

SEQUENCE OF THE GREAT TRIBULATION

The Great Tribulation period will be ushered in by the covenant of seven years the Antichrist will confirm between Israel and many nations. It appears that there will be a peace agreement signed by Israel and when the Antichrist comes to power he will confirm it establishing it with many nations for seven years. It is possible that the United States the UN and Russia might also be signatories on the confirmation document. Today even Japan, and China, are seeking peace in the Middle East. *See Daniel 9:27*

The peace agreement will cause people to say "Peace and Safety" not knowing that very soon after the disarming of Israel the Gog & Magog invasion of *Ezekiel chapters 38 and 39* will take place.

The Signs of the approaching end will be followed by a brief time of deceptive peace, and the sequence is laid out for us in the book of Revelation beginning with the Seals of chapter six.

1. Rider Conquering and to conquer. *Revelation 6:1-2*
2. Rider's power to remove peace from the earth causing men to kill one another. *Revelation 6:3-4*
3. Rider brings famine, pestilence, earthquakes, and scarcity. *Revelation 6:5-6*
4. Rider brings Death and Hell **killing 1/4 of the population of the earth.** *Revelation 6:7-8*
5. Souls under the altar in Heaven ask, "How long before the time of vengeance. *Revelation 6:9-11*
6. Signs in the Heavens and on the Earth. *Revelation 6:12-17*

These signs are accompanied by great fear of mankind realizing that the time of the Wrath of God and of the Lamb has now come and there is no escape.

God allows an intermission before the plagues begin

Revelation 7:1-17

During this intermission, a number of vital things are accomplished and revealed.

(I believe this will also be the timing for the Rapture to remove the worthy believers before the **wrath**)

- ✠ **144,000** virgin men, twelve thousand from each of the twelve specifically named tribes of Israel receive the protective **Seal of the Living God.**
- ✠ **A great multitude** is revealed that will come out of Great Tribulation washed in the blood of the Lamb.
They come out to receive a special blessing and serve God day and night in His temple throughout the Kingdom age.
For them, all problems and trials are past and they will find themselves sheltered by God Himself.
Their praise of God is, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."
- ✠ The **angles, 24 Elders, and 4 living creatures** fall on their faces before the throne and worship God saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever, Amen."

The items mentioned in the first six Seals were included in the "Signs of the End Time" followed by an intermission while the 144,000 are sealed by God to protect them from the impact of the Wrath to be

poured out upon all the earth. Here also is mentioned the Great Multitude of Saints who will be slain during the Great Tribulation and their place of service during the Kingdom Age to follow.

Notice also that the worship of the **Lamb** is equal to the worship of **God** Who is seated on the throne as expressed by the great multitude and confirmed by the Amen of the Angels, the Elders, and the 4 living creatures around the throne just as it was seen previously in *Revelation 4:8-11, 5:8-10, 5:11-12, and 5:13-14.*

7. The seventh Seal brings:

- ✚ A half hour of silence in Heaven. *Revelation 8:1*
- ✚ After which the seven angels receive the seven trumpets of the plagues of the Great Tribulation. *Revelation 8:2*
- ✚ Smoke of incense ascends before God with the prayers of the Saints. *Revelation 8:3-4*
- ✚ Fire from the altar in Heaven is cast to the earth causing Voices, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake. *Revelation 8:5*
- ✚ The Seven Angels prepare to sound their Trumpets. *Revelation 8:6*

GREAT TRIBULATION BEGINS

SEVEN TRUMPET PLAGUES

1. **Hail, fire, and blood.** *Revelation 8:7*
2. **Great burning mountain cast into the sea,** *Revelation 8:8-9*
 - 1/3 of the sea becomes blood, 1/3 of the creatures in the sea die, 1/3 of the ships are destroyed.
3. **Great Star Wormwood** brings bitterness to 1/3 of the fresh water and many men die. *Revelation 8:10-11*
4. **Darkness** 1/3 of the day and 1/3 of the night become black *Revelation 8:12*
 - Supernatural warning as an Angel flies through the midst of Heaven warning of the **three Woes** yet to come. *Revelation 8:13*
5. **Locust** from the Bottomless Pit. **(First Woe)** *Revelation 9:1-11*
(Beginning Second Woe) *Revelation 9:12*
6. **Two hundred million man army kill 1/3 of the remaining population of the earth.** *Revelation 9:13-19*
 - With this plague over 1/2 of the original population of the earth have been killed. The survivors do not repent *Revelation 9:20-21*

