

Power in the Holy Spirit

3. REVELATION BY THE HOLY SPIRIT



Introduction to Revelation

Who are we? Once we find the answer to this question of who, then we can know our purpose. For some the answer of “who”, is irrelevant. Others see our identity as the result of one big accident, followed by many smaller accidents called *random mutations*¹ in the evolution of life. If we are just accidents, nothing more than highly evolved animals, what is our purpose? Well, we would have no purpose; to have purpose assumes there is some greater goal or meaning. Something beyond ourselves, gives purpose, without God, our purpose is no more relevant than a leaf on a tree, which exists and falls away from the tree.

According to the Bible, this is not the case; we are made in the *image of God*, the Creator of the universe. Our being is modeled after His existence. Through logic, we can determine the existence of a *First Cause*² and an

Intelligent Designer,³ both which point to the logical need for the existence of God. However, logic cannot identify God, unless God chooses to reveal Himself. Why is this so? If God made the eyes, ears and mind of humanity, how would we know whom the creator is, unless the creator revealed Himself to creation?

The Bible teaches, we are made in the Creator's image, but our condition is fallen, we lack the ability to know God apart from His willingness to reveal Himself. Isaiah in the Bible paints a vivid picture of our fallen nature in the Isaiah 59. He shows how our fallen nature prevents us from knowing our Creator.

1 Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, That it cannot save; Nor His ear heavy, That it cannot hear.

2 But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have hidden His face from you, So that He will not hear.

10 We grope for the wall like the blind, And we grope as if we had no eyes; We stumble at noonday as at twilight; We are as dead men in desolate places.

11 We all growl like bears, And moan sadly like doves; We look for justice, but there is none; For salvation, but it is far from us.

12 For our transgressions are multiplied before You, And our sins testify against us; For our transgressions are with us, And as for our iniquities, we know them:

Isaiah 59:1-14

This is our predicament, how can fallen humanity know God? We cannot! That is the point, it is impossible for us to know God, unless He reveals Himself. Does God choose to reveal Himself? Yes, He does, the Bible, the Word of God, is the written record of God's revelation. The revealed record is the inspired word of God, which the Holy Spirit revealed through the prophets to us.

Therefore, understanding and knowing God is beyond our nature, meaning it is super-natural. Since we are fallen, the Holy Spirit plays two roles in revelation. One role, the Holy Spirit reveals the Word of the Lord to fallen humanity through the prophets who transmit God's Word. Second, after the word is revealed

¹ Random mutation is the proposed method on how life evolved from simple form to more complex forms of life.

² The First Cause is a philosophical term, which identifies the need for a First Cause. For example, the car is made, it therefore has a cause. The factory which makes the car is made and therefore has a cause. Since the earth and solar system are finite, there is a cause. This same logic takes us back to the beginning of the universe, which requires a cause. The term used for this cause is “First Cause”.

³ Intelligent Design requires an Intelligent Designer, the term used to define the Intelligence behind design. This term points to a logical cause in the design of life.

the Holy Spirit reveals these words to fallen man, moving them to understand and apply God's Word. These two aspects of the Holy Spirit work together in Revelation.

Holy Spirit and Revelation

Isaiah captures our situation; he paints four pictures of our condition in Isaiah 59:10, each pictures the helpless condition of humanity. Notice Isaiah includes himself, saying "We", the "blindness" of the human condition is at issue.

- We grope for the wall like the blind,
- We grope as if we had no eyes;
- We stumble at noonday as at twilight;
- We are as dead men in desolate places.

Therefore, the Holy Spirit revealed the communication of God to fallen humanity. The Holy Spirit then gives us the ability understand the words revealed to humanity. In our fallen state, we are enveloped in darkness, unless God reached down to us, we would be without hope.

These are two aspects of the Holy Spirit's revelation; 1. He reveals God's Word 2. He gives us the ability to understand the revelation.

1. The Spirit reveals God's Word

How does the Spirit reveal the Word of God? When we read the Bible, we see the different ways God spoke; Moses for example went to Mt. Sinai and was with God on the Mountain for forty days, while David wrote under the power of the Spirit. Ezekiel caught up by the Spirit, was taken to Jerusalem. John in Revelation sees and talks to the resurrected Jesus, Jesus tells him to write a letter to seven churches. Paul saw a vision of Jesus on the road to Damascus and was commissioned to bring the Gospel to the Gentiles. These are just a few examples, but we can see God's method of revelation is not uniform.

