



Mark 13 – Part 4

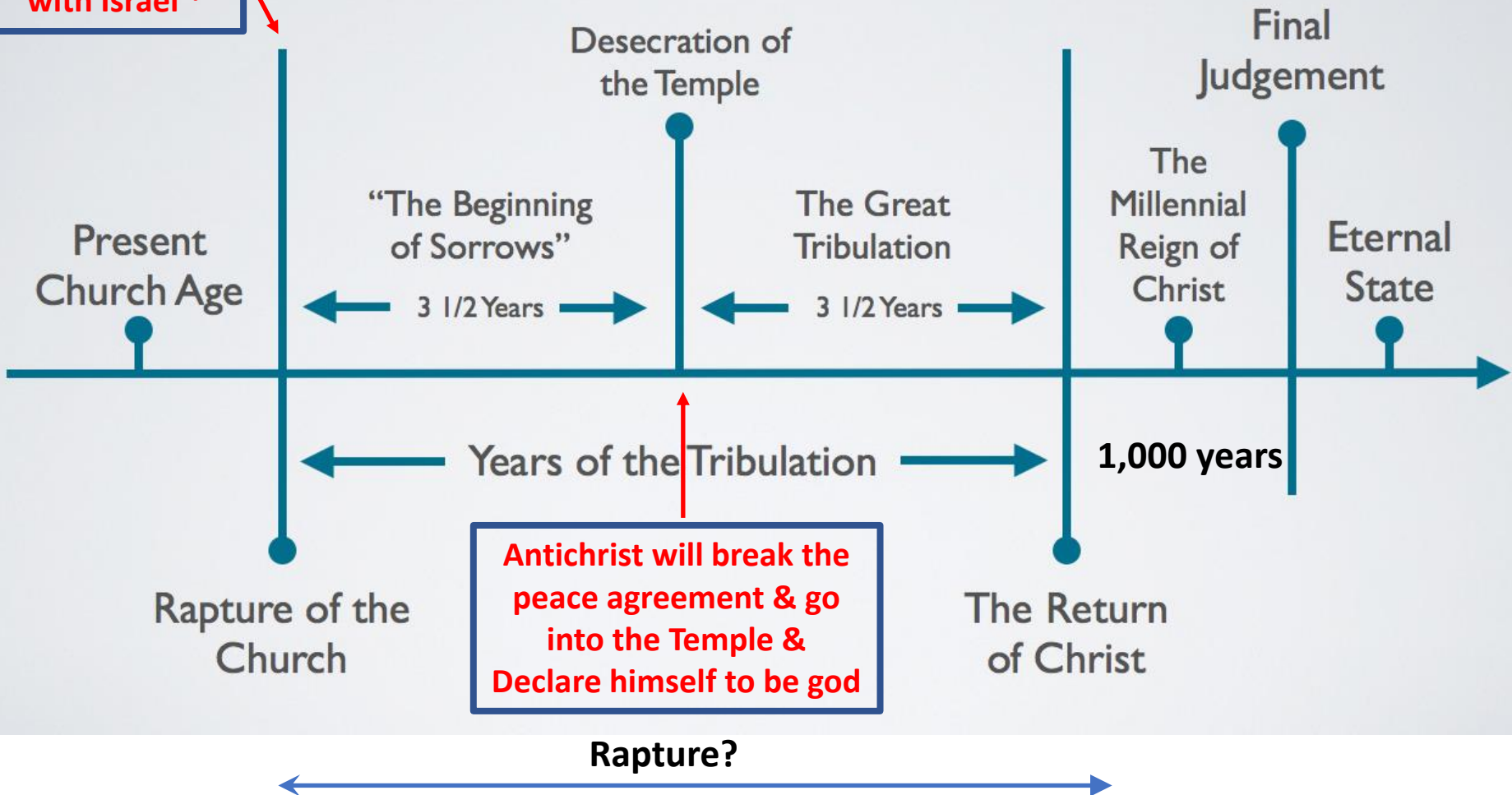
End Times Prophecy

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- The Temple
- Abomination of Desolation marks the Beginning of the Great Tribulation

Tribulation is Triggered by a 7 year Peace Agreement with Israel *

Timeline of the End Times



Mark 13:14

Abomination of Desolation

- After the signs previously discussed, the end is at hand and Daniel's 70th week is half over.
 - **But how do we know when we have reached that point?**
 - **Easy – Jesus specifically states it!**
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Matthew 24:5

¹⁵ “Therefore **when you see** the **‘abomination of desolation,’** **spoken of by Daniel** the prophet, **standing in the holy place”** (whoever reads, let him understand),

...²¹ For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.

