

SIGN OF THE SON

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The flag with the Magen David center is today flying over the ancient city of Jerusalem. To the Jews this means that their Messiah is coming soon. The Messiah they seek truly will come as their King, but He will be the man they crucified! This is the message of the flag of Israel, for this flag speaks of the amazing fulfillment of Jesus' own prophecy.

"And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds [white] of heaven [blue] with power and great glory." Matthew 24:30 (kjv)

The Israeli flag's own colors is referred to in connection with the coming of Jesus!

Further, we are told that the "sign of the Son of man" shall appear in the heavens. Could it be that a star will appear in the shape of the Magen David as a sign to Israel that their Messiah is coming, and then Jesus shall appear? The same sign appeared at His first advent. The wise men said, "we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him" (Matthew 2:2).

Here we have in one verse the unfolding of the mystery of the flag of Israel. First, there is the fulfillment of the colors: Jesus will come in the clouds (white) of heaven (blue). We have also the possibility of the actual central figure of the flag, the six-pointed star of the Shield of David once more shining forth in the heavens as a "sign of the Son of man." The sign that reveals to Israel and to all the world that the Man who came to this world as a babe in a manger, the One who was despised and reject-ed of men (Isaiah 53:3), who "came unto his own, and his own received him not" (John 1:11), whose "visage was so marred more than any man" (Isaiah 52:14), the One Israel crucified, is none other than the Lord of glory (I Corinthians 2:8), their Lord and their God (John 20:28), their long sought Messiah, and the one returning to this earth.

When Jesus comes again it will not be as a suffering Savior, but as King of kings and Lord of lords (Revelation 19:16).

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."

Revelation 1:7-8 (kjv)

It is the Almighty which will be coming! We are told that we should be "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ" (Titus 2:13). He will come to Israel after He has raptured (caught away) His church.

At the time of His coming Israel will be in deep trouble. The whole world under Antichrist will be gathered together against Israel. Revelation 19:11-19 describes Jesus as He rides forth to deliver His chosen people Israel. This great event is detailed by the prophet Zechariah:

"For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee."

Zechariah 4:2-5 (kjv)

When Jesus comes, He is called "the LORD my God" or, in Hebrew, "Jehovah my Elohim"! Further, all Israel will know that Jesus, their Messiah, is the one God of the Shema and the Magen David.

"And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one." Zechariah 14:9 (kjv)

When Israel's deliverance is complete and the armies that came against her destroyed, Antichrist and the False Prophet will be cast alive into the lake of fire (Revelation 19:20). Then Israel will fall at the feet of Jesus, even as Joseph's brothers fell at his feet, and Israel shall proclaim Him as their God.

"Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Isaiah 25:9 (kjv)

They will at last have found their Magen David!