The Return of Jesus – The "Day Of The LORD"

What will it be like the DAY the Jesus returns to the earth and is seen by every eye?

It will be **GREAT** day for the **Faithful** and a **TERRIBLE** day for the **Luke-warm and Unbelievers**!

Joel 2: 11b For the Day of the Lord is GREAT and VERY terrible; and who can abide it?

What is God's Plan on that Day, what will He be doing? Let's READ HIS WORD!

- <u>Psalm 50:</u> ¹The Mighty One, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- ² Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.
- ³ <u>Our God comes</u>; he does not keep silence; before him is a <u>devouring fire</u>, around him a mighty tempest.

 ⁴ He calls to the heavens above
- ⁴ He calls to the heavens above and to the earth, that He may judge HIS people:
- Gather [rapture] to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!" (See Romans 12:1)
 The heavens declare his righteousness, for God himself is judge! Selah
- ⁷ "Hear, O my people, and I will speak;
 O Israel, I will testify against you.
 I am God, your God.

Israel = The Whole House, those left behind – luke-warm and unbelievers

See the Words of Jesus – Something is **COMING UPON** the Earth "IT IS COMING!"

<u>Luke 21</u>: ²⁵ "And there will be <u>SIGNS</u> in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the <u>roaring of the sea and the waves</u>, ²⁶ <u>people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world</u>. For the powers of the heavens will be <u>shaken</u>. ²⁷ And then <u>they will see the Son of Man [Jesus]</u> <u>coming in a cloud</u> with power and great glory. ... ^{34b} and <u>that day come upon you suddenly like a trap</u>. ³⁵ For <u>IT</u> will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ But keep on the alert at all times, praying that you may have <u>strength to ESCAPE all these things</u> that are about to take place, and to <u>stand before the Son of Man</u>." [See Rev 7:9]

<u>Matthew 24</u> ²⁹ "Immediately after the "<u>Time of Distress</u>" of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be <u>shaken</u>. ³⁰ Then will appear in heaven the <u>SIGN of the Son of Man [Jesus]</u>, and then <u>ALL THE TRIBES</u> of the earth will mourn, and they will see the <u>Son of Man coming on the clouds</u> of heaven with power and great glory. ³¹ And he will send out his angels with <u>a loud trumpet call</u>, and they will gather <u>HIS ELECT</u> from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

<u>Revelation 1</u>: ⁷ Behold, <u>HE</u> is coming with the clouds, and <u>every eye will see him</u>, even those who pierced him, and <u>all tribes of the earth</u> will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

The "Day of the Lord" - Continued from the Old Testament Prophets

<u>Jeremiah 4:</u> ⁹ "In that day [of the LORD], declares the Lord, courage shall fail both king and officials. The priests shall be appalled and the prophets astounded." 10 Then I said, "Ah, Lord God, surely you have utterly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, 'It shall be well with you,' whereas the sword has reached their very life."

11 At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem, "A hot wind from the bare heights in the desert toward the daughter of my people, not to winnow or cleanse, 12 a wind too full for this comes for me. Now it is I who speak in judgment upon them."

13 **Behold, He comes up <u>like clouds</u>**; [Jesus is Coming to gather His Faithful followers on a cloud] his chariots like the whirlwind;

his horses are swifter than eagles—
woe to us, for we are ruined! [They think He is their enemy]

- ¹⁹ My anguish, my anguish! I writhe in pain! Oh the walls of my heart! My heart is beating wildly; I cannot keep silent, for I hear the <u>sound of the trumpet</u>, the alarm of war.
- ²⁰ Crash follows hard on crash; the whole land is laid waste. Suddenly my tents are laid waste, my curtains in a moment.
- ²¹ How long must <u>I see the standard</u> [Sign in the sky] and hear the <u>sound of the trumpet</u>?
- ²² The Lord said "For my people are foolish; they know me not: they are stupid children; they have no understanding. They are 'wise'—in doing evil! But how to do good they know not."

