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BY ALLEN DAVIS, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

When I wrestled during my high school days, my objective was to overpower my opponent and make him submit. This is much like the world's way—"winner take all"—and anything outside of that is considered a loss.

Yet the Lord's way of relating to His us is entirely different: The one who submits becomes the victor. A paradox perhaps? Yes, but a sweet paradox that results in the fruit of victory and eternal life.

In Genesis 32, we witness an epic ancient wrestling match. During his journey home, Jacob received a report that his brother, Esau, was nearby. Fearing that Esau was going to kill him, Jacob cried out to God, "Deliver me [from Esau]: for I fear him, lest he will come and smite me" (v. 11).


That night, the Lord appeared to Jacob and wrestled with him till dawn. When Jacob refused to concede, the Lord touched his thigh and immobilized him with severe pain. Then as the Lord attempted to depart, Jacob held on tightly and would not let go without first receiving a blessing. Jacob was delivered in more ways than one!



Have you ever wrestled with God? The Scriptures and inspired writings tell us we are living in the last days, and we need to be afflicting our souls—wrestling with God! Why? So that we might be transformed into His glorious image by the putting away of sin and selfishness. Sound impossible? The Scriptures not only say we can, but we must: "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh" (Galatians 5:16).

When Jacob held onto the Lord, though in extreme agony, he found victory. His name was changed from Jacob ("Deceiver") to Israel ("Overcomer with God"). In the same way, when we wrestle with God and hold on, even

though transformation and the putting away of sin can be extremely painful, we can be sanctified. "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne" (Revelation 3:21). Only when we submit and repent, will we find victory.

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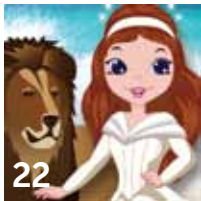
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# THE MYSTERY OF REVELATION

BY PASTOR DOUG BATCHELOR

**HE WAS BORN** in a small, obscure village, the child of poor parents. He quietly worked alongside His father as a carpenter until He was 30. He then, unexpectedly, set out on His own, traveling as an itinerate preacher for three-and-a-half years.

He never owned a home. He never wrote a book. He never held office. He also never married or attended college. In fact, He never seemed to do any of the typical things that we associate with greatness today. Yet in the 20 centuries that have passed since His death, this man remains the most intriguing character of the human race. He is revered by billions.

Someone once said, "All the armies that ever marched, all the navies that ever sailed, all the parliaments that ever sat, and all the kings that ever reigned have not affected the life of man on the earth as much as that one solitary life."

During the three centuries that followed His death, Jesus' teachings remained the central focus of the Christian faith, and the principles that He taught were the foundation of the church. Yet gradually, this religion became distorted as His followers adopted strange, mystic traditions such that, over time, the church that Jesus started bore very little resemblance to His

simple teachings as found in Scripture.

As a result, a period of great darkness settled upon the Christian church, bringing bloodshed and fostering a lust for pride, power, and financial gain—all in the name of the humble Carpenter. What really happened?

### THE REVELATION CHRONICLES

Within the book of Revelation, there are many vivid visions and prophecies that clearly foretold these things would happen, in addition to what is still to come upon the Christian church and the entire world in the future.

Revelation is one of the most spectacular books ever written. Within its pages, we see a kaleidoscope of bizarre beasts, mysterious women, and powerful angels. It is also a book of great contrasts, from the terrible trumpets and devastating plagues to the most beautiful pictures of heaven and paradise found in Scripture.

Yet many say that these mystic symbols are sealed—and that nobody, especially laypersons, could ever truly know what Revelation is trying to tell us.

But contrary to that notion, God Himself commands that Revelation not be sealed! “Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near” (Revelation 22:10 NKJV). And it never has been sealed. (By contrast, the book of Daniel was “sealed” for a short time.)

The very name “Revelation” means “unveiling,” “opening,” or “revealing”—the complete opposite of being sealed—and

Revelation begins with the words, “The revelation of Jesus Christ.” The book reveals His last-day plans for His work and people. Moreover, a special blessing is



pronounced upon those who read Revelation and obey it—“Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near” (Revelation 1:3).

Does that sound like something God doesn’t want you to read or understand?

