

The Case for a Very Soon Rapture (2022?) and Second Coming of Christ (2029?)

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"Watch therefore, for ye know neither the **day nor the hour** wherein the Son of man cometh." Mat 25:13 (The following is not "date-setting", but thoughts on the *year* of His coming again).

"It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter." Pro 25:2 The Lord is pleased when we "study to show ourselves approved unto God... and RIGHTLY DIVIDE THE WORD...", searching and learning about its DIVISIONS through the ages.

Starting Presuppositions:

The Bible is the only 100% reliable history (His-Story) Book in existence

Its Triune Author created our tripartite uni-verse (1 spoken sentence) by speaking it into existence out of nothing, in six solar* days

He is omniscient, omnipotent, and outside of time, which He created

He is a God of order, design, and precision.

His way of dealing is primarily with sevens (count all the 7's in Revelation, if you can)

There are 7 days in the week (It appears the anti-Christ will try to change that, Dan 7:25, because it's based only on the Creation week).

The cells in your body are replaced every seven years.

Your pulse beats slower every seven days.

There are only seven colors that Michelangelo, Leonardo daVinci, and Rembrandt ever used.

There are only seven musical notes on a piano. (The black keys are half notes.)

When God does a thing, He does it by sevens. He doesn't do it by tens. Gentiles number 1-10 and start over. God numbers 1-7 and starts over. In setting up Israel's feasts, Lev 23 and Lev 25 and throughout the Bible you'll find this universal law applied, the Law of Sevens.

[An aside: also see purification by refining of the English Bible 7 times, Psa 12:6, and its preservation, 12:7]

If it were up to me (and thankfully it isn't!), I would find order in the number 7 as a sort of balance, by splitting it into two 3's with a 1 in the middle like a Menorah. But God often orders it as 4+3 or 6+1. (Or sometimes, as in the case of the Tribulation, "the time of JACOB'S trouble", two 3-1/2's)

2Pet 3:8 tells us God is outside of time, as time's Creator, but I believe there's more to it than that. (Note: At one time it was popular to believe, by reading only half this verse, that each of the Gen 1 days of Creation week were 1,000 years long. This is, of course, absurd, but was one of the first attempts by Christians to compromise with unbelieving long-age evolutionists. There is no support, in this verse or anywhere else, for the idea that the days in Gen 1 were anything other than ordinary solar* days (Exo 20:11, etc))

Bishop James Ussher got it right, because he based his precise dates on the Bible's chronology, and the KING of books (KJV) is 100% true and error-free. He placed Creation in what we now call 4004 BC (on the evening of Sunday, Sept 23rd on the Julian calendar/Sept 21 on the Gregorian) Many of today's smug "theologians" smirk at Ussher's "quaint" version of history, **because they no longer actually *believe* what the Bible SAYS**. Scholarship has become their god. Rom 1:22, 2Tim 3:7

(4004 BC sounds absurdly "young" to us only because we're so deeply brainwashed by satan's second most successful lie (his first is that he doesn't exist), drummed into our minds every day at every turn, that the universe is billions of years old, and that its origin and the earth, teeming with life, are all based on chance, no God or Creation required. This is, of course, utter nonsense and scientifically impossible)

I used to think earth history would run through 1996 (6,000 years from 4004 BC), when the 7th "day", the Millennium, would start. When 1996, then even 2000, passed with no Rapture, I gave up trying to figure out which calendar God is using.

(Special book deal on Amazon: "88 Reasons Why the Lord Will Come Back in 1988")

But recently I started looking at the following. What if the 7,000 year pattern is correct but there is a pause in God's clock that we've missed? What if the years He walked this earth aren't counted by Him as "ordinary" history? What if those years are counted as a "pause" in God's history "clock"?

$7 = 4 + [\text{pause}] + 3$, examples:

- 4 churches in Rev ch 2, then 3 more in ch 3
- 7 trumpets in Rev 8:6 - 10:7 (8:13 is the "pause"))
- 4 Spring feasts in Lev 23, Summer, then 3 Fall feasts
- 4 days of creation before real, conscious life appeared, Gen 1:19-23, then 3 more days
- 4,000 years of history (4004 BC) before Jesus Christ became a man (4BC) and real LIFE (Joh 6:51, 11:25, 14:6) appeared on the earth, then a 33-year pause while He walked the earth, then 3,000 more years until the end of the Millennium (Rev 19)

That puts the Second Coming of our Lord in the year 2029 on our calendar, with the Rapture approx 7 years earlier, in or around 2022, during the evening (in Israel) (2). (Note: there may be some period of time between our "catching away" and the treaty between Israel and the antiChrist that starts the tribulation's "countdown" of 7 years/2,520 days)

Remember the precision of other calendar dates in the Bible: The resting of Noah's ark, Passover, Exodus, the Crucifixion and Resurrection, etc. We have a God of order and precision. Wouldn't it be just like Him to come again (and us with Him!) to set up His Kingdom on Sept 21, 2029 (Fall equinox), "winding it all up" in 7,000 years to the day after it began? (1)

Notes

* I use this term because a solar day likely wasn't 24 hours long in the beginning. The earth's rotation has been slowing down slightly since the Fall, so a day was evidently a little shorter 6,000 years ago.

(1): The "snatching away" of believers might occur in the Spring (in Israel), according to Solomon 2:10-13, seeing Solomon as a type of Christ

(2): It will be evening in Israel when we, Christ's bride, go up to meet Him. See Gen 24:61-67, noticing this is the first time we've seen Isaac since Gen 22, where he was offered as a sacrifice by the Father. From the amazing types in this story, I don't think it's a stretch to infer from these verses that the Rapture will take place when it's evening in Israel (7 hours ahead of us; midday here in NE USA). That's not setting the "day or hour", just observing types in the text. I've been ridiculed for pointing this one out, but all the other detailed types in this account are fulfilled precisely. Why else are we told in verse 63 that it was EVENING?