

BRIDE OF CHRIST

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This chapter is a summary and review of scriptures and personal revelations pertaining to the bride of Christ.

The midnight hour rapture

In 1973, I had a dream in which my wife and I woke up at the midnight hour and walked out onto the porch with our two oldest sons, who were 8 and 9 years old. There was an unusual light or glow coming down from above. I could not see directly up as we were under the porch. I had knowledge that this was the midnight hour rapture and the Lord was coming for His bride. There was a tremendous feeling of excitement. The Scripture that came to me was the story of the ten virgins waiting to meet the Bridegroom.

I was puzzled why our son, who was two years old, was not with us.

Later, I received understanding that the bride of Christ is the prize of the high-calling for which Paul ran a race for with all of his might. A two-year-old child is not capable of running a race for the prize of the high-calling. I do not wish to imply that I or any of my family has won the race of which Paul spoke of. The Lord put a strong desire in my heart to study and learn about Revelation and the end times.

While in prayer the Lord told me to review the Scriptures pertaining to the bride of Christ. An understanding that was overlooked would come forth.

Though Jesus identified Himself as the Bridegroom and John the Baptist said the bride belongs to Jesus, neither Jesus nor John the Baptist called Jesus' disciples the bride. Jesus said that His disciples were His wedding guests or attendants.

Mark 2:18-20: The disciples of John and of the Pharisees were accustomed to fast. People came to Jesus and objected, "Why do the disciples of John and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?"

Jesus answered them,

"Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom with them they cannot fast. But the days will come when the bridegroom is taken from them, and then they will fast on that day. . . ." (1)

Matthew 9:14-15: Then the disciples of John approached him and said, "Why do we and the Pharisees fast but your disciples do not fast? Jesus answered them, "Can the wedding guests mourn as long

as the bridegroom is with them? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast. (1)

Luke 5:33-35: And they said to him, "The disciples of John fast often and offer prayers, and the disciples of the Pharisees do the same; but yours eat and drink." Jesus answered them, "Can you make the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? But the days will come, and when the bridegroom is taken away from them, then they will fast in those days." (1)

If Jesus did not call His disciples the bride, how can the Church be the bride?

This does not mean that the disciples and many in the Church won't be the bride of Christ. It is that at this point in time, the disciples or some in the Church had not yet run and completed the race for which Paul had run for with all his might and won. The bride of Christ is a prize for which to strive and win. It is only after the race is won at the finish line that one becomes the bride.

Paul said that he hoped to make the resurrection.

Paul emphasizes in six verses that he hopes to attain the resurrection of the dead.

Philippians 3:11: if somehow I may attain the resurrection of the dead.

1. It is not that I have already reached it (the resurrection of the dead),
2. or have already finished my course.
3. I am racing to grasp the prize (resurrection of the dead) if possible.
4. I do not think of myself as having reached the finish line (resurrection of the dead), for
5. My entire attention is on the finish line (resurrection of the dead).
6. I run toward the prize (resurrection of the dead) to which God calls me.

Paul was not talking about salvation. Paul knew he had salvation through the grace of Jesus Christ. The Scripture in Acts 2:21 says, "It shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord, shall be saved" (8). If Paul were talking about salvation, who could be saved? Paul was not talking about the general resurrection (the harvest rapture – Matthew 24:29-31), he was talking about the Man-child resurrection (the mid-night hour resurrection) that he was running a race in an effort to be a part of (2).

What was the prize of the resurrection?

Philippians 3:14: My entire attention is on the finish line as I run toward the prize to which God calls me - life on high in Christ Jesus (2).

The very top prize is Jesus, i.e., being Jesus' bride and following Him, wherever He goes.

Second Thessalonians speaks of the Antichrist being restrained until one who restrains him is taken out of the way.

2 Thessalonians 2: 6-8: And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he may be revealed. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out the way. And then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming. (12)

**Message from the Lord to Maurice Sklar, a Messianic Jew – 7/29/10
The Lord told Maurice Sklar that He was coming for His bride first.**

I always thought that it was the Holy Spirit that was restraining the evil in the earth and keeping the anti-Messiah – that wicked world dictator that will be empowered by Satan during the last seven years – from taking over everything. But, the Lord corrected me and said to me:

“If I took My Spirit out of the earth, then no one would be able to come to Me in the last time. But many millions of souls will cry out to me and be saved during the final seven years. But they will pay with their lives for their faith in Me. No one can come to Me unless the Holy Spirit draws them. No! It is not My Spirit that will be taken out of the earth. **It is My Bride that will be taken out of the earth.** Who is My Bride? It is only those that choose to love Me, walk with Me, obey Me, serve Me, and choose Me over all else right now. It is those that choose to be overcomers and will endure to the end. **It is the prayers and the intercession of My Bride that are holding back the flood of evil and judgment soon to come upon the whole earth. It is to allow My grace to continue to reach out to the lost and the backslidden church just a little bit longer.** It is not My will that any perish in hell. ”I am now at the door! All is now ready! I am ready to come for My beautiful Bride! How I long for her! But, only the Father knows the precise day and hour of My appearing. First I must APPEAR to take My Bride away. Then, I must RETURN to this earth as KING OF KINGS. She will return with me. Time has run out. There will be no stopping the judgments much longer from coming like birth pangs upon the earth.

“Nevertheless, tell My Bride that I have heard her cries, her prayers, and her intercessions. I have seen her tears. It has restrained much that would have already happened. My grace is abundant in this final hour! How I weep for those that refuse to repent and come to Me now! My heart is broken for them, for I know the terrible evils coming upon them. Satan is now gathering his full armies to devour and destroy the nations of the earth. Only you, My precious Bride, are holding him back through your prayers...for this I am pleased. Stay with Me in the place of prayer now! Nothing else matters. Take up the mantle of intercession and prayer as never before. Pray in the supernatural languages I have given you through the Holy Spirit and let ME pray through you. This is your highest calling! I am sweeping through this earth in a final call of revival that will rapidly end the time of grace to the nations. Do not waste the precious time I have given you. You can never recover it again in the eternities to

come! Great is the reward for those that take hold of the horns of the altar and go to war to restrain the evil storm clouds on the horizon. Many millions of souls are at stake, even now, My Beloved!

“The lines have been already drawn. I know who are Mine and who are not. All of heaven is now ready for the greatest party and celebration that has ever been in the eternities past! There is no more preparation for the Wedding Supper any longer. It is DONE! I am waiting to appear in the air to catch and take My Bride home. What a Wedding Day it will BE! But, Beloved, YOU must prepare yourself so that you can hear the call of the shofar. Many will not hear because they have lost their bridal veils and their crowns. Hold fast to what I have given you. Do not let Satan steal your heart from Me. “These are events that will soon come and will signal your departure from this earth, My Beloved: (4)

Maurice Sklar thought it was the Holy Spirit that was holding back the appearance of the anti-Christ.

The Lord told him, “No, it is His bride that is holding back the coming of the anti-Christ.” The Lord said that if He took the Holy Spirit out of the earth, no one could be saved during the last seven years. **The Holy Spirit was needed to reach out to the lost and backslidden Church.** Many Bible scholars believed that the Church is raptured before the tribulation as they do not see the word Church mentioned in the Scripture after Revelation 3. Notice that the Lord uses the word “Church” in His message to Maurice Sklar - meaning that the Church is on earth and going through the tribulation.

Mid-night Rapture

When I had the dream of the mid-night rapture, the Lord revealed to me that He was coming for His Bride at the mid-night hour. The Lord asked me to review the scriptures on the bride of Christ. He said an understanding that was overlooked would come forth. The understanding is that Jesus did not call His disciples the bride; He called them wedding guests or attendants. The bride was the prize of the high-calling for which Paul ran a race for with all his might.

The 144,000 on Mount Zion – The First Fruits unto the Lamb

Revelation 14:1-5: Then I looked and lo, the Lamb stood on Mount Zion, and with Him a hundred and forty-four thousand who had His name and His Father’s name inscribed on their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven like the sound of great waters and like the rumbling of mighty thunder; the voice I heard of harpists accompanying themselves on their harps. And they sing a new song before the throne (of God) and before the four living creatures and before the elders. No one could learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who had been ransomed (purchased, redeemed) from the earth. These are they who have not defiled themselves by relations with women, for they are (pure as) virgins. These are they who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These are they who have been ransomed (purchased, redeemed) from among

men as the first fruits for God and the Lamb. No lie was found to be upon their lips, for they are blameless - spotless, untainted, without blemish - before the throne of God. (5)

The 144,000, the First Fruits unto the Lamb

In a dream the Lord revealed to me that He was coming for His bride at the mid-night hour. I learned that a two year old is not capable of running a race for the prize of the high-calling i.e. to be a bride of Christ. This means everyone will not be the bride of Christ.

