

Finish Faithful



What you should know about the end times

DIFFERENT AGES IN PROPHECY

DISPENSATIONALISM

How separate are God's dealings with Israel & the Church?

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'But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.'

1 Corinthians 2:7-8

A new age began at Pentecost

'Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.'

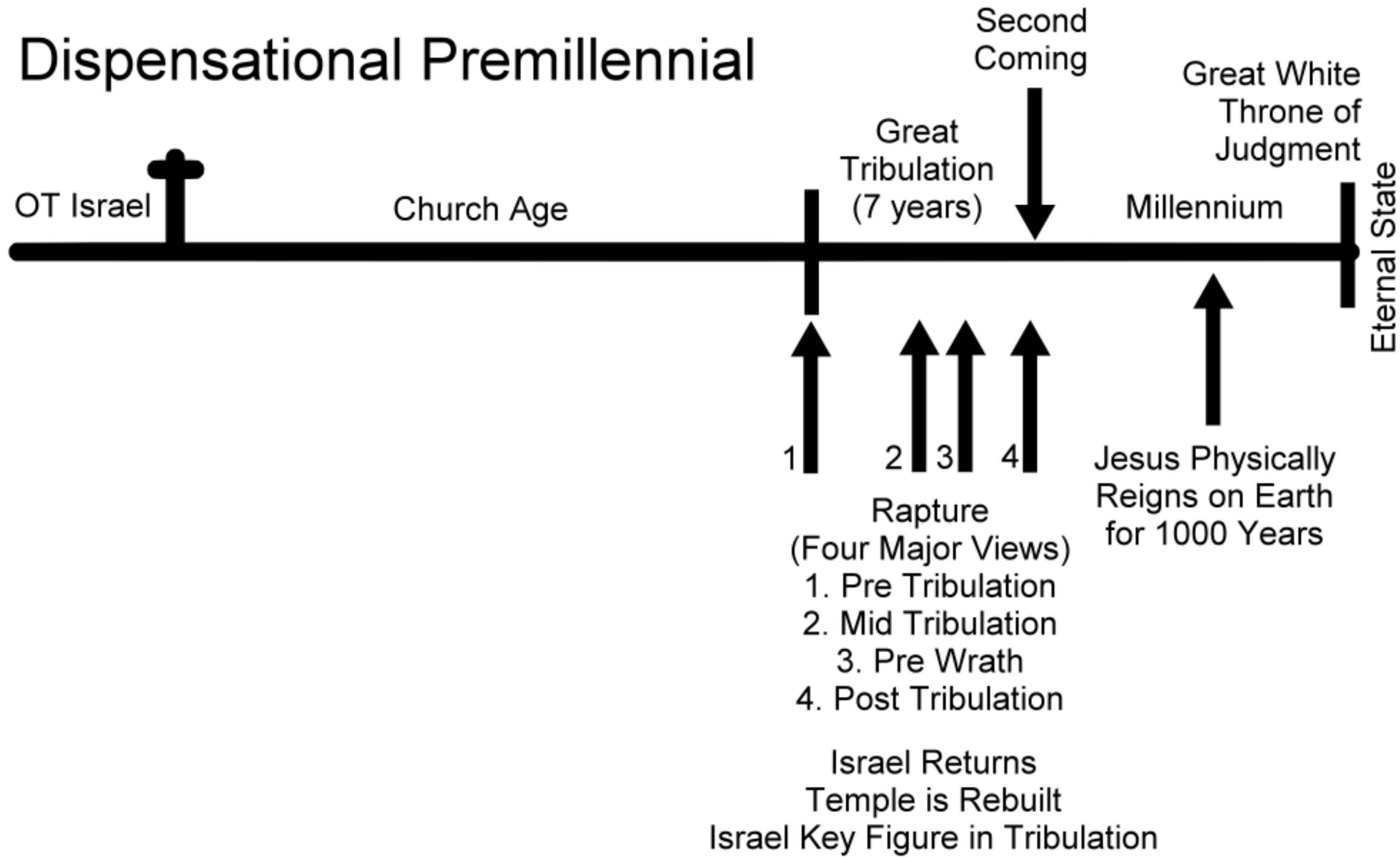
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A new 1,000 year age (Millenium)

