

The
7 phases
of
the return
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Lord Jesus Christ



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Phase 1:

The preparations for His return to earth.

Mal. 3:1a "Behold, I will send My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me."

This preparation for His return shall happen by His Holy Spirit with the hereto called and anointed human "mouthpieces" as His spiritual instruments.

The 1st preparation: **The call of the Spirit at midnight** (during spiritual, social and military midnight circumstances).

Matt. 25:6-13 "And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise, give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying, not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were **ready** went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not. **Watch** therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh."

Eph. 5:14-20 "Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that (spiritually) sleepest, and arise from the (spiritual) dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is. And be not drunk with the wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

By this a common spiritual awakening of **the whole Church** will happen.

The 2nd preparation: **The call of the Spirit to take part unto the marriage supper of the Lamb of God.**

Rev. 19:9 "And he saith unto me, Write, **Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.**¹ And he saith unto me, these are the true sayings of God."

To them, who in their spirit will take part unto this supper, this decision shall bring about for them **the perfect redemption from all power of sin**. They shall be made **without any spot or wrinkle** by their faithful and out of their own free will taking part in this perfect washing in the blood that God's Lamb shed for us, by continually and spiritually eating and drinking His flesh and blood (see phase 2)

Luke 9:23-24 "And He said to them all, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for My sake, the same shall save it."

2 Co. 4:10-11 "**Always** bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the (resurrection)life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. For we which live are **always** delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the (resurrection)life also of Jesus might be made manifest **in our mortal flesh** (so: **already here on earth**)."

Phase 2: His sudden return as the Angel of the (Blood)covenant.

Mal. 3:1b "And the Lord, whom ye seek, shall **suddenly** come ((in and through the Holy Spirit)) to His temple (i.e. to His spiritual "vessels" – what we should be), even the Messenger of the (blood)covenant, whom ye delight in (namely: the Lord Jesus Christ, invisibly in and through the Holy Spirit): behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts²."

Then the **total** purification of the Bride of the Lamb in the fire of the Holy Spirit by her faith in the shed blood of God's Lamb will be realized. By this action of the Spirit she will be made without any spot or wrinkle, yea without any blemish.

Eph. 5:26-27 "That he might sanctify and cleanse it (i.e. the Church, better: the Bride-church) with the (cleaning/purifying) washing of water by the word (of God), That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be **holy and without blemish** (image of the Bride, or Bride-church)."

Phase 3: His return as the refreshing, quickening and renewing Latter Rain with His abundant Divine Life.

Joel 2:23-27 "Be glad then, ye children of Zion (type of all Christians, also the Messiah confessing Jews), and rejoice in the Lord (i.e. YaHWeH), your God: for He hath given you the former rain moderately (better: **a teacher for**

¹ See on www.endtime-messenger.com the study: "Called by the Spirit of God to take part unto **the marriage supper of the Lamb** and unto the divine marriage". (note – AK)

² LORD of hosts = God, the Commander of God's army (the godly army of human workers and angels). (note – AK)

righteousness³ – i.e. the Lord Jesus Christ, invisible in and by the Holy Spirit), and He will cause to come down for you the (spiritual) rain, the former Rain, and the latter Rain (see note⁴) in the first month (as **BEFORE**⁵ – in the time of the first Church). 24 And the floors (of your heart) shall be full of wheat (type of the divine food, God's true Word), and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil (the divine life in and through the Holy Spirit). 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 (powers of sin in the Church of the end-time, which destroys many Christians inward and spiritually). 26 And ye shall eat (of the spiritual food which I give unto you) **in plenty**, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed. 27 And **ye shall know that I am in the midst of Israel** (i.e. the Church, God's people – see note⁶), and that I am the Lord your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed."

Phase 4: His return as the Divine Bridegroom in the bridal festival, which shall be realised here on earth.⁷

Then He shall adore His Bride with her glorious spiritual Bridal adoration.

