

## **Matthew 24 Series - Matthew 24:34**

### **Part 7(c) in the Series - The Last Days**

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Good morning – or if you are listening in the 9 o'clock hour – good evening. I'm happy again that you have chosen to spend some time with me in the study of God's Word as we seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.

About 35 years ago, I recorded a song about the resurrection of Christ. And even though we are continuing our series on Matthew 24, I want to place this song because we are going to discuss the resurrection of Christ in this message. Listen now to, Love Crucified, Arose.

We've been studying Matthew 24 and I've been doing my best to unravel the teachings of the modern preacher – namely that the “end of the world” has not occurred – and that we are in the quote “last days.”

I can't stress to you enough how important it is that we understand those two phrases – “the end of the world” as found in Matthew 24:3 - “what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world” - and the phrase the “last days” as found in several passages throughout the Scriptures.

Listen, if you do not believe that the “end of the world” as found in the Bible – has not already occurred – then Jesus Christ – the central character of the entire Bible – the book that has been handed down throughout the history of mankind – that Jesus Christ – that Yeshua – that man Who has for hundreds of years been held out to the Son of God – the Redeemer of Israel and of all mankind – that Jesus **COULD NOT HAVE BEEN THE MESSIAH.**

Let me say it again – just so that I cannot be misunderstood – if you do not believe that the “end of the world” as found in the Scriptures has **NOT ALREADY OCCURRED** – then Jesus Christ was not the Messiah.

If someone believes that we are living in the quote “last days” today – right now – then Jesus Christ, Yeshua, was not the Messiah.

With all that has been written in the Scriptures, all that has been taught throughout the centuries concerning Christ, how is it that the modern Jews' religion can still deny that

Jesus was Messiah and that their messiah has not come.

I submit to you that it is the modern false teaching of the Bible that has enabled the Jew to continue in their denial of Christ and it is 100% because of the twisted teaching that the “end of the world” has not occurred and that the “last days” are occurring right now.

I have been told many times in my life that trying to persuade men to change their “eschatology” or their belief in Bible prophecy is not that important.

Friends, it is the most important thing that we can do today. There is nothing more important than first getting our “eschatology” straight because our “eschatology” determines what we believe about the Kingdom of God.

Christ Himself said, Seek ye FIRST the Kingdom of God, and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

Do this first. Before anything else. Do this first. Why? Because it is the foundation of it all. It is the Rock upon which all understanding comes from.

The Kingdom of God is the central theme of the Bible. In weeks past, I've shown you over and over how that Christ was revealed in the Scriptures through the prophecies – even to the EXACT time of His birth – how that the wise men – knew the EXACT time of the birth of Christ and how they came looking for the King – Who's Star they had seen from the east.

I showed you how that when His disciples found Him, they proclaimed, We have found Him of Whom Moses and the prophets did write, Jesus, the King of Israel.

I showed how the message of John the Baptist was simply this, “Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.”

I showed how Christ continued that exact same message and preached, “Repent for the Kingdom of God is at hand.”

When the preachers conspired to turn the people against their King, they said, “Whosoever maketh Himself a King, speaketh against Caesar.”

Then Pilate proclaimed to them, “Behold your King.”

To which they replied, "We have no king but Caesar."

I have gone much detail and have revealed much Scripture from the prophecies concerning the establishment of the Kingdom of God and that it would be established in the generation – the people and the time period – Who killed the Lord Jesus.

I showed another reason why modern day jews – enabled by the modern preacher today have not accepted Christ as King – namely that they teach that the Davidic Covenant – as described in II Samuel 7 has never been fulfilled.

Here is the Davidic Covenant from II Samuel 7:8=17

Now therefore so shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, from following the sheep, to be ruler over my people, over Israel:

[9] And I was with thee whithersoever thou wentest, and have cut off all thine enemies out of thy sight, and have made thee a great name, like unto the name of the great men that are in the earth.

[10] Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime,

[11] And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house.

[12] And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

[13] He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.

[14] I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:

[15] But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.

[16] And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

[17] According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

So Yahweh has promised David that He would establish his Kingdom with someone

Who would come from his seed and Kingdom would be an everlasting Kingdom, established for ever and ever.

So the Jew and the modern church-going individual takes this passage out of the Bible and lays down on the table and says - "Where is this fulfillment? I have never seen this fulfilled, so it must be future."

Yet, when Peter was preaching on the Day of Pentecost – and he stated as plain as anyone's day – THIS IS THAT WHICH WAS SPOKEN OF BY THE PROPHET JOEL – IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS.....

