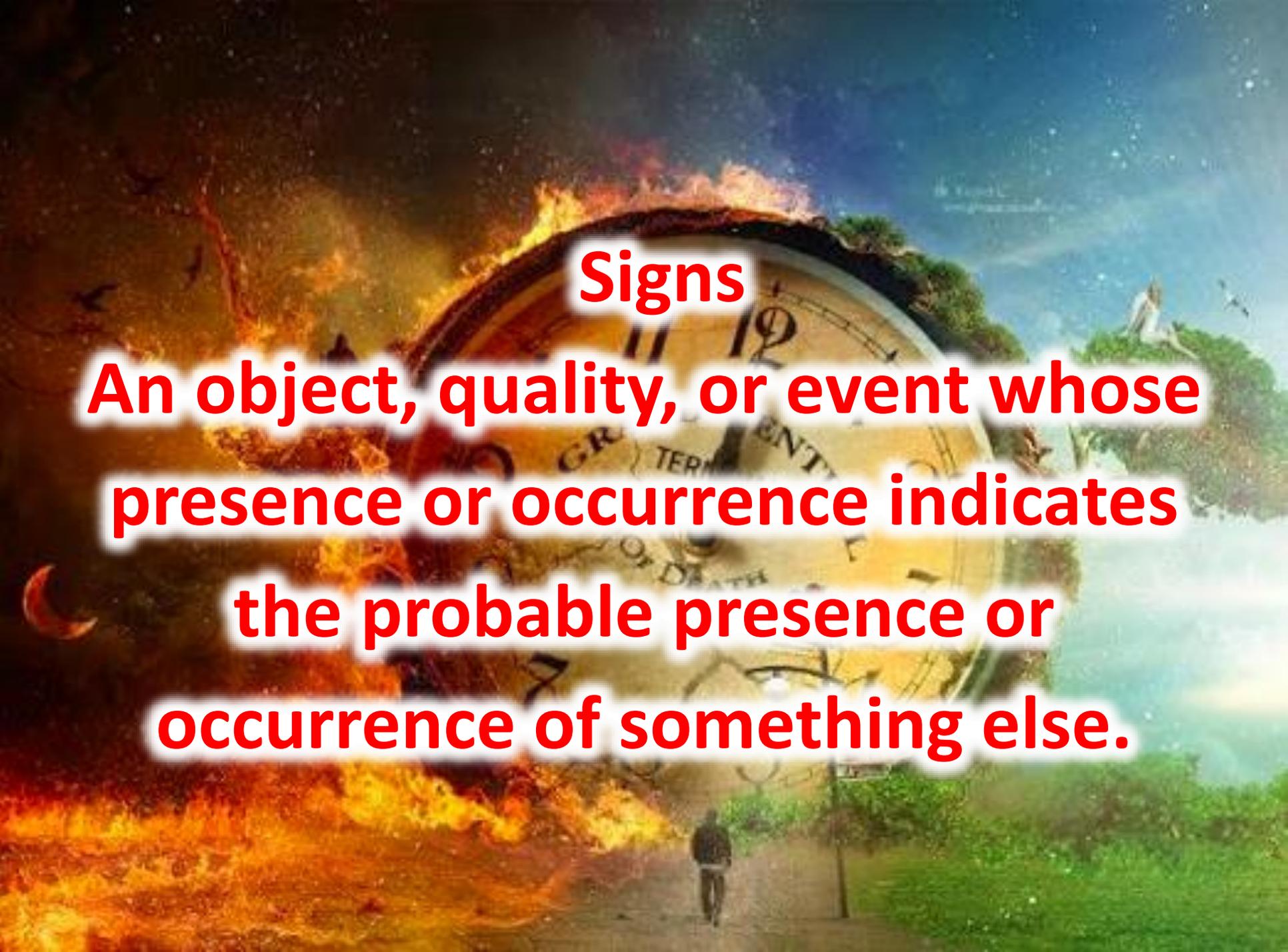




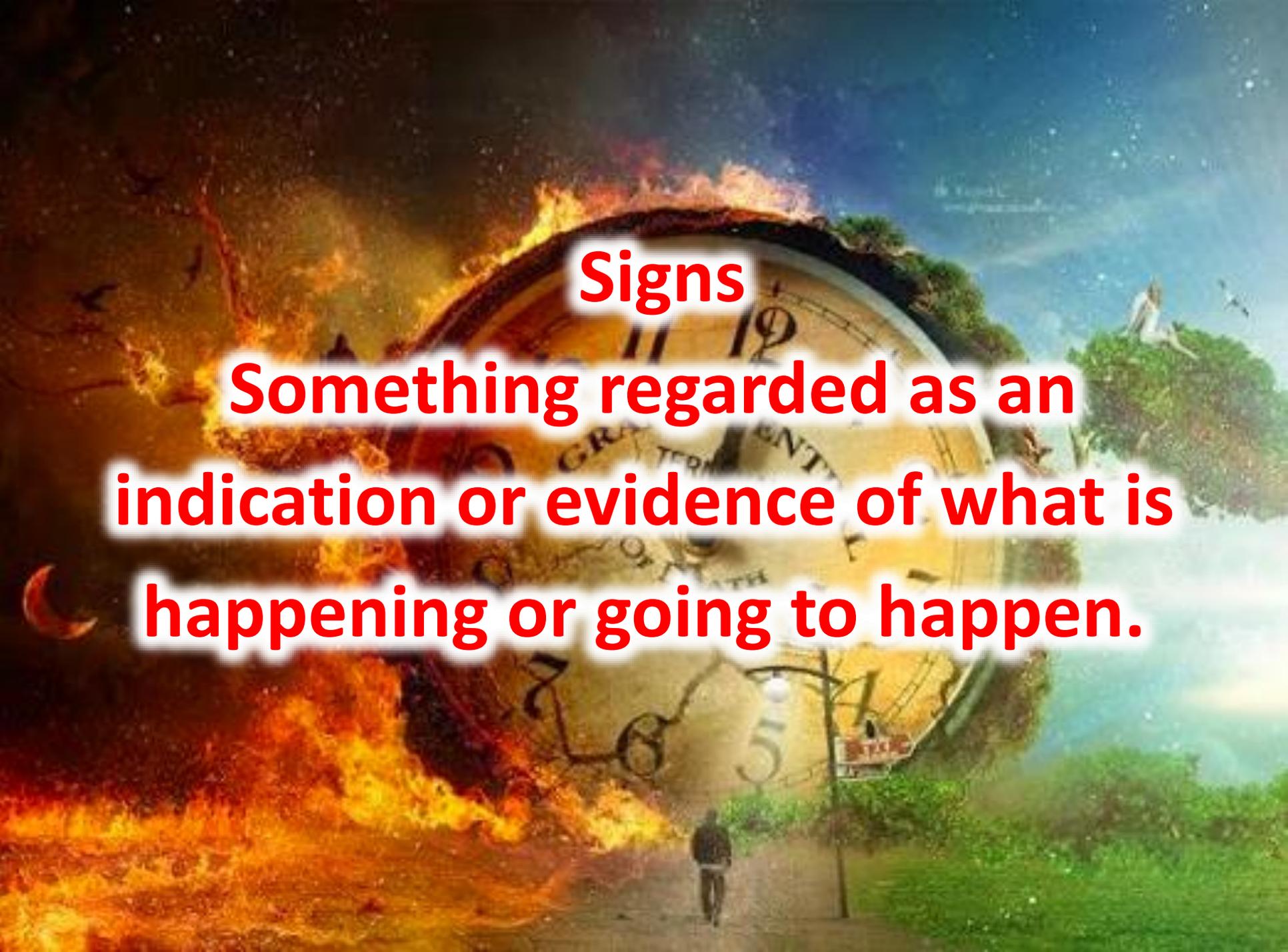
# Signs of The Times Series

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## Signs

**An object, quality, or event whose presence or occurrence indicates the probable presence or occurrence of something else.**

A surreal collage featuring a large clock face in the center. The left side of the clock is engulfed in a massive firestorm, while the right side shows a peaceful landscape with a person walking on a path, a tree, and a blue sky with birds. The clock face has numbers and some text like 'GRAND TERMINAL' and 'OF DEATH'.

