**Revelation Chapter 20—The Millennium**

**Part I: Revelation 20:1-6, Satan Bound (this first section is the final explanation of what happens to Satan)**

# Important Millennium Synopsis-- What is the Millennium / Millennial Kingdom...Isaiah 2:1-4, 11:1-13, 35:1-2, 65:18

# Zechariah 14:8, “And it shall be in that day, *that* living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.”

# [John 7:38](http://biblehub.com/john/7-38.htm), “Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."[Revelation 22:1](http://biblehub.com/revelation/22-1.htm),”Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb.”

# [Ezekiel 47:1](http://biblehub.com/ezekiel/47-1.htm),”The man brought me back to the entrance to the temple, and I saw water coming out from under the threshold of the temple toward the east (for the temple faced east). The water was coming down from under the south side of the temple, south of the altar.”

# [Joel 3:18](http://biblehub.com/joel/3-18.htm),"In that day the mountains will drip new wine, and the hills will flow with milk; all the ravines of Judah will run with water. A fountain will flow out of the LORD's house and will water the valley of acacias.”[Micah 4:2](http://biblehub.com/micah/4-2.htm), “Many nations will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths." The law will go out from Zion, the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.”

**After the rapture of the church, after the seven-year long tribulation, after the war of Armageddon and the resurrection of the saints, Jesus will rule on the earth for one thousand years The purpose of the Millennial Kingdom is to establish Christ as King in Jerusalem, sitting on the throne of David (**[**Luke 1:32-33**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Luke%201.32-33)**) and to fulfill the promises God has made to Israel. They will bless the other nations, fulfilling the Abrahamic covenant (**[**Genesis 12:1-3**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Genesis%2012.1-3)**). They will take control of the promised geographical borders, fulfilling the Palestinian covenant (**[**Deuteronomy 30:1-10**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Deuteronomy%2030.1-10)**). And they will experience forgiveness and a renewed relationship with God, fulfilling the Davidic covenant (**[**2 Samuel 7:10-13**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/2%20Samuel%207.10-13)**).

The Millennial Kingdom will give us a taste of what life would have been if Adam and Eve had not sinned. Jesus will be the King and Judge (**[**Isaiah 2:4**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%202.4)**;** [**11:3-4**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2011.3-4)**). Animals will live in peace with each other and with humans (**[**Isaiah 11:6-9**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2011.6-9)**), and believers will worship God at the new Temple.

Under Jesus' leadership, the world will still be divided into nations. Jews will be drawn back to Israel, which will finally have its promised borders (**[**Genesis 17:7-8**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Genesis%2017.7-8)**;** [**Isaiah 11:10-13**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2011.10-13)**). The Gentiles will be divided into nations with Jesus as their benevolent dictator (**[**Psalm 2:8**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Psalm%202.8)**;** [**Isaiah 42:1**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2042.1)**;** [**Daniel 7:14**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Daniel%207.14)**,** [**27**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Daniel%207.27)**). The disciples (**[**Matthew 19:28**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Matthew%2019.28)**) and the martyrs of the Tribulation (**[**Revelation 20:4**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Revelation%2020.4)**) will rule over the nations. And they will all live in peace (**[**Isaiah2:4**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%202.4)**).

In the beginning of the Millennium, the kingdom will be inhabited only by those who follow Christ. Those who have died will be given glorified bodies and sealed against sin. But those who survived the tribulation will enter as mortals—long-lived, but able to marry and have children (Isaiah 33:24, 35, 61:1-2).
The end of the Millennium will be the setting for the final judgment over the earth. Despite the examples of those around them, the peace in the kingdom, and the presence of Christ, not all of the people will choose follow Christ. At the end of the thousand years, Satan will be released from the Abyss. He will deceive the unbelievers and gather an army to march against Jesus and Israel. The ensuing battle will be short-lived. Satan will be thrown into the Lake of Fire and his human army killed (**[**Revelation 20:7-10**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Revelation%2020.7-10)**). All unbelievers will stand before the Great White Throne of judgment and be thrown into the lake of fire for eternity (**[**Revelation 20:11-15**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Revelation%2020.11-15)**;** [**John 5:22**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/John%205.22)**,** [**26-29**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/John%205.26-29)**). Finally, the heavens and earth will be destroyed (**[**2 Peter 3:10**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/2%20Peter%203.10)**;** [**Matthew 24:35**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Matthew%2024.35)**;** [**Revelation 20:11**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Revelation%2020.11)**) and remade (Revelation 21-22;** [**1 Corinthians 15:35-58**](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Corinthians%2015.35-58)**), and the believers will live on the New Earth for eternity.**

