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INTRODUCTION

The Book of II EZDRAS, is in my opinion, one of the most interesting of the Apocryphal books, that I have had the privilege of studying. Why? Because this book is, in few words, both *miraculous, supernatural & inspiring!* Contrary to what others have stated, I believe that this book is an accurate account given by God to Ezra, through His angel Uriel. It is stated to Ezra by God Himself, that he alone would see the visions that he saw.

Il Ezdras 8.61 "I have not shown this to all men, but only to you and a few like you."

Enoch 19.3 "And I Enoch alone saw the vision, the ends of all things; and no man shall see as I have seen."

The Book of II Ezdras, was originally written about 2500 years ago, or between the 5th and 6th centuries BCE. I propose, that unfortunately in our modern times, many Christians are conditioned by "the traditions of the churches", only to believe the easy to believe topics, and most people do not embrace the truly miraculous, which used to be much more accepted in the "less enlightened days" of man's wisdom.

I am reminded of the cryptic bible verse: **1CO.2:14** 'But the natural man receives not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned'.

I have heard writers dismiss the 'Book of II Ezdras', saying that it sounds too much like the New Testament, and wasn't written by Ezra, but by the Christians in around 90 AD, impersonating Ezra. However, after close scrutiny of the book, one is quickly shown, that that is clearly not the case, and that the Ezra mentioned in the bible, who lived from circa 550 to 450 BCE, is indeed the same person who wrote II Ezdras.

This is very often the modern way, i.e. scepticism, unbelief and taking things apart, instead of having simple faith." Another bible verse comes to mind: "I fear lest by any means, even as Eve was corrupted by the Serpent, through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ" (Colossians 2.8) Those who write sceptically about the book of II Ezdras, *obviously have not taken the time, to really study what Ezra was saying.* It also takes faith in God to understand it.

As mentioned before, it becomes apparent in reading the **Book of II Ezdras** and other **Apocryphal books**, that most of the information given *is most definitely inspired by God*.

2PE.1:20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any

private interpretation.

2PE.1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

THE APOCRYPHAL BOOKS

The Apocrypha is a selection of books which were published in the original 1611 King James Bible.

These apocryphal books were positioned between the Old and New Testament (it also contained maps and genealogies). The Apocrypha was a part of the KJV for 274 years until being removed in 1885 A.D. A portion of these books were called deuterocanonical books by some, such as the Catholic church.

Others believe it is valid scripture, and that it **should never have been removed**- that it was considered part of the Bible for nearly 2,000 years before it was recently removed a little more than 100 years ago.

Some say it was removed because of not finding the books in the original Hebrew manuscripts.

The word 'Apocrypha' " means 'hidden.'

Fragments of Dead Sea Scrolls dating back to before 70 A.D. contained parts of the apocrypha books in Hebrew, including, Enoch, Sirach and Tobit.

Here is a list of all 15 of the Apocryphal books, which used to be included in the King James bible until 1885:

1 Esdras; <u>2 Esdras</u>; Tobit; Judith; Additions to Esther; Wisdom of Solomon; Ecclesiaticus; Baruch; Letter of Jeremiah; Prayer of Azariah; Susanna; Bel and the Dragon; Prayer of Manasseh; 1 Maccabees; 2 Maccabees

I am also convinced that certain books were *black-listed* in the past, because of the content. In the case of the book of II Ezdras, it was because it clearly prophesied about JESUS centuries in advance of His '1ST Coming' and also foretold his death.

Both the Book of II Ezdras & the Book of Enoch, one around 2500 years ago and the other around 5000 years ago, were given in visions and dreams, and brought to firstly Enoch and then Ezra by the same Arch-Angel or otherwise known as, one of the angels of the Presence of God, called Uriel, or as sometimes called in Jewish writings, Ariel.

Studying the Books of both Ezra and Nehemiah in the Bible completely confirm this book of 'II EZDRAS' authenticity and its time period of having been written around the 5th to the 6th centuries BCE. **Concerning other non-canonical books:** The fact is that the early

Christians all referred to the "Book of Enoch" and the 'Septuagint' version of the Old Testament. The Septuagint version of the Old Testament is more revealing and has more details of events than the King James version of the Bible.

Who would not want books such as both the 'Book of II Ezdras', & the 'Book of Enoch' available to the public?

I would venture to guess those who are not in favour of Christianity. These ancient texts prophesied directly about Jesus, proving that He was in fact the *Saviour* hundreds, and even thousands of years before he was actually born on earth.

Some facts about the book of 'EZDRAS insights'

There are 16 chapters in the Book of 'II Ezdras'. This book can still be found in the Eastern Orthodox Bible. The content of this intriguing book, is jam-packed with very interesting visions about Zion, & The Bride, The Coming Messiah, descriptions of the Wrath of God & a 3 Headed Eagle. There is even an amazing prophecy in II Ezdras, about the birth and death of Jesus the Messiah, 400 years before it even happened! Although even this key information, somebody has deliberately been trying to hide, as you will see when you read this book 'EZDRAS insights'. God reveals a lot of information in this book, and that is most probably the reason why this book has been largely 'hidden away' from the sight of most people. Why? Because it reveals too many facts that certain powerful people, do not want the masses to know about or believe in. Another unusual topic is that Chapter 4, as well as some other chapters, strongly allude to the earth being hollow!

FORMAT OF THIS BOOK

- i) I have typed a chapter of the 'Book of II Ezdras', and included in each chapter my commentaries, which are just that: my opinions, speculations and theories, which are gleaned from much study of the subject matter. Most, if not all of which, could prove to be true, and are written with the express intention to motivate the reader to do a more thorough investigation for him or herself, to prove whether correct or not, as I am sure that some of the ideas, speculations and conjecture will be quite far out there, to some people.
- ii) I have also put cross-references to the Bible, and other Apocryphal books where appropriate.
- iii) I decided to give *titles to each chapter* in order to give some idea of their content although there are often many more important exciting and interesting subjects, contained in each chapter, than just what the title

of each chapter alludes to.

- iv) The first 'comment' in each chapter, will be noted as being 'Comment:1:' & then C.2, C.3, etc. The original Text from the 'Book of II Ezdras', is in slightly larger text than either my 'comments' or the 'Bible verses'. Three different types of typing text are used. One for the original text, and another type of writing for my comments, and yet another for the bible verses.
- v) The longest commentaries and conclusions are in the 'APPENDICES' of this book of which there are around 20. The **Appendix** also gives the web source material references.

SETTING THE SCENE:

The scene of this book, is set from around 550 BCE, and scans a period until around 460 BCE, whilst Jerusalem had been destroyed and the Jews taken captive by Babylon in 589 BCE, the ruling world Empire. During Ezra's life, Babylon was destroyed by the next world empire Medio-Persia in 538 BCE. Ezra, was the spiritual leader of Israel at the time, a nation under the bondage of Medio-Persia.

SYNOPSIS OF THIS BOOK

This book starts out in chapter 1, with God's lament at the condition of Israel, due to their disobedience. Chapter 2, is often referred to as 'The calling of the Bride'.

It is also here where Ezra calls on God to give answers as to why Israel has been abandoned by God.

It is important to see the difference between the legalism of the Old Testament and the 'freedom of spirit' afforded by the New Testament. As it states clearly in John 1.17 'The law came by Moses, but Grace and Truth by Jesus Christ.

This is personified through this book in chapter two with two women. One 'Zion', and the other 'the Bride'. God is calling His people to become 'part of His bride', and not to be bound by the laws of man's religions.

Chapter 3, talks about the desolation of Zion, then in chapter 4, we are introduced to one of God's archangels, namely Uriel or also known as Ariel; and we hear about the earth being 'hollow'. In chapter 5, 'Great Confusion and Terror' are described for the Last Days.

In Chapter 6, it talks about the Creation. In chapter 7 The Messiah is prophesied as coming. In chapter 8, God explains how the earth life is for the many, and Heaven for the few.

Chapter 9) Talks about Salvation. Chapter 10) A vision of Zion as a

beautiful woman & as a large city. Chapter 11) Vision of a 3 Headed Eagle. Chapter 12) The Lion Of Judah 13) Talking about the 'Son of God' 14) Times Of The Ages *or* Signs Of The Times. 15) The Wrath Of God 16) Babylon The Great.

THE BOOK OF 2ND EZDRAS

CHAPTER 1

1 The second book of the prophet Ezra, son of Seraiah, son of Azariah, son of Hilkiah, son of Shallum, son of Zadok, son of Ahitub, son of Ahijah, son of Phinehas, son of Eli, son of Amariah, son of Aziah, son of Marimoth, son of Arna, son of Uzzi, son of Borith, son of Abishua, son of Phinehas, son of Eleazar, son of Aaron, of the tribe of Levi, who was a captive in the country of the Medes in the reign of Artaxerxes, king of the Persians.

Comment:1: According to the bible this happened in 457 BCE, and is also written about in the Book of EZRA Chapter 7.1)

- 2 The Word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Go and declare to my people their evil deeds, and to their children the iniquities which they have committed against me, so that they may tell their children's children, that the sins of the parents have increased in them, for they have forgotten me and have offered sacrifices to strange gods."
- 3 Was it not I who brought them out of the land of Egypt out of the house of bondage? But they have angered me and despised my counsels.
- 4 Pull out the hair of your head and hurl all evils upon them, for they have not obeyed my law. They are a rebellious people. How long shall I endure them on whom I have bestowed such great benefits?'
- **1SA.15:23** For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.
- 5 For their sake I have overthrown many kings. I struck down Pharaoh with his servants, and all his army. I have destroyed all nations before them and scattered in the east the people of two provinces, Tyre and Sidon. I have slain all of their enemies.
- 6 But speak to them and say, thus says the Lord, "Surely it was I who brought you through the sea and made safe highways for you where there was no road and gave you Moses as leader and Aaron as priest.

- 7 I provided light for you from a pillar of fire and did great wonders among you. Yet you have forgotten me says the Lord."
- 8 Thus says the Almighty, "The quails were a sign to you. I gave you camps for your protection, and in them you complained. You have not exulted in my name at the destruction of your enemies, but to this day you still complain."
- 9 Where are the benefits which I bestowed on you? When you were hungry and thirsty in the wilderness, did you not cry out to me, saying, "Why hast thou led us into this wilderness to kill us? It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in this wilderness."
- 10 I pitied your groanings and gave you manna for food. You ate the bread of angels. When you were thirsty, did I not cleave the rock so that the waters flowed in abundance? Because of the heat, I covered you with the leaves of trees.
- 11 I divided fertile lands among you. I drove out the Canaanites, the Perizzites, and the Philistines before you. What more can I do for you, says the Lord?
- 12 Thus says the Lord Almighty, "When you were in the wilderness at the bitter stream, thirsty and blaspheming my name. I did not send fire upon you for your blasphemies but threw a tree into the water and made the stream sweet.
- 13 What shall I do to you O Jacob? You would not obey me O Judah. I will turn to other nations and will give them my name, that they may keep my statutes. Because ye have forsaken me, I also will forsake you. When you beg for mercy of me, I will show no mercy.
- 14 When you call upon me, I will not listen to you. For you have defiled your hands with blood, and your feet are swift to commit murder. It is not as though you had forsaken me but ye have forsaken yourselves, says the Lord."
- 15 Thus says the Lord Almighty, "Have I not entreated you as a father

entreats his sons or a mother her daughters or a nurse her children; that you should be my people and I should be your God, and that you should be my sons and I should be your father?

16 I gathered you as a hen gathers her brood under her wings. But now, what shall I do to you? I will cast you out of my presence. When you offer oblations to me, I will turn my face from you, for I have rejected your feast days, and new moons, and circumcisions of the flesh.

MAT.23:37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that kills the prophets, and stones them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathers her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

17 I sent you my servants the prophets, but you have taken and slain them, and torn their bodies in pieces. Their blood will I require of you, says the Lord."

MAT.23:34 Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and some of them ye shall kill and crucify; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city:

MAT.23:35 That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar.

HEB.11:3-8 They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented; Of whom the world was not worthy.

18 Thus says the Almighty, your house is desolate. I will drive you out as the wind drives straw and your sons will have no children, because with you they have neglected my commandments and have done evil in my sight.

MAT.23:38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

19 I will give your houses to a people that will come, who without having heard me will believe. Those to whom I have shown no signs, will do what I have commanded. They have seen no prophets yet will recall their former estate.

HOS.3:5 Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.

20 I call to witness the gratitude of the people that is to come, whose children rejoice with gladness, though they do not see me with bodily eyes, yet with the spirit they will believe the things I have said.

JOH.20:29 Jesus says unto him, 'Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed'.

- 21 And now father, look with pride and see the people coming from the east.
- 22 To them I will give as leaders Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and Hosea and Amos and Micah and Joel and Obadiah and Jonah and Nahum and Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi, who is also called the messenger of the Lord.
- C.2 All of these mentioned in verse 22, (apart from Abraham and his sons), were what are called in the bible as the *minor prophets*, & had already been on earth before the time of Ezra. Ezra knew some of them or had certainly heard of them such as Haggai and Zechariah. Ezra lived to be very old and lived from around 550 BCE until 450 BCE. He was one of the last of the prophets that are mentioned in the bible. Only Malachi is mentioned in the bible as having lived in a later time in the year 397 BCE. Why the *major prophets* were *not mentioned* in this above verse, remains a mystery. Here below I have listed first the *minor prophets* mentioned in the above verse, and for convenience the *major prophets* and their timeframe as well.

MINOR PROPHETS	MAJOR PROPHETS		
Jonah 862 BCE			
Joel 800 BCE			
Amos 787 BCE			
Hosea 785 BCE			
Micah 750 BCE	Isaiah	760 BCE	
Nahum 713 BCE			
Zephaniah 630 BCE	Jeremiah	629 BCE	
Habakkuk 626 BCE	Ezekiel	595 BCE	
Obadiah 587 BCE	Daniel	590 BCE	
Haggai 520 BCE			
Zechariah 520 BCE			
Malachi 397 BCE			

CHAPTER 2

1 Thus says the Lord, "I brought this people out of bondage, and I gave them commandments through my servants the prophets, but they would not listen to them and made my counsels void."

NEH.9:30 Yet many years didst thou forbear them and testified against them by thy spirit in thy prophets: yet would they not give ear: Therefore, gave thou them into the hand of the people of the lands.

2 The mother who bore them says to them, "Go my children because I am a widow and forsaken. I brought you up with gladness but with mourning and sorrow I have lost you, because you have sinned before the Lord God and have done what is evil in my sight."

BARUCH 4.12 "Let no man rejoice over me, a widow, and forsaken of many, who for the sins of my children am left desolate; because they departed from the law of God."

3 But now what can I do for you? For I am a widow and forsaken. Go my children and ask for mercy from the Lord. I call upon you father as a witness in addition to the mother of the children, because they would not keep my covenant.

Comment:1: This woman mentioned here is ZION personified, as also shown in much more detail later in this book in chapters 9-10.

4 That you may bring confusion upon them and bring their mother to ruin, so that they may have no offspring. Let them be scattered among the nations, and let their let their name be blotted out from the earth, because they have despised my covenant.

EZE.6:8 Yet will I leave a remnant, that ye may have some that shall escape the sword among the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries.

MAT.23:38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

MAT.21:43 Therefore say I unto you, 'The kingdom of God shall be taken from you and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.'

5 Woe to you Assyria, who conceal the unrighteous in your midst! 'O wicked nation, remember what I did to Sodom and Gomorrah, whose land lies in lumps of pitch and heaps of ashes. So, will I do to those who

have not listened to me, says the Almighty'.

- **GEN.19:24** Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven;
- **GEN.19:25** And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground.
- 6 Thus says the Lord to Ezra, "Tell my people that I will give them the kingdom of Jerusalem which I was going to give to Israel. Moreover, I will take back to myself their glory, which I prepared for Israel, and will give to these others the everlasting habitations, which I had prepared for Israel.
- **LUK.13:28** There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out.

C.2 "Tell my people"

Here God is talking about TRUE ISRAEL, not those of the flesh, or from the nation of Israel, but those who are born again, and thus become true Israel or 'THE BRIDE of CHRIST', through receiving Jesus Christ as their saviour:

- **JOH.3:3** Jesus answered and said unto him, 'Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Jesus spoke this to Nicodemus, a ruler in Israel:
- **JOH.3:10** Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and know not these things?'
- **ROM.2:28** For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:
- **ROM.2:29** But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.
- **2CO.5:17** Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.
- 7 The tree of life shall give them the fragrant perfume and they shall neither toil or become weary.
- 8 Ask and you will receive. Pray that your days may be few and shortened. The kingdom is already prepared for you, watch!
- 9 Call, O call heaven and earth to witness, for I left out evil and created

good, because I live says the Lord.

JAM.1:13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempts he any man:

10 Mother embrace your sons, for I have chosen you, says the Lord; and I will raise up the dead from their places, and bring them out of their tombs, because I recognize my name in them.

C.3 "Mother embrace your sons, for I have chosen you" She is the BRIDE of CHRIST and the chosen one of God. Some call this section the "Calling of the Bride".

JOH.15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

MAT.27:52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

MAT.27:53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

C.4 This section of verses 10-20 is referred to as **THE CALL OF THE BRIDE**. (See **APPENDIX**)

11 Do not fear mother of sons, for I have chosen you says the Lord. I will send you help, my servants Isaiah and Jeremiah. According to their counsel, I have consecrated and prepared for you twelve trees loaded with various fruits; and the same number of springs flowing with milk and honey, and seven high mountains on which roses and lilies grow. By these I will fill your children with joy.

REV.22:2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

C.5 'seven high mountains on which roses and lilies grow'

Book of Enoch: 17.6,8: And I proceeded and saw a place which burns night and day, where there were 'seven mountains' of magnificent stones. The middle one reached to heaven like the throne of God of alabaster, and the summit of the throne was of sapphire.

12 Guard the right of the widow, secure justice for the fatherless, give to the needy, defend the orphan, clothe the naked, care for the injured and the weak, do not ridicule a lame man, protect the maimed, and let

the blind man have a vision of my splendor.

- MAT.7:12 Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.
- 13 Protect the old and young within your walls. When you find any who are dead, commit them to the grave and mark it, and I will give you the first place in my resurrection.
- **C.6** In ancient times under some of the world empires, such as Assyria, the rulers had little or no regard for the lives of the subjugated races, and sometimes they tortured or killed them and left their bodies to rot tied to a wall or fence. God obviously believed in a correct type of burial for his people. You can read about this exact situation in the Book of TOBIAS:
- **TOBIAS 1.17** "And if I saw any of my nation dead, or cast about the walls of Nineveh, I buried him."
- 14 Pause and be quiet, my people because your rest will come. Good nurse nourish your sons, and strengthen their feet.
- **ISA.30:15** For thus says the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ye would not.
- **PRO.22:6** Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.
- 15 Not one of the servants whom I have given you will perish, for I will require them from among your number.
- 16 Do not be anxious, for when the day of tribulation* and anguish comes, others shall weep and be sorrowful, but you shall rejoice and have abundance.
- 17 The nations shall envy you, but they shall not be able to do anything against you, says the Lord.
- **ZEC.2:8** For thus says the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that touches you, touches the apple of his eye.
- 18 My hands shall cover you that your sons may not see Gehenna. Rejoice, O mother with your sons, because I will deliver you says the Lord.

- **PSA.91:1** He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 19 Remember your sons that sleep, because I will bring them out of the hiding places of the earth, and will show mercy to them, for I am merciful, says the Lord Almighty.
- **Enoch 22.2-3** Then Raphael answered, one of the holy angels' 'These Hollow places deep and wide and smooth and dark to look at, have been created for this purpose: that the spirits of the souls of the dead should assemble therein.
- 20 Embrace your children until I come, and proclaim mercy to them, because my springs run over, and my grace will not fail.
- **2CO.12:9** And he said unto me, 'My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.'
- 21 I, Ezra, received a command from the Lord on Mount Horeb to go to Israel. When I came to them, they rejected me and refused the Lord's commandment.
- 22 Therefore I say to you, 'O nations that hear and understand, 'Await your shepherd. He will give you everlasting rest, because he who will come at the end of the age is close at hand.'
- **C.7** Here it couldn't be clearer that "Await your shepherd." is an expression that is clearly talking about Jesus, as mentioned in John chapter 10:
- **JOH.10:7** Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.
- **JOH.10:8** All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them
- **JOH.10:9** I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be <u>saved</u>, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.
- **C.8** 'The age is close at hand'. Ezra lived in the 2nd Age. The first Age was from Creation to the Great Flood. The 2nd Age was from the Flood until Christ. The 3rd Age is the Age from Christ's 1st Coming until His 2nd Coming. The Age in which Ezra lived, lasted for approximately 2500 years. He himself lived around 400+ years before the Coming of Christ. So, in speaking to Ezra, the angel is telling him, that the Age in which he was living, would soon come to an end in just another 400 years.

God specifically talks about these 400 years until the 'coming of His Son the

Messiah', in chapter 7 of this book. (See Appendix for Age Time Charts)

- 23 Be ready for the rewards of the kingdom, because the eternal light will shine upon you for evermore. Flee from the shadow of this age, receive the joy of your glory. I publicly call on my Savior to witness.
- **C.9** What a wonderful promise for all of our futures: 'Be ready for the rewards of the kingdom, because the eternal light will shine upon you for evermore.' The key here is 'Be ready!' An appropriate adjoining word, would be watch!
- MAR.13:37 And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.
- **MAT.24:44** Therefore *be* ye also *ready*: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.
- MAT.25:13 *Watch* therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.
- **C.10** 'I publicly call on my <u>Savior</u> to witness.' Here Ezra knows and acknowledges that he is being told about the coming Messiah, and so wants to proclaim this fact unto all.
- 24 Receive what the Lord has entrusted to you and be joyful, giving thanks to him who has called you to heavenly kingdoms. Rise and stand, and see at the feast of the Lord the number of those who have been sealed.*
- **C.11** Here Ezra is his telling people to 'Receive what the Lord has entrusted to you and be joyful'. In other words, believe in the promises concerning the coming Messiah, & also in these words that I am currently telling you, because the Messiah is soon to come.

'Rise and stand'. Ezra is stating here, 'stand up and pay attention as to who is invited to the Feast of the Lord', or what today we call the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.

- 'See at the feast of the Lord, the number of those who have been sealed'. This is quite outstanding, as it is prophesying about 'those who have been sealed', which wasn't shown until 90 AD, by John in the Book of Revelation:
- **REV.7:2** 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,
- **REV.7:3** Saying, 'Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads'.
- **REV.7:4** 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.

25 Those who have departed from the shadow of this age have received glorious garments from the Lord. Take again your full number, O Zion, and conclude the list of your people who are clothed in white, who have fulfilled the law of the Lord **

26 The number of your children, whom you desired, is full. Beseech the Lord's power, that your people, who have been called from the beginning, may be holy"

REV.7:4 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.

27 I, Ezra, saw on Mount Zion a great multitude, which I could not number, and they were praising the Lord with songs. In their midst was a young man of great stature, taller than any of the others, and on the head of each of them he placed a crown, but he was more exalted then they. And I was held spellbound. *

REV.14:1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

REV.7:4 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.

REV.7:10 And cried with a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation to our God which sits upon the throne, and unto the Lamb'.

28 Then I asked the angel, "Who are these my lord?" He answered and said to me, "These are they who have put off mortal clothing and have put on the immortal, and they have confessed the name of God. Now they are being crowned and receive palms."

REV.7:9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and *palms in their hands*.

29 Then I said to the angel, "Who is that young man who placed crowns on them and puts palms in their hands?" He answered and said to me, "He is the Son of God, whom they confessed in the world." So, I began to praise those who had stood valiantly for the name of the Lord. *

ENOCH 48.2 'And at that hour that 'Son of Man' was named in the presence of the Lord of Spirits, and his name before the Head of Days.

DAN.7:13 'I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the 'Son of man' came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.'

REV.7:13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, what are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?

REV.7:14 And I said unto him, Sir, you know. And he said to me, 'these are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

REV.7:15 Therefore are they before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sits on the throne shall dwell among them.

REV.7:16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

REV.7:17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

30 Then the angel said to me, "Go, tell my people how great and many are the wonders of the Lord God which you have seen."

CHAPTER 3

1 In the thirtieth year after the destruction of our city, I Salathiel, who am also called Ezra, was in Babylon. I was troubled as I lay on my bed, and my thoughts welled up in my heart, because I saw the desolation of Zion and the wealth of those who lived in Babylon.

Comment:1: Ezra states in this verse, that he is living in Babylon, and that it is now 30 years since the destruction of his city of *Jerusalem*, which happened in 589 BCE. It would thus appear that he was writing in 559 B.C.E. or thereabouts.

- 2 My spirit was greatly agitated, and I began to speak anxious words to the Most High and said, "O Sovereign Lord, didst thou not speak at the beginning when thou didst form the earth and that without help, and didst command the dust.
- 3 And it gave thee Adam, a lifeless body? Yet he was the workmanship of thy hands, and thou didst breathe into him the breath of life, and he was made alive in thy presence.
- 4 And thou didst lead him into the garden which thy right hand had planted before the earth appeared.
- 5 And thou didst lay upon him one commandment of thine, but he transgressed it, and immediately thou didst appoint death for him and for his descendants. From him there sprang nations and tribes, peoples, and clans without number.
- 6 And every nation walked after its own will and did ungodly things before thee and scorned thee, and thou did not hinder them.
- 7 But again, in its time thou didst bring the flood upon the inhabitants of the world and destroyed them, and the same fate befell them. As death came upon Adam, so the flood upon them.
- 8 But thou didst leave them one, Noah with his household, and all the righteous who have descended from him.

- 9 When those who dwelt on earth began to multiply, they produced children and peoples and many nations, and again they began to be more ungodly than were their ancestors; and when they were committing iniquity before thee, thou didst choose for thyself one of them whose name was Abraham; and thou didst love him, and to him only didst thou reveal the end of the times secretly by night.
- 10 Thou didst make with him an everlasting covenant and promised him that thou would never forsake his descendants, and thou gave to him Isaac and to Isaac, thou gave Jacob and Esau; and thou didst set apart Jacob for thyself, but Esau thou didst reject; and Jacob became a great multitude.
- 11 And when thou didst lead his descendants out of Egypt, thou didst bring them to Mount Sinai, thou didst bend down the heavens and shake the earth, and move the world, and make the depths to tremble, and trouble the times.
- 12 And thy Glory passed through the four gates of fire and earthquake and wind and ice, to give the law to the descendants of Jacob, and thy commandments to the posterity of Israel, yet thou didst not take away from them their evil heart, so that thy law might bring forth fruit in them.
- **C.2** Four Gates of fire, earthquake, wind and ice. Are these 4 powers the powers behind creation? This is a mystery worth investigating more. Why should God have to pass through these 4 gates or portals in order to give the law to the descendants of Jacob? (See **Appendix II** for more on this topic.)
- 13 For the first Adam, burdened with an evil heart, transgressed, and was overcome, as were also all who were descended from him, thus the disease became permanent. The law was in the people's heart along with the evil root, but what was good departed, and the evil remained.
- 14 So the times passed, and the years were completed, and thou didst raise up for thyself a servant, named David; and thou didst command him to build a city for thy name, and in it to offer thee oblations from what is thine.
- C.3 This is talking about king David who lived around 1000 BCE.