In fact, Revelation describes God’s end-time people and church with startling clarity. It makes the Bible come to life when you see the last-day events depicted in Revelation that have taken place—and some are taking place now!

Indeed, Revelation is written geared to the people of our time—just before Jesus’ return. It is written “to show His servants what must soon take place,” and “because the time is near.” All throughout, Jesus declares, “I am coming soon.” (For example, see Revelation 1:1–3.)

### DECODING REVELATION

Still, without some guidance, reading Revelation can be a frustrating and perplexing study experience, with all its deep spiritual content.

For millions, the symbols and language of Revelation are often enshrouded in confusing



and contradictory interpretations. How are we, living nearly 2,000 years after it was written, to understand it? If the book truly is unsealed, how can we know the true nature behind such symbols as the two brides, the beast, and Babylon? How can we know which interpretation actually makes the most sense?

If you've ever Googled "Revelation," you've probably heard of the three most common theories that guide students in their study of the book—called preterism, futurism, and historicism.

*Preterism* is the belief that the apostle John wrote Revelation as a book of history, a history that ends by AD 70, describing with symbolic elements the extreme challenges of the early church in

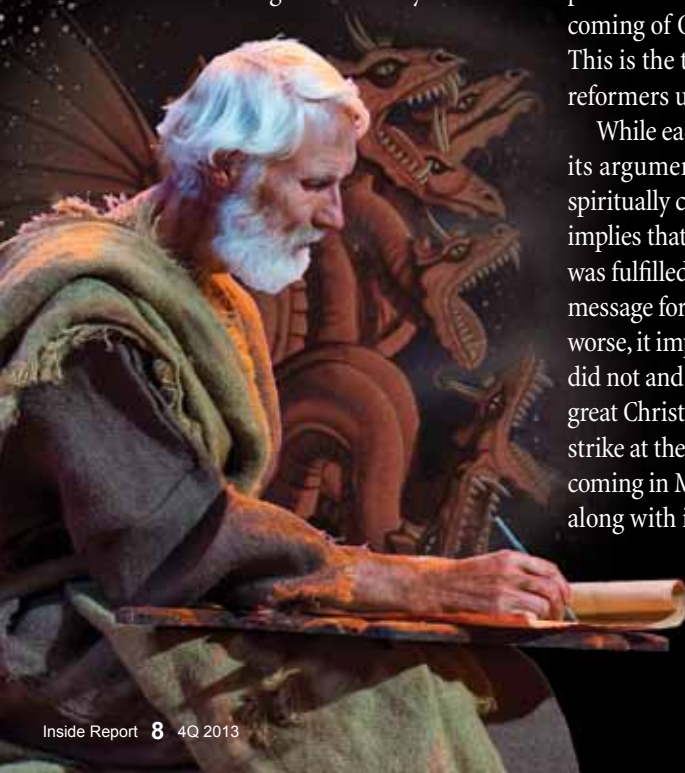
overcoming the Antichrist power of pagan Rome and the influence of Judaism.

*Futurism* is the belief that John wrote primarily about events that have yet to occur even in our day, including the future rise of the Antichrist. Futurism is the interpretation put forth by the popular *Left Behind* series and today enjoys the most support from mainstream Protestant Christianity. Ironically, this theory was first put forth by a Jesuit—Francisco Ribera—in the late 1500s.

*Historicism* is the belief that John was writing future history as it would unfold from his day to the end of time, detailing through a panorama of prophecies the events of the church and major world powers all the way through to the second coming of Christ and the New Jerusalem. This is the theory that most Protestant reformers used in their teachings.

While each school of interpretation has its arguments, only one is logically and spiritually consistent. For instance, preterism implies that because all biblical prophecy was fulfilled by AD 70, God has no prophetic message for Christians living today—and, worse, it implies that many prophecies simply did not and will not come to pass, such as the great Christian apostasy Christ warned would strike at the church just prior to His second coming in Matthew 24. And unfortunately, along with its inconsistent approach to

symbols and dates, futurism promotes a fire-escape gospel that encourages a wait-and-see approach to salvation—and it







is the one most commonly associated with the endless failed predictions of Christ's return, such as the book *88 Reasons Why the Rapture Will Be in 1988*.

