

Welcome To Open Bible Hour

Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!

Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an in-depth study of the book of Hebrews.



“THE ANCHOR OF YOUR SOUL”

PART III

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April 21, 2013

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Job 1:12

12 Then the Lord said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your power, only do not put forth your hand on him."

Job 2:6

6 So the Lord said to Satan, "Behold, he is in your power, only spare his life."

Job 1:20-21

20 Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head, and he fell to the ground and worshiped.

21 He said,

"Naked I came from my mother's womb,

And naked I shall return there.

The LORD gave and the LORD has taken away.

Blessed be the name of the LORD."

Job 42:11

11 Then all his brothers, and all his sisters, and all who had known him before, came to him, and they ate bread with him in his house; and they consoled him and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had brought on him.

Amos 3:6

6 Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it?

Lam 3:38

8 Is it not from the mouth of the Most High that good and evil come?

Is. 45:6-7

6 I am the LORD, and there is none else.

I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.

Prov 16:4

4 The LORD has made everything for its purpose, even the wicked for the day of trouble.

Rom 9:17

17 For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "FOR THIS VERY PURPOSE I RAISED YOU UP, TO DEMONSTRATE MY POWER IN YOU, AND THAT MY NAME MIGHT BE PROCLAIMED THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE EARTH."

1 Sam 16:14

14 Now the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, And an evil spirit from the LORD terrorized him.

Ecc1 7:13-14

13 Consider the work of God,
For who is able to straighten what He has bent?

14 In the day of prosperity be happy,
But in the day of adversity consider --
God has made the one as well as the other
So that man will not discover (forecast) anything that will be after him.

Ex 4:11

11 And the LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes him dumb or deaf, or seeing or blind? Is it not I, the LORD?"

Ps 105:25

25 He(God) turned their(Egyptians) heart to hate His people(Israel),
To deal craftily with His servants.

Acts 4:27-28

27 "For truly in this city there were gathered together against Your holy servant Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel,

28 to do whatever Your hand and Your purpose predestined to occur.

John 9:1-3

1 As He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth.

2 And His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he would be born blind?"

3 Jesus answered, "It was neither that this man sinned, nor his parents; but it was so that the works of God might be displayed in him.

James 1:13

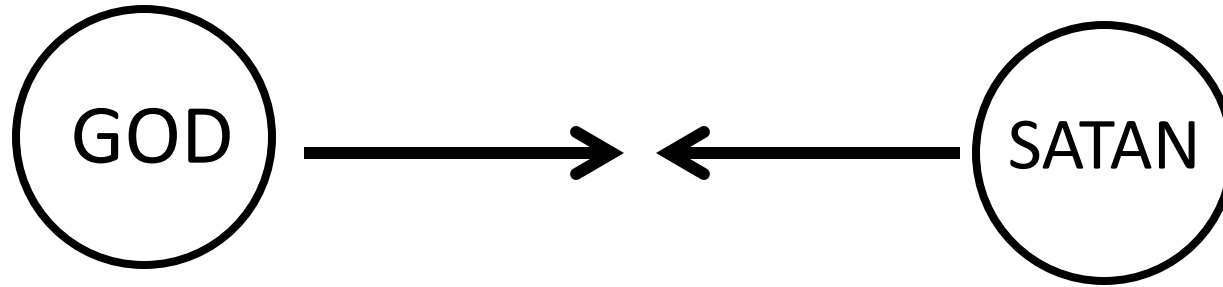
13 Let no one say when he is tempted, "I am being tempted by God"; for God cannot be tempted by evil, and He Himself does not tempt anyone.

Gen 50:20

20 "As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good

- For anything that occurs, God could have prevented it if He had wanted to.
- Therefore if God allows something, it is because it was part of His plan from the beginning.
- It can only be said therefore that God "permits" something to occur because He has purposed and planned it from eternity past.

Dualism



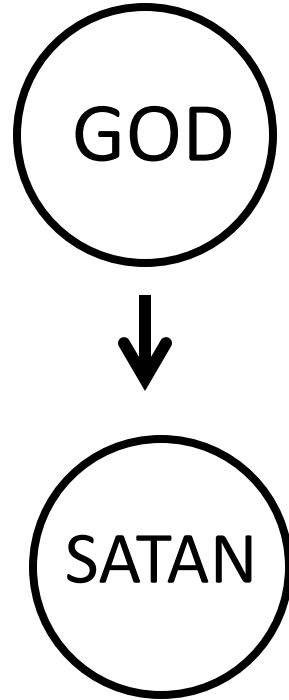
God has nothing to do with what Satan does. Satan operates independent from God.

