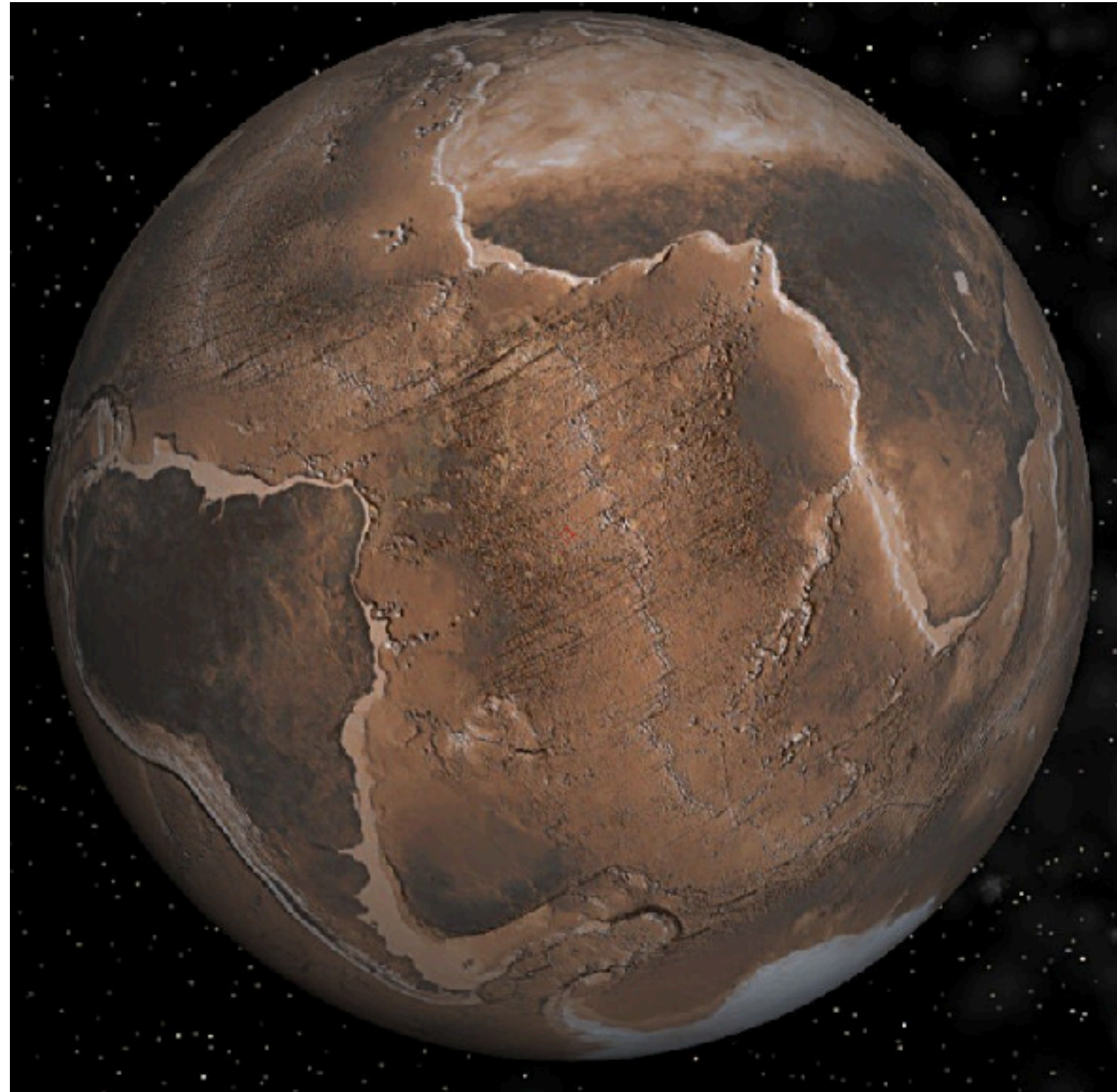


**The figurative heaven, earth,
sun, moon, and stars**

**Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth;
for the first heaven and the first earth
passed away, and there is no longer any
sea. (Rv 21:1)**



**“But immediately after the tribulation of those days
the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give
its light, and the stars will fall from the sky, and the
powers of the**

heavens will be shaken. And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory. And He will send forth His angels with a great trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

Mt 24:29-31

A generation goes and a generation comes, but the

earth remains forever.

Eccl 1:4

Four symbolic meanings of **heaven** and

earth ① Spiritual world

God

Leader

② Tabernacle of Heaven ③

③ Followers

Light Rain Air

② People

- Just as the physical

heavens provide light, rain,

and air to give life to the earth, each figurative heaven provides the word that gives life to each respective figurative earth.

