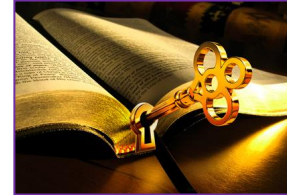




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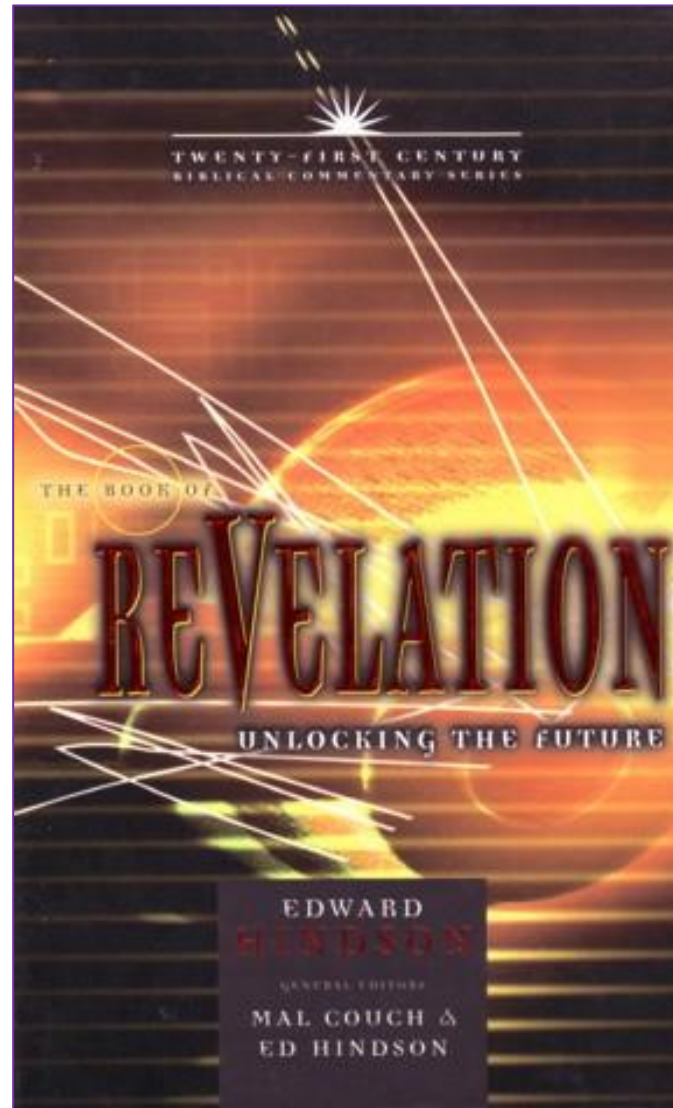
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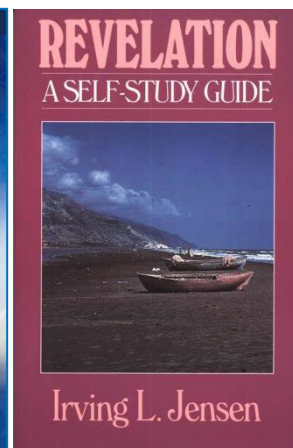
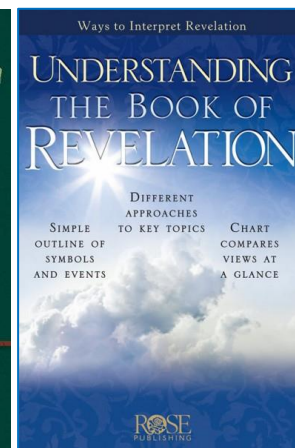
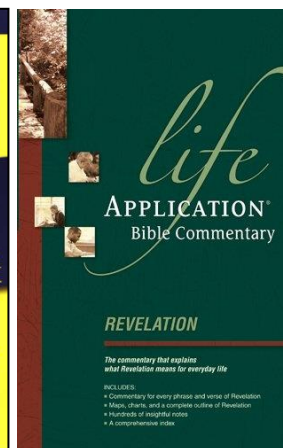
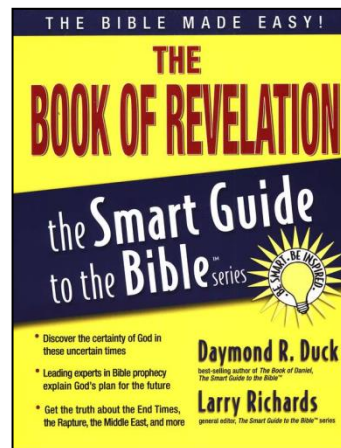
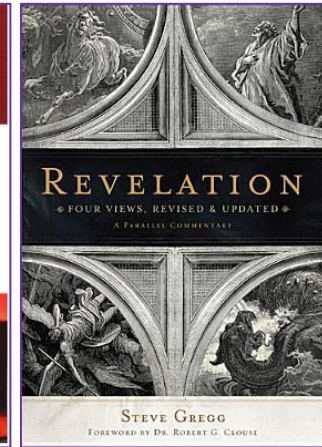
