



## PROPHECY TODAY

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### *Prophecy Today 001*

## THE TIMES OF THE GENTILES

In our present age, Biblical prophecy chronicles the rise and fall of specific Gentile empires. These empires dominate world power during a period known as “the times of the Gentiles,” when those opposed to God are in control over Israel and world affairs. As we will explore in future posts, these empires rise and fall in succession, forming a body consisting of a head, arms and shoulders, torso, legs, and ten toes. When fully developed, all nations will be realigned under ten global regions, forming a global empire led by the one called the Antichrist. Through these empires, the Devil establishes his earthly kingdom: the global empire.

The Bible outlines who these empires are and when they will rise and fall. By understanding when they rise and fall, we also understand where we are on the prophetic timeline and how close we are to the arrival of the world leader known as the Antichrist and the return of Jesus, who will destroy this anti-God kingdom and establish God’s kingdom in its place.

What we refer to as the last days began with the emergence of these Gentile empires in the early 600s BC and will culminate in the final global empire sometime in our 21st century. We know we are rapidly approaching the final generation of Gentile rule as the preceding empires have already risen and fallen, the infrastructure for the final global empire is now being put into place.

In our PROPHECY TODAY posts, we will explore current events that are putting into place the final pieces for this final global empire.

Our days are short. It won’t be long before your eyes and mine see the arrival of the Antichrist and the return of Jesus. Are you ready?

### *Prophecy Today 002*

## LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR THE GLOBAL EMPIRE

In Daniel 2, God outlines the empires that lay the foundation for the establishment of the global empire. These empires are fully controlled by the Devil and is his body on earth. These empires are anti-God and have control over Israel and world affairs until this “time of the gentiles” is complete during the final generation of earth’s history (last 70 years). As we’ll explore in future posts, we are quickly approaching the end of Gentile control. These empires are:

- **Babylon** (head) - Daniel 2:32
- **Medes-Persia** (shoulders and arms) - Daniel 2:32

- **Grecian** (torso) - Daniel 2:32
- **Roman** (legs) - Daniel 2:33
- **Global empire** (ten toes) - Daniel 2:41-42

History confirms that all these empires, except for the global empire, have already risen and fallen. The global empire is currently being established. Once established, the Devil will then govern the global empire through the one called the Antichrist. This earthly body of empires is the earthly form of the Devil's true spiritual body as revealed in the following verses:

- **Revelation 12:3:** "And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads."
- **Revelation 13:1:** "And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy."

These verses show the same imagery of seven heads and ten horns, representing earthly empires and kings. This composite beast is the same dragon and beast recorded in Daniel 2 and 7:17, 20 as the ten-toed and terrible beast, the global empire.

Daniel 2 reveals the Devil's earthly body is almost complete with the final global empire now being established by the four empires identified in my next post.

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### *Prophecy Today 003*

## **THE FINAL INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE GLOBAL EMPIRE**

In Daniel 7, God reveals the empires that will establish the earth's final empire: the global government. These empires are fully controlled by the Devil, representing the body parts that set the agenda, provide leadership, and mobilize nations to fulfill the Devil's global objectives. Identified by their animal symbols, they are:

- **Lion with Eagle Wings - Dan. 7:4**  
Great Britain / United States  
Mouth of a Lion (Rev. 13:2)
- **Feet of a Bear – Dan. 7:5**  
Russia  
Feet of a Bear (Rev. 13:2)
- **Body of a Leopard – Dan. 7:6**  
Islam  
Body of a Leopard to which all nations are connected (Rev. 13:2)
- **Terrible Beast – Dan. 7:7-8**  
Global Empire  
Beast out of the sea (Rev. 13:1-2)

These empires, along with those in Daniel 2, form the Devil's global empire depicted in Revelation 13:1-2 as the beast with seven heads and ten horns. This empire is an Islamic beast with seven heads and ten horns, representing the seven empires in Daniel 2 and 7, encompassing all nations, with Islam, Russia, Great Britain, and America constituting the main body parts of this global empire.

Currently, Great Britain, the United States, Russia, and Islam are realigning all nations in cooperation with the United Nations' Agenda 2030, which includes 192 of the world's 195 nations, pledging their loyalty to the United Nations above their own countries. The main emphasis of Agenda 2030 is the cooperation of all nations to move together as one body to form the global empire. The goal is to have the infrastructure in place no later than 2030. Once established, the leadership will soon be handed over to the world leader known as the Antichrist.

