

The Most
EMBARRASSING
Verse in the
Bible!

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Commendations

I found this singularly helpful- in fact inspiring and excitingly stimulating to my faith...I've devoured this thing this afternoon! Thanks for the privilege of reading this.

*Rev. Steve Nicholson, Gateway Baptist Church, Launceston,
Tasmania, Australia*

Dr. Andrew Corbett's new book...will not suit those Christians who simply want to have a "pop" version of end times teaching to reinforce existing beliefs about a 7-year tribulation on earth while the people of God rest in heaven, or about an earthly reign of Christ for a thousand years following his return...Every fair-minded reader will perceive that Andrew Corbett has set out to honour the Christ who is so evidently at the centre of the Book of Revelation and many will agree that he produces heavy-weight argument in support of his approach. I think that more than a few will conclude that he establishes an interpretation of the Book that is a viable, worthy and sustainable alternative to the views generally held in evangelical and Pentecostal church circles.

Rev. Charles Schwab, Apostolic Church, Victoria, Australia

You continue to bless me, I have plenty more copies of those futurist books from the 70's if your running low, Got the Reese chronological bible too.

Have you got a different God in Tassie or does the cold keep Him awake down there. I suppose I'm trying to say I'm blessed by your common sense approach and I love not having the mental and spiritual challenge of "where or how did he come up with that?"

Paul, Wagga Wagga, NSW

I come from a Pre-trib Pre-mill Dispensationalist background and I am SOOOOOOOOOO happy to have discovered this theory of eschatology. I don't know how anyone could EVER believe Dispensationalism ! It is what I now call, TRAIN-WRECK theology. I appreciate your work. At least someone is out there fighting the good fight of biblical truths.

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"The doctrine of the last things never stood in the centre of attention, is one of the least developed doctrines, and therefore calls for no elaborate discussion...It may be that, as Dr. Orr surmises, we have now reached that point in the history of dogma in which the doctrine of the last things will receive greater attention and be brought to further development. "

Louis Berkhof,
The History of Christian Doctrines, page 259

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These Bible verses are embarrassing, but these are not “*the most embarrassing*”...

“When they persecute you in this city, flee to another. For assuredly, I say to you, you will not have gone through the cities of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

Matthew 10:23

“Assuredly, I say to you, there are some standing here who shall not taste death till they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom.”

Matthew 16:28

⁶¹But He kept silent and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked Him, saying to Him, "Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?" ⁶²Jesus said, "I am. And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven."

Mark 14:61-62

Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

Revelation 1:3

Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages have come.

1Corinthians 10:11

He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself.

Hebrews 9:26

Glossary

- Cessationism** The doctrine that gifts of the Spirit ceased with the completion of the New Testament or the death of the last original apostle.
- Christianising** The influence of the Christian Gospel upon society by influencing society's moral climate, culture, and philosophy through alternative- lifestyles, argument, creative arts, academia, politics, literature and rituals.
- Eschatology** The study of last things from a Scriptural point of view. For Preterists, the Cross, Resurrection of Christ and Close of the Old Covenant Age in 70AD are major eschatological events. While for Futurists, eschatology largely concerns the "end of the world" which they regard as yet to commence.
Variants: *eschatological*
- Eisegesis** Putting meaning into the text of Scripture that may not be the intended meaning. The opposite to *exegesis*.
Variants: *eisegetical, eisegetically*

Exegesis	The science of discovering of the intended meaning of a Biblical
	Variants: <i>exegetical</i>
Hermeneutics	The science and art of interpreting God's Word through a process (i) determining what the text says, (ii) discovering its intended meaning, and (iii) wisely applying that knowledge.
	Variants: <i>hermeneutical</i>
Preterism	From the Latin, <i>praeter</i> (the past), it is the view that in order to interpret Scripture correctly it must be determined whether a prophetic passage has already been fulfilled.
	Variants: <i>preterist, partial-preterism, pantelogy</i>

Throughout my life I have heard many “End Times Prophecy” teachers make bold predictions about the date for the return of Christ. Leading up to the year 2000 these predictions became increasingly weird and so did many of the things advocated by these people and those who followed their ideas. One of these more bizarre beliefs was that the entire global economy would collapse at the stroke of midnight January 1st 2000. To counter this, one Christian leader developed an entirely new “Christian” money system based on gold medallions. Armed with this information and other eschatological guesswork, I commissioned Donna Hill to write the following humorous poem and I think she’s produced a wonderful piece of work.

