

## **Message# 127 - 2-14-2021 - Revisiting the Book of Revelation**

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Good morning everyone. Thank you for taking the time to listen to the message this morning. Oh my word is it cold here right now. Yeah, yeah, I know our friends from Wisconsin think we are total sissies down here - but it's 5 degrees this morning and they say it's going to stay that way and lower for the next several days. Oh how I do not like the cold weather more and more each year that goes by. But, I'm happy to report that we are warm. The outdoor wood burning furnace is doing great. We've got good enough wood to last us for a little while - so everything's fine. We've got some cabin fever going on - I think it's been a week since we left the house - but other than that - everything is just great.

Kingdom Conference 2021 is getting ever so closer. Hopefully, we're getting all this bad weather behind us - and by the time Conference time gets here next month - we'll be looking like spring. We are planning on meeting the 18th through the 21st at the Maranatha Bible Camp and Retreat Center - Everton Missouri - it's about 30 minutes northwest of Springfield Missouri. If you are even thinking about coming - please let us know. We are planning the food and we really need to have an idea on how many to prepare for.

When I first added Michael's Minutes to the website, I had someone ask me if I was Michael. Which, of course, was extra funny to me because as you know - a man can call himself anything he wants to call himself. But, since I have never had an alias, or an also known as, or a pen name, no - I am not Michael. There is a real, flesh and blood man who goes by the name Michael. He is alive. He lives in - and I'll just tell you right now - the other day when it was so freezing cold here - we talked on the phone and well - he let me know he was working in his garden in shorts and a tee shirt. Thanks, Michael for letting me know that.

Anyway, I know that so many of you have been blessed by Michael's Minutes as the insights he offers - and many times - additional comments to the Sunday messages - but his insight is awesome and he is another witness to the message of Fulfilled Bible Prophecy and the present day reality of the King - and I'm thrilled that Michael is a part of this ministry.

I believe I know him well enough that he will be upset at me for saying this - but I'm going to say it anyway. Michael not only provides great insight to the Scripture - but

quite frankly, I don't think I've ever met someone in my life that has as much - how do I say this - just knowledge - I guess. I know a lot of really smart guys - have a lot of them in my life right now. The fact that people are getting Fulfilled Bible Prophecy, they are getting the Kingdom, they are getting the commonwealth of Israel - they are brilliant minds. And, it's not just men. In the last year, in addition to my own wife and daughters - I've been introduced to some really brilliant women as well. Women that are getting Fulfilled Bible Prophecy - they are getting the King - the commonwealth of Israel. They see through all this phony plandemic garbage and they are - simply put - brilliant people.

So I am in no way taking away anything from these brilliant people - men and women - but - due to life experiences - and obviously none of us have the same - but Michael's life experiences has provided him the time to be one of - if not - the most well-read people that I know.

We email back and forth fairly often and lately we've been spending a lot of time on the phony plandemic - but even more so - on how this whole thing is again - an attack on the validity of the Scripture - the very existence of God Himself - and as such - this is all simply another attempt to prevent people from finding and entering the Kingdom of God. We're just bombarded from every angle - from political - from economic - from religious - from scientific - from every angle possible with corona corona corona - and the reality is - we all know it - lies lies lies - but the very foundation of it all is the reality that the whole idea of quote "viruses" themselves - may not even exist. The whole entire thing is fake - not just the corona virus - but ALL virus - the whole study of quote "virology" is probably fake.

Michael made a statement this week - and I'll just paraphrase now - but I'm going to tell you where to go and read it in his words in just a minute. But he said that basically all the external sources of disease and illness have been discovered. For instance, snake bites, spider bites, toxic plants - etc., people have been in the world long enough to have pretty much identified all there is in that regard.

So, because the love of money is the root of all evil - going back to Pasteur - the quote "medical industry" had to come up with a mysterious, ever changing, ever mutating invisible enemy - to keep their imaginary fight going - and to make sure that virtually limitless funding continues to pour in. Yeah, I get that.

I had told Michael how that for many years, I had questioned the whole idea of

“viruses” and “contagions” mainly because Teresa and I raised 5 children - they were all almost exactly three years apart - and for most of our children's upbringing - every single one of us were living under the same roof all the time. The children were home-birthed, home-schooled, home Bible taught, home everything - and not once - ever - in a combined - 94 years of living in the same roof (just add up the ages, that's what I' doing) - same time - were we all sick at the same time. It just didn't happen. And when the yearly cycle of colds and maybe even flus came around - some of them got sick - but never everyone. And, with the other childhood illnesses - like chicken pox - only one at a time. So I had some suspicions regarding the whole concept of contagions. And, I realize that a whole lot more discussion than 5 minutes in a Sunday message - or 20 minutes worth of emails is enough to persuade someone one way or the other. But, I just have my doubts on the whole thing.

