

FOT 2022 — DAY 8

LAST GREAT DAY — THE GRAND FINALE!

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Here we are at the end of God's Appointed Times — God's "Moedim" — as recorded in the Bible.

If you look around ... you will see that there are some churches ... some TV evangelists out there ... who have some knowledge of God's Holy Days. There are a few books and videos out there about how "The Feasts of Israel" have significance in prophecy. They read about the Holy Days ... but they don't keep them.

But the Last Great Day is usually missing! They just don't see it!

Yet it's so very important ... vital — it completes God's great Master Plan.

And — it solves a problem that bothers so many sincere believers.

What about all of those billions and billions who have never believed — and in most cases have never even heard the truth? Never heard the name of Jesus Christ. Had no opportunity? Why did God set up a plan that hardly anyone would ever get to know Him?

A very popular church belief is: This is the only day of salvation. If you don't get your "ticket to heaven" now — you ain't going! 😊

What would that mean to us? Our families ... friends ... co-workers. Are they all "lost" for ever? Surely there must be a solution?

THE LAST GREAT DAY EXPLAINS IT FOR US!

Acts 4:7-12 (NKJV)

7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, "**By what power or by what name have you done this?**" (*"What power" or by what authority?*)

8 Then Peter, **filled with the Holy Spirit**, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders of Israel:

9 If we this day are judged for a good deed done to a helpless man, by what means he has been made well,

10 let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that **by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth**, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, **by Him this man stands here before you whole.**

11 This is the 'stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become **the chief cornerstone.**' (*Talking of Jesus*)

12 **Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.**" (*This is what Peter said under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit*)

There is only one way — and that is Jesus ... THE ONLY WAY! There is only one route to the true God. No alternative routes. **He is the only one who can bring salvation.**

John 14:5-6 (NKJV)

5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?"

6 **Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.**

Jesus is THE WAY ... THE TRUTH ... THE LIFE! No one comes to the Father ... except through Him. The only door to salvation.

Was Jesus right? Most people in this world haven't even heard of Jesus Christ. Muslims don't believe in Him as Messiah. They don't believe He is/was a Son of God. Allah doesn't have a son. That's 1.8 billion people "lost".

In an interview with President George Bush Jnr some years ago:

Charles Gibson: "Do Christians and non-Christians and Muslims go to heaven"?

President Bush: "Yes they do. We have different routes of getting there".

Sorry Jesus. You got it wrong —you should have listened to President George Bush. Actually — it's not the case!! President Bush Jnr got it wrong! Therefore ... is everyone else doomed? There must be some way of saving those who don't know Jesus.

Ephesians 2:11-13 (NKJV)

11 Therefore remember that **you, once Gentiles in the flesh**—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands—

12 that at that time you **were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.**

13 But now **in Christ Jesus** you who once were far off **have been brought near by the blood of Christ.**

The Gentiles and non Christians were without hope. Even though they may have been sincere ... followed the dictates of “their” religion ... Muslims ... Buddhists — all of them. **What is the future of all of these people?**

But ... verse 13 ... **it is through the blood of Jesus alone.** **THE ONLY WAY!**

On this basis ... despite former President Bush's optimistic comments ... billions appear to have no hope?

But **doesn't God want to save everyone?** The answer is yes. Let's look at the next verse.

1 Timothy 2:1-4 (NKJV)

1 Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men,

2 for kings and all who are in authority, that we ***(believers)*** may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.

3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of **God our Saviour,**

4 **who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.** *(In the main ... God's going to get that)*

But **how?** If most have never even heard the “one name”?

This day helps reveal the answer. It completes the whole story — the whole Master Plan of God — as far as we know it. There is still more to come.

Leviticus 23:33-34 (NKJV)

33 Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying,

34 “Speak to the children of Israel, saying: ‘**The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the Feast of Tabernacles (Feast of Ingathering) for seven days to the Lord.**’

Leviticus 23:39 (NKJV)

39 ‘Also on **the fifteenth day of the seventh month**, when you have gathered in the fruit of the land, **you shall keep the feast of the Lord for seven days; on the first day there shall be a sabbath-rest, and on the eighth day a sabbath-rest.** *(That day is today ... Shemini Atzeret ...which means an assembly on the 8th day)*

Nehemiah 8:14 (NKJV)

14 **And they found written in the Law, (Torah) which the Lord had commanded by Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in booths during the feast of the seventh month,**

Nehemiah 8:17-18 (NKJV)

17 **So the whole assembly of those who had returned from the captivity made booths and sat under the booths; for since the days of Joshua the son of Nun until that day the children of Israel had not done so.** And there was very great gladness.

18 **Also day by day, from the first day until the last day, he read from the Book of the Law of God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day there was a sacred assembly,** according to the prescribed manner. *(“Kept the Feast seven days” in the NIV it says, “they celebrated the Feast for seven days” — not just the first and last day)*

So. The Feast of Tabernacles itself is not the end of God’s plan. **The Millennium is not the end of the plan.** The Millennium is not the final phase. There is something “tacked on at the end of the Millennium” to complete the picture.

The Bible reveals that **there will remain a time of future judgment for all those who never “had a chance” up until now ... to know God’s Truth.**

“Judgment” isn’t necessarily all about a sentence of punishment.

Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines “judgment”: “The **process of forming an opinion or evaluation by discerning and comparing**”.

In other words ... **judgment can be a long time.** We’ll see **there is indeed a process or time period of evaluation** ... could be of 100 year duration? Then God will make a decision on what He has seen.

John 5:22-29 (NKJV)

22 For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, (judgment — not just sentence!)

23 that all should honour the Son just as they honour the Father. He who does not honour the Son does not honour the Father who sent Him.

24 “Most assuredly, I say to you, **he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.**

25 **Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live.**

26 For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself,

27 and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man.

28 **Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the *graves will hear His voice**

29 **and come forth—those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.** (“Condemnation” should be “judgment” ... NASB/RSV)

These people are in their ***graves — where they are dead.** Not purgatory or limbo or heaven or hell.

What is this resurrection from the graves all about?

Matthew 11:20-25 (NKJV)

20 Then He began to rebuke the cities in which most of His mighty works had been done, **because they did not repent**:

21 “**Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida!** For **if** the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. (“Woe” ... tantamount to a curse)

22 **But I say to you, it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon** in the day of judgment than for you. (“day” = a period of time)

23 And you, **Capernaum**, who are exalted to heaven (*in your own eyes*), **will be brought down to Hades**; for **if** the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Sodom, **it would have remained until this day**.

24 **But I say to you that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment than for you.**”

25 At that time Jesus answered and said, “I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that **You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes**.”

If Tyre and Sidon had heard ... they would have repented! So ... it is not fair to deny them that opportunity! They will have a judgment — a process of future evaluation.

Verse 25: **we know these things ... but ... the world doesn't**. Even the church world ... by and large.

Matthew 12:38-42 (NKJV)

38 Then some of the scribes and Pharisees answered, saying, “**Teacher, we want to see a sign from You.**” (*They should have listened to Jesus rather than keep asking for a sign*)

39 But He answered and said to them, “**An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.**”

40 For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will **the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.**

41 **The men of Nineveh will rise up in the judgment** (*a resurrection*) **with this generation and condemn it**, because they

repented at the preaching of Jonah; and indeed a greater than Jonah is here.

42 **The queen of the South will rise up in the judgment** (a resurrection) **with this generation and condemn it**, for she came from the ends of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and indeed a greater than Solomon is here.

The Autumn Feast Days point us to yet future events — prophetic Holy Days.

So let's look way into the future and see how these things work themselves out.

Revelation 20:1-10 (NKJV)

1 **Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.**

2 **He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;** (*that will be of great benefit to the world*)

3 and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, **so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished.** But after these things he must be released for a little while.

4 And I saw thrones, and **they** (*the saints who come down from Heaven with Jesus*) sat on them, and judgment was committed to them.

Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. (*The first resurrection*)

5 {But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished.} (*After the Millennium ... the rest of the dead — all of them — will live again. A Great Resurrection*)

6 **Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection.** Over such the second death has no power, but **they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.** (*The saints are impervious to the second death*)

7 **Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison**

8 **and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth**, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, **whose number is as the sand of the sea**. (*These are people who have lived through the Millennium — who have heard the Truth — people who “look the part” — people who don’t have a love for the Truth. These people follow Satan after the Millennium.*)

9 They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. **And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them**. (*The Millennium has been running for a 1,000 years ... Satan is released from his prison and what does he do? What he normally does — deceives the people. How many? Millions? They follow Satan!*)

10 **The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are**. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. (*Satan has gone permanently. Now all of the world who weren’t “whole-hearted” have been “flushed out”*)

The ones above are the ones who lived through the Millennium. Then what? **What about the “rest of the dead” who won’t live again until after the Millennium?**

Revelation 20:11-13 (NKJV) — (GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT)

11 **Then** (*after Satan has been put away*) **I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it**, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them.

12 **And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened**. (*could be the scriptures “opened” to people’s minds*) **And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life**. And **the dead were judged** (*evaluated*) **according to their works**, by the things which were written in the books. (*The Book of Life is opened. Will you have your name inscribed in it if you are one of the dead that has been raised? The Bible is opened and people can be taught about the Truth*)

13 **The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.**

The Saints have been ruling already 1,000 years ... this is way into the future.

Notice verse 12: "The Book of Life" is opened ... ready for their names to be included ... if they make the right choice.

Ezekiel 37:1-14

1 The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones.

2 Then He caused me to pass by them all around, and behold, there were very many in the open valley; and indeed they were very dry.

3 And He said to me, "**Son of man, can these bones live?**"

So I answered, "**O Lord GOD, You know.**"

4 Again He said to me, "**Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!**

5 Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: "Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live.