The Bible was transmitted through the power of the Holy Spirit, is recorded in a written format. Yes, God used human agents to pen the words, but these authors were working under the *inspiration* of the Holy Spirit. The Bible was not an *oral transmission* as some liberal schools teach but a *written transmission*⁴, the Hebrew culture was literate from the earliest times as validated in archeological records. Therefore, through written transmission, the *Words of God* were recorded, and through the generations, the

words were transmitted to the present era. The role of the Holy Spirit in the transmission of scripture is noted in Zechariah.



"Yes, they made their hearts like flint, refusing to hear the law and the words which the Lord of hosts had sent by His Spirit through the former prophets. Thus great wrath came from the Lord of hosts. Zechariah 7:12

A. God dictated the message

In some cases, God directly dictated the message, such as in the book of Revelation chapters 2 and 3, where Jesus tells John what to write to the Seven-churches (Revelation 2-3). God in Exodus wrote the Ten Commandments in the stone, which Moses carried down Mt. Sinai.

¹⁰ "Then the Lord delivered to me two tablets of stone written with the finger of God, and on them were all the words which the Lord had spoken to you on the

⁴ Oral transmission assumes the Hebrew had no written language, and that at some point the stories were committed to paper after being passed down from generation to generation. Written transmission means the words were copied from the original document, and transmitted from copies of copies. Archeological evidence has proven the Semites were a very literate people from the earliest days. The English has its origins in the Semitic alphabets.

mountain from the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly. 11 "And it came to pass, at the end of forty days and forty nights, that the Lord gave me the two tablets of stone, the tablets of the covenant. Deuteronomy 9:10-11

B. Prophets wrote under Inspiration

In other cases, the prophets recorded what they saw and did under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. They were not dictating the words of God, but were recording their own words and impressions, under the power of the Spirit. For example, the Davidic Psalms were written under the power of the Spirit, Jesus says David wrote under the power of the Spirit (see also Acts 1:16).

36 "For David himself said by the Holy Spirit: 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.'" Mark 12:36

Moses also under the power of the Holy Spirit recorded the history of creation, including events such as what happened at the Garden of Eden, when Adam and Eve fell. How could Moses have known the details of these events, unless God's Spirit revealed them? All of Genesis took place before the birth of Moses, with the death of Joseph being the last verse.

The New Testament, like the Old was written under the direction of the Holy Spirit, this was the promise Jesus gave to the disciples.

"But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you. John 14:26

The disciples then affirmed the written transmission of the other disciples, Peter affirmed Paul's words as scripture (2 Peter 3;15-16).

C. Prophets had dreams and visions:

Prophets also had dreams and visions. In these dreams and visions, the Holy Spirit revealed to the prophets the very words of God, through the interpretation of the dream and vision. *Dreams* occur while the person sleeps, while *visions* take place when the person is awake. In both instances, God through the power of the Spirit revealed His Word.

Peter was on the roof of his house praying, and fell into a trance, seeing a vision. Jesus spoke to Peter, telling him to go with the men sent from the house of Cornelius (Acts 10). Ezekiel, a Jewish captive of Babylon, had visions of God and was taken by the Spirit to Jerusalem (Ezekiel 8;3). Ezekiel reported what he saw and heard, under the power of the Spirit, thus the book of Ezekiel came to be.

In regards to dreams, God even gave dreams to unbelievers such as Pharaoh (Genesis 41) and Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 2), King of Babylon. Under the power of the Holy Spirit, Joseph and Daniel interpreted these dreams, which allowed them to elevate to positions of power in Babylon and Egypt. Nebuchadnezzar's dream of Daniel chapter 2, is foundational to Bible prophecy. Daniel under the power of the Spirit was able to tell the king his dream was and what it meant (Daniel 4:8).

2. God's Word is revealed to us

A. God chooses who believes

The Bible is big book; the King James translation for example has the following statistics⁵,

books in the Bible:	66
Chapters:	1,189
Verses:	31,101
Words:	783,137
Letters:	3,566,480

the Bible is actually a library of scripture recorded over a 1500-year period. The Bible is more than just a book, the contents are spiritual, which means not just anybody can understand what it says.

