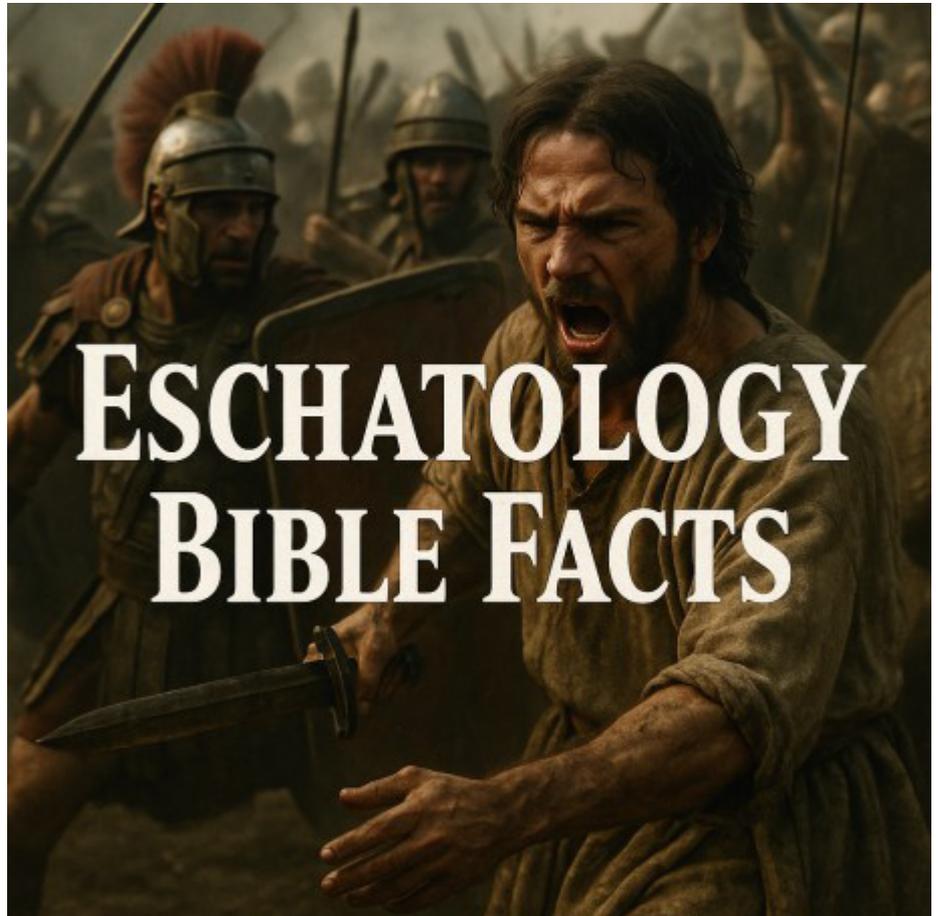


# Fulfilled Prophecies

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## **Eschatology Bible Facts**

### **Luke 21:22, 32**

† All things written were fulfilled in His generation. Jesus said every prophecy of judgment would come to pass while that generation lived.

† This perfectly matches the Roman siege and destruction of Jerusalem in AD 70, the event Jesus foretold.

† Daniel 9:24-27 prophesied that vision and prophecy would be sealed and Jerusalem destroyed within a set time, fulfilled in that generation.

† Josephus records wars, famine, and false messiahs that align with Jesus' warnings.

† These verses prove the "end" was the end of the Old Covenant age, not the physical cosmos.

### **Hebrews 13:20, Revelation 5:13, 14:6**

† The gospel will continue forever. God's everlasting covenant is secured through the blood of Christ and proclaimed to every creature.

† The phrase "everlasting covenant" shows the gospel is permanent and unchanging.

† Revelation 5:13 pictures every creature praising the Lamb, showing the mission already active in the first century.

† Revelation 14:6 calls it the "eternal gospel," confirming it never ceases.

† This is the same gospel believers still proclaim today without end.

### **Matthew 24:14, Romans 1:8, 10:18, 16:26, Colossians 1:6, 1:23, Titus 2:11**

† The gospel had already been preached in all the world of their day. Paul and the apostles affirmed the good news had reached the known nations of the Roman Empire.

† "All the world" referred to the Roman Empire, not the entire planet, fulfilling Jesus' prophecy before AD 70.

† Paul declares the gospel was preached "to every creature under heaven," proving completion of the Great Commission.

† Titus 2:11 says salvation appeared to all men, leaving no future global mission unfulfilled.

† This shows Matthew 24:14 is a fulfilled statement, not a future prediction.

### **Matthew 10:23**

† Jesus told His apostles they would not finish the cities of Israel before He came, showing His coming was imminent in their lifetime.

† The disciples' mission through Israel's towns was urgent and

first-century in scope.

† Persecution moved them quickly from city to city, just as Jesus warned.