15 This was done for many years, but the inhabitants of the city transgressed, in everything doing as Adam and all his descendants had done, for they also had the evil heart.

JER.17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

16 So thou didst deliver the city into the hands of thy enemies. Then I said in my heart, Are the deeds of those who inhabit Babylon any better? Is that why she has gained dominion over Zion?

17 For when I came here I saw ungodly deeds without number, and my soul has seen many sinners during these thirty years, and my heart failed me. For I have seen how thou dost endure those who sin, and hast spared those who act wickedly, and has destroyed thy people, and hast preserved thy enemies.

C.4 Here Ezra states, that he has been around for at least 30 years, so apparently, he was born before the destruction of Jerusalem in 589 BCE. He obviously lived to be very old, as he was still alive in the next century in the reign of Artaxerxes in 490 BCE. This is a mystery, as to how Ezra could have lived so long, as to have been born in Jerusalem before Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon besieged and destroyed Jerusalem in 589 BCE, and yet Ezra was seemingly still around and very active in the next century? (See **APPENDIX** for more on this interesting topic)

18 And hast not shown to anyone how thy way may be comprehended. Are the deeds of Babylon better than those of Zion, or has another nation known thee besides Israel? Or what tribes have so believed thy covenants as these tribes of Jacob?

19 Yet their reward has not appeared, and their labor had borne no fruit. For I have travelled widely among the nations and have seen that they abound in wealth, though they are unmindful of thy commandments.

20 Now therefore weigh in a balance our iniquities and those of the inhabitants of the world and so it will be found which way the turn of the scale will incline? When have the inhabitants of the earth not sinned in thy sight? Or what nation has kept thy commandments so well? Thou mayest indeed find individual men who have kept they commandments,

but a nation thou will not find."

C.5 This last verse seems pretty arrogant of Ezra, and immediately sparks quite a well-deserved & sharp rebuttal from the angel. It is indeed foolish to think that one fully understands the ways of God, or even worse, to start telling God how he should do things!

ROM.11:34 For who hath known the mind of the Lord? Or who hath been his counsellor?

- **C.6 BABYLON** was totally destroyed, and left without inhabitant, as prophesied by the prophet Jeremiah in **538 B.C.E**. [See **Jeremiah** Chapter 51]
- **C.7** The fact that Ezra states that he was in Babylon, thirty years after the destruction of Jerusalem, and long before Babylon was totally destroyed, would lend credence to the fact that this **book of II Ezdras** was indeed *written by Ezra himself* and not much later in time, as some have suggested.

CHAPTER 4

1 Then the angel that was sent to me, whose name was Uriel answered and said unto me, "Your understanding has utterly failed regarding this world, and do you think you can comprehend the way of the Most High?"

2 Then I said, "Yes, my lord." And he replied to me, "I have been sent to show you three ways, and to put before you three problems, if you can solve one of them for me, I also will show you the way you desire to see, and I will teach you why the heart is evil.

JER.17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Comment:1: Here initially, Ezra is over-confident, but eventually learns to humble himself much more, in spite of the terrible ordeal that he was going through at that time around 450-550 BCE, in seeing the great suffering of his own people in bondage, first in Babylon then under the Empire of the Medes and Persians.

3 I said, "Speak on my lord." And he said unto me, "Go weigh for me the weight of fire, or measure for me a measure of wind, or call back for me the day that is past."

C.2 "Call back for me the day that is past" The angel deliberately asks him some rhetorical questions that Ezra couldn't possibly answer. Why? It is very similar to the Book of Job, when after Job had suffered terribly in horrible affliction, suddenly God appeared out of a whirlwind, and also asked Job similar rhetorical questions. The reason God did this, was to humble them, as they both were pretty perfect from their youth, but which perfection didn't mean they could be cocky before God's angel, or even God himself, so initially God had to humble both of them.

JOB.38:1 Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind...

JOB.38:4 Where was thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.

JOB.38:5 Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou know? or who hath stretched the line upon it?

JOB.38:6 Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;

- 4 I answered and said, "Who of those that have been born can do this, that you ask me concerning these things?"
- 5 And he said to me, 'If I had asked you, how many dwellings are in the heart of the sea, or how many streams are at the source of the deep, or how many streams are above the firmament, or which are the exits of hell, or which are the entrances of paradise?
- **C.3** "How many dwellings are in the heart of the sea"? I never knew that there were people living on the bottom of the sea?! What then could it mean? As you read through this book, you will see that Ezra, like Enoch of old, before him, alludes to the idea that the earth is actually *hollow*, and has both seas and lands and dwelling places under our oceans on the other side of the thin crust of the earth, and upside down relative to us.
- ² "How many streams are at the source of the deep" It was only discovered 30 years ago, that there are indeed, streams of waters coming out of the floors of the oceans.

³"How many streams are above the firmament" This reminds me of Genesis:

Genesis 7:11" In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened."

It is very interesting that God mentions "streams above the firmament" as before the Flood there was apparently a canopy of water surrounding the earth, which protected the earth, and gave the earth a uniform balmy temperature just like a greenhouse.

- ⁴ "Exits of hell" As fantastic a subject as it is, I have studied in depth the science of 'Bermuda Triangles', which I wrote about in my first book '*Out of the bottomless Pit'*. Apparently, there are 12 Portals. 5 in the Northern Hemisphere, and 5 in the Southern Hemisphere. The other two at the so-called Poles of the earth, which are not really poles but sometimes hidden entrances into a hollow earth. Many cultures also mention hundreds of tunnels and caves and caverns which lead down through the crust of the earth to the under-surface of the inner crust of the earth.
- ⁵ "Entrances of paradise" One of the entrances to paradise is in the centre of the earth. Hell is stated to be right next to paradise later on, in this very book of 2nd Ezdras. It is also referred to as the "Bosom of Abraham" in Old Testament times.

6 Perhaps you would have said to me, 'I never went down into the deep, nor as yet into hell, neither did I ever ascend into heaven, but now I have asked you only about fire and wind and the day, things through

^{*}See APPENDIX for ref to points 1-5

which you have passed and without which you cannot exist, and you have given me no answer about them?

7 And he said to me, "You cannot understand the things with which you have grown up, how then can your mind comprehend the way of the Most High? And how can one who is already worn out by the corrupt world understand incorruption? When I heard this, I fell on my face and said to him, "It would have been better for us not to be here than to come here and live in ungodliness, and to suffer and not understand why."

ROM.8:5 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

ROM.8:6 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

ROM.8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

ROM.8:8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

- 8 He answered me and said, "I went into a forest of trees of the plain, and they made a plan and said, "Come let us go and make war against the sea, that it may recede before us, and that we may make for ourselves more forests."
- 9 And in like manner the waves of the sea also made a plan and said, "Come, let us go up and subdue the forest of the plain so that also we may gain more territory for ourselves; but the plan of the forest was in vain, for the fire came and consumed it.
- 10 Likewise also the plan of the waves of the sea, for the sand stood firm and stopped them. If now you were a judge between them which would you undertake to justify, and which to condemn?
- 11 I answered and said, "Each has made a foolish plan, for the land is assigned to the forest, and to the sea is assigned a place to carry its waves.
- 12 He answered me and said, "You have judged rightly, but why have

you not judged so in your own case? For as the land is assigned to the forest, and the sea to its waves, so also those who dwell upon earth can understand only what is on the earth, and he who is above the heavens understands what is above the height of the heavens.

13 Then I answered and said," I beseech you, my lord, why have I been endowed with the power of understanding; for I did not wish to inquire about the ways of above, but about those things which we daily experience, why Israel had been given over to the Gentiles as a reproach. Why the people whom you love has been given over to godless tribes, and the law of our fathers has been made of no effect, and the written covenants no longer exist.

C.4 Just as God came to Moses on Mount Sinai to give the Ten Commandments to the Children of Israel, so the Lord also came to reveal to Ezra the whole law, at a time when "the law of our fathers had been made of no effect and the written covenants no longer exist." (See **II Ezdras Chapter 14.24,44** "But prepare for yourself many writing tablets". "So during the forty days ninety-four books were written.")

14 And why we pass from the world like locusts, and our life is like a mist, and we are not worthy to obtain mercy; but what will he do for his name, by which we are called? It is about these things that I have asked.

JOH.1:17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ

C.5 It wasn't until the time of Christ that the Law was fulfilled.

MAT.5:17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

MAT.5:18 For verily I say unto you, 'Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled'

1PE.1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

15 He answered me and said, "If you are alive, you will see, and if you live long, you will often marvel, because the age is hastening swiftly to its end, for it will not be able to bring the things that have been promised to the righteous, in their appointed times, because this age is full of sadness and infirmities.

C.6 In Ezra's time there were three AGES mentioned. The first Age was THE CREATION until the FLOOD. The second Age was After the FLOOD until CHRIST. The 3rd AGE was from the Death of Christ until the 2nd Coming of Christ and the End of all things. Ezra lived in the 2nd Age and around 400+ years before the Birth of Christ, and thus the angel stated to Ezra "the age is hastening swiftly to its end."

16 For the evil about which you ask me has been sown, but the harvest of it has not yet come. If therefore that which has been sown is not reaped, and if the place where the evil has been sown does not pass away, the field where the good has been sown will not come.

17 For a grain of evil seed was sown in Adam's heart from the beginning, and how much ungodliness it has produced until now, and will produce until the time of threshing comes! Consider now for yourself, how much fruit of ungodliness a grain of evil seed has produced. When heads of grain without number are sown, how great a threshing floor they will fill!

REV.14:15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, 'Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe.'

REV.14:19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

18 Then I answered and said, "How long and when will these things be? Why are our years few and evil?

PSA.90:10 The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

C.7 A score is 20, so three score and 10 = 70 years, which is still around the average lifespan for men today. This is indeed a very short lifespan compared to those who lived before the FLOOD such as Noah who lived to be 950 years old. Quite a difference! See **Appendix** for lifespan changes over time.

19 He answered and said "You do not hasten more than the Most High, for your haste is for yourself, but the Highest hastens on behalf of many. Did not the souls of the righteous in their chambers ask about these matters, saying, "How long are we to remain here? And when will come the harvest of our reward?"

- **REV.6:10** And they cried with a loud voice, saying, 'How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?'
- 20 And Jeremiel the archangel answered them and said, "When the number of those like yourselves is completed. For He has weighed the age in the balance, and measured the times by measure, and numbered the times by number, and he will not move or arouse them until that measure is fulfilled."
- **C.8** In ancient Judaic texts, the Archangel Jeremiel is listed as one of the main 7 Archangels known to serve humanity and yet today, he is not very commonly known.
- 21 Then I answered and said, "O Sovereign Lord, but all of us also are full of ungodliness, and it is perhaps on account of us that the time of threshing is delayed for the righteous, on account of the sins of those who dwell on earth."
- MAT.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.
- 22 He answered me and said, "Go and ask a woman who is with child if, when her nine months have been completed, her womb can keep the child within her any longer."
- 23 And I said," No lord, it cannot". And he said to me, "In Hades the chambers of the souls are like the womb" "For just as a woman who is in travail makes haste to escape the pangs of birth, so also do these places hasten to give back those things that were committed to them from the beginning; then the things that you desire to see will be disclosed to you.
- **Enoch 22.2-3** "And there was in it four HOLLOW places deep and wide and very smooth. How smooth are the hollow places, and deep and dark to look at. These hollow places have been created for this very purpose, that the spirits of the souls of the dead should assemble therein, yea that all the souls of the children of men should assemble here."
- **REV.20:13** .. and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.
- **C.9** Contrary to what is commonly taught in modern science today, it is much more likely that our earth is actually HOLLOW. In the above verse 23, God Himself compares the earth to a womb. A womb is by definition hollow, so that something can grow inside it, such as a baby.

Also the advantage of hollow objects is that they can contain other things, thus a Hollow earth could also could contain HELL and the LAKE of FIRE, and also an INNER WORLD of beings, and peoples. Actually, believe it or not, prior to 1950, most people did believe that the earth was in fact hollow, and certainly not solid.

A solid object is very hard to keep spinning, whilst a hollow object in the vacuum of space, could spin indefinitely. If the earth had a molten core, the liquids and solids and its momentum inside the earth, would very quickly cause the earth to stop spinning, slow down and stop.

God likes to be saving of space, and thus He created both the earth, the planets and all the stars as hollow. It was very practical of God to do that.

Think of the centrifuge on a washing machine. Initially one puts clothes into the centre of the washing machine, but they don't stay there. Once the washing machine really starts to spin, then all the clothes get thrown to the edges and thus it was with the original creation of the earth, and as it began to spin, the hollow earth developed.

Another interesting observation is that spinning globes of clay are known to develop holes at the top and bottom. Similar to the Northern and Southern Polar entrances. (See APPENDIX XIII)

- 24 I answered and said, "If I have found favor in your sight, and if it is possible, and if I am worthy, show me this also: whether more time is to come than has passed, or whether for us the 'greater past has gone by'?" For I know what has gone by, but I do not know what is to come."
- 25 'And he said to me, "Stand at my right side and I will show you the interpretation of the parable."
- 26 So I stood and looked, and behold, a flaming furnace passed by before me, and when the flame had gone by, I looked and behold, the smoke remained; and after this a cloud full of water passed before me and poured down a heavy and violent rain, and when the rainstorm had passed, drops remained in the cloud.
- 27 And he said to me, "Consider it for yourself. For as the rain is more than the drops, and the fire is greater than the smoke, so the quantity that passed was far greater, but drops and smoke remained."
- **C.10** Here we have proof that the earth is around 6000 years old: Ezra lived in around 450 BCE, OR 2450 years AGO. From the time of the original creation until Ezra's time, was around 3550 years.

These above-mentioned verses, are in fact quite amazing, because they

reveal that the earth must be in fact be young, because from Creation until the time Ezra was alive, was 3550 years, and 2450 years have passed since his time until the present. Then the earth must indeed be around 6000 years old. Why? Because verse 24 states that 'more time had already passed in Ezra's time' than would yet come after him.

Time itself is to end at the sound of the 7th Trump:

REV.10:6 And swore by him that lives for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be *time no longer*:

REV.10:7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

28 Then I prayed and said "Do you think that I shall live until those days? Or who will be alive until those days?

C.11 Here it sounds as if Ezra is now talking about the 2nd Age: from Noah until Christ. (See **APPENDIX for TIME-CHARTS**)

29 He answered me and said, "Concerning the signs about which you ask me, I can tell you in part, but I was not sent to tell you concerning your life, for I do not know.

C.12 God tends to keep secret the length of each of our lives as that information is normally hidden.

CHAPTER 5

1 Now concerning the signs; behold the days are coming when those who dwell upon the earth shall be seized with great terror, and the 1way of truth shall be hidden, and 2the land shall be barren of faith; and 3unrighteousness shall be increased beyond what you yourself see, and beyond what you heard of formerly; and the 4"land that you now see ruling" shall be waste and untrodden, and men shall see it desolate.

Comments:1: "and the way of truth shall be hidden"

DAN.8:12 And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it ¹*cast down the truth* to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.

In the last days of man's reign on earth, with the Anti-Christ as dictator, all TRUTH will be eradicated, including the bible. Or at least the Anti-Christ forces will attempt to get-rid of all the truth. What is the TRUTH?

JN 14:6 Jesus said unto him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.'

C.2 ² 'the land barren of faith' When Jesus returns, the world is going to have been stripped of its faith in God, except for those who escape the infamous 'Mark of the Beast' of the Anti-Christ as described in Revelations chapter 13.

LUK.18:8 Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find *faith* on the earth?

C.3 3'unrighteousness increased.

2TI.3:1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

2TH.2:10 And with all deceivableness of 'unrighteousness' in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

C.4 Ezra lived from around 550 BCE to 450 BCE. He was first under the world empire of Babylon, and then the following world empire of Medio-Persia.

⁴"land that you now see ruling" Eventually, Babylon was totally destroyed, and no traces left of it even though it had been such a magnificent city, and one of the 7 wonders of the ancient world. Then in 331 BCE, Alexander the Great, totally destroyed the Medio-Persian empire and their capital city of Shushan.

2 But if the Most High grants that you live, you shall see it "thrown into confusion after the third period." The "sun shall suddenly shine forth at night, and the moon during the day". "Blood shall drip from wood and the stone shall utter its voice." The "peoples shall be troubled", and "the stars shall fall".

- C.5 This verse gives us a lot of information:
- "thrown into confusion *after* the third period" So the 'great confusion' will happen at the end of the period of time that we are currently in, which is the third period, and is measured from the 1st Coming of Christ unto the 2nd Coming of Christ.
- ² How could the "sun shall suddenly shine forth at night, and the moon during the day"? The only way that the sun could shine forth in the night, would be if the earth was wobbling and shaking off its axis, so that it faced the sun instead of the darkness. A very scary prospect indeed! Question: what would cause such a thing to happen? Perhaps a massive astral body coming close to, and pulling on the earth's gravitational field? This had long been suggested by many, as NIBIRU, the 2nd sun, or binary star, which 'is said' to only come around every 3600 years or so.
- ³ "Blood shall drip from wood and the stone shall utter its voice." How could that be possible? Imagine a nuclear War! When the hydrogen bombs go up, they suck up millions of tons of debris from all the buildings of the cities, including the bodies of the people, and the resultant hailstones would be a mixture of blood, wood, and stone.
- **REV.8:7** 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.
- 4 "Peoples shall be troubled"
- **LUK.21:25** And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity (confusion); the sea and the waves roaring;
- **LUK.21:26** Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.
- 5"The stars shall fall"
- MAT.24:29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and 'the stars shall fall from heaven', and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken.
- 3 One shall reign whom those who dwell upon the earth do not expect, and the birds shall fly away together; and the sea of Sodom shall cast out fish, and one whom many do not know shall make his voice heard by night, and all shall hear his voice.
- **C.6** Jesus Christ 2nd Coming will take man by great surprise, as man will no longer be able to do his own thing and be his own boss; always going in the wrong direction, the evil direction with his self-works. Both in the duplicity

and corruption of politics as well as the subtle diabolical evil of man's false religions, as in Revelations 17 & 18 referred to as "The Beast and the Great Whore." Both will no longer exist after Jesus returns and *all* peoples on earth shall simultaneously hear *His* voice whether it is day time or night time & in the twinkling of an eye.

MAT.24:37 But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

MAT.24:30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

REV.1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

1CO.15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

4 There shall be chaos also in many places, and fire shall often break out, and the wild beasts shall roam beyond their haunts. Menstruous women shall bring forth monsters; and salt waters shall be found in the sweet, and all friends shall conquer one another.

C.7 This is quite the verse, showing the terrible conditions that will exist in the *'Time of the end.'*

- ¹ 'Chaos also in many places'. Chaos caused by what? This sounds like what will happen when the 7 Trumpets of Revelation 8-9 sound.
- ² Fire shall often break out. Fire will be one of the results of the 7 Trumpets.

REV.8:7 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.

- ³ 'Wild beasts shall roam beyond their haunts'. This sounds like the reportedly very large creatures seen inside the earth by different explorers, that will come forth onto the surface of the earth again as they did in past times, such as dragons and all types of dinosaurs and hybrid creatures. Perhaps conditions will become too hot inside the earth for those creatures to remain there, thus driving them out onto the outer surface of the earth?
- ⁴ 'Menstruous women shall bring forth monsters'. Today scientists are already experimenting on human fetuses, and perhaps they will soon create monsters and human hybrids, like those before the Flood.
- ⁵ Salt waters shall be found in the sweet. The only way that could happen is with very large earthquakes and resultant tidal-waves, where the fresh water and sea water become mixed.

- ⁶ All friends shall conquer one another. Sounds like anarchy will be the state of the day in those days. (See chapters 15 & 16 of this book for more details)
- **MAT.24:21** For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.
- 5 Then shall reason hide itself, and wisdom shall withdraw into its chamber and it shall be sought out by many but shall not be found, and unrighteousness and unrestraint shall increase on the earth; and one country shall ask his neighbor, "Has righteousness or any who desire right passed though you? And it will answer 'No'.
- **C.8** According to the bible in the Books of Daniel and Revelation: In the last 3 and a half years of the 7-year reign of the soon-coming Anti-Christ, conditions will be very severe for anyone who speaks the truth!
- **DAN.12:1** And at that time shall Michael (the Archangel) stand up, the great prince which stands for the children of thy people: and there shall be a 'time of trouble', such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time.
- 6 At that time men will hope but not obtain. They shall labor but their ways shall not prosper. These are the signs which I am permitted to tell you, and if you pray again, and weep as you do now, and fast for seven days, you shall hear yet greater things than these.
- **C.9** "Will hope but not obtain". The only way that this might be possible, is if men's brains were totally controlled, with something like the infamous "Mark of the Beast" so that they no longer had any choice!
- **REV.9:6** 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 Then I awoke, and my body shuddered violently, and my soul was troubled that it fainted. But the angel who had come and talked with me held me and strengthened me and set me upon my feet.
- 8 Now on the second night Phaltiel, a chief of the people came to me and said, "Where have you been? And why is your face sad? Or do you not know that Israel has been entrusted to you in the land of their exile?
- 9 Rise therefore and eat some bread, so that you may not forsake us, like a shepherd who leaves his flock in the power of cruel wolves."

- 10 Then said I unto him, "Depart from me and do to come near me for seven days, and then you may come to me." He heard what I said and left me.
- 11 So I fasted seven days, mourning and weeping as Uriel the angel had commanded me; and after seven days, the thoughts of my heart were very grievous to me again. Then my soul recovered the spirit of understanding, and I began once more to speak words in the presence of the Most High.
- 12 And I said, "O Sovereign Lord, from every forest of the earth and from all its trees thou hast chosen one vine, and from all the lands of the world thou hast chosen for thyself one region, and from all the flowers of the world, thou hast chosen for thyself one lily.
- 13 And from all the depths of the sea thou hast filled for thyself one river and from all the cities that have been built thou hast consecrated Zion for thyself; and from all the birds that have been created thou hast named for thyself one dove, and from all the flocks that have been made thou hast provided one sheep.
- 14 And from all the multitude of peoples thou hast gotten for thyself one people and to this people thou hast loved, thou hast given the law which is approved by all; and now, O Lord, why hast thou given over the one to the many, and scattered thine only one among the many?
- 15 Those who opposed thy promises have trodden down those who believed they covenants. If thou dost really hate they people, they should be punished at thine own hands."
- 16 When I had spoken these words, the angel who had come to me on a previous night was sent to me, and he said unto me, "Listen to me, and I will instruct you. Pay attention to me, and I will tell you more."
- 17 And I said, "Speak, my lord." And he said to me, "Are you greatly disturbed in mind over Israel? Or do you love him more than his Maker does?

- 18 And I said, "No, my lord, but because of my grief I have spoken. For every hour I suffer agonies of heart, while I strive to understand the way of the Most High, and to search out part of his judgment."
- 19 And he said to me, "You cannot." And I said, 'Why not my lord? Why then was I born? Or why did not my mother's womb become my grave, that I might not see the travail of Jacob and the exhaustion of the people of Israel?
- 20 He said to me, "Count up for me those who have to yet come and gather for me the scattered raindrops and make the withered flowers bloom again for me. Open for me the 'closed chambers' and bring forth for me the winds shut up in them or show me the "picture of a voice", and then I will explain to you the travail that you ask to understand."
- **C.10** Obviously, no one except God Himself, can answers these questions, so why does the angel ask Ezra things that he simply could not answer? The reason is probably very simple: God is trying to get Ezra to *focus* on *something other than his grief and sorrow* for Israel. God will answer all of his questions through this book about Israel's time of great trouble, but God is *trying to get across something much more important* than *just the present time of afflictions* as suffered by Israel in the 4-5th centuries BCE. God is trying to show Ezra the whole spectrum of Time, so that He can reveal the very end of all things in the distant future relative to Ezra's time, and thus pass it on so that others like us, would have the privilege of reading what God has said to his prophet, and thus know the truth.
- **C.11** "Picture of a voice", is now visible to us, by seeing the visual of an audio voice, on our computer screen, in sine waves.
- 21 And I said, "O sovereign Lord, who is able to know these things except he whose dwelling is not with men? As for me, I am without wisdom, and how can I speak concerning the things which thou hast asked me?
- 22 He said unto me, "Just as you cannot do one of the things that were mentioned, so you cannot discover my judgement, or the goal of the love that I have promised my people."

ROM.8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

ROM.8:38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor

principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

ROM.8:39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

23 And I said," Yet behold, O Lord, thou dost have charge of those who are alive at the end, but what will those do who were before us, or we, or those who come after us?

24 He said unto me, "I shall liken my judgment unto a circle. Just as for those who are last there is no slowness, so for those who are first there is no haste."

C.12 "Liken My judgment unto a circle" The Bible mentions that the Judgements of God, fell on Pharaoh & Egypt around 3600 years ago, and that was the time the earth was visited in a close fly-by, of a very large astral body, which pulled on the gravity of the earth, and caused earthquakes and all kinds of disasters. Question: when will that large astral body return to cause more havoc and destruction? In Revelation chapter 8 and 16, it gives a description similar to the time of Moses and the Ten Plagues by God on Egypt.

Could it possibly be that God uses an astral body to come by every so often to enact His judgments, like the perfect timings & workings of an inner clock. In this case the orbit of a star? Some call the star/planet Nibiru.

In the Book of Revelation, it is called Wormwood. Perhaps a large visiting astral body, would be carrying a trail of debris of asteroids, meteors, meteorites, which would bombard the earth, as it passed in close proximity to the earth's atmosphere.

REV.8:10 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;

REV.8:11 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.

25 Then I answered and said, "Could thou not have created at one time those who have been and those who are and those who will be, that thou mightiest show thy judgement the sooner?"

C.13 This is quite humorous, how that Ezra is in such a hurry, thinking all the time, about the sufferings of Israel. That is all that he can focus on, as understandably, he wants the suffering to end as soon as possible. However, God is explaining that it takes a long time to change most things, and especially

his final judgements. God is also trying to teach Ezra to be patient and to trust Him and not to be so hasty and impatient about everything.

- 26 He replied to me and said, "The creation cannot make more haste than the Creator, neither can the world hold at one time (all) those who have been created in it."
- 27 And I said, "How hast thou said to thy servant that thou wilt certainly give life at one time to thy creation? If therefore all creatures will live at one time and the creation will sustain them, it might even now be able to support all of them present at one time."
- 28 He said unto me, "Ask a woman's womb, and say to it, 'If you bear ten children, why one after another'? Request it therefore to produce ten at one time."
- 29 I said, "Of course it cannot, but only each in its own time."
- 30 He said to me, "Even so have I given the womb of the earth to those who from time to time are sown in it, for as an infant does not bring forth, and a woman who has become old does not bring forth any longer, so have I organized the world which I created."
- **C.14** "womb of the earth" Here clearly God is telling us that the earth is HOLLOW and like a womb.
- 31 Then I inquired and said, "Since thou hast now given me the opportunity, let me speak before thee. Is our "mother" of whom thou has told me, still young? Or is she now approaching old age?"
- **C.15** "mother" Here Ezra is talking about Mother Earth, and Ezra wants to know how much time is left until the end of all things.
- 32 He replied to me, "Ask a woman who bears children, and she will tell you.