Satan does what he pleases. Man is often the helpless victim of the acts of Satan. Satan is very powerful and wins many battles but God wins in the end.

In Dualism:

1. The believer is led to attribute far more power to Satan than what he actually possesses.
2. The believer is subtly led to believe that Satan is virtually equal to God.
3. The believer spends his life focused more on combat with the Devil than on seeing & trusting in the purposes of God.

Sovereign Monotheism



In Sovereign Monotheism:

1. God is infinitely greater than Satan.
2. Satan can't make a move unless permission to do so is granted by God.
3. Satan is God's "puppet" used to carry out God's determined will.
4. The believer's life is focused on God's purposes in all things.

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Gen 12:1

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And from your father's house,
To the **land** which I will show you;

Heb 11:8

8 By faith Abraham, when he was called, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he went out, not knowing where he was going.

Gen 11:31-32

31 Terah took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran, his grandson, and Sarai his daughter-in-law, his son Abram's wife; and they went out together from Ur of the Chaldeans in order to enter the land of Canaan; and they went as far as Haran, and settled there.

32 The days of Terah were two hundred and five years; and Terah died in Haran.



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- *Abraham was promised a nation and nations.*

Gen 12:2

And I will make you a great **nation**,
And I will bless you,
And make your name great;
And so you shall be a blessing;

Gen 17:3-5

3 Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying,

4 "As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, And you will be the father of a multitude of nations.

5 "No longer shall your name be called Abram, But your name shall be Abraham;

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Rom 9:6-8

6 But it is not as though the word of God has failed.
For they are not all Israel who are descended from
Israel;

7 nor are they all children because they are
Abraham's descendants, but: "THROUGH ISAAC
YOUR DESCENDANTS WILL BE NAMED."

8 That is, it is not the children of the flesh who are
children of God, but the children of the promise are
regarded as descendants.

Abraham



Physical Israel

Spiritual Israel

Rom 4:3

3 For what does the Scripture say? "ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS CREDITED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS."

Gal 3:6-7

6 Even so Abraham BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS.

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

James 2:23

23 and the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "AND ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS,"

- ***Abraham was promised a son.***

Gen 17:19

19 But God said, "No, but Sarah your wife will bear you a **son**, and you shall call his name Isaac; and I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him.

- ***Abraham was promised a provision.***

Gen 22:2

2 He said, "Take now your son, your only son, whom you love, Isaac, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I will tell you."

Heb 11:17-19

17 By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was offering up his only begotten son;

18 it was he to whom it was said, "**IN ISAAC YOUR DESCENDANTS SHALL BE CALLED.**"

