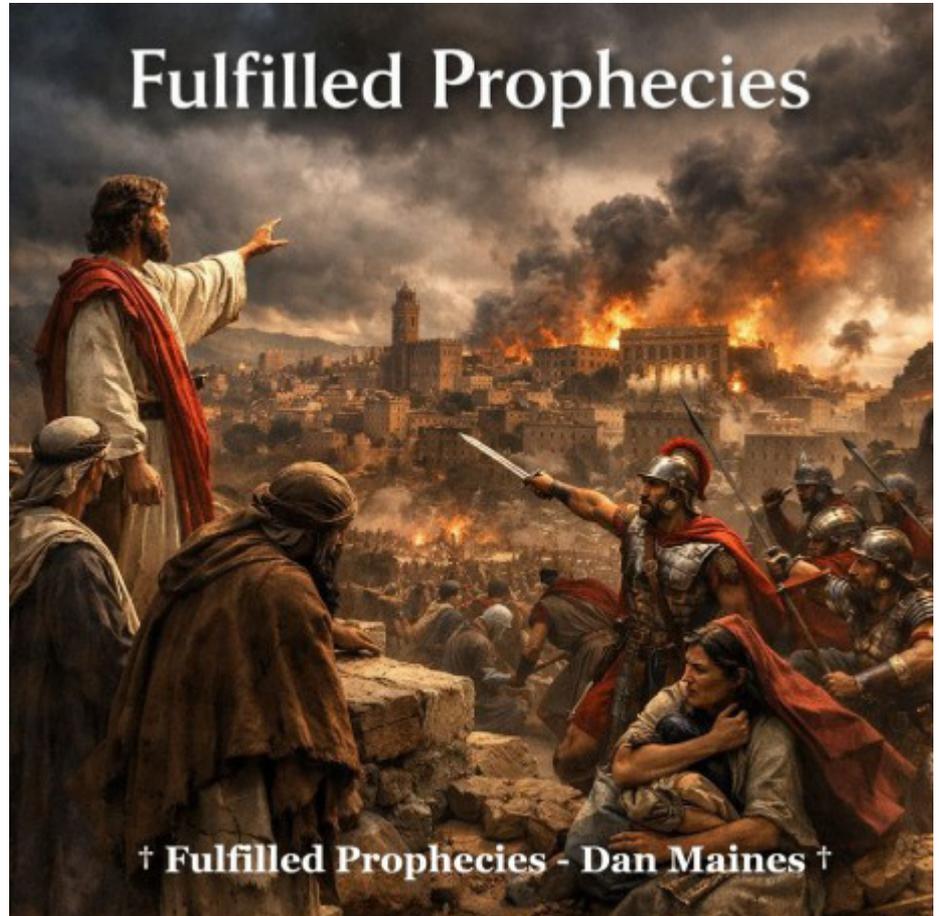


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Introduction

† Fulfilled prophecy is not a side topic of Scripture, it is the backbone of biblical faith and assurance.

† God didn't speak in vague terms or open ended promises, He spoke in time statements that demanded fulfillment.

† If prophecy isn't fulfilled as spoken, faith collapses, but Scripture shows God kept His word exactly as promised.

Matthew 24:34

Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.

† Jesus didn't redefine generation, He used the same meaning His audience understood.

† He placed fulfillment within the lifetime of those standing before Him, not thousands of years later.

† Either Jesus spoke truthfully or He failed, Scripture shows He didn't fail.

Luke 21:22

Because these are days of vengeance, so that all things which are written will be fulfilled.

† Jesus identified the destruction of Jerusalem as the fulfillment of what was written.

† This wasn't partial or symbolic delay, it was completion.

† Prophecy reached its goal within that generation exactly as declared.

Acts 2:16

But this is what was spoken of through the prophet Joel.

† Peter didn't say this might be or would later become, he said this is.

† Joel's prophecy was identified as fulfilled at Pentecost, not postponed.

† The inspired apostle interpreted prophecy by fulfillment, not futurism.

Daniel 9:26

Then after the sixty two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary.

† Daniel tied Messiah's death and Jerusalem's destruction together in one prophetic framework.

† History records both occurred exactly within the first century timeframe.

† This prophecy didn't wait for modern fulfillment, it concluded in their generation.

Hebrews 8:13

When He said, A new covenant, He has made the first obsolete. But whatever is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to disappear.

† The old covenant wasn't instantly gone at the cross, it was ready to vanish.

† The destruction of the temple finalized what was already obsolete.

† Covenant transition was completed, not left unfinished.

Romans 15:8

For I say that Christ has become a servant to the circumcision on behalf of the truth of God to confirm the promises given to the fathers.

† Paul declared the promises were confirmed, not left pending.

† Fulfillment was grounded in Christ's completed work, not future speculation.

† The truth of God was validated through fulfilled promise.

2 Corinthians 1:20

For as many as are the promises of God, in Him they are yes, therefore also through Him is our Amen to the glory of God through us.

† All promises find their yes in Christ, not in a future age.

† Fulfillment is the basis of assurance, not expectation.

† God's glory is revealed through promises kept.

Revelation 1:1

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond servants, the things which must soon take place.

† Soon means soon, not symbolic delay.

† Revelation addressed first century believers facing imminent events.

† Fulfillment validates the trustworthiness of the prophetic word.

Revelation 22:6

And he said to me, These words are faithful and true, and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His angel to show to His bond servants the things which must soon take place.

† The same time statement that opens Revelation closes it.

† The book is framed by imminence, not postponement.

† Fulfillment was expected by its original audience.

Revelation 22:10

And he said to me, Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near.

† Near meant near to those reading it.

† Sealing was forbidden because fulfillment was approaching.

† This confirms Revelation was not written for distant

generations.

Historical References

† Josephus documented the destruction of Jerusalem and the temple in AD 70.

† Tacitus confirmed the devastation of Judea under Roman authority.

† Clement of Alexandria acknowledged the end of the old covenant age.

† Irenaeus recognized the decisive judgment that closed the former age.

† Eusebius recorded early Christian testimony linking these events to Christ's prophecy.

How It Applies To Us Today

† We live in the reality of fulfilled promises, not in fear of unfinished prophecy.

† Our faith rests on a proven God who keeps His word exactly as spoken.

† We walk in confidence, not countdowns, because Christ reigns now.

† Fulfillment produces assurance, stability, and peace for believers today.

† I encourage you to read the Scriptures for yourself and test what you're taught.

† Don't take my word for it or anyone else's, let the Word of God speak plainly in its own context.

† Fulfillment isn't discovered through tradition or fear, it's seen when Scripture is allowed to mean what it says.

† This is the fulfilled perspective we proclaim at Fulfilled Prophecies †

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