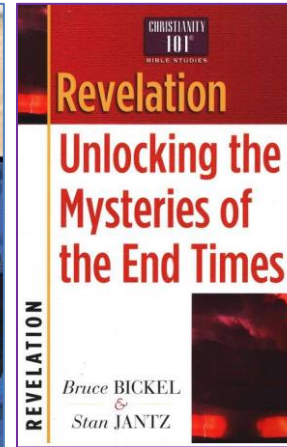
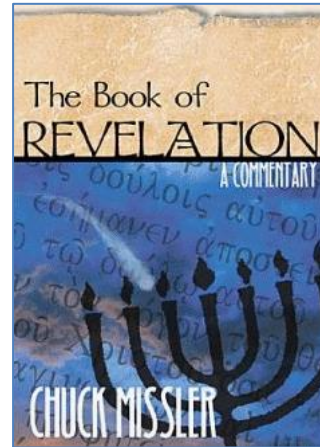
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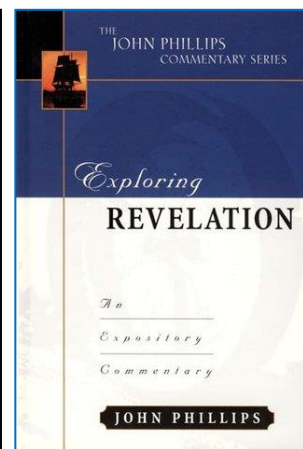
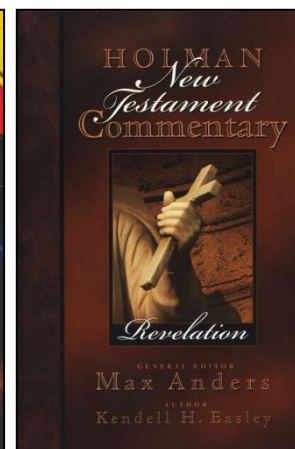
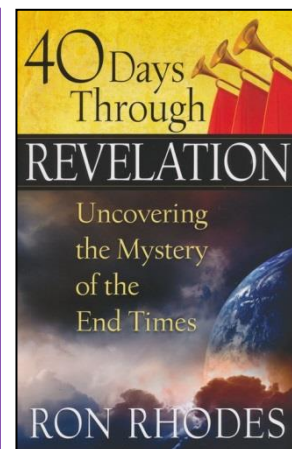
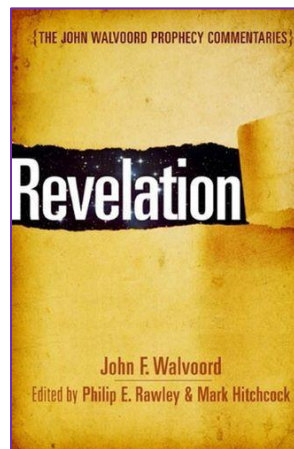
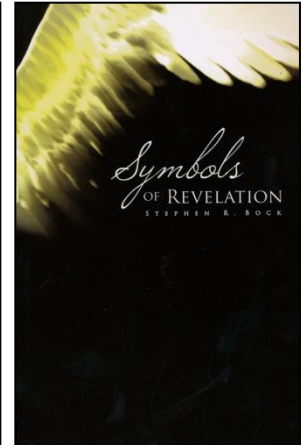
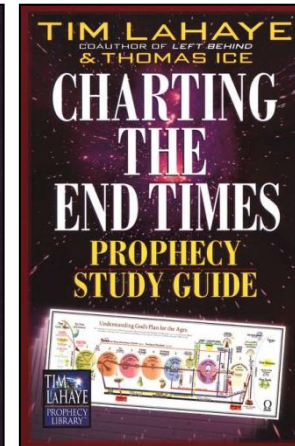
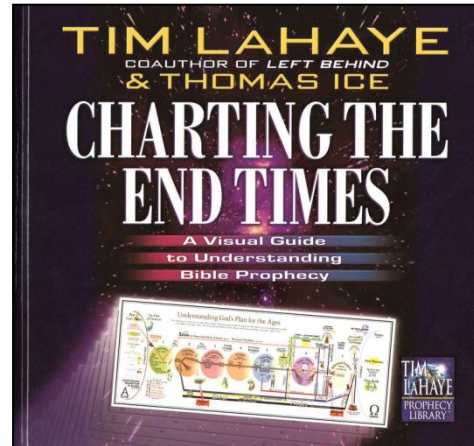