'And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while. Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. ' Revelation 20:2-4

Dispensational Premillennial



'For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be **caught up** together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ' 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

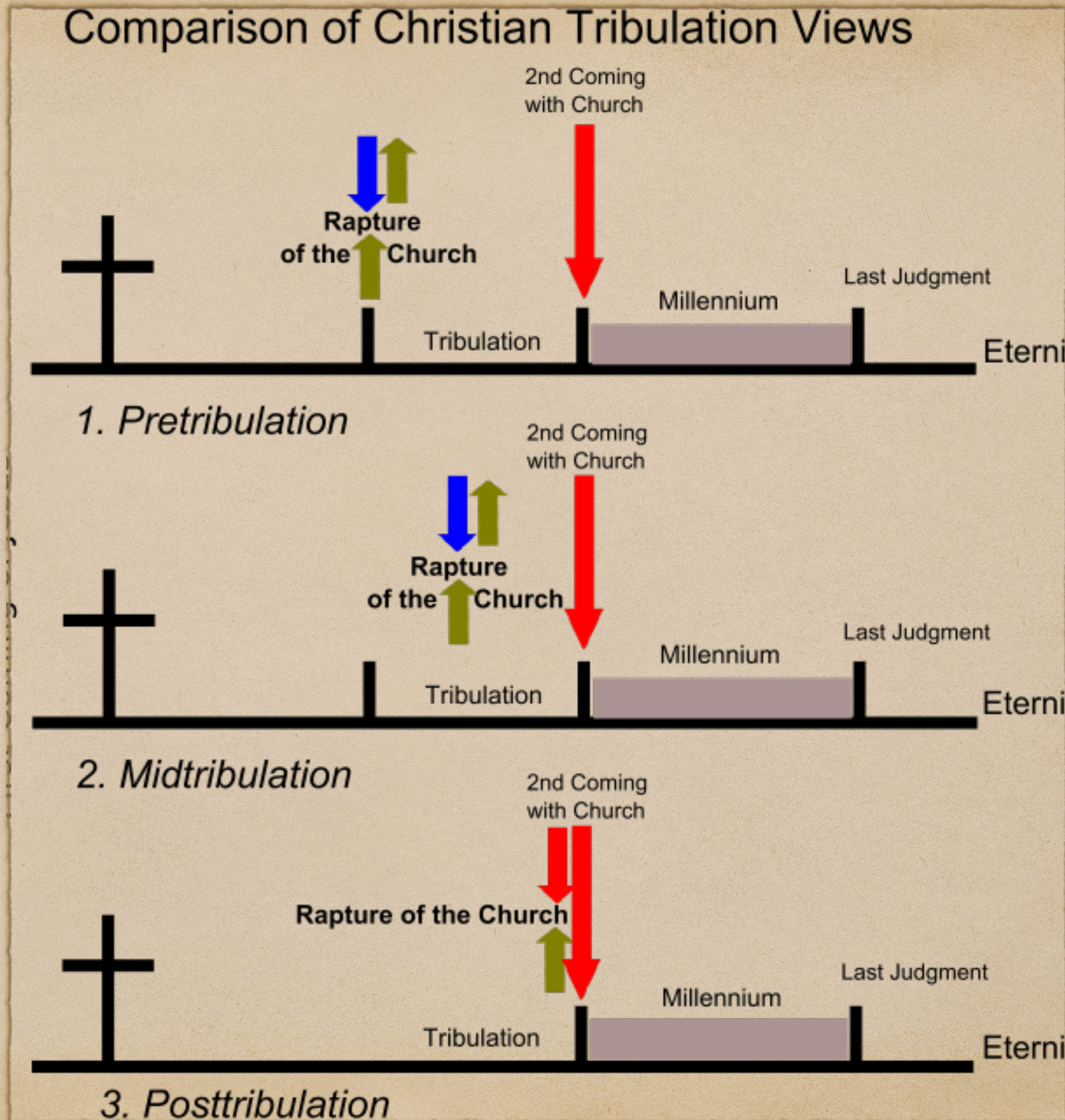
Christ comes for his saints. When?

'Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. ' Revelation 19:11-14

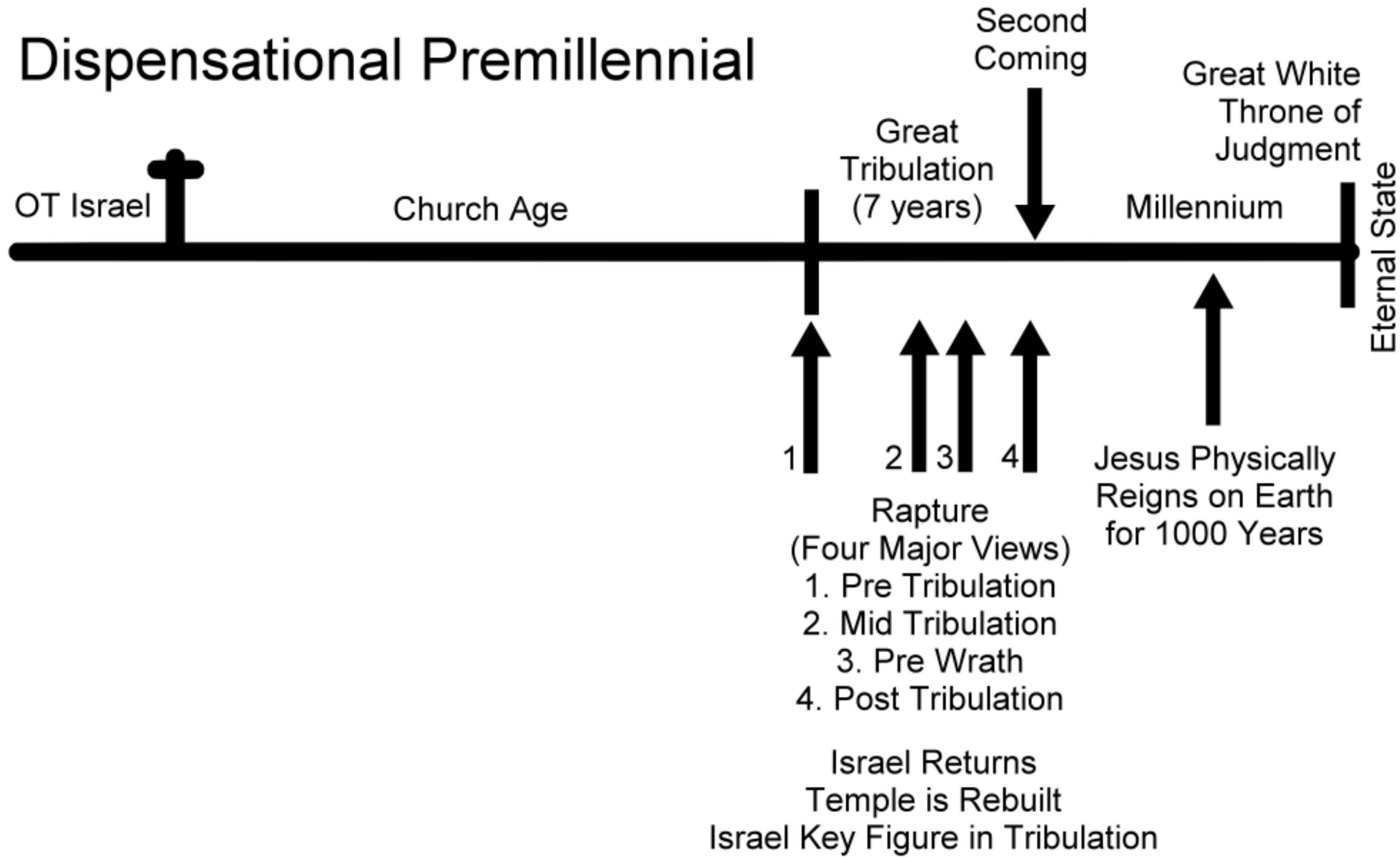
**Christ coming with his armies at Armegeddon at the end
of the 7th seal**