Say to her, "Why are those whom you have borne recently not like those whom you bore before, but smaller in stature?

33 And she herself will answer you, "Those born in the strength of youth are different from those born during the time of old age, when

the womb is failing."

34 Therefore you also should consider that you and your contemporaries are smaller in stature than those who were before you, and those who come after you will be smaller than you, as born of a creation which already is aging and passing the strength of youth."

C.16 Verses 32-34: Here God is telling Ezra that man is not getting taller and smarter and stronger as time goes by as taught by the evolutionists, but that in reality mankind is getting smaller, dumber and weaker. One of the reasons according to the world's leading population geneticists*1 is that the gene pool has become too small, and that in a few generations, mankind will simply die out, due to too many gene defects. This same geneticist said, "Look all around you and you can see that it is already happening!" The geneticist is also a Christian who stated that since Adam and Eve sinned, mankind have been dying, just as God said they would. (**See Appendix VIII**)

GEN.2:17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eat thereof thou shalt surely die.

ROM.6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord

35 And I said, "O Lord, I beseech thee, if I have found favour in thy sight, show thy servant 'through whom' thou dost visit thy creation."

C.17 This is interesting, as Ezra is asking 'through whom' Thou dost visit thy creation, especially when God visited the earth in the birth of 'His only begotten Son' 400 years after Ezra wrote this book.

JOH.1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

CHAPTER 6

1 And he said unto me, "At the beginning of the 'circle of the earth', before the portals of the world were in place, and before the assembled winds blew, and before the rumblings of the thunder sounded, and before the flashes of lightening shone, and before the foundations of paradise were laid, and before the beautiful flowers were seen, and before the powers of movement were established, and before the innumerable hosts of angels were gathered together, and before the heights of the air were lifted up, and before the measures of the firmaments were named, and before the footstool of Zion was established, and before the present years were reckoned; and before the imaginations of those who now sin were estranged, and before those who stored up treasures of faith were sealed.

Comments:1: Here God is talking about the original creation of the earth:

¹'circle of the earth' This shows that it is simply not true that Columbus is accredited for discovering that the earth was round in 1492. Both the bible and apocryphal books talked about the earth being a globe thousands of years ago. Like many other truths of real science during the Dark Ages, the truth was deliberately hidden or destroyed. There was total clamp down on knowledge during the Dark Ages (500AD-1500AD) and the time of the Inquisition (1231-1834). Galileo was tried by the Inquisition in 1633. The worst days of the Dark Ages of absolute control of all knowledge, will one day return, under the Anti-Christ.

DAN.8:12 And an host was given him (The Anti-Christ) against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.

C.2² 'Portals of the world were in place' What portals might it be talking about? In the Book of Enoch, it talks a lot about Portals. Today people talk about Portals as gateways to other dimensions and places. Well they are not far off in their deductions, as the Portals mentioned in the book of Enoch, the oldest known book given to Enoch by God Himself around 5300 years ago were also sometimes gateways to other places. Portals was also a word which when one reads about, does initially sound quite mysterious. Things described in the Book of Enoch as "coming through Portals", is not something that we ourselves can openly observe today. As I stated in my book 'Enoch/Insights', it is my belief that the Portals are gateways from the spirit world to the physical world. Furthermore, the physical world in which we live is surrounded by much bigger dimensions, both higher & lower dimensions, which in fact control everything that happens in our dimension, except choice.

- 2 Then I planned these things, and they were made through me and not through another, just as 'the end shall come through me and not through another.
- **C.3** 'The end shall come through me' Man makes enough mess and destruction of our planet, but it nothing compared to the Wrath of God, which will bring down all the towers and buildings of all the cities in the world simultaneously.
- **REV.16:19** 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.
- 3 And I answered and said, 1"What will be the dividing of the times? Or when will be the end of the first age and the beginning of the age that follows?
- **C.4** "What will be the dividing of the times? That is a very important question, as it would seem to indicate, that there has been the 'Age of Man' with his violence and self-works, contrasted by a Golden Age to follow, where God's Spirit dominates, and Jesus will rule, and not man's evil devilish rulers.
- 4 He said to me, 2 "From Abraham to Isaac, because from him were born Jacob and Esau, for Jacob's hand held Esau's heel from the beginning; for 3Esau is the end of this age, and Jacob is the beginning of the age that follows; for the beginning of a man is his hand, and the end of a man is his heel. 4Between the heel and the hand seek for nothing Ezra!"
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 m C.5}^{\,2}$ "From Abraham to Isaac". This is stating that the beginning of the $2^{\rm nd}$ age started with a Righteous person such as Noah and later Abraham, and that the Age ended on a bad note prior to the birth of Christ, and that was why God sent His only begotten son at the time He chose to do so, to both REDEEM Israel and all mankind. Israel had gotten into a very bad state, just before the birth of Christ. This is well illustrated in the above statement:
- ³'Esau is the end of this age, and Jacob is the beginning of the age that follows' What could that mean? I propose that "Esau" here, means the corruption of the laws of Moses into harsh & cruel legalism. "Jacob" represents the Grace of Christ, who fulfilled the law. Jesus was also a direct descendent of Jacob. The laws of Moses were harsh and cruel like Esau. Jesus came to bring the mercy and love of God and to replace the cruel laws that were in place just prior to Christ's 1st Coming. Jesus replaced all the Mosaic Laws by just two laws:

MAR.12:30 And thou shalt love the Lord thy God, with thy whole heart, and with

thy whole soul, and with thy whole mind, and with thy whole strength. This is the first commandment.

MAR.12:31 And the second is like to it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. There is no other commandment greater than these.

C.6 Between the heel and the hand seek for nothing Ezra! Here the angel is telling Ezra, don't go looking for anything other than the Age of Man followed by the Golden Age. Or better said: it is either Works or Grace, and not something in between.

5 I answered and said, "O Sovereign Lord, if I have found favour in thy sight, show thy servant the end of thy signs which thou didst show me in part on a previous night."

6 He answered and said unto me, "Rise to your feet and you will hear a full, resounding voice and if the place where you are standing is greatly shaken while the voice is speaking, do not be terrified because the word concerns the end, and the foundations of the earth will understand, that the speech concerns them. They will tremble and be shaken, for they know that their end must be changed."

C.7 'the word concerns the end, and *the foundations of the earth will understand*, that the speech concerns them.' 'They will tremble and be shaken, for they know that their end must be changed.'

How is this even possible or even comprehensible? How can an inanimate object do the things mentioned? As shown in the Book of Enoch, God has His angels who take care of the stars, planets and their orbits, so isn't it logical that he also has beings that take care of the foundations of the earth?

7 When I heard this, I rose to my feet and listened, and behold, a voice was speaking and its sound was like the sound of many waters; and it said to me, "Behold the days are coming and it shall be that when I draw near to visit the inhabitants of the earth.

REV.14:2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

8 And when I require from the doers of iniquity the penalty of their iniquity, and when the humiliation of Zion is complete; and when seal is placed upon the age which is about to pass away, then I will show those signs. The books shall be opened before the firmament, and all shall see it together.

- **JER.30:7** Alas, for that day is great, neither is there the like to it; and it Is the <u>time of tribulation to Jacob</u>, but he shall be saved out of it.
- **EZE.38:19** And I have spoken in my zeal, and in the fire of my anger, that in that day there shall be a great commotion upon the land of Israel:
- **EZE.38:20** So that the fishes of the sea, and the birds of the air, and the beasts of the field, and every creeping thing that creeps upon the ground, and all men that are upon the face of the earth, shall be moved at my presence: and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the hedges shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.
- **C.8** God allows the nations to attack Israel in the last days. It is prophesied in the bible that 2/3 the inhabitants of Israel will be killed. After which, Jesus the Messiah returns, and there is a supernatural battle at Armageddon where Jesus destroys the nations that are attacking Israel at the battle of Armageddon. The Anti-Christ 'Mark of the beast' nations are led by Gog, (the Anti-Christ) from the land of Magog. (Russia)
- **REV.19:19** 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.
- **REV.19:20** And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.
- **REV.19:21** And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.
- **EZE.38:21** And I will call in the sword against him in all my mountains, says the Lord God: every man's sword shall be pointed against his brother.
- **EZE.38:22** And I will judge him with pestilence, and with blood, and with violent rain, and vast hailstones: I will rain fire and brimstone upon him, and upon his army, and upon the many nations that are with him.
- **EZE.38:23** And I will be magnified, and I will be sanctified: and I will be known in the eyes of many nations: and they shall know that I am the Lord.
- **C.9** 2000 years ago, Israel, in the form of the Pharisees, & many of the people whom they paid and corrupted, rejected their own Saviour and Messiah Jesus Christ, when he came to visit the earth.
- **MAT.27:18** For he Pilate, the governor, knew that for envy the Pharisees had delivered Jesus unto him.
- **MAT.27:25** Then answered all the people, and said, 'His blood be on us, and on our children'.
- As a direct result <u>God had the whole nation of Israel thrown out of their own</u> country by the Romans in 70 AD, in what is known as the Diaspora. However

today, Israel is very different, and there are many Jews today who believe in Jesus, and that He was the Messiah. The problem has always been the leaders, like the Pharisees of Jesus time, and not the people.

It says in the bible about Jesus, "The common people heard Him gladly". After Jesus' crucifixion & resurrection, it also states:

ACT.6:7 "and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith."

REV.1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and *they also which <u>pierced him</u>*: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

9 Infants a year old shall speak with their voices, and women with child shall give birth to premature children at three and four months, and these shall live and dance. Sown places shall suddenly appear unsown, and full storehouses shall suddenly be found to be empty; and the trumpet shall sound aloud, and when all hear it, they shall suddenly be terrified.

C.10 A very strange verse. What could it all mean? The Key here is to see the mention of "the trumpet shall sound aloud". Question: which trumpet is being sounded?

Everything described in verse 9 is either out of place or time sequence, as it would appear that something is interfering with time itself. For the infant mentioned everything is OK. But for many left on earth they shall be terrified. This verse is clearly talking about the RAPTURE.

Enoch 80.2-4 "And all things on the earth shall alter and shall *not appear in their time*. And the moon shall alter her order."

MAT.24:31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet (7th), and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

REV.10:6 And swore by him that lives for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be *time no longer*:

REV.10:7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the <u>mystery of God should be finished</u>, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

10 At that time friends shall make war on friends like enemies, and the earth and those who inhabit it shall be terrified, and the springs of the fountains shall stand still, so that for three hours they shall not flow; and it shall be that whoever remains after all that I have foretold you shall

himself be saved and shall see my salvation and the end of the world.

- **C.11** This is talking about what conditions are like on the earth after the Wrath of God. Whoever survives those times will indeed 'see my salvation and the end of the world'.
- 11 1 "And they shall see the men who were taken up, who from their birth that have not tasted death"; and the 2 heart of the earth's inhabitants shall be changed and converted to a different spirit, for evil shall be blotted out, and deceit shall be quenched."
- **C.12** ¹ And they shall see the men who were taken up that have not tasted death".
- **1TH.4:16** 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:
- **1TH.4:17** 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.
- **C.13**²"heart of the earth's inhabitants shall be changed and converted to a different spirit, for evil shall be blotted out, and deceit shall be quenched." The millennium comes, and the Golden Age and Jesus, God's only Begotten Son, finally takes over the earth and rules with His Saints for 1000 years. This New Golden Age will indeed utter in a totally different spirit than the Anti-Christ spirit, that had dominated the earth beforehand.
- **ISA.9:6** For a CHILD IS BORN to us, and a son is given to us, and the government is upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called, Wonderful, Counsellor, God the Mighty, the Father of the world to come, the Prince of Peace.
- **ISA.9:7** His empire shall be multiplied, and there shall be no end of peace: he shall sit upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom; to establish it and strengthen it with judgment and with justice, from henceforth and forever: the zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.
- **REV.2:27** And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.
- **PSA.2:9** Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.
- **C.14** Going back to this verse 11 'Heart of the earth's inhabitants' could also mean something totally different. Because of the wording, it could also be saying: The inhabitants in the 'heart of the earth'. In other words, the peoples who live inside the Hollow Earth, who currently do not accept Jesus, one day 'shall be changed and converted to a different spirit, for evil shall be blotted out, and deceit shall be quenched.' From all reports of those who have both

experienced and written about the inhabitants of the Hollow Earth, those inside the earth currently worship the god Ra or the Inner Sun god, who apparently puts on a show once in a while, to deceive those within the earth, and to make sure that they wouldn't believe in Jesus. One day the Devil and his entourage of Fallen angels and demons and other creatures will have all been cast into the great lock-up of the Bottomless Pit:

REV.20:1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

REV.20:2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

REV.20:3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

C.15 Once Satan's influence has been totally removed from the entire planet, then perhaps finally, many of those in the centre of the earth, will get their opportunity to hear the true Gospel of Jesus Christ and get saved. We are not talking about the peoples in Hell, but the physical inhabitants of inner earth.

REV.5:13 And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and <u>under the earth</u>, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, 'Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sits upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.'

12 Faithfulness shall flourish, and corruption shall be overcome, and the truth, which has been so long without fruit, shall be revealed.

C.16 'the truth, which has been so long without fruit, shall be revealed.' Under the soon-coming Anti-Christ regime of Satan himself, the 'truth shall indeed be trodden to the ground'.

DAN.8:12 And strength was given him against the continual sacrifice, because of sins: and *truth shall be cast down on the ground*, and he shall do and shall prosper.

C.17 But after a very brief 3½ years of terrible TRIBULATION, Jesus Himself returns and destroys Satan's empire. Then the Truth shall be revealed in full.

JOH.14:6 Jesus said to him: 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No man cometh to the Father, but by me.'

MAT.13:43 Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father.

13 While he spoke to me, behold, little by little the place where I was standing began to rock to and fro, and he said unto me, "I have come to show you these things this night.

C.18 The time period for the things Ezra saw at this exact moment, was also the time of the Wrath of God. (See **Appendix** for the 'Time-Frame of next 1000 Years to Eternity'.)

REV.16:18 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.

14 If therefore you will pray again and fast again for seven days, I will again declare to you greater things than these, because your voice has surely been heard before the Most High. For the Mighty One has seen your uprightness and has also observed the purity which you have maintained from your youth.

15 Therefore he sent me to show you all these things, and to say to you, 'Believe and be not afraid! Do not be quick to think vain thoughts concerning the former times, lest you be hasty concerning the last times."

16 Now after this I wept again and fasted seven days as before, in order to complete the three weeks as I had been told; and on the eighth night my heart was troubled within me again, and I began to speak in the presence of the Most High, for my spirit was greatly aroused, and my soul was in distress.

17 I said, "O Lord, thou didst speak at the beginning of creation, and didst say on the first day, "Let heaven and earth be made, and thy word accomplished the work; and then the Spirit as hovering and darkness and silence embraced everything. The sound of a man's voice was not yet there.

18 Then thou didst command that a ray of light be brought forth from they treasuries, so that thy works might appear. Again on the second day, thou didst create the spirit of the firmament, and didst command him to divide and separate the waters, that one part might move upward and that other part remain beneath.

19 On the third day thou didst command the waters to be gathered together in the seventh part of the earth. Six parts thou didst dry up and keep so that some of them might be planted and cultivated and be

of service before thee. For thy word went forth, and at once the work was done.

- **C.19** Today the earth is four-fifths covered by the oceans or around 80%. Back in the time of the original creation, the seas only occupied one 7th of the earth surface or around 14%. Today we have 6 times as much sea as the original creation of God in the very beginning.
- 20 For immediately fruit came forth in endless abundance and of varied appeal to the taste; and flowers of inimitable colour, and of odours of inexpressible fragrance. These were made on the third day.
- 21 On the fourth day thou didst command the brightness of the sun, the light of the moon, and the arrangement of the stars to come into being; and thou didst command them to serve man, who was about to be formed.
- 22 On the fifth day thou didst command the seventh part, where the water had been gathered together, to bring forth living creatures, birds and fishes, and so it was done. The dumb and lifeless water produced living creatures, as it was commanded, that therefore the nations might declare they wondrous works.
- 23 Then thou didst keep in existence two living creatures. The one thou didst call Behemoth and the name of the other Leviathan; and thou didst separate one from the other, for the seventh part where the water had been gathered together could not hold them both.
- 24 And thou didst give Behemoth one of the parts which had been dried up on the third day, to live in it, where there are a thousand mountains; but to Leviathan thou didst give the seventh part, the watery part; and thou hast kept them to be eaten by whom thou wilt, and when thou wilt.
- **C.20** Leviathan and Behemoth are mentioned in the Bible in the book of Job, and also in the Book of Enoch. Why is it that we don't see these monsters today in modern times. If they existed then, where have they gone in modern times? This is a very big topic. (Please see the **APPENDIX X** concerning more on Behemoth & Leviathan.)
- 25 On the sixth day thou didst command the earth to bring forth before thee cattle, beasts and creeping things; and over these thou didst place

Adam as ruler over all the works which thou had made; and from him we have all come, the people whom thou hast chosen.

26 And this I have spoken before thee, O Lord, because thou hast said that it was for us that thou didst create this world. As for the other nations which have descended from Adam, thou hast said that they are nothing, and that they are like spittle, and thou hast compared their abundance to a drop from a bucket.

27 And now, O Lord, behold these nations, which are reputed as nothing, domineer over us and devour us; but we thy people whom thou hast called thy first-born, only begotten, zealous for thee, and most dear, have been given into their hands. If the world has indeed been created for us, why do we not possess our world as an inheritance? How long will this be so?

PSA.9:17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.

PSA.37:10 For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.

PSA.37:11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

CHAPTER 7

- 1 When I had finished speaking these words, the angel who had been sent to me on the former nights was sent to me again; and he said unto me, "Rise, Ezra, and listen to the words that I have come to speak unto you."
- 2 And I said, "Speak my lord." And he said unto me, "There is a sea set in a wide expanse, so that it is board and vast; but is has an entrance set in a narrow place, so that it is like a river. If anyone, then, wishes to reach the sea, to look at it or to navigate it, how can he come to the broad part unless he passes through the narrow part?

Comment:1: Jesus often spoke in parables in the New Testament. However, many of the stories he used were based on real events, places and happenings to people.

I think that here the angel of God is using real examples of certain conditions that exist on earth. This could be perfectly describing the entrances into the INNER EARTH through the northern and southern entrances. Why does God through His angel in talking to Ezra, use the exact examples that he does, unless he is talking about something that is both important, and needs more attention from us. (See APPENDIX XII: HOLLOW EARTH)

3 Another example: There is a city built and set on a plain, and it is full of all good things, but the entrance to it is narrow and set in a precipitous place, so that there is fire on the right hand and deep water on the left; and there is only one path lying between them, that is between the fire and water, so that only one man can walk upon that path.

MAT.7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and many there be which go in there.

MAT.7:14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads unto life, and *few there be that find it.*

- 4 If now that city is given to a man for an inheritance, how will the heir receive his inheritance, unless he passes through the danger set before him?
- 5 I said, "He cannot, my lord" And he said unto me, "So also is Israel's portion, for I made the world for their sake, and when Adam

transgressed my statutes, what had been made was judged; and so the entrances of this world were made narrow and sorrowful and toilsome, they are few and evil, full of dangers, and involved in great hardships.

6 But the 'entrances of the greater world are broad and safe', and really yield the fruit of immortality. Therefore, unless the living pass thorough the difficult, and vain experiences, they can never receive those things that have been reserved for them.

ECC.1:2 Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities; all is vanity.

ECC.1:3 What profit hath a man of all his labour which he taketh under the sun?

GAL.6:7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

GAL.6:8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

GAL.6:9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

1CO.15:53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

C.2 Verses 3-6: "'entrances of the greater world are broad and safe' The spirit world is much vaster and deeper than this physical world. One writer, who allegedly has seen it, has compared the actual infinite size of the spirit world, in comparison to our physical world, as if the physical universe is but like an ice-cube floating on the ocean of the much vaster spiritual universe.

2 "heir receive his inheritance" This sounds like how Jesus, the only Begotten Son of God, had to come to earth, endure many hardships and dangers. Even at His birth, the Devil in the form of Herod the King, was trying to kill him. Jesus lived a life of Love and Compassion and was a wonderful example to all of us, as to how to live, and He willingly died on the cross, so that we could all be saved from Hell and death.

JOH.8:12 Then spoke Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

JOH.3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, 'Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.'

JOH.3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

JOH.3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that

whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

- 7 But now why are you disturbed, seeing that you are to perish? And why are you moved, seeing that you are mortal; and why have you not considered in your mind what is to come, rather than what is now present?
- 8 Then I answered and said, "O Sovereign Lord, behold, thou hast ordained in thy law that the righteous shall inherit these things, but that the ungodly shall perish. The righteous therefore can endure difficult circumstances while hoping for easier ones; but those who have done wickedly have suffered the difficult circumstances and will not see the easier ones."
- 9 And he said unto me, "You are not a better judge than God, or wiser than the Most High! Let many perish who are now living, rather than the law of God which is set before them be disregarded!
- 10 For God strictly commanded those who came into the world, when they came, what they should do to live, and what they should observe to avoid punishment. Nevertheless, they were not obedient, and spoke against him. They devised for themselves vain thoughts and proposed to themselves wicked frauds. They even declared that the Most High does not exist and ignored his ways!

PSA.10:4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.

- 11 They scorned his law and denied his covenants. They have been unfaithful to his statutes and have not performed His works. Therefore Ezra, empty things are for the empty, and full things for the full.
- **C.3** 'Empty things are for the empty' or the 'Hollow earth' contains Hell for those who won't listen and yield to God. 'Full things for the full'. Those who are saved and 'full of God's Words of Righteousness' will inherit the vast Heavenly Kingdom.
- **LUK.1:53** He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away
- **ROM.1:18** For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

12 For behold, the time will come, when the signs which I have foretold will come to pass, that the city which is now hidden shall be disclosed; and everyone who has been delivered from the evils that I have foretold shall see My wonders.

C.4 Here God is talking to Ezra about His Heavenly City, which will come to the earth and eventually sit on the earth's surface, after the Great White Throne Judgement, in circa 1000 years from now.

REV.21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God (The Heavenly City) is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

REV.21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

13 For my son, the Messiah, shall be revealed with those who are with him, and those who remain shall rejoice (in) four hundred years: and after these years my son the Messiah shall die, (for) all who draw human breath.

C.5 This Chapter 7.13th verse is probably the *most important verse in the* entire book of *II Ezdras*.

Why? Because God is directly telling Ezra, who lived around 400+ years before Christ, that *God was sending His only son the Messiah to the earth in 400 years*, from Ezra's time. God also predicted that His Son, the Messiah, would die (for) all humanity.

Somehow the expression "rejoice (in) four hundred years" has been altered to omit the (in), which could change the whole meaning. However, whoever tried to obfuscate the truth of this verse, made a big mistake, because God Himself goes on to state in this same verse, that the Messiah, God's Son shall die, so obviously looking at history we find that Jesus Christ fulfilled this exact prophecy given to Ezra, and that he did die some 400 years after the time of Ezra!

What an amazing prophecy about Jesus! 'after these years my Son the Messiah shall die, (and) all who draw human breath'. Why does it say here that all who draw human breath shall die, which seems totally out of context? In the original text it probably didn't. The text would appear to have been deliberately altered, in order to change the meaning. In verse 13, where I put a bracket around the word (for), the modern text gives the word (and). Well it is true that all of us humans will die sooner or later, but I think that the real meaning here was that God's only Begotten Son, the Messiah died (for) all humanity, otherwise we would all be destined to spiritual, as well as physical death.

14 The world shall be turned back to primeval silence for 'seven days', as it was at the first beginnings, so that no one shall be left, and after seven days the world, which is not yet awake, shall be roused, and that which is corruptible shall perish; and the earth shall give up those who are asleep in it, and the dust those who dwell silently in it; and the chambers shall give up the souls which have been committed to them.

C.6 At the end of the Millennium will come the Great White Throne Judgement. After the which, God temporarily for 7 days, takes everyone off the planet, while he recreates the earth's surface, and takes away all the pollution on earth that man has made in his 7000-year history. He creates a New Heaven and a New Earth.

The earth won't be destroyed, only cleansed, and its surface melted, in order to clean up all of the pollution. The seas will be done away with, and all the high mountains thrown down, in order to make much more land available for the peoples of Eternity, which will start for all inhabitants of the New Heaven and New Earth. There will still be rolling hills, but none of the exceedingly high mountains such as we have on the earth at present. The Heavenly City, New Jerusalem, which is 250 times higher than Mt Everest, is part of Heave which comes down after the Millennium.

Finally, God shall be living with all of mankind. Apparently, during the Millennium, the Heavenly City will be visible to the earth's inhabitants, floating above the earth, at a safe distance away. The Heavenly City, by the way is a crystal pyramid.

REV.21:1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

REV.21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

REV.21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

REV.21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

C.7 ¹From verses 13 to 14 it would appear to be a big jump in time from the 1st Coming of Christ, 2000 years ago, all the way to the Great White Throne Judgement at the End of the Millennium, around 1000 years from now. In other words a jump of around 3000 years. (See **Appendix XI** for Time Charts of 7000 years of World History) ²The 'Seven Days' in also mentioned later in this chapter 7 verse 51.

15 The Most High shall be revealed upon the seat of judgement, and compassion shall pass away, and patience shall be withdrawn, but only Judgment shall remain, truth shall stand, and faithfulness shall grow strong, and recompense shall follow, and the reward shall be manifested. Righteous deeds shall awake, and unrighteous deeds shall not sleep.

REV.20:11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

C.8 'Seat of Judgement'-

DAN.7:9 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

DAN.7:10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: **the judgment was set**, and the books were opened.

C.9 2 'compassion shall pass away' 3 'patience shall be withdrawn'

ISA.54:8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment.

That verse was talking about God's own people. Imagine what it will be like when God has to judge all the incalcitrant wicked of all times, who have refused to listen, at the Final White Throne Judgement!

C.10 4 'only judgement shall remain' **EZE.38:19** For in my jealousy and in the <u>fire</u> of my wrath have I spoken, 'Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel'.

C.11 5 'truth shall stand' After the Millennium, and after the Battle of Gog and Magog, then only the *truth shall stand*. All lies and all wickedness will be destroyed.

REV.20:11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

REV.20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

- **C.12** ⁶ 'faithfulness shall grow strong' During the 1000 years of Millennium many people would have gotten saved, especially with Jesus Himself in total control of the earth, and many would have finally learned faithfulness.
- **C.13** 7 'recompense shall follow'. Those who are faithful during the Millennial period of earth will be rewarded for their faithfulness.
- **C.14** 8 'the reward shall be manifested' At the Final Judgement some are rewarded because their names are written in the Book of Life, and some are cast into the Lake of Fire for their wicked deeds

REV.20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire

C.15 9 'Righteous deeds shall awake.'

DAN.12:2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

C.16 10 'unrighteous deeds shall not sleep.'

REV.20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire

C.17 DEATH & HELL are also completely destroyed at the Great White Throne Judgement.