† His "coming" here refers to judgment on Jerusalem, which happened before they completed the circuit.

† This proves no two-thousand-year delay.

### **Luke 2:1, Acts 2:5, Acts 17:6, 1 Timothy 3:16**

† World often meant the Roman Empire. When scripture says the gospel went to all the world, it meant the inhabited Roman world.

† Caesar's decree "that all the world should be registered" clearly means the empire.

† Acts 17:6 accuses the apostles of turning "the world upside down," again meaning the Roman realm.

† Recognizing this usage keeps every time statement consistent and fulfilled in that generation.

† It removes any need to stretch the meaning to our modern globe.

### **Genesis 8:21-22, Psalm 72:17, 78:69, 89:36-37, 93:1, 96:10, 104:5, 119:90, 148:4-6, Isaiah 45:17, Ecclesiastes 1:4, Ephesians 3:21**

† The physical earth will never end. God promises its continuance through all generations.

† Genesis 8:21-22 assures day and night, seedtime and harvest, will not cease.

† Psalms repeatedly call the earth established forever, confirming permanence.

† Ecclesiastes 1:4 says "the earth remains forever," a plain statement of God's design.

† Ephesians 3:21 speaks of God's glory in the church to "all generations forever and ever," tying earthly time to unending praise.

### **Matthew 5:18, 24:35, Hebrews 8:13**

† Heaven and earth had to pass away for the Old Covenant law

to be fulfilled. The covenant world of Israel passed, not the physical creation.

† "Heaven and earth" here points to the covenant order, which did pass in AD 70.

† Hebrews 8:13 shows the Old Covenant becoming obsolete and ready to vanish.

† Jesus' words "my words will not pass away" highlight the permanence of the New Covenant.

† This is not about the literal sky and soil but Israel's covenant system.

### **Deuteronomy 31:30, 32:1**

† God calls Israel heavens and earth, showing prophetic language about heaven and earth often refers to His covenant people.

† Moses speaks to Israel as "heavens and earth," confirming the metaphor.

† This sets the precedent for prophetic language throughout scripture.

† It clarifies Jesus' statements about heaven and earth passing as covenantal, not cosmic.

† Understanding this keeps prophecy consistent with historical fulfillment.

### **2 Timothy 1:10, Ephesians 2:4-6, John 11:25-26, Hosea 13:14, 1 Corinthians 15:55**

† Christ destroyed death. Believers in Him never die spiritually.

† Through the gospel Jesus "abolished death," giving life and immortality now.

† Ephesians shows believers already "made alive" and "raised up" with Christ.

† Hosea's promise "I will redeem them from death" finds its fulfillment in Christ.

† John 11:25-26 assures that whoever lives and believes in Him will never die.

**Matthew 13:39-40, 24:3, 28:20, 1 Corinthians 10:11, Hebrews 1:1-2, 9:26, Acts 2:16-17, 1 Peter 1:5, 1 John 2:18**

† Jesus and His apostles lived in the last days, the end of the age of the Old Covenant.

† "The harvest is the end of the age," not the end of the planet but the close of Israel's covenant order.

† Hebrews 9:26 says Christ appeared "at the consummation of the ages," placing fulfillment in the first century.

† Acts 2 shows Peter declaring "this is that" which Joel foretold, identifying his own time as the last days.

† John confirmed, "it is the last hour," proving the end was present then.

### **Matthew 16:27-28**

† Some disciples would not die before His coming.

† Jesus promised to come with His angels to reward every man according to his deeds before some of His hearers died.

† This matches Revelation 22:12 where He comes quickly to render to every man.

† It cannot refer to a return thousands of years later when none of His audience remained alive.

### **John 21:22-23**

† Jesus said John would remain until He came, confirming a first century fulfillment.

† The disciples understood His words to mean John might live to witness the coming, showing their expectation of nearness.

† John outlived the other apostles and witnessed the judgment on Jerusalem, fulfilling Jesus' statement.

† This reinforces that His coming was not a distant future event.

### **Matthew 23:27-38, Revelation 11:8, 17:5, 18:24**

† Mystery Babylon was Jerusalem, the city that killed the prophets.

† Jesus identified Jerusalem as the one guilty of shedding the blood of prophets and saints.

† Revelation calls Babylon "the great city where the Lord was

crucified," leaving no doubt about its identity.

† History records Jerusalem's alliance with Rome until Rome turned and destroyed her.

### **Matthew 23:34-39**

† First century Jerusalem bore the guilt for killing the prophets.

† Jesus lamented over the city that killed those sent to her, declaring judgment within that generation.

† The desolation of the temple fulfilled this prophecy in AD 70.

† This shows covenantal judgment focused on that specific time and place.

### **Revelation 17:3, 15-16**

† The Scarlet Woman was Jerusalem, allied with Rome until the beast turned and destroyed her.

