

GENERATION F: THE FINAL GENERATION

Matthew 24:27



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THE FUTURE.

How much time is left? Conditions in our world today are very unstable...we all see and know that! What we don't know is our future. God has dedicated almost 30% of the bible to predicting the future for us and wants us to be aware of what lies ahead, the time we have left and most importantly, to be ready for what is to come.

DISCERNING THE FUTURE.

In Matthew 16:3, Jesus said "**Oh ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times?**" That sounds harsh but he is speaking to the "learned" Pharisees and Saducees who discerned natural weather signs. They knew the scriptures concerning the coming Messiah but did not discern the season of his coming.

The Bible makes it clear that we will not know the actual day and hour of Christ's return (Matt 25:36), however we are given many signs pointing to the season. Therefore let us be wise in discerning these for our times in order to be ready for the day of his return.

SIGNS IN THE EARTH.

At the beginning of Matthew chapter 24 the disciples point out the beautiful temple buildings but Jesus immediately points them to the future by saying; "**See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.**" Startled, they then ask the Lord following questions concerning the future;

When will these things be? (vs.3). Answer: In AD 70 the temple was destroyed by the Romans.

b). What will be the sign of your coming? Answer: See sign 13 below.

c). And the sign of the end of the age? Answer: See sign 11 below.

Jesus sets the stage concerning the future and then supplies the answers. This constellation of signs in the following verses paint a clear picture of a progression and escalation of signs in place in one generation - ours!

Sign 1: **Deception** (vs.4,5 & 24). "**Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ, and shall deceive many.**" Over the ensuing centuries we have allowed ourselves to be deceived and now thousands of cults and false religions are deceiving countless millions. The Catholic Church has 1.6 billion adherents, her priests (false Christs) "forgiving" sins. Be warned of a counterfeit Christ, producing a counterfeit gospel, yielding a counterfeit salvation (2 Cor 11:14,15, Gal 1:6-9).

Sign 2: **Major wars** (vs.6). "**For ye shall hear of wars, and rumors of wars...**" Never has there been a world war until two in the 20th century. Because our generation was born after WW2 we only "heard" of these wars from the preceding generation.

"**For all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet**" (vs.6)... False Christs and world wars mark the start of the end but there's more signs to follow.

Sign 3: **Minor wars** (vs.7) "**For nation shall arise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom...**" There have been regional (nation) and ethnic (kingdom) wars somewhere on earth virtually every year since WW2. The major wars of the 20th century are followed by the minor wars into the 21st century. Notice the progression and the escalation especially in the Middle East! It will not be long before war fills the earth (Rev 6:4).

Sign 4: **Famines** (vs.7). "**And there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.**" One sixth of the world is starving - that's well over a billion people, the largest percentage ever.

Sign 5: **Pestilences** (vs.7). A whole host of antibiotic-resisting bacteria have flared up which our medically advanced generation is battling to contain (AIDS, SARS, Swine flu, Ebola, Denque etc) claiming almost 30 million lives per year.

Sign 6: **Earthquakes** (vs.7). A dramatic increase in earthquakes is being observed by the USGS in diverse places worldwide. (YouTube: World Earthquakes Visualization Map, Jan 2012 - May 2013 shows over

26,000 earthquakes worldwide). Approximately 81 percent of all large earthquakes occur along the Ring of Fire which runs along the outer perimeter of the Pacific Ocean. In addition, volcanic activity has been rising all over the planet. In 2013, the number of eruptions around the globe set a new all-time high record. "**All these are the beginning of sorrows...**" (vs.8).

Sign 7: Christians attacked worldwide (v9). "**Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you; and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.**" Jesus says the world will hate Christians because the world hates him. The number of Christians killed for their faith in Christ is at an all time high. Countless thousands are persecuted/prohibited from openly practicing their faith under threat of incarceration or death. Christianity is the most persecuted and hated religion in the 21st century!