1. Spiritual & physical world (Mt 6:9-10) 2. God's

Tabernacle & its people (Rv 13:3, 6) 3. Tabernacle's leaders & followers (Is 1:2, 10) 4. God's world & Satan's world (Is 14:12-15)

① Physical world

I saw one of his heads as if it had been slain, and his fatal wound was healed. And the whole earth was amazed and

followed

after the beast; ... And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to

blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven. Rv 13:3, 6

Listen, O heavens, and hear, O earth;
For the Lord speaks, “Sons I have

reared and brought up, But they have revolted against Me. Hear the word of the Lord, You **rulers** of Sodom; Give ear to the instruction of our God, You **people** of Gomorrah.

Is 1:2, 10

“How you have fallen from **heaven**, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the **earth**, you who have weakened the

nations! “But you said in your heart, ‘I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly In the recesses of the north. ‘I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.’ “Nevertheless you will be thrust down to Sheol, To the recesses of the pit.

Is 14:12-15

Re-creating heaven & earth at the 1st coming

God



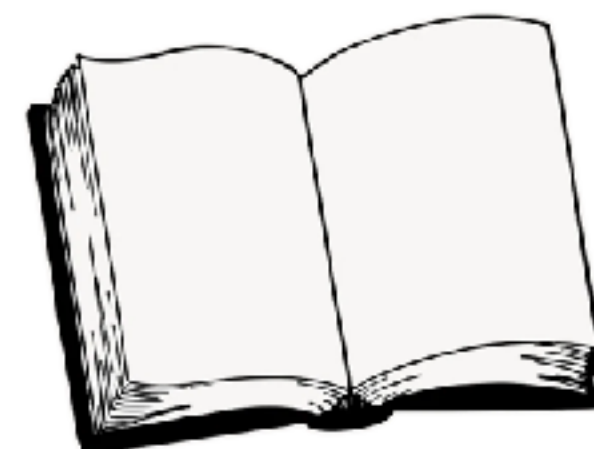
Apostasy Is 65:17
Jer 4:23-28

Satan **New**

Destruction

1st Heaven:

Light, Rain,



Heaven

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Air Jesus

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Harvest

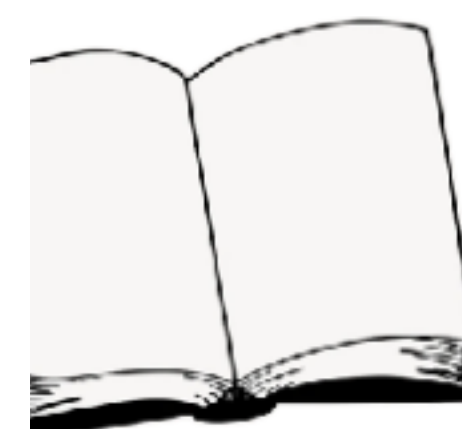
John the Baptist

teachings

“Rapture”

Rain Air

1st Earth: His



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New Earth

I looked on the earth, and behold, it was formless and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and behold, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and behold, there was no man, and all the birds of the heavens had fled. I looked, and behold, the fruitful land was a wilderness, and all its cities were pulled down before the Lord, before His fierce anger.

For thus says the Lord, “The whole land shall be a desolation, yet I will not execute a complete destruction. “For this the earth shall mourn and the heavens above be dark, because I have spoken, I have purposed, and I will not change My mind, nor will I turn from it.”

Jer 4:23-28

For behold, I create **new
heavens and a **new earth**; And
the former things will not be
remembered or come to mind.**

Is 65:17

Re-creating heaven & earth at the 2nd coming

Jesus

Apostasy 2 Pt 3: 10-13

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21:1-2

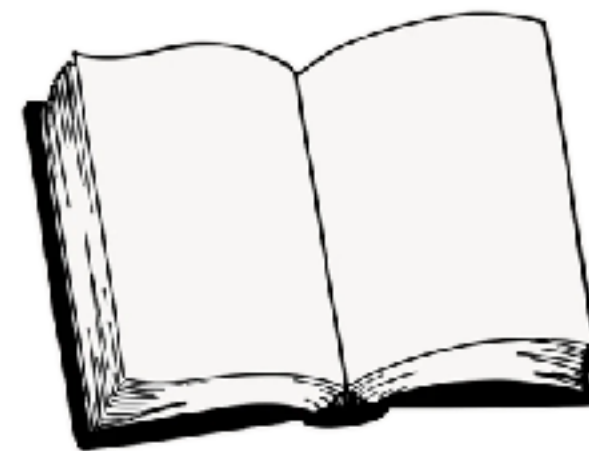
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1st Heaven:



Light, Rain, Air



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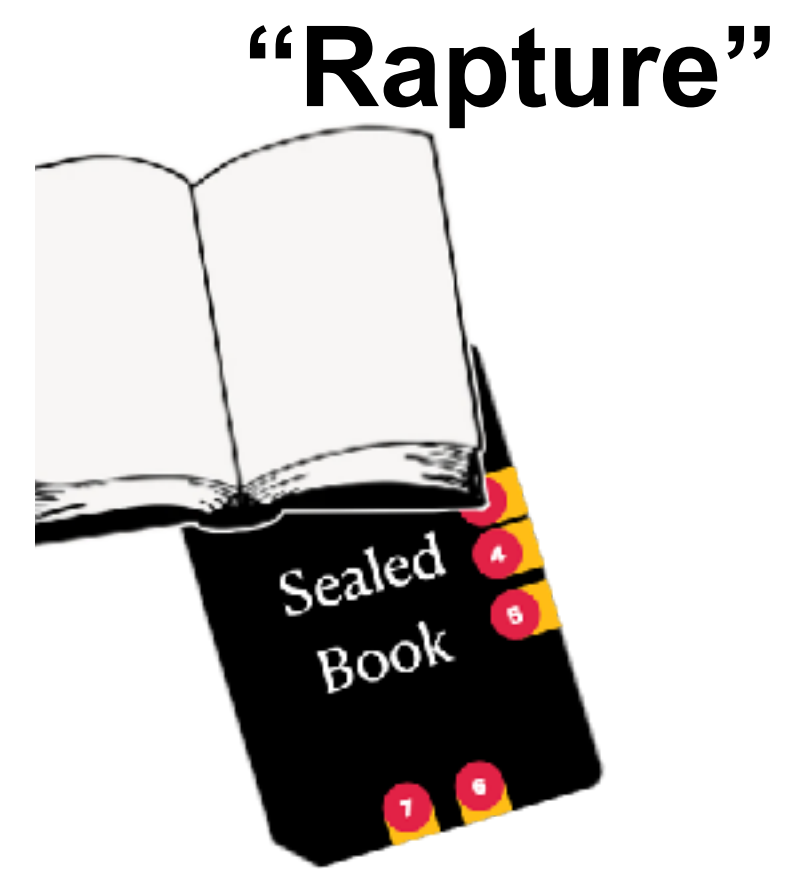
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Heaven

7+10 Beast
7
stars/messenger

s 1st Earth:
Congregation

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Harvest

New John

Light Rain
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New Earth

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 Pt 3:7

But the day of the Lord 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. Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God,

because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat! But according to His promise we are looking for **new heavens and a **new earth**, in which righteousness dwells.**

2 Pt 3:10-13

And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in **heaven. 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. All who dwell on the **earth** will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain.

Rv 13:6-8

Then I saw a **new heaven** and a **new earth**; for the **first heaven** and the **first earth** passed away, and

there is no longer any sea. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband. Rv 21:1-2
The figurative sun, moon, and stars

- Just as the sun, moon, and stars in nature are sources of light in the heavens, the figurative sun, moon, and stars are sources of the light of true

understanding of God's Word.

- In the spiritual world, God and his angels are the sun, moon, and stars (Ps 84:11, Is 14:13).
- In the physical world, God's chosen messenger, witnesses, and congregation members are the sun, moon, and stars—the family of heaven (Gn 37:9-11, Dn 12:3).

**The sun will be turned into
darkness and the moon into
blood before the great and**

**awesome day of the Lord
comes.**

JI 2:31

**And all the host of heaven
will wear away, and the sky
will be rolled up like a**

**scroll; all their
hosts will also wither away
as a leaf withers from the
vine, or as one withers from
the fig tree. Is 34:4**