Since the Lord told Maurice Sklar that He was coming for His bride first and that the 144,000 before the throne are called first fruits unto the Lamb, these 144,000 have to be the first fruits rapture as they are standing before the throne and before the elders in heaven while the tribulation is going on. They are singing a song that only those redeemed from the earth can sing. The only other rapture the Scriptures speak of is in Matthew 24:29 – 31. It takes place immediately after tribulation when the sun is darkened and the moon is turned blood-red with the opening of the sixth seal. This means that there is no such thing as a pre-tribulation rapture of the Church.

In Revelation 14 there is a multitude of 144,000 before the throne. This is a pre-tribulation rapture as Revelation 14 speaks of angels flying through the air preaching the Gospel warning people not to take the mark of the beast prior to the tribulation. The first fruits are pure and holy. These are they who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. It is the bride who follows the Lamb wherever He goes. These are they who have been ransomed (purchased, redeemed) from among men as the first fruits for God and the Lamb. No lie was found to be upon their lips, for they are blameless - spotless, untainted, without blemish - before the throne of God.

The Book of Daniel says the prince of the Roman people, the beast, will make a covenant with Israel for one week (seven years). Israel will accept this covenant for peace and protection as it is being hemmed in and threatened by many nations that want to destroy it. Isaiah 28 calls this covenant, a covenant with death. The beast breaks this covenant in the middle of the week with the abomination and desolation of the temple.

Jesus said when you see the abomination and desolation of the temple spoken of by Daniel the Prophet, there shall be great tribulation like the world has never seen. When the covenant is broken, there are only 3 ½ years left in the 70th week of Daniel. The beast has authority to wage war against the Christians and Jews for 3 ½ years. When the 7th trumpet is blown in Revelation 11, the Scripture says it is finished as the kingdom of this world has become the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. The 7th trumpet includes the seven bowls that begins in Revelation 15.

When we get to Revelation 12, Scripture says that the woman gives birth to the man-child and then flees into the wilderness for 3 ½ years. There cannot

be an additional 3 ½ years after the 7th trumpet in Revelation 11, as the beast only has authority to wage war for 3 ½ years. This means that Revelation 12, 13, and 14 have to go back and overlap Revelation 4 to fit within the time frame of the 70th week of Daniel. Revelation 12, 13 and 14 are pre-tribulation. The great tribulation begins with the opening of the first seal and with the rider of the white horse going forth to conquer and to conquer. The woman flees into the wilderness immediately after the birth of the man-child which is the beginning of the great tribulation.

The man-child rapture is the mid-night hour rapture, the first fruits rapture and the pre-tribulation rapture.

The very moment the man-child is born and taken up to heaven, is the very moment that a door is opened in heaven in Revelation 4, and there is a multitude before throne. Revelation 14 calls this multitude before the throne the first fruits unto the Lamb. The first fruits follow the Lamb wherever He goes. This is the bride. The bride is the one who follows her husband wherever He goes.

The man-child rapture is the midnight hour rapture, which occurs when the Lord comes for His bride. Afterwards, Revelation 14:6 speaks of angels flying through the air preaching the Gospels and Revelation 14:9 warns the people not to take the mark of the beast. This shows that the man-child rapture takes place prior to the beginning of the great tribulation. The moment the woman flees into the wilderness is the beginning of the great tribulation.

The other resurrection, spoken of in Matthew 24:29-31, will occur in broad daylight when every eye shall see Him. The mid-night hour resurrection takes place, when the door is opened in heaven in Revelation 4:1. After this door is opened, there is immediately a multitude before the throne. This multitude is the first fruits unto the Lamb, which includes the 144,000 discussed in Revelation 14. The male child that is born in Revelation 12 rises to heaven, when this door is opened in Revelation 4.

Male-child – the midnight hour resurrection

The male child, which is the 144,000 spoken of in Revelation 14, is called the first fruits unto the Lamb. They were called virgins, as they were pure, holy, and blameless without blemish or defect.

Revelation 14:4-5: . . . These are they who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These are they who have been ransomed (purchased, redeemed) from among men as the first fruits for God and the Lamb. No lie was found to be upon their lips, for they are blameless - spotless, untainted, without blemish, (5)

The first fruits to God and the Lamb are pure virgins without defilement. They follow the Lamb, wherever He goes. This is the characteristic of the bride. The bride follows her husband, wherever He goes. The 144,000 are definitely

part of the bride of Christ, but this does not include the entire bride. There may be millions or more that are also part of the bride.