19 He considered that God is able to raise people even from the dead, from which he also received him back as a type.

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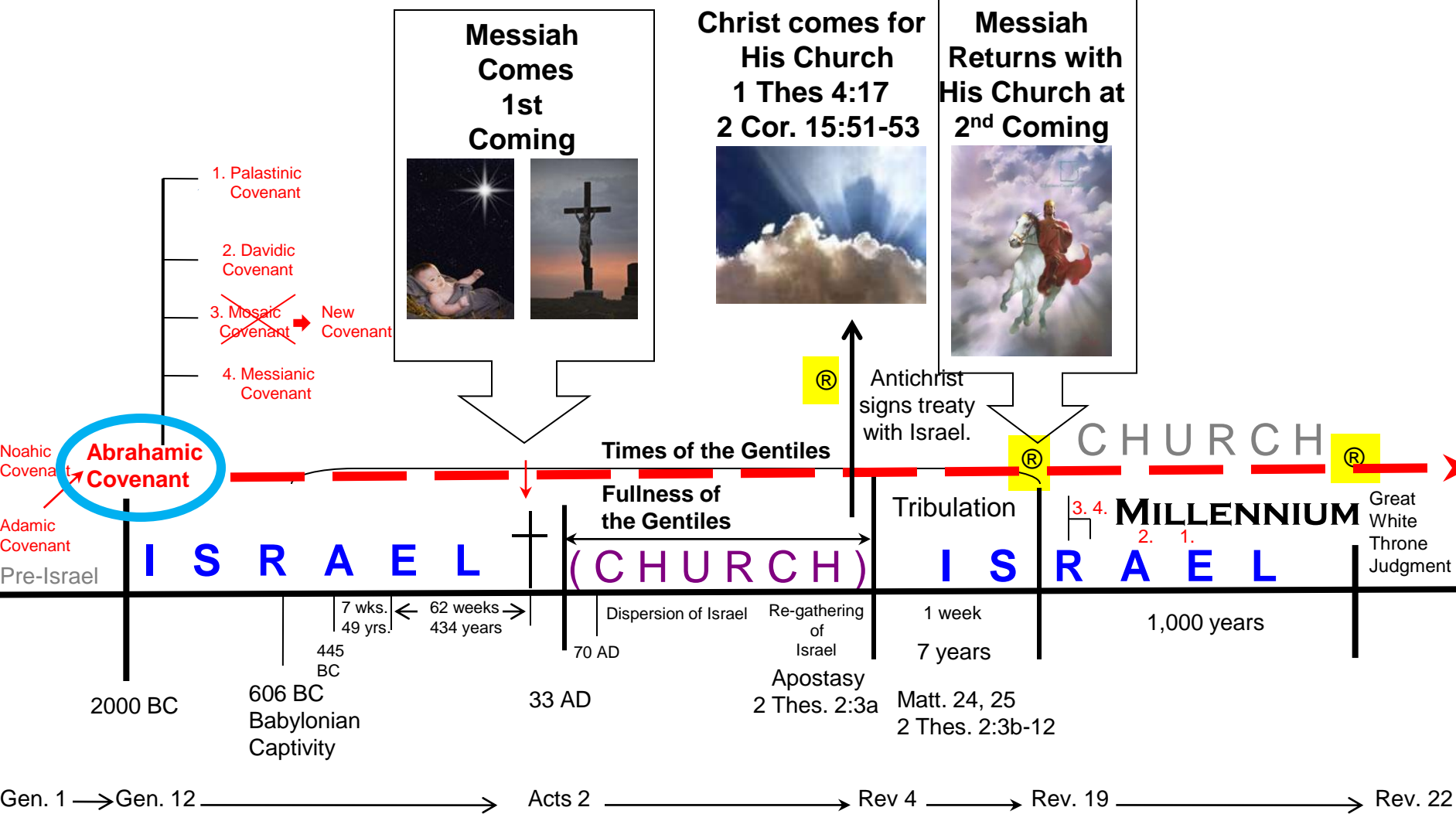
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Comprehensive Biblical View of Future Prophetic Events



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When God Promises

Isa 14:24

24 The Lord of hosts has sworn saying, "Surely, just as I have intended so it has happened, and just as I have planned so it will stand,

Ps 33:11

11 The counsel of the Lord stands forever,
The plans of His heart from generation to generation.

Deut 31:8

8 "The Lord is the one who goes ahead of you; He will be with you. He will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed."

Rom 11:26-27

26 and so all Israel will be saved; just as it is written,

Gen 15:18-21

18 On that day the Lord made a covenant with
Abram, saying,

"To your descendants I have given this land,
From the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the
river Euphrates:

19 the Kenite and the Kenizzite and the Kadmonite

20 and the Hittite and the Perizzite and the Rephaim

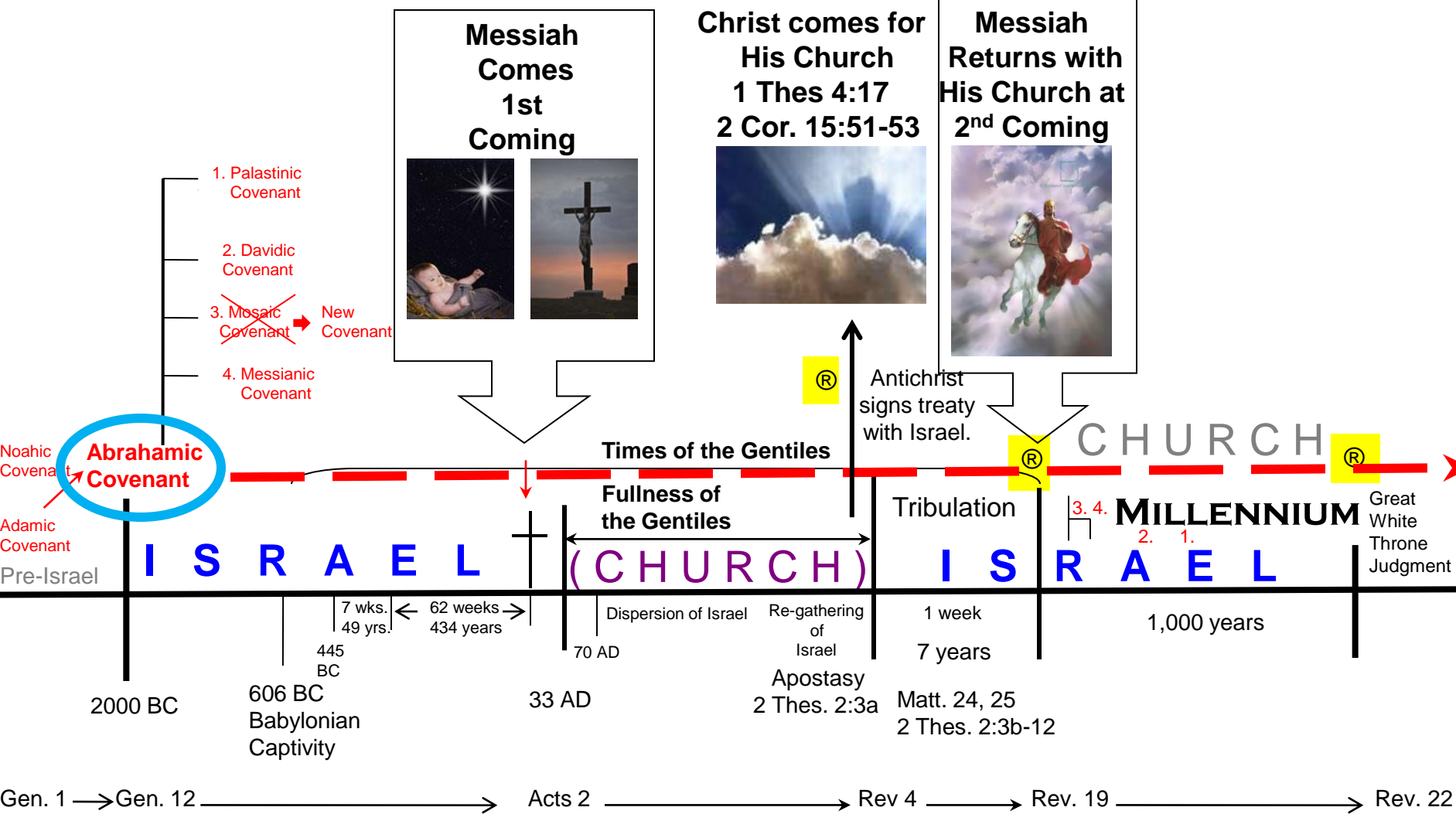
21 and the Amorite and the Canaanite and the
Girgashite and the Jebusite."

Gen 15:5-18

- 5 And He took him outside and said, "Now look toward the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."
- 6 Then he believed in the Lord; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness.
- 7 And He said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess it."
- 8 He said, "O Lord God, how may I know that I will possess it?"
- 9 So He said to him, "Bring Me a three year old heifer, and a three year old female goat, and a three year old ram, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon."
- 10 Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, and laid each half opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds.
- 11 The birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, and Abram drove them away.
- 12 Now when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, terror and great darkness fell upon him.

