

The New Heavens and Earth

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The following is a compilation of prophecies contained in the Bible foretelling the future of our planet and promising a *New Heavens and Earth*.

The Bible refers to 3 heavens. One: the atmosphere of earth; Two: outer space and Three: The third Heaven; the dwelling place of the Creator and all those who have died in Christ.

According to Bible prophecy, this planet will eventually wear out like an old garment and be destroyed. The elements of the earth and the earth's atmosphere will burn up with intense heat.

Afterwards, a new heavens and a new earth will be created, which will never wear out. This, not Heaven, is where believers will live eternally.

The following pages contain most of the major prophecies in the Bible regarding the future of planet earth. They are shared without commentary for the thoughtful consideration of the reader.

All Scriptures are from the NASB

ISAIAH

The first prophecy below is by Isaiah, which is preceded by a bit of history on Isaiah.

http://wiki.answers.com/Q/When_did_Isaiah_live

When did Isaiah live?

Isaiah 1:1 (King James Version) says, "The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah."

Thus the first period of his ministry was during the reigns of:

Uzziah 792-740 BC and
Jotham 750-738 (as regent) and
738-732 as ruler.

Isaiah's second period of work began in the reign of Ahaz from 735 - 715 and continued into the fifteenth year of Hezekiah's rule, after which he retired from public ministry.

<http://www.reasons.org/articles/articles/fulfilled-prophecy-evidence-for-the-reliability-of-the-bible>

Was Isaiah accurate prophetically?

The prophet Isaiah foretold that a conqueror named Cyrus would destroy seemingly impregnable Babylon and subdue Egypt along with most of the rest of the known world. This same man, said Isaiah, would decide to let the Jewish exiles in his territory go free

without any payment of ransom (Isaiah 44:28; 45:1; and 45:13). Isaiah made this prophecy 150 years before Cyrus was born, 180 years before Cyrus performed any of these feats (and he did, eventually, perform them all), and 80 years before the Jews were taken into exile.

(Probability of chance fulfillment = 1 in 1015.)

For more prophecies by Isaiah, fulfilled with perfect accuracy, go to the above link, type control (or command) F, type Isaiah in the search field and hit your ENTER key. Each time you do it will take you to another fulfilled Isaiah prophecy. The man has been perfectly accurate until now, and I am sure he will be shown to be accurate in the below prophecies also, which are yet to be fulfilled.

Isaiah 24:1-5 and 18b-23

Judgment on the Earth

1 Behold, the LORD lays the earth waste, devastates it, distorts its surface and scatters its inhabitants.

2 And the people will be like the priest, the servant like his master, the maid like her mistress, the buyer like the seller, the lender like the borrower, the creditor like the debtor.

3 The earth will be completely laid waste and completely despoiled, for the LORD has spoken this word.

4 The earth mourns and withers, the world fades and withers, the exalted of the people of the earth fade away.

5 The earth is also polluted by its inhabitants, for they transgressed laws, violated statutes, broke the everlasting covenant. 6 Therefore, a curse devours the earth, and those who live in it are held guilty. Therefore, the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men are left.

. . . For the windows above are opened, and the foundations of the earth shake.

19 The earth is broken asunder,
The earth is split through,
The earth is shaken violently.

20 The earth reels to and fro like a drunkard
And it totters like a shack,
For its transgression is heavy upon it,
And it will fall, never to rise again.



21 So it will happen in that day,
That the LORD will punish the host of heaven
on high,

And the kings of the earth on earth.

22 They will be gathered together

Like prisoners in the dungeon,

And will be confined in prison;

And after many days they will be punished.

23 Then the moon will be abashed and the sun
ashamed,

For the LORD of hosts will reign on Mount Zion and
in Jerusalem,

And His glory will be before His elders.

Isaiah 13:10-13

10 For the stars of heaven and their constellations
Will not flash forth their light;

The sun will be dark when it rises

And the moon will not shed its light.

11 Thus I will punish the world for its evil

And the wicked for their iniquity;

I will also put an end to the arrogance of the proud
And abase the haughtiness of the ruthless.

12 I will make mortal man scarcer than pure gold
And mankind than the gold of Ophir.

13 Therefore I will make the heavens tremble,
And the earth will be shaken from its place

At the fury of the LORD of hosts

In the day of His burning anger.

Isaiah 34:1-4 New American Standard Bible (NASB)

God's Wrath against Nations

1 Draw near, O nations, to hear; and listen, O peoples!

Let the earth and all it contains hear, and the world and all that springs from it.

2 For the LORD'S indignation is against all the nations,

And His wrath against all their armies;

He has utterly destroyed them,

He has given them over to slaughter.

3 So their slain will be thrown out,

And their corpses will give off their stench,

And the mountains will be drenched with their blood.

4 And all the host of heaven will wear away,

And the sky will be rolled up like a scroll;

All their hosts will also wither away

As a leaf withers from the vine,

Or as one withers from the fig tree.

Isaiah 30:26

26 The light of the moon will be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun will be seven times brighter, like the light of seven days, on the day the LORD binds up the fracture of His people and heals the bruise He has inflicted.

