

CHAPTER 18

THE REBIRTH OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL ON MAY 14, 1948, IS ONE OF THE MAIN SIGNS OF GOD'S PROPHETIC TIME CLOCK AND AUTHENTICATES GOD'S WORD!

In the subsequent chapters, I have clearly substantiated how a new “spiritual” nation who would produce the proper “fruit” was birthed by God, and it is called the body of Christ, His Ekklēsia, or more commonly referred to as the Church.

Moreover, in Chapter 14 of this book, I covered in detail why America was “raised up” by God as a “physical” nation on the earth who would produce the proper “fruit,” until the prophecy in Isaiah 66:8 came to pass. This resulted in the nation of Israel being “reborn” on May 14, 1948.

The rebirth of the nation of Israel would fulfill that which was spoken by the prophet in Amos 9:14–15 below:

“I will bring BACK the CAPTIVES of My people ISRAEL; They shall BUILD the WASTE CITIES and INHABIT them; They shall PLANT VINEYARDS and DRINK WINE from them; They shall also MAKE GARDENS and EAT FRUIT from them. I will PLANT THEM in their LAND, And no LONGER shall they be PULLED UP from the LAND I have GIVEN them,’ Says the LORD your God.” (Amos 9:14–15, NKJV) (emphasis added).

Until the nation of Israel was “reborn” on May 14, 1948, God’s chosen people, the Israelites, consisting of all twelve tribes of Israel, were scattered all over the world when both the temple and Jerusalem, were destroyed in the year AD 70.

Therefore, America was birthed for God’s purposes and glory to prevail from the very beginning, to be His “physical” nation, or vineyard, until the *fullness of the Gentiles* is fulfilled.

After the *gospel of the kingdom* is preached in the entire world as a witness unto all the nations, *Yehováh* will turn His full attention back to the physical nation of Israel which is located in the Middle East, and to the Jewish people from the House of Judah.

When the *fullness of the Gentiles* is at hand, *Yehôvâh* will remove the scales off of the eyes of the Orthodox Jews from the House of Judah, who are still *spiritually* blinded by *Yehôvâh*. As such, they will have the opportunity to be offered salvation, and come to the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, as their Lord and Savior.

In fact, based on news reports coming out of Israel by Sid Roth, and others, this is already happening. And, as a result, many Orthodox Jews are receiving this revelation: Jesus Christ is the Messiah they have been waiting for all this time.

In Chapter 37 of Book 3, I will substantiate this truth: God has not forsaken the Jews from the House of Judah, due to their “disobedience” and “unbelief” based on Romans Chapter 11. Because if God has forsaken the Jews from the House of Judah, then what would this mean for the rest of us who were formerly Gentiles, who received God’s “mercy” and “grace” by our faith in His only *begotten* Son, Jesus Christ? This is despite our “unbelief,” and our “disobedience” to His Voice, and His Word!

In addition, why do you think *Yehôvâh* is having many of His true prophets and watchmen sound the trumpet throughout Zion? God is beseeching His people to repent and turn from our wicked ways, back to Him, before it is too late to make a course correction for all eternity.

In this hour, *Yehôvâh* is calling His people to come out of *spiritual*, or *mystery*, Babylon, before we share in her sins, and receive her plagues, for this reason: The hour is very late based on all the “signs” we are seeing come to pass on a global basis, which lines up with end-time prophecy.

THE “REBIRTH” OF THE NATION OF ISRAEL ON MAY 14, 1948, IS THE INDISPUTABLE TESTIMONY OF THE AUTHENTICITY OF GOD’S WORD

The rebirth of the nation of Israel on May 14, 1948, despite all odds, from a “historical” perspective alone, should give believers, and unbelievers, the testimony of the authenticity of God’s Word. It should prove to any onlooker this indisputable fact: Everything God has spoken by the mouths of His holy prophets throughout the *synergy of the ages* shall come to pass, because “*it is written...*”

If you did not get the opportunity to watch the recently televised documentary entitled,

The Miracle of Israel, I strongly recommend you buy the DVD and watch it with your family. ⁽¹⁾

THE “REBIRTH” OF THE NATION OF ISRAEL IS A “KEY” PROPHETIC “SIGN” OF MANY OF THE “SIGNS” JESUS TOLD US TO WATCH FOR

Why should the rebirth of the physical nation of Israel, warrant our undivided attention, and authenticate God’s Word, for all the scoffers and naysayers who are saying we are not in the end-times? Because beginning in Matthew Chapter 24, Jesus gives us *some*, but not all, of the “signs” to watch for signaling the *end of the age* of man’s “rule” and “reign” on the earth. One “key” passage of Scripture for us to pay close attention to is in Matthew 24:32–35 below:

“Now LEARN this PARABLE from the FIG TREE: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. So you also, when you SEE all THESE THINGS, know that it [the coming of the Son of Man based on Matthew 24:29–31] is NEAR—at the doors! Assuredly, I say to you, this GENERATION will by NO MEANS PASS AWAY till ALL these THINGS take PLACE. HEAVEN and EARTH will PASS AWAY, but My WORDS will by NO MEANS PASS AWAY.” (Matt. 24:32–35, NKJV) (emphasis added).

If you take the time to watch the documentary, *The Miracle of Israel*, you will quickly realize this truth: Heaven and earth will shortly pass away, but God’s Word will by no means pass away! Why? It is ETERNAL!

One of the meanings of the *Parable of The Fig Tree* concerns Israel becoming a nation again on May 14, 1948.

The rebirth of the nation of Israel restarted God’s prophetic time clock, which shall usher in end-time events spoken by the “Prophets of Old.”

These end-time events, which shall come to pass, will quickly accelerate the second coming of Jesus Christ.

The *physical* rebirth of the nation of Israel is a “key” *prophetic* “sign” Jesus told us to watch for. Jesus tells us to watch first, then to pray.

This is based on Luke 21:36, where Jesus says to us, *“WATCH therefore, and PRAY ALWAYS that you may be COUNTED WORTHY to ESCAPE all THESE THINGS that will COME to PASS, and TO STAND before the SON of MAN.”* (NKJV) (emphasis added).

Based on what Jesus says to us in Luke 21:36, we are admonished to WATCH first, so we will not be caught off guard, so we will know the “Day of the Lord” is fast approaching. We must stay in *constant* prayer, so we *may* be “counted worthy” to escape all these things, which shall come to pass, because *“it is written...”*

NO OTHER GENERATION HAS WITNESSED THE FULFILLMENT OF PIVOTAL “KEY” EVENTS COMING TO PASS CONCERNING ISRAEL

We are *this* generation who will see all the things Jesus told us in advance to watch for come to pass, even though there are many people who think this message applies to *every* generation since Jesus first spoke these words. However, no other generation has witnessed the following pivotal “key” events:

ISRAEL BEING BORN IN ONE DAY

“Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall the EARTH be made to give BIRTH in ONE DAY? Or shall a NATION be BORN at ONCE? For as soon as ZION was in LABOR, She gave BIRTH to her CHILDREN.” (Isa. 66:8, NKJV) (emphasis added).

JERUSALEM BECAME THE CAPITAL OF ISRAEL IN 1967

“I have set WATCHMEN on your WALLS, O JERUSALEM: They shall NEVER HOLD their PEACE DAY or NIGHT. You who MAKE MENTION OF THE LORD, DO not KEEP SILENT, And GIVE HIM no REST till He ESTABLISHES And till He makes JERUSALEM a PRAISE in the EARTH.” (Isa. 62:6–7, NKJV) (emphasis added).

GOD’S PEOPLE, THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL, WILL COME BACK TO THEIR HOMELAND ON THE MOUNTAINS IN ISRAEL FROM BEING SCATTERED ALL OVER THE WORLD

We are currently witnessing this promise based on Ezekiel 37:21–22, being fulfilled as the Jews, who were scattered all over the world, are returning to the state of Israel as one nation, *physically* speaking. Ezekiel 37:21–22 says the following:

“Then say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Surely I will TAKE the CHILDREN of ISRAEL from AMONG the NATIONS, WHEREVER THEY HAVE GONE, and will GATHER THEM from EVERY SIDE and BRING THEM into their OWN LAND; and I will make them ONE NATION in the LAND, on the MOUNTAINS of ISRAEL; and ONE KING shall be KING over them ALL; they shall no LONGER be two NATIONS, nor shall they ever be DIVIDED into two KINGDOMS again.’” (Ezek. 37:21–22, NKJV) (emphasis added).

Moreover, now more than ever before, those of us who were formerly Gentiles from the House of Israel are making pilgrimages to the nation of Israel as God is wooing us back—if only for a visit at this time.

