

## Parable of The Fig Tree

What is a parable?

In essence, it's a short narrative under which some important truth is veiled. Veiled, meaning that the object or lesson of the parable is not obvious just by reading it. One word is a substitute for another. For example, the word "field" is used to mean the "world"; the "good seed" that was planted represented "His children", and on it goes.

Our Lord used parables extensively in the three and a half years that He taught throughout His ministry. These parables even confused His closest allies, the disciples, most times because they asked Him, point blank, why He speaks this way to all the people listening?

*Matthew 13:10 And the disciples came, and said unto him, **Why speakest thou unto them in parables?***

And His answer was...

*Matthew 13:11 He answered and said unto them, **Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given. KJV***

But understanding wasn't as simple as that, for the disciples because, in most cases, they were as confused as the crowds of people to which they were addressed. And so it is with some of us, we find it difficult to understand some of His parables, not to mention, His prophecies.

The disciples, though chosen, were just like you and I. They had no extensive training in the Old Testament Manuscripts and as pointed out in Acts, they were just everyday people from Galilee..

*Acts 2:7 And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, **Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans? KJV***

But the direct explanation was given when our Lord said this:

*Matthew 13:13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. KJV.*

Most people don't see the depth of the meaning of the words. They read or hear them but they don't go *"ah, I get it."*

There are some who are not meant to understand these parables, there are some that are not to understand any of our Father's Words. What is written in 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians about this?

*2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 4:3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:*

They are lost, from Him, in the ways of the world.

*2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.*

You will notice that the word **god** is in the lower case, which means that this god is Satan. He's got them hooked and he wants to keep them that way because if the light of understanding were in their hearts and minds, they would probably love and follow our Father and not the world.

But, whether they believe in the Father or not, whether they know any of His truth or not, they willfully disregard His Words and listen to the words of Satan.

Wealth and power, drugs and alcohol, the desire for self-gratification, self-fulfillment, living for the pleasures of today and not of tomorrow, tomorrow in this case, being the eternity. Self, self, self.

Prosperity preachers, like that fella down there in Louisiana, and many other prime-time preachers, telling the congregation how great they can be, when our Father tells us that the least among us will be the greatest in His Kingdom.

Satan has them and he's going to do whatever he can to keep them. And because they love this world so much, our Lord spoke in words that were, not just difficult for them to understand, but He blinded them to the truth.

They can change their situation simply by giving themselves over to Him.

But that's why He spoke in parables and many of them He explained, sometimes just a few verses later, but those that are in love with this world won't read the Book to begin with.

In three different books, our Lord gives us a listing of the events that will happen before His return. They're listed in Matthew, chapter 24; Mark, chapter 13; and Luke, chapter 21. And immediately after He finishes telling us these events, He gives us the parable of the fig tree.

Why? To let us know what to look for, make us aware of what would be happening in the world that would make us pause and say to ourselves...THIS is what we've been waiting for, THIS is THE event that would signal the beginning of the end.

And the parable of the fig tree will give us that much needed information.

In Matthew and Mark, He presents this parable to us as a **command**:

*Matthew 24:32 **Now learn a parable of the fig tree**; KJV*

*Mark 13:28 **Now learn a parable of the fig tree**; KJV*

While in Luke, His approach is somewhat more indirect:

*Luke 21:29 **And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees**; KJV*

Instead of emphatically stating, **Now learn a parable of the fig tree**, He simply asks us to consider the fig tree, in **Behold**.

Let's quickly review those end time events before we get to the parable so that we're all on the same page:

***Let no man deceive you.***

If you listen to a preacher that teaches the lies of religion, he's going to deceive you. He's more interested in following church dogma than teaching the truth of our Father's Words. He's more interested in keeping his job and his pension than he is in saving your soul.

They may want to save souls but the flesh is weak and there are many obstacles put in their way by the church leaders and, sadly, they teach things that they would rather not. They put their own self-interests at the top of the list.

***Wars and rumors of wars.***

The war against terrorism, world-wide, goes on with all the world leaders not knowing how to stop the carnage of the innocent, Christians in particular, as we've seen in the last week with the killing of Coptic Christians in Egypt by ISIS.

