Countdown to Armageddon













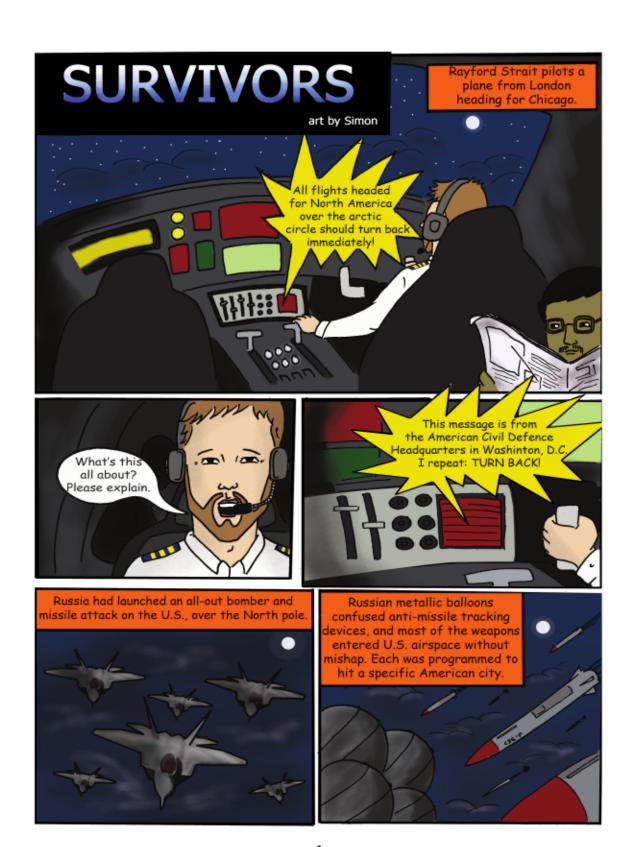
























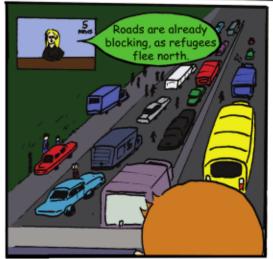














































America has confused religious activity with real faith.

There will be a bigger day of reckoning for the rest of the world, but judgment must begin with America.

To whom much has been given, more shall be required. The real sin of America is not homosexuality or atheism. It is greed--the root of all other evils. Her churches are full of materialism.

















By the time Rayford landed in Toronto, he had a much better understanding of what the Jesans were teaching. The fall of America will give Russia and China control of the U.N. Security Council. America's loss will be the rest of the world's gain.



















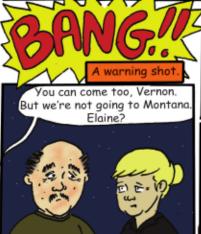














No, we can't stop now.









Do I have to live like you to be a real Christian?

GREED REEDS

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But we just read where Jesus said to give up everything and go everywhere preaching.











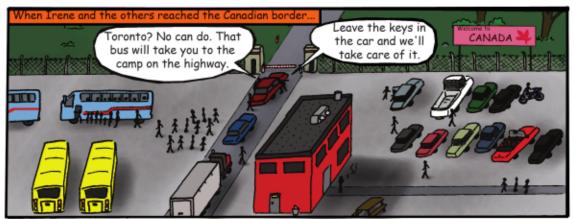




































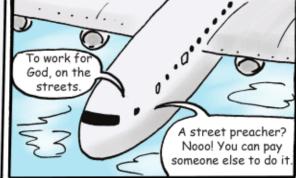






















You have to find that out for

working with me, but nothing















The Evidence

Throughout this book are pages of "evidence" for points put forward by the author. Most of it comes from the Bible. (See below.)

