# Welcome To Sunday Night Bible Fellowship

Every word inspired.

Every word proclaimed.

*"We proclaim Him, warning every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man mature in Christ." Col 1:28* 

# Looking Ahead –

- No class Next Sun. May 28 Memorial Day weekend.
- Summer schedule:
- We will meet 4 times -
- June 4
- June 25
- July 9
- July 23
- August to be determined.
- Sept. 3 No class Labor Day weekend.
- We will resume our regular weekly schedule Sept. 10.

# Definitions

- Definition of Prophecy: God announcing through men and to men the certainty of certain future events. 25% of the Bible is Prophecy.
- II. **Eschatology:** The branch of theology that concerns itself with the study of prophecy ("last things").
- III. Replacement Theology: The belief that the Church has replaced Israel. Israel, has no significant role in future prophetic events.
- IV. Pre-tribulation Futurist: The view that the Church will be "caught –up" to meet Christ in the clouds before the Tribulation.
- V. **Mid-tribulation or Pre-Wrath View:** The view that Christ will rapture His Church at the midpoint of the Tribulation.

- VI. **Post-Tribulational View:** The view that Christ will rapture His Church at the end of the Tribulation and will immediately return to earth with His Church.
- VII. **Partial Rapture View:** The view that only those who "love His appearing" will be raptured.
- VIII. **Premillennial View:** The view that Christ will return before the literal 1,000 year reign of Christ on earth.
- IX. **Amillenial:** The view that there is no literal 1,000 year rule of Christ on the earth.
- X. **Post-Millennial:** The view that Christ will return after Christians have established the Kingdom of God here on earth, after a long period of time.
- XI. Full Preterist: The view that all prophetic events took place in 70 A.D or before.
- XII. **Partial Preterist:** The view that some prophetic events took place in 70 A.D. or before but the Second Coming, Resurrection, and Judgment are still future.

## **Prophetical Terms**

#### **Abomination of Desolation:**

When the Antichrist sits down in the rebuilt Jewish Temple and declares himself to be God, the great tribulation of 42 months will then begin. At the occurrence of this event, the Jews living in Israel are commanded to flee into the wilderness. All tribulation saints will know, from that day on, they must now wait 1260 days before the Lord returns. (Dan 9:27), Matt 24:15-19).

#### Antichrist

Anti means "against" or "in place of." Antichrist, therefore, may refer generally to any apostate teacher who is against Christ or who claims to be Christ (Matt. 24:23-24; 1 John 2:18; 4:3). The Antichrist refers to the final and evil world ruler of the Tribulation. He is one who stands both against Christ and who seeks to usurp Christ's place as the false Messiah of the Jews (1 John 4:3b; Rev. 13:1-10).

#### Armageddon

Armageddon comes from the Hebrew word meaning "the Mount of Megiddo." This ancient fortress is located in northern Israel, across the Plain of Esdraelon from Nazareth. Armageddon will be the gathering place for the final great battle, which bears its name. (Rev 16:16).

# Day of Christ

The Day of Christ is that period of time which begins with the rapture of the Church (1 Thess. 4:14-18) and includes the events which follow in heaven as the Judgment Seat of Christ and the Marriage of the Lamb (1 Cor. 1:8; 5:5; 2 Cor. 1:14; Phil. 1:6, 10; 2:16). The Day of Christ is a time of reward and blessing for the Church following the Rapture.

# Day of God

The events of the Day of God include the dissolving of the old heavens and the old earth (2 Pet. 3:10-14).

# Day of the Lord

This is the period of time which begins with the Tribulation judgments and extends through the millennial reign of Christ on earth through the destruction of the heavens and the earth and into the ushering in of the new heavens and earth and the eternal state. This day comes as a thief (1 Thess. 5:2; 2 Pet. 3:10) during the time mankind is believing a new time of peace and safety has been ushered in.

## **Daniel's Seventieth Week**

This is another title or Scriptural reference for the Tribulation. It refers to the last seven years of the seventy weeks of years (or 490 years) prophesied concerning the nation Israel in Daniel 9:24-27. The seventy weeks of years concerns God's program for the nation, beginning with the time of Daniel and extending to the second coming of Christ. The first sixty-nine weeks (483 years) were from 445BC to the time of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem (29 AD). The last week (seven years) is yet to be fulfilled and can't be until the fullness of the Gentiles is complete and the Church is removed by means of the Rapture. It will begin with the signing of the peace treaty with Israel by the prince that will come, the final world ruler who rises out of the revived Roman empire (Dan. 9:26-27).

# Eschatology

The doctrine of "last things" or "things to come." The word eschatology comes from the Greek, escatos, meaning, "last things." As used theologically, this word refersto those truths of Scripture that pertain to the end times, the coming of the Lord, the rapture, the Tribulation, the millennium, etc.

## **False Prophet**

He will administrate the workings of the one-world church. The False Prophet's primary mission will be to cause the world to worship the Antichrist through false signs, wonders, and the miraculous. (Rev 13:11-14)

# **Fullness of the Gentiles**

This refers to the completion of God's purpose in the church age during which time God is calling out from among the Gentiles a people for His name, namely the Church (Acts 15:14; Eph. 1:22-23; Rom. 11:7-32).

