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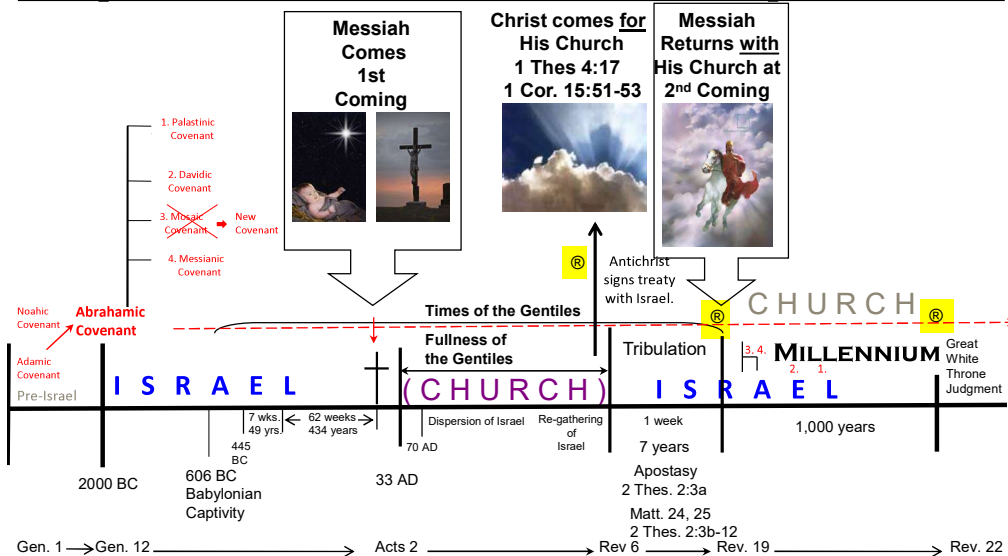


## "Changing Kingdoms"

**Rev. 11:15-19**

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## “the 7<sup>th</sup> angel sounded (the trumpet)”

- This is not the same trumpet as 1 Cor. 15:52 –

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52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

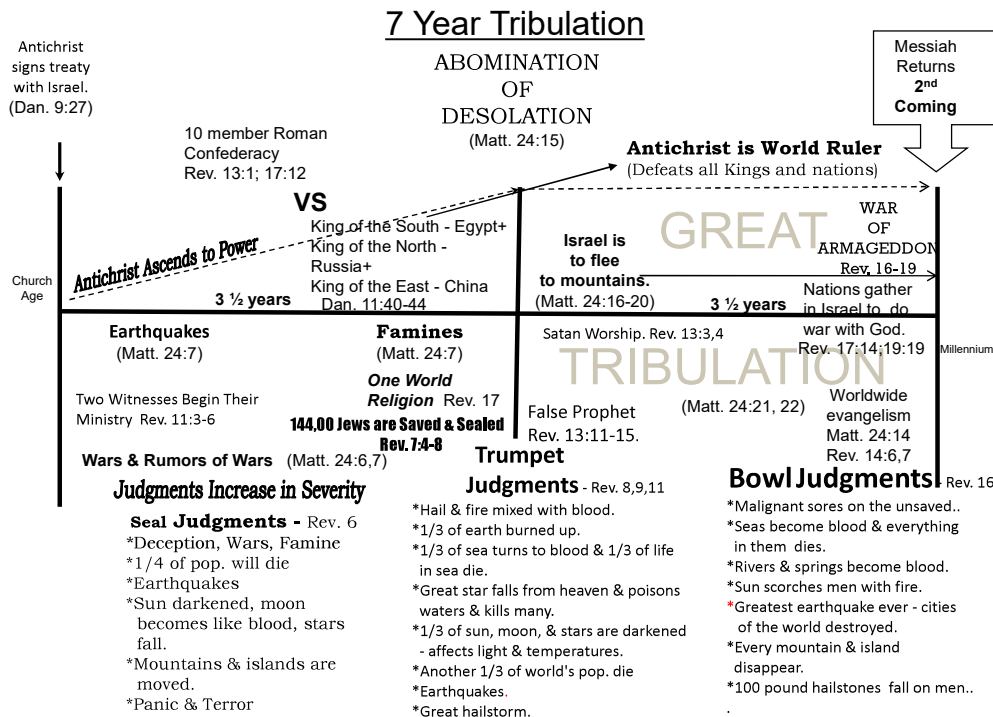
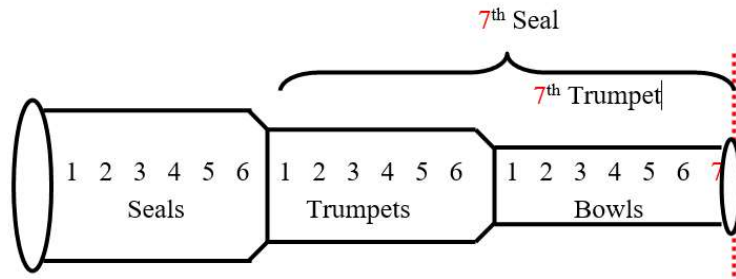
- This is the last trumpet of the church age but not the last trumpet absolutely.
- Mid-tribers and post-tribers are trying to connect the dots but there is no connection. Totally different times and trumpets.

