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March 14th. Do the current events that are still ongoing in Ukraine, uh is that related to prophecy, or is it not. So this is a deep one this is a fun one uh and whether you agree or disagree I think you will find it interesting this is Don K Preston I want to get to this idea that I've heard with Russia and Ukraine uh even references to Gog and Magog which originally was Gog from Magog um I'm just curious what what you think because I know you're hearing the same you know prophecy statements that I'm hearing from a lot of Christian leaders what's your take on that well first of all let me State and I know you feel the same way uh I know that the people who are so wrapped up in that are sincere people who love the lord it's true I I really believe however that they have been deceived that's not because of any ill will it's just simply what we are taught sometimes we don't stop and think and investigate about it critically the very first thing that I would like to point out is that Gog and Magog according to Ezekiel 38 and 39 would take place in Israel's last days and I would point out and you know Randy I I wrote a book some years ago entitled The Last Days identified uh consistently down through the years it has been one of the best-selling of my titles I've written over 33 books now but this particular book has been one of the best-selling titles because to State this simply if we're not in the last days Gog and Magog is over yeah period end of story and so when we properly understand the context the framework for the last days as Israel's last Covenant age or I would express it the last generation of Israel's Covenant history which ended in 80 70 by the way then all of a sudden our eschatology has to be rethought yeah and it it is sometimes revolutionary it sure positively shook my world when I really began to investigate it and to see and to understand uh these Concepts but at the same time I I look at the world in a totally different way now yeah I don't have a fear of the man of sin Antichrist I don't have a fear of the abomination of desolation I'm not fearing the Great Tribulation with you know three-fifths of the world's population being wiped out I don't fear any of that and so what I do have is a profound Trust and the one who holds the future and and I'm not trying to be naive in under any circumstances what's happening in our world today with Russia's invasion is serious stuff uh we cannot be naive about

that what I'm fearful of Randy is that we have an awful lot of politicians in positions of authority who believe that Russia is an end time player who believe that China is an end time player and that they may set about consciously or unconsciously subconsciously of trying to bring about self-fulfilling prophecy that's dangerous stuff and so I think we have to be very very cognizant of what the Bible actually says and the Bible does not teach that we are in the last days you know Peter stood up on Pentecost 2000 years ago after speaking in tongues and the audience accused them of being drunk and Peter said men and Brethren to hear these words these are not drunk saying that you are seeing us about the third hour of the day this is that which is spoken by the prophet Joel right he didn't say this is something like it will finally be day you know by and by he said this is it folks and Joel said the spirit will be poured out in the last days Spirit was being poured out there in the last days I don't know how much clearer that can be and you know that's one of the passages that that got my attention when I started reading some of this stuff and I had no idea that people like you even existed who were well versed in this view I didn't know this alternate view existed because I grew up in Southern Baptist Church and I wished we'd all been ready and I'm I'm terrified uh I didn't think I'd live to see 30 when I was a teenager right that's the truth um and and it's it's interesting when you talk to people about this because I mean I get comments like you know this is this is heretical you know this is you just you could call to every name in the book and I'm going but I'm this comes from looking at scripture I think well first of all I do want to mention this is the book The Last Days identified by Don K Preston and you can get it at his website donkepreston.com you can get some other places too and if you're interested in this topic uh I would say this is a real good place to start because it'll put you on a scriptural path towards a view other than the John Darby you know Scofield view that really took hold in the late 1800s early 1900s and really took root here in America deeply and that's why we were all raised thinking this but let's let's hit a couple of Basics because Donna you know I love to get lost in the weeds of individual passages and ideas I I enjoy that but I think what would suit the audience best today would be to kind of set that Foundation of what like what you just said were were acts very clearly says that those are the last days and uh my my big question when I went wait a minute if they lived in the last days because they said this multiple times since it's in Scripture that the the writers of the Bible the first century were the last days I'd like to get some of the real basic things just to get people maybe uh rethinking this first question is last days of what excellent question uh and it's interesting you know you pointed out you were raised