REV.20:13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

REV.20:14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death

16 Then the pit of torment shall appear, and opposite it shall be the place of rest and the furnace of hell shall be disclosed, and opposite it the paradise of delight. Then the Most High will say to the nations that have been raised from the dead, "Look now, and understand whom you have denied, whom you have not served, whose commandments you have despised!

C.18 I know of one Christian writer who described paradise and hell exactly as verse 16 portrays, and that both are inside the earth, and that he personally visited these domains on a spirit trip. Interestingly enough, he was surprised to see the INNER SUN down in Hell. (See **Appendix** for more info on this.)

17 Look on this side and on that. Here are delight and rest, and there are fire and torments!" Thus he will speak to them on the day of judgement; a day that has no sun, or moon or stars, or cloud or thunder or lightning or wind or water or air, or darkness or evening or morning, or summer or spring or heat or winter or frost or cold or hail or rain or dew, or noon or night, or dawn or shining or brightness or light, but only the splendour of the glory of the Most High, by which all shall see what has been determined for them.

REV.20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead

were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

REV.20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

18 For it will last for about a week of years. This is my judgment and its prescribed order and to you alone have I shown these things.

C.19 ¹The Great White Throne Judgement is mentioned in the bible (REV.20:11). However, in II Ezdras, we are given more details, and told that the Great White Throne Judgement will actually last for 7 years.² Ezra alone, was shown these details. According to this verse, seven years (one week) is the length of time it takes for God to judge all the souls that have ever lived upon the earth, including the Fallen angels.

REV.20:11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

19 I answered and said, "O Sovereign Lord, I said then and I say now: Blessed are those who are alive and keep thy commandments, but what of those for whom I have prayed? For whom among the living is there that has not sinned, or who among men that has not transgressed thy covenant?

ROM.3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

ROM.6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

20 And now I see that the world to come will bring delight to few, but torments to many. For an evil heart has grown up in us, which has aliened us from God, and had brought us into corruption and the ways of death and has shown us the paths of perdition and removed us far from life and that not just a few of us but almost all who have been created!

PRO.14:12 There is a way which seems right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.

JOH.3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abides on him.

1JN.1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanses us from all sin.

- 1JN.1:8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- **1JN.1:9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- 21 He answered me and said, "Listen Ezra, and I will instruct you, and I will admonish you yet again; for this reason the Most High has made not one world but two; for whereas you have said that the righteous are not many but few, while the ungodly abound, hear the explanation of this.
- C.20 'The Most High has made not one world but two distinct worlds'.

Editor: Here he is talking about the 'physical and the spiritual'.

- 22 If you have just a few precious stones, will you add to them lead and clay?
- 23 I said, "Lord, how could that be?"
- 24 And He said to me, "Not only that, but ask the earth and she will tell you. Defer to her, and she will declare it to you. Say to her, "You produce gold and silver and brass and also iron and clay, but silver is more abundant than gold, and brass than silver, and iron than brass, and lead than iron, and clay than lead."
- 25 Judge therefore which things are precious and desirable, those that are abundant or those that are rare?
- 26 I said, "O Sovereign Lord, what is plentiful is of less worth, for what is more rare is more precious."
- 27 He answered me and said, "Weigh within yourself what you have thought, for he who has what is hard to get rejoices more that he who has what is plentiful.
- 28 So also will the judgment be which I have promised. For I will rejoice over the few who shall be saved, because it is they who have made my glory to prevail now, and through them my name has now been honoured; and I will not grieve over the multitude of those who perish. For it is they who are now like a mist and are similar to a flame

and smoke. They are set on fire and burn hotly and are extinguished."

PSA.9:17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.

2PE.3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

29 I replied and said, "O earth, what have you brought forth, if the mind is made out of the dust like the other created things; for it would have been better if the dust itself had not been born, so that the mind might not have been made from it."

GEN.2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

ROM.8:6 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

ROM.8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.

C.21 Apparently before Adam and Eve 'Fell', things were very different than Ezra describes in verse 29 stating 'the mind is made out of the dust' There is a distinction between the fleshly physical mind and the spiritual mind. I believe that before Adam and Eve fell, that they could see *right into the spiritual realm*, as their minds were heavenly and they could probably communicate with both God and those in the spiritual realm up until the point when they decided to disobey and sin against God. Sadly, then the amazing connection that their minds had with the spiritual realm was broken. They probably had many *powers of the mind* that we simply don't have today.

From that point in history onwards, humans could only see God and His spiritual realm by Faith and not by sight. Why did God allow this? God created this whole physical world as a test for everyone, to see who will believe and seek after God, even when they *can't see Him* and the spiritual things can't be discerned by the carnal mind alone.

JOH.20:29 Jesus said unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: *blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.*

30 'But now the mind grows with us, and therefore we are tormented, because we perish and know it. Let the human-race lament but let the beasts of the field be glad. Let all who have been born lament, but let the four-footed beasts and flocks rejoice!

31 For it is much better with them than with us; for they do not look for

judgment, nor do they know of any torment or salvation promised to them after death; for what does it profit us that we shall be preserved alive but cruelly tormented?

- 32 For all who have been borne are involved in iniquities and are full of sins and burdened with transgressions and if we were not to come into judgment after death, perhaps it would have been better for us.'
- 33 He answered me and said, "When the Most High made the world, and Adam and all who have come from him, he first prepared the judgment and the things that pertain to the judgment; and now understand from your own words, for you have said that the mind grows with us.
- **C.22** God 1st of all created the Lake of Fire, Hell and the Judgment. Why? As a constant reminder, especially to the Fallen angels as well as those who initially sinned, such as the Giants, what their Final end would be, if they continued on the destructive path that they were on. (**See Appendix IX about Giants.**)
- 34 For this reason, therefore, those who dwell on earth shall be tormented, because though they had understanding they committed iniquity, and though they received the commandments they did not keep them, and though they obtained the law, they dealt unfaithfully with what they received."
- **LUK.16:23** And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.
- **C.23** In Old testament times, the expression, "The Bosom of Abraham" was used to express hollow places inside the earth where Hell was side by side to Paradise, with a large gulf between them.
- **LUK.16:26** And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence.
- 35 What then will they have to say in the judgment, or how will they answer in the last times? For how long the times is that the Most High has been patient with those who inhabit the world, and not for their sake, but because of the times which he has foreordained!"
- **C.24** Scientists tell us that everything that we have ever seen, heard or thought is all recorded in our sub-conscious brains, so that all God has to do, at the Great White Throne Judgement is to press the Rewind button, and all

is revealed about each one of us, and most of all our intentions for why we did what we did. NB. Those who are saved by believing in Jesus Christ are judged by Jesus at the Judgement Seat of Christ, just before the Millennium, or around 1000 years before the Final Great White Throne Judgement. The saved are not judged at the Great White Throne Judgement.

REV.20:5 But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

36 I answered and said, "If I have found favour in thy sight, O Lord, show this also to thy servant. Whether after death as soon as every one of us yields up his soul, we shall be kept in rest until those times come when thou wilt renew the creation or whether we shall be tormented at once?

37 He answered me and said, "I will show you that also, but do not number yourself among those who are tormented, for you have a treasure of works laid up with the Most High, but it will not be shown you 'until the last times'.

C.25 There is apparently no time in the spirit world. Is it therefore possible, that all the righteous get rewarded at the same time. In other words, those from Adam to the last saint who passes on to heaven. It would appear, that 'The Bride of Christ' is only complete, when all of the saints are all together. In other words, it doesn't matter if you lived on the earth thousands of years ago or today, many of us, will be rewarded at the same time.

HEB.11:40 God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.

2PE.3:8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

38 Now concerning death, the teaching is, "When the decisive decree has gone forth from the Most High that a man shall die, as the spirit leaves the body to return again to him who gave it, first of all it adores the glory of the Most High; and if it is one of those who have shown scorn and have despised his law, and who have hated those who fear God, such spirits shall not enter into habitations, but shall immediately wander about in torments, ever grieving and sad in seven ways.

C.26 DEATH: This verse and indeed the following knowledge given by God's angel Uriel to Ezra, is invaluable information, and not information that I have found in any other Apocryphal book, at least not these exact details, of how it is for the righteous, and the wicked after death. Quite amazing revelations here.

39 The first way, because they have scorned the Most High.

The second way, because they cannot now make a good repentance that they may live.

40 The third way, they shall see the reward laid up for those who have trusted the covenants of the Most High.

The fourth way, they shall consider the torments laid for themselves in the last days.

41 The fifth way, they shall see how the inhabitations of the others are guarded by angels in profound quiet.

The sixth way, they shall see how some of them will pass over into torments.

- 42 The seventh way, which is worse than all the ways that have been mentioned, because they shall utterly waste away in confusion and be consumed with shame and shall wither with fear at seeing the glory of the Most High before whom they sinned while they were alive, and before whom they are to be judged in the last times.
- 43 Now this is the order of those who have kept the ways of the Most High, when they shall be separated from their mortal body. During the time that they lived in it, they laboriously served the Most High, and withstood danger every hour, that they might keep the law of the Lawgiver perfectly.
- 44 Therefore, this is the teaching concerning them. First of all, they shall see with great joy, the glory of him who receives them, for they shall have rest in seven orders.
- 45 The first order, because they have striven with great effort to overcome the evil thought which was formed with them, that it might not lead them astray from life into death. The second order, because they see the perplexity in which the souls of the ungodly wander, and the punishment that awaits them.

- 46 The third order, they see the witness which he who formed them bears concerning them, that while they were alive they kept the law which was given to them in trust. The fourth order, to understand the rest which they now enjoy, being gathered in to their chambers and guarded by angels in profound quiet, and the glory which waits them in the last days.
- 47 The fifth order, they rejoice that they have now escaped what is corruptible and shall inherit what is to come; and besides they see the straits and toil from which they have been delivered and the spacious liberty which they are to receive and enjoy in immortality.
- 48 The sixth order, when it is shown them how their face is to shine like the sun, and how they are to be make like the light of the stars, being incorruptible from then on. The seventh order, which is greater than all that have been mentioned, because they shall rejoice with boldness, and shall be confident without confusion, and shall be glad without fear, for they hasten to behold the face of him whom they served in life, and from whom they are to receive their reward when glorified.
- 49 This is the order of the souls of the righteous, as henceforth is announced; and the aforesaid are the ways of torment which those who would not give heed to shall suffer hereafter."
- 50 I answered and said, "Will time therefore be given to the souls, after they have been separated from the bodies, to see what you have described them?"
- 51 He said to me, "They shall have freedom for seven days, so that during these seven days they may see the things of which you have been told, and afterwards they shall be gathered in their habitations."
- 52 I answered and said, "If I have found favour in thy sight, show further to me, thy servant, whether on the day of judgment the righteous will be able to intercede for the ungodly or to entreat the Most High for them. Fathers for sons or sons for parents, brothers for brothers, relatives for their kinsmen, or friends for those who are most dear."

C.27 PROOF, that the Book of 2nd Ezdras was in fact written by Ezra

himself, in Old Testament times, and certainly <u>not in New Testament times</u>, as stated by some.

'If I have found favour in the sight' This is a very interesting expression, that was used by Queen Esther in the reign of Ahasuerus of the Medes and Persians.

ESTER.5:8 'If I have found favour in the sight of the king'...

Ester lived very close to the same time as Ezra, so it is not surprising that they both used this same expression, "If I have found favour in thy sight". Also, since this expression was not used in later centuries in the Bible, this also proves that the Book of II Ezdras was indeed original, and written by Ezra himself in around 470 BCE, and not some pseudo graphic (stand-in writer), at a much later time, as claimed by others. Some have even claimed that this book was written in the time of the early Christians. But that claim is simply not born out, by the overwhelming amount of information in this book of II Ezdras pointing repeatedly, to the fact that this book was written by Ezra himself. It is true that a similar expression was found in both Genesis and Exodus, but not in the New Testament. Earlier in this chapter, God said to Ezra, "To you alone have I shown these things".

53 He answered me and said, "Since you have found favour in my sight, I will show you this also. The day of judgment is decisive and displays to the seal of truth. Just as now a father does not send his son, or a son his father, or a master his servant, or a friend his dearest friend, to be ill or sleep or eat or be healed in his stead.

C.28 This judgement that he is talking about, is the Final Judgement, or the Great White Throne Judgement, at the end of the Millennium.

54 So no one shall ever pray for another on that day, neither shall an on lay a burden on another, for them everyone shall bear his own right-eousness and unrighteousness!

55 I answered and said, "How then do we find that first Abraham prayed for the people of Sodom, and Moses for our fathers who sinned in the desert, and Joshua after him for Israel in the days of Achan and Samuel in the days of Saul and David for the plague, and Solomon for those in the sanctuary, and Elijah for those who received the rain, and for the one who was dead, that might live, and Hezekiah for the people in the days of Sennacherib, and many others prayed for many?

56 If therefore the righteous have prayed for the ungodly now, when corruption has increased and unrighteousness has multiplied, why will

it not be so then as well?"

57 He answered me and said, "This present world is not the end. The full glory does not abide in it; therefore, those who were strong prayed for the weak; but the day of judgment will be the end of this age and beginning of the immortal age to come, in which corruption has passed away.

C.29 1"full glory does not abide in it" Wait until God comes down to earth and totally moves in!

REV.21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, 'Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God'.

^{2°}The Day of judgment will be the end of this age and beginning of the immortal age. After the 7000 years of World History is completed, comes the Great White Throne Judgement & then comes the Eternal Age.

REV.21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

58 Sinful indulgence has come to an end, unbelief has been cut off, and righteousness has increased, and truth has appeared. Therefore no one with them will be able to have mercy on him who has been condemned in the judgment, or to harm him who is victorious."

ISA.26:10 Let favour be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness: in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly and will not behold the majesty of the LORD

C.30 After the 2nd Coming of Christ we have the Golden Age of the MILLENIUM, and after that THE GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGEMENT. Even with Christ reigning on earth, with His angels and angelized saints, yet there will be some who are still rebellious, and as soon as Satan is released from his prison, they will again follow Satan again, this time not in the form of the Anti-Christ, but directly as Satan himself, so they will be *even more deserving of terrible judgement* at the Final Great White Throne Judgement.

REV.20:6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ and shall reign with him a thousand years.

REV.20:7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison.

- 59 I answered and said, "This is my first and last word, that it would have been better if the earth had not produced Adam, or else, when it had produced him, had restrained him from sinning. For what good is it to all that they live in sorrow now and expect punishment after death?
- 60 O Adam, what hast thou done? For though it was you who sinned, the fall was not yours alone, but course also who are your descendants. For what good is it to us, if an eternal age has been promised to us, but we have done deeds that bring death; and what good is it that an everlasting hope has been promised to us, but we have miserably failed?
- 61 Safe and healthful habitations have been reserved for us, but we have lived wickedly? Or that the glory of the Most High will defined those who have led a pure life, but we have walked in the most wicked ways? Or that a paradise shall be revealed, whose fruit remains unspoiled and in which are abundance and healing, but we shall not enter it, because we have lived in unseemly places?
- 62 The faces of those who have practiced self-control shall shine more than the stars, but our faces shall be blacker than darkness? For while we lived and committed iniquity we did not consider what we should suffer after death."
- 63 He answered and said, "This is the meaning of the contest which every man who is born on earth shall wage, that if he is defeated here shall suffer what you have said, but if he is victorious he shall receive what I have said".
- 64 For this is the way of which Moses, while he was alive spoke to the people, saying, 'Choose for yourself life, that you may live'. But they did not believe him, or the prophets after him, or even myself who have spoken to them.
- 65 Therefore there shall not be grief at their destruction, so much as joy over those to whom salvation is assured.

PSA.37:39 But the salvation of the righteous is of the LORD: he is their strength in the time of trouble.

ACT.4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

2TI.1:9 Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.

REV.21:24 And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

66 I answered and said, "I know, O Lord, that the Most High is now called merciful, because he has mercy on those who have not yet come into the world; and gracious, because he is gracious to those who turn in repentance to his law; and patient, because he shows patience towards those who have sinned, since they are his own works, and bountiful, because he would rather give than take away, and abundant in compassion, because he makes his compassions abound more and more to those now living and to those who are gone and to those yet to come, for if he did not make them abound, the world with those who inhabit it would not have life.

67 He is called giver, because if he did not give out of his goodness so that those who have committed iniquities might be relieved of them, not one ten-thousandth of mankind could have life; and judge ye, because if he did not pardon those who were created by his word and blot out the multitude of their sins, there would probably be left only very few of the innumerable multitude."

CHAPTER 8

1 He answered me and said, "The Most High made this world for the sake of many, but the world to come for the sake of few. But I tell you a parable Ezra. Just as, when you ask the earth, it will tell you that it provides very much clay from which earthenware is made, but only a little dust from which gold comes, so is the course of the present world. Many have been created, but few shall be saved.

Comment:1: God made the whole physical dimension after Satan Fell, and not before. Why did He create the physical dimension? One day as a young Christian I was studying my bible, and I asked God that question. He told me, that because Satan, His right-hand man had fallen; or better put, His top arch-angel, that He didn't know whom He would be able trust in Heaven, if people were truly tested. God then decided to set-up the physical realm and sent many of those who had formerly been in heaven to the earth at some time period or the other, so that God would clearly see who would seek after Him, and who would follow their own ways or even the Devil's ways.

He gave man a choice, to see if he would follow his own carnal ways and the demonic ways of Satan or choose the way to Salvation-Jesus. Furthermore, God took away our memory of Him, and the true spiritual values when we were first born. He wanted to see how many people would voluntarily come to Him, and find Salvation by His Grace, and not follow after the false religions and ideologies of man.

C.2 The religions of man all depend on self-works, instead of only on the Grace of God.

JOB.4:18 Behold, he put no trust in his servants; and his angels he charged with folly:

MAT.7:14 "Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads unto (eternal) life, and few there be that find it." (*See APPENDIX XII for why Satan originally fell.)

2 I answered and said, "Then drink your fill of understanding, O my soul, and drink wisdom, O my heart, for not of your own will did you come into the world, and against your will you depart, for you have been given only a short time to live!

C.3 'Only a short time to live'. It is very true that compared to the ancients, our life is often very short on earth. Why? Did you know that Jacob, the grandson of Abraham, asked the same question in his time, thinking that his years were very short, being 146 years old. Of course, that is probably because his father Isaac live to be 180 years, and his grandfather Abraham 175 years.

These patriarchs actually lived longer than was normal, at that time. God had stated that after the flood a man's years would be 120 years. Jacob's sons all died around the 120-year mark. By king David's time 3000 years ago, he only lived to be 70 years old. One hundred and fifty years ago during the industrial revolution, and so much resultant pollution from coal mining, many people only lived into their 30's due to consumption/T.B. In modern times through better nutrition, men are living into their nineties. At least in some parts of the world. Today the average age to die is around 78+ for men and around 82 for women. God couldn't trust man to get too old, as he might become more and more wicked, so he cut down the length of his life progressively. It is amazing to think that Adam and Eve, and those before the Great Flood, lived to be 900+ years. What a difference! Of course, who wants to live to be 900+ years in a decadent world such as this one? We all long for when God steps in, and changes everything, and recreates his world, and then people will live again for 1000 years, as was originally intended. If only people had obeyed God in the first place!

ROM.8:22 For we know that the whole creation groans and travails in pain together until now.

- 3 O Lord who are over us, grant to thy servant that we may pray before thee, and give us seed for our heart and cultivation of our understanding, so that fruit may be produced, by which every mortal who bears the likeness of a human being, may be able to live.
- 4 For thou alone dost exist, and we are a work of thy hands, as thou hast declared; and because thou didst give life to the body which is now fashioned in the womb, and dost furnish it with members, what thou hast created is preserved in fire and water, and for nine months the womb which thou hast formed endures thy creation which has been created in it.
- 5 But that which keeps and that which is kept shall both be kept by thy keeping. And when the womb gives that again what has been created in it, 'Thou has commanded that from the members themselves (that is from the breasts) milk should be supplied which is the fruit of the breasts'.
- 6 So that what has been fashioned may be nourished for a time and afterwards thou will guide him in thy mercy. Thou hast brought him up in thy righteousness, and instructed him in the law, and reproved him in thy wisdom. Thou will take away his life because he is thy creation; and

will make him live, for he is thy work.

- 7 If then, thou wilt suddenly and quickly destroy him who with so great labour was fashioned by thy command, to what purpose was he made? And now I will speak out. About all mankind thou know best, but I will speak about thy people for whom I am grieved, and about thy inheritance, for whom I lament, and about Israel for whom I am sad, and about the seed of Jacob, for whom I am troubled.
- 8 Therefore I will pray before thee for myself and for them, for I see the failings of us who dwell in the land, and I have heard of the swiftness of the judgment that is to come. Therefore, hear my voice, and understand my words, and I will speak before thee." The beginning of the words of Ezra's prayer, before he was taken up, He said:
- 9 "O Lord who inhabits eternity, whose eyes are exalted, and whose upper chambers are in the air, whose throne is beyond measure and whose glory is beyond comprehension, before whom the hosts of angels stand trembling; and at whose command they are changed to wind and fire, whose word is sure, and whose utterances are certain, whose ordinance is strong and whose command is terrible; whose look dries up the depths and whose indignation makes the mountains melt away and whose truth is established for ever.
- 10 Hear, O Lord, the prayer of thy servant, and give ear to the petition of thy creature, attend to my words, for as long as I live I will speak, and as long as I have understanding I will answer, O look not upon the sins of thy people, but at those who have served thee in truth.
- 11 Regard not the endeavours of those who act wickedly, but the endeavours of those who have kept thy covenants amid afflictions. Think not on those who have lived wickedly in thy sight but remember those who have willingly acknowledged that thou art to be feared.
- 12 Let it not be thy will to destroy those who have had the ways of cattle, but regard those who have gloriously taught thy law. Be not angry with those who are deemed worse than beasts but love those who have always put their trust in thy glory.

PSA.37:7 Rest in the LORD and wait patiently for Him: fret not thyself because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who brings wicked devices to pass.

2PE.2:12 But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;

13 For we and our fathers have passed our lives in ways that bring death, but thou, because of us sinners, are called merciful: for if thou has desired to have pity on us, who have no works of righteousness, then thou wilt be called merciful.

PRO.16:6 By mercy and truth iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil.

ROM.5:8 But God commends his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

14 For the righteous, who have many works laid up with thee, shall receive their reward in consequence of their own deeds; but what is man, that thou are angry with him, or what is a corruptible race, that thou art so bitter against it?

REV.14:13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, 'Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, says the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.'

PSA.103:15 As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourishes.

PSA.103:16 For the wind passed over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

15 For in truth there is no one among those who have been born who has not acted wickedly, and among those who have existed there is no one who has not transgressed; for in this, 'O Lord, thy righteousness and goodness will be declared, when those are merciful to those who have no store of good works.'

PSA.14:3 They are all gone aside, they are all together become filthy: there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

16 He answered me and said, 'Some things you have spoken rightly, and it will come to pass according to your words; for indeed, I will

not concern myself about the fashioning of those who have sinned, or about their death, their judgment, or their destruction; but I will rejoice over the creation of the righteous, over their pilgrimage also, and their salvation, and their receiving their reward. As I have spoken, therefore so it shall be.'

17 For just as the farmer sows many seeds upon the ground, and plants a multitude of seedlings, and yet not all that have been sown will come up in due season, and not all that were planted will take root; and so also those who have been sown in the world will not all be saved.

MAT.13:3 And he spoke many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow:

MAT.13:4 And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up:

MAT.13:5 Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth:

MAT.13:6 And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away.

MAT.13:7 And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:

MAT.13:8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

18 I answered and said, "If I have found favour before thee, let me speak; for if the farmer's seed does not come up, because it has not received thy rain in due season, or if it has been ruined by too much rain, it perishes. But man, who has been formed by thy hands and is called thy own image, because he is made like thee, and for whose sake thou hast formed all things, hast thou also made him like the farmer's seed? No, O Lord who art over us! But spare thy people and have mercy on thy inheritance, for thou hast mercy on they own creation."

MAT.13:18 Hear ye therefore the (meaning) of the parable of the sower.

MAT.13:19 When any one hears the word of the kingdom, and understands it not, then cometh the wicked one (Satan), and catches away that which was *sown in his heart*. This is he which received seed by the way side.

MAT.13:20 But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that hears the word, and anon with joy receives it;

MAT.13:21 Yet hath he no root in himself but endures for a while: for when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, by and by he is offended.

MAT.13:22 He also that received seed among the thorns is he that hears the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful.

MAT.13:23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that hears the word, and understands it; which also bears fruit, and brings forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

19 He answered me and said, "Things that are present are for those who live now, and things that are future are for those who will live hereafter. For you come far short of being able to love my creation more than I love it. But you have often compared yourself to the unrighteous. Never do so, but even in this respect you will be praiseworthy before the Most High because you have humbled yourself, as is becoming for you; and have not deemed yourself to be among the righteous in order to receive the greatest glory."

1PE.5:6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time: **HEB.11:35** And others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:

20 For many miseries will affect those who inhabit the world in the last times, because they have walked in great pride. But think of your own case and inquire concerning the glory of those who are like yourself.

PRO.8:13 The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogance, and the evil way, and the froward (wilfully contrary) mouth, do I hate.

ISA.58:8 Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy reward.

21 Because it is for you that paradise is opened, the tree of life planted, the age to come is prepared, plenty is provided, a city is built, rest is appointed, goodness is established, and wisdom perfected beforehand. The root of evil is sealed up from you, illness is banished from you, and death is hidden; hell has fled, and corruption has been forgotten.

REV.21:2 And I John saw the holy city, *New Jerusalem*, coming down from God out of heaven, *prepared as a bride* adorned for her husband.

- **REV.21:3** And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the *Tabernacle of God* is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.
- **REV.21:4** And God shall *wipe away all tears* from their eyes; and there shall be *no more death*, neither sorrow, nor crying, *neither shall there be any more pain*: for the former things are passed away.
- **REV.22:1** And he shewed me a pure river of *water of life*, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.
- **REV.22:2** In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the *tree of life*, which bare *twelve manner of fruits*, and yielded her fruit every month: and the *leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations*.
- **REV.22:3** And there shall be *no more curse*: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:
- 22 Therefore do not ask any more questions about the multitude of those who perish. For they received freedom, but they despised the Most High, and were contemptuous of his law, and forsook his ways.
- **MAT.7:13** Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and many there be which go in there.
- MAT.7:14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leads unto life, and few there be that find it.
- 23 Moreover they have even trampled upon his righteous ones, and they said in their hearts that 'there is no God', though knowing full well that they must die. For just as the things which I have predicted await you, so the thirst and torment which are prepared await them. For the Most High did not intend that men should be destroyed.
- **PSA.37:32** The wicked watches the righteous and seeks to slay him.
- **PSA.14:1** The fool has said in his heart, *'There is no God.'* They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none who does good.
- 24 But they themselves who were created have defiled the name of him who make them and have been ungrateful to him who prepared life for them. Therefore, my judgment is now drawing near.
- **ROM.1:18** For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

25 I have not shown this to all men, but only to you and a few like you.

C.4 What God says to Ezra here, is similar to what God revealed to Enoch 5000+ years ago, or 2500 years earlier than Ezra himself, who lived 2500 years ago.

