

# NFL Quarterback Baker Mayfield Says Rock Bottom Led Him to Christ: 'It's Not About the Stats'

For Tampa Bay Buccaneers quarterback Baker Mayfield, faith wasn't always part of the playbook.

In a candid conversation on The Sports Spectrum Podcast, the former No. 1 NFL Draft pick opened up about how hitting "rock bottom" – both on and off the field – became the catalyst for a deeper walk with Jesus Christ.

"I was trying to make things happen on my own," Mayfield said. Raised with minimal church attendance, he admitted his early understanding of Christianity was simply that "you do good deeds" and "you're a good person."

But things began to shift during college at Oklahoma, where he met Pastor Adam Starling. "I didn't have to be perfect; I didn't have to have it all figured out," Mayfield recalled learning. The message that "we're all born sinners" and "we've been saved" stayed with him, though it would take a few more years before it truly changed him.

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It wasn't until he joined the NFL – and joined Professional Athletes Outreach with his wife Emily in 2020 – that Mayfield said things finally started to click. "There was a lot of emptiness that I had... I thought I could fulfill it in other ways and did not."

Then came the hard part: his career spiraled. After being cut

loose by the Browns and floating as a backup, Mayfield said, “God taught me a lesson. He had to take my career down to the studs and make me realize that I’m more than a football player.”

It wasn’t just football. Mayfield said his marriage was struggling too – especially as he and Emily faced difficulties trying to have children. “We weren’t doing well at all,” he shared.

To rebuild, he had to return to the foundation. “For me to climb back up, I had to dive into the word and accept the grace,” he said. “That was something that was really, really hard for me.”

Since then, things have changed. Mayfield found new life – and a new team – in Tampa. “God’s timing is perfect,” he said. “It’s been such a special ride to let God take us through that.”

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Now, he says it’s about more than football. “It’s not about the stats or anything on the field,” Mayfield said. “It’s about how I carry myself, how I inspire others and try to bring people together.”

Mayfield wants to share those lessons with younger athletes, emphasizing that Jesus is “the only thing that made me feel whole.”

He also gave credit to his wife’s growing faith, saying, “God

had her back the whole time, kept her strong through a lot of trials and tribulations. I've seen her faith grow... I've fallen more in love with her."

For Mayfield, the comeback story isn't about football glory – it's about finding purpose beyond the game.

"It has to be part of the daily routine," he said. "And you have to make your priorities align with that."

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# **What the Bible Doesn't Tell You About Angels—Wes Huff Exposes Enoch's Hidden Mysteries**

In a fascinating and eye-opening conversation, L.A. Marzulli sits down with end-times expert Pete Garcia to explore the prophetic times we're living in—from AI and the Antichrist to Israel and the coming great deception.

If you've ever wondered how biblical prophecy connects with what's happening in the world right now, this conversation breaks it all down.

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Here's what they cover:

- The supernatural realm is real and becoming more visible
- The Rapture is near, and Satan already has a cover story
- The Antichrist may be a hybrid, possibly a modern Nephilim
- Israel is the key nation to watch in end-times prophecy
- Global deception and propaganda are ramping up
- AI is a powerful tool that could be used for good, or evil
- The gospel is spreading online as churches close
- After the Rapture, a massive harvest of souls is coming
- Satan hates the Jewish people because of God's promises
- The veil between the spiritual and physical is thinning

Don't miss this incredible deep-dive into Bible prophecy, watch the full interview now and get equipped for what's coming.

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# **Are You Ready? Disturbing**

# Reasons Christians Are Getting the Rapture Wrong

In a recent episode of The Rosenberg Report, New York Times best-selling author and prophecy expert Joel Rosenberg offered a bold and sobering take on China, Bible prophecy and what he sees as a growing threat to global freedom—and a direct connection to the end-times scenario laid out in the Book of Revelation.

Rosenberg didn't hold back.

"It is a prototype of the tyrannical Antichrist society," he said. "And I believe the Antichrist, which will come out of the Roman Empire—the revived Roman Empire in Europe—is going to just pick up the technology and the way of being a tyranny that the Chinese government has developed."