Sign 8: Christians attacking one another. (vs.10). "**And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.**" Christians are hated by the world and are in turn being "offended, betraying and hating one another." There are now over 40,000 denominations worldwide, having started with "one denomination - everyone being of one accord" (Acts 2:44-46). Much conflict and disunity exists in the body of Christ in our generation.

Sign 9: The rise of false prophets. (vs.11). "**And many false prophets shall arise, and shall deceive many.**" Because many Christians in our generation are far too busy (social media, other mind numbing technologies, sport etc) that they have no time or interest in reading the Bible or spending time in prayer. In this condition many are easily deceived and led astray by false prophets - "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" (Hosea 4:6).

Sign 10: Rise of iniquity. (vs.12). "**And because iniquity (sin) shall abound, the love of many (Christians) shall wax cold.**" This love is not "phileo" but "agape" found only in believers, the love "that the world cannot receive" (Romans 5:5 and John 14:17). Jesus is saying that iniquity will abound in many in the Church in these last days. Look around, sin (iniquity) is so rampant in the body of Christ that believers enjoy sinning now as a way of life (fornication, adultery, same sex marriages, drugs etc). As a consequence their love of God and one another "waxes cold".

Sign 11: The Gospel (vs.14). Here Jesus answers the question of the end of the age..."**And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world as a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.**" When Jesus made this statement there was no gospel. This gospel is the best-selling book of all time, translated into thousands of languages. In addition we have the electronic bible, internet, TV, radio, print, social media and satellite bringing the gospel into even the most repressive countries. Missionary outreaches stretch worldwide. Very few nations are left today (2017) that have not heard the gospel of the kingdom. During the Tribulation this gospel shall be preached from the air by an angel "to them that dwell on the earth and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people" (Rev 14:8)..."**And then shall the end come.**"

Sign 12: Annihilation. (vs.21,22). "**For then shall be great tribulation such as was not from the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved.**" How do we discern this scary statement? For the first time in history, and only in this generation have we developed and amassed great arsenals of nuclear, biological and chemical weapons that can literally annihilate our generation (many times over!). And some of these armaments are in dangerous and unstable countries.

Sign 13: The fig tree. (vs.32-34). Here Jesus answers the question of the sign of his coming in the form of this parable; "**Now learn a parable of the fig tree, when his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise, ye, when ye see all these things (verses 4-31) know that it (Kingdom of God; Luke 21:31) is near even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, this generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.**" The fig tree is symbolic of Israel (Jesus earlier on introduced his disciples to the fig tree, teaching that the nation of Israel would be "cut off" - Luke 13:6-9). In AD 70 this fig tree was "cut off" then came to life (Puteth forth leaves) May 14, 1948 - the miraculous fulfillment of prophesy in Isaiah 66:7,8 (see also Ezek 36:10-30, 37:11,12, Dan 9:27). From the above parable we know that Christ returns before our generation passes.

How long is a generation? Psalm 90:10 tells us it is 70-80 years. In 2017 we enter our 70th year! Jesus not only gives us the birth date of our generation (May 14,1948) but the timeline of his return - **less than a generation!** (World Health Organization survey found 70 years to be the average life expectancy of the world population). Time is short!

Sign 14: World's last kingdom. God reveals all the secular kingdoms of the world through king Nebuchadnezzar's dream of a statue: Babylonian Empire (head of gold), Medo Persian Empire (chest and arms of silver), Grecian Empire (belly and thighs of bronze) and Roman Empire (legs of iron). It is out of the Roman Empire (the only empire never defeated) that the revived Roman Empire emerges (feet of iron and clay) at the End of Days (Dan 2:41-43, 7:24). This last kingdom is destroyed by the Stone (Christ) striking the statue on the feet (last kingdom).

We know from historical records the dates when the empires of the statue started and also when they ended. Likewise with the last kingdom! This 'revived Roman Empire' was born March 25, 1957 when the Treaty of Rome was signed establishing the European Economic Community (EEC) now known as European Union (EU). The EU is the last secular kingdom, comprising of many original Roman Empire nations.