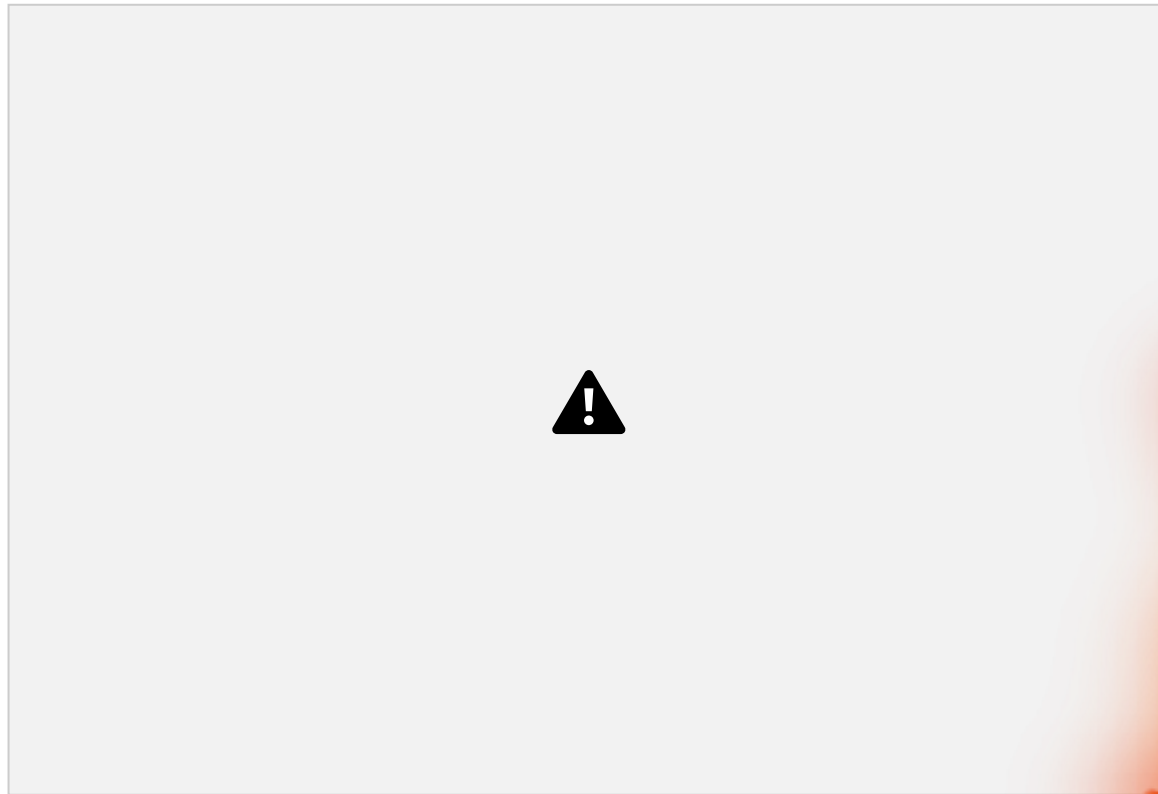
**“For behold, the day is coming, burning like
a furnace; and all the arrogant and every
evildoer will be chaff; and the day that is**

**coming will set them ablaze,” says the Lord
of hosts, “so that it
will leave them neither root nor branch.” “But
for you who fear My name, the **sun of
righteousness** will rise with healing in its
wings; and you will go forth and skip about
like calves from the stall.”**

Mal 4:1-2

**Re-creating the sun, moon, and stars at the 1st
coming**

Satan
Destruction



P&S **John the Baptist**
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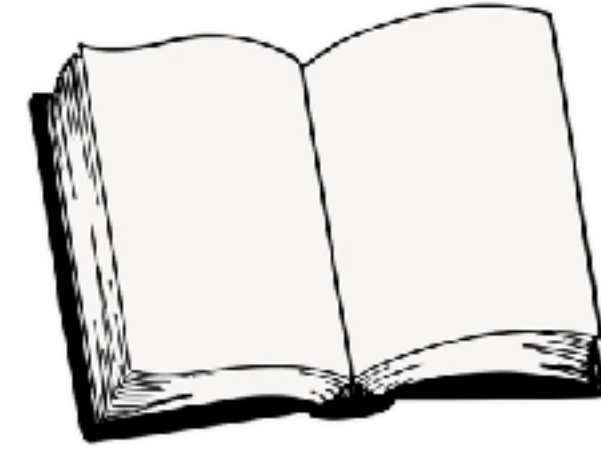
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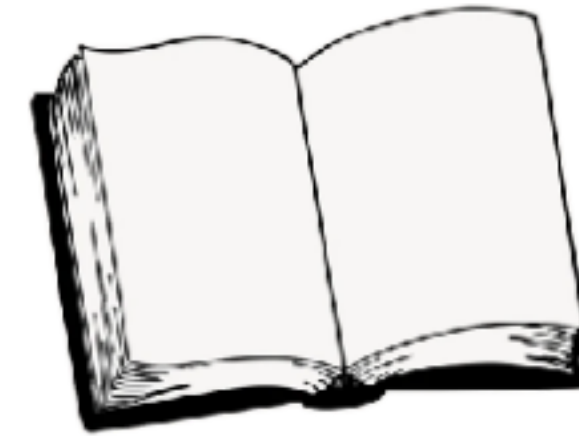
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**New sun,
moon, &**