The Secret Rapture. I Corinthians 15:51-52 describes what is known as "the Rapture". It says this rapture will come at the sound of the "last trumpet". The seven trumpets in Revelation 8-10 describe a period known as the Tribulation. Jesus said (Matthew 24:29-31) that the rapture comes "immediately after the Tribulation". Yet it is popular to tell Christians that they won't have to go through the Tribulation. When their "secret rapture" does not happen, they may look for Jesus in other places, as happens in this story. (Matthew 24:23-27)

<u>Hearing from God.</u> Like birds, when disasters strike, we need to be able to hear God, more than religious leaders (Luke 17:31-17). Elaine learned that on her way to Montana. We all need to be taking time to listen to God every day, now, in preparation for what lies ahead.

World Powers and the U.N. World powers in Daniel 7:1-7 are described as a Lion (England?), Eagle (America?), Bear (Russia?), and Leopard/Panther (Third World in general?) with the wings of a Rooster (France?). England, America, Russia, and France are permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, along with China (the Dragon).

Revelation 13:2 lists the same animals, but without the Eagle. Daniel 7:2 says that when the Lion loses its Eagle wings, it ceases to be an animal (world power?).

Revelation 17:1-5, and 17:12-16 says an evil leader will destroy a world power which is the center of world trade, with help from "ten kings". There are ten rotating (Third World) members of the U.N. Security Council, possibly represented by the Leopard. A Panther, by the way, is just a black leopard, and is the symbol of much of the Third World now.

If America is destroyed, then three of the five permanent Security Council members (America, England, and France) would cease to have the control that they now have. Instead, the Bear (Russia) and the Dragon (China) could totally control the world.

Attack from the North. Several prophecies talk about Israel being attacked from the North. But the real power behind Judaism is the U.S. An attack from Russia over the North Pole could be what those prophecies are talking about. Jeremiah 1:13-14 talks about the handle of a pot facing North. The Big Dipper in the Northern sky points to the North Star, the major star in the constellation Ursa/Russia, or "The Bear". Jeremiah may be saying that the Bear will eventually pour hot water on America, thus weakening Israel as a result.

The Spirit of Prophecy. How seriously do we take verses like Luke 14:25-35? We need to "count the cost" of what it truly means to be a Christian... as defined by Jesus, and not as defined by our various denominations. When confronted by the teachings of Jesus, Rayford and each member of his family were "born again " by "the Word of God" (I Peter 1:23), The Word of God is another name for Jesus. (Revelation 19:13-16, John 1:1-12) The teachings of Jesus are the "cornerstone" or "foundation" that has been left out of most attempts to understand prophecy. (Matthew 7:26 & 21:42)



Rayford had shown an avid interest in the Bible since his conversion. He and Neville had set up a website where people could read up on Christian teaching and Bible prophecy. Website viewers rarely wrote in, and those who did seldom wrote a second time.



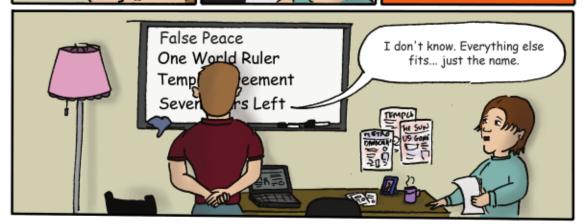


I think the agreement is happening. They build their Temple, and God builds ours. Only ours will be invisible.



That would make Dangchao the Anti-Christ. But what about his name?

The letters of the
Anti-Christ's name, according
to prophecy, must add up to
666. (Rev 13:17) Xu Dangchao
had only three Roman numerals
(X, D, and C) which equalled
610. Hebrew translations did
not add up to 666 either.



Three days later, all six of the people who wrote in accepted an invitation to meet at Neville's flat.



John Doorman: Jehovah's Witness. Pacifist. 42 years old. Unmarried. Spent time in jail in South Africa for his beliefs.



Sister Mary Theresa: Catholic nun with Little Sisters of Jesus. 56 years old. Attracted to family oriented Christian communities and concern for the poor.