† She is described as sitting on many waters, a picture of influence among the nations.

† The beast represents Rome, which first partnered with Jerusalem and then brought her ruin.

† This fits perfectly with the Roman siege and destruction of the city.

### **Day of the Lord Patterns**

† Isaiah 19:1, Ezekiel 30:3-4, Isaiah 13:1,6-9, Zephaniah 1:4,7,14-15, Amos 5:18-20, Matthew 21:43, 22:7, 24 show the Lord coming in judgment many times, never in bodily form.

† Each Old Testament "Day of the Lord" involved historical judgment on nations, not the end of creation.

† The New Testament continues this pattern, applying it to Jerusalem's fall.

† God "comes" in power through armies and events, not by descending physically.

### **1 John 2:18, 4:1-4**

† Antichrists were already present in the first century.

† John said "many antichrists have arisen," proving the predicted opposition to Christ was current.

- † This shows the "last hour" was their own time, not ours.
- † It fits the context of false teachers and deceivers active in the early church.

### **John 17:15, 1 Corinthians 15:44-46, Colossians 1:13-29**

- † At death the natural body is replaced by a spiritual body.
- † Paul contrasts the perishable natural body with the imperishable spiritual body.
- † Believers are already transferred into the kingdom of Christ, assuring resurrection life now.
- † The focus is transformation and victory over death through Christ, not reanimation of dust.

### **1 Corinthians 15:44-46**

- † Paul says plainly it is raised a spiritual body, not a future physical resurrection.
- † He describes two kinds of bodies, natural and spiritual, with the second already prepared.
- † This confirms the resurrection's spiritual nature as fulfilled reality.
- † It aligns with Jesus' promise that believers will never die.

### **Revelation 7:14**

- † The 144,000 came out of the great tribulation.
- † This group represents the faithful remnant of Israel preserved through the judgment of AD 70.
- † They are called "servants of God," sealed for protection before the city's destruction.
- † Their deliverance fulfills Old Testament promises of a remnant saved.
- † It shows God's covenant faithfulness during the final days of the Old Covenant.

### **Matthew 24:3**

- † The great tribulation signaled the end of the Old Covenant age.
- † The disciples asked about the end of the age, not the end of

the planet.

† Jesus' detailed signs, wars, famine, persecution, were all fulfilled in that generation.

† Josephus records these very calamities leading up to the fall of Jerusalem.

† This proves the tribulation is past, not future.

### **Matthew 21:40-45**

† The chief priests knew the parable was about them, proving fulfillment in their time.

† Jesus' parable of the vineyard clearly identifies the Jewish leaders as those who killed the Son.

† Their recognition of this point shows they understood the judgment aimed at their generation.

† History records that judgment falling on them within forty years.

† This reinforces the immediacy of Christ's prophecy.

### **Matthew 26:59-64**

† Jesus told the high priest he himself would see the Son of Man coming on the clouds.

† The words "you will see" address Caiaphas directly, not distant descendants.

† Coming on the clouds is covenantal judgment language drawn from Daniel 7:13.

† The temple's destruction within a generation fulfills this prophecy exactly.

† It confirms Jesus' authority and the timing of His kingdom.

### **Mark 13:11, Acts 3:18, 10:41, Romans 1:2, Jude 1:17**

† Jesus warned His disciples beforehand of the last days events that belonged to them.

† He promised the Spirit would guide them when arrested, a promise for their lifetime.

† Acts and Romans show the prophets' words being fulfilled then, not delayed for millennia.

† Jude reminds believers to remember the predictions of the

apostles, proving fulfillment was near.

† These warnings were specific to that first-century audience.

### **Mark 1:14-15**

† Jesus announced the time was fulfilled and the kingdom at hand.

† "Time fulfilled" means the long-awaited kingdom was arriving, not merely beginning a countdown.

† His call to repent confirms an immediate transition from Old to New Covenant.

† This declaration sets the tone for His entire ministry.

† It shows God's kingdom was established then, not postponed.

### **John 11:25-26, Ephesians 2:4-6, Daniel 12:1-7**

† For those under the Old Covenant He was the Resurrection. For those in the New, He is the Life.

† Believers who lived into the New Covenant already possess eternal life.

† Daniel 12 ties resurrection to the shattering of Israel's power, fulfilled in the first century.

† Ephesians shows believers raised and seated with Christ now.

† Eternal life is present reality, not future hope only.

### **Daniel 12:1-7**

† The resurrection would occur when Israel's covenant power was completely shattered.

† The angel told Daniel it would be at the end of the appointed time, not thousands of years later.

† The shattering of the holy people describes the fall of Jerusalem.

† This marks the transition to the everlasting kingdom of Christ.

† The prophecy fits the events of AD 70 with precision.

### **Isaiah 9:7**

† His spiritual kingdom on earth is everlasting.

