

DID THE RAPTURE JUST
HAPPEN? LEFT BEHIND?
WHAT HAPPENS NOW?



A TRIBULATION SURVIVAL
GUIDE FOR THOSE PEOPLE
LEFT BEHIND AFTER THE
RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH

Introduction

The Bible says there will come a time when the Lord Jesus Christ will descend from heaven in the clouds with the trumpet of God and take His earthly Saints (Born Again believing Christians) out of this world in a supernatural event called the rapture of the church (*I Thessalonians 4:13-18; I Corinthians 15:50-54; John 14:1-4*). People from all over the world will be here one day, and suddenly, without warning, be caught up in a miraculous global disappearance.

You may be reading this book because you want to learn more about the rapture and what will follow. Or you may be one of the billions of people for which this book was created who have been left behind to face the most horrific time period in human history known as the 7 year tribulation period. If you fall into either category and do not know the Lord Jesus as Saviour please keep reading.

You may be wondering what's next! Has the Biblical rapture really taken place and am I really about to enter the 7 year tribulation period? Someday soon (if not already), you may be contemplating these very words. Do you know what will come next? In this book I will outline several reasons why we are living in the last days, spoken by Jesus Christ himself, exactly what the rapture of the church is, what the 7 year tribulation is, what to expect during this horrific time and what you need to do in order to get saved and have eternal life! So I would encourage you to please place this manual in a safe place somewhere in your home, where it is easily accessible, because you never know, you may need it someday.

Israel – And the Last Generation

Around six thousand years ago, the age of man began with the six days of creation and the origination of man. Because of the sin of man, fellowship with God was broken and spiritual death was brought into this world. To restore fellowship, God sent His Only Son to die, bearing our sins on the cross, and rose again three days later. When Jesus left, He said He would come again and take away those who are His own. Here we are, almost two thousand years later, still awaiting the return of the Lord. (*II Peter 3:4*) reads “*Where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.*”

Every generation has proclaimed this statement since our Lord Jesus made this promise. Unfortunately, because of the lack of Biblical knowledge, many, including Christians, will be caught unaware when He does come. If only they would have been able to discern the time that they were living in. As Jesus stated to the Pharisees, they were able to perceive the weather, but unable to discern the coming of the Son of Man (*Matthew 16:3*).

You might say, "What's different about this generation that sets it apart from any other generation?" There's plenty of reasons, but there is one very significant event that makes this generation unique, it's the rebirth of Israel as a nation. Jesus said that the generation in which Israel becomes a nation, that generation shall not pass until all things take place and He returns in his second coming (*Matthew 24:34*). Throughout the bible the nation of Israel is referred to as a Fig Tree. You might say how does Israel as a nation represent a fig tree? (*Hosea 9:10*) says "I found Israel like grapes in the wilderness; I saw your forefathers as the firstripe in the Fig Tree at her first time". Now who are the forefathers of Israel? The Apostle Paul tells us in (*Romans 4:1*) "What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, has found?". And then in (*Genesis 12:1-2*) God says to Abraham "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you, and I will make you into a great Nation", which is referring to the nation of Israel.

This Prophetic event did not come true until this generation. Since the early days of the Roman Empire, Jews have been scattered throughout the whole world. However, on May 14, 1948, in one day, that all changed and Israel was reborn as a nation just as the Bible predicted nearly 2500 years ago! (*Isaiah 66:7-8*) & (*Ezekiel 37:21-22*). The bible says that Israel is the apple of Gods eye (*Zechariah 2:8*) and when Israel finally became a nation in 1948, the prophetic time clock started ticking. We are that last generation and Jesus is coming again very soon and will shock the world, just as he did in the days of Noah. Only one generation saw that happen and only one will witness His return.

What is the Rapture of the Church?

The rapture of the church, described mainly in (*I Corinthians 15:50-54*) and I (*Thessalonians 4:13-18*) states there will come a time when the Lord will descend from heaven and remove all Christians from the earth in a moment in the twinkling of an eye. From that day forward Christians will forever be with the Lord. "Rapture" comes from the words "caught up". In the Greek the word

is “harpazo” means to “seize upon by force” or “to snatch up”. The Bible says this snatching up or catching away could take place at any moment, but it will only happen to those who know the Lord as Saviour. At this point in time, it is believed that once the rapture takes place, God will then pour out His wrath and bring judgement upon a Christ rejecting world in a time period called the seven-year tribulation period. The Bible says this seven- year period will be the most horrible time in history (*Luke 21:25-26*).

