

# EVIDENCE WE ARE IN THE LAST DAYS

## These are 15 of the many signs the Bible uses to describe the last days...

Jesus stated that no one would know the exact day or hour of His returning, but that we would know the season. It will be like birth pains that get harder and closer together until the end.

Matthew 24:3-8 & 36, Mark 13:8 & 32, Luke 21:29-36

- 1. Israel will be back in their homeland** Isaiah 11:11-12, Ezekiel 11:17, Amos 9:14-15
  - This was fulfilled on May 14th, 1948, when Israel became a nation again after more than 2,500 years.
  - This has never happened to any other nation in history.
- 2. Jerusalem will be in Jewish hands** Isaiah 52:9, Zechariah 8:7-8 and 12:6
  - Fulfillment of this prophecy came true on June 7, 1967, after more than 25 centuries.
- 3. God will gather the Jews again to their own land** Ezekiel 34:12-13, 36:24, and 39:28, Jeremiah 23:7-8
  - There were about 650,000 Jews in Israel when it became a nation in 1948. In August 2010, there were about 5.5 million Jews back in Israel. That number was about 6.9 million as of April 2021.
- 4. Global communications will be used in the Last Days** Revelation 11:8-9
  - The Bible describes events that will be seen by the entire world at the same time. We now have the technology to make this happen, such as satellite TV, cell phones, computers, and other devices.
- 5. Technology for the MARK OF THE BEAST is available**
  - Revelation 13:16-17 says that the antichrist will be able to track and control all financial transactions and that no man will be able to buy or sell anything unless he has the "Mark."
  - The "Mark" could be an electronic tattoo or the RFID "chip" that can be implanted under a person's skin.
  - Satellites / GPS will allow those with the mark to be tracked within 3 feet anywhere in the world.
- 6. Social / Moral Breakdown, Lawlessness, Godlessness** Matthew 24:12, 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:3
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:1-4 says that **in the last days perilous times** will come. For men shall be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, proud, without self-control, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God.
  - An old 1969 Gallup poll showed that 66% of Americans believed premarital sex was wrong.
  - 70% of Americans said that premarital sex was NOT wrong in a June 2020 Gallup poll.
  - Damage from riots in 2020 across US will cost at least 1 billion dollars in claims - Fox Business
- 7. Pestilence & Famine** Matthew 24:7, Mark 13:8, Luke 21:11
  - Many in the world have suffered / died from diseases like HIV, Swine flu, and **COVID-19**
  - A large portion of the world's population suffers from a shortage of food.
  - In 2020, huge swarms of locusts damaged major crops in East Africa, Iran, and Pakistan.
- 8. The Gospel will be preached in all the world** Matthew 24:14, Mark 13:10
  - Jesus said the Gospel would be preached in all the world to all nations and then the end would come.
  - The Bible is available in hundreds of languages. Websites / satellites broadcast Christian radio / programming throughout the world. Missionaries also carry the Gospel to many parts of the world.
  - After the rapture, there will be 144,000 Christian Jews evangelizing the world during the **tribulation**.
- 9. One World Government** Revelation 13:1-7, Daniel 7:16-24
  - There will be a World Government headed by the Antichrist who is given authority over all nations.
  - The UN adopted **Agenda 2030** on 9-25-15 with the intent of creating a one world government. Check it out for yourself - [sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015/transformingourworld](https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015/transformingourworld)
  - Pope Francis called for a One World Government, "To Save Humanity" - June 23, 2017.
  - **ID2020** was created by Bill Gates and others to create a Global Government and New World Order.
  - **ID2020** seeks to give everyone on the planet a digital ID in or on their bodies - [ID2020.org](https://ID2020.org)

## 10. A One World Religion Revelation 13:1-8 & 17:1-18

- In 2000, an agreement was made between Hindus, Buddhists, Muslims & others to form [United Religions](#).
- Pope Francis and a Muslim Iman signed an interfaith covenant in front of a global audience on 2-8-19.
- A born again Christian believes Jesus died for their sins and they will go to Heaven by the grace of God.
- A true Muslim following the Koran believes that Jesus was one of many prophets sent by Allah, and was **not** the son of God, was **not** crucified and did **not** die, but that God raised him up to Him.
- They believe the balance between good and bad deeds determines eternal destiny in paradise or hell.
- Here are just 2 of the many hatred Suras in the Koran - [Sura 2:191](#) - Kill the disbelievers where we find them - [Sura 8:39](#) - Fight them until there is no more tumult or oppression, and religion is all for Allah.
- The Bible says to love your neighbor as yourself. Jesus said He is the only way to heaven. John 14:6

