

The Jewish World Time Line

To the secular observer the continual conflict in the Middle East appears to be a dispute over territory and how to fit all of the competing political groups of people into a very small space. In reality, the root of the problem is not territory but competing religious persuasions. World leaders are to be applauded for their sincere efforts to bring peace to the Middle East, nevertheless, it is out of their hands. God has already written the script for the history of the world and revealed it in his Word, the Bible.

The following is an event sequence as described in the Bible regarding the nation Israel.

- Abram was instructed by God to move from Haran to the land of Canaan.
- The LORD made a covenant with **Abram**. Gen 12:1-5; Gen 13:14-17; Gen 15:18-21; Gen 17:1-8 “ will make of thee a great nation.”
 - "I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee."
 - "In thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."
 - "Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river,
the river Euphrates."
- The LORD narrowed the covenant to include only the descendents of **Isaac**. Gen 17:18-21; Gen 21:12; Gen 25:1-6
- The LORD narrowed the covenant still further to include only the descendents of **Jacob** (Israel). Gen 28:12-15; Gen 35:9-12; Gen 37:1
- The infant nation Israel (70 people) was moved by God into the incubator of Egypt, where they grew to over 600,000 male adults plus women and children. Gen 15:13-14; 46:3-4,27;
- God miraculously led Israel out of Egypt and back to the promised land. Ex 9:13-16; 23:20-31

- Christ will abruptly remove all of his believers (both living and dead) from earth to Heaven. This is called the Rapture. After this event, every person remaining on earth, Jew or gentile, will be a non-believer in Christ. Rev 3:10; Jn 14:1-3; 1 Cor 15:51-52; 1 Thes 4:14-17
- The great tribulation (Daniel's 70th week) will begin. Dan 9:24-27; Rev 6:15-17; Rev 7:3-4
- Antagonism will greatly increase against Israel.
- The unholy anti-trinity will rule earth for seven years. Rev 13
Antichrist will make a seven year covenant to force "peace" upon the world. Dan 8
Israel will be permitted to build a new temple and sacrifices will be reinstated.
Antichrist's true colors will be revealed. He will demand to be worshipped as God. He will turn against Israel. Rev 13:5-8; 13-17
Under Antichrist's leadership armies of the entire world will gather on the plain of Megiddo to once and for all do away with Israel. This is the famous battle of Armageddon. Rev 16:12-16
- Messiah, Jesus Christ, the Son of God will physically return and fight for Israel, defeating the armies of the world.
- At this point the Jews who remain alive will turn to Christ. Most of the other inhabitants of the world will not.
- Christ will establish his kingdom and rule earth on the throne of David for one thousand years. Described as ruling with a rod of iron, Christ will require righteous behavior from all. Important note! This is not Heaven, this is Christ ruling on earth in fulfillment of covenant and prophecy. Entry to Heaven is only through faith in Christ.
- At the end of the thousand years Satan will be loosed for a little while and, believe it or not, will convince the nations of the earth to make one more attempt at destroying Israel. This time God will make short work of the armies, destroying them by fire.

- Following this, the final judgement and disposition of all individuals who, throughout the history of the world overtly or by default rejected Jesus Christ, will take place. Rev 20:11-15
- Final reward for the Believer. Rev 21:1-5