Isaiah Week 4



Isaiah 2: 1 (NIV)

This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem:

Isaiah 2: 2 (NIV)

In the last days

the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established

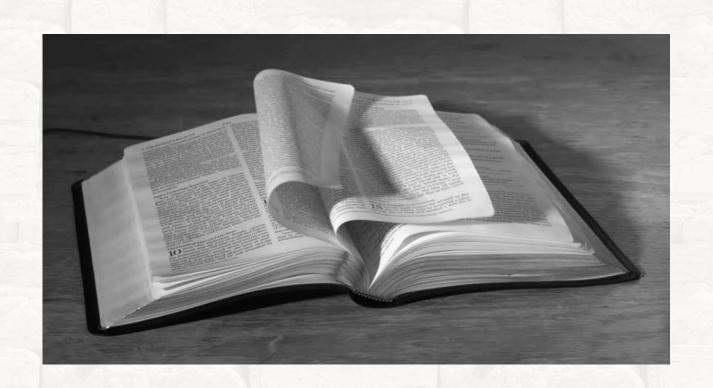
as the highest of the mountains;

it will be exalted above the hills,

and all nations will stream to it.

Please turn to:

Daniel 7: 26-27



Daniel 7: 26-27 (NIV)

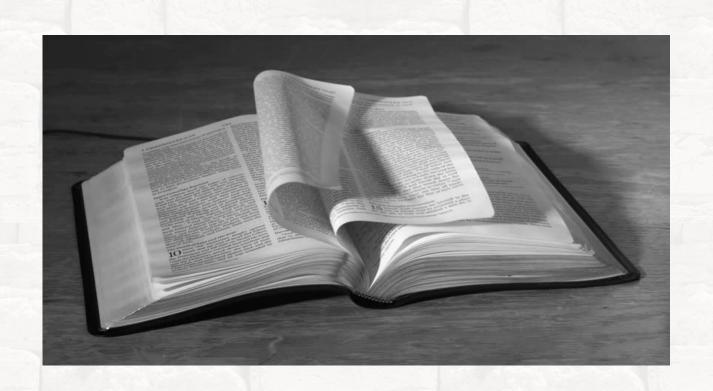
"But the court will sit, and his power will be taken away and completely destroyed forever.

Daniel 7: 26-27 (NIV)

Then the sovereignty, power and greatness of all the kingdoms under heaven will be handed over to the holy people of the Most High. His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all rulers will worship and obey him.'

Please turn to:

Revelation 20: 1-3a



Revelation 20: 1-3a (NIV)

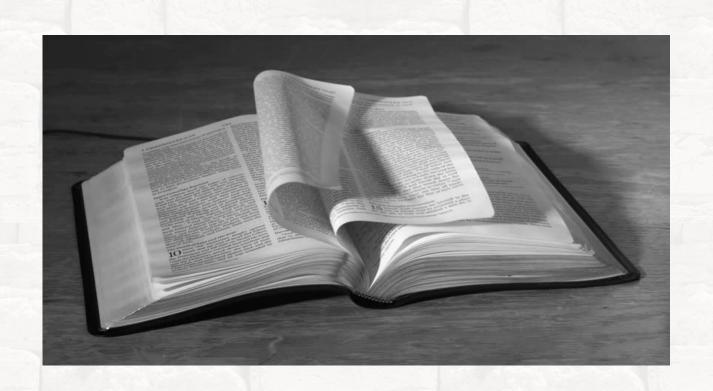
And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years.

Revelation 20: 1-3a (NIV)

He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him, to keep him from deceiving the nations anymore until the thousand years were ended.

Please turn to:

Luke 8: 26-33



They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demonpossessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs.

When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don't torture me!" For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man.

Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places. Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

"Legion," he replied, because many demons had gone into him. And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss. A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission.

When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

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"They have a number of anatomic and physiologic similarities to humans in different systems," Dr. Michael Swindle, retired veterinary researcher.

"They are what's known as a translational research model, so if [something] works in the pig, then it has a high possibility of working in the human."

According to Swindle, many of the pig's organ systems are 80 to 90 percent similar to the corresponding systems in humans - both in anatomy and function.

Isaiah 2: 3 (NIV)

Many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths."

The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

Isaiah 2: 4 (NIV)

He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks.

Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.

Isaiah 2: 5 (NIV)

Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Isaiah 2: 6 (NIV)

You, Lord, have abandoned your people, the descendants of Jacob.

They are full of superstitions from the East;

they practice divination like the Philistine and embrace pagan customs.

Isaiah 2: 7 (NIV)

Their land is full of silver and gold; there is no end to their treasures. Their land is full of horses; there is no end to their chariots.