Rev. 12:1 "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven (i.e. the kingdom of heaven **on earth**, namely: **the Church**); a woman (i.e. the Wife of the Lamb – see note⁸) clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars."

He shall adore her with the glory (righteousness) of the Father, pictured by the sun; with the total Blood-reconciliation of the Son as the Lamb of God, pictured by the moon on which she stands; with the glory (majesty) of the Holy Spirit pictured by the crown of 12 stars.

Ps. 45:8-15 "All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad. Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir. Harken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house; so shall the king greatly desire thy beauty: for he is thy Lord; and worship thou him. And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift; even the (spiritual) rich among the people shall intreat thy favour. The king's daughter is all **glorious within**: her clothing is of wrought gold (type of her **outward** glory). She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the virgins her companions (type of: "the remnant of her seed" – see note⁹) that follow her shall be brought unto thee. With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: they shall enter into the king's palace."

Phase 5: His return as the Restorer of the whole true Church, as Michael, the Lord of hosts¹⁰, followed by His spiritual Leadership during the great world wide revival.

For both parts of this spiritual labor He shall use His Bride, the spiritual Body of Christ, as His instrument, for which He shall gird her with great divine power and majesty.

Then He shall wage **war against the 7 headed sin-dragon**, who keeps himself hidden in the world, but also in the Church.

Rev. 12:3-4 "And there appeared another wonder in heaven (i.e. the kingdom of heaven **on earth**, namely: **the Church**); and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman¹¹ (i.e. the Wife of the Lamb) which was ready to be delivered (a male son; i.e. the 144,000), for to devour her (spiritual) child as soon as it was born."

³ See a.o. the Thompson Chain-Reference Bible.

⁴ The latter Rain = Type for the **outpouring** of the Holy Spirit **in the end time** – see Joel 2:23b en 28-29.

⁵ See a.o. the Thompson Chain-Reference Bible.

⁶ Rom. 2 verse 29: "But **he is a Jew (or Israelite), which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.**"

From the Biblical encyclopaedia: Israel means literally: "he (or she) fights with God" or "God fights". And Jew – in German: "die Jude", from the tribe of Judah – means: "Praise" or "He (namely: the Lord) shall be praised".

⁷ See on www.endtime-messenger.com the study: "Soon there will be **a divine wedding on earth**". (note – AK)

⁸ Mentioned as '**the Bride**' BEFORE the Marriage of the Lamb and as '**the Women**' AFTER the Marriage of the Lamb. Compare this verse with **The Song of Solomon** (the book **about the Bride and the Bridegroom**) 6 verse 10: "Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners?" Read more – on www.endtime-messenger.com – about this woman of Revelation 12, in the studies: "Soon there shall be a divine wedding on earth" and "The New Jerusalem, the Bride of the Lamb of God". (note – AK)

⁹ Revelation 12 verse 17: "And the dragon was wroth with the woman (**the Bride of God's Lamb**), and went to make war with **the remnant of her seed, which (indeed) keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ (but not yet came to the spiritual perfection of the Bride)**."

¹⁰ LORD of hosts = God, the Commander of God's army (the godly army of human workers and angels). (note – AK)

¹¹ See note 8.

Rev. 12:7-11 *“And there was war in heaven (the kingdom of heaven on earth, namely: the Church): **Michael and his angels** (the Lord Jesus and His anointed, called, servants) **fought against the (sin)dragon**; and the dragon fought and his angels (satan and his servants), 8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven (the kingdom of heaven on earth: the Church). 9 And the great dragon was cast out (out of the true Church), that old serpent, called the devil, and satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth (image of the world of unrepented people; also that part of the church that did not repent), and his angels were cast out with him (out of the true Church, the Body of Christ). 10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren (and sisters) is cast down (out of the true Church, the Body of Christ), which accused them before our God day and night. 11 And they (His true disciples, the “wise”-man in the Church) overcame him (i.e. satan) by (their faith in) the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony (whereby also others will share this victory); and they loved not their (earthly, sinful) lives unto the death (until their sinful life – already here on earth – has died off, by the purifying Fire of the Spirit, so that they may live without spot or wrinkle, faultless; see Eph. 5:27).”*

Then the whole true Church, God’s sanctuary, shall be **totally** purified from all spots or wrinkles of sin and made without any blemish.