# Signs

**Something regarded as an indication or evidence of what is happening or going to happen.**



# Signs

**A miracle regarded as evidence  
of supernatural power.**

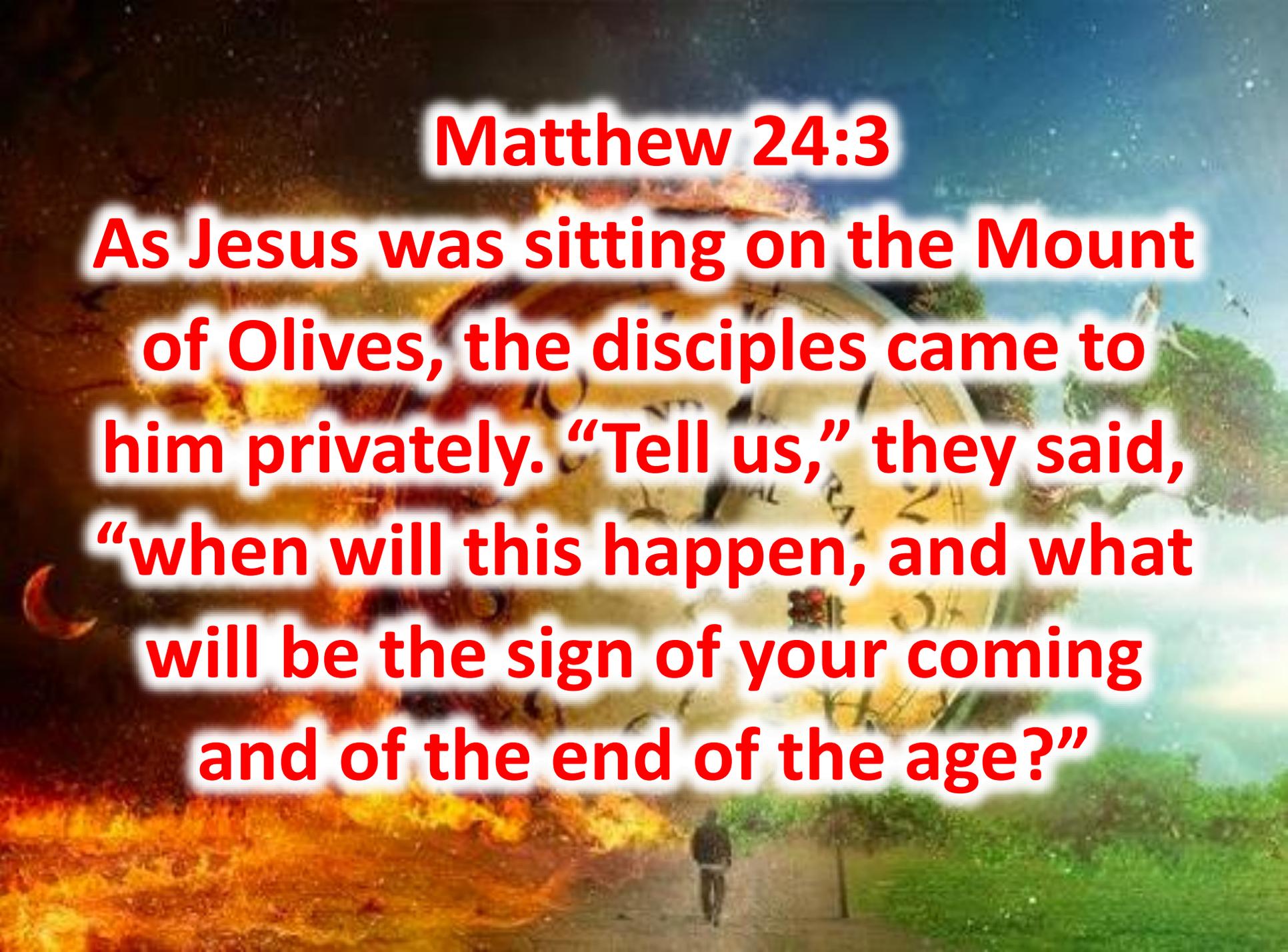


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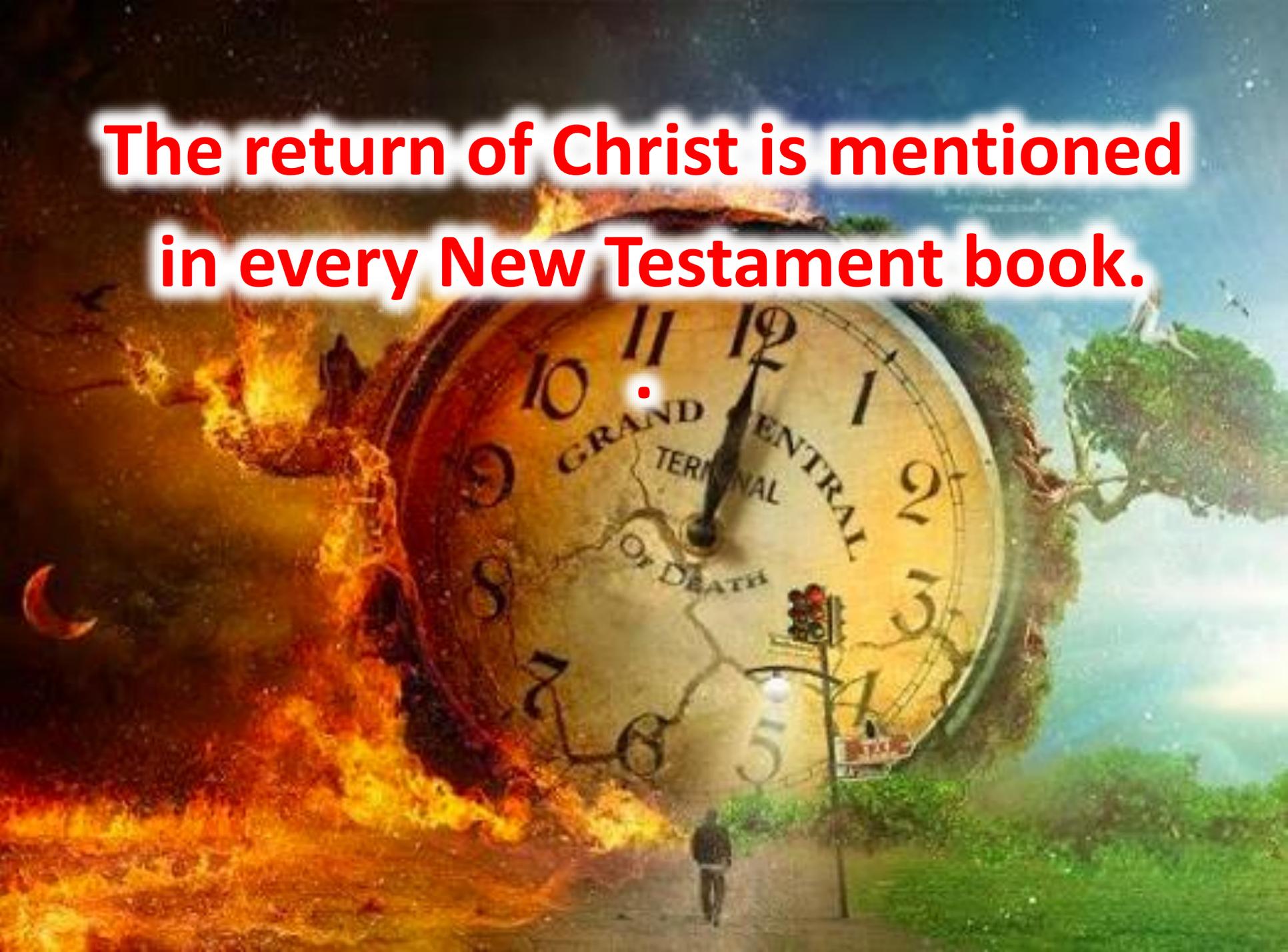
**The signs of the times are events and scriptures that indicate to us that we are in the last days.**