† The government of Christ increases without end, showing His

reign is not postponed.

† Luke 1:32-33 echoes this promise of an endless kingdom.

† Believers already live under this eternal rule.

† This guarantees that no earthly power can overthrow His dominion.

### **Matthew 24:34-36**

† No one knew the day or hour, but Jesus said it would happen in that generation.

† The contrast shows certainty of timing within the generation, though the exact day was hidden.

† All the signs He listed were fulfilled by AD 70.

† This protects the church from false date-setting yet affirms the nearness of fulfillment.

† It underscores God's faithfulness to keep His word.

### **2 Timothy 1:15, 1 John 2:18-19**

† The falling away Jesus described had already begun.

† Paul laments that all in Asia had turned away from him, evidence of early apostasy.

† John confirms many antichrists and defectors had already appeared.

† This fulfills Jesus' warning that many would fall away before the end of that age.

† It shows the prophecy was active in their lifetime.

### **Ephesians 2:18-22, Hebrews 12:22-23, Galatians 4:21-31**

† The New Jerusalem is both heavenly and earthly, God dwelling with His people.

† Believers are described as citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem right now.

† The church itself is the dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

† This unites the city above with the people below into one holy habitation.

† It fulfills all promises of God living among His covenant family.

### **Revelation 21:2-3**

† We now live in His kingdom, the Body of Christ, the New Jerusalem.

† John sees the holy city descending, symbolizing God's presence with His people.

† This shows fulfillment, not a distant future event.

† God now tabernacles among His people as promised.

† The church is the visible expression of that New Jerusalem.

### **Hebrews 12:28**

† The kingdom is unshakable and already received by first-century believers.

† The writer speaks in the present tense, "we receive a kingdom which cannot be shaken."

† This proves Christ's reign was active then, not postponed.

† The church stands secure despite the fall of the old covenant world.

† God's unshakable kingdom continues forever.

### **1 Peter 4:7, 1 Corinthians 10:11**

† The end of the ages had arrived in their day.

† Peter declared "the end of all things is at hand," showing immediacy.

† Paul wrote that the ends of the ages had come upon them, not future generations.

† This confirms the consummation of God's redemptive plan in the first century.

† The Old Covenant age closed as the New Covenant stood revealed.

### **Matthew 16:27, Revelation 22:12**

† Jesus came with His angels to reward every man according to his deeds in that generation.

† Revelation echoes the same promise: "Behold, I am coming quickly and My reward is with Me."

† Judgment and reward occurred when Jerusalem fell and the kingdom was fully established.

† This guarantees the justice of God for both faithful and unfaithful.

† It vindicates the suffering church of the first century.

### **Romans 13:11-12**

† The night was almost gone and the day was near for the first-century church.

† Paul urged believers to wake from sleep because salvation was nearer than when they first believed.

† The imagery points to the dawning of the New Covenant day.

† This shows expectation of imminent fulfillment, not a delay of thousands of years.

† The passing of the old age was already underway.

### **James 5:7-9, Revelation 1:1-3**

† The appointed time for judgment was said to be at hand.

† James told believers "the Judge is standing right at the door," stressing urgency.

† Revelation begins with "things which must shortly take place," confirming nearness.

† This aligns perfectly with Jesus' generation-time prophecies.

† God kept His promise within that first-century context.

### **1 Corinthians 15:25-26**

† The last enemy, death, was being destroyed then.

† Paul says Christ must reign until He puts all enemies under His feet.

† Spiritual death was overcome through the cross and resurrection.

† Believers share that victory now, never to be separated from God.

† This is the heart of the fulfilled hope.

### **Hebrews 8:13**

† The Old Covenant was becoming obsolete and ready to disappear.

† Written before AD 70, this shows the temple system was

already passing away.

† The destruction of Jerusalem finalized that transition.

† God removed the shadows and established the substance in Christ.

† The New Covenant stands forever.

## **2 Peter 3:13, Revelation 21:1-3**

† The new heavens and new earth are the new covenant creation where righteousness dwells.

† Peter looks for the world of covenant righteousness, not a new planet.

† Revelation shows the holy city already descending to earth.

† This describes the covenant reality believers now experience.

† God's dwelling with His people fulfills all prophetic hope.

## **1 Peter 1:5**

† Salvation was ready to be revealed in the last time for those first believers.

† Peter speaks of a salvation "ready to be revealed," showing imminent fulfillment.

† This points to the transition from old to new covenant life.

† Believers of that generation received the promise.

† It is a completed reality for us today.

## **James 5:8-9, Matthew 24:33**

† The judge was standing right at the door.

† Both James and Jesus used identical language of nearness.

† Their words can only apply to their own time.

† The destruction of Jerusalem validated these warnings.

† God's justice came swiftly, proving His faithfulness.

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