Thereafter He shall use His Bride, who He shall gird with great authority and power, as His spiritual instrument, to establish **the great world wide revival**, by which labor He shall add **numerous souls** unto His true Church.

Rev. 14:14-16 *“And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap; for the time is come for thee to reap; for the **harvest (of souls) of the earth** is ripe. And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle **on the earth**; and the earth was reaped.”*

Rev. 7:9 *“After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, **which no man could number**, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands.”*

Phase 6: His return in and through the Holy Spirit as Michael, the Divine great Prince of Israel, Who shall stand up in the midst of His people to lead the battle to conquer the whole land already promised by God to Abram.

Dan. 12:1 *“And at that time shall Michael (type of Jesus as the Lord of hosts, the Commander of God's army: the **godly army of human workers and angels**) stand up, the great Prince Which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, **every one that shall be found written in the book.**”*

Gen. 15:18-21 *“In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates: The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites, And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims, And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.”*

Hab. 3:1-19a *“A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet ... O Lord, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy. God came from Teman, and the Holy One from mount Paran, Selah. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise. And his brightness was as the light; he had horns coming out of his hand: and there was the hiding of his power. Before him went the pestilence, and burning coals went forth at his feet. He stood, and measured the earth: he beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: his ways are everlasting. I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction: and the curtains of the land of Midian did tremble. Was the Lord displeased against the rivers? was thine anger against the rivers? was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses and thy chariots of salvation? Thy bow was made quite naked, according to the oaths of the tribes, even thy word. Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers. The mountains saw thee, and they trembled: the overflowing of the water passed by: the deep uttered his voice, and lifted up his hands on high. The sun and moon stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went, and at the shining of thy glittering spear. Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst thresh the heathen in anger. Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, even for salvation with thine anointed; thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, by discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah. Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing was as to devour the poor secretly. Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, through the heap of great waters. When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will invade them with his troops. Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: **Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength**, and he will make my feet like hinds’ feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places.”*

During this war, in my opinion, the war of Gog and Magog (see Ezekiel 38 and 39), all the 12 tribes of Israel shall be brought by the Lord to Canaan out of the lands, where they have settled themselves during all the centuries of the past. In the same time these "lost" 10 tribes shall receive back their lost identity.¹² This return of all the 12 tribes of Israel happens in the same time as the great world wide revival.

Is. 11:10-16 *"And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse (image of Jesus Christ as Saviour), which shall stand for an ensign of the people, to it shall the Gentiles seek: and His rest shall be glorious (image of the last world-wide revelation). And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea (better translation: coastlands – namely: were the 10 "lost" tribes live – see note 12). And he (Jesus) shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel (the 10 lost tribes), and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth. The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim. But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines (the present-day Palestinians) toward the west; they shall spoil them of the east together: they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children of Ammon (the present-day kingdom of Jordan; with Amman as capital) shall obey them. And the Lord shall utterly destroy the tongue (the bay of the sea-shore) of the Egyptian sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river (Nile), and shall smite it in the seven streams, and make men go over dryshod. And there shall be an highway for the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt (the 10 "lost" tribes will return Christianised, i.e. converted to Christianity)."*

Ezek. 39:25-29 *"Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house (i.e. people) of Israel (so: all the 12 tribes), and will be jealous for my holy name; after that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me, when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made them afraid. When I have brought them again from the (gentiles or heathen) people, and gathered them out of their enemies' lands, and am sanctified in them in the sight of many nations; Then shall they know that I am the Lord their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there. Neither will I hide my face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord God."*

Not a single Israelite then shall live outside the captured territory of Canaan (see verse 28).

