

PREPARATION
FOR THE
BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON
AND FOR THE
SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST

Armageddon is the last Battle of the wars of the Great Tribulation

It is the time when Jesus comes with the armies of Heaven to destroy the Antichrist, False Prophet and the armies of the earth who are gathered in the land of Israel against Him. It is the time when He returns to set up the Kingdom of God here on this earth where Christ will reign for a thousand years and the Saints will reign with Him in the "Rod of Iron" government.

God does not overlook anything in making preparation for the greatest battle of all time. He calls all the **participants on both sides**, as well as the **clean up crew**, well in advance so everything will go as intended. Even the **lighting** is taken into consideration and so arranged. **He answers all questions as to why** this is required.

GATHERING ALL NATIONS TO THE VALLEY OF JEHOSEPHAT (ARMAGEDDON)

The kings of the world were called to Armageddon, to the great battle of the Day of God Almighty, by the three demons that came out of the mouths of the Dragon, the Antichrist, and the False Prophet (*Revelation 16:12-16*). Their hatred of God and His people is expressed in their eagerness to join in a united force against God and His people in a concerted effort to destroy righteousness.

- ☆ In those days and at that time, when I shall bring back the captives of Judah and Jerusalem, **I will also gather all nations, and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat. There I will execute judgment against them for My people, My heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations and they divided My land.**

They have cast lots for My people, they have given a boy in exchange for a harlot, and sold a girl for wine that they might drink. Yes, what have you to do with Me, O Tyre and Sidon, and all the coasts of Philistia? Will you retaliate against Me? If you retaliate against Me, I will swiftly and speedily return your retaliation upon your own head.

Because you have taken My silver and My gold and have carried My goodly treasures into your temples, and you have also sold the people of Judah and the people of Jerusalem to the Greeks, to remove them far from their borders, therefore, Behold I will raise them out of the place to which you have sold them, and will return your retaliation

upon your own head. I will sell your sons and your daughters into the hand of the children of Judah, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans, to a people far off. For the Lord has spoken it.

Proclaim this among the nations: **Prepare for war! Wake up the mighty men. Let all the men of war draw near, let them come up. Beat your plowshares into swords and your pruning hooks into spears. Let the weak say, "I am strong." Assemble yourselves and come, all you nations, gather yourselves together all around. Cause your mighty ones to come down here, O Lord.**

Let the nations be wakened and come up to the Valley of Jehoshaphat. For there I will sit to judge all the nations on every side.

Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe. **Come on down for the winepress is full, the vats overflow, their wickedness is great. Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision, for the Day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.** Joel 3:1-14

☆ **The noise of a multitude in the mountains is like that of a great people! A tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together! The Lord of hosts is mustering the army for battle.** Isaiah 13:4

☆ Behold, the Day of the Lord is coming and your spoil will be divided in your midst. **For I will gather all 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 shall go forth and fight against those nations, like He fought in the day of battle.** Zechariah 14:1-3

GATHERING OF THE ARMIES OF HEAVEN

✝ When the time comes to take action in order to save the Elect from extinction, **God will gather His armies for the great battle as predicted in prophecy from the very beginning.** Revelation 19:14

SAINTS and ELECT IN THE ARMIES OF HEAVEN

☆ They come from a distant country, **from the ends of heaven.** It is **the Lord and the weapons of His indignation, to destroy the whole land.** Isaiah 13:5

✝ He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet. They shall gather together His elect from the four winds, **from one end of heaven to the other.** Matthew 24:31

- ✠ Then **He shall send His angels, and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest part of the earth to the farthest part of heaven.** *Mark 13:27*
- ✠ That He may establish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God our Father, **at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ WITH all His saints.** *1 Thessalonians 3:13*
- ✠ We believe that Jesus died and rose again. Likewise, we believe that **God will bring WITH Him those who sleep in Jesus.** *1 Thessalonians 4:14*
- ✠ Enoch, the seventh from Adam, also prophesied about these men saying, "**Behold, the Lord is coming WITH ten thousands of His saints to execute judgment on all,** and to convict all who are ungodly among them of all the ungodly deeds that they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh words which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him. *Jude 1:14-15*
- ✠ They shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and **those that are WITH Him are His Called, His Chosen and His Faithful.** *Revelation 17:14*