1. **What does “Millennium” mean? Define in your own words. The word “Millennium is only mentioned in one chapter in the Bible (6 times in Revelation.)**
2. **Is the “Millennium” Daniel’s “Stone Kingdom?” Read Daniel 2:44-45. Discuss. Read also Matthew 25:31-34.**
	1. **See also Hosea 3:5, “**Afterward the children of Israel shall return and seek the Lord their God and David their king. They shall fear the Lord and His goodness in the latter days. **Jeremiah 30:9, “**But they shall serve the Lord their God,
	And David their king, Whom I will raise up for them.” **Ez. 37:24-25, “**David My servant *shall be* king over them, and they shall all have one shepherd; they shall also walk in My judgments and observe My statutes, and do them. 25Then they shall dwell in the land that I have given to Jacob My servant, where your fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell there, they, their children, and their children’s children**, forever**; and My servant David *shall be* their prince **forever**. **34:24, “**And I, the Lord, will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken .**and Matthew 19:28,”** 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.”
	2. **O.T. references to the Millennium: Daniel 2:35, Zechariah 14:9, Isaiah 2:2-4, Ezekiel 37:21, Zech. 9:9-10.**
	3. **N.T. reference to the Millennium: Matthew 6:10, 25:31, Revelation 5:10.**
	4. **Why does God need the Millennium to fulfill His promises? Refer to Roman 8:23, “**Not only *that,* but we also who have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. “ **Amos 9:11-15, “**“On that day I will raise up The tabernacleof David, which has fallen down, And repair its damages; I will raise up its ruins, And rebuild it as in the days of old; 12That they may possess the remnant of Edom, And all the Gentiles who are called by My name,” Says the Lord who does this thing.13“Behold, the days are coming,” says the Lord, “When the plowman shall overtake the reaper, And the treader of grapes him who sows seed; The mountains shall drip with sweet wine, And all the hills shall flow *with it.*14I will bring back the captives of My people Israel; They shall build the waste cities and inhabit *them;* They shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them; They shall also make gardens and eat fruit from them.15I will plant them in their land, And no longer shall they be pulled up From the land I have given them, ”Says the Lord your God.”
3. **Compare Joel 3:18-21, Isaiah 2:1-4, and Jeremiah 31:38-40.**
4. **Where else in Revelation do we see “1000 years?”See Revelation 20:2-3.**
5. **In Verse 1, describe how this a continuation of Chapter 19?**
6. **What is the “bottomless pit?” How many times does it appear in Revelation? It occurs seven times in the Book of Revelation. There is only one place in our geology that this could be….the center of the Earth. The “Abusso” in Greek.**
	1. **Read Revelation 9:1-12, Revelation 11:7, Revelation 17:8, Revelation 20:1-3, Revelation 20:7.**
	2. **Hades (Greek), Sheol (Hebrews), Hell (English)—temporary abode; Lake of Fire (English), Valley of Hinnom (Hebrew), Gehenna (Greek)—permanent abode of the ungodly dead**
7. **Why are most denominational churches “amillennial?” Discuss Origen and Augustine.**
8. **In Verse 1, is this the “star angel” seen in the 5th trumpet, Revelation 9?**
	1. **Read Revelation 9:1-2. What is the “key?”**
	2. **Read Revelation 1:18.**
	3. **Revelation 3:7 “Chain?” Review 2 Peter 2:4 and Jude 1:6.**
9. **Why is the promise to David in 2 Samuel 7:11-18 at issue here? Has it been fulfilled in scripture? God promises to set up the seed of David forever.**
10. **Where did God promise to Mary that her son would rule over David’s heritage? Find Luke 1:30-32, Micah 5:2, Isaiah 9:6-7. Mary was promised that Jesus would sit on the throne of David.**
	1. **Discuss the “7 shalls” in this passage.**
	2. **Which four have been fulfilled? Which three pertain to the Millennium?**
11. **How is this promise about David’s throne different than the promises made to the “church?” Discover Ezekiel 37:21-18. The promises to the church are different than those to Israel.**
12. **What are the names of Satan as listed in verse 2?**
	1. **Dragon**
	2. **Serpent, see Genesis 3.**
	3. **Devil, see Job 1:2, Rev. 12:10, “Diablo,” one who slanders**
	4. **Satan, “adversary”**
13. **In Verse 4, who do we see on the “thrones?” Compare to Daniel 7:9.**
14. **Who are “Them?” Read Matthew 19:28, Luke 22:29-30, I Cor. 6:2-3.**
15. **Review Revelation 5:10, compared to Revelation 20:4, where the church is called “priests and kings.” Why is this important in this part of the dispensation?**
	1. **Review what the church is called in Rev. 1:5-6. We are called “priests and kings.”**
	2. **WE ARE THEM!**
		1. **Read Revelation 1:5-6, “**and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washedus from our sins in His own blood, 6and has **made us kingsand priests to His God and Father,** to Him *be* glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”
		2. **Jesus said in Revelation 3:21, “**To him who overcomes **I will grant to sit with Me on My throne**, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne.”
16. **Examine Psalm 89:34-47. What does this promise focus on? God will not lie to David.**
17. **What does God promise in Isaiah 7:13? Is this the same as the Psalm 89 promise mentioned? Also refer to 2 Samuel 7:12-19; I Chronicles 17:12, 22:10, Isaiah 55:3, Ezekiel 37:25, and Genesis 17:2-8.**
18. **Discuss the oath by God in Psalm 132:11, Psalm 89:34-37.**
19. **Was the Millennium predicted in the Psalms? Read Psalm 2, 110.**
20. **What did the prophets have to say about the Millennium? See Isaiah 2:1-5, 4:1-6, Jeremiah 23:3-8, Ezekiel 40-48,Daniel 2:44-45, Micah 4:1-8 and Zechariah 12:10-14,21.**