### Matt 24:29-31

29 "But immediately after the tribulation of those days THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL FALL from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

30 "And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the SON OF MAN COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF THE SKY with power and great glory.

31 "And He will send forth His angels with A GREAT TRUMPET and THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.



## “and there were loud voices in heaven, saying,”

- Note that after the 7<sup>th</sup> Seal there was silence in heaven for 30 minutes (8:1-2) but after the 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet it is loud in heaven. Why? Because of this declaration that follows.

**"The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He will reign forever and ever."**

- “kingdom” is singular. One kingdom of the world and one kingdom of heaven.
- Though there are many earthly “kingdoms”, they are all ruled by one – Satan’s kingdom, the kingdom of darkness.

- All of the world's diverse national, political, social, cultural, linguistic, and religious groups are in reality one kingdom under one king. The king of the kingdom of this world is known in Scripture by many names and titles:

- the accuser (Rev. 12:10)
- the adversary (1 Pet. 5:8)
- Beelzebul (Mat. 12:24)
- Belial (2Cor. 6:15)
- the dragon (Rev. 12:3, 7, 9)
- the "evil one" (John 17:15)
- the god of this world (2Cor. 4:4)
- the prince of the power of the air (Eph. 2:2)
- the roaring lion (1Pe. 5:8)
- the ruler of the demons (Mark 3:22)
- the ruler of this world (John 12:31)
- the serpent of old (Rev. 12:9; 20:2)
- the tempter (1Th. 3:5)
- the devil (Mat. 4:1)
- Satan (1Ti. 5:15)

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At present the world is Satan's kingdom and he rules it through human Gentile kings (e.g. Ezek 28:12ff; Dan 10:13). He even offered "all the kingdoms of the world" to Christ.

### **Luke 4:5-8**

5 And he led Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

6 And the devil said to Him, "I will give You all this domain and its glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I give it to whomever I wish.

7 "Therefore if You worship before me, it shall all be Yours."

8 Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD AND SERVE HIM ONLY.'"

### ***"has become . . ."***

- εγενετο - this verb in the Greek is called a proleptic aorist. It means something in the future is so sure, that it can be spoken of as if it has already happened.
- The event that is being exclaimed is not taking place chronologically at this point, but the heavenly host recognizes that the period of God's final wrath is about to be poured out and are so confident, that they speak of it as if it has already taken place.

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## 1 Cor 15:20-28

20 But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.

21 For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead.

22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

23 But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming,

24 then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power.

