

PROPHECY

WISE MEN CONFIDENTLY assert that no person can reliably foretell the future with any degree of accuracy—and only fools try! The *incredible phenomenon* of accurately fulfilled Bible prophecy defies explanation and *distinguishes* the Bible from *any other* body of knowledge known to mankind. In his book, “The Divine Demonstration” H.W. Everest lists four criteria met by true Bible prophecy (1972, pg. 260):

- Beyond the power of man to foresee
- Precedes the specifically applicable event
- Given in unambiguous and unmistakable language
- Clear and demonstrable fulfillment

Reliably accurate future prophecy is unique to Scripture, and mankind is the only known creature who considers the future, God created human time and the “future” by creating the conditions for mankind to number his days, years and seasons on His fourth day of creation (Genesis 1:14-19).

When written, more than half of all Scripture was prophetic. The Psalms, Major and Minor Prophets, and major segments of other Old Testament books are largely prophetic. The New Testament book of Revelation and most of First and Second Thessalonians, along with large segments of Matthew and First Peter are devoted to prophecy.

“...Of approximately 2,500 Biblical prophecies, about 2,000 have already been fulfilled to the letter with no errors. The remaining 500 future prophecies are largely found in the Book of Revelation --- and refer to End Time events. Since fulfilled prophecies are largely independent of one another, the odds for all these prophecies having been fulfilled by chance, without error, is less than one in $10^{2,000}$ (10 with 2,000 zeros!)”

Hugh Ross, Ph.D., *“Fulfilled Prophecy: Evidence for the Reliability of the Bible.”*

Bible prophecy does not “predict” the future. It reveals it with unparalleled, unfailling accuracy. In doing so, Bible prophecy affirms God’s sovereign authority over man’s past, present, and future (history and time) and Scripture as God’s timelessly inspired word of truth. Ultimately, all Bible prophecy leads to Jesus Christ. Old Testament prophecy sets the stage for Christ’s coming (sacrificial system, blood of the lamb, kinsman redeemer, messianic lineage, etc.). The New Testament and Jesus Christ fulfill Old Testament Messianic prophecy and set the stage for Christ’s End Time return.

The three primary types of Bible prophecy are (1) Israel and nations prophecies, (2) Messianic prophecies and (3) Prophesied End Time signs and events. Over 2,000 Israel and nations prophecies and 300 Messianic prophecies have already been accurately fulfilled. Several hundred End Time prophecies are in various stages of fulfillment. Since End Time prophecies are unfolding like ever-increasing “birth pains,” people know the “season” is at hand, but not the specific time or date. (Matthew 24:6-8,36; Daniel 12:4, 1 Thessalonians 5:3).

2,000 ISRAEL AND NATIONS PROPHECIES

God’s interaction with mankind over thousands of years is represented by the nation of Israel and uniquely recorded in Scripture. Inspired Scripture was delivered through Israel’s prophets. God’s dealings with Israel revealed His character, nature, holiness, love, mercy, and grace toward mankind. Through

the nation of Israel, Almighty God entered the world in the flesh of Jesus Christ, the Savior and redeemer of mankind. In many ways, the response of modern man and nations to God mirrors that of ancient Israel.

Scripture prophecies foretold thousands of future events that would occur in Israel and surrounding nations. Most of these prophecies were accurately fulfilled in ancient times, but many modern nations and events, particularly those related to the End Times, have their roots in Bible prophecy. Accurately fulfilled Bible prophecy affirms:

- God is sovereign over all creation, including inspired Scripture and the smallest details of individual human lives.
- Prophecy does not depend on human understanding or time
- End Time prophecy will unfold precisely as revealed

ACCURATELY FULFILLED ISRAEL AND NATIONS PROPHECIES

[Note: Dates are the estimated date the related Scripture was written. Scripture references are representative, but not all-inclusive.]

2500 BC: Great Flood of Noah’s day

- “So the LORD said, I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—for I regret that I have made them.”... ⁸But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD.” – Noah was instructed to build a great Ark. (Genesis 6:5-8)

Fulfillment:

- The 120-years required to construct the Ark served as a warning period and opportunity for mankind to repent of its wickedness and turn to God.

- Noah was 480-years old when God instructed Him to build the ark. When Noah was 600-years old, following a 120-year Ark construction period, a 40-day/night flood destroyed all human life on earth, except for Noah's family on the Ark.

1500 BC: Abraham's lineage as the nation of Israel (Isaac) -

- "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. (Genesis 12:2)

Fulfillment:

- The offspring of Isaac, the child of God's promise, became the tribes of Israel, through which Jesus Christ, the Savior and Messiah of mankind was born as a blessing to all nations. **(1-33 AD)**, as a blessing to all nations.

1500 BC: Abraham's lineage as the father of all faith (all who believe God).

- "I will make your offspring like the dust of the earth, so that if anyone could count the dust, then your offspring could be counted. (Genesis 13:16).

Fulfillment:

- God's promise to Abraham, the father of "faith", is fulfilled throughout history in faith-led believers in Jesus Christ. .

1500 BC: Abraham's lineage was also indirectly through Hagar and Ishmael:

- "... you will give birth to a son. You shall name him Ishmael, for the LORD has heard of your misery. ¹²He will be a wild donkey of a man;

his hand will be against everyone and everyone's hand against him, and he will live in hostility toward all his brothers." (Genesis 16:11-12 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- Muslims count their lineage through Abraham and Ishmael, who is considered the direct ancestor of Mohammed.

1500 BC: The land of Canaan/ Israel given to Abraham's descendants:

- "The whole land of Canaan, where you now reside as a foreigner, I will give as an everlasting possession to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God." (Genesis 17:8)

Fulfillment:

- **1250- 1050 BC:** Twelve tribes of Israel later occupied Canaan, which later became Israel and Judah, and then the nation of Israel.

1300-1100 BC: -Boundaries of Israel; *Promised land* of Canaan established

- "And I will set thy bounds from the Red sea even unto the sea of the Philistines, and from the desert unto the river: for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee." (Exodus 23:41 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- Boundaries of Canaan (modern-day Israel) established and forever given to Israel by God.
- **1948** - Israel re-established as a nation in one day after being dispersed for nearly 2,000 years

1500–1300 BC: The tribes of Israel would go to Egypt, but later be restored

- “I am God, the God of your father,” he said. “Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for I will make you into a great nation there. ⁴I will go down to Egypt with you, and I will surely bring you back again. . . . And Joseph’s own hand will close your eyes” (cf. Genesis 46:3-4; Exodus 6:6)

Fulfillment:

- **1500 BC:** The twelve sons of Jacob and their families went to Egypt during famine under Joseph’s protection. Ultimately, their offspring were held captive in Egypt for the next 430 years. In Egypt, they grew to over one million strong, and were able to survive among the nations of the time.
- **1100 BC:** The Exodus of six hundred thousand men, plus women and children from Egypt (Exodus 12:37-40)

1500 BC: Future exile and captivity of Israel

- “You will have sons and daughters but you will not keep them, because they will go into captivity.” (Deuteronomy 28:41 - NIV)
- 722 BC:** – Assyrian conquered the northern kingdom of Israel and took the people into captivity.

Fulfillment:

- **587 BC:** – Babylon conquered the southern kingdom of Judah and took the people into captivity. (2 Kings 11; 24-25)

1380 BC: Jericho will be rebuilt

- Jericho will be rebuilt, but builder’s oldest and youngest sons would die as the foundation is laid and the gates set-up.” (Joshua 6:26)

- **1400 BC:** God previously fulfilled His promise to bring down the Jericho walls and give the city to Israel. (Joshua 6:1-7, 6:8-22).

