

## THE RETURN OF JESUS CHRIST

### THE REVELATION FOR TOMORROW

. **Anguish of the nations**

. **Hope of the christians**

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### PEACE OR REVELATION FOR TOMORROW ?

The political, military and economic upheavals, in the midst of multiple nations go beyond any forecast because of their quickness. They rush at a such dizzy speeds that each wonders : « Where does the world go ? What is its destiny ? »

The chiefs of the great american and russian nations claim to establish « A NEW ORDER », a lasting peace with the United Nations as a policeman in order to avoid or stop the conflicts and to change the world in « A COMMON HOUSE » without frontier and battle.

Utopia or reality ?

The Bible says : « When men are saying, "There is PEACE AND SECURITY," then SUDDEN DESTRUCTION comes on them ». (1 Thes.5 :2)

Consequently, another question can be asked : Peace or Apocalypse for tomorrow ?

Will there be a total disarmement or maintien of forces of dissuasion capable of destroying our planet several times ?

The biblical revelations are as many as bright rays that enable to see the unfolding of future events, especially concerning **Jerusalem** before the nations.

Since my commitment to serve Christ, in 1940, I have applied to study the prophecies of the Bible concerning the return of Jesus-Christ. I have kept repeating, year after year, that « Jesus-Christ returns soon ». Today, more than ever this message must be proclaimed high.

« I am trying to stir up your pure mind by way of reminder; I want you to recall the predictions foretold by the holy prophets » (2 Peter 3 :1/2)

This biblical booklet presents the texts of the Word of God related to accomplished prophecies, or in progress of accomplishment under our eyes, or which are due for accomplishment soon. It is written

with sobriety, realism, without sensationalist research, with the preoccupation of describing the divine plan without going beyond the biblical revelation.

So many events announced by Jesus, his apostles and prophets, mark to line the destiny of the world, - and there are not small course accidents -. We must discern them and discover their importance to understand in which times we are (Rom. 13 :11) .

Rejecting the mystical that consist in fixing, at any price, in making the prophecy say what it does not say, we will stick to the precise data of the Bible, the big lines of the plan of God for the humankind at the end of the times.

## **CERTITUDE OF THE RETURN OF JESUS-CHRIST**

The prophecies take an important place in the divine revelation transmitted by the Bible. The New Testament contains, in itself, 319 texts in relationship with the return of Jesus-Christ.

### **THE PROMISES OF JESUS**

« **I will come again.** » (John 14 :3)

Jesus does not say : « I will come again IF..... » - I will come again MAYBE.... ». It is a sure promise, an absolute certitude.

« The Son of Man **will come** with his angels in the glory of his Father. » (Matthew 16 :27)

Jesus who calls himself « Son of man » asserts that this return is a must ; it is a divine plan, settled in anticipation. Nobody can stand in the way of this return.

« he tribes of the earth will see the Son of Man **ARRIVING on the clouds of heaven** with power and great glory. » (Matthew 24 :27/30).

Jesus has not said : « will see MAYBE... ».

It is an event that will take place at the whole world sight, at the time fixed by God.

« The Son of Man **will come** at an hour when you do not expect him. » (Matthew 24 :44)

He will come. No doubt is possible. Only the time is not precised, i.e. day and hour. « So watch, since you do know neither the day, nor the hour... » (Matthew 25 :13)

However, there are annonciator signs, blinking lights, testifying that the time approaches :

« There will be signs ... **they will see** the Son of Man arriving in a cloud with power and great glory. ... »

« When these things begin to happen .... » (Luke 21 :25/28)

Here we are warned. The Return is sure. Signs proved by their accomplishment that the Return is near.

### **THE TEACHING OF THE APOSTLES**

« For the Lord himself **will come down from heaven** with a shout of command. » (1 Thes. 4 :16)

There is no conditionnal. It is a unwavering certitude.

« Our citizenship is in heaven – and **we also await a savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ.** » (Philip. 3 :20)

« Jesus has come up to heaven and from there **He will return !** »

Protestants and catholics repeat it in the credo. But many ignore all what will take place during the Return of Jesus-Christ.

« The day of the Lord **will come** as a thief. » (2 Peter 3 :10)

Peter recalls what Jesus has said. He knows that the time will come and he precises that the Lord will not be late in the accomplishment of the promise.

« The Lord's return **is near** ». (James. 5 :8) .

If the apostles believed that the Return of the Lord was come soon in their times, à combien plus forte raison we can assert it in our turn...

« For just a little longer and he **who is coming** will arrive and not delay » (Hebrews 10 :37)

« He will appear A SECOND TIME ». (Heb 9 :28)

It is always the future that is used and not the conditionnal. That is the proof that the first christians knew with **certitude** that Jesus will come again. They were deeply convinced of it.

### THE MESSAGE OF THE ANGELS

« While the apostles were watching, Jesus was lifted up and a cloud hid him from their sight. As they were still staring into the sky while he was going, suddenly two men in white clothing stood near them and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand here looking up into the sky? This same Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven **will come back in the same way you saw him go into heaven.**"»

This Jesus WILL COME AGAIN. Certitude ! Message of hope !

### THE LAST PROMISE OF JESUS

The revelation – last book of the Bible – ends with these words of Jesus :

« YES, I COME SOON. » (Rev. 22 :20)

He does not say anymore « I will come again », but « I come », which means that **he is ready** to come down from heaven. He waits for God trumpet signal.

«For just a little longer and  
He WHO IS COMING WILL  
ARRIVE. »

(Hebrews 10 :37)

### TIME OF THE RETURN OF JESUS-CHRIST

After having announced that the temple will be destroyed - which happened about 40 years later – Jesus sat on the Mount of Olives and the disciples questionned him :

« Tell us, when will these things happen? And what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age? » (Mat. 24 :3)

Jesus did not indicate them any date.

He only announced them the events due to take place before his return.

After his rising up, it was also on the Mount of Olives, facing Jerusalem, that the apostles thirsty to know the future – and in that we are like them – asked this other question to Jesus :

« Lord, is this the time when you are restoring the kingdom to Israel? » (Acts 1 :6).

Jesus knew that he will come again one day to establish again this Kingdom after having gone up to heaven (Acts 3 :21), but he thought that his apostles did not have to know « the times and the moments that the Father have fixed from his own authority ». (Acts 1 :7).

On one hand, Jesus exhorted his apostles to discern the times :

« Learn this parable from the fig tree: Whenever its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also you, **when you see all these things**, know that he is near, right at the door. » (Mat. 24 :32/34)

On the other hand, he said to them :

« It is not to you to know the times... »

Would there be contradiction in Jesus' language ?

Certainly not ! First Jesus precises to them which are the things that will happen before his return and he exhorts them to discern them at the time of their accomplishment.

Then, he asks them not to worry, not to agitate themselves in this expectation, but first to go from Jerusalem till the ends of the earth to serve him as witnesses with the strength that communicates the Holy Spirit (Acts 1 :8).

Today, conscious of being arrived at the end of the times, some would want to fix a precise date. The list of the forecasts of this kind is long.

Let us avoid calculations since Jesus has warned us that this day is unknown :

« Stay alert, because **you do not know on what day** your Lord will come. » (Mat. 24 :42)

« Stay alert, because you do not know the day or the hour. » (Mat.25 :13)

The time is fixed by God the Father. However, the Bible reveals us **forerunner signs, announciators of this time**.

