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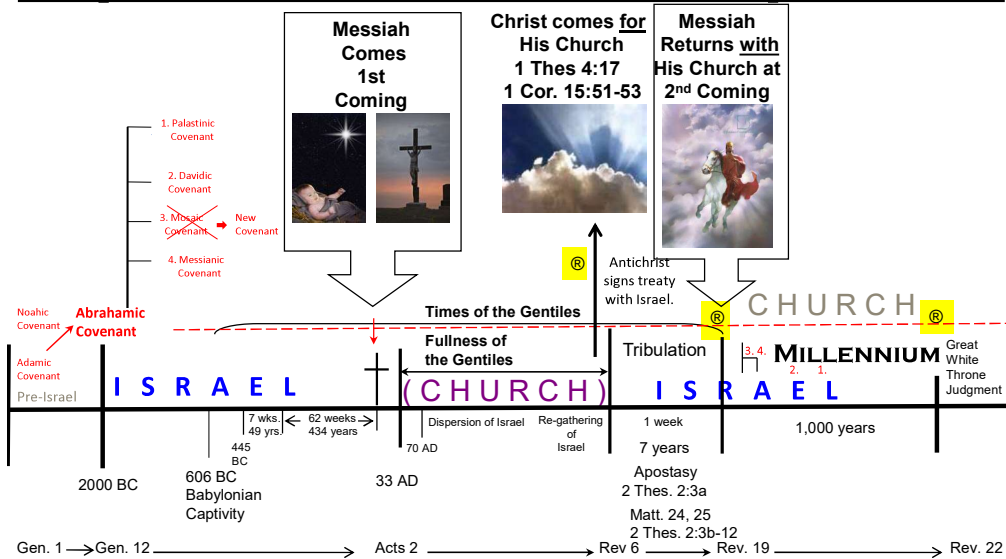
"We proclaim Him, warning every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man mature in Christ." Col 1:28

"Bowl Judgments 4-6"

Rev. 16:8-12

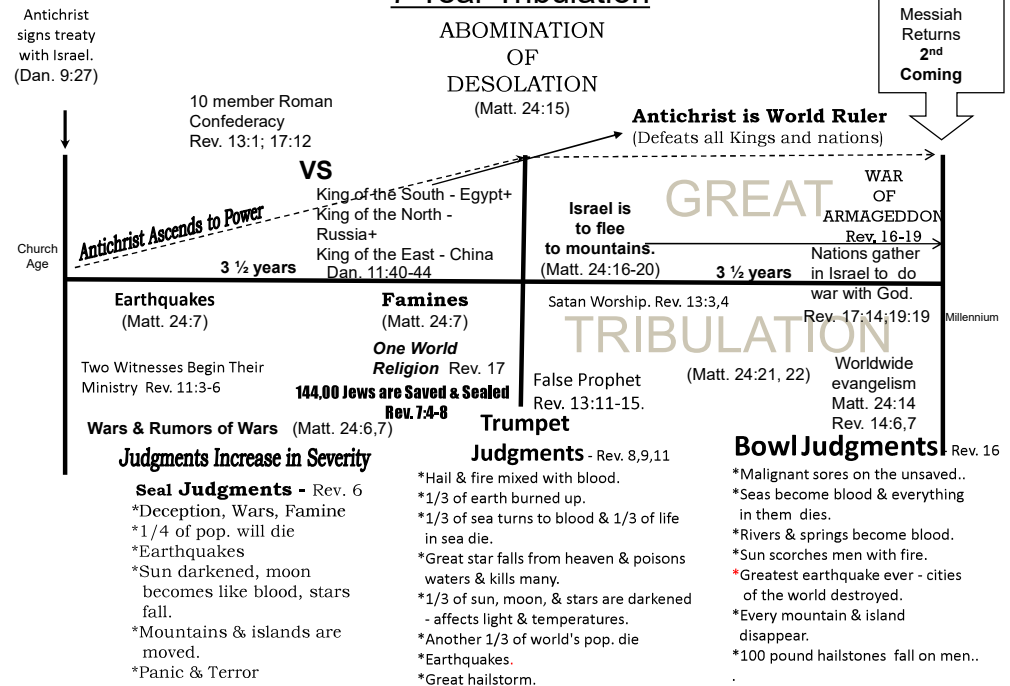
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Comprehensive Biblical View of Future Prophetic Events



® = Resurrection

7 Year Tribulation



Quiz

1. What is the Abomination of Desolation?
2. Who makes up the Satanic Trinity?
3. How many of the 144,000 die during the Tribulation?
4. Describe the first 3 Bowl Judgments.