Enoch 19.3 "And I, Enoch, alone saw the vision, the ends of all things; and no man shall see as I have seen"

26 Then I answered and said, "Behold, O Lord, thou hast now shown me a multitude of the signs which thou wilt do in the last times, but thou hast not shown me when thou wilt do them."

JOEL.2:30 "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.

JOEL.2:31 "The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD."

CHAPTER 9

- 1 He answered me and said, "Measure carefully in your mind, and when you see that a certain part of the predicted signs are past, then you will know that it is the very time when the Most High is about the to visit the world which he has made.
- 2 So when there shall appear in the world earthquakes, tumult of peoples, intrigues of nations, wavering of leaders, confusion of princes, then you will know that it was of these that the Most High spoke of from the days that were of old, from the beginning.
- **LUK.21:11** And great earthquakes shall be in diverse places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.
- MAT.24:37 "But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.
- **MAT.24:38** "For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,
- MAT.24:39 "And did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.
- 3 For just as with everything that has occurred in the world, the beginning is evident, and the end manifest, so also are the times of the Most High: the beginnings are manifest in wonders and mighty works, and the end in requital and in signs.
- **MAR.13:7** "But when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be troubled; for such things must happen, but the end is not yet. (2000 years ago in Jesus' time)
- **MAR.13:8** "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be earthquakes in various places, and there will be famines and troubles. These are the beginnings of sorrows.
- 4 And it shall be that everyone who will be saved, and will be able to escape on account of his works, or on account of the faith by which he has believed, will survive the dangers that have been predicted, and will see my salvation in my land and within my borders, which I have sanctified for myself from the beginning.

MAT.24:13 "But he who endures to the end shall be saved.

5 Then those who have abused my ways shall be amazed, and those who have rejected them with contempt shall dwell in torments, for as many as did not acknowledge me in their lifetime, although they received my benefits; and as many as scorned my law while they still had freedom, and did not understand but despised it, while an opportunity of repentance was still open to them. These must in torment acknowledge it after death.

PSA.37:35-6 I have seen the wicked in great power and spreading himself like a green Bay tree.

Yet he passed away, and behold, he was no more; Indeed, I sought him, but he could not be found.

PSA.10:4 The wicked in his proud countenance does not seek God; God is in none of his thoughts

6 Therefore do not continue to be curious as to how the ungodly will be punished; but inquire how the righteous will be saved, those to whom the age belongs, and for whose sake the age was made.

ISA.13:11 "I will punish the world for its evil, And the wicked for their iniquity; I will halt the arrogance of the proud and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

PSA.92:12 The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

7 I answered and said, "I said before, and I say it now, and I will say it again: there are more who perish than those who will be saved, as a wave is greater than a drop of water."

PSA.37:39 But the salvation of the righteous is from the LORD; He is their strength in the time of trouble.

8 He answered and said, "As in the field, so is the seed; and as are the flowers, so are the colours. And as is the work, so is the product, and as is the farmer so is the threshing floor. For there was a time in this age when I was preparing for those who now exist, before the world was made for them to dwell in, and no one opposed me then, for no one existed.

9 But now those who have been created in this world, which is supplied both with an unfailing table and an inexhaustible pasture have become corrupt in their ways.

PSA.53:3 Every one of them has turned aside; They have together become corrupt; There is none who does good, No, not one.

10 So I considered my world, and behold it was lost, and my earth, and behold it was in peril, because of the devices of those who had come into it, and I saw and spared some with great difficulty, and saved for myself one grape out of a cluster, and one plant out of a great forest.

Comment:1: God is pondering the fact that His world is lost, and that He needs to save them. Of course, he sent prophet after prophet for around 1000 years, from the time of King David until finally He sent His only Begotten Son. He has held 'hidden' Jesus, whom He intended to 'send to earth as the Saviour of Mankind', when the time was fully ripe.

11 So let the multitude perish which have been born in vain, but let my grape and my plant be saved, because with much labour I have perfected them.

PSA.11:5 The LORD tests the righteous, But the wicked and the one who loves violence His soul hates.

- 12 But if you will let seven days more pass. Do not fast during them however; but go into a field of flowers, where no house has been built, and eat only the flowers of the field, and taste no meat and drink no wine, but eat only flowers. and pray to the Most High continually, then I will come and talk with you."
- 13 So I went, as he directed me, into the field which is called Ardat; and there I sat among the flowers and ate of the plants of the field, and the nourishment they afforded satisfied me; and after seven days, as I lay on the grass, my heart was troubled again as it was before.
- 14 And my mouth was opened, and I began to speak before the Most High, and said, "O Lord, thou didst show thyself among us, to our fathers in the wilderness when they came out from Egypt, and when they came into the untrodden and unfruitful wilderness; and thou didst say, "Hear me, O Israel, and give heed to my words, O descendants of Jacob.

15 For behold, I sow my law in you, and it shall bring forth fruit in you and you shall be glorified through it for ever. But though our fathers received the law, they did not keep it, and did not observe the statutes; yet the fruit of the law did not perish, for it could not because it was thine.

16 Yet those who received it perished, because they did not keep what had been sown in them; and behold, it is the rule that, when the ground has received seed, or the sea a ship, or any dish food or drink, and when it happens that what was sown or what launched or that was put in is destroyed.

17 They are destroyed, but the things that held them remain, yet with us it has not been so. For we who have received the law and sinned will perish, as well as our heart which received it; the law however, does not perish but remains in its glory."

A VISION OF ZION

- 18 When I said these things in my heart, I lifted up my eyes and saw a woman on my right, and behold, she was mourning and weeping with a loud voice, and was deeply grieved at heart, and her clothes were rent, and there were ashes on her head.
- 19 Then I dismissed the thoughts with which I had been engaged, and turned to her, and said to her, "Why are you weeping, and why are you grieved at heart?"
- 20 And she said to me, "Let me alone, my lord, that I may weep for myself and continue to mourn, for I am greatly embittered in spirit and deeply afflicted."
- 21 And I said unto her, "What has happened to you? Tell me."
- 22 And she said to me, "Your servant was barren and had no child, though I lived with my husband thirty years; and every hour and every day during those thirty years, I besought the Most High, night and day.

23 And after thirty years God heard your handmaid, and looked upon my low estate, and considered my distress, and gave me a son, and I rejoiced greatly over him, I and my husband and all my neighbours; and we gave great glory to the Mighty One. And I brought him up with much care.

24 So when he grew up and I came to take a wife for him, I set a day for the marriage feast.

CHAPTER 10

- 1 But it happened that when my son entered his wedding chamber, he fell down and died. Then we all put out the lamps, and all my neighbours attempted to console me; and I remained quiet until evening of the second day.
- 2 But when they had stopped consoling me, that I might be quiet, I got up in the night and fled, and came to this field, as you see; and now I intend not to return to the city, but to stay here, and I will neither eat nor drink, but without ceasing mourn and fast until I die."
- 3 Then I broke off the reflections with which I was still engaged, and answered her in anger and said, "You most foolish of women, do you not see our mourning, and what has happened to us? For Zion, the mother of us all, is in deep grief and great affliction.
- 4 It is most appropriate to mourn now, because we are all mourning, and to be sorrowful, because we are all sorrowing; you are sorrowing for one son, but we, the whole world, for our mother.
- 5 Now 'ask the earth and she will tell you' that it is she who ought to mourn over so many who have come in to being upon her; and from the beginning all have been born of her, and others will come; and behold, almost all go to perdition, and a multitude of them are destined for destruction.

Comment:1: I find it very curious how Ezra has repeatedly stated 'ask the earth, and she will tell you' Why doesn't it state: Ask God? Some people believe that the earth is actually alive, or that it has a spirit of its own, so I suppose that just as some people talk to angels (Catholics), perhaps others talk to spirits, such as here, the spirit of the earth. In Greek mythology the spirit of the earth, was called Gaia and was mother of the TITANS. I do not propose to understand why Ezra states repeatedly 'ask the earth', but it is indeed a challenging concept, that the earth itself could be alive in some way. Just a thought!

6 Who then ought to mourn the more, she who lost so great a multitude, or you who are grieving for one? But if you say unto me, "My lamentation is not like the earth's, for I have lost the fruit of my womb, which I brought forth in pain and bore in sorrow; but it is with the earth according to the way of the earth; the multitude that is now in it goes as it came.

- 7 Then I say to you, "As you brought forth in sorrow, so the earth also has from the beginning given her fruit, that is to man who made her. Now therefore, keep your sorrow to yourself, and bear bravely the troubles that have come upon you.
- 8 For if you acknowledge the decree of God to be just, you will receive your son back in due time, and will be praised among women, therefore go into the city to your husband."
- 9 She said unto me, "I will not do so. I will not go into the city, but I will die here.
- 10 So I spoke to her and said, "Do no say that, but let yourself be persuaded because of the troubles of Zion and be consoled because of the sorrow of Jerusalem. For you see that our sanctuary has been laid waste, our alter thrown down, our temple destroyed.
- 11 Our harp has been laid low, our song has been silenced, and our rejoicing has been ended; the light of our lamp has been put out, the ark of our covenant has been plundered, our holy things have been polluted, and the name by which we are called has been profaned. Our free men have suffered abuse, our priests have been burned to death, our Levites have gone into captivity, our virgins have been defiled, and our wives have been ravished. Our righteous men have been carried off, our little ones have been cast out, our young men have been enslaved and our strong men made powerless.
- 12 And what is more than all, the seal of Zion. For she has now lost the seal of her glory and has been given into the hands of those that hate us; therefore, shake off your great sadness and lay aside your many sorrows, so that the Mighty One may be merciful to you again, and the Most High may give you rest, a relief from your troubles.
- 13 While I was talking to her, behold her face suddenly shone exceed-

ingly, and her countenance flashed like lightning, so that I was too frightened to approach her, and my heart was terrified. While I was wondering what this meant, behold she suddenly uttered a loud and fearful cry, so that the earth shook at the sound.

14 And I looked, and behold, the woman was no longer visible to me, but there was an established city, and a place of huge foundations showed itself. Then I was afraid, and cried with a loud voice and said, "Where is the angel Uriel, who came to me at first? For it was he who brought me into this overpowering bewilderment. My end has become corruption, and my prayer a reproach."

15 As I was speaking these words, behold the angel who had come to me at first came to me and looked upon me; and behold, I lay there like a corpse and I was deprived of my understanding. Then he grasped my right hand and strengthened me and set me on my feet, and said to me, "What is the matter with you? And why are you troubled? And why are your understanding and thoughts of your mind troubled?"

16 I said, "Because you have forsaken me! I did as you directed, and went out into the field, and behold, I saw and still see, what I am unable to explain.

17 He said unto me, "Stand up like a man, and I will instruct you."

18 I said, "Speak on my lord, only do not forsake me, lest I die before my time, for I have seen what I did not know, and I have heard what I do not understand, or is my mind deceived, and my soul dreaming? Now therefore I entreat you to give your servant an explanation of this bewildering vision."

19 He answered me and said, "Listen to me and I will inform you, and tell you about the things which you fear, for the Most High has revealed many secrets unto you; for he has seen your righteous conduct, that you have sorrowed continually for your people, and mourned greatly over Zion.

20 This therefore is the meaning of the vison: The woman who appeared

to you a little while ago, whom you saw mourning and began to console, but you do not now see the form of a woman, but an established city, has appeared unto you; and as for her telling you about the misfortune of her son, this is the interpretation:

21 This woman, whom you saw, whom you now behold as an established city, is Zion, and as for her telling you that she was barren for thirty years, it is because there were three thousand years in the world before any offering was offered for it; and after three thousand years Solomon built the city and offered offerings.

C.2 'This woman' is the spirit of ZION.

C.3 Verse 21 gives staggering information, because *it proves that our planet is only 6000 years old*, and confirms that the bible is true, in also stating that the earth is 6000 years old, and not older. THE TIME FRAME: Creation unto Solomon 3000 years. Time of Solomon to the present time approximately another 3000 years. That makes only a Total of 6000 years of World History so far, and certainly not the *absurd millions and billions of years claimed by Evolution (science falsely so-called)* as being the case.

1TI.6:20, Avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called.

*(SEE APPENDIX XIV)

- 22 Then it was that the barren woman bore a son, and as for her telling you that she brought him up with much care, that was the period of the residence in Jerusalem; and as for her saying unto you, 'When my son entered his bed chamber he died, and that misfortune had overtaken her', that was the destruction which befell Jerusalem.
- 23 And behold, you saw her likeness, how she mourned for her son, and you began to console her for what had happened; for now, the Most High, seeing that you are sincerely grieved, and profoundly distressed for her, has shown you the brilliance of her glory, and the loveliness of her beauty.
- 24 Therefore I told you to remain in the field where no house had been built for I knew that the Most High would reveal these things unto you. Therefore, I told you to go into the field where there was no foundation of any building; for no work of man's building could endure in a place where the city of the Most High was to be revealed.

25 Therefore do not be afraid, and do not let your heart be terrified, but go in and see the splendour and vastness of the building, as far as it is possible for your eyes to see it, and afterwards you will hear as much as your ears can hear.

26 For you are more blessed than many, and you have been called before the Most High, as but few have been; but tomorrow night you shall remain here, and the Most High will show you in those dream visions what the Most High will do to those who dwell upon the earth in the last days." So, I slept that night and the following one, as he had commanded me.

CHAPTER 11

1 On the second night I had a dream, and behold, there came up from the sea an eagle that had twelve feathered wings and three heads. I looked, and behold, he spread his wings over all the earth, and all the winds of heaven blew upon him, and the clouds were gathered about him; and I looked, and out of his wings there grew opposing wings, but they became little, puny wings, but his heads were at rest; the middle head was larger than the other heads, but it was also at rest with them.

DAN.7:2 Daniel spoke, saying, "I saw in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the Great Sea."

DAN.7:3 "And four great beasts came up from the sea, each different from the other."

- 2 I looked, and behold, the eagle flew with his wings, to reign over the earth, and over those who dwell in it; and I saw how all things under heaven were subjected unto him, and no one spoke against him, not even one creature that was on the earth.
- 3 And I looked, and behold, the eagle rose upon his talons, and uttered a cry to his wings, saying, "Do no watch at the same time; let each sleep in his own place, and watch his turn, but let the heads be reserved unto the last.
- 4 And I looked, and behold, the voice did not come from his heads, but from the midst of his body; and I counted his opposing wings, and behold, there were eight of them, and I looked, and behold, on the right side one wing arose, and it reigned over all the earth.
- 5 And while it was reigning its end came also, so that it disappeared, so that its place was not seen. Then the next wing arose and reigned and continued to reign for a long time. And while it was reigning its end came also, so that it disappeared like the first, and behold a voice sounded, saying to it:
- 6 "Hear me, you who have ruled the earth all this time, I announce this before you disappear. After you no one shall rule as long as you, or even half as long."

- 7 Then the third wing raised itself up, and held the rule like the former ones, and it also disappeared; and so it went with all the wings; they wielded power one after the another and then were never seen again.
- 8 And I looked and behold in due course the wing that followed also rose up on the right side, in order to rule. There were some of them that ruled, yet disappeared suddenly, and others of them rose up, but did not hold the rule.
- 9 And after this I looked, and behold, the twelve wings and the two little wings disappeared, and nothing remained on the eagle's body except the three heads that were at rest and six little wings.
- 10 And I looked, and behold, two wings separated from the six and remained under the head that was on the right side; but four remained in their place; and I looked, and behold these little wings planned to set themselves up and hold the rule.
- 11 And I looked, and behold one was set up, but suddenly disappeared, a second also, and this disappeared more quickly than the first; and I looked and behold, the two that remained were planning between themselves to reign together.
- 12 While they were planning, behold, one of the heads that were at rest (the one which was in the middle) awoke; for it was greater than the other heads, and I saw how it allied the two heads with itself; and behold, the head turned with those that were with it and it devoured the two little wings which were planning to reign.
- 13 Moreover this head gained control of the whole earth, and with much oppression dominated its inhabitants; and it had greater power over the world than all the wings that had gone before.
- 14 And after this I looked, and behold, the middle head also suddenly disappeared, Just as the wings had done; but the two heads remained, which also ruled over the earth and its inhabitants, and I looked, and behold, the head on the right side devoured the one on the left.

- 15 Then I heard a voice saying to me, "Look before you and consider what you see."
- 16 And I looked, and behold, a creature like a lion was aroused out of the forest, roaring; and I heard how he uttered a man's vice to the eagle, and spoke, saying "Listen and I will speak to you. The Most High says to you, are you not the one that remains of the four beasts which I had make to reign in my world, so that the end of my times might come through them?
- **DAN.7:19** "Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, with its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, which devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet;
- 17 You, the fourth that has come, have conquered all the beasts that have gone before; and you have held sway over the world with much terror, and over all the earth with grievous oppression; and for so long you have dwelt on the earth with deceit, and you have judged the earth, but not with truth.
- **DAN.7:7** "After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a *fourth beast*, dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong. It had huge iron teeth; it was devouring, breaking in pieces, and trampling the residue with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns.
- **DAN.7:23** Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.
- 18 For you have afflicted the meek and injured the peaceable; you have hated those who tell the truth, and have loved liars; you have destroyed the dwellings of those who brought forth fruit, and have laid low the walls of those who did you no harm; and so your insolence has come up before the Most High, and your pride to the Mighty One. The Most High has looked upon his times, and behold they are ended, and his ages are completed!
- 19 Therefore you will surely disappear, you eagle, and your terrifying wings, and your most evil little wings, and your malicious heads, and your most evil talons, and your whole worthless body. So that the whole earth, freed from your violence, may be refreshed and relieved, and

may hope for the judgment and mercy of him who made it."

CHAPTER 12

- 1 While the lion was saying these words to the eagle, I looked, and behold the remaining head disappeared. And the two wings that had gone over to it arose and set themselves up to reign, and their reign was brief and full of tumult, and I looked, and behold they also disappeared, and whole body of the eagle was burned, and the earth was exceedingly terrified.
- 2 Then I awoke in great perplexity of mind and great fear, and I said to my spirit 'Behold, you have brought this upon me, because you search out the ways of the Most High. Behold, I am still wary in mind and very weak in my spirit, and not even a little strength is left in me, because of the great fear with which I have been terrified this night.'
- 3 Therefore I will now beseech the Most High that he may strengthen me to the end; And I said, "O sovereign Lord, if I have found favour in thy sight, and if I have been accounted righteous before thee beyond many others, and if my prayer has indeed come up before thy face, strengthen me and who me, they servant, the interpretation and; meaning of this terrifying vision, that thou mayest fully comfort my soul, for if thou hast judged me worth to be shown the end of the times and the last events of the times.
- 4 He said unto me, "This is the interpretation of this vison which you have seen: The eagle which you saw coming up from the sea is the fourth kingdom which appeared in a vision to your brother Daniel, but it was not explained to him as I now explain or have explained it to you.

DAN.7:19 "Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, with its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, which devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet;

DAN.7:23 "Thus he said: 'The fourth beast shall be a fourth kingdom on earth, which shall be different from all other kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, trample it and break it in pieces.

Comments:1:1 In Daniel 7, Daniel is given a vision of 4 Beasts coming out of the Sea, one after the other. Daniel himself lived in the time of Babylon and then the

following world Empire Medio-Persia. The 4 Beasts that he saw were 1) Babylon, 2) Medio-Persia, 3) Greece and 4) Rome. The most ferocious was indeed the fourth Beast or Rome.

2 Ezra, in chapters 11 & 12 saw the kingdom of Rome as an eagle with 3 Heads, 12 Wings, and many feathers, and opposing feathers, and which well describes Rome with all of her Caesars, many of whom were subsequently murdered just like the first one Julius Caesar. Ezra saw the vision of Rome, 400 years before it actually emerged as a world Empire. The Eagle was indeed the greatest emblem of Rome.

3 From Chapter 11.14: 'head on the right side devoured the one on the left.' When Rome declined, first of all, the Western Empire became subservient to the Eastern empire around 390 AD. One Emperor ruled from Rome and the other from Constantinople. What most people don't know is that the emperor of the Eastern Empire of Rome was actually the dominant emperor, and the Western Emperor was subservient to the eastern emperor. The Western Empire was destroyed around 480 AD by the goths. The Eastern Empire continued for another 1000 years until around 1450 AD

5 Behold, the days are coming when a kingdom shall arise on earth, and it shall be more terrifying than all the kingdoms that have been before it, and twelve kings shall reign in it, one after another; but the second that is to reign shall hold sway for the longer time than on other of the 'twelve'.

C.2 ¹Rome had many Caesars over its 500-year reign, from 50 BCE-485 AD. Many of them only reigned for a very short time, such as a few months and were subsequently murdered.² There is an interesting book called '*The 12 Caesars*'.

6 This is the interpretation of the twelve wings which you saw: As for your hearing a voice that spoke, coming not from the eagle's heads but from the midst of his body, this is the interpretation: In the midst of the time of that kingdom great struggles shall arise, and it shall be in danger of falling; nevertheless, it shall not fall then, but shall regain its former power.

C.3 Rome, in its decline, eventually split into two Empires: East and West.

7 As for your seeing the eight wings clinging to his wings, this is the interpretation: Eight kings shall arise in it, whose times shall be short and their years swift, and two of them shall perish when the middle of its time draws near; and four shall be kept for the time when its end approaches; but two shall be kept until the end.

- 8 As for your seeing three heads at rest, this is the interpretation: In its last days the Most High will raise up three kings, and they shall renew many things in it, and shall rule the earth, and its inhabitants more oppressively than all who were before them; therefore, they are called the heads of the eagle; for it is they who shall sum up his wickedness and perform his last actions.
- **C.4** 'Nostradamus in his time around 1555, foresaw <u>three ANTI-CHRISTS</u>: The first was apparently Napoleon, the second was Adolf Hitler and the third the ANTI-CHRIST, predicted in the bible, has not yet come. These 3 could be the fulfilment of the 3 Heads of the Eagle, as seen by Ezra in the vision given to him by God.
- 2 From Chapter 11.1: 'Middle head was larger than the other heads'. Napoleon ruled from around 1799-1815 A total of 15 years. Hitler from 1939-1945. A total of 6 years The famous End-time Anti-Christ is supposed to reign for 7 years. It would appear that symbolically speaking Napoleon could have been seen by Ezra to be the larger head, but only because he reigned much longer time period. Just a thought.
- 9 As for your seeing that the large head disappeared, one of the kings shall die in his bed, but in agonies; but as for the two that remained, the sword shall devour them. For the sword of the one shall devour him who was with him; but he also shall 'fall by the sword in the last days'
- 10 As for your seeing two little wings passing over to the head which was on the right side this is the interpretation: It is these whom the Most High has kept for the eagle's end. This was the reign which was brief and full of tumult, as you have seen.
- **C.5** The last two dominant world leaders according to the Bible will be the Anti-Christ and his False Prophet who can do incredible miracles. It is interesting that they are eventually killed by Jesus. How do they die? They personally are thrown directly into the Lake of fire, but all of their leadership and armies were killed by the sword:
- **REV.19:20** Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.
- **REV.19:21** And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.
- 11 And as for the lion whom you saw rousing up out of the forest and

roaring and speaking to the eagle and reproving him for his unrighteousness and as for all his words that you have heard: This is the Messiah whom the Most High has kept until the end of days, who will arise from the posterity of David, and will come and speak to them; he will denounce them for their ungodliness and for their wickedness, and will cast up before them their contemptuous dealings.

C.6 Jesus, was the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, a direct descendant of King David, and was the Christ or the Messiah, and foretold by God himself to Ezra 400 years before Jesus actually came down to earth as the Saviour of all mankind. C S Lewis, who was himself a Christian, depicted Jesus as a Lion (Aslan) in his famous books for children THE CHRONICLES of NARNIA.

12 For he will set them living before his judgment seat, and when he has reproved them, then he will destroy them; but he will deliver in mercy the remnant of my people, those who have been saved throughout my borders, and he will make them joyful until the end comes, the day of judgment, of which I spoke to you at the beginning.

13 This is the dream that you saw, and this is its interpretation and you alone were worthy to learn this secret of the Most High: therefore write all these things that you have seen in a book, and put it in a hidden place. You shall teach them to the wise among your people, whose hearts you know are able to comprehend and keep these secrets.

14 But wait here seven days more, so that you may be shown whatever it pleases the Most High to show you." Then he left me.

15 When all the people heard that the seven days were past and I had not returned to the city, they all gathered together, from the least to the greatest, and come to me and spoke to me, saying "How have we offended you, and what harm have we done you, that you have forsaken us and sit in this place: for all of the prophets you alone are left to us, like a cluster of grapes from the vintage, and like a lamp in a dark place, and like a haven for a ship saved from a storm."

16 "Are not the evils which have befallen us sufficient? Therefore, if you forsake us, how much better it would have been for us if we also had been consumed in the burning of Zion! For we are no better than those who died there." And they wept with a loud voice.

- 17 Then I answered and said, "Take courage, O Israel, and do not be sorrowful, O house of Jacob, for the Most High has you in remembrance, and the Mighty One has not forgotten you in your struggle. As for me, I have neither forgotten you nor withdrawn from you; but I have come to this place to pray on account of the desolation of Zion, and to seek mercy on account of humiliation of our sanctuary."
- 18 "Now go, every one of you to his house, and after these days, I will come to you." So the people went into the city, as I told them to do.
- 19 But I sat in the field seven days, as the angel had commanded me; and I ate only flowers of the filed, and my food was of plants during those days.

CHAPTER 13

1 After seven days I 1 dreamed a dream in the night: and behold, a 2wind arose from the sea and stirred up all its waves, and I looked, and behold, this wind made something like the figure of a man come up out of the heart of the sea. And I looked, and behold, that man flew with the 3 'clouds of heaven'; and wherever he turned his face to look, everything under his gaze trembled. And 4whenever his voice issued from his mouth, all who heard his voice melted as wax melts when it feels the fire.

Comment:1: This is clearly talking about Jesus coming with the ³ 'clouds of heaven.'

DAN.7:13 "I was watching in the night visions, and behold, One like the *Son of Man*, 'Coming with the clouds of heaven3'! He came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him.

DAN.7:2 Daniel spoke, saying, "I saw in my 1 vision by night, and behold, the 2 four winds of heaven were stirring up the Great Sea.

4REV.19:15 And 'out of His mouth' goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

2 And after this I looked, and behold, and 1 'innumerable multitude of men were gathered together' from the four winds of the heaven to make war against the man who came up out of the sea. And I looked, and behold, and he carved out for himself a 2great mountain and flew upon it, and I tried to see the region or place from which the mountain was carved, but I could not.

C.2 At the end of this world all the armies of the world shall gather together in Israel at Armageddon, to fight against Jesus who returns with the clouds of heaven on a powerful white horse together with the armies of heaven. The Anti-Christ ruler of the earth of the near future, will probably have persuaded the world that Jesus and his armies are invaders from another galaxy, and that he is the enemy. Well this time Satan is going to lose big time. All Satan's lies and deceptions, through his stooge, the Anti-Christ, will soon be coming to an abrupt end, at the battle of Armageddon!