The first fruits to God and the Lamb are obviously Christians that had a close walk with the Lord, while they were on earth. They purged themselves of their sins and were sensitive to the anointing, prompting, and guidance of His Spirit. There are very few Christians, if any that have purged themselves to the point, where they are pure, blameless, spotless, without blemish, or defilement. (the Scripture indicates that there are some)

Virgin does not mean they were never married. Paul, in talking to the Corinthians, was certainly talking to some married people when he said in

2 Corinthians 11:2: I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy. I promise you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him (6).

Virgin means pure, holy, and Christ-like.

When the door is opened in heaven in Revelation 4, there is immediately a multitude before the throne. This is the mid-night hour resurrection or rapture of the first fruits unto the Lamb that is discussed in Revelation 14. The mid-night hour resurrection is the bride of Christ. This takes place before the great tribulation begins. The Harvest Rapture in Matthew 24:29-31 takes place immediately after the great tribulation, but before the Wrath of God, which begins in Revelation 8.

Harvest Rapture or resurrection

Matthew 24:29 - 31 speaks of the great tribulation being over, when the sun is darkened and the moon does not give its light. The sun is darkened and the moon turns blood-red in Revelation 6 with the opening of the sixth seal. Harvest rapture or resurrection takes places immediately after the great tribulation. This includes the multitude standing before the throne in Revelation 7:9-17. Included are all nations, tribes, and tongues that are too numerous to count.

What is the duty of the Christians in the Harvest Rapture?

Revelation 7:15: Therefore, they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; . . . (6).

The Christians in the Harvest Rapture are called tribulation saints. They are not the first fruits unto God, as those on Mount Zion mentioned in Revelation 14. They are not the highest order of the redeemed. They do not rule as kings or priests. They do not follow the Lamb wherever He goes. They are servants. They serve the Lord day and night in the temple. (40)

Vision of two large white books with green letters – A to L on one book and M to Z on the other book.

The Lord said, “These books list those, who have been washed with the blood of My Son. These are those, whose names will be called first. They are without stain or blemish. These are my earthly warriors. They pray and work every quadrant of the Spirit. They do not stop. They have given up all for Me. They come to Me exhausted from their race each has won. Each has Me as the center. They lived in this world, but are not of it. They are Mine.”

Since my understanding is that the number winning the race for the prize of the high-calling is limited, I said, “Lord, these two large books certainly contain far more than 144,000 names?” My prayer partner then received knowledge that these two books contained the life history of each person that had won the race for the prize of the high-calling. The words of their life story flow with beauty.

Who will make up the Man-child company?

Gordon Lindsay believed the man-child will consist of people from all walks of life, from preachers who are fighting the battle on the front lines to janitors pushing a broom. However, those who make up the Man-child Company will have one thing in common; they will be “prayer warriors”. They will have a disciplined prayer life. They will spend time in prayer. (7)

When my prayer partner and I prayed for an understanding about the bride of Christ, we received the following words:

The bride of God includes all of those whom Christ has reconciled to God. All of those that accept the Bridegroom and believe in His name will be God’s bride.

The bride of Christ will be glorified with more blessings. The bride of Christ includes those who have accepted His name, have walked in faith, are prayer warriors, are diligent workers for Christ’s sake and have brought many into His kingdom. God’s judgment will determine who these are.

The bride of Christ will occupy a higher level of external existence and will know more about God’s nature than the rest who are just within the door of the kingdom of God.

The bride of Christ is the prize of the high calling for which Paul ran a race for with all his might in an effort to be a part. It seems that Paul won the prize as he says:

2 Timothy 4:6-7: For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith (6).

The words of knowledge, received in prayer, revealed that the bride of Christ will be those that:

1. have accepted His name,
2. have walked in faith,
3. are prayer warriors,
4. are diligent workers for Christ's sake,
5. and have brought many into the kingdom.

God's judgment will determine those who will be the bride of Christ.

The bride of Christ, the prize of the high calling, will include people from every walk of life from janitors, housewives, mechanics, and doctors to evangelists, priests, nuns, and missionaries who are on the front lines bringing people to the Lord. These people will all have one thing in common: they are prayer warriors. That is, they spend considerable time in prayer. They bind the forces of darkness and pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into the field to gather the harvest. These prayer warriors also pray for the Lord to send ministering angels to convict people of their sins and turn them to the Lord. They will receive credit for the harvest the laborers gather, even though they were not physically involved in the actual labor of bringing people to the Lord. When we do not pray, the angels do not have ammunition to fight the power of darkness. Our prayers help the angels to get through the power of darkness and help the labors who are gathering the harvest.

