

ISAIAH

Lesson 7

The Day of the Lord

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Two Portraits of the Messiah

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What is the Day of the Lord?

- **A Time of Humbling for the Earth's People**
 - **Isa 2:12** For the day of the Lord of hosts Shall come upon everything proud and lofty, Upon everything lifted up — And it shall be brought low NKJV
- **A Time of God's Wrath & Vengeance**
 - **Jer 46:10** For this is the day of the Lord God of hosts, A day of vengeance, That He may avenge Himself on His adversaries. NKJV
- **A Time of Recompense (Repay, Reward, Restore) for Israel**
 - **Isa 34:8** For it is the day of the Lord's vengeance, The year of recompense for the cause of Zion. NKJV

A Day of Recompense for Israel

Joel 3:14-17 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision. The sun and moon grow dark And the stars lose their brightness. The Lord roars from Zion And utters His voice from Jerusalem, And the heavens and the earth tremble. But the Lord is a refuge for His people And a stronghold to the sons of Israel. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God, Dwelling in Zion, My holy mountain. So Jerusalem will be holy, And strangers will pass through it no more.

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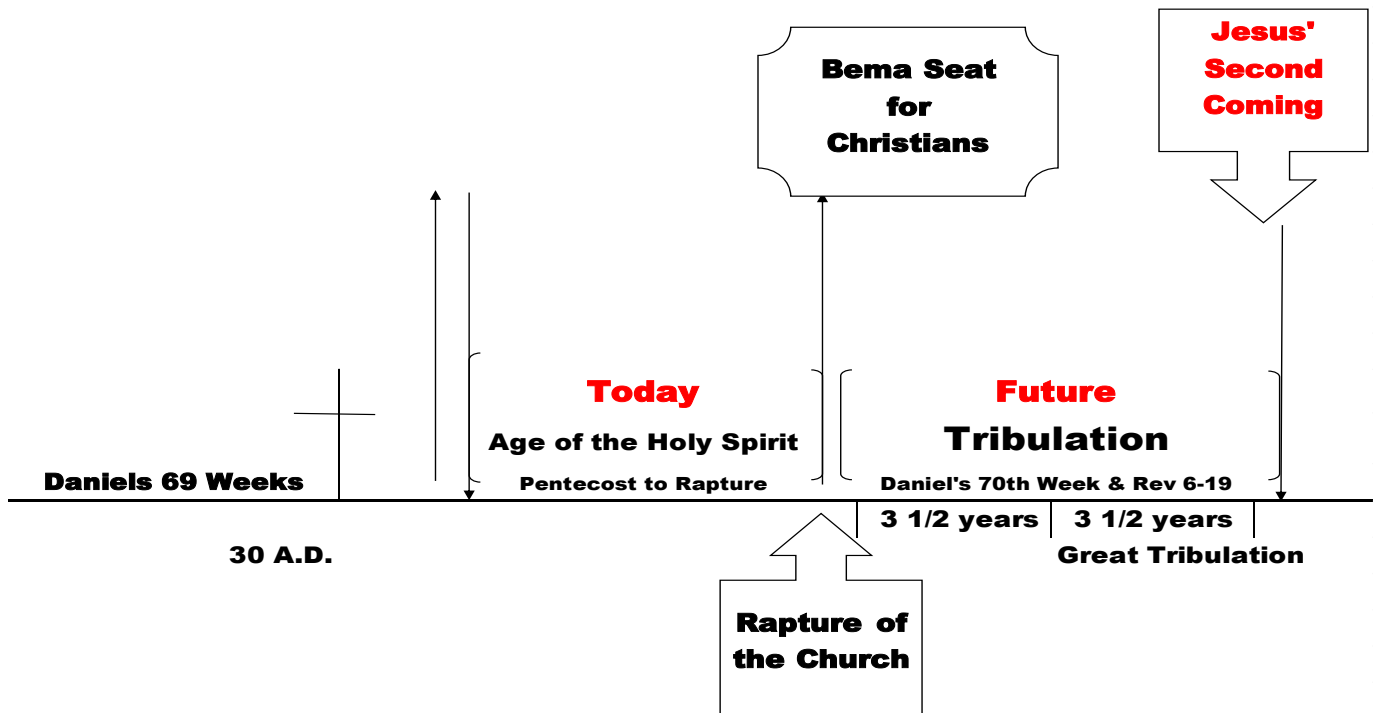
When will it happen?