in in a Baptist tradition I was raised in the Church of Christ which is all Millennial you said you didn't expect to live until 30. I didn't expect to live to be 50. so you know we had some similar sentiments going on but to that that question that you ask is one that really honestly has to be asked by everyone and is it the last days of time isn't the last days of the Christian age which are synchronous in the minds of most all millennialists and even post-millennialism but here's a problem with saying it that the last days referred to the last days of our current age the age in which we were living we are living now which is the Christian age the Bible is more than clear it's graphic it's explicit it is emphatic the Christian age the age in which we're living right now has no end cite the verses Ephesians 3 20 and 21 unto him be glory in the church by Jesus Christ throughout throughout all ages age Without End hello uh and and I love this sections Isaiah chapter 9 verse 6 and following unto us a son is born unto us a child is given and and the government shall be upon his shoulders and of the increase of his government there shall be no end well how do you get the increase of government oh that's the evangelism well wait a minute I thought at the End of Time the end of the Christian age there's no more evangelism because there's no more sin etc etc then how could there be evangelism Without End yeah and it in Luke Luke 1 32 and 33 another passage that I just absolutely love the angel was speaking to Mary uh telling her that she was going to give birth to the Messiah and it says the Lord shall give unto him the Throne of his Father David and of his kingdom and of his rule there will be no end okay now I don't yeah I don't know how much clearer language could be when it tells us that the rule of Christ sitting on the throne of David has no end it's not a thousand years it's no end okay let me throw out the counter argument I think to that uh which is that you know Jesus said my kingdom is not of this world so his his reign will never end but this world has to either end or at least be consumed by fire uh you know nearly destroyed so it can be restored I think people would I would agree that that Christ's reign will never end but the world in which we live just has to get worse before it can get better uh yes and that's a very popular it's one I was raised with by the way evil minute seducers shall wax worse and worse deceiving and being deceived second II Timothy chapter three uh six to eight so let's address the issue when the Bible says of the increase of his government there shall be no end if we are going to say well okay Christ's Kingdom doesn't end but the rule of Christ on Earth comes to an end then how are we going to apply Isaiah 9 in heaven yeah right yeah yeah uh I don't know if anybody believes that furthermore Hebrews chapter 12 25 to 28 let me reach over and grab my Bible because uh I would normally just quote this

Hebrews chapter 12 18 and following the inspired writer says you have not come to the mountain that may be touched and that burned with fire into Blackness and darkness and Tempest and the sound of a trumpet the voice of words so that those who heard it beg that the word should not be spoken to them anymore for they could not endure what was commanded and if so much as a beast touches the mountain it's to be stoned or thrust through with us with a spirit or an arrow and so terrifying was the sight that Moses said I exceedingly fear and Quake and tremble but you have come to Mount Zion now I got to tell you Randy I could I could wax an elephant for about a week or two weeks or three weeks on on the significance of the writer saying you've come to Mount Zion but ever so briefly in the eschatological Messianic prophecies of the Old Testament Zion is the location of the Resurrection it's the location of the kingdom it is the location of Salvation it is everything so when the writer of Hebrews says to first century Jews you have come to Mount Zion nothing could be more eschatologically significant but I'll I'll go on to the city of the Living God the heavenly Jerusalem to innumerable company of angels to the General Assembly Church of the firstborn now let me let me skip down for Times Sake see that you do not refuse him that speaks from heaven for if they did not Escape him who spoke on the earth much more shall we not Escape if we turn away from him who speaks from heaven whose voice then shook the Earth but now he has promised saying yet once more I shake not the Earth but to Heaven also now this this saying yet once more indicates the removal of those things that are being shaken as of things that are made so that the things which cannot be shaken might remain therefore since we that's he's writing to people on Earth in time in their bodies since we are receiving and he said that a kingdom which cannot be shaken now we have a contrast here between what was delivered at Sonia and he says that was being shaken to be shaken means to be removed and what he means with that pretty clearly from the context is the law of Moses with it with it cultists was being shaken I.E removed when he wrote which means that Cultus was passing out of validity No More functioning okay yeah I think we get that but but we are receiving he said again two thousand years ago a kingdom that cannot be shaken which means just like Jesus said in Matthew chapter 24 and verse 35 Heaven and Earth will pass away and he's referring to the temple as Heaven and Earth there by the way Heaven and Earth will pass away my words will never pass away and he uses in the Greek a double negative which means by no means is this possible for my word to ever go out of business yeah the old Covenant law the law of Moses