25 For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet.

26 The last enemy that will be abolished is death.

27 For HE HAS PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER HIS FEET. But when He says, "All things are put in subjection," it is evident that He is excepted who put all things in subjection to Him.

28 When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all.

- Christ will rule in His humanity on earth for the 1,000 years and after the final rebellion is put down Christ will hand this kingdom over to the Father for all eternity so that God may be all in all.

## Ps. 22:27-28

27 All the ends of the world shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You.

28 For the kingdom is the Lord's, and He rules over the nations.

## Ps 72:8-11

8 May he also rule from sea to sea

And from the River to the ends of the earth.

9 Let the nomads of the desert bow before him,

And his enemies lick the dust.

10 Let the kings of Tarshish and of the islands bring presents;

The kings of Sheba and Seba offer gifts.

11 And let all kings bow down before him,

All nations serve him.

## Isa 9:7

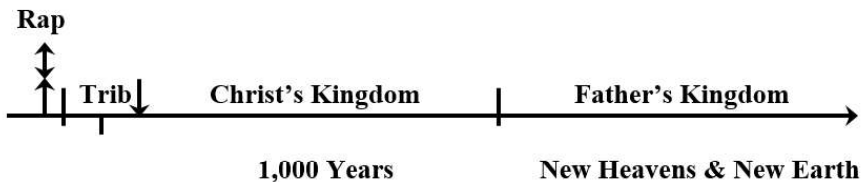
7 There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace,

On the throne of David and over his kingdom,

To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness

From then on and forevermore.

The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.



## **Dan 2:44-45**

44 "In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever.

## **Dan 7:14**

4 "And to Him was given dominion,  
Glory and a kingdom,  
That all the peoples, nations and men of every language  
Might serve Him.  
His dominion is an everlasting dominion  
Which will not pass away;  
And His kingdom is one  
Which will not be destroyed.

- Once His kingdom, it will never again return to Gentile hands. He will reign in His kingdom forever.
- He has the title deed to the world even now but He has not returned to take possession of it.
- The usurpation and occupation of Satan and the earth-dwellers is finished. They are being "evicted from the property."
- There is no turning the tide.
- The King is victorious and the world has come under His dominion.

## **Zech 14:9-11**

9 And the Lord will be king over all the earth; in that day the Lord will be the only one, and His name the only one.

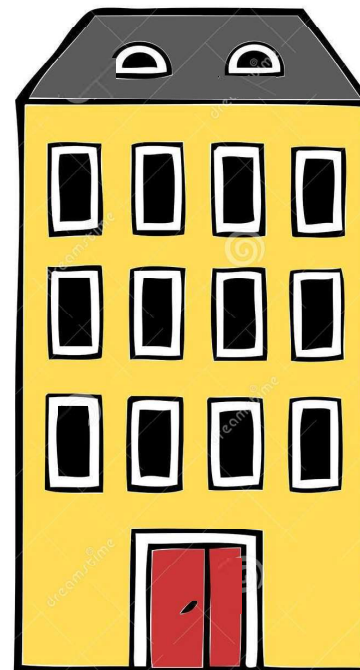
10 All the land will be changed into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem; but Jerusalem will rise and remain on its site from Benjamin's Gate as far as the place of the First Gate to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's wine presses.