## **Matthew 24:3**

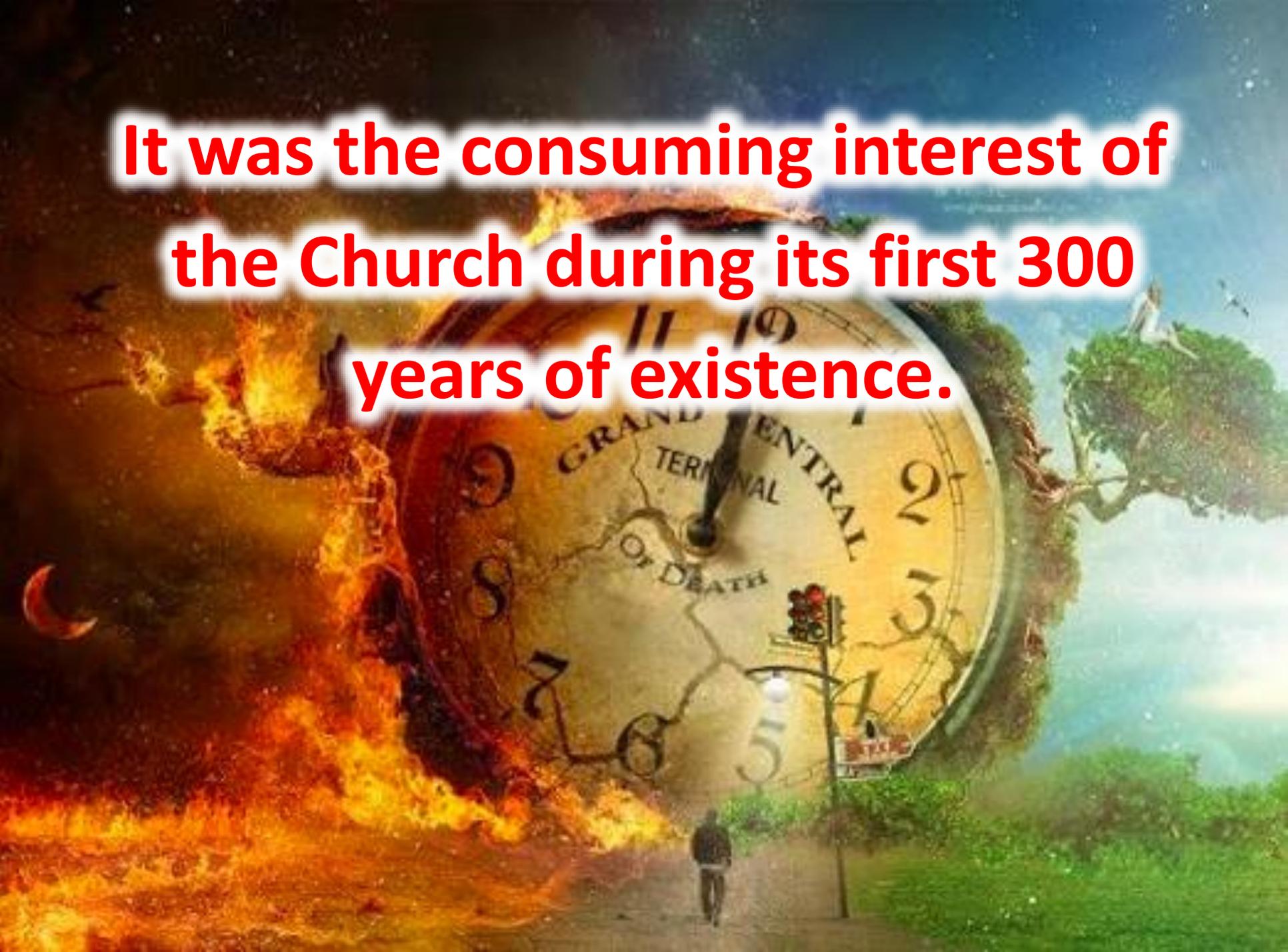
**As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"**



