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"After These Things" (Rev. 4–22)

- A. Before the Tribulation (4–5)
- B. During the Tribulation (6–19)
- C. After the Tribulation (20–22)
 - 1. Kingdom (20:1-10)
 - 2. Great White Throne Judgment (20:11-15)
 - 3. Destruction of the Earth (21:1)
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I. The New Heavens & Earth
Revelation 21:1-8

A. A New Creation (1)

B. A New City (2)

C. A New Fellowship (3)

D. A New Order (4-5)

E. A New Satisfaction (6)

F. A New Realization (7)

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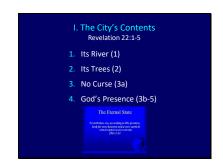
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Henry Morris, Genesis Record, p.33		

Revelation 22:1

"Then he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb."

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Revelation 3:21

PROMISE TO THE OVERCOMERS

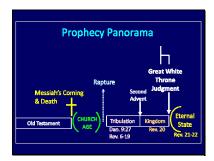
"He who overcomes, I will grant [future tense of didômi] to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down [aorist tense of kathizō] with My Father on His throne."

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Progressive Dispensationalism and Revelation 3:21

"One may object that the throne at the right hand of God is not the Davidic throne, which is earthly. The objection might be raised by appealing to a text like Revelation 3:21, where Jesus distinguishes between 'my throne,' in which the overcomer will sit, and the Father's throne, on which Jesus currently sits. The argument is made that the throne on which Jesus sits in Acts is the Father's throne, not David's...this throne of the lamb, set next to the Father, is alluded to again in Revelation 22:1. This is the same throne that Jesus occupies in the consummation! He exercises Davidic rule now even as he will exercises it then."

Darrell Bock, "The Reign of the Lord Christ," in Dispensationalism, Israel and the Church, ed. Craig Blaising and Darrell Bock (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1992), 50, 62.



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Rev. 20:1-10	Rev. 21–22			
20:4	22:5			
Isa. 30:26	21:23; 22:5			
Ezek. 40-48	21:22			
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20:7	20:10			
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Genesis 1:14 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years."

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Genesis 11:1-4 1 Now the whole earth used the same language and the same words. 2 It came about as they journeyed east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. 3 They said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and burn them thoroughly." And they used brick for stone, and they used tar for mortar. 4 They said, "Come, let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower whose top will reach into heaven, and let us make for ourselves a name, otherwise we will be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth."



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Spread of the Mother-Child Cult				
	Mother	Child		
Assyria	Ishtar	Tammuz		
Phoenicia	Astarte	Baal		
Egypt	Isis	Osirus/Horus		
Greece	Aphrodite	Eros		
Rome	Venus	Cupid		
Asia	Cybele	Desius		
India	Isi	Aswara		
Roman Catholicism	Mary	Jesus		
Israel	Queen of Heaven (Jer. 7:18; 44:17)	Tammuz (Ezek. 8:14-15)		
Alexander Hislop, Two Babylons				

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Larkin, The Book of Revelation, 151.

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The river Euphrates, on which the city of Babylon was built, was one of the four branches into which the river that flowed through the Garden of Eden was divided, and Satan doubtless chose the site of Babylon as his headquarters from which to sally forth to tempt Adam and Eve. It was doubtless here that the Antediluvian apostasy had its source that ended in the flood, To this centre the 'forces of Evil' gravitated after the Flood, and 'Babel' was the result. This was the origin of the nations, but the nations were not scattered abroad over the earth until Satan had implanted in them the "Virus" of a doctrine that has been the source of every false religion the world has ever known."

God's Doctrine of Nations		
Since Babel	Deut. 32:8; Acts 17:26	
Millennium	Isaiah 2:4; 66:18; Zech. 14:16-18 Rev.12:5; 20:3	
Eternal State	Rev. 21:24, 26	

Zechariah 14:16-18

"Then it will come about that any who are left of all the nations that went against Jerusalem will go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to celebrate the Feast of Booths. ¹⁷ And it will be that whichever of the families of the earth does not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, there will be no rain on them. ¹⁸ If the family of Egypt does not go up or enter, then no rain will foll on them; it will be the plague with which the Lord smites the nations who do not go up to celebrate the Feast of Booths."

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Revelation 12:5

"And she gave birth to a son, a male *child*, who is to rule all <u>the nations</u> with a rod of iron; and her child was caught up to God and to His throne."



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Romans 8:19-22

Por the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰ For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.