A few weeks ago, I played for you a disgusting few minutes of a quote “Southern Baptist preacher” telling people that the corona virus “vaccine” - which is not even a vaccine in any sense of the word - these idiots - they need to just shut their mouths and let people think they are fools - as opposed to opening their mouths and proving it - but until they have even read the slightest bit on the subject - and educate themselves some - they need to shut up and quit telling gullible people (that actually listen to these people) they should run out and get this experimental gene therapy, DNA altering, mutant creating injection. Even the injection making people told pregnant women not to take this injection. So, what does a quote pregnant “doctor” do? The woman is an MD - she's 14 and a half weeks pregnant - and posts on Twitter how happy she was that she got the quote “vaccine” then three days later she tweets again how devastated her and her husband are - because she miscarried. Brilliant. Brothers and sisters - it's hard to feel sorry for people. You've got quote “preachers” running around with not enough Bible knowledge to fill a thimble - telling people that the quote “vaccine” - which isn't even a quote “vaccine” in their world - you've got quote “preachers” saying this injection is a gift from God. When they have no Biblical insight whatsoever to realize they are telling people to commit adultery and it's the gift of God.

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I'm not going to jump on the Ravi Zacharias bus right now - the guy's dead and can't defend himself - but friends committing adultery - whether the sexual version of it - or the adulterating form of it - is not a gift from God. Wow. I've been a faithful servant of Christ - so He gave me a young women to get a few minutes of sexual gratification with

- that's ridiculous.

And again, why would something like that come as a surprise from someone who is the quote "chairman of a board of a church corporation." Look, if you don't have enough Biblical sense to not realize that being incorporated by the worldly little g government - then folks - they don't have any authority from Heaven to speak on any subject related to the Bible. It's that simple. I'm not being unkind. I'm not being hateful. I'm just telling you like it is. If a man claims to have been a student of the Word of God - and God has not revealed to that man that it is sin to be incorporated by and into the godless state - then I'm sorry - the man is double-minded and according to the very Word he claims to preach - he's unstable in ALL his ways.

I don't want to say this because I want to alienate this man. No one - other than Ted knows who I am talking about - and I'll not tell anyone else. I'd like for this man to understand the error of his ways - and repent and find Christ. But recently I've been sharing with you a little of some objections that came in via email regarding Fulfilled Bible Prophecy. And, when I did a little research on this man's ministry, I found that he was offering a book that he had written on his website - and the book was about quote, "How to become a Christian." Great. Well, you could buy the book for 10 or 12 dollars - and if you lived in Colorado - you needed to add an extra percentage for sales tax. Really? We're selling a book on how to become a Christian - and we are charging and collecting state sales tax on the book?

Friends, this is simple. Really really simple.

Men that claim to be teachers of the Word - don't understand that they should not be corporations of the state? Tax collectors?

A man wrote to me this week and said, "Well, Matthew was a tax collector."

Well, yeah, the operative word in his argument is the word WAS. Matthew WAS a tax collector. Matthew WAS a tax collector. Let's look at this for just a minute - then we'll get back to what all this was about - which is our brother Michael and his insights on the website.

Open your Bibles please, to Matthew chapter 9. Let's begin in verse 1.

And he entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city.

2And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be forgiven thee.

The first thing I want to call to your attention here is that this train of thought - the idea behind this chapter is the teaching of Christ concerning the forgiveness of sin. This chapter deals with the lives of several people who had their lives transformed, their sins forgiven, their born again event, this is what this chapter is about. It's about a few instances of people coming to Christ. Verse 3.

3And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemeth .

4And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts?

5For whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk?

6But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.

7And he arose, and departed to his house.

8But when the multitudes saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.

Alright. So the first instance of man having his sins forgiven by the Son of God was the man who had palsy - as a result I'm sure of him getting the corona virus quote "vaccine." No, that's not what it says - that was just a stupid little attempt at humor. The man was sick from palsy. Did he get palsy as a result of doing something he shouldn't have done? I don't know. Christ said the healing was a result of the forgiveness of sin. I don't know. I'm not saying that sickness and sin are always the same thing. But I'll certainly say they can be. We don't know for sure from this passage - but you couldn't just say there's no authority to make such a statement, if you wanted to.

There seems to be evidence - well - we've probably all seen multiple videos now of people suffering from Bell's palsy after taking the covid injection. Is it sin to take the covid injection? You better believe it is. Absolutely it is sin. It's the sin of adultery.

Back to Matthew 9 (little distraction there for a second). The chapter's theme is about

people coming to Christ and getting their sins forgiven. Here's the next one. Verse 9.