Fulfillment:

- **800 BC:** In Ahab’s time; “Hiel of Bethel rebuilt Jericho. He laid its foundations at the cost of his first-born son Abiram, and set up its gates at the cost of his youngest son Segub.” (1 Kings 16:34)

720 BC: Hezekiah’s Kingdom will fall to Babylon -

- “*Then Isaiah said to Hezekiah, “Hear the word of the LORD: ¹⁷ Days are coming when all that is in your house, and that which your ancestors have stored up until this day, shall be carried to Babylon; nothing shall be left, says the LORD”* (2 Ki 20:16-17 NRSV). **701 BC:** Israel will be taken captive by Babylon (Isaiah 39)

Fulfillment:

- **597/586 BC:** –“*King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon came to the city, while his servants were besieging it; ¹² King Jehoiakim of Judah gave himself up to the king of Babylon, himself, his mother, his servants, his officers, and his palace officials. The king of Babylon took him prisoner in the eighth year of his reign.”* (2 Ki 24:11-12 NRSV)..**597 B.C.** *Babylon takes captives and sacks Jerusalem;*
- **586 BC:** *Babylon totally destroys Israel.*)

620 BC: Nineveh and Assyria will be conquered and destroyed by Babylon

- Zephaniah 2:13-15; Nahum 3:19

700 BC: - Assyrian King will return to Assyria and die by the sword

- “I myself will put a spirit in him, so that he shall hear a rumor and return to his own land; I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.” (2 Kings 19:6-7)

Fulfillment:

- **612 BC:-** Assyria and the powerful city of Nineveh were conquered by Babylon (King Nebuchadnezzar) Nineveh was permanently destroyed and never rebuilt. (2 Kings 24)
- “So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh. And it came to pass, as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons smote him with the sword; and they escaped into the land of Armenia: and Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead.” (Isaiah 37:37-38, 2 Kings 19:36-37 KJV)

700 BC: – Babylon will be destroyed and left desolate

- “I will rise up against them,” declares the LORD Almighty. “I will wipe out Babylon’s name and survivors, her offspring and descendants,” declares the LORD. ²³“I will turn her into a place for owls and into swampland; I will sweep her with the broom of destruction,” declares the LORD Almighty. “ (Isaiah 14:22-24)
- Babylon will remain desolate and uninhabited: “It will never be inhabited or lived in for all generations; Arabs will not pitch their tents there, shepherds will not make their flocks lie down there”. -- “Wild beasts will make their homes in the ruins of Babylon.” (Isaiah 13:20-21)

Fulfillment:

- **539 BC: – Babylon was conquered by Cyrus the Mede; never rebuilt).** -- “A large part of the old city buried under a deep bed of silt remains to be found, and the Babylon of Hammurabi, of which only the slenderest traces have been detected, now lies beneath the water table.” (**Encyclopedia Britannica, 1970, Vol. 2, p. 950**)
- Alexander the Great died in **323 BC** while trying unsuccessfully to restore Babylon.
- In recent times, Saddam Hussein (Iraq) attempted to rebuild ancient Babylon. “Still, Babylon remains unsettled; there are no sheepfolds there; and the Arabs avoid the place and refuse to pitch their tents there; Owls and wild beasts of the desert make their homes there” (**Stoner, Hamilton, Laupold; Layard),

589 BC: Tyre will be destroyed –

- “Son of man, because that Tyrus hath said against Jerusalem, Aha, she is broken that was the gates of the people: she is turned unto me: I shall be replenished, now she is laid waste: Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Tyrus, and will cause many nations to come up against thee, as the sea causeth his waves to come up. And they shall destroy the walls of Tyrus, and break down her towers: I will also scrape her dust from her, and make her like the top of a rock. It shall be a place for the spreading of nets in the midst of the sea: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD: and it shall become a spoil to the nations. And her daughters which are in the field shall be slain by the sword; and they shall know that I am the LORD.” (Ezekiel 26:2-6 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- **586-573 BC:** Nebuchadnezzar took Tyre, but left the walls and houses standing. In 315 BC. Alexander the Great tore down the walls

and houses of old Tyre so they could construct a road to the new city of Tyre, literally removing all the stone and timber of the old city so only bare rock remained. And so the prophecy was fulfilled, again affirming the supernatural inspiration of the Bible. (cf. **Ezekiel 27**)

- **370 BC:** – King of Cyprus conquers the city. (**332 BC:** Alexander the great conquers the city)
- **1124 AD:** City falls to crusaders
- **1291 AD:** City falls to Muslim armies

650 BC: Israel will be defeated and carried into exile by Babylon

- “Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Because ye have not heard my words, Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations.” (Jeremiah 25:8-9)

Fulfillment:

- **587 BC:** Israel /Judah destroyed by Babylonians under King Nebuchadnezzar
- **605 - 538 BC:** – Babylon began dominating Judah in 605 BC, taking many captive, and destroying Jerusalem’s temple in 586 BC.

650 BC: Israel will be returned to the land after seventy years in exile.

- “But when the seventy years are fulfilled, I will punish the king of Babylon and his nation, the land of the Babylonians, for their guilt,” declares the LORD, “and will make it desolate forever.¹³I will bring on that land all the things I have spoken against it, all that are written in

this book and prophesied by Jeremiah against all the nations. ¹⁴They themselves will be enslaved by many nations and great kings; I will repay them according to their deeds and the work of their hands.” (Jeremiah 25:12-14).

Fulfillment:

- **539 BC:**, Cyrus the Mede conquered Babylon, the most powerful nation in the known world. In 516 BC (after 70-years in captivity), the Jews were returned to Jerusalem where they rebuilt the walls and temple.
- **536 BC:** - Babylon was conquered in 538 BC by Cyrus the Persian (Mede) and never rebuilt. (Isaiah 13:20)
- **End Time destruction.** Some believe Babylon could be rebuilt in modern Iraq – and again destroyed. (Daniel 5:24-31; Revelation 18)

580 BC: – Philistines & Kerethites will be destroyed –

- “Therefore this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I am about to stretch out my hand against the Philistines, and I will wipe out the Kerethites and destroy those remaining along the coast. ¹⁷I will carry out great vengeance on them and punish them in my wrath. Then they will know that I am the LORD, when I take vengeance on them.” (Ezekiel 25:16-17)

Fulfillment:

- Nebuchadnezzar/Babylon destroyed the Philistine cities of Ashdod, Akron and Ashkelon.
- Zephaniah’s prophecy was fulfilled, a few decades later. This prophecy did not refer to modern-day Gaza; which is inhabited by Arabs, not Philistines. [#10a]

543 BC: Grecian king will conquer Persian empire

- Grecian king will conquer Persian empire but will have its kingdom divided four ways after his death (Daniel 8; cf. Daniel 8:21, 22).
- Daniel prophecy: The Greek empire will not go to the Grecian heirs (Daniel 11)

Fulfillment:

- **330 BC:** Alexander the Great defeated Persia.
- **281 BC:** The Greek generals who succeed Alexander; kill his heirs and split the kingdom four ways.

