Decrypting The Book Of Revelation Season 1: The Day of the Lord

Scriptures



• Isaiah 24:3-6

The land shall be utterly emptied and utterly despoiled, for the LORD has spoken this word. The earth also is defiled by its inhabitants because they have transgressed the laws, violated the ordinances, broken the everlasting covenant. Therefore, the curse devours the earth, and those who dwell in it are held guilty. Therefore, the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men are left.

• Matthew 24:5-12,29

"For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will mislead many. You will be hearing of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not frightened, for those things must take place, but that is not yet the end. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and in various places there will be famines and earthquakes. But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs. Then they will deliver you to tribulation, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name. At that time many will fall away and will betray one another. Many false prophets will arise and will mislead many because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold."

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29"But immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken."

• Isaiah 24:18-20

Then it will be that he who flees the report of disaster will fall into the pit, and he who climbs out of the pit will be caught in the snare. For the windows above are opened, and the foundations of the earth shake. The earth is broken asunder, the earth is split through, the earth is shaken violently. The earth reels to and fro like a drunkard and it totters like a shack, for its transgression is heavy upon it, and it will fall, never to rise again.

• Revelation 16:18

And there were flashes of lightning and sounds and peals of thunder; and there was a great earthquake, such as there had not been since man came to be upon the earth, so great an earthquake was it, and so mighty. The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. Babylon the great was remembered before God, to give her the cup of wine of His fierce wrath.

• Revelation 6:12

I looked when He broke the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole moon became like blood;

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• <u>Joel 2:31</u>

"The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes."

Other Scriptures

- Romans 3:4
- Luke 11:2-4
- Galatians 1:8-9
- Matthew 10:22
- I John 1:1
- 2 Peter 1:16

Main Points

- God's ultimate purpose is that heaven and earth will become one.
- The word Christ is the Greek equivalent for the Hebrew word Mashiach, meaning Anointed One.
- The only way we know who Jesus is, is through the Word.
- We need to stand for Truth!
- God holds the history of the world in His hands!

Discussion Questions

- 1. Why does "birth pangs" describe the last days so well? Compare the two realities.
- 2. Standing with the real Jesus in tribulation requires living in the truth of His Word. His Word tells us in the last days we will suffer and must stand in the conviction of His Word. How are you strengthening yourself against fear and building yourself up in conviction for His truth? What might God through His Spirit be prompting you to do today toward this goal?
- **3.** How do Peter and John's testimonies help you in your faith commitment?