Isaiah 65:17



New Heavens and a New Earth

17 "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former things will not be remembered or come to mind.

Isaiah 66:22

22 "For just as the new heavens and the new earth

Which I make will endure before Me," declares the LORD,

"So your offspring and your name will endure.

HOSEA

<http://www.enduringword.com/commentaries/2801.htm>

The times Hosea lived in: In the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel. Hosea's ministry spanned the years 760 to 720 B.C. during the days of the divided monarchy. This was after days of David and Solomon, when the people of God divided in a civil war, creating two nations: Israel in the north, and Judah in the south. This is some 250 years after the time of King David, and some 650 years after Israel came into the Promised Land.

Hosea 4:1-3

God's Controversy with Israel

1 . . . For the LORD has a case against the inhabitants of the land,

Because there is no faithfulness or kindness

Or knowledge of God in the land.

2 There is swearing, deception, murder, stealing and adultery.

They employ violence, so that bloodshed follows bloodshed.

3 Therefore the land mourns,

And everyone who lives in it languishes

Along with the beasts of the field and the birds of the sky,

And also the fish of the sea disappear.

JOEL

http://wiki.answers.com/Q/When_did_the_old_testament_prophet_Joel_live

Joel was a prophet during the two kingdoms - Israel / Judah period, about 930 BC.

Joel 2:30-32

The Day of the LORD

30 "I will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, Blood, fire and columns of smoke.
31 "The sun will be turned into darkness
And the moon into blood
Before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.
32 "And it will come about that whoever calls on the name of the LORD
Will be delivered . . .

ZEPHANIAH

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zephaniah>

Zephaniah prophesied in the days of [Josiah](#), king of [Judah](#) (B.C. 641-610), and was contemporary with [Jeremiah](#).

Zephaniah 1:2

"I will completely remove all things from the face of the earth," declares the Lord.

1:3 "I will remove man and beast; I will remove the birds of the sky and the fish of the sea, and the ruins along with the wicked; and I will cut off man from the face of the earth," declares the Lord.

EZEKIEL

http://wiki.answers.com/Q/About_when_did_Ezekiel_live

Ezekiel lived and prophesied before and after the destruction of the First Temple in Jerusalem by the Babylonians, which took place in 586 BCE.

Ezekiel 32:7-8

7 "And when I extinguish you,
I will cover the heavens and darken their stars;
I will cover the sun with a cloud
And the moon will not give its light.
8 "All the shining lights in the heavens
I will darken over you
And will set darkness on your land,"
Declares the Lord GOD.

Ezekiel 38:17-23

17 'Thus says the Lord GOD, "Are you the one of whom I spoke in former days through My servants

the prophets of Israel, who prophesied in those days for many years that I would bring you against them?
18 It will come about on that day, when Gog comes against the land of Israel," declares the Lord GOD,
"that My fury will mount up in My anger.

19 In My zeal and in My blazing wrath I declare that on that day there will surely be a great **earthquake** in the land of Israel.

20 **The fish of the sea, the birds of the heavens, the beasts of the field, all the creeping things that creep on the earth, and all the men who are on the face of the earth will shake at My presence; the mountains also will be thrown down, the steep pathways will collapse and every wall will fall to the ground.**

21 I will call for a sword against him (Gog, not Israel) on all My mountains," declares the Lord GOD. "Every man's sword will be against his brother.

22 With pestilence and with blood I will enter into judgment with him (Gog); and I will rain on him and on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, **a torrential rain, with hailstones, fire and brimstone.**

23 I will magnify Myself, sanctify Myself, and make Myself known in the sight of many nations; and they will know that I am the LORD."

MICAH

http://wiki.answers.com/Q/Who_was_the_Prophet_Micah

Micah, the Biblical prophet, lived about 2750 years ago, in about 750 BC, during the time of Isaiah. He lived in a small town (Moreseth) south of Jerusalem. He was a contemporary of Isaiah, but it is not known if the two had ever met.

Micah predicted the downfall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the Temple, which were fulfilled by the Babylonian destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple in about 586 BC and again by the Romans in 70 AD. The Temple has not been rebuilt since that destruction. Jerusalem was destroyed a second time by the Romans in about 135 AD.

Micah has famous prophecies including the coming of the Messiah (5:2-4), and that the little town of Bethlehem would be the birthplace of the Messiah.

Micah 1:2-4

2 Hear, O peoples, all of you;
Listen, O earth and all it contains,
And let the Lord GOD be a witness against you,
The Lord from His holy temple.
3 For behold, the LORD is coming forth from His
place.
He will come down and tread on the high places of
the earth.
4 The mountains will melt under Him
And the valleys will be split,
Like wax before the fire,
Like water poured down a steep place.

MATTHEW

Matthew was a contemporary of Jesus the Christ (Jesus lived 1AD-33AD approximately), and a follower chosen by Jesus, and appointed by Jesus to be an Apostle. He died many years after Jesus was crucified, died, resurrected and then ascended.