Amazingly, these false interpretations were subtly advanced in the Christian church by design, and both by the very same power at work today. Satan would rather have us continue to believe Revelation is sealed, because if you read it, you will learn about the strategies

he has for God's children, to leave you unprepared for his deceptions.

## HISTORICISM UNLOCKS REVELATION

As mentioned, historicism was the view of the majority of the great reformers and preachers, including Luther, Calvin, Wesley, and Spurgeon, who each believed the Antichrist power had already arisen in their lifetimes. And it presents a case that is simple, providing a logical interpretation that makes identifying such characters as the two brides, the beast, and Babylon much more consistent with the evidence of Scripture and history.

Amazing Facts actually presents this case in our brand-new documentary called *Revelation: The Bride, The Beast & Babylon*, a 90-minute presentation that reveals Bible keys to help you make sense of Revelation in the way it was always meant to be understood, exploring key moments in the history of the Christian faith and



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# Opening Eyes, Enlightening Hearts

Amazing Prophecies in Granite Bay



Larry shreds all his junk mail, but when the Amazing Prophecies flier arrived in the mail—something got in the way.



by Curtis  
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**"I learned** a valuable lesson in faithful perseverance," says John Quedzuweit, associate pastor at the Granite Bay Church in California, about his work for the salvation of souls in partnership with Amazing Facts.

Along with Pastor Jean Ross, his church invited evangelist Jason Morgan to conduct an "Amazing Prophecies" seminar series in May 2013. Through the hard work and combined efforts of the congregation, evangelist, and church leadership, the series reaped 28 baptisms

and professions of faith, with seven others still preparing for baptism.

Pastor John started a series of Bible studies with one seeker five years ago. She didn't make a decision for baptism then, but she still occasionally attended the church. Then an Amazing Facts Center of Evangelism (AFCOE) student visited her and invited her to Pastor Morgan's new series. She came and was profoundly touched by his messages. Witnessing the fruit of his labor at her baptism, John shares, "Nurturing and working with people can take time, but it's always worth it."



## Outreach Synergy

Twenty-three AFCOE students assisted with the series, going door to door, visiting the community, conducting Bible studies, and inviting people to attend.

The students handed out *Amazing Facts Bible Study Guides*, the *Final Events* DVD, and the *Most Amazing Prophecies* DVD. They also shared the book *Cosmic Conflict* and referred those with Bible questions to the Amazing Facts website. Some who came to the series had been watching Pastor Doug Batchelor on Amazing Facts TV.

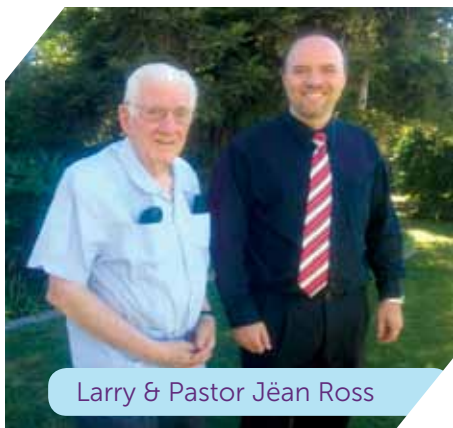
A week before the prophecy series began, Dr. David DeRose conducted a four-night health seminar bridge event for the public. About 30 guests came, and many of these continued coming during the prophecy series. More than 90 visitors came to the meetings, and AFCOE students have continued to study with many of them, including students from nearby Sierra College.

## The Hand of the Spirit

One gentleman who was baptized, Larry, almost didn't come at all. He tells how he always shreds his junk mail: "When the 'Amazing Prophecies' flier arrived a few days before the series started, I was ready to destroy it." But instead of shredding the flier, for some reason, he placed it on his desk.

Later, when paying bills, he picked up the flier to move it. Then he needed to call his daughter and saw the ad once more.

Eventually, Larry's curiosity led him to pick it up and take a closer look. He decided he would attend "just a few times" to see if it was for him. Larry now smiles as he shares, "The seminar experience was like being hooked on drugs; I couldn't stop until I reached the end!"



