

# **The Revelation**

**M3-3I Bowls/Babylon Rev 15-16 and Rev 18-19**

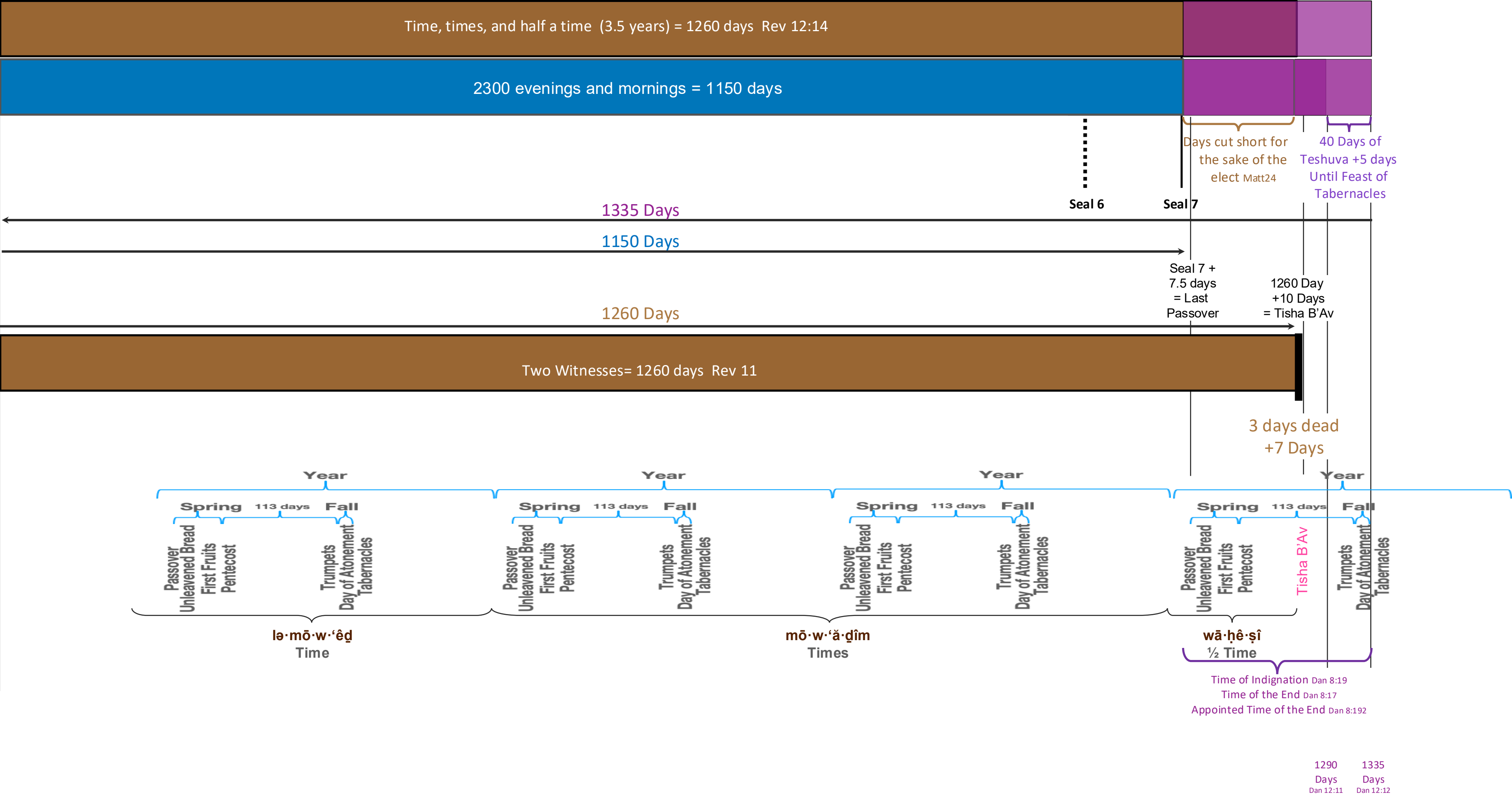
**Intro song**  
**Do you believe that Jesus is coming back?**

# Recap – Rev 14

- Last time
  - We looked at Rev 14 and concluded it was not an interlude
    - Too many connections to the Trumpet 7 and follow-on events
  - Compared the harvest to the parables on the harvest
  - Next, we determined that Jesus related this event to the watches of the night and He links this to the wedding
  - Then we turned to the rapture and reviewed each theory as a watch of the night
    - While there is a possibility for each theory, the connections of the wedding to the fall feasts is strong
    - From previous podcasts, we tied the Feast of Tabernacles to day 1335
    - We see these fall feasts fulfilled consecutively, like the spring feasts
    - Therefore, we see the rapture most likely at the final Feast of Trumpets
      - There is only 180 days different between this view and traditional Pre-Wrath view
    - Daniel/Isaiah strongly supports late rapture [resurrection], does not support pre-tribulation and mid-tribulation very well without contorting the text
- Learn the Lesson of the fig tree: when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door.

