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REVELATION

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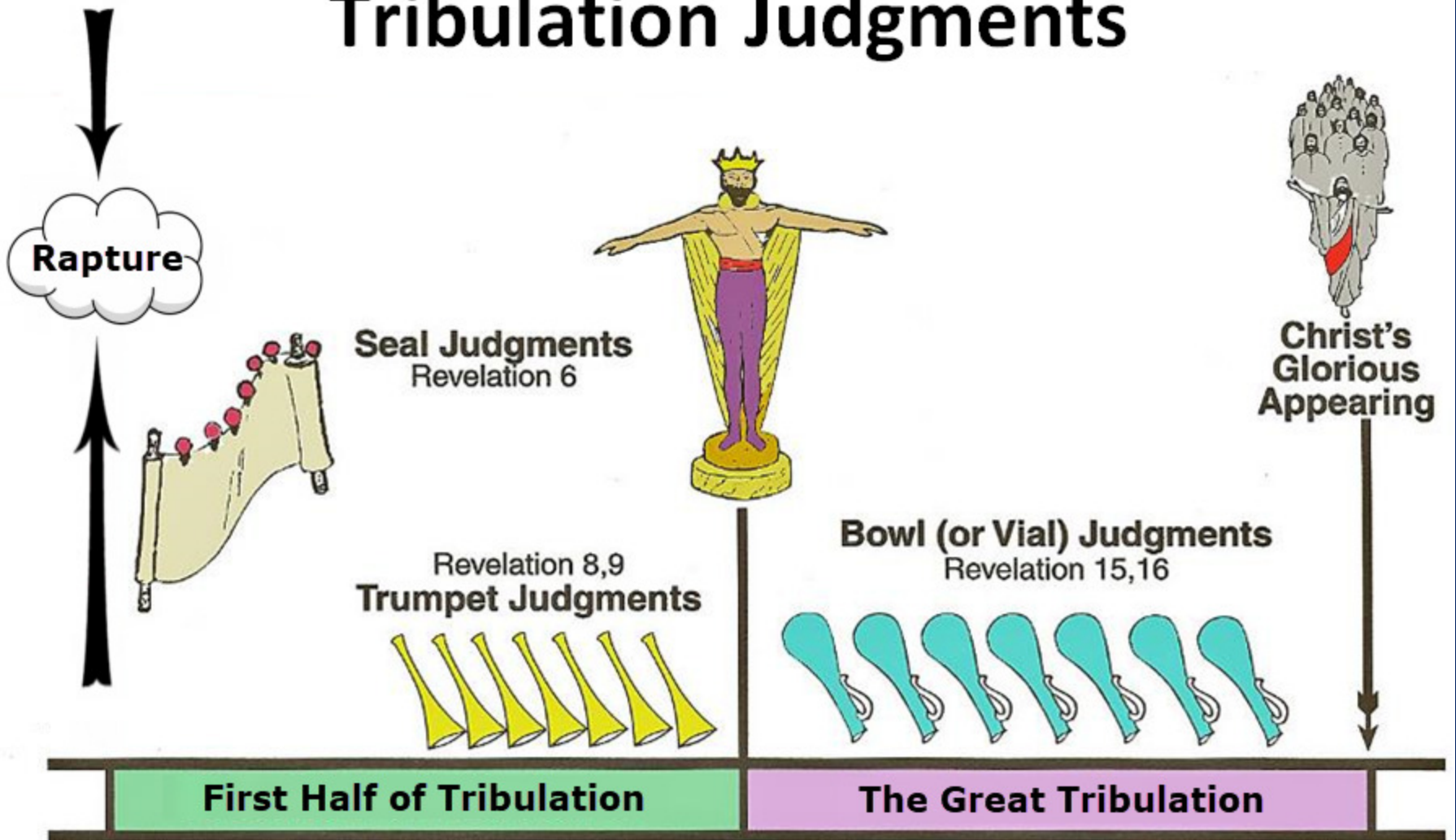