Just as the Spirit of God revealed its word to the prophets, the Spirit of God must reveal its contents to the reader. Paul was a Pharisee of Pharisees (Acts 23:6) according to his own words, he knew the words of the

⁵ http://agards-bible-timeline.com/q10_bible-facts.html

prophets, beyond most, but until Jesus revealed Himself to Paul, Paul was in darkness. Paul could not see Jesus as the Messiah revealed by the prophets in the Old Testament, not until the Spirit of God moved in his heart, when Jesus appeared to him on the road to Damascus.

17 And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit."

18 Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized.

19 So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.

20 Immediately he preached the Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God.

21 Then all who heard were amazed, and said, "Is this not he who destroyed those who called on this name in Jerusalem, and has come here for that purpose, so that he might bring them bound to the chief priests?"

22 But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who dwelt in Damascus, proving that this Jesus is the Christ. Acts 9:17-22

Notice Paul did not know who Jesus was before he met him on the road. To Paul Jesus was a false Messiah, who had misled Israel. After being filled with the Holy Spirit (vs. 17), Paul spent time with the disciples in Damascus, and he then headed to the Synagogue. There, through the power of the Holy Spirit, he confounded those who were formally allied with him, proving Jesus is the Messiah of Israel.

B. Belief is depends on God

Paul is like me or you, just like Paul, God's Spirit allows us to see Jesus, without God's Spirit, we are blind to Jesus. Jesus is just another prophet or one of the many ways to heaven. Knowing Jesus is not the work of human knowledge or intelligence but the Spirit. Human knowledge and wisdom is often hinders the work of the Spirit. Listen to what Jesus says about, the *knowledge of God*, ask yourself, who is hindered from this knowledge?

21 In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight. 22 "All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him." Luke 10:21-22

The wise and prudent are those who are wise in the wisdom of this world. While the babes referred to here are the unlearned, those who lack in worldly wisdom. Further, we need to understand, Christ is the one who reveals the identity of the Father. Becoming dependent on the Holy Spirit is a sign of growth, contrasted to those who depend on the flesh and their own wisdom. Personal pride and glory prevent the seeker from finding Christ. Notice God is the one who reveals Himself it is not our doing.

44 "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. John 6:44

26 For you see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called.

27 But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; I Corinthians 1:26-27

Therefore, if we want to be used to the highest potential of our being, we need to learn to be led by God's spirit, and not our flesh or earthly wisdom. The Greek word for wisdom used in Luke 10:21 and I Cor. 1:26 is *sophos*, this is where we get our word *philosophy* (philo-love sophos-wisdom).

C. Knowing the name Jesus is not enough

To know Jesus requires the revelation by God's Spirit. Many people in the world might confess belief in Jesus, but professing belief does not mean you believe. True belief is demonstrated by the revealing of the Spirit, which then dwells inside the believer. Jesus makes this very clear in John 3:3,6,9, the believer must be "Born again", which means being born of the Spirit. Without the Holy Spirit dwelling in the believer there is no real belief.

5 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

6 "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

7 "Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' John 3:5-7

This might be hard concept for some to follow, think for a moment the name *Jesus* is actually the anglicized way of pronouncing the Greek translation of Hebrew name *Joshua*. The name Jesus is Joshua in the Hebrew. Though today the name Jesus is identified with the biblical Jesus, the Muslims, Mormons and other cults also have a "Jesus". A distinction must be made between the biblical Jesus and the Jesus created by the flesh. Though the Jesus of Islam and Mormonism have the same name, they are different in nature. For example, the *Muslim Jesus* is not the Son of God and he did not die on the cross. The *Mormon Jesus*, is the brother of Satan, he married Mary, Martha and Mary, and is one of many gods. Paul had to deal with this very issue in the Church at Corinth; Paul refers to "another Jesus" and a "different gospel".

