

Crazy Global Problems

We are living in an amazing time in human history. The world



becomes smaller and smaller with incredible technological breakthroughs, yet our problems seem to be getting bigger and bigger. Every day we hear of coming global conflict,

pandemics, climate catastrophe, financial meltdown, massive earthquakes, tsunamis, terrorism and the threat of nuclear weapons in the hands of crazies. Where is it all heading and what will be the outcome? Does anybody really know?

On account of all these looming crises, many are convinced that the end of the world is upon us. Others say talk of the end is just religious nonsense and the benevolence of mankind will find remedies to all these problems. Yet, there are no remedies in sight and none of the attempts made by various governments and world powers have been successful. Indeed, one could argue that they have made matters much worse. What is the solution then? What is the outcome? Is there any reliable source that can give us a clue as to where it is all going? The answer astonishingly is yes, and it has been around for thousands of years!

An Ancient Book

Some people believe stories they are told with little or no evidence. Others will believe nothing regardless of the



evidence. Some say little green men created the earth while others say man never went to the moon or the holocaust never happened.

Nevertheless, reasonable people

everywhere accept the facts so long as there is reliable evidence. What then is the reliable evidence that we are at the time of the end? What is the reliable source that gives us the scenario of events about to occur? The answer is the Bible – the bestselling book of all time. Indeed, the Bible is the only book that predicts the end and tells us what to expect with a track record of reliability. Now I realize that many of you will tune out right away because I mentioned the Bible. You will say that the Bible is just a religious book interpreted differently by people or that you do not believe the Bible. Ok, but you are a reasonable person – right? So before you throw this booklet out, don't you at least want to know what these evidences are that are happening in our time and were predicted by the Bible thousands of years ago? I knew you would!

In the following pages I will offer you seven predictions of the Bible regarding the events to take place in the time of the end. These are only a sampling of the hundreds of prophecies in the Book of Books that have either already happened in history or are about to happen. But they are enough to prove that we are

living in the time period of the events predicted by the Bible to bring to an end the world as we know it!

Evidence # 1 - The Return of Israel

The Bible predicted in many places that the people of Israel would be driven from the Holy Land and scattered



throughout the nations. This occurred during the war of the Jews from 66AD to 72AD and was finalized from 132AD to 135AD. Yet the same Bible

also predicted that God would bring back the Jews from all the nations and establish them in their own land in the time of the end or the last days. There are many verses predicting this event. *Jeremiah 16:15, Isaiah 11:11-12, Hosea 3:4-5, Ezekiel 36:24*

The nation of Israel did not exist for almost two millennia. The Jewish people were scattered throughout the nations and brutally persecuted. Yet they maintained their national identity. This fact alone testifies to the truth of these verses.

Around the turn of the Twentieth Century the Jews began to return to their ancient homeland. Then as a result of the events of the Holocaust, and against all odds, the nation of Israel was reborn in 1948. At the present time there are approximately six million Jews in the land and Israel is famous worldwide for its accomplishments. This restoration of Israel

is indeed a miracle which the Bible predicted would happen in the “last days.”

Another fascinating passage in the Bible (*Acts 3:19-2*), says that Jesus will remain in heaven until the restoration of Israel spoken by the prophets takes place. Since has already taken place we are very close to the time of the end.

Evidence # 2 – Status of Jerusalem

The city of Jerusalem was destroyed in 70AD by the Romans. This destruction was predicted by Jesus forty years prior in



the following passage in Luke’s gospel.

“But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then recognize that her desolation is near.

Then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains, and those who are in the midst of the city must leave, and those who are in the country must not enter the city; because these are days of vengeance, so that all things which are written will be fulfilled... and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.” Luke 21:20-24

Jesus then said that Jerusalem would be trampled by Gentile (non-Jewish) powers until the Times of the Gentiles (Gentile domination of Jerusalem and Israel) had ended. Thus Jesus predicted that the Old City of Jerusalem would one day come

back under Jewish control. Then He went on to say that right after this, the time of the end would begin, and he listed some of the events that would take place.

