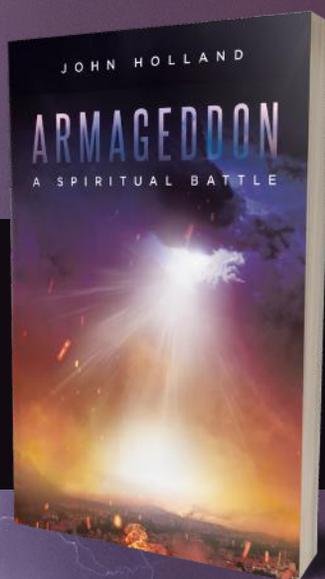


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ARMAGEDDON

A SPIRITUAL BATTLE



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Many people envisage Armageddon as a series of physical, cataclysmic occurrences that will occur at the close of the age. However, Antichrist was already active in the early Church. The apostle John wrote, "you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists [or people controlled by Antichrist] have come, by which we know that it is the last hour." 1 John 2:18. Since then, the Church has been subjected to attacks against her doctrinal truth and integrity by the intrusion of false doctrines, false ministries, lying signs and wonders, and all manner of deceit and deception, that has left her beset by apostasy and worldliness. This has left the Church spiritually dead and powerless as in the valley of dry bones in the thirty-seventh chapter of Ezekiel.

However, the final chapter of the Church's history is not one of dismal defeat. In the fourteenth chapter of Zechariah, the prophet says that the Lord, [by His Spirit] will enter the conflict or Battle of Armageddon. He is pictured in Revelation 19, riding forth with the sword of

truth in His mouth, with which to slay His enemies. Other prophecies portray the Two Witnesses [or the ministry of prophetic teaching] being restored, the glory of the Lord returning to the Church, Ezekiel's valley of dry bones coming to life, the latter rain of the Holy Spirit falling on the Church, cleansing the Church from all apostasy, and the utter defeat of Antichrist and the False Prophet.

We are now beginning to see these signs of the Lord's intervention to restore His Church, and Isaiah beckons us to anticipate having a part in this coming time of restoration.

Arise, shine; for your light has come! and the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; but the Lord will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you. The Gentiles [unbelievers] shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising. Isa 60:1-3.

ABOUT JOHN HOLLAND

The author received a calling and anointing from the Lord to undertake a ministry of spiritual teaching. Following this call was a directive to engage in a Jonah type ministry of revealing to the Church her apostasies with a warning of oncoming judgement. A further anointing was received to discern the meaning of symbols and unveil the meaning of prophecies. This particular book started out to be a study, but was extended further by the Holy Spirit until it reached its current length. To see more of the author's work see the Covenant Truth Christian website at www.covenanttruth.com.au.

AUTHOR Q + A

Why did you decide to write and publish *Armageddon: A Spiritual Battle*?

Originally, I started writing *Armageddon* as a study to put on our website. As I do normally, I was doing it in the name of Jesus, trusting Him to empower me, and provide the anointing of the Holy Spirit. In composing the study, the Holy Spirit kept on adding more and more, until I eventually realised that the Lord was directing me to make the study a book. From then onward, I waited on the Lord and the Holy Spirit to provide the guidance and content.

What do you hope readers discover or learn by reading your new book?

I hope readers realise that the book was inspired by the Holy Spirit, and that it contains new truths, and understanding of the relevant biblical prophecies. I would like readers to see how God is working in these perilous times, and that we are now approaching a time of restoration of the Church to its former glory.

What inspires you and your work with the fellowship at Covenant Truth?

We identify with the servants in the following reading, endeavouring to do what the Lord requires of us.

"And which of you, having a servant ploughing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and sit down to eat'? But will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for my supper, and gird yourself and serve me till I have eaten and drunk, and afterward you will eat and drink'? Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I think not. So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do.'" Luke 17:6-10.

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