



## HOW SOON IS THE DAY OF THE LORD?

**A**s Islamic Fascists continue to attack and call for Armageddon, the day of the Lord is rapidly approaching. How soon this day appears is anyone's guess. There are some on the radio who give an exact date, but they are in error according to the Bible.

First let's see what the Prophet Joel says about the day of the Lord.

### **Joel 2:11-32**

11 And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

12 Therefore also now, saith the LORD, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning:

13 And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

14 Who knoweth if he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God?

15 Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:

16 Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and

the bride out of her closet.

17 Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?

18 Then will the LORD be jealous for his land, and pity his people.

19 Yea, the LORD will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen:

20 But I will remove far off from you the northern army, and will drive him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because he hath done great things.

21 Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the LORD will do great things.

22 Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength.

23 Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

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24 And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

25 And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

26 And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed.

27 And ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the LORD your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed.

28 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.

30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.

31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.

32 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

Joel states a couple of times that the day of the Lord will be a terrible day. We've heard of, "bad hair days," but the day of the Lord will be an atrocious day for the world. The day of the Lord is described in both the Old Testament and New Testament with the most famous book being Revelation!

Dealing with the Old Testament first leads us to the New Testament which contains Peter's first sermon where he quoted Joel 2.

## **Acts 2:16-21**

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:

19 And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke:

20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:

21 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Many Christians do not want to hear the Old Testament though the Old Testament is the validity for and proves the New Testament. Jesus and the Apostles both quoted from the Old Testament. Now finally, no one knows when the day of the Lord appears. Jesus told us that no one knows when the day of the Lord will happen.

## **Matthew 24:1-8**

1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.

2 And Jesus said unto them, **See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another,**

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that shall not be thrown down.

3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, **Take heed that no man deceive you.**

**5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.**

**6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.**

**7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.**

**8 All these are the beginning of sorrows.**

## **1 Thessalonians 5:1-6**

1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

Currently, the President Ahmadinejad of Iran is telling the world that he will start Armageddon to bring about the 12<sup>th</sup> Calif. The day of the Lord is rapidly approaching! We are living in the day of prophecy. We are

living in the day of terror where the Lord has promised vengeance upon all of the enemies of Israel and the ungodly. When we see an enemy of Israel proclaim Armageddon and vowels to attack Jerusalem and Israel, we are living in the days of prophecy.

It is time for the born-again Christian to be wide awake for the day of the Lord. It is time for to watch and be sober as the Apostle Paul told us. The world is saying peace and safety while we know that the day of the Lord is at hand. We see the nations of the world all gathering in the Middle East to do battle. We see all the mighty powers of the world preparing to fight against Israel. We see the United States aligning themselves with Saudi Arabia against Israel. We Iran, Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Syria, China, Pakistan, India, Australia, Russia, along with all of the other nations of the world prepare to do battle against Israel.

It is a day for all of the born-again Christians to wake up to the Biblical prophecies concerning the last days. These days are upon us! These days are no longer far off! They are here now! The days prophesied in the Bible are upon us! Our only hope is in the Lord Jesus Christ!

Now that we know that the day of the Lord is upon us, we need to acknowledge that the Lord will come as he said. We need to acknowledge that the Lord keeps his promises and will arrive in his perfect time. The Lord will never be late or behind schedule. When the day of the Lord is scheduled to arrive, you can be assured that it will come on schedule.

Whereas the rest of the world is living in debauchery, lasciviousness, lust, adultery, fornication, along with all of the other sins imaginable, the saint is to be looking up toward heaven seeking the Lord Jesus Christ.

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The world has no conception that the day of the Lord is upon them. The world is living in a dream world of peace and safety where there is no judgment! But, Judgment Day is coming upon all of the unsuspecting! That terrible day is upon us NOW! The wicked of the world will have their way, while the Christian will be seeking the Lord Jesus Christ with all of their heart and soul.

Where are you today? Are you of the world or a born-again Christian? Are you living a life of ease and lust, or a life of righteousness?

For those who are living a life of ease and lust, it is now time to repent of all of your sins and seek the Lord Jesus Christ's forgiveness with all of your heart. If you miss the day of the Lord, you will find yourself facing eternal torment along with the Antichrist.

On the other-hand, the born again Christian will find himself rising to meet the Lord in

the air.

## **1 Thessalonians 4:15-18**

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 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:

17 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.

18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

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