

We are presently studying and almost finished with the doctrine of the Rapture.

This is followed by silence of God and now leads us to the next event that takes place after the Rapture and that is:

### **Y Point 15. The Rapture and the Big Genuflex.**

First of all;

We will begin with our main passage that will deal with why there was silence in heaven and why every knee shall bow and every tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord; PHI 2:9-11; ROM 10:9-10.

REV 1:7 Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. Even so. Amen.

REV 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

REV 1:9 I, John, your brother and fellow partaker in the tribulation and kingdom and perseverance which are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos [for the mentally disturbed], because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus.

REV 1:10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like the sound of a trumpet,

REV 1:11 saying, "Write in a book what you see, and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

REV 1:12 And I turned to see the voice that was speaking with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands;

REV 1:13 and in the middle of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His breast with a golden girdle.

REV 1:14 And His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow; and His eyes were like a flame of fire;

REV 1:15 and His feet were like burnished bronze, when it has been caused to glow in a furnace, and His voice was like the sound of many waters.

REV 1:16 And in His right hand He held seven stars; and out of His mouth came a sharp two edged sword; and His face was like the sun shining in its strength.

This passage describes the silence of God and the reason for the Big Genuflex.

Our first principle is:

**1. Y The Big Genuflex is where every knee shall bow and every tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord.**

The Big Genuflex is the interim event between the Rapture and the Judgment Seat of Christ.

Therefore,

It is both the *glorification* of the Father's plan and the *recognition* of our Lord's battlefield royalty which was bestowed at His session; COL 2:13-15.

However, only suffering for blessing has momentum.

Therefore, when you pass these different tests, you are qualified for blessing and therefore glorification.

Glorification of God is related to the distribution of your escrow blessings for time; EPH 1:3-11.

Ephesians 1 teaches that the first thing God ever did for us is the means of glorifying Him, which is to receive the blessings He has provided for us.

Billions of years ago, God the Father deposited into escrow, the greatest blessings that you and I can't even imagine.

And these fantastic blessings are tailored perfectly just for you.

Under the doctrine of election, God wills the highest and the best for you as a believer, and it's only when you receive that highest and best that you glorify God.

This is why we have noted that every believer has a tremendous escrow account in heaven.

People often ask;

**Y What is God's will for my life?**

And the answer is very simple.

God's will is for you to glorify Him.

How?

Here's a verse that most of you are very familiar with that gets right to the point!

MAT 5:16 "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and *glorify* your Father who is in heaven."

God's will is for you to;

Withdraw from your escrow account as much as you can and that brings glory to the Lord as we are about to look at a passage that tells us *WHY* there will be a Big Genuflex right after our doctrine of the Rapture.

The point is that God has the highest and the best for you.

He has the greatest blessings, blessings that stagger the imagination.

And;

God's will for your life is for you to have the most phenomenal blessings.

And the very fact that some of you don't believe that and you think God is fighting against you because of some area in your life, reveals that you have bought a lie from Satan.

Satan will try to cause you to feel guilty and get on a works program so that you will not glorify God.

The fact that you do not have the most phenomenal blessings in time and eternity simply means that you're choosing to be a loser.

It is making choices that makes us losers.

It is making choices that makes us winners.

So,

God not only wills the highest and best for each believer but, at the same time, He provides equal privilege and equal opportunity to attain these blessings.

Equal privilege means that you are in union with Christ and His church.  
(Explain)

Equal opportunity means that you have logistical grace support.  
(Explain)

So, There is no excuse for any believer in all of the history of the Church-age for not receiving phenomenal blessings and to bring glory to the one we will see one day in all His glory.

The reason is just plain old negative volition toward doctrine.

It takes perseverance and positive volition toward doctrine.

And,

You can't be positive if you submit to negative feelings and depressions.

Or;

If you allow someone's personality to get you angry and it gets in the way of your motivation or momentum.

And so, when you think doctrine doesn't work and you start to peel off and begin to miss vital doctrines, you've had it.