We are exhorted by the Word of God to pay attention to what the prophets have said :

« I want you to recall the predictions foretold by the holy prophets. » (2 Peter 3 :2)

**«When these things begin to happen, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. »**

(Luke 21 :28)

## THE ACCOMPLISHED SIGNS

### Evidences of the very soon return of Jesus-Christ

The Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke present a list of signs which Jesus has given as due to take place before his return. « These things must happen first. ». (Luke 21 :9)

Our Faith in the certitude of the return of Jesus-Christ can only be strengthened when considering their accomplishments. What happens in Israel is without doubt the surest sign of the closeness of this return. However, the others are not negligible. They constitute evidences that Christ has said the truth and that his return is really close.  
Let us examine them.

### The earthquakes

The Lord has precised their extent and their intensity before his return. He has predicted :

- in Matthew 24 :7 : « There will be **in various places** earthquakes. »
- in Luc 21 :11 : « There will be great earthquakes. »

Indeed, there has always been earthquakes through the centuries, but now a new outbreak of earthquakes is observed.

There has been four in the 17<sup>th</sup> century, seven in the 18th, nine in the 19th, in the 20<sup>th</sup> century there are many more, in number and in power.

Here is a list of them :

1906 : San Francisco in the United States

1908 : Messine in Italy, 300.000 victims and destruction of 2/3 of the houses.

1920 : Kansu in China. 180.000 died.

1923 :Tokyo. 142.000 died.

1945 : Peru. 5.000 died.

1948 : Japan. 4.000 died.

1949 : Equator. 10.000 died.

1953 : Iran et Turkey. Hundreds died.

1960 : Agadir in Morocco.

1961 : Messine.

1964 : Greece.

1971 : Turkey.

1976 : Guatemala and North of Italy.

Since, there has been those of Napoli, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Tangohan in China (800.000 died), and in 1988, that of Armenia (45.000 died).

The sismographs record each year about 300.000 earthquakes. Th international scientific community foresees in the next years enormous disasters in the sismic zones. They assert that the earth crust is going to creak. This confirms the prophecy in Revelation 16 :18 :

« There was a tremendous earthquake – an earthquake unequaled since humanity has been on the earth, so tremendous was that earthquake. »

Without contest, the big convulsions of the earth accomplished themselves under our eyes. We progress quickly at big steps toward the return of Christ. It is very near.

There has been an earthquake of great importance, not by its scale, but because of the place where it happened, it is the one which shook the Holy Ground in 1927 and which resulted in 700 dead and 3.000 hurt. It showed a fault in the Mount of Olives.

« On that day his feet (thoses of the Lord) will stand on the Mount of Olives which lies to the east of Jerusalem, and **the Mount of Olives will be split in half** from east to west, leaving a great valley. » (Zech. 14 :4)

### Plagues

Luke 21 :11 : « There will be in various places **plagues**. » Jesus said. It would be too long to list all the plagues that have fallen on the humankind since the first century until nowadays In the 14th and 15<sup>th</sup> centuries the pest itself made 25 millions of victims. During the first war (1914-1918), « the spanish flue » caused in a few months the death of 12 millions of persons, i.e. more dead than the war itself

In the list of diseases, let us mention typhus, tuberculosis, cholera still in an endemic state in various countries of Asia and Africa, cancer etc...

Despite the huge progresses in the field of the medical science and discoveries of vaccines, controlled epidemics leave the room to new epidemics as AIDS which has killed tens of thousands of victims and of which the devastation extends and frightens us.

Plagues are topical. This sign is accomplished.

### **Famines**

Mark 13 :8 : « There will be famines »

There are always been famines, either because of natural disasters as drought, or because of wars. What is surprising is that nowadays there are famines of a big extent when the famine happened in Soudan and in Ethiopia, despite the help sent by rich countries. Children and adults died of hunger, like bees. What happened in the 20th century is enough to persuade us that this sign is unfortunately topical, annonciator of the soon return of Christ.

Here are some facts :

- in 1920, 15 millions of Chinese died of hunger,
- in 1921, 2 millions died in Russia during a famine due to drought,
- in 1973, in Ethiopia, 100.000 persons died also during a drought,
- in 1975, it was pointed out the death by hunger and thirst of 90 % of the livestock by the edges of Sahara and suffering of human beings touched by the famine.

In face of the quick growth of the world population, experts foresee disasters, especially in Asia and Africa, due to acute food deficiencies.

There has been already so many famines that we do not have anymore to wait for this sign to say that Jesus comes soon.

### **Uprisings and wars**

Jesus said : « When you hear of wars and rebellions, do not be afraid. For these things must happen first, but the end will not come at once. » (Luke 21 :9)

A few years after the death and the rising-up of Jesus-Christ, there were in Israel two uprisings against the roman army who occupied the country. One was annihilated by the general Titus, in year 67, and his soldiers fired the Temple of Jerusalem. The other one was led by the false-messiah Bar-Kochba. In year 135, this revolt was crashed by the roman emperor Adrian who made the plough run over the place of the Temple, accomplishing this prediction of Jesus :

« Not one stone will be left on another. » (Luke 21 :6)

In the following years there has been many other uprisings, among them that of the French Revolution. But never there has been in the world so many uprisings at the same time in various countries as at the end of the 20th century.

The word « uprising » or « revolt of people » has taken these last times an unimaginable dimension. Uprisings in Poland, in Tchecoslovaquia, in Hungaria, in Roumania, in Bulgaria, in the Balts countries and even in China, on the Tienanmen square, in Moscow and in various Sovietic States ; uprisings also in Algeria, in Madagascar, in several countries of Africa, Central America etc...

Yes, « we have heard of uprisings » and more than ever, this means that we are close to the end...

Talking about wars, Jesus has precised that the end will be close when « a nation rises against another nation and a kingdom against another kingdom. » (Mat. 24 :7)

The documents published by the Society of the International Right testify that there has only been 268 years of peace during the last 34 centuries, despite more than 8.000 treaties of peace concluded so

saying for « ever ». Wars and noises of war have not stopped. What characterizes the END is, as Jesus says, the increasing extent of wars. There has been the first « WORLD » war in 1914-1918, which made 10 millions of dead and that of 1939-1945 which killed 39 millions of persons. Today the powerful nations said « great » equip themselves with a dissuasive terrifying strike force, fearing a new conflict at worldly scale despite their project of the establishment of a « new world order » to ensure peace.

What Christ had predicted has been accomplished concerning the uprisings and the great world wars. There are past signs, forerunners and annonciators of the close return of Jesus the Son of God.

### **Prosecutions**

« They will seize you and persecute you. » (Luke 21 :12-19 and Matthew 24 :9)

The spreadth of the Gospel does not go without meeting the opposition of those who do not want Jesus as Saviour and Master.

The first prosecuted were the Apostles. Jesus had predicted it to them. They were cast to jail because of the Name of Jesus. Some, like Stephan, were tortured. They were forbidden to speak of the Name of Jesus. The christians also had sometimes to endure atrocious prosecutions at the time of the roman emperors. Thousands were victims, either cast as food to fierce animals, or burnt alive. The list is long of tortured along the ages.

A few years ago, I have travelled in the Eastern Europe countries where I have collected the testimony of brothers who were imprisoned because of their faith, undergoing punishments of several years of jail, condemned to forced works in « goulags » and sometimes confined in psychiatric asylums. Other are prosecuted in muslim countries, cast to jail, sometimes hung.