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*Prophecy Today 004*

## **TIMING OF THE END**

### **THE 70 WEEKS**

In Daniel 9, the prophet Daniel prayed to understand when their captivity to the Gentile Babylonians would end. The angel Gabriel informed him that the seventy years in Babylon were at their end and they would soon be released to return to Jerusalem as God promised (Jeremiah 25:11-12; 29:10). This prophecy was fulfilled when the Persian King, Cyrus, allowed the Jews to return to Jerusalem around 538 BC.

However, the Jews would continue to be controlled by Gentile empires until God's wrath was complete. This period, known as the "Times of the Gentiles," began with the Babylonian captivity and continued through the successive empires of Medo-Persia, Greece, and Rome. Even after they returned from Babylon, Jerusalem remained under Gentile control.

The culmination of this period is marked by what we call the Great Tribulation, a time of unprecedented troubles and persecution. This period will be brought about by the world leader known as the Antichrist, who will rise to power, deceive many, and persecute believers. The Great Tribulation is characterized by severe judgments and the final battle between the Devil and God played out through the Gentile nations against God's people.

The timeframe for when this takes place is given here in Daniel 9 and is known as the 70 Weeks of Daniel. During the first 69 weeks, lasting 483 years, Jerusalem will be rebuilt until Jesus appears (9:25). After Jesus is crucified and Jerusalem and the temple are again destroyed in 70 AD (9:26); this completes 69 of the 70 weeks.

From the destruction of the temple and Jerusalem, until the world leader known as the Antichrist arrives, is called "the times of the gentiles," the time of grace, the time of harvest, and the last days. These are the times when Israel will be scattered throughout the world and Jerusalem and the temple will remain desolate until God's wrath reaches its end. We know it's now coming to an end because Israel has returned as a sovereign nation after over 2500 years of being desolate. At this time the temple has not yet been rebuilt and won't be rebuilt until the Antichrist is in authority,

confirms a seven-year treaty with Israel, rebuilds the temple, and unleashes great tribulation on God's people in the last seven years of God's wrath on His people. (9:27)

Since Israel is now a sovereign nation, anticipating the rebuilding of the temple, we know we are the final generation will see the Antichrist and his great tribulation.

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*Prophecy Today 005*

## **A REVIEW OF PREVIOUS POSTS**

Let's review what we've covered in previous posts.

**Daniel 2** revealed the empires that would dominate Jerusalem and world power from the early 600s BC to the future establishment of God's kingdom. These empires were:

- **Babylon**
- **Medo-Persia**
- **Greece**
- **Rome**
- **Final Global Empire**

**Daniel 7** revealed the empires that would dominate world power leading to the establishment of the final global empire, from which the Antichrist would emerge. These empires are:

- **Great Britain**
- **United States**
- **Russia**
- **Islam**

**Daniel 9** revealed the timeline leading to the establishment of the global empire and the rise of the world leader who will govern it. This timeline indicates that the arrival of the Antichrist will occur in our generation, for your eyes and mine to witness.

With the empires of Daniel 2 and 7 now in place, it is evident that we are living in the generation that is putting into place the final infrastructure for the global empire. The presence of these prophesied empires in our daily headlines—Great Britain, the United States, Russia, and Islam—confirms that the global empire is soon to be revealed.

The big question is: can we know how close we are?

Yes, we can. Jesus himself provided a timeline of events so we would know how close we are to the arrival of the Antichrist and the return of Jesus. What he reveals should make us all tremble. We will explore Jesus' words in our next post.

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## MATTHEW 24: THE FINAL GENERATION

As discussed in earlier posts, all the gentile empires establishing the Devil's body on earth is complete and ready to be established into one global empire, which is currently being put into place. This confirms that we are living in the last days. Jesus further affirms that not only are we in these final days, but we are also in the last seventy-year generation that will witness the Antichrist and his return, as outlined in Matthew 24. We are the generation that sets in place the final infrastructures necessary for the establishment of the final global empire.

