

I. THREE URGENT QUESTIONS GOD IS ASKING IN THIS HOUR?

- A. Two of the questions are found in Malachi, and one in the gospel of Luke.
 - 1. **Question 1- "But who can endure the day of His coming?"**
 - 2. **Question 2-, "And who can stand when He appears?" Malachi 3:2**
- B. Bible teachers generally see Malachi 3:2 as a rhetorical, searching question, not meant to discourage, but to reveal the seriousness of God's coming judgments and the need to take inventory on the condition of our hearts.
- C. These two questions confront us with a sobering reality: the God we ask to come in justice will first come in holiness. His Presence will expose, purify, and transform His people like fire that refines and soap that cleanses.
- D. These questions ultimately reveal and separate true devotion to Jesus from false devotion. The 'day' in view refers both to the most intense season in human history, and to the climactic moment when Jesus breaks into history at His return to fulfill and enforce all He secured and on the cross
- E. This is the day and moment in history John the Baptist prophesied.
 - 1. ***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."*-Matt 3:11**
- F. How we prepare now will determine how we respond to these questions. God desires to establish confidence in His church in this hour through biblical understanding ,and clarity so we are ready for that day.

II. A THIRD URGENT QUESTION FOR THE HOUR

- A. The third question is asked directly from Jesus' lips.
 - 1. ***When the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?***
- B. Jesus' question highlights not the absence of faith, but the rarity of persistent, resilient faith. Jesus' question isn't whether faith will exist when He returns, but whether He finds a people with unwavering, unshakable, still crying out for final justice, and still persevering during the darkest time in human history referred to

the Day of the Lord

III. SHORT PERIODS OF TIME THAT SHIFTED WORLD HISTORY

A. THE FLOOD DURING THE DAYS OF NOAH

1. Noah's Flood is presented in Scripture as a total reset of human history, morally, culturally, and even environmentally.
2. Whether we interpret it theologically or historically, it marks a decisive turning point in human history.

B. JESUS FIRST COMING

1. Jesus' first coming and His death on the cross was the most decisive turning point of human history. It brought a spiritual shift to an open door into humanity's relationship with God, redefining the human race, (one new man) and launching a global movement that still shapes the world today.

C. THE BIRTH OF THE EARLY CHURCH AND SPREAD OF CHRISTIANITY

1. Greatest movement in human history that is still active today and will reach into eternity. The message of Jesus and the gospel of the Kingdom spread through a small group to a Spirit empowered global movement.

D. WORLD WAR II (September 1, 1939 – September 2, 1945)

1. World War II didn't just end a war, it reordered the modern world and directly set the stage for the rebirth of Israel, possibly fulfilling the greatest biblical prophecy in our modern generation.

IV. THE DAY OF THE LORD

- A. The Day of the Lord is presented in scripture as the most unique moment in human history because it is the ultimate intersection of God's direct intervention into the nations through both global unprecedented and unmatched judgments, and blessings.
- B. It is a period of time where His visible Kingdom and rule is displayed on a global stage, which is something that has never happened before, and will never be repeated in the same way.

C. The Day of the Lord is when God moves from seeming hiddenness to a global open display of His divine power and glory. It's not merely symbolic, it's God visibly stepping into human history decisively with perfect timing and glory.

1. ***"The Day of the Lord is when God takes over what man thought he controlled."***

D. The prophet Isaiah gives us a glimpse into the depth of God's zeal and the intensity of His heart during this time.

1. ***The LORD shall go forth like a mighty man; He shall stir up His zeal like a man of war. He shall cry out, yes, shout aloud; He shall prevail against His enemies.¹⁴ "I have held My peace a long time I have been still and restrained Myself. Now I will cry like a woman in labor, pant and gasp at once. -Isaiah 42:13-14***

V. THE DAY OF THE LORD IN THE SCRIPTURES

A. The Day of the Lord is not a minor doctrine in the scriptures, it is a unified message proclaimed by the prophets, confirmed by Jesus, and carried forward by the apostles.

B. Isaiah, Joel, Amos, Zephaniah, Obadiah, Zechariah, Malachi, Jesus, and the apostles Peter, John, and Paul all spoke in unity about this unique period of time.