3 But I fear, lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

4 For if he who comes preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or if you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted-you may well put up with it! 2 Cor. 11:3-4

For this very reason Jesus warns on the day of Judgment, how many people will be deceived by a "another Jesus". He records His response, "I never knew you" He will respond on that day. The sad part is they thought they had truth, but the source of their truth was a lie, they were in fact deceived by Satan, who appealed to their flesh, they rejected the simplicity of the Gospel for a lie. Jesus says about that day,

21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

22 "Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'

23 "And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you': depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!' Matthew 7:21-23

Many will claim to have done things in the name of Jesus; however what they will lack is relationship. Jesus says, "I never knew you", in other words there was *never* a relationship there. Even though works were done in the name of Jesus, Jesus was not involved. Their "Jesus" was not revealed by the Spirit, but by flesh, the creation of men.

9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His. Romans 8:9

The Holy Spirit and the revealed Word

The Authority of the Bible

How can we know which Jesus to believe in? As mentioned earlier, the name Jesus does not mean we are talking about the same person. The Jesus of the Bible is identified with the Bible, while the Jesus of Islam with the Quran. The Mormon Jesus is a creation of Joseph Smith and the LDS church. Recently, the book *The Da Vinci Code*, by Dan Brown, has reissued the Gnostic Jesus, selling over 40 million copies; many readers might base their belief in Jesus on the creation of Dan Brown. Regardless, one thing all these groups have in common is the basis of their "Jesus", he is not found in the Bible, but the creation of individuals. People who write under their own name and authority, create their own Jesus.

The Bible on the other hand claims ultimate authority; In Isaiah God warns of the disaster for those who look to false sources of authority, the end of their search is darkness, gloom and anguish.

19 And when they say to you, "Seek those who are mediums and wizards, who whisper and mutter," should not a people seek their God? Should they seek the dead on behalf of the living?

20 To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in them... 22 Then they will look to the earth, and see trouble and darkness, gloom of anguish; and they will be driven into darkness.. Isaiah 8:19-20,22

The Bible demonstrates its super-natural nature, proving the source of its inspiration is from God. Through Bible Prophecy, the Bible foretold specific information about Jesus, proving the Jesus of the New Testament is the Messiah. The Bible also demonstrates its super-natural nature by proclaiming specific events in the future, regarding Israel, Jerusalem and the Jewish people. (See attached Chart)

To validate Jesus is Messiah, Isaiah 700-years before His birth, foretold His rejection and murder, calling him "Righteous servant" (Isaiah 53:11), who would die for the iniquity of all (Isaiah 53:6). Daniel revealed the exact time of his death, 539-years before His birth, in the Seventy-Weeks of Daniel (Daniel 9:24-27). The point is God provides evidence for those who seek evidence, despite this, only through the Holy Spirit drawing of the soul, can the person find Christ.

Once we understand and trust the authority of the Bible, as the revelation from God, to fallen and lost world, we can then tap into the eternal power of Holy-Spirit.

How the Spirit uses the Bible

Once we come to the point of salvation, and we put our trust in Jesus Christ, we then receive the gift of Salvation; God's Holy Spirit is then deposited in us as a guarantee of the redemption to come (Ephesians 1:14). The Holy Spirit dwelling inside us gives us direction, searching our hearts, and moving us

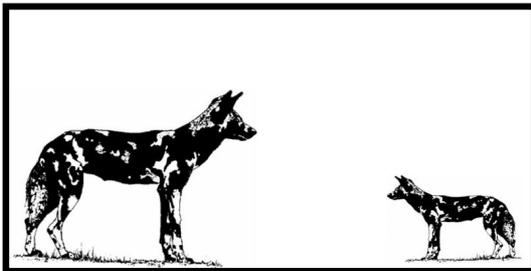
26 Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God. Romans 8:26-27

Since the Bible is the Word of God, and the Word of God is called the sword of the Spirit (Ephesians 6:17), we have a weapon to wage war in the spiritual realms. Since the Holy Spirit dwells in us, the Words in the Bible become our way of understanding the will of God. The Spirit uses the Word for use to know God's will. By knowing the will of God, we can stay in fellowship with God.

New Nature	Old Nature	Results
Feed New Nature	Starve Old Nature	New nature dominates
Starve New Nature	Feed Old Nature	Old nature dominates
Feed New Nature	Feed Old Nature	Inner conflict
Starve New Nature	Starve Old Nature	Old Nature dominates

One illustration, which demonstrates the dilemma facing believers, both young and old is to understand the concept of the *new man* and *old man*.



Once we come to know Christ, we have a *new man* or new nature because we are *Born Again*. Even though we have a new nature, we still have an old nature, or sin nature, which remains until this life is over, and redemption is complete. We however have the ability to control this nature.

