

CHRIST OVER CRISIS

with Dr. Robert Jeffress

Why is it essential for Christians to study the book of Revelation, and how does it uniquely reveal the character of Jesus?

RJ: Some Christians say, "Why should we bother to study the book of Revelation? There's nothing relevant about the End Times. I want sermons and books that tell me how to live today." The truth is, there's no better way to know how to live today than to know what's happening tomorrow. Bible prophecy can do more than fill our heads; it can fill our hearts and change our lives.

That's why we need to see Jesus as He is revealed in the End Times. You and I can have calm and courage when we know the One who holds our future. In Revelation 22:13, Jesus said, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Jesus is in control of all that is, was, and ever will be. And in the end, it's all about Him.

You emphasize that Jesus is the central figure in biblical prophecy. How can focusing on Him bring clarity and hope in the midst of complex end-times events?

RJ: : Jesus is the primary subject of the Bible. He was the object of every biblical writer's pen. It was Jesus whom the prophets had in mind when they described His first and His second coming. Paul said in Colossians that He's the agent of all creation. John showed in Revelation that He's the focus of the End Times. To put it simply, the world begins and ends with Jesus Christ; and so do you and I. The more we understand Jesus's roles that He will fulfill in the End Times, the more we will understand the entire Bible.

Jesus Christ is the be-all and end-all of biblical prophecy. As the central figure of the

End Times, Jesus is the One who plans, controls, and directs the events that are yet to come. As we understand who Jesus is now, and how He will reveal Himself even more fully in the End Times, we find answers to life's deepest questions, like, "What is my purpose?" "How can I have a relationship with God?" And: "What does the future hold for me?"

You discuss the rapture in your book; what does Scripture teach us about this event, and how should believers prepare for it?

RJ: The word rapture means to be "caught up" (1 Thess. 4:17). The Greek word is harpazo. Translated into Latin, it's rapturo—or rapture. The rapture of the Church is the future event when Jesus will retrieve all living Christians from the earth. When Christ appears at the rapture, Christians will rise to meet Christ in the air, and the Church age will end. At that time, God will turn His attention back to the nation of Israel and restart His stopwatch to complete His work with Israel during the tribulation.

The rapture could come at any moment, and the key thing is to make sure we're ready to meet Christ. Knowing that the rapture is imminent should motivate us to godly living. No one wants to be caught unprepared when Jesus raptures His Church. When we grasp the suddenness of His swift return, we'll crave more personal Christlikeness!

What does the Bible reveal about the Antichrist, and how can Christians remain discerning as we approach the fulfillment of End Times prophecy?

RJ: During the tribulation, a world dictator called the Antichrist will rule the earth. Halfway through those seven years, this ruler will betray Israel and unleash unparalleled persecution for the final three and a half years, a time that is called the "great tribulation" (Matt. 24:21).

The Antichrist won't appear until after the rapture, but Christians today still need to know the truth so we can be discerning when it comes to "little a" antichrists, or false teachers. Jesus said, "See to it that no one misleads you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will mislead many" (vv. 4–5). We currently have our share of

false messiahs, spreading false gospels. John warned us to be wary of them, telling us that the "spirit of the antichrist" is already in the world (1 John 4:3).

Although there have been religious charlatans and hucksters in every age, Jesus said that as we get closer to the end, we're going to see the number of these false teachers increase. So it's more important than ever for Christians to study Scripture and know the truth so we can recognize and reject false teaching.

You write about the Second Coming of Christ as the climax of God's plan. What does this event mean for believers and the world at large?

RJ: At His first appearing, Jesus came to conquer sin and death— to redeem Israel and all who would believe so we might, in the words of John, "be called children of God" (1 John 3:1). However, at His second coming, Jesus will descend as the Conqueror. At His Second Coming, which will occur at the end of the tribulation, Jesus will overthrow His enemies and inaugurate an earthly kingdom that will endure for a thousand years.

As we look to the future, what do you believe is the most urgent message Jesus has for His Church in these days?

RJ: It's my sincere prayer that the Church today will come to a greater understanding of Jesus and a deeper sense of awe for what He has done on our behalf, as well as what He will do for us in the future.

As we look to the future, the figure we see clearly looming over all the events is our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He is the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. He is Lord over our past, our present, and our future. And that glorious vision of Jesus should fill each of us with everlasting hope!

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THE HIDDEN RESURRECTION:

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Easter is a celebration of the most well-known miracle in history—the resurrection of Jesus Christ. But have you ever noticed the smaller, often overlooked miracles that accompanied this grand event? One of the most beautiful and powerful stories is that of Mary Magdalene, the first person to encounter the risen Christ.

Mary, a woman with a past, had been forgiven and restored by Jesus. Yet, in her grief and confusion, she didn't immediately recognize Him when He appeared to her outside the tomb. She was weeping, consumed by sorrow, and looking for Jesus among the dead. It wasn't until Jesus called her by name that she realized who He was. The risen Savior, full of glory and power, revealed Himself in a deeply personal and intimate way to a woman who had been marginalized by society.