# **Gog And Magog**

Gog and Magog were the people that lived in the lands, which are now modern Russia. Someday Russia and a group of Middle East countries will launch a surprise attack against Israel. All but one sixth of the Gog army will be destroyed upon the mountains of Israel. (Ezekiel 38 and 39)

# **Great White Throne Judgment**

Often called, the "final judgment," the great white throne judgment follows the millennial reign of Christ. Its purpose is not to determine whether one is saved or not, but rather to pass judgment on the works of the unsaved to demonstrate their unrighteousness and that they fall short of the holiness of God. The sentence is the second death: eternal separation from God in the lake of fire (Rev. 20:11-15).

#### Hell (and related words)

**Hell:** In common usage, this term refers to the place of future punishment for the wicked. The word properly translated "hell" in the New Testament is the Greek Geenna or **Gehenna**, a place in the valley of Hinnom where human sacrifices had been offered and where continuous burning of rubbish made it an apt illustration of the eternal lake of fire (cf. Matt. 5:22). **Sheol:** The general idea of this Hebrew word is "the place of the dead" including the grave (cf. Num. 16:30,33; Ps. 16:10), and the unseen place of those who have departed from this life, the place of departed spirits or both the righteous (Gen. 37:35) and the wicked (Prov. 9:18).

**Hades:** This word is basically the New Testament Greek counterpart of Sheol. It refers to the unseen world in general, but specifically to the abode of the unsaved dead between death and the final judgment at the great white throne (cf. Luke 16:23 and Rev. 20:11-15). It differs from hell in that it is temporary while hell is permanent.

**Lake of Fire:** Refers to the eternal state of the wicked who are forever separated from God and consigned to a special abode of suffering because of their rejection of Christ or their lack of the righteousness of Christ. It is equivalent to and identified with the second death in Revelation 20:14.

## Imminency

This is a term used in connection with the return of Christ for the church. His coming for the church as promised in John 14:3 is imminent, without the necessity of any event that must take place before the Lord returns for His church. His coming for the church "is not qualified by description of any signs or prerequisite events." By contrast, the return of Christ at the end

of the Tribulation is preceded by a number of signs (Matt. 24:4-22).

## **Judgment Seat of Christ**

This term describes that event when believers will be brought into an examination before the Son of God (1 Cor. 3:9-15; 2 Cor. 5:10; Rom. 14:10). The Greek word for "judgment seat" is bema which once referred to the platform where the umpire for the Greek games would sit and issue rewards to the athletes. Thus, the purpose for the judgment seat is not to determine whether the one judged is a believer or not, but rather to publicly assess, whether acceptable or worthless, one's works (outward) and character (inward) for rewards or their loss.

#### Last Days

A period of time extending from Christ's first coming all the way through to His Second Coming at the end of the Tribulation. (Heb. 1:1, 2; Joel 2: 28)

Includes the terms "latter times" (1 Tim. 4:1) and "last hour" (1 Jn. 2:18)

#### **Little Horn**

Daniel the prophet described seeing a little horn rising out from among ten other horns. The little horn is another representation of the antichrist. (Dan 7:7-8), (Dan 7:19:25)

#### **Mark Of The Beast**

(Rev 13:16-18)

16 And he causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free men and the slaves, to be given a mark on their right hand or on their forehead,

17 and he provides that no one will be able to buy or to sell, except the one who has the mark, either the name of the beast or the number of his name.

18 Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for the number is that of a man; and his number is six hundred and sixty-six.

## Millennium

- The word millennium means a thousand years and refers to the promise of Scripture that Christ would reign on earth for a thousand years. The millennium has come to be synonymous for not only Christ's reign on earth, but for the fulfillment of all Old Testament hopes and expectations associated with the kingdom of God on earth—peace, no war, perfect seasons, Israel and Jerusalem the center of the earth, Gentile domination removed, etc. (Isa. 2:1-4; 9:7; 11:2f; Rev. 20).
- **Premillennial View:** The second coming of Christ will occur before the Millennium.
- Amillennial View: The second coming of Christ is at the end of the Church Age and there is no earthly Millennium. Strictly, amillenarians believe that the present state of the righteous in heaven is the Millennium, but there is no earthly Millennium.
- **Postmillennial View:** The second coming of Christ is after the Millennium.

#### **One World Religious System**

During the first part of the tribulation, the Antichrist's rise to power will be aided by a religious system, which will include all of the world's major religions. During the second half of the tribulation the Antichrist will destroy this false religious system.. (Rev 17:1-5).

#### Prophecy

Prophecy refers to that part of God's revelation in Scripture that is predictive, the revelation which God gives from His sovereign and eternal plans and foreknowledge of things to come. The prophet was one who spoke God's message to His people. In this he was both a forth teller (preaching) and a foreteller (prediction). It is the predictive element we are concerned with here, however, we must always keep in mind that prophecy, though dealing with the future, carries a current message for godliness, peace, and comfort.

#### Preterism

The belief that nearly all prophetic events have already occurred. The year 70 AD is the date where Preterists claim that the book of Revelation was fulfilled.

#### Rapture

- **Pretribulation Rapture**: The rapture of the Church (i.e., the coming of the Lord in the air for His saints) will take place before the seven-year period of the Tribulation begins. Therefore, the Church will not go through any of the Tribulation period (the events of Revelation 6-18) according to this view.
- **Prewrath Rapture**: The rapture of the church occurs prior to the wrath of God poured out on the earth, but in this view, the wrath of God does not occur until about or after the last half of the Tribulation. Thus the church will experience most of the events of the book of Revelation.
- **Mid-tribulation Rapture:** The rapture will occur in the middle of the Tribulation, after three-and-a-half years.
- **Post-tribulation Rapture:** The Church will be on earth during the entire Tribulation. It is distinct from the second coming though separated by only a very short interval of time.
- **Partial Rapture:** Only saints who are worthy will be raptured before the wrath of God is poured out; those who have not been faithful will remain on the earth to endure the Tribulation.