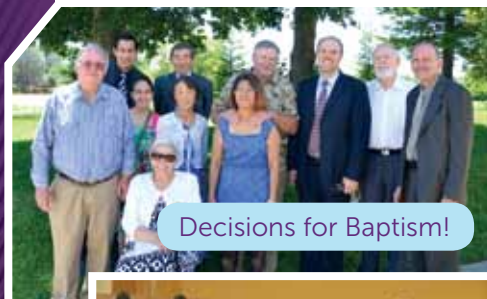
Even though Larry had been baptized in 1957, Pastor Morgan helped him to really study the Bible for the first time, opening up a biblical understanding of baptism and the importance of keeping all of God's commandments, including the Sabbath. Larry says he is especially grateful for the day he was prompted to not shred a "junk mail" flier that led him to God's remnant church.

Jason Morgan shares another incredible experience. "I conducted a series of meetings in Palmer, Alaska, earlier this year. There I met Lawrence, who gave me a helping hand each night. Before each meeting, we often talked about his sister with whom he is very close. His prayer was that she might one day attend a prophecy series and see the beauty of the truth. She lived in California, and



Lawrence was only able to occasionally share his faith with her by phone.

“Two months later, I arrived in Granite Bay, California, to conduct this series. Halfway through the meetings, I noticed a



Decisions for Baptism!




Bible School Graduates

couple who had been faithfully attending. When I visited in their home, I was amazed to discover that the wife, Nona, was Lawrence's sister! I had no idea where Nona lived in California, and Lawrence never knew I was going to Granite Bay. God truly has a plan.”

Nona was baptized and became a member of the church at the conclusion of the series. In preparation for baptism, Nona shared that she had struggled for several years with her eyes, which suffered from painful sensitivity to bright lights. She would often wear sunglasses, even indoors. Surgery and medication didn't help.

After Pastors Ross and Morgan visited with her the day before she was to be baptized, Nona wondered how she would deal with her eye malady. She prayed, asking God for healing. On Sabbath morning, she awoke to find her eyes had improved. She still hesitated to believe she was completely better and brought her sunglasses to the baptismal tank. But when her friend took her glasses to hold them while Nona was being baptized, Nona realized she had no problems with her eyes.

Nona says, “God healed me. When I awoke Sunday morning, I had no pain. In fact, since I was baptized, I have had no problems with bright lights hurting my eyes.” For seven years she tried to do everything she could to have her eyes opened. But when the light of truth shined into her heart and she received God's message, not only was her mind opened, but her eyes were healed!

The apostle Paul once prayed for the church in Ephesus that “the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling” (Ephesians 1:18). Truly, a brother's heartfelt prayer was answered in more than one way! 



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# BIBLE ANSWERS WITH DOUG BATCHELOR



## Q. What is the “abomination of desolation” spoken of in the Bible?

**A.** Matthew 24:15, 16 says, “When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, . . . Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains.”

Jesus’ comment here is a response to a question from His disciples: “When shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?” (Matthew 24:3). Christ then speaks of this abomination and says, “For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be” (v. 21).

Some scholars have identified Christ’s reference as a fulfilled prophecy—when Antiochus Epiphanes stopped the temple sacrifices between 168 and 165 B.C. They believe the pig he offered on the altar was this abomination. But this cannot be the case because that event happened more than 100 years before Jesus’ birth and Jesus puts this event in the future. Others see the abomination as the temple in Jerusalem overthrown by the Antichrist.

Jesus points us to the book of Daniel for the answer. Here we find three aspects to this abomination. The first involved the destruction of the temple in Daniel’s time. The second relates to the desolation in Jesus’ time (involving the second temple). And the third speaks of the abomination of desolation at the end of time (which involves the whole church).

The first abomination is actually a “type” of the others. It happened when Nebuchadnezzar

took the vessels of the house of God and carried them to the house of Shinar, a false god (Daniel 1:1, 2). Then Solomon's temple was burned to the ground.


The next abomination relates to the time in which Jesus expressed His displeasure of the evils taking place in God's temple. This activity eventually led to the destruction of the second temple by the Romans in AD 70. This is why, when He left that temple for the last time and saw with prophetic eyes its coming demolition, Jesus said, "Behold, your house is left unto you desolate" (Matthew 23:38).

In the next chapter, He makes it even clearer that He is speaking of the destruction of the temple, when the Romans would not leave one stone upon another (Matthew 24:1, 2). In Luke, Jesus words it this way: "And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto" (Luke 21:20, 21).