<u>Isaiah 13</u>: ² On a bare hill <u>raise a signal</u> [or SIGN]; cry aloud to them; ⁶ Wail, for the **day of the Lord is near**; as destruction from the Almighty it will come! ⁷ Therefore <u>ALL hands</u> will be feeble, <u>and every human heart will melt</u>. ⁸ They will be dismayed: **pangs and agony will seize them**; they will be in anguish like a woman in labor. **They** [everyone on the Earth] will look aghast at one another their faces will be aflame.

<u>Isaiah 24</u>: ¹⁹The earth is utterly broken, the earth is split apart, the earth is <u>violently shaken</u>. ²⁰The <u>earth staggers like a drunken man</u>; it sways like a hut; its transgression lies heavy upon it, and it falls, and will not rise again.

<u>Jeremiah 30</u>: ⁵ "Thus says the Lord: We have heard a <u>cry of panic, of terror, and no peace</u>. ⁶ Ask now, and see, can a man bear a child? Why then do I see every man with his hands on his stomach like a woman in labor? Why <u>has every face turned pale</u>? ⁷ Alas! That day is so great there is none like it; it is a **time of distress for Jacob** [Jews & Christians]; yet he shall be saved out of it.

<u>Ezekiel 21:</u> ⁶ "As for you, son of man, groan; with breaking heart and bitter grief, groan before their eyes. ⁷ And when they say to you, 'Why do you groan?' you shall say, 'Because of the news that <u>IT is coming</u>. Every <u>heart will melt</u>, and all hands will be feeble; every spirit will faint, and all knees will be weak as water. Behold, IT is coming, and it will be fulfilled,'" declares the Lord God.

<u>Nahum 10</u>: ¹⁰ Desolate! Desolation and ruin! <u>Hearts melt</u> and knees tremble; anguish is in all loins; all faces grow pale!

Joel 2: ⁶ Before them peoples are in anguish; <u>all faces grow pale</u>. ¹⁰ The earth quakes before them; the heavens tremble. The sun and the moon are darkened, and the stars withdraw their shining. ¹² "Yet even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; ¹³ and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

Joel 2: ³⁰ "And I will show wonders in the heavens (signs) and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. ³¹ The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. ³² And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who ESCAPE [see Luke 21:36] and be saved.

Jeremiah's Babylon - Who is it?

What can we determine with the plain reading Jeremiah 50 & 51? What Nation is Jeremiah describing? Was it the ancient nation of Babylon in his day? – **NO!** Or was it a future nation at the end of days? Let's review below:

Looking back through history up to the present time, is there a nation on earth that simultaneously resembles ALL NINE of these characteristics:

- 1. Which nation would be considered the 'last' of the nations? [Ancient Babylon NO!]
- 2. Which nation would be considered the 'hammer of the earth'?
- 3. Which nation would be known for being a 'destroying' nation?
- 4. Which nation has a heritage of being 'proud'?
- 5. Which nation is known for being a 'land of images'?
- 6. Which nation is known for being 'rich' in treasure?
- 7. Which nation dwells by many 'bodies of water'? [Ancient Babylon Land Locked]
- 8. Which nation used to be 'right' with God? [Ancient Babylon was never right with God]
- 9. Which nation is considered the 'praise of all the earth'?

See the scriptures below where these questions come from:

<u>Jeremiah 50:</u> ¹² your mother shall be utterly shamed, and she who bore you shall be disgraced. Behold, she [Babylon] shall be the <u>last of the nations</u>

[How can this be ancient Babylon? – Could ancient Babylon be the last of the nations? - NO]

Jeremiah 50: 23 How the hammer of the whole earth is cut down and broken!

[The USA has been the Hammer of the earth with it super power military]

Jeremiah 50: 31 "Behold, I am against you, O proud one, declares the Lord GOD of hosts,

[Who is the proudest of modern nations? – The USA]

Jeremiah 50: 38b For it is a land of images, and they are mad over idols.

[Is there any other nation that produces more images? Hollywood – motion pictures and TV and what about American Idol?]