All you do is cut yourself off from being able to withdraw from your escrow account in heavenly places.

So, the question is obvious?

**Y Why are you here?**

Only the believer who stays with doctrine can really answer that question!

You and I are here to glorify God through the glory that our Lord received for finishing the work that God called Him to do; JOH 19:30.

JOH 19:30 When Jesus therefore had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head, and gave up His spirit.

Now, when our Lord said this, He was still alive physically because the payment for sin is spiritual death not physical death.

When the average Christian is asked did Jesus die for us, they immediately think of His death physically when in reality it was His spiritual death or being separated from God that He died for.

When He had said "It is Finished," He had glorified God by defeating His enemies on the cross; JOH 19:30; COL 2:13-15.

So,

**Y Why are you here?**

As most of you have heard so many times before and a verse you should never become familiar with that describes why we are here;

REV 4:11 "Worthy art Thou, our Lord and our God, to receive *glory* and honor and power; for Thou didst create all things, and because of Thy will they existed, and were created."

So much for why you are here,

A second question is;

**Y Why did God create you?**

He tells us why in Isa 43:21.

ISA 43:21 "The people whom I formed for Myself, Will declare My *glory*."

Now, the next question you should have is;

***"How can I glorify God?"***

Glorifying God demands understanding.

And you will be kept alive by God long enough to have the opportunity to understand.

You will be kept alive by God to fulfill His plan.

Unless you're a cosmic believer and you reach the point of divine discipline and become a loser.

The principle is that;

God's will for your life as a member of the Family of God is to bless you and to give you prosperity in the midst of all adverse situations.

Therefore, in eternity past;

God looked down the corridor of time and saw all the problems we would have and all the decisions that we would make and so God provided a fantastic plan which included His highest and best just for you.

And.....

You glorify Him when you live in that plan and receive all the blessing's He has provided for you to receive.

EPH 1:3 again says (eulogetos) Worthy of praise and glorification be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,

EPH 1:4 just as He (God the Father) elected us in Him before the foundation of the world,

Notice once again, it is for His glory!

God had a reason for all He has done for you and this reason gives purpose to your life.

Remember that;

Anything God does results in His glorification.

God does not depend on us for His pleasure or His glory.

He enjoyed these things in eternity past when no one else existed.

God doesn't depend on us for His pleasure and glory but instead He expresses His pleasure and glory toward us even when we fail.

Therefore,

Because God is to be glorified you and I are the beneficiaries of His blessings and divine provisions.

In this way, God is glorified.

God is not glorified by our system of human works but is glorified by meeting our every need.

ISA 26:15 Thou hast increased the nation, O Lord, Thou hast increased the nation, Thou art glorified;

ISA 60:21 "Then all your people will be righteous; They will possess the land forever, The branch of My planting, The work of My hands, That I may be glorified.

PSA 50:15 And call upon Me in the day of trouble; I shall rescue you, and you will glorify Me."

God is glorified when He rescues us!

Moses found out what God's glory was all about in Exo 33:18-19.

EXO 33:18 Then Moses said, "I pray Thee, show me Thy glory!"

The Lord said, you want to see My glory, here it is.

EXO 33:19 And He said, "I Myself will make all My goodness pass before you, and will proclaim the name of the Lord before you; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show compassion on whom I will show compassion."

Notice that;

His glory is revealed by His graciousness and His compassion.

It is not manifested by miracles being performed by heaven and thunder and lightning come down from the heavens.

No....

His glory is revealed by being gracious and compassionate toward ALL believers whether in the OT or NT.

So, God's glory that we will see one day experientially, is manifest in time by His grace and compassion toward us.

Just think about it, He does all the work and we get all the blessings as it were.

We know that because of verses like

1TH 5:24 Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass.

And how about our old friend from the book of Philippians which says in;

PHI 1:6 For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

He works – We receive  
We receive – He is glorified.