In the last week, President Trump met with over 50 leaders of Middle Eastern nations in Saudi Arabia and a few days later he met with the members of NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, which are the leaders of 28 nations of Europe, the United Kingdom and Canada.

The primary discussion being how to defeat and overcome these radical Muslim terrorists and their independent followers.

This was an event that has never happened in modern times and if this isn't a sign of the end times I don't know what would be. The news media and the liberal Democrats are attacking him at every opportunity and from every angle and you know who's behind that, as well, don't you?

But don't be too concerned. I believe that the hand of our Father is on this man, Donald J. Trump, and Father will be able to use him, if he will only put down that electronic device that connects him with his twitter account. Sometimes he is his own worst enemy.

***Famines, pestilences and earthquakes in diverse places.***

From the [actionagainsthunger.org](http://actionagainsthunger.org) website:

*"The number of hungry people in the world exceeds the population of the United States, Canada and the European Union."*

*"34 million children worldwide suffer from severe malnutrition."*

There has always been hunger and natural disasters across this planet and they will continue to happen. Hunger and starvation will worsen because the population of these third-world countries will continue to grow and the militants will continue to steal the food that comes in from the United Nations so it can be sold to purchase weapons and devices of war.

***His Election will be delivered up to be afflicted.***

This will happen after Satan begins his role as the Antichrist in Jerusalem.

***Many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.***

Lying preachers and their demonic theories; Sunday School teachers telling little children about Eve in the Garden and the apple; prosperity preachers and all that.

***And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world.***

Something that was not possible until instant global communication through satellites.

These events listed above have been happening over and over again for centuries, which is why some got discouraged and complained and said...

*2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 3:4 And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. KJV*

And, indeed, we could say the same thing, were it not for the parable of the fig tree.

***Immediately after the tribulation of those days...***

That's the five-month tribulation of Satan/Antichrist.

***And they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.***

That's the return of our Lord.

***And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.***

His Elect, His set-aside ones. By this time, we should all have been changed into our spiritual bodies, so what would be the reason that He would gather His Elect together? To begin the teaching and discipline of the Millennium.

Now we come to the parable of the fig tree.

*Matthew 24:32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:*

What happens at the end of summer? The harvest begins. The planting begins in the spring and with the help of the former rain, the seeds begin to grow and bud, the leaves begin to sprout. The latter rain comes, the crop matures and harvest will come soon.

But, if you believe in the lies of Satan/Antichrist, if you believe that he is the true Messiah, you have already been spiritually harvested before the end of summer, which means that you have been harvested out of season.

*Matthew 24:33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.*

What things? Those that are explained in this parable. What is near? The end of this age.

*Matthew 24:34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.*

It's important that we understand the fig tree and how our Lord used it to give us a deeper understanding of what it is that we are supposed to learn from Him. After all, this parable itself is called the parable of the fig tree, so understanding the fig and the fig tree is vital symbology that we need to come to grips with.

Let's go to one instance in the book of Mark:

*Mark 11:11 And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.*

Remember that He was just about to leave the Mount of Olives, or otherwise called Mount Olivet, and He sent two of His disciples into town to pick up a "colt", or a young ass, and He rode it into Jerusalem.

And after spending some time inside the Temple, He looked around and took stock of what was going on, it was about evening time and for some unstated reason, He left Jerusalem and went to Bethany, about two miles away.

*Mark 11:12 And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry:*

When they got up the next morning, He was hungry. His flesh and blood body had the same requirements as every other flesh body.

*Mark 11:13 And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon: and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet.*

Now, we all know that Jesus could have been standing on the opposite side of the earth and He would still know that there were no figs, no fruit, on that tree.

This word *haply* bears that out because *haply* means that He would appear to not know whether there were figs on the tree or not, He would feign ignorance of that fact, to keep someone in suspense of not knowing until they got near to it.

Perhaps the disciples couldn't see if there were fruit on the tree or not and this would make them think that He didn't know either.

And, of course, it was too early in the season to have produced any fruit at that time. He used this example for us to know when the leaves shoot out.

