

~Time-lines~

Surely, the *time-lines* have to be admitted as giving us the clearest information as to *when* the events of the second coming were to take place. If the *time-lines* do not mean exactly what they say, then, pray tell why put them in at all!?!?

The Fall of Jerusalem - Canon F.W. Farrar

*"It was to this event, the most awful in history -- "one of the most awful eras in God's economy of grace, and the most awful revolution in all God's religious dispensations" -- that we must apply those prophecies of Christ's coming in which every one of the Apostles and Evangelists describe it as near at hand. To those prophecies our Lord Himself fixed these three most definite limitations -- the one, that before that generation passed away all these things would be fulfilled; second that some standing there should not taste death till they saw the Son of Man coming in His kingdom; the third, that the Apostles should not have gone over the cities of Israel till the Son of Man be come. It is strange that these distinct limitations should not be regarded as a decisive proof that the Fall of Jerusalem was, in the fullest sense, the Second Advent of the Son of Man, which was primarily contemplated by the earliest voices of prophecy." **Historical Writing of Fulfillment***

Eusebius, Bishop of Caesarea, on the Divine Manifestation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ (AD 310s) - *"the old and elementary system passed away with a great noise; all these predicted empires have actually fallen, and the new kingdom, the new heaven and earth, the new Jerusalem--all of which were to descend from God, to be formed by His power, have been realized on earth ; all these things have been done in the sight of all the nations"*

Samuel Lee (1851) The Events and Times of the Visions of Daniel and St. John *"These predictions.. therefore were fulfilled to the very letter : and the facts of the case make it utterly impossible they can be fulfilled again."*

Ephraim Currier - The Second Coming of Christ, and the Resurrection; (1841) Showing by an Appeal to the Bible as it Reads, Aside From All Human Creeds and Commentaries, the Opinions of all Sects of Religionists of this Vastly Interesting Subject, to be Merely Human Opinions, and Wholly Irreconcilable with the Word of God (1841) *"If any thing can be proved by the word of God, I pledge myself to prove beyond a reasonable doubt, that the resurrection of the Jews and all Christian believers, was at the time of the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans."*

Matt 16:27-28

27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

28 Verily I say unto you, ***There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.***

Rom 16:20

And the *God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly*. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Rev 1:1

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants *things which must shortly come to pass*; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

Rev 22:6

And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to show unto his servants *the things which must shortly be done*.

Rev 3:11

Behold, *I come quickly*: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Rev 22:7

Behold, *I come quickly*: blessed is he that keeps the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

Rev 22:12

And, behold, *I come quickly*; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

Rev 22:20

He which testifies these things says, Surely *I come quickly*. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

Matt 24:30-34

30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and *they shall see the Son of man coming* in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and puts forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:

33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.

34 Verily I say unto you, *This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled*.

Matt 3:2

And saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is *at hand*.

Luke 21:31

So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is *nigh at hand*.

II Th 2:2

That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is *at hand*.

1 Pet 4:7

But the end of all things is *at hand*: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

Rev 1:3

Blessed is he that reads, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are

written therein: for the time *is at hand*.

Rev 22:10

And he says unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is *at hand*.

Matt 10:23

But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, *Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.*

Luke 18:8

I tell you that *he will avenge them speedily*. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?

Luke 21:22

For *these be the days of vengeance*, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

Luke 21:27-28

27 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.
28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for *your redemption draws nigh*.

John 5:25

Verily, verily, I say unto you, *The hour is coming, and now is*, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

John 16:16

A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, *a little while*, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.

Rom 13:11-12

11 And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.
12 The night is far spent, *the day is at hand*:

1 Cor 10:11

Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, *upon whom the ends of the world are come*.

Heb 8:13

In that he says, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decays and waxes old *is ready to vanish away*.

Heb 10:25

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, *as ye see the day approaching*.

Heb 10:37

For yet *a little while*, and he that shall come will come, and will *not tarry*. (On Hebrews 10:37)
"The Greek is very expressive and emphatic. The apostle used a word which signifies 'a little while,' and

*then for further emphasis added a particle meaning 'very,' and this he still further intensified by repeating it; thus, literally rendered this clause reads, 'For yet a very, very little while, and he that shall come will come.'... 'For yet a little while, and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry.' The reference here is to the person of the Lord Jesus as is evident from Hab. 2:3, to which the apostle here alludes." **Pink-Commentary on Hebrews***

James 5:8-9

8 Be ye also patient; establish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord *draws nigh*.

9 Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge *stands before the door*.

James 5:8

Be ye also patient; establish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord *draws nigh*.

Rev 10:6

and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, WHO CREATED HEAVEN AND THE THINGS IN IT, AND THE EARTH AND THE THINGS IN IT, AND THE SEA AND THE THINGS IN IT, that *there will be delay no longer*,

I Jn 2:17-18

17 And the world passes away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abides for ever.

18 Little children, *it is the last time*: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that *it is the last time*.

Jude 1:21

keep *yourselves* in the love of God, *waiting anxiously* for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life.

1 Cor 7:26-31

26 I suppose therefore that this is good for the present distress, I say, that it is good for a man so to be.

27 Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife.

28 But and if thou marry, thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned. Nevertheless such shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you.

29 But this I say, brethren, the *time is short*: it remains, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;

30 And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not;

31 And they that use this world, as not abusing it: for *the fashion of this world passes away*.

Come on, folks!! Surely the above verses are plain in and of themselves. No one even needs to comment on them as to their plain meaning!

Russell on the Apocalypse:

"As for the majority of interpreters, it is scarcely possible to conceive a more absolute and reckless disregard to the express and manifold directions contained in the book itself than that which they have exhibited in their arbitrary speculations. Of willful perverseness no one will accuse them; but it seems unaccountable that scholarly and reverent students of divine revelation should either overlook or set aside the explicit declarations of the book itself with regard to its speedily approaching fulfillment; that they should, in spite of those plain assertions to the contrary, lay it down as an axiom that the Apocalypse

*is a syllabus of civil and ecclesiastical history to the end of time; and that they should then, in defiance of all grammatical laws, proceed **to invent a non-natural method of interpretation, according to which 'near' becomes 'distant,' and 'quickly' means 'ages hence,' and 'at hand' signifies 'afar off.'** All this seems incredible, yet it is true. **Language serves only to mislead, words have no meaning, and interpretation has no laws, if the express and repeated declarations of the Apocalypse do not plainly teach the speedy and all but immediate fulfillment of its predictions."***