

Weapons of Our Warfare

Premillennialism

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FOREWARD

The charts contained in this booklet were first presented in a special series of lessons in Evansville, Indiana. At the urging of several faithful brethren these charts have been sent to press.

Although they were originally prepared for use with an overhead projector, these charts lend themselves for use in home Bible studies as flip-charts. It is suggested that you enhance your overhead transparencies by adding colored backgrounds (commonly referred to as 'Billboarding Film') or by using reversal film.

Many sources were used in the preparation of this material. The following works helped me the most: The Neal-Wallace Discussion, The Welch-Schreiner Debate, The Oliphant-Rice Debate, God's Prophetic Word, The Story of the Fort Worth Norris-Wallace Debate, and The Kingdom of Promise and Prophecy.

The charts are self-explanatory with the possible exception of the ones titled "The Wonderful World Tomorrow" and "Anglo-Israelism." These charts reflect the views of Garner Ted Armstrong. All of the statements made on these charts are from his booklet, "The Wonderful World Tomorrow."

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If you have any comments or questions about this booklet, please feel free to write to me.

In Christ,



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PREMILLENNIALISM DEFINED

“PRE” A PREFIX MEANING “BEFORE”

“MILLE” ONE THOUSAND

“ANNUM” YEARS

“ISM” A DOCTRINE OR THEORY

**THE BELIEF THAT CHRIST’S SECOND COMING
WILL PRECEDE A LITERAL 1,000 YEAR KINGDOM
ON THIS EARTH.**

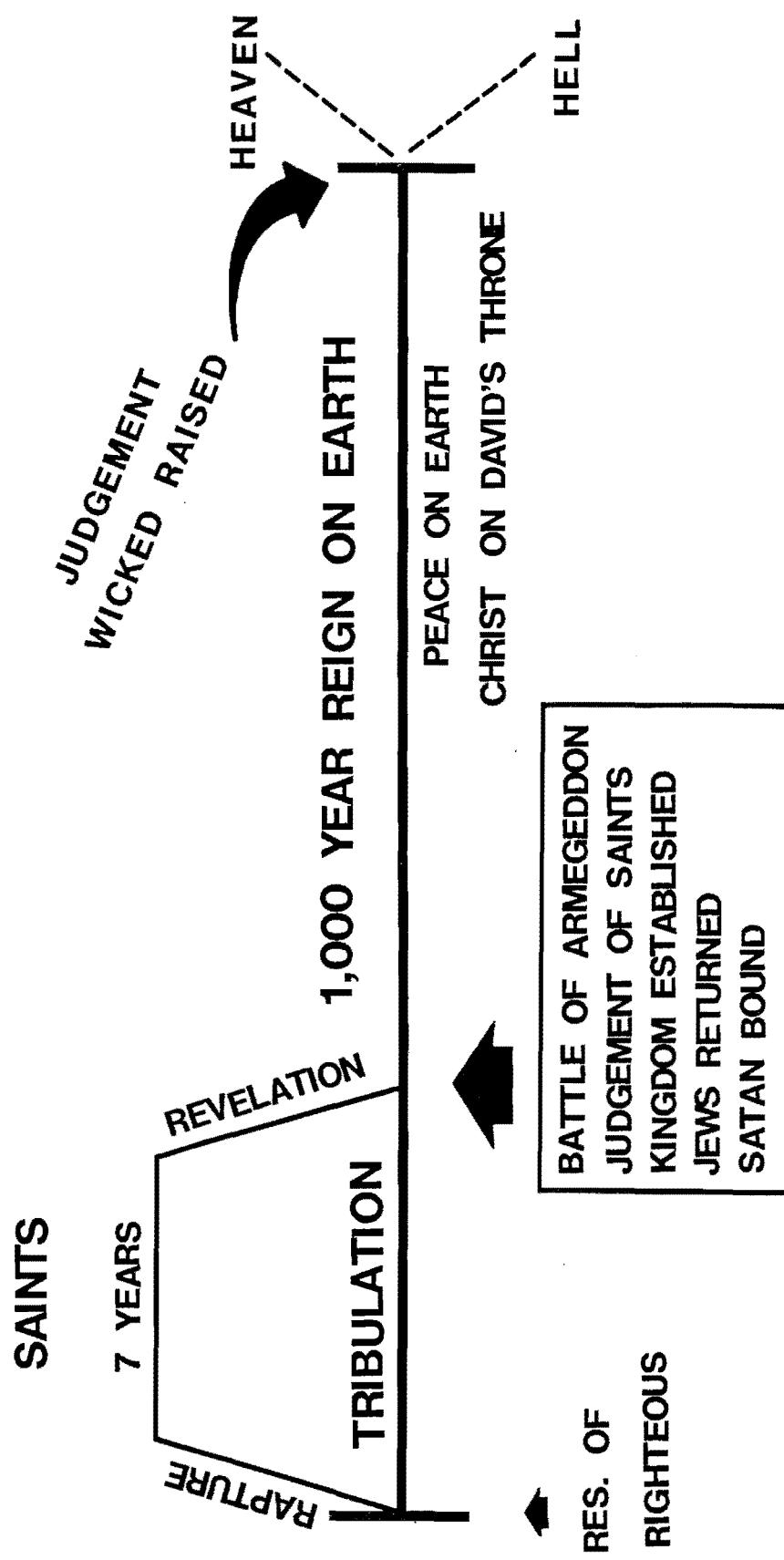
POSTMILLENNIALISM DEFINED

**CHRIST WILL RETURN AFTER A
1,000 YEAR ERA OF PEACE ON EARTH.**

THEORY DIED AFTER WORLD WAR TWO

2 TIMOTHY 3:13

PREMILLENNIAL VIEW OF THE KINGDOM



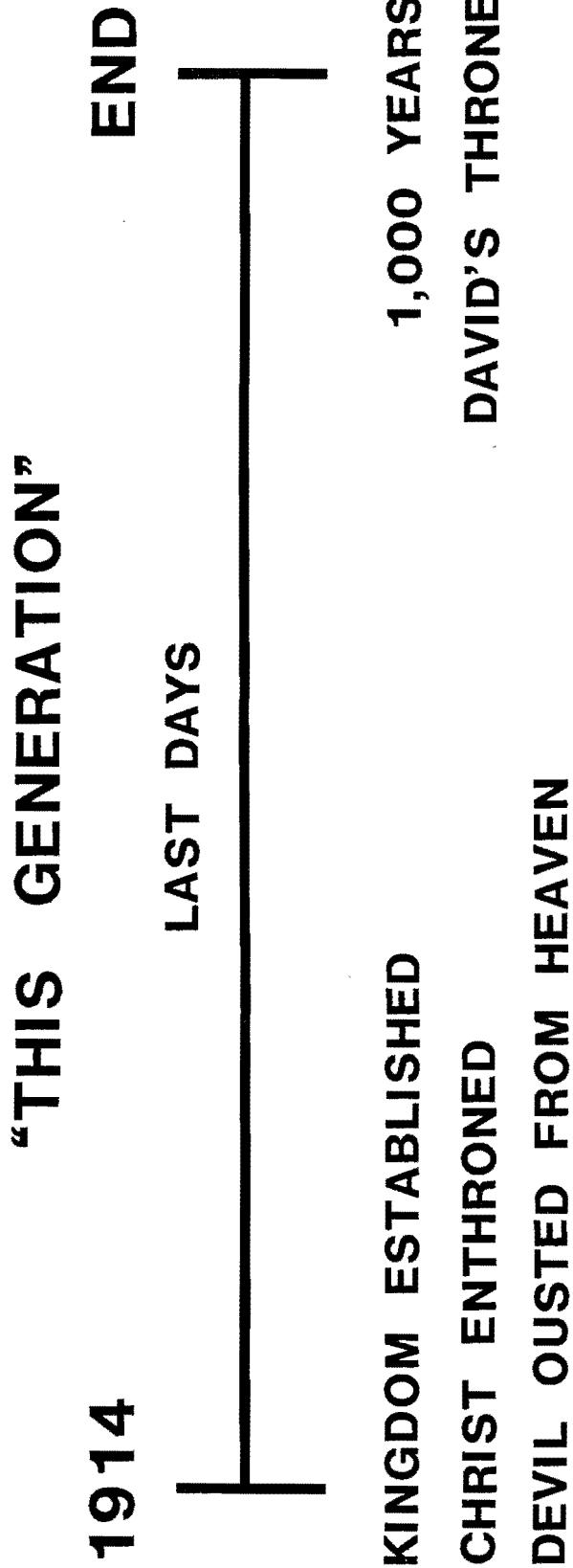
I SURVIVED THE RAPTURE!

“IT WAS THE LAST QUARTER OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME AND THE OTHER SIDE WAS AHEAD. OUR BOYS HAD THE BALL. WE MADE A TOUCHDOWN AND TIED IT UP. THE CROWD WENT CRAZY. ONLY ONE MINUTE TO GO AND THEY FUMBLED – OUR QUARTERBACK RECOVERED – ZAP –NO MORE QUARTERBACK – COMPLETELY GONE, JUST LIKE THAT.”

THE LATE GREAT PLANET EARTH,

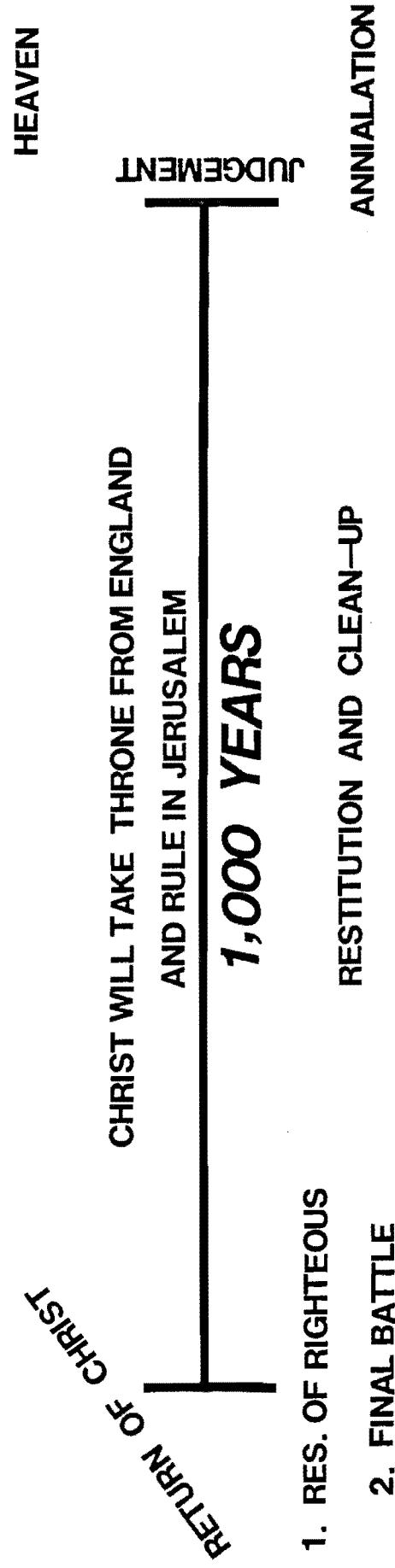
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J. W.'S VIEW OF THE KINGDOM



ANGLO-ISRAELISM

**ASSUMES THE BRITISH COMMONWEALTH AND THE UNITED STATES
TO BE THE TEN LOST TRIBES OF ISRAEL**



THE WONDERFUL WORLD TOMORROW

What It Will Be Like

UTOPIA

SICKNESS BANISHED
WORLD PEACE NO WARS

HOSPITALS UP FOR SALE

NO ILLITERACY

NO CRIME

NO MORE STARVATION

ALL DESERTS FERTILE

SMALLER OCEANS

MOUNTAINS WILL BE LEVEL

EARTHQUAKES REFORM LAND
ONE UNIVERSAL TEMPERATURE



THE WONDERFUL WORLD TOMORROW

ABRAHAM, ISAAC AND JACOB WILL FUNCTION AS A TOPFLIGHT TEAM,
WITH ABRAHAM AS "CHAIRMAN"

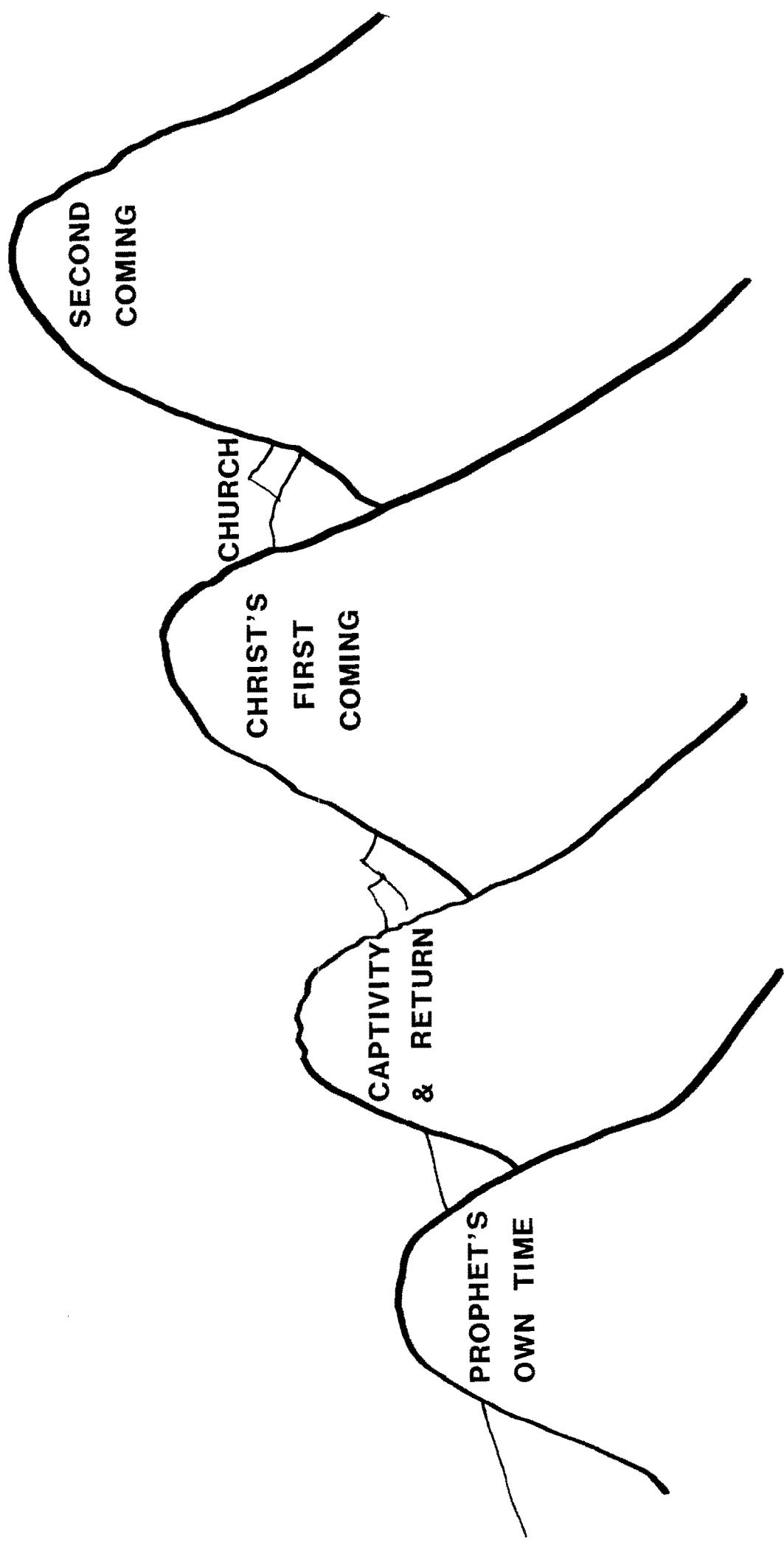
PAUL WILL BE GIVEN POSITION OVER ALL GENTILE NATIONS

JOSEPH WILL BE DIRECTOR OF THE WORLD'S ECONOMY

JOB WILL BE DIRECTOR OF URBAN RENEWAL

NOAH WILL HEAD THE RELOCATION OF THE RACES

THE VIEW OF THE PROPHETS (PREMILLENNIAL)



THE KINGDOM OF PROMISE AND PROPHECY

1 CORINTHIANS 15:24

PROPHETIC OF ISAIAH
BIRTH OF DANIEL
PROMISE BY CHRIST
JOHN 17:4
D-B-R
CHRIST NOW ON DAVID'S THRONE
(ACTS 2:25-36)



MATT. 3:2
MATT. 16:18
MARK 9:1

WHY BRING CHRIST BACK TO EARTH? ALL HAS BEEN COMPLETED....

- 1. HIS MISSION OF REDEMPTION (EPH. 1:7 – 10)**
- 2. HIS REVELATION (JUDE 3)**
- 3. HIS AUTHORITY (MATT. 28:18)**
- 4. HIS KINGDOM (COL. 1:13)**
- 5. HIS THRONE (REV. 3:21)**
- 6. HIS GLORY (LK. 24:26)**

HIS WORK ON EARTH IS FINISHED!

THE KINGDOM OF ISAIAH 2:2-4

PROPHECY

PREPARATION

PERFECTION (EPH. 2: 11–18)

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| 1. LAST DAYS | MARK 9:1 | TIME PAST – BUT NOW |
| 2. HOUSE ESTABLISHED | MATT. 16:18 | ONE BODY |
| 3. ALL NATIONS | MATT. 28:19 | ALL HAVE ACCESS |
| 4. FROM JERUSALEM | LUKE 24:47 | FAR & NEAR |
| 5. SWORDS TO | JOHN 18:36 | ENMITY SLAIN |
| | | PLOWSHARES |

KINGDOM OF DANIEL TWO

PROMISE

1. DAYS OF ROME.

FULFILLMENT

MARK 1:14, 15

2. WITHOUT HANDS.

JOHN 18:36

3. BREAK KINGDOMS.

MATT. 3:10

4. NEVER DESTROYED.

HEB. 12:28

5. FILLED THE EARTH.

COL. 1:23

THE CHURCH – EPH. 3:8–11

GALATIANS 4:4

“BUT WHEN THE FULLNESS OF THE TIME HAD COME, GOD SENT FORTH HIS SON, BORN OF A WOMAN, BORN UNDER THE LAW...”

**IF GOD HAD TO CHANGE HIS PLANS BECAUSE OF THE JEWS,
HE SELECTED THE WRONG TIME!**

IF NOT, WHY NOT?

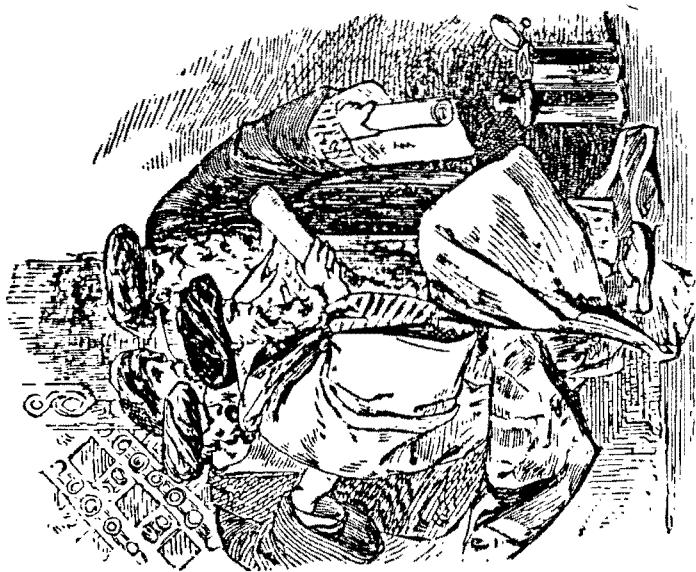
ACTS 3:24

“ALL THE PROPHETS, FROM SAMUEL AND THOSE WHO FOLLOW, AS MANY AS HAVE SPOKEN, HAVE LIKEWISE FORETOLD THESE DAYS.”

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IF GOD DID NOT SET UP THE KINGDOM
WHICH THE PROPHETS FORETOld, BUT
INSTEAD GAVE THEM SOMETHING THE
PROPHETS SAID NOTHING ABOUT, IS IT
ANY WONDER THAT THE JEWS REJECTED
IT?



PROMISES TO ABRAHAM – GEN. 12:1–3

- 1. FATHER OF GREAT NATION. (GEN. 22:17,18)**

FULFILLED – EX. 1:7–12; DEUT. 1:10, 10:22

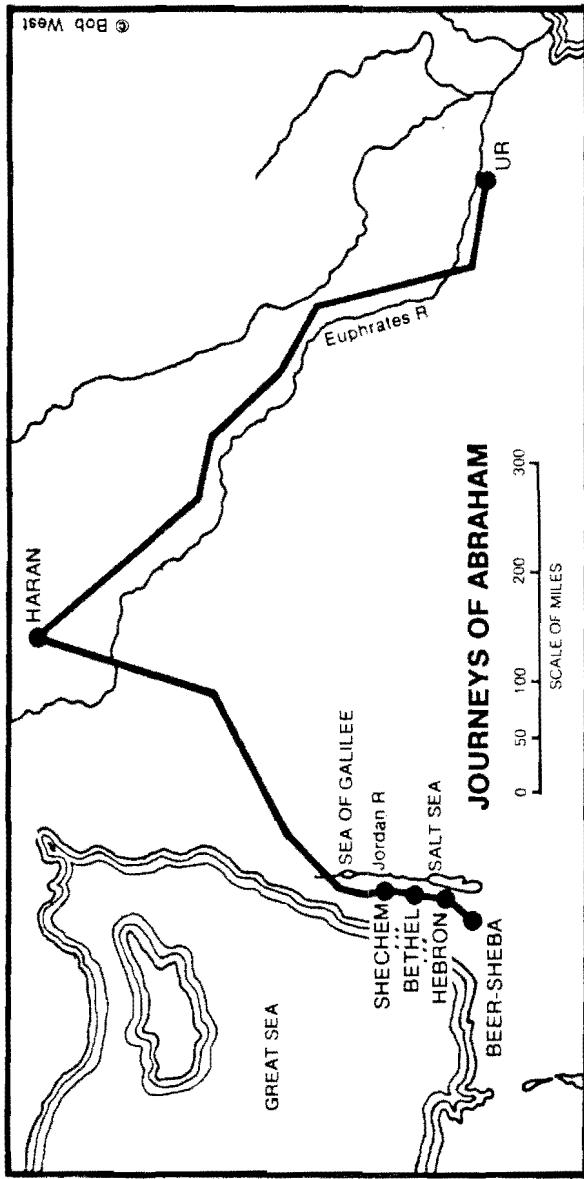
- 2. ALL NATIONS BLESSED. (GEN. 22:18)**

FULFILLED – ACTS 3:25,26; GAL. 3:8,9

- 3. THE LAND PROMISE. (GEN. 12:7)**

FULFILLED – GEN. 13:14–17

THE CALL OF ABRAHAM



“GET OUT OF YOUR COUNTRY, FROM YOUR KINDRED, AND FROM YOUR FATHER'S HOUSE, TO A LAND THAT I WILL SHOW YOU...”

(GEN. 12:1)

DID ABRAHAM RECEIVE THE LAND? ACTS 7:1–8

**ABRAHAM PERSONALLY HAD NO INHERITANCE
IN THE LAND (vs. 5)**

**THE INHERITANCE WAS TO BE RECEIVED AFTER BONDAGE,
AT THE PROPER TIME (ACTS 7:17)**

THE TIME DREW NIGHT!

PROMISE FULFILLED THROUGH SEED

“SO THE LORD GAVE TO ISRAEL ALL THE LAND....AND THEY TOOK POSSESSION OF IT....ALL CAME TO PASS”

(JOSHUA 21:43,45)

ALL HAS BEEN FULFILLED – JOSHUA 23:14

RETENTION OF LAND WAS CONDITIONAL

THEY HAD A CHOICE....

BLESSINGS

DEUT. 28:1–14

OR A

CURSE

DEUT. 28:15–68

JOSHUA 23:15–16

LATER WENT INTO BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY

A MIXED ARGUMENT

**THE PREMILLENNIALISTS START OUT TO PROVE THAT
THE LAND MUST BE GIVEN TO ABRAHAM, AND WIND
UP WITH HIS SHARING IT WITH THE JEWS .**

HOW LONG IS “FOREVER”?

“ALL THE LAND WHICH YOU SEE I GIVE TO YOU AND YOUR DESCENDANTS FOREVER”

(GEN. 13:15)

“MY COVENANT SHALL BE IN YOUR FLESH FOR AN EVERLASTING COVENANT”

(GEN. 17:13)

THE PASSOVER – AN “EVERLASTING ORDINANCE” **(EXODUS 12:17)**

RESTORATION DIFFICULTIES

1. PROMISES BASED ON KEEPING LAW OF MOSES

(DEUT. 30:1–10, NEH. 1:7–10)

LAW OF MOSES ABOLISHED EPH. 2:14–16

2. INHERITANCE ONLY THROUGH FAMILY ESTATE

(LEV. 25:13–28, EZRA 2:70, JER. 12:14)

GENEALOGIES PERISHED · FORBIDDEN 1 TIM. 1:4, TITUS 3:9

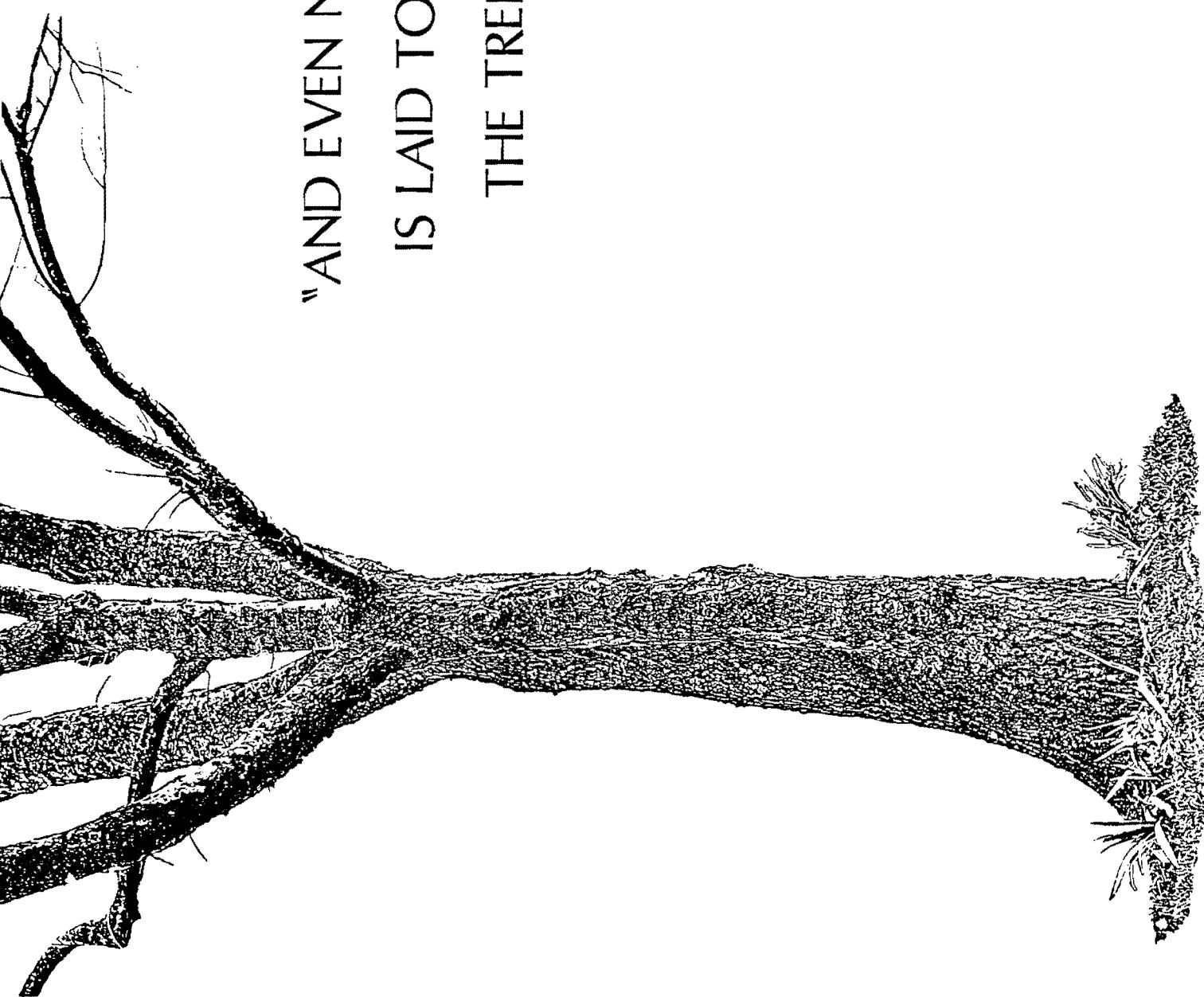
3. TEN TRIBES LOST · CAN NEVER BE RESTORED

(HOSEA 1:4–6);

4. EARTHLY THRONE OF DAVID EXTINCT WITH CONIAH

(JEREMIAH 22:29–30)

CHRIST CANNOT OCCUPY DAVID'S THRONE ON EARTH

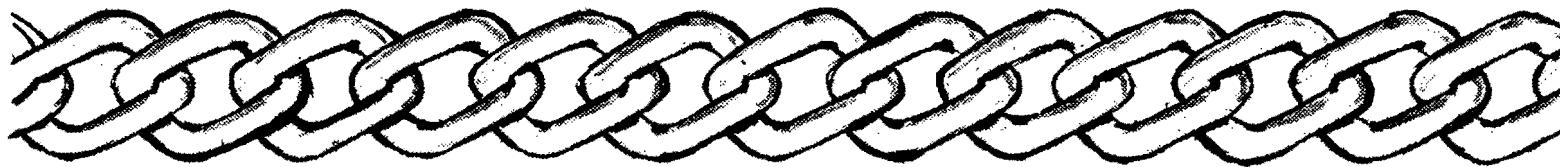


"AND EVEN NOW THE AX
IS LAID TO THE ROOT OF
THE TREES." (LUKE 3:9)

**“FOR THE HOPE OF ISRAEL I AM BOUND
WITH THIS CHAIN” (ACTS 28:20)**

**THE JEWS PERSECUTED PAUL BECAUSE HIS
APPLICATION OF THE PROMISE DID NOT AGREE
WITH THEIR NATIONAL HOPES. (ACTS 26:4–7)**

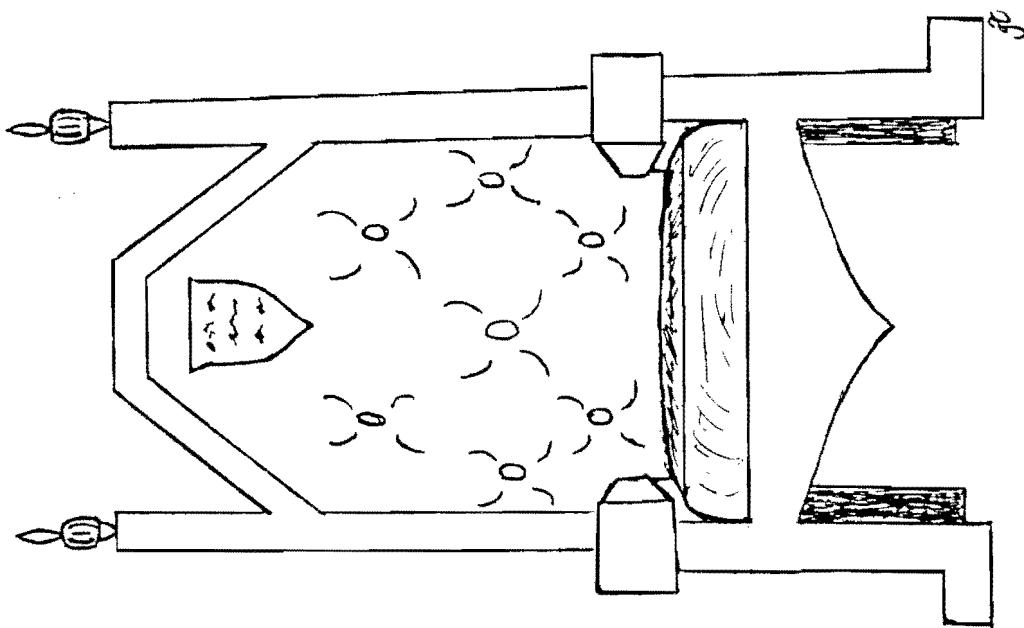
WOULD THE JEWS PERSECUTE PREMILLENNIALISTS?