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That's a heavy statement. But for Rosenberg, it's more than geopolitical analysis—it's prophetic fulfillment.

## Revelation 16 and the Kings of the East

Rosenberg walked his audience through Revelation 16:12–16, reading from the New American Standard Bible.

"The sixth angel poured out his bowl on the Great River, the Euphrates, and its water was dried up so that the way would be prepared for the kings from the East," he read. "And I saw coming out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs—for they are spirits of demons performing signs, which go out to the kings of the whole

world.”

He paused.

“You’ve got the kings of the East—some set of kings from east of Israel—and they’re going to lead the charge,” he said. “But they’re not going to be alone. They are demonically driven. They’re being driven by these evil, unclean spirits, and they’re gathering all the kings, all the leaders of the world.”

Their goal? War. Specifically, the climactic battle at Armageddon.

“They gather them together to the place which in Hebrew is called Har-Magedon,” Rosenberg said. “That’s where we get Armageddon.”

## **Is China One of the Kings?**

When asked directly if he believes China is one of these “kings of the East,” Rosenberg didn’t hesitate.

“Yes, that’s what I believe,” he said. “Can you prove it? I cannot prove it. Well, why are you here? I don’t know—Gary asked me.”

He acknowledged that other nations like Pakistan, India or even North Korea could be included. But he emphasized China’s unique position.

“When you have a country as big as China, that has the largest army in the world, that has nuclear weapons, ICBMs, and is the spirit of the Antichrist right now—little ‘a’—they are crushing Christianity, they are persecuting the church, they are trying to stamp out all religion,” Rosenberg said. “There is no freedom in China.”

## **A Literal Drying of the Euphrates?**

Some might dismiss the prophecy as metaphor. Rosenberg isn't one of them.

"When God's actually referencing a specific river—the Euphrates River—this isn't a metaphor," he said. "This is how the armies are going to get there—they're going to come up through a dry riverbed."

Rosenberg pointed to secular sources like the New York Times and Discover Magazine that have reported the Euphrates is, in fact, drying up.

"The river will completely dry up by 2040," he said, citing Iraqi and Syrian government concerns. "This is interesting to me. Something to think about."

## **America, China and the Growing Threat**

Rosenberg stressed the danger posed by the Chinese Communist Party. He cited official U.S. sources to back his concerns.

"The State Department right that the Chinese Communist Party—the CCP—is posing the central threat of our times," he said.

"The FBI the counter-espionage and economic espionage efforts emanating out of the Chinese government and the Communist Chinese Party are a grave threat to the economic well-being and democratic values of the United States."

And it's not just spying.

"China produces 97% of the world's fentanyl supply," he said. "The chemicals that create the drug that is killing a hundred thousand Americans a year comes from China."

## A Revival Behind the Curtain

Despite the oppression, Rosenberg sees an incredible move of God unfolding in China.

“Over the past four decades, Christianity has grown faster in China than anywhere else in the world,” he said, quoting a 2023 Boston University study. “The Christian community in China has grown from 1 100 million.”

He called it “the greatest spiritual awakening on the planet,” and he sees it foretold in Isaiah 49.

“Behold, these will come from afar,” he quoted, “and these from the land of Sinim.”

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“Sinim” is widely understood by Hebrew scholars to refer to China, Rosenberg explained.

“This is the only reference specifically to China. Revelation 16 is a reference I believe refers to China, but when you’re talking about the word of the Chinese people in a biblical world, China.”

## A Call to Prayer

Rosenberg closed with four specific prayer points:

1. **Pray for the persecuted Church in China** to have “great courage and great boldness” to preach the gospel and make disciples.
2. **Pray for the lost in China**, that they will “renounce come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.”
3. **Pray for Western leaders** to have “wisdom and courage” to stand up to the Chinese Communist Party.

4. **Pray for vulnerable nations**, including Israel and Taiwan, to withstand rising threats.