You may say, how can I be included in the rapture and escape the wrath & judgement that is to come upon this world? I'm glad you asked that question...here it is. You need to have a personal relationship with our Lord Jesus Christ in order to be taken up in the rapture. Today is the day to examine your heart and determine if you truly are living for the Lord. You may say, “I'm not sure if I would go if the trumpet sounded...but I'd like to settle that today.” Well, you can solve that problem right now by praying this simple prayer with a sincere heart, repenting of your sins, and turning your life over to the Lord from this day forward. If you would like to accept Jesus as Lord, please pray this prayer below:

PRAYER OF SALVATION

“Father, I know that I am a sinner and cannot obtain salvation in and of myself. I come to You in the name of Jesus asking that You forgive me of my sins, and to cleanse me from all unrighteousness and guilt. I trust and believe that Jesus died on the cross and rose again on the third day to pay my sin penalty. I accept this free gift of salvation, and from this day forward, I turn my life completely over to the Lord. I thank You and praise You God for giving me a new life in Christ. Amen.”

If you prayed this prayer with a sincere heart and meant every word you are now a Christian and on your way to heaven. From this day forward, life will never be the same. Stand strong and be of good courage and the Lord will strengthen and guide you to come out victorious even in the face of death. Commit and surrender your life to Jesus Christ today before it's too late!

What will the world be like once the rapture has happened?

It's hard to comprehend what the world is going to be like once the rapture has taken place. The rapture will come upon the world like a thief in the night,

but for those Christians who are watching & waiting for the Lord's return, it won't catch them by surprise, they will know the season of the Lord's return. This world will all of a sudden turn from a natural world into a supernatural world. Millions of people will be missing everywhere. Chaos & destruction will be all over the world, from planes falling out of the sky, massive car crashes, missing children, fellow work mates all of a sudden just vanish, and disappearing loved ones. A worldwide economic collapse may also happen during the time of the rapture. You will probably say to yourself, "what in the world has just happened?" You will be in complete dismay, in total panic, running around looking for loved ones, looking for answers. One of the first things you should do at this moment is to give your life to Jesus Christ! Say the prayer of salvation, go look for a bible, and try to find a copy of this tribulation survival guide. The bible says in *(Romans 10:9)* "that if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved".

Possible Alien Deception

Shortly after the rapture the Antichrist (a political world leader) will then be revealed to the whole world and he will be working in partnership with another world leader titled the false prophet (a religious world leader). They will both work together to try and take over and bring peace to the world. Together they will create a new world order, a one world currency & a one world religion. Do **NOT** be deceived by these two men, they will perform miracles, but will be influenced by the works and power of satan. One possible deception they will try and use to cover up the disappearance of millions of people in the rapture is an alien/UFO deception. The antichrist and false prophet may come out in a worldwide speech on TV and say that aliens took all the "Bad people away". Don't be surprised if something like this happens, a lot of people will believe this lie more, than to believe that Jesus came and took all the Christians back to heaven.

Rise of the Antichrist/False Prophet & The Beginning of the 7 Year Tribulation Period

As I Mentioned previously the Antichrist (a world political leader) will rise to power and be revealed after the rapture and shortly after that the 7 year tribulation period will begin. Now no one really knows if there is a gap

between the rapture and the start of the tribulation period. It could happen on the same day or it could be days, weeks, months or even years before the tribulation period begins. But when it does, it will last 7 years (360 days x 7 years) or 2,520 days (1,260 days per half of tribulation period); (*Revelation 11:2-3*). This is a precise timeline and will not last one day longer than the Bible has prophesied. You should be aware of the major sign that will usher the start of the tribulation period. This will be when the antichrist rises up into power and confirms a seven year peace accord with Israel and many nations. This is described in (*Daniel 9:27*) “and he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week”. You will probably hear on the news that Israel and its fellow Arab countries will finally get to live in “peace and security”. The Holy City Jerusalem will also be the main focal point during this time. Once this false peace accord is confirmed with Israel and many, you will now know that day one of the 7 year tribulation period has just begun.

A lot of Bible scholars have mixed views on who & where the antichrist may rise from. Some say he will rise out of the EU (The European Union), Some say the UN (united nations), some say he will rise out of Rome (Vatican) and others say he will be muslim, and could rise out of America, Turkey or other parts of the middle east. He will be a very charismatic leader and everyone will look up to him. One thing is for sure the Antichrist will rise from one of these areas, so keep an eye on these Countries & Organisations for they will all play a huge role in forming the new world order, the one world currency & a one world religion during the 7 year tribulation. The identity of the false prophet is also unknown, although most bible scholars believe the “Pope” is a likely candidate to fulfil this role and help bring about a one world religion where all faiths will be united under one umbrella.

