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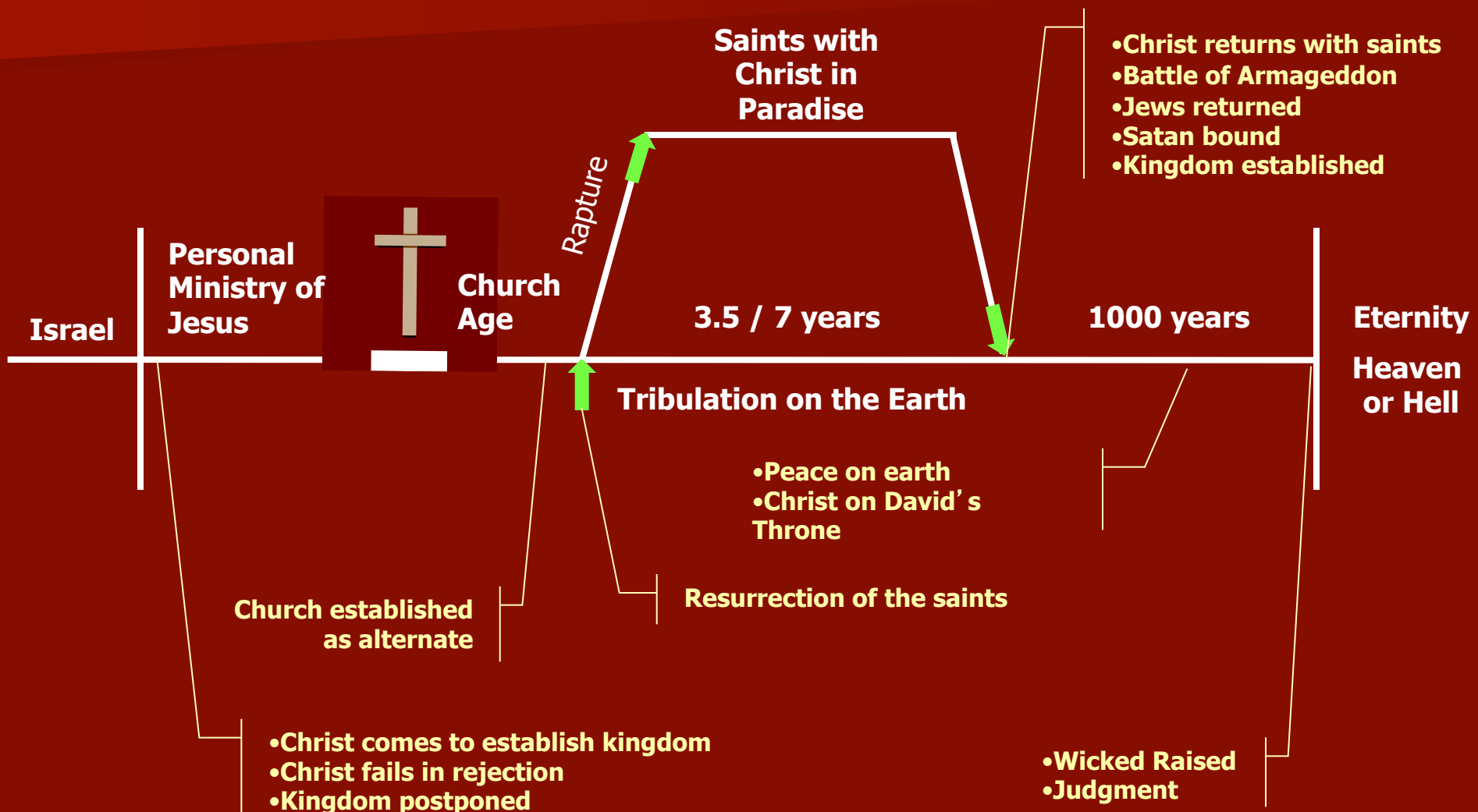

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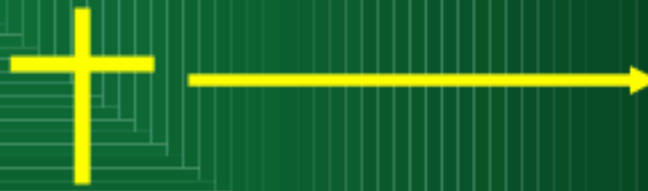

1,000
Year
Earthly
Kingdom

Israel
Selected

Israel Rejected
The Church Age

The Parenthesis

Israel
Accepted

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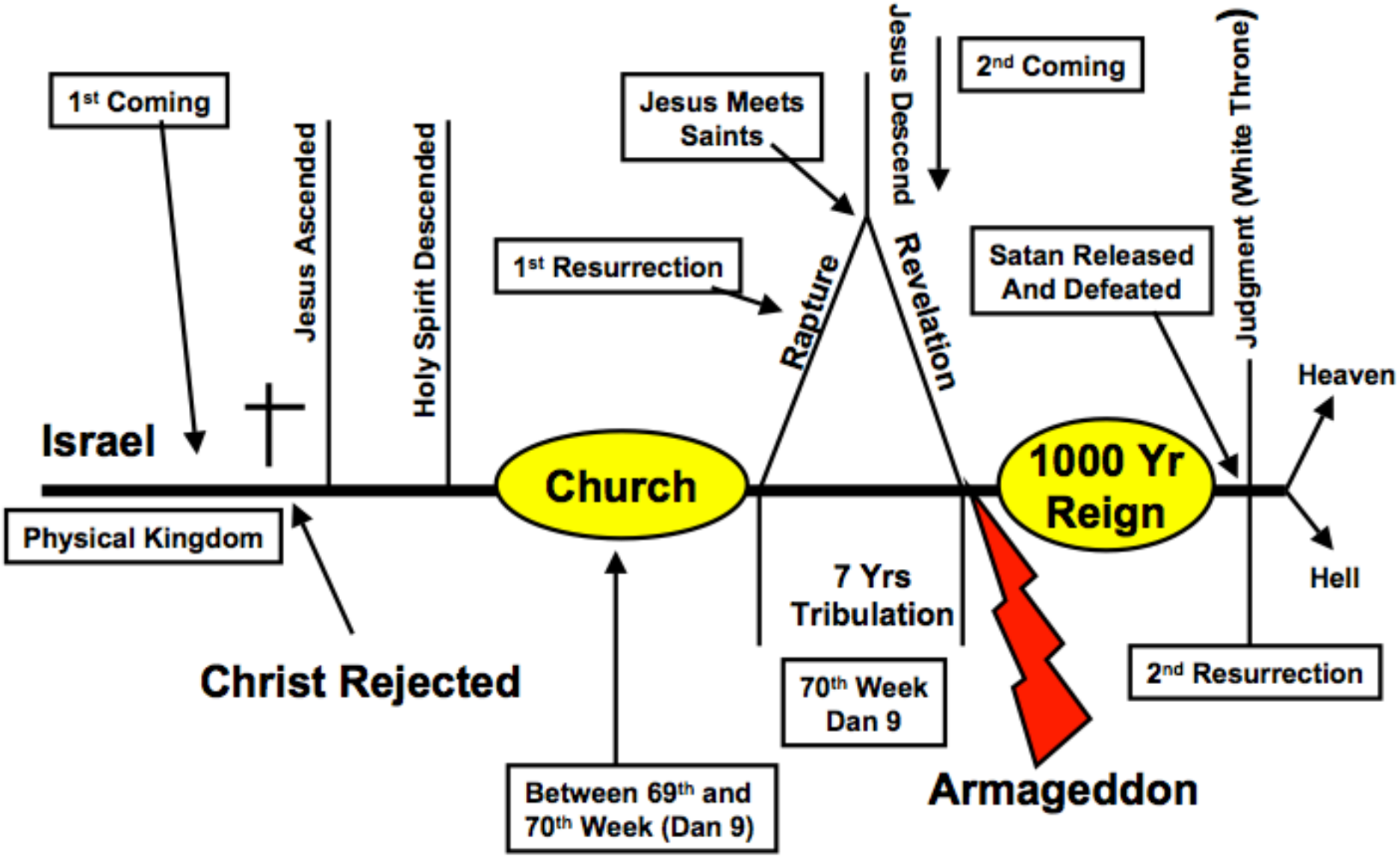
The POSTPONEMENT Of The KINGDOM OF GOD

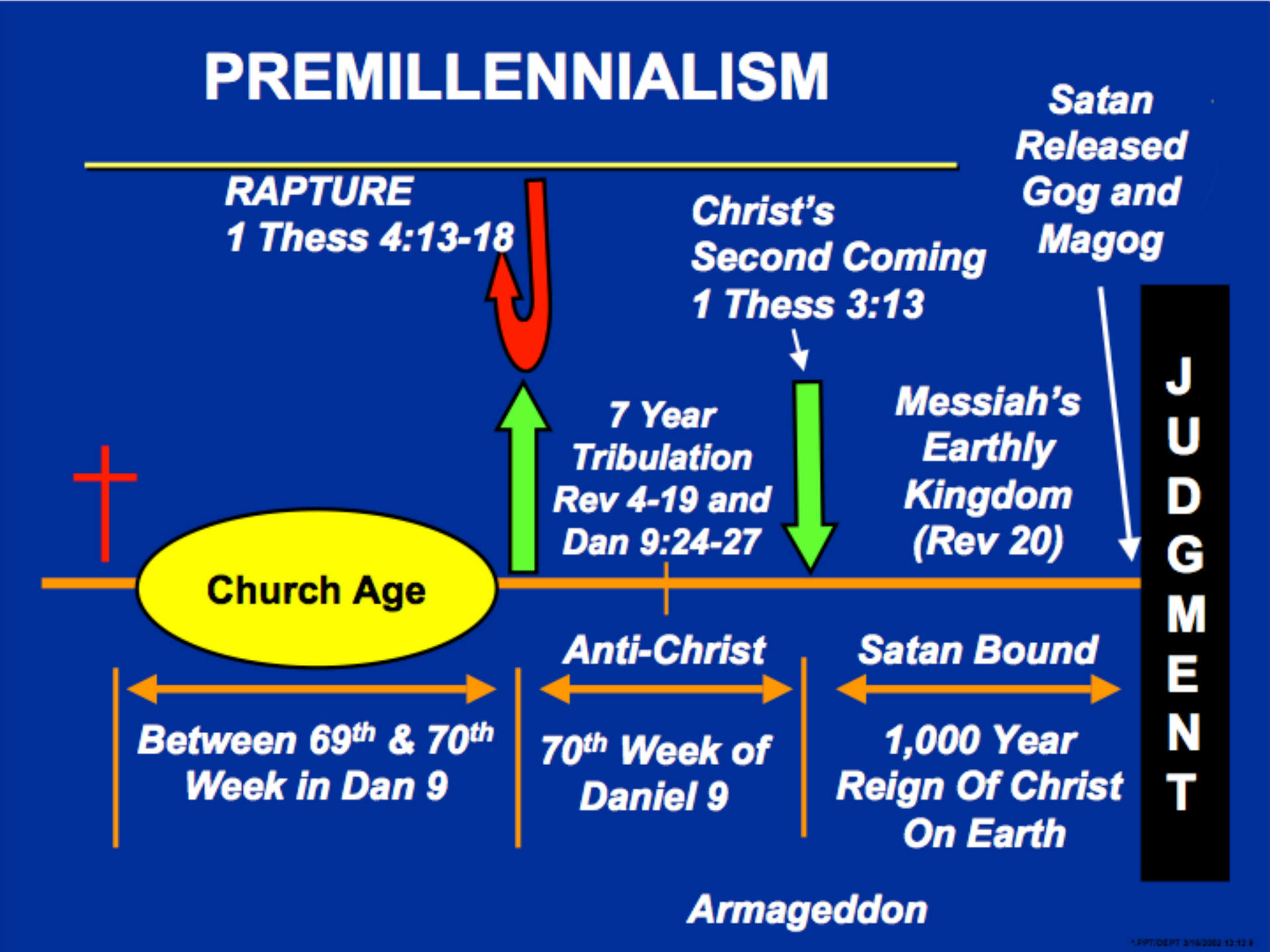
- ***"It was after the rejection of Matthew 12:23-24 that the Lord first makes a prophecy of the coming church in Matthew 16. <u>The church is manifestly an interruption of God's program</u> for Israel, which was not brought into being until Israel's rejection of the offer of the Kingdom."***
- **Walvoord makes the same claim; "*…the present age is a parenthesis or a time period <u>not predicted by the Old Testament</u> and therefore not fulfilling or advancing the program of events revealed in the Old Testament fore view…*"**
- **<u>Matt 21:43</u> – Jesus said "The kingdom of God shall be taken away from you…"**

Does the OT Reference the Church?

- **Walvoord says "No"**
- **Lindsey "No evidence that the church was revealed anywhere in the OT"**
- **Rom 1:2** – *"..the gospel was promised beforehand through His prophets."*
- **Acts 26:22** – Paul said before Agrippa *"I have said nothing than what Moses and the prophets said would take place."*
- **Did Paul Preach the church? (Eph 5:22-23)**

PREMILLENNIALISM

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God's Plan To Establish His Kingdom

- 2 Samuel 7:12-13

- 12 And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.

God's Plan To Build A House

- Isaiah 2:2

- **2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, *that the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it*.**

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- Luke 1:31-33

- **31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.**

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- **Matthew 16:18-19**

- **18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. 19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.**

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- **1 Timothy 3:15**

- **But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.**

God's Plan To Establish His Kingdom

- **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.

- **Luke 24:49**

- 49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

God's Plan To Establish His Kingdom

- **Acts 1:8**
- 8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

- **Acts 2:1, 4**
- 1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.
- 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

God's Plan To Build A House

- **Isaiah 2:3**
- **…for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.**

- **Acts 2:5**
- **5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.**

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- Acts 2:29
- 29 Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day.

God's Plan To Build A House

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- And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established…

- **Acts 2:47**
- Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

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THE FOUR KINGDOMS OF DANIEL 2

The head of fine Gold – The Babylonian Empire

The breast and arms of silver – Medo-Persian Empire

The belly of brass – The Grecian Empire

The legs of iron and feet part of iron and part of clay – The Roman Empire

The Kingdom is "At Hand"

- **"During the days of those kings" (Romans)**
  - John the Baptist preached "*The kingdom of heaven is at hand*" (Matt 3:2)
  - Jesus Preached "*Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand'* (Matt 4:17; 10:7)
  - Jesus Preached "*The time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God is at hand*" (Mk 1:15)
  - Jesus said the "*Kingdom of God is come nigh unto you*" (Lk 10:9)
  - Mark 9:1 – *not taste death until they had seen the kingdom*
- **Were Jesus and John Mistaken or Were The OT Prophets Wrong?**

Church and Kingdom

- **Reference the same institution.**
  - Kingdom of God can be broader at times because all men everywhere are subject to His authority whether they believe in Him or not!
- **Christ is "HEAD" of the Church and "KING" of the kingdom. (Eph 1:22; Col 1:18; Acts 17:7; Rev 1:5; 17:14)**
- **The "LAW" of the Church & Kingdom are the Word of God.**
  - Lk 8:4-8, 11; 2 Tim3:16, 17; 2 Pet 1:3; 2 Jo 9
- **The "Members" of the church and the "Subjects" of the kingdom are the same people. (Col 1:12-13)**
- **One becomes a member and a citizen the same way**
  - Col 1:13; 1 Pet 1:22, 23; Acts 2:47; Jo 3:3-5; Gal 3:26-27
- **The Territory are the same**
  - Matt 28:18, 19; Eph 1:20-23; Col 3:15; Heb 8:10)

Isaiah 2:1-4 Visualized

Concerning Judah & Jerusalem vs. 1

Latter Days

"ALL Nations shall flow to it" vs.2

Subject = Mountain of the LORD'S House

Teach Us:
His Ways
His Paths
His Law
His Word

Where Out of Zion

Established on top of the mountains

Dan 2:38	Dan 8:20	Dan 8:21	Dan 2:44
Babylon	Medo-Persian	Greek	Roman

THE BIBLE

Dan 2:40-44
Mark 1:14-15
Mark 9:1

"END"
1 Cor 15:23-26
Matt 25:31-46

JUDGMENT

"Last Days" Heb 1:1-2
Kingdom (Col 1:13)
Church (1 Tim 3:5; Matt 16:16-19)

Day of Pentecost
Acts 1 & 2

Who Rejected Whom?

- **JOHN 6:15:** *So Jesus, perceiving that they were intending to come and take Him by force to make Him king, withdrew again to the mountain by Himself alone.*
- Millennialists claim: He came to become and earthly King, and to establish an earthly Kingdom and Throne.
- Christ Refuses Because That Was NOT His Purpose.

The Death of Christ Planned or Un-Planned?

- **A Matter of OT Prophecy**
  - *Zech 12:10 – They shall look upon whom they have pierced.*
- **He came for the Purpose of Dying:**
  - *Heb 10:5-6 – Lo, I come to do thy will…*
- **He Knew He Came To Die:**
  - *Matt 12:40 – so shall the Son of Man be in the heart of the earth three days and nights*
- **He Viewed His Death as Accomplishment – Not as a "setback"**
  - *John 12:27 – For this reason I came into this world.*

Was The Kingdom Postponed?

- <u>Col 1:12-14</u> – *giving thank unto the Father which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints of light, (13) who hat delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son, (14) In whom we have redemption through his blood even the forgiveness of sins"*

- **No Kingdom Now = No light Now**
- **No Kingdom Now = All in Darkness now**
- **No Kingdom Now = No Saints now**
- **No Kingdom Now = No Blood Now**
- **No Kingdom Now = No Redemption Now**

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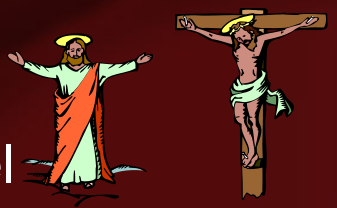
Christ Comes to Establish Kingdom
Christ Fails in Rejection
Kingdom Postponed



Israel

(Church Age)

Church Not Prophesied Of In Old Testament

Marriage Supper

Rapture
Comes for Saints

Revelation
Comes with Saints

Tribulation
(7 years)

Signs
Mt. 24

3 ½

3 ½ GT

Armag

Antichrist

Resurrection of Righteous Living Saints Changed All Caught Up (1Thes. 4)

Resurrection of Tribulation Saints (?)

Premillennialism

Satan bound
Jews Converted
Jews Returned to Land
OT worship restored
Idealistic life on earth

Resurrection of MK saints
Resurrection of Wicked

Will There Be A Rapture?

- According to this theory, Christ will secretly take to heaven living believers, young infants and children PRIOR to His second coming. There are widely divergent views as to the origin of this teaching.

1) Welsh-born Baptist, Morgan Edwards, alludes to a secret "rapture" in a book he published in 1788. The title page of his work quotes Acts 17:19-20: "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? You are bringing some strange ideas to our ears, and we want to know what they mean."

Will There Be A Rapture?

2) A Chilean Jesuit, Manual (or Emmanuel) Lacunza, published a book on the rapture in 1812. Lacunza's writings, under Hebrew pen name Ben Ezra, were eventually banned by the Roman Catholic Church due to their false teaching.

3) A Scotsman, Edward Irving, published an English translation of Lacunza's work in 1827. Irving (whose followers are sometimes called *Irvingites*) promoted Pentecostal phenomena, and was eventually defrocked by the Church of Scotland for his anti-Trinitarian views.

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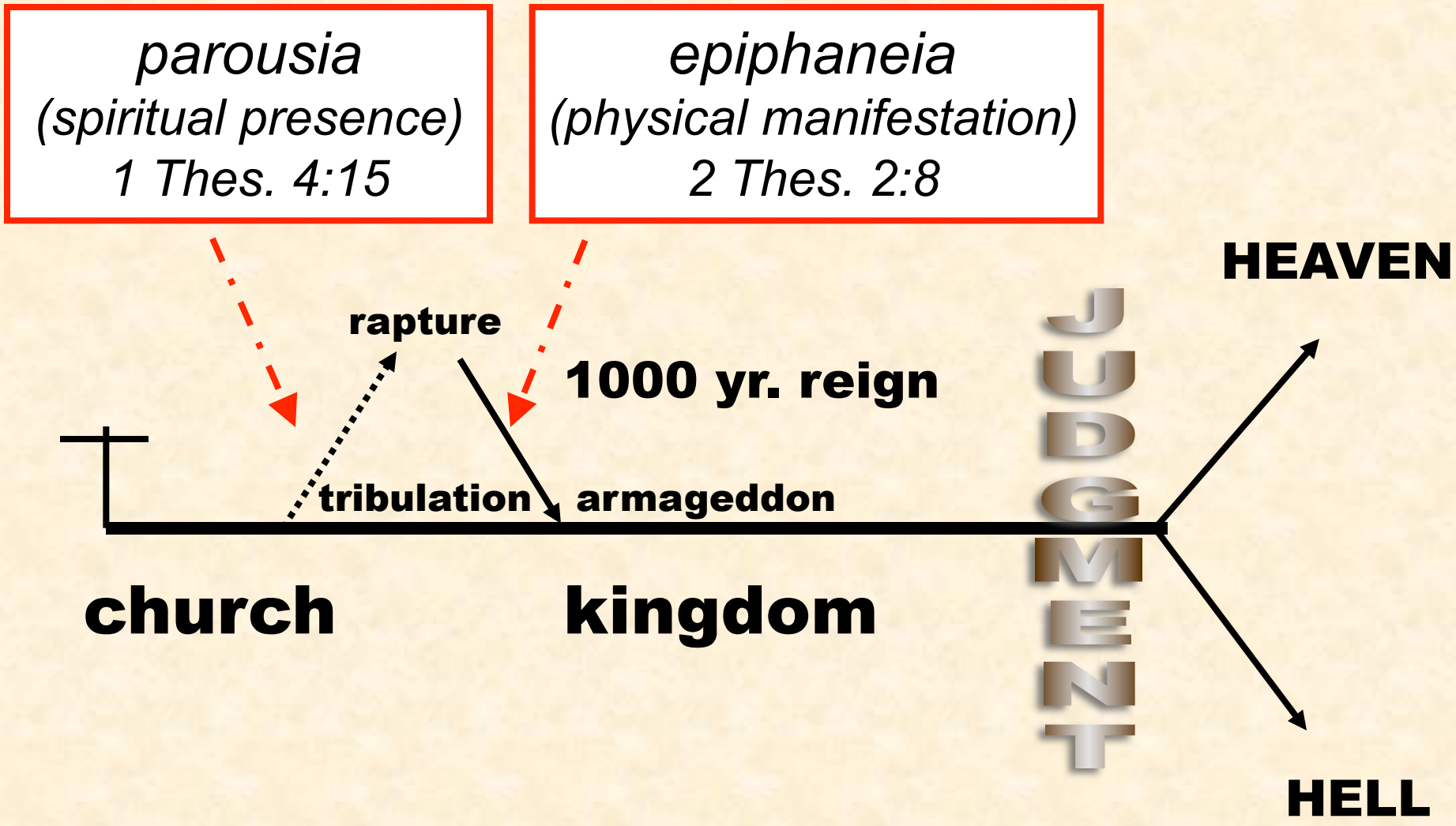
4) An Englishman, John Nelson Darby, "discovered" the RAPTURE in 1827 after realizing that the church is not Israel (some speculate that Darby read Irving's translation of Lacunza). Darby systematized dispensationalist theology, which emphasizes a literal 1,000-yr. reign of Christ upon earth.