1400 BC: Israel will become wasteland, inhabited by its enemies.

- The whole land will be a burning waste of salt and sulfur--nothing planted, nothing sprouting, no vegetation growing on it. It will be like the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, Admah and Zeboiim, which the LORD overthrew in fierce anger. (Levit. 26:31-32; Deut. 29:23 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- **135 AD to 1900s:** “Palestine sits in sackcloth and ashes the spell of a curse that has withered its fields and fettered its energies. Palestine is desolate and unlovely ...a hopeless, dreary, heartbroken land (from Mark Twain’s, *Innocents Abroad*, 1867.) Throughout history, Israel has been inhabited by Assyrians, Babylonians, Romans, Arabs and modern-day Palestinians.

580 BC: Egypt will be destroyed and never rule other nations –

- “It will be the lowliest of kingdoms and will never again exalt itself above the other nations. I will make it so weak that it will never again

rule over the nations. ¹⁰“This is what the Sovereign LORD says: “I will put an end to the hordes of Egypt by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon.” (Ezekiel 29:15, 30:10)

Fulfillment:

- **548 BC:** Exiled Pharaoh struck a deal allowing people to return to Egypt (source: Nebuchadnezzar Inscription Annals of Babylonian kings).
- **From 548 BC** until its annexation into the Roman Empire in **30 AD**, Egypt diminished in power. Once one of the mightiest nations in the known world, Egypt has never again ruled over any nation.

430 BC: Messiah will be honored by Gentiles

- Yahweh’s name will be honored among the Gentiles (Malachi 1:11)

Fulfillment:

- **1st Century A.D. to Present** – Pagans worldwide have turned to Jesus as Lord to the glory of the Father

30 AD: Jerusalem’s Temple will be destroyed.

- “Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. “Do you see all these things?” he asked. “Truly I tell you, not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.” (Matthew 24:1-2 NIV)
- **530 BC:** – Temple destruction after the Holy One/Messiah is cut off (killed) – (Daniel 9:26)

Fulfillment:

- **586 BC:** The first temple was destroyed by the Babylonians in 586 BC and rebuilt 70 years later.
- **70 AD:** The rebuilt temple was destroyed by the Roman army. The heat of the fire melted the gold ornamentation, which settled into crevices in the stones. The Romans pried apart the stones to recover the gold. (Historian Josephus; 100 Bible Prophecies)

30 AD: Christian persecution.

- Jesus tells His disciples they will be persecuted and hated by the world because they follow Him. (Matthew 24:9)

Fulfillment:

- **First Century to Present** – 70 million Christians have been persecuted and martyred for their faith. Today, an estimated 100,000 Christians are martyred each year.

300 MESSIANIC PROPHECIES ACCURATELY FULFILLED BY JESUS CHRIST

[Note: Dates are the estimated date the related Scripture was written. Scripture references are representative, but not all-inclusive.]

All of Scripture and Biblical prophecy directly or indirectly points to the birth, life, death, resurrection, and eventual return of Jesus Christ (God Incarnate). This affirms God's timeless plan for the salvation and eternal life of mankind through Jesus Christ.

Over 300 Messianic prophecies reveal intimate details of the long-awaited Messiah and deliverer of mankind promised by God. Every aspect of clear and explicit Messianic prophecies were accurately fulfilled in the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. By prophetic fulfillment, Jesus Christ alone qualifies as God's promised Messiah and the Savior of mankind. Remaining End Time prophecy is focused on the End Time return of Christ to Earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords!

In his book, *“Science Speaks – An Evaluation of Certain Christian Evidences,”* Professor Peter Stoner mathematically calculates the probability of any one person in history accurately fulfilling only eight of Scripture's 300-350 Messianic prophecies at 1 in 10^{17} (10 with seventeen zeros!). The probabilities are so astronomically impossible, the mathematical calculation of the odds of the remaining 290 to 320 prophecies is pointless and unnecessary.

The eight Messianic prophecies considered by Dr. Stoner are:

1. Born in Bethlehem - Micah 5:2
2. A messenger (John the Baptist) will prepare His way – Malachi 3:1
3. Entered Jerusalem as a “ruler,” riding on a colt (foal of an ass) – Zechariah 9:9
4. Hand wounds suffered because of a friend's betrayal Zechariah 13:6
5. Betrayed for 30 pieces of silver - Zechariah 11:12

6. Silver returned but, not accepted; (cast) to the potter – Zechariah 11:13
7. Oppressed/afflicted like a lamb to the slaughter, yet spoke not a word (Isaiah 53:7)
8. Hands and feet pierced in the assembly of the wicked – Psalm 22:16
 - Based on the estimated number of living people prior to the birth of Christ, the odds of any one person accurately fulfilling these eight prophecies are 1×10^{28} (10 with twenty-eight zeroes) ^[#1]

In his forward to Dr. Stoner's book, Dr. Harold Hartzler, the Secretary-Treasurer to "*American Scientific Affiliation*" wrote: "The manuscript 'Science Speaks' has been carefully reviewed by a committee of the American Scientific Affiliation members...and Executive Council...and has been found, in general, to be dependable and accurate in regard to the scientific material presented. The mathematical analysis included is based upon principles of probability thoroughly sound and Professor Stoner has applied these principles in a proper and convincing way." ^[#2].

ACCURATELY FULFILLED MESSIANIC PROPHECY

1500 BC: All nations will be blessed through Abraham's lineage:

- "Children of Faith; earthly lineage of the Messiah" (Genesis 12:2-3)
- "Offspring will be as numerous as the stars; All nations of Earth will be blessed through Abraham's offspring" (Genesis 26:4)
- "...Offspring like the dust of the earth; all nations and families blessed through offspring" (Genesis 28:13-14)

Fulfillment:

- "Christ redeemed all mankind, so the blessing of Abraham came also to the Gentiles..." (cf. Galatians 3:8, 13-16, 26-28; Acts 3:25-26)
- "By faith Abraham offered Isaac as a sacrifice. "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned." (cf. (Hebrews 11:17-18 NIV); Matthew 1:2; Luke 3:34)
- "Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, (cf. Matthew 1:2; Luke 3:34)

1450 BC: Messiah's lineage will come through the Tribe of Judah

- "The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet," (Genesis 49:10 - NRSV)

Fulfillment:

- "For it is evident that our Lord sprang out of Judah; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood". (cf. Heb 7:14 (KJV); Matthew 1:2 and Luke 3:33)

740 BC: Messiah's lineage will come through the line of Jesse

- “A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse. The Spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,” (Isaiah 11:1-2 – NRSV)

Fulfillment:

- “Jesse the father of King David” (lineage of Jesus), (cf. (Matthew 1:6- NRSV; Luke 3:23,32)
- Also confirmed at the baptism of Jesus when the Spirit of God descended like a dove upon Him (Matthew 3:16 NIV)

1000 BC: Messiah's lineage will come through the line of David

- “The LORD swore to David(shall) forevermore, shall sit on your throne.” (Psalm 132:11-12; 2 Samuel 7:12-16 - NRSV)

Fulfillment:

- Genealogy: “Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham” (cf. (Matthew 1:1 (NRSV); John 7:42 NRSV; Matthew 21:9; Luke 1:32, 3:31; Acts 2:29-32, 13:22-23; Romans 1:1-4)

700 BC: Birth of Immanuel ('God with us'), Born of a Virgin

- “A virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel” (Isaiah 7:14).