ANGELS IN THE ARMIES OF HEAVEN

- ✠ For the **Son of Man shall come in the glory of His Father with His Angels,** then He shall reward every man according to his works. *Matthew 16:27*
- ✠ **When the Son of Man shall come in His glory, and all the holy angels with him,** then He shall sit on the throne of His glory. *Matthew 25:31*
- ✠ Therefore, whoever is ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man shall also be ashamed of him **when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.** *Mark 8:38*
- ✠ What advantage is it for a man to gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words, of him the Son of Man will be ashamed **when He comes in His own glory, and in the glory of His Father, and of the holy angels.** *Luke 9:25-26*
- ✠ It is a righteous thing with God to repay those who trouble you with tribulation, and to give rest to you who are troubled, along with us; **when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels,** in flaming fire to take vengeance upon those who do not know God, and who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. They shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, **on the day when He comes to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed.** *2 Thessalonians 1:6-10*

THE CLEAN-UP CREW

- ✠ Then I saw an angel standing in the sun. He cried with a loud voice saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come, gather together to 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 that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, free and slave, both small and great." *Revelation 19:17-18*
- ✠ For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together. *Matthew 24:28*
- ✠ They answered and said to Him, "Where, Lord?" He said to them, "Wherever the body is, there the eagles will be gathered together." *Luke 17:37*

This gathering will be like the gathering of the birds for the battle against Gog and his allies.

SPECIAL LIGHTING - SUN - MOON - STARS -

- ✠ Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun shall be darkened, the moon shall not give its light, the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken. *Matthew 24:29*
- ✠ But in those days, after the tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give its light, the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers in heaven shall be shaken. *Mark 13:24-25*
- ☆ The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining. *Joel 3:15*
- ☆ It shall come to pass in that day that it shall not be light or dark. It shall be one day which shall be known to the Lord - neither day nor night. The evening time shall be light. *Zechariah 14:6-7*

The heavens will declare the wonder of the coming of the Lord to the earth. Announcing in their darkness the arrival of the Lord to make a total change in the affairs of mankind.

The end of time brings extreme signs in all of God's created universe. At the presence of Almighty God, the arrival of Jesus Christ with the angels and saints, the entirety of creation is visibly shaken. It is a day of all days to remember, when God comes to dwell with man in perfect government.

SECOND COMING OF CHRIST WITH SAINTS AND ANGELS

Don't let anyone deceive you by saying that the Lord has already come! When He does come, no one will need to be told because it will be obvious to all, everyone will know it.

However, at that time, it will be too late to do anything except stand before Him to receive the reward earned by the choices you have already made. At that time, it will be too late to decide to live for God and repent of all your evil deeds! It will be too late to receive Jesus as your Savior! It will be too late to begin church attendance to learn of God's plan of salvation! It will be too late to be saved from the fierce justice of Almighty God!

If you don't know Jesus as your personal Savior and have a testimony of Him in your heart, now is the time to find Christ, Whom to know is life eternal.

- ✠ For He says, **I have heard you in the acceptable time, I have helped you in the day of salvation. Behold, now is the accepted time. Behold, now is the day of salvation.** ²
Corinthians 6:2

Therefore, do not delay! Be serious with God and seek Him till you find Him, blessings and salvation will follow your search. This is a promise of Jesus Christ our Lord when He said:

- ✠ "**Ask and it shall be given to you, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened to you. For everyone that asks receives, and he that seeks finds, and to him that knocks it shall be opened.**" *Matthew 7:7*

This statement is especially true and accurate as you apply it to searching out the ways of God. You will find Him revealed in His Word, the Holy Bible. The urgency is great and growing greater as we see the signs unfolding all around us indicating that the time is near.

God is calling for His people to seek Him out and be prepared for the coming of the Lord. His call comes with a warning of destruction for those who fail to respond.