but I want everyone to catch the real power of what the writer is saying in

went out of business yep okay the law of Christ The Gospel of Jesus Christ which is to convert people to make the kingdom grow will never end a couple of things does that tie the idea of Heaven and Earth passing away that is placed in the future by so many people does that also tie into the The Authority uh whereas the the law was the Authority Under the old Covenant for heaven and earth and that did I almost I I pass away seems contrary uh to the idea of fulfilled unless you just look at it as out of business as you say um is that also a new Heaven and Earth uh being a new Authority which is Christ yes which we see beautifully in the Transfiguration which happens to be one of my very favorite topics in all of the Bible here is Jesus on the mountain transfigured before his Apostles Peter James and John and they are just scared out of their minds you know but they see Moses and Elijah appear and they're talking with Jesus now who are Moses and Elijah there they are the ultimate representatives of the law and the prophets and Peter good old Peter impetuous as he was Lord it's great for us to be here let's build three Tabernacles now some scholars believe that it was the Feast of Tabernacle period in which all this happened I I don't know I'm not good enough at chronology but but some some scholars believe that nonetheless so Peter's saying lord it's fantastic for us to be here let's build three Tabernacles one for Moses one for Elijah one for you and as he speaks the words Moses and Elijah disappear I don't know how that happened it's incredible to try to Envision that but here's Jesus standing alone and what's known as the both Cole The Voice from heaven says this and in the Greek it is is what known as the emphatic mode this is the guy this is the guy right here this is my beloved Son in whom I am why I'm well in whom I am well pleased and again it's in the emphatic mode him here yeah the time of paying attention doesn't mean they're not valuable does it mean that we don't learn from them still time of their Authority is quickly passing away because him here yep so yes it was a transition was coming in which Moses and the prophets as the law of God to man was to be done away they they would have served their purpose well what was their purpose well Paul explains it Galatians yep yep after the law or excuse me after Christ has come after the faith it's not simply Faith after the faith has come we're no longer under a Schoolmaster so the Old Law was can always considered to be transitory temporary until that which cannot be shaken would come in and that's the Gospel of Jesus Christ yep that's that's the promised Messiah that the the prophet spoke about in the Old Testament so much and also in the Old Testament you know there was this phrase in in Judaism this age and the age to come they lived in that that pre-christ age and what What I Hear You reflecting is that we are in the the Christian

age or the Messianic age you know that age that was to come and I think a lot of the confusion that Christians get especially when they are fed cherry-picked versus uh you know along an idea uh instead of full context is is that that future tense which was future when it was written is past tense to us now and that's why I have become almost obnoxious about context when I when I start talking about scripture I'm like who was it written to when was it written um I had a question at the end of this okay yes so second Peter 3 um where Peter's saying you know hey God's not slack on his promises it's his will that none should perish those kinds of ideas and a lot of where scripture was written in the New Testament I see a period where Christ had come he had proclaimed the Fulfillment of the law we're seeing this transition to the Christian age but he had a promise to the Israelites and that's why he wanted all the nations which is a reference oftentimes if not usually to the nations of Israel that they would hear the gospel in other words they would hear the Messiah has come and so he gave them time for that word to go out before it was coming down to one or the other except the Messiah or face the the promised judgment that all the prophets had foretold for centuries which was the destruction of Jerusalem that Jesus talked about on the Mount of Olives that would happen in their generation he said and I get all sorts of weird gymnastics on how this generation shall not pass away doesn't mean this generation shall not pass away uh but I take that one pretty straightforward I don't think Jesus was playing games with the disciples when he said that but what we see is here's this period of time for the word to go out Jesus came first for the Jew and then for the Gentile and he kept that promise to the Jews that they would hear the gospel that the Messiah had come and if they would heed his warning they would flee to the heels of Judea when they saw the Eagles surrounding the city and escaped the Judgment that was coming on Jerusalem many of them didn't uh the Christians did and the Old Testament Prophecies of Destruction that we like to put into our future actually happened with the destruction of Jerusalem sort of capping off the end of the old age leaving us in this endless age of Christ am I tracking okay there oh I yeah I think you stated that very well let me offer just a few additional thoughts here uh for those who like the patristic writers and I I'm going to be very blunt here and I mean no disrespect to the patristic writers but sometimes and I say this about half facetiously uh a lot of times when I read the patristic writers the more I read them the more I think they're a bunch of Fruit Loops be nice yeah I know I know but the reason I say that is because they really really were many of them were so eccentric they were they were outright weird and yet people point

