good is the opposite of evil, there is a Holy Trinity and an unholy trinity. When Satan is cast out of heaven, he will indwell and take full control of the antichrist. As God and Christ are one (John 10:30), so will Satan and the antichrist. The antichrist will only desire to do the will of Satan**

<sup>1</sup> Nelson's Illustrated Bible Dictionary

the father of all lies. The *false prophet* will complete the unholy trinity. Like the Holy Spirit, who compels men to Christ, he too will compel those of the earth to follow and worship the beast. His only mission will be to coerce men into following the antichrist or face death. In this sense, Satan will mimic the Holy Trinity with his own unholy version.”

### > *Here's a Prophetic Profile of the Rise & Demise of the Antichrist:*

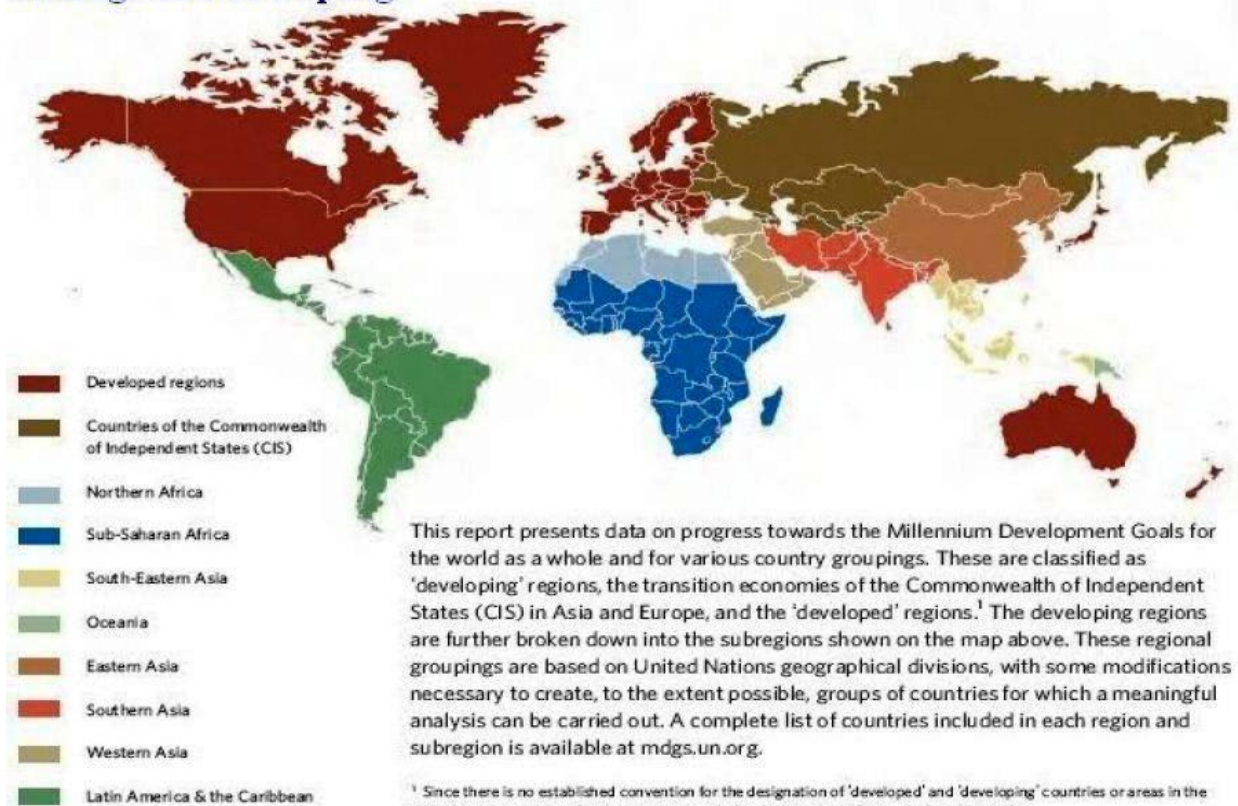
- Antichrist performs lying signs and wonders! - 2 Thessalonians 2
- Antichrist is the boastful king of Daniel 7 tries to “change the set times and the laws” (verse 25).
- Antichrist establishes a 7-year covenant with Israel and breaks it in Daniel 9.
- Antichrist commits the abomination of desolation! - Daniel 9:20-27; Matthew 24:15
- Antichrist institutes the “Mark of the Beast” (666) - Revelation 13
- Antichrist is defeated and cast into the lake of fire (hell)! - Revelation 19:20; 20:11-20

> Today we have a *Revived Roman Empire*, the EUROPEON UNION, ready to rule the world through the Antichrist, this is known as the “One World Government,” “A NEW WORLD ORDER!”

- In Revelation 17 we are told that 10 kings will give power and strength to the Antichrist, whereas, it is now believed by many that these 10 kings refer to leaders of 10 regions of nations, or federations, carved out of the “Club of Rome,” the Council of Foreign Relations, the United Nations, to form a global *New World Order* (NWO); to which all nations of the earth will and must submit allegiance!

- This last days *revived Roman Empire* is spoken of in Daniel 2:31-45; 7:7-27; 9:27. Revelation 17 also speaks of a MYSTERY BABYLON and a whore (representing a one world religious system) riding and controlling the beast, which many believe will operate from the city of Rome, research the [Club of Rome.org](http://Club of Rome.org) for some fascinating insights.