*Mark 11:14 And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter for ever. And his disciples heard it.*

Does it seem strange to you that our Lord is talking to a tree? It shouldn't because the tree was representative of the bad figs, which are the followers of Satan and not of our Lord. He's telling us to not eat the fruit that Satan and his followers produce.

And what would that fruit be? Lies. Deception. Traditions of established religion.

*Mark 11:15 And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus went into the temple, and began to cast out them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves;*

He used a cat-o-nine tails and drove them out, money probably scattering all over the place. And I have no doubt that He released the doves and allowed them to simply fly away.

What does that verse tell us? Some people were too lazy to bring something of their own to offer to our Father. They didn't care enough to do that. Instead of giving something from their hearts, they bought flea-infested doves right there in the Temple for their offering.

And it wasn't something that happened infrequently, it happened all the time, because they had tables set up, people working behind the tables, taking the money and giving change. It was a business to them.

They didn't come to worship, they came to superficially worship our Father. Jesus probably saw them there the day before, when He went in, and even after sleeping on it, His anger was still in full swing the next day.

It was disrespectful to do that sort of thing in the temple. In today's slang, they were "dissing" our Father.

*Mark 11:16 And would not suffer that any man should carry any vessel through the temple.*

The *vessel* being the merchandise that they sold there or the crates that held the merchandise.

*Mark 11:17 And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written, My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of thieves.*

At that time, the cost of a healthy dove would be about ½ shekel and they were probably selling these infested doves for three-times that amount. Thievery.

*Mark 11:18 And the scribes and chief priests heard it, and sought how they might destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people was astonished at his doctrine.*

The Scribes and Pharisees would never have done that sort of thing nor would they have spoken that way. Perhaps they were even getting a cut of the profits. Sweet religious people...they tried to figure out how to kill Him without instigating the wrath of the people....you know, those little people, like you and I, that love Him and follow Him.

*Mark 11:19 And when even was come, he went out of the city.*

Perhaps back to Bethany, as He did the night before. It would seem reasonable that if He did go back to Bethany, He would stay with Lazarus, Martha and Mary.

*Mark 11:20 And in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots.*

Wow! How fast is that? Died overnight. Now, you know that that is not natural, don't you? Dead, even down to the roots, not just the leaves.

*Mark 11:21 And Peter calling to remembrance saith unto him, Master, behold, the fig tree which thou cursedst is withered away.*

They were kind of shocked as well.

*Mark 11:22 And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God.*

Not in some man; not in some religious leader.

*Mark 11:23 For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.*

*Mountain* means nation and He's talking about the Kenite nation here.

Have you noticed that when they show ISIS fighters on TV, that they wear a head covering? Not to mention that they also wear a scarf to cover their faces, hiding their identity from the world, so they cannot be hunted down and prosecuted.

Cowards, every one of them.

But, referring to the head covering, we have a description of the locust army in Revelation and their head covering is referred to as a crown:

*Revelation 9:7 And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. KJV*

The proper Greek word for *crown* is *diadem* but this word *crown*, as used here, is *stephanos* and it resembles a crown from some distance away. These ISIS terrorists wear the same diadem, the same crown, and are a part of the locust army that will come out of the pit, along with their leader, Satan, as we've read in Revelation.

It's time that the word Kenite should become a part of your vocabulary, when speaking about terroristic violence around the world. The news media will never refer to them as such but you and I know **who** they are and **why** they do what they do.

And why do they focus on Christians? Because they are our Father's children. And those individuals, around the world, that work independent of, but in correlation with, this locust army, are simply wannabe's. Yes, they're called wacko's, mentally deranged and so on but whatever label you put on them, they still desire to do the work of Satan.

Alright, let's recap what we've learned, concerning our Lord cursing that particular fig tree. He considered that tree to be a bad fig tree or He wouldn't have cursed it to begin with. Which means that the **bad fig** has a counterpart that must be a **good fig** tree. For everything in our Father's world that is good, there is also the bad, the opposite.

This particular fig tree represented the sons of Cain or the Kenites, those people that lived in the land of Judea but were not Jews. They went to Jerusalem to hide themselves among the population because they feared being singled out and killed. They were also the ones in the crowd that stood before Pontius Pilate, that shouted "crucify him", when they had a choice of having our Lord or Barabbas killed.