What to expect and what will happen during the First 3 and ½ years of the Tribulation Period

To get a good idea of the events that will take place during the 7 year tribulation, this is best described in the last book of the bible, the Book of (*Revelation Chapters 6-19*). There are three main purposes for the tribulation period: Firstly it will be a time for God to focus on Israel, to save the Jewish people and to get them to finally acknowledge that Yeshua (Jesus in Hebrew) is their Messiah. Secondly to make an end of wickedness and wicked ones, to bring judgement upon the world for all its sins against God. And thirdly to bring about a world-wide revival, this will be brought about when God sends

his two witnesses, the 144,000 Jews & angels to preach the gospel and bring many to Christ. Let's start off with Chapter 6. The tribulation period will begin with the opening of the seven seals:

1st Seal: White Horse (*Revelation 6:2*) *"And I saw, and behold a white horse and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer".*

The 1st seal describes the antichrist himself rising to power, conquering the world and bringing peace to Israel and the world. As I mentioned before don't be deceived by this man and his associate the false prophet.

2nd Seal: Red Horse (*Revelation 6:3-4*) ³ *When He opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature saying, "Come and see."* ⁴ *Another horse, fiery red, went out. And it was granted to the one who sat on it to take peace from the earth, and that people should kill one another; and there was given to him a great sword.*

The 2nd seal describes bloodshed and major wars breaking out all over the world, World War 3. I also believe that the Battle of Gog & Magog which is described in (*Ezekiel 38-39*) will take place around this time in the very early stages of the tribulation period. This battle will be led by Russia and an Islamic Coalition consisting of Iran, Turkey, Ethiopia, Sudan & Libya who will come down and try to attack Israel. It is mentioned in (*Ezekiel 38 12-13*) that these nations will come down on Israel to try and take a spoil. Now we can't say for sure what that spoil is, but I believe it will be all the oil & gas that Israel produces. But as these armies reach the mountains of Israel, something supernatural will occur.

As described in (*Ezekiel 38:14-22*), God will rise up and completely destroy the invading Islamic and Russian forces. His method of destruction...He will rain fire and brimstone down from heaven. This will destroy every jetfighter in the air. At the same time, God will cause a great earthquake to occur that will shake the entire world. This will destroy and dismantle all armoured vehicles and cause major casualties on the ground. For those who survive the earthquake, He will then cause mass confusion amongst the armies and they will begin to kill each other. The Book of Ezekiel further states that those that are not killed in the previous three ways will be killed by plagues, wild animals, and plain old fear. Simply put, they'll be scared to death. 83% of the invading armies will die in the mountains of Israel in the worst military

defeat in history. It will take 7 months to bury the dead (*Ezekiel 39:12*) and Israel will burn the weapons left behind for 7 years (*Ezekiel 39:9*).

3rd Seal: Black Horse (*Revelation 6:5-6*)⁵ *When He opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come and see." So I looked, and behold, a black horse, and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand.*⁶ *And I heard a voice in the midst of the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius; and do not harm the oil and the wine."*

The 3rd seal describes a possible worldwide economic collapse and financial hardships. The antichrist will take control of the economic system and food supplies. I believe during this time it may cost you \$40 for a loaf of bread, compared to \$3. What you would normally earn in one day of labour may take you nearly a full week of work to earn that same wage. There will be food shortages resulting in global starvation.

4th Seal: Pale Horse (*Revelation 6:7-8*)⁷ *When He opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, "Come and see."*⁸ *So I looked, and behold, a pale horse. And the name of him who sat on it was Death, and Hades followed with him. And power was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword, with hunger, with death, and by the beasts of the earth.*

The 4th seal describes death being brought upon the whole world. This will be through wars, famine & starvation, disease & pestilences – which I believe will be like Ebola and other deadly diseases, and by the beasts of the earth – wild beasts/animals will become more aggressive towards humans during this time for they have lack of food themselves. The bible says that ¼ of the world's population will die due to these events, which is around 1.5-2 billion people.

5th Seal: The Cry of the Martyrs (*Revelation 6:9-11*)⁹ *When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held.*¹⁰ *And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"*¹¹ *Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both the number of their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they were, was completed.*

The 5th seal describes people on earth during the tribulation who decided to come to a saving knowledge in Jesus Christ and get killed for their faith in the Lord, they are called the “tribulation saints”. In other words if you missed the rapture, and are left behind, and then decide to accept Jesus as your saviour, there is a chance you will be martyred for your faith. The Antichrist and False Prophet will do everything they can in order to try and stop those people who are against their system. I know this sounds hard but if you are reading this please do not be afraid of death and stay strong, it’s better to get martyred for your faith in Christ and receive eternal life!, rather than bowing down to the antichrist system and spending the rest of eternity in hell! This persecution and killing of Christians will continue for most of the tribulation period.

6th Seal: The Great Earthquake & Cosmic Disturbances *(Revelation 6:12-17)* ¹² I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood. ¹³ And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. ¹⁴ Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place. ¹⁵ And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, ¹⁶ and said to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! ¹⁷ For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?”

