The Final Countdown – Rise of Falsehood Part 4

"An old preacher was dying and had very little time left on earth. So he sent a message for an IRS agent and a local politician, both church members, to come to his home. When they arrived, they were ushered up to his bedroom.

As they entered the room, the preacher held out his hands and motioned for them to sit on each side of the bed. Then the dying preacher grasped their hands, sighed contentedly, smiled and stared at the ceiling.

For a time, no one said anything. Both the IRS agent and politician were touched and flattered that the old preacher would ask them to be with him during his final moment. But they were also puzzled at why he wanted them there.

Plus they both remembered his many long, uncomfortable sermons about greed, covetousness and their wicked behavior that made them squirm in their seats.

And finally they couldn't take it anymore so the politician asked, 'Preacher, why did you ask the two of us to come?'

And the old preacher mustered up his last bit of strength and then said weakly, 'Well, Jesus died between two thieves, and that's how I want to go, too.'"

Now hey, that preacher wanted to make sure he made the **right**

preparations before leaving this earth, didn't he? And how many of you

guys would say that's a pretty important thing to do? Yeah, slightly! But

unfortunately, most people don't have this attitude. Because people keep

putting off accepting Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, they're running

the risk of being catapulted into the 7-year Tribulation and it's not a joke!

It's an outpouring of God's wrath on a wicked and rebellious planet. In fact Jesus said in **Matthew 24** it's going to be a "time of greater horror than anything the world has ever seen or will ever see again. And that "unless that time of calamity is shortened, the entire human race will be destroyed."

But praise God, God's not only a God of wrath, He's a God of love as well. And because He loves you and I, He's given us many warning signs to show us when the Tribulation was near and Jesus Christ's 2nd Coming was rapidly approaching. Therefore, in order to keep you and I from experiencing the ultimate bad day of being left behind, a serious mistake, we're going to continue in our series The Final Countdown. And so far we've already seen how the #10 sign on The Final Countdown was The **Jewish People**. The **#9** sign was **Modern Technology**. The **#8** sign was **Worldwide Upheaval**. And **last three times** we saw how the #7 sign was The Rise of Falsehood. And what we saw there was that God lovingly foretold you and I that when we see an Increase of False Christs, False Myths, and False Teachings including the last two times the Lie of the **False Teaching of Evolution**, which we saw has given rise to the scoffing and skepticism towards God, towards His Judgment, and towards His 2nd Coming, that Peter said would happen in the Last Days, and so guess what? That's a clear indicator from God you're living in the last days! Hello!

Oh but that's not all. The 4th End Time Prophecy concerning The

Rise of Falsehood is that there would be and **Increase of False Prophets**.

But don't take my word for it. Let's listen to God's.

2 Peter 2:1-3 "But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them – bringing swift destruction on themselves. Many will follow their shameful ways and will bring the way of truth into disrepute. In their greed these teachers will exploit you with stories they have made up. Their condemnation has long been hanging over them, and their destruction has not been sleeping."

In other words, you don't want to be in their camp! But according to our text, another thing Peter says we need to be on the lookout for **in the future**, was not only a rise of skepticism and scoffing towards God in the Last Days. But what did he say? Look out for False Prophets who introduce False Teachings **in the Church**, right? And notice what Peter also says about these false teachings by these False Prophets. He said they were **destructive** heresies that specifically **deny** Jesus Christ, you know, the way to heaven, with stories they're made up!

And this fits in line perfectly with what Jesus said in Matthew 24, "Watch out that no one deceives you." Why? Because as we saw the Last Days are going to be characteristic of **deceit**, **deceit**, **deceit**! And that's why He said, "See, I've told you ahead of time." Peter warns about it to! **So let's do that**. Let's give ourselves a heads up advance with all these False Prophets and their False Teachings that have appeared on the scene in these Last Days so we don't fall for it too, how about you? Hey, good answer! We're going to do it anyway!