The final desolation, spoken of by Daniel (8:13; 11:31; 12:11), speaks of the rise of a false religious power, or antichrist, that will, at the end of time,



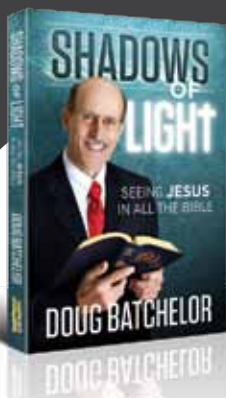
bring defilement and desolation into God's spiritual temple—His church—mingling paganism with Christianity.

Just as God gave early Christians a warning to flee Jerusalem before its desolation, so at the end of time, the Lord gives us a similar warning that when a corrupt church unites with worldly powers, we know the time of the end is at hand. We must flee Babylon or receive of her plagues. "And I heard another voice from heaven saying, 'Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues. ... For in one hour she is made desolate'" (Revelation 18:4, 19 NKJV). 

**For Further Study:** Jeremiah 44:22; Mark 13:14; Matthew 23:37, 38

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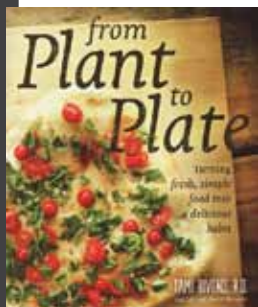
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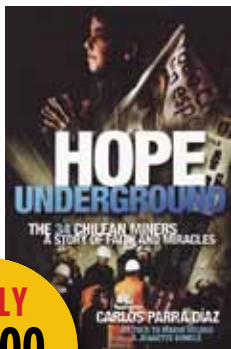




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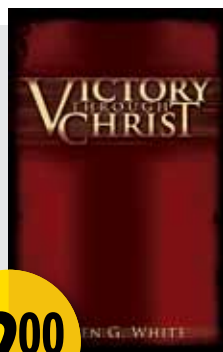
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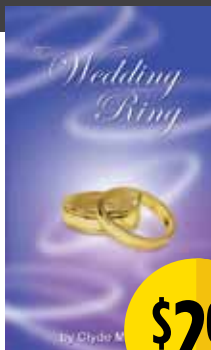
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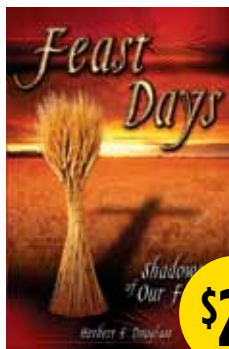
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## REVELATION

A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM JESUS



**H**ave you ever seen an animal that looks a lot like a leopard, but it has feet like a bear and a mouth like a lion? Oh, and it has seven heads too! That would get your attention, wouldn't it? Don't worry—you don't have to lock your windows and doors; this isn't a real animal. It's actually a “beast” found in the book of Revelation, the Bible's last book. This unusual animal is a symbol—it represents something in the past and future.

Do you like secrets? The word “revelation” means “the making known of a secret or the unknown.” That's what the “Revelation of Jesus Christ” does. It unlocks important secrets about the future. Jesus sent an angel to deliver this amazing message to His disciple named John. Jesus loves us so

much that He wants to let us know what He has been doing in heaven, what will happen in the world before He comes back, and what will happen after He returns.

When God tells us something about the future, it is called a prophecy. Sometimes people try to make up prophecy. They guess at what might happen in the years ahead, but most of the time it won't come true. When God gives a prophecy, though, it *always* comes true!

At first, you might think Revelation is hard to understand or scary, but after you learn to find clues and solve its mysteries, it will become exciting and well worth the effort. God even says He will bless anyone who reads and hears the prophecies of Revelation and keeps “those things which are written in it” (Revelation 1:3). So it's an important book for us to understand!

## IT REALLY HAPPENED!



Revelation 12 tells about a woman in great danger who escaped into the wilderness where God provided her a place for 1,260 days. What does it mean? We need to look at the whole Bible to understand some parts of Revelation. There's actually a clue in the Old Testament. Ezekiel 4:6 says, "I have appointed thee each day for a year." In Bible prophecy, "a day" means "a year." So this prophecy is talking about 1,260 years. The woman is a symbol for God's church.