This quiet, tender moment reminds us that Jesus often works in ways that we don't expect. While the world might focus on grand displays of power, Jesus meets us in our brokenness and grief. He sees us in our darkest moments and calls us by name, reminding us that His resurrection is just as much about personal redemption as it is about global salvation.

As you reflect on Easter this year, consider the hidden miracles in your life—the moments when Jesus has quietly appeared in your own journey, calling you by name, and revealing His power in ways that might not have been immediately obvious. Just as He revealed Himself to Mary in a tender moment of resurrection, He is revealing Himself to you in ways that may surprise you. The resurrection isn't just an event in history; it's an ongoing story in each of our lives, offering us new hope and redemption every day.

Jesus, thank You for the resurrection and the power it brings. Just as You revealed Yourself to Mary in a tender moment of grief, I pray that You reveal Yourself to me in new and unexpected ways. Open my eyes to the hidden miracles in my life and help me recognize Your voice calling me by name. May I find hope and redemption in the quiet moments of my journey, knowing that Your resurrection is not just a past event but a present reality in my life. Amen.

IESUS REVEALED IN THE END TIMES

For many, the topic of the End Times stirs up fear and uncertainty. But what if prophecy was never meant to make us anxious—but to fill us with hope? In his brand-new book, *Jesus Revealed in the End Times*, Dr. Robert Jeffress takes a fresh, faith-filled approach to biblical prophecy—one that shifts the focus from the chaos of world events to the certainty of Christ's return.

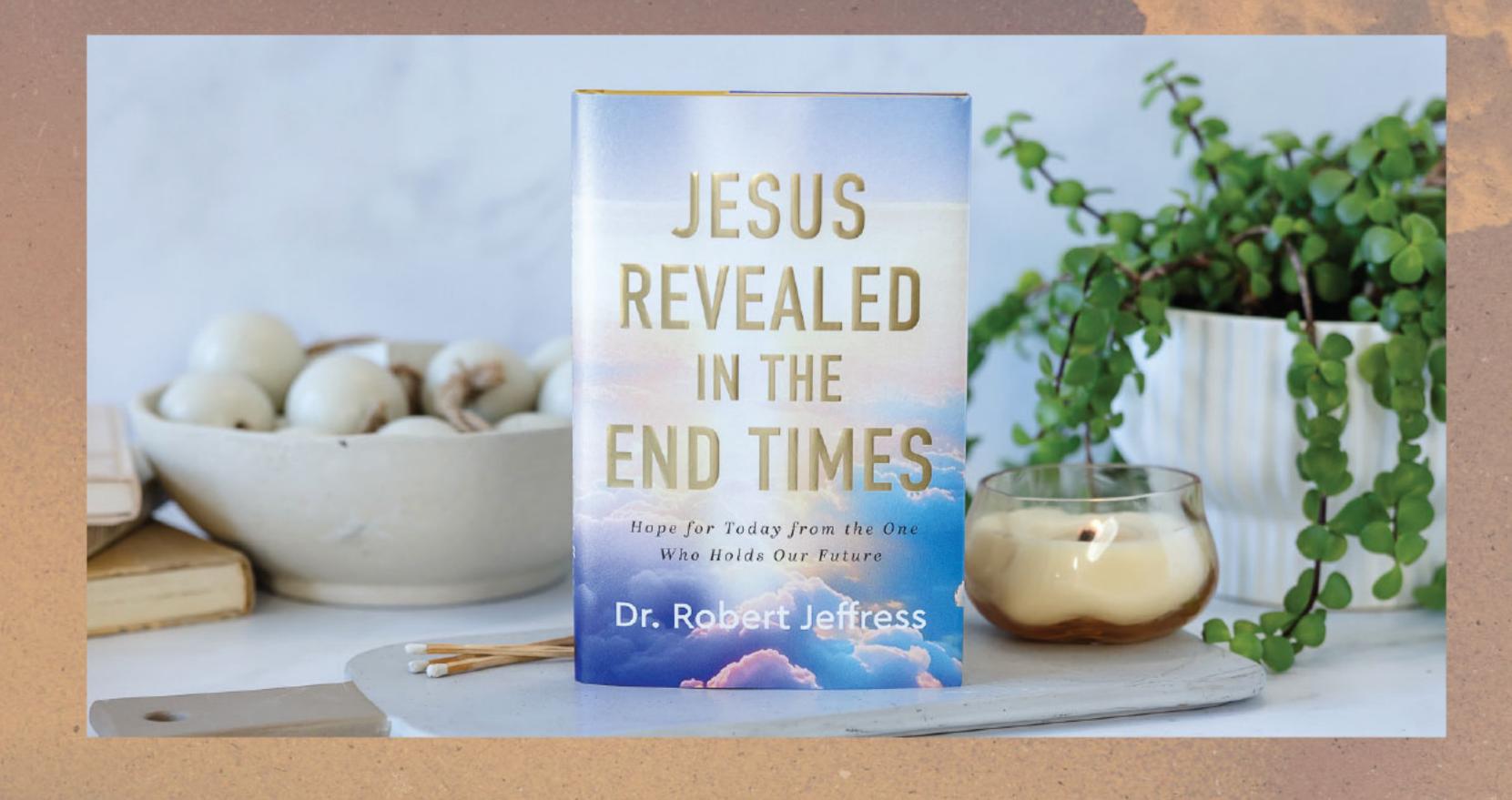
Many books on prophecy highlight wars, disasters, and turmoil, leaving believers overwhelmed by what's to come. But the heart of prophecy isn't about doom and destruction—it's about Jesus. Dr. Jeffress shows how every prophecy in Scripture ultimately points back to Christ, revealing His power, His plan, and His promise to reign forever. Instead of worrying about the unknown, you'll walk away from this book with a renewed sense of peace, knowing that the One who holds the future also holds you.