But folks, what I'm about to share with you, are all False Teachings that have all been promoted by False Prophets, that have all had their start roughly at about the same time, at the turn of the Last Century. The timing is impeccable. They all started from the mid-to-late 1800's and on into the early 1900's. Tell me this isn't something the enemy would do, especially in the Last Days. Think about it! He knows his gig us up! He knows he's lost! He's the Biggest Loser! Jesus Christ defeated him on the cross. It's done! It's over! But he's so stinking evil he's seeing how many people he can take with him into the Lake of Fire. And so if you wanted to take people with you into the Lake of Fire and you were "that close" to pulling off the Antichrists Kingdom, what would you do? Man, you'd make sure you keep people away from the **truth** that's contained only **in the Bible** because that's the only book on the planet that exposes what you're up to in minute detail! And so what better way to cover up your evil plans, your dastardly deeds than to do what the Bible says you're going to do, "introduce destructive heresies, in the Church not the world, and steer people away from the truth! They'll never figure out what you're up to! Do you get it? I truly believe it's

his last ditch effort in these Last Days to cloud the issue of God's truth and keep people off track of what's really going on.

So again, let's warn ourselves of these False Prophets and their False Teachings in these Last Days, so we don't fall for it too! And the 1st false teaching that's being promoted by False Prophets in the Last Days is The Lie of Mormonism. Now folks, somebody's done a brilliant PR job for these guys because the impression that most people have in our country is that Mormonism is synonymous with Christianity and it's not! Hello! Even though they may use Christian terminology and **say** they're the "Church" of "Jesus Christ" of Latter Day "Saints." uh, when you look at the facts, they're definitely not Christian and they're definitely not saints! But don't take my word for it. Let's listen to theirs! You tell me if this belief system is synonymous with Christianity. I don't think so!

"Mormonism teaches that trillions of planets scattered throughout the cosmos are ruled by countless gods who once were human like us. They say that long ago on one of these planets to an unidentified god and one of his goddess wives, a spirit child named Elohim was conceived. This spirit child was later born to human parents who gave him a physical body. Through obedience to Mormon teaching, and death and resurrection, he proved himself worthy and was elevated to godhood as his father before him.

Mormons believe that Elohim is their heavenly father and he lives with his many goddess wives on the planet near a mysterious star called Kolob. Here the god of Mormonism and his wives through endless celestial sex produced millions of spirit children. To decide their destiny, the head of the Mormon gods called a great heavenly council meeting. Both of Elohim's eldest sons were there. Lucifer and his brother Jesus. Lucifer became the devil and his followers the demons. Sent to this world, they would forever be denied bodies of flesh and bone. Those who remained neutral in the battle were cursed to be born with black skin. This is the Mormon explanation for the Negro race.

Early Mormon prophets taught that Elohim and one of his goddess wives came to earth as Adam and Eve to start the human race. Thousands of years later, Elohim in human form once again, journeyed to earth from the star base Kolob. This time to have sex with the virgin Mary in order to provide Jesus with a physical body.

After Jesus Christ grew to manhood, he took at least 3 wives-Mary, Martha and Mary Magdalene. Through these wives the Mormon Jesus, for whom Joseph Smith claimed direct descent supposedly fathered a number of children before he was crucified."

Yup, that's so much like Christianity, I don't know why you'd ever doubt. Excuse me? God had multiple wives, Jesus' brother was satan, and having black skin is a curse, and you can become a god, what? How could people ever fall for that bologna? That's a story you made up! Well folks, here's the reason why. It's a sign you're living in the Last Days! The Bible says, the enemy, in the Last Days, is going to introduce destructive heresies **in the Church** with stories made up including the planet Kolob! He's going to introduce a **pseudo-fake-false-Christianity** just to keep people away from the truth and that's exactly what Mormonism has done!

But that's not all. The **2nd false teaching** that's being promoted by False Prophets in the Last Days is **The Lie of Jehovah's Witnesses**. Now wait a second Pastor Billy! It says, "Jehovah" and we're supposed to be "witnesses." I mean, surely that's Christian, right? Wrong! Once again, just because you use Christian terminology doesn't mean you're Christian! Jehovah's Witnesses not only teach that Jesus was the archangel Michael, and that He didn't rise from the dead physically, but they say that the Holy Spirit is not alive but a mere force, and just like Mormonism, they say you have to work your way to heaven. And I don't know about you, but that's clearly **not** Christianity! Jesus Christ is the Son of God, He did rise from the dead and the Holy Spirit is alive, and you don't work you're way to heaven. It's a gift from God based on the work of Jesus Christ on the cross!

