

## Events of the Transition

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## 1. God's Program of the Ages.

An understanding of the times in which one lives, a knowledge of the ways of God, an insight into happenings and wise procedure under those circumstances is exceedingly valuable, and highly commendable. Never could it be more so than now when "the ends of the ages are come upon us." I Chron. 12:32; I Cor. 10:11.

All heavenly bodies move in their orbits with mathematical precision. They are always in perfect time. Astronomy is mathematics. Not less accurate in arrangement of times, seasons and ages of our time was He who "determined the times before appointed."

Since the Creator populated the earth with a kind of beings whom He designed for highest fellowship, relationship and cooperation with Himself, it may be easily comprehended that, "Surely the Lord Jehovah will do nothing, but He revealeth His secrets to His servants the prophets." Amos 3:7.

It is not for us now to go extensively into the program of the ages. It is sufficient to get a setting for the proper location of present times and events.

Jehovah chose Abraham and appeared to him with a design of making His descendants into a great sample nation, pattern of the Divine ideas. "I will set thee on high above all nations of the earth." Deut. 28:1; 26:18,19; 32:8,9.

But there was a warning from Jehovah, "If you will not for all this hearken unto Me, but walk contrary to Me; then I will walk contrary to you also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins." This they did, "until the wrath of Jehovah arose against His people till there was no remedy." Jerusalem was destroyed and they went into captivity. Lev. 26:27,28; II Kings 23:33,34; 24:1,12; 25:1-5.

Seven years, or seven times 360 days, equal 2520 years, the period of Israel's punishment. During this time the Gentiles were to have the domination in the world. The above passages show the beginning of the period of Israel's servitude was by stages increasingly severe.

The dream of the great image, representing the Gentile times, was given to Nebuchadnezzar, the first of the Gentile times kings. He also was punished with seven years of insanity, typifying the 2520 year period. This shows the wild madness of the Gentile era.

Our Lord tells us the end of these periods is signally marked. He says, "Jerusalem shall

be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the time of the Gentiles be fulfilled." (Luke 21:24) Gentile rule in Jerusalem was broken in 1917 when the British Gen. Allenby took the city and the Turks withdrew. The Jews now rule, with British protectorate. Later on further steps will give them full control. Successive steps of liberation are the steps of captivity at beginning of the seven times.

## II Transition

In the times of change from one dispensation to another, there sometimes occurs a space of time in which the methods and powers of the previous age and those of the nature of the succeeding era blend and mingle. So great are the changes! So many the events! So crowded with intensely important issues, is this time nothing like it in history! "The Transition" seems apt as a name. It is a passing from selfish, proud earthly governments, to the benevolent rule of the Great King. It is a time when "God comes out of His place," and comes on the scene. This time of transition we have already entered.

A summary of the events of this inter-age period will show that it is filled with many momentous events of deepest portent and most startling character. Here we list them briefly. Later we expect to explain more fully.

These events seem easily to arrange in clusters. First, notice there are several dispensations which end or begin at this time. The degrading of the Jew passes away. So, too, does Gentile rule. The Gospel age ends or merges into the better Millennium; Jewish dominion with Christ reigning on the throne of David and as King of Kings; Satan cast out and his kingdom wrecked.

Pertaining to Government - Two suppers, the marriage supper, and supper of the great God's Armies - of the nations, of Antichrist. God's prophetic Army. The white horse army. The day of the Lord. Great wars of nations. Battle of Armageddon. Revelation and then capture of Antichrist.

Destruction of Gentile nations and many Jews by war, earthquake, famine, pestilence and physical earth changes and catastrophes.

Restoration of all past God-given good things, such as the true supernatural church with its dynamic powers, gifts and graces. The Spirit gifted men, apostles, prophets, etc. The prophecy and wisdom both instructive and foretelling determinate. Acts 3:19-22; 2:23.

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A chain of miraculous spiritual events belonging to the Day of Christ, Latter Rain Revival, Preparation for Translation, Rapture and out resurrection, Lord's descent on a white horse with white horse army, Ends armageddon, Delivers Jews and they receive their Messiah. He takes throne of David and becomes King of world visibly.

The whole present order of government, church and business, nations, societies, organizations, civilization, Babylon, heathendom, every power force and arrangement that opposes the program and will of God, will be destroyed.

The Lord is looking about for men and women to put into His ministry. Will you qualify? Are you awake to the times? Are you alert to the call of the Lord?

### Who is the Bride

"Bride of the Lamb, there is for thee  
One only safe retreat,  
Where Jesus is, thy heart should be,  
Thy home at His dear feet.

"When Satan tracks thy lonely way  
There his temptations meet;  
In Jesus' presence watch and pray,  
Yea, conquer at His feet.

"Through tribulation hasten on,  
Prepare thy Lord to greet;  
The "little while" will soon be gone,  
Keep only at His feet.

"Bride of the Lamb, forget the past,  
Prepare thy Lord to greet;  
'Tis thine to share His throne and cast  
Thy crown before His feet."

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In Matt. 22:14, we read, "For many are called but few chosen." Are the five wise virgins "called" and is the Bride "chosen"? In Cant. 6:9, she is called, "The choice one of her that bear her." In that Song of Songs she is not the only member of her "family," but she is the "choice" or chosen one, the one of her mother (not "only" one as in A. V.) Does not this throw some light on the subject as inferring that there are others? I want to call attention to some instances where people have been called out from among others - Noah, his wife, his sons and their wives were the only ones who came

through the flood, their faith put into active obedience by their works saved them. They were a very small company or remnant that believed and obeyed God out of the thousands who had been preached to while the ark was being prepared. We are told that God called Abram "alone," yet we find in Gen. 11:31, that "they went forth with them from Ur of the Chaldees to go into the land of Canaan."

In Gen. 12:1, we read, "Now the Lord said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country and from thy kindred and from thy father's house unto a land that I will show thee." His whole family seems to have originally started with him, as we read in Gen. 2 verse 31, and then, at Haran where they came up to from Ur, Terah, Abram's father died. Then we read (Chapter 12:4,5) that they departed out of Haran to go into the land of Canaan; still, Abram was not "alone"; Lot, his brother's son, was with him, and it is not until the next chapter that Abram is "alone," Lot having separated from him.

Another company, or nation rather, numbering 600,000 strong, without counting women and children, came out of Egypt to go into the land of Canaan with the exception of Caleb and Joshua (and possibly the younger portion of the tribe of Levi) they saw nothing of Canaan. Only two out of all that were reckoned as fighting men entered the land, all the rest, "fearful and unbelieving," fell in the wilderness. Yet they were all Israelites, and all redeemed out of Egypt.

Twelve tribes of Israel formed the fully established nation under the Kingdom period of Israel's history. All fell into idolatry, and were (first ten and then two tribes) practically carried away captive. Only a remnant of two tribes returned. Ten have never truly discovered, and of the two now dispersed only a remnant will be gathered back to their own land.

Then we come to Pentecostal times. About 500 brethren at one time (I Cor. 15:6) saw the Lord Jesus after His resurrection. Only about 120 were found gathered in that upper room where the Holy Ghost fell on the day of Pentecost. Where were the rest, the 380? We are not told; we know that they were not there in that upper room because there were only about 120 there. What is the inference? Are all ready now for the coming of the Lord?

Now I want to ask you personally:

1st. Did you receive the Lord Jesus as your

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