The 6th Seal describes a great earthquake that will shake the earth. The magnitude of this earthquake is unknown, but it will be massive, something that we have never seen before. Major Tsunamis would most likely occur and other cosmic events like a meteor shower may also happen during this time. All the world leaders, presidents, prime ministers, rich men, middle class and poor will try and hide themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains when this all takes place.

After the 6th seal, the bible says that the wind will stop blowing upon the earth and water. Without wind, the world would experience devastating drought, famine and starvation.

7th Seal: Silence in Heaven, 7 Angels with 7 Trumpets *(Revelation 8:1-2)* ⁸ And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour. ² And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.

The 7th Seal describes scenes which are happening up in heaven and not on earth. There will be a silence in heaven for about half an hour when the 7th seal is broken, and then seven angels will be given seven trumpets. This will then trigger the next wave of events that will take place on earth, through the sounding of seven trumpets which I will go through later on in this manual.

Food/Water Supplies & General Survival Tips During the Tribulation Period

As I mentioned before, The first and most important thing you should do if you miss the rapture is to give your life to Jesus Christ! because as we move further into the tribulation period, things are only going to get a lot worse. The second thing you should think about is your food, water & medical supplies. It would be best to stock up on heaps of bottled water. Bottled water has an estimated shelf life of around 2-4 years. Buying canned food such as canned juices, meats (tuna, chicken, ham), vegetables, soups, and fruits will also be handy to stock up on. Most canned goods have a shelf life of around 2-3 years. You will also need to stock up on basic medical supplies and any other type of medication you may need. Other Important things would be your Bible (mandatory), shelter, cell phone, warm clothing, sleeping bag, tent, torch/flashlight, hunting knife & waterproof matches. If you have any family members or friends that have also missed the rapture, it would be best to keep in close contact with them and stay together in a group, rather than being by yourself during the tribulation period. It would be wise to take out a lot of your money or personal savings out of the bank and keep it in a safe place. The antichrist & false prophet will eventually control the whole financial & banking system during the tribulation, so I wouldn't be putting my trust in the banks during this time. Just remember that you will only get a chance to buy these supplies during the first three and a half years of the tribulation. In the second half of the tribulation the Antichrist & False Prophet will introduce the "Mark of the Beast" which I will talk about in great detail later on in this book. During the second half of the tribulation period, the only way you can buy or sell something is if you take the "Mark of the beast", but **DO NOT** take this mark!! If you take this mark, you will go to Hell!

The Witnesses during the Tribulation Period

Apart from God Pouring out his wrath upon this Christ rejecting sinful world, Our God is a fair and just God and he will give everyone several opportunities to come to a saving knowledge in Jesus Christ. This will be done in 3 different ways. First God will send two witnesses to this earth who will evangelise and preach the gospel in Israel, secondly 144,000 Jewish men will go around the world and preach the gospel to everyone and thirdly God will send angels to the four corners of the earth that will also preach the gospel and tell everyone not to take the mark of the beast. Let's start off by talking about the two witnesses.

Two Witnesses *(Revelation 11:3-6) And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.*

The two witnesses will come on the scene right after the rapture or at the beginning of the tribulation period. There has been much speculation regarding the two witnesses and their identities. One possibility is Elijah and Enoch, because these two men left the earth without experiencing death. Another possibility is Elijah and Moses who appeared with Jesus at the transfiguration (*Matthew 17:3*). Their message will be one of repentance, judgment and preparation for the coming King. They will preach on the streets of Jerusalem and be dressed in sackcloth. Their ministry will last the first 3.5 years of the tribulation and they will be responsible for a great revival breaking out in Israel. Because of their Gospel message and supernatural power many will seek to try and kill them, although no one will be able to harm them. They will be given special powers to kill their enemies with fire or whatever means their enemies attempt to kill them. They will have the power to stop the rain from falling, turn water to blood, call fire down from heaven, and bring massive plagues on the earth. Anyone who attempts to stop them from fulfilling their earthly ministry will be literally destroyed. No man or army will be able to stop or hinder their mission, not even the Antichrist. Yes, both the Antichrist and the Lord's two witnesses will be on the scene at the same time.

However, at the conclusion of the first half of the tribulation period, God will allow them to be killed by the Antichrist. It should be mentioned, when they are killed, a worldwide celebration, along with the exchanging of gifts, will take place. *(Revelation 11:10)* ¹⁰ *And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them, make merry, and send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.* The dead bodies of the two witnesses will lie on the streets of Jerusalem for three and a half days and shortly after their death, they will come back to life and be slowly caught up to heaven for whole the world to see *(Revelation 11:10-13)* With the technology of television, satellite & the internet this event can be made possible for the whole world to see.