REV.16:16 And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon.

REV.19:19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered

together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.

C.3 The Beast, is The Anti-Christ.

C.4 Daniel 2 is a very important **Bible prophecy chapter** which describes a **giant Image**, which King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon saw in a dream. I won't go into all the details right now, except to state that the Image had a head of Gold, arms and chest of Silver, belly of Bronze, legs of Iron and feet and toes part of Iron and part of clay. Daniel, God's prophet, interpreted the Kings dream, without even knowing the dream, and explained how that Babylon was the Head of Gold, the next empire of Silver would be Medio-Persia, followed by the Greek empire of Bronze, and the legs of Iron was Rome, and the feet and toes partly of Iron and Clay was the type of governments that are around in the world today. Iron governments being strong dictatorships. Clay being weak Democracies.

In the Vision of the Image, a rock came from the heavens and smashed the entire image to pieces and then became a mountain which filled the whole world. *That mountain is the Kingdom of God.*

²**DAN.2:34** "You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay and broke them in pieces.

DAN.2:35 "Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together, and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image and *became a great mountain that filled the whole earth*.

DAN.2:44 "And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will *set up a kingdom* which shall never be <u>destroyed</u>; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever (For the entire story of **Daniel 2** see my website:

Book of Daniel Ch.2: http://www.outofthebottomlesspit.co.uk/420616689)

3 After this I looked, and behold, all who had gathered together against him, to wage war with him were much afraid, yet dared to fight. And behold, when he saw the onrush of the approaching multitude, he neither lifted his hand nor held a spear or any weapon of war; but I only saw how he sent forth 1 'from his lips a flaming breath as it were a stream of fire', and from his lips a flaming breath, and from his tongue he shot forth a storm of sparks.

C.5 What an amazing description of Jesus given more than 400 years before He was even born. No wonder some authorities took this wonderful **Book of 2**nd **Ezdras** out of the **King James Bible** in **1885.** There are many in places of Power and Authority who simply hate Jesus, just like their father Satan, and will try to eradicate any references to Him. This will become extreme in the years to come, and especially under the coming New World Order and the

Anti-Christ. It will be Jesus Himself who will finally take out all of the forces of Evil both physical and spiritual, so they are all afraid of Him, and simply will keeping trying to stop humanity from receiving Jesus as their Saviour.

REV.19:21 And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.

4 All these were mingled together, the stream of fire and the flaming breath and the great storm, and fell on the onrushing multitude which was prepared to fight, and burned them all up, so that suddenly nothing was seen of the innumerable multitude, but only dust of ashes and the smell of smoke; when I saw it, I was amazed.

JOEL.3:14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision. (Armageddon)

5 After this I saw the same man come down from the mountain and call to him another multitude that was peaceable. Then many people came to him, some of whom were joyful and some sorrowful; some of them were bound, and some were bringing others as offerings.

6 Then in great fear I awoke, and I besought the Most High and said, "From the beginning thou hast shown thy servant these wonders, and hast deemed me worthy to have my prayers heard by thee, and now show me also the interpretation of this dream.

7 For as I consider it in my mind, alas for those who will be left in those days! And still more, alas for those who are not left! For those who are not left will be sad because they understand what is reserved for the last days but cannot attain it.

8 But alas for those also who are left, and for that very reason! For they shall see great dangers and much distress, as these dreams show. Yet it is better to come into these things, though incurring peril, than to pass from the world like a cloud, and not see what shall happen in the last days.

9 He answered me and said, "I will tell you the interpretation of the vision and I will also explain to you the things which you have mentioned. As for what you said about those who are left, this is the interpretation: He who brings the peril at that time will himself protect those who fall into peril,

who have works and have faith in the Almighty. Understand therefore that those who are left are more blessed than those who have died.

- 10 This is the interpretation of the vision. As for your seeing a man come up from the heart of the sea. This is he whom the Most High has been 'keeping for many ages', who will himself deliver his creation; and he will direct those who are left; and as for your seeing wind and fire and a storm coming out of his mouth.
- **C.6** 'The Most High has been 'keeping for many ages' This is talking about Jesus, the Word of God, who has been largely hidden by God, at least until He was born on the earth 2000 years ago, and who will soon return to rescue His children from this world that is fast descending into Satanism.

Book of Enoch:46.3: 'This is the Son of Man, who hath righteousness, and who reveals all the treasures of that which is hidden. Because the Lord of Spirits has chosen him'

- 11 And as for his not holding a spear or weapon of war, yet destroying the onrushing multitude which came to conquer him, this is the interpretation: Behold the days are coming when the Most High will deliver those who are on the earth, and bewilderment of mind shall come over those who dwell on the earth.
- 12 And they shall plan to make war against one another, city against city, place against place, people against people, and kingdom against kingdom; and when these things come to pass and the signs occur which I have showed you before, then my Son, will be revealed, whom you saw as a man coming out of the sea.
- **MAT.24:7** "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places.
- MAT.24:21 "For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.
- **DAN.12:1** And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation, Even to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book.
- **C.7** 'My Son, will be revealed' Here God is clearly stating 400+ years before Christ's actual birth, that God is going to send Him, who will become His only Begotten Son, born of Mary, the Messiah to earth, who is the man coming out of the sea in the above vision.

13 And when all nations hear his voice, every man shall leave his own land and the warfare that they have against one another. And an innumerable multitude shall be gathered together, as you saw, desiring to come and conquer him, but he shall stand on the top of Mount Zion.

REV.14:1 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads.

14 And Zion will come and be made manifest to all people, prepared and built, as you saw the mountain carved out without hands. And he, my Son, will reprove the assembled nation for their ungodliness.

DAN.2:34 "You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay and broke them in pieces.

15 And will reproach them to their face with their evil thoughts and the torments with which they are to be tortured (which were symbolized by the flames and will destroy them without effort by the law (which was symbolized by the fire.)

16 And as for your seeing him gather together to himself another multitude that was peaceable: These are the ten tribes which were led away from their own land into captivity in the days of Hoshea, whom Shalmaneser the king of the Assyrians led captive; he took them across the river and they were taken into another land.

17 But they formed this plan for themselves, that they would leave the multitude of the nations and go to a more distant region, where mankind had never lived; that there at least they might keep their statutes which they had not kept in their own land; and they went in by the narrow passages of the Euphrates river.

C.8 This is indeed a mind-boggling verse as it reveals some AMAZING secrets:

THE LOST 10 TRIBES OF ISRAEL. This 17th verse most definitely gives the impression that a group of people representing the 10 Tribes made some sort of pact with God, whereby they wanted to live His laws to the full, without corruption coming back in, as it had done back in their land of Israel countless times. It would seem, that these people, were given special instructions to 'go to a more distant region' where 'mankind had never lived' and that they 'went in by the narrow passages of the Euphrates river'. The fact that it

states here that the 10 tribes or representatives of those 10 tribes, went to a place where mankind had never lived before! Very odd! There are many sites on the internet that claim that the 10 Tribes disappeared inside the earth and descended into the INNER EARTH. It is also stated that these ten tribes will return to Israel at the time of the MESSIAH or the 2nd coming of Christ. It is also believed by many, that man lived inside the hollow earth before the Flood, and outside after the Flood. That indeed is a mystery, which is difficult to pin down one way or the other. Others claimed that God put mankind on the outer surface of the earth, right after Adam and Eve were forced out of the garden of Eden. I have studied this topic of the 'hollow earth' many times over the years, and it does appear to be a valid argument, and a distinct probability, that the earth as well as the moon and the stars, are all hollow. It is also stated that many people now live inside the hollow earth, along with many other strange creatures. Apparently, there are also very large caverns underground, where some peoples, and other underworldly creatures also live. Being a Christian myself, I would not normally advise anyone to go downwards into the earth, but to look heavenward to God and His futuristic Heavenly city.

- **REV.21:2** Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.
- **C.9** I mention about the hollow earth, because I am interested in unveiling hidden and strange truths. 'A place where mankind had never lived before' Maybe it stated that, because no-one had gone where they were going, since before the Great Flood, i.e Inside the earth to the INNER EARTH.
- 18 For at that time the Most High performed signs for them, and stopped the channels of the river until they had passed over through that region there was a long way to go, a journey of a year and a half; and that country is called **Arzareth.** Then they dwelt there until the last times and now when they are about to come again.
- **C.10 What journey could take 'a year and a half' in 721 BC?** Many have written that they think that the people from the 'Missing 10 Tribes' migrated to America 2700+ years ago. Others have stated that the 'Missing 10 Tribes' must have migrated to Northern Europe. However, there is no real evidence to substantiate those theories.
- **C.11** On the outside of our planet, by the use of ships, barges, wagons and horses etc in around 721 BCE, one could travel to a faraway lands, even in ancient times, *in a fraction of the time mentioned here*, *of one and a half years*.
- **C.12** Another fact: There was no 'place where mankind had never lived before' on the outer surface of the earth by that time of 721 BCE, apart from perhaps some remote islands.
- C.13 However, if one had to descend into the earth's crust, which is deemed

to be around 400 miles thick, at a daily walking pace, it *would indeed take* around a year and a half! You do the maths, it is quite intriguing!

C.14 ARZARETH (Merton, Loner Nikolai – BEYOND ARZARETH: A STORY OF THE LOST TEN TRIBES., Article in THE RELIEF SOCIETY MAGAZINE., Oct. 1919 – July 1920., Salt Lake City, Utah; Reprinted in SEARCH magazine., Palmer Publications., Summer 1980, Fall 1980, & Winter 1980-1981, under the title: "ARZARETH – LAND BEYOND THE POLE" (Forwarded by John Bringingham, who allegedly discovered this manuscript-diary telling of the experiences of the author, the sole survivor of a wrecked whaling vessel in the Arctic Ocean, and his encounter with the Lost Tribes of Israel, who reside in a hidden Polar country in the extreme north. (Source: http://www.subterraneanbases.com/6-guide-inner-earth-m-o/)

19 The Most High will stop the channels of the river once again, so that they may be able to pass over, therefore you saw the multitude gathered together in peace; but those who are left of your people who are found within my borders, shall be saved; therefore when he destroys the multitude of the nations that are gathered together, he will define the people who remain and then he will show them very many wonders.

C.15 'when he destroys the multitude of the nations that are gathered together' Here he is talking about Armageddon, and the End of the World.

REV.16:16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

C.16 'The Most High will stop the channels of the river once again, so that they may be able to pass over' Here it is stating that before the End of the world, the descendants of the 'Missing 10 Tribes' of Israel shall return, as a 'witness' to Israel'.

20 I said, "O Sovereign Lord, explain this to me; Why did I see the man coming up from the heart of the sea?

21 He said unto me, "Just as no one can explore or know what is in the depths of the sea, *1so no one on earth can see my Son or those who are with him except in the time of his day. This is the interpretation of the dream which you saw. And you alone have been enlightened about this because you have forsaken your own ways and have applied yourself to mine, and have searched out my law; for you have devoted your life to wisdom, and called understanding your mother."

C.17 Again, we see a direct reference by God Himself to <u>His Son the</u> <u>Messiah</u>. It has been stated that, 'repetition in the scriptures by God Himself, is to emphasize the importance of any given word or topic.'

C.18 *1'So no one on earth can see my Son or those who are with him except in the time of his day.' There was to be an exact time for God to reveal the Messiah, His Son, and no one on earth would see the Messiah except when God was fully ready to send Him, both the first time as the baby Jesus, born 2000 years ago, and His 2nd Coming which we all are currently looking forward to, and the Rapture of His Bride, the entire saved church of Jesus Christ from all denominations, creeds, and even non-creeds. As long as a person accepts Jesus Christ, God's Son into their hearts, then anyone can be saved. That's why God puts so much emphasize on mentioning His Son many times in this book of 2nd Ezdras.

22 "Therefore I have shown you this, for there is a reward laid up with the Most High. And after three more days I will tell you other things, and explain weighty and wondrous matters to you."

23 Then I arose and walked in the field, giving great glory and praise to the Most High because of his wonders, which he did from time to time; and because he governs the times and whatever things come to pass in their seasons. And I stayed there three days.

CHAPTER 14

1 On the third day, while I was sitting under an oak, behold a voice came out of a bush opposite me and said, "Ezra, Ezra." And I said, "Here I am, Lord" and I rose to my feet.

2 Then he said to me, "I revealed myself in a bush and spoke to Moses, when my people were in bondage in Egypt. And I sent him and led my people out of Egypt; and I led him up on mount Sinai, where I kept him with me many days."

Comment:1: God first called Moses when he was living in the wilderness:

EXO.3:4 And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.

C.2 Once Moses had delivered the children of Israel out of Egypt, God called him up to the top of Mount Sinai, in order to give him instructions for the people.

Jubilees 1.3 And he called to Moses on the seventh day out of the midst of a cloud, and the appearance of the Glory of the Lord was like a flaming fire on the top of the mount

Jubilees 1.4 And Moses was on the Mount forty days and forty nights, and God taught him the earlier and the later history of the division of all the days of the law and of the testimony.

3 "And I told him many wondrous things, and showed him the secrets of the times, and declared to him the end of the times. Then I commanded him, saying, 'These words, you shall publish openly, and these you shall keep secret."

C.3 1'secrets of the times' 2 'end of the times' 3 'these you shall keep secret'. God revealed His secrets first to Enoch before the Great Flood, then Methuselah, his son. After that, God spoke to Noah, and the Great Flood soon ensued. Later, God talked and revealed His secrets to Abraham and gave him the promise of an important nation being born from him-Israel. Five hundred years later, God also came and talked with Moses on Mount Sinai. Some of the secrets revealed to His prophets were only supposed to be for the wise or initiated ones. Now 1000 years after Moses, God is again revealing His secrets to one of His prophets, Ezra. God also revealed the Time of the End to all the above-mentioned people as well as many other prophets such as Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel all the way to John who wrote the Book of Revelations in 90 AD.

4 And now I say unto you: Lay up in your heart the signs that I have shown you, the dreams that you have seen, and the interpretations that you have heard; for you shall be taken up from among men, and henceforth you shall live with my Son, and with those who are like you, until the times are ended.

C.4 'henceforth you shall live with my Son'. Here God is making a distinction between Himself, and that He has a Son. The Jewish nation like to quote the old saying, 'The Lord our God is One God', however the original Hebrew text itself, uses the plural form of the Hebrew word *Eloah* and thus uses the word *Elohim*. This word, which is the plural of *eloah*, and means *gods*. So, the ancient Jewish expression should read, 'The Lords our Gods are One God', thus including God's Son Jesus, the Messiah.

5 For the 'age' has lost its youth, and the times begin to grow old for the 'Age is divided into twelve parts' and 'nine of its parts have already passed' as well as 'half of the tenth part'. So 'two of its parts remain, besides half of the tenth part'.

C.5 THE 2ND OF 3 AGES

'The Age' What Age is it talking about?

This Age is divided into twelve parts.

Nine and a half parts have already gone.

Two and a half parts remain.

By doing a few calculations, it becomes very evident that here, that the Book of 2nd Ezdras Chapter 14 verse 5, is talking about **THE SECOND AGE**, or the Age *from Noah's FLOOD until the BIRTH of CHRIST*. (See **APPENDIX XIV** for many more details.)

6 "Now therefore, set your house in order, and reprove your people, comfort the lowly among them, and instruct those that are wise, and now renounce the life that is corruptible and put away from your mortal thoughts. Cast away from you the burdens of man, divest yourself now of your weak nature."

7 "And lay to one side the thoughts that are most grievous to you, hasten to escape from these times. For evils worse than those which you have seen shall be done hereafter. For the weaker the world becomes through old age the more evils be multiplied among its inhabitants. For truth shall go further away, and falsehood shall come near. For the 'eagle which you saw in the vision' is already hastening to come."

- **C.6** "Eagle which you saw in the vision." The coming Eagle (Ch.11.1) represents ROME. The 6th world Empire of Rome, arose some 400 years after Ezra's time, which started at the very end of the 2nd Age or the last 50 years of the 2nd Age, and continued for 450 years into the 3rd Age.
- 8 Then I answered and said, "Let me speak in thy presence, O Lord. For behold, I will go, as thou hast commanded me, and I will reprove the people who are now living, but who will warn those who will be born hereafter? For the world lies in darkness, and its inhabitants are without light, for thy law has been burned, and so no one knows the things which have been done or will be done by thee".
- **C.7** Imagine that all the scriptures, and extra copies found, were burned by the conquering empires down through history. Is it not a miracle of God that we today still have the scriptures because of the great dedication and diligence of prophets and scribes like Ezra? Without the scriptures old and new, we would all be LOST!
- 9 "If then I have found favour before thee, send the Holy Spirit into me, and I will write everything that has happened in the world from the beginning, the things which were written in thy law, that men may be able to find the path, and that those who wish to live in the last days may live."
- 10 He answered me and said, "Go and gather the people and tell them not to seek you for forty days. But prepare for yourself many writing tablets, and take with you Sarea, Dabria, Selemia, Ethanus, and Asiel, these five, because they are trained to write rapidly."
- 11 "And you shall come here, and I will light in your heart the lamp of understanding, which shall not be put out until what you are about to write is finished. And when you have finished, some things you shall make public, and some you shall deliver in secret to the wise. Tomorrow at this hour you shall begin to write."
- 12 Then I went as he commanded me, and I gathered all the people together and said, "Hear these words, O Israel: At first our fathers dwelt as aliens in Egypt, and they were delivered from there, and received the law of life, which they did not keep, which you also have transgressed after them."

- 13 "Then the land as given to you for a possession in the land of Zion, but you and your fathers committed iniquity and did not keep the ways which the Most High commanded you; and because he is a righteous judge, in due time he took from you what he had given. And now you are here, and your brethren are farther in the interior."
- 14 "If you, then, will rule over your minds and discipline your hearts, you shall be kept alive, and after death you shall obtain mercy. For after death the judgment will come, when we shall live again, and then the names of the righteous will become manifest, and the deeds of the ungodly will be disclosed. But let no one come to me now and let no one seek me for forty days."
- 15 So I took the five men, as he commanded me, and we proceeded to the field, and remained there. And on the next day, behold, a voice called me, saying, "Ezra, open your mouth, and drink what I give you to drink.
- 16 Then I opened my mouth, and behold, a full cup was offered to me; it as full of something like water, but its colour was like fire. And I took it and drank, and when I had drunk it, my heart poured forth understanding and wisdom increased in my breast, for my spirit retained its memory.
- **REV.10:9** So I went to the angel and said to him, "Give me the little book." And he said to me, "Take and eat it; and it will make your stomach bitter, but it will be as sweet as honey in your mouth."
- **REV.10:10** Then I took the little book out of the angel's hand and ate it, and it was as sweet as honey in my mouth. But when I had eaten it, my stomach became bitter.
- **REV.10:11** And he said to me, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings."
- 17 And my mouth was opened, and was no longer closed, and the Most High gave understanding to the five men, and by turns they wrote what was dictated, in characters which they did not know. They sat forty days, and wrote during the daytime, and ate their bread at night.
- 18 As for me, I spoke in the daytime and was not silent at night; so during the forty days, ninety-four books were written. And when the

forty days were ended, the Most High spoke to me, saying, "Make public the twenty-four books that you wrote first, and let the worthy and unworthy read them. But keep the seventy that were written last in order to give them to the wise among your people, for in them is the spring of understanding, the fountain of wisdom, and the river of knowledge."

19 And I did so.

- **C.8** 1These last few verses seem to indicate, that Ezra and his 'scribe companions', re-wrote the entire Old Testament from the creation until Ezra. That is exactly what God also did for Moses 1000 years before Ezra's time in 1500 BCE.
- 2 This might also explain, why we have different accounts of the OLD Testament such as the Book of Jubilees (Moses) The Book of Jasher (Jasher-around the same time as Moses, or slightly earlier), The book of Enoch, and many Apocryphal books as well as other versions of the Bible such as the Greek Septuagint version of the Old Testament. Through time the scribes were very faithful to hide away copies of the Old testament from their enemies, so that they could be preserved for us today. **Such diligence!**

CHAPTER 15

- 1 The Lord says, "Behold, speak in the ears of my people the words of the prophecy which I will put in your mouth and cause them to be written on paper, for they are trustworthy and true. Do not fear the plots against you, and do not be troubled by the unbelief of those who oppose you, for every unbeliever shall die in his unbelief."
- 2 "Behold," says the Lord, "I (will) bring evils upon the world, the sword and famine and death* and destruction; for iniquity has spread throughout the land, and their harmful deeds have reached their 1 'limit'. "Therefore", says the Lord, I will be silent no longer concerning their ungodly deeds which they impiously commit, neither will I tolerate their wicked practices. 2 Behold, innocent and righteous blood cries out to me, and the souls of the righteous cry out continually. I will surely avenge them, says the Lord, "and will receive to myself all the innocent blood from among them.

Comment:1: 1 What time period is God talking about here? It sounds like the time of the Book of Revelation Chapter 16, & the Wrath of God. It would seem that in verse 2, that God is looking ahead to the end of the last World Empires (the 7th), of which it is written that the last one or the coming ANTI-CHRIST NEW WORLD ORDER will be the worst one of all, and like a continuation of the cruel iron Roman dictatorship, after the passage of a period of time. (Daniel 7.7* See Appendix XVI.)

- **2 PSA.106:38** And shed innocent blood, the blood of their sons and daughters, whom they sacrificed to the idols of Canaan; And the land was polluted with blood.
- **JER.2:34** Also on your skirts is found the blood of the lives of the poor innocents. I have not found it by secret search, But plainly on all these things.
- **REV.6:10** 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?"
- **REV.6:11** 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.
- 3 Behold 1 'my people' is led like a flock to slaughter. I will 'not allow them to live any longer in the land of 2'Egypt'; but I will bring them out with a mighty hand and with an uplifted arm, and will 3smite 'Egypt with plagues'*, as before, and will destroy all its land. Let Egypt mourn,

and its foundations, for the plague of chastisement and punishment that the Lord will bring upon it.

C.2 1 Talking about 'His people' being cruelly treated by a World Empire, and in this particular case the Coming 'New World Order'. God is saying here that He is going to rescue His children from the 'slaughter of the innocents', as God will 'not allow them to live any longer in the land of 'Egypt'.

2Here it would appear that the 'Land of Egypt' is talking about the whole world today, as the whole world will come under a 'One World Government' and be controlled by the Anti-Christ.

REV.11:8 And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. (Egypt is mentioned here, because it was a world power, and Sodom because it became totally amoral & deprayed.)

C.3 3 The New World Government that will soon arise will, after a 7-year reign be totally destroyed by God Himself. God will eventually rescue His children in the Rapture according to Matthew 24.29-31, after the End of the 'Tribulation.'

Every time we have had a World Empire; the first one being EGYPT, eventually the empire became totally decadent, cruel, perverse, and violent; just as Sodom and Egypt, they ended up totally anti-God, and very cruel against both innocent peoples, and God's people. Each of the World Empires in their turn, ended up themselves getting violently & totally destroyed! (See Appendix XVI)

4 Let the farmers that till the ground mourn, because their seed shall fail, and their trees shall be ruined by blight, hail and by a terrible tempest. Alas for the world, and for those who live in it! For the sword and misery draw near them, and nation shall rise up to fight against nation, with swords in their hands.

MAT.24:7 For *nation shall rise against nation*, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places.

MAT.24:8 All these are the beginning of sorrows.

REV.6:4 And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

REV.8:7 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.

- 5 For there shall be 1 unrest among men; growing strong against one another, they shall in their might have no respect for their king or the chief of their leaders. For a man will desire to go to go into a city and shall not be able. For because of their pride the cities shall be in confusion, the houses shall be destroyed, and people shall be afraid.
- **C.4** 1 'Unrest' This expression 'unrest' today conveys the meaning of a 'horribly haunted' place, like a Halloween scene of a scary movie. In the Book of Enoch, it mentions that the 'FALLEN ANGELS' shall find no repentance, and 'no PEACE & no REST' Both the Fallen angels and their sons the giants, who after they died became the demons, are *restless creatures*. This word 'unrest' would suggest that in the future there will be a *lot more demonic influences* among mankind similar to before the GREAT FLOOD. A time of TOTAL ANARCHY! Another expression for 'unrest' would be 'demonically disturbed' (See verse 12 later in this chapter, about 'unrest' caused by evil Fallen angels, which is then used to stir up the kings of ARABIA to War!)
- **BOOK OF ENOCH 15.11** 'And the spirits of the giants afflict, oppress, destroy, attack, do battle, and work destruction on the earth, and cause trouble: they take no food, but nevertheless hunger and thirst, and cause offences. And these spirits shall rise up against the children of men, and against women, because they have proceeded from them.'
- **Book of Jubilees 10.1** They told him, (Noah) concerning the demons which were leading astray, and blinding and slaying his son's sons.
- **Book of Jubilees 10.5** And you know how the Watchers (Fallen Angels), the fathers of these spirits (demons), acted in my day; and as for these spirits, they are malignant, and created to destroy.
- **C.5** The <u>demons</u> are the <u>disembodied spirits</u> of the <u>physical giants</u> that roamed the earth before the Great Flood.
- 6 A man shall have no pity upon his neighbours, but shall make an assault upon their houses with the sword, and plunder their goods, because of hunger for bread, and because of GREAT TRIBULATION.
- **C.6** According to Nostradamus 570 years ago, he foresaw a terrible famine starting in one part of the world, then another, and eventually becoming universal. What causes the Famine is not known? Scientists tell us that even a *mini Ice-age, would cause much more famine* and death than so-called global warming. Who knows what will cause the future terrible famine mentioned by Nostradamus, apart from the evils that will have been committed on this planet in the future, which will bring a great curse upon mankind. The great famine, and resultant hunger of mankind, will cause people to act erratically and thus fulfil this 6th verse.
- **C.7** According to bible prophecy, there will arise a One World Government,

- led by the Anti-Christ for a definite time-frame of 7 years. The Anti-Christ comes into power signing on to an ingenious 7 YEAR Religious Peace Pact between the Jews, Muslims and Christians, based out of Jerusalem, in Israel, and centred around the soon to be rebuilt 3rd Jewish Temple.
- **C.8** After the first three and a half years, the Anti-Christ will have consolidated his power, having become very popular all over the world with his new policies which favour the poor, and take from the rich according to Daniel 11.24
- **DAN.11:24** He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.
- **DAN.9:27** And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week (7 years): and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.
- **C.9** However, the successes of the coming world leader, the ANTI-CHRIST eventually goes to his head, and after three and a half years of the '7 years Covenant', he stops all the Temple worship in Jerusalem, and in fact ALL RELIGIONS are stopped. He then sets up an image of himself in the new-built temple in Jerusalem, and declares himself god, and demands all peoples on earth to worship him! He forces all peoples on earth to receive a 'mark in their foreheads or right hand 666', without which they cannot buy or sell.
- **REV.13:17** 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.
- **REV.13:18** 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.
- **C.10** Then he starts to persecute and kill all who refuse to worship him, and thus triggers the infamous GREAT TRIBULATION, which will last for 3 and a half years. After the three and a half years of Great Tribulation, is the 2nd coming of Christ, and the Wrath of God against the very wicked and Satanic Anti-Christ and his One World Order. That is just a very quick synopsis. I will write more details about the coming ANTI-CHRIST and the LAST 7 YEARS of world history later.
- **C.11** What one sees in the last two chapters 15-16 is a time period of great unrest, great confusion, famine, and chaos, caused by mankind in league with both demonic entities and Demon Powers, followed by God's judgments on those who have slaughtered and harmed both His people and those who are innocent upon the face of the earth. According to the Book of Revelations, many strange and horrific things will spring forth from the earth from the 'Bottomless Pit' in the 'Time of the End':
- **REV.9:3** 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.