Matthew 24:21-44

Jesus Christ, as recorded by Matthew

Capitalized segments are where Jesus was quoting the prophets listed above.

21 For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will.
22 Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.
23 Then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ,' or 'There He is,' do not believe him.
24 For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.
25 Behold, I have told you in advance.
26 So if they say to you, 'Behold, He is in the wilderness,' do not go out, or, 'Behold, He is in the inner rooms,' do not believe them.
27 For just as the lightning comes from the east and flashes even to the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be.
28 Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.
29 "But immediately after the tribulation of those days THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON

WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL FALL from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

30 And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the SON OF MAN COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF THE SKY with power and great glory.

31 And He will send forth His angels with A GREAT TRUMPET and THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

32 "Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near;

33 so, you too, when you see all these things, recognize that He is near, right at the door.

34 Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.

35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

36 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone.

37 For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah.

38 For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,

39 and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be.

40 Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken and one will be left.

41 Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one will be left.

Be Ready for His Coming

42 "Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming.

43 But be sure of this, that if the head of the house had known at what time of the night the thief was coming, he would have been on the alert and would not have allowed his house to be broken into. 44 For this reason you also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour when you do not think He will.

LUKE

Luke was a contemporary of Jesus Christ.

Luke 21:25-38

Jesus Christ, as recorded by Luke the Physician

25 "There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth dismay among nations, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, 26 men fainting from fear and the expectation of the things which are coming upon the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

27 Then they will see THE SON OF MAN COMING IN A CLOUD with power and great glory.

28 But when these things begin to take place, straighten up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

PETER

Peter was one of the original 12 disciples of Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 3:1-18

Written by the Apostle Peter, contemporary of Jesus, appointed by Jesus.

1 This is now, beloved, the second letter I am writing to you in which I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder,

2 that you should remember the words spoken beforehand by the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior spoken by your apostles.

3 Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts,

4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all continues just as it was from the beginning of creation."

5 For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God the heavens existed long ago and the earth was formed out of water and by water,

6 through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water.

7 But by His word the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

8 But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day.

9 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.

11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,

12 looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat!

13 But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

14 Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless,

15 and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him, wrote to you,

16 as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.

17 You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard so that you are not carried away by the error of unprincipled men and fall from your own steadfastness,

18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord



and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

PAUL

Paul was a contemporary of Christ, and was called into service by Christ, supernaturally, through a vision encounter with Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

A letter written by the Apostle Paul to believers who lived in Thessalonica.

1 Now as to the times and the epochs, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written to you.
2 For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night.
3 While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape.
4 But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day would overtake you like a thief;
5 for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness;
6 so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober.
7 For those who sleep do their sleeping at night, and those who get drunk get drunk at night.
8 But since we are of the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation.
9 For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,
10 who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we will live together with Him.
11 Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.

1 Thessalonians 4:14-18

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Jesus.
15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep.
16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and

with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

17 Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord.

18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.

Romans 8:19-23

19 For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God.

20 For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope

21 that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

22 For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.



23 And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.

JOHN

John was a contemporary of Christ and one of the original 12 disciples.

Revelation 6:12-17

The vision given to the Apostle John (contemporary of Jesus, appointed by Jesus) by Jesus while he was imprisoned on the Island of Patmos.

The Sixth Seal—Terror

12 I looked when He broke the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole moon became like blood;

13 and the stars of the sky fell to the earth, as a fig tree casts its unripe figs when shaken by a great wind.

14 The sky was split apart like a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

15 Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains;

16 and they said to the mountains and to the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb;

17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

Revelation 7:1-3

1 After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, so that no wind would blow on the earth or on the sea or on any tree.

2 And I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, having the seal of the living God; and he cried out with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, 3 saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees until we have sealed the bond-servants of our God on their foreheads."

Revelation 20:1-15

1 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand.

2 And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;

3 and he threw him into the abyss, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.

4 Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.

6 Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.

7 When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison,

8 and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore.

9 And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them. 10 And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them.

12 And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds.

14 Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.

15 And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.



Revelation 22:1-21

1 Then he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb,

2 in the middle of its street. On either side of the river was the tree of life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

3 There will no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His bond-servants will serve Him;

4 they will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads.

5 And there will no longer be any night; and they will not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God will illumine them; and they will reign forever and ever.

6 And he said to me, "These words are faithful and true"; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His angel to show to His bond-servants the things which must soon take place.

7 "And behold, I am coming quickly. Blessed is he who heeds the words of the prophecy of this book."

8 I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed me these things.

9 But he said to me, "Do not do that. I am a fellow servant of yours and of your brethren the prophets and of those who heed the words of this book. Worship God."

10 And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near.

11 Let the one who does wrong, still do wrong; and the one who is filthy, still be filthy; and let the one who is righteous, still practice righteousness; and the one who is holy, still keep himself holy.

12 "Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done.

13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter by the gates into the city.

15 Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying.

16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

17 The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who wishes take the water of life without cost.

18 I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues which are written in this book;

19 and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book.

20 He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming quickly." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

21 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

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