So what happened to the church to make it hide for 1,260 years? A "beast power" ruled during that time, and it terribly mistreated God's people. But after exactly 1,260 years, the beast power lost its controlling force. This prophecy came true right on time! You can trust God's Word!

## SYMBOL Scramble

There are many symbols to explore in Revelation—such as the strange leopard beast in chapter 13, or the horsemen riding on white, red, black, and pale horses in chapter 6. Unscramble the words to find some common symbols from the book of Revelation. If you get stuck, look up the Bible verse to find the answer.

**AMSTNPALDS** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 1:12)

**ROCLLS** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 5:1)

**WOBL** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 16:2)

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**WRONG** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 3:11)

**REFI** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 19:12)

**MALB** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 22:1)

**ROESH** \_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 19:11)



# NEWS to NOTE

## Amazing Facts in Romania

In December, Pastor Doug will go to Romania to present a 10-part prophecy series to reap a harvest where the vast majority don't know the three angels' messages. Prior to his arrival, our AFCOE to Go team will arrive in Bucharest to train local church laity and pastors on the vital aspects of outreach. Then on December 6, Hope TV Romania will broadcast the series across the nation. Further, five graduates from our current crop of fall

2013 AFCOE students will cross the ocean to preach the Word in smaller villages where a personal touch is important.

Your support for this effort is deeply appreciated!



## AFCOE Indonesia Begins

We're thrilled to report that on August 19, our first AFCOE training session in Indonesia kicked off with 19 students. Please continue to pray for our AFCOE team there so that the gospel work in Indonesia can be advanced.



## AFCOE to Go San Francisco



In January, AFCOE to Go will train laity and Bible workers in San Francisco! If you're in the area, please consider attending for a time of incredible revival,

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## A Formula for Faith

Pastor Doug is now recording a new series on how lost souls can have eternal life. Based on the classic book *Steps to Christ*, it will guide men and women to the arms of Jesus and teach them what it means to walk in His steps. This series has huge potential in reaching millions with an urgent but loving message that transforms hearts and minds. We still need your help to meet the costs of producing the series so that as many people as possible have a chance to hear the message!



## Prophecy in Albuquerque

Get ready, New Mexico! In 2014, Amazing Facts will broadcast a full-scale prophecy outreach series in Albuquerque. AFCOE will also conduct a full four-month series before the event to prepare the church and assist in vital pre-work efforts. Please pray for our leadership as plans are finalized!



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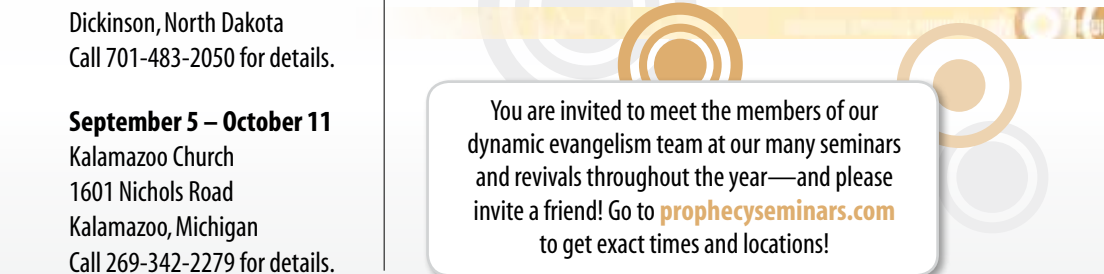
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*Our new online resource at [www.biblehistory.com](http://www.biblehistory.com) provides a first-of-its-kind Bible history timeline, giving you an extensive, easy-to-navigate, interconnected database of every Bible character and major biblical event.*

**While** 20 million Bibles are sold every year in the United States, nearly 80 percent of Americans say that actually studying their Bibles is often too confusing or simply too time consuming to pursue. And the majority of students entering Christian academies and colleges are unable to place Moses, Adam, David, Solomon, and Abraham in their correct chronological order. Can you?

So to get people more excited about their Bible study and to increase Bible literacy

when it's more important than ever, this past August, Amazing Facts released the Bible Timeline at [biblehistory.com](http://biblehistory.com), a new Bible resource that will help users from all walks of life get an expansive, contextual picture of biblical events and characters across the span of history.