9 And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

10 And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.

11 And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners?

12 But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.

13 But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Now, we're not going to make the same mistake here as the "churchmen" did when I was growing up in the quote "church" - that being they quickly read verse 9 then went right to verse 10. We're going to camp out here a little bit on verse 9.

And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

Look at what is going on here. Matthew was collecting taxes for Rome. He was a Roman tax collector. And when Christ came to him - Christ looked at him sitting there at that receipt table and said - "Follow me."

And just like that, Matthew got up from the table - left everything there - and followed Christ. There was no two week's notice. There was no, wait til they send a replacement. There was no, but what about all this money sitting here? The text says,

And he arose, and followed him.

We're talking Rome here. We're not talking about the temple. We're not talking about local taxes - we are talking about Rome. And Matthew basically told Rome where to go. Friends, that's what you do when the King comes along and says, "Follow me."

"Well, those times were different than they are today." Yeah, you better believe it. I would not be surprised to know that Matthew's act was an act of sedition against Rome and quite possibly was worthy of a death penalty in their eyes. Today, I'm sure an IRS agent could probably just not show up for work one day and that would be the end of it.

But Matthew was sitting at the table - he was sitting at the receipt of custom collecting Roman taxes - he was ON THE JOB - and THE KING walked up to the table and said, "Follow me." And there was no ifs ands or buts. He got up. And followed the King. And you know what? There's never any record of Matthew begging or starving or going without. He followed the King. Yeah, absolutely, Matthew WAS a tax collector. He was a tax collector for Rome - and when he met THE KING - he immediately got up - and left his sin - followed Christ.

Turn to Luke chapter 5. Let's read a little more detailed version of what took place that day. There's a really cool phrase I want you to see just prior to Matthew's salvation experience. Begin in verse 1.

[1] And it came to pass, that, as the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesaret,

[2] And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets.

[3] And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land. And he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship.

[4] Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught.

[5] And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy Word I will let down the net.

[6] And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake.

[7] And they beckoned unto their partners, which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink.

[8] When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.

Here's another example of a forgiveness of sin shown on this day. Peter's sin of unbelief - when he recognized his sin - brought him to repentance. Do you think any of this would have been different if Christ had said to Peter, "I want you move the ship over here, because when you do, and when you put your nets down, there's going to be so much fish in there you'll have to bring in another ship to help you get all of it?" Do you think Peter would have acted differently? Sure he would have. But the lesson for us to learn here is when the King tells you to do something - we don't always see what the King sees. But this is written to show us - today - to show us in 2021 - that when you

obey the voice of the King - your nets will overflow to the point where you'll need another ship to gather in all that's coming.

That principle is the same today. We are being called off the shore. We're being called to go deeper into Christ. We're being called to Ecclesia - to leave the custom tables - to follow the King. And instead of doing what we are told, we're committing the same sin of unbelief that Peter did. Peter was not rewarded for his sin of unbelief. The goodness of God brought him to repentance (Romans 2:4) - but the principle here is that even though Peter probably didn't even want to - nonetheless he still obeyed the voice of Christ - did what he was told - and even in unbelief - wrought an indescribable reward. And that reward came that day - in that life. It wasn't a spiritual, pie-in-the-sky - hold on until the after life reward. The reward came that day. Now verse 9 of Luke 5.

[9] For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:

[10] And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.

This story almost leads me to think that their haul that day was so much - their financial worries were alleviated - maybe for many years. I don't know. I don't know how much two entire ships full of fish would amount to money-wise. But was probably more than those guys had ever seen. Verse 11.

[11] And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed Him.

I wonder how they did that? Did they sell their ships, too? Well, when you meet the King, apparently it gave them the confidence to sell everything they had - and I'm just assuming that - the text doesn't say that - but they forsook everything they had and followed Christ. Verse 12.

[12] And it came to pass, when He was in a certain city, behold a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on his face, and besought Him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

[13] And he put forth His hand, and touched him, saying, I will: be thou clean. And immediately the leprosy departed from him.

[14] And he charged him to tell no man: but go, and shew thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing, according as Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

[15] But so much the more went there a fame abroad of Him: and great



multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him of their infirmities.

[16] And He withdrew Himself into the wilderness, and prayed.

[17] And it came to pass on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of every town of Galilee, and Judaea, and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was present to heal them.

[18] And, behold, men brought in a bed a man which was taken with a palsy: and they sought means to bring him in, and to lay him before Him.

[19] And when they could not find by what way they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon the housetop, and let him down through the tiling with his couch into the midst before Jesus.

[20] And when He saw their faith, He said unto him, Man, thy sins are forgiven thee.

Stop here for a second.

“When He saw their faith.”