WHOSE THRONE IS IT?

**“THEN SOLOMON SAT ON THE THRONE
OF HIS FATHER DAVID”** (1 KINGS 2:12)

**“THEN SOLOMON SAT ON THE THRONE
OF THE LORD INSTEAD OF DAVID HIS
FATHER”** (1 CHRON. 29:23)



**WHAT TYPE OF KINGDOM
DO MEN WANT TO RESTORE?**

*A KINGDOM CONCEIVED IN SIN AND BROUGHT
FORTH IN REBELLION AGAINST JEHOVAH!*

1 SAMUEL 8:1-7

**“I GAVE YOU A KING IN MY ANGER,
AND TOOK HIM AWAY IN MY WRATH”**

(HOSEA 13:11)

**WITH WHAT EMOTIONS DO THEY EXPECT THE LORD
TO RESTORE THAT KINGDOM?**

THE REMNANT OF ISAIAH 11:11

**“AT THIS PRESENT TIME THERE IS A REMNANT
ACCORDING TO THE ELECTION OF GRACE”**

—ROMANS 11:5

THE WILD OLIVE TREE

(ROMANS 11:11—36)



AMOS 9:11–15 WHAT WAS TO BE RESTORED?

“IN THAT DAY I WILL RESTORE DAVID’S FALLEN TENT” (AMOS 9:11, NIV)

THE “TENT” OF DAVID WAS THE ROYAL HOUSE OR FAMILY.

**JAMES SAID THIS HAD TO BE DONE BEFORE THE GOSPEL
COULD BE PREACHED TO THE GENTILES (ACTS 15:13–19)**

CHRIST AND CONIAH JER. 22:24–30

1. JEHOIAKIM BEGOT CONIAH (JECONIAH).

(1 CHRON. 3:16; JER. 22:24)

2. JECONIAH BEGOT SHEALTIEL.

(1 CHRON. 3:17; MATT. 1:12)

**NO MAN OF HIS SEED SHALL
SIT AND RULE IN JUDAH!**

SYLLOGISM # 1

ZECH. 6:13 HEB. 4:14

- 1. HE IS A PRIEST ON HIS THRONE.**
- 2. HE IS A PRIEST IN HEAVEN.**
- 3. THEREFORE, HIS THRONE IS IN HEAVEN.**

SYLLOGISM # 2

HEBREWS 8:4

- 1. HE COULD NOT BE A PRIEST IF HE WERE ON EARTH.**
- 2. BUT HE IS A PRIEST ON HIS THRONE.**
- 3. THEREFORE, HIS THRONE CANNOT BE ON EARTH.**

FLAVIUS JOSEPHUS — HISTORIAN

- 1. A JEWISH PRIEST.**
- 2. KNEW JEWISH SECTS.**
- 3. TRAVELED WITH ROMAN ARMY.**
- 4. EYEWITNESS AT JERUSALEM.**
- 5. VESPASIAN MADE HIM A
ROMAN CITIZEN.**



THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHECY:

⁴Jesus answered: “Watch out that no one deceives you. ⁵For many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many.

MATT. 24:4,5

(MARK 13:5,6; LUKE 21:8)

THE FULFILLMENT:

AN EGYPTIAN FALSE PROPHET LED 30,000

JEWS INTO THE WILDERNESS

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHETCY:

⁶You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. **MATT. 24:6** (**MARK 13:7; LUKE 21:9**)

THE FULFILLMENT:

FOUR ROMAN EMPERORS SUFFERED VIOLENT DEATHS WITHIN THE SHORT SPACE OF 18 MONTHS: NERO, GALBA, OTHO & VITELLIUS.

CALIGULA ORDERED THE JEWS TO PLACE HIS STATUE IN THEIR TEMPLE

20,000 JEWS KILLED IN ONE HOUR

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHECY:

⁷Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. **MATT. 24:7**

THE FULFILLMENT:

²⁷During this time some prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. ²⁸One of them, named Agabus, stood up and through the Spirit predicted that a severe famine would spread over the entire Roman world. (This happened during the reign of Claudius.) ²⁹The disciples, each according to his ability, decided to provide help for the brothers living in Judea. ³⁰This they did, sending their gift to the elders by Barnabas and Saul. **ACTS 11:27,28**

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THE FULFILLMENT:

**IN THE REIGN OF CLAUDIUS: CRETE, SMYRNA, MILETUS, CHIOS,
SAMOS & OTHER PLACES, ALL INHABITED BY JEWS.**

**IN THE REIGN OF NERO: LAODICEA, HIERAPOLIS,
COLOSSE & POMPEII.**

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHETY:

¹⁰Then he said to them: "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.

LUKE 21:10,11

THE FULFILLMENT:

VIOLENT STORM PRIOR TO SIEGE OF JERUSALEM.

STAR & COMET STOOD OVER CITY FOR ONE YEAR.

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHECY:

“You must be on your guard. You will be handed over to the local councils and flogged in the synagogues. On account of me you will stand before governors and kings as witnesses to them.

MARK 13:9

THE FULFILLMENT:

PETER & JOHN

ACTS 4

STEPHEN

ACTS 7:59

JAMES

ACTS 12:2

PAUL: 

GALLIO (ACTS 18:12)
FELIX (ACTS 24)
AGRIPPA (ACTS 25)

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHECY:

¹⁵“So when you see standing in the holy place ‘the abomination that causes desolation,’^b spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader understand—

MATT. 24:15

THE FULFILLMENT:

PRIOR TO SIEGE, THE TEMPLE BECAME A GATHERING PLACE FOR WICKED MEN.