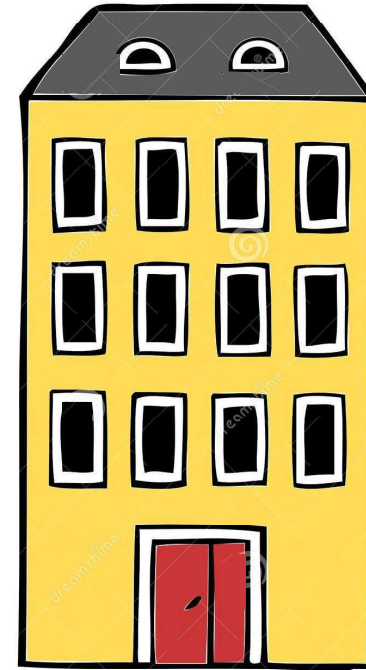
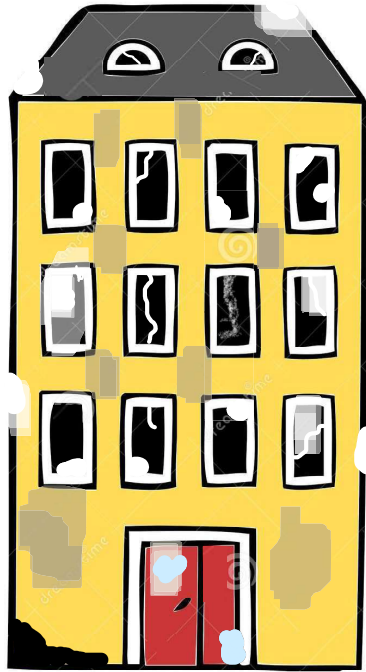
11 People will live in it, and there will no longer be a curse, for Jerusalem will dwell in security.

## **Luke 1:32-33**

32 "He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David;

33 and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end.





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***"24 elders fall on their faces . . ."***

- This is the church.
- Only appropriate response.

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*“. . . Almighty, Who are and Who were . . .”*

Παντοκράτωρ – pantokrator – the absolute ruler, the absolute supreme, absolute sovereign.

## Rev 1:8

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

## Rev 4:8

8 And the four living creatures, each one of them having six wings, are full of eyes around and within; and day and night they do not cease to say,

"HOLY, HOLY, HOLY is THE LORD GOD, THE ALMIGHTY, WHO WAS AND WHO IS AND WHO IS TO COME."

## Rev 16:5-7

5 And I heard the angel of the waters saying, "Righteous are You, who are and who were, O Holy One, because You judged these things;

6 for they poured out the blood of saints and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. They deserve it."

7 And I heard the altar saying, "Yes, O Lord God, the Almighty, true and righteous are Your judgments."

- Note: What's missing in the description?
- He is and He was but now He is here.
- God is being praised for taking His great power and using it to seize the rule of the world.

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***"And the nations were enraged . . ."***

## Ps 2:1-6

Why are the nations in an uproar

And the peoples devising a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth take their stand

And the rulers take counsel together

Against the Lord and against His Anointed, saying,

3 "Let us tear their fetters apart

And cast away their cords from us!"

4 He who sits in the heavens laughs,

The Lord scoffs at them.

5 Then He will speak to them in His anger

And terrify them in His fury, saying,

6 "But as for Me, I have installed My King

Upon Zion, My holy mountain."

## Events to come:

1. Nations enraged.

- They are angry because God comes to rule.
- The nations are enraged about God using His power to seize rule of the world and make it His kingdom.
- The world wants *anything* but the reign of God.
- The nations want the world for themselves. They consider it their eternal abode and wish it to be a place where God does not interfere.
- God created the world and designed it to be ruled by Adam and his descendants according to God's will.
- However, Adam failed at the fall and handed the world system over to Satan who has ruled it ever since.





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1. Nations enraged.
2. Wrath from God.

### Isa 24:17-22

17 Terror and pit and snare  
Confront you, O inhabitant of the earth.  
18 Then it will be that he who flees the report of disaster will fall into the pit,  
And he who climbs out of the pit will be caught in the snare;  
For the windows above are opened, and the foundations of the earth shake.  
19 The earth is broken asunder,  
The earth is split through,  
The earth is shaken violently.  
20 The earth reels to and fro like a drunkard  
And it totters like a shack,  
For its transgression is heavy upon it,  
And it will fall, never to rise again.  
21 So it will happen in that day,  
That the Lord will punish the host of heaven on high,  
And the kings of the earth on earth.  
22 They will be gathered together

### Isa 26:20-27:1

0 Come, my people, enter into your rooms  
And close your doors behind you;  
Hide for a little while  
Until indignation runs its course.  
21 For behold, the Lord is about to come out from His place  
To punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity;  
And the earth will reveal her bloodshed  
And will no longer cover her slain.

