

SEVEN SIGNS OF THE TIMES

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1. The Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil

"And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." (Genesis 2:16-17)

"And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, KNOWING good and evil. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat." (Genesis 3:5-6)



A number of years ago, the Holy Spirit gave me several visions about the end times. In one of those visions, I saw an electronic web that covered the earth and surrounded it like a neon-looking, transparent, geodesic dome. (For a detailed account of this, please go to the teaching on my website called "*Visions from the Dallas, Texas Revival*") Since in those days, the Internet was in its infancy, I had absolutely no idea what it was. But the LORD spoke to me and said. "

"Do you know what this is? This is what Adam chose in the garden instead of union with Me. THIS IS THE FULLNESS OF THE TREE OF KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL. At first, it will bring great blessings and prosperity to mankind, but it will ultimately ensnare and trap the entire world."

We just got a couple Apple Mac computers. I am writing this on one right now. As I am looking at the screen, right below it is their logo...an apple with a bite taken out of it!

Now, you may say, "But isn't technology a blessing from God? How can it be evil?" Well, first of all, it isn't evil – it is GOOD and evil. What snares fallen man is not the knowledge of evil so much as the knowledge of GOOD apart from God. We are trying to REPLACE the knowledge of God with the knowledge of good and evil. Knowledge is good if it is submitted to the rulership of God. Apart from His rule of our lives, it becomes evil. Technology is truly a blessing from God. In its proper use, it brings great benefit to Mankind.

Let's look briefly at the Internet or the "world wide web". What is it? It is simply the access to the totality of the accumulated knowledge of man. This tree has now put its branches and fruit into nearly every person's life on the planet. This is a sign of the times showing just how close we are to our Messiah's return!

2. The Days of Noah and Lot.

"And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all...Remember Lot's wife." (Luke 17:26-29,32)

In the ancient world recorded in the book of Genesis, God judges and destroys the entire world by a flood. Then we read several chapters later, he destroys the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah by fire and brimstone. Why did Yeshua mention these two examples when referring to the time immediately before His coming to establish the Kingdom?



