

Are We Living in the Last Days?

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¹ Yeshua came out from the temple and was going away when His disciples came up to point out the temple buildings to Him. ² And He said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Truly I say to you, not one stone here will be left upon another, which will not be torn down."

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³ As He was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things happen, and what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?" ⁴ And Yeshua answered and said to them, "See to it that no one misleads you. ⁵ "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Messiah,' and will mislead many.

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⁶ "You will be hearing of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not frightened, for those things must take place, but that is not yet the end. ⁷ "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and in various places there will be famines and earthquakes. ⁸ "But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs.

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¹⁰ Before them the earth quakes, the heavens tremble, the sun and the moon grow dark and the stars lose their brightness. ¹¹ The L-rd utters His voice before His army; surely His camp is very great, for strong is he who carries out His word, the day of the L-rd is indeed great and very awesome, and who can endure it?.

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¹² "Yet even now," declares the L-rd, "Return to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, weeping and mourning; ¹³ And rend your heart and not your garments." Now return to the L-rd your G-d, for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness and relenting of evil.

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¹⁴ Who knows whether He will not turn and relent and leave a blessing behind Him, even a grain offering and a drink offering for the L-rd your G-d? ¹⁵ Blow a trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, proclaim a solemn assembly, ¹⁶ Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children and the nursing infants, let the bridegroom come out of his room and the bride out of her bridal chamber.

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¹⁷ Let the priests, the L-rd's ministers, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, "Spare Your people, O L-rd, and do not make Your inheritance a reproach, a byword among the nations. Why should they among the peoples say, 'Where is their G-d?'" ¹⁸ Then the L-rd will be zealous for His land and will have pity on His people.

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¹⁹ The L-rd will answer and say to His people, "Behold, I am going to send you grain, new wine and oil, and you will be satisfied in full with them; and I will never again make you a reproach among the nations.

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²⁰ "But I will remove the northern army far from you, and I will drive it into a parched and desolate land, and its vanguard into the eastern sea, and its rear guard into the western sea and its stench will arise and its foul smell will come up, for it has done great things." ²¹ Do not fear, O land, rejoice and be glad, for the L-rd has done great things.

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²² Do not fear, beasts of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness have turned green, for the tree has borne its fruit, the fig tree and the vine have yielded in full. ²³ So rejoice, O sons of Zion, and be glad in the L-rd your G-d; for He has given you the early rain for your vindication and He has poured down for you the rain, the early and latter rain as before.

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²⁴ The threshing floors will be full of grain, and the vats will overflow with the new wine and oil. ²⁵ Then I will make up to you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the creeping locust, the stripping locust and the gnawing locust, my great army which I sent among you.

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²⁶ "You will have plenty to eat and be satisfied and praise the name of the L-rd your G-d, Who has dealt wondrously with you; then My people will never be put to shame. ²⁷ Thus you will know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I am the L-rd your G-d, and there is no other; and My people will never be put to shame.

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Acts 2:16-21

¹⁶ but this is what was spoken of through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ 'AND IT SHALL BE IN THE LAST DAYS,' G-d says, 'THAT I WILL POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL MANKIND; AND YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHESEY, AND YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS, AND YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS;

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¹⁸ EVEN ON MY BONDSLAVES, BOTH MEN AND WOMEN, I WILL IN THOSE DAYS POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT And they shall prophesy. ¹⁹ 'AND I WILL GRANT WONDERS IN THE SKY ABOVE AND SIGNS ON THE EARTH BELOW, BLOOD, AND FIRE, AND VAPOR OF SMOKE.

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¹ G-d, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, ² in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

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³ And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

Revelation 1:1

¹ The Revelation of Yeshua HaMashiach, which G-d gave Him to show to His bond-servants, the things which must soon take place; and He sent and communicated it by His angel to His bond-servant John,

Revelation 22:18-19

¹⁸ I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, G-d will add to him the plagues which are written in this book; ¹⁹ and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, G-d will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book.

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2 Timothy 3:1-7

¹ But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. ² For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, ³ unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good,

2 Timothy 3:1-7

⁴ treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of G-d, ⁵ holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; avoid such men as these. ⁶ For among them are those who enter into households and captivate weak women weighed down with sins, led on by various impulses, ⁷ always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

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Zephaniah 1:14-18

¹⁴ Near is the great day of the L-rd, near and coming very quickly; listen, the day of the L-rd! in it the warrior cries out bitterly. ¹⁵ A day of wrath is that day, a day of trouble and distress, a day of destruction and desolation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

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¹⁶ A day of trumpet and battle cry against the fortified cities and the high corner towers.

¹⁷ I will bring distress on men so that they will walk like the blind, because they have sinned against the L-rd; and their blood will be poured out like dust and their flesh like dung.

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¹⁸ Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to deliver them on the day of the L-rd's wrath; and all the earth will be devoured in the fire of His jealousy, for He will make a complete end, indeed a terrifying one, of all the inhabitants of the earth.