Fulfillment:

- “Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, being interpreted is, God with us...” (cf. (Matthew 1:18-25 KJV); Luke 1:32,35)

725 BC: Messiah will be born in Bethlehem;

- “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times.” (Micah 5:2)

Fulfillment:

- “And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger” (in Bethlehem) (cf. Luke 2:7 (KJV); Matthew 2:1-12; John 7:42)
- “And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only begotten son of God, full of grace and truth. (cf. John 1:14, 15:10)

740 BC: Flight to Egypt

- “When Israel was a child, then I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt. (Hosea 11:1 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- “Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, to fulfill prophecy “...Out of Egypt I have called my son.” (Matthew 2:14-15 - NRSV)

600 BC: Slaughter of Children in Ramah,

- “... Rachel is weeping for her children; she refuses to be comforted ... they are no more.” (Jeremiah 31:15)

Fulfillment:

- Herod, ... slew all the children ...under two years old. Fulfilling that which was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying..." (Matthew 2:16-17 KJV)

1000 BC: Messiah will be called the Son of God

- "I will be his father, and he shall be my son:...his throne established for evermore" (1 Chronicles 17:13-14; 2 Samuel 7:14; Psalm.2:7)

Fulfillment:

- As God promised to our ancestors ..."You are my Son; today I have begotten you." (cf. Acts 13:32-33 (NRSV); Matthew 3:17; 17:5; Luke 1:30-35; John 1:34, 49)

725 BC: Divine Nature of Messiah

- "For unto us a child is born, his name shall be called Wonderful ... mighty God,... everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. ...Of the increase of his government there shall be no end" (Isaiah 9:6-7 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- "For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form" (Colossians 2:9 NIV) "...For in him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. (cf. Luke 1:31-32; Romans 1:3; Matthew 13:54; John 8:58)

400 BC: A messenger will come as a forerunner to Christ –

- "Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me..." (Malachi 3:1, Isaiah 40:3-5)

Fulfillment:

- "This is the one about whom it is written, 'See, I am sending my messenger ...no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist'" (Matthew 3:1-2, 11:10-11 NRSV)

440 BC: - Elijah will precede Christ's return

- "See, I will send you the prophet Elijah before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes." (Malachi 4:5 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- "For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John came; {14} and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. (cf. (Matthew 11:13-14 (NRSV); Matthew 3:1-2)

725 BC: Anointed with the Holy Spirit

- "The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding." (Isaiah 11:2, 42:1, 61:1 NRSV)

Fulfillment:

- "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. (cf. John 1:32 (NRSV); Acts 10:38, Matthew 3:16, 12:17-21; Luke 4:16-21)

740 BC: Messiah will be the light to the world

- "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light;...on them light has shined. (Isaiah 9:1-2, cf. 49:6, 60:3 NRSV)

Fulfillment:

- “I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth...” (cf. Acts 13:47-49, 26:22-23 (NIV); Matthew 4:12-17)

740-700 BC: Justice to the Gentiles –

- “I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations upon the earth...” (Isaiah 42:1-4 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- “This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet Isaiah; In his name the nations will put their hope.” (cf. (Matthew 12: 21 (NIV) John 12:20, Luke 2:32, 28:19))

740-700 BC: Messianic Mission

- “The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach...” (Isaiah 61:1-3)

Fulfillment:

- “Jesus Proclaims He is the Messiah ¹⁸”The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me...” ²¹”Today this scripture is fulfilled” (cf. Luke 4:17-21 – (NIV); Matthew 3:16-17)

1000 BC: King of Zion, Son of God –

- “I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill.” I will proclaim the decree of the LORD: “You are my Son; today I have become your Father...” (Psalm 2:6-7 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- (Transfiguration) – “...a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!” (Matthew 17:5 NIV)
- “Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming...” (John 12:15)

1010-971 BC: Messiah will teach in Parables –

- “I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old “(Psalm 78:2 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- “All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; ...That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables...” (cf. Matthew 7:29; Matthew 13:34-35 (KJV))

520-518 BC: Messiah will enter Jerusalem riding on a donkey

- “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; ...thy King cometh riding upon a (donkey)...” (Zechariah 9:9 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- “Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey’s colt!” (Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-10; Luke 19:37-38, John 12:15).

1000 BC: Plotted against by rulers

- “The kings and rulers of the earth take their standagainst the LORD and against his Anointed One.” .(Psalm 2:1-3 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- “The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.” (Acts 2:36, cf. 4:26 KJV)

1010-971 BC: Hated without cause-

- “More in number than the hairs of my head are those who hate me without cause; who would destroy me,” (Psalm 69:4 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- “...they have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. ²⁵this came to pass, to fulfill the word: They hated me without a cause.” (John 15:24-25 KJV)

1010-971 BC: Betrayed by friend

- “Even my close friend, whom I trusted, he who shared my bread, has lifted up his heel against me.” (Psalm.41:9 – NIV)

Fulfillment:

- “Jesus replied, ‘The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me’ [Judas] gave them a sign...” (Matthew 26:23, 48, John 13:18)

520 BC: Sold for 30 Pieces of Silver and money cast to potter

- “...they paid me thirty pieces of silver; Throw it to the potter” (Zechariah 11:12 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- “...And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver (Matthew 26:14-15 KJV); “...they used the money to buy the potter’s field” (Matthew 27:3-7 NRSV)

520 BC: - Deserted by His Friends

- “..What are these wounds in thine hands? ...smite the shepherd and the sheep shall be scattered...” (Zechariah 13:6-7 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- Jesus told them, “for it is written: “I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered.” “...Then everyone deserted him.” (Mark 14:27, 49, 50 NIV)

1010-971 BC: Crucifixion: Hands and feet pierced

- “...the assembly of the wicked has enclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet. (Psalm 22:16)

Fulfillment:

- “...Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.” (John 20:24-29 NIV)

1010-971 BC: –No Bones Broken –

- “He keepeth all his bones: not one of them is broken...” (cf. Numbers 9:12, Psalm 34:20)...

Fulfillment:

- “..But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. ³⁶“...so scripture might be fulfilled” (John 19:33,36 NRSV)

740-700 BC: Scourged and wounded for our transgressions

- “..Scourged and wounded for our transgressions - But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities” (Isaiah 53:5)

Fulfillment:

- “When he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.” “The men guarding Jesus began mocking and beating him.” (cf. Matthew 27:26 Luke 22:63 NIV)

740-700 BC: – Buried with the Rich –

- “And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death” (Isaiah 53:9)

Fulfillment:

- (Joseph of Arimethia) took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulcher where no man before was laid. (cf. Matthew 27:57-60; Luke 23:50-54)

1010-971 BC: Resurrection

- “..you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay” **Also 740-700 BC-** (Psalms 16:8-11NIV)

Fulfillment:

- “..the angel said., “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. {6} He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said.” (cf. (Matthew 28:5-6 (NRSV); Mark 16:1-11; Luke 24:1-12; Acts 2:22-32; 13:32-37, John 20:9)

740-700 BC: Died among transgressors

- “..he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors” (Isaiah 53:12 NIV)

Fulfillment:

- “Then were there two thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left.” (Matthew 27:38 KJV)

740-700 BC: Rejected by His own.

- “He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.” (Isaiah 53:3)

Fulfillment:

- “He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him” (John 1:10-11)
- “For even His brothers did not believe in Him” (John 7:5) –“Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed in Him?” (John7:48; Matthew.27:21-23)

1400 BC: A Prophet will come speaking God's words

- “I will raise them up a Prophet --like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth” (Deuteronomy 18:18 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- “...the people began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.” (John 6:14; Matthew 21:11; Luke 7:16; Acts 3:20-26)

1010-971 BC: Lots Cast for Garments

- “They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture.” (Psalm 22:18 KJV)

Fulfillment:

- And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get” (cf. Mark 15:24 (NIV) Matthew 27:35-36; John 19:23-25; Luke 23:34)

On the surface, the Jews failed to recognize Christ as the Messiah because they expected a worldly king who would rule over the nation of Israel on an earthly throne. But God used their blindness to disperse the early Jewish Christians into other nations where they spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the non-Jewish world. (In the End Times, Israel's blindness will be removed (Romans 11:24-26).