However, Ezekiel 37:21–22, will be *totally* fulfilled when God dispatches His angels to gather all His people. Those who comprise His *spiritual* nation—the body of Christ, will be gathered from the four corners of the earth onto the *mountains of Israel* as one *holy* nation. They will come to the land God promised Abraham and his descendants—*Mount Zion*, located in the *heavenly* Jerusalem. This will happen after Jesus Christ our King appears the second time.

Then we will *never* be divided into two kingdoms again! This is, *spiritually* speaking, for there will no longer be a *kingdom of darkness*; there will only be the *kingdom of light* under the “rule” and “reign” of only one King—the *King of kings and the Lord of lords*—Jesus Christ.

Spiritually speaking, all the “remnant” of Israel will be in the *kingdom of light* forevermore as we cross over into the Promised Land of “eternal” life in the *kingdom of heaven*.

The *total* fulfillment of this promise in Ezekiel 37:21–22, *physically* speaking, will take place *after* the one-thousand-year millennium is over. Then the *wife of Christ*, the *holy* Jerusalem, will descend out of heaven from God based on Revelation Chapter 21.

THE LAND IN ISRAEL WILL BLOOM

When I was in Israel for ten days in November 2010, and again for fifteen days in September 2015, it was amazing to see this prophecy based on Isaiah 35:1–2, being fulfilled.

No matter what part of Israel we were in, the land was fertile and overflowing with crops, and trees, bearing every kind of fruit imaginable. This is because of God’s blessings on the land, and their state-of-the-art irrigation system.

Moreover, the contrasting landscape between Israel and her neighbors was quite apparent as well.

On Israel’s side of the border, the vegetation was green and lush, producing many different types of food, and fruit trees. In contrast, the landscape on the side of Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan was comprised of only rocks and sand.

Therefore, on the border, there was a distinct visual “green line” clearly distinguishing where Israel’s boundaries ended, and her neighboring Arab countries began, which is the fulfillment of Isaiah 35:1–2 below:

“The WILDERNESS and the WASTELAND shall be glad for them, And the DESERT shall REJOICE and BLOSSOM as the rose; it shall BLOSSOM ABUNDANTLY and REJOICE, Even with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, The excellence of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, The Excellency of our God.” (Isa. 35:1–2, NKJV) (emphasis added).

All these Scriptures I have listed in this section, substantiates this fact: Those of us who were born into *this* generation have witnessed what the “Prophets of Old” prophesied concerning the “fig tree” nation of Israel, which have come to pass.

Jesus told us to watch for so many “signs” which are being fulfilled on a global basis, it would take another book to convey them all.

However, we are “the” generation who will witness the fulfillment of all things, which shall take place before Jesus returns. In addition, there are many other prophetic “signs” which shall come to pass, before Jesus comes for His bride.

This is why in the *Parable of the Fig Tree*, Jesus says to us in Matthew 24:34, the following:

“Assuredly, I say to you, this GENERATION will by NO MEANS PASS AWAY till all THINGS take PLACE.” (Matt. 24:34, NKJV) (emphasis added).

Do not dismiss the significance that Jesus says **all**, not some; things must take place.

The bottom line is this: Jesus is coming back soon!

Yet I am sure many of you get weary of hearing people say the hour is later than most people realize.

This is based on the fact we are seeing many of the “signs” Jesus told us to watch for come to pass on a global basis.

Therefore, let’s embark on a journey to discover how close the “time frame” of the return of Jesus Christ really is, based on what God’s Word reveals to us concerning this matter.

However, we must remember that Jesus tells us in Matthew 24:22, *“And UNLESS THOSE DAYS WERE SHORTENED, NO FLESH would be SAVED; but for the ELECT’S SAKE those DAYS will be SHORTENED.”* (NKJV) (emphasis added).

GOD’S WORD SUBSTANTIATES THE “TIME FRAME” WHICH SHALL USHER IN THE RETURN OF JESUS CHRIST

Again, the rebirth of the *physical* nation of Israel in 1948, restarted God’s prophetic time clock, based on what Jesus said in Matthew 24:34. In addition, we must take into account what we are told in Daniel 9:25, which says the following:

*“Know therefore and understand, That from the GOING FORTH of the COMMAND to restore and build JERUSALEM until Messiah the PRINCE, there shall be SEVEN WEEKS⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾ [H7620: *shābūā’*: literally *sevened*, that is, a week (specifically of years); seven, a week. H7651: *Sheba’*: a primitive cardinal number, seven (as the sacred *full* one, seven *times*; by implication a week; specifically a period of a total of 70 Feast of Weeks] and SIXTY-TWO WEEKS;⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾ The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times.”* (Dan. 9:25, NKJV) (emphasis added).