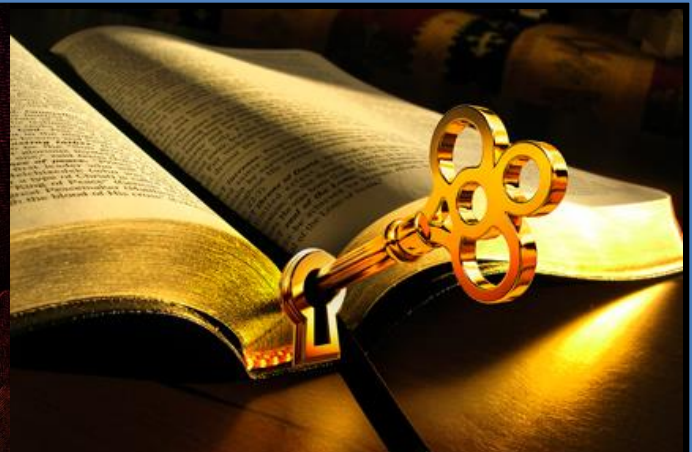
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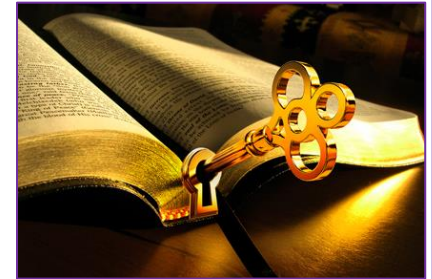
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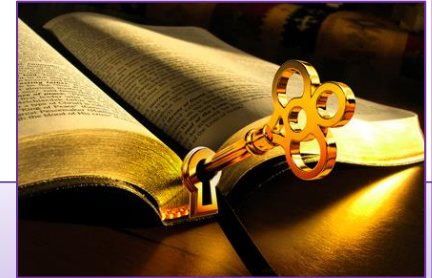
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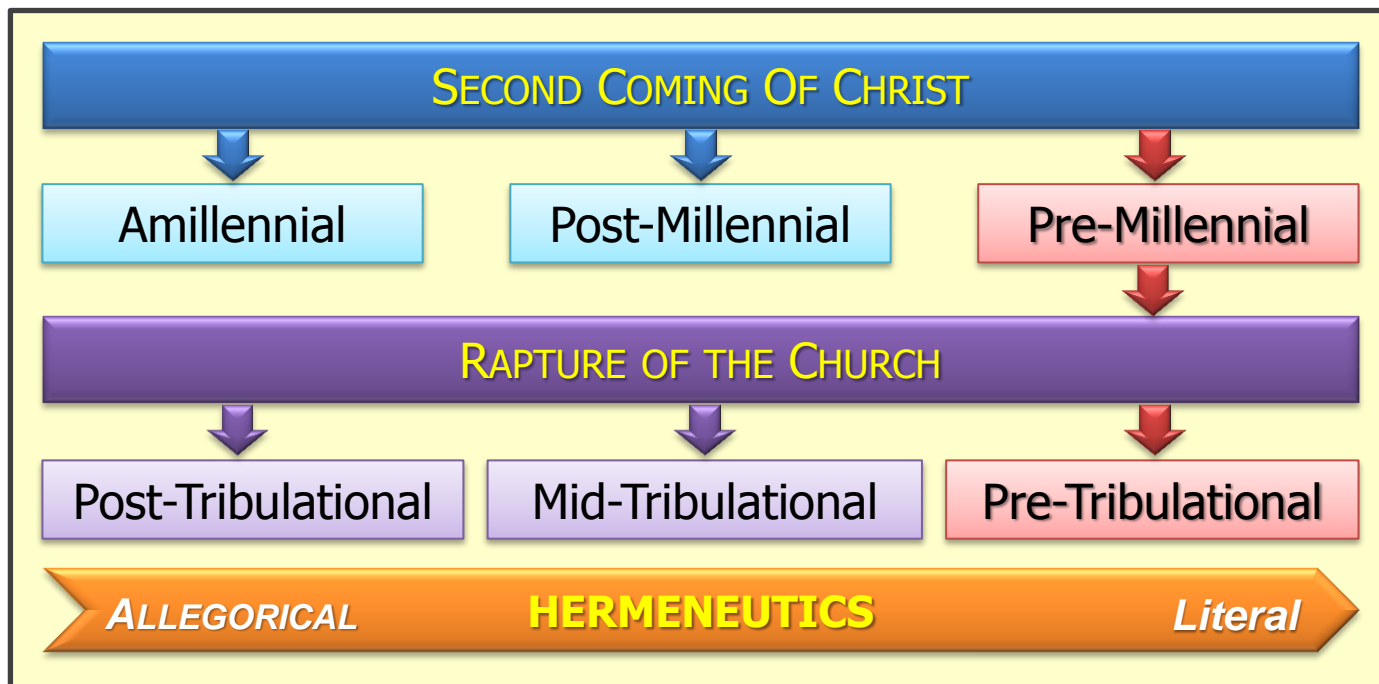
• Preview