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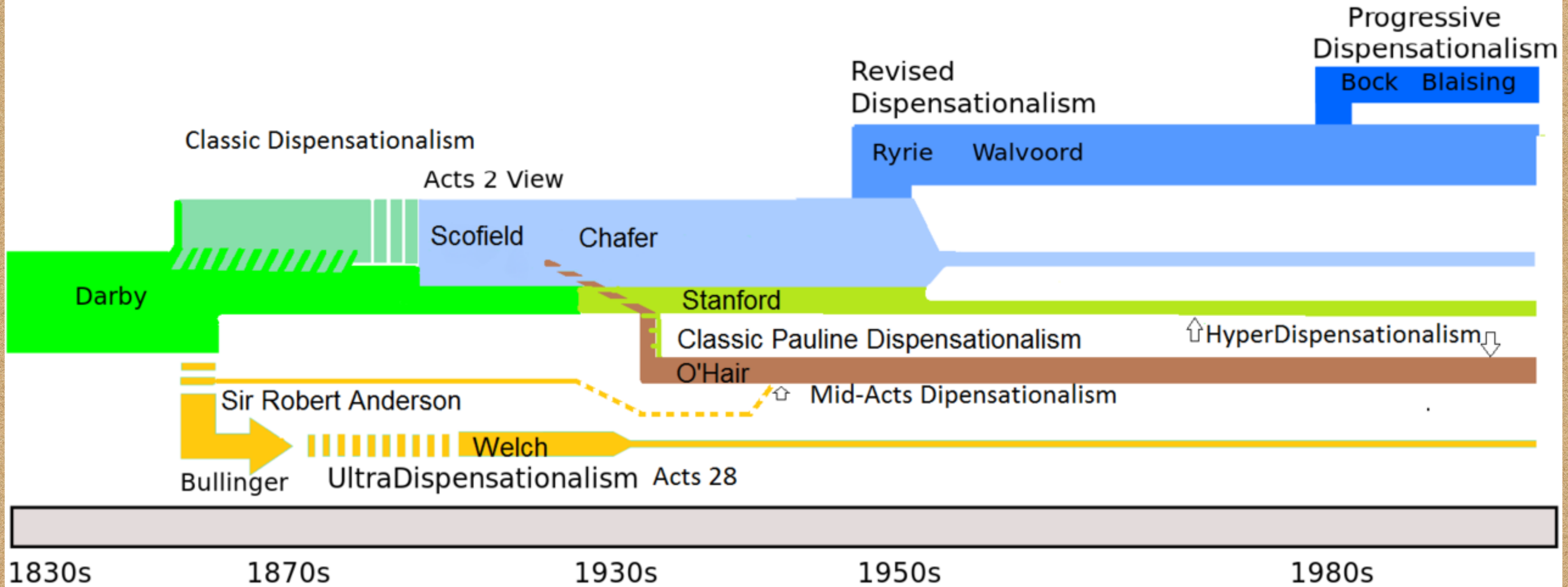


'Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all. ' 1 Corinthians 15:24-25,27-28