This prophecy spoken by Daniel was *partially* fulfilled in history, and this decree to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem was issued as detailed in Nehemiah 2:1–8.

This decree to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem occurred on the 1st of the Hebrew month of Nisan (sometimes spelled Nissan), on March 14, BC 445, in the 20th year of King Artaxerxes’ reign. What Daniel was prophesying was *when* the *first* coming of Jesus Christ would take place, which was calculated based on *when* the decree to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem was first issued.

As such, the decree to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem when it was *first* issued was on March 14, 445 BC, which is based on the calculations provided by Daniel in Daniel 9:25, and points to the date of the 10th of Nisan (April 6, AD 32).

What significant event happened on this date? ⁽⁴⁾ This is the date that Jesus’ “triumphant entry” into Jerusalem occurred, which fulfilled Zechariah 9:9 and Luke 19:28–44.

Like so many of the prophecies spoken by the mouth of the “Prophets of Old,” this prophecy from Daniel, which is based on Daniel 9:25, is a dual fulfillment prophecy. What this means is this: This prophecy will have a total fulfillment in the future, even though part of the prophecy was fulfilled in the past.

Hence, this prophecy from Daniel based on Daniel 9:25, will have a total fulfillment at the end of the *synergy of the ages*. And, it also reveals the “time frame” of *when* Jesus Christ, our Messiah, will return the *second* time. And, it is for this very reason; I do not believe the tribulation period will be for a total of seven years.

Therefore, we need to take a closer look at Daniel 9:25. As such, the Hebrew meaning of the word “weeks” as used in Daniel 9:25, refers specifically to the Feast of Weeks (*Shavuot* or *Pentecost*), which occurs on a yearly basis until the return of *Messiah the Prince* (Jesus Christ).

THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS CHRIST CAN ONLY HAPPEN ONCE THE GOING FORTH OF THE “COMMAND” TO “RESTORE” AND “BUILD” JERUSALEM OCCURS AT THE END OF THE *SYNERGY OF THE AGES*

History always repeats itself, and based on Ecclesiastes 3:15, we are specifically told that which is, has already been, and what is to be, has already been, because God requires an account of what is past. Therefore, the *second* coming of Jesus Christ can only happen once the going forth of the **command** to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem occurs once again at the end of the *synergy of the ages*.

For the **total** fulfillment of Daniel 9:25 to take place, this **command** to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem, *must* be issued once again at the end of the *synergy of the ages*. This must happen for Israel, the “fig tree” nation, to shoot forth her branches which would ultimately result in “restoring” and “building” Jerusalem, even in troublesome times. This could **not** occur until Israel was *physically* “reborn” as a nation once again.

As such, this **command** which would ultimately result in Jerusalem being “restored” and “built” again was issued **when** the *Balfour Declaration* was **decreed** on November 2, 1917.

Without the *Balfour Declaration* being issued, the nation of Israel could **not** have been “reborn” *despite* all odds on May 14, 1948. As a matter of fact, on May 14, 2017, the nation of Israel will celebrate her 69th birthday. Therefore, this **command** for Israel, the “fig tree” nation, to shoot forth her branches as a result of the *Balfour Declaration*, was issued by the United Nations on November 29, 1947. This was when the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution calling for Palestine to be partitioned between Arabs and Jews, allowing for the formation of the Jewish state of Israel.

They did this, so Jerusalem would belong to the world, and be under “international” control. Thus, it is **not** a coincidence the United Nations, and others they are in collusion with, are trying to do the same thing once again.

However, God rendered their plan “null” and “void” as a result of the miraculous *Six-Day War*, when on June 7, 1967, Jerusalem came back under the control of Israel, based on the *everlasting* covenant God established with Abraham and his descendants.

Even now God will have the final say in this matter, and His will shall prevail for this reason: He “remembers” the *everlasting* covenant He established with Abraham, that He swore to Himself, because He could swear no higher than Himself, to protect, defend, and uphold forevermore!

TWO “KEY” PIVOTAL EVENTS TOOK PLACE CONCERNING THE “PHYSICAL” NATION OF ISRAEL WHICH “REACTIVATED” GOD’S PROPHETIC END-TIME CLOCK

This **command** to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem, until the *second* coming of *Messiah the Prince* (who is Jesus Christ), could **not** have come to pass at the *end of the ages* until two pivotal “key” events were fulfilled. They are as follows:

1. Israel was “reborn” as a nation in 1948.
2. The nation of Israel acquired Jerusalem as their capital in 1967 as a result of the miraculous *Six-Day War*.