In a series of incredible events, Satan is bound for 1000 years while Christ, the Bride, and the Tribulation martyrs rule on earth. Then, in one last great surprise, Satan is loosed after the Millennium and makes one final attempt to overthrow the work of God. This time he is cast into the lake of fire, joining the Beast and False Prophet. Then the lost of all time stand before Christ at the Great White Throne Judgment.



Chapter Preview - INTRODUCTION

- **Millennium**
 - Latin: *mille* = thousand (1000) *annum* = year
 - Greek: *chiliasm* ... Early church referred to it this way
- **Eschatology** ... The Study of End-Times or Last Things
 - Schools of Interpretation



Chapter Preview - INTRODUCTION

• The Messianic Ruler

- 1,845 references in the Old Testament.
- 17 books give prominence to the event.
- 318 references in the New Testament.
- 216 chapters.
- 23 of 27 books give prominence to the event.
- For every prophecy of Christ's 1st Coming there are 8 of His 2nd Coming!

Metrics

• Israel and the Church

- DISTINCTIONS: Different (1) Origins, (2) Missions, and (3) Destinies
- “Replacement” views (*i.e., Replacement Theology*)
 - Deny Israel its place in God's program
 - Makes God a liar.
 - These views laid the basis for Christian Anti-Semitism.
- The “70 Weeks” deal specifically with Israel.
- Paul's dichotomy: Jews + Gentiles + Church
- Note: Distinctives reappear after Revelation 4.

Chapter Preview - INTRODUCTION

• The Millennium

SAMPLE SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

- Promised to David (**2 Samuel 7:12-17**; 23:5) under oath (Psalm 89:34-37).
- Predicted in the Psalms (Psalm 2; 45; 46; 47; 48; 110).
- Predicted in the Prophets

Isaiah 2:1-5; 4:1-6; 9:6-7; 11:1-9; 12:1-6; 30:18-26; 35:1-10; 60, 61:3-62; 66;
Jeremiah 23:3-8; 32:37-44; Ezekiel 40-48; Daniel 2:44-45; 7:13-14; 2:2-3;
Micah 4:1-8; 5:2; Zechariah 12:10-14:21.