Angel with the little scroll

- ✴ Mighty angel came down from Heaven, clothed with a cloud, a rainbow on his head, his face like the sun, his feet like pillars of fire, a little book in his hand, his right foot on the sea, and his left foot on the land. *Revelation 10:1-11*

Plagues of the seven thunders are not revealed

- ✳ **Voice from Heaven** said "Do not write what the seven thunders uttered. *Revelation 10:3-4*"

Angel's message

- ✳ **End of time (no more delay)** *Revelation 10:6*
 - ✳ **Mystery of God is finished** with the plagues included in the seventh trumpet *Revelation 10:5-7*
 - ✳ **Command to prophecy** again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings. *Revelation 10:8-11*
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BEGINNING THE LAST 3 1/2 YEARS

- ✚ **Measuring of the temple.** *Revelation 11:1-2*
- ✚ **Two Witnesses**, their ministry, power, and plagues *Revelation 11:3-12*
- ✚ **Great earthquake** - seven thousand men die and one tenth of the city falls *Revelation 11:13*
- ✚ **End of Second Woe** *Revelation 11:14*

7. **Seventh Trumpet is sounded** *Revelation 11:15*

Bringing another intermission with revelations

Heaven acknowledges the reign of God

- ✚ The kingdoms of this world have become the Kingdom of our Lord and His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever. *Revelation 11:15*
- ✚ Twenty four Elders worship God for taking His great power, reigning, and bringing vengeance on those who destroyed the earth. *Revelation 11:16-18*
- ✚ The Temple of God was opened in Heaven and the Ark of His Covenant was seen in His Temple *Revelation 11:19*
- ✚ Lightnings - voices - thunders - Earthquakes - great hail *Revelation 11:19*

Great sign in Heaven

- ✚ **Mystery Woman** - sun, moon, and twelve stars *Revelation 12:1-2*
- ✚ **Great red dragon** *Revelation 12:3-4*
- ✚ **Man child** caught up to God in heaven Who will rule all nations with iron rod *Revelation 12:5*
- ✚ Woman protected in the wilderness for 3 1/2 years *Revelation 12:6 and Revelation 12:13-16*
- ✚ War in heaven and Satan cast out to the earth *Revelation 12:7-9*
- ✚ Voice in heaven *Revelation 12:10-12*

- ✳ Salvation, strength, the Kingdom of our God, the power of His Christ has now come.

- * The accuser of our brethren, who accused them before God night and day, has been cast down.
- * They overcame him by the Blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony, they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.
- * Therefore, rejoice you Heavens and you who dwell in them.
- * Woe to the earth, the devil has come down with great wrath, he knows he has only a short time.

✠ The remnant of the woman's seed *Revelation 12:17*

- ✧ Those who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.
- ✧ Attacked by the Dragon who was enraged and went out to make war against them.

Great Tribulation resumes

✠ Introduction of the **antichrist** *Revelation 13:1-10*

- Υ He is given the Power, Throne, and Great Authority of the Dragon.
 - Υ The world is dazzled by his miraculous healing from a deadly wound.
 - Υ The world worships the Dragon and the Beast (Antichrist).
 - Υ He speaks blasphemies and arrogant things.
 - Υ He has authority to continue 42 months (3 1/2 years).
 - Υ He has power to make war against the Saints and to overcome them.
 - Υ He is given power over all kindreds, tongues, and nations.
- ✠ This calls for patience and endurance on the part of the Saints.

✠ Introduction of the **false prophet** *Revelation 13:11-18*

- Υ He exercises all the Power of the Antichrist.
- Υ He causes those who dwell on the earth to worship the Antichrist.
- Υ He performs great miraculous wonders even calling fire to come down from Heaven on the earth in the sight of men.
- Υ He deceives those who dwell on the earth by means of the miracles he has been given power to do.
- Υ He commands those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the Beast (Antichrist).
- Υ He is given power to give life to the image of the Beast (Antichrist) so that the image of the Beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the Image of the Beast to be killed.
- Υ He causes all, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a **mark** on their right hand or on their forehead, so that no one may buy or sell except the ones who have the **mark, the name of the Beast, or the number of his name 666**.

See also the visions of the book of Daniel pertaining to these two people and their associates who are also dealt with in *chapters 17, 18, and 19 of Revelation* as they fulfill their work and receive their reward in the Lake of Fire a thousand years before Satan is cast into the Lake of fire at the Great White Throne Judgment. The mortal wound that was healed is described in *Zechariah 11:17*

Time frame remaining for Israel and the Saints.