The blood of the tortured announces that Christ is going to return soon. Why wait other prosecutions. These thousands of dead because of the Name of Jesus, and that along the centuries, is it not enough ? This sign is accomplished. Jesus is coming again. He will not delay.

### **The progesses of iniquity**

Here is a prohecy of Jesus about the moral situation of the world before his return :

« Because lawlessness will increase so much, the love of many will grow cold. » (Mat. 24 :12)

Nowadays, sin spreads itself publicly, everywhere. The vice seems to erect itself in virtue in the name of the liberalisation of morals. Never we have talked so much of divorces, homosexuality, crimes. Each year billions are spent in games, night boxes, alcohol, impure pleasures, drug.

In 75 years, criminality of the youngsters has increased by 450 % in France. In Stockholm, the Procureur Général du Tribunal has declared : « The curve of crimes goes up. Insecurity reigns in society. Drug is on sale nearly freely. There are a lot of thefts in shops. »

The apostle Paul had predicted that « in the last days, men will love pleasure more than God. » (2 Tim 3 :5). This is observed in occidental countries. Actually, traditional churches are more and more empty while football stadiums and music-hall rooms are more and more full.

Faith goes away. Apostasy settles.

In his letter to the christians of Thessalonique, the apostle precises :

« Now regarding the arrival of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to be with him, we ask you not to be easily shaken from your composure or disturbed by any kind of spirit. For that day will not arrive until the rebellion comes and the man of lawlessness is revealed... » (2 Thes. 2 :1-3).

Apostasy is going away from the base, i.e. from Jesus-Christ and his teaching.

There is nothing surprising to be informed that 4 person out of 10 in the United States consult mediums and in Paris only there are 5.000 clairvoyants. This makes imagine the enormous number of

persons who go and have their future predicted not counting those who read horoscops published in newspapers.

The world drifts out. They do not consult anymore the Word of God. It is not surprising that the World Organization of Health presents a dark picture of the population of the earth with 100 millions individuals hit each year by nervous breakdown and this figure is constantly increasing.

The doctrines of demons spread more and more. 9/10th of human beings do not possess Jesus-Christ as Saviour and Lord. Consequently, the brother love between men gets cold, as Jesus has prophesied it.

The apostasie is here The iniquity progresses. These signs are accomplished, evidences that the return of Jesus-Christ is close.

### **Evangelisation of the world**

Mat. 24 :14 : « This gospel of the kingdom will be preached THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE INHABITED EARTH **as a testimony** to all the nations, and then the end will come. »

The Lord has not said that the whole world will convert before his return, but that the Gospel will be preached to serve as testimony.

To evangelise is : to preach, to announce the Gospel, it is the Mission of all the christians who form the CHURCH that belongs to Jesus-Christ. In a world without faith or dischristianised, there are nowadays a very big effort accomplished by the christians to spread the Good News.

In year 1500, the Bible was translated only in 15 languages. Now, it is translated in more than 1500 languages and spread in millions copies. There are more than a billion copies spread in the whole world. Even in Russia and in China tens of thousands are freely distributed, thanks to the generosity of the Western christians.

Some courageous missionnaires have managed to make the Gospel introduced in Tibet, among indian tribes of the huge forest of Amazonia and those at the stone age in the island of Borneo. Some have been toward the pigmées of Africa and in the furthest countries where nobody has dared venture. Even the Gypsies are evangelised through the world. Each day, thanks to powerful radio broadcast, the Gospel is spread OVER ALL THE CONTINENTS, and in multiple languages.

O paradox ! While sin increases more and more in the world, the Good news of Jesus is heard **up to the extremities of the earth, among all the nations**, as Jesus has predicted it.

This sign is a living reality annonciator of the imminent coming of Jesus on the clouds of heaven. Had it not also said to his disciples : « You will be my witnesses....**up to the extremities of the earth.** » (Acts 1 :8-9).

### **The false messiahs**

Matthew 24 :23-27 : « If anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or 'There he is!' do not believe him. For false messiahs and false prophets will appear. »

Since the coming of the TRUE MESSIAH, Jesus, our Saviour dead on the calvary for the forgiveness of our sins, rised up from the dead and gone up to heaven at the right of God, many false messiahs have existed through the centuries. There has been since the second century, but I will mentioned only some appeared in our century. It is enough to convince us that Jesus has said the truth and his prophecy has had its accomplishment.

. In the United States : a black man has proclaimed himself the Messiah and made himself called « divine Father ». He claimed to have come down from heaven at Harlem in a cloud of smoke. He had many adepts.

. In France : on the 25th of December 1950, at Montfavet, a person retired from the post, Georges Roux, had declared himself to be the Messiah. On the posters it was written : « Yesterday Jesus of Nazareth...Today Georges de Montfavet....But still Christ. Listen to the wonderful news... Christ is again among us !. »



. In India : there are gurus, « Masters », who claim to be manifestations of God, Messiahs. I have met two of them. One claimed that God had come down in him the day when man went to the moon. He called his Ashram « the paradise ». He had millions of adepts, among them hundreds of Europeans.

. In Corea : a called Moon presents himself as the Messiah.

. In Israel : there are several that claim to be the Messiah. I have met one in Jerusalem. I have talked ¾ of an hour with him. He said to me : « I am Jesus back on earth. Formerly, I have stayed in oblivion from the age of 12 until I was 30. Today I stay hidden but soon I will enter in my reign. My name is Ben David ». At 50, speaking French very well, this Jew from Roumania, ex-journalist, claimed to be the Messiah. But when I said to him that Jesus would appear with his spouse (I wanted to speak of his church, so called in the Bible) he has immediately answered : « It is true, I am going to fetch her. She is now in Paris and she is called Madeleine. »

Besides these MYSTIC false-messiahs, there are other who are eager to dominate politically the world.

The apparition in our times of these false christs announces the soon coming of Jesus, **the true Messiah who will come down from heaven** (1 Thes. 4 :16)

## **TWO MAIN SIGNS IN FULL ACCOMPLISHMENT**

Considering these accomplished signs we do not have to wait for anymore signs, there are two that are in progress of accomplishment. They constitute, at the light of the biblical revelations, the evidences that we are at the eve of the second coming of Jesus and the sudden ruin of the nations.

These two events are :

### **THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL In the « Promised Land »**

### **THE GATHERING OF THE NATIONS That will gang up against Israel**

A simple study, based on precise and sure data of the prophetic texts, enables to understand what will be the course of what is going to happen soon.

It is not possible, within the limits of this « biblical booklet », to enter in all the details of the prophecies, but the most important is to pay attention to what the Bible says clearly about Israel, the Nations and the Church.

## **THE GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL**

« Look, I am about to take the Israelites from among the nations where they have gone. **I will gather them** from round about and **bring them to their land.**» (Ezek. 37 :21)

We assist today, since the beginning of the 20th century, at the return of Israel to the Promised Land. The prophecy concerns this fact, accomplished itself under our eyes and constitutes the sign definitely sure that we go near, at big steps, the Return of Jesus-Christ. The gathering of the nations against Israel could not be considered until Israel was gathered in its country.

The people of Israel is the key that enables to follow the chain of the events announced in the Bible. Therefore it is indispensable to know the prophecies about it, and they are many.

