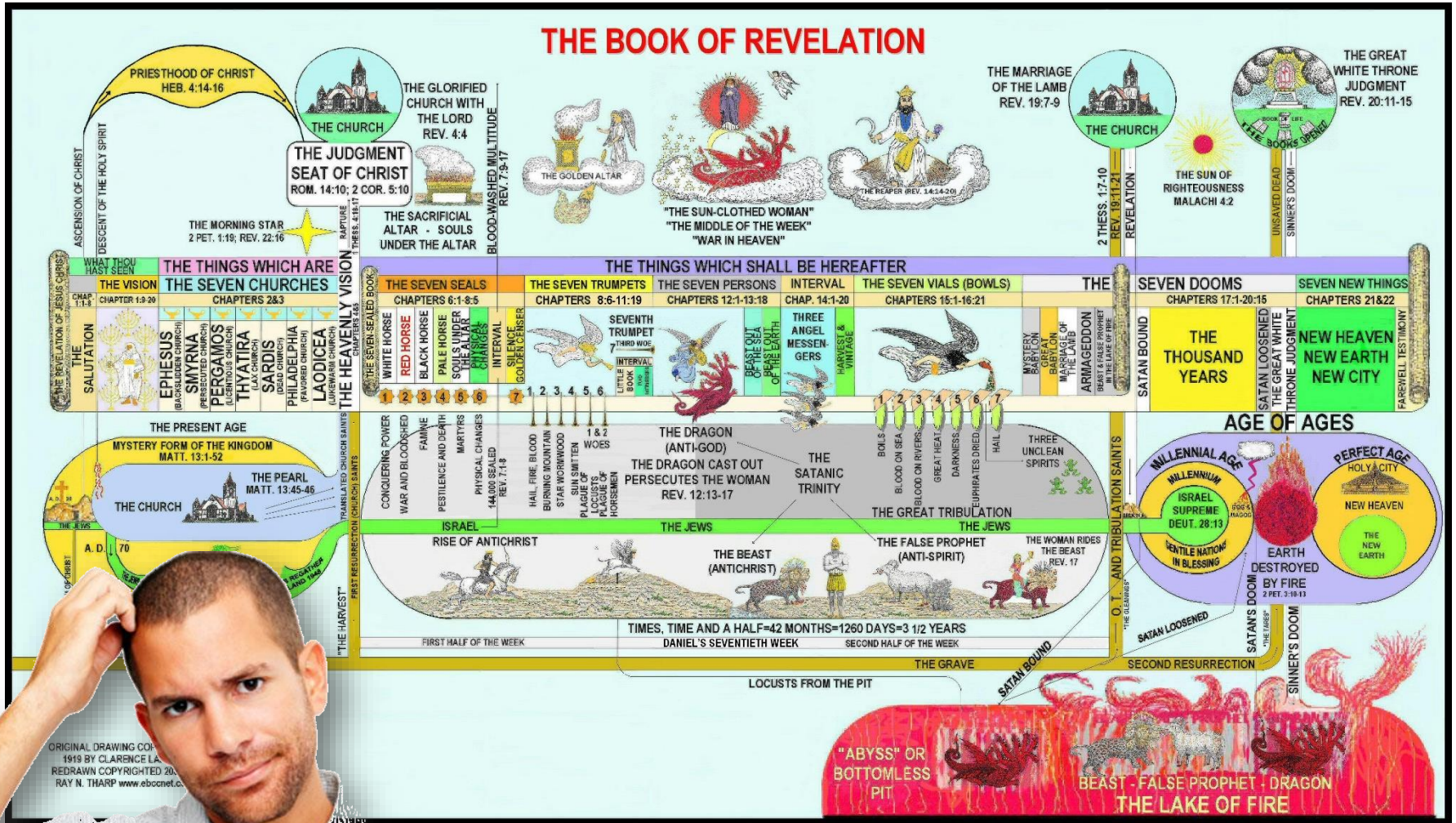




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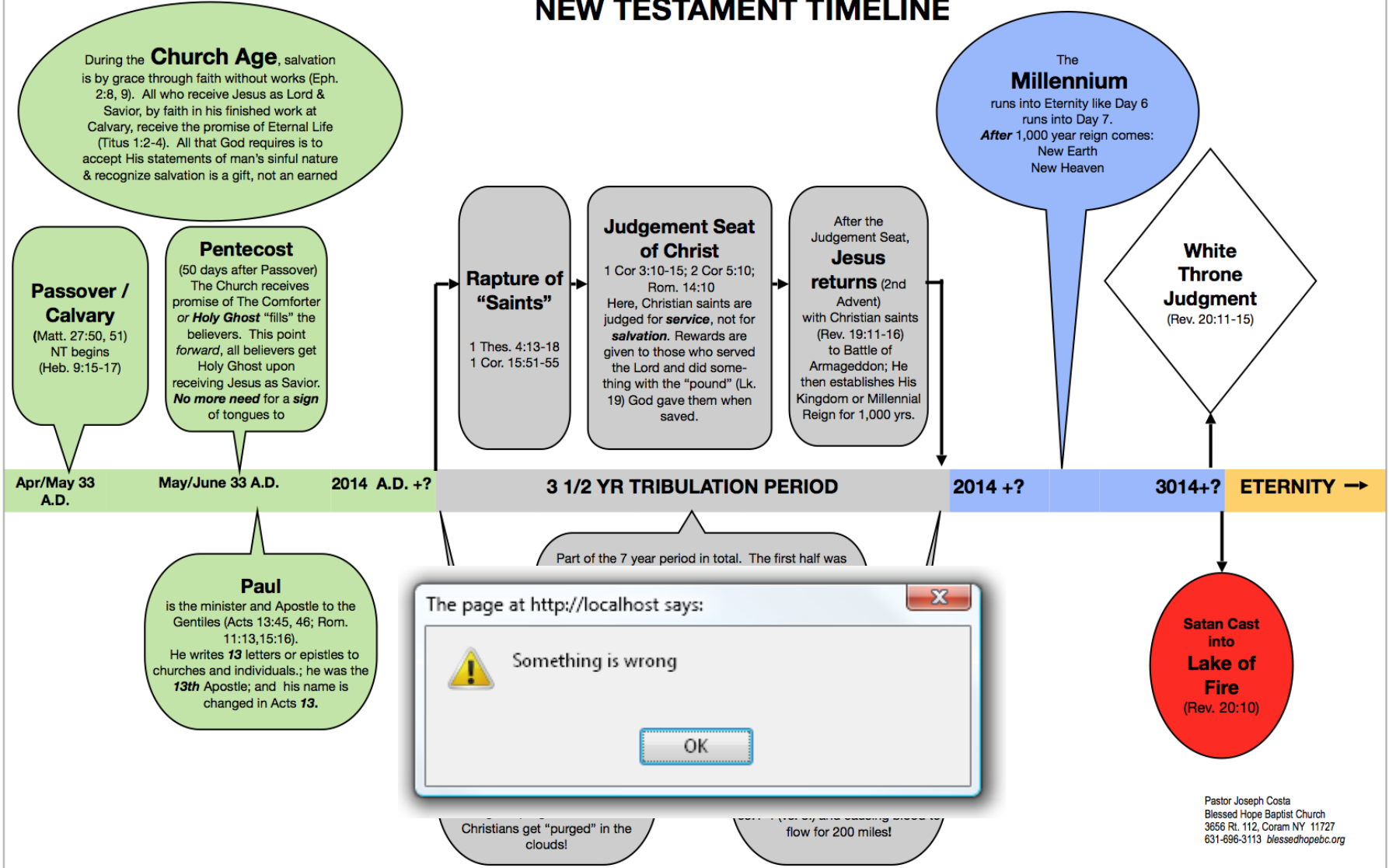
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## NEW TESTAMENT TIMELINE





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**Revelation:** (ἀποκάλυψις)

**Strong's Number:** 602

**Transliteration:** apokalupsis

**Definition:** an unveiling, uncovering, revealing, revelation

Can it be understood?

**Yes!**



## So why all the confusion?

- ✓ **SATAN**