The 144,000 Jews *(Revelation 7:1-8)* *And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.* ² *And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,* ³ *Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.* ⁴ *And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.* ⁵ *Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand.* ⁶ *Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nephthalim were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand.* ⁷ *Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand.* ⁸ *Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.*

The second group of witnesses, the 144,000 Jews, will come out of this great revival in Israel produced by the two witnesses and will be from the Twelve tribes of Israel. They will be set aside to preach the message of salvation to the entire world and will be sealed & protected by God himself. Many people will be saved during the tribulation period and come to Christ during their ministry as stated in *(Revelation 7:9-17)*. Some of these believers will also be martyred for their faith in Christ and will be part of the tribulation saints. The mission of the 144,000 Jews will virtually last the entire 7 years of the tribulation period. The Bible makes a point that all 144,000 witnesses will be male Jews who will be virgins *(Revelation 14:3-4)*.

The Rebuilding of the Third Temple

At some point during the first three and a half years of the tribulation, we know according to the bible, that the rebuilding of the third Jewish temple in Jerusalem must be complete. No one really knows how the rebuilding of the third temple will come about, but the two most likely scenarios are when the Antichrist makes a strong covenant with Israel & many (7 year peace accord, in *Daniel 9:27*), and part of that covenant will allow the Jews to rebuild their third temple. The other likely scenario of how the rebuilding of the third temple will come about is after Israel's stunning victory over the Russian-Islamic Alliance in the Battle of Gog & Magog (*Ezekiel 38/39*) that no one will dare stop them. For the whole world will see this victory as a miracle from God (*Ezekiel 38:18-23*) and shake in fear, and because of this, they will be allowed to rebuild their third temple.

We also know that the Jews will be allowed to perform their sacrifices inside the third Jewish temple. At the midway point of the tribulation period, the antichrist will come along and put an end to the sacrifices, and sit in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. (*2nd Thessalonians 2:4*), (*Daniel 9:27*). Many people will be deceived by this, and actually believe that the antichrist is God and worship him. Whatever you do don't worship the antichrist and his system, he will have satan the devil himself inside of him and will deceive many.

The 7 Trumpets

God's wrath will be poured out upon the earth, in three different phases. The first phase was the breaking of the Seven Seals, which I have already covered, the second will be the 7 trumpets and finally will be the 7 bowls/vials. Let's now go through the events that will take place on earth during the 7 trumpets. No one knows for sure the exact timing of when the 7 trumpets will occur during the tribulation period, but I believe the first 4 trumpets will happen just before the midway point of the tribulation and the last 3 "Woe" trumpet judgements will occur in the second half of the tribulation period.

1st Trumpet (*Revelation 8:7*) ⁷ *The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.*

The first trumpet describes that 1/3 of the earth will be burned up from a judgment of hail, fire, and blood. And a 1/3 of the trees and green grass will be burned up.

2nd Trumpet (Revelation 8:8-9) ⁸ *And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood; ⁹ And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.*

The second trumpet I believe best describes some sort of big meteor or asteroid that crashes into the sea, killing a 1/3 of the sea creatures and destroying 1/3 of the ships in the sea.

3rd Trumpet (Revelation 8:10-11) ¹⁰ *And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; ¹¹ And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.*

There is much speculation on what the star wormwood represents. Many bible scholars believe it could be a meteor, since it falls from heaven and is burning, but a meteor simply wouldn't turn water bitter, and its name "wormwood" doesn't sound like a typical name for a meteorite. Therefore I believe it represents a fallen angel. The bible says that satan took 1/3 of the stars with him, meaning 1/3 of the angels (fallen angels). Wormwood is likely a fallen angel which is sent by God to do his bidding. God is in control and using this fallen angel to complete his mission.

4th Trumpet (Revelation 8:12) ¹² *And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.*

The fourth trumpet judgment sounds. At this point, God now strikes the three natural sources of light by one third. Again, some scholars incorrectly try to link this with a nuclear holocaust. If this were caused by nuclear war, the dark skies would continue around the clock like a black haze. God, who is in precise control, simply turns out the lights so that a day is shorten by one third. I believe, that from this day forward, a day will only be 16 hours long. This would be consistent with what Jesus stated in (Matthew 24:22), "And except

those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.” This event will also lead to a dramatic drop in temperatures on earth.

5th Trumpet *(Revelation 9:1-11) And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit. ² And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit. ³ And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. ⁴ And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads. ⁵ And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man. ⁶ And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them. ⁷ And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. ⁸ And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. ⁹ And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. ¹⁰ And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months. ¹¹ 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.*

The 5th Trumpet describes a demonic angel (fallen angel) falling from heaven, and given to him was the key to open hell. Out of hell comes out these huge demonic looking creatures that look like locust/scorpions. These demons have stings in their tails and will be allowed to hurt and torment people on earth for 5 months, but not to kill anyone. It mentions in verse 4, that they shall only hurt men that do not have the seal of God in their foreheads, this verse is telling me that only unbelievers on earth will be tormented by these creatures during the 5 months, and the 144,000 Jews that have the seal on their foreheads will be protected and anyone that came to Christ from the 144,000 Jews may also be protected during this time. People will also try and seek death, but will not find it. This will be a horrific time on earth, something that is hard to even imagine.

6th Trumpet (Revelation 9:13-19) ¹³ And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, ¹⁴ Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. ¹⁵ And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. ¹⁶ And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. ¹⁷ And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. ¹⁸ By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths. ¹⁹ For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

I would estimate that up to this point in the tribulation period between 3-4 billion people would have died. With the blast of the sixth trumpet will come the death of another 1/3 of the remaining world population. God will call for the release of the four demonic angels (fallen angels) from the Euphrates river who have been prepared for this very moment to sweep from the East to the West. The four demonic angels (fallen angels) will raise up an army and the size of this army will number 200 million. No one will be able to stop their military advancement and this event will cause many deaths. Who are these demonic leaders? Are they literal or symbolic demons? I believe these demons are literal military leaders who are set aside by God for this very day. It's unknown if the army will be demon possessed as well, however, more than a few Bible scholars believe they will be.

7th Trumpet (Revelation 11:15-19) ¹⁵ And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. ¹⁶ And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God, ¹⁷ Saying, We give thee thanks, O LORD God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned. ¹⁸ And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth. ¹⁹ And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.

The 7th Trumpet describes a scene in Heaven and not on earth. There is a lot of praise and worship going on for God in heaven and everyone begins to rejoice because they know it is getting close to the end as they prepare for the last judgements to be poured out on earth. Also in heaven the true temple opens and in this temple appears the true ark of the covenant. The earth is also struck with earthquakes and a great hailstorm.

The Mark of the Beast 666*(Revelation 13:16-18)¹⁶ And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: ¹⁷ And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. ¹⁸ Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.*

Sometime around the midway point of the tribulation period, the false prophet & the antichrist will try and force the mark 666 upon all mankind, and demand that you take this mark and worship him (the antichrist) as God. You won't be able to buy or sell unless you receive this mark and if you don't take the mark you will face death and be beheaded (*Revelation 20:4*). There are three possibilities for the mark. 1) It may just be a mark, 2) it may be the name of the beast, or 3) it may be the number of his name which is 666, we also know that the mark must either be in your right hand or in your forehead. No one is certain what the mark of the beast might be, but with the advancements in today's technology, we can safely assume that the mark may be in a form of a implantable microchip (RFID) or verichip, barcode or tattoo/marking in the skin. As I stated in page ten of this book, whatever you do, **DO NOT** take this mark. If you take this mark, there will be severe consequences and you will perish in Hell forever, there are no second chances after taking this mark. But if you don't take this mark you will face death in this world, but have everlasting life in the next and get to live with our Lord Jesus Christ for eternity! How awesome is that, so if you are reading this I encourage you to stay strong during this time for the Lord Jesus Christ.

According to the Bible, there are a number of things that must happen first before the mark is put into place on a global scale...many of them supernatural. Here is a series of events taken straight from the Bible that must happen before the mark can be introduced and actually mandated as international law:

1. The Antichrist must march into the Jerusalem Temple and declare himself to be God (*Daniel 9:27; II Thessalonians 2:3-12*).
2. The Antichrist will demand worship from the whole world and he will receive it (*Revelation 13:8*).
3. The false prophet, the Antichrist's high priest, will perform wondrous signs causing lightening to come down from the sky, along with other miracles (*Revelation 13:11-14*).
4. The false prophet will erect a statue of the Antichrist and make it speak (*Revelation 13:14-15*).
5. When the statue of the beast speaks, he will demand that everyone must worship the Antichrist and take his mark either on their forehead or on their right hand (*Revelation 13:15-17*).
6. Whoever does not take this mark will not be able to buy or sell (*Revelation 13:17*).
7. Please take note that before anyone actually takes the mark, God will send out many angels as witnesses throughout the world proclaiming from the sky not to take the mark of the beast but to worship God. The same angels will also proclaim the punishment for taking the mark...being cast alive into the lake of fire for an eternity (*Revelation 14:9-11*).

According to the Word of God, these 7 events must take place before the worldwide mark of the beast can be implemented by the false prophet & the antichrist. As stated, these 7 events will happen sometime around the midway point of the tribulation period and one right after another.