As we enter our 70th year we have the expectation of the soon return of Christ to judge the one (Matt 25:31-46, Rev 14:16) and destroy the other (Rev 19:11-21). Jesus, the Stone that destroys the statue, thereafter sets up his eternal kingdom on earth.

Signs 15 & 16: **Travel and knowledge.**

In Daniel chapter 11 Daniel is shown scenes of the end of the world and is understandably confused. The angel then instructs Daniel: "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, **even to the time of the end:** and many shall run to and fro (travel), and knowledge shall be increased."

For almost 6000 years mankind traveled at a snail's pace, that is, until our generation. We "run to and fro" to arrive on the other side of the world in less than a day! Today, there are well over a billion motorized vehicles transporting millions. It took 4000 years (up to Jesus' time) for knowledge to double. Today, it takes less than 2 years! Vast knowledge is available at our finger tips in a matter of seconds..."and knowledge shall be increased."

The end of the secular world will be signaled by deception and wars as the beginning signs. Famines, disease, and earthquakes (vs 6-7) follow as the "beginning of sorrows" (v8). Christians will be hated and killed by unbelievers (v9). Christians will hate and betray each other (v10), false prophets will deceive people (v11), iniquity will abound and love wax cold in the believers (v12). The end will come when the gospel is spread worldwide (v14) but unless those days are shortened nothing will be left alive (vs 21,22). The budding fig tree (Israel) signals the start of the last generation during which time travel and knowledge increase exponentially (Dan 12:4). Toward the end of this generation Christ returns, judgement executed and the millennial reign begins.

SIGNS IN MANKIND.

"This know also, that in the last days perilous (dangerous) times shall come. For men shall be lovers of themselves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control (lawless), brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty (pride in oneself/scorn for others), lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power: from such people turn away but evil men and seducers will wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived...some shall depart from the faith giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of demons" (2 Tim 3:1-5, 13, 1 Tim 4:1)

This powerful prophecy describes the moral breakdown of man's character in these last days - all 19 traits mentioned are bad!

Notice also, the three things God says we will worship; Self (Humanism). Money (Materialism). Pleasure (Hedonism). A deadly combination resulting in - Despair (Nihilism). Now let's discern and apply the above signs to our last days generation;

Sign 1: Pornography. The 1960's free love sexual revolution of this generation was swept along with the introduction of the birth control "pill" (1963) and later exploited by the internet which gave rise to the porn industry explosion enslaving millions, including many Christians. **"But I say unto you, that whosoever looketh on a woman to lust (intense/obsessive desire) after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart."** (Matt 5:28).

Sign 2: Drugs. During the 1960's the modern drug culture arrived on the world scene. Today this huge worldwide illegal business generates between \$300-400b per year (excluding prescription drugs!). Millions, Christians included, are in bondage to mind altering drugs with disastrous results. (www.worldometers.info).

Sign 3. **Abortion.** This generation (including "Christians") slaughters over 50 million babies per year. This is the "modern" way of human sacrifice to the devil. This evil practice profanes the name of God because it is a savage destruction of the creatures who bear God's likeness. Only in our generation has this immoral and despicable practice become "legal" (1973). As Abel's righteous blood called out to God, imagine the cry of the blood of these innocent lives calling out to God for justice!

Sign 4: **Marriage failure.** Widespread immorality prevails in our generation resulting in the family unit disintegrating at an alarming rate -one in two marriages failing. Promiscuity, fornication and adultery continue to escalate. Out-of-wedlock births and couples cohabiting are growing exponentially.

Sign 5: **Rape. Murder. Slavery.** These three evils have reached unprecedented scales. Rape; millions per annum. Murder; hundreds of thousands per annum. Slavery; 27 million slaves (human trafficking) worldwide generating over \$31 billion for their masters.

Sign 6: **Apostate church.** The apostate church embraces the LGBT agenda, has these ministers in her pulpit and also conducts same sex marriages (Lev 20:13, 1Cor 6:9-11). The perverted Queen James "bible" is available for those who wish to justify their immoral lifestyles!

