

Biblical Prophecy
Bible Study
Are we in the End
Times?

Session 2
Lesson 13: Session 1 Review
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Steps to Authoritarianism



When I first began to study eschatology, I realized that if we were near the end-times as prophesized in Daniel and Revelation, then the framework of the One World Order must exist today, hidden in the shadows. After all, a global government does not arise overnight, or even in a span of 7 years. As I witnessed the events of 2020 and 2021 unfold, I began to wonder if I was seeing the One World Order, now exposed. This Bible Study is an attempt to make sense of these events within a Biblical framework.

The Central Question

When is a conspiracy beyond the capabilities of men and require supernatural authorship?

I am not aware of any historical conspiracy that was able to operate across international political borders and include numerous major international corporations. Even during WW2, the fascists powers had minimal cooperation between them.

If we see evidence of a wide-spread conspiracy, and it is unreasonable to believe this conspiracy could not be coordinated by men, then it must be coordinated by a supernatural being.

So... it must be coordinated by Satan or the Antichrist and it must be allowed to happen by God.

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Goals

- Study Biblical prophecy
- Use Biblical prophecy to interpret recent events
- Attempt to make sense of the world around us
 - Open and encourage discussion within the Church
 - Inspire further study
- Encourage fellow believers in the Gospel and God's redemptive plan
 - Engage unbelieving seekers

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Rules

- The Bible is the ultimate authority
- Be aware of what is known (fact) and what is conjecture
 - There is a limit to what we can know
 - Many of my previous conjectures have been proven wrong
- Keep an open mind
 - Be aware of biases
 - Salvation is through faith alone - Sola fide,
 - Salvation is not determined by your eschatological views
- Conspiracy theories are fair game
- The only savior is Jesus Christ, not a political party
- Be comfortable with uncertainty

Biblical authority: We will always start with what the Bible says and build a model from there. We will then ask if the facts we identify match with our Biblical model.

Biases confound interpretation of facts. One type of bias is a confirmation bias, where you tend to search for, interpret and recall information in a way that confirms or supports your prior beliefs or values. (paraphrased from Wikipedia Confirmation Bias)

Conspiracy theories – This is a difficult topic to tackle since it is hard to determine what is true and what is false. We will try very hard to identify what is facts. I will give you sources. We will look at more than one interpretation of the facts. With time, I am hoping a pattern of facts will emerge that will point us toward the truth

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Assumptions

- The Bible is God-breathed
 - Plenary verbal inspiration
- The Bible is inerrant
- The Bible is the sole infallible source of authority
 - Sola scriptura

We will discuss other end-time views, but...

- Dispensational Premillennialism is the basis for our analysis
- A pretribulation rapture is the basis for our analysis

An assumption is something that is necessary for our analysis but can't necessarily be proved.

Lesson 1-2:
The Kingdom
of the Beast

Daniel 2, 7
Revelation 13, 17

Lessons 1-2: The Kingdom of the Beast

Daniel 2, 7

- The three kingdoms of Daniel 2 will transition to a fourth kingdom (DAN 4: 40)
- It will be mixed, partly strong (iron), partly brittle (clay) (DAN 2: 41-43)
- It will be “dreadful and terrifying and extremely strong” (DAN 7: 7)
- Initially there will be 10 rulers (DAN 7: 7)
- Another ruler (the anti-Christ) will arise, defeat three rulers, and become dominant (DAN 7: 8,20,24-26)
- The saints of the Most High will be persecuted (DAN 7:21,23)
- The kingdom of the beast will be replaced by God’s Eternal Kingdom (DAN 2: 44-45) (DAN 7: 13-14)

Lesson 1-2: The Kingdom of the Beast

Revelation 13, 17

The final kingdom will consist of 7 nations (REV 17:9-10)

- Five kingdoms existed in the past
- One kingdom existed at the time of John
- One kingdom was future to the time of John