The timeline was designed to help curious seekers and new and experienced Bible students get the most out of their study by providing a dynamic, intriguing, and fun-to-explore resource that utilizes

the latest online user interface, such as progressive scrolling and zoom-able layers, to pinpoint 850 historical events and Bible characters—from Adam, Obed, and Samson to Jesus, Paul, Stephen, and beyond—providing context and important information through articles, complete Scripture

references, historic artwork, and dynamic connections to educational videos and related entries.

Pastor Doug Batchelor says, “We wanted to provide a quality resource faithful to the Bible’s history, yet also one that is accessible

to students and people of all beliefs, so we took great pains over 18 months to develop, design, and write this resource in-house from the ground up. We believe the result is one that will encourage people to increase their Bible literacy in a fun and enriching way.”

The timeline features three major eras, or ages, divided into a total of 13 categories of events and characters, making navigation simple and intuitive. Visitors can also create an account to save their favorite entries for quick access wherever they are.



# The Bible Prophecy Timeline covers 13 time periods:

## AGE of PATRIARCHS

### FIRST GENERATION (*Creation to 2500*)

God creates the first humans, Adam and Eve, and places them in paradise. Shortly after, Satan leads humanity into sin, forcing the first parents out of the garden.



### NOAH AND THE FLOOD (*2500 to 2166*)

After the earth becomes full of evil and violence, God sends a flood to destroy mankind—saving only Noah and his family on the ark.

### THE PATRIARCHS (*2166 to 4*)

After the fall of the tower of Babel, God calls Abram to be the father of a new nation, the Jewish people, through his promised child Isaac.

## AGE of ISRAEL

### ISRAEL IN EGYPT (*1660 to 1445*)

The son of patriarch Jacob, Joseph, is sold into slavery only to become a ruler in Egypt. Moses is called by God to lead the Jews out of bondage.



### THE JUDGES (*1445 to 1050*)

Moses establishes the nation of Israel, setting laws and laying out a design of the Jewish sanctuary, a symbol of the saving work of the coming Messiah.

### UNITED KINGDOM (*1050 to 930*)

The first king of Israel, Saul, is called to lead Israel. After his fall, young David becomes king to establish a messianic dynasty through Solomon.

### DIVIDED KINGDOM (*930 to 586*)

Internal strife and sin leads to the dividing of the nation of Israel and Judah. Israel experiences great judgment as prophets warn of a coming exile.

### THE EXILE (*586 to 4*)

Israel and Judah are overcome by Babylon and succeeding empires as a punishment for their sins. Major prophets arise to declare the rebirth of Israel and the coming Messiah.

## AGE of CHRIST

### LIFE of CHRIST (*4 to 34*)

The promised Messiah, Jesus the Christ, is born. His ministry begins in the year 31 A.D., culminating in His death on the cross and His resurrection.



### EARLY CHURCH (*34 to 330*)

The rise of the Christian church begins after the martyrdom of Stephen. Paul, Peter, and the apostles quickly spread the good news of Jesus and persecution of Christians rises.

### MIDDLE AGES (*450 to 1517*)

After the legalization of Christianity, a great apostasy—the Dark Ages—begins, as God's people are persecuted in the name of God.

### REFORMATION (*1517 to 1840*)

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### REVELATION PROPHECIES (*Creation to Present day*)

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its relationship to Revelation's prophetic stories of Jesus' church, and the rise of a dark power called Babylon.

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- The adoption of Christianity in Rome and its consequences
- What happened when the church mixed with pagan traditions and philosophies
- Explores the Dark Ages and the rise of the Reformation
- Pinpoints our time in the chronology of Revelation

By the end of this feature, I'm sure you will be as confident as ever in your understanding of the core teachings of Revelation and know the real-world identities of the beast power, the harlot of Revelation 17, and the bride of Revelation 12, while also understanding the conflict between these great powers through



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Before his death the apostle Paul warned believers, “For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after themselves (Acts 20:29, 30).


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**Margaret Coleman** from Eleanor Labare

It is with sadness that Amazing Facts acknowledges the passing of Dee May (Dickinson), the wife of William May, the co-founder of Amazing Facts and author of our popular Study Guides. Dee died on Thursday, October 3. Says Pastor Doug Batchelor, "Without the Mays, Amazing Facts might have never become the worldwide ministry it is today, and we are certain that many souls in heaven will be there because of the positive Christian influence of the May family. We look forward to the great reunion with our faithful friends Bill and Dee."