21. **Read Ezekiel 36:16-24. Explain how the removal of Israel from her land is a “slam” to God. Read Deut 28-29. God has pity for HIS OWN HOLY NAME. God’s protecting ISRAEL is about keeping His Word.**
22. **Read Ez. 37:21-22. Discuss the “regathering” of Israel to their home land.**
23. **In Verse 2-3, describe what happens to the old “dragon?”**
24. **How is the Devil bound? Does Jesus Himself bind him? No, an angel does this**
25. **What is “the key?” in verse 1? Where else do we see this imagery?**
26. **Refer to the incident at Gadarenes, Luke 8:26-39. .** Who speaks to Jesus? Their destiny was in the bottomless pit, but they didn’t want to go there yet.
27. **Why 1000 years?** Is this a literal 1000 years?
28. **Is the Devil sealed in the Bottomless Pit? How? Who is the “deceiver of the nations?” How does he deceive the nations?**
29. **In Verse 4, who are the four classes of people that will reign with Christ for 1000 years?**
	1. **O.T. Saints…..read Daniel 12:1-4, Isaiah 25:8-9**
	2. **Church….Revelation 2:26-28, 3:12, 21, 5:10, I Thess. 4:13-18, 2 Tim. 2:12**
	3. **Tribulation Martyrs…. Revelation 6:9**
	4. **Tribulation saints still alive at the time of Christ’s Second Coming who “worshipped not the beast.” Revelation 20:4**
30. **What are the first and second resurrections? Describe the “first resurrection” mentioned in verse 5-6? There are two resurrections in Daniel 12:2 and John 5:28-29, Acts 24:15, Luke 14:14. The first resurrection one of this was Jesus Christ, Matthew 27, where the graves were open. The first resurrection includes The rapture saints, the faithful after the tribulation… The second resurrection is at the end of the thousand years. One thousand years between the two resurrections. Jesus is the “Firstborn from the dead,” Rev. 1:5b.**
	1. **Revelation 20:5-6, First Resurrection, also called the “Resurrection of Life” or “Resurrection of Believers also, John 5:28-29, Luke 14:1-14, Phil. 3:10-14.**
		1. **Phase 1—Resurrection of Jesus Christ and some of the O.T. saints, Matthew 27:52**
		2. **Phase 2—Resurrection of the Church at the Rapture, I Thess. 4:16-17, I Cor. 15:20-23**
			1. **I Thess. 4:16, the dead in Christ rise first, then those that are alive are “caught up”**
			2. **In Verse 4, the “Them” are the raptured church (24 elders), the first fruits with Christ and the martyred saints**
		3. **Phase 3—Resurrection of the Two Witnesses—Revelation 11:12**
		4. **Phase 5—Resurrection of the Tribulation Saints and the remainder of the O.T. Saints at the end of the Tribulation Period, the Second Coming...THIS COMPLETES THE FIRST RESURRECTION!**
	2. **Second Resurrection, “Resurrection of Damnation” or “Resurrection of Unbelievers or Condemned”—unbelievers at the end of the Millennium**
		1. **Read Acts 24:15, John 5:28-29, Luke 14:13-14, 20:35-36, Heb. 11:35**
		2. **Daniel 12:2, John 5:24**
		3. **John 3:18**-HE THAT BELIEVETH ON HIM IS NOT CONDEMNED: BUT HE THAT BELIEVETH NOT IS CONDEMNED ALREADY, BECAUSE HE HATH NOT BELIEVED IN THE NAME OF THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD.
		4. **John 3:36**-HE THAT BELIEVETH ON THE SON HATH EVERLASTING LIFE: AND HE THAT BELIEVETH NOT THE SON SHALL NOT SEE LIFE; BUT THE WRATH OF GOD ABIDETH ON HIM.
	3. **What does a resurrected body resemble? Examine Psalm 17:15, I Cor. 15:49, Phil. 3:20-21, and I John 3:2.**
	4. **Will one recognize friends and relatives in a resurrected body? See I Samuel 28:10-14, Luke 16:9-31, Matthew 17:1-13, John 20:24-29, and I Cor. 13:12.**
31. **In Verse 5, compare with John 5:28-29.**
32. **In verse 6, discuss “priests.” Reigning? Talking about the redeemed, kings and priests.**
33. **What is the blessing of this age referred to in verse 6?**
34. **What six things does verse 6 emphasize about those in the first resurrection? Blessed, holy, priests, reign, 1000 years, second death has no power over them.**
35. **During the Millennium, the whole creation has changed. See Zech 4:9-10, Isaiah 35:1-10.**
36. **Is the “curse” of Genesis 3 lifted on the earth during the 1000 years? Read Isaiah 11:6-9, 35:1-10 and Zechariah 4:9-10,**
37. **Do Isaiah 65 and Romans 8:22-23 (groans in travail, bondage of decay)—refer to the creation being redeemed? Read Hab. 2:14.**
38. **Do the passages in Isaiah 11:9 and Hab. 2:14 suggest that the earth will be “in full knowledge of the Lord? Defend your answer.**
39. **Explain why this time period is not eternity. Read Isaiah 65:20, Micah 4:15, Amos 9:13. Most of the Millennium comes from Isaiah 65, not the new testament.**
40. **What are some attributes of the Millennium period?**
	1. **Difference in death and sin, Isaiah 65:20**
	2. **Each will have own land, Micah 4:15**
	3. **Fruitfulness abounds, Amos 9:13**
41. **Explain why the Millennium is not yet “the new earth.” Refer to Isaiah 65:17, 66:22, 2 Peter 3:13, Revelation 21:1. This is not heaven and the new earth, and this is not where righteousness dwells, but is where righteousness is enforced.**
42. **Examine the “longevity” of the millennial period. See Isaiah 65:17 and Ezekiel 40-48. Nowhere is there a resurrection of Millennial saints. Last nine chapters of the book of Ezekiel, 40-48, are a detailed description of the Millennial Temple, it is very detailed. The Millennial Temple is only open on Sheba and the New Moon. Ezekiel’s Temple similar to Solomon’s, except it is more expansive, chambers for singers and priests, priest kitchens, inner gates, outer gates. This is a vastly larger than any temple in history, with chambers in the outer court, including people’s kitchen. This is north of Jerusalem, about 40 miles north of Jerusalem. Water will come out of the temple, flowing through Jerusalem to the Dead Sea.**
	1. **Discuss God’s throne in Isaiah 16:5. How does this relate to the new temple, described by Ezekiel**
	2. **What is the “Tabernacle of David?” Throne? See Matthew 25:31, Zechariah 6:12-13, and Jeremiah 3:16-17. These focus on the throne of Jesus.**