The 7th and finishing phase: His bodily and thus visible return to earth in great glory out of the clouds of heaven.

The previous phases are **invisible** and happen in and through the Holy Spirit.

Just before this last finishing phase of His return happens **the resurrection of the righteous dead**, who together with those, who are changed in a twinkling of an eye, shall go up into the clouds meeting the Lord in the air. Then they, with the Lord, shall return to the earth to establish with Him the Kingdom of 1000 years.

1 Co. 15:51-58 *"Behold, I shew you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we (i.e. the Bride[church] on earth) shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."*

1 Th. 4:13-18 *"But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren (and sisters), concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we (the Bride[church]) which are alive (on earth) and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we (the Bride[church]) which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore, comfort one another with these words."*

¹² **There is a difference between Israel and the Jews.** We will explain this briefly. In the first instance the people of Israel consists out of the 12 tribes, named after the 12 sons of Jacob, who by God was named Israel. But later on there came a division. The Bible then makes a difference between the "house of Israel" and the "house of Judah, the so-called Jews. The "house of Israel", also named Ephraim-Israel is the kingdom of 10 tribes, that were exiled by de Assyrians out of the promised land of Canaan (Palestine). Later on they moved into the so-called gentile-world, in which up to now they are hidden. It is especially in the "Christian" countries of Northwest Europe, and the countries whereto many of them have emigrated out of Northwest Europe like America, Canada, and Australia. The "house of Judah" is the kingdom of 2 tribes, namely the people of Judah and Benjamin, which in the days of Jesus lived in the promised land of Canaan (Palestine). It is over this "house of Judah", the so-called Jews, over which the hardening has come (see Rom. 11:25). (note – AK)

Rev. 20:4-5 "And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded **for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God** (i.e. "the remnant of her seed" – see Rev. 12:17), and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. **This is the first resurrection.**"

This bodily return of the Lord in great glory shall happen just **after** the great tribulation of 3½ years

Matt. 24:29-35 "**Immediately after the (great) tribulation**¹³ of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: **And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.** And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, this generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

Rev. 6:12-17 "And I beheld when he (the Lamb) had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places (by great earthquakes). And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand (before Him)?"

Then together with the 144,000 firstborns He shall bring to death all anti-christian hosts.

Jud. 14-15 "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him."

Zech. 14:1-5 "Behold, the day of the Lord cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and **the Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.**"

Mal. 4:1 "For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts (God, the Commander of God's army: the godly army of human workers and angels), that it shall leave them neither root nor branch."

Rev. 19:11-21 "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies (of God, namely the 144,000) which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. And I saw the beast (i.e. the antichrist), and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his (Godly) army. And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh."

¹³ "For then shall be **great tribulation**, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be" (Matt. 24:21).

During this millennium He shall bring **to spiritual and bodily matureness** all the members of His spiritual Body, also those out of the old covenant, up to the **perfectness** in Christ. He shall also close them with the full glory of God.

Eph. 4:13 "Till we all come in **the unity of the faith**, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto **the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.**"

Rev. 21:11 "(the Bride) Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal."

So finally has been fulfilled the original plan of God regarding men, which He uttered, when He was at the point of decision to create man.

Gen. 1:26a "And God said, Let us (Father, Son and Holy Spirit – see note¹⁴) make man **in our image, after our likeness.**"

¹⁴ Our almighty God has three forms of revelation: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **God's Being is a Unity. He is one Being, one Person.** The teaching that God consists out of three Persons is an error. In Deut. 6:4 is written: *Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord (He is one Person!)*.

This is, moreover, subscribed to by the fact that the two cherubim and the mercy seat had to been made out of **one** peace of gold (see Ex. 25:18). The both cherubim and the mercy seat picture our almighty God in His three forms of revelation. The cherubim picture **the Father and the Holy Spirit**, and the mercy seat the Lamb, **the Son of God**. Man also consists out of three parts: body, the visible part, and soul and spirit the invisible parts.