### 10 Regional Groupings



> Here is the global plan for the 10 regional unions:

1. *European Union*
2. *Eastern European Union*
3. *North American Union*
4. *South American Union*
5. *Central American/Caribbean Union*
6. *Middle Eastern/North African Union*
7. *African/Sub-Saharan Union*
8. *South & Central Asian Union*
9. *Eastern & Southeastern Asian Union*
10. *Asian Pacific Union*

> *E.U. COIN & STATUE WITH WOMAN RIDING THE BEAST (EUROPA).*



This statue is located outside EU headquarters in Brussels, Belgium.

> Let's read REVELATION CHAPTER 13 and the coming "*ABOMINATION THAT MAKES DESOLATE.*"

> Let's watch this video regarding RFID CHIPS, and how it can easily become the "*MARK OF THE BEAST!*"

**- We know that Matthew 24:15-22 are specifically given for the Jewish people, how so?**

- (1) The *abomination of desolation* can only happen in the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem. (The Temple will be rebuilt during the first half of the tribulation according to Revelation Ch. 11, 2 Thessalonians Ch. 2)**
- (2) People are fleeing from Jerusalem.**
- (3) Jesus mentions the Jewish Sabbath.**
- (4) Jesus gives insight by telling us to read and understand Daniel, the Jewish prophet.**

**> LET'S UNDERSTAND THE LAST DAYS SCENARIO DANIEL 9:20-27:**

- Daniel's prophecy of the *seventy "weeks" ('seven')* (v24-27) provides the chronological framework for Messianic prediction in regards to Messiah's first and second comings; first as the "*Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world,*" and His second coming as the "*Lion from the tribe of Judah*" bringing judgment on a God hating world, then Jesus will establish His Kingdom on earth for 1000 years.

**- Daniel's prophecy is understood by:**

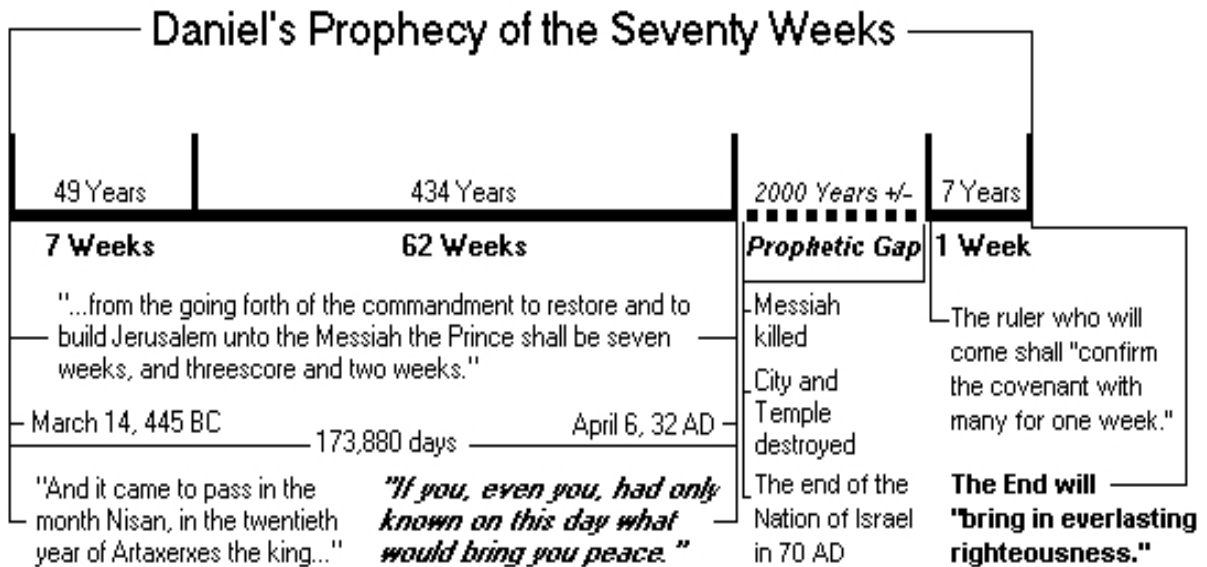
**(1) The entire prophecy is concerned primarily with Daniel's "people" and their "holy city"— i.e. Israel and Jerusalem.**

**(2) Two princes are mentioned; the first is named the "Messiah the Prince" (v25); the second is described as "the prince who is to come" (v26), a reference to the little horn of Ch. 7:8, whose "people" would destroy the rebuilt Jerusalem after the cutting off of the Messianic Prince (26).**

**(3) The "seventy weeks" is 490 prophetic years (70 weeks, or 70 x 7-year periods = 490 years) are each 360 days long. This is proven by the biblical references to the seventieth week of seven years, which is divided into two halves (v27), the latter half being variously designated as "a time and times, and half a time" (Dan. 7:25; cp. Rev. 12:14); forty –two months (Rev. 11:2; 13:5); or 1260 days (Rev. 11:3; 12:6).**

**> **Observe the chart:****





> Now that we UNDERSTAND what should the Christians do?

- Fulfill the "Great Commission" before the "Great Tribulation."

**Mark 16:15-***"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned."*

- Next be ready for the RAPTURE! Be the Church of Philadelphia, live according to Rev. 3:7-13. *"Keep His Word!" Don't "deny His name," and God will keep us "from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth."* The word "dwell" is *katoikeo* in Greek, which speaks of permanence. Thus, the judgment referred to is directed against the earth-dwellers of that day, against those who have settled down in the earth as their real home, who have identified themselves with the earth's commerce and religion. **The church won't be tested; our sins were judged and paid in full by the blood of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. We're going up in the rapture, we're the bride of Christ, we're not earth dwellers, rejoice in Philippians 3:20-21 - For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.**