In the following Scripture, Paul encourages us to pray without ceasing.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-23: Rejoice always, never cease praying, render constant thanks; such is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. Do not stifle the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies. Test everything; retain what is good. Avoid any semblance of evil. May the God of peace make you perfect in holiness. May he preserve you whole and entire, spirit, soul, and body, irreproachable at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. (2)

Words were spoken to me about Jesus being the Bridegroom, while His disciples were called wedding guests then the word – “storm” came to me.

In praying for an understanding, Jesus' disciples could not become part of the bride until they had gone through the storm, of trials, tribulations, persecutions, fasting, sufferings, etc.

Purification

While in prayer early one morning, I saw a picture of a beautiful wedding ring. The ring was gold with decorative silver inlaid in the middle between the gold. Through prayer, I discerned that the Lord wanted me to review the Scriptures pertaining to the marriage at Cana.

It is interesting, that Jesus, who began His ministry at the marriage at Cana, will climax His career with His own wedding and feast in heaven. Jesus began His ministry by changing the water that was placed into six purification jars into wine. According to the tradition of the elders (Mark 7:4), the purification jars were used by the Jewish people to clean themselves before eating. It was only appropriate that purification jars were used to hold the wine, which was the fruit of the wedding at the marriage of Cana. If we hope to participate, share and enjoy the full fruit of the wedding at the marriage of the Lamb, we must begin with our own purification process. The act of purification is an ongoing, life-long process of dealing with the sins in our life and turning from them.

The 144,000 in Revelation 14 are spoken of as being among the first fruits unto the Lamb. They are pure, holy, and blameless without any deceit, stain, or blemish. They are among those who follow the Lamb, wherever He goes. This is the characteristic of the bride. The bride follows her husband wherever He goes.

While in prayer with a prayer partner, we received the following knowledge and understanding:

The children of the Lamb are those who have been washed in the Blood of the Lamb.

The bride of the Lamb is those who have undertaken the purification process in an effort to win the prize of the high-calling.

If we desire to attain the high-calling, we have to run the race that Paul spoke of which is the purification process. We cannot be lax or passive in purging and cleansing ourselves. Our thought-life, which is related to our spiritual life, must be purified. Everything that is sinful, has to be dealt with, such as pride (getting our feelings hurt), anger, bitterness, unforgiveness, unbelief, lust, greed, envy, jealousy, lying, stealing, disobedience, rebellion, gossip, etc. This purification comes through the study of God's word. God's word convicts us as to how impure, imperfect and sinful we really are. The Scriptures teach that if we study His word, we will know the truth, and the truth will set us free.

Psalm 119:11 says, "I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you." (6) Not only do we need to deal with the obvious sins in our life, we need to study and know God's word, so that we will not unknowingly sin against Him.

Those, who hope to attain the prize of the high-calling, to be a part of the bride of Christ, with the privilege of wearing this beautiful wedding ring and to follow Him wherever He goes, must undergo this purification process to become pure, holy and blameless without any stain, blemish, or deceit just as the 144,000 mentioned in Revelation 14. We cannot do this on our own. Just saying the words, that we are sorry for our sins, does not change a person's heart. Only with God's help, can a person's heart be changed and purified.

Though the children of the Lamb and the guests will attend and share in the joy of the Lamb and His bride at their wedding feast, they will not be able to participate and share in the intimacy and joy that only a bride can have with her husband.

The race for the prize of the high calling is not difficult.

While in prayer, a prayer partner and I received knowledge that running the race for the prize of the high-calling is not difficult. What is difficult is making and keeping the commitment to run the race. We can run a long and hard race, but if we stop just before we reach the finish line, we will not complete the race. I have been spending two to three hours a day in prayer. For years the Lord had been waking me in the middle of the night, to spend an hour or two in prayer. Recently, I was sick, tired and fatigued, and had not been consistent in my prayer time for about two weeks. Even though I have been going to Mass daily, the Lord spoke to me one morning and said, "Are you going to be ready, when I come?" I responded, "I hope to be." I knew the Lord was encouraging me to be faithful in my prayer time and to continue running the race without stopping, so that I will be ready to cross the finish line just before He calls me home. The Lord is encouraging me to spend time in prayer with Him.