“Even after Jesus had performed so many signs in their presence, they still would not believe in him. This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: ‘Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm

of the Lord been revealed?’ For this reason they could not believe, because, as Isaiah says elsewhere: ‘He has blinded their eyes and hardened their hearts, so they can neither see with their eyes, nor understand with their hearts, nor turn—and I would heal them.’” (John 12:37-40 NIV)

500 PROPHESED END TIME SIGNS IN VARYING STAGES OF FULFILLMENT

No one reasonably expects to turn to the last chapter of a 1,700-page book and fully grasp what is happening without reading the book. Yet, many do just that with the Bible and Revelation, declaring, “*Revelation is simply too difficult to understand!*” Many find Revelation confusing and intimidating for several reasons:

- 1). John described visions he was shown by God of events at least two-thousand years in the future, using first century language and knowledge. Ironically, people are still trying to fathom the still future signs and symbols of Revelation. However, we now have 2,000-years of fulfilled prophecy and a consolidated, cross-referenced Bible To work with.
- 2). Revelation is the last of sixty-six books of God’s inspired Scripture. Yet many still approach it as a stand-alone book, which it is not. The letters to the seven churches in Asia (Revelation 1-3) are often viewed as obscure or mystical, while other letters to New Testament churches are seen as complimentary parts of the same body of Scripture.
- 3). Focusing only on signs and events is like pressing one’s nose against a painting by Rembrandt to see better. All one can see is a blur instead of the bigger picture of God’s overall revelation in inspired Scripture.
- 4). One must view Revelation almost as if it was a 3D board game. John is writing Christ’s timeless Revelation, from heaven, about a Great Tribulation on Earth at least two thousand years in the future. Some of the events are transpiring on Earth, while others are occurring in the timeless eternity of heaven – and still others in the unseen Spiritual realm. At the very least, these events are not in the same “time zone or zip code.” Thus, attempting to understand Revelation in purely an Earthly, chronological sequence can be confusing

Nevertheless, deciphering the visions, signs and symbols of Revelation is not as complicated as many suggest. Most are explained in either Revelation or elsewhere in Scripture. A key objective in studying Revelation should be to understand how to best live in the path of God’s blessing:

“Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.” (Revelation 1:3 NIV)

When God’s purpose for creating this Earth and human life are complete, both will come to an end. A final seven-year Great Tribulation period, described in Revelation, will precede Christ’s victorious return and millennial rule on earth.

The End Time “signs” will grow increasingly urgent (“like birth pains”), as the End Time approaches. The “signs” and the “events” to which they point are not the same thing. A sign on the highway advertising a restaurant in the next town is not accompanied by tables and waiters. Similarly, End Time “signs” provide advance notice that the Great Tribulation and return of Christ are near.

Revelation completes God’s creation story started sixty-six books earlier in Genesis. The final seven-year Great Tribulation and the return of Jesus Christ are the events to which the End Time signs throughout Scripture point. Although the events are described, the “signs” of the End Times are prophesied because there will be no post-End-Time world to bear witness following the final Great Tribulation.

During the Great Tribulation, God’s wrath will be poured-out on a sinful, rebellious world. Those remaining on Earth will suffer the horrific judgments of the Great Tribulation because when the time arrives, they will still have refused to believe God and trust Jesus Christ in faith. In spite of their

sinful rebellion, God will still extend grace to them during the first half of the final seven-year, Great Tribulation period. During that time, many will repent of their sin and be saved (Revelation 7:14).

Perhaps this final “grace period” will be extended because others before them had the opportunity to live-out their natural lives on earth. The lives of those entering the Great Tribulation will be supernaturally shortened.

Many believe God will remove His people from the Earth (“rapture”) prior to the Great Tribulation. This is partly because there is no Biblical precedent for God pouring out His wrath on His faithful followers during the Great Tribulation or any other time. Regardless of God’s provision for His people, one’s beliefs about the “rapture” or timing of the Tribulation has no bearing on one’s salvation and eternal life.

God’s judgments have always been preceded by warnings and tempered by mercy and grace. God gave mankind a 120-year warning period prior to the Great Flood of Noah’s time. Similarly, for the past 2,000-years, mankind has lived under increasingly urgent signs and warning that a terrible time of judgment of man’s wickedness is coming. Jesus compared these signs with “birth pains” and the “beginning of sorrows” (Matthew 24 – Olivet Discourse). In spite of these warnings, when the time finally comes, many on Earth will still be unprepared, just as they were during the flood and the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. They will be unprepared because they refused to believe God and trust Jesus Christ.

Many of the End Time signs revealed by Jesus (Matthew 24), are common to every generation: wars, rumors of wars, earthquakes, signs in the sky, etc. This has led people of every generation for nearly two-thousand years to believe theirs could be the final generation. In the intervening time, the Gospel has been preached to all the world (Matthew 24:14). God apparently intends for every person of every generation to respond to the possibility that the Great Tribulation could begin at any moment. In a

sense, it is, since every person faces their own personal “end time” at the end of their Earthly life.

Today, specific signs are being fulfilled, as if ancient Bible writers were reading tomorrow’s newspapers. A prevailing belief among eschatologists is that the “final generation clock” began ticking with the unique, 1948 establishment of the nation of Israel in one day. The stage of End Time signs is difficult to determine since the signs are unfolding in uncertain degrees of completion (like birth pains). One thing is certain: the End Times and Great Tribulation have never been closer than they are at this moment!

Even though the End Times and Great Tribulation are inevitable, every living individual still determines their eternal future. Christ’s Great Commission commanding every believer to share His Gospel message with all nations (people), has not changed. How will we answer if God one day asks: “Given the possibility you were living in the End Times, How did you respond to the increasingly desperate plight of the lost?” God already knows the answer, which is the reason for every believer to ask themselves: “Is there evidence of Spiritual fruit in my life?” and “If I knew my life would end next week, would I live differently today?”

Specific and unique End Time signs have been accurately fulfilled for the first time since the 1948 restoration of Israel. Christ taught, “When you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. - Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened.” (Matthew 24:33-34 – NIV). This has led to considerable debate the length of a “generation” (ie; Numbers 32:13 (40-years); Psalm 90:10 (70-years); or Genesis 6:3 (120-years) or even “the people alive on earth at that time.” Given the End Time signs of our time and “generation”, Christians might better focus on the urgency of their response to the plight of a lost and dying world.

[Note: Dates are the estimated date the related Scripture was written. Scripture references are representative, but are not all-inclusive.]