6 I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. Then you shall know that I am the LORD." ' "

7 So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone.

8 Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but there was no breath in them.

9 Also He said to me, "**Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.**" ' "

10 So I prophesied as He commanded me, **and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army.**

11 Then He said to me, "**Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!**"

12 Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD:

"Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause

you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

13 **Then you shall know that I am the LORD**, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves.

14 **I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land.** Then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken it and performed it,” says the LORD.’ ”

John 7:37-39 (NKJV)

37 **On the last day, that great day of the feast,** Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “**If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.**

38 **He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.**” (*this is the Last Great Day message ... anyone can come to Jesus and receive Living Waters*)

39 But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

On the Last Great Day ... Jesus’ arms are open. If anybody out there is “thirsty” ... Christ says to come to Him ... whoever you are.

Isaiah 65:20–25 (NKJV)

20 “No more shall an infant from there live but a few days,
Nor an old man who has not fulfilled his days;

**For the child shall die one hundred years old,
But the sinner (or the one who is still a sinner) being one hundred years old shall be accursed.** (*it looks like people will be given 2 Jubilee periods to repent*)

21 **They shall build** houses and inhabit them;
They shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

22 They shall not build and another inhabit;
They shall not plant and another eat;

For as the days of a tree, so shall be the days of My people,
And **My elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.**

23 They shall not labour in vain,

Nor bring forth children for trouble;

For they shall be the descendants of the blessed of the Lord,
And their offspring with them.

24 **“It shall come to pass
That before they call, I will answer;
And while they are still speaking, I will hear.**

25 The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
The lion shall eat straw like the ox,
And dust shall be the serpent's food.
They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain,”
Says the Lord.

In that judgment period ... people will have perhaps a hundred years (?) to make their choice. There will be similar conditions as in the Millennium.

In this Great White Throne Judgment period ... there could be tens of billions of people. It will be their only chance at The Truth — but for them at this time ... it will be a good one! Most — hopefully — will make the right decision?

There will still be **FREE CHOICE.** **What about those who don't want to go that way?** Those who have already had their chance ... who have already committed the Unpardonable Sin. Either then — or in this life — who choose the “dark side” — those that reject the Truth? They will not submit to God and His way of life — who refuse to repent.

Revelation 20:13-15 (NKJV)

13 **The sea gave up the incorrigible dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the incorrigible dead who were in them.** (*What is missing ... is the Book of Life*). And they were judged, each one according to his works.

14 **Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.** (*No coming back*)

15 **And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.**

The incorrigible dead. They chose not to go God's way.

Revelation 21:7-8 (NKJV)

7 **He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son.**

8 **But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.**” *(Not everlasting punishing. Death. Final!)*

Hopefully ... these are the minority.

Matthew 3:7-12 (NKJV)

7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, “**Brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?**” *(The religious leaders — who were hypocrites — really quite evil)*

8 Therefore **bear fruits worthy of repentance,**

9 and do not think to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father.’ *(Who needs to repent? I have come from the right family line)* For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

10 And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore **every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.**

11 I indeed baptise you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

12 His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but **He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.**” *(The Lake of Fire and Brimstone ... which is the second death)*

That’s the fate of the wicked — and about as far as we’re able to go into the future. Around 1,000 years away.

As we’ve kept the “Appointed Times” we’ve seen:

- **Passover: Jesus’ Death ... Lamb of God ... the blood of The Lamb**
- **Unleavened Bread: Putting out of sin**
- **Pentecost: The Firstfruits Harvest**
- **Feast of Trumpets: Jesus returns and takes over the kingdoms of this world**
- **Day of Atonement: Satan gone and the world at-one**

- Feast of Tabernacles: Great Gathering-In Harvest of people
- Last Great Day: Billions offered a great opportunity for salvation

All mankind who have ever lived ... if still alive ... now in the Family of God. Billions of glorified spirit beings destined to enjoy an eternity of happiness and productivity.

Then — the next phase!

Revelation 21:1-6 (NKJV)

1 Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea.

2 Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

(At the beginning of the Millennium)

3 And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

(Everyone alive is a saint)

4 And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.”

5 Then He who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new.” And He said to me, “Write, for these words are true and faithful.”

6 And He said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts.”

That’s the project — everything to be made new!

Revelation 22:1-5 (NKJV)

1 And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.

2 In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing (*well being*) of the nations.

3 And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him.

4 They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads.

5 There shall be no night there: They need no lamp nor light of the sun, for the Lord God gives them light. **And they shall reign forever and ever.** (*A blessing for those in the First Resurrection*)

Revelation 22:12-14 (NKJV)

12 “**And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me,** to give to every one according to his work.

13 **I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last.**”

14 **Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.**

Revelation 22:20 (NKJV)

20 He who testifies to these things says, “**Surely I am coming quickly.**”
Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

EVEN SO — COME LORD JESUS!