

LESSON 10

REVELATION 20:1-15 (PART 2).

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If a PM says a physical kingdom must be established on earth to fulfill Scripture, how would you respond with Scripture?



WHAT SCRIPTURE? CHRIST'S KINGDOM IS A SPIRITUAL ONE, LUKE 17:20-21. ESTABLISHED IN 1ST CENTURY WITH THE RESURRECTION OF JC, MARK 16:19. CHRIST'S KINGDOM TALKED ABOUT IN NT IN PAST TENSE, COL. 1:13-19.

What are the 3 “stakes” or foundation pillars in which any interpretations must be consistent with?

- Who the Book was written to?
- Why the Book was written?
- Time Indicators - shortly take place.

Who was the Book of Revelation
written to?

→ **Seven Churches of Asia, 1:4.**

When was Book of Revelation
written?

→ 68-69 to 96 AD.

Why was the Book of Revelation written?

- To warn and comfort the saints to whom written enabling them to hold fast in the face of evil and persecution.

What is the theme of the Revelation according to this key verse, 17:14?



Assurance of victory of JC and the faithful Christians.

What is Premillennialism?

Doctrine that Christ's second coming will come **before** 1000 year reign of kingdom on earth.

Objectives

DEMONSTRATE THAT THE REV. 20
PASSAGES ARE FIGURATIVE IN
NATURE & DO NOT SUPPORT THE
PM DOCTRINE.

Rev. 20:1-15 – Can Be Broken Down into 2 Parts.

1). Read Rev. 20:1-15. What is the first section, vs. 1-10, about? What is the second section, vs. 11-15, about?

→ The thousand years.

→ The great judgment scene.

Issues with PM interpretation of Rev. 20.

2). The PM Doctrine takes place in future generations. How does this timing fit with the time indicators in Revelation?

→ It conflicts with the timing indicators in the book of Revelation i.e. “the things which must shortly take place”.

Issues with PM interpretation of Rev. 20.

3). What are the issues with PM considering who Revelation was written to and purpose of writing this Book?

→ It renders the meaning of the book as having much less practicality and personal significance to those to whom it was addressed. Given the amount and degree of direct persecution these churches were facing, there was a very pragmatic purpose to reassuring them that this fierce threat would be short-lived and the perpetuity of the church was certain.

Issues with PM interpretation of Rev. 20.

4). Is the list below, which things do you think are literal or figurative?
Same question but according to PM doctrine?

angel:

key of abyss:

great chain:

dragon:

Literal(L)
F
F
F

L
F
F
F

Issues with PM interpretation of Rev. 20.

4). Is the list below, which things do you think are literal or figurative?
Same question but according to PM doctrine?

Satan:

L
F
F
F

L
L
F
F

1000 years:

thrones:

prison:

Issues with PM interpretation of Rev. 20.

4). Is the list below, which things do you think are literal or figurative?
Same question but according to PM doctrine?

Gog & Magog:

sand of the seashore:

beloved city:

F
F
F

F
F
L

Issues with PM interpretation of Rev. 20.

5). What is the basis for PM determining 1000 years is literal whereas most of the terms in Rev. 20:1-15 are figurative?

→ They have arbitrarily determined it to be literal to fit their doctrine.

Missing things in Revelation 20 that PM need to prove their doctrine.

6). In the list below, write the verse(s) and words where these are mentioned in Rev. 20:1-15.

- 1) The second coming of Christ:
- 2) The bodily resurrection:
- 3) A reign on earth:



Missing things in Revelation 20 that PM need to prove their doctrine.

6). In the list below, write the
verse(s) and words where these
are mentioned in Rev. 20:1-15.

4) A literal throne of David:

?

5) Jerusalem in land of Palestine:

?

6) Christ on earth:

?

Biblical Use of “1000”.

7). In the verses below, is 1000 used figurative or literal? If figurative, what is its meaning?

1) Deut. 7:9:

Figurative. Indefinite,
never ending.

2) Job 9:3:

Figurative. Indefinite,
never ending.

3) Ps. 50:10; 90:4:

Figurative. Indefinite,
never ending.

Biblical Use of “1000”.

7). In the verses below, is 1000 used figurative or literal? If figurative, what is its meaning?

4) Eccl. 6:6; 7:28:

Figurative. Indefinite,
never ending.

5) Dan. 7:10:

Figurative. Indefinite,
innumerable.

6) 2 Pet. 3:8:

Figurative. Very Long.

Numbers in Revelation.

8). Are numbers in Revelation figurative or literal?

→ Both. Most places figurative or associated with figurative objects.