# Alternate Timing of Two Witnesses

Abomination that causes  
Desolation  
Matt 24:15, Dan 9:27



- 3<sup>rd</sup> Temple Destroyed by Antichrist 7 days after Resurrection of the Two Witnesses



# Overview

- Rev 15/16 Bowls
- Rev 18 The fall of Babylon
- Rev 19 Rejoicing in Heaven, Marriage supper

# The box is shrinking

The Gospels

The Parables

Daniel 2 – 7 – 9

Daniel 8 – 10/11/12

Revelation 1-5, 12-13, 17

Revelation 6-7, 8-11, 14

- Old testament continue to match the new testament
- Not the usual story told by the church, the differences matter

# Context of the Fall Feast

## The last 45 days as stated in Daniel 12

- We talked about parts of the fall feast in previous podcast, we will pull them together here in a clean narrative to show the big picture
- Daniel 12: “<sup>10</sup> **Many shall purify themselves** and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand. <sup>11</sup> And **from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away** and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be 1,290 days. <sup>12</sup> Blessed is he who waits and arrives at the 1,335 days.”
- On 30 Av Teshuvah begins
  - Teshuvah is a period of repentance.
  - True teshuvah involves confession, abandoning the wrong act, remorse, and making a firm commitment not to repeat the mistake.
  - If this sounds a lot like the steps we take to become a follower of Christ, then you are beginning to see the big picture.
  - On each day of Teshuvah the shofar is blown, the last shofar or trumpet is blown on the Feast of Trumpets



# Context of the Fall Feast

## The Feast of Trumpets

- The **Feast of Trumpets (Yom Teruah)** is a two-day festival
  - At the **Feast of Trumpets** the shofar is blown to coronate God as King of the Universe and the trumpet blast is to wake us up to recognize him as Lord, and His coming.
    - This feast is the only feast on the new moon, They literally did not know what day it was, and therefore had to watch for the new moon
  - **Rosh Hashanah** is the Jewish civil New Year
- **Yom Hadin** (Day of Judgement)
  - It is a time for introspection, repentance, and judgment, where God assesses humanity's deeds and sets the tone for the coming years.
  - Jewish tradition states that on this day the names of the righteous are written in the Book of Life and the name of the wicked in the Book of Death for the year.
- Rev 11:17-18
  - 17 “We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign. 18 The nations raged, but your wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, and for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints, and those who fear your name, both small and great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth.”

This is the last trumpet, you are either written in the Book of Life or the Book of Death

# Context of the Fall Feast

## The Last Trumpet

- At Yom Teru'ah, the last trumpet sounds.
  - 1 Corinthians 15:51 “51 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.” The disciples were Jewish; they understood the symbolism of the last trumpet!
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- We believe this is the separation of the Wheat and the Tare; that we are gathered up with Christ and Judgment (the Bowls) begins
  - Jesus begins fulfilling the Fall Feast sequentially



# Context of the Fall Feast

## Days of Awe

- The 10 days between Yom Teruah and Yom Kippur are called the Days of Awe or 10 days of Repentance; the last chance to come to repentance before your fate is sealed.
- Rev 16:9 None of the people that took the mark will repent
- Judgement on those with the Mark of the Beast
  - This is when the Bowls are poured out

# Context of the Fall Feast

## Day of Atonement – Holiest Day of the Year

- **Yom Kippur (means The Day of Atonement), as the verse states in Leviticus 16:30, “For on this day shall atonement be made for you to cleanse you. You shall be clean before the Lord from all your sins.”**
  - Jews believe your fate is sealed on this day and it symbolizes the judgment and the cleansing of sin.
    - During the ceremony, our sins are sent to Azazel [a fallen angel in the pit]
- It is seen as a picture when Israel as a nation is saved by the Messiah
  - God destroys the gentile nations
- The bowl judgments are completed with Jesus’ return to cleanse the earth, fulfilling the 2<sup>nd</sup> fall feast in sequence.
- **We are with the Lord and the wicked have been cleansed from the earth!**