REV.9:4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass or the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads

REV.9:5 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 strikes a man.

REV.9:6 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 "Behold," says God, "I shall call together all the kings of the earth to fear me, from the rising of the sun and from the south, from the east and from Lebanon, to turn and repay what they have given them. Just as they have done to my elect until this day, so will do, and will repay into their bosom, thus says the Lord God."

JOEL.3:2 I will also gather all nations and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat (Armageddon), and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.

8 "My right Hand will not spare the sinners, and my sword will not cease from those who shed innocent blood on earth. And a fire will go forth from his wrath, and will consume the foundations of the earth, and the sinners like straw that is kindled."

JOEL.3:11 Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O LORD.

9 "Woe to those who sin and do not observe my commandments," says the Lord. I will not spare them. Depart, you faithless children! Do not pollute my sanctuary." For the Lord knows all who transgress against him, therefore he will hand them over to death and slaughter. For now calamities have come upon the whole earth, and you shall remain in them; for God will not deliver you, because you have sinned against him.

C.12 'Do not pollute my sanctuary'

1CO.6:19-20 What? know ye not that <u>your body</u> is the <u>temple</u> of the <u>Holy Ghost</u> which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore, <u>glorify God</u> in your <u>body</u>, and <u>in your spirit</u>, which are <u>God's</u>.

JOEL.3:15 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.

- **JOEL.3:16** The LORD also shall roar out of Zion and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.
- 10 Behold, a terrifying sight, appearing from the east! The nations of the dragons of Arabia, shall come out with many chariots, and from the day that they set out, their hissing shall spread over the earth, so that all who hear them fear and tremble; and also the Carmonians, raging in wrath, shall go forth like wild boars of the forest, and with great power they shall come, and engage them in battle, and shall devastate a portion of the land of the Assyrians with their teeth.
- 11 And then the dragons remembering their origin, shall become still stronger; and if they combine in great power and turn to pursue them, then these shall be disorganized and silenced by their power, and shall turn and flee.
- **C.13**¹ Nostradamus predicted in around 1555, the RISE of the ancient Kingdom of the FES or ARABIA to invade Europe and devastate these countries under a leader with a blue turban. They would according to Nostradamus, ravish the women in the WEST including both Israel & Europe, and destroy people's houses and the people. (This already seems to be happening in countries like Germany & Sweden who have taken in so many refugees.) ARABIA is according, to Nostradamus, finally defeated by a strange combination of the USA & RUSSIA.
- **C.14**²Here are some very interesting verses from **THE BOOK OF ENOCH 56.3-6**: And those days the angels (devils) shall return; and hurl themselves to the EAST upon the Parthians and Medes. They shall stir up the kings, so that a spirit of 'unrest' shall come upon them. They shall rouse them from their thrones, that they may break forth as LIONS from their lairs, and as hungry WOLVES among their flocks. And shall go up and tread underfoot the LAND of His ELECT ones. (ISRAEL)
- **ISA.13:17** Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and as for gold, they shall not delight in it.
- **ISA.13:18** Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eyes shall not spare children.
- 12 And from the land of the Assyrians an enemy in ambush shall beset them and destroy one of them, and fear and trembling shall come upon their army, and indecision upon their kings. Behold, the clouds from the east, and from the north to the south, and their appearance is very threatening, full of wrath and storm.

- 13 They shall dash against one another and shall pour out a heavy tempest upon the earth, and their own tempest; there shall be blood from the sword as high as a horse's belly, and a man's thigh and a camel's hock.
- **REV.14:20** And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.
- 14 And there shall be fear and great trembling upon the earth; and those who see that wrath shall be horror-stricken, and they shall be seized with trembling. And, after that, heavy storm clouds shall be stirred up from the south, and from the north, and another part from the west.
- 15 And the winds from the east shall prevail over the cloud that was raised in wrath, and shall dispel it; and the tempest that as to cause destruction by the east wind shall be driven violently toward the south and west; and great and mighty clouds, full of wrath and tempest, shall rise, to destroy all the earth and its inhabitants, and shall pour out upon every high and lofty place a terrible tempest. Fire and hail and flying swords and floods of water, that all the fields and all the streams may be filled with abundance of those waters.
- **C.15 'Flying swords'.** This sounds like a modern mobile multi-missile launcher, shooting off one missile after the other, in rapid succession, and seeming to be 'Fire and hail and flying swords' to Ezra.
- **JOEL.2:2** A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations.
- **JOE.2:3** A fire devours before them; and behind them a flame burns: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.
- **C.16** Here, **Joel chapter 2** is talking about the *Lord's army showing up from the heavens* to do battle with many Anti-Christ nations, who are all gathering together to come against Israel to the last great battle of ARMAGEDDON. It is part of the Wrath of God, and blood streams as high as the horses bridles, for the space of 200 miles. Millions are slaughtered at the Final battle of ARMAGEDON.
- **REV.14:20** And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out

of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.

16 And they shall destroy cities and walls, mountains and hills, trees of the forests, and grass of the meadows, and their grain. And they shall go on steadily to 1 Babylon and destroy her. They shall come to her and surround her; they shall pour out the tempest and all its wrath upon her; then the dust and 2'smoke shall go up to heaven', and all who are about her shall 3'wail over her'. And those who survive shall serve those who have destroyed her.

- ¹**REV.14:8** And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.
- **2 REV.14:11** And the smoke of their torment ascends up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receives the mark of his name.
- **3 REV.18:9** And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,
- C.17 Here Ezra is not talking about Ancient Babylon:

As ancient Babylon had already been totally destroyed during Ezra's lifetime in 539 BCE; but about a future Babylon the Great mentioned in Revelation 17-18, which is destroyed in the same time period that the Mark of the Beast has been forced on the whole world's population.

- **REV.17:1** And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, 'Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore, that sits upon many waters:
- **REV.17:2** With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.
- **REV.17:3** So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. (See **Appendix XVI** for the **7 Empires of Man and the coming One World Government)**

17 And you, Asia, who share in the glamour of Babylon and the glory of her person, woe to you, miserable wretch! For you have made yourself like her; you have decked out your daughters in harlotry to please and glory in your lovers, who have always lusted after you. You have imitated that hateful harlot in all her deeds and devices, therefore God

says, I will send evils upon you, widowhood, poverty, famine, sword, and pestilence, to lay waste your houses and bring you to destruction and death.

REV.17:4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

REV.17:5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

C.18 Many people today, including myself, believe that the USA is the ultimate of BABYLON THE GREAT.

REV.18:24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

18 And the glory of your power shall wither like a flower, when the heat rises that is sent upon you. You shall be weakened like a wretched woman who is beaten and wounded, so that you cannot receive your mighty loves.

C.19 'Your power shall wither when the heat rises'. This sounds like the result of atomic bombs being dropped on the Great Whore of the USA in the future. Once America is destroyed it shall never rise again.

REV.18:7 How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she says in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.

REV.18:8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judges her.

19 Would I have dealt with you so violently, "says the Lord, "If you had not always killed my chosen people, exulting and clapping your hands and talking about their death when you were drunk?" Trick out the beauty of your face! The reward of a harlot is in your bosom therefore you shall receive your recompense.

REV.18:21 And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, 'Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.'

20 As you will do to my chosen people, says the Lord, "So God will do to you, and will hand you over to adversities. Your children shall die of

hunger, and you shall fall by the sword, and your cities shall be wiped out, and all your people who are in the open country shall fall by the sword.

REV.17:6 And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

21 And those who are in the mountains and highlands shall perish of hunger, and they shall eat their own flesh in hunger for bread and drink their own blood in thirst for water. * Unhappy above all others, you shall come and suffer fresh afflictions. And as they pass they shall wreck the hateful city and shall destroy a part of your land and abolish a portion of your glory, as they return from devastated Babylon, and you shall be broken down by them like stubble, and they shall be like fire to you.

REV.18:18 And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, 'What city is like unto this great city!'

REV.18:19 And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, 'Alas, alas that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate.'

22 And they shall devour you and your cities, your land and your mountains; they shall burn with fire all your forests and your fruitful trees. They shall carry your children away captive, and shall plunder your wealth, and abolish the glory of your countenance.

REV.18:11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buys their merchandise any more:

REV.18:12 The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,

REV.18:13 And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.

C.20 'SLAVES & SOULS OF MEN'? Do we still have slaves in modern times? Surely not? Aren't we far too advanced and civilized to allow such horrors? The truth be known, there are generally laws and rules for the masses on the planet, but the elite who rule the planet have a totally different set of rules for themselves, and they do have millions of slaves. Some work for slave labour pay, in 3rd world countries. Some people in 3rd world countries

are so poor that they sell their own children as slaves. Then there is the sex trafficking of slaves on a world-wide scale. Of course, it is all very evil, but allowed by those who rule! Therefore, great judgement will finally come against all of these evil governments, on a world scale.

C.21 There was a lot going on in this 15th Chapter, so I will summarize the main happenings: The Spirit of Unrest & The Rise of the Ancient kingdom of Arabia. Great Destruction and Death on earth. Famine. Babylon the Great Whore (U.S.A), is totally destroyed by atomic war. The Return of Jesus with His armies. Armageddon where millions of the forces of the Anti-Christ future world-wide government, die trying to fight against the Forces of Heaven, led by Jesus. God's Wrath is poured out on Babylon the Great (U.S.A), because she slaughtered both God's people and the innocent.

C.22 The complete picture is that according to scripture, all the armies of the world are called together to fight against Israel by the future leader of the world, the Anti-Christ. After having slaughtered two thirds of Israel, the Lord arrives from Heaven to save the rest of Israel. He slaughters the forces of the Anti-Christ at the Battle of Armageddon. The Anti-Christ and his false prophet are thrown into the lake of fire. Satan who was the spirit deceiving them all, gets locked up in the Bottomless Pit for 1000 years.

REV.19:19 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.

REV.19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

REV.19:21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

REV.20:1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

REV.20:2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

REV.20:3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. (See **APPENDIX IX**)

CHAPTER 16

1 Woe to you Babylon and Asia! Woe to you Egypt and Syria! Gird yourselves with sackcloth and haircloth, and wail for your children, and lament for them, for your destruction is at hand. The sword has been sent upon you, and who is there to turn it back? A fire has been sent upon you, and who is there to quench it? Calamities have been sent upon you, and who is there to drive them away?

REV.18:2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, 'Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.'

REV.18:3 'For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.'

Comment:1: Woe to you Babylon and Asia! Woe to you Egypt and Syria! **Babylon the Great is mentioned in Revelations Ch.17-18.**

What about Asia? From II EZDRAS Chapter 15.17 'Asia, who share in the glamour of Babylon and the glory of her person, woe to you, miserable wretch! For you have made yourself like her; you have decked out your daughters in harlotry'.

JOEL.3:3 And they have cast lots for my people; and have *given a boy for an harlot, and sold a girl for wine*, that they might drink.

C.2 Could this be said to be true of 'ASIA today? Is it not the case that Asia is indeed used by the West for cheap prostitution of all types? One can get severe punishment for taking drugs in some Asian countries, but child prostitution thrives openly, and is seen there as normal. Isn't it also true that many of the poor have sold their children into prostitution to the richer nations such as the USA, but especially some of the countries in Asia? So actual prostitution is BIG BUSINESS in parts of ASIA. Asia is therefore in league with BABYLON the Great, and in fact is one of the lesser HARLOTS working with Great Babylon (USA)

The following shows how all the nations prostitute themselves spiritually speaking for money, power and good favour with AMERICA THE GREAT WHORE OF COMMERSE.

REV.17:1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, 'Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sits upon many waters.'

REV.17:15 The waters which thou saw, where the whore sits, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

REV.17:2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

C.3 How will ²Egypt fulfil the above verse? There was a prophecy given to Nina Virginia Brandt, who was a famous evangelist in the USA, and a radio program preacher back in the sixties. She received the following amazing prophecy whilst in her eighties, just a couple of years before she died in 1966:

TURN YOUR EYES TOWARDS MEMPHIS (EGYPT)

Turn your eyes towards Memphis, for out of it shall come the Great Confusion The author of Confusion is even now gathering his forces for the Great Confusion.

Friends will join with him, from Eastern Nations and from a Great Nation (China or Russia?)

So Sudden shall be the Great confusion.

Be not deceived by the Great Society (USA), for it will come to travail and then bring forth the great confusion.

Even now the skies are Red Red with warning, and are Black Black with clouds, waiting for this Great Confusion which is almost upon you!

BE PREPARED. BE PREPARED!

C.4 Next there is ³Syria: Look at the following verse in Isaiah 17.1:

ISA.17:1 The burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from being a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap.

Some nation is going to destroy Damascus, the capital of Syria in the future. Is it going to be Israel perhaps?

The nations to watch out for are very close to the nations mentioned above. In **Ezekiel 38-39** it mentions how **RUSSIA**, **IRAN**, **LIBYA**, & **ETHIOPIA** all come against **Israel** in the Last Days.

Maybe one of the reasons could be, if Israel triggers the war by destroying Damascus, where there are many Russian advisors to the Syrian government.

EZE.38:2 Son of man, set thy face against Gog (The Anti-Christ), the land of Magog (Russia), the chief prince of Meshech (Moscow) and Tubal (Tubolsk), and prophesy against him.

EZE.38:5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:

EZE.38:6 Gomer (Germany), and all his bands; the house of **Togarmah** (Turkey) of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee.

C.5 Russia is already close friends with Iran (Persia). Germany (Gomer) had a 20-year pact with Russia (Magog) some time ago. Turkey (Togarmah) which has been pro-Nato, until very recently, is currently going more into the Russian/Iranian camp.

2 Can one drive off a hungry lion in the forest, or quench a fire in the stubble, when once it has begun to burn? Can one turn back an arrow shot by a strong archer? The Lord God sends calamities, and who will drive them away? Fire will go forth from his wrath, and who is there to quench it? He will flash lightning, and who will not be afraid? He will thunder, and who will not be terrified?

3 The Lord will threaten, and who will not be utterly shattered at his presence? The earth and its foundations quake, the 'sea is churned up from the depths', and its 'waves and the fish' also shall be troubled at the presence of the Lord and before the glory of his power. For his right hand that bends the bow is strong, and his arrows that he shoots are sharp and will not miss when they begin to be shot to the ends of the world.

ISA.13:10 For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

ISA.13:11 And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogance of the proud to cease and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

REV.16:12 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.

4 Behold, calamities are sent forth, and shall not return until they come over the earth. The fire is kindled and shall not be put out until it consumes the foundations of the earth. Just as an arrow shot by a mighty archer does not return, so the calamities that are sent upon the earth shall not return. Alas for me! Alas for me! Who will deliver me in those days?

REV.16:8 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

REV.16:9 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.

5 The beginning of sorrows, when there shall be much lamentation; the beginning of famine, when many shall perish; the beginning of wars,

when the powers shall be terrified; the beginning of calamities, when all shall tremble. What shall ye do in these circumstances, when the calamities come?

MAT.24:8 All these are the beginning of sorrows.

MAT.24:7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in diverse places.

6 Behold, famine and plague, tribulation and anguish are sent as scourges for the correction of men. Yet for all this, they will not turn from their iniquities, nor be always mindful of the scourges. Behold, provision will be so cheap upon earth that men will imagine that peace is assured for them, and then the calamities shall spring up on the earth-the sword, famine, and great confusion.

C.6 It says here that even though God sends chastisement upon mankind, yet will he not learn to forsake his evil ways. It also <u>describes today so well</u>. In the wealthy nations, most people have absolutely everything, if they put half a mind to working. People today are so familiar with what they have, and often don't really value the easy accessibility of things.

One day that could change in a moment, as peace is taken from the Western World, and war and devastation comes in its place, all because the West forsook its faith in God, and has turned to other gods!

DANIEL 12.1b 'And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time.'

1TH.5:3 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.

REV.9:20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

REV.9:21 Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

7 For many of those who live on the earth shall perish by famine; and those who survive the famine shall die by the sword. And the dead shall be cast out like dung, and there shall be no one to console them; for the earth shall be left desolate, and its cities shall be demolished.

C.7 A description of the conditions on earth after all the armies of the earth have gathered together to war at Armageddon in Israel. God uses Russia,

Iran, Libya, Ethiopia, Turkey and Germany, (which will be all part of the New World Order and the Anti-Christ forces of the future), to attack Israel and actually destroy 2/3 of the population. Then God intervenes and destroys all of the armies of the Anti-Christ (Gog) on the mountains around Israel.

EZE.39:11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall *stop the noses* of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it the valley of Hamon-Gog.

ISA.34:3 Their slain also shall be cast out, and their <u>stink</u> shall come up out of their carcases, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood.

C.8 NOSTRADAMUS foresaw in the mid-1500's, a great worldwide drought & famine, & like the bible, predicted that these natural disasters would precede a great war. A war far worse than all the other wars put together! "There shall be more grievous wars & battles. Towns, cities, castles & other buildings shall be burnt, desolated & destroyed."

REV.11:18 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.

8 No one shall be left to cultivate the earth or to sow it. The trees shall bear fruit, and who will gather it? The grapes shall ripen, and who will tread them? For in all places there shall be great solitude. One man shall long to see another, or even to hear his voice. For out of a city, ten shall be left, and out of the field, two who have hidden themselves in thick groves and clefts in the rocks.

ISA.13:13 Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger.

REV.6:15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains.

REV.6:16 And said to the mountains and rocks, 'Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

REV.6:17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?'

9 As in an olive orchard, three of four olives may be left on every tree. Or as when a vineyard is gathered some clusters may be left by those who search carefully through the vineyard. So, in those days three or four shall be left by those who search their houses with the sword. And the earth

shall be left desolate, and its fields shall be for briers, and its roads and all its paths shall bring forth thorns, because no sheep will go along them.

EZE.39:11 And it shall come to pass in that day, that I will give unto Gog a place there of graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the noses of the passengers: and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it the valley of Hamon Gog. (Armageddon)

10 Virgins shall mourn because they have no bridegrooms; women shall mourn because they have no husbands; their daughters shall mourn, because they have no helpers, their bridegrooms shall be killed in war, and their husbands shall perish in famine.

C.9 NOSTRADAMUS: 'Married women & widows ravished, sucking children dashed against the walls of towers. So many evils shall be committed that almost the entire world shall be undone & desolate!'

ISA.13:16 'Their children also shall be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be spoiled, and their wives ravished.'

HOS.10:14 Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people, and all thy fortresses shall be spoiled, as Shalman spoiled Betharbel in the day of battle: the mother was dashed in pieces upon her children.

11 "Listen now to these things, and understand them, O servants of the Lord. Behold, the word of the Lord, receive it; do not disbelieve what the Lord says". Behold, the calamities draw near, and are not delayed. Just as a woman with child, in the ninth month, when the time of their delivery draws near, has great pains about her womb, there will not be a moment's delay.

1TH.5:3 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.

12 So the calamities will not delay in coming forth upon the earth, and the world will groan, and pains will seize it on every side. Here my words, O my people; prepare for battle, and in the midst of calamities be like strangers on the earth. Let him that sells be like one who will flee; let him that buys be like one who will lose.

ISA.24:18 And it shall come to pass, that he who flees from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake.

ISA.24:19 The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly.

ISA.24:20 The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again.

LUK.21:22 For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

13 Let him that does business be like one who will not make a profit and let him that builds a house be like one who will not live in it. Let him that sows be like one who will not reap, so also him that prunes the vines, like one who will not gather grapes. Them that marry, like those who will have no children, and them that sow not marry, like those who are widowed, because those who labour, labour in vain.

LUK.21:23 But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.

14 For strangers shall gather their fruits, and plunder their goods, and overthrow their houses, and take their children captive; for in captivity and famine they will beget their children. Those who conduct business, do it only to be plundered; the more they adorn their cities, their houses and possessions, and their person, the angrier I will be with them for their sins, says the Lord.

ISA.13:9 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.

15 Just as a respectable and virtuous woman abhors a harlot, so right-eousness shall abhor iniquity, when she decks herself out, and shall accuse her face to face, when he comes who will defend him who searches out every sin on earth, therefore do not be like her of her works. For behold, just a little while, and iniquity will be moved from the earth, and righteousness will reign over us.

ISA.2:4 And he shall judge among the nations and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into ploughs, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

16 Let no sinner say that he has not sinned; for God will burn coals of fire on the head of him who says, 'I have not sinned before God and his

glory'. Behold, the Lord knows all the works of men, their imaginations and their thoughts and their hearts.

ROM.6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1JN.1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

HEB.4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

17 He said, "Let the earth be made", and it was made. At this word, the stars were fixed, and he knows the number of the stars. It is he who searches the deep and its treasures who has measured the sea and its contents; who hath enclosed the sea in the midst of the waters, and by his word has suspended the earth over the water.

C.10 'Enclosed the sea in the midst of the waters', and by his word has 'suspended the earth over the water.'

A very interesting, and informative verse. 1) How could the sea be enclosed in the midst of the waters? If we consider that the earth might be Hollow, and the inner earth like a womb. As described in this book of II Ezdras, there is indeed seas in the midst of waters, as we have the inner oceans of inner earth, then on the upper surface of the earth we also have oceans and seas. So, we in fact have a sandwich of seas on top of the crust of the earth and seas below the crust of the earth.

2) How is it possible that God suspended the earth over the water? That would suggest that under the earth there are seas and waters? Is this correct? There are indeed seas below the land, and below the crust of the earth, on the other inner side of the crust of the earth.

GEN.1:10 And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called the Seas: and God saw that it was good.

GEN.1:14 And God said, 'Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years'.

PSA.147:4 He tells the number of the stars; he calls them all by their names.

18 Who hath 'spread out the heaven like an arch' and founded it upon the waters. Who has put springs of water in the desert, and pools on the tops of the mountains, to send rivers from the heights to water the earth. Who formed man and put a heart in the midst of his body and gave him breath and life and understanding.

C.11 'spread out the heaven like an arch' This would suggest that God created the earth to be round and that also He created the universe to be a globe or egg shaped.

This is amazing, as it shows that those who have gone before, were not ignorant, superstitious people, who seemingly knew a lot less than we do today. If anything, they knew more than we do today!

19 And the spirit of the Almighty God, who made all things and finds out the hidden things in hidden places, surely, he knows your imaginations and what you think in your hearts! Woe to those who sin and want to hide their sins! Because the Lord will strictly examine all their works and will make a public spectacle for all of you.

C.12 Much better to stay positive about life and also transparent; not trying to hide our sins. Wickedness is when one desires to both deliberately sin, and then hide the fact that one was sinning. God is not mocked and knows what we think in our hearts. It is in fact very childish to behave as if God doesn't notice everything that we think and do! One day, when we die, each of us will have to give an account before God of every idle word, that we have spoken whilst on earth, and every evil deed.

MAT.12:36 But I say unto you, 'That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

MAT.12:37 For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.'

20 And when your sins come out before men, you shall be put to shame, and your own iniquities shall stand as your accusers in that day. What will you do? Or how will you hide your sins before God and his angels? Behold, God is the judge, fear him! Cease from your sins, and forget your iniquities, never to commit them again. So, God will lead you forth and deliver you from all tribulation.

ISA.24:5 The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant.

ISA.24:6 Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore, the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.

21 For behold, the burning wrath of a great multitude is kindled over you, and they shall carry off; and those who consent to eat shall be

held in derision and contempt, and be trodden under foot, for in many places and in neighbouring cities there shall be a great insurrection against those who fear the Lord.

ISA.24:3 The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the LORD hath spoken this word.

ISA.24:4 The earth mourns and fades away, the world languishes and fades away, the haughty people of the earth do languish.

22 They shall be like mad men, sparing no one, but plundering and destroying those who continue to fear the Lord. For they shall destroy and plunder their goods and drive them out of their houses.

MAT.24:21 For then shall be Great Tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

23 Then the tested quality of my elect shall be manifest, as gold that is tested in the fire. "Hear, my elect," says the Lord. "Behold, the days of tribulation are at hand, and I will deliver you from them. Do not fear or doubt, for God is your guide. You who keep my commandments and precepts," says the Lord God, "Do not let your sins pull you down, or your iniquities prevail over you."

1PE.1:7 That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perishes, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

MAT.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.

24 Woe to those who are choked by their sins and overwhelmed by their iniquities, as a field choked with underbrush and its path overwhelmed with thorns, so that no one can pass through! It is shut off and given up to be consumed by fire.

C.13 IN CONCLUSION.

Chapters 15 & 16 both talk about BABYLON. In one instance it is talking about the 'Mother of Harlots and Abominations in the earth'- the USA as described so well in REVELATION 17-18. A bit later, after the Anti-Christ forces have finally annihilated the USA by a nuclear strike, eventually the entire word-wide commercial system of Babylon itself, will also be completely destroyed, at the time of the WRATH OF GOD.

- **REV.16:19** 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.
- **C.14** Here as mentioned in Revelation 16.19, GREAT BABYLON is not just representing the great CAPITALIST commercial system of the USA, but the entire worldwide system of commerce and materialism or the worship of MAMMON.
- **C.15** For those who don't know, Mammon is the name of one of the Fallen Angels, who has through the millennia, has both persuaded and deceived mankind into worshipping money, power and wealth, instead of God Himself. As Jesus Himself stated.
- **MAT.6:24** No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon.
- **1JN.2:15** Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
- **1JN.2:16** For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.
- **1JN.2:17** And the world passes away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abides for ever.

SALVATION

Finally, I challenge you, that if you have not already prayed to receive Jesus into your heart, so that you can have eternal life, & be guaranteed an eternal place in Heaven, then please do so immediately, to keep you safe from what is soon coming upon the earth!

Jesus stated in **Revelations 3.20** "Behold, I stand at the door and knock, if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him and live with him and him with me".

"He who believes on the Son of God has eternal life." John 3.36.

That means right now! Once saved, you are eternally saved, and here is a very simple prayer to help you to get saved:

"Dear Jesus,

Please come into my heart, forgive me all of my sins, give me eternal life, and fill me with your Holy Spirit. Please help me to love others and to read the Word of God in Jesus name, Amen."

Once you've prayed that little prayer sincerely, then you are guaranteed a wonderful future in Heaven for eternity with your creator and loved ones. "For God is Love" 1 John 4.16

Your Salvation does not depend on you going to church, and your good works.

Titus 3.5 states "Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy he *saved* us".

Your salvation only depends on receiving Christ as your saviour, not on church or religion!

"He that comes unto Me, I will in no wise cast out»- Jesus

Jesus explained that unless you become as a child, you won't even understand the Kingdom of Heaven. (**John 3.3**)

For a much more detailed explanation of **SALVATION AND ETERNAL LIFE** please refer to my website: http://www.outofthebottomlesspit.co.uk/418605189

APPENDIX

- CHAPTER 2 Verse 10 "THE CALL OF THE BRIDE OF CHRIST"

SoS.6:1 Whither is thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women? Whither is thy beloved turned aside? That we may seek him with thee.

