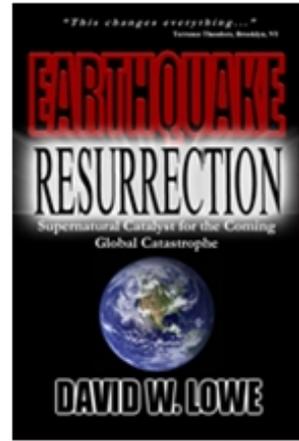


# EARTHQUAKE RESURRECTION NEWSLETTER

Featuring the latest news about the books of David W. Lowe, *Earthquake Resurrection* and *Then His Voice Shook the Earth*, as well as future projects.



## May 2007

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Hi everyone!

I hope you are doing well. There are several newsletter items this month, but before that, I want to share something on my heart based on some feedback I've received about past newsletters. Though this newsletter features news items about the books I've written, **the Lord Jesus Christ is to receive all the glory**. Pride can so easily arise in all of us when we are esteemed highly by others, and I believe this is the source of much of the evil in the earth, both throughout history and now. Jesus said that the last shall be first and the first shall be last, and that the high-minded would be brought low. I want to be like Paul when he said he was, "less than the least of all the saints".

My goals in writing these books were to (1) attempt to describe some patterns in scripture that I didn't believe had been previously discussed and apply them to what is prophesied about the future, (2) inspire readers to study and search out the scriptures, (3) warn readers, both believers and unbelievers, of a future destructive event for which we must prepare spiritually, and (4) call believers to a closer relationship with the Lord and unbelievers to repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus. Through these goals, the ultimate result is that the Lord is glorified through study of his Word, through believers faith being strengthened and renewed, and through lukewarm Christians and/or unbelievers repenting of sin and putting on the Lord Jesus.

Let all our kingdoms fall as we surrender all to the Lord, that he may receive all the glory and praise for what he can accomplish through us. Let us never seek for the glory of man, fame, or status in this world, but rather let us seek that the Lord be glorified through everything we do.

With this said, I invite all of you to listen to the audio at the link below. This 51 minute message changed my life when I first heard it a few months ago thanks to my friend Terrence Theodore. Download it and listen on your iPod or your computer. May it inspire and challenge you as much as it did me:

<http://www.sermonaudio.com/sermoninfo.asp?currSection=sermonsspeaker&sermonID=10180222445>

Now, on to the news...

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## 1. New Rapture Ready Message Board Is Up and Running!



A new message board for the popular Rapture Ready website has been established with new oversight and new moderators/administrators. It is my understanding that this new message board will be more tolerant of discussion about resurrection/rapture topics that do not toe the traditional line, but are nonetheless pre-tribulation in nature. The sixth seal pre-tribulation model described in Earthquake Resurrection and Then His Voice Shook the Earth, as well as Red Moon Rising by Peter Goodgame and Signs in the Heavens by John Abent, would fit into this description.

There has already been significant discussion of the model on the new website, which you may access [from this thread](#). I encourage all of you who were previously banned from the old message board to [sign up on this new message board](#). If you choose to do so, you can freely discuss the sixth seal resurrection/rapture model as discussed in my books without fear of being banned. I have signed up on the message board with the name of "David.W.Lowe", so I look forward to discussing prophecy and other Biblical topics there.

## 2. New and Upcoming Radio Interviews



Do you know unbelievers who are interested in topics such as natural disasters, catastrophe movies, the paranormal world, or how the world will end? Perhaps one of these interview would be an opportunity for them to be introduced to the gospel! You can burn these MP3's onto CD's and hand them out to believers and unbelievers alike. In the past few weeks, I have completed three new radio interviews:

1. Derek Gilbert's "[The Drive](#)" on the Eagle 93.9 FM in Columbia, MO on April 6th
2. Bruce Collins' "[The Big Finale](#)" on April 20th
3. Dr. Future's "[Future Quake](#)" on April 24th

There was some great interaction in these interviews. All of these shows are now archived and available on my website, which many of you have asked about:

<http://www.earthquakeresurrection.com/interviews.html>

Upcoming shows:

1. I have been invited as a guest of Beth Vegh's radio show "Ancient Future" next Friday May 4, 2007. I will notify you before this show takes place as a reminder.
2. Plans are in the works to appear on a severely anti-pre-trib rapture radio show. When more news becomes available, you will be notified.

**If you know of any radio shows on which I could appear, whether they are favorable or unfavorable to a sixth seal pre-trib rapture presentation, please let me know!**

## 3. Earthquake Resurrection Featured on ParanormalWatch . com?



I found it interesting that a website that focuses on the paranormal, such as UFO's, alien technology, ghosts, demons, and other supernatural activity in the world today, posted the following review of Earthquake Resurrection:

<http://www.paranormalwatch.com/2006/01/23/earthquake-resurrection-predicts-end-of-world/>

You just never know what you will come across when you check your website referral statistics . . .

## 4. 2007 Tsunami Confirms E. R. Rapture Disappearance Model

Thanks to reader Vanessa McKune for forwarding an article to me regarding the tsunami disaster that took place on April 1, 2007 in the Solomon Islands. The earthquake resurrection model proposes that the disappearance of believers at the future resurrection/rapture event could be masked by a global destruction. Here is an excerpt from the article that confirms that many were simply missing in this disaster, perhaps never to be found:

A strong South Pacific earthquake Monday created a tsunami that sent a wall of water over the Solomon Islands and killed at least 15 people.

The U.S. Geological Survey said the quake measured 9.0 on the Richter scale, and was centered six miles deep northwest of the Solomon Islands' capital, Honiara, northeast of Australia.

The small fishing town of Gizo was just 25 miles from the epicenter, and Western Province Premier Alex Lokopio told reporters that's where 15 people were swept out to sea, the BBC reported.

"There wasn't any warning -- the warning was the earth tremors," Lokopio said.

Britain's deputy high commissioner in Honiara also told the BBC that four people were also missing from Mono Island.

Government spokesman Alfred Maesulia told CNN "*a lot of people" were missing*, while Solomon Islands Prime Minister Manasseh Sogavare said it was fortunate the tsunami hit during daylight hours when the early warning sign of the sea rapidly receding was noticed.

You can read the full article here:

<http://www.cnn.com/2007/WORLD/asiapcf/04/02/quake/index.html>

## 5. Question and Answer Section

A new feature of the newsletter is to feature a question I've received from readers, along with my answer. The following a question I received from a pastor. It seems that the most common criticism/question I receive about the model is regarding the identity of the 24 elders, so I thought this question answer may address questions some of you have had:

Dave,

I read your book Earthquake resurrection several months ago and was desiring to get back to you about it. I found it to be VERY interesting. It never made sense to me to start the 7 year tribulation at the beginning of chapter 5 and then when things are underway to set apart the 144,000. The 7 year period is attached to the 144,000 not to the seals. Your explanation clarifies chapter 7 in a way that makes perfect sense. However, I do have a question about the 24 elders in chapter 4. I agree with your explanation yet I can't reconcile the crowns. As you know the Greek word for crowns is "stephanos" instead of "diademos" which imply that these people had achieved victory through Christ very much as we do. They weren't rulers but victors. How does this apply to a heavenly priesthood or council? I just wanted to get some of your comments on this issue...If you have answered it elsewhere just refer me to it.

Thanks,

Dear Pastor,

Your question regarding the *stephanos* crowns worn by the 24 elders is a good one which I did not directly address in Earthquake Resurrection. As you know, I chose to bypass that issue and focus on the idea that these beings could not be human beings because they are paired with the four living creatures in singing their new song, which effectively eliminated them from representing human beings (since there is no argument about whether the four living creatures are humans: they are not).

But after researching the question, I've found some clues that strengthen the idea in my mind that these 24 elders are not human beings. A *stephanos* crown as used in the Bible does not have to apply to a "victor's crown." I would agree that the Christian is oftentimes in the NT said to have different *stephanos* crowns awaiting them. However, in none of those instances are the crowns described as crowns of gold, as is the case with the 24 elders. These gold crowns don't seem to fit with the various crowns promised to believers, as none of them are

made of gold:

- a. incorruptible crown
- b. crown of joy
- c. crown of righteousness
- d. crown of life
- e. crown of glory

Later in Revelation, the angelic locust creatures that come out of the bottomless pit are also said to have crowns of gold on their heads. Compare the Greek in these verses:

Rev 9:7 And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were **crowns** [*stephanos*] **like gold** [*chruseos*]. . .

Rev 4:4 . . .four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads **crowns** [*stephanos*] **of gold** [*chruseos*].

Should we automatically assume these Revelation 9 locust creatures are human beings because they are wearing a *stephanos* crown? Of course not. We should look at the supporting details about them in the passage, from which we can conclude they cannot be human beings or represent human beings. This is also the case with the 24 elders, with respect to their white raiment (angels are often described this way in the Bible), their grouping with the non-human four living creatures, the song they sing with those four living creatures, and the holding of the prayers of the saints (further detaching these beings from human saints). These 24 elders should no more be viewed as human beings because they wear *stephanos* crowns than the locusts creatures of chapter 9 should be viewed as humans because they wear of *stephanos* crowns. If anything, we should compare these two passages, note that their *stephanos* crowns are both described as being gold, and then question whether a *stephanos* crown of gold might only belong to non-human entities.

Furthermore, according the Greek lexicon's I consult, a "victor's crown" is not the only definition of *stephanos*. Additional definitions include:

- a. exalted rank
- b. civic worth
- c. nuptial joy
- d. festival gladness

This first definition of exalted fits in with their title as an "elder," a high ranking angelic member. According to Thayer's Greek lexicon:

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πρεσβυ•τερος

presbuteros

**Thayer Definition:**

. . .

2) a term of rank or office

2a) among the Jews

2a1) members of the great council or Sanhedrin (because in early times the rulers of the people, judges, etc., were selected from elderly men)

2a2) of those who in separate cities managed public affairs and administered justice

2b) among the Christians, those who presided over the assemblies (or churches) The NT uses the term bishop, elders, and presbyters interchangeably

**2c) the twenty four members of the heavenly Sanhedrin or court seated on thrones around the throne of God**

Thayer seemed to agree that these 24 beings should separated from normal definition of *presbuteros*.

Let me know your thoughts!

Thanks again,

Dave

## 6. Two Very Nice Testimonials

I received two very nice testimonials in recent weeks. First, the following email from C.R. in San Diego:

I downloaded the audio interviews on your site and only listened to one so far and my heart is racing. I can hardly stand waiting to hear the rest and I plan to buy the pdf versions of your last two books immediately.

You have been blessed! I've NEVER read a better researched and more scripturally supported analysis for Bible prophecy as you have put forth, and I'm a big fan of Chuck Missler, Grant Jeffrey and others, and I am just blown away by what you have written.

You are a very humble person. If I had discovered what you discovered, and was able to explain and describe it as well as you have, I wouldn't be able to contain myself. I would be screaming at the top of my voice that people need to read what you have written. I plan to post references to your book everywhere!!!

I know that some Christians are reluctant to consider what you've written because it's human nature to become close-minded to ideas that challenge certain aspects of our belief that we've become accustomed to, and comfortable with. Even more so when those ideas have been popularized in best selling works of fiction like the Left Behind series, etc. thus effectively validating those aspects of our belief. Regrettably however, too many Christians tend to get fixated on a Bible perspective for reasons other than scriptural support, and may get caught off guard.

I know that even the best Bible scholars acknowledge that some of what they propose is biblically-based conjecture because none of us has all the answers, however I think the validity of what one is proposing regarding biblical prophecy is in direct correlation to the amount of clear and convincing scriptural support they can cite, and that is what you have done. You also cite Bible typologies, which is another way that God seems to communicate his messages in the Bible, to also support what you are proposing.

C.R. in San Diego, CA

Another testimonial is the following, posted by reader Butch Jones on the [E.R. Guestbook](#):

Hello, Dave.

I just finished your book "Then His Voice Shook the Earth." I have previously read "Earthquake Resurrection."

It was approximately 35 years ago, after reading Hal Lindsey's "The Late Great Planet Earth" when I first began paying close attention to the prophecies of the Holy Bible. Though I am most definitely a layman and am not a scholarly expert in any area of Biblical studies, I am also significantly better read than the typical professing Christian in America. Through the years I have read numerous books and articles by several well trained authors. Each of these have provided me the opportunity to increase my knowledge of Biblical truths by at least a small degree. Through my years of informal study I have also learned that formal education and "expert intelligence" in some area of Biblical study by no means translates to a knowledge of truth; there are numerous Christians teachers, leaders and authors who just don't get it. In many cases it would seem that they don't have a clue. In recent years I have come to believe that I have (even with my quite limited knowledge of the Holy Bible and with no formal education in theology or Christianity) a better grasp of the "big picture" of the teachings of the Holy Bible than do the vast majority of Christian leaders. I, in no way, intend that to be an arrogant statement on my part; I know that I am very truly and very sincerely much lacking. To me it is simply a statement as to the lack of knowledge of our Christian leaders and of our Christian community in general. I am saddened by that idea. We need more true Christian leaders who are willing to "go out on a limb" to teach a truth. Jesus' flock needs more men with backbone to act as shepherds.

I said all of that so as to say this. Your writing and your teaching surely seem to be incisively deep and quite on target. I feel blessed to have had the opportunity to read your book. You most surely strive for TRUTH when most seem to strive for praise or readership. I thank God for your abilities and for your efforts and for your willingness to stand for the truth. Thank you for sharing your truthful knowledge.

Your books were superb. Thank you.

Butch Jones

I'm very grateful for these comments and give the Lord all the glory!

## 7. "Escaping the Matrix" on Connecting the Dots Newsblog



I have been invited to submit articles from time to time on a politics/ conspiracy/ prophecy news website called Connecting the Dots. The name of



my blog is "Escaping the Matrix," and last Friday, I submitted my first article titled "Resurrection of an Ancient Conspiracy." You may read it at the following link:

<http://peeringintodarkness.com/ctd/?cat=247>

I encourage you all to read this article, and any future articles posted on this newsblog. You may also leave comments at the blog.

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Until next time, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

David Lowe

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