And little do people know that this so-called **pseudo-Christian** group got it's so-called truth from a short order cook in Ohio! Don't believe me? Check this out! They even admit it!

"David Riccaboni remembers his long time service at the Society's headquarters printing the Watchtower magazine. He is seen in the 1953 film 'New World Society in Action.'

Dave Riccaboni: One thing that impressed me as a Jehovah's Witness was our willingness to admit our mistakes. I thought that was great at the time. I knew the Society had been wrong in the past when they set dates for the end of the world. And I saw the major changes in their doctrine and I felt – sometimes I felt upset – but I was taught from the time i was a little child that this is the way Jehovah revealed 'new light' to the organization.

The Bible produced by the Jehovah's Witnesses called the New World Translation has caused quite a stir. Their 'Proclaimers' book claims that it is a literal translation that faithfully presents what is in the original writings and that the entire translation committee were spirit anointed Christians.

Joan Cetnar: My late husband, Bill Cetnar was at the Watchtower headquarters doing the work on the New World Translation. Former president Fred Franz was mainly responsible for the translation work. He was neither a Hebrew nor a Greek scholar and only had 2 years of college. There were no scholars. I know because I knew them all personally, the so called translation was written to reflect their own peculiar doctrine and the 'Proclaimers' book is not telling the truth when it says this is a fresh translation from the original Greek.

Dave Riccaboni: The only original Greek I knew was George Gangas of the secretive translation committee and he was no scholar, that's for sure, because he, himself told me, that before he came to Bethel he was a short order cook in Columbus, Ohio."

Excuse me? That's your source of truth? Your scholars for your "new" translation were short order cooks from Ohio with no training? You've got to be kidding me! How could people ever fall for that bologna? That's a story you made up! Well folks, here's the reason why. Again, it's a sign you're living in the Last Days! The Bible says, the enemy, in the Last Days, is going to introduce destructive heresies **in the Church** with stories that people made up! In other words, He's going to introduce a **pseudofake-false-Christianity** just to keep people away from the truth and that's exactly what Jehovah's Witnesses do!

But that's still not all. The **3rd false teaching** that's being promoted by False Prophets in the Last Days is **The Lie of Christian Science**. Now wait a second Pastor Billy, come on! It's says "Christian" and we all love "science." Surely it's the truth, right? Wrong! Again folks, just because you use Christian terminology doesn't mean you're a Christian! Christian Science not only teaches that Jesus was **not** the Messiah **nor** God, but they have to audacity to say that God is Father-Mother, and that Jesus work on the cross is **not** sufficient to cleanse us from sin, because after all, they say, there is no sin, and there is no devil! What? That's not Christianity! That's **a lie from the devil** who is real by the way, and who is using Christians Science in the Last days to steer people away from the truth, exactly like the Bible said would happen!

But that's still not all. The 4th false teaching that's being promoted by False Prophets in the Last Days is The Lie of Seventh Day Adventism. But wait a second Pastor Billy! It's says "Seventh Day" and we believe in a "seven day creation" and it mentions "Adventism" and we believe in the "Advent Jesus Christ? I mean, surely it's Christian, right? Wrong! Just because you use Christian terminology doesn't mean you're Christian! Seventh Day Adventists also believe that Jesus is the archangel Michael, just like Jehovah's Witnesses, and then they say our sins will ultimately be placed on **satan**, not Jesus on the cross, and they say that hellfire is **not** eternal, that the soul is **not** immortal, and worshipping on Sunday, like what you and I do every week, is the sign of the Mark of the Beast! Excuse me? That's not Christianity! It's a sign you're living in the Last Days. The Bible says in the Last Days people are going to make stories up and introduce destructive heresies to keep people away the truth! And that's exactly what Seventh Day Adventism does! It's another **pseudo-fake-false-Christianity** to steer people away from the truth!