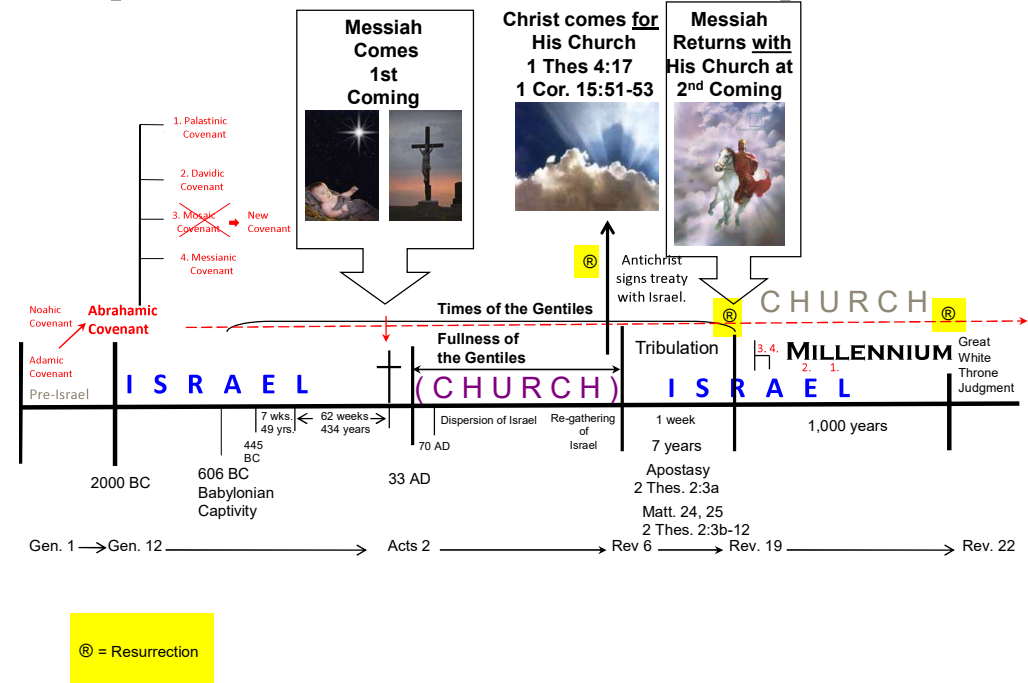
### Isa 30:27-28

27 Behold, the name of the Lord comes from a remote place;  
Burning is His anger and dense is His smoke;  
His lips are filled with indignation  
And His tongue is like a consuming fire;  
28 His breath is like an overflowing torrent,  
Which reaches to the neck,  
To shake the nations back and forth in a sieve,  
And to put in the jaws of the peoples the bridle which leads to ruin.

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3. The dead judged.

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## Dan 12:1,2

- 1 "Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued.
- 2 "Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.

## Rev 20:4-6,11-15

- 4 Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.
- 5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.
- 6 Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.
- 11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them.
- 12 And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.
- 13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds.
- 14 Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire.
- 15 And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