The last 3 1/2 years,

"When the power of the Holy People has been utterly devastated, then all these things shall be finished."

Daniel 12:13

Revelation chapters 14 & 15 give us insights into the pertinent facts, warnings, and blessings of the last 3 1/2 years

- ✚ **144,000** virgin men of Israel , redeemed from the earth, with the Name of the Father of the Lamb on their foreheads follow the Lamb wherever He goes - They sing their new song known only to them. *Revelation 14:1-5*
- ✚ An **angel flying** in mid heaven with the everlasting Gospel for all people, warning to fear God, give Him glory, and worship Him Who created all things, for the hour of His judgment has come. *Revelation 14:6-7*
- ✚ A **second flying angel** following the first announcing the fall of Babylon. *Revelation 14:8*
- ✚ A **third flying angel** warning of eternal torment in fire and brimstone for all who receive the MARK OF THE BEAST, or who worships the Beast and his image. *Revelation 14:9-11*
- ✚ **Encouragement for the Saints** of God calling them to remain faithful. *Revelation 14:12*
- ✚ **Voice from Heaven** - "Blessed are those who die in the Lord from this time forward." Their works follow them. *Revelation 14:13*

Another intermission

Signs in Heaven

- ✚ Sign of angels with sharp sickles reap the earth and gather the clusters into the WINEPRESS OF THE WRATH OF GOD. *Revelation 14:14-20*
- ✚ Seven angels in Heaven having the **seven last plagues** in which the WRATH OF GOD is complete. *Revelation 15:1*
- ✚ **Victorious Saints** in Heaven stand **on the Sea of Glass** sing the song of Moses and of the Lamb. *Revelation 15:2-4*
- ✚ **Golden bowls of the Wrath of God** given to the seven angels from the temple of the Tabernacle of the Testimony in Heaven. The Temple was filled with the Glory of God until the plagues were completed. *Revelation 15:5-8*

LAST PLAGUES OF THE GREAT TRIBULATION

Bowl Plagues

- ✚ **Voice from Temple in Heaven** issued command to pour out the **Bowls of the Wrath of God**. *Revelation 16:1*

Seven vials of plagues, the last of the wrath of God

1. **Grievously painful sores** on men who had the MARK OF THE BEAST and who worshiped his image. *Revelation 16:2*
2. **The entire sea became blood**. *Revelation 16:3*
3. **Fresh water became blood**. *Revelation 16:4*

ANGEL AND ALTAR PRAISE GOD'S JUDGMENT *Revelation 16:5-7*

4. **Men are scorched by intense heat.** *Revelation 16:8, Isaiah 30:26-28*

Men blaspheme God and do not give Him glory. *Revelation 16:9*

5. **Intense darkness** *Revelation 16:10-11*
6. **Great River Euphrates is dried up.** *Revelation 16:12*

Unclean spirits like frogs gather the kings of the earth to the Battle of Armageddon.
Revelation 16:13-16

Renewed encouragement to the saints

Behold, I am coming like a thief, blessed is he who watches and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame. *Revelation 16:15*

7. **"It is done"** *Revelation 16:17*

Conclusion of the wrath of god follows:

- ✚ On earth there are **voices, thunder, lightnings, a great earthquake, and great hail.**
- ✚ God turns His attention toward **Babylon the Great.**
- ✚ **Men blaspheme God because of the hail.** *Revelation 16:18-21*

MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT *Revelation 17:1-18*

- ✚ The **Beast** identified = The Beast who will ascend out of the Bottomless Pit and go into Perdition.
- ✚ **Seven Heads** = Seven mountains on which woman sits.
- ✚ **Ten horns** = Ten kings who receive authority as kings for one hour with the Beast.
- ✚ The **Waters** = Peoples, multitudes, nations and tongues.
- ✚ The **Woman** = The great city which reigns over the kings of the earth (Rome ruled at the time of this writing).

Judgment of Babylon the Great

Revelation 18:1-24, Isaiah 13:1-16, Isaiah 14:3-11, Isaiah 14:21-23, and Isaiah 47:5-15

- ✚ Angel announcement of the fall of Babylon the Great.
- ✚ Voice from Heaven calling the Saints of God to come out of her to escape her punishment.
Revelation 18:4, Jeremiah 51:1-10, Jeremiah 51:45, Zechariah 2:7-9
- ✚ Example of Noah and Lot whom God called out of the path of His judgments *2 Peter 2:4-9*

REASON FOR THE FALL OF BABYLON THE GREAT *Revelation 18:5-8, Revelation 18:23-24,*

- ✚ Her sins have reached Heaven.
- ✚ Her pride and arrogance.
- ✚ How she glorified Herself living luxuriously.
- ✚ Her deceiving sorcery.

