

DECODING REVELATION

with Rabbi Kirt Schneider

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How should believers interpret the signs of the times, such as the moral decline in our culture, in light of biblical prophecy about the End Times?

KS: The Bible is very specific about the fact that moral decay and breakdown is an End Time phenomenon. Paul said, "Realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come" (2 Tim. 3:1). Then he lists a number of the moral breakdowns we would see in society—hatred for one another, division, selfishness, the exaltation of self over God. We're seeing all these things.

We're also seeing the complete casting off of truth. Rather than affirming the biological sex in which we're created, we now think we have the right to choose our own gender. One of the biggest initiatives in modern times is the LGBTQ movement, which completely obliterates God's stamp of gender, man's most basic identity, in His creation.

The fact that we're now teaching evolution in school systems and not even giving place to the argument of intelligent design, that God created the heavens and the earth, is another indicator that we are entering the deep darkness of the End Times.

Many Christians have questions about the Antichrist. What do we know about who the Antichrist will be and how he will rise to power?

KS: The Antichrist will rise to power during a desperate time. People will be drawn to a strong charismatic figure they think can solve the problems the world will be facing. He will not appear to be evil. Adolf Hitler gives us a good shadow of what this will look like. Hitler rose to power slowly when Germany was in a very desperate time. They had lost national pride when they lost World War I, and their economy was in a state of hyperinflation and

havoc. So they were ripe for someone who appeared strong and was convincing. Hitler at first promised peace, but of course we know what happened.

This is the same way the Antichrist is going to arise. He's going to emerge at a time when there are many problems and people are desperate. A strong charismatic figure will arise who will deceive the masses and lead people into the most evil age the world has ever seen.

Jesus' return is the central hope of the Christian faith. What can we learn from the Hebrew prophets about the circumstances leading up to His return?

KS: Before Messiah's return, there will be a great world war in the Middle East, and Israel and Jerusalem will be at the center. Zechariah 12:2–3 says: "Behold, I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that causes reeling to all the peoples around; and when the siege is against Jerusalem, it will also be against Judah. It will come about in that day that I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples; all who lift it will be severely injured. And all the nations of the earth will be gathered against it."

Then we read in Zechariah 14:3–5: Then the LORD will go forth and fight against those nations, as when He fights on a day of battle. In that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which is in front of Jerusalem on the east; and the Mount of Olives will be split in its middle from east to west by a very large valley, so that half of the mountain will move toward the north

and the other half toward the south. You will flee by the valley of My mountains, for the valley of the mountains will reach to Azel; yes, you will flee just as you fled before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the LORD, my God, will come, and all the holy ones with Him!

I will not speculate as to whether the current war in Israel is the inception of this End Time battle, but it is clear we are living in a preparatory period leading to Messiah's return. Yeshua could come in our lifetime, and we need to live as if He will.

How can Christians discern false teachings and false messiahs in these last days?

KS: Any gospel or teaching that does not make repentance, Jesus, and His cross central is not the real gospel. Paul said, "But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, he is to be accursed!" (Gal. 1:8). The Book of Romans outlines what the true gospel is. Paul begins this book by emphasizing the gravity of sin and its consequences. He then introduces Jesus the Messiah and calls mankind to repent (turn to Him)

> and be transformed. This involves giving up sin, denying ourselves, and choosing instead to love and obey the Lord. This is a daily challenge. Jesus said, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me" (Matt.

> 16:24). True faith calls us to surrender. What specific steps can Christians take

to remain faithful and hopeful as we face increasing darkness in the world?

KS: We must develop discipline in every area of our lives. Paul encourages us to discipline ourselves for the purpose of godliness and uses the illustration of an athlete who trains (1 Tim. 4:7–8; 1 Cor. 9:24–27). This includes

beginning each day by spending time in the Word, sitting quietly before the Lord, thinking, praying, and committing ourselves to Him. It means choosing to watch, listen to, and read things that are edifying. It involves disciplining our speech and being in relationship with the right people. In a sentence, it is seizing His Word and not letting anything else in. We are not here to play and recreate. Every day is a battle with the world, the flesh, and the devil. Let's think like warriors.

What prophetic insights has God shown you about the next chapter in His divine plan for humanity?

KS: Scripture is clear about what happens next. Although many have on rose-colored glasses, America and the world are going to enter very troubling times—and soon. This is referred to in the Hebrew Bible as "Jacob's trouble," and the New Testament refers to it as the great tribulation. We need to keep our eyes on our Savior, "looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God" (2 Pet. 3:12). It is only at His return that the Father will unite "all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth" (Eph. 1:10). Many are waiting for "the good old days" to return, but the only way forward is Christ and the culmination of God's good plan at Messiah's return. Let's echo the call of the Spirit and the bride at the end of the Book of Revelation: "The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come'" (Rev. 22:17). Come quickly, Lord Jesus!