- ☆ The burden against Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw: **Lift up a banner on the high mountain, lift up your voice to them; beckon with your hand that they may enter the gates of the nobles.**
I have commanded My sanctified ones, I have also called My mighty ones for My anger (those who rejoice in My exaltation).
The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like that of a great people, a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together! **The Lord of hosts musters the armies for the battle.**
They come from a far country, from the end of heaven, even the Lord and the weapons of His indignation, to destroy the whole land.
Wail, for the day of the Lord is at hand! It shall come as destruction from the Almighty. *Isaiah 13:1-6*

THE COMING OF THE LORD WILL BE REAL, VISIBLE, & OBVIOUS

- ✠ **For as the lightning comes from the east and is seen to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.** *Matthew 24:27*

At the trial of Jesus, Caiaphas the High Priest demanded of Jesus by the Living God, "Tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God."

- ✠ Jesus said to him, "You have said it. Nevertheless, I say to you, in the future you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming in the clouds of heaven." *Matthew 26:64*
- ✠ And Jesus said, "I am. And you shall see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven." *Mark 14:62*
- ✠ All flesh shall see the salvation of God. *Luke 3:6*
- ✠ For as the lightning that flashes out of one part under heaven and shines to the other part under heaven, so also shall the Son of Man be in His day. *Luke 17:24*
- ✠ Then they shall see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. *Luke 21:27*
- ✠ Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye shall see Him, and also those who pierced Him. And all kindreds of the earth shall mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. *Revelation 1:7*
- ✠ Then I saw heaven opened, and I beheld a white horse. And He that sat upon it 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 He Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called THE WORD OF GOD. THE ARMIES THAT WERE IN HEAVEN FOLLOWED HIM ON WHITE HORSES, DRESSED IN FINE LINEN, WHITE AND CLEAN. OUT OF HIS MOUTH GOES A SHARP SWORD, THAT WITH IT HE SHOULD STRIKE THE NATIONS. And He shall rule them with a rod of iron. HE TREADS THE WINEPRESS OF THE FIERCENESS AND WRATH OF ALMIGHTY GOD. He has on His garment and on His thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. *Revelation 19:11-16*

BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

- ✠ And I saw the BEAST, the KINGS OF THE EARTH, AND THEIR ARMIES gathered together to make war against HIM THAT SAT ON THE HORSE AND against HIS ARMY. The BEAST was captured, and with him the FALSE PROPHET who worked miraculous signs in his sight, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. THESE WERE BOTH CAST ALIVE INTO THE LAKE OF FIRE burning with brimstone. THE REST WERE KILLED WITH THE SWORD THAT PROCEEDED FROM

THE MOUTH OF HIM WHO SAT ON THE HORSE, AND ALL THE BIRDS WERE FILLED WITH THEIR FLESH. *Revelation 19:19-21*

WINEPRESS OF THE WRATH OF GOD

- All enemies under His feet -

- † **He treads the winepress of the fierceness and Wrath of Almighty God.** *Revelation 19:15c*
- † I looked, and saw a white cloud, and seated on the cloud was one who looked like the Son of Man. On His head was a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe." He that sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped. Then another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also had a sharp sickle. And another angel who had power over fire, came out from the altar and he cried with a loud voice 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." **The angel thrust his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. And the winepress was trodden outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress as high as the horses' bridles for distance of one thousand six hundred furlongs (200 miles).** *Revelation 14:14-20*

The Battle of Armageddon is not only to exercise the Wrath of God against the armies of the Antichrist and enemies of God and holiness, but it includes the defense and rescue of His people, Israel, and the city of Jerusalem.

- ☆ For this is what the Lord has spoken to me: Like a lion, a young lion roars over his prey. When a multitude of shepherds is called out against him, he will not be afraid of their voice nor be humbled by their noise. **Even so, the Lord of hosts shall come down to fight for Mount Zion and for its hill.** Like birds flying in the air, so the Lord of hosts will defend Jerusalem. **Defending, He will also deliver it. Passing over, He will preserve it.** *Isaiah 31:4-5*
- ☆ Come near you nations, and hear you people, give heed! Let the earth and all that is in it hear, the world and all things that come forth from it. **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. Their slain shall be cast out, and the stench of their dead bodies shall rise, and the mountains shall be drenched 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 falls from the fig tree. *Isaiah 34:1-4*

- ☆ Who is this that comes from Edom with dyed garments from Bozrah, the one that is glorious in His apparel, traveling in the greatness of His strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

Why are you red in your apparel, and your garments like one who treads in the winepress? I have trodden the winepress alone, and of the people no one was with Me. For I trod them down in My anger, and trampled them in My fury. Their blood is spattered upon My garments, and I have stained all My clothing. 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, I wondered that there was no one to uphold. Therefore, My own arm brought Me victory and My own fury sustained Me. I trampled the peoples in My anger, made them drunk in My fury, and brought down their strength to the earth.