#### **Replacement Theology**

The view that Israel, having failed God, has been replaced by the Church after 70 AD. The Church is now seen as spiritual Israel and spiritual Jerusalem. This teaching claims that all the promises and blessings, in fact Israel's entire inheritance, now belongs to the Church. However, all is not lost for Israel; it gets to keep all the curses.

## **Satanic Trinity**

#### Dragon

This is Satan himself. (Rev. 20:2)

Corresponds to God the Father.

#### Beast

This is the Antichrist. (Rev. 13:1-4,12-18;

17:3-17)

Corresponds to Jesus Christ.

## **False Prophet**

This is a false miracle-working deceiver. (Rev. 16:13; 19:20; 20:10) Corresponds to the Holy Spirit.

# **Second Coming:**

This is the time when Jesus Christ will return, defeat the Antichrist, and set up his 1000 year kingdom on earth. The second coming is not the rapture. The rapture takes place approximately 7 years prior to the second coming. Another important difference between the two is that the rapture will occur at an unknown time while the second coming will take place 42 months after the Antichrist declares himself to be God. (Rev 13:5), (Mat 25:13)

**Ten Nation Roman Confederacy - Toes; Horns; Kings:** Out of the area that once was the Roman Empire, ten leaders will arise. The only purpose these 10 leaders will have is to give their power to the Antichrist. (Dan 2:41-44), (Dan 7:20), (Rev 17:12), (Rev 17:17)

#### **Times of the Gentiles**

This is an expression used by our Lord in Luke 21:24 of the period of Gentile domination over Israel when Israel has no king on the throne of David. It began in 586 BC with the captivity of Judah under Nebuchadnezzar (2 Chron. 36:1-21) and will continue until the return of Christ to earth. Daniel's visions and prophecies foresee this domination under the pictures of the four beasts and the great image (Dan. 2:31f; 7:3f).

## Tribulation

This term is used to describe Daniel's 70th week, the seven-year period of unprecedented horrific events that will occur on earth through a series of divine judgments to be poured out on the entire inhabited earth (Dan. 12:1; Rev. 6-19; Matt. 24:21,29). It begins with the signing of a peace treaty with Israel by the Roman prince that will come, the man of sin, the beast of Revelation 13 (cf. Dan. 9:26, 27; 2 Thess. 2:8). The Great Tribulation (Matt. 24:21) refers to the last half of this seven year period. It is so called because of the increased wrath that will occur in these last three and half year.

#### **Twenty Four Elders**

Represent the Church in heaven after the Rapture. (Rev. 4:4, 10; 5:8,11,14).

#### **Two Witnesses:**

During the tribulation, two believers will prophesy in the streets of Jerusalem. These two witnesses of God will have the power to prevent it from raining on the earth, to call fire down from heaven, to turn bodies of water into blood, and to command a number of other plagues. After they preach for 42 months, the Antichrist will be allowed to kill them. Three and 1/2 days later they will be resurrected and raptured up to heaven. (Rev 11:3-13), (Malachi 4:5-6)

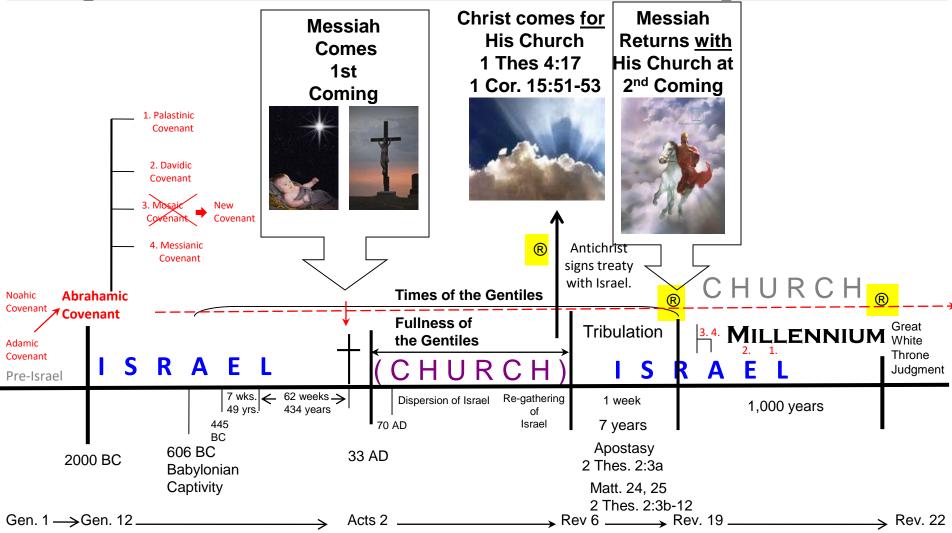
#### 70th Week of Daniel:

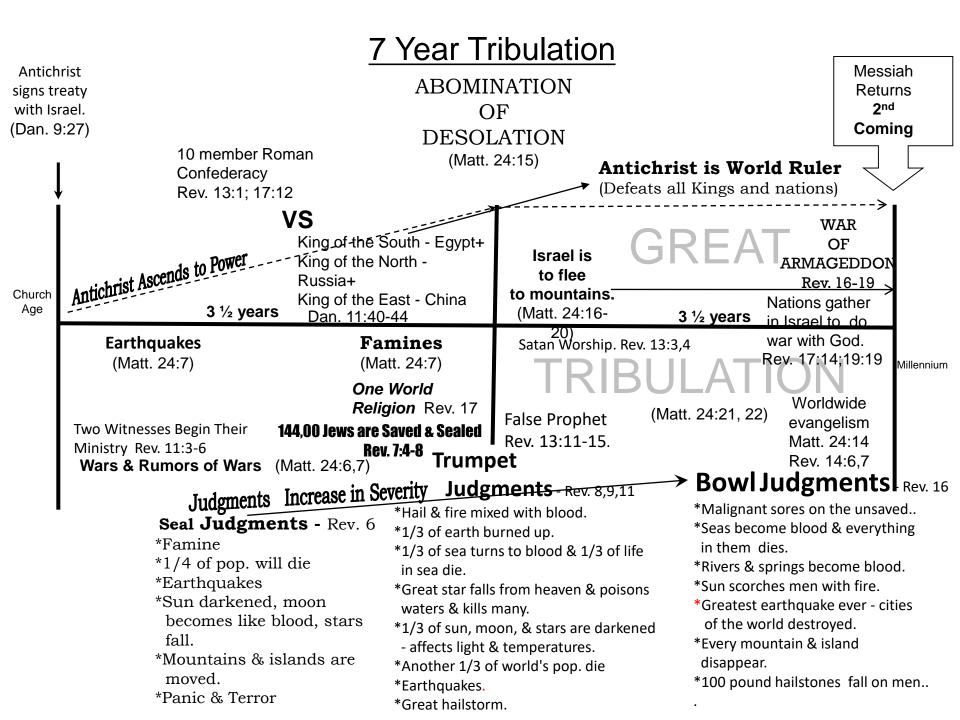
The final seven years of Gentile domination of the nation of Israel and the city of Jerusalem; the last week of the seventy weeks of years (490 years) of Daniel's prophecy which will begin after a long interval. (Daniel 9:27)

#### 144,000 Believing Jews:

Before the Antichrist administers his mark, God will send an angel to mark the foreheads of 144,000 Jews - 12,000 from each of the 12 tribes. The 144,000 sealed Jews will be commissioned to be a witness to the Gentiles during the tribulation. (Rev 7:2-8)

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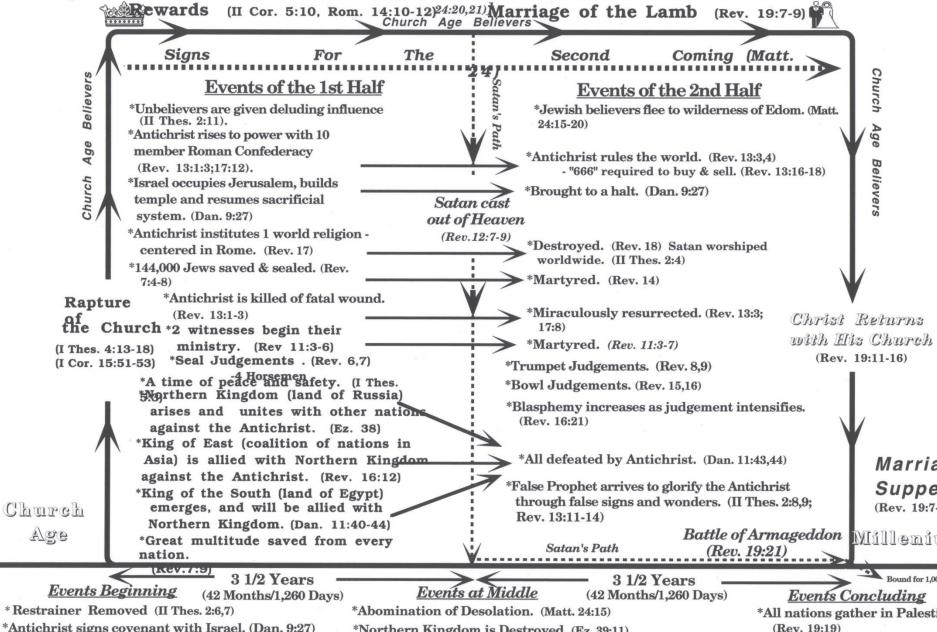




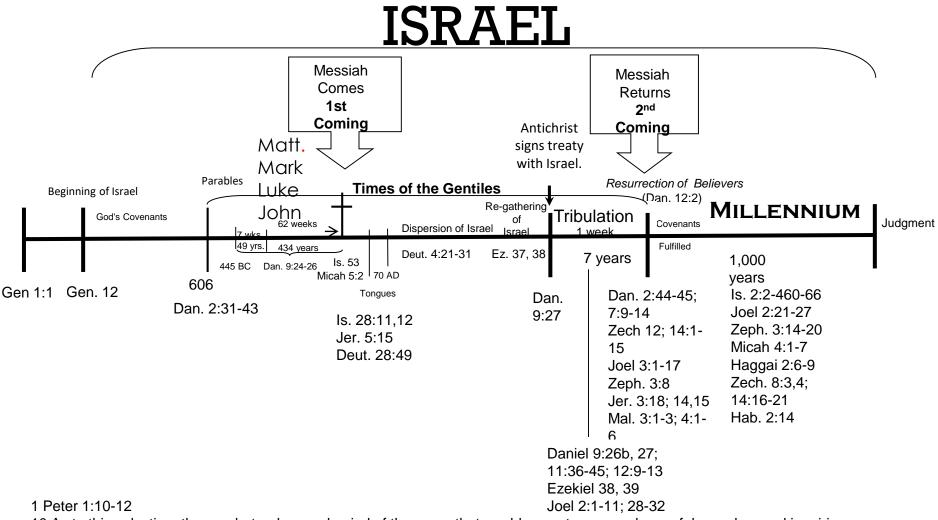
#### 7 Year Tribulation

(Matt. 24:21, Rev. 3:10, Dan. 9:24-27)