**Part II: Revelation 20:7-10, Satan’s Rebellion Crushed**

1. **In Verse 7-8, what happens when the 1000 years expire?**
2. **What does Satan do? What is Gog/Magog War? Magog is a country. This is another war similar to the first Gog/Magog War. Gog, Amos 7:1, in the Septuagint version, refers to Gog as “King of the Locusts.” Proverbs 30:27 teaches us that the locusts have no king. And we learn in Revelation 9:1-3, fifth trumpet, demon locusts come up out of the bottomless pit. Gog is the king of those demons. Gog is a title of one of Satan’s minion. Gog is the “chief prince of Meshech and Tubal.”**
3. **Why does God allow Satan to be loosed? Man’s heart is evil**
	1. **See Jeremiah 17:9, Job 1:6-12, Ezekiel 28:11-16, and Luke 10:18**
4. **How could the nations be deceived after having lived in perfection for 1000 years?**
	1. **Read I Chronicles 5:4, Ezekiel 38:2**
	2. **Read Genesis 10:2, I Chronicle 1:5, Ezekiel 38:2, 39:6, and discuss Magog.**
5. **Describe the scene in verse 9. How does God “take care” of this rebellion? Compare it to the outcome in Ezekiel 38-39 Gog/Magog War.**
	1. **Is this battle long or short?**
6. **What was the Devil’s outcome in verse 10? Discuss fire and brimstone.**
	1. **Read Matthew 25:41. What was hell (Lake of Fire) made for?**
	2. **Read 2 Peter 2:4 and 2 Thess. 1:9. Comment on their relevance.**
7. **Who else is in view in verse 10? When did the beast and the false prophet get thrown in the Lake of Fire? 1000 years previous Define “forever**?”