5) A Scottish teenager, Margaret MacDonald, claimed to receive rapture teaching through an ecstatic religious experience in 1830 (some surmise that Darby may have received the teaching from MacDonald). MacDonald's family was involved in Pentecostal phenomena including regularly speaking in "tongues."

Will There Be A Rapture?

- John Nelson Darby preached about the rapture in a series of engagements from 1859-1874 in the US & Canada.
- The teaching of the rapture received further promotion in Great Britain and the US through the *Scofield Reference Bible,* first published by C.I. Scofield in 1909.
- Scofield's notes and annotations have provided source material for Lindsey, LaHaye, Jenkins, etc.
- Interestingly, the secret rapture, along with dispensationalism, has not been widely received by religious groups outside the US & Canada.



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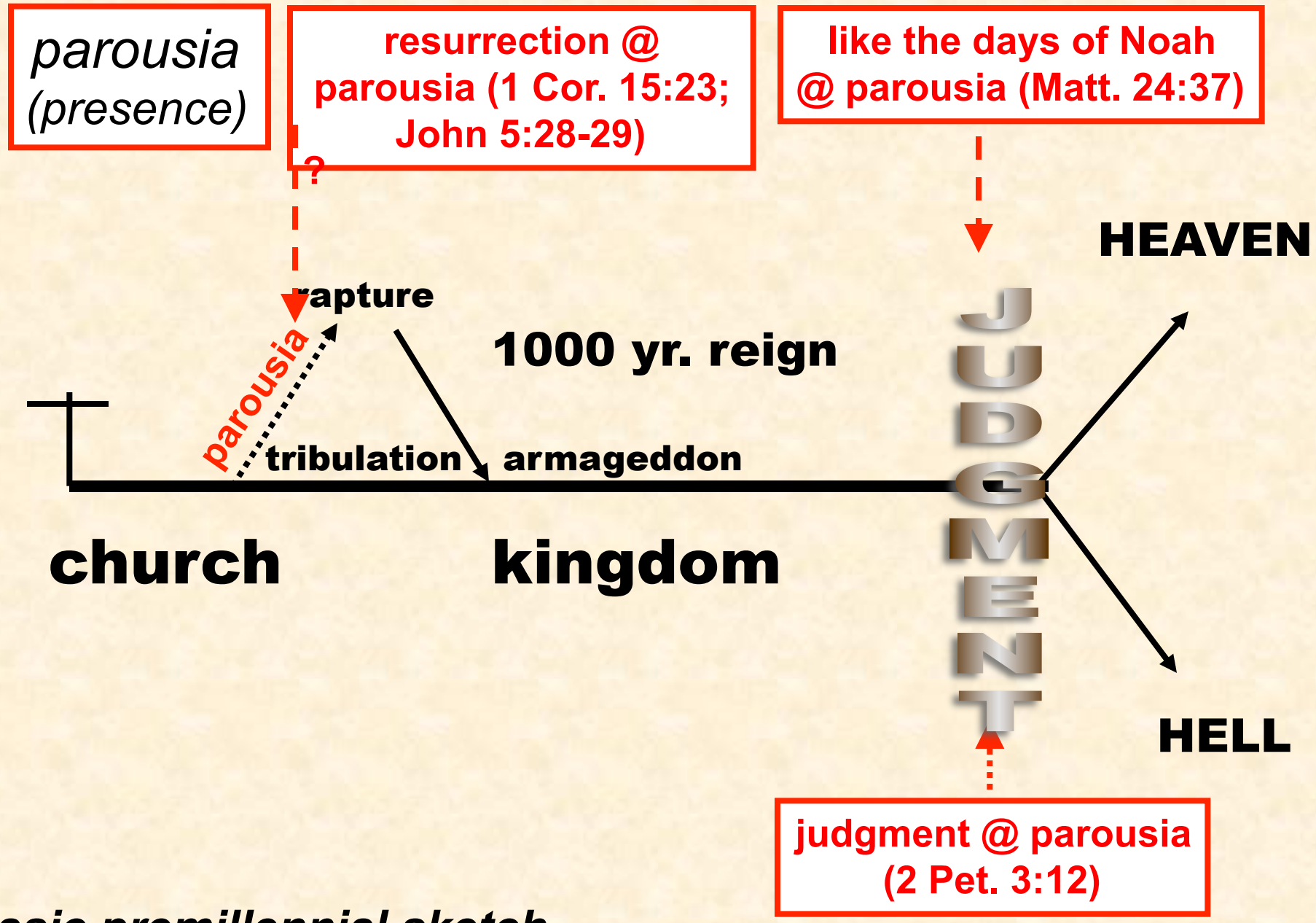

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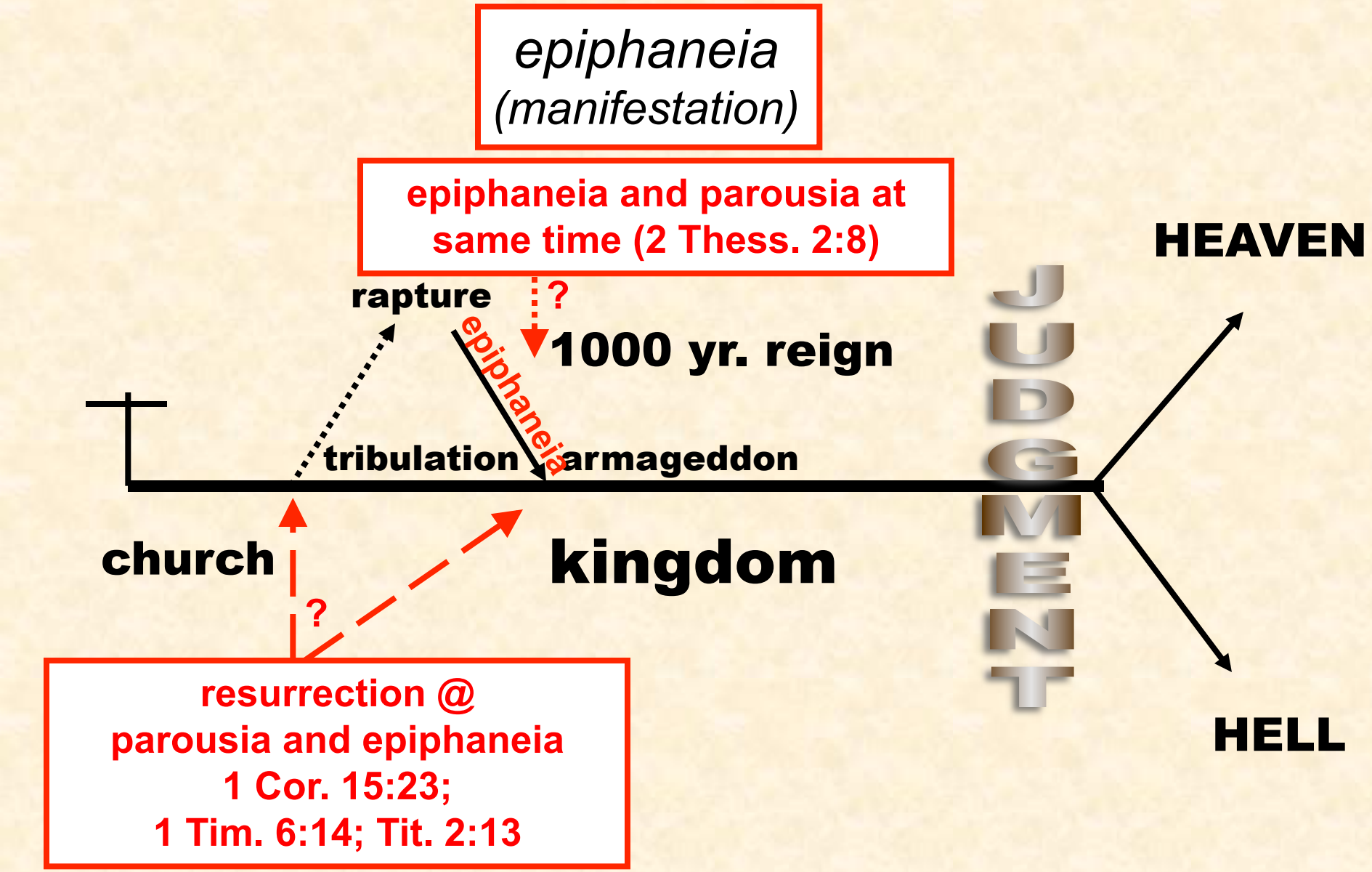