<u>Jeremiah 51:</u> 7 Babylon was a golden cup in the Lord's hand,

[USA used to be in good standing w/ God, was ancient Babylon ever walking with the Lord]

<u>Jeremiah 50:</u> 13 O you who dwell by many waters, rich in treasures, your end has come;

[USA dwells by many waters w/ five large bodies of water around it and is richest nation on the planet – Ancient Babylon was land locked]



<u>The Oceans Surrounding the USA – Dwells by Many Waters</u>

Jeremiah 50: 25 "Behold, I am against you, O destroying mountain, declares the Lord,

[The USA has the most powerful military on Earth]

<u>Jeremiah 50:</u> 41 "How Babylon is taken, the praise of the whole earth seized! How Babylon has become a horror among the nations! [Is the USA the praise of the whole earth? YES]

<u>Jeremiah 50:</u> 47 "Therefore, behold, the days are coming when I will punish the images of Babylon; [What nation sends more images around the world? USA]

<u>Conclusion:</u> Reviewing the characteristics of Babylon from Jeremiah 50 & 51, it's clear that ancient Babylon is NOT being described here. The USA fits every one of the clues given to us in these two chapters. Therefore the USA is "The Babylon" being described.

<u>Jeremiah 50:</u> 3 "For out of the north [Russia] a nation has come up against her [Babylon - USA], which **shall make her land a desolation**, and none shall dwell in it; both man and beast shall flee away.

<u>Jeremiah 50:</u> ¹³ Because of the wrath of the LORD she shall not be inhabited but shall be an utter desolation; everyone who passes by Babylon shall be appalled, and hiss because of all her wounds.

<u>Jeremiah 50:</u> ⁴²The sea has come up on Babylon; she is covered with its tumultuous waves. [Was ancient Babylon destroyed by water? – NO]

Babylon [USA] will be destroyed – Per the WORD of God

<u>The Babylon Matrix – Which Nation Fits all the Clues from Jeremiah</u> <u>50 & 51</u>

Who is Babylon from the bible? See the scriptural clues below and see how these candiates align with God's Word					
God's Word	Ancient Babylon	Russia	Vatican	USA	Comments
Jeremiah 50: 12 your mother shall be utterly shamed, and she who bore you shall be disgraced. Behold, she [Babylon] shall be the last of the nations	NO - Ancient nation	NO - began in 882 A.D.	NO - Not even a nation - began in 4th century	Yes - young nation - 1776	The USA is the youngest of the modern nations and does classify as the "last" of the nations
Jeremiah 50: 23 How the hammer of the whole earth is cut down and broken!	NO - powerful military - but not the whole earth	No - powerful military BUT NOT a world superpower if the USA is removed	No - Does not have a military	YES - is the lone superpower	The USA's Defense budget is \$625 Billion Russia's defense budget is \$70 Billion
Jeremiah 50:25 "Behold, I am against you, O destroying mountain, declares the Lord	NO - powerful military - but not the whole earth	No - powerful military BUT NOT a world superpower if the USA is removed	No - Does not have a military		The USA's has over 800 <u>FOREIGN</u> military bases around of the world - Russia has essentially zero <u>FOREIGN</u> Military bases, just a few in the former USSR - which are not actually FOREIGN.
Jeremiah 50: 31 "Behold, I am against you, O proud one, declares the Lord GOD of hosts,	Don't know	Possible	No	YES - USA has strong tradition of flag waving	The USA is known for their 4th of July Patriotic celebrations
Jeremiah 50: 38b For it is a land of images, and they are mad over idols.	No	NO	No	YES - the USA owns the movie and TV industry	The USA has the top 60 grossing movies of all time
Jeremiah 51:7 Babylon was a golden cup in the Lord's hand,	NEVER	NO	??		The USA kills 3000 babies per day and sells their body parts to the highest bidder.
Jeremiah 50:13a O you who dwell by many waters,	NO - Land Locked	YES - but mostly Arctic ice	NO - Land Locked	YES	Four bodies of water surround the USA
Jeremiah 50:13b <u>rich</u> in treasures, your end has come;	Yes - at the time	NO	No	YES - Richest Nation on earth	The USA has 40% of the world's wealth - Top in GDP and by all accounts is THE RICHEST NATION ON EARTH
Jeremiah 50: 41 "How Babylon is taken, the <u>praise</u> of the whole earth seized! How Babylon has become a horror among the nations!	No - Never a praise of the whole earth	NO	NO	YES	In modern times, the USA has been the place that peoples of the world come to live the American Dream.
Revelation 18:11 And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn for her, since no one buys their cargo anymore	N/A - written 90 A.D.	NO - the only export for Russian is oil	NO - the vatican is not in the cargo business	YES	The USA's GDP far out-reaches all other nation on the earth