- **Right before the Lord returns**
- **Begins with seven years of tribulation, divided into two halves of 3½ years each**
- **Daniel chapter nine describes it as the 70th week (7 years)**
 - **Dan 9:27 Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, NKJV**
- **The second half or 3½ years is called the Great Tribulation**

Jesus said this was the sign of His return

Matt 24:15-22 "Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand), "then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. 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. And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened. NKJV

Day of the Lord - The Tribulation



Will we go through the Great Tribulation?

NO = 1 Thess 5:9-11 For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. NKJV

What will it be like?

- **Read chapters 6 through 19 in Revelation – it is all about one seven-year period of time**
- **Look at the 19 plagues in the form of seals, trumpets and bowl judgments**
- **At least half the population dies in two plagues**
- **Earth will be almost destroyed**
- **Millions will be martyred for their faith**
- **The sun will go out**
- **Hundreds of millions will fight and die against the Lord in the battle of Armageddon**

Seal judgments

- 1. White horse (antichrist)**
- 2. Red horse (war)**
- 3. Black horse (famine and inflation)**
- 4. Pale horse (death to a quarter of the earth)**
- 5. Martyrdom (numerous believers killed)**
- 6. Cosmic disturbances and earthquakes**
- 7. Seven seal – seven trumpets**

Trumpet judgments

- 1. A third of the trees and all the grass burned up**
- 2. A third of the seas became blood (great mountain hit the earth)**
- 3. A third of the springs & rivers poisoned (star from heaven)**
- 4. A third of the sun, moon and stars struck (earth rotation speeds up to 16-hour days)**
- 5. Locust from the bottomless pit which inflict 5 months of pain**
- 6. 4 Angels at the Euphrates are released and 200,000,000 from the East resulting in a third of the earth dying by fire, smoke and brimstone**
- 7. The seven bowls**

Seven bowl judgments

- 1. Foul & loathsome sores on those with the mark of the beast**
- 2. Sea turns to blood**
- 3. Springs and rivers all turn to blood**
- 4. Sun flares up and scorches men with heat**
- 5. Darkness fills the kingdom of the Antichrist**
- 6. Kings of the east to the battle of Armageddon**
- 7. Great earthquake and hail stones weighing 100 pounds**

Believers will be put to death in great numbers

Rev 6:9-11 When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held. 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?" 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. NKJV

Believers will be put to death in great numbers

- **Rev 7:9-10** After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"
- **Rev 7:13-14** Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?" And I said to him, "Sir, you know." So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. NKJV

Zephaniah describes it

Zeph 1:14-16 The great day of the Lord is near; It is near and hastens quickly. The noise of the day of the Lord is bitter; There the mighty men shall cry out. That day is a day of wrath, A day of trouble and distress, A day of devastation and desolation, A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, A day of trumpet and alarm Against the fortified cities And against the high towers. NKJV

How bad will it get?

Isa 2:19-21 They shall go into the holes of the rocks, And into the caves of the earth, From the terror of the Lord And the glory of His majesty, When He arises to shake the earth mightily. In that day a man will cast away his idols of silver And his idols of gold, Which they made, each for himself to worship, To the moles and bats, To go into the clefts of the rocks, And into the crags of the rugged rocks, From the terror of the Lord And the glory of His majesty, When He arises to shake the earth mightily. NKJV

Look at the Anguish!

Isa 13:6-8 Wail, for the day of the Lord is at hand! It will come as destruction from the Almighty. Therefore all hands will be limp, Every man's heart will melt, And they will be afraid. Pangs and sorrows will take hold of them; They will be in pain as a woman in childbirth; They will be amazed at one another; Their faces will be like flames. NKJV

Wow - God Shakes the Earth!

Isa 24:19-20 The earth is violently broken, The earth is split open, The earth is shaken exceedingly. The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, And shall totter like a hut; Its transgression shall be heavy upon it, And it will fall, and not rise again. NKJV

The Sun, Moon and Stars will be affected!