Isaiah 63:1-6

The Antichrist, who has taken the kingdom of the whole earth, will meet his doom when he faces the Lord at the Battle of Armageddon, the destruction not by human hands. There will be no power on earth among men that can stand against him, so the world will know the power of God.

- ☆ And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors have become completely wicked, a KING shall arise, having a FIERCE APPEARANCE, who understands dark sentences (dark sayings - a master of intrigue). His power shall be mighty, but not by his own power (*see Rev. 13:2*). He shall destroy amazingly, and shall prosper and succeed in whatever he does. He shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. Through his cunning policy, he shall cause deceit to prosper in his hand and he shall magnify himself in his heart. Speaking peace, he shall destroy many when they feel secure. He shall also rise up against the Prince of Princes, but he shall be broken without human hand. *Daniel 8:23-25*

- ☆ Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, "I will shake the heavens and the earth. I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the Gentiles (heathen). I will overthrow the chariots and those who ride in them, the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother. *Haggai 2:21-23*

- ☆ And this shall be the plague with which the Lord shall strike all the peoples that fought against Jerusalem: Their flesh shall consume away (dissolve or rot) while they stand on their feet, their eyes shall consume away in their sockets, and their tongues shall consume away in their mouths. It shall come to pass in that day that a great panic from the Lord shall fall upon them. Everyone shall seize the hand of his neighbor, and they shall attack each other. Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem. And the wealth of all the surrounding nations shall be gathered together; gold, silver, and clothing in great abundance. The same plague shall also strike the horse and the mule, the camel and the donkey, and all the cattle that will be in those camps. Such shall this plague be. *Zechariah 14:12-15*

- ✝ Wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together. *Matthew 24:28 (also see Luke 17:37)*

MILLENNIUM REMNANT

God wants mortals to enter the Thousand Year Reign of Peace to complete His plan for mankind. It is the last dispensation that God will use to demonstrate how totally wicked the heart of mankind is. If men were left to their own desires, no flesh would survive, neither man nor animal. Left uncontrolled, the only thing stopping man's progression toward evil and destruction is death. Mankind is capable of destroying everything God has created. Then after he has destroyed it all, out of pure frustration and despair, he kills himself.

God will not allow evil to enter the Reign of Peace. However He does want people who desire righteousness and justice, for this reason He is forced to intervene. This will fulfill the prophecy of Jesus:

✝ **"Unless those days were shortened, no flesh would survive. But for the sake of the elect, those days will be shortened."** *Matthew 24:22*

✝ **"Unless the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh would survive. But for the sake of the elect, whom He has chosen, He has shortened the days."** *Mark 13:20*

SATAN IS BOUND FOR A THOUSAND YEARS

✝ Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit (the abyss) and a great chain in his hand. **He laid hold of THE DRAGON, THAT SERPENT OF OLD, who is THE DEVIL and SATAN, and bound him for a thousand years, and cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and sealed it over him, so that he should deceive the nations no more until the thousand years are finished.** But after the thousand years are finished, he must be released for a short time. *Revelation 20:1-3*

With the imprisonment of Satan in the bottomless pit, we realize the ultimate conclusion of Babylon the Great as its king finds his residence in the Abyss, and the world is freed from the great oppressor to sin.

At this time the song of scorn will be fully appropriate, because this is when the Lord will fully pardon Jacob and again choose Israel. This is clearly described in Isaiah:

☆ For the Lord will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and will settle them in their own land. The strangers (Gentiles) shall be joined with them, and shall hold fast and cling to the House of Jacob. Nations shall take them and bring them to their own place. The House of Israel shall possess them as servants and handmaids in the land of the Lord. Those who were captors of Israel shall become captives of Israel, and Israel shall rule over their oppressors.