**Part III: Revelation 20:11-15, The Great White Throne Judgment**

1. **What is the judgment mentioned in Verse 11? Compare it to the “Bema Seat,” or “Judgment Seat of Christ” mentioned in Romans 14:10-12 and II Corinthians 5:10 and Romans 8:1. The Bema is similar to getting medals at the Olympics…rewards for service. Believers judged in I Cor. 3:10-15, “**“On that day I will raise up The tabernacle of David, which has fallen down, And repair its damages; I will raise up its ruins, And rebuild it as in the days of old; 12That they may possess the remnant of Edom, And all the Gentiles who are called by My name, ”Says the Lord who does this thing.13“Behold, the days are coming,” says the Lord, “When the plowman shall overtake the reaper, And the treader of grapes him who sows seed; The mountains shall drip with sweet wine, And all the hills shall flow *with it.*
14I will bring back the captives of My people Israel; They shall build the waste cities and inhabit *them;* They shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them; They shall also make gardens and eat fruit from them.15I will plant them in their land, And no longer shall they be pulled up
From the land I have given them, “Says the Lord your God.
	1. **2 Corinthians 5:10, Romans 14:10-12**
	2. **See also John 5:22, 2 Tim. 4:1**
2. **Describe the “Great White Throne?” Who sat on it?**
	1. **See Romans 14:10-12, I Peter 4:5**
	2. **Read Daniel 7:9-10, Revelation 20:11, 21:1**
	3. **Very large book, Revelation 20:12, James 2:14-26, Romans 2:14-16**
	4. **I Corinthians 3:10-15, works**
	5. **This judgment is for people that are not saved**
3. **Compare the kinds of “Books” that God refers to in His Word.**
	1. **“A book God has written,” Exodus 32:32-33**
	2. **“A book about our wanderings and tears,” Psalm 56:8**
	3. **“The book of the living,” Psalm 69:28**
	4. **“A book containing the names of faithful Jews,” Daniel 12:1**
	5. **“A book of remembrance,” Malachi 3:16**
	6. **“A record of our idle words,” Matthew 12:36-37**
	7. **“A list of our words,” I Cor.3:11-15**
	8. **“A book of life,” (born once), Phil. 4:3, Rev. 3:5**
	9. **“A book of life of the Lamb,” Rev. 17:8, 20:8, 15, 22:19**
	10. **“Lamb’s Book of Life,” (born twice), Rev. 13:8,21:27**
4. **In Verse 11, what happens to the earth?**
5. **In Verse 12, are the dead “unsaved?” Yes**
6. **What “books” are highlighted in verse 12? Books, another book, books of works/deed, the second book is the Book of Life, The Lamb’s Book of Life is for the saved**
	1. **There are degrees in hell, according to works. Refer to Matthew 10:15, 11:20-24, Luke 12:46-48.**
7. **Why would you not want to be judged according to your works? Describe the books in verse 12?**
8. **In verse 13, “Hades” is also referred to as the grave? Was this a temporary place? Yes, a holding place for the unsaved before judgment.**
9. **In verse 14, who else was cast into the Lake of Fire? Death and Hades, 2nd death**
	1. **Compare to Matthew 25:41.**
10. **What is the “Book of Life” in verse 15?** **The Lamb’s Book of Life, the other book is those who have only works, not Jesus.**
	1. **Read Romans 8:12-17, Rev. 20:15, Daniel 12:2, John 5:28-29**
11. **Read Luke 16:19-31 and reference the “death/life” story there. Apply this to the ending of Revelation 20. Discuss Abraham, the rich man, and Lazarus.**
	1. **What is Hades? Two compartments….place of torment, Abraham’s Bosom**
	2. **There is an impassable gulf between them**
	3. **Bottomless Pit is below Hades, might be equivalent to Tartarus**
12. **Discuss the finality of the Great White Throne Judgment. How does this affect your life? Read:**
	1. **I Peter 3: 18-20 refers to Jesus declaring His glory. How?**
	2. **Isaiah 61:1-2. What is the day of vengeance? Is this the Great White Throne Judgment?**
	3. **Matthew 27:52-53, discuss this part of the First Resurrection, First Fruits.**
	4. **Matthew 10:28; 25:46, Daniel 12:2, Revelation 14:10-11**
13. **THE ISAIAH CONNECTION…Examine Isaiah’s link to the story of the Millennium.** **The Millennial Reign….**Once the Messiah has poured out the wrath of God on the enemies of God, He will establish His reign over the earth, and He will begin to manifest His glory. All the various aspects about the Lord's millennial reign are spelled out in detail in the book of Isaiah. The book of Revelation is about the Tribulation. It is the book of Isaiah that reveals the details of the Millennium.
	1. **Isaiah 24:23** “: *Then the moon will be abashed and the sun ashamed, for the Lord of hosts will reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, and His glory will be before His elders*.”
	2. **Isaiah 2:2, 9:6, world-wide reign.**
	3. **Isaiah 2:4—peace**
	4. **Isaiah 42:3-4—justice**
	5. **Isaiah 2:3—Jesus on the throne of David**
	6. **Isaiah 33:17-22—Jesus will be king, legislator and judge**
	7. **Isaiah 32:1—the Redeemed will reign with Jesus as princes**
	8. **Isaiah 2:2-3, 49:22-23, 60:1-62:7, Jesus will be reigning from Jerusalem and Israel will be the “center” of the world**
	9. **Isaiah 40:3-5, 52:13-15, 61:3, 66:18—the glory and holiness of Jesus will be manifested**
	10. **Isaiah 4:2-4—holiness will be widespread**
	11. **Isaiah 35:10—joy will be prevalent,”** *And the ransomed of the Lord will return, and come with joyful shouting to Zion, with everlasting joy upon their heads. They will find gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing will flee away*.”
	12. **Isaiah 2:2-3, 56:6-8, 60:7B, 13—The Millennial Temple in Jerusalem will be the spiritual center of the world**
	13. **Isaiah 4:5—God’s Shekinah glory will canopy over the city of Jerusalem**
	14. **Isaiah 62:3-5—no longer will the land be in desolation**
	15. **Isaiah 4:2—fruit of the earth will thrive in Israel**
	16. **Isaiah 35:6b-7—pools in the desert**
	17. **Isaiah 11:6-9, 65:25—restoration to the animal kingdom, back to original perfection.**
14. **The “Minor” Prophetic Connection to the Millennium, by Dr. David Reagan.**
	1. **Hosea** talks about how God will use the Millennium to fulfill all the promises He has made to the Jewish people ([Hosea 1:10-11](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Hosea%201.10-11), [2:14-20](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Hosea%202.14-20), and [14:4-7](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Hosea%2014.4-7)).He confirms that God will establish peace in the animal kingdom and peace between the nations ([Hosea 2:18](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Hosea%202.18)). And he makes it clear that God's blessings will also be poured out on the Gentiles ([Hosea 2:23](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Hosea%202.23)).
