

Section Three: The Kingdom of God on Earth (Future)

Category A: Tribulation – Kingdom Intelligence Report #1

Topic: The Period

Contrary to Dominion Theology propaganda, the Tribulation is a period of time on God's Prophetic calendar that is yet to be fulfilled; as the final phase of God's Plan B. It will be initiated by the Rapture of the Church in conjunction with the covenant described in Daniel 9:27; culminating in the Second Coming of Jesus Christ to planet earth. This sequence is confirmed by our Lord Himself in Matthew 24:29-30, when He positions His return as occurring **"immediately after the tribulation of those days."** This statement by our Savior, which establishes the Second Coming as being directly adjacent to the end of the Tribulation, reveals the utter nonsense of positioning "those days" in the distant past. Once Christ appears and arrives, the restoration of Plan A will begin, just as predicted and promised in Daniel 9:24 –

"Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place."

The Tribulation will have a three-fold purpose which we will consider in intelligence report #2. Understanding that purpose is crucial in determining the nature of this unique time in God's Plan B. It will be one and the same with Daniel's 70th week, as prophesied in Daniel 9:27. This "week" will consist of two distinct periods of time, each lasting three and one half years. The clearest confirmation of this division is given in Daniel 9:27b by means of the expression: **"but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering. . ."**

This is further supported by God's apportioning of the first half of the week to the ministry of His two witnesses, as stated in Revelation 11:3. They will not only have the spiritual enablement to prophesy on behalf of God's truth, but their testimony will be supported by supernatural and miraculous powers (11:5-6). If their ministry is confined to the city of Jerusalem, it would seem to be especially directed toward and designed for the Jewish people, as a final opportunity to repent and receive Jesus as their Messiah, prior to the all-out persecution of the Antichrist.

The second half of this period will belong to Satan's man for that moment, who is given the final three and one half years of the Tribulation to rule and reign on the earth (Revelation 13:1-8). Just as the two witnesses of God were given empowerment by God, the Antichrist and False Prophet will be empowered by the devil to deceive the whole world (Revelation 13:11-18; 2 Thessalonians 2:8-12). Their forty two month reign of terror will begin by both the murder of God's witnesses, as well as the desecration of God's temple (Revelation 11:7; 2 Thessalonians 2:4).