“There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth dismay among nations, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting from fear and the expectation of the things which are coming upon the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.” Luke 21:25-27



Israeli soldiers by the Western Wall in 1967

Here Jesus talks about great signs from heaven which are evidently on the horizon and powerful tsunamis that will cause great fear around the world. He identified this period as being the end when He said that it would result in His return to the earth as the Messiah King. And as if that wasn't enough, He added:

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

The beginning of this period is clearly identified with the recapture of the Old City of Jerusalem by the Jews. This incredible event took place against all odds in 1967. After almost two Millennia of trampling by Gentile powers, with the Jews scattered throughout the world, Jerusalem once

again became the capital of Israel. And then, as if we needed more, Jesus said this:

“Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.” Luke 21:32

This additional statement by Jesus leaves no wiggle room in understanding the time frame of His prediction. The generation that sees these things **begin** to take place, starting with the return of Jerusalem to Israel in 1967, is in fact the last generation before His return. And since everything else He said has come to pass this will also. We are reminded of this by the emphatic statement that His words would not pass away or go unfulfilled.

Evidence # 3 – The Middle East Peace Process

One of the most troubling issues dominating the news today is



the war between Jews and Muslims which has been going on since the inception of Israel and which many world

leaders believe must be ended with a Peace Treaty before the problem of war and terrorism can be resolved. Indeed, the world powers have for many years been advancing a peace plan which culminates in the resolution of the thorniest issue of all between the parties, the Final Status of Jerusalem. This Final Status agreement has to do with the Old City of

Jerusalem (Biblical Jerusalem) and the Temple Mount which is the Holy Place for Jews and also considered holy by Muslims. There is no doubt that any peace treaty will have to resolve this issue and allow Jews to worship on the site of their ancient Temple while also giving freedom to Muslims to carry on their tradition. This is perhaps the world's most unsolvable problem and the world leader who can broker this peace arrangement would surely be seen as a sort of Messiah. Sadly, what many people do not know is that the Bible predicted this scenario thousands of years ago and its resolution which would be the end of the world as we know it.

In the book of Daniel (chap 9:24-27) there is an amazing prediction which covers the history of the Jewish people in the land of Israel until the time of the end. The prediction has to do with the Jews and the city of Jerusalem and particularly the Temple Mount, site of the first and second Jewish Temples. The prediction appears in language and symbols that were meaningful to the Jews of that time and have been universally agreed upon by Bible scholars throughout the centuries.

Seven periods of seven years are predicted for the nation of Israel, the City of Jerusalem and the Temple Mount (Holy Place). This makes a total of 490 years. After 483 of those years, starting with the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem by the Persian King in 445BC, the Messiah would be cut off. This takes us to the time when Jesus was rejected by the Jewish leaders and sentenced to death. Then the prediction says that Jerusalem would be destroyed by the people of the "prince" who was to come. This destruction of

Jerusalem and the Temple was fulfilled by the Romans in 70AD and this “prince” who is to come is a reference to a world leader which many Bible passages refer to as the “Anti-Christ.” However, since Israel was driven from the land and the Holy Place, the last seven years of the prediction are suspended in time waiting for both to be united again. The last seven-year period, which brings the end, is described in verse 27.

“And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week (seven), but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.” Daniel 9:27

What is being said here is that this Anti-Christ figure will make a covenant or treaty with Israel for seven years. This is



The New Menorah by the Western Wall ready for the New Temple

undoubtedly the peace treaty all are looking for which will resolve the issue on the Temple Mount at least temporarily. This is clearly seen by the fact that Jews are allowed to worship there at the beginning of the treaty something they are forbidden to do now by their own leaders. Though the people are reunited with the Old City and the Holy Place, they are not yet allowed to worship there as before. When

this Peace Plan which has been adopted by all the dominant

world powers, and the so called “Two State Solution,” is finally implemented it will usher in a time of peace which will last for three and a half years. We are told that in the middle of the seven years this world leader will break his agreement and then will begin a time of war which will bring all the world armies against Israel and Jerusalem. This is known in the Bible as the campaign of Armageddon and it will be the most devastating period the planet has ever known, but it will end with the return of Messiah Himself to claim his inheritance. Thus the world as we know it will end and a new one will begin. Friend this is the Bible’s prediction and it is clearly evidenced by the facts on the ground.

Evidence # 4 – The EU

After centuries of war on the European continent the



European Union (EU) has emerged as an amazing alliance. But did you know that this was predicted by the Bible? That’s right! The book of Daniel (chapters 2 & 7) contains major revelation concerning four great Mediterranean Empires that would succeed each other and take

over the land of Israel and persecute the Jewish people. The first one was Babylon which existed at the time of the predictions. The second one was the Persian Empire; the third one was Greece and the fourth one was Rome. Then the Bible says that the last one, Rome, would fizzle out and reemerge in a different form, at the end of the age.

Many Bible scholars have wondered why this prediction seems to be only concerned with these four Empires, leaving out all

the others throughout the centuries. But the answer is actually quite simple when we understand that these four empires are named because of their persecution of Israel and occupation of the Holy Land. This is what makes them unique. All of them conquered the land with the Jewish people living there. Finally, the Roman Empire destroyed Israel and drove the Jews from the land. Later Rome fell apart and other empires emerged who occupied the land throughout the ages. However, since the people were not in the land they were not recorded as relevant to the prediction. Thus the last empire to occupy the land with the Jewish people living there is actually a revival of the Roman Empire, only it has a different form. It is strong like the Roman Empire in terms of its military ability, but weak in that it is an alliance and not a monarchy. This is the significance of the feet and toes of iron mixed with clay that Daniel saw (Daniel 2:43).

Now here's where this story gets really cool. The nation of Israel was reborn in the ancient homeland in 1948. That same year, this new alliance which is now known as the EU (Europa), began to emerge.¹ Since then it has grown to encompass much of the territory of what was once the Roman Empire. It's as though the Roman Empire has come back to life, in a different form. Its structure is like that spoken of in Daniel's prediction. It's an alliance, based on treaties, but yet it has its own government and courts and president, similar to that of an empire. Furthermore it continues to evolve and has as its goal to absorb the Middle Eastern nations, specifically Israel.² Thus its leader is likely to be the broker of a Middle-

¹ The Brussels Treaty was signed on 17 March – the beginning of the EU

² http://ec.europa.eu/world/enp/index_en.htm

East peace agreement which allows for this integration and fulfills the words of the book of Daniel.³ This individual will be the famous Antichrist who dominates the whole world and plunges it into Armageddon. Thus the emergence of the EU in our generation is another powerful fulfillment of Bible prophecy and proof that we are in the time of the end.

Evidence # 5 – Globalism

The financial crash of 2008 woke many people up to the reality of the Global Economy. Stock markets tanked everywhere and literally trillions of dollars disappeared. Yet, the majority remain unaware of not only the Global Economy, but the strides that have been made in the last few years toward Global Governance. Every world crisis from World War I and World War II to Terrorism, Pandemics, and Financial Crashes, has brought us closer to the reality of a One World Government. International bodies such as the UN, the World Bank, the IMF, the G8 and the G20, have come out of these efforts. Indeed, world leaders have been speaking about and working toward Global Governance for some time. Economic interdependence, together with fears of terrorism, pandemics, advancement in technology, and real or invented global problems, are forcing the creation of a global political entity. The majority, of course, think that is a good development, failing to understand that it is a sign of the end.



³ Daniel 9:27. See pg 8

You see, the Bible predicted thousands of years ago that the world would become united under one global leader.

"And the whole earth was amazed and followed after the beast; they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, 'Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?'" Revelation 13:3-4

These verses use symbolic language to refer to a world leader, who through a series of amazing events; will take over this global alliance at the end of this age. You guessed it; this is the famous Antichrist. The whole earth will follow him because of his giftedness and deception and his primary means of control will be through the financial system.

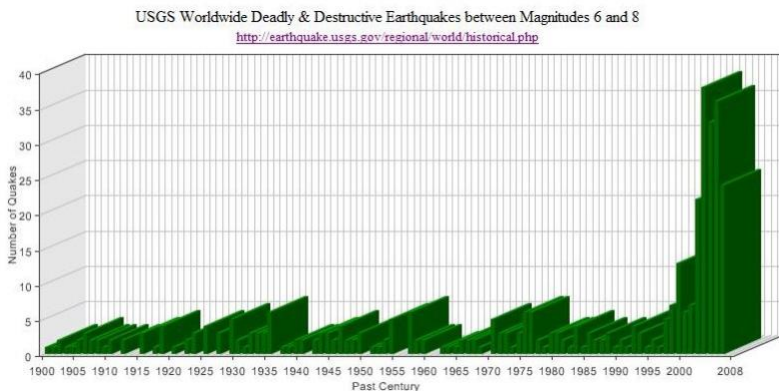
"And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead, and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name." Revelation 13:16-17

This global machine forces all people to take this mark in order to buy or sell anything. This will undoubtedly be some type of microchip inserted in the right hand or forehead which can easily be scanned. No other generation had this technology until today to fulfill this prediction other than the one you are living in. There are many other predictions regarding this end-time global government that were unimaginable when the Bible was written. Yet, they are totally possible today because of the advancement of technology. Thus once more, we see the Bible has predicted

the days we live in and given us another proof that the end is near!