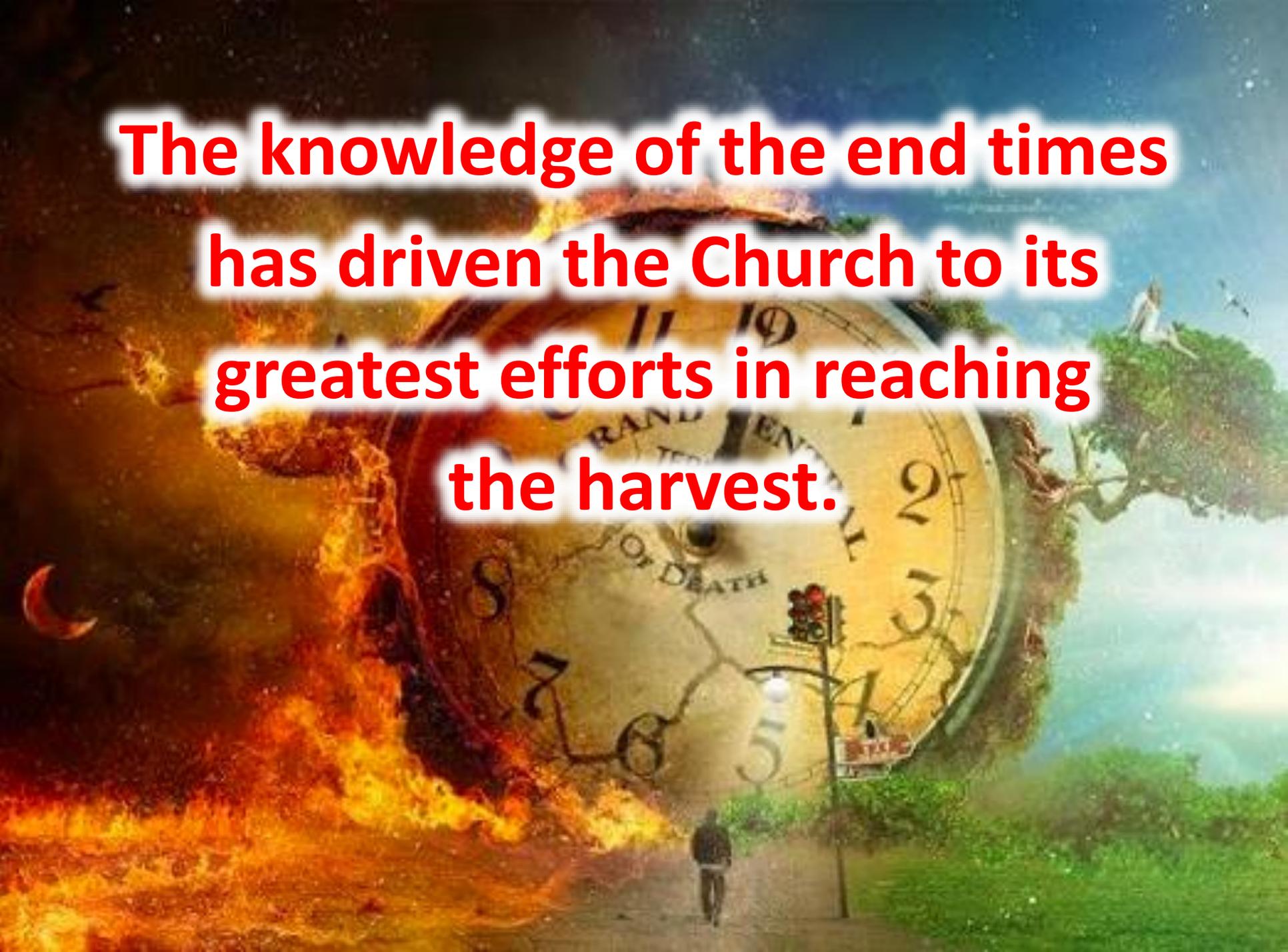
**The return of Christ is mentioned  
in every New Testament book.**