When the kingdom comes into power, 10 rulers will be given power (REV 17: 12-13)

- The 10 rulers will rule for a short time (one hour)
- They will give power to the Antichrist

The Antichrist is one of the 7, but also an 8th (REV 17:11)

- He is linked to a former nation (was) but not at John's time (and is not)

Lessons 6-8:
The Antichrist

Daniel 7, 9
Revelation 13, 19

Daniel 7, 9 Antichrist

Summary

- Antichrist will arise after and from amongst the 10 rulers (DAN 7: 7-8)
- He will destroy 3 of the rulers (DAN 7: 7-8)
- Will be revealed with the confirmation of a peace treaty with Israel and rule for 7 years (DAN 9: 26-27)
- May be revealed after the rapture (2THESS 2: 5-7)
 - First seal of Revelation 6: 1-2
- Abomination of the temple at 3 ½ years (Declare himself God) (DAN 9: 26-27)
- Jordan will be spared, Ethiopia and Libya will follow him, Egypt will be conquered (DAN 11: 41-43)

Antichrist

Summary

- Will get his power from Satan (2THESS 2: 8-10)
- Will persecute believers for 3 ½ years (DAN 7: 23-27) (REV 13: 7-8)
- Will be given authority over the entire world
- Will probably be a false savior
- May receive a seemingly fatal wound (REV 13: 3-4)
- Unbelievers will be given over to his deceptions (2THESS 2: 11)
- He will be cast into fire by the court of judgment (REV 19: 20-21)

70-weeks Prophecy

Daniel 9

7 weeks (49 years)

- From the time the decree is given to rebuild Jerusalem until it is complete

62 weeks (434 years)

- From the completion of rebuilding Jerusalem until the Messiah is presented to Israel

1 week (7 years) – The Tribulation

- From the covenant with the many until the end of the tribulation

70-weeks Prophecy

Daniel 9

The decree was given by Artaxerxes on March 14, 444 BC

- $(7 \text{ weeks} + 62 \text{ weeks}) \times 7 \times 360 \text{ days} = 173,880 \text{ days}$
- $173,880 \text{ days} / 365.25 \text{ days} = 476 \text{ years } 25 \text{ days}$
- $444 \text{ BC} + 476 \text{ years} = 33 \text{ AD (no year 0)}$
- April 8, 33 AD (Sunday)

Antiochus IV and the Antichrist

- Picture type of the Antichrist
- Outlawed practice of the Jewish faith
- Persecuted the Jews
- Set up an altar in the Temple

Lessons 6-8: The
False Prophet

Revelation 13: 11-14

The False Prophet

Revelation 13: 11-14

- Will arise after the Antichrist and will lead the worship of the Antichrist
- Has the authority of the Antichrist (Satan)
- Will perform signs
 - Give breath to the image of the beast
- Will introduce the mark of the beast
- Will be cast into the lake of fire with the antichrist

Lesson 9: The
Millennial
Kingdom

Premillennialism
Amillennialism
Postmilleialism

Major Views on the Millennium

Premillennialism

Jesus returns to rule on Earth after a 7-year tribulation

Amillennialism

Jesus returns at the end of the Church Age to rule in heaven

Postmillennialism

The Church creates a millennial kingdom and Jesus returns at the end

Premillennialism

Historic Premillennialism

Jesus returns at the end of the tribulation to rule on Earth for 1,000 years

Dispensational (Modern) Premillennialism

Jesus returns for the Church at the rapture then returns to rule on Earth for 1,000 years after the tribulation

Historic Premillennialism

Circa 90 AD to circa 400 AD

The Church Age starts with Pentecost (Acts 2)

- Lasts an undefined time

Church Ages ends with the tribulation

- Lasts 7 years (Daniel 9:27)

Jesus returns form the Church at the end of the tribulation

- Post-tribulation rapture

Jesus rules on earth during the Millennial Kingdom

- Lasts 1,000 years

Millennial Kingdom is replaced by the Eternal State

- New heaven and new earth (Revelation 21: 1)

Amillennialism

Circa 400 AD to reformation

The Church Ages starts with Pentecost (Acts 2)

- Lasts an undefined time

Church Age is the Millennial Kingdom

- Lasts an undefined time

Church Age ends with the return of Jesus

- There may be a 3 1/2 year tribulation

Jesus rules during the Eternal State

- May be in ethereal heaven or a new earth

Postmillennialism

Reformation to 20th Century

The Church Ages starts with Pentecost (Acts 2)

- Lasts an undefined time

Church Age leads to the Millennial Kingdom

- Lasts 1000 years

Jesus returns at the end of the Millennial Kingdom

- The Church presents the Earth to Jesus

Jesus rules during the Eternal State

- May be in ethereal heaven or a new earth

Lesson 10-12:
Satan and Spiritual
Warfare

Genesis 3: 1-15

Isaiah 14: 3-14

Ezekiel 28: 11-19

Job 1: 6-7

The I wills of Satan

I will Ascend to heaven

- Raise my throne above the stars of God
- Sit on the mount of assembly in the recesses of the north
- Ascend above the heights of the clouds
- Make myself like the Most High

Satan wants to replace God

What we know about Satan

Job, Isaiah and Ezekiel

- Satan was a beautiful cherub, an attendant of God
- He became corrupted by his own beauty
- God cast Satan from Heaven for his sins
- Satan wants to be like God
- Satan is in perpetual conflict with Messiah and mankind
- Satan weakens nations
- Satan is terrified, that in the end, he will be destroyed

What we know about Satan

Revelation

- Satan wants to destroy Israel and prevent the Messiah
- Michael and the angels will wage war against Satan and his angels and cast them to the Earth
- Satan will be angry because he knows he only has a few years left
- He will attempt to destroy the remnant of Israel, but will be prevented
- He will then turn his attention to persecuting the tribulation saints
- Satan will give his power and authority to the One World Order and the Antichrist

What we know about Satan

2 Thessalonians, 1 Peter, Ephesians

- Satan is active on earth
- He has had thrones on earth
- Forces of darkness and lawlessness are in motion

Lesson 10-12:
Demons and
Spiritual Warfare

Revelation 12
1 Timothy
Ephesians 6: 14-17

Demons

- Greek word is daimon (god, god-like, power, fate)
- 1/3 of the angels were (will be) cast from heaven (REV 12)
- Are associated with apostasy (1 TIM 4:1)
- Are given dominion over regions on earth (DAN 10:10-14)
- Possessed people at the time of Jesus (MATT 12, 14,25; MARK 5)

Spiritual Warfare

- Satan and the forces of evil are active in the world
- Demons are most likely fallen angels
- Demons possessed men and women in the past
 - May still do so today

Lessons 3-5: The
Origins of COVID

SARS-CoV-2

Case for Lab Leak

- SARS-CoV-2 was not isolated from any animals in the Huanan wet market
- No zoonotic source has been found
- Furin cleavage site is unique among related coronaviruses
- WIV had been researching the 9 closest relatives
 - Natural source is 1800 km from Wuhan
- WIV (through EcoHealth) was involved in gain of function research with coronaviruses
- WIC (with EcoHealth) had proposed adding Furin cleavage site

SARS-CoV-2

Case for Lab Leak

- BtCoV/4994 backbone with Pangolin spike protein suggests chimeric virus
 - Natural production would require both viruses to infect same animal cell at the same time
- Virus appeared to be well adapted to human infection at start of Pandemic
- Lab leaks have occurred on multiple occasions in the past

Will we ever know?

- China has repeatedly blocked investigations
 - UN Investigation was not given open access
- Early samples were ordered destroyed
- Databases have been deleted
- No government is currently pushing for investigation

Coverage by Mainstream Media

- Echoed narrative of “Proximal Origins” paper and Open Letter to Lancet
- Dissenting voices were often labeled as conspiracy theories
- FACEBOOK removed all claims SARS-CoV-2 was man-made or manufactured until May 2021
- November 2021, BMJ published an article about clinical trial problems with Pfizer vaccine
- FACEBOOK labeled the article “misinformation.”

Concerning Trends

- Rise of the “narrative”
 - Lack of adequate “fact checking” of narrative
- Lack of transparency
 - Chinese government
 - NIH/EcoHealth
- Gas lighting of dissenting opinions
 - “Misinformation”
 - “Conspiracy theories”
- Lack of independent mainstream media

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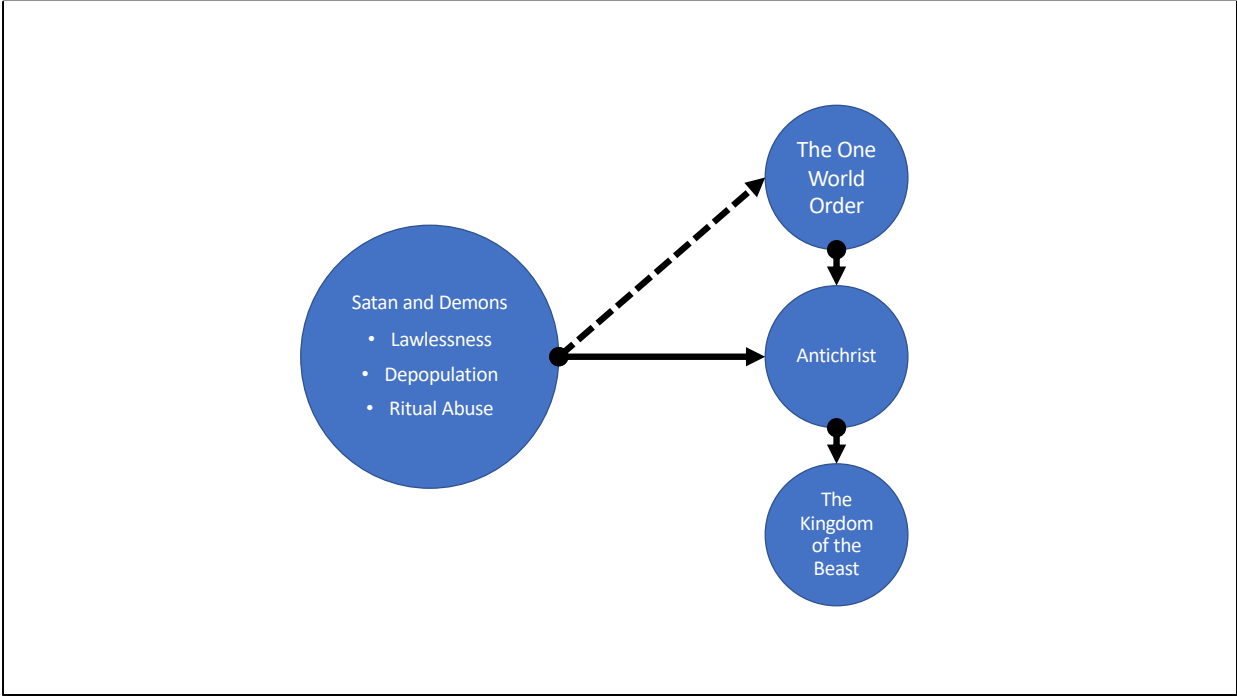
This is a pattern that we will see repeated and amplified with the role out of vaccine mandates.

Questions and Discussion

Acts 17:10-11

“The brethren immediately sent Paul and Silas away by night to Berea, and when they arrived, they went into the synagogue of the Jews. Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.”

Don't trust anything I say. Please go and look it up for yourself. Challenge me when I am wrong. Discuss when you disagree.



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Lesson 14: George Soros and the
Open Society Foundations

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