As such, these two “key” pivotal events which have come to pass, is what “reactivated” God’s prophetic end-time clock.

These two “key” events are what “qualifies” or “defines” the generation, which will by *no* means pass away until all these things Jesus spoke about in Matthew Chapter 24 take place, which will usher in His second coming. Therefore, we need to allow God’s Word to define what a generation is.

WHAT IS A “GENERATION” ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE?

A generation, according to the Bible, is one hundred years. We base this on what God told Abraham in Genesis 15:13–16, about the children of Israel being in Egypt for four hundred years.

Four hundred years equates to four generations before God would bring them out from their slavery at the hands of Pharaoh, the *King of Egypt*, who knew not Joseph so that they could worship God under the leadership of His servant Moses.

This is substantiated in Genesis 15:13–16, which says the following:

“Then He said to Abram: ‘Know certainly that YOUR DESCENDANTS will be STRANGERS in a LAND that is not theirs, and will serve them, and they will AFFLICT them FOUR HUNDRED YEARS. And also the nation whom they serve I will judge; afterward they shall come out with great possessions.’

*Now as for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age. But in the **FOURTH GENERATION** they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”* (Gen. 15:13–16, NKJV) (emphasis added).

Again, this was based on one of God’s promises made to Abraham and his descendants, based on the *everlasting* covenant God established with Abraham.

In Exodus 2:23–25, we learn the following: God heard the children of Israel groan, because of their bondage, as they cried out because God “remembered” His covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (Israel). Hence, God looked upon the children of Israel and acknowledged them. And, as a result, He sent Moses to deliver His Hebrew people out of their bondage in the land of Egypt.

So we clearly see that God’s Word is saying the children of Israel would be in Egypt for four hundred years. Then in the fourth generation, they would return to the land God promised Abraham his descendants would take possession of as their inheritance.

Therefore, this defines a generation according to the Bible as one hundred years.

JESUS TELLS US “THIS” GENERATION WHO SAW THE “REBIRTH” OF THE NATION OF ISRAEL, WOULD BY NO MEANS “PASS AWAY” UNTIL ALL THESE THINGS TAKE PLACE

Based on what Jesus said in Matthew 24:34, He said **this** generation who saw the rebirth of Israel in 1948, would by **no** means pass away until **all** these things take place.

These “things” are concerning the “signs of the times” and “the end of the age,” Jesus elaborates on in Chapter 24 of the Book of Matthew.

Now let’s refocus our attention of the “rebirth” of the nation of Israel.

Without the *Balfour Declaration* being issued there would be no Israel to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem, even in troublesome times, until Jerusalem would come back under their control as their capital.

So, if you add one hundred years, representing one generation based on Genesis 15:13–16, to the year 1917 when the *Balfour Declaration* was issued, then *this* generation who witnessed Israel being “reborn” again as a nation will pass away around 2017, which is the Hebrew Year of 5777.

In addition, if you add seventy years, which represents the number of Feast of Weeks (*Shavuot* or *Pentecost*) which have transpired *after* the **command** (resolution) was issued (passed) by the UN, which would result in the Jewish state of Israel being reborn, and the **command** to “restore” and “build” Jerusalem would be issued based on Daniel 9:25, then you would get the following:

1947 (UN passed resolution resulting in the formation of the Jewish state of Israel) + 70 (Feast of Weeks, which equates to 70 years) = 2017, which is the Hebrew Year of 5777.

It is also the **total** culmination of the seventy weeks of Daniel, which is based on Daniel 9:24, which says the following:

“SEVENTY WEEKS” ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾ [H7620: *shábûâ*’: literally *sevens*, that is, a *week* (specifically of YEARS); seven, a week. H7651: *Sheba*’: a primitive cardinal number, seven (as the sacred *full* one, seven *times*; by implication a *week*; specifically a period of a total of 70 Feast of Weeks] *are DETERMINED For YOUR PEOPLE and for YOUR HOLY CITY, To finish the TRANSGRESSION, To make an end of SINS, To make reconciliation for INIQUITY, To bring in EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS, To seal up VISION and PROPHECY, And to anoint the MOST HOLY.”* (Dan. 9:24, NKJV) (emphasis added).