“Revelation is pretty important to the Chinese people, it turns out,” Rosenberg said.

And perhaps, now more than ever, it should be important to the rest of us, too.

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## **When the Wicked Seem to Win, Don't Give Up**

Ever find yourself shaking your head, wondering why it seems like wicked people get away with everything?

You're not alone.

It's one of those timeless frustrations: corruption, evil and injustice often appear to go unchecked. But in Ecclesiastes 8:10–13, Solomon gives us a perspective shift.

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As Vince Miller explains in his daily devotional, the reason injustice seems to thrive is simple – judgment doesn't always come right away. That delay tricks people into thinking there's no consequence, so they dive deeper into sin. But slow judgment doesn't mean no judgment. God's justice may not be

instant, but it's always right on time.

So what should we do while we wait? Miller challenges us to stop fixating on the apparent success of the wicked. Their wins are temporary – nothing more than “dust in the wind.”

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Instead, we're called to fear God, walk in righteousness and trust His timing. Justice may not move on our schedule, but it never misses God's. In the end, for those who fear Him, “it will be well.”

If that hits home for you, check out Miller's devotional videos. He's walking through Scripture every day – verse by verse, chapter by chapter – offering clear, encouraging truth for real life.

If you've ever wondered whether spiritual warfare is real, apostle Alexander Pagani has a story that'll stop you in your tracks.

In a powerful interview, Pagani opens up about the moment that cemented his calling into deliverance ministry—and it wasn't a textbook experience. From witnessing a man weep in raw surrender before God during a session, to receiving a literal threat from hell after preaching on Mark 5, Pagani shares moments that are as eye-opening as they are faith-building.

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One demon-possessed person began speaking with a villainous voice while their mouth stayed shut—and during another encounter, a candle was hurled across his living room as a voice warned, “Don’t open a can of worms you’re not ready to handle.” But instead of backing down, Pagani stood his ground. “Greater is He who is in me than he who is in the world,” he declared, and from that day forward, he committed to preach deliverance boldly.



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What makes Pagani’s testimony so compelling isn’t just the supernatural experiences—it’s the heart behind them. He emphasizes that deliverance isn’t about theatrics; it’s about setting people free and leading them to deeper surrender to Christ. One session even led to a complete family transformation, with a former church member now pastoring and changing lives.

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These moments remind us that spiritual warfare isn’t just a metaphor—it’s a reality. And God is still in the business of breaking chains.

You don’t want to miss this powerful, behind-the-scenes look at how God used supernatural encounters to shape one man’s ministry. Watch the full interview now and see why deliverance is not just real—it’s necessary.

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# Jennie Allen's Stunning Dream About Jesus Ignited a Worldwide Revival

God is doing something remarkable among young people today—and author and revivalist Jennie Allen has a front-row seat to it.

“I feel like I’m standing in the midst of the wonder and awe of God,” Allen shared during a recent interview with CBN News’ Billy Hallowell. “It really is beautiful and amazing.”

From college campuses to prisons, Allen is witnessing droves of people coming to Christ in unexpected places. At one event, over 7,000 students showed up—thousands of them responding to the Gospel. “I just have said yes,” she said. “I really do think it’s probably my only qualification.”

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Allen’s journey hasn’t been glamorous or easy. In fact, she’s taken a number of risks—professionally and personally. “Most of the decisions I’ve made in the last few years...have felt like the opposite” of strategic. But each risk has proven worth it. “We either live for this world or we live for heaven. I don’t think it’s really hard to do both.”

Her life verse? Hebrews 12: “Run the race set before you, fixing your eyes on Jesus.”

Ever feel like you’re doing everything right—praying, planning, stepping out in faith—only to hit a wall?

You're not alone. Even the apostle Paul ran into what seemed like dead ends.

Bible teacher Derek Prince, in one of his sermons unpacks a story from Acts 16 that reminds us how vital it is to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit, especially when His answer is "no."

Prince starts by pointing out something that might surprise you. "They were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in Asia." Imagine that. The same Spirit who had told the disciples to go into all the world suddenly says: not here, not now.