You mean you can see faith? I thought faith was some esoteric, mystical, invisible - like blind faith - no - it's not. Verse 15 said

But so much the more went there a fame abroad of Him:

The knowledge of Christ had spread. These people acted on their faith - their knowledge that this Jesus was the Christ. If they could just get to Christ - the man would be healed. They acted on their faith - their system of belief based on the truth of Who Christ was. They couldn't have taken their friend to just anyone. They took him to Christ - they took Him to the truth. Their actions - were based on their faith - their system of belief - which had them conclude that Jesus was the Christ. Verse 21.

[21] And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, Who is this which speaketh blasphemies? Who can forgive sins, but God alone?

Once again, we see the people, the multitudes, many many people coming to Christ, coming to the Messiah, coming to the King. And then the Scriptures take no time at all here pointing to the preachers and showing how those people went right into action in trying to discredit Christ. Trying to turn people away from Christ - away from His Kingdom - away from His Kingship. That's what they did back then - that's what they do today.

Listen, friends, I don't care how eloquent they sound. How expensive their suits are, how not one hair is out of place - how many people listen to them each week - how many books they sell - how many millions or even billions are in their bank accounts - if

they haven't even figured out they should not be incorporated by the Godless state - they are going to be agents to turn people away from the King and His Kingdom. That's what they do. And look, I know some of them are just plain ignorant - decent men who have been deceived like the rest of them - but it doesn't excuse it. When Peter realized his unbelief - he repented immediately. When Matthew realized what a terrible terrible sin it was for him to be a tax collector - he stopped - and he stopped immediately.

I've had more than my share of dealing with the quote "preacher" who seemed like he was a decent guy - but maybe just honestly deceived - but I've spoken with many of them behind closed doors and when the truth is presented to them regarding their status - their place and nation - by what they've done with being incorporated - I've seen many of them get angry - get defensive - and I've even some get violent - I've had one of them spit in my face before. Yeah, they were meek and mild and seemed innocently deceived - but when their little kingdom that they built seemed threatened - I've seen the venom spew.

When I was about 22 years old, I think. I was in my last year of playing "church." And I was traveling with a husband and wife in a singing trio. And we went from quote "church to church" putting on concerts. We were in Danville, Virginia one week at one of the largest Baptist churches in Virginia. And the youth director and I had become friends. I had been sharing with him how wrong it was for quote "churches" to be 501(c)(3) government corporations. And for at least two days - Chuck got it. He was fired up about it. Chuck was a little older than me - but not that much older. Chuck's dad was also one of the right hand men for Jerry Falwell at the time - so even though Chuck was young, like me, he still had some prestige in the "movement". Anyway, Chuck was overcome with the things I had been telling him. We talked about Fulfilled Bible Prophecy, we talked about church corporations. He seemed like he was really getting things. After a couple days of our conversations, Chuck said he had to get me in to talk with the quote "preacher."

So, we went in, here I was a punk kid, going into this meeting with a real muckety-muck, high highfalutin' influential quote "preacher" in this large Baptist quote "church" in Virginia. And, to my utter surprise - this preacher sat there and listened. Didn't argue. Didn't try to debate. Just sat there and listened. And, I'm telling you, I was shocked. I mean, I was convinced already that I had truth and was teaching truth. I was solidly convinced of Fulfilled Bible Prophecy and I was solidly convinced regarding quote "church incorporation."

But I was young. I thought for sure this quote "preacher" was going to do or say something to shoot me down - put me back in my youthful place - set me straight - tell

me how I was wrong. But after, I don't know, maybe two hours or so of listening to me - this big-time quote "preacher" did not have a single word to say to me. And as I recall, I don't think I can remember if he did say anything to me, instead, he looked at Chuck and said, "Chuck, this guy may be right about every single thing he said today. I cannot take that book and prove that anything he said today is wrong." Then Chuck said, "Well maybe we better have him preach tonight." And the preacher answered, "Chuck, if we have him preach tonight, we won't have a job tomorrow."

And that was that. That was a really strange, strange meeting. I had heard that this Baptist quote "preacher" could be volatile. Like I've seen many of them through the years. But he remained quite calm throughout the whole time I was talking. But ultimately, when it came down to quote "church incorporation" or the Lordship of Christ - he made his decision. And friends, I'm telling you, if a quote "preacher" cannot see something as simple as church incorporation - and then act accordingly - he cannot be trusted in regards to anything he has to say about the Bible. Christ is Lord or He is not. Can't have it both ways. And if we are not preaching and teaching the Word of God from the unmovable - unwavering position that Christ is Lord - then we have nothing - and we are actually fighting against the Kingdom of Christ.

