

Thursology 88: Did God Dump Israel??? Then Your Eschatology Falters AND...So Does Your SALVATION!!! (Rapture #11)

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--But aren't the Old Jewish Covenants Obsolete???

- Two biblical metaphors for God's Covenant People:
 - Metaphor #1: The _____ of God is _____
 - Metaphor #2: The _____ of Christ is The _____
- The Complaint: The New Testament _____ states that the Old Covenant was made _____ by a new and _____ Covenant!!!
 - Heb 8:6-7, 13: But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, by as much as He is also the mediator of a better covenant, which has been enacted on better promises. For if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion sought for a second...When He said, "A new covenant," He has made the first obsolete. But whatever is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to disappear.
 - Heb 8:8-11: For finding fault with them, He says, "Behold, days are coming, says the Lord, When I will effect a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah; Not like the covenant which I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; for they did not continue in My covenant, and I did not care for them, says the Lord. "For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws into their minds, and I will write them on their hearts. and I will be their God, and they shall

be My people. “And they shall not teach everyone his fellow citizen, and everyone his brother, saying, ‘Know the Lord,’ for all will know Me, from the least to the greatest of them.

--Key Concept: The Old Covenant is _____...but...both the Old and New Testaments declare that God is going to make a _____ Covenant with..._____!!!

--The New Covenant Facts:

--Fact #1: There are _____ New Covenants...one with the _____...and one with _____

--Fact #2: The New Covenant with the Church...was launched at _____...and will be fulfilled when Christ _____ for His Bride

--Fact #3: The New Covenant with Israel...will be launched at the end of the _____...at Christ’s _____ Coming...and will be fulfilled during the _____

--The big error in “Replacement Theology”: The Old Jewish Covenants were not _____ by the Church...but will be _____ by a New Covenant with _____!!!

--**Dump Israel??? The Enormous Implications of Replacement Theology**

--Implication #1: If God is willing to _____ His “irrevocable” promises to Israel...then we have no _____ that He will _____ His promises to us!!!

--A chilling corollary to this implication: If God can’t save _____...then God can’t save _____!!!

--Two unchangeable salvation precepts:

--Unchangeable Salvation Precept #1: At Christ’s _____...when the “fullness of the Gentiles” is complete...all Israel...the entire Remnant...will look on Him Whom they pierced...and _____...and they will all be _____!!!

--Rom 11:25-27: For I do not want you, brethren, to be uninformed of this mystery—so that you will not be wise in your own estimation—that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in; and so all Israel will be saved; just as it is written, “The Deliverer will come from Zion, He will remove ungodliness from Jacob. This is My covenant with them, when I take away their sins.”

--Unchangeable Salvation Precept #2: Salvation has always...in _____ Covenant...been by _____...not by _____!!!

--Rom 4:2-5; 9-11: For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the Scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.” Now to the one who works, his wage is not credited as a favor, but as what is due. But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited

as righteousness...Is this blessing then on the circumcised, or on the uncircumcised also? For we say, "Faith was credited to Abraham as righteousness." How then was it credited? While he was circumcised, or uncircumcised? Not while circumcised, but while uncircumcised; and he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had while uncircumcised, so that he might be the father of all who believe without being circumcised, that righteousness might be credited to them...

--Key Biblical Salvation Doctrine: Salvation was never dependent on _____...either in the _____...or the _____ Covenants!!!
--Habakkuk 2:4: Behold, as for the proud one, His soul is not right within him; But the righteous will live by faith.

--**Implication #2:** If God can't save undeserving Israel by _____...through _____...then God can't save _____!!!

--**Implication #3:** Replacement Theology at the _____ level...is the equivalent of _____-based salvation at the _____ level

--The tenets of Replacement Theology:

1. Israel's failure to _____ the Jewish Covenants...led God to _____ the Covenants that He had made to them
2. Because they didn't _____ well enough...God's promises to Israel are now _____ and _____
3. When Israel failed to _____...God _____ them
4. Now...the _____ has received the _____ that God made to _____

--The profound misunderstanding represented by this "replacement":

--Misunderstanding #1: The Covenants were always based upon God's _____...not on human _____ or _____

--Misunderstanding #2: If the Covenants are based upon _____...then every Covenant...even the _____ Covenants...will _____

--The massive implication if Replacement Theology is true:

--If you live under a performance-based understanding of salvation...