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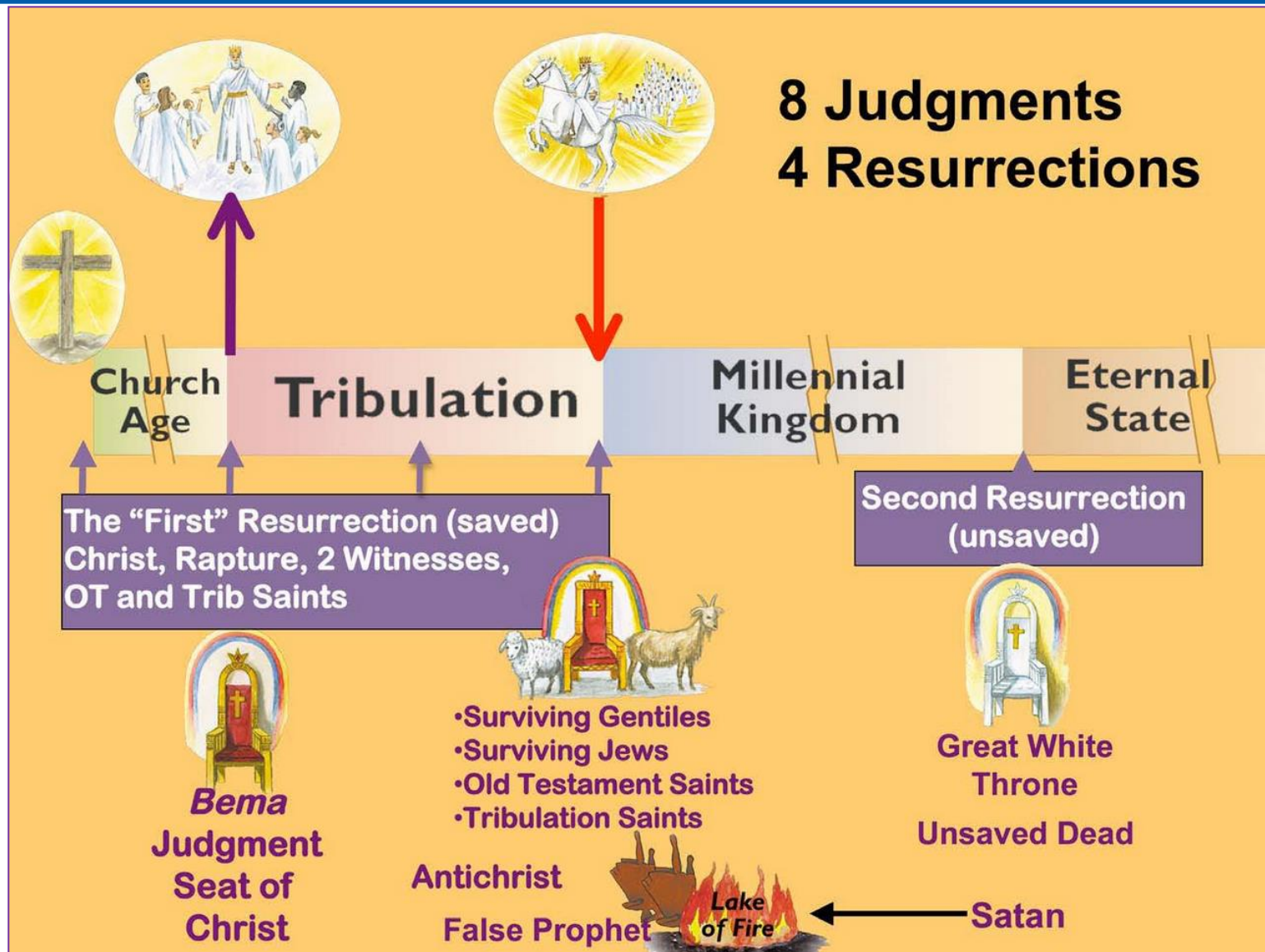
- Promised to Mary (Luke 1:32)
- Our Lord's Prayer: *"Thy Kingdom come"* (Matthew 6:10, 13; Acts 1:6).
- Reaffirmed to Apostles (Luke 22:29-30).
- Reaffirmed to Paul - *"Every knee will bow,"* (Philippians 2:6-11).
- Reaffirmed in Revelation - *"Rod of Iron"* (Revelation 12:5; 19:15);

NEW
TESTAMENT

¹²"When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. ¹⁴I will be his Father, and he shall be My son. If he commits iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men and with the blows of the sons of men. ¹⁵But My mercy shall not depart from him, as I took *it* from Saul, whom I removed from before you. ¹⁶And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever." ¹⁷According to all these words and according to all this vision, so Nathan spoke to David.