It really is that simple. Try to reach one of these guys with the truth? Absolutely. I know some of you are trying to right now. God is not willing that ANY should perish - but that ALL should come to the knowledge of the truth and that includes that scribes and Pharisees. But when the scribes and the Pharisees demonstrate who and where their loyalties lie - it's time to cut - it's time to separate and move on to someone else who will accept the King and His Kingdom. Verse 22, now, Luke 5.

[22] But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answering said unto them, What reason ye in your hearts?

[23] Whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Rise up and walk?

[24] But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.

[25] And immediately he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay, and departed to his own house, glorifying God.

[26] And they were all amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying, We have seen strange things to day.

Did you hear that? We have strange things today. Listen to me now, we aren't going to perform these miracles like Christ did - but we can certainly preach and teach the many

principles - the gold nuggets - the life-changing precepts that we learn from these texts. And friends, I'm telling you, when you teach these truths to people and these precepts - this faith - this system of belief - is carried out in your life - people are going to say, "We have heard strange things today."

When you teach and preach and live, "No King but Jesus. No Law but God's Law. No citizenship but the commonwealth of Israel." People are going to say, "We have heard strange things today." And when those strange things are the principles you have learned from King and from Kingdom and you are just parroting and puppeting the Words of the King - you just smile and know that the King of kings and Lord of lords is looking down from the heavens and saying, "Look, there's one of mine!" Wow. How great is that? Verse 27.

[27] And after these things He went forth, and saw a publican, named Levi (this is the one and the same Matthew from Matthew 9), sitting at the receipt of custom: and he said unto him, Follow me.

[28] And he left all, rose up, and followed Him.

[29] And Levi made him a great feast in his own house: and there was a great company of publicans and of others that sat down with them.

[30] But their scribes and Pharisees murmured against his disciples, saying, Why do ye eat and drink with publicans and sinners?

[31] And Jesus answering said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick.

[32] I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Levi was a great sinner. He was a tax collector - a Roman tax collector. And when the King came to him and told him to leave his sin at the table and Follow Him, he did it.

I've read this to you before, and I want to do it again - just because - for no other reason than it gives me great joy. It's been so gloomy here. Cold. Icy. No sunshine. So, let's look at this again for the sheer joy of it. This is from the New Living Translation. I've told you before how that when I was playing "church" I used to be a KJV only guy. I was raised in that King James Only crowd - Peter Ruckman and some of those guys. I would have never read from the New Living Translation - or the Living Bible - or the NIV - none of that. But when I was in jail - and all I had was the New Living Translation one day - I thought I'd just look at some of my really favorite, go-to passages and see how it translated them.

For instance, these Matthew 9 and Luke 5 passages have always been kind of "go-to" passages for me. And, to be quite frank with you, I was expecting a total state sell-out from this modern translation, but to my great surprise and great joy - I found

something else. Listen to this. This is Matthew 9:9-11 from the New Living Translation.

9 As Jesus was walking along, He saw a man named Matthew sitting at his tax collector's booth. "Follow Me and be My disciple," Jesus said to him. So Matthew got up and followed him.

10 Later, Matthew invited Jesus and His disciples to his home as dinner guests, along with many tax collectors and other disreputable sinners. 11 But when the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with such scum?"

This is hilarious to me.

"Why does your teacher eat with such scum?"

You know, as bad as the Pharisees were in Christ's day, they still identified these people as scum. It's another example of their double-mindedness - but it's still amazing to me that the translators of a modern English Bible would actually translate this passage this way.

So, this morning, I said all of that to lead into telling you that on the Corona virus hoax page on the website - you will now see some of the articles that have a notation to click for Michael's Comments. There is also a link on the Corona virus hoax page for Michael's Corona Comments. This page has some of the back and forth emails that Michael and I have been exchanging. There will be more as they come in. I'm telling you, this guy's insight - as well as his book knowledge - that is tempered from a Biblical perspective - and the correct Biblical perspective - is really great reading.

Now, that Corona virus hoax page is getting input from a lot of others. And when they send me stuff in - it gets posted. Sometimes you may not see it that - because - for instance - if an article link comes in - and I click it - then find out that it's a relink from another source - then I'll go to the original source and link that. Say, for instance, someone posts something that is particularly incriminating to the deceivers - and the link is from say - Lew Rockwell, or Zero Hedge - but the original article was from the Huffington Post - then I'm going to link to the original Huffington Post article - and I want to do that to show their hypocrisy.

So, just because I'm singling out Michael here today - please - don't anyone think that I don't find great value in what you send. I do. It's just that I know a little more of Michael's background, and I know that what he sends in he has done a lot of research himself. Not that any of you haven't, I'm not saying that. It's just that for some reason - Michael's insights really strike me in ways that I want to make sure you all get them, too.