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GENESIS 3: THE FALL OF MAN



"This chapter is the pivot on which the whole Bible turns" $\label{eq:W.H.Griffith} \text{W. H. Griffith Thomas}$

Genesis 3 Structure

- 3:1-5 Temptation by the serpent
- 3:6 Sin of Adam and Eve
- 3:7-13 Results of the sin
- 3:14-19 Imposition of divine judgments
- 3:20-24 God's provision in spite of the sin

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Divine Judgments (3:14-19)

- Serpent (3:14-15)
- Woman (3:16)
- Man (3:17-19)



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Serpent (3:14-15)

- Serpent's body (3:14)
- Protevangelium (3:15)



Woman (3:16)

- Painful child birth (3:16a)
- Relational conflict (3:16b)



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Man (3:17-19)

- Painful labor (3:17-19a)
- Death (3:19b)



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Rev. 20:1-10 Rev. 21–22				
Time	20:4	22:5		
Luminaries	Isa. 30:26	21:23; 22:5		
Temple	Ezek. 40-48	21:22		
Death	Isa. 65:20	21:4		
Satanic activity	20:7	20:10		
Rebellion	20:8-9	21:27		



Deuteronomy 4:19

"And beware not to lift up your eyes to heaven and see <u>the sun and the moon and the stars</u>, all the host of heaven, and be drawn away and <u>worship them and serve them</u>, those which the Lord your God has allotted to all the peoples under the whole heaven."

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Eternal State is Future

- . No Satan (Rev 20:10)
- II. No sea (Rev 21:1)
- III. No death, crying, or pain (Rev 21:4)
- IV. No Sun (Rev 22:5)
- V. No Moon (Rev 21:23)
- VI. No temple (Rev. 21:22)
- VII. No night (Rev 21:25)
- VIII. No evil (Rev 21:27)
- IX. No Tree of Knowledge (22:1)
- X. No curse (Rev 22:3)



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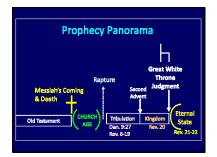
Mark Hitchcock

101 Answers to the Most Asked Questions About the End Times (Sisters, OR: Multnomah, 2001), 212.

"Christ will rule over His kingdom on this present earth for one thousand years, and He will reign forever. The future kingdom of God has two parts or phases. Phase one is the millennial reign of Christ on this earth (Rev. 20:1–6), and phase two is the eternal state (Rev. 22:5). As I once heard it described, the Millennium is the front porch of eternity."

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	toward you and give you peace." (NIV)	 	

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1 John 3:2-Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.

John 21:9-14-9 So when they got out on the land, they *saw a charcoal fire *already* laid and fish placed on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus *said to them, "Bring some of the fish which you have now caught." ¹¹ Simon Peter went up and drew the net to land, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three; and although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples ventured to question Him, "Who are You?" knowing that it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus *came and *took the bread and gave *it* to them, and the fish likewise. ¹⁴ This is now the third time that Jesus was manifested to the disciples, after He was raised from the dead.

Luke 21:25-There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth <u>dismay among nations</u>, in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves.

Gen. 3:22-²² Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil; and <u>now, he</u> <u>might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever</u>"—

Deut. 32:8-When the Most High gave the <u>nations</u> their inheritance, When He separated the sons of man, He set the boundaries of the peoples According to the number of the sons of Israel.

Acts 17:26-and He made from one *man* every <u>nation</u> of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined *their* appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation.

<u>3</u>

Isa. 65:20-No longer will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, Or an old man who does not live out his days; For the youth will <u>die</u> at the age of one hundred And the one who does not reach the age of one hundred Will be *thought* accursed.

Ezek. 45:22-On that day the prince shall provide for himself and all the people of the land a bull for a <u>sin</u> offering.

Rev. 20:7-9-7 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. 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.

2 Pet. 1:1-Simon Peter, a **bond-servant** and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have received a faith of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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1 Tim. 6:16-who alone possesses immortality and <u>dwells in</u> <u>unapproachable light</u>, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him *be* honor and eternal dominion! Amen.

John 1:18- No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained *Him*.

Exod. 33:20- But He said, "You cannot see My face, for no man can see Me and live!"

2 Cor. 5:17-Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a <u>new</u> <u>creature</u>; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

Philip. 3:20-For <u>our citizenship is in heaven</u>, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Rev. 3:12-He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he will not go out from it anymore; and I will write on him the <u>name of My God</u>, and <u>the name of the city of My God</u>, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and <u>My new name</u>.

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Rev. 21:23-And the city has **no need of the sun or of the moon** to shine on it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb.

Isa. 30:26-The light of the moon will be as the light of **the sun**, and the light of the sun will be seven times *brighter*, like the light of seven days, on the day the LORD binds up the fracture of His people and heals the bruise He has inflicted.

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