Then what did Peter say?

Acts 2:22-36:

[22] Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:

[23] Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

[24] Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

Now watch this very closely. Peter is going to remind his listeners concerning David. And Peter is going to speak to them directly concerning the Davidic Covenant as found in II Samuel 7.

[25] For David speaketh concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:

[26] Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:

[27] Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

[28] Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

[29] Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.

[30] Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;

Isn't this word for word what Nathan told David in II Samuel 7? If you don't believe it is, then you need to go back and read II Samuel 7:12 over and over and over until you get it – because it is very clear.

Watch, Acts 2:31:

[31] He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.

[32] This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.

[33] Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

[34] For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

[35] Until I make thy foes thy footstool.

[36] Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

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The word Lord here is kurios in the Greek, One Who is Supreme in authority.

The jews and the modern preachers don't think that the resurrection of Christ is a grand enough fulfillment to be the fulfillment of the Davidic Covenant.

Well, I certainly do.

Of all the indescribable miracles that Christ performed throughout His entire ministry, and of all the many miracles described throughout the rest of the Bible nothing compares to the awesomeness of the fact that the mightiest army the world had ever known unto that time took the Lord Jesus and executed Him then put Him in a borrowed tomb, rolled a giant stone in front of it – then 3 days later He rose from the dead victorious having conquered every enemy of God and man and He did it with His own power.

This was the greatest event in the history of mankind and it deserves to have its place regarded as so. To say that the resurrection of Christ is the fulfillment of the Davidic

Covenant raises the value of the words spoken to David in II Samuel 7 to heights that the modern preacher knows nothing about.

It was not the miracles that Christ performed that caused people to accept Him for Who He said He was. It was not the fact that He gave sight to the blind, made the lame man walk and the deaf to hear.

Even after all His many miracles – and Peter probably saw ALL OF THEM – but ultimately Peter himself denied the Lord Jesus.

But I'm telling you that after Peter saw Christ raised from the dead – it was then that Peter was forever changed. All doubt had been removed and it was then that Peter began his ministry which would ultimately prove to be one of the strongest, boldest evangelical witnesses the world has ever encountered. And it was because Peter knew that the fulfillment of the David Covenant was the resurrection of Christ and that event proved forever that God had made that same Jesus both Lord and Christ.

To say that the Davidic Covenant has not been fulfilled – and that it is in the process of being fulfilled today beginning with the return of the dispersed Jews – so-called to Israel in 1948 – and continuing to this day is to say that Jesus Christ was not the Messiah.

Yet, the leading proponent of the modern day futurist belief system – C.I. Scofield – says this about the Davidic Covenant.

In Scofield's book, "What Do the Prophets Say?", Scofield gives a couple of paragraphs to the Davidic Covenant. He says on page 161 in the second, third and fourth paragraphs:

Quote:

Doubtless the whole subject has been made an offense to many sincere and well-meaning students of the Bible by the too exclusively Jewish conception of the "age to come" in controversies over it. That the coming age is to fulfill the Davidic Covenant of the earth-rule of Messiah, as explained by the Prophets and confirmed by the oath of Jehovah and the message through Gabriel, is most true. But the New Testament lifts the purpose of the age to come into a breadth and majesty far beyond the promises to Israel, while including — nay, resting upon those promises. For the thought and word of God have an ever inner and vaster content than appears upon the surface. There are perpetual surprises in the interpretation of Scripture by Scripture as the student follows

the progressive unfolding of the Divine will. The Davidic Covenant is indeed to be fulfilled in the age to come, but a vastly grander thing is fulfilled — THE DESTINY OF THE RACE.

I ask you this. Is there something grander than the resurrection of Christ? Is there something grander than the promise to David being fulfilled in Christ?

According to Scofield, yes. The thing that is more grand than the resurrection, more grand than Christ sitting on David's throne, is the “destiny of the race.”

Scofield says that the destiny of the Jewish race – promises from the Bible wonderfully fulfilled today (since 1917) before our very eyes.

Wow. People that do not believe that Jesus was the Messiah. People that do not believe Christ was the fulfillment of what was promised from Moses to David, from Daniel to Malachi. People that do not believe that the wise men from the east found the King – the destiny of those people is grander than the resurrection of Christ.

Amazing.

Here's a little clip that I took from some different preachers and a popular politician in regards to what they have said about the “destiny of the race.”

