

# **The Book of Revelation: 2-Putting the Future 'to bed'**

# Summary So Far

- (1) The first verse in Revelation gives us the purpose of the book
- (2) The book is not definitively introduced as “the revelation of Jesus”
- (3) The introduction could easily be stated as “the revelation from Jesus”
- (4) The revelation was give to Jesus by Father

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- (5) The revelation was specifically for Jesus' followers (his “servants”)
- (6) The revelation was to inform them about what was soon (“shortly”) to happen because the time was “near”
- (7) The Greek text allows any number of interpretations for the reason for the Book – NOT just one interpretation



# Revelation is one of the main stumbling blocks to understanding salvation

*Modern theology based on  
Revelation will cancel any  
reprogramming into the  
reality of salvation*



A Kingdom principle:

*We need to end up having the  
Trinity's mind on everything.  
Without it we're not living in reality*

**This is why an investigation into  
Revelation is essential**

We already know that Matthew 24  
doesn't point to the time of The End  
just before Jesus' return

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Matthew 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21  
read in conjunction with each other  
give the right understanding – the  
destruction of Jerusalem and the  
Jewish nation as well as it's religious  
system

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This destruction of the Jewish system was spiritual preparation for the end of the OC and the introduction of the NC

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Jesus' discourse was actually a prophetic message to alert the Jews of his day to what was coming because of their apostasy.

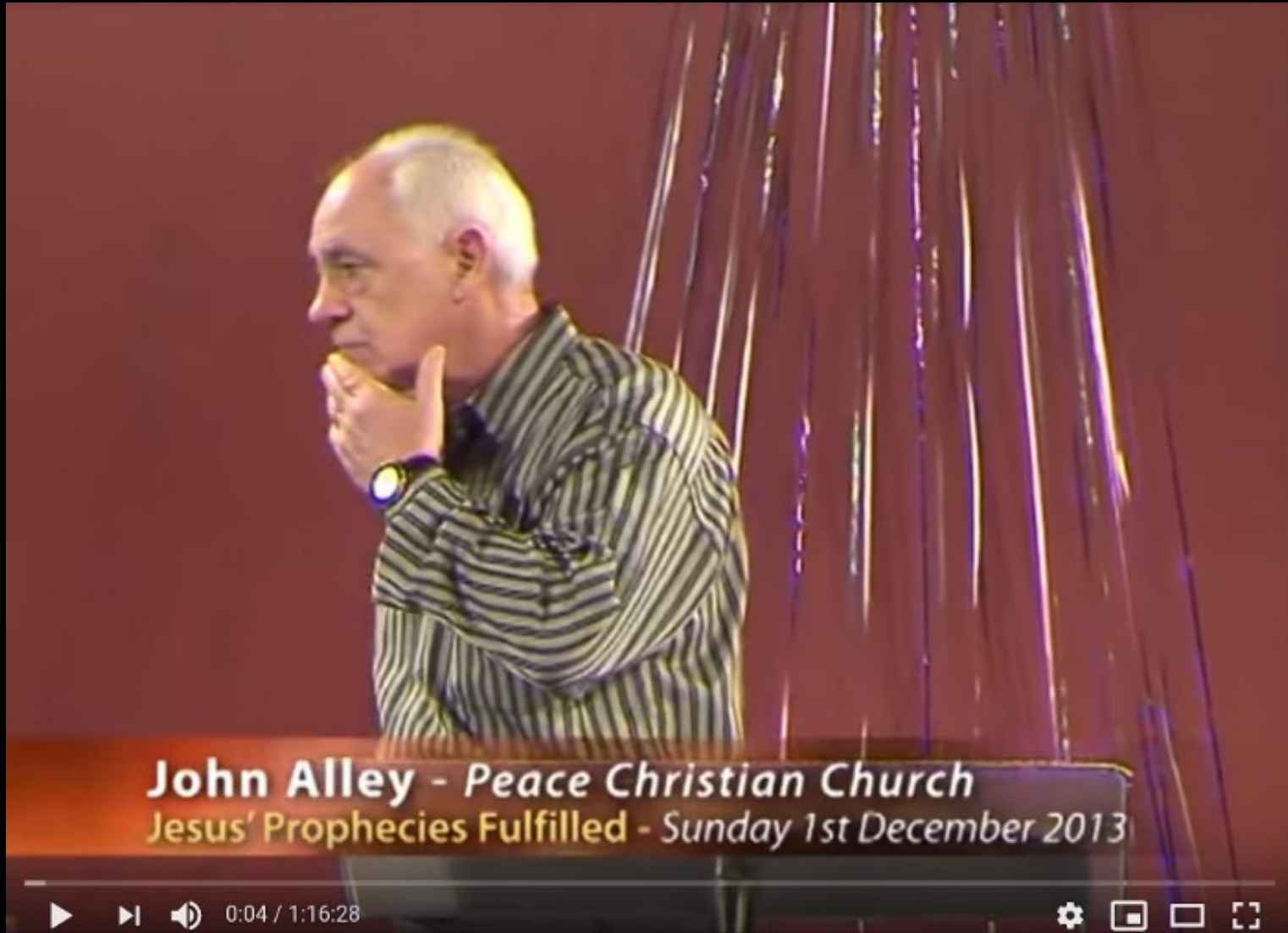
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It was also to prepare Jesus' disciples and their converts for a mass evacuation from Jerusalem

*This was for their salvation*

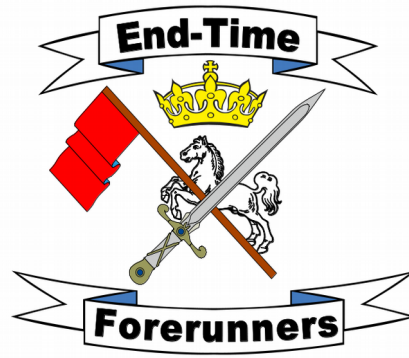
**This understanding of the  
Gospels and Revelation is  
known as the Preterist view of  
eschatology**

**It's important to remind  
ourselves of the historic facts  
behind the Preterist view so we  
are not sidetracked in our  
understanding of Revelation**



Revelation cannot be proved to be  
an outline of end-time eschatology  
based on Matthew 24

*That would give an erroneous  
interpretation of Revelation*



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