PHI 2:12 So then, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling;

- PHI 2:13 for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.

- PHI 2:14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing;

- PHI 2:15 that you may prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,

- PHI 2:16 holding fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may have cause to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain.

God's pleasure is to give to His creatures!

This is why Elihu (the doctrinal friend of Job said in JOB 36:11 that, if we obey God and serve Him, we will spend our days in prosperity and our years in pleasures.

So, The Big Genuflex in the doctrine of the Rapture begins when we see Him for the first time as the apostle John literally describes for us by means of the Holy Spirit.

Let's look at the main passage now and get ready to break it down then break it down verse by verse

Beginning in REV 1:7 Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. Even so. Amen.

The exegesis or the original language is rather difficult at the start of this verse.

Without going into great detail on the passage, I will just tell you what the original language has to say.

When we see Him for the first time, the original language says that He **commands** us to behold His glory.

He commands us to see and He demands perception.

It is a call for concentration on the subject.

We must remember that;

Behind the translation is a **command** for concentration under the ministry of God the Holy Spirit, and that is utterly impossible unless you are residing inside the PPOG.

The point is that:

All future history revolves around our Lord Jesus Christ because;

In a moment of time, at the Second Advent, our Lord accomplishes what all of the men of genius were not able to accomplish in the history of the world.

He provides the regathering of Israel and the re-establishing of Israel as a client nation to God.

He fulfils the four unconditional covenants to Israel which man cannot fulfil.

The covenants to Israel are defined as God's gracious promises and provision for the new racial species called the Jew.

The key to the covenants to Israel is based on two doctrines: the Jews as a new racial species and Israel as a client nation to God.

The Jew had to believe in Jesus Christ in order to qualify to receive the blessings of these covenants.

The five covenants to Israel are generally classified as conditional and unconditional. The Mosaic Law is conditional; the Abrahamic, Palestinian, Davidic, and New Covenants are unconditional.

There are five covenants to Israel; four unconditional and one conditional.

1. The Abrahamic Covenant defines the race for client nation Israel. Abraham became a Jew at age 99; circumcision was the sign, Gen 12:1-3, GEN 13:15-18.
2. The Palestinian Covenant defines the land for client nation Israel, Gen 15:18; Num 34:1-12; Deu 30:1-9; Jos 1:3-4. This is the real estate of the client nation.
3. The Mosaic Law defines the policy for client nation Israel (both spiritual and temporal policy). This is the one conditional covenant.
4. The Davidic Covenant defines the dynasty for client nation Israel, 2SA 7:8-16; PSA 89:20-37.
5. The New Covenant defines the restoration of the client nation Israel at the Second Advent and its millennial reign, Jer 31:31-34. This part of the contract is not operational until the Second Advent.

At the same time;

He provides perfect environment on the earth which is absolutely impossible today.

The only thing that is accomplished in every generation of history is the fact that;

Since the beginning of time, there never has been a generation which was not evangelized.

Do you realize that?

Paul did in Col 1:3-6.

COL 1:3 We give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,

- COL 1:4 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and the love which you have for all the saints;

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- COL 1:5 because of the hope laid up for you in heaven, of which you previously heard in the word of truth, the gospel,

- COL 1:6 which has come to you, **just as in all the world** also it is constantly bearing fruit and increasing, even as it has been doing in you also since the day you heard of it and understood the grace of God in truth;

For example, look at the Gospel of John.

JOH 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

JOH 1:2 He was in the beginning with God.

JOH 1:3 All things came into being by Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

JOH 1:4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

JOH 1:5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

JOH 1:6 There came a man, sent from God, whose name was John.

JOH 1:7 He came for a witness, that he might bear witness of the light, that all might believe through him.

JOH 1:8 He was not the light, but came that he might bear witness of the light.

JOH 1:9 There was the true light which, coming into the world, **enlightens every man.**

No matter who it is. they can be saved even if they never heard the Gospel.

For example, Look what Paul wrote in the book of Romans.

ROM 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

ROM 1:19 because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them.

ROM 1:20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.

Look at ROM 2:14 For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves,

ROM 2:15 in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness, and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them,

ROM 2:16 on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus.

**Y What about people who have never heard the Gospel.**

Well,

They either have nature speak to them or they are safe because they never reach the age of accountability or they were born without the ability to make a decision.

And;

Because of the glory of God, they are safe although not saved.

Let me illustrate this with a fantastic passage in JON 3-4.

Rather than give you all the background, I am just going to read it.

JON 3:1 Now the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying,

- JON 3:2 "Arise, go to Nineveh the great city and proclaim to it the proclamation which I am going to tell you."

- JON 3:3 So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, a three days' walk.

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JON 3:4 Then Jonah began to go through the city one day's walk; and he cried out and said, "Yet forty days and Nineveh will be overthrown."

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JON 3:5 Then the people of Nineveh believed in God; and they called a fast and put on sackcloth from the greatest to the least of them.

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JON 3:6 When the word reached the king of Nineveh, he arose from his throne, laid aside his robe from him, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat on the ashes.

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JON 3:7 And he issued a proclamation and it said, "In Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles: Do not let man, beast, herd, or flock taste a thing. Do not let them eat or drink water.

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JON 3:8 "But both man and beast must be covered with sackcloth; and let men call on God earnestly that each may turn from his wicked way and from the violence which is in his hands.

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JON 3:9 "Who knows, God may turn and relent, and withdraw His burning anger so that we shall not perish?"

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JON 3:10 When God saw their deeds, that they turned from their wicked way, then God relented concerning the calamity which He had declared He would bring upon them. And He did not do it.

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JON 4:1 But it greatly displeased Jonah, and he became angry.

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JON 4:2 And he prayed to the Lord and said, "Please Lord, was not this what I said while I was still in my own country? Therefore, in order to forestall this I fled to Tarshish, for I knew that Thou art a gracious and

compassionate God, slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, and one who relents concerning calamity.

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JON 4:3 "Therefore now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for death is better to me than life."

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JON 4:4 And the Lord said, "Do you have good reason to be angry?"

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JON 4:5 Then Jonah went out from the city and sat east of it. There he made a shelter for himself and sat under it in the shade until he could see what would happen in the city.

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JON 4:6 So the Lord God appointed a plant and it grew up over Jonah to be a shade over his head to deliver him from his discomfort. And Jonah was extremely happy about the plant.

JON 4:7 But God appointed a worm when dawn came the next day, and it attacked the plant and it withered.

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JON 4:8 And it came about when the sun came up that God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on Jonah's head so that he became faint and begged with all his soul to die, saying, "Death is better to me than life."

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JON 4:9 Then God said to Jonah, "Do you have good reason to be angry about the plant?" And he said, "I have good reason to be angry, even to death."

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JON 4:10 Then the Lord said, "You had compassion on the plant for which you did not work, and which you did not cause to grow, which came up overnight and perished overnight."

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Now notice the main verse, verse 11.

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JON 4:11 "And should I not have compassion on Nineveh, the great city in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know the difference between their right and left hand, as well as many animals?"

Even animals will be blessed by God and they cannot think mentally like we do.

By the way, this verse seems to say that your pet animal will be in Heaven.

We know animals are there because at the Second Advent we come back with our Lord on **white horses**; **REV 6:2**.

REV 6:2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse, and he who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him; and he went out conquering, and to conquer.

REV 19:11 And I saw heaven opened; and behold, a white horse, and He who sat upon it is called Faithful and True; and in righteousness He judges and wages war.

There are also black horses in Heaven; REV 6:5.

REV 6:5 And when He broke the third seal, I heard the third living creature saying, "Come." And I looked, and behold, a black horse; and he who sat on it had a pair of scales in his hand.

This is why we should all be very careful how we treat animals;

PRO 12:10 A righteous man has regard for the life of his beast, but the compassion of the wicked is cruel.

As a part of His glory and why we bow down before Him at the Big Genuflex, we also note that;

The Lord Jesus Christ is going to make the most radical change in history at His Second Advent.

He supersedes Satan as the ruler of this world at the second advent when there will then be 1000 years of perfect environment.

There is no way that the world can be destroyed by man's use of nuclear weapons.

When REV 1:7 says Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him,

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The phrase "every eye will see Him" indicates the entire human race alive at the Second Advent of Jesus Christ.

While the earth is a sphere rotating on its axis (the reason for the perfect environment on the Millennium)

every eye which is capable of sight will see the return of TLJC.

And;

While on the surface this appears to be impossible but as LUK 1:37 says "For nothing will be impossible with God."

It is a dogmatic fact that every eye will see Him.

The question emerges;

**Y How is this possible?**

The real answer is found in eleven passages of the Word of God that I would give you if we were studying the Doctrine of the Big Genuflex.

But;

REV 1:7 is a specific reference to the mourning of Israel at the Second Advent which is why every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him.

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For, and this is why we repeat and why we look at every word in every verse.

For in:

PRO 30:5 Every word of God is tested;

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And, is all the word of God meaningful to us or not?

Should we say that;

We will only follow the rules and commands of the dispensation we are a part of.

The word of God says otherwise.

2TI 3:16 All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;

So,

In Rev 1:7, it is not the mourning of the entire world.

These are Jewish tribes that behold Him and the occasion is the regathering of Israel by our Lord Jesus Christ who they now realize was and is their Messiah.

It refers to the land of Israel and the regathering of Israel in the land as they “will grieve” because of him.

This is just the beginning of why there is a Big Genuflex after we see Him and all His glory for the first time ever.

Look at the next verse, REV 1:8 where there were offered sacrifices which are actually recorded under the phrases “Alpha and Omega.”

REV 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

The Alpha and the Omega," says that they offered all five of the sacrifices in the book of Leviticus which speak of our Lord's work on the cross.

Each offering would portray some aspect of redemption, reconciliation, or propitiation, which is the gift of eternal salvation through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

He says that He is the “Alpha and Omega,”

Alpha is the designation of our Lord's deity and a reference to the glory of Jesus Christ related to the fact that Jesus Christ is God.

It is related to His divine essence plus the fact that Jesus Christ is the creator of the world.

Omega, on the other hand refers to our Lord Jesus Christ in hypostatic union.

Therefore,

The Omega glory of Christ is related to the First Advent which is what the Jews have ignored; JOH 1:10-11.

JOH 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

JOH 1:11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.

It refers to the fact that historically He has come.

Remember that;

The First Advent of Christ includes His **Virgin Birth**, the **Hypostatic Union**, the residence of our Lord inside the **PPOG**, His **Impeccability**, His **Saving work** on the cross, His **Resurrection, Ascension, and Session**.

At that time, because He fulfilled the Father's plan, He received His omega glory.

It is the royal patent which He received under the title of King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Our Lord's first royal patent is related to His deity and His title is Son of God, His Royal Family is God the Father and God the Holy Spirit.

Our Lord's second royal patent came at the point of His physical birth.

He was Born a son of David.

His title is Son of David, it is the title of royalty, the Davidic dynasty is the Royal Family of Israel, but that is not like the Royal Family of the Church-age.

Then;

When He was seated at the right hand of the Father after His resurrection, He was given a royal patent but it did not carry with it a Royal Family.

Therefore,

We have the discontinuing of the Age of Israel and the insertion of the Church-age and the Royal family of God called Theologically **Intercalation**.

This means that the dispensation of Israel was halted and the Lord inserted the Church-age.

As a believer, you are not just a child of God, you are a member of the Royal Family of God.

Being in this dispensation therefore carries great responsibility.

And in the doctrine of the Rapture, it is extremely important that we understand all these doctrinal principles as they are related to each other.

The Omega glory of Jesus Christ mentioned in REV 1:8 indicates that Jesus Christ controls history.

REV 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is (He's always been) and who was (Hypostatic Union) and who is to come (Second Advent), the Almighty."

This means that;

The Church-age is the dead spot as far as prophecy is concerned because it is the historical dispensation in which the Royal Family of Christ is being formed to return with Him at the Second Advent.

We live in a dispensation of no prophecy.

Instead of prophecy, we have something of great significance: historical trends that bless the nation that you live in because the pivot is large enough to spare the nation. MAT 5:13-14.

Church-age believers reside between the two greatest prophetic events of history, the First and Second Advents of Christ.

The First Advent = Jesus Christ in His omega glory becomes the key to our interpretation of history on a daily basis.

We receive enough of this information from the media and ignore the slant they give to it and interpret the facts in relationship to the historical trends.

Historical blessing is administered through the client nations to God.

Whereas;

Historical disaster results from a maximum number of believers living in the cosmic system.

Historical disaster is usually administered through some evil nation.

This is called;

God using evil one to discipline evil two.

Evil one is an evil ungodly nation that God allows them to discipline evil two who are believers in apostasy or reversionism.

Some call it backsliding.

The reasons why we have a Big Genuflex is;

1. From His Alpha glory, which is the beginning, Jesus Christ is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

Therefore;

2. The Jews have certain privileges related to their founding as a race since they are the last pure race of history.

There is no such thing as a pure race any longer, including the Jewish race.

The first privilege, believe it or not, was the 400 years of slavery which gave them the necessary discipline and character to exist as a client nation.

3. As the Alpha and the Omega glory, Jesus Christ is the future ruler of Israel. He was born the ruler of Israel; He was born the Son of David.

This is why we noted all those passages that dealt with our Lord's Royal Family.

4. The Jewish race was founded on recognition of the alpha glory of Christ, for Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were all believers in TLJC and

were able to relate their animal sacrifices to His future work on the cross.

5. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were born again through faith in Jesus Christ whom they recognized as their God, their Savior, and their **King**.

6. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob set a *precedent* for the Jewish race in their recognition of both the alpha and the omega glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

This precedent was perpetuated by Moses the founder of the client nation to God when he wrote in;

DEU 6:4 which says “Shama (Hear) Israel, Adonai (Lord) Elohenu (God), Adonai (Lord) eched (unique).”

The verse is recited every Saturday in the orthodox Jewish Temples.

The key word here is eched translated unique.  
And....

The Lord is unique because He is different than God because He is also Human forever.

He is also unique because He is different than man because He is also God or deity forever.

He is not half man and half God; He is 100% Human and He is 100% Deity or God.

Translation of DEU 6:4 is “Hear, O Israel! Jehovah is our God, Jehovah is one (unique).”

Again, notice the two verses we note so far;

REV 1:7 Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. Even so. Amen.

REV 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Many thousands of people will reject Christ during the Tribulation even though they hear the greatest and soundest and most lucid gospel message of all time.

And;

What a shock it will be to reject Christ as personal Savior and then see Him return to the earth.

As the key to prophecy Jesus Christ will be observed by the entire population of the earth at the Second Advent.

We should also notice that;

As the eternal ruler of client nation Israel Jesus Christ will restore Israel as a nation or people He has chosen.

All the Jews will be gathered in the land for the fulfilment of the unconditional covenants to Israel and they are going to grieve.

Why?

Israel failed to believe in Christ for salvation and lost their client nation status during the times of the Gentiles, which includes the Church-age.

There are certain parables which describe this grief in terms of the baptism of fire, like the wheat and the tares, the ten virgins.

In view of the great evangelism of the Tribulation there is no excuse for any Jew rejecting Jesus Christ as their Savior.

The rejection of Jesus Christ results in divine judgment and the removal of all unbelieving Jews from the earth.

This alone is enough reason for the grief expressed by unbelievers.

The grief of Jewish believers is different for they are expressing lamentation for the failure of Israel as a client nation to God.