Ephesians 5:25-27 - Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

Revelation 19:7-9 - Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

Revelation 21:2 - And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Isaiah 54:5 - For thy Maker [is] thine husband; the LORD of hosts [is] his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall he be called. **Revelation 21:9** - And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

2 Corinthians 11:2 - For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present [you as] a chaste virgin to Christ. **John 3:29** - He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.

Revelation 21:9-11 - And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife

Isaiah 62:5 - For [as] a young man marries a virgin, [so] shall thy sons marry thee: and [as] the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, [so] shall thy God rejoice over thee. **Matthew 25:1-46** - Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

Jeremiah 2:2 - Go and cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying, Thus says the LORD; I remember thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals, when thou went after me in the wilderness, in a land [that was] not sown.

Ezekiel 16:8 - Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time [was] the time of love; and I spread my skirt over thee and covered thy nakedness: yea, I swore unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, says the Lord GOD, and thou became mine

Four Gates of Fire, Earthquake, Wind and Ice': CHAPTER 3.14

Why should God have to pass through these 4 gates, or portals, in order to give the law to the descendants of Jacob?

Are these the 4 powers that work on the creation to both form and reform it?

Let's examine them one by one. First of all, in biblical numerology the number 4 is the number of creation

i **FIRE.** Fire was necessary, in order to create the earth and universe and to make the earth molten, so as to be able to form the lands and continents and the very shape of the earth and planets just like a potter molds his creation and uses fire to harden the shapes. Inside the earth is also the LAKE of FIRE, a seemingly both physical and spiritual fire.

ii **EARTHQUAKES**: Mentioned so many times in the bible as a sign of God's power, displeasure and anger.

REV.11:19 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 thunder, and an *earthquake*, and great hail.

iii **WIND**. Shown as the 4 spiritual forces that work on the nations of mankind & also obviously shown as the physical forces:

DAN.7:2 Daniel spoke and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the 'four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea.'

REV.7:1 '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...'

iv **ICE**. This one is perhaps the most difficult to deal with. *Why ice?* Why not water as being the natural opposite of fire. Let's find some examples: According to the Book of Jasher something strange happened when Enoch went up to heaven: **JASHER 3.38** 'And all those kings went to the place and they found the earth there filled with snow and upon the snow were *large stones of snow...*

REV.11:19 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 thunder, and an earthquake, and *great hail*.

Great hailstones, & ice seem to be used as a judgment many times in scriptures.

EXO.9:18 Behold, tomorrow about this time I will cause it to rain a *very grievous hail*, such as hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now.

EXO.9:23 And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven: and the LORD sent *thunder and hail, and the fire* ran along upon the ground; and the LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

EXO.9:24 So there was *hail, and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous*, such as there was none like it in all the land of Egypt since it became a nation.

In conclusion: God went through the 4 Portals of Creation, in order to give the law to the descendants of Jacob, which could also mean that if they

didn't keep the laws, they would suffer the judgments normally reserved for the wicked, such as FIRE (Volcanoes), EARTHQUAKES, WINDS (Hurricanes & Tornadoes), ICE of Judgment? Is this a sequence of judgements?

What happened at the judgment of the GREAT FLOOD? It would appear that there was indeed all four: Fire, earthquake, wind and ice.

Astral Body: Some scientists*, have speculated that the FLOOD was caused by some astral body, such as Planet X, which came close to the earth at the time of the flood, *causing the earth to crack, and forming the tectonic plates*, like the seams on a baseball, because of the great gravitational pull on the earth. A sudden great cooling also happened at this time, partly due to the quick evaporation of so much water; and thus the former ICE-AGE came into being. This event instantly froze the mammoths. How low a temperature could do that? Scientists stated that to flash freeze a mammoth instantaneously would require a temperature below -100C. The Ice-Age did not happen some 10,000 years ago, as reported by modern science, but only around 4500 years ago at the time of the FLOOD.

Is mankind about to experience the **4**th **Judgement of Ice** or another **ICE-AGE**, as is predicted today by many leading scientists, and not so-called 'Global Warming' which apparently is a mantra, which makes lots of money, but has no truth to it.

Man has so messed around with the climate with Geo-Engineering, & destroyed the nature, that it wouldn't surprise me that nature could kick back with *all 4 of the above judgments* in great measure! According to the bible, that is exactly what is going to happen.

REV.16:21 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. (*A talent is around 50 kilos.)

REV.11:18 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.* (*'Scientist Dr Walt Brown: **THE HYDRO-PLATE THEORY** (See his video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sD9ZGt9UA-U)

"Call back for me the day that is past": CH 4.3

Ref http://www.godswork.org/encouragement13.htm

W "How many streams at the source of the deep": CH 4.5

Ref: http://www.icr.org/article/springs-ocean/

V "How many streams above the firmament."

Ref http://creationscience.com/onlinebook/FAQ32.html

VI "Science of Bermuda Triangles."*

Ref https://www.amazon.co.uk/Out-Bottomless-Pit-S-Strutt/dp/1782223258

VII "Bosom of Abraham"

Ref https://www.catholic.com/encyclopedia/bosom-of-abraham

VIII HUMAN 'Gene disintegration': (CH.5.34) Genetic Entropy presents compelling scientific evidence that the genomes of all living creatures are slowly degenerating - due to the accumulation of slightly harmful mutations. This is happening in spite of natural selection. The author of this book, Dr. John Sanford, is a Cornell University geneticist. Dr. Sanford has devoted more than 10 years of his life to the study of this specific problem. Arguably, he has examined this problem in greater depth than any other scientist. The evidences that he presents are diverse and compelling. He begins by examining how random mutation and natural selection actually operate and shows that simple logic demands that genomes must degenerate. He then makes a historical examination of the relevant field (population genetics) and shows that the best scientists in that field have consistently acknowledged many of the fundamental problems he has uncovered (but they have failed to communicate these problems to the broader scientific community). He then shows, in collaboration with a team of other scientists, that state-of-the-art numerical simulation experiments consistently confirm the problem of genetic degeneration (even given very strong selection and optimal conditions). Lastly, in collaboration with other scientists, he shows that real biological populations clearly manifest genetic degeneration.

Dr. Sanford's findings have enormous implications. His work largely *invalidates classic neo-Darwinian theory*. The mutation/selection process by itself is not capable of creating the new biological information that is required for creating new life forms. Dr. Sanford shows that not only is mutation/selection incapable of creating our genomes - it can't even preserve our genomes. As biochemist Dr. Michael Behe of Lehigh University writes in his review of *Genetic Entropy*, "...not only does Darwinism not have answers for how information got into the genome, it doesn't even have answers for how it could remain there." Dr. Sanford has coined the term "genetic entropy" to describe this fatal flaw of neo-Darwinian theory. This fundamental problem has been something of a trade-secret within the field of population genetics, with the rest of the world largely being kept in the dark. Fortunately, this book finally

discloses this very serious problem, using language that is for the most part accessible to all scholars and students having a basic understanding of biology. Get Dr Sanford's amazing insightful book on 'POPULATION GENETICS' AND 'GENE DE-GRA-DATION': https://answersingenesis.org/store/product/genetic-entropy-mystery-genome/?-sku=10-3-114

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X BEHEMOTH & LEVIATHAN (CH.6)

BEHEMOTH

JOB.40:15 Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eats grass as an ox.

JOB.40:16 Lo now, his strength is in his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly.

JOB.40:17 He moves his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together.

JOB.40:18 His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron.

JOB.40:19 He is the chief of the ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him.

JOB.40:20 Surely the mountains bring him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play.

JOB.40:21 He lies under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens.

LEVIATHAN

JOB.41:1 Canst thou draw out Leviathan with an hook? or his tongue with a cord which thou lets down?

JOB.41:5 Wilt thou play with him as with a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?

- JOB.41:6 Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?
- JOB.41:7 Canst thou fill his skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?
- **JOB.41:10** None is so fierce that dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?
- JOB.41:14 Who can open the doors of his face? his teeth are terrible round about.
- **JOB.41:15** His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal.
- **JOB.41:20** Out of his nostrils goes smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron.
- JOB.41:21 His breath kindles coals, and a flame goes out of his mouth.
- JOB.41:23 The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.
 - JOB.41:26 The sword of him that lays at him cannot hold: the spear, the dart, nor the habergeon.
 - JOB.41:27 He esteems iron as straw, and brass as rotten wood.
 - JOB.41:28 The arrow cannot make him flee: sling-stones are turned with him into stubble.
 - JOB.41:29 Darts are counted as stubble: he laughs at the shaking of a spear.
 - **JOB.41:30** Sharp stones are under him: he spreads sharp pointed things upon the mire.
 - **JOB.41:31** He makes the deep to boil like a pot: he makes the sea like a pot of ointment.
 - JOB.41:32 He makes a path to shine after him; one would think the deep to be hoary.
 - **JOB.41:33** Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear.
 - **JOB.41:34** He beholds all high things: he is a king over all the children of pride.

XI FIVE AGES (Chapter 6 verses 3-4): Here are the ages as mentioned in this book of II EZDRAS.

The 1st Age: Creation to the Flood: (4000 BCE until 2500 BCE) or around 1500 years duration.

The 2nd Age: After the Flood unto Christ. (2500 BCE until year 0) or around 2500 years duration

The 3rd Age: The birth of Christ to 2nd coming of Christ:(Year 0 until 20---?) 2000+years duration

The 4th Age: The 2nd Coming of Christ (Year 20--? Until 3000+) 1000years of Millennium

The 5th Age: ETERNITY. TOTAL YEARS OF WORLD HISTORY 7000

XII Timeframe Chart for the next 1000 years to Eternity.

- 1) Economic Crash and resultant Famine
- 2) Rise of the Anti-Christ
- 3) The Last 7 years of Time -The 7 years Reign of the Anti-Christ
- 4) Mark of the beast and Image of the Beast set-up
- 5) Three and a half years of Tribulation
- 6) Atomic War
- 7) Rapture
- 8) Wrath of God
- 9) Armageddon
- 10) **Judgement Seat of Christ** Satan and his angels locked up for 1000 years in the bottomless Pit. Power given to the Saints of all ages to rule the earth with a rod of Iron together with Christ.
- 11) Millennium: '1000 golden Years' of Peace on Earth

(After 1000 years ended Satan released from prison to deceive the nations of the earth once more.)

12) **Battle of Gog and Magog**. Satan and his followers burned up by God Himself

Satan finally cast into the Lake of Fire where the Beast (Anti-Christ) and the false prophet are.

- 13) Great White Throne Judgement
- 14) New Heaven & New Earth

XIII Chapter 8.1 satan's fall

'Long, long ago, Lucifer stood at the right hand of God. He bore the light. He was not the light, but he held the light on high for all the inhabitants of the universe to see. He was the standard bearer, the mightiest of all archangels, and he exercised some of the power of Almighty God Himself in helping to rule the universe. Then pride took its grip. Though he held such a high and honoured position, Lucifer was no longer satisfied with bearing the light of God. He wanted to be God Himself.

Infested with pride, he refused to listen to God. He refused to listen to the other angelic forces and to the Heavenly inhabitants. He refused any and all help to see the right. Because he refused to admit he was wrong and say he was sorry, because he chose to hold on to his pride, strong delusion set in. Refusing to humble himself before a powerful and awesome God, his own loving, patient, and understanding Father, Lucifer fell. He altered the course of his own destiny. He didn't <u>have</u> to fall; he <u>chose</u> to fall. He chose his own course, all because of his lust for power and his proud refusal to choose the humble way.

This is when insanity took tight hold on Lucifer. This is when of his own choosing he was transformed from Lucifer, the bearer of light, to Satan, the Devil, the father of lies. This is when the long trek began. From the moment of that decision, he set out on his hostile mission. From that time on, he set out to live at enmity with God, His creation, and His children.

When Satan fell, he tried to persuade others of the angels to go with him. Those who accepted his lies became poisoned, drawn away by their own desires. Therefore, pride took hold and they were overcome. Hence, Satan and his band of dark angels began to roam the Earth. It wasn't long before they realized if they were to win others to their side, they would have to come up with a plan, a scheme of some sort, something that would convince others to join them rather than continue being loyal and dedicated to the loving and just ways of the Heavenly Father. Having declared his own independence from righteous rule, Satan went into business for himself. His goal was to win as many others over to his side as he could. His purpose was to spread his own insanity and delusion to others; to prove that you could live without God, that you could in fact be God.

This is how Satan's plan came into being. That is when he began laying the foundation for his counterfeit kingdom; that is when the plan of his great deception began. Sadly, the precepts of his plan thrive in the world today. They touch every corner of the world. His philosophy is booming throughout society at large.' – (given in prophecy.)

LEVIATHAN sounds like a physical manifestation of SATAN

REV.12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the *dragon*; and the *dragon fought* and *his angels*,

REV.12:8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

REV.12:9 And the *great dragon* was *cast out*, that *old serpent*, called the *Devil*, and *Satan*, which *deceives the whole world:* he was *cast out into the earth*, and his *angels were cast out with him*.

XIV HOLLOW EARTH references

II Ezdras Chapter 4 verse 7: And he said unto me, "If I had asked you, 'How many dwellings are in the heart of the sea, or how many streams are at the source of the deep, or how many streams are above the firmament, or which are the exits of Hell, or which are the entrances of Paradise?"

II Ezdras Chapter 4 verse 4.35: 'Did not the souls of the righteous in the *chambers* ask about these matters, saying', "How long are we to remain here? And when will come the harvest of our reward?"

II Ezdras Chapter 4 verse 4.41-2 And he said to me, "In Hades the chambers of the souls are like a womb". 42 "For just as a woman who is in travail makes haste to escape the pangs of birth, so also do these places hasten to give back those things that were committed to them from the beginning."

II Ezdras Chapter 5 verse 48 He said to me, "Even so have I given the *womb of the earth* to those who from time to time are sown in it"

II Ezdras Chapter 6 verse 41 "Again, on the second day, thou didst create the spirit of the firmament, and didst command him to divide, and *separate the waters*, that one part might *move upward*, and the other part *remain beneath*.

Comments: C1: If one thinks of the earth as being *hollow*, then one sea on the outer surface, and the other on the inner surface. Scientists today acknowledge that there is a lot more water beneath the crust of the earth than are in our oceans. Although they don't understand why, as they simply believe that the earth is solid and not hollow.

II Ezdras 7 verse 3) 'There is a sea set in a wide expanse so that it is broad and vast. 4) But it has an entrance that is set in a narrow place so that it is like a river. 5) If any one, then wishes to reach the sea, to look at it, or navigate it, how can he come to the broad part unless he passes through the narrow part.

C.2: This sounds like the 'Northern & Southern Polar Entrances' which apparently is around 1200 in diameter in the Northern Entrance, and which descends inside the earth, and onto the inner surface of the earth's thin crust of around 300 miles thick.

JOB.26:7 He stretches out the **north** over the **empty place**, and hangs the earth upon nothing

JOB.38:29 Out of whose *womb* came the ice? and the hoary frost of heaven, who hath gendered it?

JOB.38:30 The waters are hid as with a stone, and the *face of the deep is frozen*.

II Ezdras Chapter 7 verse 32: 'And the earth shall give up those who are asleep in

it, and the dust those who dwell silently in it; and the *chambers* shall give up the souls which have been committed to them'

II Ezdras Chapter 10 verse 12: But if you say to me, 'My lamentation is not like the earth's, for I have lost the fruit of my womb which I brought forth in pain and sorrow.'

C.3: If the earth is 'solid' and not 'hollow', why does God repeatedly talk about the 'womb of the earth'. A womb is by definition 'hollow' and expands to include a child.

II Ezdras Chapter 13 verse 41: But they formed this plan for themselves, that they would leave the multitude of the nations and go to a more *distant region*, where mankind had *never lived*. 43. And they went in by the narrow passage ways of the **Euphrates** river.

The Euphrates river is a very spiritual place, that is going to be dried up in the last days:

REV.16:12 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*.

REV.9:14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river **Euphrates**.

REV.9:15 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.

Jubilees Chapter 8 verse 19: "And he knew that the Garden of Eden is the holy of Holies, and the dwelling of the Lord, and Mount Sinai the centre of the desert and Mount Zion-the centre of the 'naval of the earth'. These three were created as Holy places, facing each other."

Enoch 22.2 Then Raphael answered, one of the holy angels who was with me, and said unto me, "These '*hollow places*' have been created for this very purpose, that the spirits of the souls of the dead should assemble therein, yea that all the souls of the children of men should assemble here.

C.4: This is a very strange verse,¹ 'naval of the earth' which seems to allude to the earth being hollow like a womb with a naval, with mount Zion being on top of one of the main entrances into the inner earth. ²Another strange mystery is that we know that Abraham bought a large cave as a burial ground for his wife Sarah, (Jasher 27.13), which subsequently became the burying ground for Abraham himself, and his descendants. That cave was is also stated by Jewish tradition (The Zohar) to have an entrance into the inner earth whose inner entrance brought one alongside the Garden of Eden. ³ Mount Zion is also where Abraham started to offer up Isaac as a sacrifice unto God, and where God finally empowered Abraham for his obedience and dedication to God.

BOOK OF JASHER:1.32-34: Concerning CAIN: "And thou shalt be wandering *in* the earth until the day of thy death. In that time God began to give him rest and quiet in the earth

JASHER 2.4 'Forgot the Lord, who had created them *in* the earth'.

In the Book of Jasher, Noah's wife also commented just after the Flood, "God who created us *in* the earth".

C.5: It is very interesting that before the GREAT FLOOD, we see these references to 'in the earth' which in modern lingo could also be taken for 'inside the earth'. After the Flood we only see the expression 'upon the earth' or 'throughout the earth'

BIBLE VERSES ABOUT THE HOLLOW EARTH

PHI.2:10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things <u>under the earth</u>

EPH.4:9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

EXO.20:4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is <u>in the earth beneath</u>, or that is in the <u>water</u> under the earth.

GEN.1:6 And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it **divide** the waters from the waters.

ISA.40:22 It is he that sits upon the <u>circle of the earth</u>, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretches out the heavens as a curtain, and spreads them out as a tent to dwell in:

AMO.9:2 Though they <u>dig into hell</u>, thence shall mine hand take them; though they climb up to heaven, thence will I bring them down:

EZE.31:16 I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall, when I cast him down to hell with them that descend into the pit: and all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, shall be comforted in the <u>nether parts of the</u> earth.

XV EVOLUTION - 'Science falsely so called': 1 TIM 6.20

"Science falsely so-called" is, in the Greek, literally "pseudo-science" or "pseudo knowledge." This pseudo-science is nothing other than evolutionism, which has been in "oppositions" against God as Saviour and Creator and the world as His creation since the beginning of time. In Paul's day, it mainly took the form of Epicureanism (based on atheistic evolutionism) and Stoicism (based on pantheistic evolutionism). It soon would take the form of Gnosticism and later of Neo-Platonism, both also

assuming evolution. In other parts of the world, it had the form of Taoism, Hinduism, Confucianism, or Buddhism, all based squarely on some form of pantheistic evolution and an infinitely old cosmos. In recent times, it assumed the form of Darwinism, though men are now returning again to various forms of eastern religion and their systems of pantheistic evolution, still rejecting God as Creator and Christ as Saviour. Yet all forms of evolutionism are pseudo-science at best, filled with "profane and vain babblings." Note the following summary of current scientific evidence against evolutionism. - SOURCE: http://www.icr.org/books/defenders/8127

XVI THE SECOND AGE (Ch 14.5) 'For the age has lost its youth, and the times begin to grow old, for the Age is divided into twelve parts and nine of its parts have already passed, as well as half of the tenth part. So, two of its parts remain, besides half of the tenth part.'

parts have already gone; 2 and a half parts remain.

By doing a few calculations, it becomes very evident that here, the Book of 2nd Ezdras is talking about THE SECOND AGE or the Age from Noah's FLOOD until the BIRTH of CHRIST. Here are some interesting mathematical calculations:

- 1 The amount of years from the FLOOD to BIRTH of CHRIST =Approx. 2500 years
- 2 Time of Ezra mentioned in his book =Approx. 400 years before Christ
- 3 Using the information from Ch 14 verse 5: The Age is divided into 12 parts. Length of one part = 2500/12 = 200+ years.
- 4 It also states that 9 and a half parts have gone= 9 x 2=18 + 1= approx. 19/24
- 5 Doing the maths from a different angle: Ezra, we know lived some 400+ years before Christ, when he finished this book. We know that there were approx. 2500 years from Noah unto the Birth of Christ Expressed as a fraction we get the following:
- 6 How much time was gone by Ezra's time? =2500-400=2100 years. Ezra's time expressed as a fraction of 2500 years=approx. 21/25
- 7 Finally if we compare the above two fractions in points 4 and 6: 19/24 & 21/25, & we see that these fractions are almost identical. Remember we have calculated them as approximates, however what these fractions prove, is that chapter 14 verse 5 is most definitely talking about the SECOND PERIOD OF TIME or the 2^{ND} AGE, and *not the whole spectrum of time itself.*

8 **THE FIRST AGE**: CREATION to NOAH'S FLOOD = Approx.1500 years

THE 2ND AGE: Noah's Flood until the Birth of Christ = Approx. 2500 years

THE 3RD AGE: Birth of Christ until the 2nd Coming of Christ= Approx. 2000

years

XVII II EZDRAS Chapter 15:

THE 7 WORLD EMPIRES:

EGYPT

ASSYRIA

BABYLON

MEDIO-PERSIA

GREECE

ROME

ANTI-CHRIST (Soon to come NEW WORLD ORDER)

XVIII Books of interest

'**Journey to Gragau'** by Alan Trendholm. This book is very informative and descriptive of how Hell actually is <u>today</u>! -- Available at amazon.com.

XIX BOOK OF I EZDRAS.

In this book of 'EZDRAS *insights*', I have so far, only gone through the book of II EZDRAS.

The following is some information about the **Ist Book of Ezdras**, which is also both important *historically*, and as in *fulfilment of prophecy*.

This book is very much the same as the **Book of Ezra in the Bible**, which was also written around 450 BCE, and is an accurate historical account. The only difference is that the chapters are in a different order for some reason.

The Book of I EZDRAS starts in the reign of king Josiah of Jerusalem in around 630 BCE. The book goes through the conquest by the Babylonians, circa 606 & 589 BCE and the subsequent takeover by the Medio-Persians, 70 years later in 538 BCE.

Cyrus, the new Emperor in 538 BCE, declares a degree for the Jews, to be allowed to go back, and rebuild Jerusalem and the Temple.

This was all prophesied 200 years before, by the prophet Isaiah in around 712 BCE, that also named the king by name:

ISA.44:28 'That says of Cyrus, He is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, "Thou shalt be built"; and to the temple, "Thy foundation shall be laid."

This decree, mentioned above, was actually not fulfilled until the reign of Artaxerxes, in around 453 BCE.

Ezra wrote from around the time of the Babylonians, who had been in power for 30 years, in around 550 BCE, until the reign of the Persian king Artaxerxes in 470 BCE.

Under this king, Nehemiah was made governor of Israel, and Ezra was the spiritual leader, & both were commanded to go forth to Jerusalem, to rebuild the Temple which was fulfilled in 453 BCE.

This was a prophetic exact date, which foresaw 'the Messiah as coming 453 years later', according to the prophet Daniel in the Book of Daniel 9.25-26.

DAN.9:25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in trouble-filled times.

DAN.9:26 And after *threescore* and *two* weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

C.2 The ninth chapter of Daniel is one of the most astoundingly definite, literal time prophecies given in the entire bible, giving the <u>exact</u> times for both the first and second comings of Jesus Christ!

Daniel had lived in the previous century from around 600 BCE until 520 BCE.

For this exact time period of the re-building of Jerusalem, see both the books of **EZRA** and **NEHEMIAH** in the Bible.

C.3 INTERPRETATION: In 453 BCE Artaxerxes Longimanus, king of the Medes and Persians, gave Nehemiah the commandment to go forth and rebuild Jerusalem (Neh. 2:5). There were several other proclamations made by Persian kings to release the Jews from captivity and let them return to Israel to rebuild the temple, but the **principle proclamation to rebuild the city of Jerusalem itself was made in 453 B.C.**

The prophecy predicted that from the time of that proclamation unto Messiah the Prince shall be how long? 69 sevens of years, or 69 times seven years, which is exactly 483 years.

From 453 B.C., this would bring us to exactly 30 A.D., the very year of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ!

C.4 For a thorough explanation of **Daniel 9.25-27** & to know more about the **Book of Daniel in its entirety**, visit my website, which has a thorough reading of the **Book of Daniel**, with interpretations: http://www.outofthebottomlesspit.co.uk/420616689



BACKGROUND into the BOOK of 2 EZDRAS

Excerpted from Wikipedia Esdras (also called 4 Esdras, Latin Esdras, or Latin Ezra) is the name of *an apocalyptic book in many English versions of the Bible*[1] [2][3]Its authorship is ascribed to Ezra.[4] It is reckoned among the apocrypha by Roman Catholics, Protestants, and most Eastern Orthodox Christians.[5]

As with 1 Esdras, there is some confusion about the numbering of this book. The Vulgate of Jerome includes 1, 2, 3 and 4 Esdras. Protestant writers, after the Geneva Bible, called 1 and 2 Esdras of the Vulgate Ezra and Nehemiah, and called 3 and 4 Esdras of the Vulgate 1 and 2 Esdras which *became common in English Bibles*.[6]

This text is sometimes also known as Apocalypse of Ezra (chapters 3–14 known as the Jewish Apocalypse of Ezra.

The Ethiopian Church considers 4 Ezra to be canonical, written during the Babylonian captivity, and calls it Izra Sutuel. It was also often cited by the Fathers of the Church.

Wellhausen, Charles, and Gunkelhave have shown that *the original composition was in Hebrew*, which was translated into Greek, and then to Latin, Armenian, Ethiopian and Georgian, but the Hebrew and Greek editions have been lost.

The chapters corresponding to 4 Ezra, i.e. 2 Esdras 3–14, make up the Book of II Izra, aka Izra Sutuel, canonical in the Ethiopian Orthodox Church; it was also widely cited by early Fathers of the Church, particularly Ambrose of Milan. It may also be found in many larger English Bibles included as part of the Biblical Apocrypha, as they existed in the King James version, the Revised Standard Version, and the earliest editions of the Catholic Douay-Rheims Bible, among others.[1]

The introitus of the traditional Requiem Mass in the Catholic Church is loosely based on 2:34–35.

Most Latin editions of the text have a large lacuna [14] of seventy verses between 7:35 and 7:36 that is missing due to the fact that they trace their common origin to one early manuscript, Codex Sangermanensis I, which was missing an entire page. In 1895 Robert Lubbock Bensly and James published a critical edition restoring the lost verses; it is this edition that is used in the Stuttgart edition of the Vulgate. The restored verses are numbered 7:35 to 7:105, with the former verses 7:36–7:70 renumbered to 7:106–7:140.[15]