1. ***Blow the trumpet in Zion ,And sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble ;For the day of the LORD is coming, For it is at hand-Joel 2:1***

2. ***For the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; Who can endure it?-Joel 2:11***

3. ***"But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears?-Malachi 3:2***

4. ***²For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. ³For when they say, "Peace and safety!" Then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. -1 Thess 5:2-3***

5. ¹⁰ ***But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. -2Peter 3:10***

VI. THE TWO PRIMARY DESCRIPTIONS OF THE DAY OF THE LORD

A. IT IS DESCRIBED AS BEING BOTH TERRIBLE AND GREAT

1. ***Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful (terrible) day of the LORD.-Malachi 4:5***

B. Both the ESV and NKJV uses the language “Awesome” which can also be translated “terrible” (KJV) The Hebrew word: yārē’ means fearful, dreadful, awe-inspiring.

C. It is ‘terrible’ in the sense of being awe-inspiring, overwhelming, and fearsome, as God breaks into history at the appointed time revealing to the world His purifying holiness, earth-shaking justice, and unrestrained power before all who have rejected His leadership.

D. In his first public message in Acts 2, Peter draws from Joel’s prophecy to describe the Day of the Lord:

1. ***The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved -Acts 2:20–21***

VII. TWO EXPRESSIONS OF THE DAY OF THE LORD

A. The biblical language of the “Day of the Lord” has both a historical and future end time expression.

B. The Day of the Lord is portrayed as a decisive moment of God’s intervention—bringing both deliverance for Israel and righteous judgment and discipline upon them.

C. Two primary Old Testament events that foreshadow the Day of the Lord are the Exodus under Moses and the Babylonian invasion of Jerusalem in 586 BC. While these events had immediate historical fulfillment, they also pointed forward to a future, ultimate Day of the Lord.

VIII. THE BROAD AND NARROW SENSE OF THE DAY OF THE LORD

- A. The Day of the Lord is both a season of divine intervention (broad sense) and a climactic moment when Christ appears and history reaches its decisive turning point. (narrow sense)
- B. In the broad sense, the Day of the Lord refers to a defined period (often understood as the 3.5-year tribulation) in which God actively intervenes in history, shaking everything that can be shaken through His judgments, cleansing the earth of evil, purifying the church, releasing the greatest proclamation of the gospel and harvest of souls, delivering and restoring national Israel, and ultimately transitioning the nations into the reign of Christ in His millennial kingdom.
- C. The narrow sense of the Day of the Lord refers to the specific, climactic moment when Jesus visibly returns to the earth to judge the wicked and establish His kingdom.
- D. Both Paul and Peter described it in a very similar way in their letters.
 1. ***(Paul) For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night-1Thess 5:2***
 2. ***(Peter) But the day of the Lord will come like a thief--2Peter 3:10***

IX. MAJOR THEMES OF THE DAY OF THE LORD IN THE BOOK OF JOEL

1. ***“And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions.²⁹ And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days.³⁰ “And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke.³¹ The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD.³² And it shall come to pass That whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, As the LORD has said, Among the remnant whom the LORD calls. JOEL 2:28-32***

B. FIRST THEME-GLOBAL OUTPOURING OF THE SPIRIT(Vrs 28-29)

1. Greatest revival and outpouring of God's Spirit in history.

C. SECOND THEME -RELEASE OF GOD'S JUDGEMENTS (vrs 30-31)

1. God confronts evil without restraint and cleanses the earth from everything that exalts itself above Him.
2. This includes cosmic disturbances that will display His glory. Creation itself will respond to His Presence.
3. He will shake and expose all political, economic, and spiritual systems and will replace them with His Kingdom

D. THIRD THEME -GREATEST HARVEST OF SOULS (vrs 32a)

1. The gospel and great commission will prevail in the midst of the darkest hour of history. Fullness of gentiles will come in. (see Romans 11:25)

E. FOURTH THEME-THE DELIVERANCE AND SALVATION OF ISRAEL (vrs 32b)

1. God will deliver Israel from her oppressors (Antichrist empire) during a time where no one else can.
 - a) ²⁶ ***And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The Deliverer will come out of Zion, And He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;"²⁷ For this is My covenant with them, When I take away their sins.-Rom. 11:26-27***

X. **ADDITIONAL ASPECTS OF THE DAY OF THE LORD**

A. THE RETURN OF THE LORD

1. Jesus will come to fulfill and enforce what He secured on the cross. He will come as a beautiful Bridegroom for a spotless bride, will come as a beautiful judge to judge the nations, and will come as a beautiful King to set up His throne and Kingdom in Jerusalem.