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Ezekiel 13:1-10, 16

¹ Then the word of the L-rd came to me saying, ² "Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel who prophesy, and say to those who prophesy from their own inspiration, 'Listen to the word of the L-rd!

Ezekiel 13:1-10, 16

³ 'Thus says the L-rd G-d, "Woe to the foolish prophets who are following their own spirit and have seen nothing. ⁴ "O Israel, your prophets have been like foxes among ruins. ⁵ "You have not gone up into the breaches, nor did you build the wall around the house of Israel to stand in the battle on the day of the L-rd.

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⁶ "They see falsehood and lying divination who are saying, 'The L-rd declares,' when the L-rd has not sent them; yet they hope for the fulfillment of their word. ⁷ "Did you not see a false vision and speak a lying divination when you said, 'The L-rd declares,' but it is not I who have spoken?"

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⁸ Therefore, thus says the L-rd G-d, "Because you have spoken falsehood and seen a lie, therefore behold, I am against you," declares the L-rd G-d.

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⁹ "So My hand will be against the prophets who see false visions and utter lying divinations They will have no place in the council of My people, nor will they be written down in the register of the house of Israel, nor will they enter the land of Israel, that you may know that I am the L-rd G-d.

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¹⁰ "It is definitely because they have misled My people by saying, 'Peace!' when there is no peace. And when anyone builds a wall, behold, they plaster it over with whitewash;. ¹⁶ along with the prophets of Israel who prophesy to Jerusalem, and who see visions of peace for her when there is no peace,' declares the L-rd G-d.

Matthew 24:24

²⁴ "For false Messiahs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.

2 Timothy 3:13

¹³ But evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

2 Peter 3:3-4

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Amos 5:18-20

¹⁸ Alas, you who are longing for the day of the L-rd, for what purpose will the day of the L-rd be to you? It will be darkness and not light; ¹⁹ As when a man flees from a lion and a bear meets him, or goes home, leans his hand against the wall and a snake bites him. ²⁰ Will not the day of the L-rd be darkness instead of light, even gloom with no brightness in it?

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Revelation 8:12

¹² The fourth angel sounded, and a third of the sun and a third of the moon and a third of the stars were struck, so that a third of them would be darkened and the day would not shine for a third of it, and the night in the same way.

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Luke 21:25-26

²⁵ "There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth dismay among nations, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶ men fainting from fear and the expectation of the things which are coming upon the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

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¹² I looked when He broke the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole moon became like blood;

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¹³ and the stars of the sky fell to the earth, as a fig tree casts its unripe figs when shaken by a great wind. ¹⁴ The sky was split apart like a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

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¹⁵ Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; ¹⁶ and they said to the mountains and to the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; ¹⁷ for the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

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Isaiah 13:6-13

⁶ Wail, for the day of the L-rd is near! It will come as destruction from the Almighty.
⁷ Therefore all hands will fall limp, and every man's heart will melt.

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⁸ They will be terrified, pains and anguish will take hold of them; they will writhe like a woman in labor, they will look at one another in astonishment, their faces aflame.

⁹ Behold, the day of the L-rd is coming, cruel, with fury and burning anger, to make the land a desolation; and He will exterminate its sinners from it.

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¹⁰ For the stars of heaven and their constellations will not flash forth their light; the sun will be dark when it rises and the moon will not shed its light. ¹¹ Thus I will punish the world for its evil and the wicked for their iniquity; I will also put an end to the arrogance of the proud and abase the haughtiness of the ruthless.

Isaiah 13:6-13

¹² I will make mortal man scarcer than pure gold and mankind than the gold of Ophir.

¹³ Therefore I will make the heavens tremble, and the earth will be shaken from its place at the fury of the L-rd of hosts in the day of His burning anger.

Zechariah 14:1-3

¹ Behold, a day is coming for the L-rd when the spoil taken from you will be divided among you. ² For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city will be captured, the houses plundered, the women ravished and half of the city exiled, but the rest of the people will not be cut off from the city. ³ Then the L-rd will go forth and fight against those nations, as when He fights on a day of battle.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-3

¹ Now as to the times and the epochs, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written to you. ² For you yourselves know full well that the day of the L-rd will come just like a thief in the night. ³ While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape.

Revelation 16:13-21

¹³ And I saw coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs; ¹⁴ for they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them together for the war of the great day of G-d, the Almighty.

Revelation 16:13-21

¹⁵ ("Behold, I am coming like a thief Blessed is the one who stays awake and keeps his clothes, so that he will not walk about naked and men will not see his shame.") ¹⁶ And they gathered them together to the place which in Hebrew is called Har-Magedon.

Revelation 16:13-21

¹⁷ Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl upon the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple from the throne, saying, "It is done." ¹⁸ And there were flashes of lightning and sounds and peals of thunder; and there was a great earthquake, such as there had not been since man came to be upon the earth, so great an earthquake was it, and so mighty.