Moreover, the Jewish people sounded the trumpet in the Year of Jubilee which occurred in 1967 according to a video featuring Jonathan Cahn talking about the Shemitah year, which begins at 2:40 in the video which I have provided the link to in the appendix at the back of this book. ⁽⁵⁾ Furthermore, please note the title of this video is somewhat erroneous, and it appears they are saying the Year of Jubilee will happen on September 23, 2015. This date is talking about the Day of Atonement, depending on the sighting of the New Moon by two, or more witnesses, in Jerusalem, which will officially start the Feast of Trumpets based on God’s calendar. This is not talking about the Jubilee year.

In this video, Jonathan Cahn specifically says the sound of the shofar was sounded in 1967 when Jerusalem once again came back to Israel as their possession and their inheritance.

As such, it was on June 7, 1967, Jerusalem came back into the hands of its rightful owners as a result of the *Six-Day War*.

According to the Word of God, a Jubilee is forty-nine years based on Leviticus 25:8, which says, “*And you shall count seven SABBATHS of YEARS for yourself, SEVEN TIMES SEVEN YEARS; and the time of the SEVEN SABBATHS of YEARS shall be to you FORTY-NINE YEARS.*” (NKJV) (emphasis added).

However, the Year of Jubilee is every fifty years. This is based on Leviticus 25:11–12 below.

“That FIFTIETH YEAR shall be a JUBILEE to you; in it you shall neither sow nor reap what grows of its own accord, nor gather the grapes of your untended vine. For it is the JUBILEE; it shall be holy to you; you shall eat its produce from the field.” (Lev. 25:11–12, NKJV) (emphasis added).

Therefore, if you add 50 (the number which signifies the Year of Jubilee) to 1967 (when Jerusalem became the capital of Israel again), you would get 2017, which is the Hebrew Year of 5777.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE HEBREW YEAR OF 5777 (2017)

The Hebrew year of 5777 refers to the “time frame” of when *this* “generation” who witnessed the “rebirth” of the nation of Israel shall pass away.

We are told in Deuteronomy 19:15, God requires the testimony of two, or three, witnesses for a matter to be established. Therefore, I present to you the “time frame,” **not** the “day,” or the “hour,” which will usher in Jesus Christ’s second coming based on the following facts:

- ❖ When you add seventy years (which represents the number of the Feast of Weeks that has transpired) after the **command** (resolution) was issued (passed) by the United Nations General Assembly on November 29, 1947, calling for Palestine to be partitioned between Arabs and Jews, allowing for the formation of the Jewish state of Israel. This would result in “restoring” and “building” Jerusalem once again, even in troublesome times, you would get the following:

1947 (UN passed resolution resulting in the formation of the Jewish state of Israel) + 70 (Feast of Weeks, which equates to 70 years) = 2017, which is the Hebrew Year of 5777.

- ❖ Furthermore, since we already know the Year of Jubilee is every fifty years based on Leviticus 25:11–12, if you add 50 (the number which signifies a Jubilee year) to 1967, the last known “Year of Jubilee” held in the land of Israel, which occurred when Israel took possession of Jerusalem as their capital as a result of the *Six-Day War*, you would get the following:

1967 (Jerusalem became the capital of Israel again) + 50 (Year of Jubilee) = 2017, which is the Hebrew Year of 5777.

- ❖ In addition, if you add one hundred years, which represents one generation based on what God told Abraham in Genesis 15:13–16, to the year 1917 when the *Balfour Declaration* was issued, without which, there would be no Israel.

And, Jerusalem would not have been under Israeli control as their capital so that they could rebuild again, even in troublesome times.

Hence, what this tells us is *this* generation who witnessed Israel being “reborn” again as a nation will pass away around 2017, which is the Hebrew Year of 5777. This is based on the following:

1917 (the *Balfour Declaration*) + 100 years (one generation) = 2017, which is the Hebrew Year of 5777.

Based on the three examples I have listed, it is not a coincidence all these pivotal events concerning the nation of Israel, and Jerusalem culminates in the Hebrew year of 5777 (2017)!

In fact, “triple” seven, is based on the number seven being God’s number of *spiritual* “perfection,” or “completion.” The number five in the Bible represents God’s grace. In other words, the biblical numeric meaning of 5777 is referring to God’s grace which is made perfect, or complete.

