



You Have a Future

Several years ago I was speaking in Canada and unbeknownst to me a family was there who had a son that was about 14 years old. A friend of his was visiting with them, so they brought him to that meeting, too. I don't remember what I was speaking about, but evidently it was something pertaining to the last and final judgment of the world having been accomplished at the Cross.

The following year I went back and held a convention in Canada. There were quite a few people in attendance including a father and his son.

At first I didn't recognize the boy sitting there with his father as having been the same one in the meeting the year before. I spoke three sessions a day. It was quite exhausting. As I was walking back to my room to get some rest in between sessions, and the father came up to me in the hallway. He stopped me and said, "Excuse me, Mr. Williams, I would like to speak to you just a moment if I may," and I said, "Sure."

As he started to open his mouth, he began to get emotional. He couldn't say what he wanted to say. He finally got it out between absolutely choking on tears and said,

“Last year my son was visiting friends of ours, and they brought him to your meeting. Quite honestly, had we known that they were going to bring him to your meeting, we would have forbidden it. I’ve raised my children in a very strong Christian environment and thought I was doing everything right to raise a healthy family. But over the last few years my son, as he got into his teenage years, began to become unstable, mentally and emotionally.” He said, “My son would walk through the house wringing his hands, pacing back and forth, and couldn’t sleep at night at all.” He told me the rest of the story. He said, “We were actually at the point of considering taking him for professional help, which was against all of our Christian beliefs. Such was his condition when he left to spend the night with our friends, until he came back the next day.” He said, “Mr. Williams, I have to thank you because after listening to you for 45 minutes, my son no longer walked the floors and he has ceased wringing his hands. From that night forward for this last year, he has slept peacefully in his own bed with no signs of any mental or emotional disturbance whatsoever.”

When we finished that particular seminar, my heart broke for that father. I know what it is to raise children with all of the best intentions in the world, being taught by pastors to spank your children and to make sure it hurts, and make sure they believe in Jesus, and make sure they are warned about Hell. You think you are doing exactly the right thing to prepare them and protect them. I didn’t know that I was abusing my children by doing these things, even as this parent did not know the child abuse that was taking place in his son’s Sunday school classes. It was taking place in his church, and it was very much child abuse that was taking place. At the end of our conversation, I thanked him. It was very difficult to hear his story, but I was grateful to know that my words had been of some help.

We finished up that seminar and, as is my standard to do, I took the lapel microphone that I had on, and we started passing it through the crowd that was left there. Each and every one of the people that took the microphone had something very positive to say. It really touched my heart. Finally, there was only one person who had not made a comment of some kind, which was the 15 year old boy. So, I asked him, “Son, can you tell me what you got out of the teachings in this seminar?” He made one statement, and with that statement I was leveled to the floor. He said, “I have a future.”

It still stirs my heart to know the pain and the suffering that children are going through because of Sunday school. I know that it just doesn’t seem that possibly the worst abuse that is taking place in a child’s life is happening in Sunday school. But it is. A child can get bruises and wounds to some degree even from a parent or a sibling in a moment of rage. However, when you believe that for the rest of your life that you’re under an angry wrathful God who absolutely cannot be satisfied and believing that your future is being terminated by teachings such as “The End of the World is near because the Judgment of God is coming” – now that IS child abuse. That’s why I’m so compelled to speak out, whether it’s a teaching from Peter or anybody else that teaches there is a judgment left to come, I cite my inheritance by Isaiah and condemn those teachings and those words of judgment and proclaim as emphatically as I can: “They are just not true!”

“I have a future.” Isn’t that an amazing statement? You wouldn’t think that this would be the plague that hangs over not just my country but over countries like Iran and religiously strict regions and cultures throughout the world. There are few places in the world where children don’t grow up with the threat that they never may even become adults and that if they become adults, they may never become parents, and if they become parents, they may never see their children grow up, and if they see their children grow up, they may never see their grandchildren. Not because of natural disaster, or a disease, or some other possible thing, but because of an absolute sure and pre-determined judgment that is coming to the world, and they’re taught it is going to be in their lifetime.