But that's still not all. The 5^{th} false teaching that's being promoted by False Prophets in the Last Days is **The Lie of the Charismatic Fringe**. But again, wait a second Pastor Billy! It says "charismatic" and isn't it good to be "charismatic" for the Lord? Even Al says you have more "charisma" than a "bag full of cats!" I mean surely that's good, right? Well yes, "charisma" for the Lord and His Word is good. But not when you use that "charisma" to steer people away from His Word, that's not good. And the problem I have with people seeking a so-called "Word from God" outside the actual "Word of God," which did come from the Spirit of God, is that once you go down this route, seeking truth outside the Bible, you just opened up Pandora's Box! You can make anything appear to be true! Including, Mormonism, Jehovah's Witnesses, Christian Science, Seventh Day Adventists and a whole host of other false teachings I don't have time to go into! Because they all say the same thing! They got a new Word from God! So who are you to tell them they're wrong? They're basing truth on

the same behavior and the same basis as to what you're doing! Do you see the problem? Once you go outside the Bible, you can make anything appear to be true, including the **destructive heresies** that are going to be introduced in to the Church in the Last Days!

But that's still not all. The 6th false teaching that's being promoted by False Prophets in the Last Days is **The Lie of the New Age Movement**. And folks, it is my opinion that the New Age Movement, is single-handedly preparing people **right now** in the Last Days **for accepting** a **One World**

Religion, a One World Government, and a One World Ruler. It's a

mixture of all religions where nothing is wrong, except of course for

Christianity. And to show you what I mean, let's take a look at some of their

beliefs.

First of all, the New Age Movement began around 1875 (notice again the timing of the date) with the false teachings of a lady named Helena Blavatsky who was part of an occult group called, The Theosophical Society. And they espoused the abolishment of Christianity, Judaism and Islam, and the promotion of unity between the rest of the world's religions. They claimed that their teachings were revealed by "spirit" or elemental guides (demons) and they emphasized the evolution of a self-deified, master aryan society, and a one world "new age" religion and social order.

Later in the 1920's these teachings were picked up and promoted by another false teacher named Alice Bailey who formed the "Lucifer Publishing Company" to help print and promote these ideas. Step by step they plotted the coming of a "new age" with instructions and plans for the institution of a "new world order." Bailey established the symbol of a "rainbow" as their identification sign and discussed extensively the plans for a religious war, forced redistribution of the world's resources, mass planetary initiations and

theology for a new world order, world-wide disarmament, and elimination of obstinate religions. And she even discussed the sacredness of the new world leader's number, 666. In fact, here's a short list of their basic core beliefs.

• All is god: the earth, man, animals, and plants.

Really? The Bible says there is only one God and besides, this was the original lie that satan used back in the Garden of Eden.

Genesis 3:4-5 "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman. "For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."

And yet, this is one of their tenants as we've seen before. Here's a video excerpt describing this serious false teaching being promoted in Shirley MacLaine's movie, 'Out on a Limb.'

"Shirely MacLaine was Time Magazine's poster girl for the New Age Movement in the 1980's. MacLaine starred in the biographical miniseries 'Out on a Limb' based on her journey in New Age belief. The series has been called 'The most talked about mini-series of all time.' The title 'Out on a Limb' refers to the risk involved in seeking the fruit of 'the Tree of Knowledge.'

John Heard's character, David Manning, states in the movie: 'Mayan told me to tell you one thing if you had a hard time with this. She said in order to get to the fruit of the tree you have to go out on a limb.'

Mayan is a spirit guide sending a message to MacLaine. A message that is repeated throughout the series.

David Manning: 'I am god.'

MacLaine: 'I am god.'

Manning: 'I am god.'

Manning and MacLaine in unison: 'I am god...I am god...I AM GOD! I AM GOD! I AM GOD!'" • Each one of us have the ability to become "the Christ" or "the Christconsciousness."

Really? Jesus specifically warned about this phrase as a sign we're living in the Last Days.

Matthew 24:3-5 "As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in My Name, claiming, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many."