Matthew Baker: Baptist street preacher. 40 years old. Strict emphasis on sexual morality. Wife left him over his extreme religious beliefs.



Sheila Armitage: Quaker lesbian. 70 years old. Universalist, drawn to Rayford's emphasis on sincerity in preference to theology.



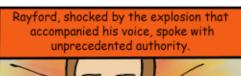
Mike Anastopoulos: Turkish humanist, Doing a doctorate in archaeology, 36 years old.
Looking for an alternative to the present economic/political system.

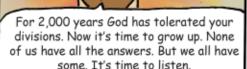


Luis Rafael: Pentecostal migrant from Brazil. 28 years old. Attracted to prophecy and living by faith teachings in The Family, before learning about their free sex teachings.



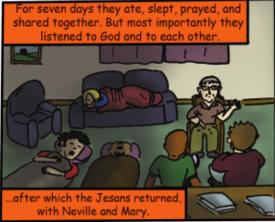










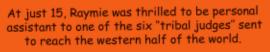






Diego and Luis flew to Brazil, Sheila and Walter to Moscow, and Mike and Martin to Turkey. Young Raymie joined John Doorman in South Africa, and Chloe and Mary Theresa took the van on a ferry to the continent and on to Rome. Matthew stayed to work with Neville and Mary in London.















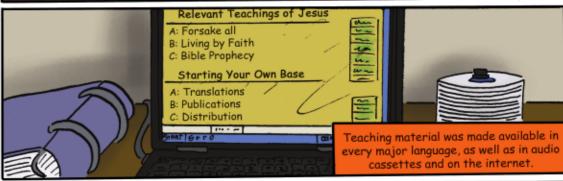




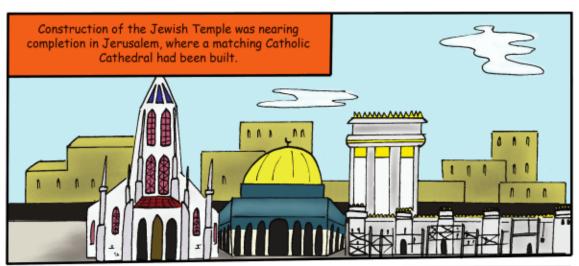












By downsizing the Temple, by turning it east-west over the Dome of the Tablet, and by enlarging the court-yard, all three religions had been accommodated on the one site.



The media discovered that the Secretary General (who appeared to have no religious affiliations) had special interest in the Jerusalem project.





More than interesting.

I wonder if Rayford knows about this.

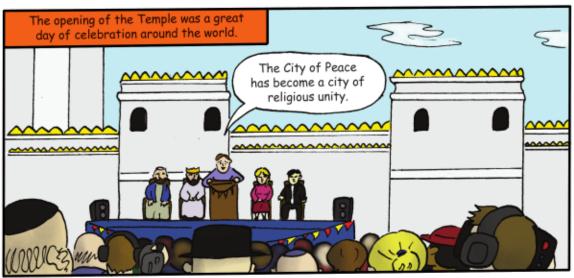
To the believers Rayford confidently

predicted what would happen.

Yes, I've seen it. L, V, and I, the missing 56 in Roman numerals. Now his name does add up to 666.



Dear Brothers and Sisters, In less than three years, Dangchao will take control of the Temple for his own use. We can calculate to the day when that will happen, and how long after that Jesus will return, thanks to Daniel's prophecies about the last seven years.







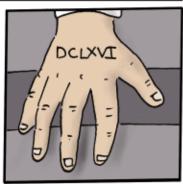














The Jesans regarded the implant as the Devil's mark.

Revelation 13

16 And he causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads;

17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.









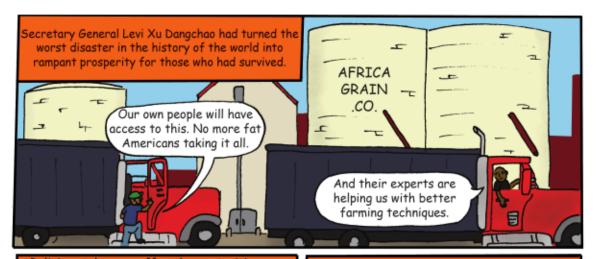


























THE GREAT TRIBULATION HAD BEGUN.

