**Events The Bible Teaches Happened In The First Century Timeframe**

the prophecy about the mark of the beast and 666 was fulfilled in the first century timeframe so it can’t be referring to the birthmark on Mikhail Gorbachev’s forehead (or a dozen other things in my lifetime) , nor can it be referring to the Covid-19 vaccine - Rev 13:16-18 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is 666.

* Rev 1:1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants **things which must shortly come to pass**; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto … John
* Rev 1:3 Blessed *is* he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for **the time *is* near**.
* Rev 22:6 and he said unto me, These sayings are faithful & true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the **things which must shortly be done**.
* Rev 22:10 And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: **for the time is at hand**.

the beginning of Christ’s kingdom - Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

* see four verses above
* Mark 9:1 And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That there be some of them that stand here, which **shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power**.
* Col 1:13 Who hath delivered us from … darkness, & hath **translated us into the kingdom** of his dear Son:

the great tribulation – Matt 24:21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

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

gospel preached to whole world – Matt 24:14 this gospel of the kingdom shall be **preached in all the world** …

* Col 1:23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which **was preached to every creature which is under heaven** …

the antichrist - I John 2:18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, **even now are there many antichrists**; whereby we know that it is the last time.

the end of true prophecy – Zech 13:2 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord of hosts, that I … will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.

• 13:1 - "In that day there shall be a fountain opened ... for sin and for uncleanness"- we all sing the song “There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Emmanuel’s veins …”

• 9:9 – “thy King cometh unto thee, … lowly, and riding upon a donkey, and upon a colt the foal of a donkey” (quoted in Matt 21:5 – the triumphal entry)

• 11:12-13 - "So they weighed for my price thirty pieces of silver ... cast them to the potter" (quoted in Matt 27:9,7 - Judas and the potter's field)

• 12:10 - "... his only son ... whom they have pierced" (John 19:37 applies this to Jesus - "another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced")

• 13:6 – “What are these wounds in thine hands?”

• 13:7 – “smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered” (in Matt 26:31 Jesus applied this to His death and the subsequent scattering of His disciples - "it is written, ... smite the shepherd, and the sheep ... shall be scattered" – occurred in Matt 26:56b “Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled” also John 16:32)