

Rapture Revelation

Session 16: The Millennial Reign of Christ – Part 2

PARTIAL TIME-LINE OF MILLENNIAL EVENTS

The order of events according to pre-tribulationism:

1. The Rapture happens first
2. The Apostasy happens, the Anti-Christ is revealed, the peace agreement with Israel is official
3. The Tribulation begins
4. At the end of 7 years, Jesus will descend from Heaven to take His throne.
5. Jesus will then exact judgment on the surviving Jews and Gentiles (Matthew 25:32)
6. We then enter into the 1000-year reign of Christ to tabernacle with Him.
7. The Great White Throne judgment (Revelation 20:11-15)

The order of events according to mid-tribulationism:

1. The Apostasy happens, the Anti-Christ is revealed, the peace agreement with Israel is office
2. The Tribulation begins
3. The Desolation of Abomination occurs at the mid-point of the tribulation
4. The Rapture takes place at this mid-point of the Tribulation
5. At the end of 3.5 years, Jesus will descend from Heaven to take His throne
6. Jesus will then exact judgment on the surviving Jews and Gentiles (Matthew 25:32)
7. We then enter into the 1000-year reign of Christ to tabernacle with Him.
8. The Great White Throne judgment (Revelation 20:11-15)

The order of events according to post-tribulationism:

1. The Apostasy happens, the Anti-Christ is revealed, the peace agreement with Israel is office
2. The Tribulation begins
3. Just before the end of the final 7 years are complete the church will be raptured
4. Jesus will descend from Heaven to take His throne
5. We then enter into the 1000-year reign of Christ to tabernacle with Him.
6. Jesus will exact judgment (Matthew 25:32)/ The Great White Throne judgment (Revelation 20:11-15)

144,000 – Who Are They?

Revelation 7:1-7 NKJV

After these things I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree. 2 Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, 3 saying, “Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” 4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed. One hundred and forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel were sealed: 5 of the tribe of Judah twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand were sealed; 6 of the tribe of Asher twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand were sealed; 7 of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand were sealed; 8 of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Benjamin twelve thousand were sealed

A Look at the Facts:

1. The 144,000 “have the _____ of the _____.”
2. They are “the _____ of our God.”

Let’s look at #2 first: “They are servants of God.”

Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance:

Servants - G1401 *doulos* (masculine noun): a slave (literal or figurative, involuntary or voluntary;

frequently, therefore in a qualified sense of _____ or subserviency):
bond(man), servant.

Interlinear Concordance:

- I. A slave, bondman, man of servile condition
 - A. A slave
 - B. Metaph., one who gives himself to another’s will those whose service is used by Christ in extending and advancing his cause among men
 - C. Devoted to another to the disregard of one’s own interests
- II. A servant, attendant

These men are, as the Apostle Paul spoke of himself, a bondslave of the Lord. There is no doubt that they

are _____ to the desires and plans of the
_____. Their _____ is to _____.

Now let’s define Seal:

Strong’s Exhaustive Concordance:

Sealed – G4972 *sphragizo* – (verb) to stamp (with a signet or private mark) for _____

or _____; to keep secret, to attest: seal up, stop.

Interlinear Concordance:

- I. To set a seal upon, mark with a seal, to seal
 - A. For security: from satan
 - B. Since things sealed up are concealed, to hide, keep in silence, keep secret
 - C. In order to mark a person or a thing
 - i. To set a mark upon by the impress of a seal or a stamp
 - ii. Angels are said to be sealed by God
 - D. In order to prove, confirm, or attest a thing
 - i. To confirm authenticate, place beyond doubt
 - a. Of a written document
 - b. To prove one’s testimony to a person that he is what he professes to be

1 Corinthians 1:22; Ephesians 1:13-14 - Throughout the New Testament this Greek word is used to refer to the Holy Spirit’s presence in a believer in the sense of a sign of ownership.

3. The 144,000 Jews are apparently _____
just _____ or at the very _____ of
the Tribulation. This means that any interpretation of these being converted at the last minute
before the Second Coming of Jesus would be unsupportable.