	2. Hosea's most fascinating prophecy has to do with the timing of the Lord's return. He indicates that it will be "two days" after His ascension into Heaven ([Hosea 5:15 - 6:2](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Hosea%205.15%20-%206.2)). The context of the passage indicates that the two days represent 2,000 years. Hosea says that after the two days, the Messiah "will raise us up" (the resurrection) that "we may live before Him "for "the third day" (the 1,000 years of the Millennium).
	3. **Joel's** end time prophecies focus mainly on "the day of the Lord" which, in his context, is the day of the Messiah's Second Coming ([Joel 1:15](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Joel%201.15), [2:1](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Joel%202.1),[13](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Joel%202.13) and [3:14](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Joel%203.14)). But he does give us a glimpse of the Millennium when he states that when the Messiah returns, He will dwell "in Zion, My holy mountain" and that Jerusalem will be characterized by holiness ([Joel 3:17](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Joel%203.17), [21](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Joel%203.21)). He also confirms that the land will be revitalized for great agricultural production: "The mountains will drip with sweet wine, and the hills will flow with milk, and all the brooks of Judah will flow with water" ([Joel 3:18](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Joel%203.18)). He also affirms that Egypt will be a desolation ([Joel 3:19](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Joel%203.19)).
	4. **Amos** presents a picture of the Messiah returning as a roaring lion ([Amos 1:2](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Amos%201.2)). The only thing he has to say about the Millennium is that it will be characterized by agricultural abundance ([Amos 9:14](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Amos%209.14)) — so much so that "the plowman will overtake the reaper" ([Amos 9:13](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Amos%209.13)).
	5. **Obadiah's** only significant comment about the Millennium is his statement that it will be characterized by holiness (Obadiah 17).
	6. **Jonah** has nothing to say about the Millennium.
	7. **Micah** begins his prophecy with a vision of the Second Coming ([Micah 1:3-4](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Micah%201.3-4)). Regarding the Millennium, Micah presents a glorious vision of it and does so in words that are almost identical with Isaiah's ([Micah 4:1-7](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Micah%204.1-7) and [Isaiah 2:2-4](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Isaiah%202.2-4)). He emphasizes the peace and prosperity that will characterize the Millennium ([Micah 4:3-4](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Micah%204.3-4)). He also underlines the promise of God that He will make the Jewish people the primary nation of the world during the Millennium (Micah 4:6-7)
	8. **Nahum** echoes Joel by focusing his prophecies on "the day of the Lord" ([Nahum 1:1-8](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Nahum%201.1-8)). The only thing he has to say with regard to the Millennium is that the Jewish people will enjoy perfect peace ([Nahum 1:15](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Nahum%201.15)) and the splendor of their nation will be restored ([Nahum 2:2](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Nahum%202.2)).
	9. **Habakkuk** begins his book by assuring the reader that God will be faithful to send the Messiah back "at the appointed time" ([Habakkuk 2:3](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Habakkuk%202.3)). He follows that by presenting a very dramatic vision of the Second Coming ([Habakkuk 3:3-13](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Habakkuk%203.3-13)). He does not have anything to say about the Millennium.
	10. **Zephaniah** begins his book by presenting a powerful and frightening vision about the Second Coming ([Zephaniah 1:14-18](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zephaniah%201.14-18)). He concludes his book with a brief prophecy about the Millennium ([Zephaniah 3:14-20](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zephaniah%203.14-20)). He reveals that the Lord will regather all believing Jews back to the land of Israel and that He will live in their midst ([Zephaniah 3:17-20](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zephaniah%203.17-20)). And he promises that God will make the Jewish nation the prime nation of the world ([Zephaniah 3:20](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zephaniah%203.20)).
	11. **Haggai** asserts that at the time of the Second Coming, God will shake the heavens and earth ([Haggai 2:6-7](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Haggai%202.6-7)), overthrowing all Gentile kingdoms ([Haggai 2:22](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Haggai%202.22)). The wealth of the nations will be transferred to Jerusalem, and the Temple will be rebuilt in glory ([Haggai 2:7](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Haggai%202.7)). And then, using Zerubbabel, the governor of Judah, as a prophetic type of the Messiah, Haggai says that God will give him His "signet ring"— meaning that he will become the King of kings and Lord of lords ([Haggai 2:23](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Haggai%202.23)).
	12. **Zechariah** says that the Lord "will return to Jerusalem" and will rebuild the Temple ([Zechariah 1:16](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%201.16)). He calls upon the Jewish people to "sing for joy and be glad" because the Lord has told him that "I am coming and I will dwell in your midst"([Zechariah 2:10](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%202.10)).
	13. Concerning the nature of the Lord's reign, Zechariah says He will be "a priest on His throne," confirming that the government will be a theocracy ([Zechariah 6:12-13](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%206.12-13)). The city of Jerusalem will be called "The City of Truth" and "The Holy Mountain" ([Zechariah 8:3](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%208.3)). Believing Jews will be regathered from all over the world ([Zechariah 9:14-17](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%209.14-17)), and the population of Jerusalem will live in peace and prosperity ([Zechariah 8:8](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%208.8), [12](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%208.12)). The Jewish people will be so greatly blessed that when a Jew walks by, ten Gentiles will grab his robe and say, "Let us go with you, for we have heard that God is with you" ([Zechariah 8:23](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%208.23)).