• Man is destroying the earth along with the animals and plants and unless he changes his ways, "Mother Earth" will be forced to destroy humanity and Christianity is the biggest culprit in destroying the earth by teaching that man had dominion over the earth when the earth is a living being.

Really? Well, first of all the Bible says we are to "rule" over the earth which is not synonymous with "abuse." We are to be wise "stewards" of it. Nobody promoting pouring toxic waste into our water supply. Secondly, there's a major difference between being a "steward" of the earth and "worshipping" the earth, which is what these people promote. In fact the Bible says, this is why the wrath of God is coming.

Romans 1:18-25 "The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness. They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen."

• There is no such thing as sin and no need to repent and be saved.

Really? The Bible says in **Romans 3:23,6:23** "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

• Jesus is but one of many great teachers such as Buddha, Muhammad or Confucius.

Really? The Bible says Jesus rose from the dead!

Acts 13:34,35 "The fact that God raised him from the dead, never to decay. You will not let your Holy One see decay."

Those others guys are decaying because they're dead!

• Mankind should seek direction directly from "the spirit world" via a psychic, a channeler, a palm reader, astrology, angels, space aliens, dead relatives, meditation, etc.

Really? The Bible says this is an abomination to God!

Deuteronomy 18:9-12 "When you enter the land the LORD your God is giving you, do not learn to imitate the detestable ways of the nations there. Let no one be found among you who sacrifices his son or daughter in the fire, who practices divination or sorcery, interprets omens, engages in witchcraft, or casts spells, or who is a medium or spiritist or who consults the dead. Anyone who does these things is detestable to the LORD."

And yet, that's precisely what they do. They contact actual demons for their actual teachings, as this report shows:

"This man channels a spirit calling itself "Bashar" who seems to hold his audience spellbound as he tells them they are equal to the Creator of the Universe.

"Bashar": That's why all are made in the image of the infinite Creator and what that means is you are all infinite creators.

Jack Purcell has become one of the more popular channels possessed by a spirit named "Lazaris."

"Lazaris": Indeed it a pleasure to be talking with you and uh well, shall we begin where you'd like to begin.

Lazaris tells the listener that God is already within man and that if man wants to find God he only needs to find himself.

Jane Roberts was a new age pioneer who channeled a spirit known as "Seth". Roberts sold more than a million copies of her books and have inspired many.

Rick Stack: Clearly the main message that Seth is trying to say is that people are gods in training.

Some may find it interesting that the name Seth is synonymous with the Egyptian god Set. And in the realm of the occult, Set is one of the infernal names of satan."

• All religions (except orthodox Christianity) are of equal merit.

Really? Jesus said in **John 14:6** "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

• In order for the world to be at peace and harmony there must be "New World Order, Universal monetary system, World authority on food, health, and water, Universal tax, and military draft, One world leader, and the abolishment of Christianity.

Wait a second. They don't really believe that do they? Yes they do! Listen to them for yourself.

A magazine called the Omega Letter says that "...there is only one obstacle to [world] unity -- Christianity.."

It goes on to say that "Christianity claims 'supernatural knowledge' and 'divine revelation' and therefore, should not be tolerated".

Gus Hall the former leader of the Communist party in America said, "I dream of a time when the last Congressman is strangled to death on the guts of the last preacher...and since the Christians love to sing about the blood, why not give a little bit of it."

Jesus said "Yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God a service. And these things they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor Me. But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them" John 16:2-4." Hmmm. That's sounds a lot like Jesus' other warning in Matthew 24 where He said, "See I've told you ahead of time." You need to be prepared! And folks, you might be tempted to think that nobody in their right mind is ever going to fall for this bologna, especially the annihilation of Christians! I mean, come on! We're supposed to be a Christian Nation, right? But people, I'm telling you, that's all part of the seduction. As we saw, apparently you can just claim to be a Christian and somehow you are one, and that's a lie. But this New Age Movement is also **secretly introducing this lie**, right under people's noses! And I quote:

"Today, the New Age movement **appears** to be a loose knit group of innocent organizations with ambiguous goals or leadership. But **beneath the surface there** is a definite, organized, secret leadership and strategy which guides the vast movement."

