

Approximately 40 minutes



The Coming Peace Accord, the Rise of the Antichrist, and the Glorious Return of Jesus Christ

Segment 1 of 9 - The Prophetic Stage Is Being Set:

Opening Prayer:

Father God,

We come before You in the name of Jesus Christ, the King of kings and the Lord of lords. We thank You that You are sovereign over history. Nothing surprises You. Nothing is outside Your control.

Lord God, as we study prophecy today, give us understanding. Not so we would

live in fear...but so we would live in faith. Not so we would panic...but so we would prepare our hearts.

Help us to see that Jesus Christ is coming again just as He promised.

And Lord God, if anyone listening today and has not yet been born again, let today be the day they enter Your kingdom.

**We ask this in Jesus' name,
Amen.**

We are living in a time unlike any other in human history.

For the first time ever, the entire world is connected economically, politically, digitally, and militarily.

Events happening in one nation affect the entire globe instantly.

And at the center of global attention...just as the Bible predicted...is **Israel**.

Israel is not just another nation.

Israel is God's prophetic time clock.

The prophet Zechariah wrote over 2,500 years ago:

Zechariah 12:3 (NIV) ³ On that day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves.

Notice what God says.

Jerusalem will be the center of global tension.

Not New York.

Not London.

Not Beijing.

But Jerusalem.

Today, we see this reality clearly.

Peace negotiations revolve around Israel.

Conflicts revolve around Israel.

Global attention focuses on Israel.

Because Israel is central to God's prophetic plan.

After nearly 2,000 years of being scattered, Israel became a nation again in 1948... exactly as Scripture foretold.

Isaiah prophesied this miracle:

Isaiah 66:8 (NIV) ⁸ Who has ever heard of such things?

Who has ever seen things like this?

Can a country be born in a day

or a nation be brought forth in a

moment?

Yet no sooner is Zion in labor

than she gives birth to her children.

And in 1948, Israel was reborn in one day.

This was not coincidence.

This was **prophecy fulfilled**.

Israel's existence today is evidence that God's prophetic timeline is moving forward.

And Scripture tells us the next major prophetic event involving Israel will be a peace agreement.

A covenant.

A political solution.

But it will not be what it appears to be.

Segment 2 of 9 - The Prophesied Peace Covenant:

Daniel gave one of the clearest prophecies about the end times.

Daniel 9:27 (NIV) ²⁷ He will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.' In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an

end to sacrifice and offering. And at the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.

This verse describes a future world leader.

He will confirm a covenant.

A peace agreement.

Likely involving Israel and surrounding nations.

The world will celebrate him as a peacemaker.

This leader will solve problems that have existed for generations.

Conflicts that diplomats could not solve.

Wars that politicians could not end.

He will appear brilliant.

Charismatic.

Convincing.

He will unify nations.

This is the Antichrist.

Not yet revealed....but coming.

Paul calls him “**the man of lawlessness.**”

2 Thessalonians 2:3 (NIV) ³ Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction.

He will rise during global uncertainty.

Because crisis creates opportunity for power.

When people are afraid, they accept authority they normally would reject.

When people are desperate, they embrace solutions they normally would question.

This leader will offer peace.

But it will be temporary peace.

👉 **False peace.**

Because Scripture warns us:

1 Thessalonians 5:3 (NIV) ³ While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

Peace will come first.

Then judgment.

This peace covenant marks the beginning of the seven-year Tribulation period.

The final seven years before Christ returns.

The stage is being set.

The world is moving toward this moment.

Segment 3 of 9 - The Tribulation Begins:

The book of Revelation describes the beginning of this period representatively.

Revelation 6:2 (NIV) ² I looked, and there before me was a white horse! Its rider held a bow, and he was given a crown, and he rode out as a conqueror bent on conquest.

This rider represents the Antichrist.

He conquers through diplomacy, not immediate war.

Notice he has a bow but nothing is mentioned about arrows...he has no ammo.

He rises to global leadership.

But soon, peace disappears.

Revelation 6:4 (NIV) ⁴ Then another horse came out, a fiery red one. Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make people kill each other. To him was given a large sword.

War spreads globally.

Economic systems collapse.

Revelation 6:6 (NIV) describes food shortages. ***⁶ Then I heard what sounded like a voice among the four living creatures, saying, “Two pounds of wheat for a day’s wages, and six pounds of barley for a day’s wages, and do not damage the oil and the wine!”***

Revelation 6:8 (NIV) describes widespread death ***⁸ I looked, and there before me was a pale horse! Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following close behind him. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by sword,***

famine and plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth.

This scripture "...**by the wild beasts of the earth...**" could possibly be **microscopic**. Dr. Chuck Missler mentions that in his commentary to revelation.

This is the beginning of global judgment. Jesus described this same period.

Matthew 24:7 (NIV) ⁷ Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places.

We already see these signs increasing today.

Earthquakes are increasing around the world and in the seas. The seas make up 70% of the earth's surface.

-  **Oceans: -71%**
-  **Land: -29%**

Wars increasing.

Global instability increasing.

These are birth pains.

Signals that the end is approaching.

But the worst is still ahead.

Segment 4 of 9 - The Antichrist Revealed at the Midpoint:

Three and a half years into the Tribulation, everything changes.

Daniel 9:27 (NIV)

“....In the middle of the ‘seven’ he will put an end to sacrifice....”

The Antichrist breaks the peace agreement.

He reveals his true nature.

Paul explains:

2 Thessalonians 2:4 (NIV) ⁴ He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God.

He demands worship.

He claims divinity.

Jesus called this the abomination of desolation.

Matthew 24:15 (NIV) ¹⁵ "So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader understand—

This marks the beginning of the **Great Tribulation**. This is midway 3 ½ years in.

The most severe period of judgment in history.

So the super bad judgment on earth is 3 ½ years...

Segment 5 of 9 - Global Control and Persecution:

Revelation 13:16-17 (NIV) ¹⁶ It also forced all people, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads, ¹⁷ so that they could not buy or sell unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of its name.

Total economic control.

Total political control.

Total spiritual deception.

This is a global dictatorship.

Unlike anything humanity has ever seen.

But his authority is temporary.

Because Jesus Christ is coming!!!

Segment 6 of 9 - The World Moves Toward Final War:

Revelation 16:14 (NIV) ¹⁴ They are demonic spirits that perform signs, and they go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them for the battle on the great day of God Almighty.

The nations gather against God.

This leads to Armageddon.

Humanity attempts to resist God Himself.

But God has already declared the outcome.

Segment 7 of 9 - Jesus Christ Returns Exactly As He Left:

Acts 1:11 (NIV) ¹¹ “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

He will return physically.

Revelation 19:11 (NIV) ¹¹ I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war.

Jesus returns as King.

Not as Savior on a cross.

But as **King on a throne.**

Segment 8 of 9 - The Antichrist Is Destroyed:

2 Thessalonians 2:8 (NIV) ⁸ And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming.

Instant defeat.

Christ reigns victorious.

Evil ends.

 **Truth reigns.**

Segment 9 of 9 - Salvation Invitation and Closing Prayer:

The most important question is not when these events happen.

The most important question is:

Do you know **Jesus Christ**?

John 3:3 (NIV) ³ Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.

If you are ready to know Jesus today...
pray this to our Lord Jesus Christ by faith:

Lord Jesus, forgive me. I believe You died and rose again. Come into my life. Be my Lord and Savior. I trust You alone. Amen.

Revelation 3:20 ²⁰ Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

Closing Prayer:

Father God, thank You that Jesus is coming again. Help us live ready, faithful, and bold.

In Jesus' name, Amen.