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# For some Christians, 'rapture anxiety' can take a lifetime to heal



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Some Christians develop fears related to teachings of the rapture.



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Scenes from books and films can influence people's imaginings -- and fears -- about the rapture. In the 2000 film "Left Behind," the mass disappearance of people causes widespread chaos.

"Rapture anxiety," as it is often called, is recognized by some faith experts and mental health professionals as a type of religious trauma. Darren Slade, the president and CEO of the Global Center for Religious Research, has been studying religious trauma across several faiths and denominations for years.

"This is a real thing. It's a chronic problem," he says of rapture anxiety. "This is a new area of study, but in general, our research has revealed that religious trauma leads to an increase of anxiety, depression, paranoia and even some OCD-like behaviors: 'I need to say this prayer of salvation so many times,' 'I need to confess my sins so often.'"

Jude 1:23 And others save with fear,  
pulling them out of the fire; hating  
even the garment spotted by the flesh.

# The War of Ascension II



Psalms 24:3 ¶ Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place?

# Three Battles

- **Battle of Gog and Magog** ..Ascending the land
- **Battle of Shamayim**..Ascending the congregation
- **Battle of Armageddon**.....Ascending the Mount

# The greatest remaining mysteries



- Revelation 10:1 And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud; and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire: 2 And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth: 3 And he cried with a loud voice, when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices. 4 And when I should be time no longer: 7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, **Seal up those things which God should be finished, as he hath** **voice them not** servants the prophets.

# What can we know about the Rapture ?

- Mark 13:32 But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father.
- Matthew 25:13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.
- Acts 1:6 ¶When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?
- 7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

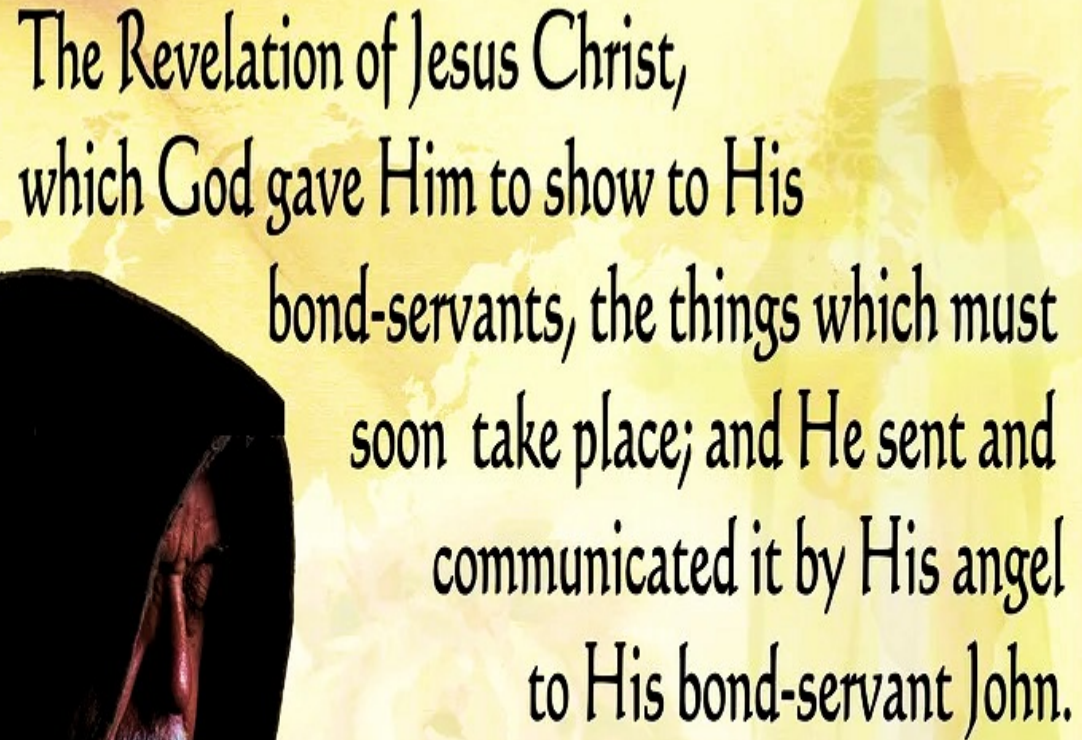


# What can we know about the Rapture ?



- 1 Thessalonians 4:15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.
- 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
- 17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

# Imminency ?



The Revelation of Jesus Christ,  
which God gave Him to show to His  
bond-servants, the things which must  
soon take place; and He sent and  
communicated it by His angel  
to His bond-servant John.