Evidence # 6 – Rise in Earthquakes

In many of the disaster movies that have been made in recent



years, the earth is almost totally destroyed by earthquakes, tsunamis, asteroids and the like. In each movie the scenario is usually the same. Some are warning of imminent doom while the majority is clueless of any danger until they are swept away. These movies however are just fiction, but what about the 2004 earthquake and following tsunami that devastated Indonesia, or the 2011 earthquake and tsunami that caused such incredible destruction and nuclear meltdown in Japan?

Are these natural disasters likely to become more frequent and devastating throughout the globe? The answer appears to be yes! Earthquakes have been steadily increasing since record keeping began and this frequency is exploding in recent years. The US Geological Service downplays the concern, coming up with other reasons for the rise seen in their own charts. Yet, many scientists disagree with their conclusions, and since they are a government agency subject to an agenda driven

interpretation, perhaps it is best to examine the data for ourselves. The majority of seismologists, however, predict that the “big one” is coming and that it is only a matter of time. The results they say could be catastrophic.

As you are probably aware by now, the Bible predicted a great rise in earthquakes at the end of the age. Indeed, not only earthquakes, but tsunamis and even asteroids hitting the planet.

“Then He continued by saying to them, ‘Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be great earthquakes, and in various places plagues and famines; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. . . . There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth dismay among nations, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting from fear and the expectation of the things which are coming upon the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.’” Luke 21:10-27

Here Jesus indicates that a rise in great earthquakes will mark the time of the end and the whole world will be in fear because of the roaring of the waves from the tsunamis generated. Indeed, the prophet Isaiah said that the earth would shake violently, rocking back and forth like a drunkard.

“The earth is broken asunder, the earth is split through, the earth is shaken violently. The earth reels to and fro like a drunkard.” Isaiah 24:19-20

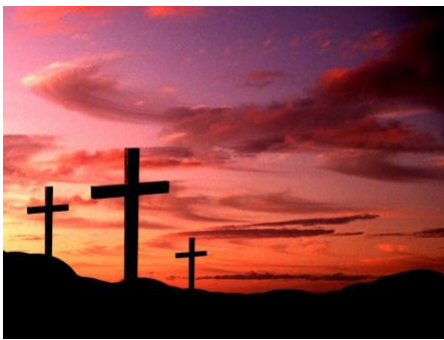
Also, in the Book of Revelation there is an event recorded which looks like a giant asteroid falling into the sea.

“The second angel sounded, and something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea; and a third of the sea became blood, and a third of the creatures which were in the sea and had life, died; and a third of the ships were destroyed.” Revelation 8:8-9

Recently a great rise in earthquakes has been acknowledged in the Mid-Western United States.⁴ The USGS was quick to conclude it was a result of oil and natural gas drilling, but other scientists say their conclusion was drawn way too hastily and that it is lacking any real data. Nevertheless, whatever the cause, it seems very clear that the earth is beginning to shake at an alarming rate and the results are very scary indeed.

Evidence # 7 – The “Post-Christian” Era

Many proclaim today, particularly in the Western World, that



we have entered a “Post Christian” era. From their point of view, Christianity has dominated for nearly two thousand years and we are now moving on to something else. However, this can hardly be true

since Christianity is still the fastest growing religion around the world.⁵ Nevertheless, this shift toward all out secularism in the West, in places where Christianity has prevailed for centuries, is actually proof that we are at the time of the end.

⁴ <http://www.ewg.org/analysis/usgs-recent-earthquakes-almost-certainly-manmade>

⁵ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christian_population_growth

Though there have been aberrations within so called “Christianity,” as with all movements, Jesus told us clearly that His message would be preached in the world for all nations and tribes to hear and then the end would come.