	14. Zechariah further states that during the Millennium, all the nations of the world will be required to send delegations to Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles ([Zechariah 14:16](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%2014.16)). Those nations that fail to do so will receive no rain ([Zechariah 14:17-18](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%2014.17-18)).
	15. Zechariah concludes his book by emphasizing the holiness that will abound during the Millennium. He says that the bells on the horses' bridles will be engraved with the words, "Holy to the Lord" ([Zechariah 14:20-21](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Zechariah%2014.20-21)).
	16. **Malachi** contains several passages about the Second Coming, but the only thing it says about the Millennium is that the name of the Lord "will be great among the nations" ([Malachi 1:11](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Malachi%201.11)).
15. **The “Major” Prophetic Connection, by Dr. David Reagan**
	1. **Jeremiah** pictures the Millennium as a time when Israel and Judah will be united in peace, and the city of Jerusalem will be called "The Throne of the Lord" ([Jeremiah 3:17-18](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%203.17-18)). Jesus, "the righteous Branch," will “reign as king and act wisely and do justice and righteousness in the land" ([Jeremiah 23:5](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2023.5)). And because of His new role as king, the name of Jesus will be changed to Yahweh-Tsidkenu, meaning, "The Lord is our righteousness"([Jeremiah 23:6](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2023.6)).
	2. David, in his glorified body, will serve as the king of Israel ([Jeremiah 30:9](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2030.9)), and all the enemies of Israel will be destroyed ([Jeremiah 30:11](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2030.11)). The city of Jerusalem and the Temple will be rebuilt ([Jeremiah 30:18](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2030.18)), and the population will be multiplied ([Jeremiah 30:19](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2030.19)). The mourning of the Jewish people will be turned into joy ([Jeremiah 31:13](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2031.13)).
	3. The Jewish people will repent of the rejection of their Messiah and will enter into a new covenant with God that will be written on their hearts ([Jeremiah 31:31-34](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2031.31-34) and [32:37-40](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2032.37-40)). The streets of Jerusalem will be filled with "the voice of joy and the voice of gladness..." ([Jeremiah 33:11](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%2033.11)).
	4. **Ezekiel** confirms that the Jewish people will enter into a new covenant with God that will be written on their hearts ([Ezekiel 11:19-20](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2011.19-20) and [16:60-62](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2016.60-62)). He also confirms that the Lord will guarantee their security and will "execute judgments upon all who scorn them round about them" ([Ezekiel 28:26](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2028.26)). The land of Egypt will be particularly punished for its treatment of Israel and will remain desolation during the first 40 years of the Millennium ([Ezekiel 29:9-16](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2029.9-16)).
	5. Ezekiel also confirms that David will be made king of Israel ([Ezekiel 34:23-24](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2034.23-24) and [37:24](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2037.24)). The Lord will pour out "showers of blessings" on Israel, including agricultural abundance ([Ezekiel 34:26-29](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2034.26-29)) and the rebuilding of their Temple ([Ezekiel 37:26-27](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2037.26-27)). The result is that the Lord's glory will be set among the nations ([Ezekiel 39:21](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2039.21)).
	6. From chapter 40 through chapter 46, Ezekiel focuses on describing the Millennial Temple. It is much larger than any of the previous Jewish temples, and the Holy of Holies in the Temple contains no ark. Jeremiah had already prophesied that the ark would not be rebuilt or remembered ([Jeremiah 3:16](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Jeremiah%203.16)).
	7. One of Ezekiel's end time prophecies that has already been fulfilled relates to the Eastern Gate. He says it will be shut up and will not be reopened until the Messiah returns ([Ezekiel 44:1-3](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2044.1-3)). The gate was closed in the 1500's and remains closed to this day.
	8. Ezekiel reveals that part of the redemption of nature will be the conversion of the Dead Sea into a sea of fresh water ([Ezekiel 47:8-9](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ezekiel%2047.8-9)). He concludes his book by telling how the redeemed and greatly expanded land of Israel will be divided among the 12 tribes (Ezekiel 48).
	9. **Daniel's** end time prophecies focus on the Tribulation and the Antichrist. His first mention of the Millennium occurs in chapter 2 where he interprets the dream of Nebuchadnezzar about the sequence of Gentile empires. He reveals that the last Gentile empire will be destroyed by the return of the Messiah and the establishment of His kingdom "which will never be destroyed"([Daniel 2:44-45](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Daniel%202.44-45)).
	10. In chapter 7, Daniel emphasizes that the Redeemed will reign with the Messiah: "Then the sovereignty, the dominion, and the greatness of all the kingdoms under the whole heaven will be given to the people of the saints of the Highest One..."([Daniel 7:27](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Daniel%207.27)). Daniel concludes his book by indicating there will be an interregnum of 75 days between the time of the Lord's return and the establishment of His worldwide government ([Daniel 12:11-12](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Daniel%2012.11-12)). **This is most likely the period of time when the Messiah will judge all those left alive at the end of the Tribulation to determine whether or not they will enter the Millennium in the flesh. This time period will also likely be used to organize the Messiah's government, part of which will be to make governing assignments to the Redeemed who will be in glorified bodies.**