PROPHESED SIGNS OF THE END TIME

<u>Sign</u>	<u>Category</u>
1) 1948 Israel restored as a nation in one day	Government
2) 1967 Jerusalem restored to Israel	Government
3) Jews Return from the North and South to Israel	Social
4) Temple rebuilt in Jerusalem	Religious
5) Rise of surrounding nations against Israel	Political/War
6) Army of East at 200 million strong	Political/War
7) Religious deception (False Christ's, Prophets)	Religious
8) Nation will rise against nation; and Kingdoms	Political/War
9) Wars and rumors of wars	Political
10) Unprecedented Earthquakes	Nature
11) Famine, plagues and pestilence	Nature
12) Shekel re-established as national currency	Economic
13) Hebrew language restored	Social
14) Strange events in the heavens	Nature
15) Gospel preached to all the world	Religious
16) Many will come crying "peace, peace"	Political
17) Canal from Mediterranean to the Dead Sea	Geographic
18) Major Persia – Media Conflict	Political/War
19) Godlessness-out of control in last days	Wickedness
20) Rapture of the Church	Supernatural
21) Ten-Nation confederacy ruled out of Rome	Government
22) Signs increasing intensity, like birth pains.	Signs
23) Knowledge and wisdom will increase	Supernatural
24) Christians severely persecuted and hated	Religious

1). Israel scattered; then restored as a nation in one day

- **700 BC:** “For the days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will restore the fortunes of my people, Israel and Judah, says the Lord,

and I will bring them back to the land that I gave to their ancestors and they shall take possession of it” (cf. Jeremiah 30:3 NRSV; also: Deuteronomy 4:27-31; 30:1-5; Amos 9:8-11; Ezekiel 34:13; 38:8, Isaiah 66:8).

- Israel restored in one day: (Ezekiel 20:34-38, 34:13, 36:24,33-35, 38:8)
- Signs of restoration (Jeremiah 24:2-4; (like fig tree) Matthew 24:32-34)
- Time of the restoration (Mark 13:30; Acts 1:6-7)
- Generation witnessing events will see Christ's return (Matthew 24:33-34)

Fulfillment:

- The unprecedented May 15,1948 restoration of Israel as a nation in one day after not existing as a nation for two thousand years, with its people and culture scattered throughout the earth. .

2). Jerusalem destroyed and Restored as the Holy City of Israel

- **30 AD:** Jerusalem will be destroyed and restored (Luke 21:24 30 AD). “They will fall by the edge of the sword and be taken away as captives among all nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled” (Also: Zechariah 1:16 – 2:13; Jeremiah 32:36-37).

Fulfillment:

- The 1967 restoration of Jerusalem to Israel after being utterly destroyed by the Romans between 70 AD and 135 AD. This happened because of the amazing Six-Day War (Note: The original temple mount will also ultimately be restored to Israel).
- The “times of the Gentiles” (Luke 21:24) may have started when the Gospel was first spread to the Gentiles and ends after it has been

spread throughout the non-Jewish world, or perhaps when Jerusalem was restored to Israel (Matthew 24:14). When completed, the blindness of the Jews to Christ the Messiah will be removed (Romans 11:25-26).

3) Dispersed Jews returned to Israel (from Russia and Ethiopia)

- **800 BC:** "... and say to them, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I will take the Israelites out of the nations where they have gone. I will gather them from all around and bring them back into their own land' (Ezekiel 37:21). cf. Isaiah 11:1, 43:6, Zechariah 3:8; Deuteronomy 4:27-31).
- Return to Israel: (Isaiah 11:11; Ezekiel 37:21; Jeremiah 16:14-15, 30:3, 32:37)
- Far North (Russian) Jews return: Isaiah 43:6; Jeremiah 23:7-8
- Ethiopian Jews return: Zech 3:8; Zephaniah 3:10-11
- Jews Restored: Deuteronomy 4:27-31; Ezekiel 36:24; 33-35

Fulfillment:

- The return of millions of dispersed Jews (particularly from Russia and Ethiopia) to Israel starting in the 1980s. This unique sign further affirms the first two signs and that "the end is near, even at the door" (Matthew 24:33, Mark 13:29).
- Russian Jew exodus of 1970s-80s; plus 380,000 in 1990-91
- U.S. airlift of Ethiopian Jews to Israel in 1984 and 1991 (Ethiopian Jews separate for 3,000 years!)
- Israel population increased six-times between 1949 and 2012 (1.2 to 8.3 million)

4). Temple rebuilt In Jerusalem

(70 AD The temple in Jerusalem was destroyed by the Roman Army)

- Temple will be restored before Christ returns: (Zechariah 1:16-2:13)
- Temple restored prior to midpoint (42-months) of Tribulation: Rev. 11:2
- Temple restored on original site (Amos 9:11; Zechariah 3:1-4; Deuteronomy 12:10-14))
- Animal sacrifice will be re-instituted in the restored temple (Daniel 9:27; 2 Chronicles 7)
- Accompanied by the "abomination that brings desolation" – Matthew 24:15-25
- Antichrist will stand in the "Holy Place" and demand worship

Fulfillment (*Preparation – Not yet fulfilled*):

- Scripture reveals the temple will be in place midway through the Great Tribulation, not that it will be rebuilt prior to the Tribulation
- Seminary of Aterat Kohanim training Levite priests and preparing vessels, furnishings and vestments for the rebuilt temple.
- Some believe actual temple site could leave the Dome of the Rock (and mosque) outside the East gate (Revelation 11:2)
- 2014-15 Rumors: Red heifer born (Numbers 19:2-7).

5) Surrounding nations will unite against Israel

- Surrounding nations will unite against Israel (Modern-day: Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Jordan, Egypt, and Gog/Magog (Russia) and will ultimately attack Israel. (Ezekiel 38:2- 9:18; Revelation 20:18)
- Surrounding nations will fight together against Israel (Genesis 16, Ezekiel 38:3-17)
- Northern land of Gog and Magog (Modern Russia will fight against Israel (Ezekiel 38-39)
- Enemies attacking Israel will be destroyed in one day (Daniel 11:40-45, Ezekiel 38-39)

Fulfillment:

- Russia and Arabs have always stood against Israel (Psalm 83:2-8)
- Middle East nations support terrorism against Israel (Al Qaeda, ISIS, Hezbollah, Hamas)
- Mideast nations today openly seek Israel's complete destruction

6) Army of the East 200 million strong ^[#4]

- Battle of Armageddon; "Kings of the East" (200-million strong army).- (Revelation 9:14-16, 16:

Fulfillment: *(precedent)*

- **2006** – China's estimated army 281 million (Incomprehensible number in 100 AD)
- **2015** - China's estimated "fit for service" army grew to 600 million

7) Great religious deception (rise of false Christ's and prophets)

- False Christ's and prophets will rise-up (Luke 21:7-8; Mark 13:5-6; Matthew 24:5,11; 2 Peter 2:1)
- Demonic activity and false doctrine will dramatically increase (1Timothy 4:1-2)

Fulfillment: *(precedent)*

- False Christ's and prophets: David Koresh, Jim Jones, Sun Moon, Maitreya, etc)
- False (non-Biblical) Christ's are frequently portrayed by the world ("love only," "Everyone saved;" Oblivious to sin, only a great prophet or teacher, etc.)

- The world is increasingly enamored with "dead spirits and beings" (zombies, Goth movement, vampires, etc.)

8) Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom

- Jesus Olivet discourse on the End Times: (Matthew 24:7; Mark 13:8; Luke 21:10)

Fulfillment:

- Ever accelerating civil and national wars in Mideast and the world
- Only 300-of the past 2,000-years have been relatively free of wars
- Mideast: chemical weapons used by leaders against their own people
- Radical nations securing nuclear and other weapons of mass destruction (North Korea, Iran, Pakistan, India etc.)

9) Wars and rumors of wars ^[#6]

- Jesus Olivet discourse on the End Times: (Matthew 24:6-7; Luke 21:9; Mark 13:7)

Fulfillment: *(progressive)*

- 320 major armed conflicts since WWII; increasing in each decade
- More people killed during the 20th century than in all the wars of history
- Nuclear, biological, chemical proliferation; Global terrorism.