[Daniel's 70th Week (Dan. 9:24-27) Time of Jacob's Trouble (Jer. 30:7); Wrath (I Thes. 1:10); Judgement (Rev. 14:7); Indignation (Is. 26:20,21); Trial (Rev. 3:10); Destruction (I Thes. 5:3); Darkness (Joel 2:2); Desolation (Dan. 9:27); Punishment (Is.



## **Old Testament View of Future Prophetic Events**



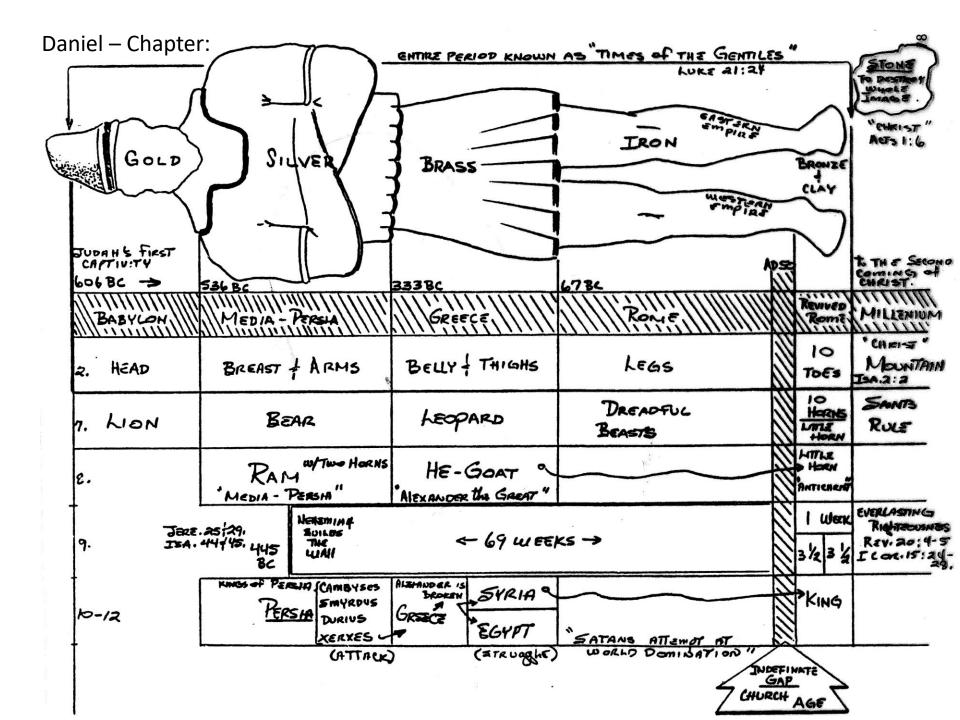
10 As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful searches and inquiries,

11 seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow.

12 It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven -- things into which angels long to look.

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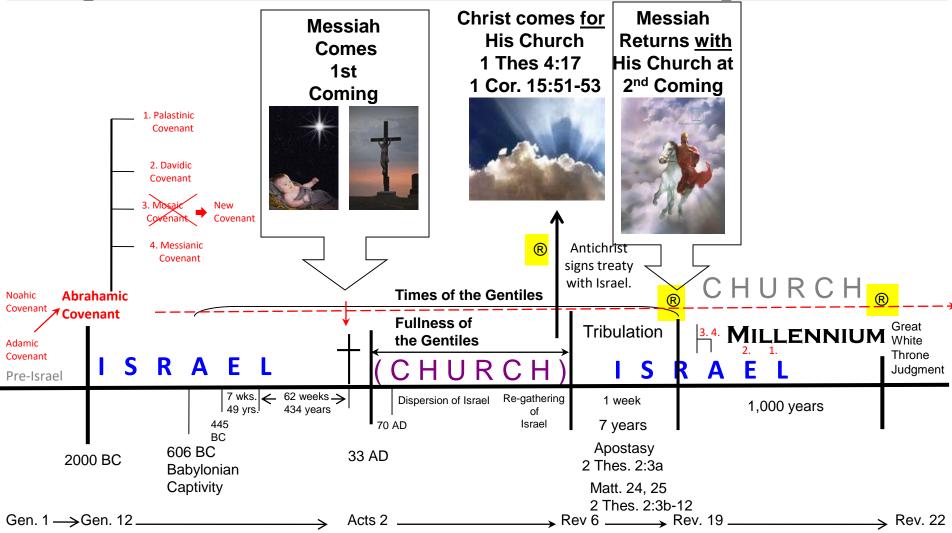


