

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

When peace like a river attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot Thou hast taught me to say
It is well, it is well with my soul

Chorus:

It is well (it is well),
With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well, with my soul

My sin - oh, the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord O my soul!

(No Chorus)

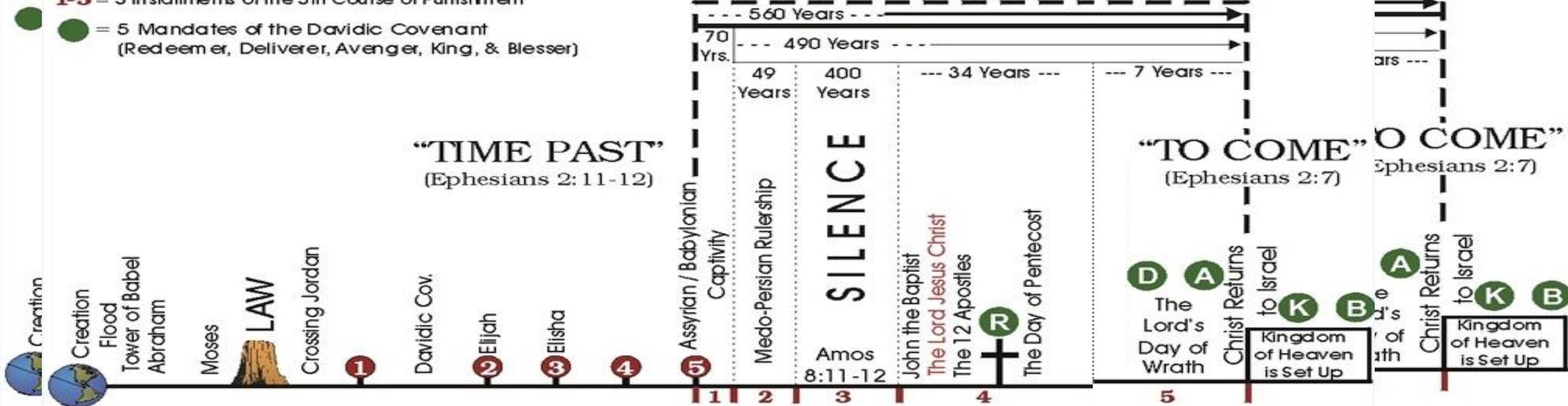
And Lord haste the day
When the faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound
And the Lord shall descend
“Even so,” it is well with my soul

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With my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well, with my soul

- = 5 Courses of Punishment (Lev. 26)
- 1-5 = 5 Installments of the 5th Course of Punishment
- = 5 Mandates of the Davidic Covenant (Redeemer, Deliverer, Avenger, King, & Blessor)

TIMES OF THE GENTILES



ISRAEL - "The Circumcision" - "nigh unto God"
 THE LAW serves as a "middle wall of partition."

GENTILES - "Uncircumcision" "far off" "without God"

Genesis	Exodus Leviticus Numbers Deut.	Josh.	Jud. Ruth 1 Sam 1-16	1 Sam 16 to 1 Kgs 12	1 Kgs 12 to 22	2 Kgs 10:32 to 10:31	2 Kgs 17:1 to 25:30	Ezr Neh Est	The Silence of God	Matthew Mark Luke John	Acts 1-8	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 1, 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation	Hebrews James 1 & 2 Peter 2 & 3 John Jude The Book of the Revelation
				1 and 2 Chronicles				Isa, Jer, Lam, Ezk, Dan, Hos, Joel, Amos, Oba, Jon, Mic, Nah, Hab, Zeph, Hag, Zec, Mal.					

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Silencing of the VRS

Mat. 22 & 23

The Final Week (Pt. 8)

GOOD MORNING!!