10) Unprecedented Earthquakes ^[#7]

- Jesus Olivet discourse on the End Times: (Matthew 24:7; Luke 21:11; Mark 13:8)
- "Mighty earthquake as never before in history" (Revelation 16:18)

Fulfillment: (*progressive*)

- More “killer quakes” (7.2 or higher on the Richter scale) per month in 1990-2000, than the last ten years of the nineteenth Century
- (1990s 125 earthquakes; 1980s 74 earthquakes; 1970s 56 earthquakes; 1960s 13 earthquakes (U.S. Geological Society)
- 18 earthquakes 8.0 magnitude or greater between 2000-2014 (265 percent of the pre-1900 average for similar periods).
- 100 total earthquakes per week by 2008 with 10 over 6.0 Richter

11) Famine, plague and pestilence ^[#8]

- Jesus Olivet discourse on the End Times: (Matthew 24:7; Luke 21:11; Mark 13:8)

Fulfillment::

- 1900s and 2000s – Ever increasing famines: Bangladesh, Africa, Ethiopia, Sudan, India, Zimbabwe, Somalia, Congo, Senegal, Niger
- Global AIDS virus; 70 percent of AIDS death in Africa (15 percent of population)
- Ebola flesh-eating virus; Incurable, sexually transmitted diseases; Vaccine-resistant flu and other “super bugs”
- Cancer deaths increasing: 2015 - 7.5 million deaths (20,000 per day)

12) Shekel will again become Israel’s national currency

- Ezekiel 45:12-16 – Ancient monetary standard restored

Fulfillment:

- Shekel restored as Israel’s national currency in 1981
- In 2008, the shekel recognized as convertible currency by global money market

14) Hebrew language restored ^[#9]

- Pure Language; Hebrew restored in Israel (Zephaniah 3:9)
- Language (ancient Hebrew) of Canaan restored (Isaiah 19:18)

Fulfillment:

- **1948** Hebrew a dead language until 1948; No nation has ever recovered a lost language.
- 90-percent of Israel’s Jews are proficient in Hebrew. In **2013**, there were **9 million Hebrew speakers** worldwide.

15) Strange events in the skies and heavens

- Skies the sun, moon and stars (Luke 21:11, 25; cf. Matthew 24)

Fulfillment:

- UFO’s; Satellites; Space shuttle; Space station; rockets, etc.
- Eclipses, comets, black holes, new planets, moons, Hubble and Webb Telescopes

16) Gospel preached to all the world

- Jesus Olivet discourse on the End Times: (Matthew 24:14; Mark 13:10; also Acts 1:6-8).

Fulfillment:

- Parts of the Bible have been translated into 2,200 languages
- Gospel spread worldwide Internet, Television, Audio, etc..
- Modern Christianity has grown a hundredfold in countries once closed to the Gospel. (In 1949 there were about one million Chinese Christians; Today there are over a hundred million)

17) Many will come crying “Peace, Peace”

- False world peace (Jeremiah 6:14, 8:11; Ezekiel 7:25, 13:10)
- Christ did not bring “world peace or compromise” (Matthew 10:34)

Fulfillment:

- Enemies repeatedly offer Israel “peace,” but, fail to honor their agreements, (peace for land vs. Terrorism)
- Russia has declined in the world, but will rise again (Ezekiel 38-39)
- Post-modern relativism substitutes politically correct agreement for God’s inspired Scripture and truth

18) Euphrates River dries up For the “Armies of the East”^[#10]

- (Ezekiel 47:1-2; Zechariah 1 14:8; Revelation 16:12)

Fulfillment: (*precedent*)

- Turkish Ataturk Dam now able to dam the Euphrates
- **2015/2016** ISIS cutting-off water at Ramadi Dam. Tigris and Euphrates rivers are drying-up
- 2016 A \$10 billion canal project between the Dead Sea and Mediterranean could directly affect this
- **2014** Trans-Eurasia Railroad opened (13,000 km) from China south of Shanghai to Madrid Spain (could allowing ease of military transport into the area)

19) Media-Persia Conflict

- (Daniel 8; cf. 17, 20) Media-Persia; modern-day Iraq, Iran and Syria;
- This could entail Islamic civil wars between Sunni’s, Shia (and Kurds)

- Medes: modern Iraq and the Kurds. (ISIS and Mosul fit prophecy)
- Persia: Largely Iran and Syria; with segments of Islam

Fulfillment: (*precedent*)

- Iraq and Iran (Babylon and Assyria) wars; and Sunni and Shite conflicts are thousands of years old
- Modern civil and national conflicts throughout the area.

20) Godlessness will be out of control in the End Times

- World’s wickedness will be as it was in Noah’s day (Matthew 24:37-39, Luke 17:30 also Genesis 6 cf. 6:11)
- God’s people will be removed from path of God’s wrath (2 Peter 2:4-9)
- People will not endure sound doctrine; (2 Timothy 4:3)
- People will call the truth a lie and the lie, truth (Romans 1:18-25)
- People will live as if judgment will never come (Luke 17:28-30)
- Mockers will walk after their own lusts (Jude 1:18)

Fulfillment:

- 60 million U.S. babies aborted since 1973 Roe vs Wade decision
- Perversion, pornography and wickedness are flaunted by the world
- Six-billion American crime victims (2013); 40,000 suicides; 31 times more bars than churches
- Moral Madness:15% are victims of sexual abuse; 18% of physical abuse; 33% adultery rate; 20% lose their virginity by age13; 9% are raped; illegitimacy rate is up 300% in the 1990’s; STD’s are up 72%*
- More Christians were murdered in the 20th Century than all previous centuries combined; (100,000 per year)

21) RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH

- Caught up in the clouds (I Thessalonians 4:16-18); changed in twinkling of an eye (1 Corinthians 15:51-55)
- Two working side by side; one gone (Matthew 24:40-44)
- Christ will keep church from time of trial (Revelation 3:10)
- He who restrains wickedness (Holy Spirit) taken out of the way” (2 Thessalonians 2:7)

Fulfillment: (Pending)

- Church referred to 25 times in Revelation 1-3. Then in Revelation 4:1, following the command, “Come-up here,” the church on earth is not mentioned again until the end of the Great Tribulation (Revelation 19).
- Christ returns in the clouds at the start of Tribulation; and to Earth (Mount. Zion) at the end of the Great Tribulation
- God does not pour out wrath on His people. He removes or protects them from His wrath (i.e.; Noah, Sodom, Egypt, etc).
- 144,000 Christian evangelists “sealed” during the Great Tribulation
- Final 7-year opportunity to be “saved” is redundant for Christians
- Entire Great Tribulation on earth witnessed by John from heaven

22) Ten nation confederacy will be ruled out of Rome

- One world political and religious system (Daniel 7:23, 9:26, Revelation 13,17)
- One world leader over many nations (Revelation 13:7-8)
- Ten nation confederacy ruled from Rome (Revelation 13:1-10; 17:12-14)

Fulfillment:

- EU confederacy: Possible fulfillment of Daniel’s prophecy
- EU issuing common currency, laws and political regulations

- Unholy trinity will rule out of Rome and wage war against the saints (believers) (Revelation 13:1-10)

23) Signs will increase like birth pains (intensity, frequency)

- All of creation travails in pain, waiting for redemption (Romans 8:21-23)
- All these are the beginning of birth pains (Matthew 24:7-8)
- When this happens, the time is near (Luke 21:28)

Fulfillment:

- Significantly Increased frequency and intensity of earthquakes, civil and national wars and rumors or wars, famines, floods, storms;
- Out- of-control corruption, lawlessness, and wickedness
- Many will not “endure sound doctrine.” They will embrace the world’s lies as the truth, and call God’s truth a lie.