- ✚ In her was found the blood of prophets and saints of all who were slain on the earth.

These are the things that bring the Wrath of God and His destruction on those who practice them:

- ✚ Deception
- ✚ Blood of the prophets and saints.
- ✚ Pride
- ✚ Abusiveness toward God's people
- ✚ Self indulgence
- ✚ Sins of disobedience
- ✚ Sexual sins, fornication, adultery, incest, homosexuality, bestiality, etc.
- ✚ Wickedness
- ✚ Failure to consider the latter end.
- ✚ Witchcraft in all its forms.
- ✚ Trusting in your own devices.
- ✚ Thinking that God does not see or know.
- ✚ Lack of mercy.
- ✚ Self assertiveness.
- ✚ Placing confidence in "Science" technology, and things, instead of trusting and acknowledging God Most High.

INTERPRETATION OF BABYLON THE GREAT *Revelation 17:1-18*

- ✚ The **WATERS** = Peoples, multitudes, nations, and tongues.
- ✚ The **WOMAN** = A city with world wide control (At the time it was written that city was Rome)
- ✚ The **SCARLET BEAST** = Satan himself as he embodies the Antichrist.
- ✚ **Seven Heads** = Seven mountains on which the woman sits.
- ✚ **Ten Horns** = Ten kings who receive power at the time of the Antichrist.
- ✚ The **Lamb** overcomes them, He is **LORD OF LORDS, AND KING OF KINGS**. Those with Him are the called, chosen, and faithful.

RESPONSE ON EARTH TO THE FALL OF BABYLON THE GREAT *Revelation 18:9-19*

- ✚ **Kings of the earth** will weep and lament.
- ✚ **Merchants of the earth** will weep and mourn **because no one buys their merchandise**.
- ✚ **Shipmasters and company**, all who trade by the sea will stand far away and cry out, "What city is like this great city?" They will throw dust on their heads and cry, weeping and wailing **because of the loss of their great source of wealth**.

SCENE IN HEAVEN *Revelation 18:20 and Revelation 19:1-10*

- ✚ Great rejoicing by the Holy Apostles and Prophets.
- ✚ Great multitude in Heaven Praise to God for bringing vengeance on those who corrupted the earth.

- ✝ Command not to worship angels but to worship God, for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

PREPARATION FOR THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST AND THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

- ✝ **Gathering all nations** to the site. *Revelation 16:12-16, Joel 3:1-14, Isaiah 13:4 Zechariah 14:1-3*

The Lord is coming with the Saints and Angels

- ✝ **Armies of Heaven** join Christ at His return for the Battle of Armageddon.
 - ✧ **Saints of God** in the armies of Heaven. *Revelation 19:11-16, Isaiah 13:5, Matthew 24:31, Mark 13:27, 1-Thessalonians 4:14, Jude 1:14-15, Revelation 17:14*
 - ✧ **Angels of God** in the armies of Heaven. *Matthew 16:27, Matthew 25:31, Mark 8:38, Luke 9:25-26, 2-Thessalonians 1:6-10*

Cleanup crew is called. *Revelation 19:17-18, Matthew 24:28, Luke 17:37*

Special lighting effects established. *Matthew 24:29, Mark 13:24-25, Joel 3:15, Zechariah 14:6-7*

THE REAL, VISIBLE, OBVIOUS COMING OF THE LORD

Matthew, 24:27, Matthew 26:64, Mark 14:62, Luke 3:6, Luke 17:24, Luke 21:27, Revelation 1:7, Revelation 19:11-16

BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

Revelation 19:19-21, Daniel 8:23-25, Haggai 2:21-23,

- ✝ **Antichrist and False Prophet** cast alive into the Lake of Fire. *Revelation 19:20*
- ✝ **Plague of Armageddon** *Zechariah 14:12-15, Revelation 19:21*
- ✝ **WINEPRESS OF THE WRATH OF GOD** *Revelation 19:15c, Revelation 14:14-20, Isaiah 63:1-6, Isaiah 34:1-4,*

GOD PRESERVES A REMNANT

Isaiah 31:4-5, Matthew 24:22, Mark 13:20

SATAN IS BOUND FOR A THOUSAND YEARS

Revelation 20:1-3

JESUS ARRIVES AT JERUSALEM

Zechariah 14:4-5, Zechariah 14:10-11

THE GREAT TRIBULATION IS ENDED