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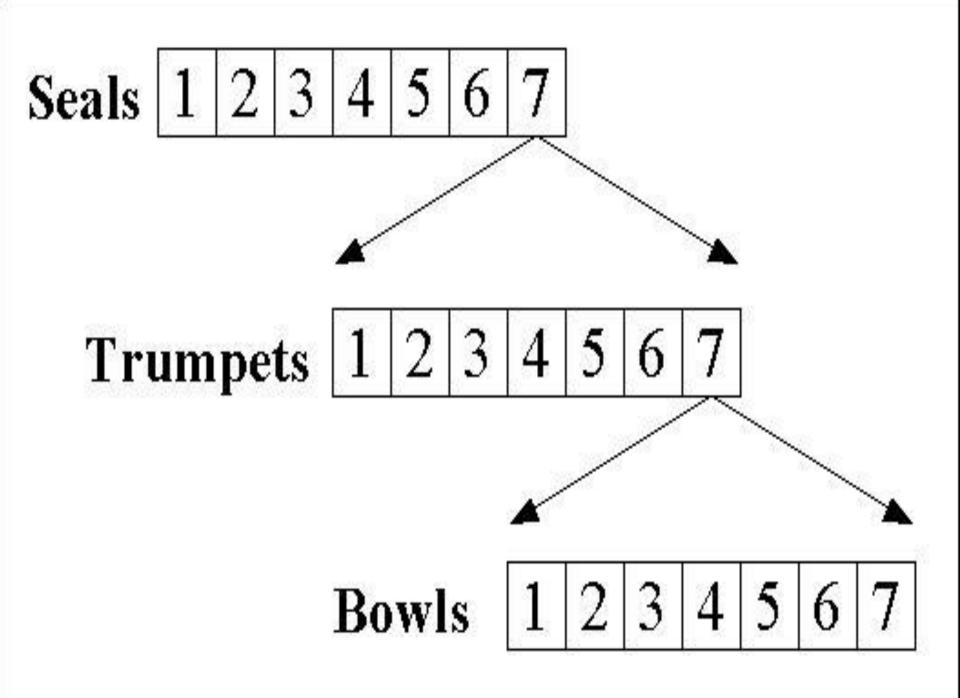
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## **Reasons this cannot be Christ**

- (1) This occurs too early in the Tribulation. At this time Christ is in heaven rewarding His bride while at the same time pouring out wrath from the throne mentioned in chapter 4:2. Christ's coming on a white horse is at the end and is the culmination of the Tribulation. Also, note that Revelation 6:16 views the Lamb as still in heaven.
- (2) Further support that the white horse rider is not Christ is the parallelism with the other three horses which are instruments of judgment. Each rider is an instrument of evil and judgment on the world. The Lamb is viewed as the One who opens the seals allowing the riders to go forth and would not be one of the riders. If Christ were a rider, who would open up the seals?
- (3) In Revelation 19 no more judgments follow. Christ's own coming puts an end to the Tribulation judgments. Here, however, the judgments of the entire Tribulation have yet to unfold.
- (4) The crown which this rider wears is the στεφανοσ crown, a single crown and a victor's crown, not the crown of a sovereign who wears the diadem crown. In chapter 19 the white horse rider wears many crowns, and they are the diadem crowns, the crowns of sovereignty.

# Notice his appearance:

# 1. White horse.

- Horses were battle machines.
- White stood for purity, righteousness, and peace.

# 2. A bow.

- Notice there are no arrows.
- The antichist will not conquer by force, but by deceiving and cunning persuasion. He will appeal to the mind.

# 3. A crown.

This is not the crown of a king or sovereign. This is a victor's crown.

# 4. A conquerer.

 The goal of the antichrist is to conquer, to rule the world.
 The appeal to peace is only a front, only bait for the trap, to lure peoples and nations into thinking peace is his motive when world domination is his sole ambition.

# Dan. 9:24-27

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- 24 "Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place.
- 25 "So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress.
- 26 "Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined.
- 27 "And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate."