Christ had such a large following of believers that it's difficult for me to believe that they would stand there and demand the death of this wonderful man, the one that healed their family members, that cast



out devils from some of their friends, the man that refuted the religious leaders every time they opened their mouths and tried to trip Him up with their pitiful tricks.

Understanding that there are, figuratively speaking, good and bad figs, let's learn a little about the basic fig tree itself. Under normal conditions, a fig tree is not planted from a seed, unless there are intentions to modify its genetic code.

Normally, they are planted from a shoot or branch taken from another fig tree. And when that is planted, when the roots take hold, the first thing that appears on this shoot are the leaves, the figs coming later after the tree grows and matures.

Father tries to make things easier for us to understand by using nature, and the plants, trees, and flowers, thereof. Paul used a kernel of corn to demonstrate that we have two bodies, another different body living within the one we have right now. It's called our spiritual body.

And our Lord used wheat to explain to us how the devil, Satan, would have his children, the Kenites, infiltrate among us in the parable of the tares.

Let's go to the book of Jeremiah and find out more about the good and bad figs:

*Jeremiah 24:1 The Lord shewed me, and, behold, two baskets of figs were set before the temple of the Lord, after that Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon had carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah, and the princes of Judah, with the carpenters and smiths, from Jerusalem, and had brought them to Babylon.*

This begins a vision given to Jeremiah by our Father. It mentions the temple of the Lord, which means that this is happening in Jerusalem, and the subject of this vision is Judah. Judah is central to the parable of the fig tree so we need to pay attention here.

Let's review a little history here. The two houses, the house of Israel and the house of Judah, are still separate, at this time. They won't come back together again until the Lord's Day, when life in this age is over and the Millennium begins.

Father scattered the ten northern tribes into the world and only Judah and a small remnant of the tribe of Benjamin remained in the city.

After the 70-year captivity of the house of Judah by Nebuchadnezzar, the book of Ezra tells us that of all the people going back to the homeland, there was not one Levitical priest among them. The priesthood had become so lazy that they let the Nethinim take over the duties of the Temple, along with the work that they were originally supposed to do.

The word Nethinim means *given to service* and they chopped the firewood, filled the basins with water for the sacrifice, distributed the meat after it was cooked, and all the other duties that had to be done, but the priests also allowed them to do the work inside the temple as well.

These Nethinim also were in charge of the services, that is, they did a lot of the preaching but they weren't skilled in the Manuscripts, nor were they sanctioned by our Father, so there is no telling what they were teaching the people.

That's why our Lord told us to judge a preacher by the fruit he produces, by what he teaches, and if what he teaches is a lie of established religion, you've got a real problem because nobody is going to hear the truth of our Father's Word. There's no one to tell the people how to know the difference between the good fig and the bad fig.

*Jeremiah 24:2 One basket had very good figs, even like the figs that are first ripe: and the other basket had very naughty figs, which could not be eaten, they were so bad.*

In reality, there are two kinds of figs: the good fig is called a Smyrna fig and this is the female variety, and I'm told that they really are good to eat. The bad figs are called caprice or goat figs, and they are the male variety, and they are not worth picking, they taste terrible.

If you look deeper into the words here, you'll notice that Father calls them *naughty* figs and that's not a descriptive word one would use for a fruit, so He must be talking about people here.

Good people and bad people.

*Jeremiah 24:3 Then said the Lord unto me, What seest thou, Jeremiah? And I said, Figs; the good figs, very good; and the evil, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.*

And here we have it again, Father using the word *evil*, which cannot be applied to a fruit, it must be applied to people. So, let's go a little deeper...a good tree will produce good fruit and a bad tree will produce bad fruit, fruit being the message that is being taught.

This should take you way back to Genesis and the Garden because what did we have there? We had a good tree...the Tree of Life, which represents the Lord; and we had a bad tree...the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, which represents Satan.

Now, what kind of trees would these two trees be, if we looked at them literally and not metaphorically? They would be fig trees because when Adam and Eve discovered their nakedness, what did they use to cover their private parts with?

*Genesis 3:7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. KJV*

A bunch of fig trees grouped together is called a grove and that's exactly where they were in the Garden, they were in a fig grove. They were not in an apple orchard. They didn't sew together apple leaves. See how it all weaves together?

How sweet it is. The fig was there from the beginning.

But let's stay on point. What is the subject that we're talking about? We're talking about Jerusalem and the house of Judah.

*Jeremiah 24:4 Again the word of the Lord came unto me, saying,*

Father is going to give us some more information...

*Jeremiah 24:5 Thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel; Like these good figs, so will I acknowledge them that are carried away captive of Judah, whom I have sent out of this place into the land of the Chaldeans for their good.*

*For their good.* Actually, it means for their instruction, so that they could be disciplined. Father tired of them constantly ignoring Him and living their lives their way...full of disobedience and constantly stiff-necked.

He tells us that the good figs ARE those taken captive of Judah, which means the people of Judah.

Don't forget that since there were no Levitical priests going back to Jerusalem, after they were released from the captivity of the Babylonians, it also means that there were a lot of people that stayed behind as well. Why? They became assimilated into the Babylonian culture.

They no doubt married the Babylonian women, no doubt had children, which were then in school. They probably got jobs, maybe bought houses and on it goes. They were set, they were established in that culture. They didn't go back to Jerusalem with the others.



What does Father think about them? Listen...

*Jeremiah 24:6 For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and I will bring them again to this land: and I will build them, and not pull them down; and I will plant them, and not pluck them up.*

*And I will bring them again to this land.* He's going to bring them back to the homeland, back to the land of their forefathers, Jerusalem, and that's where they are going to stay.

*"Well, who is it that He's going to bring back?"*

The ten Northern Tribes, the ones that He scattered over the Caucasus Mountains, that went into Europe and Russia and Canada and Great Britain and America.

*"Well, has that happened already?"*

You bet. It's happening even today but it started back in May of 1948 when Israel received her status as a nation again by the security council of the United Nations, and the good and the bad figs have been returning ever since.

*Jeremiah 24:7 And I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the Lord: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.*

He's talking about the good figs here.

You know, even to this day I feel a slight pang of jealousy when I hear Father speak of His people that way. That they shall be **His people**.

I know in my heart that He loves us, the Gentiles, just as much as He does the descendants of Judah and Israel, because we were grafted into the Tree of Life and, but on the other hand, I feel slightly sorry for the Jewish people, many of them not believing that Christ was the Savior.

But, hey, it's all going to work out, so just love Him with all your heart, study and understand, and become one of His Election, and it's all going to be good.

*Jeremiah 24:8 And as the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus saith the Lord, So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah, and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:*

Zedekiah was not appointed by our Father as king of Judah, he was appointed by the king of Babylon. Him, along with his princes and those that fled Israel and went to Egypt to escape the invasion of their land, will be threatened by these bad figs.

These evil figs being the sons of Cain, the Kenites.

What is the point of this so far? What has been the intention of our Father in telling us all this? To let us know that in 70 A.D., or there about, He scattered the ten tribes throughout the known world. They weren't the only ones in the lands that He drove them, there were plenty of people of the sixth-day creation.

And it fulfilled the prophesy of Abraham, that his seed would be as numerous as the sands of the sea and the stars of heaven because those people married and had children and they had children and the numbers kept growing and growing.

Certainly, as the centuries went by, the blood became diluted, by intermarrying with other peoples, to the point that hardly anyone knows that they might have ancestors from way back, that were a part of those tribes.

But among those peoples were also the children of Cain. And to explain to us, in terms that we could easily understand, he likened the Kenites and His children to a bad fig tree and its fruit.

The good figs represented His own while the bad figs stood for the sons of Cain. And in 1948, figuratively and spiritually speaking, the shoot of that tree was planted in Israel and as the leaves began to sprout on that shoot, so did the good and bad figs begin returning to their homeland.

The other important lesson was when He said that it would happen to the last generation, that generation that would not pass away until all things be fulfilled, and since 1948 we have been living in that last generation.

