Speedy Convergence Of Prophetic Events In The Last Days

(2Pet 3:1-13; Mtt 24:3-8; Tit 2:11-14)

We cannot afford to be ignorant in these dynamic days. We don't know how long before we'll hear the last shout. The time is ripe not only for the rapture of the church, but for the start of the 7-ys Tribulation period. You need to be awake, aware, and abiding in Him.

In the Olivet discourse one notable saying of the Lord Jesus, aside from the signs of His coming that there will be appearance of false Christs, hear wars and rumors of wars, nations shall rise against nations and kingdoms against kingdoms, there shall be famines and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places, is that all these are the beginning of sorrows (odin) birth pains.

Talking about the beginning of birth pains, we know that as the birth of the baby nears, the birth pains become more frequent and more severe. The Lord said about His coming in Rev 22:20, “Surely I come quickly” and the apostle John says, “Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.” The word quickly is the word “tachu” from which we get our English word “tachometer” which measures the speed of revolutions of an engine (RPM). The events of birth pains or the signs of Jesus’ coming happen faster and more severe as the Lord’s coming nears.

The Lord comanded us to watch. (Mat 24:42 Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.) If you have been watching lately, even just this month of January 2020, so many significant prophetic events came cand converge towards the comin of the Lord Jesus Christ. I will just mention a few:

1. Jan 3 - The killing of Iranian general Qassem Soleimani who heads the terrorism force (Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corp) of Iran. This has infuriated Iran and now Iran will further strengthen ties with Russia leading to Ezekiel 38 war.
2. Jan 12 – Taal Volcano Erupts. Over 26,000 families in Batangas have been displaced while agricultural losses amounts to P3.06 B.
3. Jan 15 - Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev’s Resignation and principal ministers of the Russian government designed to ease a constitutional overhaul recently proposed by President Vladimir Putin. Will this mean that Putin is the Gog, the prince of Magog (Russia and other post Soviet satellites) who will head the invasion of Israel in Ezekiel 38.
4. Jan 15 – Impeachment of US Pres. Trump is submitted to the Senate by US Congress leadin to his acquittal in Feb 5. While in Jan 28, the case indicting PM Netanyahu of Israel of bribery is filed. While US under Pres. Trump is the strongest and only ally of Israel because of close relationship of these two leaders, it appears in the Ezekiel 38 war that the US will be absent from aidin Israel and what happens with Netanyahu is uncertain. No nation shall be helping Israel but the lion of Tarshish (Britain) will be posting protest together with Saudi Arabia (Sheba and Dedan) which has started to have convivial relations with Israel.
5. Jan 17 – China is declared a state of emergency by the WHO after sayin that the virus issue in China does not yet constitute a public emergency of international concern. But on the 23rd, WHO declares China to be a state of emergency instituting travel restrictions in and out of the Hubei province of the city of Wuhan. At this time China authorities were reporting the death toll to 56 and almost 2,000 confirmed cases.
At this time, the doctor whistleblower told the world that there is something terrible on on in China and he himself died of the corona virus attending to tremendous cases in China. Another whistleblower, a Chinese billionaire in exile in New York in a TV interview estimates the death toll to be over 50,000 based on the estimates of the 49 crematoriums in Hubei province workin 24/7 burnin dead bodies. This was corroborated by satellite observations of unusually high SO₂ released into the atmosphere of China which can be explained by the burnin of organic materials. The billionaire claims that there are 1.5 million confirmed cases in China.

A Brief Summary has been written evidencing that the corona virus is laboratory made. The Ambassador of China in a CBS interview did not deny that the corona virus came from China’s biological warfare program but suggested that the virus could have come from a military laboratory of the US.

6. Jan 28 – US Pres. Trump unveils his long awaited “Deal of the Century” which is but to come up with a peaceful co-existence of Israel and Palestine. How is this related with the covenant to be confirmed (higebyr – to make greater, improve, strengthen) by the antichrist with many (nations together with Israel) in Dan. 9:27? This peace plan is not the 7-yr peace pact in Dan 9:27 because that pact should allow the building of the Third Temple which the antichrist will set up the “abomination of desolation” in the middle of the Tribulation. The implication of Dan 9:27 is that there should be a plan to be improved upon by the antichrist. This peace plan drawn by Trump may be usher in the peace plan that will be accepted by Israel and confirmed by the antichrist.

- This is the peace that the world (many nations because in Zech 12, the moving of Jerusalem’s border has become the intoxicating obsession of the nations but the Lord has made Jerusalem a cup of trembling and a burdensome stone) will be after.
- The the apostle Paul wrote in 1Thessalonians that after the Rapture in chapter 4 comes the peace resulting from the peace pact in chapter 5 verse 3 with the antichrist when they say, “For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.” In other words, after the Rapture, there will be the peace pact confirmed by the antichrist and that will be the start of the Tribulation period, a very terrible, horrific time to be in. But Paul writes, “But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief...For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ.” (1Th 5:4, 9)
- Benyamin Netanyahu and Benny Guntz accept the “Deal of the Century”. Note that there is only 16 days left before the unprecedented 3rd election in Israel to form a majority of the Knesset parliament.

7. The Doomsday Clock is a symbol that represents the likelihood of a man-made global catastrophe. Maintained since 1947 by the members of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, the Clock is a metaphor for threats to humanity from unchecked scientific and technical advances.
- The Bulletin has reset the minute hand on the Doomsday Clock 24 times since its debut in 1947, most recently in 2020 when we moved it from two minutes to midnight to 100 seconds to midnight.
Now these all happened within the first month of 2020. Prior to these, from Doomsday clock in 1947, came the declaration of the state of Israel on May 14, 1948. In 1967, Jerusalem was recaptured by Israel. In 2017, Trump acknowledges Jerusalem as the capital of Israel. Later on, Golan Heights was declared by US to be under Israel sovereignty, followed by the West Bank (Judea and Samaria). Prophecy watchers say that in 2016, events leading to the day of the Lord (started by the Tribulation period-Doomsday) further sped up.

But the Lord said that these things must come to pass that the end shall come. We are much closer to the Rapture than you think. Jesus is coming to take us out of this world. Rom 8:18. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. (cf. Jn 14:1-3; 7:24)

- We should not ignore the virus issue but we should protect ourselves. But through all of this, the Lord is working for us. What we see now is just a glimpse, a foretaste of the incomparable sufferings and fear and death which we shall be spared from when we will be taken out of this world before the Tribulation. This is a wake up call for us. It is also a blessed hope, not only to avoid the antichrist or the Ezekiel 38 war or the plagues. If the virus now can kill thousands, the death toll during the Tribulation will be 1/4 of the world population (4th seal, Rev 6:8) and when the 6th angel will loose the 4 angels, 1/3 of the people will be slain. Total death is half of the world population. In 2017, the population was 7.5 B. in 2020, it will be 7.8B.

- A good thing can come out of the virus in China. The Christians there are not shunned away by the authorities in sharin the gospel. Even the authorities and military are allowin the Christians to freely share the gospel and the hope that is in Jesus Christ because of their willingness to take the health risk. Authorities have been receiving tracks and prayer knowing that the government cannot fight the virus. The government is not fighting Christianity because it is too busy fighting the virus.

How should we live?

Tit 2:11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

Tit 2:12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

Tit 2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

Tit 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.