Conclusions

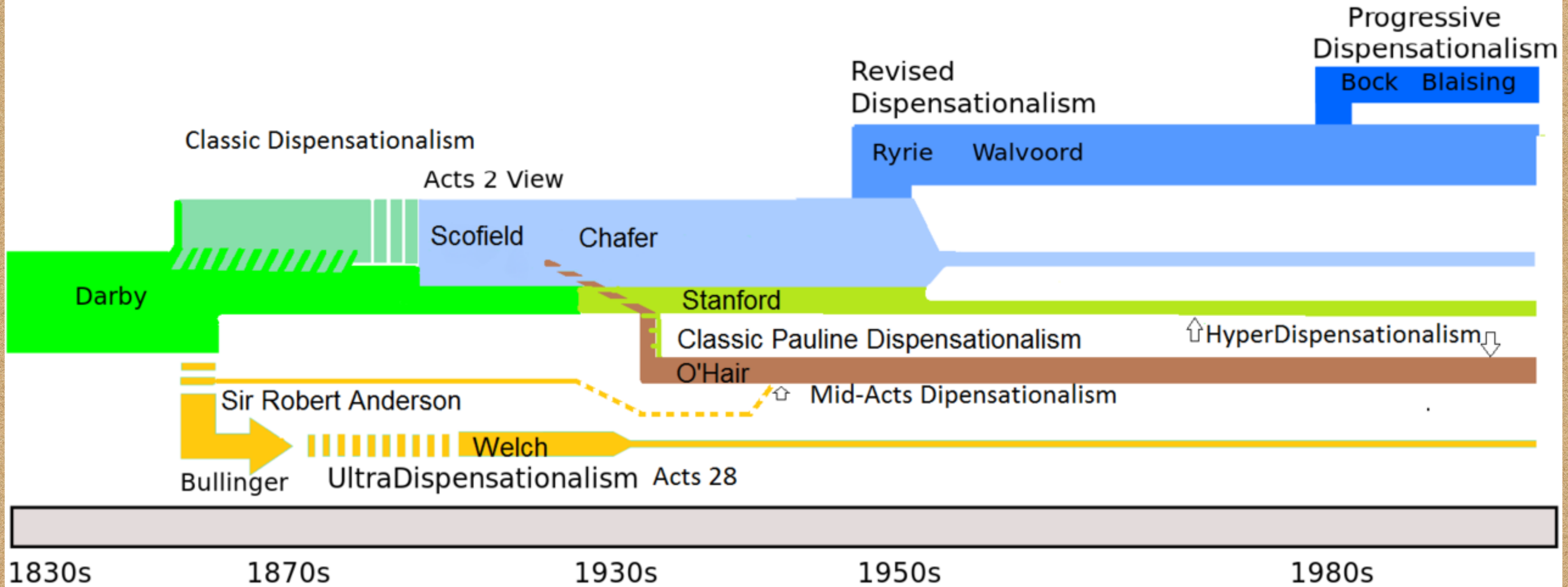
- ◆ We are in the church age, between the sufferings and the glory, and between the 69th week and the 70th week. It began on Pentecost and ends at the Rapture
- ◆ The hidden mystery that was revealed to Paul is that Gentiles are welcomed equally with Jews in the body of Christ
- ◆ The church is a separate oikonomia, dispensation or administration from Israel
- ◆ FF is teaching the Futurist view that prophecies in Daniel and the Olivet Discourse will be fulfilled in the future (not Preterism)
- ◆ FF will cover mainly the pre-trib and pre-wrath view of the rapture