In running the race for the prize of the high calling – we can be in the race running real hard but if we stop before crossing the finish line, we will not finish the race. To win we must run continuously.

The bride will help the Lord govern the earth in the millennium.

Those, that make the Man-child Rapture, will rule nations with a rod of iron.

Revelation 2:26-27: And he who overcomes, and who keeps My deeds until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations and he shall rule them with a rod of iron, . . . (3).

Revelation 5:10: And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: And we shall reign on the earth (8).

Revelation 12:5: And she gave birth to a son, a male child, who is to rule all nations with a rod of iron; and her child was caught up to God and to His throne (3).

The Man-child will help the Lord to govern the cities and nations of the world in the millennium. Ruling people with a rod iron is for rebellious people who are being born, living and dying on earth in the millennium. There will not be any rebellious people in heaven.

Many are invited to the marriage feast of the Lamb

Revelation 19:9: And he said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb' (3).

The Spirit and the bride give an invitation for others to come and drink of the life-giving water.

Revelation 22:16-17: . . . I am the root and offspring of David, the bright morning star. The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." . . . Let the one who thirsts come forward, and the one who wants it receive the gift of life-giving water. (1)

The bride is never invited to her wedding or marriage feast. She is the one that does the inviting. Who are the guests that are invited to the marriage feast of the Lamb, if everyone is the bride? Psalm 45, Mark 2:18-20, Matthew 9:14-15, Luke 5:33-35, and Revelation 22:16-17 show that everyone is not the bride of Christ.

Question?

I was reluctant to ask the Lord this question. The question was – Am I doing what is necessary to be worthy to be a part of the bride of Christ?

My son, My son, no man ever lived, who could do enough to deserve this. It is Mine to give, and I give it to whom I please.

Facts:

1. When the beast makes a covenant with Israel for one week (seven years) that will be the beginning of the 70th week of Daniel. Israel makes this covenant for peace and protection as Israel is being hemmed in by other nations that want to destroy it. Isaiah 28 calls this covenant a covenant with death.
2. Daniel foretold that this covenant would be broken in the middle of the week with the abomination and desolation of the temple. When this covenant is broken, there are 3 ½ years left in the 70th week of Daniel.
3. The beast has power to wage war and persecute the Jews and Christians for 3 ½ years.
4. Jesus said that, when you see the abomination and desolation spoken by Daniel the Prophet, there shall be great tribulation as the world had never seen.
5. The Book of Revelation is a book of seven seals, seven trumpets and seven bowls which covers a period of 3 ½ years which is the last half of the 70th week of Daniel.
6. When the 7th trumpet is blown in Revelation 11, Scripture says that the kingdom of this world becomes the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.
7. In Revelation 12 the woman gives birth to the man-child and then flees into the wilderness for 3 ½ years. There cannot be an additional 3 ½ years

- after the 7th trumpet as the beast only has power to wage war for 3 ½ years.
8. This means that Revelation 12, 13 and 14 has to go back and overlap Revelation 4 to fit within the time frame of the 70th week of Daniel.
 9. It can be seen that Revelation 12, 13 and 14 are pre-tribulation as the angels fly through the air preaching the Gospel and warning the people not to take the mark of the beast before the beginning of tribulation.
 10. The tribulation begins with the opening of the first seal and the going forth of the rider on the white horse. The woman flees into the wilderness immediately after the birth of the man-child.
 11. Matthew 24:29-31 says that the tribulation is over when the sun is darkened and the moon turned blood-red. The sun is darkened and the moon turns blood-red with the opening of the 6th seal.
 12. The 7th seal marks the beginning of the wrath of God in Revelation 8 which includes the seven trumpets and seven bowls.
 13. The tribulation is when the beast persecutes those who do not worship him and take his mark. The wrath of God is when the Lord torments those who took the mark of the beast. The wrath of God is where water is turned to blood, meteors, fire and hails fall from the sky, sun is darken, men are tormented by scorpions, etc.
 14. The 144,000 in Revelation 14 are called the man-child rapture, the mid-night hour rapture and the first fruits unto the Lamb.
 15. The minute the man-child is born, is the minute the door is opened in heaven in Revelation 4 and there is a multitude before the throne. Revelation 14 calls this multitude the first fruits into the Lamb. This is the first fruits rapture. This multitude follows the Lamb wherever He goes. It is the bride that follows the Lamb wherever He goes.
 16. The first five seals is the tribulation. The tribulation is over with the opening of the sixth seal. The harvest rapture takes place with the opening of the sixth seal.
 17. The harvest rapture (Matthew 24:29-31) takes place immediately after the tribulation when the sun is darkened and the moon is turned blood-red. The sun is darkened and the moon is turned blood-red with the opening of the 6th seal in Revelation 6.
 18. The 144,000 in Revelation 7 are the twelve tribes of Israel. They are not sealed and protected until the tribulation is over. They are protected from the events that will occur during the wrath of God.
 19. The 7th seal in Revelation 8 is the beginning of the wrath of God. The wrath of God involved the seven trumpets and seven bowls.
 20. Table 3 on page 93 shows where the seven seals, seven trumpets and seven bowls occur during the 70th week of Daniel.