JESUS REVEALED IN THE END TIMES WILL HELP YOU:

- See prophecy through the lens of Christ, not crisis
- ✓ Grow in confidence as you understand God's plan for the future
- Replace fear with faith as you anticipate Jesus' return
- ✓ Find joy in knowing the best is yet to come

Dr. Jeffress, a beloved Daystar programmer and trusted teacher, unpacks these powerful truths with clarity and encouragement. His message is simple: The last days aren't something to dread—they're something to celebrate! The Bible's prophetic promises should stir faith in our hearts and remind us that no matter what happens in the world, Jesus reigns, and His victory is secure.

This month only, when you make a special donation to Daystar, we will send you a copy of *Jesus Revealed in the End Times* as our way of saying thank you. Your support helps Daystar continue sharing the Gospel worldwide, bringing the message of hope to those who need it most.



A letter from our President

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Dear friends,

April is a special time of year as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and the incredible victory we have because He is alive! It's so easy to get caught up in the worries of life, but Easter reminds us that we don't have to live weighed down by fear, doubt, or uncertainty. Because the tomb is empty, we can live with confidence, peace, and joy, no matter what challenges we face.

1 Peter 1:3 tells us, "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." This living hope means that no matter what you're going through, Jesus is present and working in your life. The same power that raised Him from the dead is alive in you! That means healing is possible. Restoration is possible. Breakthrough is possible. And joy—true, lasting joy—is yours because of Him!

I also want to take a moment to celebrate my wonderful husband, Dr. Doug Weiss, on his birthday this month! He is such a gift to my life and to so many others, and I'm incredibly grateful for his heart for the Lord and the way he encourages and strengthens those around him. Doug, I pray this year is filled with blessings, favor, and the goodness of God!

And I have some exciting Network news to share—Daystar has expanded once again! We have launched on ZUKU, a DTH (Direct to Home) and Fiber delivery service reaching 700,000 homes across Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Malawi, and Zambia. What an incredible opportunity to share the Gospel with even more people across Africa! Every time we expand, it's a reminder of the faithfulness of God and the power of partnership. Your prayers and support make this possible, and I am so thankful for you!

As we reflect on the miracle of Easter, let's walk boldly in the joy of the empty tomb. Jesus is alive, and because of that, we have hope in every situation! If you need prayer, our team is always here for you. Call **1-800-329-0029** or visit **Daystar.com/Prayer**—we would love to stand with you in faith.

Wishing you and your family a beautiful Easter filled with the presence of Jesus!

With love and gratitude,

Joni Lamb

Co-Founder & President

THIS MONTH

JONI TABLE TALK APRIL 7

The Rise of David: Identity Unlocked Dale & LuAnne Mast

Dale and LuAnne Mast share how God unlocked King David's calling through identity and faith with insights from his book, And David Perceived He was King.

APRIL 16

It's Time for Household Salvation Philip Cameron

Philip Cameron tells the powerful story of how God broke the chains of addiction in his family, and why no household is beyond Jesus' saving power.

APRIL 28 Faith Beyond Borders Allan & Corri Hunsperger

Allan and Corri Hunsperger share their powerful testimony of family restoration and their pioneering journey in Christian radio across Canada.

HOLIDAYSAPRIL 18 - Good Friday

APRIL 20 - Resurrection Sunday

I am a new person in Christ! Even when my prayers aren't answered the way I'd hoped, I have learned to trust that God has better plans for me. Thank you for the prayers from Daystar that keep me strong and my faith steady every day.

Evelene from California

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Watching Joni Table Talk over the past year led me to re-devote my life to Jesus. I'm so grateful for Daystar and all I've learned through your shows and podcasts. Despite my struggles, I am honored to be a partner. Thank you for your compassion and for sharing God's love!

Suzanne from Colorado