- 13 God said to Abram, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, where they will be enslaved and oppressed four hundred years.
- 14 "But I will also judge the nation whom they will serve, and afterward they will come out with many possessions.
- 15 "As for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you will be buried at a good old age.
- 16 "Then in the fourth generation they will return here, for the iniquity of the Amorite is not yet complete."
- 17 It came about when the sun had set, that it was very dark, and behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a flaming torch which passed between these pieces.
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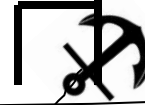
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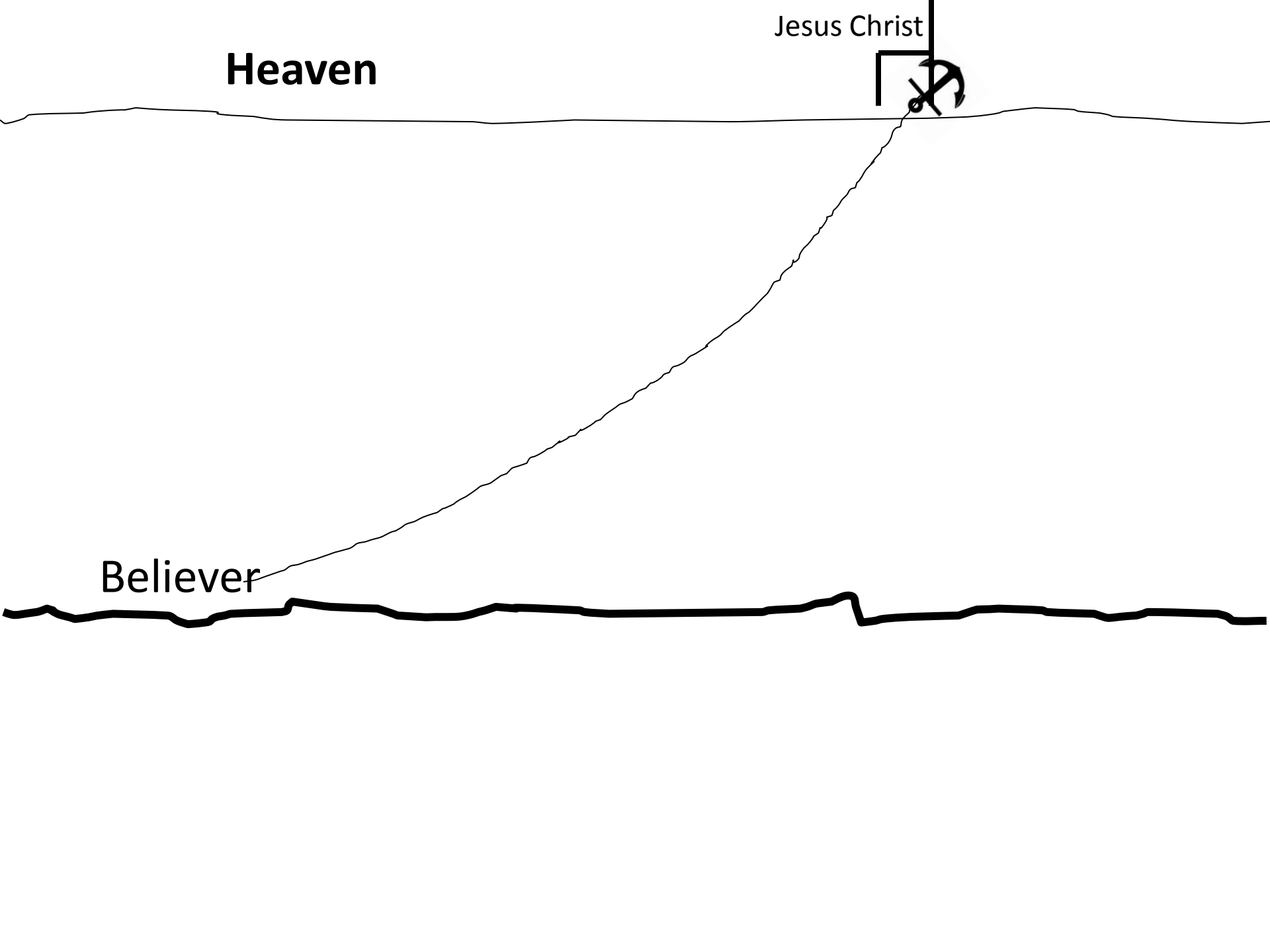
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Heaven

Jesus Christ



Believer



Ps. 73:25

Whom have I in heaven but You? And besides You, I
desire nothing on earth.

“In Times Like These”

by Ruth Caye Jones

In times like these you need a Savior

In times like these you need an anchor;

Be very sure, be very sure

Your anchor holds and grips the Solid Rock!

Chorus

This Rock is Jesus, Yes, He's the One;

This Rock is Jesus, the only One!

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