**It was the consuming interest of  
the Church during its first 300  
years of existence.**



**The knowledge of the end times  
has driven the Church to its  
greatest efforts in reaching  
the harvest.**

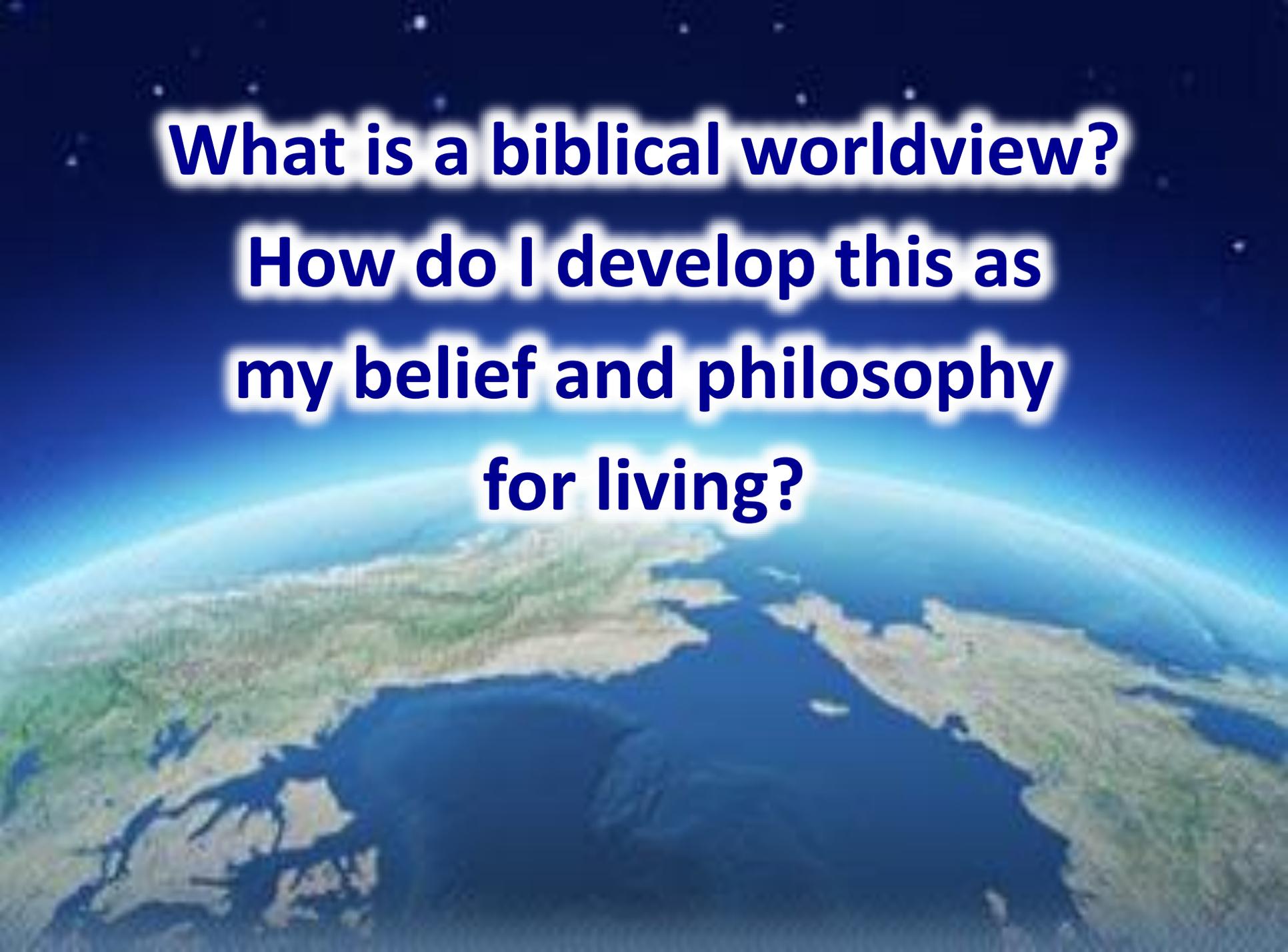


**Developing a biblical  
worldview.**



**What is a biblical worldview?**

**How do I develop this as  
my belief and philosophy  
for living?**



**1. The Bible is the inerrant  
Word of God and the foundation  
for absolute truth.**



**48% of adults in America  
believe the Bible to be  
