LESSON

REVELATION 20:1-15 (Part 3).

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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 in Revelation 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.

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".

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.

In the list below, are any of these items mentioned in the text of Rev. 20:1-15.

- 1) The second coming of Christ:
- 2) The bodily resurrection:
- 3) A reign on earth:
- 4) A literal throne of David:
- 5) Jerusalem in land of Palestine:
- 6) Christ on earth:



Objectives

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

1). Fill out the table below.

Where were the souls?

6:9-11- underneath the altar

20:4 - sitting on thrones

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How had they died?

6:9-11- slain...killed

20:4 - beheaded

1). Fill out the table below.

What were they crying for?

6:9-11- judgment and avenging their blood

20:4 -

1). Fill out the table below.

What were they given?

6:9-11-

20:4 - Judgment.

2). Who are the following?

Angel (vs. 1):

Angel sent by JC or JC.

Dragon (vs. 2):

Satan.

They (vs. 4):

Christian martyrs, Ch. 6.

2). Who are the following?

Gog & Magog (vs. 8):

Enemies of Christ.

Beast & False Prophet (vs. 10):

Roman Empire &

False Prophets i.e. Judazier teachers. Sitting on great white throne (vs. 11):



2). Who are the following?

Dead (vs. 5, 12, 13):

Wicked who follow Satan.

- 3). Read Ezek. 37:1-14. A resurrection is pictured here. What does this resurrection mean?
 - Israel will return to their land from captivity in Babylon and live in their land.

- 4). Is the resurrection in vs. 5 the bodily resurrection on Judgment Day? Support your answer. See also John 5:28-29.
- No. Says "first" implying there is a "second". Does not say bodies were raised. Very limited, only those Christian Martyrs in Chap. 6. Bodily resurrection on judgment day will involve all, both good and bad. Time indicators in Revelation.

5). What is the resurrection in vs. 5 according to the text?

First resurrection = Christian Martyrs came to life and reigned with Christ for a 1000 years. Meaning = victorious and experiencing spiritual life with Christ forever.

- 6). What happened to Satan before the 1,000 years, vs. 1-3? Who was Satan using for the deception and what happened to them, Rev. 13:3-6, 12-17; 19:20?
- Bound so he could not deceive during the 1,000 years.
- Beast and 2nd Beast (false prophet). They were destroyed.