The Evidence

The Seventy Weeks Prophecy. (Note: The word "week" in Hebrew just means 'seven' and can stand for 7 days or 7 years. See Genesis 29:27-28.) God said (in Daniel 9:24-26) that there were just 490 years (70 x 7 years) left for his "people", from 454 B.C. (when Artaxerxes decreed that Jerusalem should be rebuilt). He said that 483 years (69 'weeks') from that date (i.e. in 30 A.D.) the Messiah would be "cut off". (Remember that there is no year zero, which is why it appears to be 484 years from 454 B.C. to 30 A.D..) 30 A.D. is when Jesus was crucified.

The last seven of those 490 years have been left on hold, ever since Jesus said "It is finished" and the curtain in the Temple in Jerusalem was miraculously torn from top to bottom. (Those last seven years are referred to several times in The Revelation.) God's "people" (those who have accepted his Son) have been invisible since 30 A.D. (Luke 17:20) But in the final seven years before Jesus returns, God will "renew the agreement" with these people, at the same time that the Antichrist makes an agreement with a counterfeit people of God. (Daniel 9:27)

Note: In calculating the 490 years, it is important to use the prophetic calendar year that is taught in The Revelation, i.e. a year of 360 days, rather than 365 1/4 days as used in our calendars today. (See Rev. 11:2-3, 12:6 & 14, and 13:5; and Daniel 7:25 and 9:27.) Seven years works out to be 2,520 days, and half of seven years works out to be 1260 days, or 42 30-day months.

<u>Temples</u>. The countdown to the return of Jesus begins with an agreement to re-build the Temple. Visible temples characterise all world religions except true Christianity (Acts 7:48), which is founded on an invisible relationship between believers and God. From the time sacrifices begin to be offered in the new Temple until the return of Jesus comes to 2300 days (Daniel 8:14), leaving 220 days between the agreement and completion of construction. (2520 - 2300 = 220) During the first half of those 7 years, there is peace and prosperity. But this changes dramatically in the final three and a half years of Great Trouble.

The Twelve Tribes. Religious counterfeits will have a visible Temple and a visible king, but true believers will form into twelve "tribes" similar to those in the Old Testament before there were any kings in Israel. These tribes will be followers of the Lamb (Jesus) who is both their leader and their eternal "sacrifice". (Revelation 7:4-8, and 14:3-4)

These 12 tribes number 144,000 faithful followers of the Lamb. (Revelation 7:2-4 and 14:1-12). But there is also a great numberless multitude (Revelation 7:9-17) who are converted through the testimony of the twelve tribes. During the final three and a half years, some believers are miraculously protected (Revelation 12:14) while others are slaughtered by the millions (Revelation 13:7).

The Mark of the Beast. Revelation 13:15-17 says that people all over the world will be required to get a "mark" put in their hand, which they will use for all buying and selling. The cashless society is moving toward universal use of microchip implants for buying and selling (an extension of M-pesa), something that is already being tested for limited buying and selling in some parts of the world. Anyone who accepts that Mark will be eternally damned. (Revelation 14:9-11)



If he's the devil, we couldn't kill him anyway. No, I think this is God's job, not ours.











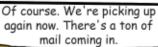
Things are going to get very bad now. The Bible says God will take us to a safe place.

I sure hope so.















But how...? Do they have another office?

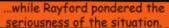


No. It was a tiny, independent service. There IS no more Web Wonders.

Web Wonders or no Web Wonders, mail is coming in faster than I can pick it up. Only God knows how this is possible.