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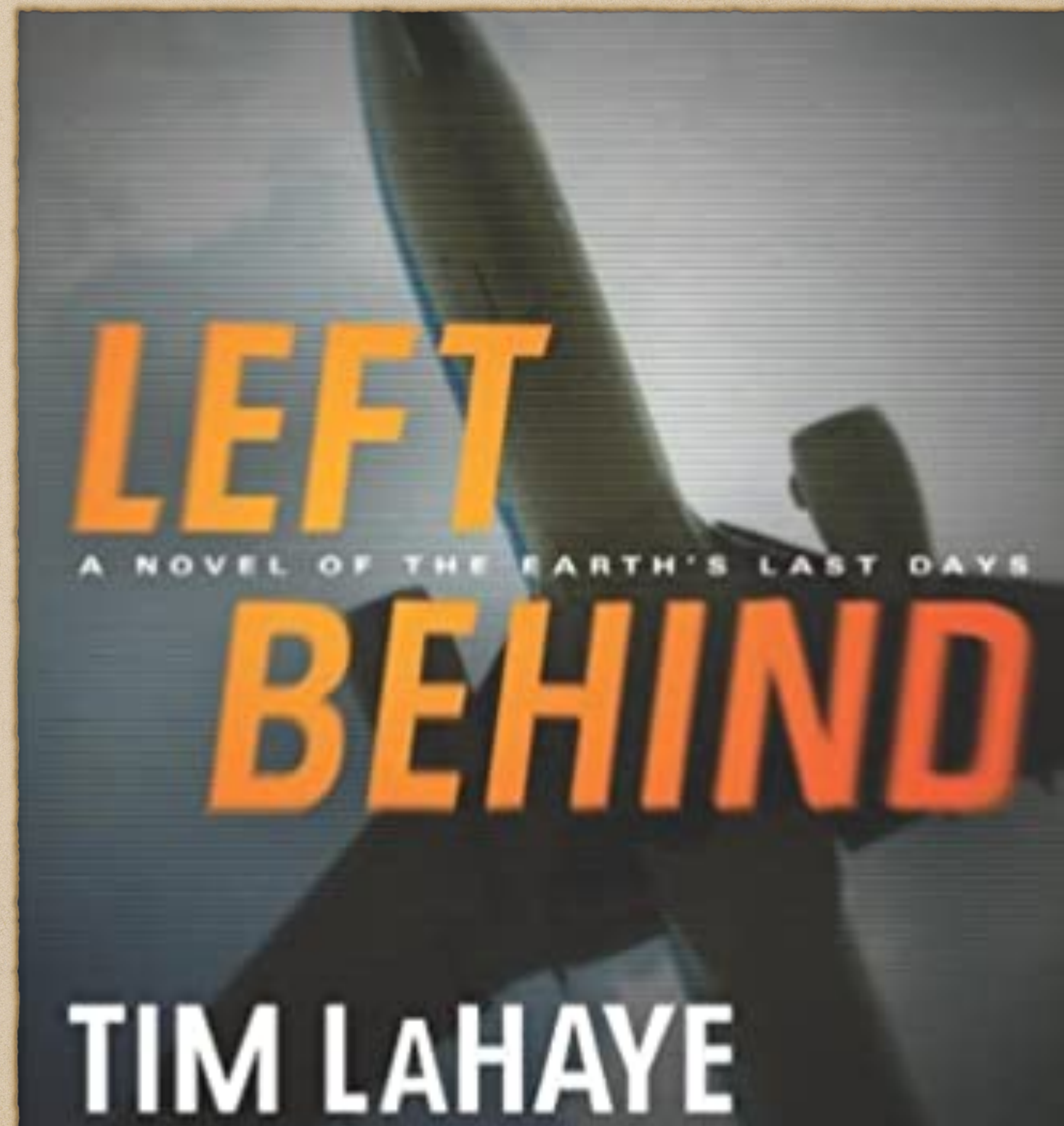
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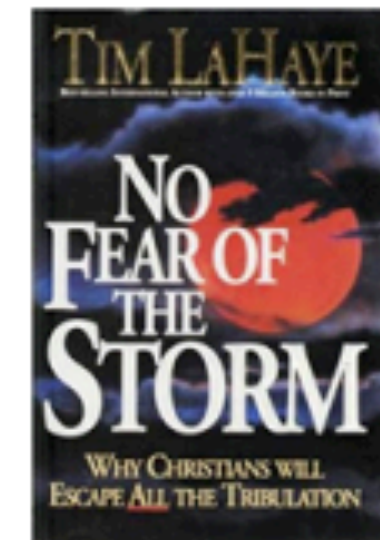
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What is the Pre-Trib Research Center About?

In 1991 Dr. Tim LaHaye became concerned about a perceived swaying from the pretribulational doctrine. In 1992 Dr. LaHaye released his book on the rapture: *No Fear of the Storm* from Multnomah Press. It was re-released in 1998 as *Rapture Under Attack*. In the process of preparing the first edition of his rapture book, Dr. LaHaye was impressed with the gatherings of the Albury Park and Powerscourt Conference in Britain during the late 1820s and early 1830s where leaders gathered to discuss issues relating to Bible prophecy. Dr. LaHaye contacted Dr. Thomas Ice and discussed the possibility of calling a similar meeting for December 1992. This meeting came about in Dallas with about 35 top prophecy scholars, authors, and populists participating in the three-day event. The group adopted the title of The Pre-Trib Study Group (PTSG). Dr. LaHaye was elected Chairman of the steering committee and Dr. Ice Vice Chairman.