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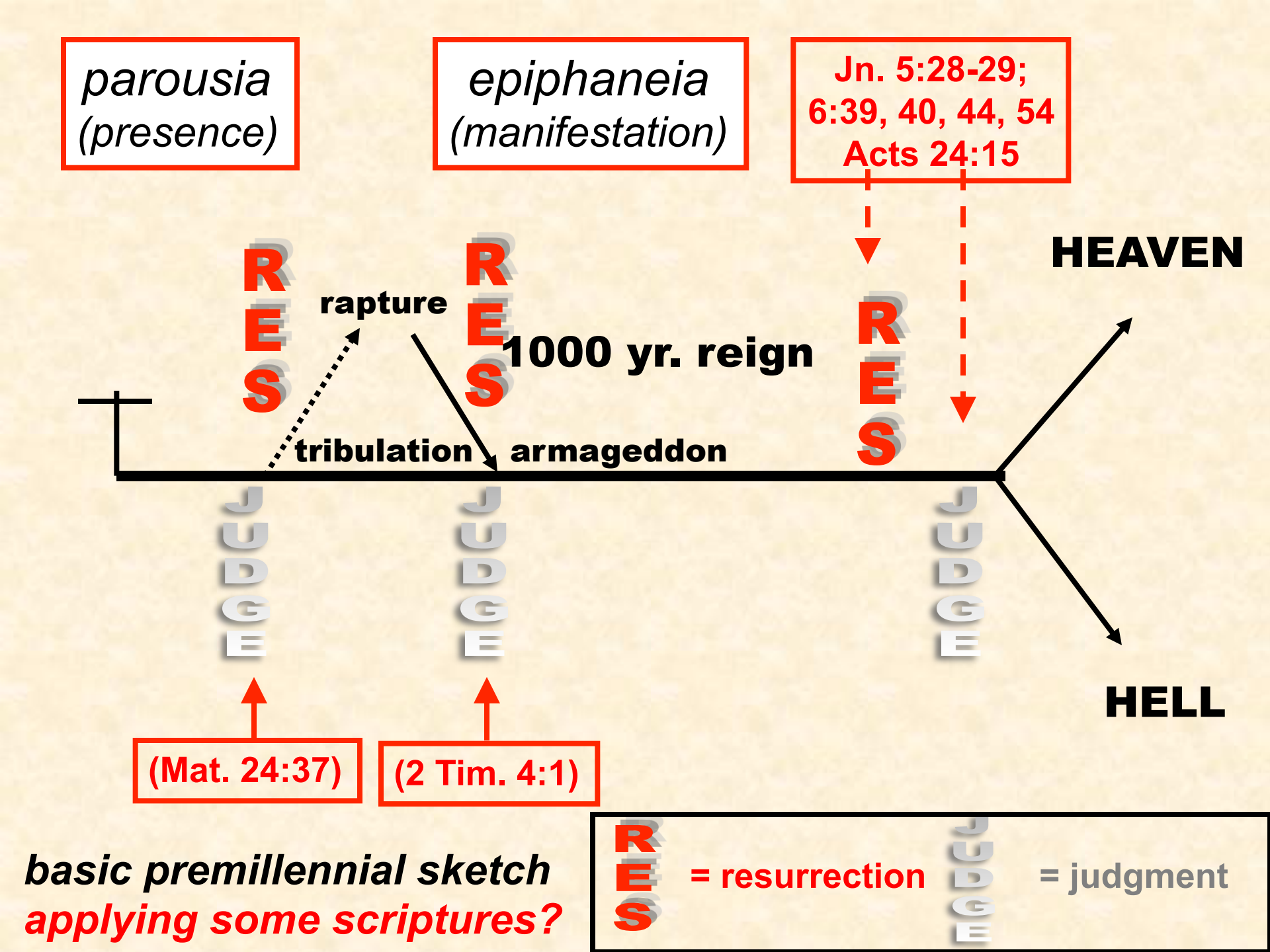
parousia
(presence)
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Jn. 5:28-29;
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(Mat. 24:37)
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applying some scriptures?
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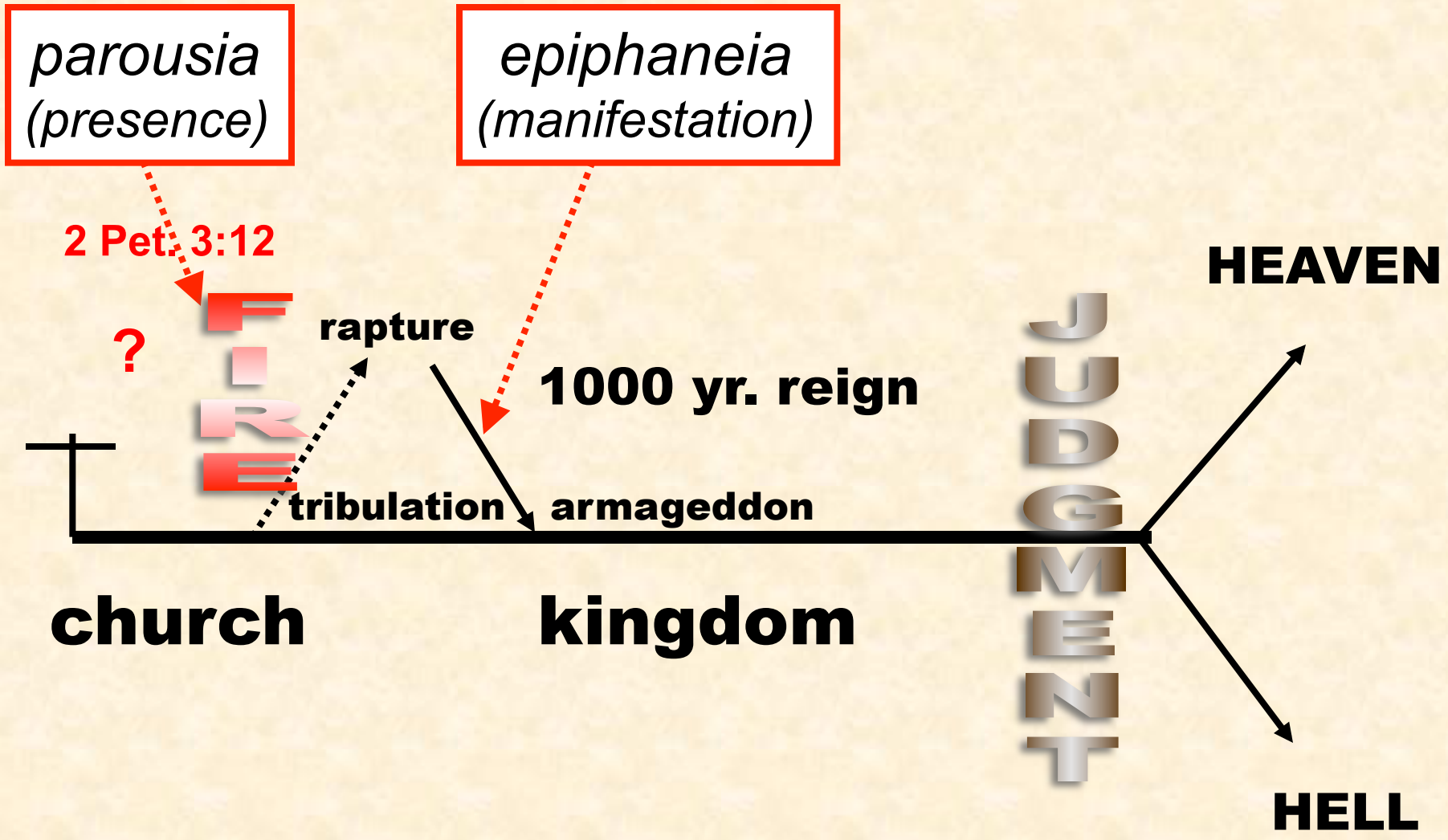
JUDGE = judgment



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applying 2 Pet. 3:12

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epiphaneia (manifestation) & parousia (presence) synonymous

Jesus' Ascension Acts 1:9-11

2nd Coming Heb. 9:28

NEW HEAVEN

1000 yrs saints possess kingdom (Satan Bound)

RESURRECTION JUDGMENT

FIRE

old heaven & earth

church is kingdom
Mt. 16:18;
Eph. 1:21-22; Rev. 1:9

HELL

Acts 24:15

2 Pet. 3:10-12

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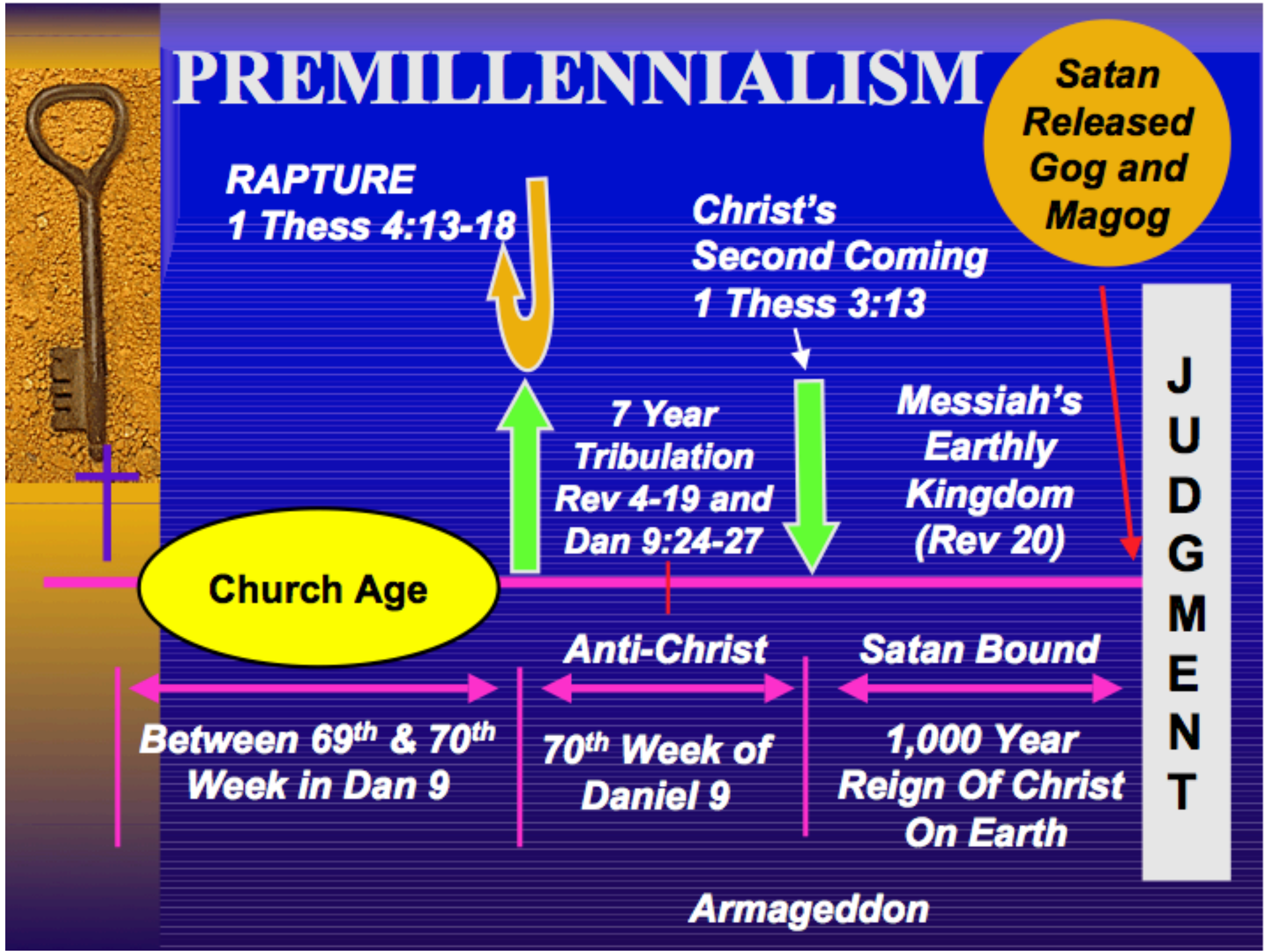
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Revelation – The Big Picture

1. The book is the "Revelation of Jesus Christ" (1:1).
2. God gave the book "to shew unto his servants **things which must shortly come to pass**" (1:1, 3; 22:6, 10).
3. The revelation of Jesus Christ was sent and signified unto His servant John (1:1).
4. The book is a record of what John saw (1:2).
5. The book was specifically directed to "the seven churches which are in Asia" (1:4, 11).

Revelation – The Big Picture

6. John was a "companion in tribulation" with the brethren in these churches. They suffered because of their allegiance to the Word of God and their testimony of Jesus Christ (1:2, 9; 6:9-10).

Revelation – The Big Picture

The book of Revelation is certainly a picture of spiritual warfare with God and Satan as the principal opponents.

1. Some say it should be dated prior to the destruction of Jerusalem and that the book has to do with the destruction of Jerusalem in A. D. 70

2. Others say that the book should be dated around A. D. 96 and that the thrust of the book has to do with Rome and the Roman emperor.

Revelation – The Big Picture

We could spend the whole time debating the pros and cons of each position, and we could spend our time speculating on the precise meaning of some of the symbols in the book.

Our time will be better spent today in focusing on the main theme of the book:

Victory In Jesus!

Revelation – The Big Picture

It really does not matter whether the enemy in the book is the Jewish system or the Roman Empire, or any other world government from the past.

The bottom line is that those are in Christ will ultimately win the victory!

Revelation – The Big Picture

I. THE OPPOSITION

Our chief opponent is Satan (Matt. 13:39). Revelation 12:9-10 describes him.

He fights (12:7).
He is an adversary (Satan).
He is a deceiver (vs. 9).
He is an accuser (vs. 10).
He seeks to destroy God's people (vs. 13, 17).

Revelation – The Big Picture

Satan has his ministers.

1. 2 Cor. 11:13-15
2. Rev. 13:4: The beast (ruler of the nation persecuting God's people) was empowered by the dragon (Satan).
3. This beast (ruler or emperor) made war with the saints attempting to overcome them (Rev. 13:7).

Revelation – The Big Picture

II. THE OBSTACLES

A. The devil uses the weapon of false doctrine to try to win the battle for our souls.

1. Rev. 2:2,6 - Ephesus
2. Rev. 2:14-15 - Pergamos
3. Rev. 2:20-24 - Thyatira
4. Rev. 13:11-14- He looked like a lamb and spoke as a dragon. Like a wolf in sheep's clothing (Matt. 7:15-20).

Revelation – The Big Picture

B. The devil uses suffering and persecution to try to discourage saints into giving up on God.

1. Rev. 1:9
2. Rev. 2:9-10
3. Rev. 2:13
4. Rev. 6:9-11
5. Rev. 13:1-7, 15-17
6. Rev. 17:6

Revelation – The Big Picture

III. THE OUTCOME

A. Satan "prevailed not" (Rev. 12:8). This is the story of Satan's life!

1. He tried to conquer Job - he prevailed not
2. He tried to conquer Christ by casting temptation before Him–he prevailed not (Matt. 4:1-11).
3. Rev. 14:7-11

Revelation – The Big Picture

B. Victory in Jesus

1. Rev. 16:14-21 - WE WIN!
2. Rev. 19:11-20 - WE WIN!
3. Rev. 15:2-4 - WE WIN!
4. Rev. 17:14-WE WIN!
5. Rev. 18:20; 6:9; 20:4-6- WE WIN!
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7. Rev. 7:14-17; 21:1-4 - WE WIN!

Revelation – The Big Picture

CONCLUSION

A. We walk with the One Who has the keys to Hades and Death (Rev. 1:17-18).

B. We have no fear because we know the outcome (Rev. 14:13; 22:14)!

What is NOT Mentioned in Revelation 20

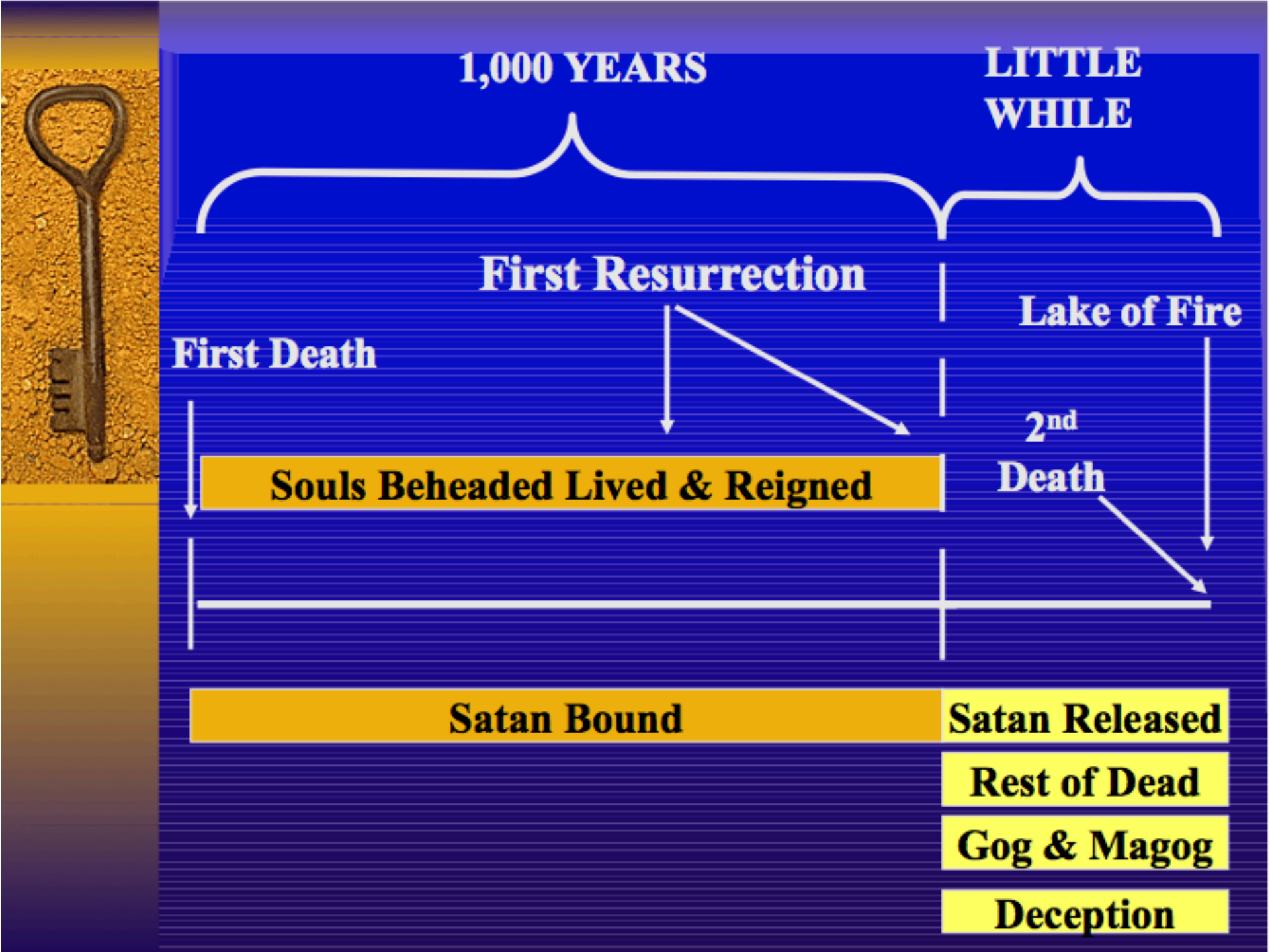
- The Second Coming of Christ
- A Bodily Resurrection
- A Reign of Earth
- The Literal Throne of David
- Jerusalem of the Land of Palestine
- Saints of the 20th and 21st Century
- Christ on Earth.
  - Rev 22:18 – If anyone adds to the words of this book, God will add to them the plagues written in this book

Some Millennium!

- What the text doesn't say
  - *2nd Coming, Christ on Earth, Jerusalem, Throne of David, Bodily Resurrection.*
- John says "souls" not "bodies"
- They "lived and reigned" not "shall live..."
- Only the Beheaded would benefit.
- The Reigning & Living cease after 1,000 yrs

1000 YEARS

- **Psa 50:10** – *For every beast of the forest is Mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.*
- **1 Chron 16:15** – *Remember His covenant forever, the word which He commanded for a thousand generations.*
- **Deut. 7:9** – *Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is god, the faithful God, who keeps His covenant and His loving kindness to a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments.*
- **Rev 20:4b** – *And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.*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Gog & Magog
Deception

REVELATION CHAPTER 20

Dragon Bound — **1,000 YEARS** — **Released for a "Little While"**

Beheaded Souls Lived and Reigned — **1,000 YEARS** — **Rest of the Dead Live again AFTER The 1,000 yrs**

"This is the First Resurrection"

The cause of Christ and His people are Resurrected Just Like the Valley of "Dry Bones"

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What About The Signs?

- 1889- “The battle of the great day of God Almighty…which will end in A.D. 1914… is already commenced.”
- 1904- “The stress of the great time of trouble will be on us soon, somewhere between 1910 and 1912…”
- 1914- “The great crisis, the great clash…is very near. Armageddon may begin next spring.”

What About The Signs?

- 1915- “The present great war in Europe is the beginning of the Armageddon…”
- 1922- “The date 1925 is even more distinctly indicated by the Scriptures than 1914.”
- 1923- “Our thought is, that 1925 is definitely settled by the Scriptures.”
- 1925- “…Scriptures definitely fix the fact…we may expect 1925 to witness the return of these faithful men (Abraham, Isaac, & Jacob)”

What About The Signs?

- 1931- “There was a measure of disappoint-ment on the part of Jehovah’s faithful ones on earth concerning the years 1914, 1918, and 1925… and they also learned to quit fixing dates.
- 1941- “Armageddon is surely near…soon … within a few years.”
- 1946- “Armageddon… should come some-time before 1972.”

What About The Signs?

- "…now it is firmly maintained that by the autumn of the year 1975 the Battle of Armageddon will have been fought and God's new would will have been established."

  - W.C. Stevenson, circuit servant

- "Within months, or at the most five years, the end of the world as we have known it will occur and a thousand year reign of Jesus will begin."

