

**HOW CLOSE IS THE DAY OF THE LORD? (The beginning of the future Tribulation Period)  
Is it possible that the 70<sup>th</sup> week of Daniel Chapter 9 (a prophetic seven year period)  
may soon occur?**

The state of Israel is and has been in the forefront of current events for the past half century. Israel is surrounded by nations who would remove her from the face of the earth. In order to survive as a people, Israel may need to use preemptive force to save itself from annihilation. The word of God declares there is a prophetic destiny for Israel that is yet to be realized.

**Here are several reasons that I think that the world is close to seeing the end of the church age dispensation: That which is to follow is spoken of as the Day of the Lord that escalates in severity until the end of the 7 year period.**

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WE MAY BE CLOSER THAN YOU THINK FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:**

1. *Israel is back in the land. (SCOFFIELD BIBLE COMMENTARY 1917)*
2. *Israel is a troublesome stone and is the focus of attention on world stage*
3. *\*Technology has grown at an exponential rate. Daniel 12, states this; Knowledge will increase. Today we have instant communication that was undreamed of even 20 years ago. We have the world wide web, Skype, Satellite surveillance, etc.*
4. *False doctrines are increasing; false Christs; apostasy (departing from the Gospel faith) is evident in Religion with movements such as the Emergent Church movement and the Bethlehem Call and other apostolic kingdom movements.*
5. *We have entered a world wide financial crisis. The world has never been more distressed economically.*
6. *\*\*The Islamic world is declaring that the 12<sup>th</sup> Imam is on hand. The rise of militant Islam says they are ready to make the way for this Imam Mahdi through violent jihad and destruction. (The Messiah of Islam is a mirror opposite of our Christian Messiah. Our Christ is their anti-Christ and visa versa. \*\* Ahmadinajad says he knows the identity and has communication with the 12<sup>th</sup> Mahdi*
7. *The Arab Spring has opened the door to an alliance among Islamic nations. The Muslim Brotherhood shares one common aim in the countries they dominate, to destroy Israel.*
8. *If atomic weapons fall into the hands of a Jihadist nation like Iran, they would not hesitate to use these against Israel and the US. We can only imagine the implications for this.*
9. *We are seeing a return to paganism and moral depravity. It is in evidence everywhere. Sadly youth are not seeing morality modeled in the media, but a life without moral constraint.*
10. *Satanic music and Satanic blasphemies are the norm and in ascendancy in international cultures hostile to God.*
11. *The popular culture, the media and political behaviors do not teach moral constraints and seem to have reversed good for evil and evil for good.*
12. *According to the ancient prophecies of Malachi, 1139, we are at the end of the papal line with Pope Benedict: One additional pope will follow, (Petrus Romanus) who may rule during the reign of the anti-Christ. The last pope will follow Benedict, he is designated as Peter the Second. (Prophetic designation of all the papal line by Malachi. Ca. 1094 Malachi was a mystic priest who described every pope to the current. BTW: Pope Benedict is in failing health according to recent headlines. \* Devices are now available to surveil or track every human being; Universal codes to ID populations exist - and- \***Daniel 12:4** "But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase."*