It shall come to pass **in the day the Lord shall give you rest from your sorrow, and from your fear and from the hard bondage in which you were made to serve,** that you will take up this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say:

"How is the oppressor vanished, how is the golden city (oppression) ended! The Lord has broken the staff of the wicked, the scepter of the rulers. He who struck the people in wrath with continual blows, he who subdued the nations in anger with relentless aggression, is persecuted and no one helps him or hinders his persecution.

The whole earth is at rest and is quiet, they break forth into singing. Even the fir trees, cypress, and pines, rejoice over you; also the cedars of Lebanon, saying, 'since you have been cut down, no woodsman has come up against us.'

Hell from beneath is excited to meet you at your coming. It stirs up the dead for you, all the chief ones of the earth, it has raised up all the kings of the nations from their thrones. All of them shall speak and say to you: '**Have you also become as weak as we? Have you become like us? Your pomp is brought down to the grave, and the sound of your stringed instruments. The maggot is spread under you, and worms cover you.**'

How you have fallen from heaven, O Lucifer Son of the Morning! **How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations!** For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God, I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the sides of the north (on the summit of Zaphon, the abode of the gods, the utmost heights of the sacred mountain), I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.'

Yet you shall be brought down to Hell, to the bottom of the pit. Those who see you will stare at you, they will consider you saying: 'Is this the man that made the earth tremble and shook the kingdoms? The one who made the world like a wilderness, destroyed the cities of the earth, and would not release his prisoners?' All the kings of the nations were laid in glorious array, each one in his own tomb. But you are cast out of your tomb like an abominable branch, like the garments of those who were slain, thrust through with a sword, who descend to the stones of the pit, like a dead body trodden underfoot.

You shall not join them in burial, because you have destroyed your land and killed your people. The seed of evil doers shall never be honored."

Prepare to slaughter his children for the iniquity of their fathers, so that they not rise up and possess the land, and fill the world with cities. For I will rise up against them, says the Lord of Hosts. I will cut off from Babylon the name, remnant, lineage, and descendant. I will also make it a possession for the porcupine, and pools of water. I will sweep it with the broom of destruction, says the Lord of Hosts.

The Lord of Hosts has sworn saying, "Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; as I have purposed, so shall it stand.

I will break the Assyrian in My land and I will tread him underfoot upon My mountains. At that time, his yoke shall depart from off the shoulders of the people of Israel.

THIS IS WHAT IS PURPOSED AGAINST THE WHOLE EARTH, AND THIS IS THE HAND THAT IS STRETCHED OUT UPON ALL NATIONS. For the Lord Almighty has purposed, and who will annul it? His hand is stretched out, and who will turn it back? *Isaiah 14:1-27*

Lucifer is known to pagan idolaters from the Babylonian mysteries as: The Shining One, the Morning Star, the Light Bringer, and the Day Star. All these are evidences of his attempt to present himself as the Angel of Light spoken of by Paul:

- ✠ Such people are false apostles, deceitful workers, who transform themselves into apostles of Christ. And no wonder, for **Satan presents himself as an angel of light.** Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers present themselves as ministers of righteousness. Their end shall be according to their works. *2 Corinthians 11:12-15*

JESUS ARRIVES AT JERUSALEM

- ☆ And in **that day, His feet will stand upon the Mount of Olives,** which is in front of Jerusalem on the east. **And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, from east to west, forming a very great valley. Half of the mountain shall move toward the north and the other half toward the south.** Then you shall flee by My mountain valley. The mountain valley shall reach to Azal. Yes, you shall flee like you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah, King of Judah. And **the Lord my God will come, and all the saints with Him.** *Zechariah 14:4-5*
- ☆ All **the land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon, south of Jerusalem. Jerusalem shall remain raised up and inhabited in her place from Benjamin's gate to the place of the First Gate; and to the Corner Gate, from the Tower of Hananeel to the kings winepress.** Men shall dwell in it and there shall no longer be utter destruction, but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited. *Zechariah 14:10-11*

THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON IS ENDED

TIME TO SET UP THE "KINGDOM OF GOD"