Isaiah 2: 8-9 (NIV)

Their land is full of idols; they bow down to the work of their hands, to what their fingers have made.

So people will be brought low and everyone humbled — do not forgive them.

Question

What is an idol?

Webster 1828

A person loved and honored to adoration. The prince was the idol of the people.

Webster 1828

Any thing on which we set our affections; that to which we indulge an excessive and sinful attachment.

Webster 1828

An idol is any thing which usurps the place of God in the hearts of his rational creatures.

Isaiah 2: 10 (NIV)

Go into the rocks, hide in the ground

from the fearful presence of the Lord

and the splendor of his majesty!

Isaiah 2: 11 (NIV)

The eyes of the arrogant will be humbled

and human pride brought low; the Lord alone will be exalted in that day.

Isaiah 2: 12 (NIV)

The Lord Almighty has a day in store

for all the proud and lofty,
for all that is exalted
(and they will be humbled),

Isaiah 2: 13-14 (NIV)

for all the cedars of Lebanon, tall and lofty, and all the oaks of Bashan, for all the towering mountains and all the high hills,

Isaiah 2: 15-16 (NIV)

for every lofty tower and every fortified wall, for every trading ship and every stately vessel.

Isaiah 2: 17-18 (NIV)

The arrogance of man will be brought low

and human pride humbled;

the Lord alone will be exalted in that day,

and the idols will totally disappear.

Isaiah 2: 19 (NIV)

People will flee to caves in the rocks and to holes in the ground from the fearful presence of the Lord and the splendor of his majesty, when he rises to shake the earth.

Isaiah 2: 20 (NIV)

In that day people will throw away to the moles and bats their idols of silver and idols of gold, which they made to worship.

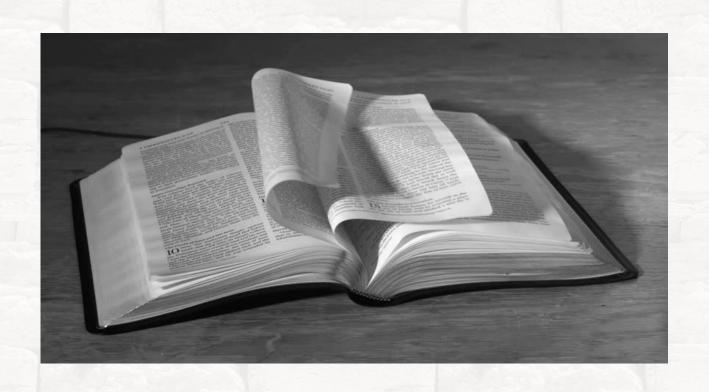
Isaiah 2: 21 (NIV)

They will flee to caverns in the rocks

and to the overhanging crags from the fearful presence of the Lord and the splendor of his majesty, when he rises to shake the earth.

Please turn to:

Revelation 6: 12-17



I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind.

The heavens receded like a scroll being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.

Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains.

They called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?"

Isaiah 13:13

Therefore I will make the heavens tremble, And the earth will be shaken from its place At the fury of the LORD of hosts In the day of His burning anger

Isaiah 34:4

All the stars in the sky will be dissolved and the heavens rolled up like a scroll; all the starry host will fall like withered leaves from the vine, like shriveled figs from the fig

Ezekiel 32:7-8

When I snuff you out, I will cover the heavens and darken their stars; I will cover the sun with a cloud, and the moon will not give its light. All the shining lights in the heavens I will darken over you; I will bring darkness over your land, declares the Sovereign LORD.

Hosea 10:8

The high places of wickedness will be destroyed-- it is the sin of Israel. Thorns and thistles will grow up and cover their altars. Then they will say to the mountains, "Cover us!" and to the hills, "Fall on us!"

Joel 2:30-31

I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.

Matthew 24:29

"Immediately after the distress of those days "'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.'

Mark 13:24-25

"But in those days, following that distress, "'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light;

the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.'

Luke 21:11

There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.

Luke 21:25

"There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea.

Acts 2:19

I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.

Isaiah 20:17-24

Terror and pit and snare await you, people of the earth. Whoever flees at the sound of terror will fall into a pit; whoever climbs out of the pit will be caught in a snare. The floodgates of the heavens are opened, the foundations of the earth shake.

Isaiah 20:17-24

The earth is broken up, the earth is split asunder, the earth is violently shaken. The earth reels like a drunkard, it sways like a hut in the wind; so heavy upon it is the guilt of its rebellion that it falls – never to rise again.

There was a great earthquake.

How bad do you think this earthquake will be?

There was a great earthquake.

We can only guess at the destruction and devastation from this earthquake.

Question

What does this phrase mean to you?

"and the stars in the sky fell to earth"

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The word star is translated from the Greek word asteres which is where we get the word asteroid and the word fell means thrown down in the Greek.

Who Holds the Earth in Balance?

Who Holds the Earth in Balance? Job 38:4-11

Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand. Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it?

Job 38:4-11

On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone – while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?

"Who shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb, when I made the clouds its garment and wrapped it in thick darkness,

when I fixed limits for it and set its doors and bars in place, when I said, 'This far you may come and no farther; here is where your proud waves halt'?

Job 38:31-33

"Can you bind the chains of the Pleiades? Can you loosen Orion's belt? Can you bring forth the constellations in their seasons or lead out the Bear with its cubs? Do you know the laws of the heavens? Can you set up God's dominion over the earth?

GOD!!!

Scientists Race To Detect Traces of Invisible Cosmic Glue

By ALICIA CHANG, Associated Press | August 13, 2007

LOS ANGELES — IN DEEP UNDERGROUND LABORATORIES around the globe, a high-tech race is on to spot dark matter, the invisible cosmic glue that's believed to keep galaxies from spinning apart.

Whoever discovers the nature of dark matter would solve one of modern science's greatest mysteries and be a shoo-in for the Nobel Prize. Yet it's more than just a brainy exercise. Deciphering dark matter — along with a better understanding of another mysterious force called dark energy — could help provide insight into the fate of the universe.

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Revelation 6:15

The word "cave" in the NIV is translated from the Greek word spélaion (σπήλαιον)

This word has three meanings and can be translated as a cave, a den, a hideout.

Revelation 6:15 (KJV)

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;

Question

What does the word den mean?

Den

Definition of den= an animals lair, a hole in the earth, burrow, dugout, covert, shelter, hiding place, hideout

Does the statement that people will hide themselves in the earth, in burrows and holes make sense when John wrote this?

No, so it was translated as the word cave which made more sense.

Does the statement that people will hide themselves in the earth, in burrows and holes make sense today?

Yes, today we have the capabilities of making holes in the earth large enough for hideouts.

hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!

Why are they terrified of a lamb?

And the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. And He opened the book and found the place where it was written,

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, And recovery of sight to the blind, To set free those who are oppressed, To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord."

And He closed the book, gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Question

What did Jesus say was fulfilled?

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, Because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, And recovery of sight to the blind, To set free those who are oppressed, To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord." And He closed the book

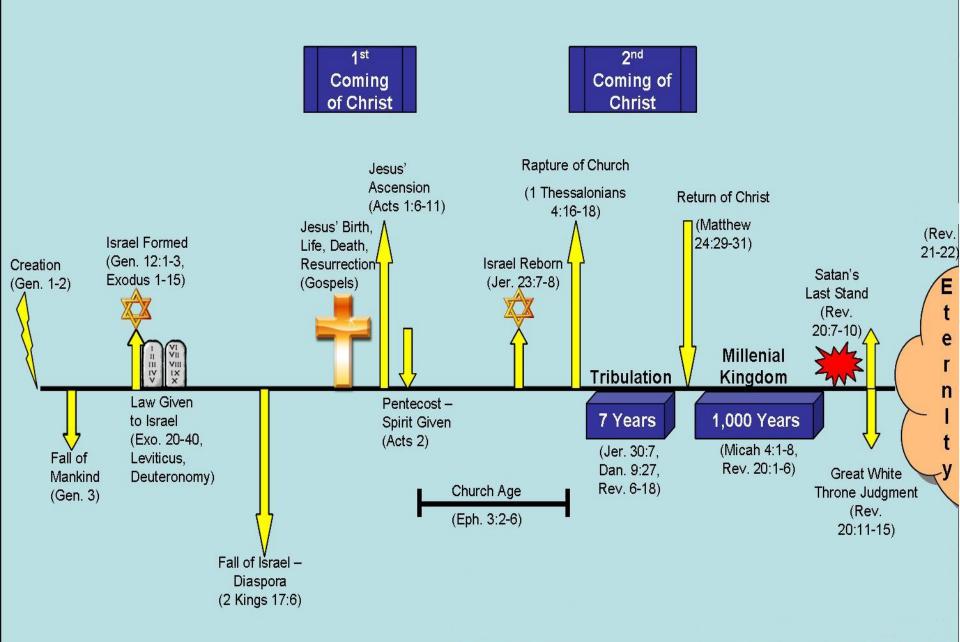
Jesus was reading from Isaiah 61 and stopped in the middle of a sentence and closed the scroll. Do you know how the sentence ends in Isaiah?

"To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord and the day of vengeance of our God"

Today we are living in the age of the lamb that Christ has fulfilled. The age of grace, the favorable year of the Lord.

Isaiah is prophesying about the return of the Lamb as King, the wrath and vengeance of God!