What is an Abomination

- An abomination is defined in the dictionary as a thing that causes **disgust and hatred**, and in the Bible it's normally a **great sin, commonly worthy of death** (including sexual sins - Leviticus 18:22) although all sin is disgusting to God.
- Often throughout the Bible “abomination” refers to **major covenant violations, especially IDOLOTRY** (sacrilegious)
- Deuteronomy 7:25, 13:6-16, 17:2-5, 18:9-12, 27:15, 32:16.
- The book of Revelation explicitly states concerning the New Jerusalem that God is preparing for His people, “There shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an **abomination** or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s Book of Life” (Revelation 21:27).

What is the Abomination of Desolation

- **“let the reader understand”** – means this warning is not for the disciples, but you and I, the reader of a future generation, so they will be prepared and understand what this means. **Jesus is instructing that Daniel’s prophecies is where the reader should go to gain understanding of this massively critical event.**
- Jesus not only validates Daniel as a prophet, but He interprets it literally (pre-millennial), since He is commanding us to go there for understanding.
- **Daniel** spoke of this 4 times: **8:11-13; 9:27; 11:31; 12:10-13**
- **Daniel 8:11-13** - Scholars generally agree that the first reference of these prophecies is king Antiochus Epiphanes who ruled Palestine from 175-164 B.C. His forces entered the temple, stopped the regular sacrifices, set up an idol of or altar for Zeus, and offered swine there as a sacrifice. Hanukkah celebrates the rededication of the temple from this historical event each year (John 10:22).
- It’s an **abomination because it is idolatry**,
- It brings **desolation (to destroy) because it defiles the holy place.**
- **Abomination (idolatry) causing desolation (defilement of temple).**

Abomination of Desolation

Daniel 9:26-27

- ²⁶ “And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall **destroy** the **city** and the **sanctuary**....

²⁷ **Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week (or 7 Years) ;**

But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering.

And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate...”

70 AD
Destruction
of the
Temple

Peace
Agreement
with Israel
for 7 years

Peace
Agreement
Broken &
Sacrifices Stop

Antichrist or the Beast
will commit the
Abomination of
Desolation in the Temple

Abomination of Desolation

Daniel 11:31

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- ³¹ And forces shall be mustered by him, and they **shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then they shall take away the daily sacrifices, and place there the abomination of desolation.**
- ³⁶ “Then the king (ANTICHRIST) shall do according to his own will: he shall exalt and magnify himself above every god, shall **speak blasphemies against the God of gods**, and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done. ³⁷ **He shall regard neither the God of his fathers nor the desire of women, nor regard any god; for he shall exalt himself above them all.”**

Abomination of Desolation

Daniel 12:8-11

⁸ Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said, “My lord, **what shall be the end of these things?**”

⁹ And he said, “Go *your way*, Daniel, for the words *are* closed up and sealed till the **time of the end**. ¹⁰ Many shall be purified, made white, and refined, but the wicked shall do wickedly; and **none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand**.

¹¹ “**And from the time *that* the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days.** (1,290 days = Three and a half years)

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2 Thessalonians 2:3-4

³ Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the **man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition,**

⁴ who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

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Abomination of Desolation

- “when you see” - The event Jesus is referring to is a future event that everyone shall **SEE** – on live news coverage!
- **Thus the temple needs to be rebuilt**, worship restored **and sacrifices offered daily!!** Then all will be stopped, the antichrist will probably enter the temple and demand to be worshipped, thereby breaking a previous peace agreement with the Jews (Daniel 9:27).
- Therefore there is no uncertainty about this event being the start of the Great Tribulation – **Daniel, Paul and Jesus all mention this event!**

Mark 13: 14-18

Abomination of Desolation

- When the antichrist demands worship and for the world to bow down to his image, the Jews will revolt as once...”Thou shalt not make any graven image, and Thou shalt have no other gods before me”
- “**standing**” – is translated continuous standing, indicating an idol will be there for 3.5 years.
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- Now the big trouble will start and there is only one alternative according to Jesus – FLEE, Hide and Delay not (don’t go back in your house to take anything, woe to those who are pregnant)
- The antichrist will then seek to exterminate the Jews, inaugurating the Great Tribulation.

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Current Events

3rd Temple Plans

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTUW1wJFh9o> – Temple Status Summary – 3 Minutes
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cZUWidVTqF0> – Temple Museum & Update – Play up to the 6:50 mark (7 minutes)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ql99We5MUvU> – Pompeo reviewing the 3rd Temple Plans - 4 min.
- Current Events – even in the height of COVID19 Crisis, US Secretary of State Visits Israel to Commemorate Embassy Move
<https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2020/may/13/mike-pompeo-visits-israel-mark-move-embassy-jerusa/>