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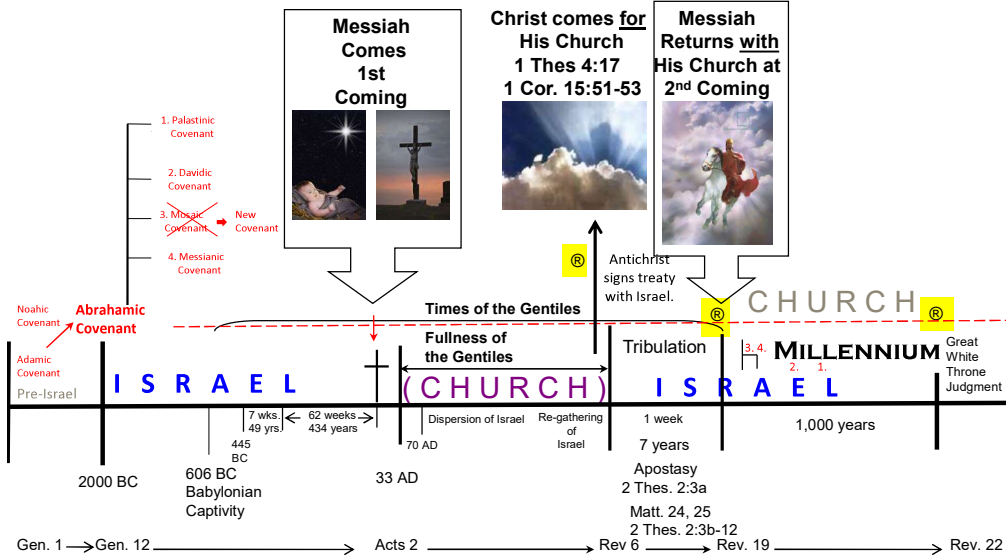
## 2 Cor 5:10

10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

## Rev 22:12

12 "Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done.

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5. Destroy those who corrupted the earth with their sin.

## **Gen 6:5-7,13**

5 Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

6 The Lord was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.

7 The Lord said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky; for I am sorry that I have made them.

13 Then God said to Noah, "The end of all flesh has come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence because of them; and behold, I am about to destroy them with the earth.

- **Chapter 11 begins and ends with Temples. It begins with the earthly Temple and ends with the heavenly Temple.**
- **Again here we are with Israel, the Temple, and the covenants.**
- **But that doesn't exclude us, it includes us because we (the Church) are spiritual Jews.**

### **Gal 3:7**

7 Therefore, be sure that it is those who are of faith who are sons of Abraham.

### **Gal 3:29**

29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's descendants, heirs according to promise.

- **The earthly Temple was patterned after the heavenly Temple.**

### **Ex 25:8-9**

8 "Let them construct a sanctuary for Me, that I may dwell among them.

9 "According to all that I am going to show you, as the pattern of the tabernacle and the pattern of all its furniture, just so you shall construct it.

### **Heb 9:21-23**

21 And in the same way he sprinkled both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry with the blood.

22 And according to the Law, one may almost say, all things are cleansed with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.

23 Therefore it was necessary for the copies of the things in the heavens to be cleansed with these,

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## **The appearance of the Ark of the Covenant cuts both ways:**

### **Rom 11:22**

22 Behold then the kindness and severity of God;

- It cuts in kindness by offering forgiveness of sin, cleansing, salvation, and access into the presence of God.
- It cuts in severity when mankind rejects the offer and judgment follows.

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	Rev 8:5	Rev 11:19	Rev 16:18
Peals of thunder	✓	✓	✓
Flashes of lightning	✓	✓	✓
Sounds	✓	✓	✓
Earthquake	✓	✓	✓
Hailstorm		✓	

**Theophany** – A visible manifestation of God to mankind.

**Storm Theophany** – God manifests Himself in the elements of a storm.

Storm Theophany 1: After the 7<sup>th</sup> Seal

Storm Theophany 2: After the 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet

Storm Theophany 3: After the 7<sup>th</sup> Bowl

## Rev 8:5

5 Then the angel took the censer and filled it with the fire of the altar, and threw it to the earth; and there followed peals of thunder and sounds and flashes of lightning and an earthquake.

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## Rev 16:18-19

18 And there were flashes of lightning and sounds and peals of thunder; and there was a great earthquake, such as there had not been since man came to be upon the earth, so great an earthquake was it, and so mighty.