Today's Laodecean church also welcomes the Inter Faith Alliance - "Chrislam." This movement believes all spiritual roads lead to one God, and is the beginning of the coming demonic one world religion foretold as the "great whore" in Revelation 17:1-6. Jesus declares; "**I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me**" (John 14:6). "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day (Tribulation/Antichrist) shall not come, except there come a falling away first." 2 Thes 2:3.

Sign 7: **False Prophet.** According to the St Malachy and St Francis of Assisi prophecies, Pope Francis is the last in the long line of Popes. This Pope's reinterpretation of the Scriptures as well as his involvement in politics, economics and other areas outside his domain appear to point to him as the false prophet of Revelation 13 and 17...[read more](#).

Sign 8. **Gog.** Vladimir Putin, the Czar of Rosh (Russia) has set his sights upon the wealth of Israel and his presence in the Middle East crisis is his smoke screen. It's only a matter of time before Gog and his hordes invade Israel "to take a spoil" (Ezekiel 38,39).

Sign 9. **Antichrist.** One day soon the world's Two State Solution (land for peace) will be brokered between Israel and the Palestinians. "When they (UN!) shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them...and he (Antichrist) shall confirm the covenant with many (UN) for one week (1 Thes 5:3, Dan 9:27). The judgements of God are released when the Antichrist (rider on the white horse Rev 6:2) comes on the world scene to "confirm the covenant" for 7 years.

Keep your eyes on events in the Middle East and Europe as bible prophecy is fulfilled in these closing years of our generation.

We have discerned the signs in the earth and mankind for this generation.

THIRD SET - SIGNS IN THE HEAVENS.

From the beginning God surrounded the earth with the heavens to give us signs; **And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; And let them be for signs, and for seasons and for days, and years** (Genesis 1:14).

Jesus said; **And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon and in the stars; And upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring...And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh** (Luke 21:25,28).

SUN.

3 consecutive total solar eclipses occurred in 2008, 2009, 2010 all on the same date on the Jewish calendar (Av 1) and is celebrated as Jerusalem Day, an Israeli national holiday. This holiday commemorates the reunification (capture) of Jerusalem in June 1967. Never before has there been total solar eclipses 3 years in a row on the same date. And this sign could only be possible once the nation of Israel was back in her God given land with Jerusalem as her capital.

Another two solar eclipse occurred March 20, 2015 the day Jewish religious new year began, and again September 13, 2015 at the start of Jewish civil new year/Feast of Trumpets.

MOON.

In the years 2014-2015 a rare tetrad sequence (4 blood moons) occurred on the Jewish Feast days of Passover and Tabernacles.

Feast in Hebrew means divine appointment. Passover; "**And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste: it is the Lord's Passover.**" Ex 12:11. This festival speaks of us being in a state of readiness for the journey (Rapture!). Tabernacles; ..."**and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.**" Ex 23:16. This festival speaks about the "end" when our labour is complete.

Ancient biblical prophecies tell us of these specific end time signs in the heavens; "**The sun shall be turned into darkness (eclipse), and the moon into blood (eclipse) before the great and the terrible day of the Lord (Tribulation) come.**" Joel 2:31, Acts 2:20. These solar/lunar eclipses are pre judgment warnings **before** the 7 year Tribulation can begin.

STARS.

Another significant sign occurred on March 19, 2008 in the star constellation Bootes. A cosmic explosion/gamma ray burst was seen by NASA on the above date which measured at 2.5 million times brighter than any other previously recorded event, so bright that it could be seen by the naked eye although it is 7.5 billion light years away. Think about it; this explosion occurred so far away and so long ago that it took this sign 7.5 billion light years to reach earth! (Light from the sun is a mere 8mins 20 secs to reach earth - 150 million km!). Bootes symbolizes "the Coming One" (from Hebrew root word Bo - "to come") and depicts a ploughman/warrior coming to harvest, walking rapidly, with a spear in his right hand (war) and a sickle in his left hand (judgment).