**First, we must remember that the existence of the people of Israel is explainable neither through its race, nor its religion, but by the choice of God.**

« The Lord **has chosen** Jacob for himself, Israel to be his special possession. » (Psalm 135 :4)  
« My Israel that **I have chosen**. » (Isaiah 44 :1/2)  
« The Lord your God **has chosen** you to be his people, prized above all others on the face of the earth. » (Deut. 7 :6/8, 10 :15, 14 :2)  
« Children of Israel, **I have chosen** you alone from all the clans of the earth. » (Amos 3 :2)  
« **The Lord will choose again Israel** and he will re-establishes them in their land. » (Isaiah 14 :1)  
« It is a people a nation that lives alone, and it will not be reckoned among the nations. » (Numbers 23 :9)

The story of the people of Israel, as that of the arabian people, starts with Abraham.

It is written: « It is you Lord God, who **has chosen** Abram, who had made him exit from Ur in Chaldea, and who has given him the name of Abraham ».

God made a promise to him in which Three precise facts appear :

- « I will do of you a great **nation**. »
- « You will be a source of **benediction**. »
- « I will give this **land** to your posterity. »
- (Genesis 12 :2 et 7, 17 :4 :8)

The descendants of Abraham, through his spouse Sara, have later formed a people around Moses at the exit from Egypt. Then, they have possessed the promised country under the lead of Josuah, David and Solomon. They were in benediction to the world through the Bible and the coming of Jesus, the Messiah, at Bethlehem.

The other descendants of Abraham, through his servant Agar, have given birth to the Arabian people.

The dispersion of Israel outside the promised land and their return have been announced by the prophets. After having been taken away in exile by the Assyrians and the Babylonians, part of them came back to the country. At the moment of the birth of Jesus, towns and villages were populated by Jews.

The late dispersions took place in year 70 and 135 upon the order of the roman emperors.

What interests us now are the prophecies linked to their actual return in this century.

Among the multiple prophecies, here are some :

#### **1. Dispersion :**

- « If you do what is evil to God eyes your Lord to make him cross, the Lord will **scatter you among the peoples**. » (Deut. 4 :25/31 et 28 :63/68)
- « Because they have gone after the Baals...**I will scatter them among the nations**. » (Jer. 9 :13/16)
- « They will be taken as **captive among all the nations**. » (Luke 21 :24)

#### **2 – Return :**

- «If you obey...the Lord your God will reverse your captivity and have pity on you. He will turn and **gather you** from all the peoples among whom he has scattered you. » (Deut. 30 :1/3)
- « I will **bring them back to their land**. » (Jer.16 :15 et 30 :3)
- « « I will take them out of the nations, I **will gather them** from all countries, and I will **bring you back in your country**. » (Ezec. 36 :24 and 38 :25)

This gathering is such an extraordinary story in our century that it is difficult not to see the divine intervention. An atheist soldier met in the Neguev made this confession about the six day War : « I do not believe in God, but I must recognize that he was with us. »

This return to Israel has started by the sionist vision of Theodore Herzl who wrote a little book « Jew State ». This book had a worldwide effect.

**In 1897**, a first big sionist congress took place in Basel.

**In 1917**, thanks to the discovery of the jewish Professor Chaim Weizmann, the English government offered him as a reward the creation of a jewish national home in « Palestine ». This historic fact is known as « Declaration of Balfour ».

The same year, the English general Allenby entered in Jerusalem and dismissed the Turkish.

**In 1922**, the nations gave to England the mandate over the Palestine and immigration offices were opened.

Just after the war 1940-1944, - during which 6 millions of Jews died in the concentration camps – survivors coming out of the depth of this holocaust wanted to come back to THEIR Country. The English were against it and drove back those who wished to land, such as the 1554 immigrants of the Exodus who knew a tragic odyssee.

**In 1947**, the mandate over the Palestine was abandoned by England. The United States decided the share of the country between the Jews and the Arabian representing 40 millions inhabitants and triumphed.

**On the 14th of May 1948**, David Ben Gourion proclaimed the rebirth of the State of Israel.

Here is an extract of the declaration :

« The land of Israel has been the place of birth of the jewish people. There their personality was formed spiritual, religious and national...There they wrote the Bible to give it to the whole world...Confident in the almighty Lord, we sign this declaration... »

Since then, the « law of the return » has eased the gathering of the exiled.

**In 1982**, the jewish population in Israel was 3.500.000 inhabitants, come from more than 100 nations. The pionneers built towns, cleared the desert, planted more than 100.000.000 trees on the bare hills, drained marshes, sow fields left uncultivated for long.

They made their hebrew language rebirthed and their country revive.

Prophecies have today become living realities, as this one :

« Mountains of Israël, you will be cultivated and sown ; the devastated ground will be cultivated. »  
(Ezek. 26 :8/10 and 33/34)

**In 1989**, a very important event has happened in Russia. The boundary has been opened to let go the Jews toward Israel, their land. Since, they have arrived by thousands each month at Ben Gourion airport near Tel-Aviv. In 1991, about 500.000 , out of 3 millions living in Russia, were already settled in the Promised Land.

In the same time, the Olim » (immigrants) Jews of Ethiopia 18.000, have been brought to Israel in 36 hours, pulled out of death because of the most gigantic air bridge of history, realised by the army of Israel. This community, back to the country, is part of the 10 lost tribes. Some think it is the tribe of Dan.

A little later, 350 Albanese Jews completely cut off the world since the second world war arrived.

The return of these exiled demonstrates magnificently the litteral accomplishment of the prophecies.  
« I **will bring them back** from the end of the earth, says God... » (Jer. 31 :8/9 , Isaiah 43 :6)

« In that time, the house of Israel will walk with the house of Juda, they will come back together from the country of the north. » (Jer. 3 :18 , Zac 10 :6/10)

The big exodus of the end of the times is developing under our eyes. Indeed we live exceptional times. Jesus comes again very soon.

## **JERUSALEM** **A heavy stone for all the peoples**

The main prophecy concerning the reestablishment of the authority of Israel over Jerusalem, has been given by Jesus-Christ.

« Jerusalem will be trodden at feet by all nations **until the time of the nations** are accomplished. » (Luke 21 :24)

**Jerusalem is the central point of the world to which everything is going to converge in this end of the times.**

Israel does not want to let the nations tread Jerusalem.

After the six day war, during reporting with colleagues, we have interviewed the First Minister Ben Gourion. He said to us in his Kibboutz in Neguev :

« Jerusalem is now in our hands. We want it to stay so. The whole world will understand that Jerusalem is jewish. »

The Maire-Adjoint, A. CHOURAQUI, received us in his house in Jerusalem and he declared :

« It is out of question to give back Jerusalem. We have no choice. »

**In 1967**, during the six day war, the army of Israël took possession of the old town of Jerusalem that belonged to the Jordanians. It was joined with the new town and the jewish maire Teddy Kollek became the administrator. As Psalm 122 :3 says : « Jerusalem is now a town whose parts are joined together. »

Lately, the king Solomon had reminded to the people of Israel this divine decision : « I have chosen Jerusalem so that my NAME will stay there. » (2 Chron.6 :6)

**In december 1949**, despite the opposition of the United Nations who wanted to make of Jerusalem an international area Israel made it its capital.

**On the 30th of July 1980**, the israelian Parliament proclaimed officially :

« Jerusalem is unified for ever, capital of Israel, jew for ever.

Straight away, the United Nations condemned Israel again. In Iran, Khomeiny threatened with holy war to take back Jerusalem. Already, the islamic conference gathered in Lahore, Pakistan, had adopted as mot d'ordre : « The force of the islamic unity is stronger that the atom », and they decided to make everything possible for the return of Jerusalem to the muslims.

**In september 1991**, during their national palestinian council gathered in Alger, the leaders have asserted again their intent to have a Palestinian State with JERUSALEM as capital. This claim has been renewed during the israelo-arabian conference in october 91 in Madrid, in the presence of Bush, Gorbatchev, Shamir, israelian first minister, and the chiefs of the arabian countries !

So, the prophecy of Zechariah takes today a character of the highest importance for the establishment of a lasting peace and boundaries sure and recognized for Israel according to the resolution 242 adopted by the United Nations on the 22nd of November 1967.

Actually, the Jews have no intent at all to give the East side of Jerusalem conquered in June 1967. Magnificent buildings are being built beyond the walls of the old town on the way to Bethanie, Bethlehem, etc. to welcome the new immigrants.

So we are the witnesses of the accomplishment of this prophecy of Zechariah :

« Look, I am about to make JERUSALEM a cup that brings dizziness to all the surrounding nations; ...a heavy stone for all the peoples. » (Zec. 12 :2/3).

<p><b>Jesus comes again. MARANATHA !</b> (1 Cor. 16 :22)</p>
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These three prophecies of Ezekiel, Zechariah and Revelation with their similarities and their complementarities, enable us to understand what is being prepared at this moment in the world and what is going to happen.

The prophet Daniel reveals also a conflict at the end of the times between the two blocks : North and South, because of Israel. Then he will enter the beautiful land. »  
(Dan. 11 :40/41)

So a world war is possible, according to the prophecies.

### **THE APOCALYPTIC ARSENAL**

Armement, partial disarmement, new rearmement, here is the military situation in the world. After the running to the armements, the powerful countries speak of plans of disarmement, the remelting of the nuclear arsenal, destruction of the old weapons, weapons having become useless.

What is it about exactly ?  
Let us not be fool, but realistic !

France has destroyed in 1991 the first nuclear sous-marin launcher of strategic missiles, the « Redoutable ». It had on board 16 missiles with multiple atomic loads and however, after 20 years of service, he had become obsolete due to technology progress. It will be replaced by another, the « Triomphant », more sophisticated, bigger, indétectable at the bottom of the seas. About the stop of the building of the missiles « Hades », it is not considered !  
France does not disarm. A nuclear force de frappe called « of dissuasion » is considered indispensable by the nations. That enables to maintain a fragile peace based on « the balance of the terror ».

On the 27th of September 1991, America has announced, by his president George Bush, the removal of several hundreds of his atomic weapons at short portée and those at multiple heads, equipments qualified as « oldish ».

While discarding also their strategic bombardiers, the Americans launch a program of engins more sophisticated in the prospect of a guerre-éclair, the spatial war, called star war, and the installation of a anti-missile shield to protect their country against a possible agression.

There will not be a TOTAL disappearance of nuclear weapons despite a massive reduction. They will be replaced by new missiles aéroportés. They envision to display in 1995 the new missile TASM. It is out of question to remove the sea-based ballistic missiles nor the bombardiers furtifs, invisible, escaping the radars and that appear during the war of the Golf.

The nuclear dissuasion stays nevertheless the basics of the defence of the USA by forces de frappe technologically more sophisticated.

The Russians have committed themselves to reduce by half their soldiers. Still they will remain 2 millions. The collapse of the Pacte de Varsovie has made useless the missiles à courte portée. The tanks are repatriated and destroyed, but some more sophisticated are being built as well as new sous-marins better adapted to a future war.

The 25.000 nuclear tactical loads spread all over the territory of the ex-Sovietic Union that has crumbled, constitute a severe danger for they escape from the control of the central power. The gigantic nuclear sovietic power is hardly controllable.

China, that is also a nuclear power, does not intent to go toward the way of disarmement.

The risk of a nuclear confrontation is far from being definitely discarded. According to the Bible, it is unavoidable and announced in the first epistle to the Thessalonicians (5 :2/3) : « The day of the Lord will come as a thief at night. When men will say 'Peace and Safety', then a sudden ruin will bump unto them. »

### SHORT TABLE OF THE OUTFIT OF DEATH

**The atomic bomb.** The first two were launched in August 1945 over Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan. Since, thousands are made and stored in various countries : USA, Sovietic Union, China, India, Great Britain, France, Israel, Pakistan, South Africa...Other countries will possess it soon : Argentine, Brazil... Their proliferation increases without end.

**The hydrogen bomb.** The first one was experimented in March 1954 in the Pacific ocean. It is infinitely more powerful than the atomic bomb. The bomb of 100 megatons destroys everyting at 100 km around.

**The neutron bomb,** or at reinforced radiation. It is a terrific weapon implemented in France and in the USA. It kills the population and leaves intact the houses. The neutrons projected by a fantastic energy behave as real microscopic shells capable of going through the thickest walls and armour plates to kill all that lives.

**The laser missile** or ray of death. It is an evil ray that makes everything vanish.

**The electro-magnetic bomb.** A single one can paralyse a country. It is the new generation of bombs among which there is the X-Ray anti-missiles bomb to « make blind» the adversary missiles.

**The ballistic missiles with multiple heads.** It is the top of the refinement. They are rockets that throw a cluster of nuclear nose cones enabling a greater destruction. The most terrifying weapon is the intercontinental missils MX with 10 nuclear heads, capable to touch their objective at 10.000 Km of distance.

**The apocalyptic sous-marins.** The USA have built sous-marins bearing 24 missiles with 8 nuclear heads, absolute weapon of the depths d'une portée de 7.400 Km. The Soviets have launched sous-marins « Triphoon » armed with 20 missiles with 8 nuclear cones d'une portée de 8.300 Km.

**The death vessels.** The space war called « star war », is in preparation since years by the Americans and the Russians. « The powers of heaven will be shaken », Jesus said in Luke 21 :20. « Heavens will vanish will crash. », the apostle Peter said in his second epistle 3 :10. The militarisation of the space is also a sign of the end. The preparation of the spatial war is going on. The satellites d'alerte are capable of signaling within the second that follows the firing of the missile and giving immediate orders to the killer-satellites provided with laser guns and with beams of electrons.

**The chemical weapons.** The USA have planned a budget of several billions of francs to improve and develop the arsenal of bombs with gaz V.X. OU b ;z ; There is enough today to cause the death of 6 billions of inhabitants, i.e all the population of the earth in 2000.

The red army has mis au point chemical nose cones for ground missiles. They have stored 400.000 tons of these weapons. They have a troop of 100.000 equipped soldiers and trained to chemical war and factories to make these weapons.

The nations do not take any account of the protocol of agreement signed in Geneva in 1925.

The gas that could be used during a future war are worthy of the Apocalypse. The effects overpass the imagination.

The military sovietic texts envision the massive and systematic use of chemical weapons in a sudden offensive.

**The biological and bacteriological weapons.** They are bombs with viruses with incalculable consequences. They generate death with atrocious sufferings, through pests, cancers, etc.. "I will exercise my judgements ...through pest " God says in Ezekiah 28 :22.

Will the nations destroy these chemical and biological weapons before their use ?

## THE WORDLY HARMAGUEDON

The worldwide conflagration is designated in the book of Revelation under the hebrew name of « Harmaguedon » (Rev. 16 :16). Harmaguedon designates a large plain in Israel. It is unbelievable that today a planetary atomic, chemical or bacteriological war, even tactical, can take place on such a reduced area...Does not the battle of Harmaguedon refer to the « sudden ruin of the nations » the apostle Paul speaks of ? ( 1 Thes. 5 :8).

Actually, during this war, the towns of the nations will fall (Rev. 16 :19). It will be a general war over the whole earth and not localised in the plain of Harmaguedon, in Galilee.

Luke 21.35 ; « This day will come as a net over all those who **live on the face of the earth.** »

**It is definitely certain that before the return of Jesus-Christ, an attack against Jerusalem, and consequently against Israel, is going to take place, this attack will trigger the third world war. Everything is ready for that in the world, however the world will be surprised by the sudden arrival of the catastrophe.**

The things announced in anticipation by Jesus and the apostles have been accomplished or are in progress of accomplishment. Jesus is going to appear soon.

Let us be vigilant and wait his return with confidence, for it will be possible to escape all these things that will arrive, Jesus said (Luke 21 :36).

### The attack against Jerusalem

In 1947, during the share of the Holy Land between Arabians and Jews, the attack against the people of Israel turned up into a division of Jerusalem into two parts.

In 1967, the East part, called « old town », separated from the « new town » by a wall, was taken by the israelian parachutists. Since, the wall has fallen and the whole town is administered by a jewish maire.

Jerusalem has become a big stake for the Peace in the world.

The Irak was about to launch an attack against Israel. His chief Sadam Hussein possessed Scud rockets, he threw some of them over Israel during the war of the Golfe. He had also gathered chemical weapons and he used them against the Kurdes. He was nearly about to possess atomic bombs with the intent to annihilate Israel.

When he invaded the Koweit, in August 90, the powerful american army and their allies annihilated his war potential.

At that time, neither Russia, nor China, nor India, no other powerful country having the atomic weapon moved.

But when the time comes when the prophetic texts of Ezekiah and Zechariah are accomplished the entire world will flare up by the atomic fire.

Here are these biblical verses :

« In the latter years you will come to a land restored from the ravages of war, with many peoples gathered on the mountains of Israel that had long been in ruins... You will advance against my people Israel. » Eze. 38 :8 et 16)

« All the peoples of the earth will be assembled against Jerusalem. I will set out to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. » (Zec. 12 :3 and 9, 14 :2 et 12)

What has happened because of Koweit has been a demonstration of what will happen tomorrow, and yet worse, in the whole world.

The match that will light the atomic powder magazine of the world will light when the nations attack Jerusalem.

It is enough to know that the Israelis discovered in Lebanon during the war « Peace in Galilee » weapons able to equip 500.000 men, stored in the undergrounds in prevision of an attack against Israel, to understand that the regions of the Near and Middle East are today stuffed with weapons in view of an attack against Jerusalem.

The presence of the russian fleet including sous-marins porteurs de missiles à têtes nucléaires, in the Mediteranean sea, facing the 6th american fleet – the force de frappe atomique of which is prodigious – is a permanent threat for the Israelians.

To the question : « What will you do if the russians attack you ? », the israelian journalist Scemama, in Jerusalem, answered :

- «If the Russians decided to make the big war, to declare the war to Israel, we will just have to enter our head in our shoulders and wait. There is no question to face Russia and all its tremendous power. Assuming that Russia is ready to take risk against the Americans, at that moment, there will likely be the last days and the Messiah will come. It will be better to be in Israel than somewhere else. »...

**The Americans and Israel have concluded an agreement of « strategic cooperation » intended to organize a common defence against any aggression.**

**The USA have committed to help Israel in the case where the enemies in the Middle East will endanger the area.**

**Everyting is planned. We are very close to the firing of the match. Jesus is going to come very soon.**

## PEACE AND SAFETY

Since the end of the war of the Golfe, we often hear the medias talk about peace, negotiations, search of peace, establishment of a new worldwide order for the maintenance of the Peace.

Since the defeat of the irakian army, the whole Proche-Orient is boiling. The diplomatic steps succeed to one another to try to reach a lasting peace.

Would this period not be the last step of the humankind history before the rapture of the Church and before the sudden ruin of the nations ?

How long will the peace time last ? Nobody knows, but a thing is sure, it is the accomplishment of this prophecy :

« When men say 'PEACE AND SAFETY, A SUDDEN RUIN WILL BUMP UNTO THEM. » (1 Thes. 5 :2)

And when Israel will feel in safety in their houses, then the enemy will come up to attack them. (Eze. 38 :11)

The true christians will not be surprised, for they watch and are not intended to know this « anger of the lamb » the book of Revelation speaks of. (Rev. 6 :12/17, 11 :18, 16 :1 and 1 Thes. 5 :9)



## THE ANGUISH OF THE NATIONS

« There will be anguish in the nations. » (Luke 21 :25)

This anguish appeared mainly when Israel was attacked. It was the war of Kippour in 1973. The atomic weapons of the Russians and the Americans was set on alert. The nations have shivered.

When the Scud rockets of the Iraqians fell on Tel-Aviv, during the war of the Golfe, the world feared an israelian counterattack that could have degenerated in a worldwide war. The anguish grabbed the nations.

Today, last hope of a new worldwide order, the fear of going toward the moral, ethnic and nuclear chaos is hidden.

The daily newspaper of Moscow « Sovietskaya Rossia » has asserted : « The danger of a worldwide conflict follows from the new american strategy that considers the Near-East as a region where the USA would have the right to intervene at any time. »

Sixty four scientists of very high authority gathered in Roma have declared : « Science cannot offer to the world any reliable defence against the terrific consequences of a nuclear war...The present run to armements increases the risk of a nuclear war. »

Deng Zia Ping, Vice-President of China, has declared : « From year to year, from day to day, the hot points and the factors that lead us to the THIRD WORLD WAR are accumulating. Among these hot points, I could mention in first place THE MIDDLE EAST. »

Dr W.H. Pickering : « The East and the West could annihilate the civilization in half an hour. »

Dr Einstein : « Science does not offer defence against the weapons that can destroy the civilization. »

President J.F. Kennedy : « Each man lives under a Damocles nuclear sword, hang to the smallest thread, likely to be cut at any time. »

These declarations of high personalities of our time confirm what the Bible has announced in anticipation...

But is the most important not to refer to biblical assertions?

**Let us be realistic and lucid, without seeking the catastrophism. Let us pay attention to what is written in the word of God...**

Jesus has spoken about wars and uprisings that must come before the confrontation of a kingdom against another kingdom (Luke 21 :9/10). He has precised that after the recapture of Jerusalem by the Jews, **the anguish** will spread to all nations.

He has pictured a terrifying frame of the situation and we cannot ignore what he has said, for HIS WORD is also by itself a warning to watch and pray to escape from what will happen :

« People will be fainting from **fear** and from the expectation of what is coming on the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. » (Luke 21 :26)

and that will arrive :

« ...as a net over those who live **on earth**. » (Luke 21 :35)

The apostle Peter uses in his prophecy terms that do not surprise us anymore in this century of atom and radioactivity :

« The present heavens and earth have been reserved for fire...The day of the Lord will come as a thief, in that day heavens will pass **with crash** the fired elements will **dissolve**... » (2 Peter 3 :7/17)

**Jesus has said :**

« These things will arrive. » (Luke 21)

**No doubt, this will happen ! for HE HAS SAID IT.**

**The quickness in the succession of the facts is going to accelerate. We are seeing the beginning of it. Then let us rise our eyes. Jesus says it to us. Let us rejoice for HE WILL APPEAR SOON and we will see him.**

We, as christians, we have a hope, but the whole world fears that the balance of the terror happens to break, leading to the nuclear suicide of the nations. »

And that is surely going to happen for :

**Jesus announces the anguish of the nations** (Luke 21 :35)

**The apostle Paul, the ruin of the nations** (1 Thes. 5 :3)

**The apostle Peter, the judgement of the nations** (2 Pet.3/7)

**The apostle John, the anger of the Lamb** (Rev. 6 :16)

« **Stay alert at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things THAT MUST HAPPEN ....** »  
(Luke 21 :36)

## **SCOURGES AND CATACLYSMS**

When the « sudden ruin of the nations » comes, the war will not be the only torment of men although that war will constitute a "punishment" since it will be a revolt against the chosen people of God, thus against God himself. Men will undergo the tragic consequences of their misleading :

« They will seize each other and attack one another violently. » ( Zec. 14 :13)

« The one who rode it was granted permission to take peace from the earth, so that people would butcher one another. » (Rev. 6 :4)

To the war **the right punishments** coming straight from the sovereign God :

. **THE FIRE.** We know that the fire will come through atomic bombs or other, but it is also true that God does not need bombs to make the fire fall over the earth. Just remember the story of Sodome and Gomorrhe, cities that have disappeared under a fire and sulfur cataclysm.

And in Ezeekiah 38 :22, it is written :

« I will rain down on him and his troops a torrential downpour, **FIRE AND BRIMSTONE.** »

The reading of 1 Kings 18 :38 is also convincing :

« The fire of the Lord fell and consumed the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil and it absorbed the water that was in the ditch. »

So the fire can be sent straight from God !

. **THE EARTHQUAKES.** (Read Hez. 38 :20 and Rev. 16 :18)

. **THE TIDAL WAVES** (Luke 21 :25)

. **THE PLAGUES.** The power of the nuclear and bacteriological weapons can make shiver the most reckless person.

Zechariah 14 :12 : « Here is the plague of which the Lord will strike all the peoples who would have fight against Jerusalem : their flesh will fall in rottenness, while they will be standing, their eyes in rottenness.... ».

The disease of Hiroshima of which the survivors of the atomic bombing were affected is surprisingly like this description...

But the plagues can come differently than through microbial bombs. In Moses time the ten plagues of Egypt took place.

Ezekiah 38 :22 : « I will exercise my judgements against him through pest and blood... »

. **THE SHAKEN HEAVENS.** Upheavals in the whole nature. (Luke 21 :24/26 and Rev. 6 :12/14)

### THE GATHERING OF THE CHRISTIANS ON THE CLOUDS OF HEAVEN

President Gorbachev, whose mother was christian orthodox, made this remark :

« We are all on board of the boat : the Planet Earth. Let us be careful to the wreck, for there will not be another Noah Ark »

There will effectively be « wreck » as the prophets of the Bible announced it. But when he says that there will not be a second Noah Ark, he makes a mistake.

Actually, this new « Ark » is called : « RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH ».

This gathering we call « the rapture of the Church » is announced prophetically in the first epistle to the Thessalonians (4 :15/17) :

*« We tell you this by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not go ahead of those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a shout of command, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.*

*Then we who are alive, who are left, will be suddenly caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will always be with the Lord. »*

This text asserts that all the christians, since the rising of Christ until his return, will be gathered on the clouds to go together to meet the Lord in the air.

#### 1. It is a meeting.

Christ goes down from heaven and the christians are raptured toward HIM. That happen in such a manner that the meeting is invisible and quick.

« In a moment, in the blinking of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead (in Christ) will be raised imperishable, and **we will be changed.** » 1 Cor. 15 :52)

We will have « HEAVENLY BODIES » (1 Cor. 15 :48/49), similar to the « GLORIOUS BODY » of the Lord (Philip. 3 :21). It will be the redemption of our body by the Spirit of Christ who lives in us (Rom. 8 :23 et 11)

We will be within a second « similar to Jesus-Christ, for we will see him as HE IS. » (1 John 3 :2)

« We will see him face to face, and what is perfect will be arrived. » (1 Cor. 13 :12)

Thus, Jesus will come **in the air** with his angels to welcome his Church, called his spouse and it will be a time of great rejoicing.

« Let us rejoice and give him glory, for the wedding of the lamb (Jesus) have come and his spouse has prepared herself. » (Rev. 19 :7)

**All will be dressed with white cloths, making « a big crowd with all nations, all tribes, all peoples and all languages. »** (Rev . 7 :9/17)

#### 2. In the air.

The meeting will take place **in the air** (the space), beyond clouds. This coming of Jesus IN THE AIR is different from HIS coming on the Mount of Olives (Zec. 14 :4)

There are mocking people who refuse to believe in the Bible prophecies and thus in the Return of Jesus.

This is not surprising since the Bible has also predicted that the mockers would exist at the end of the times.

It is written : « In the last days, there will come **mockers** with their mocking remarks walking according their own envies and saying « where is the promise of his advent ? » (2 Peter 3 :3)

Do not listen to them and do not pay attention to the words of those who want make you believe that there will neither be sudden ruin of the nations, nor rapture of the christians on the clouds of Heaven.

As Noah who was saved him and his family, believe rather the Word of God that says the truth !

## **THE COMING OF THE LORD**

What we want especially to know is **the time** of this rapture. To situate it well, it is first necessary to understand the word **coming**, used to designate the Return of Jesus-Christ.

In the greek of the New Testament, there are three words to designate it :

**PAROUSIE - EIPHANIE - REVELATION.**

### **1. PAROUSIE**

The greek word is « parousian » and means : **a coming, an arrival, a presence, an advent.**

Here are the references where it is translated in the Bible « Second » by the word « coming » :

. « What will be the sign of your **advent** ? » (Mat. 23 :3)

. « As the light...so will be the **advent of the son of man** (Mat.24 :27)

. « Will revive in Christ, those who belong to Christ, at his **advent** » (1 Cor. 5 :23)

. " Be your hearts irreproachable at the **advent** of the Lord Jesus-Christ " 1 Thes. 3 :13)

and 1 Thes. 4 :15 – 1 Thes. 5 :23 – 2 Thes 2 :1 – 1 Thes. 2 :8 – Jacq. 5:7 et 8 – 2 Pierre 1:16, 3:4 et 12 – 1 Jean 2:28.

### **2. EIPHANIE**

In greek, « épiphanie » means « **apparition** » past or future.

. « The grace has been manifested by the **apparition** of our Lord Jesus-Christ » (2 Tim. 1 :10)

. « Living without reproach until the **apparition** of our Lord Jesus-Christ » (1 Tim. 6 :14)

The apparition of the Lord will be HIS COMING, his visible manifestation, visible a second time.

### **3. REVELATION**

The greek word « apocalypseï » designates the last book of the Bible : the Revelation. It means **revelation, manifestation, illumination**. It is sometimes translated by the verb **to appear**.

. « In the expectation of the manifestation of our Lord Jesus-Christ » (1 Cor. 1 :7)  
. « The Lord Jesus will **appear** » (2 Thes 1 :7)  
. « When Jesus will **appear** » (1 Pet. 1 :7 and 13)  
The « revelation » of Jesus-Christ is his visible manifestation at the end of the times.

In 2 Thessalonians 2 :8, it is literally written, according to the greek original :  
« L' impie...the Lord Jesus will annihilate by th **épiphanie** (éclat) of his **parousie** (advent) ».

Litterally : « by the revelation (or manifestation) of his arrival », so of his return.  
All these biblical texts speak of one event, during which will succeed :

1. **The arrival of Jesus in the air**
2. **The quick departure of the Church on the clouds, to meet him**
3. **The manifestation of the « anger »**
4. **The descent of Jesus on the Mount of Olives** (visible by the survivors of the anger – Rev. 1 :7)
5. **The establishment of his kingdom.**

The duration between two periods are not precised. All the events that precede or accompany the coming of Jesus are included in what the Bible calls the « Day of God » or « Day of the Lord ».

<p>« <b>The Lord himself WILL GO DOWN from heaven</b> » (1 Thes. 4 :16)</p>
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## THE DAY OF GOD

## THE DAY OF THE LORD

- . « Look, **the Day of the Lord** arrives, cruel day, day of anger and ardent fury... » (Isaiah 13 :9/13)
- . « **The day of the Lord** is close. It comes as a devastation of the Almighty » (Joel 1 :15)
- . « ...the sun will turn into darkness...before the arrival of the **Day of the Lord**, that day great and glorious » (Joel 2 :28/31, recalled in Act. 2 :17/21)

We must distinguish from one hand « the judgement **in this day** » (Joel 3 :14), called **day of the anger of the lamb** (Rev. 6 :12) or fight of the « **great day of the Almighty God** » (Rev. 16 :12) and, on the other hand, the coming of the kingdom of Jesus : « **In that day**, his feet will land on the Mount of Olives » (Zec. 14 :3 and 9), « **In this day**, the kid of Isai will be there like a banner for all peoples » (Isaiah 11 :10)

This does not mean that all will take place in a day of 24 hours. Only the quickness and the suddenness of that day are mentioned in the Bible :

- . « **The day of the Lord** will come **as a thief** » (2 Peter 3 :10 et 12)
- . « His coming will be **like a light** » (1 Cor. 15 :52)
- . « **The ruin of the nations** will be **sudden** » (1 Thes. 5 :5)

**All this will happen by surprise** (1 Thes. 5 :3), **unexpectedly, as a net** (Luke 21 :34/35).

Today, anguished by the spectrum of the third atomic world war, thousands of men and women, all over the world, make manifestations and marches for peace. **But there is no total peace, real and lasting, without the coming of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.**

The atomic bomb is now part of our daily life, if we want it or not, and it is too late to avoid the apocalyptic cataclysm.

**The danger of the potential nuclear holocauste threatens constantly our planet. The risks are real. All the conditions are gathered for the unleashing of the nuclearfire. When this happens at the day of the Almighty God, THE CHRISTIANS WILL HAVE LEFT THE SPATIAL VESSEL CALLED EARTH, THEY WILL ALREADY BE RAPTURED IN THE AIRS WITH JESUS-CHRIST THEIR SAVIOUR.**

« **I will take you  
WITH ME**  
(Jesus, in John 14 :3)

## **THE CHRISTIANS IN THE AIR**

### **WITH JESUS-CHRIST**

### **BEFORE THE ANGER OF THE LAMB**

The great final cataclysm, the Judgement of the nations is called in the Bible « The anger of the Lamb », « the great day of his anger » or « the anger of the Almighty God ». (Rev. 6 :12/7, 19 :15)

The word « ANGER » designates the right indignation of the Saint God who punishes the impie world :

« The Lord Jesus will appear from heaven with the angels of his power, among a flame of fire, to **punish** those who do not know God. » (2 Thes. 1 :7/8)

Jesus is going to come again :

- 1°) to RAPTURE from earth those who are saved by faith in Him, and MEET them IN THE AIR.
- 2°) to PUNISH the faithless world.

Jesus does not return to punish his disciples ! His disciples are not anymore « children of anger » (Ephes. 2 :3), but « children of God » (Rom. 8 :14, Jn 1 :12). They are not « **intended to anger**, but to the acquisition of **salvation** by Jesus-Christ » (1 Thes. 5 :9) . They « converted to God... to wait from heaven his Son who he rose from the dead, Jesus, who delivers us from future **anger**. » (1 Thes. 1 :9/10)

So it is clear that the disciples of Jesus-Christ, the true christians, will not live Jesus anger, the lamb of God.

## WHO WILL BE RAPTURED ?

« Will revive in Christ...**those who belong to Christ** at his advent. » (1 Cor. 15 :22/23)

To belong to Christ is to believe in Him :

« Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved. » (Act. 16 :31)

To believe in Him is to recognize that he is the Messiah, the sent from God, the only Saviour. It is to ask him the forgiveness that he has acquired by his death on the Cross.

It is written in the Bible :

« There is no righteous, not only one...for all have sinned and are deprived from the glory of God ; and they are freely justified by his grace, through the means of the redemption that is in Jesus-Christ. « (Rom. 3 :10, 23, 24)

The faith in Him enables us to belong to his « herd ». He is the Good Shepherd and he has said :

« The shepherd calls by their name the sheep that belong to him. I know MY sheep and they know me. I give them eternal life and they will never perish. » (John 10 :3/14 et 28)

The only question for each individual about the rapture is :

« Do I belong to him ?

Am I a sheep who follows him ? »

Jesus has made this promise to his disciples, to the sheep of his herd :

« I will come again and I WILL TAKE YOU WITH ME. » (John 14 :3)

At the advent of the Lord « ...one will be taken, the other will be left » (Mat.24 :40)

Let us be vigilant, as Jesus advises us :

« STAY READY, for he will come at a time you will not expect » (Mat. 24 :42/44)

« Stay alert and pray in all time, to HAVE THE FORCE TO ESCAPE from all these things that will ARRIVE, and to be able to stand before the Son of man » (Luke 21 :36)

« Stay in Christ , in order to, when he appears, have assurance and at his advent, you will not be confuse and far from Him. » (1 John 2 :28)

**All will go very fast.**

**Be attentive to what is going to happen in the Near-East, and in particular what concerns Jerusalem.**

« **I am coming soon** »  
(Jesus, in Revelation 22 :12)

**JESUS-CHRIST  
IS AT THE DOOR**

If you have not yet made the decision to believe in HIM and to become his disciple, do not delay that for later.

You know now that the « ruin of the nations » will be SUDDEN and Jesus is going to return at the time you will not expect.

TODAY is the day of your salvation.

Receive in your heart Jesus as Saviour and he will receive you in his presence when he will come again.

**If you are a christian, hold firmly in faith until his coming.  
Dedicate yourself more than ever to his service.**

**« We will be RAPTURED  
AT THE MEETING OF THE LORD....  
And so we will be  
ALWAYS WITH  
THE LORD. »  
(1 Thes. 4 :17)**

## **SUMMARY**

**Peace or Revelation for tomorrow ?**

**Certitude of the Return of Jesus-Christ**

**Time of the Return of Jesus-Christ**

**The accomplished signs**

**The Gathering of the People of Israel**

**The Gathering of the Nations**

**The apocalyptic arsenal**

**Short outfit of the panoplie of death**

**The worldly Harmaguédon**

**The attack against Jerusalem**

**Peace and safety**

**The anguish of the Nations**

**Plagues and cataclysms**

**The Gathering of the Christians**

**The advent of the Lord**

**The Day of God**

**The Christians in the air with Jesus-Christ before the anger of the Lamb**

**Who will be raptured ?**

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