Similar to the 4th Trumpet Judgment

Rev 8:12

12 The fourth angel sounded, and a third of the sun and a third of the moon and a third of the stars were struck, so that a third of them would be darkened and the day would not shine for a third of it, and the night in the same way.

Rev 16:8-12

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11 and they blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores; and they did not repent of their deeds.

12 The sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river, the Euphrates; and its water was dried up, so that the way would be prepared for the kings from the east.

The 4th Bowl Judgment was prophesied –

Mal 4:1

1 For behold, the day is coming, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and every evildoer will be chaff; and the day that is coming will set them ablaze," says the Lord of hosts, "so that it will leave them neither root nor branch."

Is 24:3-6

3 The earth will be completely laid waste and completely despoiled, for the Lord has spoken this word.

4 The earth mourns and withers, the world fades and withers, the exalted of the people of the earth fade away.

5 The earth is also polluted by its inhabitants, for they transgressed laws, violated statutes, broke the everlasting covenant.

6 Therefore, a curse devours the earth, and those who live in it are held guilty. Therefore, the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men are left.

Isa 30:26

26 The light of the moon will be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun will be seven times brighter, like the light of seven days, on the day the Lord binds up the fracture of His people and heals the bruise He has inflicted.

- One purpose for God striking the sun is found in the age-old idolatry of men, where they have worshiped the sun, moon, and stars rather than acknowledging their Creator.
- The very things in which men have trusted or to which they have given their worship will be the sources of their most horrific punishments.
- Note: When the Tribulation martyrs get to heaven, they will no longer suffer from these plagues.

Rev. 7:16

16 They will hunger no longer, nor thirst anymore; nor will the sun beat down on them, nor any heat;

“and they blasphemed the name of God who has the power over these plagues, and they did not repent so as to give Him glory.”

Βλασφημῶ – blasphemeo – to rail at, to slander, to defame, to speak evil of.

- Their issue is with God but it should be with their own sin. They are blinded and deceived.
- No one on earth controls the sun.
- God is the only one who can cause this judgment by the sun to happen, and men know it.
- Yet men remain unrepentant.

Rev 6:15-17

15 Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains;

16 and they said to the mountains and to the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb;

17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

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“Then the fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom became darkened;”

darkened - σκοτωω – skotoo – full of darkness, to be blind.

- Similar to the 9th plague in Egypt –

Ex 10:21-23

21 Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward the sky, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, even a darkness which may be felt."

22 So Moses stretched out his hand toward the sky, and there was thick darkness in all the land of Egypt for three days.

23 They did not see one another, nor did anyone rise from his place for three days, but all the sons of Israel had light in their dwellings.

- What a transition – going from a bright, scorching sun made 7 times brighter, to a darkness that engulfs the entire world.

Joel 2:1-2

1 For the day of the Lord is coming;

Surely it is near,

2 A day of darkness and gloom,

A day of clouds and thick darkness.

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- Everything is worse in the dark – the boils, no water to drink, food is scarce, burns from the sun, people are crying, wailing from the pain. There is no hope. You have no idea what the future holds. Will it be like this until you die?
- So you chew and gnaw at your tongue as a diversion from the torment. It distracts your attention.
- They blasphemed God with their tongues and now God says, “Bite your tongue!”
- This is a preview of Hell –

Matt 8:12

12 but the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into the outer darkness; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Repentance

Ezek 18:32

32 "For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone who dies," declares the Lord God. "Therefore, **repent** and live."

Matt 3:1-3

1 Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying,

2 "**Repent**, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Matt 4:17

17 From that time Jesus began to preach and say, "**Repent**, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Luke 13:3

3 "I tell you, no, but unless you **repent**, you will all likewise perish.

1. What is Repentance?

תְּשׁוּבָה - teshuvah – “to turn from or return to” – to change direction.