Revelation 16:13-21

¹⁹ The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell Babylon the great was remembered before G-d, to give her the cup of the wine of His fierce wrath. ²⁰ And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

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²¹ And huge hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, came down from heaven upon men; and men blasphemed G-d because of the plague of the hail, because its plague was extremely severe.

Revelation 19:15-16

¹⁵ From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of G-d, the Almighty. ¹⁶ And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

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Revelation 6:8

⁸ I looked, and behold, an ashen horse; and he who sat on it had the name Death; and Hades was following with him Authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by the wild beasts of the earth.

Revelation 8:11

¹¹ The name of the star is called Wormwood; and a third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the waters, because they were made bitter.

Revelation 9:14-15, 20

¹⁴ one saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates." ¹⁵ And the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released, so that they would kill a third of mankind.

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²⁰ The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk;

Revelation 11:7

⁷ When they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up out of the abyss will make war with them, and overcome them and kill them.

Revelation 13:7, 15

⁷ It was also given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them, and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him. ¹⁵ And it was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast would even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed.

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¹³ Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe come, tread, for the wine press is full; the vats overflow, for their wickedness is great. ¹⁴ Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the L-rd is near in the valley of decision. ¹⁵ The sun and moon grow dark and the stars lose their brightness.

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¹⁶ The L-rd roars from Zion and utters His voice from Jerusalem, and the heavens and the earth tremble but the L-rd is a refuge for His people and a stronghold to the sons of Israel. ¹⁷ Then you will know that I am the L-rd your G-d, Dwelling in Zion, My holy mountain so Jerusalem will be holy, and strangers will pass through it no more.

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¹⁸ And in that day the mountains will drip with sweet wine, and the hills will flow with milk, and all the brooks of Judah will flow with water; and a spring will go out from the house of the L-rd to water the valley of Shittim. ¹⁹ Egypt will become a waste, and Edom will become a desolate wilderness, because of the violence done to the sons of Judah, in whose land they have shed innocent blood.

Joel 3:13-21

²⁰ But Judah will be inhabited forever and Jerusalem for all generations. ²¹ And I will avenge their blood which I have not avenged, for the L-rd dwells in Zion.

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Jacob (James) 5:1-8

¹ Come now, you rich, weep and howl for your miseries which are coming upon you. ² Your riches have rotted and your garments have become moth-eaten. ³ Your gold and your silver have rusted; and their rust will be a witness against you and will consume your flesh like fire. It is in the last days that you have stored up your treasure!

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⁴ Behold, the pay of the laborers who mowed your fields, and which has been withheld by you, cries out against you; and the outcry of those who did the harvesting has reached the ears of the L-rd of Sabaoth. ⁵ You have lived luxuriously on the earth and led a life of wanton pleasure; you have fattened your hearts in a day of slaughter.

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⁶ You have condemned and put to death the righteous man; he does not resist you. ⁷ Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the L-rd The farmer waits for the precious produce of the soil, being patient about it, until it gets the early and late rains. ⁸ You too be patient; strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the L-rd is near.

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2 Peter 3:1-14

¹ This is now, beloved, the second letter I am writing to you in which I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder, ² that you should remember the words spoken beforehand by the holy prophets and the commandment of the L-rd and Savior spoken by your apostles.

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⁵ For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of G-d the heavens existed long ago and the earth was formed out of water and by water, ⁶ through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water. ⁷ But by His word the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

2 Peter 3:1-14

⁸ But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved, that with the L-rd one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day. ⁹ The L-rd is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

2 Peter 3:1-14

¹⁰ But the day of the L-rd will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up. ¹¹ Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,

2 Peter 3:1-14

¹² looking for and hastening the coming of the day of G-d, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat! ¹³ But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells. ¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless,

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Matthew 24:36

³⁶ "For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,

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¹ Now as to the times and the epochs, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written to you. ² For you yourselves know full well that the day of the L-rd will come just like a thief in the night.

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³ While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape. ⁴ But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day would overtake you like a thief; ⁵ for you are all sons of light and sons of day We are not of night nor of darkness;

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⁶ so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober. ⁷ For those who sleep do their sleeping at night, and those who get drunk get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we are of the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

⁹ For G-d has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our L-rd Yeshua HaMashiach, ¹⁰ who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we will live together with Him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.

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Mark 13:33

³³ "Take heed, keep on the alert; for you do not know when the appointed time will come.

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Mark 1:15

¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of G-d is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Acts 2:38

³⁸ Peter said to them, "Repent, and each of you be immersed in the name of Yeshua HaMashiach for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 3:19

¹⁹ "Therefore repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the L-rd;

2 Peter 3:9

⁹ The L-rd is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

Joel 2:13-14

¹³ And rend your heart and not your garments." Now return to the L-rd your G-d, for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness and relenting of evil. ¹⁴ Who knows whether He will not turn and relent and leave a blessing behind Him, even a grain offering and a drink offering for the L-rd your G-d?

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Are We Living in the Last Days?

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