to them and say oh you know the patristic writers disagree with you well it depends on what you're talking about the the premise that you just stated so well there a moment ago about a transitional period of time and a period of time in which the Jews were being offered the kingdom and being told here's your kingdom you either accept it or you perish yeah it's really interesting that in eusebius and if anyone wants the direct quote the direct source uh contact me through my website and RK preston.com and I'll be happy to provide the direct quote but to paraphrase what eusebius said rough quote it was absolutely necessary that the Gospel of Jesus Christ the New Covenant be proclaimed to the Jews throughout all of the world offering them the kingdom they did however reject it many and and as a re as a result Jerusalem was destroyed and at that very moment the law of Moses passed away and the Everlasting Kingdom of Christ was put fully in place now again uh you'll have to forgive me ladies and gentlemen that is not a Verbatim quote but it gets the gist of what you eusebius said and we find this in an extremely powerful passage in Acts chapter three and I've got to tell you Randy when I was a young man and in the Churches of Christ Acts chapter 3 is considered a quote Troublesome text they don't know how to deal with it and I I have been told by a prominent Church Christ ministers that when I was getting ready to debate dispensationalists for instance that I just better hope they wouldn't go to Acts chapter 3 or especially Romans chapter 11 25 to 27 and just camp out there because these notable Church Christ preachers didn't know how to deal with the text and I'm like wait a minute whoa there's something wrong right well in Acts chapter 3 Peter and John healed the man at the gate called beautiful as they go into the temple the crowd gathers around Peter accuses that audience as he had just a few days previously of killing the Messiah by the way we need to kick in right here and consider that when Peter said you have killed the Prince of Peace he is calling to their mind the law of blood atonement the law of blood atonement Deuteronomy chapter 35 said if you commit willful murder only one thing awaits you and that is death boy so he I mean he's standing here accusing that crowd you have killed the Prince of Life but then he says but I know you did it in ignorance now here's their way out here's their way out because Deuteronomy if you accidentally kill somebody you didn't even know you killed somebody but you caused their death you can flee to the City of Refuge oh wow yeah and so guess what Hebrews chapter 6 does after accusing the Jews of killing the Lord what does he say we have strong consolation those of us who have fled to Christ for Refuge oh yeah that's beautiful oh it's absolutely fantastic so in Acts chapter 3 on the one hand he's calling the law of blood atonement to their

minds saying you better pay attention because you stand in danger of judgment but I'm going to give you a way out if if verse 19 repent therefore and be converted that your sins may be blotted out he's offering them forgiveness for killing the Prince of Life but here's what he does that he may send Jesus Christ who has preached to you beforehand whom Heaven Must receive until the restoration of all things which is spoken by the prophets all the prophets since the world began for Moses truly said to the fathers the Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from your brethren him you shall hear now watch this this had to hit them right between the eyes and we need to see it in its context and it shall be that every soul who will not hear that prophet shall be utterly destroyed from among the people now the Greek here is graphic Peter is telling his audience the Lord promised to raise up a prophet like Moses guess who that is that's Jesus that you crucified guess what else he always said if you do not submit to him you will be utterly destroyed the Greek is very powerful here I mean it's like wiped out yeah desolation and notice from among and it's literally out from among the people they would be excised they would be cut off they would no longer be people yep yep so the true Jews in the mind of Yahweh in the mind of Moses in the mind of Peter the true the truly obedient to the law those who are truly obedient to the law of Moses would be those who follow Jesus whom they had killed but they did it ignorantly therefore repent yeah so I mean the message that day you know we are so and look I speak for myself here I was raised in an environment because in the Churches of Christ we were taught God receiveth Israel of the Cross God the Old Testament at the cross we don't have paid attention to it and when I was sitting in my office years and years ago years ago and I read passages just like this written after the cross written after the day of Pentecost calling on Israel to obey the Old Testament in obeying Jesus I mean this was literally world changing for me and I went from there to see how Peter said now notice what he said all the prophets from Samuel and those who follow after as many as follow spoke of these days he didn't say no folks I want you to know I want you to know that I'm talking about 2 000 years away no no no no no all of the prophets spoke of these days the days that we're living how do I know that's true well because he just told it a couple of days previous this is that spoken by the prophet Joy exactly yeah yeah and you know honestly when you when you really look at the scripture in the context and and in the way you are it it starts to kind of seem obvious which which makes it puzzling to me um why so many people today believe that you know the last days are coming uh or they and they think of the last days as being the destruction of the earth which is really

just not in the scripture um and it leads to some bad ideas and I want to I want to show people your book real quick this is the last days identified for anybody that's like okay what is going on here this is a good place to start you can pick it up at Don's website donkeperson.com I I just want to get back to the relevance of this today because you guys watching you know you can tell Don loves scripture and that's obviously a good thing uh and he understands scripture and my concern is that Christians do a couple of things one they do like you warned about they they get these ideas and and sort of create self-fulfilling prophecies that are not of God um and and the other is is what I experience personally I didn't even know you and others like you existed I was just reading Revelation and I kind of went wait a minute this doesn't read like I was taught that it reads you know um and I thought what is going on here and it started me down the path which led me to a lot of your materials but the problem was that I had this real tendency to see people as targets of God's judgment God knows I saw Muslims this way you know I I saw even Vladimir Putin this way of oh he's going to get his judgment you know and I can't wait the problem is that is that's not consistent with with Christ who actually wants Vladimir Putin to come to Christ and be saved to run to that Refuge uh which is hard for us because what we see him doing right now is pure evil I started seeing everybody who didn't know Christ as being a target of his Mercy therefore my job was to I don't know love your enemies you know um and and to want to share Christ with him and to pray for our enemies to pray for Putin or if you're conservative pray for Biden in his leadership role right now it changed my Paradigm and frankly I think it lined it up with the heart of Christ more I that's what I seek anyway I'm not saying I'm any kind of Christ figure don't go that road what do you see is the danger of misunderstanding Bible prophecy uh misunderstanding eschatology misunderstanding all these little details that you're going through and showing people I believe the the right way um what do we what are we risking if we continue down this idea that oh well yeah maybe bad but that's God's will for Russia to invade Ukraine for Israel to be destroyed again all these ideas that I think are not helpful my goodness that opens up a Vista of about 40 weeks of discussion here I know okay let's look upon this as a very very pragmatic thing I believe that far too many Christians have decided to be social Hermits to withdraw from society the world's got to get worse we can't help it as we've already gone over previously uh evil men and seducers show wax works and worse it's in God's plan the world's got to get worse so that Jesus can come and straighten it all out well that really honestly while I understand where that Doctrine comes from when

closely analyzed it wasn't the scriptural View at all but secondly I I believe and I'm not saying here that Christians ought to be uh as I know some people who are and I'm not going to try to prevent them but I'm not saying that the Lord wants us to be standing on the street corner saying the end is not there right you know I believe that we can take venues such as this and any other venue that we can find to talk to our friends talk to our neighbors and let them know look I understand your concern I understand your fear but Randy I I have to tell you I am receiving more more emails more private messages right now than in my entire life just before coming on air I had a gentleman contact me privately and say uh and his post was in in response to a guy who had posted on Facebook saying what good do debates do who has ever changed as a result of debate nobody ever changing well I can I can tell you this I get emails quite frequently from people who told me or who tell me I attended your debate here or there or whatever and it blew me away I'm now a full preterist well I shared some of those well I didn't know what the response would be all of a sudden a woman posts and says Don you're exactly right it was your debating that caused me to become a full Predators another guy I posted um I don't know how to draw that up or I'd share the quote with you uh verbatim but he said I was a hardcore dispensationalist i i attended a debate that you had in Florida in 2003 which by the way was a public formal debate with Thomas ice and Mark Hitchcock and he said I came away from there completely totally Blown Away with what you presented in that debate I am now a dedicated and joyous full preterist so here what I'm saying is I hear from people all the time who have been living in fear yeah some of the most outstanding are people that have contacted me and said I I was involved with Harold Camping oh I borrowed money to send to him and he's and this one individual told me I am now destitute I I I don't have a dime to my name I'm barely getting by all because of this and he said then I discovered your ministry I discovered your books and on my website you know people ask me all the time about free materialists and I tell go to my website donkeypreston.com there are literally thousands of articles there not to mention three audios and audio videos on YouTube I produce videos on YouTube five days a week totally free no charge I mean if someone feels led to contribute to our ministry believe me it would be helpful and they should yeah but you know it's there for free right and again I have to tell you Randy that the responses and the testimonials from people that I am receiving right now that have been liberated from the fear from the paralyzation they've been paralyzed right in society you know we're living in very treacherous times I don't believe we're living in times foretold by