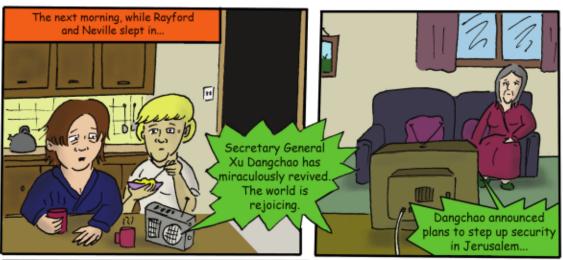
The Tribulation has started. We should be fleeing. But where? This could be the end for us.

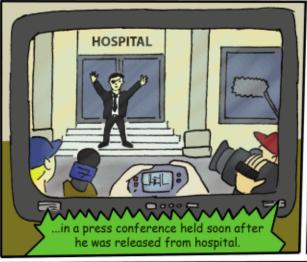
He informed his counterpart in Australia. Chaim Rosenberg, with whom he had been in regular contact since learning of Chaim's existence, three and a half years earlier.



Not knowing if they would survive the night, Rayford posted his thoughts on the Internet.

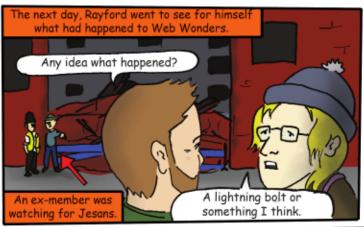
















































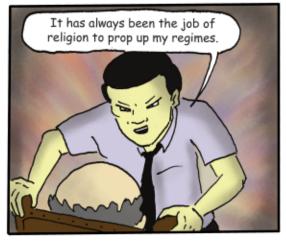






I want the world to see me as I really am... no more masks. I want them to fear me.





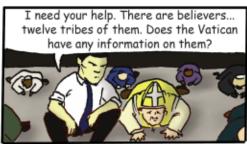












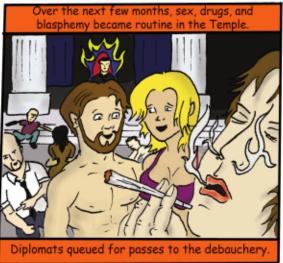










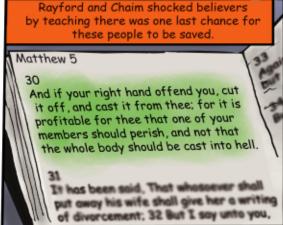
















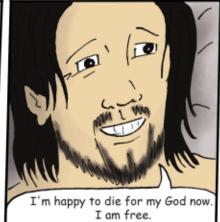












After a period of teaching, the new believers were led away blindfolded, so they could not betray the location.



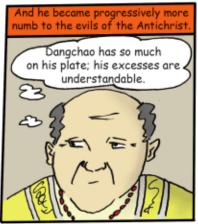


While the Twelve Tribes remained hidden,











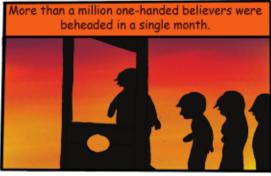




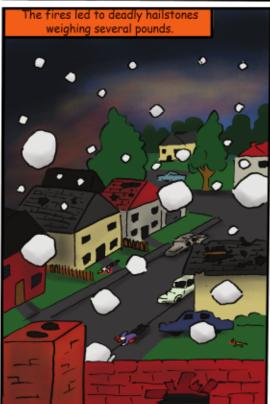


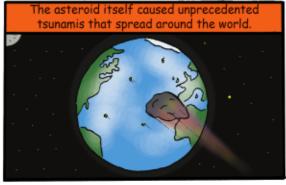






















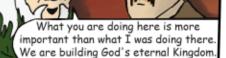
My children died in the attack on New York city. My wife... I have never talked about her...she did not die in the attack.







The former president of the United States had just told Walter that he was a better leader.



But, Master, torture takes time.
The world is falling apart. We cannot even bury the dead from the disasters.















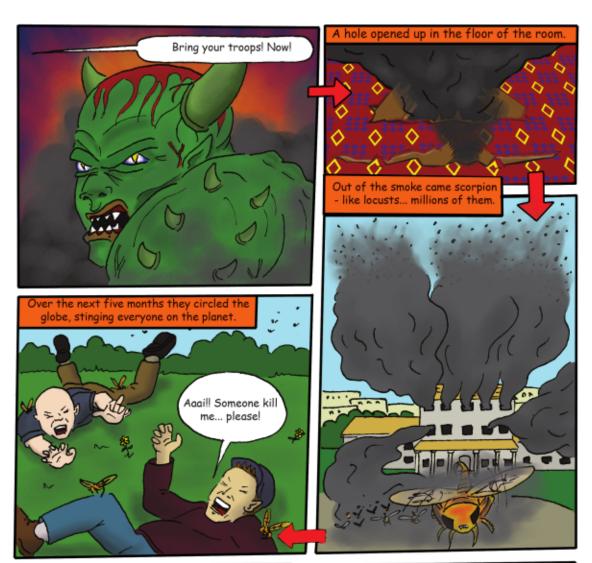
















After three and a half years of the worst devastation in the history of the planet, the world was struggling just with efforts to bury the dead. Reconstruction was almost non-existent. Many believers took refuge in coastal towns that had been deserted after the Tsunami.



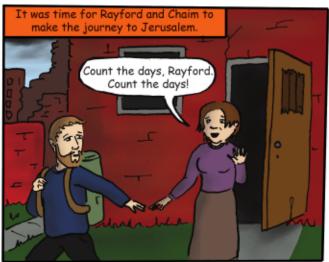






































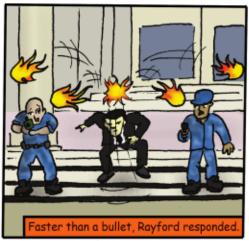


























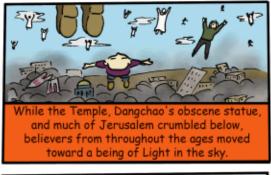






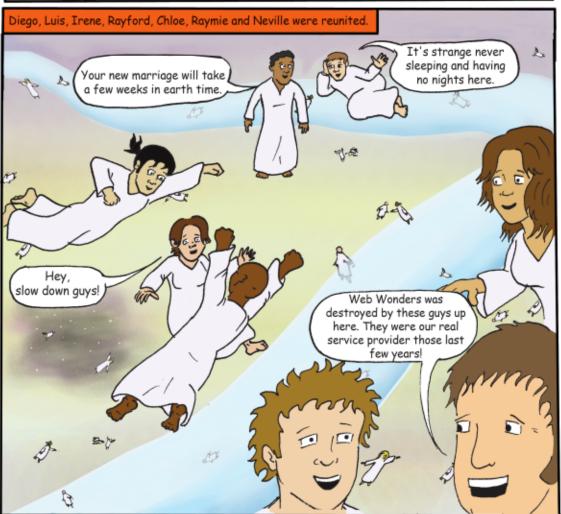








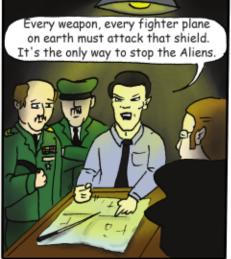






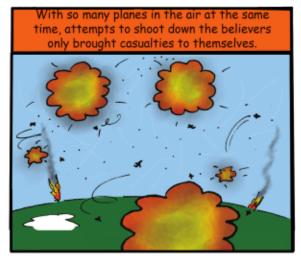














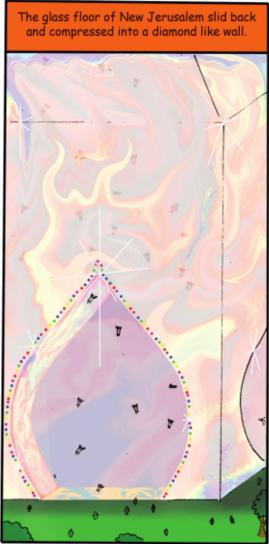
In the confusion, missiles were launched before the air force had returned, thus

