


THE MINOR PROPHETS and THE BOOK OF REVELATION

- The Gospel accounts have some End Times info
- Various beliefs about the End Times have morphed
- Prophecy is inherently fuzzy
- That what is prophesied to happen is certain; exactly what it looks like is anything but certain
- Humans hate uncertainty, so the Church provides it

The Coming Time Of Trouble

- 
- The final chapter reveals some things that have been presented to Believers that are quite wrong
 - Trouble ahead is certainly the warning, but details are lacking
 - Zechariah Chapter 14 is about the battle of Jerusalem
 - Nothing biblically says Believers will be raptured to avoid tribulation; but, we will not endure God's wrath

THE ATTACK ON JERUSALEM



- The nations think they have won
- Vs. 2 speaks of the atrocities against Israel
- Oct. 7 attack by Hamas shows the barbarity is NOT outdated warfare
- Extensive damage to Jerusalem, half the city captured and hauled off



- Using “The Lord” instead of YHWH has an ulterior motive
- The verse says that Yehoveh, not Yeshua, will stand on the Mt. of Olives
- The Church insists any manifestation of God that speaks of a physical element must be Jesus
- Isaiah 66:1 So does God “sit on a throne” and put His feet on planet earth?
- How God is manifesting Himself here, is not known

ZECHARIAH 14:4



GOD PROVIDES AN ESCAPE PATH



- Kidron Valley separates city of Jerusalem from the Mt. of Olives
- Half the nation of Israel will escape through this fissure
- What is Atzel?
- Micah 1:11 Etzel is very likely Atzel
- A family in the tribe of Benjamin named Azel



King Uziyah's earthquake

- Vs. 5 “you will flee as you fled...”
- Greek Septuagint says:
“you will block as you were blocked...”
- Problem is high Greek vs. common Greek,
biblical Hebrew vs. modern Hebrew
- The Greek misunderstands. It is “flee/fled”

- Amos mentions Uziyah's earthquake
- The End Times quake will be at the direction of God, not naturally occurring
- The ravine/fissure will not be a hiding place, it will be an escape route
- Zech. 14:5 “... *then YHWH my Elohim...*”
- NOT “...*then The Lord my God...*”
- *Qodeshim* = Holy Ones

New Evangelical view



Older view



LIGHT AND DARK



- Visible Cosmic changes happen
- Vs. 6 literal: ***“there will be neither light nor thick darkness”***
- Not Literal: ***“the precious light is not, it is dense darkness”***
- As taken, then vs. 7 conflicts with vs. 6
- ***Od or Owr?***

A DAY OF DARKNESS: an alternative approach



- Probably Joel 2:1 – 2 depicts the same event
- Changes from light and dark to day and night
- Pre-Creation, the Universe was stable but dark
- Perhaps, after transitioning from no day/night cycle, (symbolically “evening”) there will be only light
- Revelation 22:5 ***“Night will no longer exist...”***



Revelation 21: New Heaven & new Earth

- NOT an End Times event; it happens afterward
- This is about re-Creation
- No longer a bright Sun, but there will always be light as given from God! No nighttime
- The cycle of day and night becomes obsolete
- Matthew 5:17 -18 “... until heaven and earth pass away...” The Torah and Covenants vanish