scripture at all but we're living in treacherous times in which there are people who literally hate America they hate everything about America and by the way they are in our institutions of Higher Learning and they're permeating our society yeah and it and if Christians don't begin very actively very militantly I don't mean viciously and I don't mean violently by any stretch of the imagination I don't approve of violence it's not proper and right biblical but we better start speaking up or we will not have an America and we won't even have free speech as we see it right now yeah yeah and I think you're right on that and I don't think that's God's will I don't either I agree right okay I have to Before I Let You Go and and this really should be another conversation for another day and if if I can get you back on again soon and and I mean soon not in a Daniel sense but more in a revelation okay so um because you mentioned a term that some people are going now wait what is that full preterist yes uh Predator preterist just means past that's just for you guys watching but I have some questions because people have said are you now full predators and I'm like I I don't know I'm just ignorant as to all the things I got a few things I don't want to get long-winded about but I know I'm going to leave people hanging maybe this is just a good teaser for another interview um yeah full preterism do you believe in a rapture no okay and is that short enough yeah no no and and I know it doesn't answer all the questions um no it does what about a second coming where Jesus Christ returns bodily to the Earth to to Reign on Earth correct number one the only passage that uses the term second appearing is Hebrews chapter 9 and verse 28 to those who eagerly look for him and I would point out that the great fair is that back decal Nye which means eager expected belonging and and looking for so it's not something that people two thousand years ago were lean back in their easy chairs going yeah it'll happen one of these days it's something they two thousand years ago expected uh to see and then Hebrews chapter 10 and verse 37. now the writer says and again and I keep pointing out these little tidbits of of the Greek because they're they're critical to understand in a very very little while the Greek is host on house on Micron hoson means how how little and so the translations that render it a little more accurately render it in a very very little while the one who's coming well who's the one that he that he's just talked about coming it's Christ and his second appearing so in a very very little while the one who's coming will come and will not tarry and and I'm sorry uh two thousand years is a pretty good tearing oh you know but a day is as a thousand years a thousand years of the day that's what that's what you can get but so when did Christ reappear okay when we understand how Christ was to appear Matthew 16 27 and 28 the

son of man will come in the glory of the father uh Randy I wrote a book years ago like father like son on clouds of glory and by the way since we've mentioned my books and my website anyone listening and watching this program if you order a book if you order for instance like father like son on clouds of Glory or the last days I'd identified you send me a little note that says hey I watched you on Randy's show that's all you have to I'll refund your shipping that'll save you five bucks okay so just take advantage of that what did Jesus mean when he said the son of man will come in the glory of the father you know how some passages that you've read about a gazillion times and you read them another time and they reach up and go hello pay attention to me yeah that hit me one day years ago and I thought wait a minute what does in the glory of the father mean so I began grabbing my critical commentaries and I've got commentators here and there and in there and over there uh what came to him to be a massive surprise to me was that Scholars are pretty well agreed that what Jesus meant was the son of man is going to come in the same way that the father had come and that's one of those hit me with a brick up beside the head moments because it's like okay the father had never ever ever come out of Heaven literally visibly bodily right how had the father always invariably how had the father come clown yeah he wrote on the cloud Psalms 104 and in for instance Isaiah chapter 19 behold Yahweh rise into Egypt on a swift cloud and the Nile shall be dried up all the fish shall die the bird shall fall from the sky and you go oh it's the end of the world well no thankfully chapter 20 which in the Hebrew there are certain no chapter division but in chapter 20 verse 1 it tells us that Sargon the king of the Assyrians was God's chosen vessel to destroy Egypt to put that as simply as I know how when when Yahweh decided to use the Assyrians to destroy Egypt by the way we know they did it okay when God in his sovereignty brought the Assyrians to destroy Egypt it was said that he came on the clouds now in our good old western Occidental Grecian way of thinking we like to say well the Bible says what it means it means what it says the problem there is we are not Hebrew hebraic in our way of thinking right the Hebrews thought in metaphor in poetry in word pictures in mental images and to illustrate this even more in Isaiah chapter 5 10 and following the Lord speaking about how he was going to use the Assyrians to accomplish his purposes now his purposes were to judge Egypt and a whole lot of other nations by the way as well as the Ten Northern tribes and he said oh Assyrian the rod in my hand what the Assyrians were the rod in God's hand well that's pretty clearly imagery because the Assyrians were living breathing human beings right but he says it is not in their mind to do as I say it is in their mind to trample down to