# Context of the Fall Feast

## The Feast of Tabernacles

- Feast of Tabernacles is also the Feast of Ingathering
    - Everything gets gathered back to God
    - Gathering of the harvest-Time of finishing up the harvest
  - The Sukkah: They were supposed to live in a sukkah for the entire week of this celebration – which takes them back to the when they lived in tents in the wilderness
  - The Lulav: They are called to worship with the Lulav – palm, willow, and myrtle branches bound together – prayers of Hosanna -> points to His 2<sup>nd</sup> return
    - Walk around the altar each day, 7 times on the last day
      - Calls back to entry into the land at Jericho
  - Water libation – each day, the high priest would get a pitcher of water from the pool of Siloam and pour it out near the altar. As he enters the water gate, there were three blasts of the trumpet – each day praying from Isa 12:3 – a messianic prophecy of water welling up to salvation
    - The last day is called Hoshana Rabbah - known as the last of the days of judgment,
      - On the 7<sup>th</sup> day, there were 7 trumpet blasts
      - In Jesus day, on this day after they poured out the water, Jesus stood up in the temple and cried out if any man is thirsty come to Him.
- The Feast of Tabernacle marks the beginning of the Jesus's rule on earth for a thousand years and the fulfillment of the final feast



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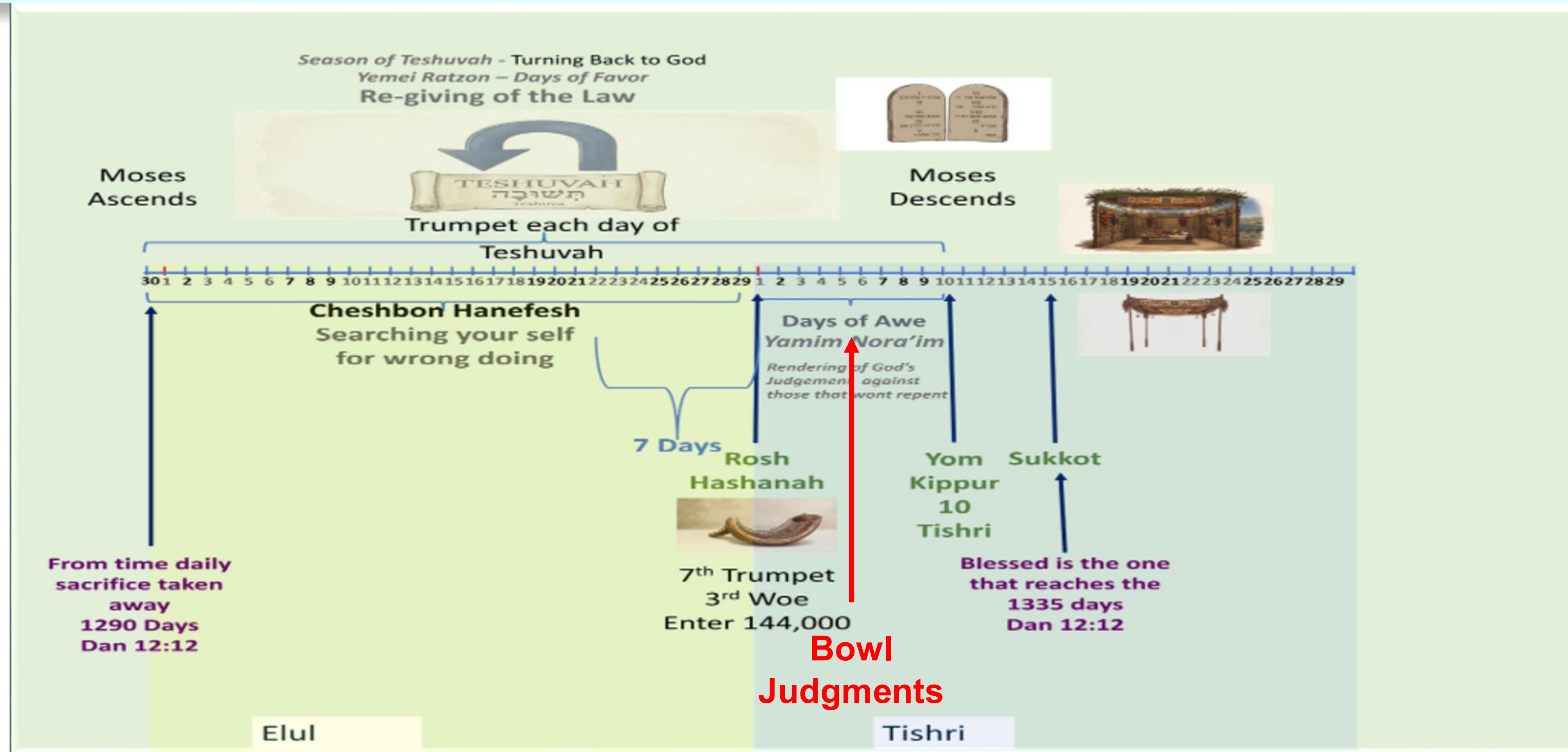
## The Marriage of the Lamb – The Feast of Tabernacles