- ✓ **False teachers**
- ✓ **The desire for “relevancy”**
- ✓ **Poor (no) Bible study**

“wanting to be teachers of the Law, even though they do not **understand** either what they are saying or the matters about which they make confident assertions.”

1 Timothy 1:7

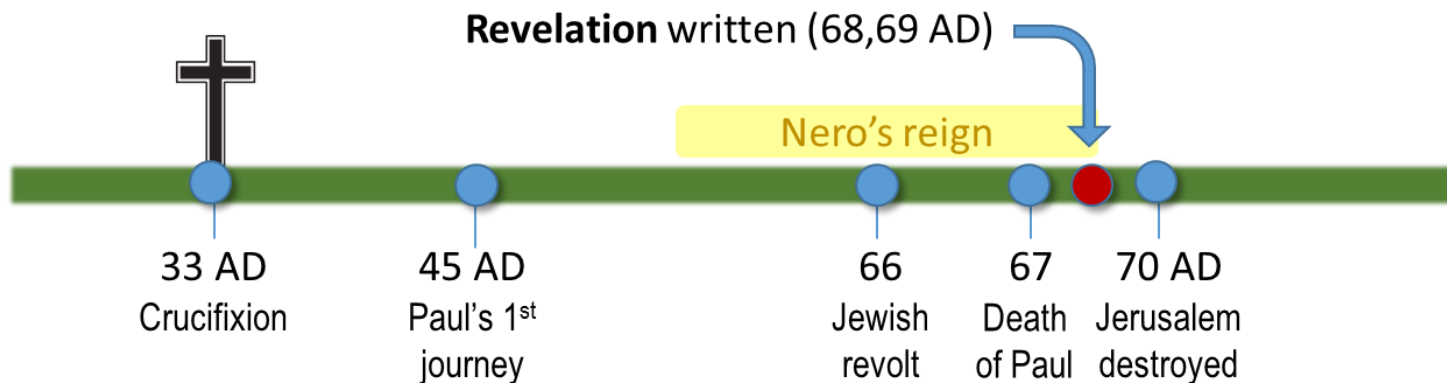
‘**Blessed** is he who **reads** and those who **hear** the words of the prophecy, and **heed** the things which are written in it; for the time is near.’ (1:2)