In answer to the disciples' questions about the signs of his return and the end of our present age, Jesus revealed four distinct time periods marked by specific events. These events let us identify where we are on the prophetic timeline and which time period we are moving into. (Matthew 24:3)

The **FIRST TIME PERIOD** is referred to as those events which must take place but are not the events which confirm we are in the final generation. In other words, these are everyday events which take place throughout all generations and are identified as (24:4-6):

- **Deception**
- **Wars**
- **Rumors of wars**

The **SECOND TIME PERIOD** is referred to as the beginning of sorrows, the beginning of the great tribulation (24:8). These events confirm we have entered earth's final seventy-year generation. These events are identified as (24:7-8):

- **Nation against nation** (nation in the Greek is ethnos and refers to people groups, race, and nations in conflict with one another).
- **Kingdom against kingdom** (refers to empires like Great Britain, Russia, America, and China in war against one another as we saw with WWI and WWII. WWI was the first war that truly involved every major empire in the world).
- **Famines, disease, and earthquakes** in various places. Since the 20<sup>th</sup> Century these have increased exponentially. See my book, *COMING SOON* for further details which may be downloaded free at [hope-for-today.com](http://hope-for-today.com).

The frequency and intensity of these events on a truly global scale confirm that today we are living in the beginning of the great troubles that will soon be released on the earth by the Antichrist, also known as the great tribulation.

The **THIRD TIME PERIOD** is when all-out war takes place between Israel and her enemies. The events of this time period is when the Antichrist, known here as the "abomination of desolation," will make himself known by positioning himself in the rebuilt temple as "God" (24:15-28). Once he is revealed he will unleash all-out war against Israel making her desolate as described in Ezekiel 38. The troubles of this period are so great that if God did not intervene all people would be killed (24:15-22). During this time many will claim to be Jesus returned to the earth, but are not (24:28). This is that time known as the great tribulation. How great these troubles are is revealed in Revelation 6 in the following ways:

- **War** against Israel and throughout the world (6:2)
- **Violence and death** permeating all of society (6:3-4)
- **Hyperinflation** (6:5-6)

- **Pervasive death** brought by war, famine, disease, and animals, killing one fourth of the world's population (6:7-8)
- **Great persecution** and killing of God's people (6:9-11)

As we move closer toward the establishing of the global empire and the appearing of the Antichrist, war, violence, inflation, persecution, and death will continue to increase in frequency and intensity reaching their climax when the Antichrist is in authority.

The **FOURTH TIME PERIOD** is referred to as the time “immediately after the great tribulation” (24:29). This is when Jesus returns. Immediately before his arrival the sun and moon will stop shining and the stars will disappear. Jesus will then send his angels to gather his people to bring them to where he is. This is also known as the rapture. (24:29-31)

We are **ALMOST THERE**. We are at the end of the second time period and ready to enter the third time period. Jesus taught when we observe these things taking place we are not only near to their fulfillment, but Jesus has his hand on the doorknob ready to open the door to enter through (24:33). The generation that see these things is living in the final seventy-year generation (24:33-34). Even though we won't know the specific day or hour that Jesus returns, we will know when we are the final generation (24:36). Life will not seem much different in the final generation than in previous generations (24:38). The difference is that the pressure will be much greater, and the frequency and intensity of wars, famines, disease, and natural disasters will be much greater and more frequent. During this time Jesus encourages us to endure—hold on until either death takes us or Jesus returns (24:13; Mark 13:13).

So that we are not unaware of the times we are living in, we are to pay attention to how these events are unfolding in frequency and intensity (24:42). Knowing where we are on the prophetic timeline will keep us prepared for Jesus' return (24:43-51). Prophecy is not to be run from but embraced.

Prophetic events are given to us not so we can speculate and develop many theories, but so we can know and have full assurance of the times we are living in. This is why throughout Matthew 24 Jesus uses words such as “take heed,” “ye shall hear,” “be not troubled,” “when ye therefore shall see,” “if any man shall say unto you,” “behold, I have told you before,” “likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things,” “watch therefore,” “therefore be ye also ready” (24:4,6,15, 23 25, 33, 42, 44).

I leave you with these words from the Doctor:

“You hypocrites, you can discern the face of the sky and of the earth; but how is it that you do not discern this time?” (Luke 12:56)

Something to think about.

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*Prophecy Today 007*

## **REVELATION: THE FINAL SEVEN YEARS**

The world is currently being prepared for the arrival of the world leader known as the Antichrist. Everything is in place. The empires establishing the Devil's gentile body throughout history has all risen and fallen from power, identified in Daniel 2. The empires setting the agenda and giving the

leadership to the nations to form the final global empire is now in power, identified in Daniel 7. And the cultural and environmental environment identified in Matthew 24 are greatly increasing in frequency and intensity. Soon your eyes and mine will witness the realignment of all nations under ten global regions with the Antichrist in authority over it all.