They are expressing not only their occupation with the person of Christ but patriotism also.

And just as REV 1:7 expresses the fact that Jesus Christ is the key to prophecy so the next verse expresses the doctrine that Jesus Christ is the key to history.

REV 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Principles:

1. No prosperous nation or client nation to God, as Israel was, even in prosperity, perpetuates its spiritual life because they did not obey the commands or doctrines of God.

2. Prosperity, for the carnal believer, inevitably results in neglect of truth or doctrine.

Therefore;

3. Many believers take the prosperity they received from the PPOG and seek to enjoy what they gained from living in the plan of God by taking their prosperity to live in the cosmic system.

4. In the cosmic system the believer becomes preoccupied with the results of prosperity rather than the origin of where it came from.

His life is wrapped up in pleasure, promotion, success, status symbols, social life, sex, wealth, material things, etc.

5. The issue is are you focused on the gift or the Giver.

6. The prosperity test is the most subtle and difficult of all tests for both the individual and the nation involved.

That what this grieving is about in verse seven.

People have selected the wrong thing and now they are grieving because they have made an irreparable mistake.

That is the Tribulation.

If you are still alive there is no such thing as an irreparable mistake for you as a believer.

You will pay for it and you will suffer for it but it isn't irreparable as long as you're alive.

7. It is subtle because it requires as much if not more doctrine for both capacity and perpetuation of prosperity.

It is subtle because it takes more doctrine to pass the test than anything else, and the prosperity test is difficult because you forget the origin of the prosperity.

8. Too often prosperity becomes the enemy of right priorities or true scale of values.

9. This ties in with manifest destiny where there is a struggle for freedom, then there is the establishment of freedom through military victory.

There is capacity for freedom and the enjoyment.

There is the test of freedom — prosperity.

10. The prosperity of the nation eventually destroys the nation. (take ours)

11. When people are prosperous, they start looking for pleasure and doctrine takes a back seat and so does freedom.

So,

12. The true expressions of prosperity are freedom and doctrine but the inevitable expressions of prosperity come from the cosmic system, and that means pleasure with problems.

It is possible to perpetuate prosperity under freedom but it is not probable for any length of time.

Start with the old sin nature and you have your first cause, but it requires a large pivot of mature believers.

It requires consistent positive volition toward doctrine for that prosperity to be perpetuated.

As goes the believer so goes the client nation.

In the course of this it was decided by western European culture that;

Since these things were so significant, we must have salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ and freedom through military victory.

Why do the Jews suffer periodically the most terrible persecutions?

We know through Genesis 12:1-3 and other passages of the Word of God that anti-Semitism will always be punished.

Gentiles often suffer a counter holocaust because of their attitude toward the Jews.

We have no right to punish the Jews.

The right to punish Israel belongs to God, and in His wisdom only God can do it in perfect justice.

Therefore, we accept Jews into our land and they make wonderful citizens on the whole.

Now

In REV 1:8, Jesus Christ is the key to history and the principle of Omega glory: the issue is do you accept it or reject it?

The omega glory of Jesus Christ enters history and becomes the key to history for us as a nation collectively and the key to your destiny individually as a person.

In REV 1:8, it is Israel's failure collectively to recognize Omega glory that led to their removal as a client nation.

The Alpha glory of our Lord Jesus Christ is related to the fact that Jesus Christ is God, coequal and co-eternal with God the Father and God the Holy Spirit.

The Alpha glory of Jesus Christ is related to His divine essence, His integrity, plus the fact that Jesus Christ is the creator of the world.

All of the attributes of deity belong to our Lord Jesus Christ and none of them were in any way compromised by the hypostatic union.

So,

When Jesus Christ says, “I am the Alpha” He is referring to the fact of His deity.

Omega, on the other hand, refers to our Lord Jesus Christ in hypostatic union and is related to the first advent.

The Omega glory is what the Jews have ignored.

It refers to the fact that historically He has come.