

Is the Tribulation Coming in 2023?

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Are we entering the tribulation? Is there a false prophet gaining attention in Israel right now? A man called Rav Shlomo Yehuda has been popping up across social media and some are calling him Elijah or the messiah. We are breaking down whether or not prominent rabbi's are following him around and if he is performing miracles.

In an exclusive Charisma News interview, Pastor Mark Biltz, the founder of El Shaddai Ministries, shared insight into what is going on in Israel and end-times clues to be looking out for.

Although some believe that Shlomo has memorized the entire Torah and Talmud, Biltz is more than skeptical about what's being spread online. "He's making a big stir within his own little cult group. Ninety-Nine percent of Israel doesn't even know him. Christians are passing him around on the media, but that isn't what Israel believes," Biltz says.

Despite what is being spread across social media, Biltz tells people not to assume this is a big movement happening within Israel.

What people should be looking out for?

Biltz is the author of "Decoding the Anti-Christ and the End Times" and has incredible insight on Hebrew society and the culture of the day when the Bible was written. This is extremely crucial into understanding the end-times signs.



One of those insights include the Jewish calendar. The solar

and lunar calendar has the months synchronized to the moon and the years to the sun. The calendar system we follow is solely based off the sun.

Most people don't know "The time frame from Adam to Abraham."

When you look at the date that Abraham was born, 1948 on the Hebrew calendar, that is the same year Israel became a nation on the secular Gregorian calendar.

What else does the calendar reveal? "Abraham was 75-years-old when he entered the promise land and received the promise he would inherit it. Well if you add 75 to our 1948, that's 2023. That is this year, we are now approaching, can you believe it," Biltz says.

Biltz says the Hebrew year 2023 is the year that Abraham entered the promise land, received the promise for the promise land and again it happened on an appointed time not just any day. He entered the promise land on Passover.

"So as far as this coming year, this is a Jubilee year. This last year was a Shmita year, but there is seven Shmita years in a jubilee cycle," Biltz says. The Shmita is the "year of release" or the sabbatical year on the Hebrew calendar.

How do we know we are in a jubilee year now? The year 5782 was the biblical year right before Rosh Hashanah, which was this year. Well, 5782 is divisible by 7 that's how you know it's a Shmita year. It's also divisible by 49 which is why we know the year that we are entering now is a Jubilee year. After 49 years, seven cycles of seven, the following 50th year is a Jubilee year.

End times signs?

In Daniel 9:24-27, Daniel lays out the first coming of the Messiah and the events that will occur leading up to the time of Jesus' second coming. The 70 weeks prophecy in the book of

Daniel refers to a period of seventy years and the desolation of Jerusalem.

In Daniels 70 weeks, there is one week left and it's a Shmita cycle, it's not any random 7 years. "Which means if the tribulation doesn't start this year (2023), it can't start for seven more years because the first year of the tribulation has to begin the first year of a Shmita cycle," Biltz says.

"The tribulation can't start any day, any month or any year, God is on a schedule," he says.

Will it start this year? We will have to wait and watch for the signs, if not, the tribulation won't start for seven more years.

"Just like the seven years of famine for Joseph lasted seven years after the seven years of prosperity, we have to realize God works in seven year segments, He's not random," Biltz says.

How do we know if we are in the tribulation?

1. Some kind of covenant will be made to divide the land of Israel.
2. If we see one of the two witnesses talked about in the Bible. "If we see some people showing up in Jerusalem this Passover, we have to see what they teach because what's scary is that the anti-Christ and the false prophet are going to do miracles so you can't follow the miracles," Biltz says. "When you study what Elijah and Moses do, they cause major problems. They turn water to blood, they kill those who oppose them and make fire fall from the sky," he says. We know it is then the Antichrist shows up and he's the one that kills the witnesses and people think he's the messiah.
3. Many think the Antichrist will come first, but really it's going to be God's two witnesses warning everyone and then he will show up and he will be like Solomon. In

Biltz's book: "Decoding the Antichrist and the End Times," he talks about how Solomon is a type of Antichrist using scripture.

4. Someone who comes and solves all the Middle East problems appearing to be a peace maker. He could preach Judaism, Christianity and Islam, and loving one another. "I really think a lot of people are going to be deceived," he says.

Tune in to the full interview to hear what he says about the mark of the beast and why you need to be on the watch. {eoa}

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