Ezek 14:6

6 "Therefore say to the house of Israel, 'Thus says the Lord God, "**Repent and turn away** from your idols and turn your faces away from all your abominations.

Ezek 18:30

30 "Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, each according to his conduct," declares the Lord God. "**Repent and turn away** from all your transgressions, so that iniquity may not become a stumbling block to you.

4 steps of Teshuvah in the O.T.

1. Turn from your sin.
2. Regret what you have done.
3. Confess your sin.
4. Accept God's forgiveness.

Mark 6:7

7 And He summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs,

12 They went out and preached that men should **repent**.

Acts 2:38

38 Peter said to them, "**Repent**, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 8:22

22 "Therefore **repent** of this wickedness of yours, and pray the Lord that, if possible, the intention of your heart may be forgiven you.

Rev 9:20-21

20 The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not **repent** of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk;

21 and they did not **repent** of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.

Repentance - Teshuva

1. You burn the house down you have been living in.
2. Turn and leave the place, never to return. It has been crushed, burned down, demolished and destroyed and there is no reason to return.
3. If you do not leave or you return, you will spend your life living among the ashes.



TESHUVAH

repentance, turning from sin and turning to YHVH

YHVH



II. Who needs to Repent?

Everyone.

III. Is Repentance necessary for salvation?

Yes. You need to turn from sin. Repentance is from sin.

Mark 1:14-15

14 Now after John had been taken into custody, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God,

15 and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

μετανοεω – metanoeo. meta – after/noeo – to think = to think after or to have an after thought or a change of thinking.

• Results of repentance:

1. YOU HATE SIN
2. YOU LOVE GOD

• Baptism is a picture of Repentance.

You are announcing to the world that you are changing the direction of your life – you are now dead to sin (buried) and alive to Christ (resurrection).

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Rom 6:4-7

4 Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection,

6 knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin;

7 for he who has died is freed from sin.

Church at Ephesus –

Rev 2:5

5 'Therefore remember from where you have fallen, and **repent** and do the deeds you did at first; or else I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place — unless you **repent**.

Church at Pergamum

Rev 2:16

16 'Therefore **repent**; or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of My mouth.

Church at Thyatira

Rev 2:21-22

21 'I gave her time to **repent**, and she does not want to **repent** of her immorality.

Church at Sardis

Rev 3:3

3 'So remember what you have received and heard; and keep it, and **repent**.

Church at Laodicea

Rev 3:19

19 'Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline; therefore be zealous and **repent**.

IV. What if you believe in Christ but don't Repent?

What are you believing?

Acts 19:4

4 Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in Him who was coming after him, that is, in Jesus."

V. What is "Carnal Repentance"?

Heb 12:16-17

16 that there be no immoral or godless person like Esau, who sold his own birthright for a single meal.

17 For you know that even afterwards, when he desired to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought for it with tears.

*Esau was not sorry for or regretted his sin but was sorry for what he lost personally (in the flesh). There was no sincere repentance only a "carnal repentance."

VI. Why is it so difficult to repent?

4 reasons:

1. *Because man loves and enjoys sin.*

John 3:1

19 "This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil.

2. *Because Satan has blinded man through deception.*

2 Cor 4:3-4

3 And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,

4 in whose case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

*Man has to be blind, because it is so plain to see.

3. *Because those in Rev. 16 have committed themselves and are sold out to the Antichrist and his world system.*

"Judgment may produce a carnal repentance – a repentance that is of the flesh, and after the manner of the sinful nature of men. In this repentance the depravity of the heart remains the same in essence, though it takes another form of showing itself. Though the man changes, he is not savingly changed: he becomes another man, but not a new man. The same sin rules in him, but it is called by another name, and wears another dress. The stone is carved into a more slightly shape, but it is not turned into flesh. The iron is cast into another image, but it is not transformed into gold. This carnal repentance is caused by fear. Does not every thief repent of robbery when he is convicted and sent to jail? Does not every murderer repent of his crime when he stands under the fatal tree?"