These two natures fight each other, like two dogs in a locked room, each trying to dominate the other. Our flesh seeks mastery of the *new man*, while the new man seeks mastery over the *old man*.

If we feed our new nature and starve our old nature our new nature can then dominate, on the other hand if we starve the new nature and feed the old, then the old nature will dominate and control our life.

How do we feed and starve these natures?

The contrast between these two natures is best pictured in the *fruits of the spirit* and the *works of the flesh*, our job is to learn, through the Spirit to master our weakness.

fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23)	works of the flesh (Gal. 5:19-21)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • love • joy, • peace, • longsuffering, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • adultery, • fornication, • uncleanness, • lewdness,

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kindness, • goodness, • faithfulness, • gentleness, • self-control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • idolatry, • sorcery, • hatred, • contentions, • jealousies, • outbursts of wrath, • selfish ambitions, • dissensions, • heresies, • envy, • murders, • drunkenness, • revelries,
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Through the Holy Spirit, we have power over our flesh. The Spirit through the revealed word can show our new man how we should interact in the world. Our fallen nature desires to fulfill the *lusts of the flesh*, the Bible however is the light in the darkness, to overcome the fallen nature.

3. *Why the world attacks the Bible*

The Bible today is a very controversial book in the eyes of the world, just its possession in some countries could mean a death sentence. While that is not the case in the United States, still the presence of a Bible causes an uneasy feeling for some. Why is this so?

The Bible opposes and exposes the works of the flesh; the works of the flesh operate in darkness, while the word of God is *light*. Those who love the darkness hate the light, because the Bible exposes the deeds of flesh.

19 "And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.
20 "For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.
21 "But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God." John 3:19-20

One problem people have with the Bible is it says actions are right or wrong. The Bible also claims there are eternal consequences for our actions and beliefs. The flesh is at war with the Spirit; therefore, the Bible is at war with the works of the flesh.

Two ways the world tries to subdue the power of the God's word is by diminishing its authority. One is to deny its authorship, declaring the Bible is a book written by man alone. The second is to misinterpret the words in the Bible. Answers to the charges of skeptics, is dealt with in the field of *apologetics*⁶, there is tremendous amount of evidence for those who want evidence. The other issue is Bible interpretation or *hermeneutics*, the Greek word for interpretation.

Does the Bible mean what it says?

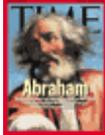
How many times have you heard the phrase, "that is your interpretation"? Since the Bible tears down the strongholds of the flesh, the flesh tries to tear down the Bible. When the Bible confronts issues in our life, or in the world, the world tries to diminish its authority by attributing the issue as a matter of interpretation. In this way, the issue is glazed over.

A popular issue today is Homosexuality, is it right or is it wrong? Well saying it's a sin, can get you the title Homophobe in many circles. The Bible clearly states it's a sin, so the Bible is at odds with the world. If its a sin, then why do many churches support homosexuality and gay marriage? They respond its how you interpret the scriptures. While not outright denying

⁶ Apologetics means word of defense, defending the Bible against charges.

the Bible, they claim to accept the Bible while at the same time denying the authority of its words. They have fallen to the deception of the enemy, Satan who has the goal of subverting God's authority, causing people to enter a Christ-less eternity.

To grow in the Spirit, we need to submit our lives the words of the Spirit, the Word of God. Unless we submit, we put a roadblock in the way of the Spirit.