- The Sukkah as a canopy (Chuppah): In a **traditional Jewish wedding**, the couple stands under a chuppah, a canopy that symbolizes the new home they will build together. Some interpretations see a connection between the sukkah and the chuppah, both representing a protective covering and a new dwelling place, albeit one that's temporary.
  - **Covenant and renewal:** Just as marriage involves a covenant between two individuals, Sukkot can be seen as a time of renewing the covenant between God and the Jewish people. The joyful nature of Sukkot, often referred to as "the season of our joy", can be compared to the joy and celebration associated with a wedding
  - **Celebrating together:** Sukkot emphasizes hospitality and welcomes guests to share meals and celebrate in the sukkah (millennial period). This communal aspect of celebration mirrors the joy and sharing of a wedding feast.
- The Feast of Tabernacle marks the wedding feast of the Lamb



# The Last 45 Days: 40 days Teshuvah + 5 days after Atonement

- Dan 12
  - Only prophecy that indicates great tribulation extends beyond 1260 days
  - The most compelling explanation of 45 days [1290-1335 days]
    - Time of Teshuva leading to the fall feasts



- The fall feasts are critically important to the Jews and Jesus return
  - This is why Jesus will return to judge the world and free Jews on Yom Kippur

# Bowls

## Rev 15 - Preparation for the bowls

- V1 Bowls are the completion of the wrath of God
- V2-4 Praise that King Jesus' righteous acts have been revealed
- V7 The bowls taken from the sanctuary of the tabernacle of witness
- V8 No one could enter the tabernacle afterward, because it was filled with the smoke of His glory till the bowls poured out



# Bowl Judgments

## During Days of Awe – between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

- 1. First Bowl (Revelation 16:2):** painful sores/boils break out on those who have the mark of the beast and worship his image.
  - 2. Second Bowl (Revelation 16:3):** The sea turns into blood causing every living thing in the sea to die.
  - 3. Third Bowl (Revelation 16:4-7):** Rivers and freshwater springs turn into blood
  - 4. Fourth Bowl (Revelation 16:8-9):** The sun scorches men with intense fire and heat, but people still refuse to repent.
  - 5. Fifth Bowl (Revelation 16:10-11):** kingdom plunged into darkness. People gnawed their tongues in anguish
  - 6. Sixth Bowl (Revelation 16:12-16):** The Euphrates River Euphrates, and its water was dried up, to prepare the way for the kings from the east.
- After Bowl 6 - “Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!”

# Three frogs – the gathering of the world at the end

## Rev 16

- Euphrates river dries up to prepare way for Kings the east and rest of the world, then Revelations 16: <sup>13</sup> And I saw, coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs. <sup>14</sup> For they are demonic spirits, performing signs, who go abroad to the kings of the whole world, to assemble them for battle on the great day of God the Almighty.
- **Recall in Daniel 11:44 ESV** <sup>44</sup> But news from the east and the north shall alarm him, and he shall go out with great fury to destroy and devote many to destruction.
- Ezekiel 38 ESV “<sup>18</sup> But on that day, the day that Gog shall come against the land of Israel, declares the Lord GOD, my wrath will be roused in my anger.
- Satan pulls the nations together to meet Jesus only in the last three days
- That's why they have to be nearby already

# 7th Bowl

- **Seventh Bowl (Revelation 16:17-21):** flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder
- A great earthquake
  - Destroys Babylon, all cities fall.
  - Mountains and islands flee away (removed)
    - Unlike Seal 6 where they just move
  - Plague of 100-pound hailstones
- At Jesus Return or right before