Jesus who overcame
Jn 16:33



stars



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Re-creating the sun, moon, and stars at the 2nd

coming Jesus

Rv 12:1-4 Rv 6:12-14

Satan
Apostasy

One who

Destruction

7+10
Dragon



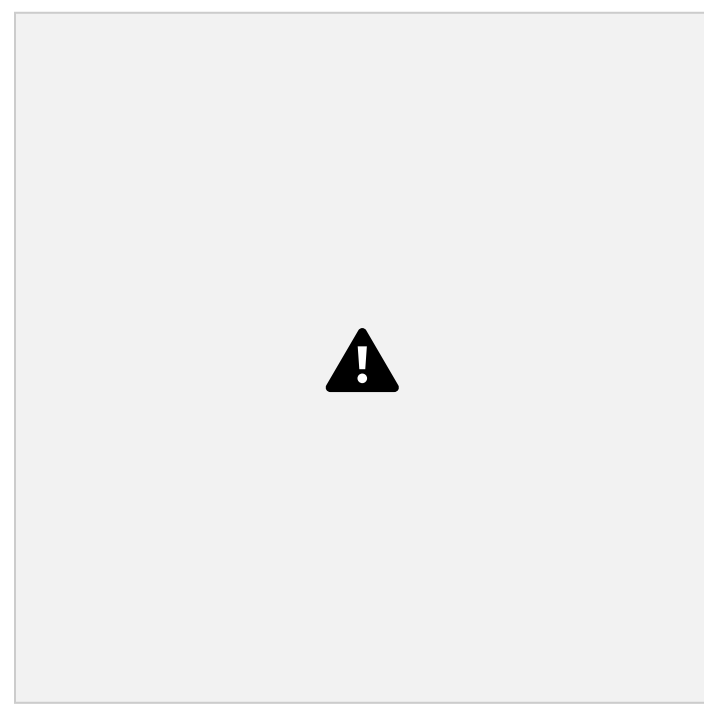
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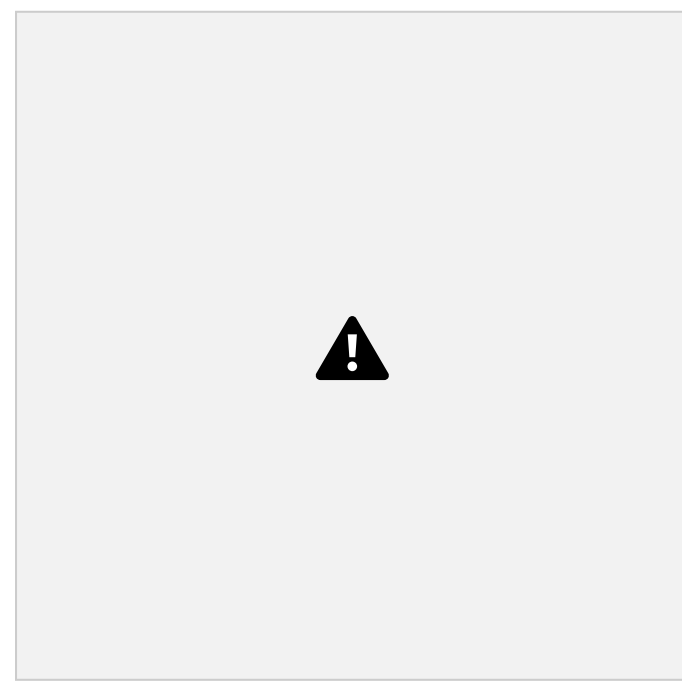
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**New sun,
moon, &
stars**



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overcomes Rv 12:5, 12:11, Rv 2:26

Summary and conclusion

- Just as heaven gives light, rain, & air to allow life on the earth, God's kingdom gives the word of life to those who lack it.
- Just as the sun, moon, & stars give light from above, God's messenger, witnesses, and congregation members are the family of heaven sharing the word of life.

- At the 1st & 2nd comings, the previous heaven, earth, sun, moon, & stars come to an end. Their lack of light is revealed as a new heaven, earth, sun, moon, & stars are created and shine the revealed word.

**Those who have insight will
shine brightly like the
brightness of the expanse of
heaven, and those who lead**

**the many to
righteousness, like the
stars forever and ever.**

Dn 12:3

Let's pray

