

Revelation: The Time is Near

My Two Witnesses

Revelation 11:1-14

Revelation Review:

- John on Patmos, revealed Jesus in glory
- **The end of the world (as we know it) - The Great Tribulation**
- **Judgment on the nations and those who follow satan**
- **A last ditch effort to get the world to repent**
- **As bad as this is, hell is worse.** This is 7 years, hell is forever.

Previously:

- The Seven Thunders
- Not told what he said, but a strong message to the people who still wouldn't (couldn't) repent
- John eats the little book/scroll- tastes sweet, bitter in stomach

Today: The Second Woe

One woe is past, still two more!

Were the first 5 trumpets one woe (up to rev 9), and the other two trumpets are equal (so-to-speak in woe-level) to those.

An exclamation of grief

The future is being billed to us as a place where “we’ll own nothing and be happy”
But it’ll be far from that. It will be such deep grief. The grief of death and torment. Of hell itself.
And I know it grieves God to have to do it, but he still does.

Current Events

DHS Releases New Rules on Extremism, Will Target Anyone Who Questions 2020 Election or Challenges COVID Narrative

'Conspiracy theories' about 2020 presidential election and government's COVID response 'will almost certainly spur some [domestic violent extremists] [sic] to try to engage in violence this year,' claims DHS.

<https://www.newswars.com/dhs-releases-new-rules-on-extremism-will-target-anyone-who-questions-2020-election-or-challenges-covid-narrative/>

A March 2021 unclassified threat assessment prepared by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), Department of Justice, and DHS, noted that domestic violent extremists “who are motivated by a range of ideologies and galvanized by recent political and societal events in the United States pose an elevated threat to the Homeland in 2021.”

The assessment pointed to newer “sociopolitical developments such as narratives of fraud in the recent general election, the emboldening impact of the violent breach of the U.S. Capitol,

conditions related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and conspiracy theories promoting violence” that “will almost certainly spur some [domestic violent extremists] [sic] to try to engage in violence this year.”

The guidance also calls for more funding for the DHS’ “Insider Threat Program” to identify and purge any DHS employees who “may be displaying early indicators of extremist behavior or may be radicalizing to violence

the DHS struggles to define exactly what “extremist behavior” actually means.

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<https://finance.yahoo.com/news/worldwide-social-credit-industry-infrastructure-131500901.html>

The report also evaluates some of the leading companies that are anticipated to drive social credit market evolution. This report includes detailed quantitative analysis driven by market needs with forecasting for all major infrastructure elements from 2021 to 2026.

Amazon, Apple, Bosch, Canon, Cisco, Facebook, Google, Honeywell, IBM, Logitech, Nvidia, Samsung, Sony, Panasonic, Toshiba, Texas Instruments (to name a few)

Select Report Findings:

The COVID-19 pandemic has facilitated substantial interest in citizen monitoring solutions

Infrastructure to support social credit systems represents a \$16.1B global opportunity by 2026

Cameras and other optical equipment for social credit systems will reach \$723M globally by 2026

Advanced computing will be used in conjunction with AI to provide nearly flawless identification and tracking

Various forms of biometrics will be used for identity verification as well as verifying the presence/location of people

Starting as tangential to public safety and homeland security, the social credit market becomes mainstream by 2026

Social credit systems represent the ability to identify (mostly people but also some "things") and track activities for purposes of grading behaviors and applying "social credit" scoring. A given grading/scoring methodology depends largely on social credit system objectives and metrics.

However, most systems will have socially acceptable behaviour at their core. This presents both a challenge and an opportunity as a combination of government, companies, and society as a whole must determine "good", "bad", and "marginal" behavior within the social credit market.

Beginning as a trend largely orthogonal to public safety and homeland security concerns, the market for social credit system infrastructure will ultimately become a mainstream component of both business and public policy.

This means that systems will ultimately be used for a variety of commerce and lifestyle-related issues ranging from risk assessment (access to credit, financing fees, insurance, etc.) to accessibility within public places such as concerts, sporting events, and other assemblies. High social scoring individuals within the social credit market will be granted preferred access to both real and digital assets.

Social credit system infrastructure includes analogue and digital surveillance, Internet-enabled devices like smartphones, wearable devices, security systems, sensor-enabled physical objects, and surveillance devices that use biometrics and computer vision. Technologies include broadband wireless (WiFi, LTE, and 5G), IoT, AI algorithms, and big data analytics platforms, processes, and procedures.

Yuval Noah Harari, top advisor to the World Economic Forum's (you know, the Great Reset, "you'll own nothing and be happy") founder, Klaus Schwab:

"Data might enable human elites to do something even more radical than just build digital dictatorships. By hacking organisms, elites may gain the power to re-engineer the future of life itself. Because once you can hack something, you can usually also engineer it."