--You'll never have confidence in God's love

--You'll always view God as an Angry Judge...rather than a loving Father

--You'll feel His scorn...but not His smile

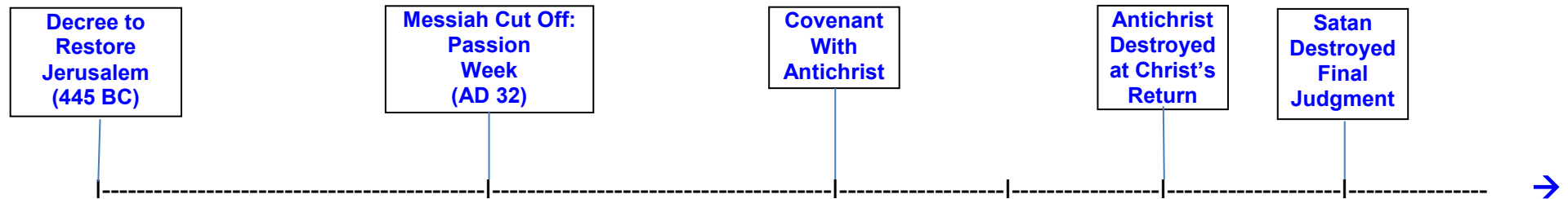
--You'll sense His dissatisfaction with you...rather than His affection for you

--You'll anticipate calamity...rather than His blessings

--You'll be held captive by the memory of your sins...rather than living into the righteousness that Christ wants to bestow on you

A timeline of the Jewish Covenants...and the New Testament Covenant

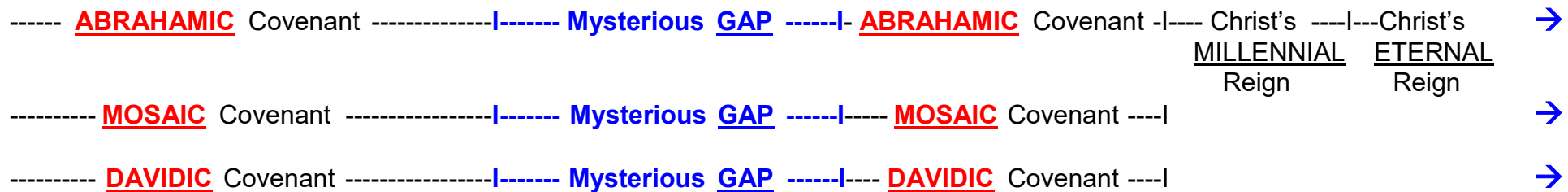
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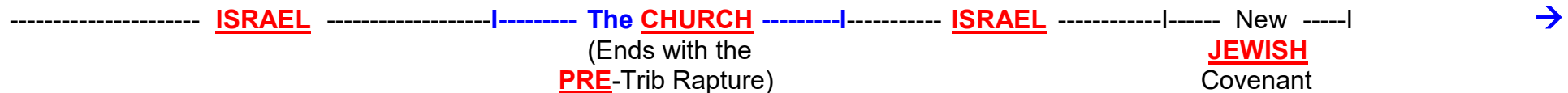
Daniel's "Clock"



Jewish Covenants



Salvation Covenant: God's People STRATEGICALLY placed in the world



Thursology 87: The Pre-Trib Integrates the Old and New Covenants With Daniel's Mysterious Gap (Rapture #10)

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- Key Concept:** Without taking the time to deal with the DEPTHS of Scripture related to Rapture timing...the view that you hold will either be a PREFERENCE...an ASSUMPTION...or a mere BYPRODUCT of your theological tradition!!!

--Heilsgeschichte

- Heilsgeschichte:** (English) → SALVATION history
 - Meaning:** A theological view that understands ALL of history...literally EVERY detail of history...to be an expression of God's SAVING history
- A fundamental biblical understanding of the nature of God...and the nature of history:** At His essence...God is SAVIOR...and at its essence...history is all about God SAVING
- Key Concept #1:** "Covenant" has no true SYNONYM in the English Language...because Covenant is actually an entire CATEGORY of THOUGHT!!!
- Key Concept #2:** Covenant is the biblical EXPRESSION of God's SALVATION History
- Key Concept #3:** If you don't understand the biblical COVENANTS...you won't understand God's perspective of HISTORY...or God's perspective of SALVATION

--Understanding the Biblical Covenants:

- Two kinds of biblical covenants:
 - UNIVERSAL Covenants: Adamic, Noahic, New Testament
 - JEWISH Covenants: Abrahamic, Mosaic, Davidic
- Key Concept:** While ALL of the Covenants are Salvation Covenants...a subset of them are STRATEGIC Salvation Covenants
- Two categories of STRATEGIC Salvation Covenants:**
 1. The JEWISH Covenants (Abrahamic, Mosaic, Davidic)
 - Genesis 12: "In you I will bless all the families of the earth"
 2. The NEW TESTAMENT Covenant
- Covenant Precept #1:** The purpose of choosing ABRAHAM...was to provide a STRATEGY to take salvation to the whole world
- Covenant Precept #2:** The purpose of choosing the CHURCH...is to provide a STRATEGY to take salvation to the whole world

--A theological foundation regarding the Covenants: The very **NATURE** of the *Strategic* Salvation Covenants...**PRECLUDES** them from being **CONCURRENT** plans to save the world

--Key Concept: There is no strategic **OVERLAP** of the **JEWISH** and **NEW** Testament Covenants

--**Strength #6:** The Pre-Trib View perfectly **INTEGRATES** the Old and New **COVENANTS**... providing for ***precise and complete fulfillment*** of the promises both to **ISRAEL**...and to the **CHURCH**

--Daniel 9:24-27 (excerpts): “*Seventy weeks* have been decreed for *your people*...Then *after* the sixty-two weeks the *Messiah will be cut off* and...and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary...And he will make a *firm covenant* with the many for *one week*...”