At the next year's meeting, December 1993 in Dallas, The PTSG elected Dr. Ice to become full-time Executive Director of the newly formed Pre-Trib Research Center (PTRC). The PTRC was conceived by Dr. LaHaye for the purpose of encouraging the research, teaching, propagation, and defense of the pretribulational rapture and related Bible prophecy doctrines. PTRC began functioning in the offices of Dr. LaHaye's Family Life Seminars in Washington, D.C. in March 1994. The office over the years has moved around to wherever Dr. Ice has resided. Currently the Center is located at Calvary University in Kansas City, MO where Dr. Ice teaches on faculty. The PTRC has sponsored the annual PTSG meeting in December of each year. This year's

meeting in Dallas will be the 27th meeting of the conference.

The Pre-Trib Research Center is involved with most of the top prophecy scholars, authors, and popularizers who are members of

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...The Scofield Bible became a popular Bible used by independent Evangelicals in the United States. Evangelist and Bible teacher Lewis Sperry Chafer (1871–1952) was influenced by Scofield; he founded the **Dallas Theological Seminary** during 1924, which has become the main institution of dispensationalism in America. ...

Dallas Theological Seminary Grads

- ◆ Tony Evans
- ◆ Erwin Lutzer
- ◆ David Jeremiah
- ◆ Chip Ingram
- ◆ Chuck Swindoll
- ◆ Pentecost, Ryrie, Walvoord, Hal Lindsey, Bruce Wilkenson and more

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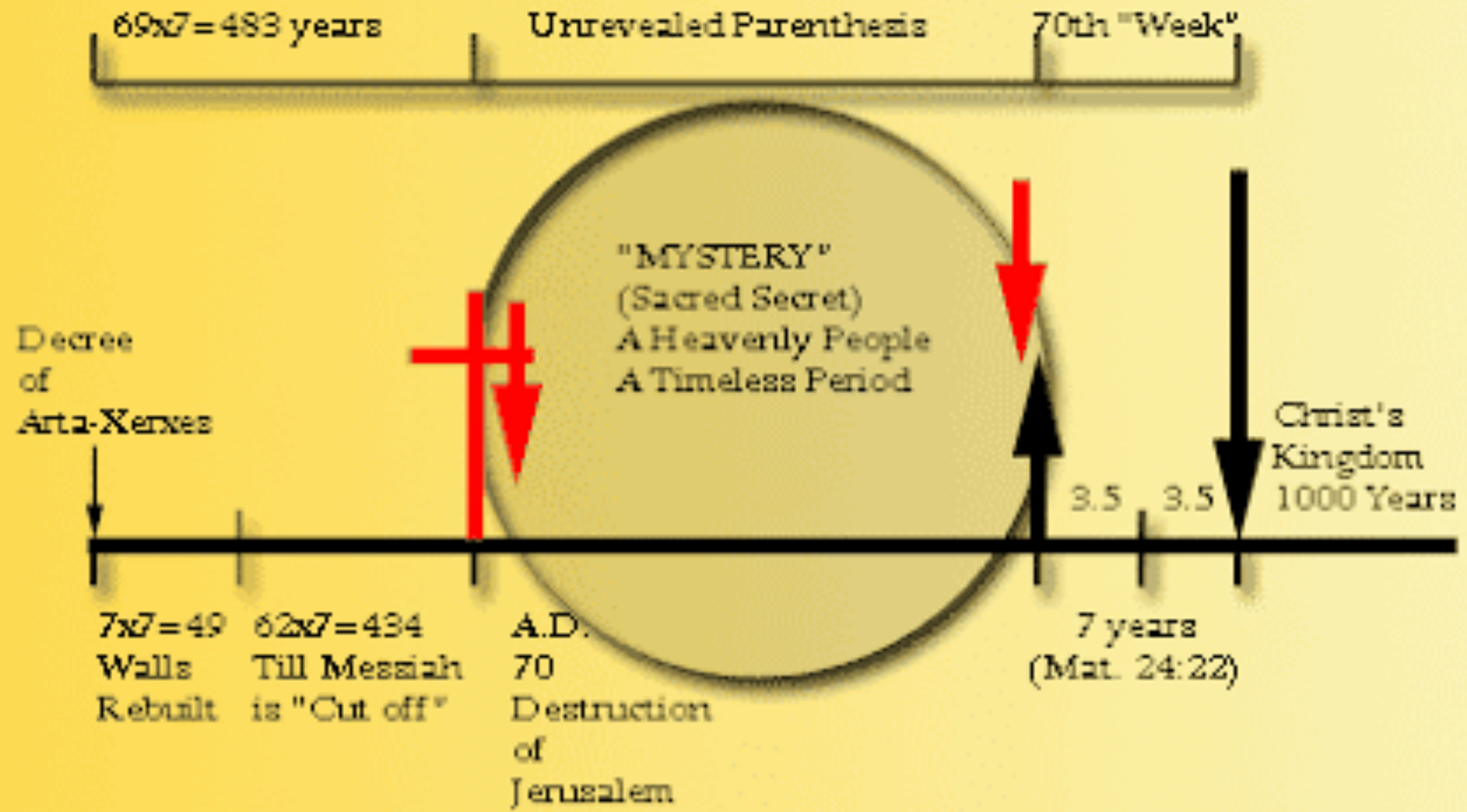
...Dispensationalism has become very popular with American evangelicalism, especially among nondenominational Bible churches, Baptists, Pentecostal, and Charismatic groups...

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...Dispensationalism is unique in teaching that the Church stands in a dispensation that occurs as a parenthesis in the prophetic Kingdom program, a dispensational "mystery" or "grace" period, meaning that it was not directly revealed in prophecy in the Old Testament, and that **this "age of grace" will end with the rapture of the church allowing the prophetic clock for Israel to start up again.**

The 70 Weeks of Daniel

The Mystery of the Church Revealed



Dispensationalism's Major Statements

- ◆ Israel and the church of the body of Christ are two distinct peoples of God
- ◆ We are in the gap period now between the 69th and 70th week called the church age or the age of grace.
- ◆ Ultra say OT and gospels could not be saying anything about the age of grace. Secret.
- ◆ The church will be gathered at the rapture
- ◆ God will fulfill all his covenant plans and prophecies for Israel after the church is raptured. I say, why can't there be overlap. There was overlap during the life of Jesus. There was overlap until 70 AD. Rom 11 tells us God is now provoking Israel to jealousy through the Gentiles coming into the church.

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before it was revealed to him?

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'But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; ' Acts 2:16-17

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' For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. ' John 3:16

' But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. ' John 4:23-24

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' And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. '

John 14:16-17,20

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'I say then, has God cast away His people? Certainly not! For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not cast away His people whom He foreknew. Or do you not know what the Scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel, saying, ' Romans 11:1-2

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'So I ask, did they stumble in order that they might fall? By no means! Rather, through their trespass salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel jealous. Now if their trespass means riches for the world, and if their failure means riches for the Gentiles, how much more will their full inclusion mean! For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead?' Romans 11:11-12,15

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'For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes. ' Romans 11:25-28

Conclusions

- ◆ Dispensationalism is a helpful system
- ◆ Dispensationalist have not agreed on all aspects of the system
- ◆ Mystery is that the Jews and Gentiles make up the One Body
- ◆ Some aspects of this age are mentioned in the OT and the gospels
- ◆ Grace began on Pentecost (were some aspects instituted earlier?)
- ◆ Ends at the rapture. Not necessarily before the 70th Week.
- ◆ GOD CAN BE DEALING WITH BOTH THE CHURCH AND ISRAEL NOW!!

' "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 heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. ' Matthew 24:29-31

**This gathering is after the 6th seal, before the 7th seal.
'Clouds, angels, trumpet, gathering' like in Thessalonians**