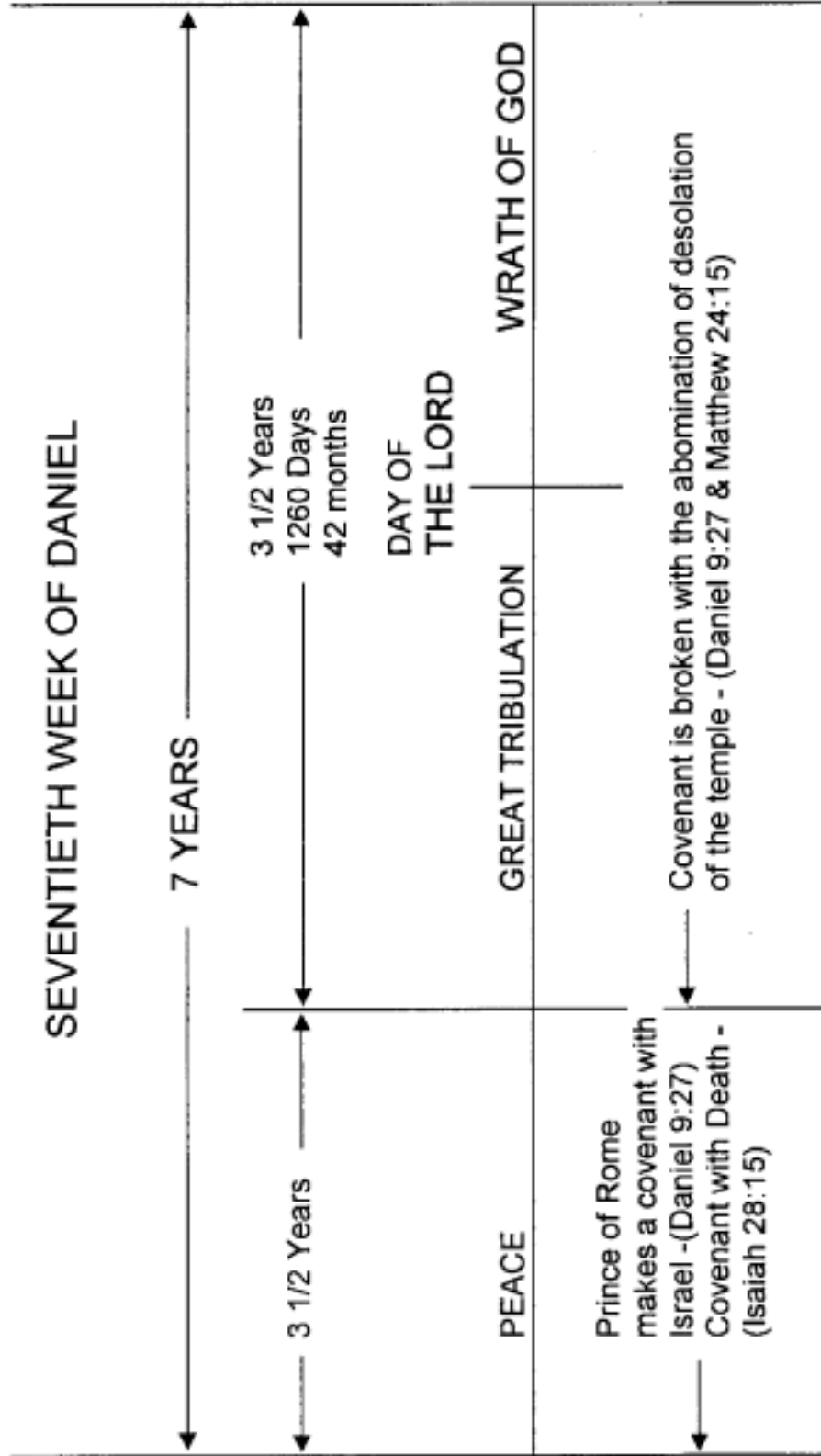


TABLE 1 - REVELATION IS THE SEVENTIETH WEEK OF DANIEL

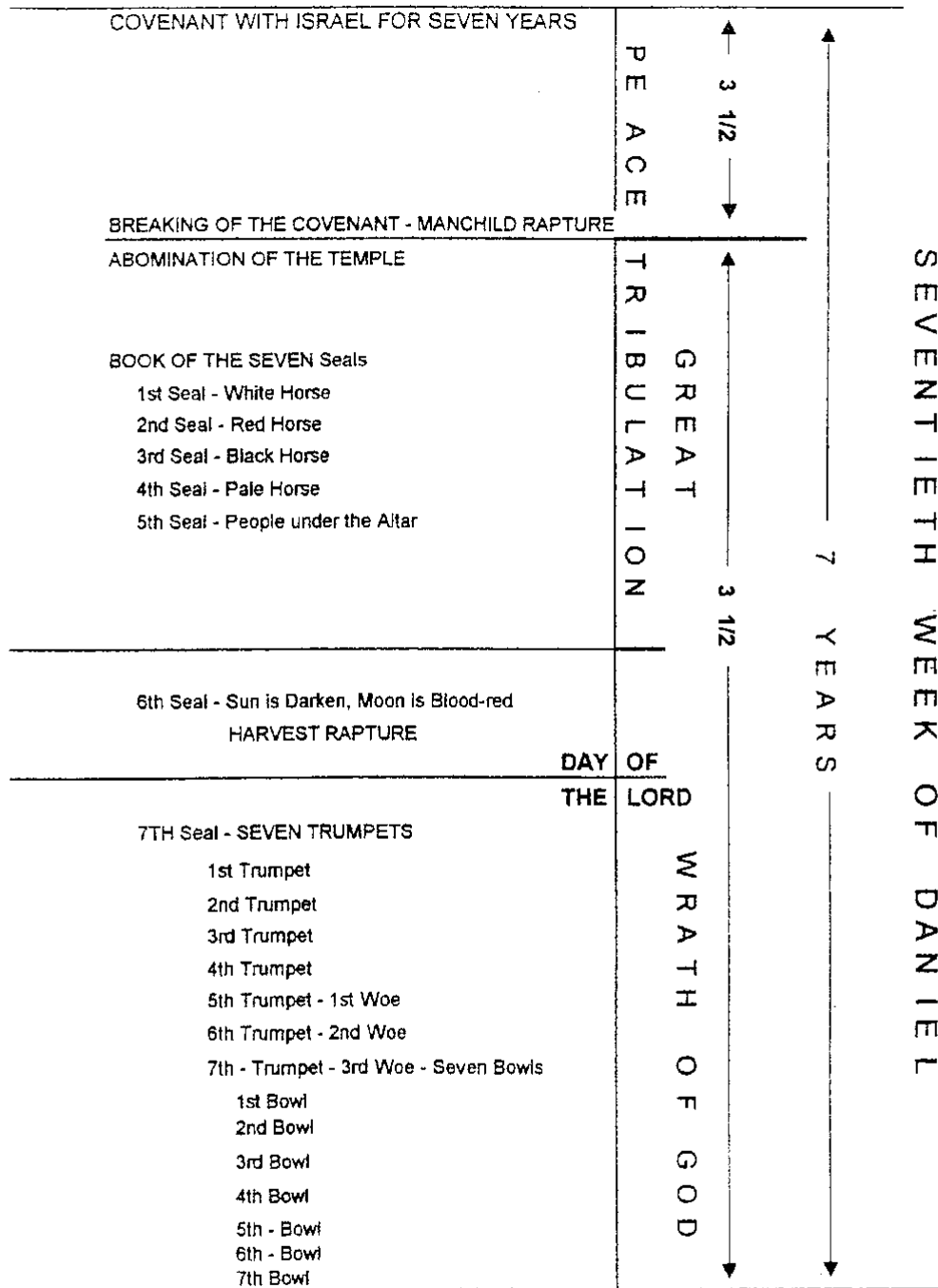


TABLE 3 - A PICTURE OF THE SEVENTIETH WEEK OF DANIEL SHOWING THE PART OF THE WEEK IN WHICH EACH SEAL, TRUMPET AND BOWL FALL UNDER

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