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(1858-1901)**

Maltbie D. Babcock (1858-1901) was an extraordinarily talented young man from a well-to-do family, so he could easily have succeeded at any profession. God called him to be a minister of the Gospel, and he followed the call faithfully. As a student at Auburn Theological Seminary he excelled at scholastics as well as a host of other things— baseball, swimming, and music in particular. He enjoyed nature, and was an avid fisherman. He wrote poetry.

Upon graduation from seminary, he accepted a call to First Presbyterian Church in Lockport, New York, a few miles east of Niagara Falls and a few miles south of Lake Ontario—a lovely place. Babcock enjoyed running for exercise. He would often run several miles to a hill where he could see Lake Ontario in the distance—and he enjoyed visiting a ravine where some forty varieties of birds found sanctuary. As he left to go running, he would tell the secretary, “I’m going to see my Father’s world.”

He then accepted a call to Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church in Baltimore, where he stayed fourteen years. He was quite popular among the students at nearby Johns Hopkins University, where he often preached, lectured, and interacted with students.



Then in 1899 he accepted a call to Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City—following Henry van Dyke in that pulpit. The workload there was quite heavy and it was no longer easy to find a place to commune with nature.

When he had been at Brick Church for a year and a half, the congregation gave him a trip to the Holy Land. It should have been a restful trip. There was no airline travel yet, so he would have traveled by ship. However, during a stop at Naples, Italy, he came down with an infection and died. He was 43 years old.

After his death, his widow pulled together a collection of his writings and published them under the title, *Thoughts for Everyday Living*. That collection included the words to this hymn.

Frank L. Sheppard, an accomplished musician, set the words to an old English tune and published this hymn in 1915 in his book "Alleluia", a Presbyterian Sunday school book. The hymn that he wrote . . .

As he left to go running each day, he would tell the secretary, “I’m going to see my Father’s world.”

### THIS IS MY FATHER’S WORLD

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| <p>1. This is my Father’s world,<br/>And to my listening ears<br/>All nature sings, and round me rings<br/>The music of the spheres.</p>          | <p>5. This is my Father’s world.<br/>O let me ne’er forget<br/>That though the wrong, Seems oft so<br/>strong,<br/>God is the ruler yet.</p>           |
| <p>2. This is my Father’s world:<br/>I rest me in the thought<br/>Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;<br/>His hand the wonders wrought.</p>    | <p>6. This is my Father’s world:<br/>The battle is not done:<br/>Jesus who died shall be satisfied,<br/>And earth and Heav’n be one.</p>               |
| <p>3. This is my Father’s world,<br/>The birds their carols raise,<br/>The morning light, the lily white,<br/>Declare their maker’s praise.</p>   | <p>7. This is my Father’s world,<br/>Dreaming, I see His face.<br/>I open my eyes, and in glad surprise<br/>Cry, The Lord is in this place.</p>        |
| <p>4. This is my Father’s world:<br/>He shines in all that’s fair;<br/>In the rustling grass I hear Him pass;<br/>He speaks to me everywhere.</p> | <p>8. This is my Father’s world,<br/>From the shining courts above,<br/>The Beloved One, His Only Son,<br/>Came—a pledge of deathless love.</p>        |
|   | <p>9. This is my Father’s world,<br/>Should my heart be ever sad?<br/>The lord is King—let the heavens ring.<br/>God reigns—let the earth be glad.</p> |
|   | <p>10. This is my Father’s world.<br/>Now closer to Heaven bound,<br/>For dear to God is the earth Christ trod.<br/>No place but is holy ground.</p>   |
|   | <p>11. This is my Father’s world.<br/>I walk a desert lone.<br/>In a bush ablaze to my wondering gaze<br/>God makes His glory known.</p>               |
|   | <p>12. This is my Father’s world,<br/>a wanderer I may roam<br/>Whate’er my lot, it matters not,<br/>My heart is still at home.</p>                    |