Revelation 1:1

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- 2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, **as that the day of Christ is at hand.**
- 3 ¶ Let no man deceive you by any means: **for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;**

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1 THESSALONIANS 5:3



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- 1 Thessalonians 5:1 ¶ But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.
- 2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.
- 3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.
- 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

# Jeremiah predicts



God keeps  
His  
promises.

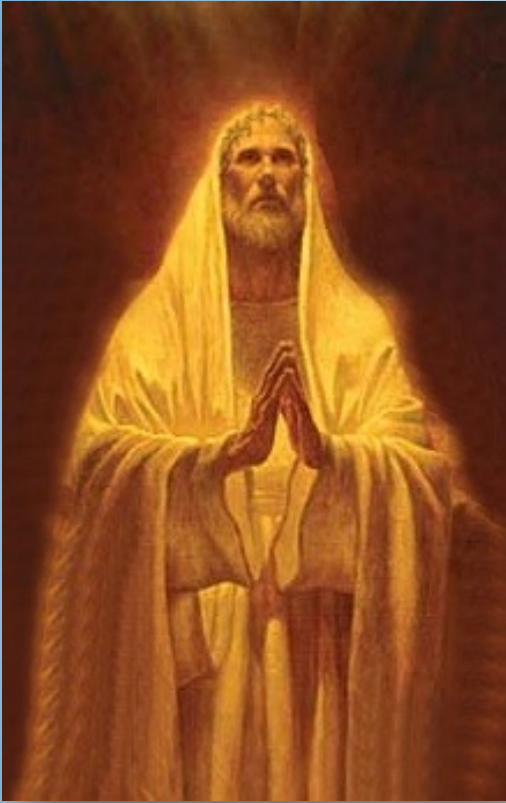
Jeremiah 29:10 For thus saith the LORD, That **after seventy years** be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.

# Daniel understands



- Daniel 9:1 ¶ In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans;
- 2 In the first year of his reign **I Daniel understood by books the number of the years**, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish **seventy years** in the desolations of Jerusalem.

# Daniels Prayer



- Daniel 9:3 And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:

4 ¶And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments;

5 We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments:

6 Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.

# Gabriel's answer



- Daniel 9:21 Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.
- 22 And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, **I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding.**

# 70 x 7 and the six-point plan !

- 1 Finish Transgression**
- 2 Put an end to Sin**
- 3 To atone for wickedness**
- 4 Bring in everlasting righteousness**
- 5 Seal up Vision & Prophecy**
- 6 Anoint the most holy**

**Daniel 9:24** "Seventy 'sevens' are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy

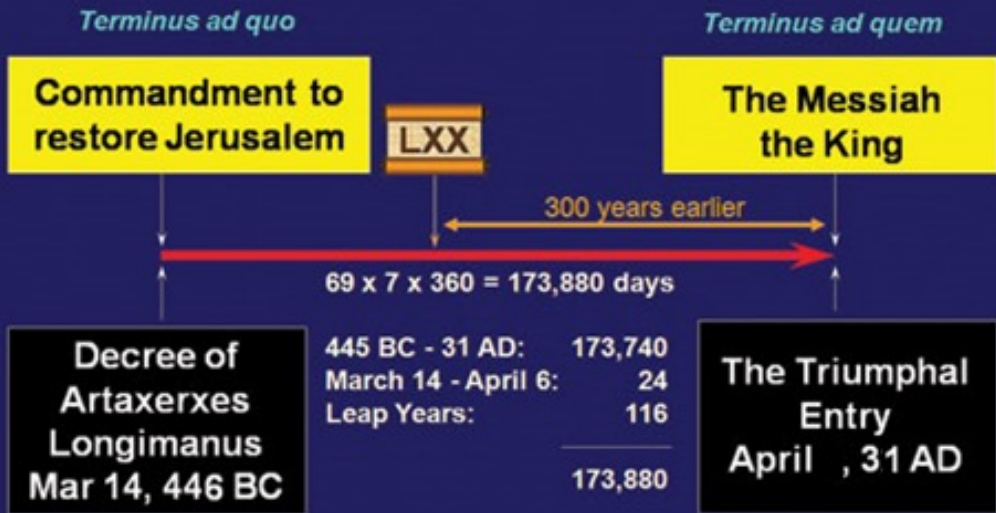


# History Foretold

- 24 "A period of seventy sets of seven has been decreed for your people and your holy city to put down rebellion, to bring an end to sin, to atone for guilt, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to confirm the prophetic vision, and to anoint the Most Holy Place.
- 25 Now listen and understand! Seven sets of seven plus sixty-two sets of seven will pass from the time the command is given to rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One comes. Jerusalem will be rebuilt with streets and strong defenses, despite the perilous times.