I'm not an anti-Semite. I don't hate anyone because of their race, their bloodline, or even their religion. I've said this before and I'll say it again, it's the responsibility of every living, breathing creature to conform to the Kingdom of God – right now.

But I will say this, John Hagee said it was the responsibility of all quote “Christians to stand with the Jews...” endquote.

Really?

John said in II John 6-11

[6] And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment,

That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

[7] For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

[8] Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward.

[9] Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

[10] If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:

[11] For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

How can anyone read this passage of Scripture and say that you are to join up, defend, stand with, support, etc., anyone who does not believe that Christ has already come?

It just doesn't make any sense.

But it does make sense when the Word of God has been twisted into something it does not say or mean.

I'm telling you that the phrases, the “end of the world” and “the last days” means the end of the Old Covenant age, and the “last days of the Old Covenant age.”

When do the Scriptures to the Scriptures say that Christ was sacrificed?

Hebrews 9:26 -

[26] 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.

The modern day preacher – so-called believes that we are in “the last days.” He or she believes that the “end of the world” is in our near future.

This is why all these crazy, wild-eyed, ridiculous teachings prevail in the world today.

This is why all this garbage must be exposed and thrown down and cast out. It is the basis for all the deception going on – whether that deception has been purposeful – as in the teachings of C.I. Scofield who was backed by Cecil Rhodes, Andrew Carnegie an Oxford University – or whether it's the rural country preacher who sincerely believes the lies that have simply been passed down through the years.



Jesus Christ, Yeshua, is King of kings and Lord of lords – right now. He is not a coming king. He is not a coming messiah. His work as Messiah is over. He will NEVER be Messiah again. He is King. The office of Messiah ended at AD 70 when the temple was destroyed and Israel and the world does not need another Messiah.

What Israel and the world does need is to understand that the Old Covenant age – where God allowed Israel to have a king like all the other nations – those days are over.

In the Old Covenant age or world as Peter called it, God allowed the Israelites and even the other nations in the world – to have their own kings.

But in the New Covenant world – that is not allowed any longer.

Let's look at Acts 14.

[1] And it came to pass in Iconium, that they went both together into the synagogue of the Jews, and so spake, that a great multitude both of the Jews and also of the Greeks believed.

[2] But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles, and made their minds evil affected against the brethren.

[3] Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

[4] But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held with the Jews, and part with the apostles.

[5] And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles, and also of the Jews with their rulers, to use them despitefully, and to stone them,

[6] They were ware of it, and fled unto Lystra and Derbe, cities of Lycaonia, and unto the region that lieth round about:

[7] And there they preached the gospel.

[8] And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked:

[9] The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed,

[10] Said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked.

[11] And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.

[12] And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker.

[13] Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people.

[14] Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out,

[15] And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

[16] Who in times past suffered all nations to walk in their own ways.

Did you see that? This gospel message that Paul and Barnabas were preaching acknowledges that in “times past God suffered all nations to walk in their own ways.”

What's the word “suffered” here mean? It means to permit, to leave alone. God permitted all nations to walk in their own ways. This is what Yahweh did in I Samuel 8 when the Israelites demanded a “king like all the other nations.” He allowed it.

And boy did it cause some suffering didn't it?

Continue with Acts 14:17

[17] Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good, and gave us rain from heaven, and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.

[18] And with these sayings scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done sacrifice unto them.

[19] And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and, having stoned Paul, drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

[20] Howbeit, as the disciples stood round about him, he rose up, and came into the city: and the next day he departed with Barnabas to Derbe.

[21] And when they had preached the gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch,

[22] Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God.

Look at it. They preached the gospel. Confirmed the souls of the disciples, exhorted them to keep the faith and that we must through much tribulation enter into the Kingdom of God.

Paul and Barnabas were preaching the gospel – the Kingdom of God. They were preaching that the days where God allowed men to walk in their own ways – WERE OVER. It was time to walk in the Kingdom of God.

And Paul got nearly stoned to death over it.

Tell people today in 2018 that the days where God allowed the nations to walk in their own ways is over – and that the Kingdom of God is now required of all men – and see what happens.

But that's what it's going to take to turn the world upside down.

So many people are so overwhelmed at what is going on in the world today that they get frustrated and give up and lose hope.

But I want to remind you again that all the persecution that we see in the lives of those first century saints resulted in what was said ONLY 3 chapters later in Acts 17: THESE THAT HAVE TURNED THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN ARE COME HITHER ALSO.

The true gospel – that the Kingdom of God is a present-day reality has the power to turn the world upside down – and it can do it very quickly when men simply accept it and obey it.