If any of you sending anything in, and you want to add special comments that you want others to read - just send them to me and I'll make them available. I appreciate everything that is coming in.

Open your Bibles this morning to Revelation chapter 16, please. We are still teaching under the theme, Revelation Revisited. And there's several more things, still, that I want us to look at in relation to the book. With that said, let's very quickly recap.

We have to keep the contents of the book confined to the opening verse. I don't understand why this is so difficult when it comes to this book. It's no different than any other book. The book opens with the first verse that says:

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

The book is about the Revelation of Jesus Christ - the revealing of Jesus Christ - as described by Christ Himself in Matthew 16,

For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

[28] Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

That is Christ talking about His Revelation - His official Revelation in His Kingdom. The Scriptures say over and over that this coming, this Revelation, was the Revealing of His Kingship and His Kingdom.

Matthew 24:27-34

For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

[28] For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

[29] Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

[30] And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

[31] And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

[32] Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:

[33] So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.

[34] Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

The book of Revelation is about this coming of Christ in His Kingdom and the very first verse of the chapter is totally consistent with all the other teachings concerning the event with the first verse saying the book was about THINGS - things plural - which MUST shortly come to pass.

Now friends, we have to keep this in mind constantly as we move through the rest of the book.

I had a guy this week telling me that the 1,000 years of Revelation 20 must be a literal 1,000 years and it absolutely is in our future. Well, it's not a literal 1,000 years because it would no doubt extend beyond the THINGS WHICH MUST SHORTLY COME TO PASS - and even still - if - it doesn't - but IF it were a literal 1,000 years - then how does it turn into 2,000 years? It says 1,000 years, not 2,000 years - for those who are demanding a literal 1,000 years. That's why the 1599 Geneva Bible - which I do not believe gets it right - but at least they were trying to be somewhat consistent - the margin notes of the Geneva Bible of 1599 have the 1,000 years of Revelation 20 ending at approximately 1070 AD.

But I cannot justify - when looking at the first verse - things - plural - which MUST shortly come to pass - then somehow turning 1,000 years into something shortly. The answer to that is simple. It really really is. II Peter 3:8:

But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

Peter is speaking directly concerning the book of Revelation, the Revealing of Christ, the coming of Christ - when he says "a thousand years is as a day and a day is a thousand years."

Turn their quickly, please, II Peter 3, verse 1. Pause the radio if you need to, I need to hurry on this morning.

[1] This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

[2] That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

He is telling them. Remember the prophets. Remember the teachings of the apostles - remember the Words of Christ. He says,

[3] Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,

Come on now, look, see this. Hear this. Understand this.

Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers...

They were in the Last Days. They were in the Last Days. Copy, paste, copy, paste, repeat, repeat repeat. They were in the Last Days. This was ALL - every single bit of this comparatively to the fact that life has gone on for thousands of years since ALL of this was written, received and read - THEY WERE IN THE LAST DAYS - because the phrase the Last Days - means the Last Days of the Old Covenant World. There is no reference - anywhere in all the Bible that refers to the anything but the Last Days of the Old Covenant World - the Old Covenant Age - that's what the phrase means. And Peter has once again - like everyone who went before - and everyone who wrote after him said - THESE ARE THE LAST DAYS. Verse 4.

[4] And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

Where is the promise of his coming?

It's now - after His resurrection - after His ascension into the heavens - now it's all about His coming. Acts 1:

...Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

John 14:1-3:

[1] Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

[2] In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

[3] And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Hebrews 9:26-28

For then must He often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.



[27] And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

[28] So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for Him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

On this side of the resurrection, on this side of Christ's ascension, yes, now it's all about His coming, His Revealing - and Peter's talking about it in II Peter 3, now verse 5.

[5] For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

[6] Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

We've talked about this a lot. The world that then was - perished. But when the rain waters left - was the earth still there? Yes it was. It doesn't mean that the earth - which God said abideth forever - was removed. Verse 7.

[7] But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

Sure sounds like the earth was going to be destroyed, Charlie. Really? Doesn't sound any different than

For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

[6] Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

Noah's world perished. But the earth was still there. The Old Covenant World perished -but the earth is still here. The Bible does not talk teach the end of the earth - as in the grass, the birds, the seas, the people, the earth. It teaches contrary - that the earth abideth forever - and of the increase of His Government and Peace there shall be no end.