Isa 13:9-10 Behold, the day of the Lord comes, Cruel, with both wrath and fierce anger, To lay the land desolate; And He will destroy its sinners from it. For the stars of heaven and their constellations Will not give their light; The sun will be darkened in its going forth, And the moon will not cause its light to shine. NKJV

Compare to the Sixth Seal in Revelation

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

Joel says:

Joel 2:30-31 "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord. NKJV

Joel continues:

Joel 3:15-16 The sun and moon will grow dark, And the stars will diminish their brightness. The Lord also will roar from Zion, And utter His voice from Jerusalem; The heavens and earth will shake; But the Lord will be a shelter for His people, And the strength of the children of Israel. NKJV

The Tribulation culminates in the battle of Armageddon!

**Isaiah says there will be an
enormous battle!**

Isa 34:1-4 Come near, you nations, to hear; And heed, you people! Let the earth hear, and all that is in it, The world and all things that come forth from it. For the indignation of the Lord is against all nations, And His fury against all their armies; He has utterly destroyed them, He has given them over to the slaughter. Also their slain shall be thrown out; Their stench shall rise from their corpses, And the mountains shall be melted with their blood. All the host of heaven shall be dissolved, And the heavens shall be rolled up like a scroll; All their host shall fall down As the leaf falls from the vine, And as fruit falling from a fig tree. NKJV

Here is part of the battle!

Isa 63:1-2 Who is this who comes from Edom, With dyed garments from Bozrah, This One who is glorious in His apparel, Traveling in the greatness of His strength? — "I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save." Why is Your apparel red, And Your garments like one who treads in the winepress? NKJV

This is our God!

Isa 63:3-6 "I have trodden the winepress alone, And from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, And trampled them in My fury; Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, And I have stained all My robes. For the day of vengeance is in My heart, And the year of My redeemed has come. I looked, but there was no one to help, And I wondered That there was no one to uphold; Therefore My own arm brought salvation for Me; And My own fury, it sustained Me. I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, Made them drunk in My fury, And brought down their strength to the earth." NKJV

Think this is only Old Testament?

Rev 14:18-20 And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, "Thrust in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe." So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses' bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs. NKJV

Armageddon

Ezek 38:14-16 "Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say to Gog, 'Thus says the Lord God: "On that day when My people Israel dwell safely, will you not know it? Then you will come from your place out of the far north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great company and a mighty army. You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me, when I am hallowed in you, O Gog, before their eyes." NKJV

The Day of the Lord and Armageddon!

Zech 14:1-4 Behold, the day of the Lord is coming, And your spoil will be divided in your midst. For I will gather all the nations to battle against Jerusalem; The city shall be taken, The houses rifled, And the women ravished. Half of the city shall go into captivity, But the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then the Lord will go forth And fight against those nations, As He fights in the day of battle. And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, From east to west, Making a very large valley; Half of the mountain shall move toward the north And half of it toward the south. NKJV

Armageddon

Ezek 38:18-20 "And it will come to pass at the same time, when Gog comes against the land of Israel," says the Lord God, "that My fury will show in My face. For in My jealousy and in the fire of My wrath I have spoken: 'Surely in that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel, so that the fish of the sea, the birds of the heavens, the beasts of the field, all creeping things that creep on the earth, and all men who are on the face of the earth shall shake at My presence. The mountains shall be thrown down, the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.' NKJV

It will be a devastating battle!

Ezek 38:21-23 I will call for a sword against Gog throughout all My mountains," says the Lord God. "Every man's sword will be against his brother. And I will bring him to judgment with pestilence and bloodshed; I will rain down on him, on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, flooding rain, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I am the Lord." NKJV

The Supper of the Lord!

Ezek 39:11 "And as for you, son of man, thus says the Lord God, 'Speak to every sort of bird and to every beast of the field: Assemble yourselves and come; Gather together from all sides to My sacrificial meal Which I am sacrificing for you, A great sacrificial meal on the mountains of Israel, That you may eat flesh and drink blood. NKJV

Here is the Lord Jesus & Armageddon!

Rev 19:11-16 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now 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. NKJV

Compare this to Ezekiel

- **Rev 19:17-21** Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great."
- **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. 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. 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. NKJV

Truths

- **There will come a time when the Lord will make all things right!**
- **Our Lord will avenge the martyrs of the earth!**
- **Israel will turn to Jesus and become the number one nation on earth!**
- **That time is called “The Day of the Lord”**
- **The Lord is the Lord Jesus Christ who will rule the earth with a rod of iron!**
- **The Lord also calls it the “Great Tribulation”**