

— Romans 13.11-12 —

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Rom 13¹¹ And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. ¹² The night is far spent, the day is at hand.

* The “salvation” Paul is referring to appears to be what?

Rev 19¹ After these things I heard a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, “Alleluia! Salvation and glory and honor and power belong to the Lord our God! ² For true and righteous are His judgments, because He has judged the great harlot who corrupted the earth with her fornication; and He has avenged on her the blood of His servants shed by her.”

* The destruction of Jerusalem was salvation in two ways:

(1) It was deliverance from 40 years of the Jewish leadership claiming that Jesus was a _____ prophet & Messiah.

Mat 26.⁶³ But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, “I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!” ⁶⁴ Jesus said to him, “It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

Dan 7.¹³ “I was watching in the night visions, and behold, One like the Son of Man, coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him. ¹⁴ Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom the one which shall not be destroyed.”

— What is the significance of “Son of Man”?

Mat 26⁶⁵ Then the high priest tore his clothes, saying, “He has spoken blasphemy! What further need do we have of witnesses? Look, now you have heard His blasphemy! ⁶⁶ What do you think?” They answered and said, “He is deserving of death.” ⁶⁷ Then they spat in His face and beat Him ... ⁶⁸ saying, “Prophecy to us, Christ! Who ... struck You?”

— What is Jesus saying in Mt 26.64?

Acts 1⁹ Now ... while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.

Mat 24² “Assuredly, I say to you, not one stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down ...

³⁴ Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place.”

Deut 18²⁰ [T]he prophet who presumes to speak a word in My name, which I have not commanded him to speak ... that prophet shall die. ²² [W]hen a prophet speaks in the name of the LORD, if the thing does not happen or come to pass, [then] that is a thing which the LORD has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously

Acts 10⁴⁰ Him God raised up on the third day, and showed Him openly, ⁴¹ not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before by God, even to us who ate and drank with Him after He arose from the dead.

(2) It was deliverance from 40 years of the Jewish leadership persecuting the church for supposedly being a _____ people of God who preached a _____ gospel.

Rev 12¹ Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars. ² Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth. ³ And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. ⁴ ... And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. ⁵ She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron ...

Mat 2¹⁶ Then Herod ... was exceedingly angry; and he sent forth and put to death all the male children who were in Bethlehem and in all its districts, from two years old and under

Rev 12⁵ ... And her Child was caught up to God and His throne ...

come, and His wife has made herself ready."

⁷ And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, ⁸ but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. ⁹ So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

¹⁰ Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. ¹¹ And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. ¹² Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time."

¹³ Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. ¹⁴ But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

Acts 7⁵⁹ And they stoned Stephen ... ^{8,1} Now Saul was consenting to his death. At that time a great persecution arose against the church ... and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles ... ³ As for Saul, he made havoc of the church, entering every house, and dragging off men and women, committing them to prison. ...

¹⁵ So the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood.

¹⁷ And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Rev 19⁶ "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns! ⁷ Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has

Rev 21⁹ Then one of the seven angels ... talked with me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife." ¹⁰ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, ¹¹ having the glory of God ... ¹² Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates ... and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel ... ¹⁴ Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

²² I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. ²³ ... The Lamb is its light. ²⁴ And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory ... into it.

Rev 17³ And I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast which was full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. ⁴ The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication. ⁵ And on her forehead a name was written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH ⁶ I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus.

Rev 11⁸ And their dead bodies will lie in the street of the great city which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified ... ^{18,21} "Thus with violence the great city Babylon shall be thrown down ... ²⁴ And in her was found the blood of prophets and saints"

Luke 13³³ "[...]It cannot be that a prophet should perish outside of Jerusalem. ³⁴ O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children, but you were not willing! ³⁵ See! Your house is left to you desolate"

* Conclusion: Now you see why ...