God's Plan - Left Behind Pregnant Woman and Nursing Mothers

<u>Matthew 19:</u> ¹⁴Jesus said, "Let the <u>little children</u> come to me and do not hinder them, for to such <u>belongs the kingdom of heaven</u>." [The Little children belong to God – not the earthly parents]

<u>Matthew 24</u>: Jesus said ¹⁹ How <u>dreadful</u> it will be in those days for <u>pregnant women and nursing</u> <u>mothers!</u>

<u>Luke 23:</u> ²⁹ For the time will come when you will say, 'Blessed are the <u>childless women</u>, the wombs that never bore and the <u>breasts that never nursed!</u>'

<u>Question</u> – Why would Jesus say how '<u>blessed</u>' it will be for woman to have <u>NEVER</u> been pregnant or to <u>NOT HAVE</u> nursing babies in Luke 23:29? Could Jesus be referring to the event in Hosea 9:11-14 below?

Hosea 9:11-14

11 Ephraim's glory shall fly away like a bird [Ephraim – Christians / USA]

NO birth, NO pregnancy, NO conception!

12 Even if they bring up children,

I will bereave [TAKE] them till none is left.

Woe to them when I depart from them!

14 Give them, O LORD — what will you give?

"Give them [the left-behind woman] a miscarrying womb and dry breasts."

Isaiah 47:9 – [To the Daughter of Babylon, non-believers]

These two things shall come to you **in a moment, in <u>one day</u>**; [in a twinkling of an eye?] the loss of children and widowhood shall come upon you in full measure, in spite of your many sorceries and the great power of your enchantments.

Isaiah 49:22-25

22 Thus says the Lord GoD:

"Behold, I will lift up my hand to the nations, [Judgment is coming] and raise my signal to the peoples; [The sign of the son of man]

and <u>THEY</u> [Angels, Matt 24] shall bring your sons in their arms, and your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders.

²³ Kings shall be your foster fathers, [Faithful Christians = Kings and Priests] and their queens your nursing mothers. [Little ones who still nurse] With their faces to the ground they shall bow down to you, [Rev 3:9]

and lick the dust of your feet.

²⁵ I [The Lord] WILL SAVE your children.

Jeremiah 50: ⁴⁴"Behold, <u>one will come up like a LION</u> [Jesus – Lion of Judah] from the thicket of the Jordan to a perennially watered pasture; for in an instant I will make them run away from it, and whoever is chosen I will appoint over it. For who is like Me, and who will summon Me into court? And who then is the shepherd who can stand before Me?" ⁴⁵ Therefore hear <u>THE PLAN</u> of the Lord which He has planned against Babylon [USA], surely <u>THEY</u> will <u>drag them off</u> [tear them away], even the little ones of the flock [children]; surely He [The LORD] will make their pasture desolate because of them.

Hosea 5: [The LORD Speaking] ¹⁴ For <u>I will be like a LION</u> to <u>Ephraim</u> [USA - Christians], and like a young lion to the <u>House of Judah</u> [The Jews].

