

Has The Lord Delayed His Coming ?

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I have written two recent studies that I saw as mostly independent from each other. Two days ago, on December 27th , I felt the prompting from the Holy Spirit to go back into the Gospel of Matthew, 24 and read the account of the Olivet discourse, where three of Jesus disciples asked the Lord about the signs of His return. But this time, the Holy Spirit was directing me to look at the two other accounts of this meeting on the Mount of Olives, that are found in Mark chapter 13 and Luke chapter 21. The following study is a most important piece of the unveiling of the revelations from Matthew 24, and at the same time it connects my last two studies together.

As I was reading Mark Chapter 13, verses 19 and 20 jumped out at me. I will write out these verses and the parallel verse from Matthew 24: 21-22. Then I will share what I see here that is so important.

*Mark:13:19-20 , “Because those will be **days of distress (The Great Tribulation)** unequaled from the beginning when God created the world, until now – and never to be equaled again. **If the Lord had not cut those days**, no one would survive. But for the sake of the elect, whom he has chosen, **he has shortened them.**”*

*Matthew 24: 21-22, “For then there will be **great distress** unequaled from the beginning of the world until now – and never to be equaled again. **If those days had not been cut short**, no one would survive, but for the **sake of the elect those days will be shortened.**”*

These verses above are saying that the days of distress will be shortened, This is talking about the days of the Great Tribulation. I believe the context for these days will also include the days of the birth pains that will be the days leading up to the beginning of the Great Tribulation. This reference to birth pains is referenced in Matthew 24:7-8, “*There will be **famine and earthquakes** in various places. **All these are the beginning of birth pains.**”*

When the end of the Shemita cycle came in September of 2015, myself and many other prophetic voices were expecting the stock market to crash. Along with many other domino events that would be the beginning of the birth pains leading us into the Great Tribulation. Whether you hold to Pre-Trib, Mid-week or Post seven year Tribulation, all were expecting something big to happen that did not happen.

What I am going to share in this study is that I believe we are now in the shortening of those days of distress that are explained in Matthew 24:22. ***“If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened.”*** I am not the one who is saying that the days of distress will be shortened. These are the words of Jesus. I will now explain where I see these days being shortened.

Again, it makes no difference on your position of the timing of the Rapture. It is generally accepted by all of these positions that the Rapture will happen during the Feast of Trumpets which occurs in September at harvest time. When you factor this fact in, you realize that the shortening of the days of the distress or the Great Tribulation cannot happen on the back end. I and most prophetic teachers see the Rapture happening during the feast of trumpets in September as a given. Therefore the shortening of days has to happen on the front end, during the days called the birth pains that lead to the beginning of the Shemita cycle that many taught started this last September of 2015.

When nothing happened in September, many Christians and prophetic teachers alike either thought that the Lord was delaying his coming or they figured we were wrong and we would have to wait another one of two Shemita cycles before the Lord's return.

This did not make sense to me for many reasons, twelve of which I outlined in my recent study called, “Twelve reasons why we need to prepare in the coming months.” Another big reason is that from my_mid-week rapture position, the Great Tribulation needs to start at the end of March or early April of 2016 in order for the timing of the Rapture to fall on the Feast of Trumpets at the end of

September of 2019. Please realize, I am not pointing to an exact day or hour, For as the Bible says, *“No man knows the day or the hour.”*

This brings me to an important point in this study. That is, **what could be the order of events and can everything happen by April of 2016 for us to see the beginning of the Great Tribulation?**

I believe that I and many other prophetic teachers were looking for the wrong events to happen that would be the domino events that would lead us into the Great Tribulation. We were thinking that we would see mega earthquakes and global economic collapse starting on Wall Street.

When you look at the sequence I am lining out, it makes sense to me that the scenario of events that will lead to the beginning of the Great Tribulation will require thinking outside of the box from how we have been looking at the order of coming events. Let me explain.

For starters **we should have been looking to Israel and the Middle East. Israel is God’s timeclock not Wall Street.** Things are lining up now for war in the Middle East to break out. If the Psalms 83 War is the domino event that will trigger the Great Tribulation, then how much time do we have?