totally accurate.**



**12% of Born-again Christians  
in America see the Bible  
as inaccurate.**

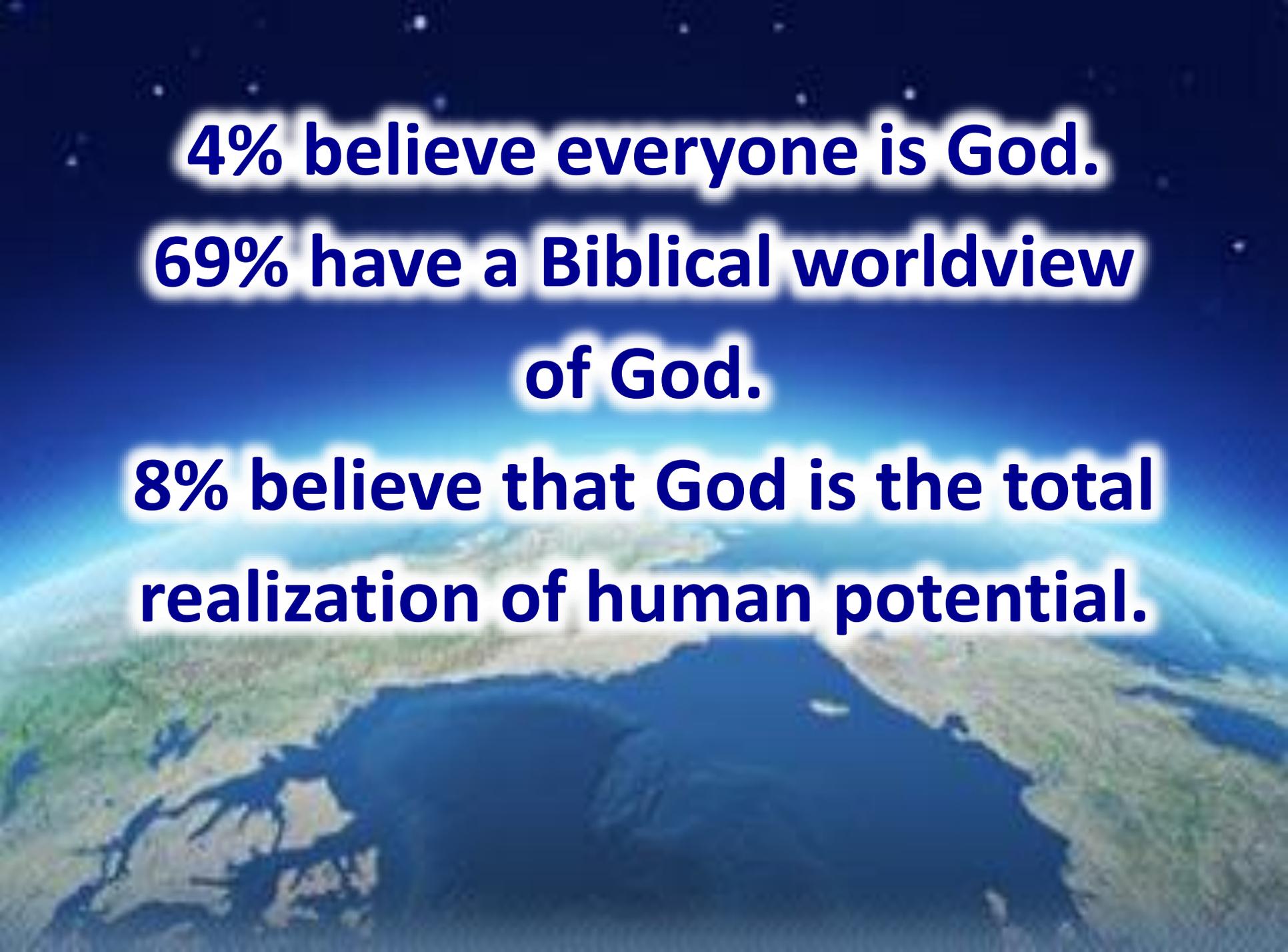


**2. God is Omniscient,  
Omnipotent, Omnipresent,  
Omnibenevolent, Eternal,  
Supreme, Creator.**



# **What Americans believe about God.**

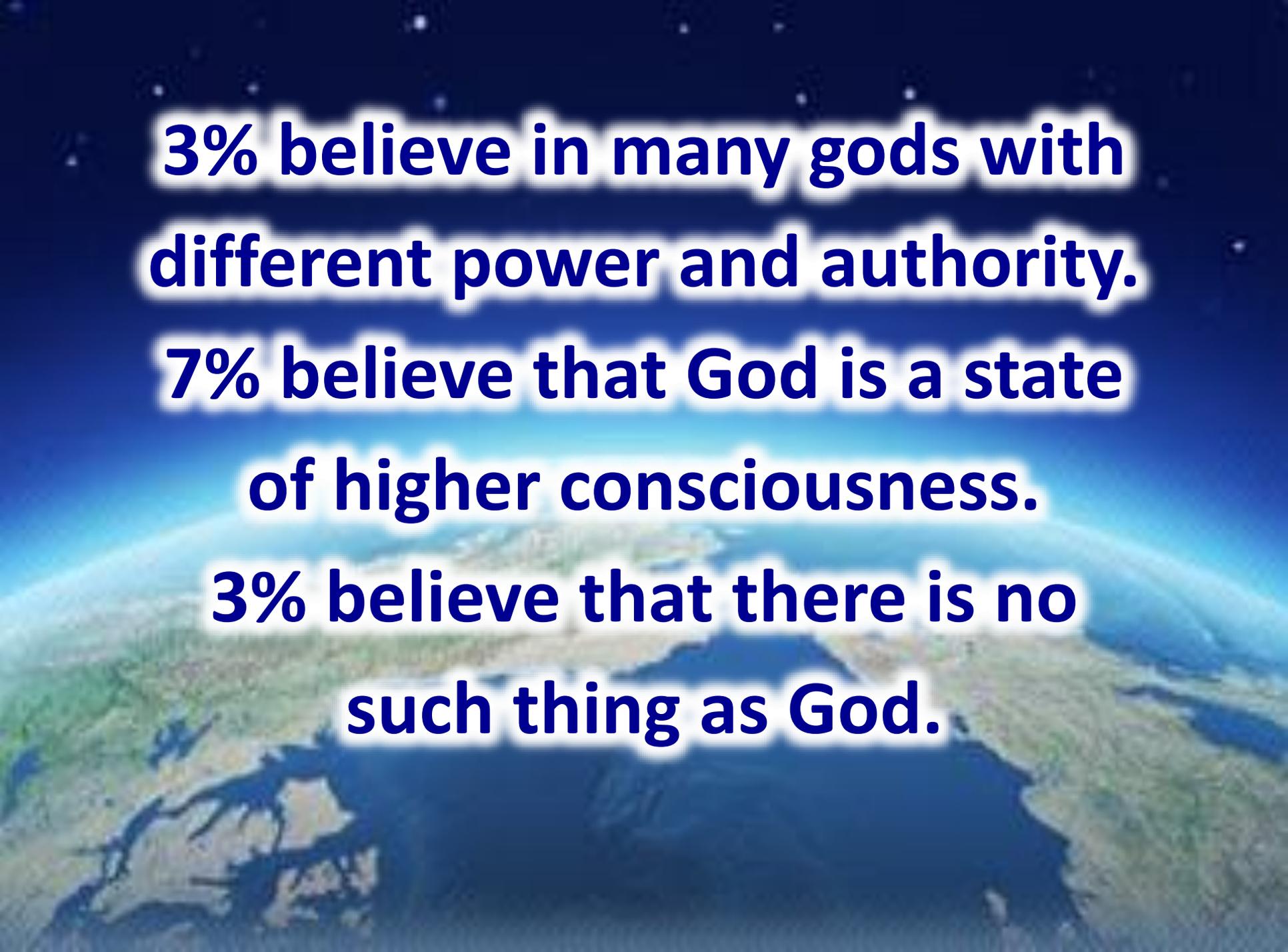


An aerial photograph of a coastal region, likely the Mediterranean Sea, showing a large bay and surrounding land with green vegetation and some urban areas. The sky is clear and blue.