  - Eroll Burton, 8.24.69

Flavius Josephus

- A Jewish Priest who led a rebellion against Roman oppression in Galilee
- Captured by the Romans at the fall of Yotapata in 67 A.D., and held as a prisoner in Caesrea till 69 A.D.
- Returned to Jerusalem with Titus in 70 A.D.
- Knew Jewish Sects
- Traveled with Roman Army
- Eyewitness at destruction of Jerusalem
- Made a Roman Citizen by Vespasian Caesar

Matthew 24:4–5

"False Christs"

Josephus: "But there was an Egyptian false prophet that did the Jews more mischief than the former; for he was a cheat, and pretended to be a prophet also, and got together thirty thousand men that were deluded by him; these he led round from the wilderness to the mount which was called the Mount of Olives, and was ready to break into Jerusalem by force from that place." (*The Wars Of The Jews*, 2:3:5)

Josephus: "Now it came to pass, while Fadus was procurator of Judea, that a certain magician, whose name was Theudas, persuaded a great part of the people to take their efforts with them, and follow him to the river Jordan; for he told them he was a prophet, and that he would, by his own command, divide the river, and afford them an easy passage over it; and many were deluded by his words." (*The Antiquities Of The Jews*, 20:5:1)

Matthew 24:6–8

"Wars And Rumors Of Wars"

Tacitus: "The history on which I am entering is that of a period rich in disasters, terrible with battles, torn by civil struggles, horrible even in peace. Four emperors fell by the sword; there were three civil wars, more foreign wars, and often both at the same time." (*The Histories*, 1:2)

Josephus: "Now the people of Caesarea had slain the Jews that were among them on the very same day and hour [when the soldiers were slain], which one would think must have come to pass by the direction of Providence; insomuch that in one hour's time above twenty thousand Jews were killed, and all Cesarea was emptied of its Jewish inhabitants;" (*The Wars Of The Jews*, 2:18:1)

Matthew 24:7

"Famines" And "Pestilences"

Luke: "And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there should be a great dearth throughout all the world: which also came to pass in the days of Cladius Caesar." (*Acts 11:27*)

Josephus: "Now her coming was of very great advantage to the people of Jerusalem; for whereas a famine did oppress them at that time, and many people died for want of what was necessary to produce food withal, queen Helena sent some of her servants to Alexandria with money to buy a great quantity of corn, and others to Cyprus, to bring a cargo of dried figs…" (*The Antiquities Of The Jews*, 20:2:5)

Tacitus: "Many prodigies occurred during the year. Ominus birds took their seat on the Capitol; houses were overturned by repeated shocks of earthquake, and, as the panic spread, the weak were trampled underfoot in the trepidation of the crowd. A shortage of corn, again, and the famine which resulted, were construed as a supernatural warning." (*The Annals*, 12:43)

Pestilences are the usual attendants of famine.

Matthew 24:7

"Earthquakes"

J. Marcellus Kik: "And as to earthquakes, many are mentioned by writers during a period just previous to 70 A.D. There were earthquakes in Crete, Smyrna, Miletus, Chios, Samos, Laodicea, Hierapolis, Colosse, Campania, Rome, and Judea. It is interesting to note that the city of Pompeii was much damaged by an earthquake occurring on February 5, 63 A.D." (*An Eschatology Of Victory*, p. 93)

Luke 21:10–11

"Fearful Events From Heaven"

Josephus: "…for there broke out a prodigious storm in the night, with the utmost violence, and very strong winds, with the largest showers of rain, with continual lightnings, terrible thunderings, and amazing concussions and bellowings of the earth, that was in an earthquake. These things were a manifest indication that some destruction was coming upon men, when the system of the world was put into this disorder; and anyone would guess that these wonders foreshadowed some great calamities that were coming." (*The Wars Of The Jews,* 4:4:5)

Josephus: "Thus there was a star resembling a sword, which stood over the city, and a comet that continued a whole year. Thus also, before the Jews' rebellion… so great a light shone round the altar and the holy house, that it appeared to be bright day time; which light lasted for half an hour. …Moreover, the eastern gate of the inner [court of the] temple, which was of brass armed with iron, and vastly heavy, and had been with difficulty shut by twenty men, and rested upon a basis armed with iron, and had bolts fastened very deep into the firm floor, which was made of one entire stone, was seen to be opened of its own accord about the sixth hour of the night." (*The Wars Of The Jews*, 4:4:5)

Matthew 24:14

"Preached To All Nations"

Paul: "For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel; Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth: …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; whereof I Paul am made a minister…" (Colossians 1:5, 6, 23)

Mark 13:9

"Stand Before Kings"

Peter & John	Acts 4
Stephen	Acts 7
James	Acts 12
Paul	Acts 18 (Gallio)
Paul	Acts 24 (Felix)
Paul	Acts 25 (Agrippa)

Under Nero, it was a crime to be a Christian!

Matthew 24:15

"Abomination Of Desolation"

Prior to the siege, the temple became a gathering place for wicked men. After the siege, the Romans placed their ensigns over the Eastern gate.

Josephus: "And now, when the multitude were gotten together to an assembly, and every one was in indignation at these men's seizing upon the sanctuary, at their rapine and murders but had not yet begun their attacks upon them … Agnus stood in the midst of them, and casting his eyes frequently at the temple, and having a flood of tears in his eyes he said, 'Certainly, it had been good for me to die before I had seen the house of God full of so many abominations, or these sacred places that ought not to be trodden upon at random, filled with the feet of these blood-shedding villains…'" (*The Wars Of The Jews*, 4:3:10)

Luke 21:20–21

"Jerusalem Surrounded"

Josephus: "And now Vespasian had fortified all the places round about Jerusalem, and erected citadels at Jericho and Adida, and placed garrisons in them both … And now the war having gone through all the mountainous country, and all the plain country also, those that were at Jerusalem were deprived of the liberty of going out of the city; … Now as Vespasian was returned to Cesarea, and was getting ready, with all his army to march directly to Jerusalem, he was informed that Nero was dead … Wherefore Vespasian put off at first his expedition against Jerusalem, and stood waiting whither the empire would be transferred after the death of Nero … the Roman empire being then in a fluctuating condition, and did not go on with the expedition against the Jews…" (*The Wars Of The Jews,* 4:9:1,2)

The Legions of Rome camped at the Mount of Olives (*The Wars Of The Jews*, 5:2:3)

A trench was literally cast about Jerusalem — a nine mile long wall was put up in three days, which totally enclosed the city. (*The Wars Of The Jews,* 5:12:2)

Matthew 24:16–21

"Great Tribulation"

Josephus: "But when they went in numbers into the lanes of the city, with their swords drawn, they slew those whom they overtook, without mercy, and set fire to the houses wither the Jews were fled, and burnt every soul in them, and laid waste a great many of the rest; and when they were come to the houses to plunder them, they found in them entire families of dead men, and the upper rooms full of dead corpses, that is of such as died by the famine; they then stood in horror at this sight, and went out without touching anything. But although they had this commiseration for such as were destroyed in that manner, yet had they not the same for those that were still alive, but they ran every one through whom they met with, and obstructed the very lanes with their dead bodies, and made the whole city run down with blood, to such a degree indeed that the fire of many houses was quenched with these men's blood." (*The Wars Of The Iews*, 6:8:5)

Matthew 24:29

"Stars Will Fall From Heaven"

- Judgment on Babylon *(Isa. 13:10, 13)*
- Judgment on Edom *(Isa. 34:4–6)*
- Judgment on the Peoples *(Isa. 51:5–6)*
- Judgment on Judah *(Jer. 4:1–6, 23–28)*
- Judgment on Egypt *(Ezek. 32:7–8)*
- Judgment on the Nations *(Joel 3:15–16)*
- Judgment on Nineveh *(Nah. 1:1–5)*
- Judgment on Israel *(Amos 8:1–2, 9)*

Matthew 24:30

The Sign Of The Son Of Man

Jesus did not say:

"And then shall appear the Son of man in heaven"

"And then shall appear the sign in the heaven(s) of the Son of man"

He did say:

"And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven"

- Literally: "And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in the heaven" (*Berry's Interlinear*)
- The phrase "in heaven" denotes the locality of the Son of man, not the locality of the sign

The destruction of Jerusalem itself served as a sign of the fact the Son of man was ruling in heaven, because it was the fulfillment of His prediction (Deut. 18:20–22)

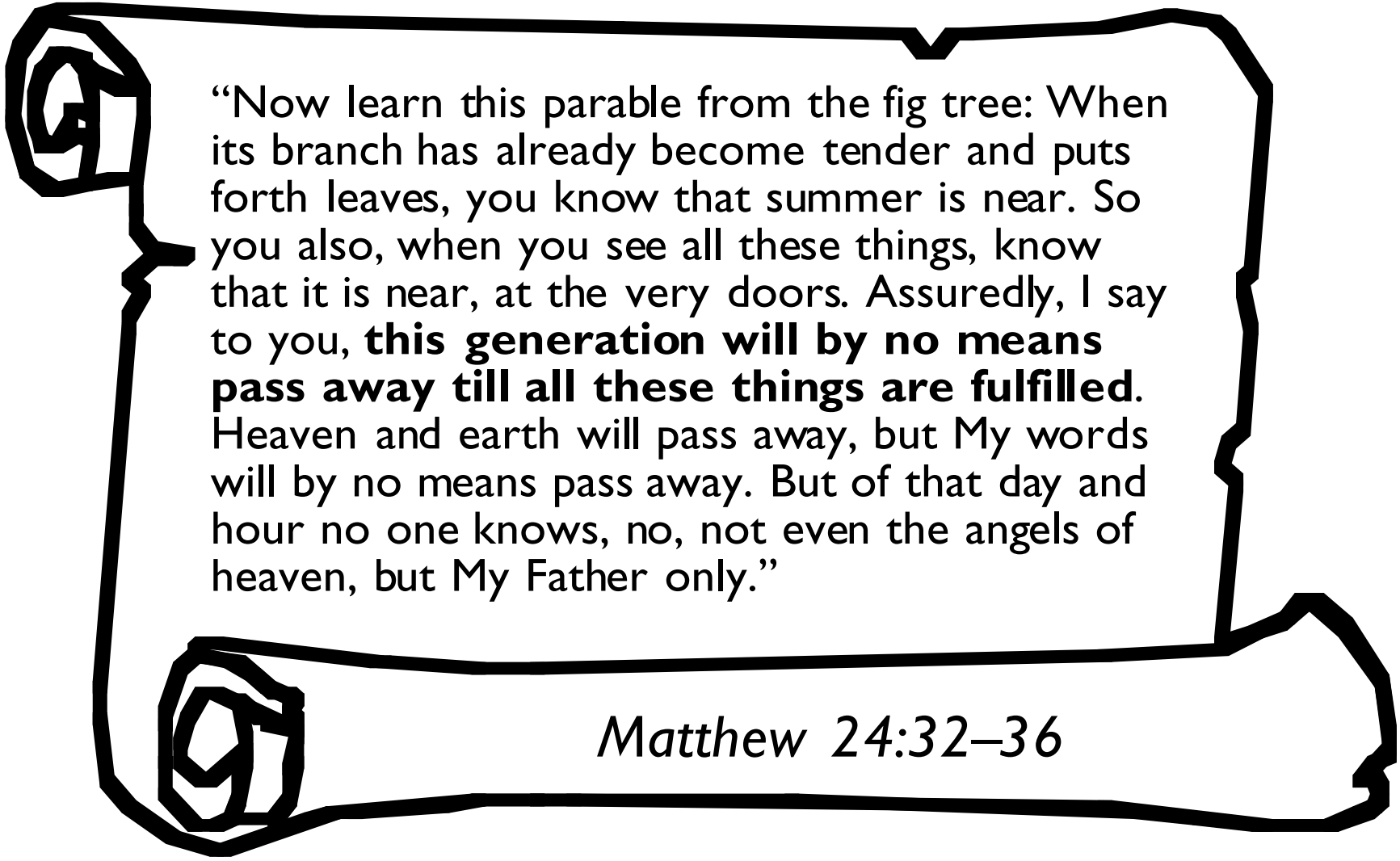
Two Different Comings

Destruction of Jerusalem	Second Coming of Christ
"Days" (Matthew 24:19, 22, 29)	"Day" (24:36, 42, 44, 50; 25:13)
"Know" (24:15, 33)	"Know Not" (24:36, 42, 44, 50; 25:13)
Times of Crisis (24:4-13)	Normal Times (24:37-42)
Signs Given (24:32-33)	No Warning Signs (24:43-44)

Two Different Comings

Destruction of Jerusalem	Second Coming of Christ
Time to Flee (24:16)	No Time To Flee (24:39)
Judgment limited to Jerusalem and its local area (24:15-22)	Universal Judgment (25:31-46)
Events would occur within that generation (24:34)	Event would be delayed from their immediate time (24:48-50; 25:5, 19; 2 Thess. 2)
Roman armies would encamp outside just before destruction (Luke 21:20)	No visible sign will precede this event (Luke 21:34-35)

The Key To The Discourse



"Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near, at the very doors. Assuredly, I say to you, **this generation will by no means pass away till all these things are fulfilled**. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. But of that day and hour no one knows, no, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only."