- 26 "After this period of sixty-two sets of seven, the Anointed One will be killed, appearing to have accomplished nothing, and a ruler will arise whose armies will destroy the city and the Temple. The end will come with a flood, and war and its miseries are decreed from that time to the very end.
- 27 He will make a treaty with the people for a period of one set of seven, but after half this time, he will put an end to the sacrifices and offerings. Then as a climax to all his terrible deeds, he will set up a sacrilegious object that causes desecration, until the end that has been decreed is poured out on this defiler."

## The 69 Weeks

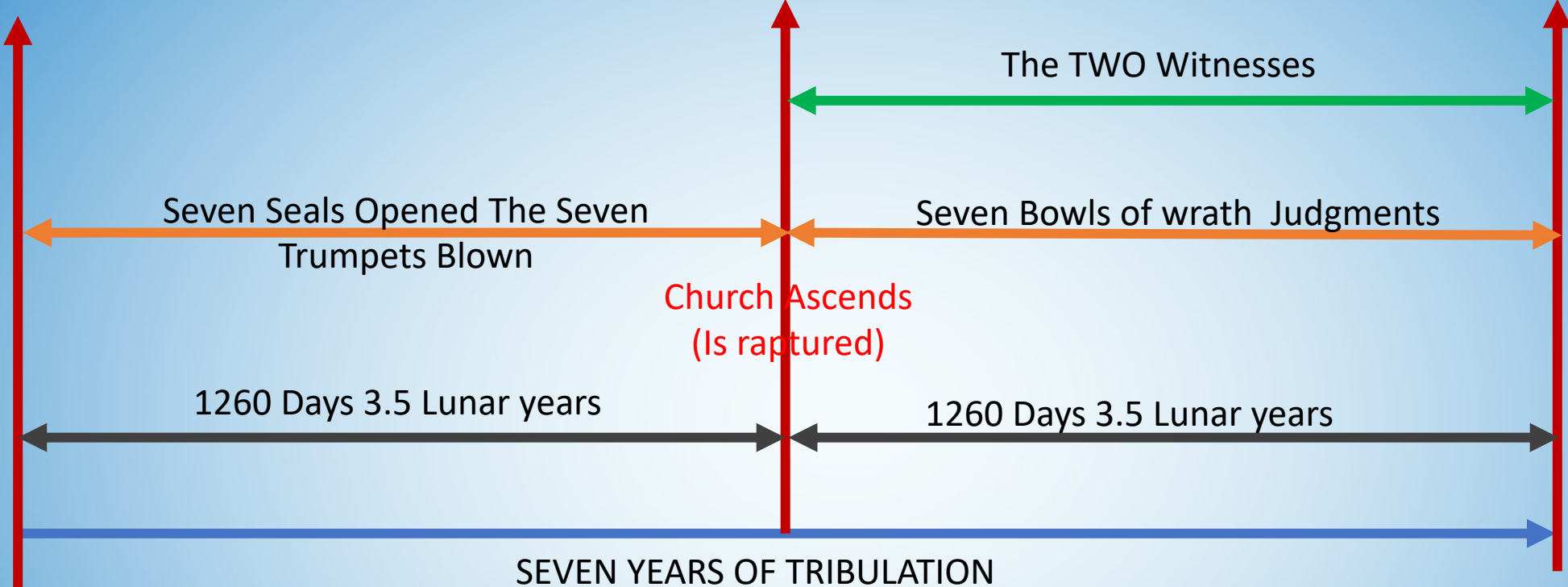


- Jewish (and Babylonian) calendars used a 360-day year; 4 69 weeks of 360-day years totals 173,880 days.
- In effect, Gabriel told Daniel that the interval between the commandment to rebuild Jerusalem until the presentation of the Messiah as King would be 173,880 days. The “Messiah the Prince” in the King James translation is actually the Meshiach Nagid, “The Messiah the King.”

Battle Of Gog & Magog

Battle of Shamayim

Battle Of Har Mageddon



Seven Seals Opened The Seven Trumpets Blown

Seven Bowls of wrath Judgments

The TWO Witnesses

1260 Days 3.5 Lunar years

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Church Ascends  
(Is raptured)

SEVEN YEARS OF TRIBULATION

Satan Attempts Ascension

Satan Cast Down Possesses Body Man of sin (anti Christ revealed)

# The beginning of the end



- Matthew 24:2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.
- 3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

## Three questions ?



1. When shall these things be
2. What shall be the sign of thy coming
3. [And the sign of ]the end of the world

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# Battle of Gog and Magog.....Ascending the land



Ezekiel 38 and 39. Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, Behold, I against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. 4 And I will turn thee back, and thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and be thou a guard unto them. 8 After many days thou shalt be visited; in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations; and they shall dwell safely all of them. 9 ***Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm,*** thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.