Here in the book of Revelation we are given a picture of what Daniel 2, 7, and Matthew 24 revealed was coming: the world's final seven years when the Antichrist is in authority over the final global empire. The revelation gives us the picture of what these last seven years will look like. Unfortunately, it's not a pretty picture. The good news is, when we get through it all it will be a glorious homecoming. Hold on just a little while longer. It won't be long.

## **GREAT APOSTASY ANITCHRIST NO LONGER RESTRAINED**

It is the falling away and apostasy of God's people that creates the environment necessary for the Antichrist to rise to power. When the church is in apostasy the Holy Spirit is powerless to hold back the evil. Revelation chapters 2 and 3 is a call for the five apostate churches to repent before Jesus returns. With only two of the seven identified as remaining faithful to God and Christ indicates that the majority claiming to be Christian are no longer true Christians. The apostasy is the welcome mat welcoming the Antichrist with open arms. If we acknowledge that we are living in the end times, we must also acknowledge that the majority claiming to be Christian are no longer true Christians. That most likely includes you who are reading this post. Let's take to heart these words of the Apostle Paul:

*"Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day [day of Christ's return] shall not come, except there comes a falling away first [apostasy], and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition [the Antichrist]." (2 Thessalonians 2:3)*

## **MOTION IN HEAVEN THE ANTICHRIST APPEARS**

Nothing happens on earth until it is first acted upon by God in heaven. After the apostasy reaches its peak, God moves in chapter 4 to bring judgment upon His people before releasing His judgment on those not His people (1 Peter 4:17). Here in Chapter 4 God is confirmed as being the only one worthy to receive glory, honor, and power because He created all things for His pleasure (4:11). In His right hand He has a book of judgment (the revelation) sealed with seven seals (5:1). It is confirmed in chapter 5 that the only one worthy to unseal this book and release its judgments is Jesus, because He was the only one who died for mankind to redeem them (5:9).

When Jesus opens the first seal, the world leader we call the Antichrist is released (6:1-2). He is God's final judgment upon His people. Now released to exert his will, the Antichrist causes much trouble, known as the great tribulation. Violence permeates the entire world, and people are killed in mass (6:3-6), hyperinflation destroys the world economies (6:5-6), violence and death are so pervasive that one fourth of the world's population die (6:7-8), this includes the death of the majority of God's people through martyrdom (9-11). It is after this great tribulation that Jesus returns to unleash His judgments upon those who are not His people.

To protect His people from His judgments, God seals them with a protective seal (7:1-17). His judgements are released through the seven trumpets (8:1-9:21). When these judgments are complete, an additional one third of the world's population will be dead (9:18). Added to the one



fourth already killed, earth's population has now decreased by more than half. Consider that by today's calculations, that is more than four billion deaths in less than seven years.

## **RESPONSIBILITY OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND THE RAPTURE**

Chapters 1-9 are the main portion of the revelation before God's wrath is poured out in full force upon those not His people. Before releasing His wrath, His people—the revived Jews and Christians—are sent out to oppose the Antichrist with the power of Moses and Elijah to release Christ's judgment on the people to encourage them to repent (10-11). Instead of repentance they continue to blaspheme and reject God and His people. After preaching to the people in power and exercising God's judgment for three and a half years, God allows the people without God to martyr them (11:7-10). After remaining in the streets for three days, God raises them from the dead, this is what is commonly called the rapture (11:11-13). It is after the rapture that God's seventh and last trumpet is blown and His full, final wrath is released upon those left behind through the vial judgments (11:14-19; 15:1-16:17). When the seventh vial judgment is poured out, God's vengeance and wrath upon those against Him and His people are complete.

## **CLOSING THOUGHTS FINAL JUDGMENTS & REWARDS**

Chapters 16:18-20:1-15 details God's final judgment and wrath. Chapters 21-22 details the reward of God's people who persevere, enduring the great troubles through their patience and faith.

As with all prophecy, the revelation is not given for us to postulate and develop complex theories but given so we would know what was soon to take place and find assurance and hope in God's word as we approach and experience earth's final days.

I remind you that our present age is a great age of deception where the majority claiming to be Christian are no longer true Christians. It's now past time to take an objective deep dive look at who we really are as a Christian and whether we are truly Christian after the manner of Jesus and the disciples. Our present age demands this self-examination if we are going to get through the days ahead with faith and patience.

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