Scores of generations have come and gone since the actual and prophesied judgment of this world took place. In fact, I believe it is fifty-one generations now since the Cross. Fifty-one generations have been taught this horrendous, hideous doctrine. Fifty-one generations have come and gone. Fifty-one generations have been told theirs would be the last generation. Even as this book is being written, we stand in this 51st generation, another generation that is ready to face a termination of life and living on this planet by an angry wrathful God who must satisfy his vengeance against sin. Even thinking about it at this moment is difficult for me to know that this life-sucking view of the future is still out there.

At times, I feel incredibly inadequate at what I do because the pain and the suffering are so prolific. And it is so much so and it can run so deep that it sometimes leads to mental and emotional disorders, even suicide. The ones who end up taking their lives conclude that if it’s all going to end they should just go ahead and take matters into their own hands.

I attempted suicide three times.

I was told that every time that I sinned I was crucifying Jesus over and over again. So, rather than continue offending Jesus, I decided that I would commit suicide. Now, my reason for attempting suicide was not because I didn’t know God and didn’t love God. My reason for attempting suicide was because I loved Jesus with all my heart. This is a profane, vicious thing to teach a child to love Jesus and then teach that child to have such dreadful fear of the same God. The human disturbance that this mind-set brings on and the degree of mental and emotional instability in people’s lives are unparalleled on this planet.

It is now approximately the 51st generation since the Cross, figuring about 40 years for a generation, according to a Biblical generation. We’re talking about fifty-one generations of misconceptions, torture, manipulation, domination, and control. Some may wonder why we haven’t made more progress than what we have. I honestly believe that it borders on the miraculous that we have made as much progress as we have.

The “judgment of one man” is vitally important to understand as it is promoted in the context of the Gospel and the Gospel must be understood in the context of THE one man, Jesus, and that one man’s judgment.

The first thing we have to realize about judgment is that it was for *the sin*, not the *sins* – it was not plural – it was for *the sin* of the whole world. We also have to realize that *the sin* of the whole world was one man’s sin – the sin of one man--Adam. As the story continues, it would become more apparent why the one sin is what it is, but for now suffice it to say that it was *one man’s sin* – the initial sin committed by Adam.

Now Paul explains in detail that the Law never made a man a sinner. Breaking a law never made a man a sinner. Man (the first Adam) was a sinner long before the Law was given. The revelation of sin is what was in the Law, and the revelation is the revelation of the one transgression. It was 2,600 years after Adam that the Law was given and over 1,400 years before Jesus was born. One sin – the sin of Adam’s unbelief – was what was needed to be dealt with.

Jesus did not die for your *sins*. You CAN find a Bible verse that says Jesus died for our “sins”. The translators added an “s” on the end of the word wherever they thought an “s” was required. They translated the same Greek word randomly and indiscriminately sometimes in the singular and sometimes in the plural when the text really doesn’t support it. So, we have to come to grips with what Jesus really died for. Jesus died for the one man’s sin that was imputed to the entire world. Jesus died to remove the Law that imputed that sin to the whole world. However, He did not die to take away specific sins committed under the Law. He died to take away the Law that would hold these acts against us, and literally did it by virtue of removing the sin of unbelief...by his paying the penalty (death) to redeem us under the Law. He concluded or annulled the Law.

We have focused on the Law being the thing that we got set free from. The Law was a part of the process to reveal to us what we needed to be set free from. It revealed what needed to be done in relationship to God and man. The Law was not given to correct the problem. The Law was given to show us, to reveal to us what the problem was. That is what Paul was explaining in Romans chapter 2, chapter 3, chapter 4, chapter 5, and on and on, and in other letters he wrote in the New Testament as well.

It is an incredible privilege to point out the wonderful and profound truth that our actions and our deeds did not send Jesus to the Cross. Jesus died for one man’s transgression. He died to remove the Law that imposed the curse. He died to remove the Law that imposed the revelation of sin because, remember the Law *never* made anybody a sinner. We were transgressors of God’s Law, but by transgressing God’s Law we were supposed to get the revelation that Paul got. And it truly *is* Paul’s revelation in Romans chapter 7. A lot of people try to teach Paul’s teaching in Romans chapter 7 as being ‘this is what the normal Christian life is all about’. Paul said, “When I want to do good and I don’t find the wherewithal to do it, and when I try not to do evil and I don’t find the wherewithal not to do evil” he said, “this is the conflict that is in me”, but Paul was not talking about the current Christian life. Well, that’s the way traditional Christians live, yes, but that is not the crisis. The crisis he was speaking of was what the crisis was all about *before* the Cross, which was this conflict and this struggle under the Law that could

not produce righteousness. That's all he was saying; that the Law could not produce righteousness. Then he says "Oh wretched man! Who will deliver me from this body of death?" And then he goes on to say "Thanks be to God through our Lord Jesus Christ"—that is Who!

The amount of guilt that is placed in a child's mind because his or her parents were taught this outrage when they were children and the parents' parents were taught, and so on, for fifty-one generations—that everyone that is born is born a sinner—is unfathomable.

That we were born sinners is simply not true.

For over 2,000 years it has not been true because of the imputed righteousness from the Cross for every human being. It's because of the same logic and reason that everyone was a sinner, because of imputed sin – not because of what anybody did but because of what *God* did. God imputed sin to the entire world.

This begs the question, "Why did God impute one man's transgression, one man's sin, to the entire world?" It is a very important question. The resolution of this question is quite revealing and it is within the issue of *One Man*.

If God took the transgression of one man and made everyone guilty for that *one* transgression, guess how many redeemers we have to have for all of those people? That's an interesting equation. Even though multitudes of millions of people had come and gone from Adam to Christ, in God's eyes this was all still *just one man*, and that's why God only sent *one man* in response. God sent one man because there was only *one* problem with *one* man. Through the process of eternal sacrifice, Jesus redeemed the entire world. To deny Jesus the credit for redeeming the entire world is to place sin squarely on each and every individual. Sin was *not* an individual issue. Sin was a *one man* issue, and God himself imputed that sin, even as Paul said unto them who had *not* sinned after the "similitude" of Adam's transgression. Even those who didn't do what Adam did were still guilty.

Jesus' redemption removes not just guilt. Christianity offers the removal of guilt, and people go through this tremendous salvation experience by being told that, "At the moment of conversion, your sins are all going to be washed away." I know what that feels like, but you see, we got shorted a bit. No, let me take that back; we got shorted a LOT, because we traded an eternal redemption for a momentary salvation. That's not fair! They reduce the Cross to be meaningless! It is nothing. It is vapid. It is empty. It is without effect to reduce the Cross to being something that only relieves us of the issue of sin and guilt upon our confession, our belief, our faith, and that's why it would only be temporary.

Paul ascribing to Jesus the title of *The Last Adam* is genius!

There was a First Adam, and there was a Last Adam, but it all was still just Adam. You see, the Last Adam *was* “Adam.” We still aren’t dealing with anything more than just one man in this equation that out of one *all* are condemned and out of ONE *all* are redeemed. This is the Gospel mystery that has been passed over because of legalistic teachings and the lack of understanding of the most simple and the most profound thing that has ever happened on this earth, and that is the redemption of the world through One Man because of one man.

It is vital to look at this *One Man’s* judgment. In the book of Revelation, this single New Testament book has been the source of a great deal of the confusion and heartache. Just take it at its face value and understand that John is quoting Scripture throughout this entire vision that he had. It wasn’t just a vision; he was quoting Scripture. He was quoting Isaiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel – he quoted them over and over again. The vast majority of everything that is written in the book of Revelation is created from quotes from the Prophets.

It is a wonderful revelation the Apostle John got when he said that “the word was made flesh.” I would like to go into the book of Revelation like everybody else does and put a private interpretation on it and say, “Let ME figure it out! Let ME try to tell you what he’s talking about. Let ME try to tell you where this is going to happen, when it’s going to happen, where in history it’s going to be placed.” However, I DO NOT have a right to do that. No one does. No one does because the Scriptures that are being quoted are the Prophets Isaiah, Ezekiel, Daniel, etc. and all of those prophecies were *made flesh* and dwelt among us because the Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us, as John said.

Either that is true or it is not. I believe it is true. Do you?

There can be no such thing as the interpretation of a law, or a prophecy, or a psalm for that matter, outside of the life, death, burial, and resurrection of one man because that would be outside the parameters of the equation of *one*.

It’s all about Jesus. None of this is about us. None of this is about me. None of this is about the people that I think should be punished. None of this is about the people I think should be rewarded. None of this is about me or you! The Prophets said God would give *Him* the heathen as an inheritance. This is about one man and *his* reward. The awesome thing about it is *we* are his reward! That’s why we are redeemed. God gave us to Jesus as a reward! We are His bounty! We are His spoils of the war. We belong to Him because he won the battle. He won. He did not fail. It is foretold in the Prophets that Jesus would inherit the heathen for an inheritance. He inherited the entire planet as an inheritance. It couldn’t have been said better than how it was said by Paul: All things are of Him, by Him, through Him, and by Him all things exist.

So, when we look at the Book of Revelation, we must know where John was when he had his vision. It says very clearly where he was when he *got* the vision; he was “in the spirit on the Lord’s Day.” Now this is how bizarre this has all become. The

Lord's Day has been presented to be the Sabbath. It has been presented to be Sunday. It has been presented to be any number of holy days but mainly the Sabbath and/or Sunday, and even those two get wrongfully mixed together as though they are one thing.

The Lord's Day, according to the Prophets that John himself is quoting, is the day of the Cross.

The importance of knowing this cannot be overstated.

The Lord's Day is the day that judgment would come to this planet. The Lord's Day is the day that God would judge ALL sin. The Lord's Day is the day that God would bestow ALL mercy. The very same day that was prophesied to be the Day of Judgment was also prophesied to be the Day of Mercy—all on the same day. This is the one thing that is absolutely clear about the Scriptures—the Day of Judgment and the Day of Mercy are the SAME day.

How in the world could the Day of Judgment be the Day of Mercy?

Well, we see there is only one way that the Day of Judgment could be the Day of Mercy and that is because this is all about just one man. Jesus had several things to say about what would happen when that Cross would go up in the air. He is quoted in the book of John as saying, "Now is the judgment of this world" – Now – "and I, if I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw ALL..." Now, remember we've already seen in the King James Version of the Bible the word "men" is italicized, which means it was not in the original text, which says "I will draw all men unto me." It was inserted by the translators. Without that italicized word, we're left to read is as "I will draw all unto me." Now, the word "all" has powerful significance, because that is a powerful, all-encompassing word that means literally "everything". Jesus believed that He was about to draw all judgment, all wrath, all sin, all of the Scriptures – the Law, the Psalms and the Prophets – all of creation – heaven and earth themselves – EVERYTHING unto himself. To get an even clearer picture, the word "unto" means "within". So literally everything was fulfilled – ALL RIGHTEOUSNESS – was fulfilled within the body of one man. Remember, Jesus not only took all judgment "within" him. He took the judgment, the judged, the judge, the law by which we were judged, the prophecies that foretold our judgment. It all went to the grave inside of Christ. And died. It was raised again an entirely new creature, which will never be destroyed. In an entirely new creation, which will never be destroyed! Ergo, as Paul so eloquently talked about it, "So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory."

John said that he got this revelation on the Lord's Day. I personally believe John may very well have been imprisoned on the Isle of Patmos because of this vision – because this man was declaring that *all* Scripture had been fulfilled. All these prophecies had been fulfilled. Can you imagine John actually standing there, even as it says in John's Gospel that John was there? The only disciple reported to be present at the crucifixion of

Jesus, John is standing at the foot of the Cross, and he gets this wild vision, this incredible revelation.

Now look at this vision. He sees all of these prophecies becoming reality in front of him. He is seeing all of these prophecies of judgment, and wrath, and anger, and the end of the world even as Jesus Himself spoke of it taking place in front of His very eyes.

Even Matthew tells us much of the things that Jesus talked about when He spoke of the “end of the world” Himself. Jesus told of the things that would happen. And indeed, the things that are spoken of in Matthew did take place. The sun was darkened. The earth shook. The mountain split in two.

When the prophet said that “His feet would touch Mount of Olives and the mountain would cleave in two,” I believe with all my heart that he was talking about Jesus as he was crucified on the Mount of Olives. There is a lot of speculation about this. If we go on a tour of Israel, they’re going to take us and show us rocks where, if we look at it at the right angle and the right time of day with the sun shining on it, it looks like a skull, and they say that that is where Jesus was crucified. But it’s really very clear in the New Testament and I think in the Scriptures also, that Jesus was crucified on the Mount of Olives, and that being just outside the Eastern Gate.

According to Glenn Klein, a very dear friend of mine who is a Jewish man and has visited Israel many times, he says that as you tour Israel you will look directly outside the Eastern Gate and the tour guide will tell you that somewhere in the ages of history there was a massive earthquake that split the Mount of Olives down the middle. There’s actually a road that runs in the valley that goes between the mountains where it actually says that the prophet said that this mountain would cleave in two, and part would go to the north and part would go to the south. Do you know that that great earthquake was spoken of when Jesus died at the Cross? From where Jesus was crucified, He would have been facing the Eastern Gate. He was crucified outside the eastern gate, and when the Cross went in the air and the judgment of God came down upon One Man, for one man’s receipt of ALL sin redeemed the entire planet. And the mountain split in two.

I’m going to paint the picture for you that I get when I read the entirety of the description of the crucifixion in John. Now, when you begin to conceptualize this awesome moment when *all* the Law, *all* the Psalms, *all* the Prophets, and *all* the redemption the world would ever need was meeting in *one place*, and there John is standing and facing the Cross as this happened in real time. Now, it’s not just according to the Scriptures about where Jesus was crucified but also according to Roman history. They crucified people along the roadways to the town and cities to maximize the citizens’ fear. This was true, too, of course in Jerusalem.

One of the most important thoroughfares to Jerusalem was the road that led to the Eastern Gate, because this is where the Jewish people would have travelled coming into the city. It was important to the Romans to demonstrate their authority when people came into their city, to show their strength and their threat upon people’s lives, by having the roads lined with these implements of torture and execution. Crucifixion didn’t just

happen to Jesus nor did it happen just to the other two with Him that day. These were just three of multiplied thousands. The Bible places the crucifixion at Golgotha or the Place of Skull. The actual translation of the word “skull” actually means “the place of *skulls*,” multiple. The place of skulls was this entrance into Jerusalem and according to Scripture Jesus was crucified on the Mount of Olives. With that being the case, the road that came into the Eastern Gate came directly across the Mount of Olives, right straight across the Mount of Olives, and then just directly into the Eastern Gate. So, it makes perfect sense that this would have been where they would have crucified Jesus. This is where they would have wanted the Jews to *see* this crucifixion on their way into the Eastern Gate.

One of the prophecies that I had pondered for several years was a prophecy that said, “At the last day, Jesus’ feet would touch the Mount of Olives and that the Mount of Olives would cleave in two.” One part would go the north and one part would go to the south. That’s a pretty big cleaving! It was interesting because when I was studying this I had the privilege of talking with Glenn about it, and I was just absolutely in shock when he began to explain to me how that the tour guides, the Jewish tour guides that would take them to the Eastern Gate, would turn around and show them the Mount of Olives, which, *now*, there is a road running between the northern pinnacle and the southern pinnacle of the Mount of Olives. I do believe that that verse of Scripture *was* fulfilled as I believe *all* Scripture was fulfilled at the Cross. So, this much-believed futuristic view that somehow at another time coming yet that Jesus is going to return and His feet are going to touch the Mount of Olives is redundant to say the least—it already happened at the Cross. Why would it happen again? At that moment, when the Cross went up in the air, something incredibly powerful happened. The Prophecies also describe many of the events that would happen that there would be lightning and the sky would darken. They also describe that there would be a great earthquake and hailstones. All of these things are described. The powerful thing that you see when John is standing there facing the Cross is to know the mind-blowing vision he was having.

Then, in his penning of the Book of Revelation, it says that he heard a loud voice *behind him* as the voice of a trumpet.

The Bible tells us that at the crucifixion there was as great earthquake and the rocks cleaved in two. To finish the story that Glenn was telling me that the tour guides have told him on more than one occasion, as they turned around that the road that goes out of what the Eastern Gate was now, there’s actually a road *in a valley* between a northern peak and a southern peak. So, at that point then, the Mount of Olives would have split in two, and in the tour they informed Glenn and the group he was leading. “We don’t know *when* this geological event took place, but we do know that this mountain, the Mount of Olives, did geologically split completely in two at one time. This was a catastrophic earthquake that took place that separated the Mount of Olives into a northern peak and a southern peak.” The prophet said that there would be a highway going between it; and there *is a highway* that goes between it to this very day.

I believe that the Scriptures teach very clearly that the last trump was blown on “the Day of the Lord” at the Cross of Jesus because the trumpet was always sounded

when judgment was coming. This, therefore, would be the *last trump* of the Lord; the very last trump that was blown because after it there would be no more judgment to declare.

The Feast of Trumpets that is found in the Scriptures was fulfilled on this day. There would be no more trumpets after the day of the Cross in Judaism because the trumpets would have been fulfilled.

There are so many things I still don't understand. I know that people will always be learning new things after I depart the scene way beyond what I have learned. Still, right now we can imagine this beautiful picture of John standing there facing the Cross. John is on the Mount of Olives where Jesus is being executed. If he is on this Eastern Gate path on the Mount of Olives, then directly *behind* John is the Temple. And guess what John heard! John heard a voice that was like a great trumpet from behind him, and that great trumpet, I believe, was signifying the end of that age. It was the ushering in of this incredible age, and there is no end to this world that we are now in. It is a world without end, no doubt.

John saw the Cross, had this awesome and terrible vision and penned what he experienced in the Book of Revelation as it took place—this incredible graphic judgment in the body of one man. All God's prophecy and judgment swirled over and came crashing down on the body and soul of Jesus. The entire human race, Jew and Gentile, was pulled into the loins, into His very body, and the very destruction of all things that had been created to bring us to this point.

We simply cannot have the survival of a single thing that was designed to bring us to this point. When this point came, there was a cataclysmic failure of all things that were before, of all things that existed prior. There cannot be a mixing of these two. So, this voice that was as a trumpet that came from behind John, which would have been directly toward the Eastern Gate of the Temple and heralded this fact.

The Bible tells us that at the crucifixion there was such a great earthquake and the rocks cleaved in two. To finish the story that Glenn was telling me, the Israeli tour guides have told him that out of what is now the Eastern Gate, there's actually a road that goes *in a valley* between a northern peak and a southern peak. So, at the point of the Cross then the Mount of Olives split in two. On this tour, Glenn and his group have been told, "We don't know *when* this geological event took place, but we do know that, geologically, this mountain, the Mount of Olives, did split completely in two at one time. This was an earthquake that took place that separated the Mount of Olives into a northern peak and a southern peak."

There is a road that goes between it to this very day.

So, here we have the culmination of all this, the totality of the work of the Cross, the absolute necessity of the destruction of all things all at once.

Can't you imagine the potential of Hollywood getting hold of this story on the silver-screen? The incredible use of imagery from the Law, and the Trumpets, and the temple—what a movie this would be!

The Bible tells us the curtain at the entrance of the Holy of Holies split in two while these events were taking place at the time of the crucifixion. The Holy of Holies was the inner sanctuary of the Jewish temple where the priests offered animal blood sacrifices for sin, and the curtain was the very separation of the inner court and the Holy of Holies. This was not like a curtain that is in your house, but was several inches thick and very tightly woven. Indeed, this is one of the most beautiful pictures that a person could possibly see. The magnificent story of the event where all of the past and everything that brought us to this point was wiped away and all other possible future events were completely abolished. You've got to understand this: the *future* was abolished, the *past* was abolished; EVERYTHING was accomplished at the Cross! The future of the human race which would have been destruction and punishment and anger was eliminated as a possibility by the work of Christ—nothing was left except the power of the grace of God and the Power of the Blood of Jesus Christ.

Everything that you read in the book of Revelation took place and took place in the body of Jesus Christ. That is truly a sobering thought and a place to stop and rejoice.

This was THE day!

We used to sing this song all the time in church. *This is the day, this is the day, that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made. I will rejoice, I will rejoice, and be glad in it, and be glad in it...* Had we listened to the prophet, we would all have known that there is a day that the Lord made that we can all rejoice in regardless of what happens *today*. THIS is the day: The day the Lord made—it is the day of the Cross! It was the day that John spoke of when he said he was “in the spirit on the Lord's Day” and this is day that John had his vision and then he penned this wild vision years later. It is forever sealed in the annals of history. And it is time that it is understood in its context.

Can you see that knowing the position where John was when he saw his vision is pivotal?

No one can presuppose, regardless of their analytical, theological discoveries; no one has the right to take scripture terminology and define it for themselves. You do not have the right to that private interpretation—the private interpretation that the book of Revelation has been mistakenly taught for some fifty-one generations now. There is only one interpretation to the Scriptures and that is Jesus Christ. Jesus *is* the interpretation of all the Scriptures.

Not only was it the Day of the Judgment, it was also what Jesus spoke of as “The End of the World.” It is important that we understand the significance of what Jesus was telling the disciples one day when they were leaving the temple.

In Matthew chapter 24 as it is recorded, they had just walked out of the temple and the magnificent temple grounds. They turned back to look at the buildings and spoke to Jesus and said ‘Look how magnificent these buildings are, Jesus!’ Then Jesus turned to them and said, “It’s all coming down.” It is ALL coming down. His disciples were shocked and asked him when this would be. Now Jesus was speaking of a time when this would all be destroyed.

Please note here is that He’s talking about it being destroyed physically. However, the simplistic beauty in this statement is that what we’re looking for is not a physical destruction, but the spiritual destruction of the temple. Jesus even referred to His own body as the temple when He told the priests “destroy *this* temple and I will raise it back up in three days”. So here we see in this type and foreshadowing that even the *Temple* was Jesus. Not only was Jesus the Prophet, the Sacrifice, the High Priest, but Jesus was the entire Temple!

There is a school of thought known as Preterism, which believes Scriptural prophecy was fulfilled with the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. But we did not have to wait until 70 AD to see the fulfillment of the prophecies about the Temple. We don’t even have to wait until 70 AD to see the fulfillment of what Jesus had to say; even though in 70 AD the temple was destroyed. However, the exactness of those terms that ‘not one stone would be left upon another’ (there *are* stones left upon the other, even to this day), but spiritually speaking, there was not one stone left upon another. All of the blocks and the building of the temple had been torn completely away. They were torn away through the death of Jesus Christ on the Cross. Every stone was dismantled, and the stone which the builders rejected has become now the cornerstone of the kingdom of God!

These are profound yet so simple things. These are not complicated issues. I am a high school drop-out. I have never been to Bible school a day in my life, but these are not things that people have to have to be able to understand the Scriptures. The Scriptures are simple. They are for simple people to understand. I am a simple man, I understand simple things, and this is the simple truth. That’s why I can understand it. It is simple.

Jesus had already told them, “Destroy this Temple and I will raise it back up in three days.” They were looking at a massive structure; but when Jesus said “this is all going to be destroyed, and not one stone would be left upon the other,” He wasn’t even talking about that building He was talking about His own existence. That not one stone would be left upon the other because—He was the manifestation of the word of God. He was *all* the Law, *all* the Psalms, *all* the Prophets.

All of this was coming completely apart and being completely fulfilled and done away with in the body of one man for the redemption of the whole world because of the transgression of one single man!

It could be argued that God was horribly unfair to impute sin. However, it actually was an act of mercy because by imputing sin he limited the problem to one man.

Therefore, by limiting the problem to one man, a plan could be devised where one man could remedy the problem. That is the mercy in sin being imputed to the entire world. According to Paul's teaching this included even to those that had not transgressed after the similitude of Adam's transgression.

So there they are standing outside the Temple. Jesus said it's all coming down. Then they ask Him, "When will these things be? What shall be the sign of thy coming?"

How can it be that religious men take this question and cause these people who are talking about the Temple and about Jesus—who *knows* He *is* the Temple, and then argue that this is referring to some place thousands of years later? It is beyond me.

It is the very same reason they have to redefine the entire prophecy of Daniel when the 70th week of Daniel *was also*, of course, fulfilled at the Cross like everything else. The 70th week of Daniel is not a futuristic prophecy. There were *not* 69 weeks that brought us up to the Cross. The cross *IS* the 70th week of Daniel! The Cross – the 70th week of Daniel – is when sin was done away with! It was when everlasting righteousness was ushered in. It's when Jesus was crowned as Lord of all. That was Daniel's prophecy coming to fruition.

So here we have this horrible, futuristic terminology being spread around the planet like "The End of the World". Practically every religious sect teaches "The End of the World." Yet, Jesus made it clear as to when the end of the world would be

I was handed another flyer the other day that "The End of the World" was supposed to have taken place 5 days ago. I guess I missed that one, too. I've missed every one of them. So have you!

They all talk about "The End of the World" and when it will be and what will precede it, but Jesus went through a list of things that were NOT signs of the end of the world, and everybody quotes them *as signs* that "The End of the World" is near: earthquakes, wars, rumors of wars... after every one of them Jesus said, "But the end is not yet". All of these things have happened and they will happen, and in fact I just turned on the TV and they're advertising "The Prophecy School" here in Houston Texas, where everybody is to come because there are wars and rumors of wars, and there's famine and pestilence in diverse places and everybody's supposed to come and learn about when these prophecies are going to be fulfilled.

How long will this planet suffer under this false representation of the finished work of Jesus Christ?

We are doing our level best to bring an end to all of this insane teaching because Jesus already brought an end to it 2,000 years ago and it is so damaging to the psyches and emotions of countless generations.

In the Matthew, Jesus is asked what shall be the sign of His coming, “and of the end of the world”. The interesting thing is the term *world* there, is not the same as in the term “End of the *World*”. That term “world” is not *cosmos* – the end of the *planet*; it is the end of the *aion*, which is the Greek word which means the end of the *age*. Jesus was bringing about an end of an *age*, literally dismantling it stone by stone and leveling it and leaving it without remedy. There was no need for a remedy because the remedy was already there to replace it.

So here is this incredible statement about the end of the age. Then, later in that very same chapter, Jesus says “These are not signs. But if you want a sign, here’s the real one.” He said “This Gospel.” (He is talking about what *He* was preaching) “This Gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world, and then the end will come.” That term *world* does not mean *cosmos* either. It is a third Greek word *oikoumenē*, which means a *region* – specifically – the Roman Empire. And do you know that throughout all four gospels in the New Testament we’re told that Jesus’ fame spread throughout that region, throughout the Roman Empire? The Gospel that Jesus preached over the course of his three-year ministry was spread – *preached* – throughout the world! In Romans chapter 10, even Paul says the Gospel *was* preached throughout the world. Paul said the *whole world* heard the Gospel. Sometimes these things are maddening; that the most brilliant minds on the face of the earth will not stop and look at the simplicity of these issues! They are not complicated. But humans want to promote religion and fear and control over others—not the Gospel. What better way to do it than say and teach that the “End of the World” is just around the corner. However, the good news is that the true Gospel is self-revealing. Still, if a person is determined to stay in religion, to control others and be controlled by others, he or she will be blinded to the Gospel until the day they choose to allow the Gospel to reveal its beautiful, simple yet profound reality to their soul.

The Gospel *was* preached throughout the world and the end of the age – the end of their world – *did* come. It came in a very violent way at the Cross at Golgotha on the Mount of Olives. This is where the mountain split in two, the curtain was rent in two, enormous hailstones fell, the sun was darkened – these things are all reported in ancient writings of the Gospels predicted by Jesus Himself prior to His sacrifice on the Cross— all witnessed by John and interpreted in his visionary revelation on “the Day of the Lord”.

There is no greater pleasure that I have in sharing and teaching this wonderful Gospel than uncovering to folks that they and their loved ones and that all generations to come have a future—that “The End of the World” already was fulfilled.

The evidence is simple, direct, and replete in its conclusion. It’s found in the Book of Romans and in Corinthians. Paul speaks of the judgment seat of Christ – and when his words are read in context it is clear this all occurred 2,000 years ago. The very last verse in the chapter in Romans talks of the judgment seat of Christ. It is the verse that says, “For he that knew no sin was made sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Christ.” This is so glorious! This is where we get the term “One New Creature.” This glory also shines through in Corinthians—that if any man be in Christ he is a new

creature—a new creation—a new species that literally never existed on this planet before the day of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. A species that indeed has a future and will live forever as sure as Christ will live forever.