Matthew 24:32–36

"This Generation"

Thayer: "1. *a begetting, birth, nativity*… 2. *passively, that which has been begotten, men of the same stock, a family … the several ranks in a natural descent, the successive members of a genealogy* … b. metaph. *a race of men very like each other in endowments, pursuits, character;* and esp. in a bad sense *a perverse race* … 3. *the whole multitude of men living at the same time:* Mt. xxiv. 34; Mk. xiii. 30; Lk. i. 48 …xxi. 32 … 4. *an age* (i.e. the time ordinarily occupied by each successive generation), the space of from 30 to 33 years…"

Vine: "2. …connected with *ginomai,* to become, primarily signifies a begetting, or birth; then that which has been begotten, a family; or successive members of a genealogy … or of a race of people, possessed of similar characteristics, pursuits, etc., (of a bad character) … or the whole multitude of men living at the same time, Matt. 24:34; Mark 13:30; Luke 1:48; 21:32 … Transferred from people to the time in which they lived, the word came to mean an age, i.e., a period ordinarily occupied by each successive generations, say, of thirty or forty years…"

What Will Not Happen At The End of Time?

Jesus will not give the Jews any land in Palestine.

Genesis 12:1-2

"Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, **unto a land that I will shew thee:** And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: (Genesis 12:1–2).

Genesis 15:18

"In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, **Unto thy seed have I given this land**, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates: " (Genesis 15:18).

Joshua 21:43-45

"And **the Lord gave unto Israel all the land which he sware to give unto their fathers**; and **they possessed it**, and dwelt therein. And the Lord gave them rest round about, according to all that he sware unto their fathers: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the Lord delivered all their enemies into their hand.

Joshua 21:43-45

"**There failed not** ought of any good thing which the Lord had spoken unto the house of Israel; **all came to pass**" (Joshua 21:43–45).

Nehemiah 9:7-8

"Thou art the Lord the God, who didst choose Abram, and broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of Abraham; And foundest his heart faithful before thee, **and madest a covenant with him to give the land** of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the Girgashites, to give it, I say, to his seed, **and hast performed thy words**; for thou art righteous:"

Joshua 23:14

"And, behold, this day I am going the way of all the earth: and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, that **not one thing hath failed of all the good things which the Lord your God spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, and not one thing hath failed thereof**. "

1 Kings 8:56

"Blessed be the Lord, that hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: **there hath not failed one word of all his good promise**, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant.“

What Will Not Happen At The End of Time?

Jesus will not establish an earthly kingdom.

Daniel 2 / Isa 2

Latter Days

Many people shall come and say "Come, and let us go to the Mountain of The LORD

Teach Us:

His Ways
His Paths
His Law
His Word

Subject =
Mountain of the LORD'S House

Established on top of the mountains

Daniel 2:35

Dan 2:38	Dan 8:20	Dan 8:21	Dan 2:44
Babylon	Medo-Persian	Greek	Roman

What Will Not Happen At The End of Time?

Jesus will not wage war against a singular figure known as “The Antichrist”

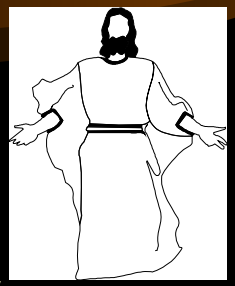
The Anti-Christ – Who Is He?

(Premillennial Position)

Rapture

3 ½ Years

Return



Church Age	The Great Tribulation	The 1,000 Year Reign

<u>The Day of the Anti-Christ</u>

1 John 2:18; 2 Thess 2:3-12

Dan 7; Rev 13

7 Years

The Anti-Christ – Who is He?

- Will come to power during the "second phase" of the Roman Kingdom.
- Magnetic Personality, Attractive, and a Powerful speaker.
  - He will be like a Lion, Bear, and Leopard
- Receives a Fatal Wound – But Lives
- He Will be Worshipped as God
- He will Make War with Christians

Daniel and Revelation

- **Daniel 2 and 7 Focus on Kingdoms**
  - Gold (2) — Lion (7) → Babylon
  - Silver (2) — Bear (7) → Persian
  - Bronze (2) — Leopard (7) → Grecian
  - Iron, Clay (2) — Un-Named (7) → Roman
- **John Describes the Same Thing (13) and We know that He is Speaking of Rome (17)**

Matthew 24:23-24

- “False Christs” who would deceive the elect.
- Christ was speaking of a time after His death and before the destruction of Jerusalem
- Christ describes “signs” that lead up to the “abomination of desolation” when the Roman armies surround the city (Luke 21:20-22)
- “This generation shall not pass until all these things be fulfilled” (Matt 24:34)

1 John 2:18, 22; 4:3; 2 John 7

- **Those (gnosticism) that would deny that Jesus Christ had come in the flesh.**

"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" (1 John 2:18).

1 John 2:18, 22; 4:3; 2 John 7

- **Those (gnosticism) that would deny that Jesus Christ had come in the flesh.**

"Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? **He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son**" (1 John 2:22).

1 John 2:18, 22; 4:3; 2 John 7

- **Those (gnosticism) that would deny that Jesus Christ had come in the flesh.**

"And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this **is that *spirit of antichrist***, *whereof ye have heard that it should come;* ***and even now already is it in the world***" *(1 John 4:3).*

1 John 2:18, 22; 4:3; 2 John 7

- **Those (gnosticism) that would deny that Jesus Christ had come in the flesh.**

"For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. **This is a deceiver and an antichrist**" (2 John 7).

What (Not Who) Is The Anti-Christ?

- **Anti-Christ = Against Christ (Not used in Rev)**
- **All New Testament Reference are associated with different situations.**
- **Any human spirit that is "against Christ" will be re-enacted throughout history.**
  - Pope? (1 Tim 4:1-3)
  - Kaiser Wilhelm (German Dictator) had a castle built for himself outside of Jerusalem.
- **There have been many Anti-Christs**
- **There Will be more Anti-Christs.**

The Two Subjects of Daniel 9:24-27

Statements Pertaining to the City of Jerusalem

***"Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem…shall be seven weeks…the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times"* (9:25).**

"And the people of the prince that shall come **shall destroy the city and the sanctuary**; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined" (9:26).

"And upon the wing of abominations shall come one that maketh desolate; *and even unto the full end, and that determined, shall wrath be poured out upon the desolate"* (9:27).

Statements Pertaining to the Messiah

***"Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks and threescore and two weeks"* (9:25).**

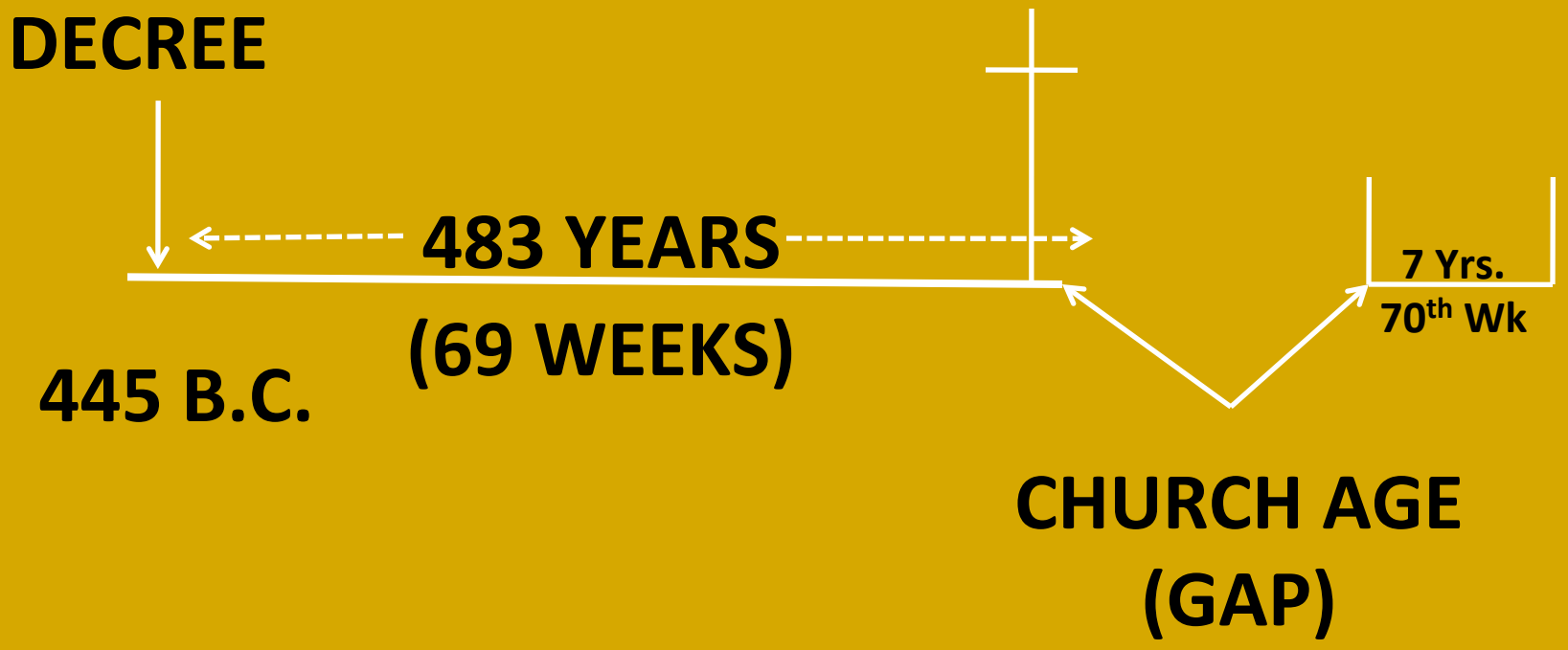
"And after threescore and two weeks **shall Messiah be cut off**, but not for himself" (9:26).