[8] But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

[9] The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

[10] But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

Symbolic language. Every single bit of this is symbolic when it talks about Noah's world - then it talks about the Old Covenant World - when it talks about a thousand years as a

day and a day as a thousand years - it's symbolic - and not only that - Peter's thousand year symbology (is that a word) Peter's symbolic usage is directly corroborating and agreeing with John's thousand years of Revelation 20. Both of them are talking about exactly the same thing - and both of them are putting it all in the exact same time period - THINGS WHICH MUST SHORTLY COME TO PASS. In the first century. Inside the generation that Christ Himself said would not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

Look, this is not hard to understand. Shake off all the "church" garbage that many are still hanging onto and understand that all of this is talking about the first century when the very Son of God physically walked on the physical earth and accomplished every single thing that the prophets declared - from Moses - to John the Baptist - Christ fulfilled it all. He left nothing undone so that He would forever - from that day till this and beyond - He would be the Only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords. Verse 11.

[11] Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

[12] Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

[13] Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Peter is talking about the exact same things that John was talking about in the book of Revelation. Why wouldn't he be? The whole book from Genesis to Revelation is about the New Covenant World - it's about the Revealing of the Messiah as King of kings and Lord of lords. That's what it's all about. It's the Good News that man really messed things up by demanding a king like all the other nations - and God allowed it for a short time - so that men would hopefully look back at that time period and say, "Wow, did our ancestors really mess things up. Let's not make the same mistake. Let's embrace the Holy One of Israel. Let's claim our King. Let's claim our inheritance. Let's claim our citizenship in the commonwealth of Israel. Let's follow the risen Saviour, Lord and King!" Man, that will preach!

The contents of everything inside the book of Revelation - everything inside those 22 chapters - must fit inside the "things which must shortly come to pass" - "the time is at hand" of Revelation 1:3 - and "Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book, because the time is at hand" of Revelation 22:10.

With that said, we cannot go to chapter 2 of the book and force fulfillment outside of shortly. We can't go to chapter 3, 4, 5 and look for fulfillment outside of the "time is at

hand." We twist the Scriptures into things they do not say when we do that.

"But there must be an historical record of those things, if they happened in the first century." Really? An historical record, really? To me, it's just so much easier to believe the Bible. So, if I want the Bible and don't need anything else to prove it - then just let me go and you know what - I'll take my quote "chances" on the Word of God being true and all other sources being false. I'm willing to do that. Revelation chapter 16, verse 1

[1] And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

[2] And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.

[3] And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.

[4] And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.

[5] And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.

[6] For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

[7] And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.

[8] And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

[9] And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.

[10] And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,

[11] And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.

[12] And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

[13] And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

[14] For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that

great day of God Almighty.

[15] Behold, I come as a thief. (Same language as II Peter) Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

[16] And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

[17] And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

[18] And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.

Again, it's exactly the same things that Christ talked about in Matthew 24.

[19] And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

[20] And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

[21] And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.

We all know how much has been made from the “churchmen” regarding the phrase the battle of Armageddon. Which is interesting because this is the only time the word is even used in the Bible - Armageddon.

Do you believe this is talking about something in the future? In our future? Or is this something that happened in the THINGS WHICH MUST SHORTLY COME TO PASS?

I want to read something to you. This is from the “churchmen” and it is their explanation of Armageddon - the battle of Armageddon. Quote:

*What Is the Battle of Armageddon?*

*The Bible's answer*

*The battle of Armageddon refers to the final war between human governments and God. These governments and their supporters oppose God even now by refusing to submit to his rulership. (Psalm 2:2) The battle of Armageddon will bring human rulership to an end. —Daniel 2:44.*

I want to stop here for just a second - because I have told you that the battle for human rulership - ended with the Revealing of the King - as King of kings and Lord of lords. I preach that at the end of the Old Covenant Age - the days where God allowed the

nations to walk in their own ways ended and that no one or no thing is allowed to have their own little g governments any longer. Those days ended when the Old Covenant World ended. That's what I have preached for more than 35 years. These "churchmen" are saying - clearly - the days of human rulership are still in place. That's what they are saying by saying that the battle of Armageddon is a future battle that will be the final war between human governments and God. So, conclusion - until that battle comes - men are to submit to and obey human governments. Continuing.

*The word "Armageddon" occurs only once in the Bible, at Revelation 16:16. Prophetically, Revelation shows that at "the place that is called in Hebrew Armageddon," "the kings of the entire inhabited earth" will be gathered "together to the war of the great day of God the Almighty." —Revelation 16:14.*

*Who will fight at Armageddon? Jesus Christ will lead a heavenly army to victory over God's enemies. (Revelation 19:11-16, 19-21) These enemies include those who oppose God's authority and who treat God with contempt. - Ezekiel 39:7.*

*Will Armageddon literally be fought in the Middle East? No. Rather than being restricted to one area, the battle of Armageddon will encompass the whole earth. — Jeremiah 25:32-34; Ezekiel 39:17-20.*