There will be another pivotal event which shall coincide with the Hebrew year of 5777. On September 23, 2017, a major “sign” in the heavens will occur that *supposedly* only happens

every 7,000 years. This great “sign” will *literally* depict that which is spoken of by the apostle John in Revelation 12:1–6.⁽⁶⁾

Another interesting side-note is this fact: Based on Genesis 5:31, we are told Lamech, the father of Noah, died when he was seven hundred and seventy-seven (777) years old. What is the significance of this? Lamech was the last patriarch to die *before* the flood occurred, which resulted in a New Beginning.

We are specifically told by Jesus in Matthew 24:37, and Luke 17:26, “*But as the DAYS of NOAH were, so also will the COMING of the SON of MAN be.*” (NKJV) (emphasis added).

Therefore, I believe the climax of the *synergy of the ages* may happen during the seventieth (70th) year of Israel becoming a *literal* physical nation once again which shall occur after the Hebrew year of 5777 (2017) which is the Year of Jubilee.

We know that 2017 is the Year of Jubilee based on this fact: In 1967 was the last known Year of Jubilee which was celebrated in Israel, and we know that fifty (50) years is the Year of Jubilee based on Leviticus 25:11–12. Therefore, if you add 50 to the year 1967, it would equate to 2017 which is the next Year of Jubilee.

Again, on May 14, 2017, the nation of Israel will celebrate her 69th birthday since she became a *literal* (physical) nation again on May 14, 1948.

As such, on May 14, 2018, this will be the 70th anniversary (birthday) of Israel being “reborn” as a *literal* physical nation on the earth.

And, it will also be the **total** fulfillment of Daniel 9:24. In this Scripture, we are specifically told that seventy weeks (70 Feast of Weeks [*Shavuot* or *Pentecost*]) are determined for God’s people—His holy city (*spiritual* Jerusalem—the body of Christ), to fulfill the following six things:

1. To **finish** the TRANSGRESSION.
2. To make an **end** of SINS.
3. To make **reconciliation** for INIQUITY.
4. To **bring in** EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS.
5. To **seal up** VISION and PROPHECY.
6. To **anoint** the MOST HOLY.

After the fulfillment of **all** the things spoken by the mouths of the “Prophets of Old” is finished, this will usher in the second coming of Jesus Christ.

However, I want to be absolutely clear concerning this indisputable truth: God’s Word tells us **NO ONE**, not even the angels of heaven, will know the “day,” or the “hour,” Jesus Christ will return.

Jesus tells us this truth in Matthew 24:36, when He says, “*But of that DAY and HOUR no one KNOWS, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.*” (NKJV) (emphasis added).

We have entered a new era and are reaching the climax of the *synergy of the ages* which shall usher in the return of Jesus Christ. As such, in these final hours, God is orchestrating the “restoration” and “reconciliation” of all things, especially concerning all Israel. Both Jew and former Gentiles becoming One New Man in the “physical” earthly realm is the two witnesses of the Book of Revelation, *spiritually* speaking.

God established a New Covenant with both the Jews from the House of Judah and former Gentiles from the House of Israel. See Jeremiah 31:31–33 and Hebrews 8:7–13. Accordingly, Israel refers to the land God promised to Abraham’s descendants. And, Israel refers to God’s “covenant” people He established a New Covenant with. Under the New Covenant, our Lawgiver now lives inside of us by His Holy Spirit. Hence, God has now put His laws, which Jesus did not abolish (disintegrate, demolish, and dissolve), in our mind and He has written them on our hearts instead of two tablets of stone.

In fact, do we realize when we pray for the peace of Jerusalem like we are commanded to do, we are actually praying for ourselves—the *heavenly* “spiritual” Jerusalem which is holy?

Jerusalem which is located in the “physical” nation of Israel is the city of *Yehováh*. However, “spiritual” Jerusalem resides in the hearts of all disciples of our Jewish Messiah—Yeshua (Jesus Christ). Listen to Psalm 122:6–9, which proclaims this truth. This Scripture says the following:

“PRAY for the PEACE of JERUSALEM: ‘May they PROSPER who LOVE you. PEACE be within your WALLS, PROSPERITY within your PALACES. For the sake of my brethren and companions, I will now say, “PEACE be within YOU.” Because of the HOUSE of the LORD our GOD I will SEEK your GOOD.’” (Psalm 122:6–9, NKJV) (emphasis added).