24) Knowledge and travel will greatly increase

- “But you, Daniel, close up and seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end. Many will go here and there to increase knowledge.” (Daniel 12:4)

Fulfillment:

- Technology exists for the entire world to see the bodies of God’s two witnesses in the streets for three days – (Internet, phone-photos, Television, etc.) (Revelation 11:9)
- Unprecedented Internet information explosion; knowledge now transmitted everywhere at the speed of light on “Information Superhighways.”
- “More knowledge has been discovered in the last century than in all of history combined. 90% of all the engineers or scientists who have ever lived are alive today.” (Billy Graham)

25) Great Increase In Persecution Of Christians

- Christians will be persecuted and hated. (Matthew 24:9-11; Luke 21:17)
- Stage may be set for antichrist worship, and increased persecution and war against (Revelation 13:7)

Fulfillment:

- Christians worldwide are increasingly “fair game” for violent persecution. Over 100,000 Christians martyred annually.

(Source: The Last Days, John Horton – Pending Publication)

WHAT OTHERS SAY ABOUT BIBLE PROPHECY**Science hasn't mastered Bible prophecy**

- “Science has not yet mastered prophecy. We predict too much for the next year and yet far too little for the next ten.”--
Neil Armstrong, --Astronaut, First man on the moon

Bible prophecy is Literal

- “You have to take Bible prophecy literally, just like everything else in the Bible.”--
Tim LaHaye, Christian Author -- Left Behind Series

Disbelief in Bible prophecy

- “If you are an antichrist, you won't believe in the bible prophecy from the beginning. Which means, you won't believe that physical immortality will become possible.” –
Alex Chiu, Christian Author

100% Accurate Bible Prophecy proves Divine Authority!

- “Since the accuracy rate for the fulfillment of Bible prophecy so far has been 100%, we can be confident that it will continue to be so. No other religion in the world has such confirming evidence to inspire its faith.” –
Tim LaHaye, Christian Author -- Left Behind Series

100% Accurate Bible Prophecy proves Divine Authority!

- “Bible prophecy provides skeptics with clear evidence of the Bible's divine authority. No other book in the world can do this. No other book in the world can provide bona fide evidence of divine authorship.

Only the Bible – of all the books in the history of the world – credibly predicts the future with 100% accuracy.” --

Ken Johnson, Christian Author

Accurately fulfilled Bible Prophecy proves God’s Divine Inspiration

- “No man or spirit, not even Satan, can precisely predict future events. No other religious writing outside the Bible dares to make thousands of detailed predictions centuries before their fulfillment. Only God, through His written, “God-breathed” Word, dares to do that. The phenomenon of hundreds of fulfilled prophecies conclusively proves that God has revealed Himself through the Holy Scriptures.” --

Jeffrey R. Grant, Christian Author

100% Accurate Bible Prophecy proves Divine Authority!

- “Prophecy is the ability to predict future events 100% accuracy. Only God can do this. Each of the false religions and cults has a story about how things were created and how the world will end. Any good science fiction writer can do this with ease. But when we look at the holy books of these religious bodies, do any of them have historically verifiable prophecies written centuries ago but fulfilled in our life-time? Only one holy book does that. It is the Bible!” –

Ken Johnson, Christian Author

Accurately fulfilled Bible Prophecy proves God’s Divine Inspiration

- Fulfilled Prophecy is one of the greatest proofs that the Bible is the Word of God, and that Christianity is true. There are more than 300 prophecies of the first coming of Christ, in about 60 categories. The odds against these prophecies being coincidentally fulfilled by an imposter are astronomical. -- The partial fulfillment of end-times

prophecies in our own generation should cause even the most skeptical people to pay attention to the claims of Jesus Christ.” –

Ron Gaff, Prophecy Central 2014

Christ Accurately fulfills Prophecy

- “Which prophecy of Christ we see wonderfully to be verified, inasmuch that the whole course of the Church to this day may seem nothing else but a verifying of the said prophecy.” –

John Foxe, Christian Author

Bible Prophecy is not back-dated History

- “If you attempt to explain away fulfilled bible prophecy as nothing more than back-dated history lessons, how do you account for the mountains of archaeological evidence showing that the Old Testament texts pre-date the historical events they chronicle?” –

Britt Gillette, Christian Author

Bible Prophecy is the story of tomorrow

- “If you want to know what happened yesterday, read the newspaper; if you want to know what happened today, listen to the evening news; if you want to know what will happen tomorrow, read the Bible.” –

Mark Hitchcock, Christian Author

Prophecy is God’s all knowing and all seeing revelation

- “Prophecy is an intercept from the mind of an all-knowing and all-seeing and all-powerful God.” –

Joel Rosenberg, Christian series Author

Prophecy – The Christian Future in God’s Kingdom

“There will be no funeral homes, no hospitals, no abortion clinics, no divorce courts, no brothels, no bankruptcy courts, no psychiatric wards, and no treatment centers. There will be no pornography, dial-a-porn, no teen suicide, no AIDS, no cancer, no talk shows, no rape, no missing children . . . No drug problems, no drive-by shootings, no racial tension, and no prejudice. There will be no misunderstandings, no injustice, no depression, no hurtful words, no gossip, no hurt feelings, no worry, no emptiness, and no child abuse. There will be no wars, no financial worries, no emotional heartaches, no physical pain, no spiritual flatness, no relational divisions, no murders, and no casseroles. There will be no tears, no suffering, no separations, no starvation, no arguments, no accidents, no emergency departments, no doctors, no nurses, no heart monitors, no rust, no perplexing questions, no false teachers, no financial shortages, no hurricanes, no bad habits, no decay, and no locks. We will never need to confess sin. Never need to apologize again. Never need to straighten out a strained relationship. Never have to resist Satan again. Never have to resist temptation. Never!”

Mark Hitchcock, Christian Author

Prophecy Follows God’s Plan, Purpose and Will

- “There are several theories and hundreds of different beliefs relating to Bible prophecy, but we should never lose sight of this fact, that God is not bound by what we believe, no matter how strongly we believe it. All of God’s promises and prophecies will be fulfilled in accordance with the Scriptures, following His plan, purpose and will.” –

Robert A. Hunt Jr., Christian Author

Prophecy is History Unfulfilled

- Prophecy is history unfulfilled, and history is prophecy fulfilled.” –
D.L. Moody, Author, Theologian, Evangelist,
Publisher 1837-1899

Jesus and End Time Prophecy

- “If we fail to understand the biblical story of Jesus, we will compromise our prophetic interpretations of the end-times. And that’s exactly what we’ve done.”

Eli Of Kittim, Christian Author

Bible Prophecy is Always fulfilled Literally and Powerfully

- “The ideology of amillennialism has some serious problems, because it denies many unconditional Messianic promises written concretely throughout the Old Testament. It essentially calls God a liar. The prophecies in the Bible may be fulfilled once or twice or even three times, but they are always fulfilled literally and powerfully.” –

Chuck Missler, Author, Theologian

Accurately fulfilled Bible Prophecy Proves Scripture

- The strongest objective argument for the validity of Scripture comes from fulfilled Bible prophecy.” --

John MacArthur, Theologian, Author