*Armageddon, sometimes rendered "Har-Magedon" (Hebrew Har Meghiddohn'), means "Mountain of Megiddo." Megiddo was once a city in the territory of ancient Israel. History tells of decisive battles that were fought in its vicinity, including some that are recorded in the Bible. (Judges 5:19, 20; 2 Kings 9:27; 23:29) However, Armageddon cannot refer to the literal area near ancient Megiddo. There is no large mountain there, and even the entire adjoining Low Plain of Jezreel could not contain all those who will fight against God. Instead, Armageddon is the worldwide situation in which the nations assemble in their last stand against rule by God.*

*What will conditions be like during the battle of Armageddon? While we do not know how God will use his power, he will have at his disposal weapons such as those he has used in the past —hail, earthquake, flooding downpour, fire and sulfur, lightning, and disease. (Job 38:22, 23; Ezekiel 38:19, 22; Habakkuk 3:10, 11; Zechariah 14:12) In confusion, at least some of God's enemies will kill each other, yet they will ultimately realize that it is God who is fighting against them.—Ezekiel 38:21, 23; Zechariah 14:13.*

*Will Armageddon be the end of the world? It will not be the end of our planet, since the earth is mankind's eternal home. (Psalm 37:29; 96:10; Ecclesiastes 1:4) Rather than destroying humanity, Armageddon actually saves it, because "a great crowd" of God's servants will survive.—Revelation 7:9, 14; Psalm 37:34.*

*Besides referring to the earth, though, the word “world” in the Bible sometimes refers to wicked human society opposed to God. (1 John 2:15-17) In this sense, Armageddon will bring “the end of the world.”—Matthew 24:3, King James Version.*

*When will Armageddon take place? When discussing the “great tribulation” that culminates in the battle of Armageddon, Jesus said: “Concerning that day and hour nobody knows, neither the angels of the heavens nor the Son, but only the Father.” (Matthew 24:21, 36)*

End quote, expect for one little thing I'll come back to in a second.

Now friends, I want to ask you something. Who do you think wrote this? Did Jerry Falwell write it? Did C.I. Scofield write it? How about Billy Sunday or Dwight L. Moody? Maybe J. Vernon McGee? Had to be a Baptist or a Presbyterian or the Church of Christ - I mean - that's what every single one of them teach isn't it? Isn't this what we all heard in Sunday school? Isn't this what we were all taught from quote “church?” The battle of Armageddon is future. Jesus is going to fight the battle. He's coming back on a white horse. This is straight out of Jack VanImpe and Hal Lindsey - sure - this is what the Bible is talking about in Revelation 16. Sure, it's the future battle of Armageddon.

Well, this wasn't taken from any of those guys. Let me finish the last several words that I cut off - and we'll see if any of you can figure out where this came from. This is the fully quoted last paragraph:

*When will Armageddon take place? When discussing the “great tribulation” that culminates in the battle of Armageddon, Jesus said: “Concerning that day and hour nobody knows, neither the angels of the heavens nor the Son, but only the Father.” (Matthew 24:21, 36) which began in 1914.—Matthew 24:37-39.*

This - nearly the exact - with the exception of the last paragraph - is what we were taught in the so-called “church” all our lives. Doesn't matter whether Baptist, or Presbyterian, or Methodist, or church of Christ, or whatever - this is what we were taught - nearly word for word - with the exception of those last few words.

And friends, this came directly from the Jehovah's Witness website.

<https://www.jw.org/en/bible-teachings/questions/battle-of-armageddon/>

The battle of Armageddon - which was the battle that ended the earth-rule of people - the days where they said, “We want a king like all the other nations”- the battle of Armageddon ended those days forever and Jesus Christ, Yeshua the Christ defeated all those enemies - he took back all the kingdoms of the world to Himself. Today - no man, no woman, no thing is allowed to have a quote “government” on God's Creation. They

that do - do so out of rebellion to the King.

Those days were allowed in the Old Covenant World. But we live in a New Covenant World. We live in a world where there is No King But Jesus. And until we figure that out and start living accordingly WE also, will be living in rebellion to the King and we'll continue to suffer because of it. We are living in a world today that has gone totally mad - they are totally crazy - absolutely insane.

And it is the result of men believing and living and staying in the Old Covenant World where God allowed human ruler ship. They messed it badly then - it's messed up badly today.

We must be the voice of God crying in the wilderness. Futurism - the despicable - false doctrine of futurism has killed us. The book of Revelation is not unfulfilled Bible Prophecy. It's a book that Revealed that Christ fought the battle of Armageddon inside the proximity of "things which MUST shortly come to pass" and He is King of kings and Lord of lords RIGHT NOW - and it is the responsibility of every living, breathing creature, to conform to His Kingdom - RIGHT NOW.