The truth is “physical” Jerusalem will never have total peace while we are still on the earth because God will use her to be a “cup of trembling” to all the nations (Isaiah 51:17 and Zechariah 12:2). Until Jesus returns the second time, His people will only have peace by the Prince of Peace residing within our hearts, *spiritually* speaking. This is what this verse in Psalm 122:7 is referring to when it states “*PEACE be **within** YOUR walls.*” (NKJV) (emphasis added).

Since our bodies are the Temple of the Living God, this is talking about peace **within** our hearts. This peace **within** our hearts can only be received by us abiding in His presence and submitting to His total Lordship in our mind, heart, and our life by keeping His commandments.

Also, notice this verse in Psalm 122:7 says, “...*PROSPERITY **within** YOUR palaces.*” (NKJV) (emphasis added).

This is talking about prosperity within our homes—our finances, and in our bodies for God desires that His people prosper in all things even as our soul prospers which is substantiated in Third John 2, which says the following:

*“Beloved, I pray that you may **PROSPER** ⁽¹¹⁾ [G2137: *euodoō*: help on the road, that is, (passively) *succeed in reaching*; figuratively to *succeed in business affairs: have a prosperous journey*] in ALL THINGS and BE IN HEALTH, just as your SOUL **PROSPERS.**” ⁽¹¹⁾ (3 John 2, NKJV) (emphasis added).*

And, this also goes right in line with the “blessed” state of the “righteous” as substantiated in Psalm 112:1–3, which says the following:

*“Praise the LORD! BLESSED is the MAN who FEARS the LORD, Who DELIGHTS GREATLY in His **COMMANDMENTS** ⁽¹²⁾ [H4687: *mitsvāh*: a command, whether human or divine (collectively the Law): (which was) commanded (-ment), law, ordinance, precept]. His DESCENDANTS will be MIGHTY on EARTH; The GENERATION of THE UPRIGHT will be BLESSED. **WEALTH** ⁽¹³⁾ [H1952: *hon*: wealth; by implication *enough*: riches, substance] and **RICHERS** ⁽¹⁴⁾ ⁽¹⁵⁾ [H6239: *’ōsher*: wealth; H6238: *’āshar*: to accumulate; chiefly (specifically) to grow (causatively *make*) *rich*] will be IN his **HOUSE** ⁽¹⁶⁾ [H1004: *bayith*: a house (in the greatest variation of*

applications, especially *family*, etc.): palace, place, temple], *And HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ENDURES FOREVER.*” (Psalm 112:1–3, NKJV) (emphasis added).

Also, Psalm 122:6 states, “*Pray for the PEACE of JERUSALEM: May they **PROSPER***”⁽¹⁷⁾ [H7951: *shālāh*: to be *tranquil*, that is, *secure* or *successful*: be happy, prosper, be in safety] *who LOVE you.*” (NKJV) (emphasis added).

Notice based on Psalm 122:6, God’s promise to “prosper” us is for those who “love” Him. Therefore, those who will “prosper” are those who keep God’s commandments. This is based on what Jesus says to us in John 14:15, “*IF you LOVE Me, KEEP My **COMMANDMENTS***”⁽¹⁸⁾ [G1785: *entolē*: *injunction*, that is, an authoritative *prescription*: commandment, precept; *ethically* used of the commandments in the Mosaic Law].” (NKJV) (emphasis added).

Thus, Daniel 9:24 is all about the seventy weeks (70 Feast of Weeks [*Shavuot* or *Pentecost*]) are determined for God’s people—His holy city (*spiritual* Jerusalem—the body of Christ [both the Jews and former Gentiles He has established a New Covenant with), to fulfill the following six things:

1. To **finish** the TRANSGRESSION.
2. To make an **end** of SINS.
3. To make **reconciliation** for INIQUITY.
4. To **bring in** EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS.
5. To **seal up** VISION and PROPHECY.
6. To **anoint** the MOST HOLY.

Time is running out. Our King is coming whether we are ready or not. In fact, Jesus is returning for a bride who is without spot or blemish because she has arrayed herself in fine, white linen—which are the *righteous* acts of the saints. And, He will reward us according to our works, not according to our faith in Him. This is substantiated in Matthew 16:27 which says, “*For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each ACCORDING to his WORKS.*” (NKJV) (emphasis added). Even the demons believe in Jesus, and they tremble (James 2:19).

Are you like the five “wise” virgins in *The Parable of the Wise and Foolish Virgins*? Or, are you a “foolish” virgin to whom Jesus will say to depart from Him on Judgment Day because you practiced “lawlessness” and did not do the “will” of your heavenly Father?