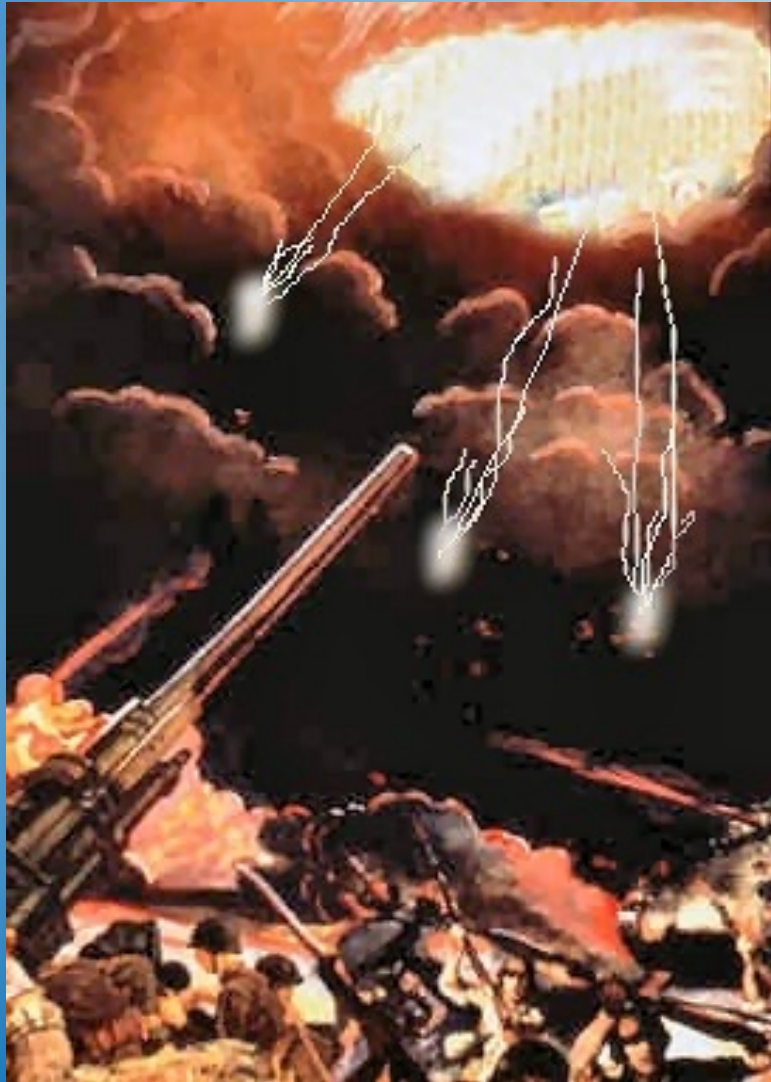
# Battle of Gog and Magog.....Ascending the land



- Using the names by which these nations were known during Biblical times, today we know these countries as Iran, Libya, Ethiopia, Egypt, Turkey and the Moslem Republics known as Magog. These will form a confederation to invade Israel and the Middle East, for the specific purpose of conquering the Jews and destroying their country. Theirs will be a religious crusade, what in Islam is called Jihad, with the sole motive of proving that the prophet Mohammed and his god Allah are superior to Moses and his God Jehovah.



# Result of Gog and Magog



2 And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, and upon the mountains of Israel.  
3 And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

Ezekiel 39:1 ¶ Therefore, thou son of man, prophesy against Gog, and Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; people that is with thee: I will give thee Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: and to the beasts of the field to be devoured.

# The Beast that was ?

## The beginning of the battle of shamayim



- Revelation 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; **and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit**, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.
- Revelation 17:11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

# The Beast that was ?

(The beginning of the battle of shamayim)  
the Rise of the Son of Perdition



- John 17:12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, ***but the son of perdition;*** that the scripture might be fulfilled.
- Luke 22:3 Then entered ***Satan into Judas*** surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of the twelve.
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- Acts 1:24 And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen,
- 25 That he may take part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, **that he might go to his own place.**

## The Beast that was ? the Rise of the Son of Perdition



- Revelation 13:11 ¶ And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.
- 13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,
- 14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

# Battle of Ascension...

## Ascending the Congregation



- Revelation 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

# Battle of Armageddon....

## Ascending the mount



- Har Megiddo... The Mount of Megiddo
- Revelation 16:16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

# “Destroy With The Brightness Of His Coming!”



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- 3 ¶ Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
- 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.
- 5 Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?
- 6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.
- 7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.
- 8 **And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:**