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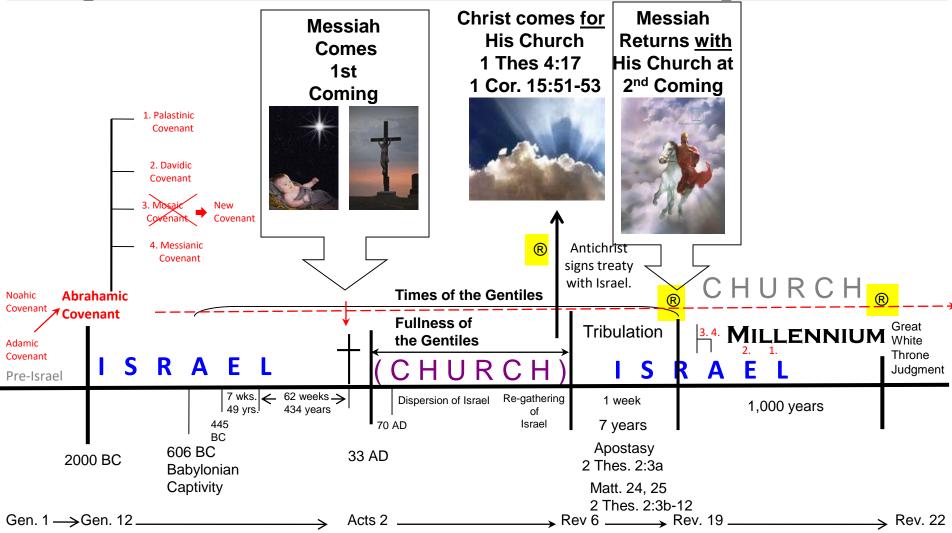
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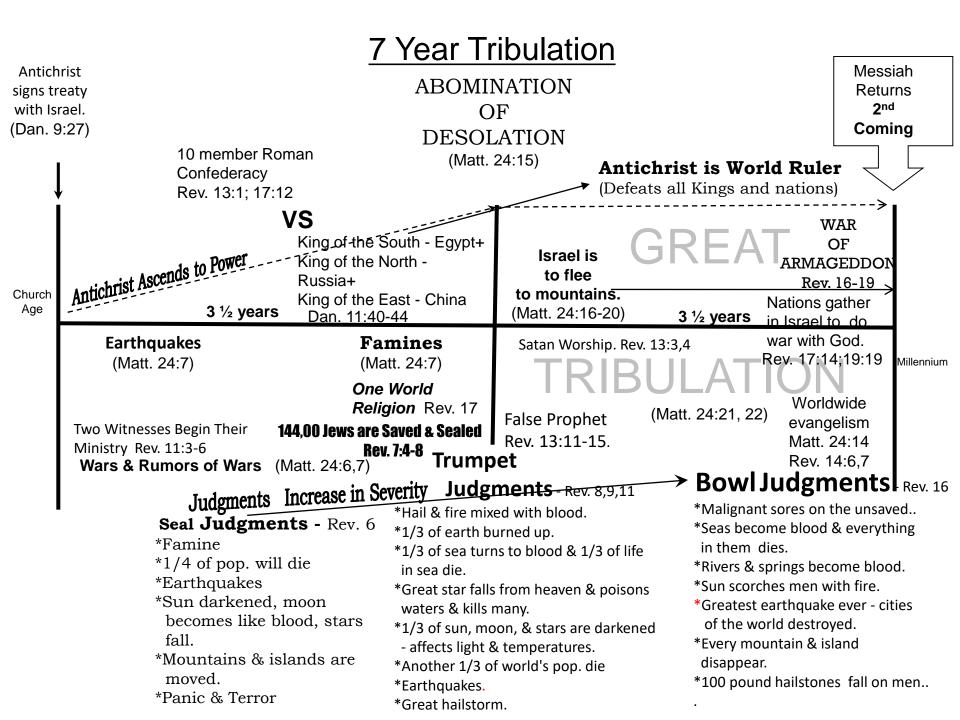
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### What is in the treaty?

- 1. Length of time: It is a treaty for 7 years.
- Peace. Between Israel and the rest of the world. The antichrist will be able to find a solution to the Arab-Israeli dispute.
- 3. Guarantees to Israel:
  - A secure homeland with borders.
  - A temple.
  - The freedom to reinstitute Mosaic rituals and their sacrificial system.

### 2 Thess. 2:1-12

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- 1 Now we request you, brethren, with regard to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him,
- 2 that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.
- 3 Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy\* comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,
- 4 who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God.
- 5 Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things?
- 6 And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed.
- \*A worldwide rebellion against God and His Word.

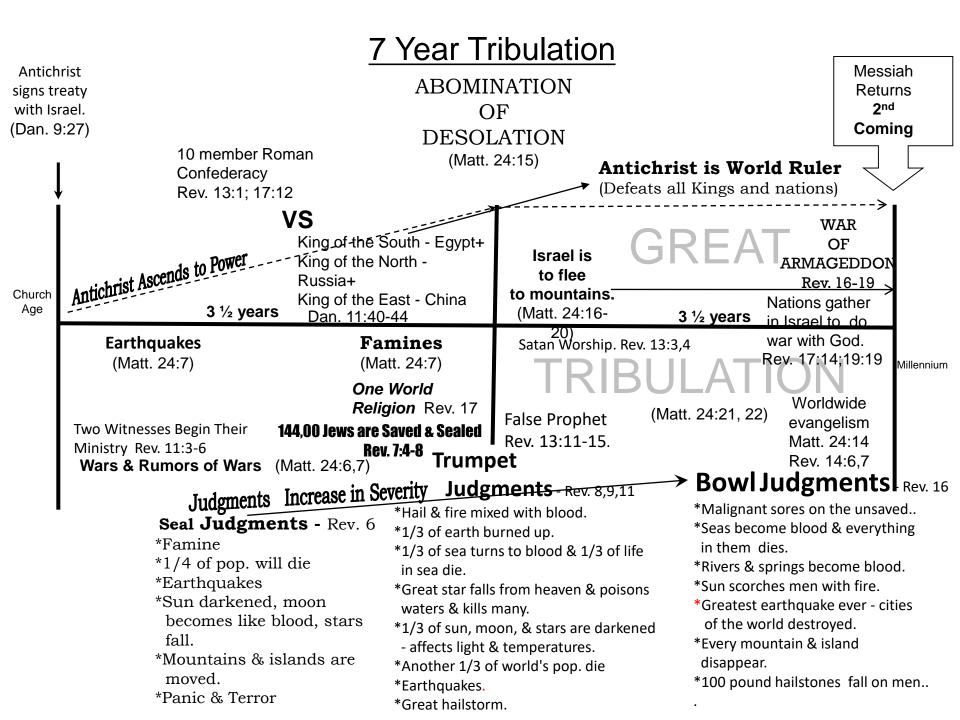
- 7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way.
- 8 Then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming;
- 9 that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders,
- 10 and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved.
- 11 For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false,
- 12 in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness.

#### The world will say –

"We told you all the time the problem was those rotten Christians. They kept us from all the prosperity and everything else."

"Yes we all agree that the church was responsible for all of the wars. Now that we got those warmongers out of here, we can have peace here on the earth."