It was a landmark occurrence, Israel becoming a nation again, and only those with eyes to see and ears to hear would be aware of it when it finally happened. And only through studying and learning and understanding, could one obtain those special eyes and ears.

There is one more place that we need to go and that's to the book of Isaiah:

*Isaiah 34:1 Come near, ye nations, to hear; and hearken, ye people: let the earth hear, and all that is therein; the world, and all things that come forth of it.*

Father is talking to every living human being on this good earth. Every race, male and female. It even includes the animals and the insects and such. *All that is therein*. Everything and everybody, so maybe we should listen and understand what it is that He's fixin' to say to us.

*Isaiah 34:2 For the indignation of the Lord is upon all nations, and his fury upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath delivered them to the slaughter.*

He's ticked off. He's angry.

*Isaiah 34:3 Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up out of their carcases, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood.*

This is looking forward to the Lord's Day, the end of this age of flesh and blood.

I don't know if you have ever given thought to this but there are about 7.1 BILLION people on this earth right now and there will probably be a few more when this Day comes to fruition, but what happens to all those dead bodies? Do you think there will not be *a stink come up out of their carcases*?

You bet there will. But don't get upset, when He says that one stone will not be left upon another, He will clean up this earth right real good.

*Isaiah 34:4 And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree.*

What's going to be dissolved are the bad things, the elements, the rudiments, everything that goes against what this good Book teaches.

There's going to be a significant change in heaven, so much that even the stars and the sun and the moon cannot be seen. This exact same event is written in Revelation, as the events that would happen when the sixth seal is opened:

*Revelation 6:13 And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.*

*Revelation 6:14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. KJV*

These six seals cover the entire five-month tribulation of Satan/Antichrist. There is a great change coming and it will be the return of our Lord. As over-ripe figs fall from the tree, so shall all be changed at that time.

When heaven is rolled up like a scroll it means that it's over. What's over? This present heaven/earth age and a new one is about to begin, starting with the Millennium.

And there you have the parable of the fig tree. The execution of that parable began in 1948 and the return of the good and bad figs continues, even today. We are living in this parable today. That's why our Lord wanted us to learn it, to understand it, because it would explain a lot of what's happening in the world today, especially in the Middle East.

And you will see no peace agreement between Israel and the Palestinians because one of the stipulations of the peace accord is for Israel to give up possession of the Western Wall, or the Wailing Wall. That is Israel's most prized spot. That is Israel's holiest place.

And Israel will always hold true to their beliefs because our Father Himself gave this land as a possession to them and it was an eternal covenant that sealed it.

Satan himself knows that the good and bad figs are returning to Jerusalem and Israel. ISIS and Hezbollah and Hamas and the others, are all a part of his locust army and they will not stop until the Lord comes back. You cannot use war or bombs to eliminate or eradicate an idea or an idealism out of existence. When one falls, another quickly takes its place.

The best the coalition forces can do is to slow them down and that is a very expensive proposition with smart bombs and Tomahawk cruise missiles costing millions of dollars a piece. They can try to bomb that desert into oblivion and they will continue to rise out of that sand.

This last generation is coming to a close very quickly and time is running out very quickly. It is entirely possible that my own grandchildren will live to see the Lord's Day. I had hoped that I would live to see it but at my age, I don't think it will be a reality.

You need to stop wasting your time by sitting in a pew every Sunday morning, listening to the same nonsense that they've been preaching for a hundred years or more. The rapture theory has been around for 187 years now and holding on to it, as Linus held onto his little blue security blanket, is going to get you a trip to the lake of fire.

Father's Elect know that the false messiah comes before the true Messiah, they have His seal in their minds right now, and if the lies of Satan/Antichrist will be so strong that even **they** will be swayed by those lies, how can someone that knows very little about these events even think about standing up against him?

It's impossible for them to do so. You need to start building your knowledge base today because it you're not covered by the cloak of innocency that our Father said He would place over those that want to believe a lie, you're pretty much left on your own.

You cannot continue to allow someone else to control the destiny of your own soul, you have to do that for yourself and that takes personal effort, put forth by you and no one else.

I hope you enjoyed this study.