

Why US?
Part 1
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I. INTRO

- A. What time is it?
 - Many people call Israel, Jerusalem and the middle east "God's timepiece"
- B. The conflict
- C. What if?

Matthew 24:4-6 (NLT) Jesus told them, "Don't let anyone mislead you, for many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Messiah.' They will deceive many. And you will hear of wars and threats of wars, but don't panic. Yes, these things must take place, but the end won't follow immediately.

Matthew 24:8 (NLT) But all this is only the first of the birth pains, with more to come.

• Don't panic, it's all a part of the plan!

II. WHAT TIMEZONE ARE WE IN?

- A. Daniel's seventy sets of seven
 - Prophecy is history in advance

Daniel 9:24 (NIRV) "The Lord has appointed 70 'weeks' for your people and your holy city. During that time, acts against God's law will be stopped. Sin will come to an end. And the evil things people do will be paid for. Then everyone will always do what is right. Everything that has been made known in visions and prophecies will come true. And the Most Holy Room in the temple will be anointed.

• 70 sets of 7 = a total of 490 years

Daniel 9:25 (NIRV) "Here is what I want you to know and understand. There will be seven 'weeks.' Then there will be 62 'weeks.' The seven 'weeks' will begin when an order is given to rebuild Jerusalem and make it like new again. At the end of the 62 'weeks,' the Anointed King will come. Jerusalem will have streets and a water system when it is rebuilt. But that will be done in times of trouble.

Daniel 9:26a (NIRV) After the 62 'weeks,' the Anointed King will be put to death. His followers will desert him. And everything he has will be taken away from him. The army of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the temple. The end will come like a flood. War will continue until the end. The Lord has ordered that many places be destroyed.

- This prophecy deals with Israel and the city of Jerusalem
- B. That brings us to Daniel's 70th week

Daniel 9:27 (NIRV) A covenant will be put into effect with many people for one 'week.' In the middle of the 'week' sacrifices and offerings will come to an end. And at the temple a hated thing that destroys will be set up. It will remain until that ruler who will come is destroyed. Then he will experience what the Lord has ordered."



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C. What timezone are we in?

Luke 21:24b (NIRV) ... Jerusalem will be taken over by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles come to an end.

• The timezone of the gentiles – is the age of grace

Romans 11:25 (NIRV) Brothers and sisters, here is a mystery I want you to understand. It will keep you from being proud. Part of Israel has refused to obey God. That will continue until the full number of Gentiles has entered God's kingdom.

There will eventually be a great revival among the Jewish people

III. WHY US?

A. Keep your eye on the ball

1 John 3:1-3 (NKJV) Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

- We are, but we shall be, and what we shall be will be based on seeing Jesus
- B. Keep your eye on the ball

Ephesians 5:15-16 (NIV) Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.

• How do I seize the day when the day is evil?

Ephesians 5:15-16 (TPT) So be very careful how you live, not being like those with no understanding, but live honorably with true wisdom, for we are living in evil times. Take full advantage of every day as you spend your life for his purposes.

- We live in a day of great opportunity
- C. Run with us
 - Five stones 2024

Romans 12:11 and 13:11 (NLT) Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically ... This is all the more urgent, for you know how late it is; time is running out. Wake up, for our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.