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a short work

"for He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness, because the Lord will make a short work upon the earth." rom 9:28

i cam across this scripture in my bible reading and it jumped out at me for some reason. some reason like maybe the Holy Spirit warning of what imminently lies ahead. perhaps even nearer than we think. the books of daniel and revelation go hand in hand in the end times, so let's look at them.

God has a plan; a seven thousand year plan for dealing with mankind. six thousand of those years is almost complete. "seventy weeks are determined for your people and for your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sins, to make reconciliation for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy." dan 9:24

sixty nine of those weeks have come and past and the seventieth week is nigh upon us. it will be a time like no other; a time that has never been before or will be again. at the end, rebellion, sin, death and decay will have given way to the holiness of God and His ultimate desire for sons in His image. "but as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." john 1:12

even now it is a time like any other. sure, they eat, they drink, they buy, they sell, they plant, they build. only now times are intensified. there were wars and rumors of wars, but the once verboten talk of nuclear is common now with ever increasing earthquakes in diverse places. but as long as it didn't touch their little part of the world, it was as if it was just someone else's trouble. they were felt sorry for them but life must go on.

and then it happened. all restraint was suddenly removed. those who been bearers of grace and truth were no longer here to hinder one's evil pleasures.

the plan for mankind will be an abrupt, short work indeed; one week of years to recompense for six thousand years of sin. but how many are looking for that time and even know it nears. "surely the Lord God does nothing, unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets." amos 3:7

"the Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John." rev 1:1

as if reading from a book, i can almost see the opening sentence... "it began like any other say, and then suddenly every thing was forever changed. we had ridiculed and mocked against them but now it was evident what a restraining force they had been. with all that was good and decent (defenders of truth) being removed, all that remained was for every one to do what was right in their own eyes. and so they did."

the revelation then goes on to enumerate the judgments God has determined - one by one. the seals, trumpets and bowls are a three series of end-times judgments from God. The judgments get increasingly worse and more devastating as the end times progress. this on top of the evil man inflicts on themselves. the seven seals, trumpets, and bowls are connected to one another and with their completion the wrath of God is complete. all that remains is a righteous judgment of rewards and punishments for deeds in the body.

"but the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers." 12 pet 4:7

if perchance you are one of those remaining to see such times, know that it is not too late yet. you have a chance to become a "tribulation saint." the cost will be high, but the reward ill be great. it will cost you all. there can be no more hiding in secret but an open declaration of belief and faith in the blood Jesus Christ must be made. "and they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death." rev 12:11

"for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, 'blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!'" matt 23:39 baruch haba b'shem Adonai!