1. Huge Symphonic GOODBYE VRS:
 - a. Mat. 21:15-17—Chief Priests and Scribes—They refused to accept that Jesus is LORD!
 - b. Mat. 21:23-27—Chief Priests and the Elders—They refused to accept that Jesus' authority is of God! BELIEVE!!
 - c. Mat. 22:15-22—the Herodians—They refused to accept that they were not rendering to God what was God's!
 - d. Mat. 22:23-33—the Sadducees—They refused to understand God or the Scriptures!
 - e. Mat. 22:34-46—the Pharisees
 - a. 22:34-40: They didn't know the one essential ingredient of the Law: LOVE!!
 - b. 22:41-46: Again, they refused to accept that Jesus is LORD.

a. Jesus is LORD—Jehovah God of Israel who receives praise (Mat. 21:15-17)

b. BELIEVE!! They were ignorant of the main ingredient in God's authority: FAITH. (21:23-27)

c. They were not rendering unto God (22:15-22).

c'. They don't know anything about God and His Word. (22:23-33)

b'. LOVE!! They were ignorant of the main ingredient in the Law: LOVE. (22:34-40)

a Jesus is LORD—The unique Son of David who is also the unique Son of God. (22:41-46)

2. Mat. 22:46--They have no answer; they ask no more questions. Jesus Silences them. They are without excuse!

3. Mat. 23—Jesus pronounces woes against the whole VRS, and weeps for the Jerusalem they were holding captive (Lk. 19:41-42).

4. Sitting in Moses' Seat—Hypocrites (Mat. 23:1-7).

- a. 23:3: They sit in Moses' Seat but do not do the works of God—ex. The three Transfer Parables in Mat. 21-22.
- b. 23:4: They sit in Moses' Seat but burden nation with NON-Mosaic teaching and practices—ex. Sabbath (Mat. 12:1-8), cleansing (Mat. 23:24-28), wrong keeping of Law (Mat. 5-6, 23:23) traditions of men (Mk. 7:8).

- c. 23:5: They sit in Moses' Seat but instead of being motivated by love of God and others (22:36-40) they are motivated by self-desire to impress others.
 - d. 23:6-7: They sit in Moses' Seat but instead of being the meekest of all people like Moses (Num. 12:3) they were status-seekers trying to be superior to all (Mat. 23:6-7).
5. 23:8-12: Moses' Seat is another one of God's riches that is going to be taken away from the VRS and given to the Peter and the 12 and the Believing Remnant under the authority of Jesus.

6. Rather, the Believing Remnant is to use God's riches the way Jesus used them (Mat. 23:8-12):
 - a. Jesus increased the ways a person could please God—Beatitudes—faith, mercy, kindness, love, etc.
 - b. He removed their burdens and made their load light (11:28-30).
 - c. He came as the humble and meek servant (Mat. 11:29)
 - d. His teaching matches His actions, pleasing God (Mat. 17:5).

7. The woes list the ways to DISPLEASE God.
The beatitudes of blessings list the ways to PLEASE God.

8. Absurdity of VRS with oath making (Mat. 23:13-15):

- a. Exploit kingdom-seekers.
- b. Exploit widows through long prayers for their money.
- c. Exploit Gentiles, making them worse than they were before.

9. Absurdity of VRS with making of oaths (Mat. 23:16-22):

- a. Swear by Temple not gold in Temple, by the altar not the gift on the altar, by heaven not God's Throne in heaven ... and you won't call down God's wrath for deceiving and lying and breaking the oath.
- b. This is upside down—the Temple and altar and heaven sanctify the gold and the gift and the throne, **AND THEY ARE ALL SANCTIFIED BY GOD.**

10. Absurdity of VRS in fulfilling the Law (Mat. 23:23-28):

- a. Focus on the little and the external.
- b. They should be focusing on the great and the internal.

11. Absurdity of VRS claiming to be children of the prophets (Mat. 23:29-36):

- a. You are really the children of those who killed the prophets.
- b. You belong to the generation of the devil and Cain and not the generation of the righteous and Able.
- c. As the Parables of the Wheat and Tares and the Dragnet of Good and Bad—this generation of the devil will continue until Christ returns with His angelic hosts.

12. Absurdity of VRS claiming the Temple (Mat. 23:23-28):

a. Their temple of desolate.

b. It will once again be God's Temple when Christ returns.