This coming war will be short. Remember the Six Day War in 1967? It was only 6 days long. This coming war, could start between Russia, Syria and Turkey . It could easily escalate to include Israel and other Middle East countries once it gets started. I have for some time seen the Psalms 83 war forcing Israel to use the Sampson option. The Sampson Option is when Israel sees no other way of stopping their enemies, and with the total destruction of Israel imminent, Israel will have to use their nuclear arsenal as a last ditch effort to save their country. **The use or nuclear bombs by any of the Middle East countries could shorten the length of this war to days or weeks.** If you read my study on the Five End times Wars in my Book, The Window of the Lord’s Return, I explain that **when the Psalms 83 War breaks out and nuclear bombs go off, this will trigger global panic that World War 111 is about to break out.** This will cause a panic on Wall

Street and global panic to buy food. This will trigger the beginning of the collapse of economies around the world.

I have recently had to reconsider how Damascus would be destroyed, I have in the past thought it would be Israel doing the dirty deed. Now I realize that Russia and Turkey could be the major players in this war. Turkey has already slapped Russia in the face by shooting down its Jet and rescue team. Russia turned its cheek once but I don't see them turning it a second time. Russia has announced that they will use nuclear bombs if pushed hard enough. I now see the possibility that Russia will be pushed into using a tactical Nuke against Turkey and Since Russia is defending Syria, it could very well be Turkey that nukes Damascus in retaliation against Russia, Thus fulfilling the Scripture that says, "Damascus would be a ruinous heap, never to be inhabited again."

If we are looking at a war that will run its course in days to weeks, that will be followed by peace talks and what I believe will be a seven year peace treaty signed by the Man of Sin. This treaty would need to be signed by this coming March or early April of 2016, in order to trigger the beginning of the Great Tribulation at that time. Now if this war is only days to weeks long It could start by sometime around the end of February or early March of 2016 for the timing of events to work out.

Now for the thinking that is outside of the box from what we have taught in the past, I have said and predicted that a global economic collapse would have to happen in time for the anti-christ to arise, in order for him to sign the peace treaty with Israel by March of 2016. So let's look at this coming scenario from a different angle. What if the Psalms 83 War breaks out in February or early March. Damascus and maybe other cities in the Middle East are destroyed by nuclear weapons. Then imagine the global panic that cascades global economic collapse around the globe. The cry for peace shouts out for a solution that will avert World War 111 and stop the bombs from falling on any more cities.

Next, imagine a prominent world leader brokering the peace in the Middle East. The antichrist has not been revealed, **but as it turns out the leader who brokers this peace turns out to be the anti-christ later.** At the time after the One-World

Government is established, this same leader who just recently negotiated the peace in the Middle East, is the same leader who is fatally wounded and comes back from a fatal wound to be the anti-christ.

When you look at this sequence of events, what this shows is the Great Tribulation starting at the signing of the peace treaty. At the same time, the nations of the world are collapsing in total panic and anarchy. A short time after the signing of the peace in the Middle East, peace is restored around the world by the forming of a New World Order.

If all that I have laid out here makes sense then you may agree that **we are currently in the time of the shortening of the days of distress that Jesus said would happen in Matthew 24:21-22 and in Mark 13:19-20.** This is not a time to pull back but this is a time to get ready.

Shortly after the Shemita cycle ended and people were wondering why nothing happened, I was sent two prophetic words. I list these below. The first one below has two parts that really jumped out at me.

1. . **He, (The Lord) is on a timetable and we need to stay with Him on this.**
2. **I was personally told by the Holy Spirit to Stay the course and prepare Gods People. I cannot personally prepare Gods people but last week I was with Jim Bakker Ministries and did a three day seminar on preparing. I have not had a stronger sense of the Holy Spirits Anointing on any visit to the Bakkers.**

The Word of Prophecy Letter sent to me around October 1st.

John, I have been meaning to write you this message. Do not lose heart. The message from the Lord is this: **the Day of the Lord was supposed to happen in September, but the Father said that the church was not ready.** The reason for this is that many have not received the message of the Day of the Lord. But remember this, that the Day of the Lord is imminent and the Lord has said to His people to get ready. **He is on a timetable and we need to stay with Him on this.** Get everything done as quickly as possible because we don't know

the day nor the hour but it is imminent. One young man said that the Lord said we only have 16 minutes left. What that means I do not know. But 16 minutes is not a long time. Get all of your projects completed quickly and stay close to home. You won't get many more warnings like this. **Get ready!! Now !!**

The second prophetic word listed below includes the Lord reprimanding us for not allowing the Lord the prerogative to give more time so others can prepare.

I am coming for My Bride, My faithful children who are waiting for Me in this Midnight Hour. But you say, "I have heard that for so long. And, oh, another prophet coming with the Rapture message. I am tired of hearing it. After all, I have heard it my whole life. So, is this yet another "boy crying wolf" prophecy?! I have been disappointed too many times." **But, Beloved, if I stretch out time to allow more souls to come to Me, and so I can bring more Bridal lamps to their full oil and light, does this offend you?! If it does, you are only thinking of yourself and not others that I have long patience for until all have come in.** Then, the Shofar will sound! Do not lose your Blessed Hope for I am at the doors RIGHT NOW! Watch and Pray! Do not let disappointment and bitterness quench out your Hope. Remember, I CANNOT LIE! I AM COMING FOR YOU, MY DEARLY BELOVED BRIDE! “

When I shared this study yesterday with TD Hale, He told me after I finished sharing this with him, that the Lord gave him a vision of a coming event concerning Israel and America. He told me that what I just shared with him confirmed everything he saw in his vision. His vision did not give dates.

I have continued to prepare. I have heard God's warnings loud and clear. Yet even if I am wrong on the timing of it all, I would rather be ready and be wrong then to be wrong and not be ready. Too many people are counting on my being ready. I cannot take chances and not be prepared.

One last point I want to share goes back to the verse in, Matthew 24:22. ***“If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened.”*** An important point that did not come to me right away is the fact that the Lord wants his people to make it to the rapture. The Bible clearly states that we are not accounted to Gods wrath. It will be bad

enough that we will see forth two months of War on the saints. Yet some prophetic teachers are trying to say that we will go through all of the wrath of God.

If I thought for a minute that I would have to suffer for five months at the hands of the scorpion creatures of the fifth trumpet, the sixth trumpet war of a 200 million army that will kill 1/3 of mankind over the course of a year, that we would be here for the bowl of wrath where 1/3 of the earth will burn (2/3 of the earth is water, that leaves no place to hide) Then the last bowl of God's Wrath where all the cities of the world will collapse, the mountains will disappear and the island will be washed away) If I thought we as God's children would have to face this, I would go out and antagonize some Muslims and let them take me out so I could go to Heaven.

Let me assure you that this will not be the case. Look at this verse. ***"but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened."*** Jesus is saying that he wants us to make it to the rapture. If we had to go through his wrath not many would live to physically see the day of the rapture. I will now show you from Scripture that so many will survive to see the rapture that they cannot be counted.

*Revelation 7:9a, "After this I looked and there before me was **a great multitude that no one could count**, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes"*

*Revelation 7:13,14, "Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes- who are they, and where did they come from?" I answered, "Sir, you know." And he answered. **"These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."***

Do you see what I am seeing here? So many come out of the great tribulation that you cannot count them. If you read this carefully, it is not saying that **these are the dead in Christ from centuries past**, no, these are the survivors of the great tribulation. The Bible does say that the dead in Christ will rise first, I imagine the dead in Christ had already arrived before those who just came out of the great tribulation in the twinkling of an eye.

Wow, Jesus is going to see that we survive to see the rapture of His elect. ***“but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened.”***

In Closing, Don't let your heart be troubled, God is looking after His own. And from a word the Lord gave me a few months ago. “Don't drop your guard, don't think the storm has passed, we are in the eye of the storm and it only looks like the storm has passed, It is really knocking at the door.”