I, even I, will tear and go away; I will carry off, and no one shall rescue. [The Little children]

God's Plan for "Taking the Little Ones" in a single day

Jeremiah 50:44 [in Babylon - USA]

⁴⁴ "Behold, **like a Lion** [of Judah - Jesus] coming up from the thicket of the Jordan against a perennial pasture, I [The Lord] will suddenly make them run away from her, and I will appoint over her whomever I choose. For who is like me? Who will summon me? What shepherd can stand before me? ⁴⁵ Therefore hear <u>THE PLAN</u> that the Lord has made against <u>Babylon</u> [USA]... Surely the <u>little ones</u> [children] of their flock shall be <u>dragged away</u> [taken – drawnup and remove]...

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²⁵ For thus says the Lord: "Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken, and the prey [hostages] of the tyrant be rescued,

for I will contend with those who contend with you,

and I WILL SAVE your children.

Jeremiah 10:18-20 [in Babylon – USA]

¹⁸ For thus says the Lord: "Behold, I am slinging out the inhabitants of the land at this time, and I will bring distress on them", ... ²⁰ My tent is destroyed, and all my cords are broken; my children have gone from me, and they are not; ['gone' in the original Hebrew text]

Jeremiah 31:15 [in Israel - Double Fulfillment, Time of Jesus also]

15 Thus says the LORD:

"A voice is heard in Ramah, [Israel] lamentation and bitter weeping.

Rachel is weeping for her children;

she refuses to be comforted for her children,

because they are no more." ['Gone' away in the Hebrew text]

¹⁷ There is hope for your future, declares the Lord,

and your children shall come back to their own people.

Alien E.T.'s ARE IN THE BIBLE

Alien E.T.'s are hidden in the bible and will appear as fallen angels (Rev 12:9) manifest in the natural realm, they will appear as Alien E.T.'s – our long lost space brothers. The apostate - lukewarm church will not know what hit them when the departures of the 1st Fruits faithful and innocents escape "all these things"...Satan has done a masterful job at fooling the modern culture and even in those in the church. God is sending these flesh eating demonic Aliens E.T.'s to fool mankind and the apostate church as judgment for their wicked behavior and refusing to believe in the Truth of Jesus Christ.

<u>Matthew 24:24</u> - For false-christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect.

[The Apostle Paul warns us also of what Jesus spoke of above]

2 Thes 2: ⁹ The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all <u>power and false signs</u> and wonders, 10 and with all <u>wicked deception</u> for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. 11 Therefore God sends them a strong [super-natural energy] delusion [to fool], so that they may believe what is false...

[False Signs & Wonders are supernatural trickery carried out by the Fallen Angels]

<u>Rev 12:</u> ⁹ And the great dragon was thrown down, that <u>ancient serpent</u>, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and <u>his [fallen] angels were thrown down with him</u>.

[Alien E.T.'s will appear to drop from the sky – Fallen Angels sent by God for those who refused to believe in the Truth of Jesus Christ!]

Where in scripture do we see this <u>ancient nation</u> that comes to the left behind Church?

<u>Jeremiah 5:</u> ¹⁵ Behold, I [God] am bringing against you a nation from afar, O House of Israel, declares the Lord. It is an enduring nation; it is an <u>ancient nation</u>, a nation whose language you do not know, nor can you understand what they say.

- ¹⁶ Their quiver is like an open tomb; they are all **mighty warriors.** [Angels are mighty warriors]
- ¹⁷They shall eat up your harvest and your food; they shall eat up your sons and your daughters; [flesh eating] they shall eat up your flocks and your herds...

<u>Deut 28:</u>⁴⁹ The Lord will bring a nation against you from far away, from the end of the earth, swooping down like the eagle, a nation whose language you do not understand, ⁵⁰ a hard-faced nation who shall not respect the old or show mercy to the young. ⁵¹ It shall eat the offspring of your cattle and the fruit of your ground, until you are destroyed.

<u>Isaiah 13:</u> ^{4c}The Lord of hosts is mustering a host for battle. ⁵ They come from a distant land, from the <u>end of the heavens</u> [not from earth], the Lord and the <u>weapons of his indignation</u>, to destroy the whole land.

[Scripture confirms this ancient nation will be <u>flesh eating</u> demonic-fallen angels coming here to exert God's righteous judgment on the apostate left-behind because they failed to believe the truth found only in Jesus The Christ]