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--**Application:** Since all of history is **SALVATION** History...**EVERY** aspect of our life should be about **SAVING**!!!

--1 Kings 10: 1-7, 10: When the queen of Sheba heard about the fame of Solomon and his relationship to the Lord, she came to test Solomon with hard questions. Arriving at Jerusalem with a very great caravan—with camels carrying spices, large quantities of gold, and precious stones—she came to Solomon and talked with him about all that she had on her mind. Solomon answered all her questions; nothing was too hard for the king to explain to her. When the queen of Sheba saw *all the wisdom of Solomon* and *the palace he had built*, the *food* on his table, the *seating* of his officials, the *attending servants* in their robes, his *cupbearers*, and the *burnt offerings* he made at the temple of the Lord, she was overwhelmed. She said to the king, “The report I heard in my own country about *your achievements* and *your wisdom* is true. But I did not believe these things until I came and saw with my own eyes. Indeed, not even half was told me; *in wisdom and wealth you have far exceeded the report I heard*...And she gave the king 120 talents of *gold*, large quantities of *spices*, and *precious stones*. Never again were so many spices brought in as those the queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon...”

--1 Kings 10:13: King Solomon gave the queen of Sheba *all she desired and asked for*, besides what he had given her *out of his royal bounty*. *Then she left and returned with her retinue to her own country*.

--What did Solomon forget? The reason God gave him **EVERYTHING** he had...was to be used to take the message of **SALVATION**...to the **WORLD**!!!

--What did the Queen of Sheba get??? She **CAME** with riches and gifts and cool stuff...and she **LEFT** with riches and gifts and cool stuff!!!

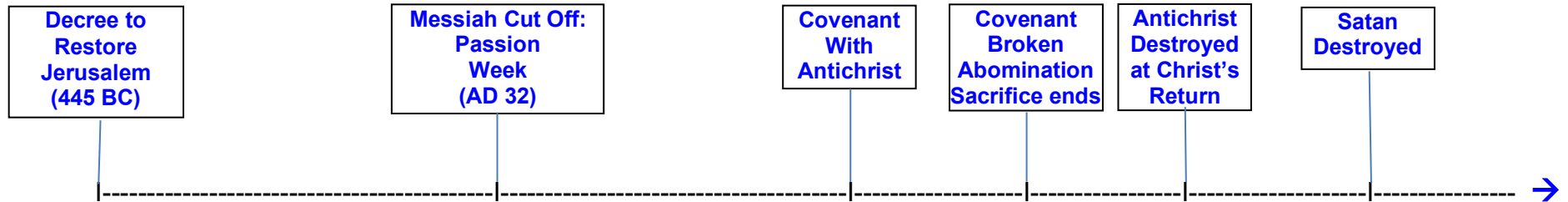
--Key Question: Am I **SQUANDERING** *any* of the positions or possessions or relationships or resources or time or opportunities that God has given *me*...on the **LOWLY**, **TEMPORARY** things of this world???

--Covenant is an entire **CATEGORY** of **THOUGHT**...Covenant is *a way of thinking*...it’s an *entire construct of reality*. → Covenant...is *a way of life*!!!

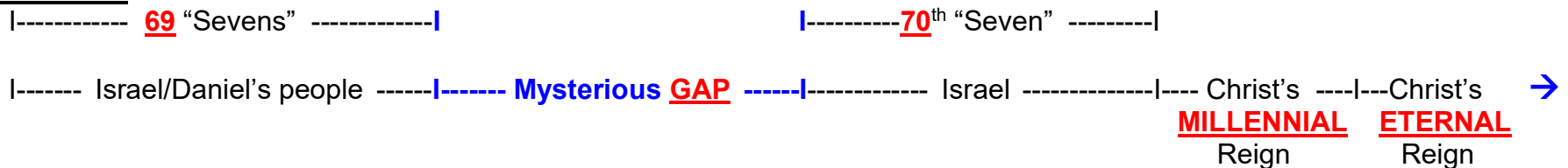
--Key Question: When **MY** history is finally written...will it be a “Heilsgeschichte”...a **SALVATION** history...or will it be a history that’s all about...**ME**???!!!

Daniel's "Weeks": The Mysterious Gap Between the 69th & 70th Sevens

(From the Pre-Trib Rapture perspective)



Daniel's "Clock"



Revelation Chapters



Salvation Covenant



Duration