--- **2 Samuel 7:12-17** ... NKJV [GOD'S COVENANT WITH DAVID]

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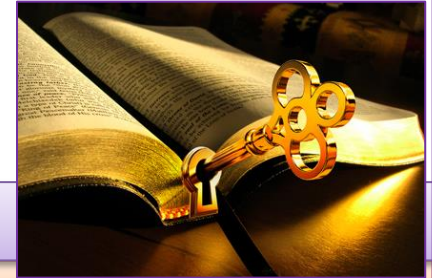


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1000 Year Reign of Christ - Revelation 20:1 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Angel From Heaven** - With the Key and a Chain
 - This chapter is a continuation of [Chapter 19](#).
 - Note: Chapter divisions are not “inspired”
 - They were devised by Stephen Langton, Archbishop of Canterbury in the early 13th century.
 - John sees an angel from heaven with
 - The Key to the bottomless pit
 - The Key:
 - Single key ... *Not multiple keys*
 - Authority ... *Given to angel by God*
 - Bottomless Pit:
 - *Aboussou*: 7 times in Revelation

9:1, 2, 11; 11:7; 17:8; 20:1, 3
 - A Great Chain in his hand
 - Restraint:
 - To be used to restrain the Devil (*next verse*)

20 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. ² He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is *the* Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; ³ and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.

--- Revelation 20:1-3 ... NKJV

1000 Year Reign of Christ - Revelation 20:2 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Satan Bound - 1000 Years**
 - The angel
 - Takes Satan
 - Binds him with the great chain - for **1000 years**
 - Casts him into the bottomless pit
 - Shuts him in
 - Seals him
 - Satan is bound so that he will not deceive the nations for **1000 years**
 - After the **1000 years** he is released for a little while.
 - Some believe the Millennium has already begun. If so, Satan's chain is too long!
 - Paul was certain that Satan was loose - [Ephesians 6:10](#)
 - John agreed with him: [Rev 2:13](#); [3:9](#).
 - "...a thousand years"
 - This duration is specified **six times** in this chapter.
 - How many times does God need to say it before it is true?

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--- Revelation 20:1-3 ... NKJV

Saints Reign with Christ - Revelation 20:4 - OBSERVATIONS

• Saints Reign with Christ - 1000 Years

- The interpretation of [verse 4](#) is complicated by a lack of specificity.
 - John references thrones and judgment executed by those who sat on the thrones
 - Scholars are not sure who these are
- Most probable interpretation is they are the 24 elders who are said to reign on earth ([Revelation 5:10](#))
 - This correlates with Christ's prophecy of [Luke 22:29-30](#) and [Matthew 19:28](#)

²⁹ And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as My Father bestowed *one* upon Me, ³⁰ that you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel."

--- [Luke 22:29-30](#) ... NKJV

²⁸ So Jesus said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. --- [Matthew 19:28](#) ... NKJV

- These verses are addressed to the Lord's Disciples

⁴ And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then *I saw* the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received *his* mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

--- [Revelation 20:4](#) ... NKJV

Saints Reign with Christ - Revelation 20:5-6 - OBSERVATIONS

• First Resurrection - Of the Dead

- There are two resurrections:

Daniel 12:2; John 5:28-29; Acts 24:15; Luke 14:14 (*"of the just"*).

- First resurrection is a "category," not a single event.

1. Physical Death: Separation of the body and soul.
2. Spiritual Death: Separation of the soul from God.

- Resurrection: *anastasei*. = "to stand up"; a bodily resurrection.

- The thrones are literal.
- The martyrs are literal.
- Jesus is literal.
- The resurrection is literal.
- The thousand years are literal.