This depiction is described in the book of Revelation 14:14,16.; "**And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man (Jesus), having on his head a golden crown (king), and in his hand a sharp sickle (judgment)...And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped (judged).**" See also Joel 3:13 and Exodus 15:3

Three years later on March 28, 2011 another sign in the form of a huge gamma ray burst appeared, this time in the star constellation Draco which lasted many days, baffling scientists because gamma ray bursts last only hours! "Was brighter, longer lasting and more variable than scientists have ever seen" April 9, 2011 (www.technewsworld.com/story/72239.html). Draco is 3.8 billion light years away and is symbolized by a coiled serpent/dragon representing the coming of the Devil in Revelation 12:3,9,12 "**And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon...and the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceive the the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he has but a short time.**"

Very interesting to understand that Bootes and Draco are north pole constellations and their signs appear from the direction of heaven "in the sides of the north" (Isaiah 14:13)...Bootes the Warrior/Son of man coming to '**reap the earth**' (Rev 14:16). Draco the Dragon/Devil coming to '**deceive the whole world**' (Rev 12:9).

Jesus' first coming was preceded by a sign in heaven...Star of Bethlehem..."for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him." Matthew 2:2. (See also Numbers 24:17, Genesis 49:10). Just as the Magi were moved by the triple conjunction of Jupiter ("God-Father" www.mariamilani.com) and Regulus ("Little King" www.constellationofwords.com) in 3 BC, so should we be aware of the signs in the sun, moon and stars heralding the return of Christ.

On September 23, 2017 the "Great Revelation 12 Sign" appears...the sun, moon and 12 stars in alignment in the constellation Virgo. There is much hype and many predictions being made concerning this sign; the Day of Rapture and the start of the Tribulation being the main predictions. There will be no Rapture nor the start of the Tribulation on this date. Why? The trigger starting the Daniel 9:27 (missing) 70th week/Tribulation/Rapture is the signing of the "Peace and safety" covenant with Israel. This has not yet happened.

However, the Great Revelation 12 Sign is yet another clear warning from God for his bride to be ready. Will this be God's last sign before he comes to Rapture the ready, we don't know?

FINAL SIGNS.

We have already learnt from Jesus' sign of the fig tree and that our generation was born May 14, 1948. In 2017 we entered our **70th year**...Jesus (Bootes, "The Coming One") is 'even at the doors' (Matt 24:33,34). Let's look at what Jesus says about his sign; "**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: and then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn** (Why mourn?... Those left behind backed the wrong horse!), **and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.**" (Matthew 24:29-30)

As was in his first coming so shall also Christ's second coming be preceded by his heavenly sign! These signs are a wake up call to be ready "**Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.**" Mark 13:36

RAPTURE.

"For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with The Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words." 1 Thes 4:16-18.

The Rapture event will be witnessed by the whole world when millions of true believers together with children and the faithful dead will, on **that day** suddenly disappear and ascend alive to meet the Lord in the air en route to the marriage in heaven. This "blessed hope" (Titus 2:13) occurs at the start of the 7 year Tribulation.

The Church Age begins with Jesus and ends when he removes her at the Rapture...After two days (2000 years), in the third day (Hoshea 6:2)...when they shall say Peace and safety (1 Thes 5:3).

TRIBULATION.

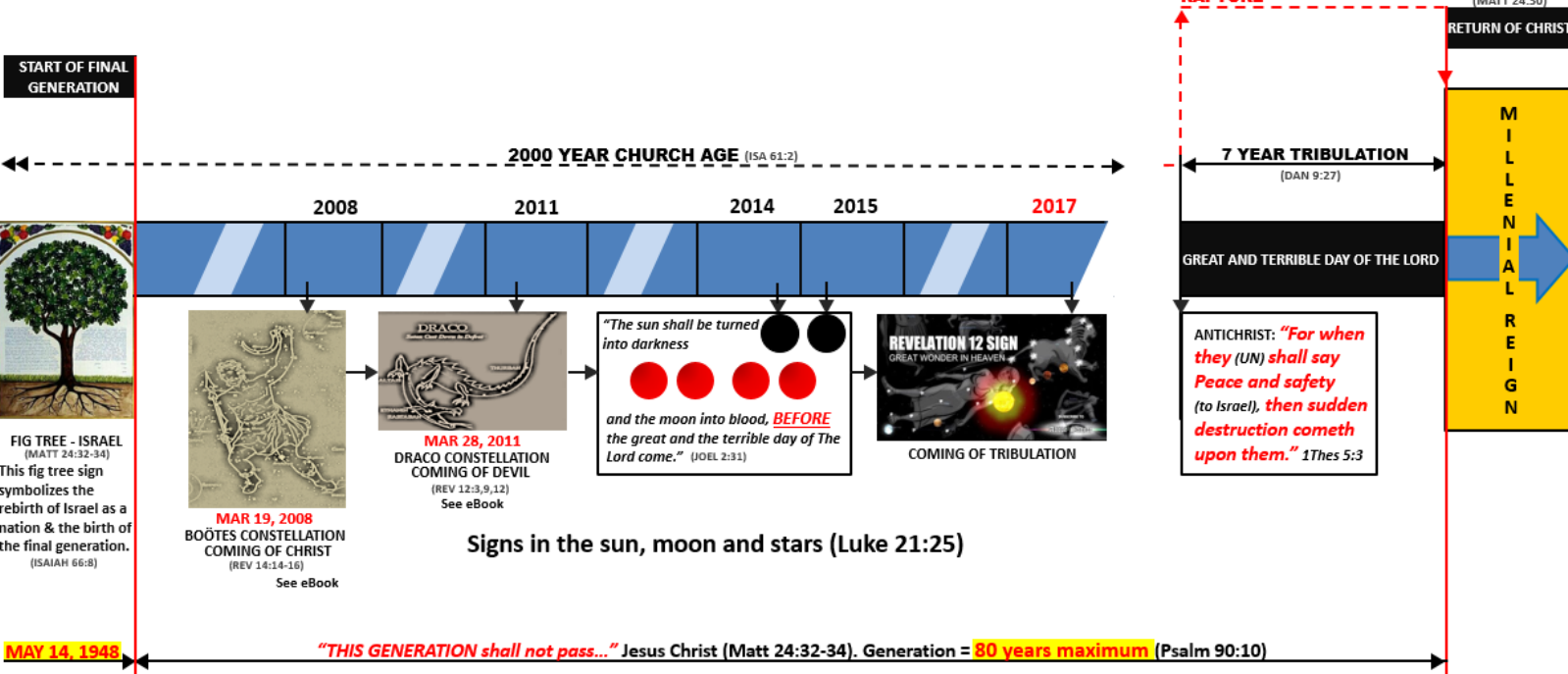
The Rapture serves as a prelude to the 7-year Tribulation (Dan 9:27, Rev 3:10) which serves as the final 7-year countdown to the second coming of Christ!

The Tribulation begins at the signing of a peace treaty with the nation of Israel which the Antichrist confirms (Dan 9:27). This Two State Solution is the lynch pin for the world; "for when they (UN) shall say Peace and safety (to Israel), then sudden destruction (Rapture/Tribulation) cometh upon them...and they shall not escape (via the Rapture)" 1Thes 5:3.

In this short chaotic period of time billions perish under the judgments of God (Rev 6-19). It will be a literal 'hell on earth' scenario (Matt 24:21,22; Rev 6:4; 9:17,18) "And except those days be shortened, there shall no flesh be saved...yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come..." (Matt 24:22, Haggai 2:6,7).

WATCH.

In the parable of the ten virgins (Matt 25:1-13) Jesus tells us that some Christians will not be ready at the time of Rapture! In our Laodicean church age many are lukewarm... "**Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.**" (Luke 21:36).



JESUS CHRIST.

"My church is asleep.
I am coming soon.
Are you Rapture ready?"

Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh shall find watching. (Luke 12:37).

Be encouraged, be ready and be watching for that "blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God, and our Saviour Jesus Christ." (Titus 2:13).

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