Revelation 14:1-5 NKJV

Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads. 2 And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps. 3 They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth. 4 These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruits to God and to the Lamb. 5 And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God.

4. All indications are that these 144,000 Jews are all _____. Every noun, pronoun and participle used to refer to the 144,000 Jews in all scripture is in the masculine gender. This means that any teaching used to populate the millennial kingdom with this group of people would be erroneous.
5. The 144,000 Jews are pictured standing with Jesus the Messiah on Mount Zion in Jerusalem. The indication is that they will all have _____ the Tribulation and are in _____ bodies.

TWO JUDGMENTS

There are two judgements, one when Christ comes to judge all nations (sheep and goats) at His Second Coming and The Great White Throne Judgment at the end of the Millennium. Let's look at both sets of scriptures and then look at the difference in each of these.

1. _____

Matthew 25:31-42 AMP

When the Son of Man comes in His glory (His majesty and splendor), and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 32 All nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them [the people] from one another as a shepherd separates his sheep from the goats; 33 And He will cause the sheep to stand at His right hand, but the goats at His left. 34 Then the King will say to those at His right hand, Come, you blessed of My Father [you favored of God and appointed to eternal salvation], inherit (receive as your own) the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave Me food, I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink, I was a stranger and you brought Me together with yourselves and welcomed and entertained and lodged Me, 36 I was naked and you clothed Me, I was sick and you visited Me with help and ministering care, I was in prison and you came to see Me. 37 Then the just and upright will answer Him, Lord, when did we see You hungry and gave You food, or thirsty and gave You something to drink? 38 And when did we see You a stranger and welcomed and entertained You, or naked and clothed You? 39 And when did we see You sick

or in prison and came to visit You? 40 And the King will reply to them, Truly I tell you, in so far as you did it for one of the least [in the estimation of men] of these My brethren, you did it for Me. 41 Then He will say to those at His left hand, Begone from Me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels! 42 For I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me nothing to drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not welcome Me and entertain Me, I was naked and you did not clothe Me, I was sick and in prison and you did not visit Me with help and ministering care. 44 Then they also [in their turn] will answer, Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You? 45 And He will reply to them, Solemnly I declare to you, in so far as you failed to do it for the least [in the estimation of men] of these, you failed to do it for Me. 46 Then they will go away into eternal punishment, but those who are just and upright and in right standing with God into eternal life.

2. _____

Revelation 20:11-15 AMP

And when the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his place of confinement, 8 And he will go forth to deceive and seduce and lead astray the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth—Gog and Magog—to muster them for war; their number is like the sand of the sea. 9 And they swarmed up over the broad plain of the earth and encircled the fortress (camp) of God’s people (the saints) and the beloved city; but fire descended from heaven and consumed them. 10 Then the devil who had led them astray [deceiving and seducing them] was hurled into the fiery lake of burning brimstone, where the beast and false prophet were; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever (through the ages of the ages). 11 Then I saw a great white throne and the One Who was seated upon it, from Whose presence and from the sight of Whose face earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. 12 I [also] saw the dead, great and small; they stood before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is [the Book] of Life. And the dead were judged (sentenced) by what they had done [their whole way of feeling and acting, their aims and endeavors] in accordance with what was recorded in the books. 13 And the sea delivered up the dead who were in it, death and Hades (the state of death or disembodied existence) surrendered the dead in them, and all were tried and their cases determined by what they had done [according to their motives, aims, and works]. 14 Then death and Hades (the state of death or disembodied existence) were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. 15 And if anyone’s [name] was not found recorded in the Book of Life, he was hurled into the lake of fire.

SHEEP AND GOATS

GREAT WHITE THRONE

No resurrection	Resurrection of the dead
No books opened	Books opened
The word “nations” used	The word “dead” used
Sheep present	Righteous not mentioned as present
These groups mentioned: sheep, goats, brethren	Only one group mentioned and that is the dead
Reward is the kingdom and eternal life	No mention of reward, only condemnation
Occurs at the place Christ comes to, i.e., the earth	Earth has fled away