But it will not happen as long as people believe that the Kingdom of God is future.

As long as people do not understand that the phrase the “end of the world” means the end of the Old Covenant age. And that the phrase “the last days” means the last days of the Old Covenant.

As long as the Old Covenant world is allowed to continue, men will continue to believe that people who happen to call themselves jews – but do not believe in Christ – are God's Chosen people.

As long as the Old Covenant world is allowed to continue, men will continue to believe that ungodly men are ordained by God to rule the world and we are to submit to their statutes in opposition to the Laws, Statutes, Commandments and perfect will of God.

Well, it was my full intention to continue on with Hebrews 1 and II Peter 3 in discussing the phrase the last days, so in our remaining time, let's get back to it. Hebrews 1:1-3

[1] God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,  
[2] Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;  
[3] Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

The Scripture clearly tells us that the writer of the book of Hebrews said that the last days were the generation – the people and the time period that the Son of God was given to.

There's not dual interpretations here.

I've heard people quote the phrase, "Those who fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it." And then they talk about history repeating itself. And yes, those things are true. But in relation to the Scriptures surrounding the very specific prophecies concerning the timing of the Kingdom of God – it's not true. There's no room for futurism here.

It's the false concept of dual interpretations and dual prophecies that is killing us.

The "last days" spoken of in Hebrews 1 are the last days of the Old covenant.

Go to II Peter 3 again. I told you last week, we'd get into a little more detail in this chapter. Verse 1:

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

[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.

[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.

[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.

[14] Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

Ok. So here we see the heavens passing away with a great noise. The elements melting with fervent heat. The earth also and the works that are therein burned up. 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? Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Now you look here and you say, ok, Charlie, these are plain and clear words. Why don't we believe them for exactly what they are saying?

Let's remember who the writer of this book is. This is Peter. The same Peter who preached in Acts 2 – this is that which was spoken of by the prophet Joel – it shall come to pass in the last days....

Go with me quickly to Joel chapter 3:

[14] Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision.

[15] The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.

[16] The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; **and the heavens and the earth shall shake:** but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

[17] So shall ye know that I am the LORD your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.

[18] And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the LORD, and shall water the valley of Shittim.

[19] Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence against the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land.

[20] But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.

[21] For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed: for the LORD dwelleth in Zion.

I want you to remember again that Peter is saying that what was taking place on the Day of Pentecost was what was prophesied by the prophet Joel. And ultimately, Joel was prophesying concerning the Day of the Lord.

Look very closely at verse 16 of Joel 3.

The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; **and the heavens and the earth shall shake:** but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

Now, back to II Peter 3:

What I'm telling you is that language that Peter is using here is his way of describing the end of the Old Covenant world and the establishment of the New Covenant world.

We discussed last week that Peter that the fiery judgement was reserved for the ungodly men. It wasn't for the physical creation of Yahweh. It was against the ungodly men.

So now look at II Peter 2. After all the dramatic language of the passing of the heavens and the earth, he says:

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

wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Now, go with me to Hebrews 12. And let's remember that the book of Hebrews was written for the purpose of explaining the differences between the Old Covenant and the New. It explains the differences between the priesthood of Aaron and the priesthood of Christ. It explains the sacrifices of the Old Covenant and the once and for all completion of the sacrifice of Christ. Now verse 18 of Hebrews 12.

[18] For ye are not come unto the mount that might be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest,

[19] And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words; which voice they that heard intreated that the word should not be spoken to them any more:

[20] (For they could not endure that which was commanded, And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:

[21] And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)

[22] But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,

[23] To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

[24] And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

[25] See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:

[26] Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

[27] And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

[28] Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

[29] For our God is a consuming fire.

Here you see in verses 26 and 27 – what the shaking of the heavens and the earth mean. This is the same language used by Joel. It's the same thing that Peter was talking about in Acts 2 when he referred to Joel and it's the same thing that Peter was talking about in II Peter 3.

The removing of the heavens and the earth is symbolic language for the passing of the

Old Covenant. The new heavens and the new earth are symbolic language for the establishment of the New Covenant – the eternal Kingdom of God. The fulfillment of the Davidic Covenant where Christ was resurrected from the dead and now sits on the throne of His Kingdom.

All of this took place in the generation – the people and the time period – in which Christ was sent to. That generation – from AD 30 to AD 70 witnessed this great transformation – so great a transformation that God moved the writers to call it the passing of the heavens and the earth. The end of the world. The last days.

This is it. This is what this means.