"In the past, many tyrants and governments wanted to do it, but nobody understood biology well enough, and nobody had enough computing power and data to hack millions of people. Neither the Gestapo nor the KGB could do it. But soon, at least some corporations and governments will be able to systematically hack all the people."

*"Science is replacing evolution by natural selection with evolution by intelligent design. **Not the intelligent design of some God above the clouds, but our intelligent design. And the intelligent design of our clouds—the IBM cloud, the Microsoft cloud— these are the new driving forces of evolution.**"*

*"Humans are now hackable animals. **The whole idea that humans have this soul or spirit and they have free will, and nobody knows what's happening inside me, so whatever I choose, whether in the election or whether in the supermarket, this is my free will? That's over.**"*

Happening Now: Jack Hibbs, Charlie Kirk The Great Reset March 2

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wlaXEI1yQtY>

[Pray]

11:1-2

Specific measurements for the temple - seen in OT

Temple Institute, working on rebuilding - getting elements together

Outside court left out - interesting given current political climate, muslims, wailing wall, peace agreement with AC (God/Magog go down into the area, 10 kings, world rule, all tentatively under his power)

“Given to the gentiles” Not stolen, part of agreement - but also, a part of God’s sovereignty. He’s allowed it to be given to them

AC will at some point go into the HoH and claim himself God
Mimicking Roman empire who slaughtered a pig there to defile

42 months, 3 ½ years - Potentially second half of tribulation

:3-6

God gives POWER to his two witnesses, prophecy for those 42 mos

Power is an implied word...God GIVES unto his witnesses

This is special, yet I think similar in style to the Holy Spirit and power of OT, Pentecost, but now these two witnesses (church age of being the witness is over)

“Such power, in fact, that they are able to witness for 1,260 days in spite of the antagonism of the world.” (Walvoord)

“i. The passage from Zechariah had its first application to two men in Zechariah’s day: Joshua and Zerubbabel. “Just as these two witnesses were raised up to be lampstands or witnesses for God and were empowered by olive oil representing the power of the Holy Spirit, so the two witnesses of Revelation 11 will likewise execute their prophetic office.” (Walvoord)

ii. In the picture from Zechariah, oil lamps were filled directly from olive trees which piped oil right to the lamps. This is a picture of continual, abundant supply.

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Despite the AC being in charge

Clothed in sackcloth - mourning, prophets of old, not a part of this world

Fire proceeds from their mouth

Anyone who tries to harm them will die by this

Debate over who these two are

To me, it looks like Elijah and Moses

Power to shut heaven, no rain

Turn waters to blood

Special protection even is similar to Elijah's

AND strike earth with plagues, whenever they desire!

This isn't 10 plagues. These guys, in righteousness, decide when and where to bring plagues!

Jesus was a fulfillment of what? The law and the prophets.

Moses represents the law, Elijah the prophets

Read Malachi 4

:7-10

Finish their testimony

Not a moment earlier

Not a word left unsaid

The beast will kill them - he makes war. Will this be him vs them? An army?

However he wins, God allows it. He couldn't do it before.

Sodom & Egypt - Jerusalem

Sodom being the wicked city in OT, rampant sexual immorality of all kinds, rejected God's judgment, burned

Egypt - place of bondage of the Israelites. A picture of the sinful life before being freed by Christ

Jerusalem, the Holy City, has become the two worst areas in scriptural picturing spiritually

Rejection of Christ leads us only to extreme depravity

Everyone on earth will see - prophesying what we have now, livestreaming, live tv, global communication

3 ½ days left dead

People rejoice, make it a holiday, like Christmas - I guarantee Christmas isn't celebrated anymore

PROPHETS TORMENTED THEM

Seriously? Do you remember the first Woe? Trumpets? Demons attacking those who have the mark?

The spiritual blindness of people - very much like today when people attack pro-life, pro-Biblical values positions

:11-14

Breath of God entered them
Creation, Pentecost

Stood on their feet, GREAT FEAR
Can you imagine? Play it out...

Loud voice from heaven - just like with Jesus' ministry
Ascended like Jesus

No doubt where these guys came from, who's message they preached, and power over life and death, times and seasons

Great earthquake 7,000 killed

Rest afraid and gave Glory to God
I'm not sure they worshiped GOD...I think them finally having some sort of holy fear put on them IS the act of worship as they have the mark and are unable to truly worship in and of themselves and their own free will

(technologies today)

SECOND WOE IS PAST, THIRD COMING