16. **What promises are fulfilled with the Millennium?**
	1. **Promises to Israel**
		1. Borders--**The Palestinian Covenant** ([Genesis 15:18-20](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Genesis%2015.18-20); [Numbers 34:1-12](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Numbers%2034.1-12), Deut. 30:1-10) outlines the exact borders Israel is possess for eternity; the nation of Israel has yet to encompass these specific boundaries.
		2. **The Davidic Covenant** (2 Samuel 7:10-13) is the promise that God made to David that David's heir would sit on the throne of Israel forever. Jesus is that heir, but He has yet to take His physical, political birthright. (Joel 3:18, Amos 9:13, Isaiah 55:13, 35:1, Psalm 67:6, Joel 2:24-26.)
		3. **The Abrahamic Covenant** fulfilled—Genesis 12:1-3, making Christ as King, thus blessing the other nations.
		4. **The New Covenant** ([Jeremiah 31: 13, 31-34](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Jeremiah%2031.31-34)) outlines the promise that Israel as a nation will return to God and worship their Messiah (Romans 9-11). These covenants will be fulfilled during the 1000-year reign.
		5. The city of Jerusalem and the Temple will be rebuilt in Jeremiah 30:18.
		6. Israel and Judah will united in peace, and Jerusalem will be called, “The Throne of the Lord,” Jeremiah 3:17-18.
		7. God fulfills all His promises that He has made to the Jewish people, Hosea 1:10-11, 2:14-20, and 14:4-7.
		8. Peace and prosperity will reign, Micah 4:1-7, Nahum 1:15.
		9. Israel will be the primary nation in the world, Micah 4:6-7, Zeph. 3:20.
		10. **The Jews will be so greatly blessed in the Millennium that when a Jew walks by, ten Gentiles will grab his robe and say, “Let us go with you, for we have heard that God is with you,” Zech. 14:17-18.**
	2. **Promises to Jesus**
		1. In Psalm 110, David records the promises that God ("The LORD") made to Jesus ("my Lord"). God invites Jesus to sit at His right hand until God makes Jesus' enemies a footstool. Jesus will rule over, judge, and shatter His enemies while His people worship Him freely. This combination of judging enemies and being worshiped by the faithful cannot happen simultaneously in the eternal heaven, because in heaven there will be no sin or rebellion to judge. Similarly,
		2. In [Daniel 7:11-14](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Daniel%207.11-14), Jesus is given dominion over all the people, nations, and languages before His enemies are permanently destroyed.
		3. In Jeremiah 23:5, Jesus, the righteous Branch, will reign as king and act wisely and do justice and righteousness in the land.
	3. **Promises to the Gentiles**
		1. The promise in [Daniel 7:11-14](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Daniel%207.11-14) refers to Gentiles, as well. It says that Jesus will be given dominion over all the nations. The whole world will know God ([Isaiah 11:9](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2011.9)). In addition to Jesus' rule over the Gentiles, His faithful followers will be given positions of authority ([Luke 19:12-27](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Luke%2019.12-27); [Revelation 5:10](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Revelation%205.10); [1 Corinthians 6:2](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Corinthians%206.2)).
	4. **Promises to Creation**
		1. Jesus' sovereignty will extend beyond human political systems and into all of creation. The curse will be lifted ([Romans 8:18-23](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Romans%208.18-23)).
		2. Animals will live in peace again ([Isaiah 11:6-9](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2011.6-9), [35:9](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2035.9), [65:25](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2065.25), Hosea 2:18, Romans 8:23).
		3. Fields will be productive and freed from the curse of weeds ([Isaiah 32:13-15](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2032.13-15), Amos 9:14.).
		4. The mortals who survived the Tribulation and populate the 1000-year reign will be freed from disease ([Isaiah 33:24](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2033.24), [35:5-6](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2035.5-6), [61:1-2](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Isaiah%2061.1-2); [Ezekiel 34:16](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Ezekiel%2034.16)).
		5. Human life prolonged. (Isaiah 65:20,22, Zech. 8:4, Ezekiel 47:12)
		6. Seven-fold increase of light. (Isaiah 60:19-20, Revelation 2:23-24, Deut. 28:13).
	5. **Promises that humanity is corrupt without the Savior. MANKIND CANNOT CHOOSE GOOD, WITHOUT JESUS…ROMANS 3:11-12.** In the midst of this paradise, there may be one more reason for Jesus' 1000-year reign. Even though there is peace throughout the world, even though the worship of God is the norm for all nations, even though Jesus Himself will reign from Jerusalem, and even though Satan is bound and cannot influence people, there will still be those who do not choose Jesus as their Lord and Savior. For all those who wonder if Adam and Eve would have rebelled against God if the serpent hadn't tempted them, the end of the 1000-year reign tells the answer. Because when Satan is released in [Revelation 20:7](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/Revelation%2020.7), the nations are completely open for his deception and willing to follow him into battle against Jesus one last time. And not just a few individuals—"number is like the sand of the sea" (vs. 8). The influence of Jesus over civilization and the removal of Satan are not enough to encourage people to follow God. Only the Holy Spirit dwelling in our hearts ensures we will choose good.
	6. **Promises to Israel, Jesus, the Gentiles, and creation**. [2 Peter 3:8-9](http://biblia.com/bible/esv/2%20Peter%203.8-9) says, "But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance." The 1000-year reign offers the opportunity for God to fulfill His promises; the wait offers the opportunity for us to reach the world and teach others about Him.

**Promises to you today!**

[**2 Timothy 2: 12**](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/2%20Timothy%202.%2012)**, “If we endure, we shall also reign with *Him.*
If we deny *Him,* He also will deny us.”**

[**Revelation 2:26-27**](http://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Revelation%202.26-27)**, “And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations—27‘He shall rule them with a rod of iron; They shall be dashed to pieces like the potter’s vessels’--as I also have received from My Father.”**