## 11. Hatred and Persecution of Christians Matthew 24:9, Mark 13:13, Luke 21:17, John 15:20, 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 3:12

- Jesus said that Christians would be hated for his name's sake. While this fact has been true in many countries for years, it has intensified and become widespread around the world, and even in America.
- Christians killed for their faith was **60% higher** in 2020 than in 2019 according to Open Doors USA.

## 12. Apostasy / falling away from the faith 1st Timothy 4:1-2, Matthew 24:10-12

- Many pastors are afraid to speak out about what the Bible says regarding controversial topics.
- Many churches today are lukewarm, embracing the New Age interfaith agenda, and denying Christ as the only way to get to Heaven. Many no longer teach that a person must be born again / saved / trust Jesus
- Many are now deciding morality by what society says, not on what the Bible says.
- Jesus gave a strong warning against lukewarm Christians and told them to repent Revelation 3:16-17 & 19

## 13. A Muslim coalition of nations led by the "land of the north" will attack Israel

- Over 2500 years ago, the prophet Ezekiel prophesied that Magog (Russia), Persia (Iran), and Put (Libya) will join Turkey and other countries to attack Israel in the latter days Ezekiel 38:2-6
- Not once in the past 2500 years have Russia and Iran formed a military coalition until around 1990.
- Psalms 83:4-8 also talks about Iran and other Muslim countries that want to "wipe out" Israel.
- Iran's Khamenei says fight against Israel is a public duty - Reuters, May 7, 2021

## 14. Israel will be a hated nation and all nations will be against it Zechariah 12:3

- The tiny nation of Israel has a land size less than New Jersey and has less than 1% of the world's population, yet is the geopolitical center of the world.
- In 2020, the UN singled out or condemned Israel 17 times but all the rest of the world only 6 times!
- Most nations have now turned their backs on Israel and antisemitism is on the rise.

## 15. Israel will have an exceedingly great army Ezekiel 37:10

- Ezekiel said the Jewish people will come to life and stand up as "an exceedingly great army."
- Israel has one of the most technologically advanced militaries on earth.

## OTHER REASONS TO BELIEVE THE BIBLE...

**JESUS PROPHESED** that the temple would be destroyed, and it happened about 40 years later in AD 70. Matthew 24:1-2, Mark 13:2 This is verified by a stone arch called The Arch of Titus. It was built as a victory banner for the Romans, and it is still standing after more than 1900 years. The carved relief on the arch shows items the Romans took from the Temple.

**Jesus fulfilled more than 300 prophecies**, such as the fact that He would be born of a virgin and in Bethlehem. His hands and feet would be pierced. Isaiah 7:14, Micah 5:2, Zechariah 12:10 The probability of just 8 of the 300 being fulfilled by Jesus is **1 chance in 100,000,000,000,000,000!**

**DANIEL PROPHESED** that the Babylonian Empire would be conquered by the Medo-Persians, and that the Greeks would conquer the Medo-Persians and the Greek Empire would be broken into 4 parts, and the Romans would conquer the Greeks. Daniel 7-12 **World history shows that is exactly what happened!**



**PROPHECY ABOUT CYRUS 150 years before Cyrus was born**, Isaiah prophesied that Cyrus would authorize the rebuilding of the temple after the 70th year of captivity of the Jews in Babylon. Isaiah 44:24-45:13 The Cyrus Cylinder is a 9-inch-long clay cylinder found in ancient Babylon, dating to the **6<sup>th</sup> century BC**. It tells of King Cyrus of Persia's conquest of Babylon and of his decree to let the captives held by Babylon return to their land to restore their temple. It was on tour in the U.S. in 2013.



**THE HARMONY OF THE BIBLE IN ITSELF IS A MIRACLE.** It is a compilation of 66 books written by over 40 authors from different countries, from different occupations, over a period of 1600 years, yet it reads like one book that was written by one author.

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS** - There have been hundreds of thousands of finds and **not one** of the artifacts found have contradicted the Bible.