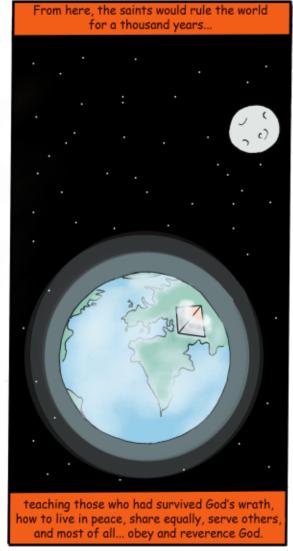






Not a single believer was lost, and all because they had learned to obey God...the one thing the human race had, for thousands of years, failed so miserably at.





The Evidence

The Two Witnesses. Revelation 11:3-12 says two prophets will have supernatural power to speak God's message in the final three and a half years before Jesus returns.

The Dragon or Antichrist. Revelation 12:7-9 and 12:12-13 talk of a 'Dragon' that is cast out of heaven, and comes to earth to make war with God's people, who are also referred to as the Bride of Christ. The Dragon is the Devil, in the body of someone who received a 'deadly wound'. (Revelation 13:3, 5) (He may also represent a world power which appears to have been destroyed, possibly communist Russia.) The Dragon is sometimes referred to as the "Beast" or "Antichrist".

The False Prophet. The Antichrist is helped by a False Prophet (Revelation 16:13). This False Prophet causes everyone to worship an image of the Antichrist, an image which can both speak and kill those who do not worship it. (Revelation 13:11-14)

<u>The Great Multitude</u>. There is a numberless multitude of people who turn to God during those last three and a half years. (Revelation 7:9, and 7:14-17) They overcome the Devil through their willingness to die for their faith. (Revelation 12:11, and 20:4)

<u>The Asteroid.</u> The first four 'trumpets' of the Tribulation cover events which may be linked to an asteroid hitting the earth, i.e. "a mountain falling into the sea". (Revelation 8:6-12) Widespread fires forcing moisture far up into the atmosphere could cause giant hailstones.

Apollyon. The stinging locusts are described in detail in Revelation 9:7-10. They are controlled by an angel from hell named Apollyon.

The Real Rapture. Revelation 11:7-13 says the Witnesses come to life and rise up into the sky three days after being killed. This seems to coincide with believers from all ages being resurrected and drawn together to meet Jesus in the sky. (I Corinthians 15:32-58, Rev. 1:7, Matt. 24:30-31)

The New Jerusalem. Revelation 21 tells of a "new Jerusalem" coming down out of heaven, suggesting that the "old Jerusalem" is just a counterfeit of what Jesus came to build. This contrast between the real and the counterfeit is a constant theme of The Revelation (Bride vs Prostitute, tribes vs kingdoms, invisible Temple vs visible Temple, etc.)

The Battle of Armageddon. After the seven 'trumpets' of the Tribulation, the Revelation talks of seven containers representing the wrath of God, being poured out on those who remain on earth after the Rapture. (Revelation 9:20-10:7 and 11:15-19) During most of this, believers are celebrating in heaven. (Revelation 19:7-9) But Jesus leads his troops (Revelation 19:11-14) in the Battle of Armageddon (Revelation 16:16-21), at the end of the Wrath, after which, we spend the next thousand years teaching those left on earth how life should have been if everyone had followed Jesus instead of the various "beasts" (empires) of the world.

Please write to us if you would like to be part of this great army of believers, who are preparing for the soon return of Jesus! Contact us at: friends_learning_resources@yahoo.co.uk

"Surviving is about more than staying alive..."

The days were growing darker.
Millions of believers had been executed...



...but hope is hard to kill.