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Position

⁵ But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. ⁶ Blessed and holy *is* he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

--- Revelation 20:5-6 ... NKJV

Saints Reign with Christ - Revelation 20:5-6 - OBSERVATIONS

- **First Resurrection - Beatitude**

- 6th of the 7 Beatitudes in Revelation (Final: 21:7)
- Blessed and holy is he ...

- Who has part in the 1st Resurrection
- Who the 2nd death has no power
- Who shall be priests of God and of Christ
- Who shall reign with Him 1000 years.

THOSE WHO ARE BORN TWICE WILL DIE ONCE : "*BORN-AGAIN*"

THOSE WHO ARE BORN ONCE WILL DIE TWICE : "*Unsaved*"

WHICH GROUP ARE YOU A PART OF?

Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people!

ARE YOU PREPARED?

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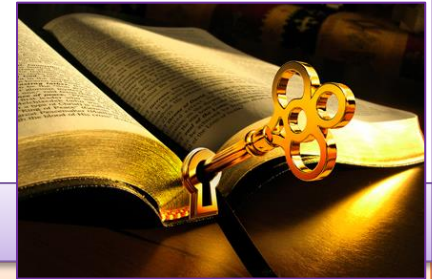
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Satanic Rebellion Crushed - Revelation 20:7-9 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Satan Released** - To Deceive the Nations
 - After the 1000 years have expired
 - Satan is released from the bottomless pit
 - Satan goes out to deceive the nations
 - In the four corners of the earth (Gog & Magog)
 - Not to be confused with [Ezekiel 38-39](#)
 - Nations from north - not four corners of the earth
 - Post Second Coming!
 - The time, place and participant are different
 - To gather a large army for battle
 - Whose number is as the sand of the sea
 - Satan led army surrounds the saints and Jerusalem
 - God intervenes with fire from heaven
 - God destroys Satan's armies

Even after a thousand years of perfect rule, there is enough evil resident in the heart of man that, given an opportunity, he still rebels... We belong to a fallen race, and every human being is born with an essentially evil nature. A perfect environment still reveals the fallen nature of man. A perfect environment cannot produce a perfect heart. The serious nature of our own heart can only be known by the Word of God ([Jeremiah 17:9](#)). [CHUCK MISSLER]

⁷ Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison ⁸ and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number *is* as the sand of the sea. ⁹ They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them.

--- Revelation 20:7-9 ... NKJV

⁹ "The heart *is* deceitful above all *things*, And desperately wicked; Who can know it? -- Jeremiah 17:9

Satanic Rebellion Crushed - Revelation 20:7 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Devil - Defeated**
 - Satan is captured
 - Satan is cast in the lake of fire and brimstone
 - Where the beast and the false prophet are
 - After 1000 years the *“terrible twosome”* is still there
 - They will be tormented day and night forever
 - Torment is constant
 - Torment is for all eternity
 - There is no *“annihilationism”* in the Scriptures

10 The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet *are*. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

--- Revelation 20:10 ... NKJV

41 “Then He will also say to those on the left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: --- Matthew 25:41 ... NKJV

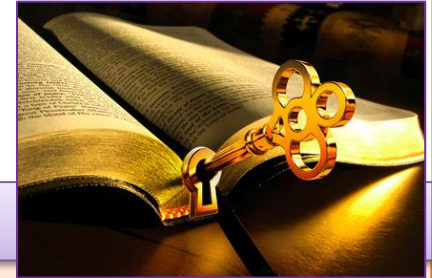
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Great White Throne Judgment - Revelation 20:11 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Great White Throne** - And Him Who Sat On It
 - John sees the Great White Throne
 - Not to be confused with the Bema Seat of Christ
 - BEMA SEAT: The saved receive their rewards
 - GREAT WHITE THRONE: Unsaved receive judgment
 - John sees Jesus sitting on the throne



¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

--- Revelation 20:11-12 ... NKJV

Great White Throne Judgment - Revelation 20:12 - OBSERVATIONS

• Judgment Time - Books Opened

- John sees the dead standing before Jesus awaiting their judgment. Hebrews 9:27

27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, --- Hebrews 9:27 ... NKJV