Biblical History – Big Picture



Revelation 6: Verses 15-17

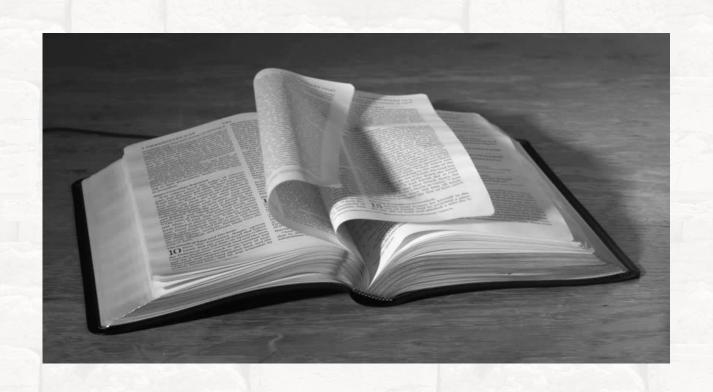
Who did the people call out to in their time of distress?

Revelation 6: Verses 15-17

The mountains and rocks.
This shows the great
delusion that is brought on
these people.

Please turn to:

Isaiah 26: 19-21



Isaiah 26: 19-21 (NIV)

But your dead will live, Lord; their bodies will rise — let those who dwell in the dust wake up and shout for joy – your dew is like the dew of the morning; the earth will give birth to her dead.

Isaiah 26: 19-21 (NIV)

Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by.

Enter you rooms

John 14: 2

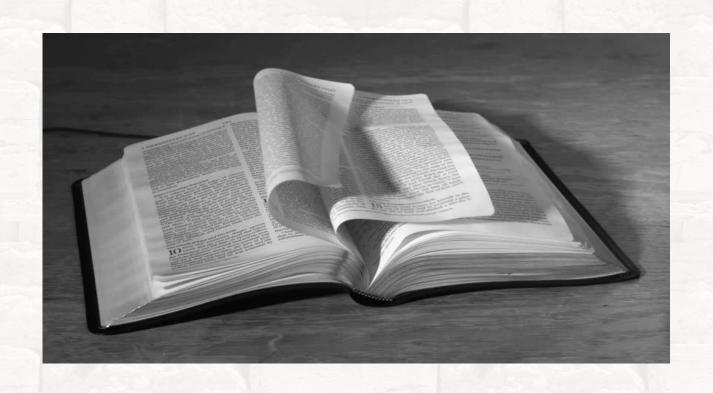
My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?

Isaiah 26: 19-21 (NIV)

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.

Please turn to:

Luke 21: 36

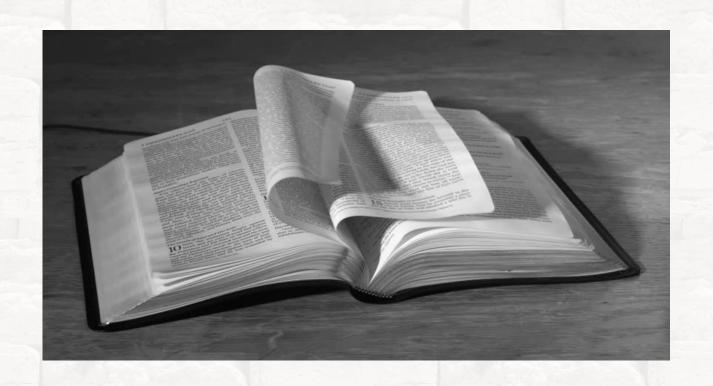


Luke 21: 36 (NKJV)

Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."

Please turn to:

1 Thessalonians 4: 16-18



Luke 21: 36 (NKJV)

For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

Luke 21: 36 (NKJV)

After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Revelation 6: Verses 15-17

Who did the people look to in their time of crisis at the end?

Revelation 6: 15 (NIV)

Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains.

Question

Who does the world look to today in times of crisis?

Revelation 6: Verses 15-17

Kings and princes

Government officials

Generals

Military

Rich

Hollywood, Sports stars etc.

Mighty

Scientists and influential business

leaders

Isaiah 2: 22 (NIV)

Stop trusting in mere humans,

who have but a breath in their nostrils.

Why hold them in esteem?

Isaiah 3: 1 (NIV)

See now, the Lord,

the Lord Almighty,

is about to take from Jerusalem and Judah

both supply and support: all supplies of food and all supplies of water,

Isaiah 3: 2 (NIV)

the hero and the warrior, the judge and the prophet, the diviner and the elder,

Isaiah 3: 3 (NIV)

the captain of fifty and the man of rank, the counselor, skilled craftsman and clever enchanter.

Isaiah 3: 4 (NIV)

"I will make mere youths their officials;

children will rule over them."