And people, that's why as of 1995, New Agers represented 20% of the population of the United States making them the 3rd largest religious group. And so the question is, "How are they able to get so many converts here in America? Again, we're supposed to be a Christian Nation?

Well, the 1st way their seducing people is by promoting it through a

Hollywood Mogul. Folks, believe it or not folks, New Age, thanks to

Hollywood, not only has the largest Church in the world, but their false

teachings are being promoted every single day on TV. Let's see if you can

guess who it is.

"Have you hear about the largest church in the world? The first service was March 3, 2008 with an attendance of over 300,000. The attendance now is over 2 million and they conducted the first ever mass trance on March 17, 2008. What do they teach?

-Who you are requires no belief

- -Heaven is not a location but refers to the inner realm of consciousness
- -The man on the cross is an archetypal image. He is every man and every woman

The leader's website teaches these lessons:

-My mind is part of God's. I am very holy

-My holiness is my salvation

-My salvation comes from me

-Let me remember that there is no sin

-Do not make the pathetic error of "clinging to the old rugged cross"

-The only message of the crucifixion is that you can overcome the cross

Have you hear of this church? Or maybe it's leader? Oprah Winfrey.

Years ago she denied Jesus is the only way. Today she has turned her millions of her adoring fans over to new age doctrine. Christians are letting this into their homes and are being deceived.

Christians are confused...

Kelly (Afton, Illinois) In reading books such as Tolle, it's really opened up my eyes to a new way of thinking, a new form of spirituality that doesn't always align with the teachings of Christianity. So my question is to you Oprah, how do you reconcile these spiritual teachings with your Christian beliefs?

Oprah: I reconciled it because I was able to open my mind about the um-the absolute, indescribable hugeness of that which we call god. I took God out of the box, because I grew up in the Baptist Church and there were, you

know, rules and belief systems and doctrine. I believe that God is love and that God is in all things and so that when the search for something more than doctrine-uh-started to stir within me.

Oprah to Tolle: The essence of all consciousness isn't something to believe. God Is.

Tolle: Yes, yes.

Oprah: God is. And God is a feeling experience not a believing experience.

Tolle: That's right.

Oprah: And if that your religion is a believing experience. If God for you is still about a belief, then it's not truly God."

Excuse me? And people wonder why I call her, "Oprah-Wan-

Kenobi." It's because she's one of the biggest New Age Priestesses on the planet, next to Shirley McClaine, who by the way she's had on her show a multiple times! Shocker! But folks, what'd it say? Even we Christians are being seduced when we **voluntarily** indoctrinate ourselves in New Age lies by watching her program, or dare I say, attend her Church services on TV every day! It's a sign we're living in the Last Days! Why? Because the Bible says in the Last Days, False Prophets would come and introduce destructive heresies in the Church and steer people away from the truth, which would include, "The Oprah Wan Kenobi Show!"

People what more does God have to do? No wonder Jesus said, "See I've told you ahead of time." Deceit, deceit, deceit is characteristic of the Last Days! And that's why, out of love, God has given us all these signs of the **Rise of Falsehood** of **False Christs**, **False Myths**, **False Teachings**, and today with **False Prophets** to show us that the Tribulation is near and the 2nd Coming of Jesus Christ is rapidly approaching. And that's why Jesus Himself said:

Luke 21:28 "When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

People of God, like it or not, we are headed for The Final

Countdown. And so the point is this. If you're a Christian here today it's

time to get busy! We've got to lay aside our differences, start working

together, start studying the Bible together, and get busy saving souls, amen?

But if you're here today and you're not a Christian, then I beg you, please,

heed the signs, heed the warnings, give your life to Jesus today because

tomorrow may be too late. Amen? Let's pray.

To find the way to God, to understand the *truth* of God's Word, and to received the gift of eternal *life*, begin by repentance and faith through a prayer like this:

"Dear God, I understand that I have broken Your Law and sinned against You. Please forgive my sins. Thank You that Jesus suffered on the cross in my place. I now place my trust in Him as My Savior and Lord. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen."