

“Satan is Chained”

Revelation 20: 1-3

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Decree
Issued

Walls
Finished

Messiah
Cutoff

Covenant
Made



7 sevens

62 sevens

PAUSE?

1 Seven



70 SEVENS



Millennium (made up of 2 words)

mille = thousand annum = years

3 main views of the millennium:

Premillennialism: Christ returns before the millennium and reigns 1000 years

- This is the literal interpretation view
- The Church embraced this view for the first 300 years of the Church

Amillennialism: No millennium

- Popularized by Augustine
- The number 1000 is symbolic; the kingdom is present now
- Satan is bound now and the kingdom is spiritual in nature

Postmillennialism: Christ returns after the millennium

- The kingdom is present during the current age and is a long period of time, rather than 1000 years
- They believe this era crescendo into a golden age of the Church
- The Church becomes more influential in culture and makes the world ready for Christ's return

Postmillennialism: Christ returns after the millennium (cont.)

- This is termed ***“Kingdom Now”*** or ***“Dominion Theology”***
- This view is embraced by many Charismatics and Pentecostals
- The ***New Apostolic Reformation*** teaches the Church of the 21st century will be *ruled by apostles and prophets with a signs and wonders focus*

Postmillennialism: Christ returns after the millennium (cont.)

- They are very big into a “***New Revelation***” or “***New Word from God***”

Revelation = new information from God - ***DONE!***

Inspiration = writing down the Revelation from God - ***DONE!***

Illumination = the Holy Spirit brings the Truth of the Word to the reader - ***ONGOING!***

Postmillennialism: Christ returns after the millennium (cont.)

- The ***“New Apostolic Reformation”*** promotes man as saving the earth and preparing this world for Jesus’ return

The Bible states the world will be a mess, and in rebellion against Christ prior to His return

Matthew 24: 37

Luke 18: 8

Matthew 24: 9

Matthew 24: 12-13

Matthew 24: 22

The Church is not getting better!

The Church is sick!

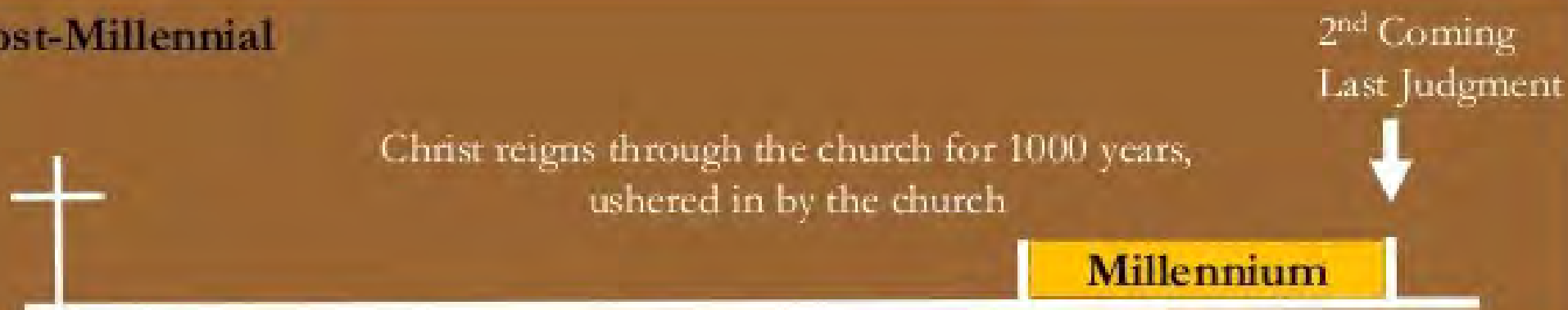
*The end time Church is filled with
apostasy!*

Three Millennial Views

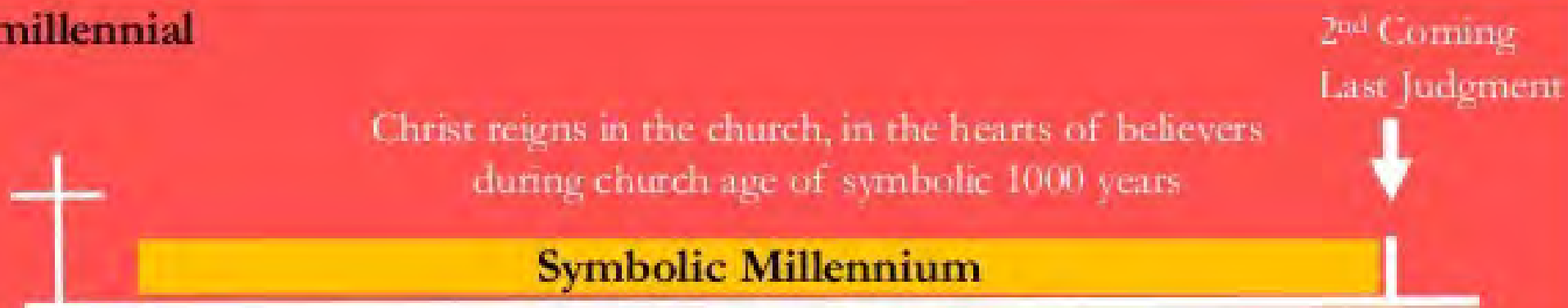
Premillennial



Post-Millennial



Amillennial



Verse 1 - 2

Satan is chained

This angel has a key and a chain -

Key to the **bottomless pit** = “*abussos*” =
abyss; a depthless, deep pit; endless!

Chain - designed to render Satan
inactive and useless

One angel, equipped with the ***authority***
of God, binds Satan

Authority = “*exousia*” = most often
translated as authority or power,
jurisdiction, right or ability

I believe you have God's "*exousia*" and "*dunamis*" power (*Holy Spirit in you*) to not fall for the devil's schemes:

- The power to navigate through the turbulent waters of life
- The authority to resist the devil and he will flee - [James 4: 7](#)

- The authority to take captive every thought and make it obedient to Christ

2 Corinthians 10: 5

- The authority to put on the whole armor of God - Ephesians 6: 11

Jesus gives us authority *now* over
all the works of the enemy

This **authority** will follow us into
the Millennial Reign of Christ

You have ***Kingdom Ruling Authority***
- you are being trained now to rule

How?

By becoming more like Christ
Romans 8: 29

When we use His delegated authority,
we are preparing for our leadership
roles for eternity

Ephesians 1: 18-19 is revealing:

Believers have “*the exceeding greatness
of His power*”

Greatness = “*huperballo*” = unimaginably
great

“*toward us who believe*”

KNOW WHO YOU ARE IN CHRIST!

Tap into His power:

- The power to make faith choices, *not flesh choices!*
- The power to overcome, *to be victors!*
- The power to not fall for the same traps of the devil

- The power to *not* relinquish ground to him
- The power to *win* the mind war

In this way, Satan is *bound* in my life:

He has no power, no control, chained up, ***POWERLESS!!***

Verse 3

**Satan is cast (*shut up, sealed*) in
the bottomless pit**

God gives His higher creation the ability to choose contrary to him
(contrary choice)

Angels who sided with Satan and failed their test are called, *“unholy, evil, fallen angels”*

Angels who passed their test are called, *“elect angels”*

These angels are called “*elect, chosen, holy angels*”

1 Timothy 5: 21

They are confirmed in their holiness and are no longer temptable

Adam and Eve, when presented with evil, chose contrary to God

They failed the test, are fallen and condemned; their decision was fatal (*death*)

GOD TO THE RESCUE!

**Jesus died in our place so we could live
with Him forever!**

Those who *believe* and *receive the gift*
of salvation are ***saved from the wrath***
of God - ***Romans 5: 10***

Those who *believe* are called ***“elect”*** or
“chosen of God”, confirmed in their
belief!

There will be *no* rebellion in heaven;
elect angels and humans will be forever
perfect!

CLOSING THOUGHTS:

SATAN IS CHAINED

The Millennial Kingdom of Messiah will be wonderful, but not perfect. Why?

There will be sin in the Millennial Kingdom *(those who rebel against God)*

The heart of man is hopelessly depraved and refuses God's rule

Luke 19: 14

It really has never been about the evidence; there is ample evidence!

It has always been about the heart!

Invictus resonates in depraved hearts:

*“I am the master of my fate,
I am the captain of my soul”*

What a lie!

There is a point when God says,
“Okay, have your way, your will be done”

SAD DAY! SAD DAY!!

The saddest end of all - Satan is
chained and these depraved souls
are chained

NEVER REALLY FREE!

Never embracing real freedom!

“If the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed”

John 8: 36

Real freedom, real life, real joy, *is found in Jesus Christ alone!!*

Accept no other substitutes!