B. EXPOSURE AND SEPARATION

1. At His return, Jesus will not blend humanity, He will separate it, revealing what is true and assigning every person their eternal place.
2. Jesus gave much time in teaching this reality. When Jesus returns, He will separate: Sheep nations and from goat nations based on how they treated Israel. (Matt. 25:31-32), Wheat from tares (true vs. false believers) Matthew 13:39–43, Good from bad (Matthew 13:47–49) Prepared from unprepared (Matt 25:10-12) Those who belong to Him from those who do not

XI. **THE DAY OF THE LORD IS A MEANS TO A GLORIOUS END**

A. Jesus talked about great joy after great pain.

1. ***21 A woman, when she is in labor, has sorrow because her hour has come; but as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world.-Jn 16:21***

B. On the other side of the Day of the Lord is unprecedented glory, the fullness of God's presence and kingdom permeating every sphere of creation, including the earth, the heavens, and humanity, as God will forever change His proximity to it all.

C. This period of time does not end with total destruction, but with renewal and restoration. *In both its broad and narrow sense, the Day of the Lord reflects God's wisdom in preparing the nations for His final purpose on the earth, the restoration of all things.*

1. ***For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former shall not be remembered or come to mind.-Is 65:17***
2. ***For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, As the waters cover the sea.-Habakkuk 2:14***

XII. THE CALL AND FORMATION OF DAY OF THE LORD MESSENGERS

- A. God is raising up and setting apart Day of the Lord messengers in this hour, men and women entrusted with a sacred calling to proclaim His end-time plan with clarity and understanding, preparing the church, Israel, and the nations for the most unique, intense, and glorious season in human history.
- B. Daniel peered into the future prophetically and saw these type of prepared end time messengers:
1. ***but the people who know their God shall be strong, and carry out great exploits.*** ³³***And those of the people who understand shall instruct many;-Daniel 11:32-33***
 2. ***Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever and ever.-Dan 12:3***
- C. Day of the Lord messengers will be husbands, fathers, stay at home moms, missionaries, shepherds, working dads, college students, business owners, professionals, plumbers, teachers, laymen, from all the nations of the earth.
- D. They will be formed and matured in furnaces of prayer, fasting, worship, and long hours of eating God's word relating to His end time plan.
1. ***Proclaim this among the nations:******"Prepare for war!Wake up the mighty men,Let all the men of war draw near, Let them come up.-Joel 3:9***
 2. ***Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophetBefore the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.-Malachi 4:5***
 3. ***And he said to me, "Take and eat it; and it will make your stomach bitter, but it will be as sweet as honey in your mouth."¹⁰ Then I took the little book out of the angel's hand and ate it, and it was as sweet as honey in my mouth. But when I ate it, my stomach became bitter.¹¹ And ¹¹he said to me, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings.-Rev 10:9-11***

XIII. INSPIRED BY NOAH AND DANIEL

- A. Both Noah and Daniel are great examples of Day of the Lord messengers who lived a certain way in order to hear prophetic insight from God.
- B. The bible says Noah was divinely warned of the judgements of God that were coming to his generation and was moved with Godly fear, and to proclaim the word of the Lord to his generation.
 - 1. ***By faith Noah, being warned by God... moved with godly fear, prepared an ark-Heb 11:7***
 - 2. ***I have determined to make an end of all flesh-Gen 6:13. (God shared with Noah His plan)***
 - 3. ***⁵and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly;-2 Peter 2:5***
- C. Daniel also lived as a forerunner in his generation and was entrusted with prophetic revelation regarding the end of the age events.
- D. Daniel was developed and matured into a messenger of truth two ways, by a life of prayer, and a life of studying God's word.
 - 1. ***²in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years specified by the word of the LORD through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.-Dan 9:2***
 - 2. ***³Then I set my face toward the Lord God to make request by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes. ⁴ And I prayed to the LORD my God-Dan 9:3***

XIV. SOULS-SINGERS-FORERUNNERS

- A. In 2012, during a time of private prayer, God spoke three words to me—*Souls, Singers, and Forerunners*. These became a guiding vision for Stacy and me, ultimately shaping the ministry God birthed through us on June 22, 2013, known as Kings House

- B. We have given ourselves to God's call to establish a resting place for Him through day-and-night prayer and worship, cultivating a greenhouse of deep devotion to His Word and in order to send forth biblically grounded end time messengers with clarity and understanding into an increasingly dark and deceptive world.