Description of Evidence	Significance	Super-natural nature
 <p>Greatness of Abraham Genesis 12:2-3 Abraham Was promised to: * Be source for a great nation * Have a great name * All peoples on the earth to Be blessed through Him.</p>	<p>Genesis was written about 1450 BC by Abraham was just one of Many people who lived on the Earth. Today the Earth's 6 billion People claim a connection to Abraham including Muslims, Jews and Christians. Both Jews and Arab's Claim Abraham as the source their national identity.</p>	<p>Both Muslims, Christians and Jews Claim descent and connection to Abraham. This prophecy was written Well before the growth of Christianity And Islam. Abraham name became great after Christianity spread 100 AD and Islam after 632 AD. If 15 billion people lived since the beginning of the Human race, the odds Of one man have a name of world wide Distinction is 1 out of 15 billion. If the Promise was recorded 3400 years Before the event it is super-natural.</p>
 <p>Israel Scattered Deuteronomy 28:64 3450 years ago in the Bible Israel as a nation is told they will be dispersed throughout the world and suffer as a people for being Disobedient.</p>	<p>Two times in Israel's history they Were scattered as a nation, first During the Babylonian captivity (605, 598 and 587 BC) Jer 51. Second, during the time of Roman Occupation. 54 BC-638 AD</p>	<p>For a people to be scattered is a A common event throughout history As one people group takes land and Settles in territory belonging to another. Israel as a nation is scattered and Gathered and then scattered again. The condition of the people in their Scattered condition is described in Detail, yet they remain a distinct people In the land of their captivity</p>
 <p>Israel Gathered Deuteronomy 30:3 3450 years ago Israel is promised to be gathered back into the land promised to Abraham after being scattered. The gathering of Israel as a Nation from the nations is repeated throughout the scriptures Isaiah 11, Isaiah 14:1-2, Isaiah 56:8, Jeremiah 30-31, Ezekiel 36-37, Zechariah 10:6-12 ...</p>	<p>Two times Israel has been gathered, Once following the Babylonian Captivity after the Persian defeat Of Babylon in 539 BC by Cyrus The second in our day with the Creation of the state of Israel as Jews from Europe, Africa, Asia, North and South America founded the state of Israel</p>	<p>The creation of the state of Israel was Result of two world wars. First the Muslim powers were defeated and Only after ½ the world's Jewish Population was killed in the Holocaust Would the nations agree to allowing A Jewish state to exist, in May 1948 Israel came into existence the first time A Jewish state existed in 2000 years. For a people to maintain national Identity after 1900 years and to be Gathered back into their land is Amazing enough... But for the event To be written about even before they Were a nation is super-natural.</p>
 <p>Jerusalem Focus Of World attention Zechariah 12:3 foretells Jerusalem as the Center of worldwide Attention</p>	<p>We are told that Jerusalem will Be a burden for the world and the Object of conflict. The nations of the World will be at war with the Descendents of Israel.</p>	<p>Over ½ the Earth population view Jerusalem as spiritually significant. 2500 years ago when Jerusalem was just a small regional city Zechariah told about the coming day when all then nations will burden themselves with the possession of the city.</p>
 <p>Temple destroyed The destruction of the Jewish temple following The death of Jesus was Foretold in Daniel 9:26 And Matthew 24:2</p>	<p>In 70 AD the Roman empire destroys The Jewish Temple. Every stone Was throne down as Roman soldiers Looked for melted gold. The destruction of the Temple along each stone being Taken down was recorded 600 years Before this event, Messiah was to Be cut off.</p>	<p>600 years before the event we are told about the destruction following the cutting off of the Messiah. Jesus claimed to be Messiah and as a result 2 billion people, 1/3 of the earth's population are connected to the city of Jerusalem. How Daniel could know the details of the Temple's destruction as well as it being Connected with the Messiah being "Cut</p>

 <p>Jews from Ethiopia Gathered. In the Second gathering Jews living in Ethiopia are Foretold to be gathered to Israel ,2700 years ago in Isaiah 11:11 this gathering was written about.</p>	<p>Operation Solomon in 1980 and Exodus in 1991 rescued Jews living in Ethiopia from extermination and persecution. The Jews there have been traced back over 2000 years ago.</p>	<p>Off^r is super-natural. Isaiah 11:11 specifically mentions Jews From Cush (Ethiopia) as part of the Gathering from the nations. 2700 years Before the event</p>
 <p>Exact month & year Messiah is killed. 70 Weeks of Daniel is a very specific prophecy foretelling the rejection and cutting off of Messiah 570 years before the event. Daniel 9:24-27</p>	<p>The 70 weeks of Daniel foretells the Exact time Messiah would be cut-off. Following a 483 year period (69 Weeks) after a command to rebuild The walls and streets of Jerusalem Was given to Nehemiah.</p>	<p>The Christian faith is the largest faith in The World and centers on the Messiah Being killed for the sins of the world. 570 before the death of Jesus, Daniel foretold the exact time of Messiah being cut-off with the Temple's destruction following his death.</p>