**Terri Cossin** from Hazel Freeman, her mother

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**Eleanor Park** from Don Park

**Charlie Parmenter** from Joan  
Parmenter, his wife

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and Wallace Fuller

**Dorothy Payne** from James and  
Eileen Curtis

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Cardwell, his niece

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Kinder; from Lauralee Robeson;  
from Betty Jo Rose

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Gayle Tyroff

**Rose and Louis Prior** from Betty Prior,  
their daughter

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**Shirley Rawe** from Ruth Sackett

**Kenny Reiswig** from Ed and Bonnie  
Ensminger

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his brother

**Veena Robson-Towsley-Unger** from  
Ragsdale family

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and Udene Allen

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Nickerson and family

**Gerald Silvestri** from John and Anita  
Silvestri, his parents

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and Morey Lyons

**Morris Venden** from Claudie English

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Wickwire, his wife

**Arlene Wiggins** from Al Wiggins,  
her husband

**T.D. Yu** from Michael Yu, his son

**N. Dale Zumwalt** by Barbara Zumwalt,  
his wife

## **Happy Anniversary**

**Tena and George Baehm (50th)** from  
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from Wallace and Amy Tamayose

**Anthony Lester and Haley Trimmer  
(10th)**

**Kathryn and Albert Pagnucci (60th)**  
from Donald and Jane Bowe

# Thanksgiving Every Day!

By Laurie Lyon

“In everything give thanks ...”

## Being thankful

is good for your health.

This has become obvious from a number of scientific studies in recent years, and many articles have been written on the subject. It's easy to forget to be thankful if you haven't cultivated the habit. But once you learn the incredible benefits of gratitude, you won't want to miss out on them!

For starters, gratitude can make you feel happier and more satisfied with your life. It promotes an optimistic outlook and helps to drive away negative emotions. It helps you cope with adversity and glean more enjoyment from good experiences. If you are thankful, you're also less likely to take things for granted.

Thankfulness can even improve relationships. If you let others know you're grateful for something they've done—or that

you appreciate some quality in them—you will encourage positive feelings in both them and yourself.

There are benefits to physical health as well. Gratitude decreases stress and boosts the immune system. It's also good for your heart; researchers have actually measured improvements in cardiac rhythms and blood pressure in people who practiced thankfulness.

The rewards associated with thankfulness span the mental, physical, social, and spiritual aspects of our lives!

## How to Excel in Gratitude

Anyone can cultivate gratitude; it just takes practice. Writing out the things for which you are thankful—current or past blessings—is a simple exercise with great benefits. It doesn't have to be a list of big



things in order to reap big benefits, either. You can be thankful for a good-tasting piece of fruit, for instance. You can even feel grateful for something that didn't happen. For example, it didn't rain or your checkbook balance wasn't quite as low as you thought.

Get one of those little spiral notebooks and start noting the blessings you've received. An excellent time to do this is at bedtime. Another study found that when people spent time writing down things they are thankful for before going bed, they slept easier and longer—adding another dimension of benefit.

Here are more specific things you can do to raise your level of gratitude:

- 🍁 Think about the good things that have happened in your life. These can be past or current, and they can be tangible or intangible. Just thinking about them will brighten your mood.
- 🍁 Count your blessings; keep a journal or list of them.
- 🍁 Talk to others about the things you're thankful for. This is a benefit to the listener as well.



🍁 Send a thank-you note to someone. This is another activity that benefits more than just you. Give someone a boost!

🍁 And most important, pray and thank God—the source of all good—for your blessings. The Bible advises us to “give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!” (1 Chronicles 16:34). And the apostle Paul wrote, “In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you” (1 Thessalonians 5:18).



In good times and bad, there are always things to be thankful for. Sometimes it might be a struggle to recognize them when the chips are down, but it's well worth the effort. You're really re-training your brain to work in more positive ways. Most of us tend to focus more than we should on negative things. Being thankful can help to balance out this “negative bias.”

So cultivate that gratitude. Practice thanksgiving every day and reap a bountiful harvest of happiness all year long! 📖



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