**ANCIENT MANUSCRIPTS** - The Dead Sea Scrolls are the oldest copies yet found of almost all the books of the Old Testament. They are about 1,900 years old and are about 99% the same as today's Bible.

**EXTERNAL EVIDENCE** - The life of Jesus was described by 5 **ancient non-Christian** authors and their descriptions are very similar to the Bible - such as He was a Wise King of the Jews, had wondrous power, predicted the future, was crucified by Pilate and rose after death. The 5 authors are: Josephus, Tacitus, Phlegon, Thallus, and Mara Bar-Serapion.

**OUR TOUR OF ISRAEL** - The Bible came alive. There is absolutely no way that the stories, people, and events in the Bible could have been made up and fit into the exact location in the land of Israel!

## NEXT - HOW TO GET TO HEAVEN

### FIRST - LET'S TALK ABOUT DEATH, HEAVEN, AND HELL

**DEATH** - And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment. Hebrews 9:27

**HEAVEN** - No more death, sorrow, tears, pain, hunger, thirst, or sickness Revelation 7:16-17, 21:4; A place of rejoicing Luke 15:7; A place where God dwells with us and reigns with us **forever** Revelation 21:3

**HELL** Extremely dark all the time Matthew 22:13; A furnace of fire Matthew 13:42 & 50; A place of torment and hopelessness Luke 16:23-24; People will be very thirsty. There is no water in Hell. Luke 16:24; There will be no rest or sleep anytime Revelation 14:11; There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth Matthew 25:30; It is eternal / **forever** Matthew 25:46

## A KEY MISTAKE PEOPLE MAKE...

Most people think that they will go to heaven if they are a good moral person, or go to church, or help the poor, etc. **If this was true, why did Jesus come to earth and die for our sins?**

**Jesus** answered and said unto him, "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be **born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God." John 3:3 **Jesus just told us that just being a "good person" will NOT keep us out of Hell.** We need to be in a relationship with Jesus and that starts by being born again.

This **KEY concept** of being born again and trusting Jesus as your savior, also described as being saved, is the main teaching in the New Testament. **MANY** verses teach this concept, such as, John 3:17 - For God sent **not** His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be **saved**.

**Jesus stated that FEW will make it to Heaven, and MANY will go to Hell.** Matthew 7:13-14, Luke 13:24. What % do you think He had in mind when He said "FEW?" **WILL YOU BE ONE OF THE FEW?**

**Romans 3:23** For **all** have sinned and come short of the glory of God. **If you took a pencil from work, or ever told a lie, or used God's name in vain or lusted for a woman who was not your wife, you have sinned.**

**Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Ephesians 2:8-9** For by GRACE are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: NOT of works, lest any man should boast. **There are MANY verses that say the same thing, such as Titus 3:5** Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He **saved** us...

**Romans 10:9-10** That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be **saved**. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation

**TO BECOME A BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN**, pray and

- **REPENT** of your past sins
- ask God to **FORGIVE** you for your sins
- let Him know that you **BELIEVE** Jesus died for you
- **TRUST** Jesus and let Him change your life

## FUTURE PROPHECY

All the Biblical prophecies to date have been or are in the process of being fulfilled. The only ones that have not been fulfilled are in the future. Therefore, there is **every chance** the prophecies about **Jesus coming again** will be fulfilled. He will meet Christians in the air (called the "Rapture") and later will come back to earth after the tribulation. Matthew 24:36, 1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4:16-17

**Jesus could rapture born again Christians at any time! If you are left behind, here are just a few of the things that will take place during the 7 years of TRIBULATION... more details: Revelation Chapters 6-22**

- 1/4 of all humans on earth will be killed (about 5 times the population of the United States) Revelation 6:8
- ugly and painful sores will break out on the people who took the mark of the beast Revelation 16:2
- there will be a mighty earthquake that is **greater than ever before on earth** Revelation 16:18-20
- great hail from heaven will fall, each hailstone about the weight of a talent (**about 90 lbs.**) Revelation 16:21

**A great site to study events about the end times is [raptureready.com](http://raptureready.com)**

**A key scripture - 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:9** tells us that the Lord is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

**PLEASE check these things out for yourself!** My prayer is that you would become a born again Christian and allow God to change your life, as He did mine. You can listen to or read the Bible on your device with a Gideon Bible app. Start with the book of John and then the rest of the New Testament. Find a good Bible teaching church.

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