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### Matt. 24

#### A Comparison of Mt. 24 & Rev. 6

1st Seal: False Peace / False messiahs	Mt. 24:5	Rev.6:1-2
2nd Seal: War	Mt. 24:6-7	Rev. 6:3-4
3rd Seal: Famine	Mt. 24:7	Rev. 6:5-6
4th Seal: Death	Mt. 24:7-9	Rev. 6:7-8
5th Seal: Martyrdom	Mt. 24:9-10	<b>Rev. 6:9-</b> 11
6th Seal: Earthquake	Mt. 24:7	Rev. 6:12

#### Matt 24:1-5,11,23-26

- 1 Jesus came out from the temple and was going away when His disciples came up to point out the temple buildings to Him.
- 2 And He said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Truly I say to you, not one stone here will be left upon another, which will not be torn down."
- 3 As He was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things happen, and what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"
- 4 And Jesus answered and said to them, "See to it that no one misleads you.
- 5 "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will mislead many.

- 11 "Many false prophets will arise and will mislead many.
- 23 "Then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ,' or 'There He is,' do not believe him.
- 24 "For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.
- 25 "Behold, I have told you in advance.
- 26 "So if they say to you, 'Behold, He is in the wilderness,' do not go out, or, 'Behold, He is in the inner rooms,' do not believe them.

#### 10 signs of the Tribulation in Matt. 24:

1. Deception by false Christs. (4,5)

- There have been false Christs before, but now the number has intensified and escalated.
- They are empowered by demons to do supernatural feats.
- The world begins to disintegrate.
- Suffering will be unbearable.
- Sin will reach its maximum potential.
- The Church is gone.
- The restraining influence of the Holy Spirit is gone.
- False Christ's will rise to the occasion, bringing promises.
- 2. Wars and rumors of wars. (6, 7a)
- 3. Famines & Earthquakes. (7b)
- 4. Persecution of Believers. (9)
- 5. Apostasy. (10)
- 6. The rise of false prophets. (11)
- 7. Increase in lawlessness. (12a)
- 8. A cold world. (12b)
- 9. Gospel of the Kingdom will be preached to the whole world. (14)
- 10. The Abomination of Desolation. (15)

### Deception

### 1 Thess 5:2,3

- 2 For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night.
- 3 While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape.

### 1 John 2:18

- 18 Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists\* have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour.
- \*Anyone who opposes the Person and work of Christ manifests the Antichrist's spirit.

## 2 John 7

7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not acknowledge Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the antichrist.

#### 1 Cor 6:9-11

- 9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals,
- 10 nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.

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### 1 Cor 15:33

33 Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals."

#### 2 Cor 11:3-4

3 But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ.

### Gal 6:7

7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.

#### 1 Tim 2:14-15

14 And it was not Adam who was deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.

### 2 Tim 3:13

13 But evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

### Titus 3:3

3 For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.

### James 1:13-16

- 13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.
- 14 But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust.
- 15 Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death.
- 16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.

#### **Rev 18:23**

23 and the light of a lamp will not shine in you any longer; and the voice of the bridegroom and bride will not be heard in you any longer; for your merchants were the great men of the earth, because all the nations were deceived by your sorcery.

### **Rev 19:20**

20 And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone.

### **Rev 20:7-10**

- 7 When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison,
- 8 and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore.

# **Rev 6:1,2**

- 1 Then I saw when the Lamb broke one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying as with a voice of thunder, "Come."
- 2 I looked, and behold, a white horse, and he who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.



#### J. Wilbur Chapman (1859-1918)

Wilbur Chapman graduated from Lake Forest College in 1879 and Lane Seminary, Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1882. Ordained a Presbyterian minister, his first pastorate was split between two churches—in Liberty, Indiana, and College Corner, Ohio. In 1883 he became the minister of the Old Saratoga Dutch Reformed Church in Schuylerville, New York. In 1885, he moved to the First Reformed Church in Albany, New York, and in 1890 to the Bethany Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He was one of the founders of the Winona Lake Bible Conference and, in 1900, traveled to the Holy Land. His works include: Christian Hymns No. 1, (1899), Choice Hymns No. 1, (1902), Songs of Praise: Number 2, (1905). The origin of our hymn was perhaps from a sermon the author was working on. While he was guest preacher at

Stony Brook Bible Conference around 1908, Dr. Chapman gave the text he was preaching from to his organist, Charles Marsh, who provided the tune. Given that he begins his hymn about Christ being "born of a virgin," it's ironic that the author passed from this earthly scene into the presence of his Savior on the very day we celebrate the birth of Christ. This hymn and another that he wrote, "Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners" were his 2 most famous. What was the other famous hymn...

#### One Day

 One day when Heaven was filled with His praises, One day when sin was as black as could be, Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin, Dwelt among men, my example is He!

#### Refrain:

Living, He loved me; dying, He saved me; Buried, He carried my sins far away; Rising, He justified freely forever; One day He's coming—oh, glorious day!

 One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain, One day they nailed Him to die on the tree; Suffering anguish, despised and rejected: Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He!

#### Refrain

3. One day they left Him alone in the garden,
One day He rested, from suffering free;
Angels came down o'er His tomb to keep vigil;
Hope of the hopeless, my Savior is He! *Refrain:*

4. One day the grave could conceal Him no longer,One day the stone rolled away from the door;Then He arose, over death He had conquered;Now is ascended, my Lord evermore!

#### Refrain:

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming,
 One day the skies with His glories will shine;
 Wonderful day, my beloved ones bringing;
 Glorious Savior, this Jesus is mine!

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