- These are the unsaved dead standing before God
 - Great and Small: All walks of life
 - Standing: Ready for sentencing
- Books were opened
 - Recording of all the Thoughts, Words & Actions of an individual
 - Word of God: Standard by which one will be judged
- Another book
 - Lamb's Book of Life



11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. **12** And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

--- Revelation 20:11-12 ... NKJV

Great White Throne Judgment - Revelation 20:13 - OBSERVATIONS

• All Dead - Are Judged

- All unsaved are resurrected for judgement
 - Sea gives up the dead
 - Death and Hades deliver up the dead
- Purpose of the Great White Throne Judgment
 - Before God can usher in His New Heavens and New Earth, He must finally deal with sin
- The saved need not worry about this judgment
- **Why?**
 - The judgment of our sins has already taken place
-- **The blood of Jesus has paid the price** --

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow

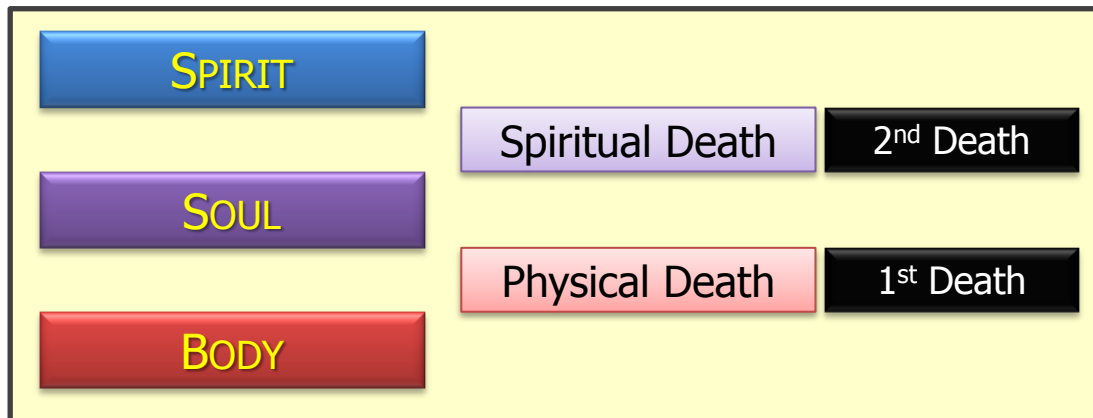
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--- Revelation 20:13-15 ... NKJV

Great White Throne Judgment - Revelation 20:14-15 - OBSERVATIONS

• Death of Death - Second Death

- Hades, *sheol* is temporary
- Gehenna is permanent - *outside our time domain*



Hell is a witness to the righteous character of God;
Hell is a witness to man's responsibility.

God does not send people to hell:
they send themselves by rejecting the Savior
(John 3:16-21; Matthew 25:41).

If we saw sin as God sees it,
we would understand why a place such as hell exists.
... [Chuck Missler]

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--- Revelation 20:13-15 ... NKJV

Are you written in the Lamb's Book of Life?

Or are you planning on defending yourself before the final judgment?

It's not what you know, but who you know!

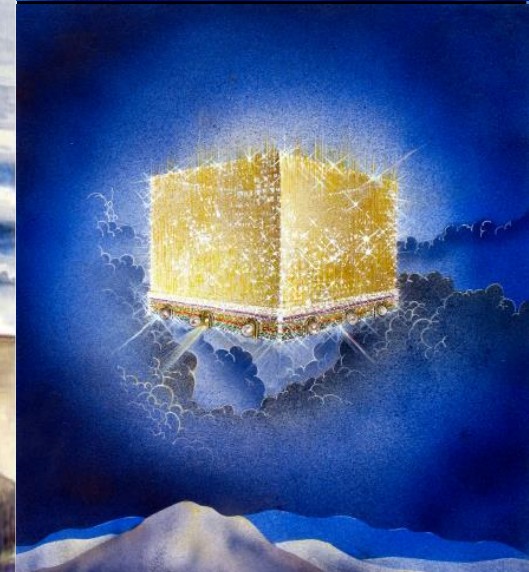


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Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near. **Rev. 1:3 NKJV**

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