Mystery Babylon (*Revelation 17:1-18*) *Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and talked with me, saying to me, "Come, I will show you the judgment of the great harlot who sits on many waters, ² with whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication."* ³ *So he carried me away in the Spirit into the wilderness. And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast which was full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.* ⁴ *The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication,* ⁵ *And on her forehead a name was written:*

MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

⁶ I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. And when I saw her, I marvelled with great amazement. ⁷ But the angel said to me, "Why did you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman and of the beast that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns. ⁸ The beast that you saw was, and is not, and will ascend out of the bottomless pit and go to perdition. And those who dwell on the earth will marvel, whose names are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. ⁹ "Here is the mind which has wisdom: The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits. ¹⁰ There are also seven kings. Five have fallen, one is, and the other has not yet come. And when he comes, he must continue a short time. ¹¹ The beast that was, and is not, is himself also the eighth, and is of the seven, and is going to perdition. ¹² "The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. ¹³ These are of one mind, and they will give their power and authority to the beast. ¹⁴ These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those who are with Him are called, chosen, and faithful." ¹⁵ Then he said to me, "The waters which you saw, where the harlot sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues. ¹⁶ And the ten horns which you saw on the beast, these will hate the harlot, make her desolate and naked, eat her flesh and burn her with fire. ¹⁷ For God has put it into their hearts to fulfil His purpose, to be of one mind, and to give their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God are fulfilled. ¹⁸ And the woman whom you saw is that great city which reigns over the kings of the earth."

During the tribulation period there will be a nation or city that will rule over the antichrist and his ten-nation kingdom (*Revelation 17:1-18*). This nation or city, known as Mystery Babylon, will dictate what the antichrist can and cannot do for the first half of the tribulation period. They will be a powerful organisation of this time. Not only will they have great worldwide political power, they'll also be extremely wealthy and have a lot of religious power. This city will be responsible for bringing all the world religions together and uniting them into one. Do not be deceived by this false system, they will try to promote peace & unity but deep down they are trying to control the masses.

Notice in (*Revelation 17:1-18*), Mystery Babylon is pictured as a harlot riding a beast (Antichrist). The beast is described as having ten horns representing ten nations, which are subject to the beast. In essence, Mystery Babylon has given the beast and the ten nations their power, but remains very much in control. The antichrist will work together with Mystery Babylon for the first three and a

half years, but this will all change after the midway point. At around the middle of the tribulation period, after satan is defeated and cast down from heaven, he will enter and possess the antichrist. This will start the beginning of the end for Mystery Babylon. For satan would not be ruled over by God, and will not tolerate being ruled over by man either. God, at this time, will use the antichrist and his kingdom to exact judgment upon this wicked city. *(Revelation 17:16, 17) "And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.* The antichrist and his kingdom will backstab and turn against Mystery Babylon and launch an attack. The destruction from a Mystery Babylon counter attack is not mentioned, but I'm sure there will be casualties. Not only is Mystery Babylon defeated, the destruction is so dreadful that the land is no longer fit for use or to inhabit *(Revelation 18:15-23)*. The defeat of this superpower nation is so swift and decisive it will leave the rest of the world terrified and shocked. For this was the greatest city on the face of the earth and in one hour they have been completely destroyed. Kings, dignitaries, and businessmen are all left wondering what will happen next as they scramble to recoup loses and position themselves for what may happen with this dramatic change of power.

This war will likely commence sometime in the second half of the tribulation period. The identity of Mystery Babylon is unknown, however some have speculated it could be America, Mecca Saudi Arabia or rebuilt ancient Babylon (Iraq) to name a few. But most bible scholars believe that Rome, Vatican City best fits the description of mystery babylon according to the bible.

The 7 Bowls/Vials

Now we come to the final phase of judgements that will be poured out onto the world. I believe these events will take place close to the end of the tribulation period and will happen in very quick succession one after another. Jesus said that this will be the most horrific time on earth *(Matthew 24:21) and that if these days were not shortened, no flesh would have been saved (Matthew 24:22)*

1st Bowl/Vial (Revelation 16:2) ² *And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.*

This 1st Bowl describes that any person on earth that took the mark of the beast and worshipped his image, will receive terrible sores all over their bodies with intense pain.

2nd Bowl/Vial (Revelation 16:3) ³ *And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.*

This 2nd Bowl describes all sea life coming to an end and the oceans are turned into blood.

3rd Bowl/Vial (Revelation 16:4) ⁴ *And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.*

This 3rd Bowl describes all the fresh water sources around the world becoming blood. This would mean that drinking water will be very hard to come by, and tells us that the bowl judgements come near the very end of the tribulation period.

4th Bowl/Vial (Revelation 16:8-9) ⁸ *And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. ⁹ And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.*

This 4th Bowl describes the Sun that will suddenly increase in intensity to the point that it burns men. It will be extreme heat that the world has never seen before.

5th Bowl/Vial (Revelation 16:10-11) ¹⁰ *And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, ¹¹ And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.*

This 5th Bowl describes darkness upon the earth. The darkness is so intense that it causes unbearable pain. We are not sure how the darkness leads to pain but it's possible that it's a form of spiritual darkness and the pain is the spiritual pain of torment by spiritual forces of darkness.