trunk down to destroy the Nations trample them into the into the mud but they are my rod and the staff of my anger now much later after the Babylonians destroyed the Assyrians in 612 BC you have the Lord predicting that Nebuchadnezzar was now the man in whom he put his sword which by the way caused Adolf Hitler to go looking for a literal physical sword oh yeah and you're going no no no no no you're missing the point but that's what Adolf Hitler did he took the language literally and yet here here is Yahweh this time around it's the Babylonians that are going to go whip the Egyptians and they did and it was the Babylonians who were going to come against Jerusalem and the two Southern tribes after the Assyrians had carried away the ten Northern tribes in 721 BC and notice what notice how Yahweh described that behold the Lord comes out of his place in heaven he Treads upon the mountains and the Earth melts beneath his feet oh my goodness once again oh oh end of time no no because he specifically says all of this for the sins of Samaria I'm going to bring the Assyrians on the 10 Northern tribes for their sins because remember he had already said hey the Assyrians are my rod I'm going to use them to just whoop up to use modern terminology although these other nations and then oh by the way guess what when I'm through with the Assyrians I'm going to whip them too yeah right and I'm going to use the Babylonians to do that Okay so so let me draw Gloria judgment oh yeah so Christ coming on the clouds if that's already happened when would that be 70 A.D at Jerusalem yes it was because Jesus and another passage here very critical John chapter 5 23 and following from henceforth the father judges no one but has committed all judgment to the son so that all men might honor the son as they honor the Father the Son can do nothing of himself but what he sees the father do well guess what the son had seen the father come in judgment against Egypt against pathos against Kush uh you know you name it about against all of these nations by using this nation over here to come over here and destroy it because of their sin and now here's Jesus speaking of the Jews and by the way here Randy this is so important and it's one it's one of the most overlooked tenets in modern eschatology in both the Old Testament and the new new Yahweh referred to Israel as becoming his enemy hmm he said it in Micah he said it in the book of Lamentations in the book of Lamentations after the fall of Jerusalem here's Jeremiah weeping and crying and saying our people set themselves against Yahweh as his enemy well what happens to the enemies of God for crying out loud that is not a happy place to be right and so over and over and by the way in Philippians chapter 3 where Paul says o Covenant Israel in contrast with New Covenant Israel and says we are the circumcision who do not worship God according

to the flesh but after the spirit and he continues his contrast between the old Covenant and the new and he says speaking of old Covenant Israel and he says these worship the belly and he says I tell you now even weeping they are the enemies of the cross so here is this thread Old Testament into the new of how old Covenant Israel by rejecting Jesus rejecting the gospel had set themselves up and into right expresses it like this in in commenting on Matthew 16 27-28 by the way he says the very language that the old Covenant prophets had used to speak of impending Judgment of the Pagan Nations at the hands of Yahweh now Jesus in a radical reversal is speak is using that language to speak of the impending Judgment of Jerusalem and her leaders who have become in the same place as the Pagan Nations I.E the enemy of God right so when we see how Yahweh came in the Old Testament in the Tanakh by utilizing One Nation to judge another then we see in the New Testament where over and over again the finger is pointed at Old Covenant Israel as being responsible for the death of Jesus being responsible for rejecting the gospel being being responsible for filling up the measure of their sin guess what the Lord was going to bring the Romans as the rod of his anger and he was going to put his sword into the hands of the Romans even Titus after the destruction of Jerusalem was standing amid the rubble looking at the fortifications and Titus the Roman general said it must be that this people had sinned against their God no army in the world Titus said could have conquered this city unless their God abandoned them that's powerful stuff yeah yeah so in in that we see what we have created we have found that tooth and built a dinosaur called the second coming of Christ and put it in the future right now I do want to make sure for clarification purposes when you're talking about the Jews in Israel you're talking about first century fulfillment this is uh I am assuming that there is no uh anti-semitic undertones to this today I am so glad you brought that up because it's so interesting and it's sad that people say oh well you must be anti-semitic well wait a minute I'm not the one that predicted that the fall of Jerusalem in 87. it was Jesus our lord who said that yeah it was Paul who said that it was James who said that it was John who said that I do not believe for one moment not even a nanosecond to use that old terminology that the Jews are any under any kind of a curse today I believe they stand in the same position as anyone in need of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the in need of the mercy of Jesus Christ and and that's your that's your desire that's your goal that's your message true absolutely absolutely it's it is not anti-semitic in any shape form or fashion and I'll share this with you I I was actually in a conversation with a Jewish individual about the new Heaven and new earth and they were saying well it's when