AFTER SIEGE, THE ROMANS PLACED THEIR ENSIGNS OVER THE EASTERN GATE.

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHETY:

¹⁰ And the gospel must first be preached to all nations.

MARK 13:10

THE FULFILLMENT:

²¹ Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.
²² But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation – ²³ if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant. **COL. 1:21–23**

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHECY:

²⁰“When you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, you will know that its desolation is near. ²¹Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city.

LUKE 21:20,21 (LUKE 19:43)

THE FULFILLMENT:

A TRENCH WAS LITERALLY CAST ABOUT JERUSALEM.

A NINE MILE LONG WALL WAS PUT UP IN THREE DAYS.

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHECY:

MATT. 24:19–21

¹⁹How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! ²⁰Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. ²¹For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now—and never to be equaled again.

THE FULFILLMENT:

FAMINE — CANNIBALISM

ROOMS FILLED WITH THE DEAD

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHETY:

²⁹"Immediately after the distress of those days

" 'the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light;
the stars will fall from the sky,
and the heavenly bodies will be
shaken.'

MATT. 24:29

THE FULFILLMENT:

WORDS SPOKEN BEFORE...

ISA. 13:10 • CONCERNING BABYLON

ISA. 34:4 • CONCERNING EDOM

EZEK. 32:7,8 • CONCERNING EGYPT

THE DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM

THE PROPHECY:

24 Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. **2** "Do you see all these things?" he asked. "I tell you the truth, not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down." **MATT. 24:1,2**

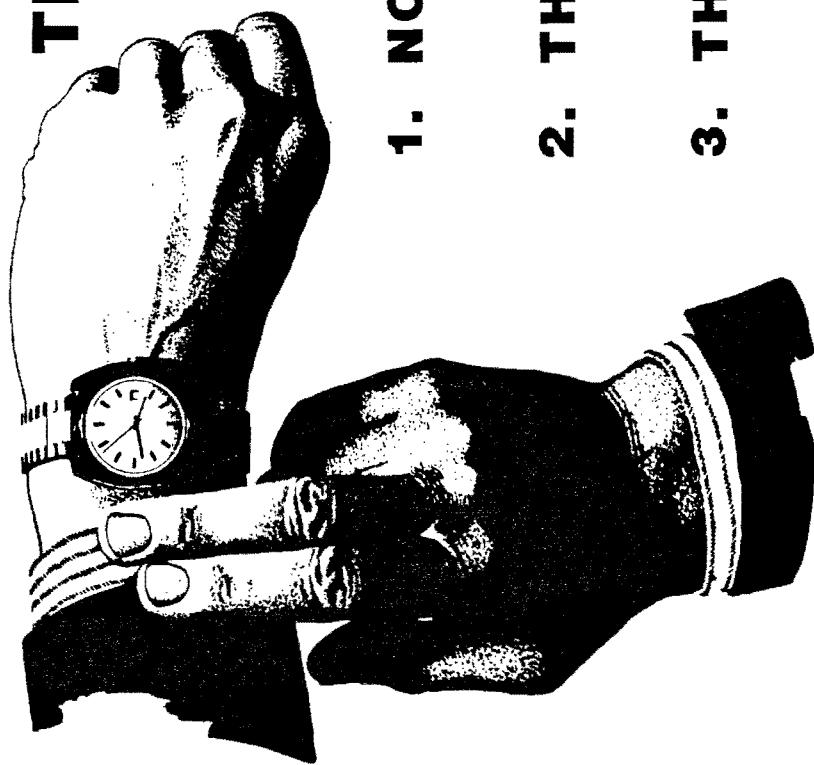
THE FULFILLMENT:

TITUS DID NOT WANT TO DESTROY THE TEMPLE.

A ROMAN OFFICER USED A PLOWSHARE TO DESTROY

THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE TEMPLE. (MICAH 3:12)

THE TIME OF HIS RETURN
MARK 13:32



- 1. NO ONE KNOWS THE DAY NOR HOUR.**
- 2. THE ANGELS DO NOT KNOW.**
- 3. THE SON OF MAN DOES NOT KNOW.**
- 4. NO SIGNS GIVEN.**

BIBLE PROPHETS vs MODERN SEERS

Revelation

Prologue

1 The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John,² who testifies to everything he saw—that is, the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.

REVELATION 20:1–6

20 And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. ²He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. ³He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him, to keep him from deceiving the nations any more until the thousand years were ended. After that, he must be set free for a short time.

⁴I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.⁵(The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection. ⁶Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

LITERAL OR FIGURATIVE?

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THINGS NOT MENTIONED IN REVELATION 20...

- 1. SECOND COMING OF CHRIST.**
- 2. A REIGN ON EARTH.**
- 3. A BODILY RESURRECTION.**
- 4. US.**
- 5. CHRIST ON EARTH.**

JOHN 16:25

THE PARABLES WERE NOT UNDERSTOOD UNTIL

THEY WERE EXPLAINED, AND PROPHECY IS NOT

UNDERSTOOD UNTIL IT IS FULFILLED.

CONSEQUENCES OF PREMILLENNIALISM

- 1. THE O.T. PROPHETS WERE WRONG.**
- 2. GOD SELECTED THE WRONG TIME.**
- 3. CHRIST FAILED IN HIS MISSION.**
- 4. THE CHURCH WAS AN ACCIDENT.**
- 5. CHRIST IS NOT REIGNING NOW.**

