

SEVEN-YEAR TRIBULATION

God said that in the future, the rulers of Israel would make a covenant with death. (This is an end-times prophecy talking about Israel's treaty with the antichrist, which triggers the start of the **seven-year tribulation**.)

- **Isaiah 28:15:** "Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves:"

The first half of the **seven-year tribulation** takes place during a time when there's a 30 day "leap month" in the Jewish calendar. Normally 3.5 years would be 1,260 days, not 1,290.

- **Daniel 12:11:** "And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days."

The events in the book of Joel are connected to the Day of the Lord. That means they're end times events that are connected to the **seven-year tribulation**.

- **Joel 1:15:** "Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come."
- **Joel 2:1:** "Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is

nigh at hand;"

During the **seven-year tribulation**, Israel's crops will be destroyed. However, after the tribulation period is over God will restore what was lost.

- **Joel 2:25:** "And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you."

More generations of people will be born after the **seven-year tribulation** is over. That era won't be the end of history.

- **Joel 3:20:** "But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation."

The book of Amos mentions the Day of the Lord (the **seven-year tribulation**).

- **Amos 5:18:** "Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end is it for you? the day of the LORD is darkness, and not light."

Micah speaks of the pangs of childbirth, and Israel crying out. This seems to be referring to the pains of the **seven-year tribulation**.

- **Micah 4:9:** "Now why dost thou cry out aloud? is there no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail."

Micah speaks of bearing the indignation of the Lord, which is being poured out because of sin. This seems to be referring to Israel bearing the indignation of the Lord during the **seven-year tribulation**, and enduring those judgments which are being poured out because of their sin.

- **Micah 7:9:** "I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness."

Micah speaks of bring brought into the light and seeing God's righteousness. This seems to be referring to the return of Jesus at the end of the **seven-year tribulation**. At that time Jesus will bring light into the world, and the Jews will see Him.

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The book of Zephaniah has to do with the Day of the Lord. That means it's about the **seven-year tribulation**, and not about Nebuchadnezzar's destruction of Jerusalem.

- **Zephaniah 1:7:** "Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD: for the day of the LORD is at hand: for the LORD hath prepared a sacrifice, he hath bid his guests."

After the **seven-year tribulation** is over, there will be shepherds and flocks in Israel again.

- **Zephaniah 2:6:** "And the sea coast shall be dwellings and cottages for shepherds, and folds for flocks."

After the **seven-year tribulation** is over, God will visit His people and rescue them from captivity.

- **Zephaniah 2:7:** "And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening: for the LORD their God shall visit them, and turn away their captivity."

The corrupt Levites won't always remain corrupt. The Messiah is going to purify them, but it will take an intense fire. (This seems to be referring to the **seven-year tribulation**.)

- **Malachi 3:2-3:** "But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap: And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness."

Once history reaches a point where the **seven-year tribulation** is about to begin and the worst time the world has ever seen is about to start (which will see the death of the vast majority of mankind), God will become so concerned about the relationship between fathers and their children that He will send Elijah back into this world to mend it.

- **Malachi 4:5-6:** "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."

Jesus called the period when the abomination of desolation appears the "tribulation". (The abomination of desolation will appear halfway through the **seven-year tribulation**.)

- **Mark 13:14, 24:** "But when ye shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,) then let them that be in Judaea flee to the mountains: ... But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light,"

When Jesus said to remember Lot's wife, He was speaking in the context of not turning back to get your possessions when He returns at the end of the **seven-year tribulation**.

- **Luke 17:30-32:** "Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. Remember Lot's wife."

All of the end-times signs that Jesus spoke of in the Olivet discourse (the wars, earthquakes, diseases, persecution, armies surrounding Jerusalem, and His return) will take place during the lifetime of a single generation. The signs wouldn't be spread out over multiple generations. (All of those events will come to pass *during* the **seven-year tribulation**, including the return of Jesus.)

- **Luke 21:32:** "Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled."

Jesus said those who committed adultery with Jezebel would be cast into great tribulation. (This means this pagan and idolatrous church will still exist in the end times, and will have to endure the **seven-year tribulation**. They won't be included in the rapture.)

- **Revelation 2:22:** "Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds."

War is going to break out at the beginning of the **seven-year tribulation**.

- **Revelation 6:2:** "And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer."

In the second half of the **seven-year tribulation**, every living thing in the sea will die. By the time the tribulation is over there will be no life left in the sea at all. Everything in it will be dead. (That's why the world will need the healing waters that will flow out of the millennial temple.)

- **Revelation 16:3:** "And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea."