



ESCHATOLOGY

A STUDY OF THINGS TO COME

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REVIEW – OT BIG PICTURE

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5. The 70-weeks timeline - we're in the gap between the 69th & 70th week. The 70th week is the Tribulation

WILL THE REAL GOG OF MAGOG PLEASE STAND UP



➤ Russia (Putin), Iran (Raisi), Turkey (Erdogan)

ISRAEL'S TWO-PHASE RETURN

EZEKIEL 37:1-14



Secular Return

...there was a noise, and behold, a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to its bone. And I looked, and behold, sinews were on them, and flesh grew and skin covered them; **but there was no breath in them**...Ezek 37:7-8

Spiritual Return

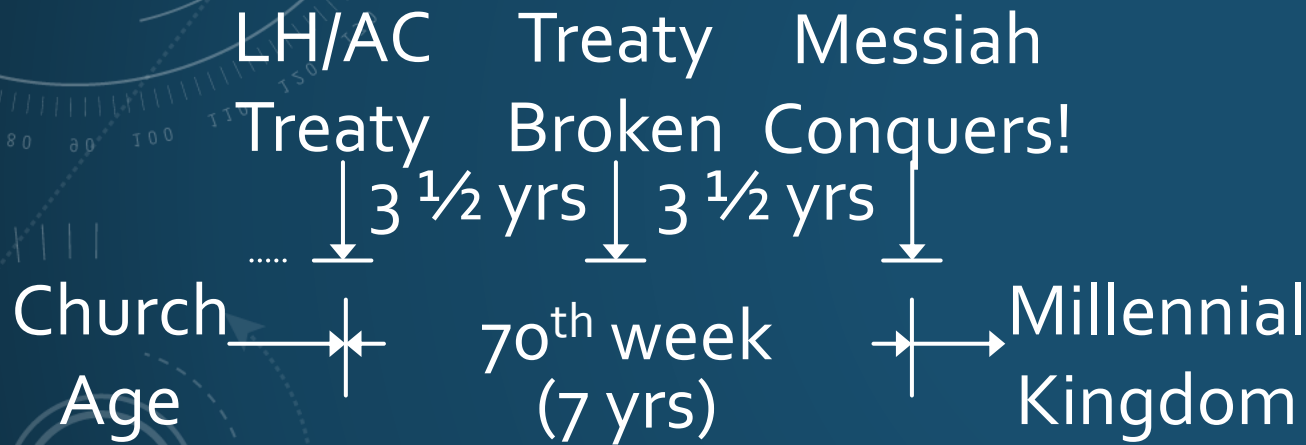
...So I prophesied as He commanded me, and **the breath came into them, and they came to life** and stood on their feet, an exceedingly great army
Ezek 37:10

THE RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH

- From the Greek word (harpazo) means to *take away suddenly and forcefully*.
- The rapture is a rescue mission - we escape the Tribulation - think Seal Team 6!
- The rapture immanent - it can occur at any time

WHAT DO WE KNOW ABOUT THE TRIBULATION?

The Great Tribulation



The Tribulation

Seal → Trumpet → Bowl Judgments

1. It is Daniel's 70th Week
2. It is a 7-yr period of wrath
3. Begins when AC makes a treaty with Israel
4. AC breaks treaty at the mid pt and beings persecution
5. AC sets up abomination of desolation
6. 2nd half - The Great Tribulation
7. Jesus returns, Israel repents

THE PURPOSES OF THE TRIBULATION

1. To judge the gentile nations

- e.g. Is 13:6-13

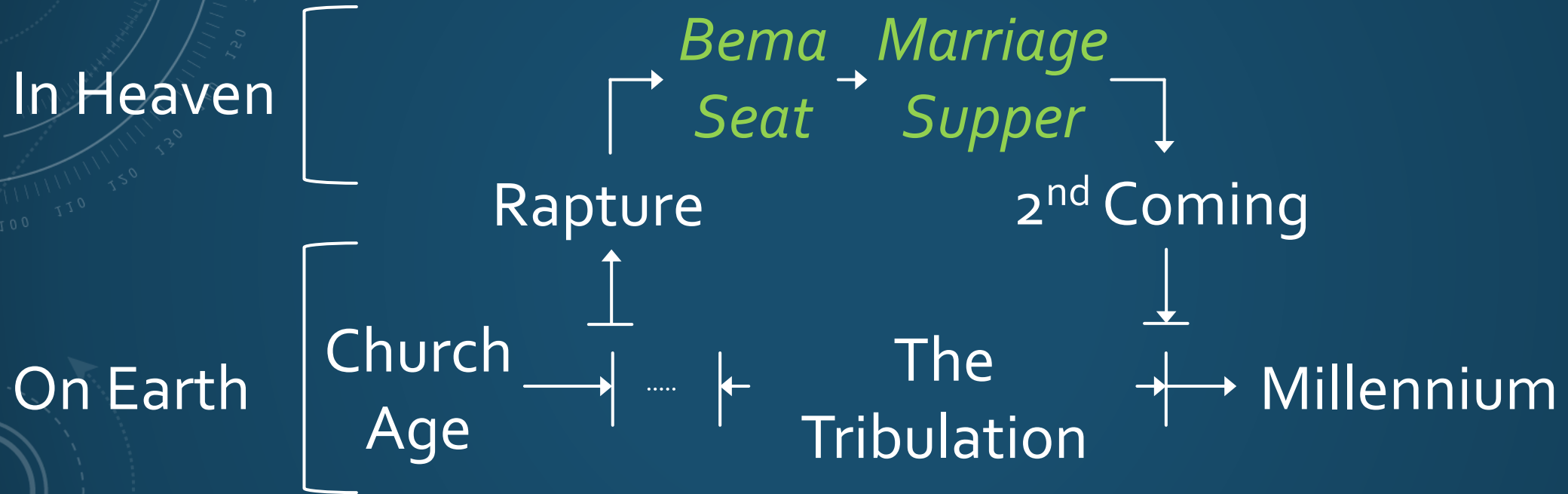
2. To turn the heart of nation of Israel to her Messiah

- The promise of restoration depended upon repentance (Deut 30 and Lev 26)
- Jesus reminds the crowd of that promise (Matt 23:39)
- Israel will respond on a national scale

THE MILLENNIUM

- King Jesus rules from the throne of David (Is 9:6-7, Luke 1:32)
- Israel restored and enjoying the New Covenant (Jer 31, Eze 11, 36)
- World Peace (Is 2:4, Mic 4:3)
- Satan is bound (Rev 20:1-3, 7)
- The Saints will coreign with Christ in their glorified bodies

POST RAPTURE PROGRAM FOR THE CHURCH



THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST

AKA – Bema Seat Judgment

- The Lord will “...bring to light the things hidden in the darkness and disclose the motives of men’s hearts; and then each man’s praise will come to him from God.”
1 Cor 4:5
- For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

2 Cor 5:10

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THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST
AKA – Bema Seat Judgment

Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done. Rev 22:12

THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST

1 Cor 3:10-15 (10-11)

¹⁰ According to the grace of God which was given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building on it. But each man must be careful how he builds on it. ¹¹ For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST

1 Cor 3:10-15 (12-13)

12 Now if any man builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, **13** each man's work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is *to be* revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man's work.

THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST

1 Cor 3:10-15 (14-15)

14 If any man's work which he has built on it remains, he will receive a reward. **15** If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST

The Metrics

Christ's Judgment of our works will be based on:

1. Their conformity to the foundation
2. Our faithfulness with what we have been given
3. Our motives behind what we do

THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST

The Outcome

Positively

- Service in the future kingdom (Matt 25:19-23; Luke 19:16-19)
- Special joy and fellowship with the King (Matt 25:21)
- Divine Commendation
- A variety of crowns

Negatively

- Shame for the lack of faithfulness 1 Jn 2:28
- Regret
- A stern rebuke
- Loss of rewards

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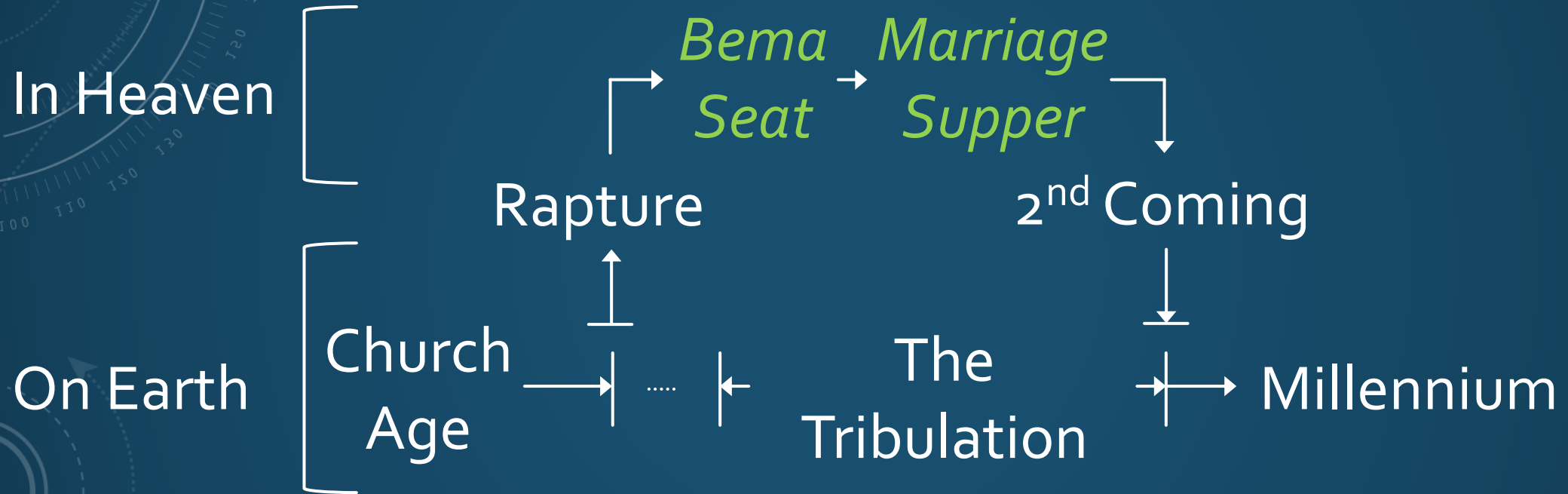
Heb 10:24-25

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see *the Day* drawing near.

THE MARRIAGE SUPPER OF THE LAMB

⁷ Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready.” ⁸ It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright *and* clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.
⁹ Then he said to me, “Write, ‘Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.’” And he said to me, “These are true words of God.” Rev 19:7-9

POST RAPTURE PROGRAM FOR THE CHURCH



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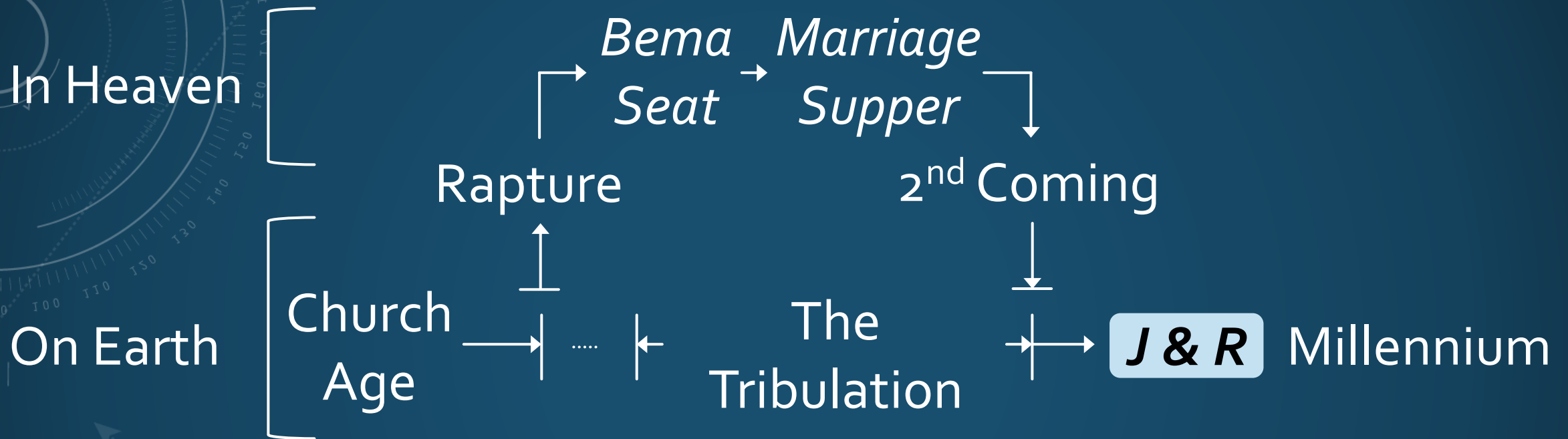
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J & R– Judgments & Resurrections

- Living Gentiles – (Sheep & Goats)
- Living Ethnic Israel
- OT Saints
- Tribulation Martyrs

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JUDGMENTS & RESURRECTIONS

The Final Rebellion Rev 20:7-10 (7-8)

7 When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison, **8** and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore.

JUDGMENTS & RESURRECTIONS

The Final Rebellion Rev 20:7-10 (9-10)

⁹ And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them. ¹⁰ And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. Rev 20:7-10

JUDGMENTS & RESURRECTIONS

John 5:28-29

Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life [the first resurrection], and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment [the second resurrection]. (comments mine)

JUDGMENTS & RESURRECTIONS

The Great White Throne Judgment Rev

21:11-15 (11-12)

11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them. **12** And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is *the book of life*; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.

JUDGMENTS & RESURRECTIONS

The Great White Throne Judgment

Rev 21:11-15 (13-15)

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one *of them* according to their deeds. **14** Then death and Hades 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 written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

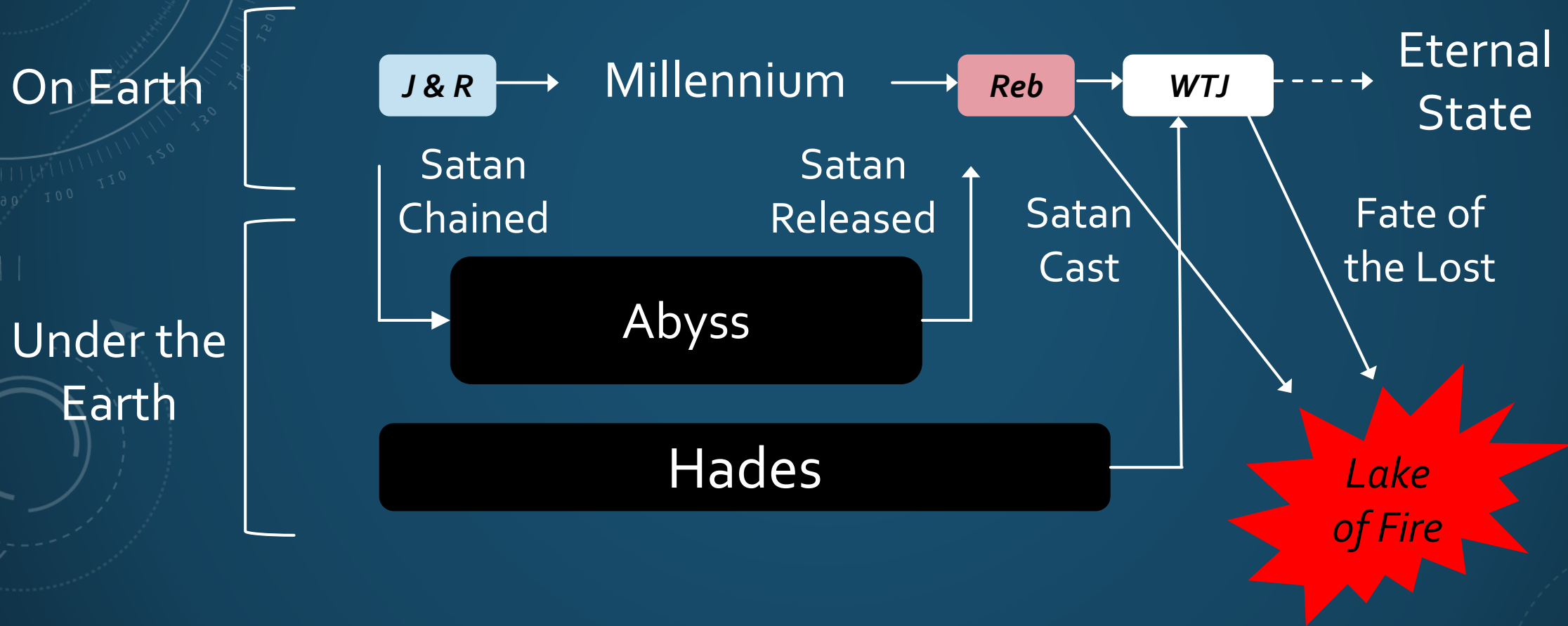
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The Great White Throne Judgment

Rev 21:11-15

- Judgment of unbelievers after the Millennium
(Includes believers who died during the Millennium?)
- Two books – Book of deeds & the Book of Life
- Death and Hades thrown into the Lake of Fire
- Lake of Fire – the Final Hell
 - Everlasting punishment
 - Everlasting destruction
 - Everlasting banishment

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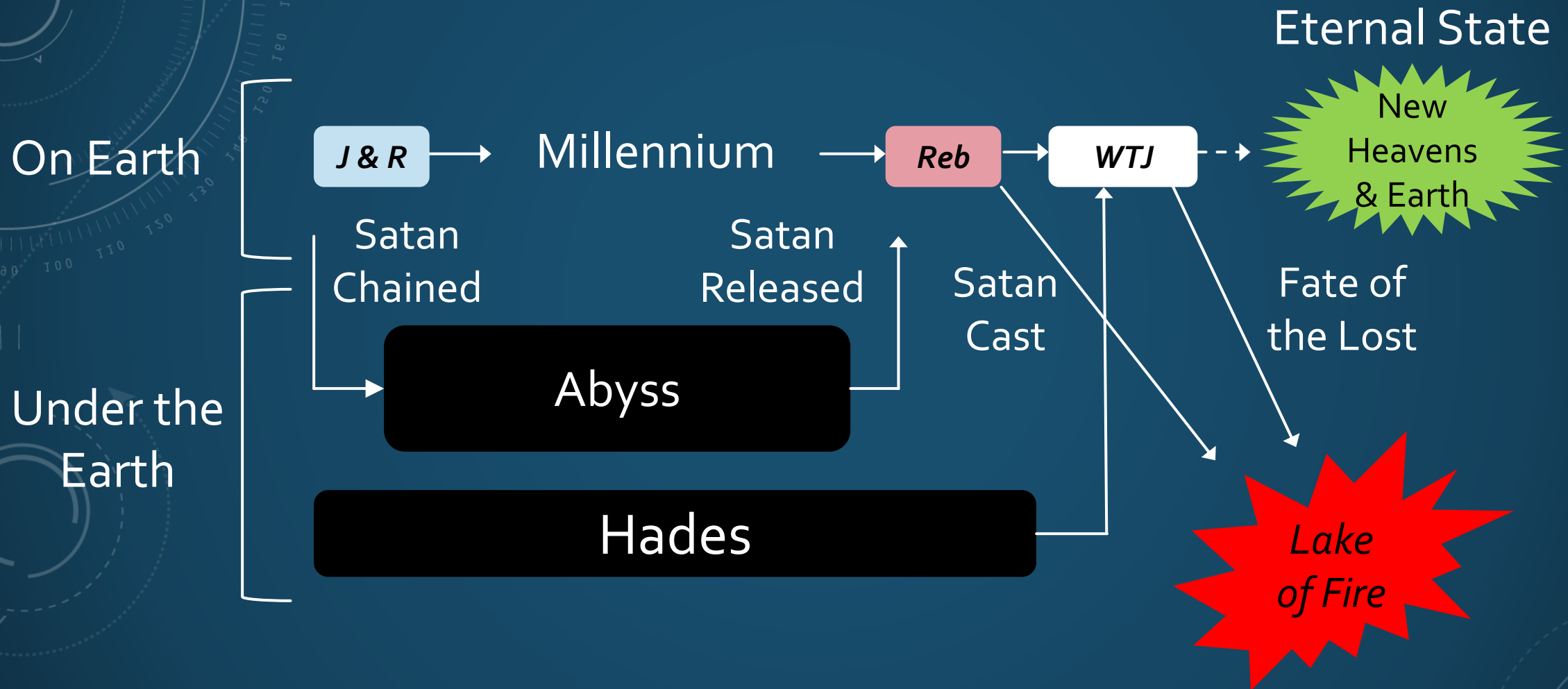


THE ETERNAL STATE

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up. 2

Peter 3:10

JUDGMENTS & RESURRECTIONS



THE ETERNAL STATE VS. THE MILLENNIUM

Millennium	Eternal State
1000 years	Never ending
On this present Earth	In the new Heavens & Earth
Two thrones: Christ on the Davidic throne, The Father on His Heavenly Throne	One throne – “the throne of God and of the Lamb”
Populated with “mortals” & Glorified Saints	Only Glorified Saints
Believers & Unbelievers	Only believers

THE ETERNAL STATE VS. THE MILLENNIUM

Millennium	Eternal State
Marriage & children (among the mortals)	Married only to the Lamb
Still has sin and death	No sin or death
Divine discipline still needed	Perfect obedience
The Temple will be rebuilt	No Temple
Satan bound and released at end	Satan banished forever in the Lake of Fire
Seas cover most of the Earth	No sea

THE ETERNAL STATE VS. THE MILLENNIUM

Millennium	Eternal State
No sitting on clouds	Still no sitting on clouds

THE ETERNAL STATE

“And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,
“Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

Rev 21:3-4

SUGGESTED RESOURCES

- Forsaking Israel: How it Happened, Why it Matters –
Shepherds Staff
- Has the Church Replaced Israel? – Michael Vlach
- End Times Prophecy – Paul Benware
- Things to Come – Dwight Pentecost
- End Times Prophecy – John Walvord
- Three Views On The Millennium and Beyond – Gundry
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- The Book of Signs – David Jeremiah
- Mideast Beast – Joel Richardson
- Daniel Revisited – Mark Davidson
- Daniel – John Walvoord
- Chronological Aspects of the Life of Christ - Hoehner
- The Handbook of Biblical Chronology (Revised Edition)
– Jack Finegan