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The First Resurrection

.....*The faithful who are able among God's people, who have ears to hear, will have been obeying Jeremiah 31:6-7 for over 2 years, until the Beast invades Israel and is about to surround Jerusalem. The first 5 Seals are over. The halfway point during the 7 years, the 6th Seal, is about to arrive, with the Heavenly Signs!*

‘**And at the time of the end** shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over. **He shall also enter the Glorious Land**, and many countries shall be overthrown; **but these shall escape from his hand**: Edom, **Moab**, and the prominent people of Ammon.’ *(today's Jordan) Daniel 11:40-41 = (Daniel 9:27).*

‘And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months. Then **he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God**, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven.’ *Revelation 13:5-6.*

“So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains....”
Matthew 24:15-16.

‘.....the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.’
Revelation 12:14.

‘So the serpent (*the Satan inspired Beast*) spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood. But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth, (*army*)’ *Revelation 12:15,16.*

‘And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with **the remnant** of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.’ *Revelation 12:17.*

‘And I beheld when he had opened **the Sixth Seal**, and, lo, there was a great **earthquake**; and **the sun** became black as sackcloth of hair, and **the moon** became as blood; And **the stars** of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.’ *Revelation 6:12-14.*

‘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....’ *Matthew 24:29.*

“**Then** will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man *coming on the clouds of heaven*, with power and great glory.”
Matthew 24:30.

‘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; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and **hide us** from the face of **him that sitteth on the throne**, and from the wrath of the Lamb:’ *Revelation 6:16.*

“Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” *Luke 21:28.*

‘And another angel came out of the temple, crying out with a loud voice to **Him** who *sat on the cloud*, “Put in your sickle and reap, for the hour to reap has come, because **the harvest of the earth is ripe.**” Then **He** who *sat on the cloud* swung His sickle over the earth, and the earth was reaped.’
Revelation 14:15-16.

‘And the **LORD** shall be seen **over them**, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and **the Lord GOD shall blow the trumpet**, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south. And the **LORD their God shall save them** in that day as the flock of his people: for they shall be as the stones of a crown, **lifted up as an ensign** upon his land.’ *Zechariah 9:14,16. (Read Psalm 18:6-17 for David’s view of this)*

‘He bowed the heavens and came down; thick darkness was under his feet. He rode on a cherub and flew; he came swiftly on the wings of the wind.’ *Psalms 18:9-10.*

‘And he shall send his angels **with a great sound of a trumpet**, and they shall gather together his **elect** from the four winds, **from one end of heaven to the other.**’ *Matthew 24:31.*

‘For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and **with the trumpet of God.** [Not the trump blown by an angel in Rev. 11:15] And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to **meet** the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.’ *1 Thessalonians 4:16-17.*
Christ does not then set foot on the Earth.

‘Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump. [See Numbers 10:1-7] For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.’ *1 Corinthians 15:51-52.*

‘And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, [cf. Hebrews 12:22] and with him **an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father’s name** written in their foreheads. [Now, they are married to Christ] 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: And they sung as it were a new song **before the throne**, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no

man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were **redeemed from the earth**. These are they which were not defiled with women; **for they are virgins**. These are they which *follow the Lamb* whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault **before the throne of God.**' *Revelation 14:1-5.*

'And I saw as it were **a sea of glass** mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, **stand on the sea of glass**, having the harps of God.' *Revelation 15:2.*

'And **another angel** came out of the temple **which is in heaven**, he also having a sharp sickle. And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for **her grapes are fully ripe**. 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.**' *Revelation 14:18-19.*

"And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy **one thousand two hundred and sixty days**, clothed in sackcloth. And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner." *Revelation 11:3, 5.*

These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire. *Revelation 11:6.*

'For at **that** time there will be **great tribulation**, unmatched from the beginning of the world until now, and never to be seen again. If those days had not been cut short, nobody would be saved. But for the sake of the elect, those days will be cut short.' *Matthew 24:21-22.*

....*But, for those fleeing from Jerusalem who do not quite make the First Resurrection....* 'Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while **until his wrath has passed by**. See, the LORD is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins. The earth will disclose the blood shed on it; the earth will conceal its slain no longer.' *Isaiah 26:20-21.*

'...**they** are the ones who will dwell on the heights, whose refuge will be the mountain fortress. Their bread **will be supplied, and water** will not fail them.' *Isaiah 33:16.*

'Let the **outcasts of Moab** sojourn among you; be a shelter to them from the destroyer. When the oppressor is no more, and destruction has ceased, and he who tramples underfoot has vanished from the land, **then a throne will be established** in steadfast love, and on it will sit in faithfulness in the tent of **David** one who judges and seeks justice and is swift to do righteousness.' *Isaiah 16:4*

Those in the First Resurrection remain in Heaven for 3½ years, and return with their Husband after their education has prepared them for their ruling roles, Revelation 19:7-14, 20:4, Zechariah 14:5,

last part. Thus they do not experience the Great Tribulation, which is the 7th Seal, the 42 months, and so do not receive the mark of the Beast. Revelation 3:10.

*Those servants who flee with them from Jerusalem but do not quite qualify for the marriage of the Lord, continue on to **Petra**, across the Jordan valley, where they too are protected [Daniel 11:41, Isaiah 33:16] and prepared for their assisting role in God's Millennial Kingdom. Read about them in "Division of the Saints", under 'More' then 'EndTime', on HomePage and in "Articles" page 1, no. 7, "Christ Goes to Petra."*

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