**4% believe everyone is God.**

**69% have a Biblical worldview  
of God.**

**8% believe that God is the total  
realization of human potential.**



**3% believe in many gods with different power and authority.**

**7% believe that God is a state of higher consciousness.**

**3% believe that there is no such thing as God.**

**3. Jesus was God in human  
flesh and lived a sinless life.**



**In America  
41% of adults believe  
that Jesus committed sins  
like other people.**



**4. Satan is a real being,  
a fallen angel with real power.**



**57% of all adult Americans  
believe that Satan is only  
a symbol of evil.**



**46% of Born-again Christians  
deny that Satan exists.**



# 5. Absolute truth.



**Only 32% of Born-again  
Christians say that moral  
truth is unchanging.**



**While 54% say that  
moral truth is dependent  
on the situation.**



**6. In salvation through grace alone and that Christ is the only way to heaven.**



**7. That Christians have a moral and spiritual responsibility to share their faith.**



**Only 54% of Born-again  
Christians in America share  
their faith.**

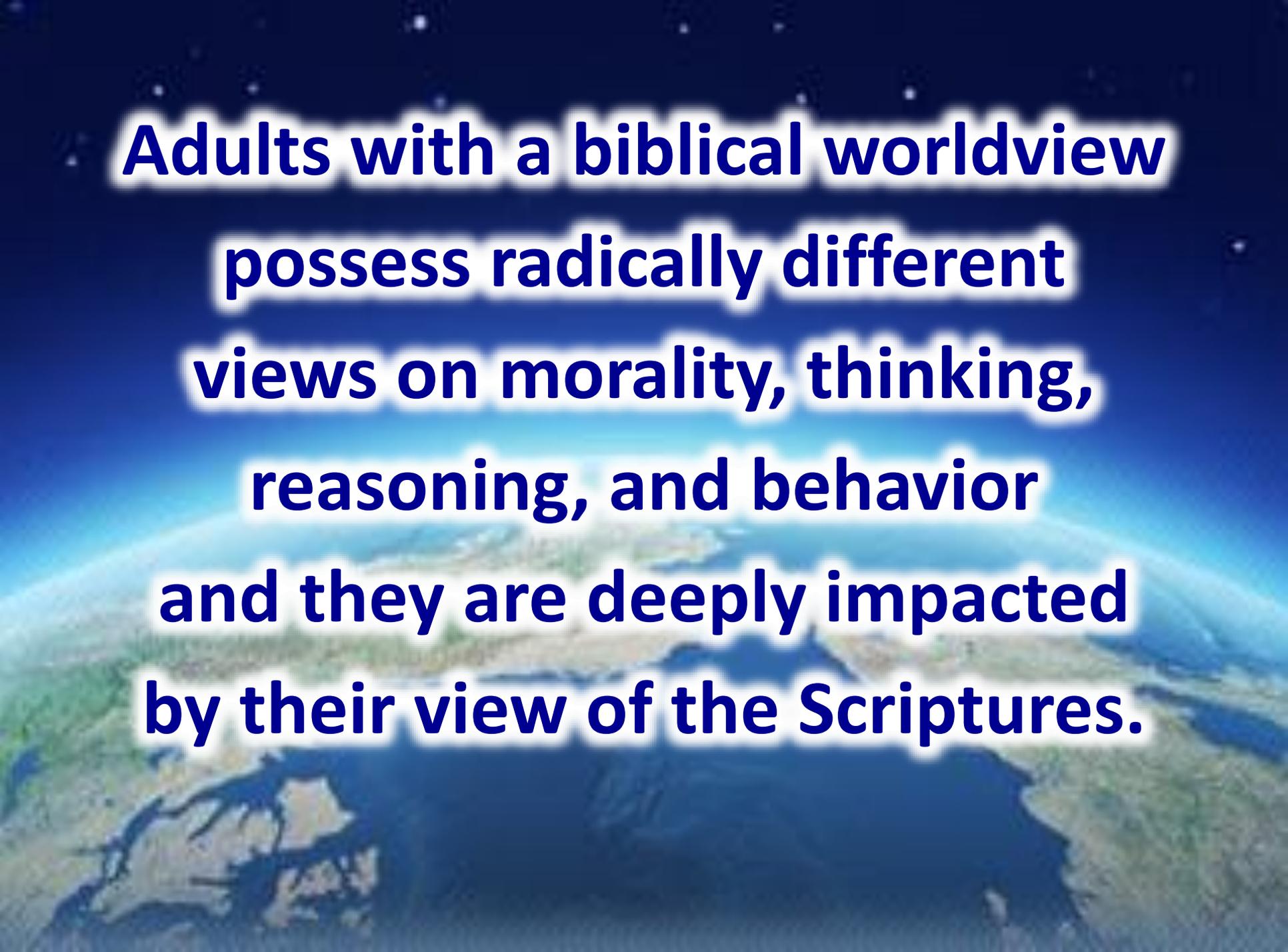


**97% of Born-again  
Christians have never led  
someone to Christ in their  
lifetime.**



**8. A biblical worldview includes other fundamental teachings found essential by the authority of the Word of God.**



An aerial photograph of a river delta, likely the Nile, showing a complex network of waterways and green, fertile land. The sky is a clear, bright blue. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

**Adults with a biblical worldview  
possess radically different  
views on morality, thinking,  
reasoning, and behavior  
and they are deeply impacted  
by their view of the Scriptures.**

**Summer is near**

**Israel in prophecy is the key to the  
proper understanding of  
end time events.**



**Summer is near**

**The Parable of the Fig Tree**

**Matthew 24:32-35**



**Summer is near**

**The fig tree is Israel.**

**Jeremiah 24 Joel 1:6-7**

**Hosea 9:10 and Luke 13:6**



# **The theology of preparation**

**Watch**

**Matthew 24:42-43 / 25:13**

**Mark 13:5, 34-37**

**Luke 12:38 / 17:3 / 21:8,36**

# **The theology of preparation**

**Be alert**

**Mark 13:33**

**I Thessalonians 5:6**

**I Peter 5:8**



# **The theology of preparation**

**Be self-controlled**

**I Thessalonians 5:6,8**

**I Timothy 3:2**

**II Timothy 3:3**

**Titus 2:12**

A paved road with white double lines curves from the bottom center towards the horizon. The road is flanked by vibrant green grass. In the distance, a bright light source, likely the sun, creates a lens flare effect across the sky. The sky is filled with soft, wispy clouds, transitioning from a pale blue near the horizon to a deeper blue at the top. The overall scene is bright and hopeful, with a sense of a path leading forward.

**The theology of preparation**  
**Know that in the last days people**  
**will abandon the faith.**

**1 Timothy 4:1**

**Matthew 24:42-51**



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