

PART 1

**An Introduction to the Last Days**

# 4 Main Segments of the Last Days

1

The Sequence  
of Events that  
will Unfold

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The Church  
of the  
Future

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The Antichrist

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4

Our Personal  
Preparation

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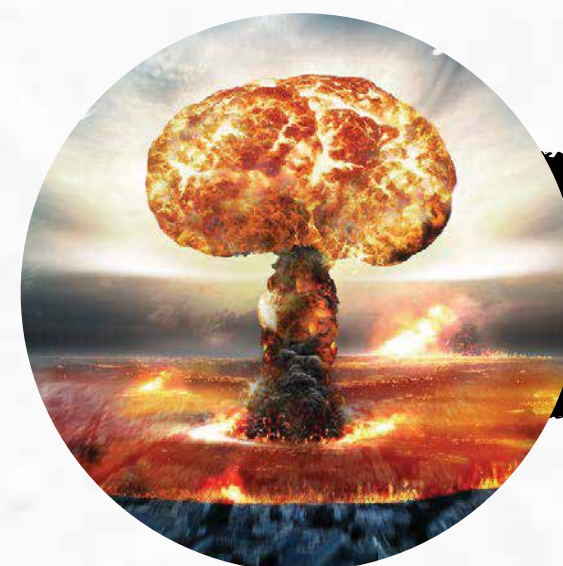
# **3 Principal Books in the Bible We Must Pay Attention To**



**BOOK OF REVELATION**



**BOOK OF DANIEL**



**MATTHEW 24**



Many of the protestant reformers had an **extremely poor view** of Revelations.



# 2 Churches that have Influenced Our Theology



**THE 1<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY CHURCH**



**THE 15<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY CHURCH**



Blessed is he who reads and those who  
hear the words of this prophecy, and  
keep those things which are written in it;  
for the time is near.

**Revelation 1:3**



# ***THREE CONCEPTS***

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The Concept of  
.....  
**The Elect**

2

The Concept of  
.....  
**Divine Delay**

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The Concept of  
.....  
**The Bride**



***THE CONCEPT OF***

**The Elect**



**‘The Elect’** is a term used only by Jesus  
in relation to **The Last Days.**



The counterview to **Unconditional Election** is **Conditional Election** and it is based on the **Foreknowledge of God.**





The idea of **conditional election** comes from *Arminianism*, which is really a return to the doctrine of the 1st Century Church.



For whom He foreknew, He also  
predestined to be conformed to the  
image of His Son, that He might be the  
firstborn among many brethren.

**Romans 8:29**



And we know that all things work  
together for good to those who love  
God, to those who are the called  
according to His purpose.

**Romans 8:28**



The word  
**PURPOSE** in  
Greek has a  
dual meaning.

PROTHESIS



For we are His workmanship, created in  
Christ Jesus for good works, which God  
prepared beforehand that we should  
walk in them.

**Ephesians 2:10**



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dual meaning.

PROTHESIS

PROSTHESIS



# ***THE CONCEPT OF*** Divine Delay



The Lord is not slack concerning His promise,  
as some count slackness, but is longsuffering  
toward us, not willing that any should perish  
but that all should come to repentance.

**2 Peter 3:9**



***THE CONCEPT OF***

**The Bride**



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What is the one  
picture we get  
when we think of  
**The Lord's Return?**



**A Wedding**

Jesus is coming back for a  
bride without spot or wrinkle.



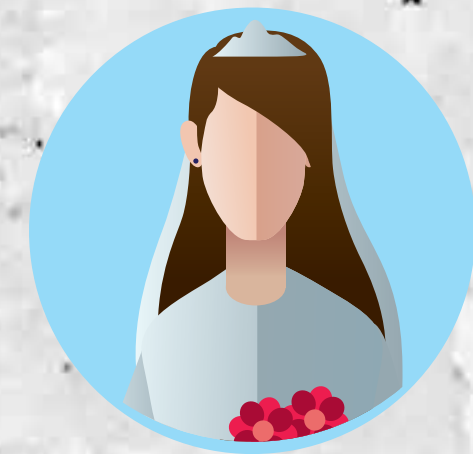
“Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready. <sup>8</sup>And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. <sup>9</sup>Then he said to me, “Write: Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!”” And he said to me, “These are the true sayings of God.”

**Revelation 19:7-9**





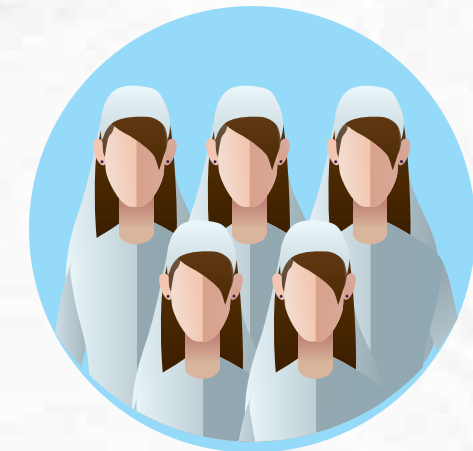
**The Bridegroom**



**The Bride**



**Friends of the  
The Bridegroom**



**The Companions of the  
Bride (The Virgins)**



**The Wedding Guests**

**In a typical  
Jewish wedding,  
there are different  
groups of people.**