"Isn't that an astonishing statement?" Prince asks. "Sometimes people tell me God doesn't answer my prayers. I say you need to bear in mind No is an answer as well as Yes."

How many of us actually accept that? Or do we keep pushing our own way, assuming that if something is good, it must be God's will?

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Paul and his team didn't. When the door to Asia was closed, they tried to go into Bithynia. "But the Spirit did not permit them." They were being squeezed in a direction they didn't expect—toward Troas, and eventually, Europe.

At that moment, they didn't know why. But then Paul had a vision: "A man from Macedonia stood, and pleaded with him, saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.'" And here's where Prince highlights something beautiful: "Paul was a real leader. He had the vision. But it doesn't say he concluded, it says we concluded." Leadership, he said, is "not 'I make all the decisions and tell you what to do.' 'I hear from God, and we together decide what God wants to do'."

The result? The gospel entered Europe for the first time. And according to Prince, “In the light of 19 subsequent centuries, that was one of the most decisive movements in the early church.” He notes how Europe preserved Christianity through the Dark Ages and eventually became the launching pad for modern missions. Paul didn’t know that. But the Holy Spirit did.

Then Satan got angry. After delivering a slave girl from a spirit of divination, Paul and Silas were beaten and thrown into prison. “That was totally illogical,” Prince said. “It was absolutely without any real basis in reason. What was the cause of it? Satan was very angry because his territory was being invaded.”

That’s something we often forget—when we’re obeying God, opposition can actually be a sign that we’re right where we’re supposed to be.

But God doesn’t leave His people stuck. “He sent an earthquake, shook the prison, opened the doors, set the prisoners free. See, this was really high level strategy. Both God and Satan were intensely interested in what happened in Philippi.”

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The same is true today. We might not see the full picture, but when we trust God’s timing, the results can be greater than we imagine. Paul was later allowed to preach in Asia—in Ephesus, no less—where he saw some of his greatest ministry results. “Had he gone there early I think it would have spoiled

everything. The ground wasn't ready," Prince said.

He even shared a personal example: "God spoke to Ruth and me... 'I will lead you to the places where the soil has been prepared.'... We went to some places I wouldn't have chosen but we saw some rather amazing results."

Here's the takeaway for us today: When God says "no," don't assume He's not listening. He may just be getting ready to say "yes" to something bigger, something that could change lives in ways you never expected.

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## **Here's the Mindblowing Source of This Country Music Star's Faith**

Country music fans know Chris Janson for hits like "Buy Me a Boat," but behind the scenes, there's more to the man than just a microphone and a melody. When he's not performing, Janson is out in nature—living out his faith, building lasting memories with his kids and embracing a simpler, more grounded life.

As reported by Fox News, Janson opened up about how the outdoors isn't just a hobby—it's a spiritual journey. "A lot of people find God in certain places. I happened to find Him in those moments," he said, referring to time spent hunting and fishing. "If it was not in my life, I don't know that I

would be the kind of man that I am today.”

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This deep connection to the outdoors is something he’s passing down to his kids. “It’s one of the greatest experiences of my life, and the thing that I probably treasure the most outside of my marriage,” Janson shared, reflecting on time spent hunting with his children. Especially close to him is his 11-year-old son, Jesse, whom he lovingly calls a “carbon copy” of himself.

Janson doesn’t shy away from his values, either. “I love my wife, I love my kids... I love hunting and fishing... I love everything that goes along with it,” he said. “It’s not just about the harvest. It’s really just about the experience, mostly.”

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His love for nature reflects something deeply biblical.

God created the earth not just to sustain us, but to share with us—inviting us to find joy, peace and connection with Him through His creation. As Genesis 1:31 (MEV) says, “God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good.”

When we step into the woods, cast a line into the water or watch the sunrise with our children, we’re participating in that goodness.

For Janson, faith, family and the great outdoors aren’t just

part of life—they are life. And in a world that's always rushing, it's refreshing to see someone who's content finding peace in the woods, guided by faith and purpose.

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