this Earth is destroyed well I took it back to Isaiah 65 and Isaiah 66 which undeniably clearly and explicitly puts the new Heaven A New Earth in the context in which the Yahweh said to Old Covenant Israel the Lord God will slay you and then in verse 19 he says for behold I create new Heaven and new earth yeah and this Jewish gentleman just went ballistic on me and he said that's not in the Bible you're perverting the scripture and I said well if you have your Bible text in front of you why don't you read it and he literally left the discussion well yeah that happens sometimes all right last couple of questions on the full preterism thing our full predator cessationists yes I do believe that the charismatic gifts of the holy spirit were for a were a one generational period of time I believe that Daniel 9 is in support of that I believe that that Micah chapter 7 verse 15. Micah 7 is a fantastic Messianic prophecy and speaking of the time of the coming of the Messiah it says as it as according to the days of the coming out from the land of Egypt so I will show wonders in the land God showed miracles to Israel for 40 years in the wilderness wandering and Joshua chapter 5 12 and following says in the day that they entered into the land the man has stopped now that didn't mean that God that God stopped being with them let's let's be very very clear on that because the follow-up question that I get from an awful lot of people well if you don't believe in miracles today then why do you pray well it's because God answers prayer that's why I mean but to put it very very simply uh my wife and I have been discussing this this this very week because we've had some really bad financial news this week we're certainly not going to get into that but there have been many times in our own life in which we did not know what way to turn we did not know what was going to happen we did not know what we could do our philosophy is we don't know where the Train's going we're just along for the ride and God's the engineer yeah I mean that's just our philosophy we spent a lot of time in prayer things have happened and doors have opened that no one certainly not us would have expected right it was certainly welcome it was certainly desirable it was certainly wonderful right but I think we have to be very careful in defining the term Miracle okay that's one of the keys to this whole thing okay so Point number one I believe God is in control I believe that God is operating I believe that God answers prayer I just don't believe in the continuance of the charismatic gifts today that may disqualify me from being a full Predators because I'm not sure about that one um I understand that no no animosity whatsoever I've got lots of I've got lots of friends that that hold that view very good okay then um and I can still grow and still learn I'm just I'm I'm interested I just I go um I don't know I don't know about that uh the last thing uh I want to ask him with just the

full preterist standpoint is is there anything in the Bible prophetically that you view as not yet fulfilled and if so what I don't believe that there's a specific prophecy that tells us event X is going to happen okay I think what we have is the ongoing Eternal result of fulfillment and that's a that's a very important line of Distinction for instance that prophecy unto us a child is given well that that was a one-time event we're not still looking for a child to be born sure but as a result of the Fulfillment of the establishment of the Kingdom which has no end guess what that means that eternal life is ongoing for us and Jesus said if a man believes in me and keeps my Commandments he will never die well you know I'm just really pretty certain 115 percent certain I'm going to die physically but I have two thousand percent confidence and the promises of Jesus that by physical death is not the end it is my doorway into something that I can't even yet begin to Fathom yeah that is one of those foundational the truth that we all agree on whether we have these you know disagreements or you know on on these other issues uh I recognize that as Texoma says not all these viewpoints are monolithic there are details that we we like to discuss and I think when we do it in love it's healthy and fun sometimes I love it man I love getting into the nitty-gritty with you um but you know the foundational things Christ uh Messiah the the way to God the way to eternal life the only path the promise of of eternal life uh those are the core things and uh if we certainly absolutely agree on on those things and and even just the way we should treat each other with the love of Christ and I appreciate you coming on and and getting into the detail and and letting me ask the questions it's this is good and I hope people watching will follow up if they're interested uh on your website other resources the other YouTube stuff that you're doing because you're putting it out there man and and I'm hoping that more and more people are are at least listening just to stretch their own minds and to challenge maybe some things they've held to to say is that really scriptural is that because we all need to right get closer to to Christ and therefore close to the truth so thank you for that thank you Randy and thank you so much for having me it's an honor and a privilege and uh just anytime you want to have me back on feel free to invite I'll be glad to do it [Music] surely you are ready now to believe it to receive him and to receive this healing from