6th Bowl/Vial (Revelation 16:12-16) *And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.*

This 6th Bowl describes the gathering of all the great nations of the earth for the final battle at Armageddon. God will cause the Euphrates River to be dried up to expedite this operation. The unholy trinity (satan-dragon, antichrist & false prophet) will deceive the nations into joining in league with them to once and for all destroy the nation of Israel. This battle between Satan and God will climax at the Valley of Megiddo, located in Israel, better known as Armageddon (Har Megiddo).

7th Bowl/Vial (Revelation 16:17-21) *And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.*

When the seventh bowl judgment is poured out, a loud voice proclaims “it is done”. At this point, the tribulation period is coming to a close, and it’s nearly time for Jesus to descend from heaven back to earth for his glorious second coming. However, before He descends, the most powerful worldwide earthquake in the history of mankind strikes. The Bible says it will be so devastating, it will flatten every city and mountain on the face of the earth, and every island will suddenly disappear. The fallen city of Babylon, the great financial center previously destroyed, will be split into three parts. If that isn’t enough, a great global hailstorm will rain down 100 lbs. hailstones upon man. I’m sure the death toll will be staggering during this time.

The Second Coming of Christ (*Revelation 19:11-19*) *And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.*

This bible passage describes the Lord himself Jesus Christ coming back to earth with his army of Saints (resurrected Christians) and they will be upon white horses coming to conquer and destroy all evil once and for all. Jesus will gather the nations of the earth together for his final victory. The human army will consist of those who have pledged their allegiance to the Antichrist and have taken his mark. Both rich and poor, bond and free, great and small will participate in this battle, however, it will be over before it starts. As the Lord descends from heaven, he will split the eastern skies (*Matthew 24:27*) and physically touch down on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem. This will cause the mount to literally divide down the middle and a great earthquake will follow (*Zechariah 14:4-5*). The Bible says, at the sound of the Lord's voice, their bodies will rot where they stand (*Zechariah 14:12*). In fact, it is described as a great winepress in which Christ literally crushes His foes. The slaughter will be so great that God will call the birds of the air to come and gorge themselves on the flesh of men (*Revelation 19:11-19*). This will be a supernatural event that the Bible says every eye will see. The world will mourn (*Matthew 24:30*) as they see Jesus returning in the sky while tribulation Christians will rejoice. This will mean the doom of all those who have taken the mark and worshiped the Antichrist. They will be captured and cast into the lake of fire (*Revelation 14:9-11*). Tribulation Christians, on the other hand who have remained alive during

the tribulation period and have not taken the mark nor worshipped his image, will be granted access and enter into the millennial kingdom where they will enjoy a near perfect environment on earth with Jesus Christ ruling as king for a 1000 years. Following the Lord's miraculous and stunning victory at Armageddon, the Antichrist and the false prophet will also be hunted down and cast into the lake of fire where they will be tormented forever and ever. Satan will then be captured, bound for 1,000 years, and thrown into the bottomless pit. JESUS CONQUERS!

Conclusion

The Tribulation period is fast approaching, but before that happens, the rapture must take place first. Once the rapture takes place, this world will change dramatically. Will you be left behind? Have you already been left behind? Worst yet, will you be one of the individuals who will take the mark and worship the Antichrist, and ultimately be cast into hell for eternity? Ask yourself the question, Do you know the Lord Jesus Christ as your saviour? Even though the tribulation will be a horrific time on earth, there is a place far worse than the tribulation period, and that place is called Hell. For it is a place of burning, weeping, and agonizing pain that will never end throughout all eternity (*Luke 16:19-31*). Don't make that mistake and end up in a burning hell, come to the Lord Jesus Christ today!! You can do this by calling upon his name, accepting him as your Lord & Saviour, believe that he died on the cross for your sins and rose again, repent of your sins and make him number one in your life. If you would like to accept Jesus as Lord please say this prayer right now:

PRAYER OF SALVATION

"Father, I know that I am a sinner and cannot obtain salvation in and of myself. I come to You in the name of Jesus asking that You forgive me of my sins, and to cleanse me from all unrighteousness and guilt. I trust and believe that Jesus died on the cross and rose again on the third day to pay my sin penalty. I accept this free gift of salvation, and from this day forward, I turn my life completely over to the Lord. I thank You and praise You God for giving me a new life in Christ. Amen."

I hope this manual has been a blessing to you. Thanks & acknowledgement to Terry Malone for his work, some of this book is based on his tribulation survival guide. Feel free to print as many copies as you like and share it with everyone. I'd like to conclude with two verses in the bible. Jesus said in *(Mark 4:9)* "Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear" and finally Jesus said in *(John 14:6)* "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Hope to see you all in Heaven,

Many Blessings,

Justin ☺



End Notes

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