- Charles Spurgeon

Condition of the unrepentant in Rev. 16:11

- They directly worship Satan himself (Rev. 13:4).
- They worship the beast who claims to be God (2Th. 2:4).
- They are provided with overwhelming evidence of God's existence (Rev. 6:16-17).
- They are afforded the benefit of hearing the gospel message from an angel (Rev. 14:6), the 144,000 (Rev. 7:4-9) and the 2 witnesses (Rev. 11:3,4).
- They are uniquely warned of the consequences of taking the mark of the Beast (Rev. 14:9).
- They continue in steadfast rebellion, all the while blaspheming God (Rev. 16:9, 11, 21).
- Their irredeemable status is seen in God's sending upon them a "strong delusion that they should believe the lie" (2Th. 2:11).
- They take the mark of the Beast ("666") which seals their fate.

Rev 14:9-10

9 Then another angel, a third one, followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand,

10 he also will drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is mixed in full strength in the cup of His anger; and he will be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.

Heb 10:26-27

26 For if we go on sinning willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

27 but a terrifying expectation of judgment and THE FURY OF A FIRE WHICH WILL CONSUME THE ADVERSARIES.

VIII. How does a person have the ability to Repent?

- Repentance is a gift of God.

"First and foremost, repentance is a gift. It is an act that the Holy Spirit works in us resulting in an act that flows out of us. Although it is our act, it does not originate from within us. In fact, in our naturally stubborn, rebellious hearts the whole notion of repentance is foreign."

- Burk Parsons

- The ability to believe and repent are both given by God.

Believe

Eph 2:8

8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;

2 Peter 1:1

1 Simon Peter, a bond-servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who have received faith of the same kind as ours,

Phil 1:29

29 For to you it has been granted for Christ's sake, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake,

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VII. Why does God continue to send judgments if they will never repent?

- To provide abundant witness of their unwillingness to turn from their sin.
- Each time they respond in blasphemy, they testify to the justice of God's judgment.

Repent

Acts 5:31-32

31 "He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

Acts 11:18

18 When they heard this, they quieted down and glorified God, saying, "Well then, God has granted to the Gentiles also the repentance that leads to life."

2 Tim 2:25-26

25 with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth,

26 and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, having been held captive by him to do his will.

"Lord command what you will and grant what you command!"

- St. Augustine



Lydia Baxter
(1809–1874)

Lydia and her sister came to Christ with the help of Baptist missionary, Eben Tucker. Following their conversion, the Baxter girls helped found the local Baptist church. After Lydia married John C. Baxter, she moved to New York City. Her home was always open to preachers, evangelists, and Christian workers. Although Lydia Baxter was a bed-ridden invalid much of her life, she remained continually cheerful and patient. 'I have a very special armor', she would tell her friends. 'I have the name of Jesus.' Hymnologist Kenneth Osbeck notes, "Her friends used to say that a visit to her sickroom was not so much to give her encouragement and comfort as to receive some buoyancy for their own spirits."



Lydia Baxter
(1809–1874)

This hymn was written by Mrs. Baxter on her sick bed just four years before her death in 1874 at the age of 65. Throughout her lifetime she was known as an avid student of the Bible who loved to discuss the significance of scriptural names with her friends. She would inform them that Samuel means 'asked of God', Hannah--'grace', Sarah--'princess', and Naomi--'pleasantness'. But the name that meant everything to Lydia Baxter was the name 'Jesus'.

This hymn was used often during the Moody-Sankey evangelistic campaigns in the latter part of the 19th Century. These words are still a comforting reminder of peace and joy that result as we carry His precious Name throughout this life, and of the 'joy of heav'n' that awaits us." The name of this hymn is . . .

Take The Name of Jesus With You

1. Take the name of Jesus with you,
Child of sorrow and of woe,
It will joy and comfort give you;
Take it then, where'er you go.

Refrain

Precious name, O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heav'n.
Precious name, O how sweet!
Hope of earth and joy of Heav'n.

2. Take the name of Jesus ever,
As a shield from every snare;
If temptations round you gather,
Breathe that holy name in prayer.

Refrain

3. O the precious name of Jesus!
How it thrills our souls with joy,
When His loving arms receive us,
And His songs our tongues employ!

Refrain

4. At the name of Jesus bowing,
Falling prostrate at His feet,
King of kings in Heav'n we'll crown Him,
When our journey is complete.

Refrain