“This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.” Mt 24:14

For nearly two thousand years this good news (Gospel) of Jesus Christ has been preached in the whole world. The Bible, the world’s bestselling book, has been translated into over four hundred languages with portions in over twenty-five hundred. There is, of course, a great need for the gospel to be presented today to many millions of people. Nevertheless, the words of Jesus state clearly that the message would be preached to all the nations for a witness, indicating that it simply had to be presented to them, period. He does not address their receiving it or subsequent generations needing to hear it again. Also, it is not necessary to interpret; “to all the nations” to mean every remote people group or indigenous tribe, even though they need to hear it. But even if we do interpret it this way, experts tell us that within twenty years or less it will be accomplished.⁶ Thus, we have another fulfillment of the words of Jesus and another powerful proof that we in the time of the end.

⁶ <http://www.christianpost.com/news/ccp-president-great-commission-can-be-fulfilled-in-next-decade-36622/>

The World is Really Not Ending

Contrary to what most people think, the Bible does not predict the end of the world. Rather it predicts the end of the world as we know it now. This era or age that we are living in will end with a time of great upheaval and tribulation such as has never been known before. Jesus said that if this tribulation period had not been cut short no life at all would be saved.⁷ Literally billions of people will die during this period and the human pain and suffering will be unimaginable. This horrible time will come upon the planet because of the rebellion of humankind and their refusal to receive the good news of Jesus Christ! At the end of this period Jesus will come again and establish His kingdom on the earth. There will indeed be a New World Order – the reign of Christ. This is the gospel of the kingdom which Jesus told all His followers to preach and which you are now hearing. When you believe it and receive it you will discover the life and the purpose for which you were born. You will no longer be afraid of what's coming but you will be filled with anticipation and hope concerning the future and the deliverance that God has promised to those who love Him. You will also experience great peace and joy as the Holy Spirit comes to live inside you making you a true follower of Christ. No, all your problems won't go away, but you will experience the relationship with God which you have always wanted, and you will enter the kingdom of God and have absolute assurance that you will be with Him when He comes!

The good news or gospel of Jesus is very simple and easy to respond to. However, you must be sincere in your response!

⁷ Matthew 24:21-22

It goes like this:

All men are sinners and are not fulfilling God's will for them.⁸

No man can have a relationship with God or be saved because of his own goodness or attempts at being good.⁹

Jesus is the only way to God and having a relationship with Him is the only way to be saved.¹⁰

Jesus died on the cross for your sins. He took the punishment for your sins so that you could be forgiven and reconciled to God.¹¹

What do I have to do?¹²

To make peace with God and find the new life that Jesus promised you must:

Repent of your sins and of living your life without Him. Surrender your life to Jesus and ask Him to be your Lord and savior. Ask Him to fill you with the Holy Spirit which God promised to those who love Jesus!

You might want to get somewhere alone and sincerely pray this prayer:

Dear Jesus, I know that I am a sinner. I have lived my life my way and have not acknowledged you. I accept that you died on the cross for my sins and that you rose from the dead to give me new life. I

⁸ Romans 3:23

⁹ Romans 3:20, Ephesians 2:8-9

¹⁰ John 14:6, John 3:16-17

¹¹ Romans 5:6-8, 2Cor 5:20-21

¹² Mark 1:15, Acts 2:37-39

want you to be my Savior and Lord. I want my life to be completely yours. From this day forward, with your help, I will live the way you want me to live and do the things you want me to do. Thank you, Jesus, for forgiving my sin and setting me free. Amen!

Once you pray this prayer you must now trust that God has heard you. Then as soon as possible get yourself a Bible and begin to read in the Gospels, at the beginning of what is called the New Testament. Also, it is very important that you begin to attend a church that is preaching the good news of Christ and the Bible as the Word of God. Be careful with this as there are some that do not take the words of the Bible seriously or believe the true message. On the back of this book there is a website address. Please go there and contact us if you need help or have questions that you would like to ask.

May God richly bless you as you pursue your new life in Him!

Copyright © 2020
Banner of Love Church

This book is protected under the copyright laws of the United States of America. This book may not be copied or reprinted for commercial gain or profit. The use of short quotations or occasional page copying for personal or group study is permitted.

Unless otherwise noted, all Scripture quotations are from the New American Standard Bible. Copyright©1960, 1962, 1963, 1968, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1975, 1977 by the Lockman Foundation. (Emphasis Mine)