End Times Poem

by Donna Maree Hill

Did you hear that Jesus is coming again?
We must let everyone know!
The best possible way of sharing the news,
Is to make a scary video!

Sorry? You don't thinking scaring people,
Is really God's loving way?
Well, I think it's time He talked with me,
Listened to what I had to say!

I'm "right up" with end times prophecy,
With the help of my favourite book,
No, of course it's not the bible!
To the latest author I usually look.

Have you seen the current end times book?
It's really a good read!
Does it line up with what the bible says?
What is your point? Indeed!

Shred your bank cards, big brother's tracking you,
Every cent you spend!
Don't buy anything with a barcode,
On this your soul may well depend!
I heard you must convert your cash,

To the currency of “religious gold”!
What? Aurora won’t accept a nugget?
Well, just rug up in the cold!

Going on holiday to Europe?
Please take lots of care!
Stay well away from Brussels,
I heard the beast lives there!

I want to know the date for sure.
Pre-trib, post-trib, when will it really be?
Before the tribulation is important!
No suffering for me!

Before the 70’s, 80’s, no, 90’s end,
It’s definite Christ will appear.
Have I checked a calendar?
Um, surely before 2010. Oh dear!

There’s a world-wide government conspiracy,
So give up your jobs, live underground!
But I’m worried - will we be able,
To hear the final trumpet sound?

Someone tried to tell me,
To read the Bible, trust God and pray,
But I’m too concerned that I might miss,
That final rapture day.

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I. Why Things Weren't Adding Up...

I sat across the table from a very seasoned American missionary and his wife. My colleague and I had travelled half way around the world to enjoy this lunch. Being somewhat cut off from the outside world, they asked my colleague what world events were currently fulfilling Bible prophecy. The question hung in the air until my colleague, who had borne the brunt of my recent discoveries into eschatology, said boldly, “*You should ask Andrew that. He’s been doing a lot of research into that lately.*”

Knowing just how radical my views would seem, I was (to say the least) reluctant to share anything on the subject. “You don’t want to hear my views on end times!” I said. “Yes we do.” “No you don’t” I insisted. They thought I was being coy to gain their interest. I wasn’t. I have seen how unreasonably hostile believers have become with each other over the topic of Bible prophecy. I was a guest at this table in their adopted country and I had no intention of starting a hostile theological debate.

But I succumbed after reassurances that they would not martyr me if I upset or disagreed with their existing end-time views. I shared with them my journey of being a *rapture-waiting-no-way-am-I-going-to-be-left-behind-type* believer to becoming someone who realised that Scripture neither taught a rapture, a One World last days’ government, a future seven year tribulation, or a reconstructed Temple- to then becoming someone who realised that when Jesus said in Matthew 24:34 that all of the signs of the end of the age would take place within the generation which witnessed Him., He meant exactly what He said!



As the implication of this one verse dawned on me it drove me back to the Bible to search out what it really was saying about eschatology. At the conclusion of the lunchtime conversation my hosts said, “*That makes more sense than anything else we’ve ever heard!*” I was relieved.

What you are about to read is a major challenge to much of what is being taught in many churches today!

And it has generally been with great trepidation that I have shared with anyone what I have discovered. But at the end of every presentation (so far) I have had unanimous endorsement. This is not to say that it hasn’t provoked questions! What you are about to read is a major challenge to much of what is taught in Baptist, Charismatic and Pentecostal churches today. Just as those to whom I have already made this presentation have generally come from a Dispensational viewpoint and immediately recognised the impossibility of this theology, it is my humble hope that those who read this presentation will similarly be challenged to re-examine their views in the light of Scripture.

I don't profess to have all the answers. I trust though that I can help you create some of the right questions!



2. Just Who Is Embarrassed?

I had recently preached a message entitled *What The Bible Says About The Future* based entirely on Matthew 24 when I revisited the text to take a closer look. What I saw for the first time totally rocked me! Having a teaching and apologetic ministry I was used to being highly analytical and precise. When teaching about why the cults are in error I have often pointed out that they tend to twist Scripture by altering either words or the accepted meaning of words in significant verses to make them align with their doctrinal positions. As I looked at Matthew 24 again I realised that I had been just as guilty as the cults! Here's why:

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*Thanks for reading this preview. In the
complete edition you'll not only read why
Matthew 24 must be entirely fulfilled and
what we should do about it today!*

Regards,

Andrew Corbett