*"And **he shall confirm the covenant** with many for one week: and in the midst of the week **he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease**"* (9:27).

The Seventy Weeks Subdivided

7 Weeks	7 X 7= 49 Years	**“From the going forth”**
62 Weeks	62 X 7= 434 Years	**This period is normally called the “silent years” between the testaments and brings us up to the time of the ministry of the Messiah.**
1 Week	1 X 7 = 7 Years	**This one week is further divided in half: 3 ½ and 3 ½.**
70 Weeks	or 490 Years	

Millennial Chronological View of the Seventy Weeks



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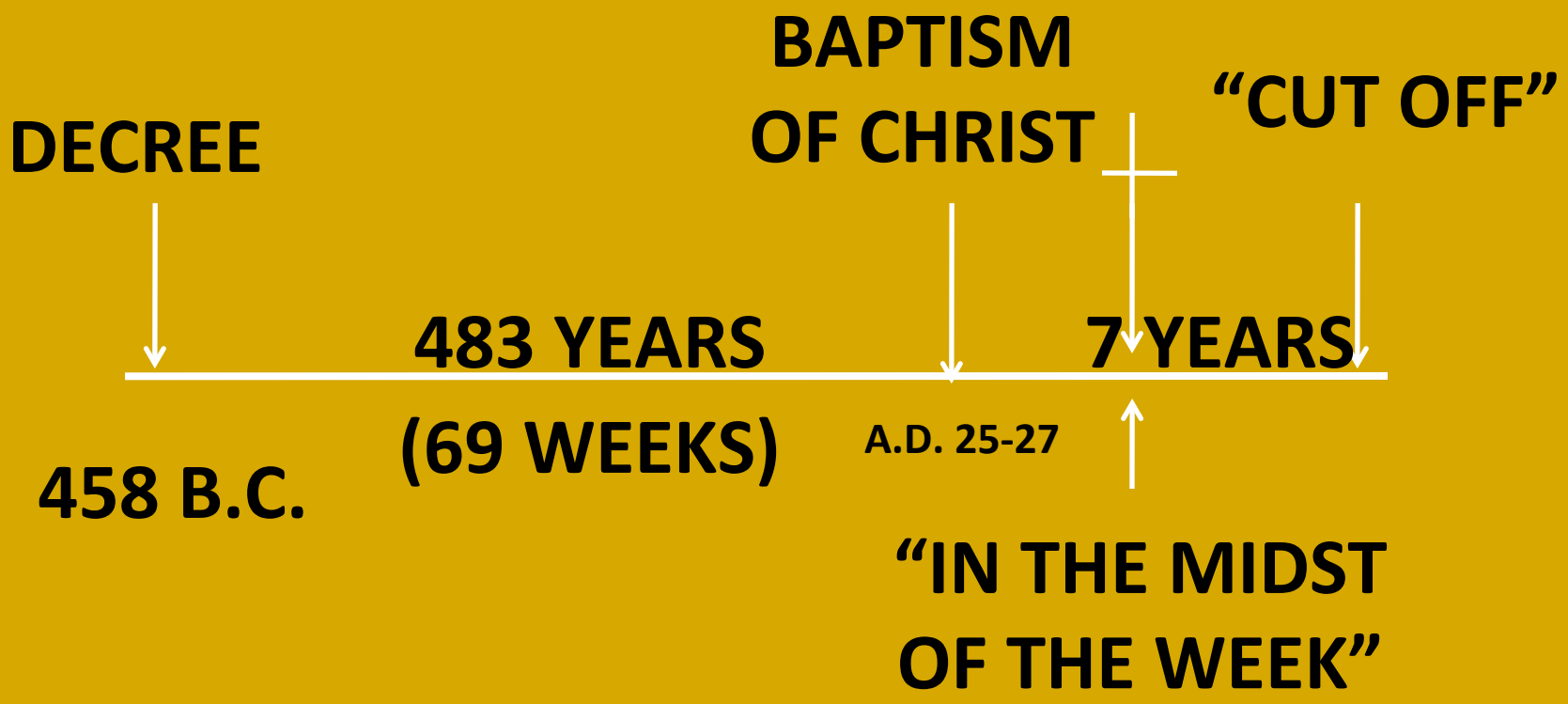


THE SEVENTY WEEKS OF DANIEL 9:24-27

(Emanuel B. Daugherty's Chart)

7 WEEKS/49 YEARS

Rebuilding Jerusalem

"Street and moat in troublous times"

Return of Ezra 457 B.C.
Ezra 7:6-7; Zechariah 8:4-5

62 WEEKS/434 YEARS

Silent Years

Messiah's Advent

1. Finish Transgression
2. Make End of Sin
3. Make Reconciliation
4. Bring Everlasting Righteousness
5. Seal up Vision and Prophecy
6. Appoint the Most Holy

Accomplished In Life and Death of Messiah

1 WEEK/7 YEARS

Jesus's Public Ministry

3 ½ 3 ½

Firm Covenant 1 Week

In Midst of Week

Messiah Sacrifice To

Cut Off Oblation Cease

People of the Prince That shall Come

Destroy City and Sanctuary..War ..Desolation

Fall of Jerusalem A.D. 70

"Determined" But Not Part of 70 Weeks

What Will Not Happen At The End of Time?

Jesus will not reign on earth, sitting on the throne of David.

Jesus Cannot Reign On An Earthly Throne

1. No descendant of Coniah can sit on the throne and rule in Judah (Jer. 22:29-30).
2. Jesus is a descendant of Coniah (Mt. 1:12)
3. Therefore, Jesus cannot sit on the throne and rule in Judah.

A Priest On His Throne

Argument #1

1. He is a priest on His throne (Zech. 6:13)
2. He is a priest in heaven (Heb. 4:14)
3. Therefore, His throne is in heaven!

A Priest On His Throne

Argument #2

1. He could not be a priest if He were on earth (Heb. 8:4)
2. But, He is a priest on His throne (Zech. 6:13)
3. Therefore, His throne cannot be on earth!

What Will Not Happen At The End of Time?

Jesus will not reign on earth for a literal period of 1000 years.

What is NOT Mentioned in Revelation 20

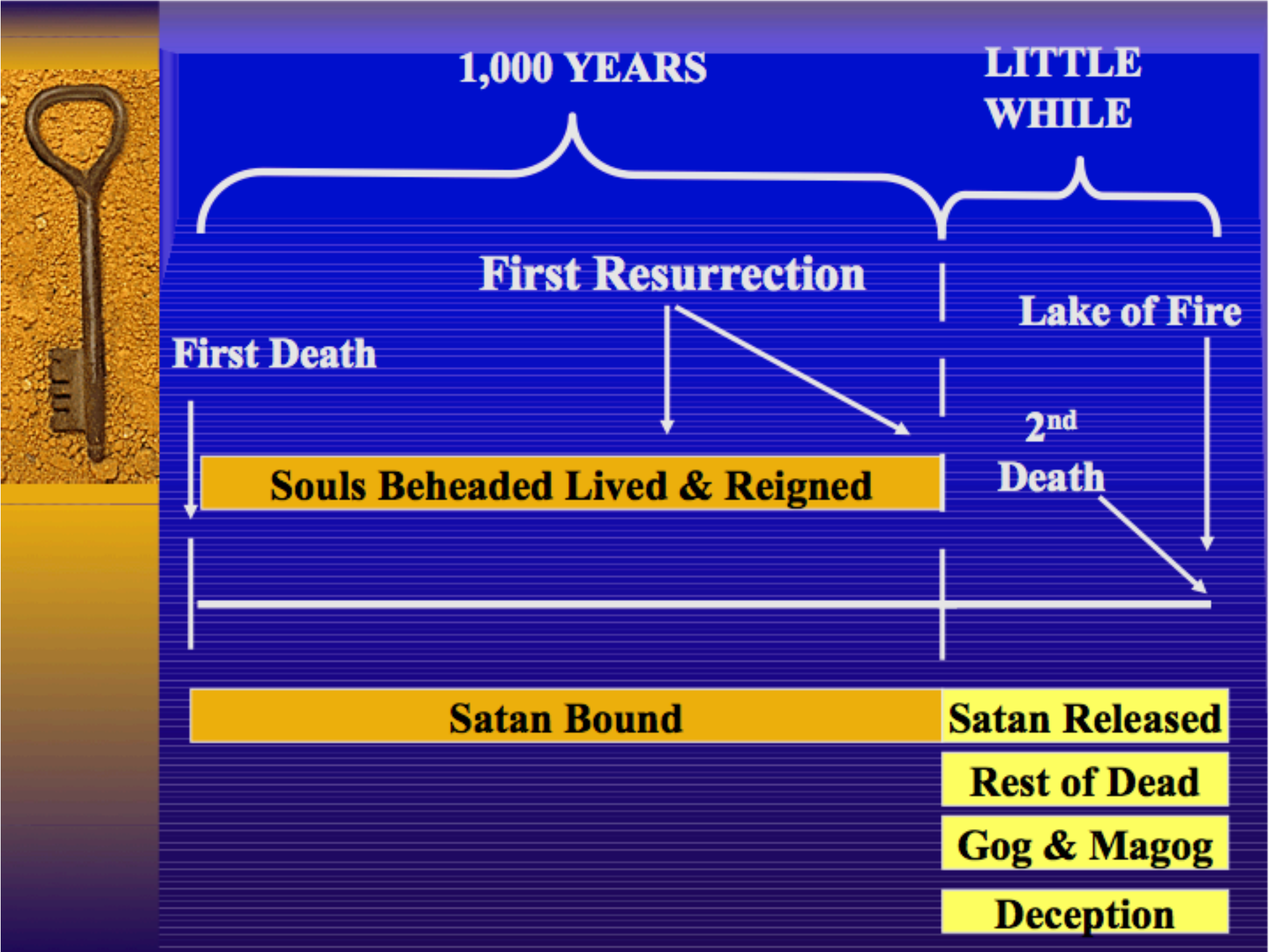
- The Second Coming of Christ
- A Bodily Resurrection
- A Reign of Earth
- The Literal Throne of David
- Jerusalem of the Land of Palestine
- Saints of the 20th and 21st Century
- Christ on Earth.
  - Rev 22:18 – If anyone adds to the words of this book, God will add to them the plagues written in this book

Some Millennium!

- What the text doesn't say
  - *2nd Coming, Christ on Earth, Jerusalem, Throne of David, Bodily Resurrection.*
- John says "souls" not "bodies"
- They "lived and reigned" not "shall live..."
- Only the Beheaded would benefit.
- The Reigning & Living cease after 1,000 yrs

1000 YEARS

- **Psa 50:10** – *For every beast of the forest is Mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.*
- **1 Chron 16:15** – *Remember His covenant forever, the word which He commanded for a thousand generations.*
- **Deut. 7:9** – *Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is god, the faithful God, who keeps His covenant and His loving kindness to a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments.*
- **Rev 20:4b** – *And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.*


1,000 YEARS
LITTLE WHILE
First Resurrection
First Death
Lake of Fire
2nd Death
Souls Beheaded Lived & Reigned
Satan Bound
Satan Released
Rest of Dead
Gog & Magog
Deception