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**Luke 21:28** *“And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.”*

There is much talk about the world ending in 2012. It must be noted though that I do not believe in numerology and date settings when it refers to the coming of Jesus Christ, because the Bible clearly states that no man knows except the father

**Matthew 24:36** *“But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.”*

### Is there a measure of truth in what is being said?

Firstly we must differentiate between the theatrical side and the more serious side. The theatrical side meaning, sensationalism which is created by Hollywood, where it is believed the world is going to be destroyed by natural disasters. The serious side believes that the world is going to go through a major shift, a transition from one world age to another age, meaning that the world is not going to end physically, but philosophically.

### What brings about this notion of the end?

#### The Mayan Calendar

It is predicted that the world will end in 2012. This calendar is a system of dating with the use of astronomy. As we now astronomy is the scientific study of the universe with conjunction of the heavenly bodies, the stars, moon, sun etc.

Did you know that God instituted dating and communication through the heavenly bodies.

**Genesis 1:14** *“And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:”*

**Matthew 2:2** *“Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.”*

The gospel also was communicated through the stars

**Psalms 19:1-3** *“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. <sup>2</sup>Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge <sup>3</sup>There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.”*

Early theologians believe that before there was any form of modern communication that the gospel was communicated through the stars, with the use of the early zodiac before it became corrupted. The sign Leo is symbolic of the lion of the tribe of Judah, and Aquarius is symbolic of the flood in Noah's time.

This shows that using the heavenly bodies to date and make predictions is nothing new.

It is believed that the Mayans were some of the most educated astronomers ever known, and that they produced the most accurate calendar system.

According to the Mayans we are living in the end of a galactic day (25625 yrs). It is believed that the galactic year ends on December 21<sup>st</sup> 2012. Therefore we are living in the end of an age, and will be ushered into a new age, an age of New Consciousness.

They believed that the last age cycle ended with a great flood 5125yrs ago.

Others believe that a new age is upon us the age of Aquarius, the age of a flood of enlightenment, or the age of New consciousness.

### Nostradamus

He spoke about a change that will occur in 2012. Also about something of significance which has to do with the Roman pontiff.

### St Malachy

Who made a prophesy on a vision which he saw, showing him a line of 112 popes. This present pope is number 111.

### Prophesy in Revelation

Some believe it is the opening of the seals in Revelation Chpt 6.

**Rev 13:16-18** *“And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: <sup>17</sup>And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. <sup>18</sup>Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.”*

The above chapter speaks of the mark of the beast which is already in design today.

The Bible also speaks of the increase in knowledge, which is a clear reflection of our age. **Daniel 12:4** *“But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.”*

Even Jesus himself speaks concerning wars in the end time. **Matthew 24:6** *“And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of war.”* But in this same verse Jesus offers us words of comfort *“see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.”*