# Revelations

## Babylon the Great? The Beast? The Prostitute?

- **Revelations 17: 1-5 ESV** <sup>1</sup> Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the judgment of the **great prostitute who is seated on many waters**, <sup>2</sup> with whom the kings of the earth have committed sexual immorality, and with the wine of whose sexual immorality the dwellers on earth have become drunk.” <sup>3</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness, **and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was full of blasphemous names**, and it had seven heads and ten horns. <sup>4</sup> The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and jewels and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the impurities of her sexual immorality. <sup>5</sup> And on her forehead was written a name of mystery: “**Babylon the great, mother of prostitutes and of earth's abominations.**”
- **Revelations 17 ESV 9** “**This calls for a mind with wisdom. The seven heads are seven hills on which the woman sits.**
- **Revelations 17 ESV 15** Then the angel said to me, “The waters you saw, where the prostitute sits, are peoples, multitudes, nations and languages. **16 The beast and the ten horns you saw will hate the prostitute. They will bring her to ruin and leave her naked; they will eat her flesh and burn her with fire. 17 For God has put it into their hearts to accomplish his purpose by agreeing to hand over to the beast their royal authority, until God’s words are fulfilled. 18 The woman you saw is the great city that rules over the kings of the earth.**”
- **Revelations 18 ESV** <sup>17</sup>And all shipmasters and seafaring men, sailors and all whose trade is on the sea, stood far off <sup>18</sup>and cried out as they saw the smoke of her burning. “What city was like the great city?” <sup>19</sup> And they threw dust on their heads as they wept and mourned, crying out, “Alas, alas, for the great city where all who had ships at sea grew rich by her wealth! For in a single hour she has been laid waste.

**The beast and the ten horns you saw will hate the prostitute.**



# Recap Ezek 38

## Theories for Who Is Magog?

- Cacauscus
  - Hashemite
  - Van Kampen – Hybrid European/Russian
    - Taken From 7<sup>th</sup> Beast – Germany
  - Russian
  - European
  - USA Theory
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- Ezekiel 39:6 ESV “6 I will send fire on Magog and on those who dwell securely in the coastlands, and they shall know that I am the Lord.” God rains down fire on the coastline of Magog



# Where is Babylon today?

## Ship captains can see the smoke rising so likely coastal city

- Theories based on Old World Order
  - Babylon 300 mile/480 km from Persian gulf 
  - It's no longer a world center
  - Cacauscus 
  - Hashemite 
    - Based on Older World – 7<sup>th</sup> Beast showed us it was New World
- Van Kampen – Hybrid European/Russian – German based European Union 
  - Berlin – 3rd roman capital 300-400 miles/375-550 km from north sea
  - Would have to see a rise of Germany to dominate EU power structure
  - Based on World order from 1900s – 7<sup>th</sup> Beast showed us it was New World
- Classic Russian Theory 
  - Russia/Moscow 370-430 miles/600-700 km from Baltic
  - Would have to see a new capital
  - It doesn't fit with current world dynamics for the King of the North and the King of the South and Iran

So, who are we left with

# Where is Babylon today?

## Ship captains can see the smoke rising so likely coastal city

- European Union
    - Brussels 100km/68mile from north sea
    - Rome – on coast
      - Neither economic centers
      - Possibly, but it doesn't fit Ezek 38 – Gomer is Europe and Gomer isbt leading Europe
  - America
    - Wash DC 85-110 miles; but Chesapeake comes right thru DC; including shipping
    - New York city (20 miles) right on Atlantic
      - Seat of world economic and political power through US or UN
      - US is the modern Rome
      - Ezek 38: If America defeats Iran, it strengthens argument for America
  - Jerusalem
    - Satan want control of Jerusalem
    - Center worship – Christians, Muslims, and Judaism
    - Antichrist has a role in Jerusalem
      - Only fits Magog if Gog sets up His leadership there
    - But currently not world economic power
    - Jesus is the one who destroys Jerusalem, not beast – would appear it goes against Rev 17
      - Not destroyed by fire, but by earthquake
      - Could it be a reference to the destruction of the temple???
- US is a strong candidate
    - Things could change, but whoever defeats Iran sets the conditions

# Rev 18 Come out of her

## Why now?

- 4b “Come out of her, my people, lest you take part in her sins, lest you share in her plagues;
- 24And in her was found the blood of prophets and of saints, and of all who have been slain on earth.”
- Why now – this is not just to the Jews
  - There is only one resurrection of the good
- Clearly this is a reference to the resurrection – makes no sense at the beginning







# The Wedding

## Rev 19

- What god's people say about judgement of Babylon
  - 7b For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. 8Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear."
  - 9Then the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!" And he added, "These are the true words of God."
- The Wedding is after the battle, its not in Heaven, its on earth
- This is the whole point of the Feast of Tabernacles

# Summary

- The 45 Days of Dan 12 tie to the fall feasts
  - Jesus sequentially fulfilled the spring feasts, He will sequentially fulfill the fall feasts
- The bowls are poured out between Feast of Trumpets and the Day of Atonement
- Who is Babylon – tied to Ezek 38/39 – coastlands of Magog
  - Russia is not a good candidate
  - Europe – is still possible
  - US is good candidate
  - Can Jerusalem be? - To us – No – Jesus destroys Jerusalem
    - Possibly, what about Tel Aviv – not on seven hills
- The box just shrank a bunch – Daniel and Revelation are coming together!

# Question of the Day

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