THE BOOK OF DECODED

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This Valentine's Day, let's celebrate the greatest love of all—the love of God. The Bible reminds us in 1 John 4:8 that "God is love," and through His Word, we learn what true love looks like: patient, kind, forgiving, and unfailing. Dive into this special Valentine's-themed word search to discover words inspired by Scripture that reflect God's perfect love.

As you search, let it remind you to share His love with those around you. Happy Valentine's Day!

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PATIENT – 1 Corinthians 13:4

KIND – 1 Corinthians 13:4

ENDURING - 1 Corinthians 13:8

SACRIFICIAL – John 15:13

UNFAILING – Psalm 107:1

EVERLASTING – Jeremiah 31:3

HONEST – 1 Corinthians 13:6

COMPASSIONATE – Psalm 145:8

PERFECT – 1 John 4:18

REDEEMING - 1 Peter 4:8

A letter from our President

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Dear Friend,

As we continue in this new year, I want to remind you of a powerful truth: you don't have to carry the weight of striving and worry into 2025. Jesus invites you to lay your burdens down and rest in Him. Matthew 11:28-30 tells us, "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

So often, we feel pressure to have it all figured out, to plan every detail, or to achieve perfection in our goals. But God's plans for you are far greater than anything you could imagine, and they aren't dependent on your striving. Resting in His promises doesn't mean we sit idle—it means trusting His strength, provision, and guidance every step of the way. If you feel overwhelmed by what this year holds, know that God's grace is sufficient, and His rest is a gift freely given. Let this be a year of leaning into His peace and relying on His faithfulness in every area of your life.

As we walk into this season with faith and hope, I'm so grateful for all God is doing through Daystar. Because of your support, we are reaching more people than ever with the life-changing message of the Gospel. Recently, Daystar Television Network launched across Kenya, Africa, to 8.5 million homes on the 701 Broadcasting Network, Channel 11! We've also expanded in Israel with a launch on the OTT/ Streaming Platform, "Free TV," bringing Daystar to 100,000 more homes in that region. These opportunities are a direct result of your prayers and generosity. Thank you for being such an essential part of this ministry and for your heart to share the love of Jesus around the world.

I pray that this year will be one of deep rest in God's promises for you. Remember, you don't have to carry burdens alone—Jesus is with you, guiding you, providing for you, and making your path straight. And we are here for you too. If you ever need prayer, our prayer line is open 24/7 at 1-800-329-0029 or online at Daystar.com/Prayer. It's an honor to stand with you in faith and to believe for God's best in your life.

With love and blessings,

Joni Lamb

Co-Founder & President

THIS MONTH

MINISTRY NOW

02/04 - Joseph Z

02/18 - Duane "Dog" & Francie Chapman

02/25 - Dr. Anthony Levatino

JONI TABLE TALK FEBRUARY 3

Shine Your Light Joakim Lundqvist

Joakim Lundqvist discusses his book Shine Your Light: Discover Your Unique Call to Illuminate the World With God's Love, and shares the different ways God has called us to shine His light in today's dark culture.

FEBRUARY 4

Teach Me How to Prosper Dr. Kynan Bridges

Dr. Kynan Bridges shares insights from his book *Teach Me How to Prosper: Biblical Keys to Supernatural Abundance* and reveals why true prosperity goes far beyond just your finances.

FEBRUARY 10 The Love Awakening Leif Hetland

Are you ready to experience the full power of God's love in your life? Leif Hetland joins us to share the transformative force that empowers us to fulfill our divine purpose from his book, *The Love Awakening*.

JANUARY 11 Goal Getter David & Nicole Crank

David and Nicole Crank discuss the book *Goal Getters*, revealing why God is glorified when we raise our expectations for the future.

JANUARY 17

I was watching a minister on Daystar who has the gift of healing.

I stretched my hand toward the TV for healing for my back, and

I've been healed from sciatica ever since! I haven't had a minute of

pain or trouble since she prayed. Glory to God!

The Power of the Secret Place Bob Sorge

Bob Sorge shares the profound joy of a secret life with God, with additional insights from his book *Secrets of the Secret Place*.

Thanks to your prayers, all my post-chemotherapy reports came back normal, and I am completely cancer-free in Jesus' name! I'm returning to work tomorrow with renewed strength and good health. Thank You, Lord Jesus, for your healing!

Maya from Kuwait

Joyce from Virginia

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