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## BACKGROUND

- Date of writing: Pre 70 AD (68,69)
- Gospel spread throughout Roman Empire
- Nero reigns as emperor
- Paul is dead
- Great persecution

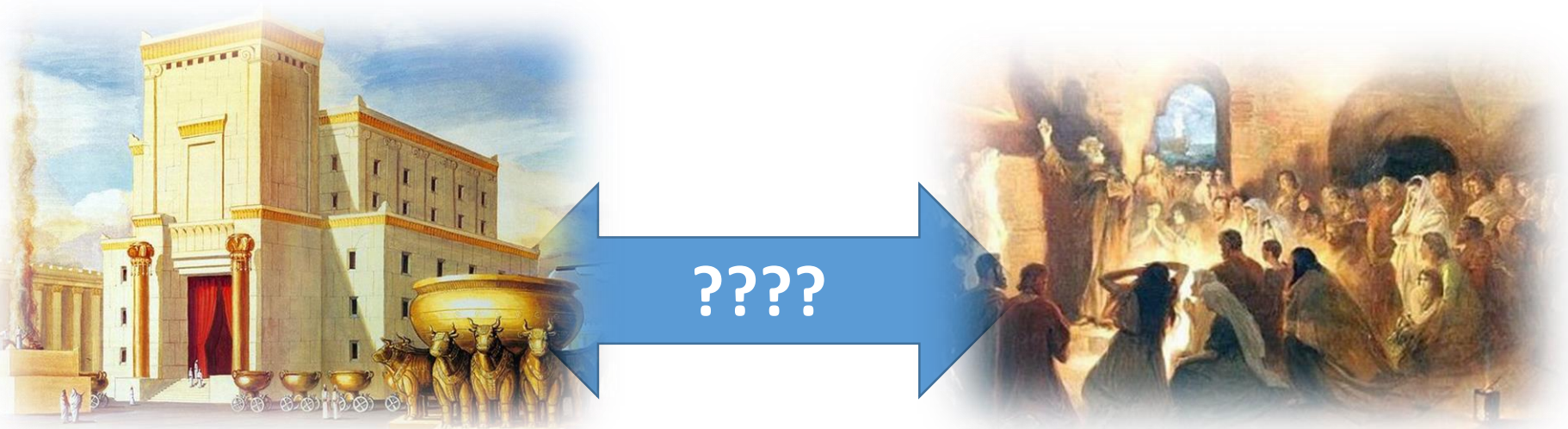


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## BACKGROUND

- The Looming Question:

Who are the legitimate children of God?



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## CONTEXT

- The CONTEXT of **TIME**

OPENS WITH:

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**1:1** 'the things which **must soon** take **place**'

**1:3** 'for the **time is near**'

ENDS WITH:

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**22:6** 'things which **must soon** take **place**'

**22:7** 'I am coming **quickly**'

**22:10** 'the **time is near**'

**22:12** 'I am coming **quickly**'

**22:20** '**Yes**, I am coming **quickly**'





# CONTEXT

- The CONTEXT of **TIME**



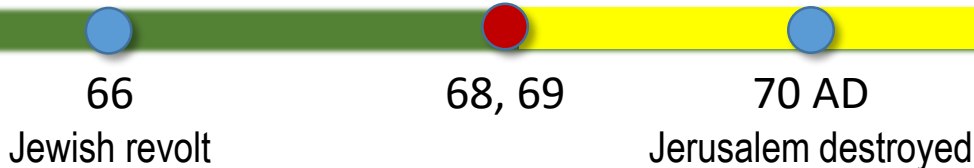
Soon!  
Near!

'the things which must soon take place'

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Soon!  
Near!  
**QUICKLY!**





## CONTEXT

- Internal Clues

1. Fulfillment of God's **Mystery**: **10:7**

...but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, **then the mystery of God is finished**, as He preached to His servants the prophets.

2. Days of **Vengeance**: **6:9-10; 16:6; 18:20; 19:2**

3. The Great **Tribulation**: **7:14**

4. The city mystically called **Sodom**: **11:8**



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