

Congregation Notes Behar-Bechukotai
Signs of Messiah's Coming and the Fall of Mystery Babylon
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Lev. 21:1-24:23; Ezekiel 44:15-31; Matthew 26:20-28

*Leviticus 25:1-4a;6-7 And the Lord spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai, saying, "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: 'When you come into the land which I give you, then the land shall keep a sabbath to the Lord. Six years you shall sow your field, and six years you shall prune your vineyard, and gather its fruit; but in the seventh year there shall be a sabbath of solemn rest for the land, a sabbath to the Lord..... And the sabbath produce of the land shall be food for you: for you, your male and female servants, your hired man, and the stranger who dwells with you, for your livestock and the beasts that are in your land—all its produce shall be for food.

*Leviticus 25:8-9 And you shall count <u>seven sabbaths of years for yourself, seven times</u> <u>seven years; and the time of the seven sabbaths of years shall be to you forty-nine</u> <u>years. ⁹ Then you shall cause the trumpet of the Jubilee to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month; on the Day of Atonement you shall make the trumpet to sound throughout all your land.</u>

*Daniel 9:24-27 <u>Seventy weeks</u> are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

²⁵ Know therefore and understand, that from the <u>going forth of the commandment to</u>
<u>restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and</u>
<u>sixty-two weeks</u>: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

²⁶ And <u>after sixty-two weeks shall Messiah be cut off</u>, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

²⁷ And <u>he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week</u>: and in the midst of the week he shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering, and on the wing of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

- *Genesis 3:15 And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed) and her seed. He will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.
- *Revelation 12:5 bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron.

 And her Child was caught up to God and His throne.
- *Revelation 12:4 His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to <u>devour her Child</u> as soon as it was born.
- *Matthew 2:13b Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, "Arise, take the young Child and His mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I bring you word; for Herod will seek the young Child to destroy Him.
- *Daniel 2:31-42 selections "You, O king, were watching; and behold, a great image! This great image, whose splendor was excellent, stood before you; and its form was awesome. 37 You, O king, are a king of kings. For the God of heaven has given you a kingdom, power, strength, and glory; 38 and wherever the children of men dwell, or the beasts of the field and the birds of the heaven, He has given them into your hand, and has made you ruler over them all—you are this head of gold. 39 But after you shall arise another kingdom inferior to yours; then another, a third kingdom of bronze, which shall rule over all the earth. 40 And the fourth kingdom shall be as strong as iron, inasmuch as iron breaks in pieces and shatters everything; and like iron that crushes, that kingdom will break in pieces and crush all the others....44 In the days of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will shatter all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, but will itself stand forever.
- *Matthew 24:6-7 You will hear of <u>wars and rumors of wars</u>, but see to it that you are not alarmed. These things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be <u>famines and earthquakes in various places</u>....
- *Zephaniah 3:6 I have cut off the nations; their corner towers are destroyed. I have made their streets deserted with no one to pass through. Their cities are laid waste, with no man, no inhabitant.
- *Zephaniah 3:7 <u>I said</u>, <u>Surely you will fear Me</u>, <u>You will receive instruction</u>— <u>So that her dwelling would not be cut off</u>, Despite everything for which I punished her. <u>But they rose early and corrupted all their deeds</u>.

- *Matthew 23:39 For I tell you that you will not see Me again until you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
- *Matthew 24:32-33 Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its branches become tender and sprout leaves, you know that <u>summer is near</u>. So also, <u>when you see all these</u> things, you will know that He is near, right at the door....
- *Song of Songs 2:10-11 My love calls to me: Arise, my darling. Come away, my beautiful one. For now the winter is past; the rain is over and gone....
- *Micah 7:15 As in the days when you came out of the land of Egypt, I will show them wonders.
- *Ecclesiastes 1:9 What has been will be again, and what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun.
- *Song of Songs 2:10 Arise, my darling. Come away, my beautiful one.....
- *Jonah 1:6-9 The captain went to him and said, How can you sleep? Get up and call on your god! Maybe he will take notice of us so that we will not perish.

Then the sailors said to each other, Come, let us cast lots to find out who is responsible for this calamity. They cast lots and the lot fell on Jonah. So they asked him, Tell us, who is responsible for making all this trouble for us? What kind of work do you do? Where do you come from? What is your country? From what people are you?

He answered, <u>I am a Hebrew and I worship the LORD</u>, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.

- *Song of Songs 2:10-11 Arise, my darling. Come away, my <u>beautiful one</u>. For now the winter is past; the rain is over and gone....
- *Zechariah 8:2 This is what the LORD Almighty says: "I am very jealous for Zion; <u>I am</u> burning with jealousy for her."
- *I Thessalonians 5:3 nlt When people are saying, "Everything is peaceful and secure," then disaster will fall on them as suddenly as a pregnant woman's labor pains begin. And there will be no escape.
- *I Thessalonians 5:3 nkjv For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.

*Revelation 18:1a....10 selections <u>1</u> After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory. <u>2</u> And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, <u>Babylon the great is fallen</u>, is fallen,..... <u>9The kings of the earth who committed fornication and lived luxuriously with her will weep and lament for her, when they see the smoke of her burning, <u>10</u> standing at a <u>distance for fear of her torment</u>, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that <u>mighty city!</u> For in one hour your judgment has come.</u>

*Matthew 16:2-3 But He replied, When evening comes, you say, 'The weather will be fair, for the sky is red,' And in the morning, 'It will be stormy today, for the sky is red and threatening.' You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but you cannot interpret the signs of the times.