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Tribulation Judgments





7th Seal & 1st Six Trumpets

(Revelation 8–9)



1. 7th Seal (8:1-6) – Trumpet preparation
2. 1st Trumpet (8:7) – 1/3 vegetation destroyed
3. 2nd Trumpet (8:8-9) – 1/3 ocean destroyed
4. 3rd Trumpet (8:10-11) – 1/3 water destroyed
5. 4th Trumpet (8:12-13) – 1/3 luminaries darkened
6. 5th Trumpet (9:1-12) – Demons released
7. 6th Trumpet (9:13-21) – 1/3 humanity destroyed

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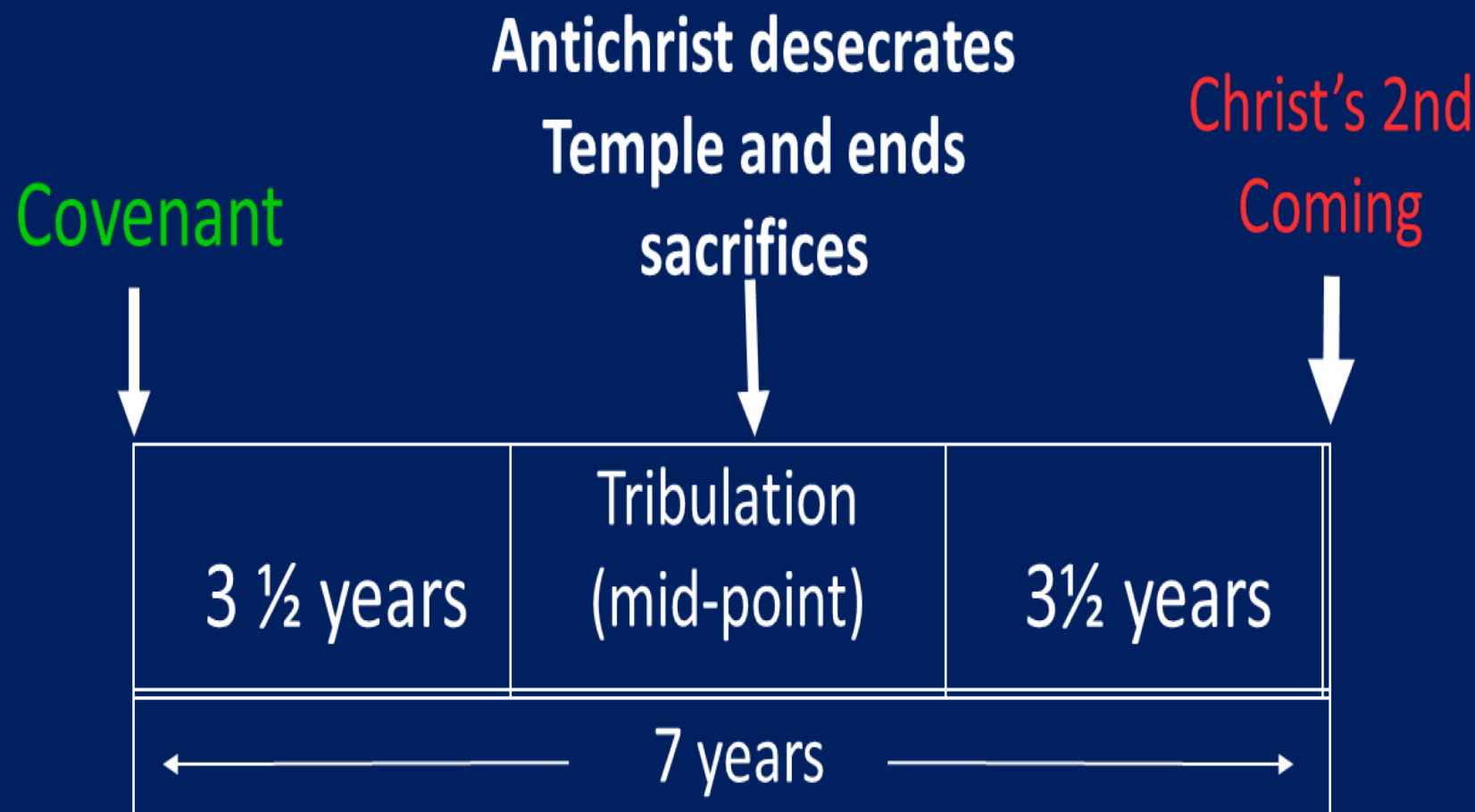
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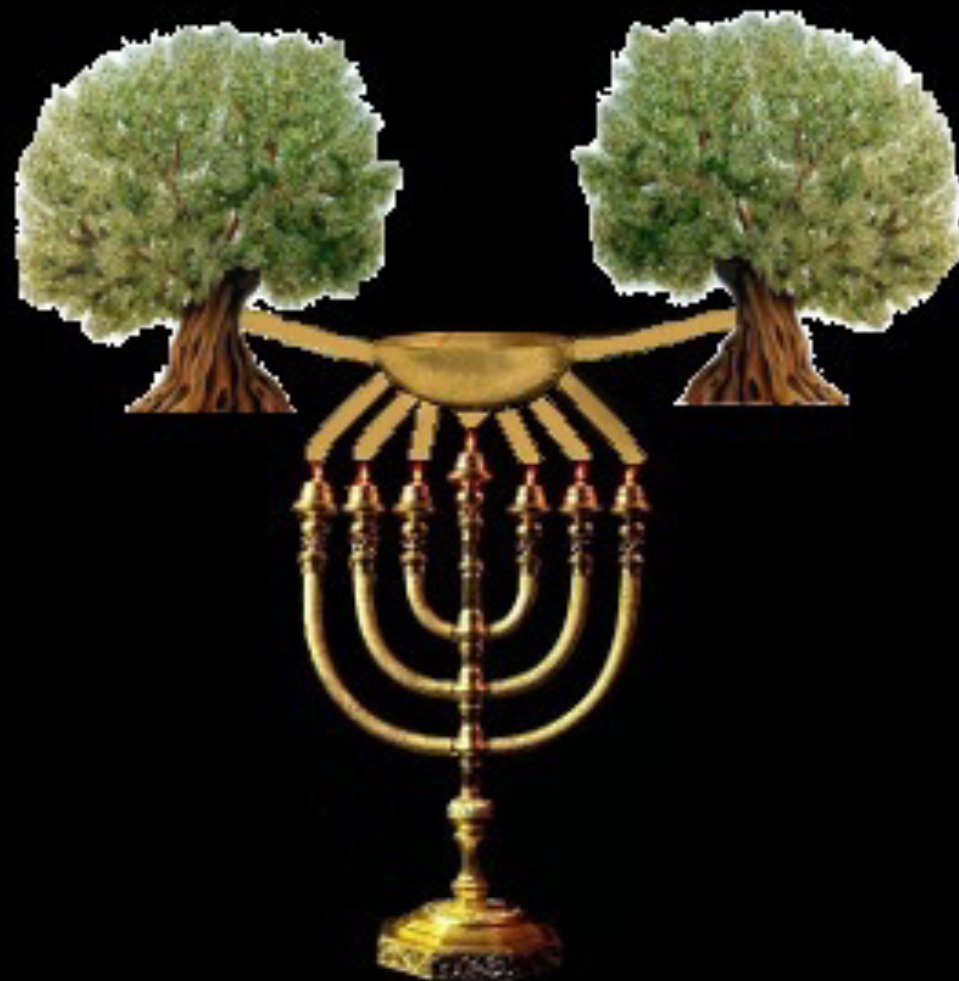
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David Hocking

David Hocking, *The Book of Revelation: Understanding the Future* (Tustin, CA: Hope For Today Publications, 2014), 379.

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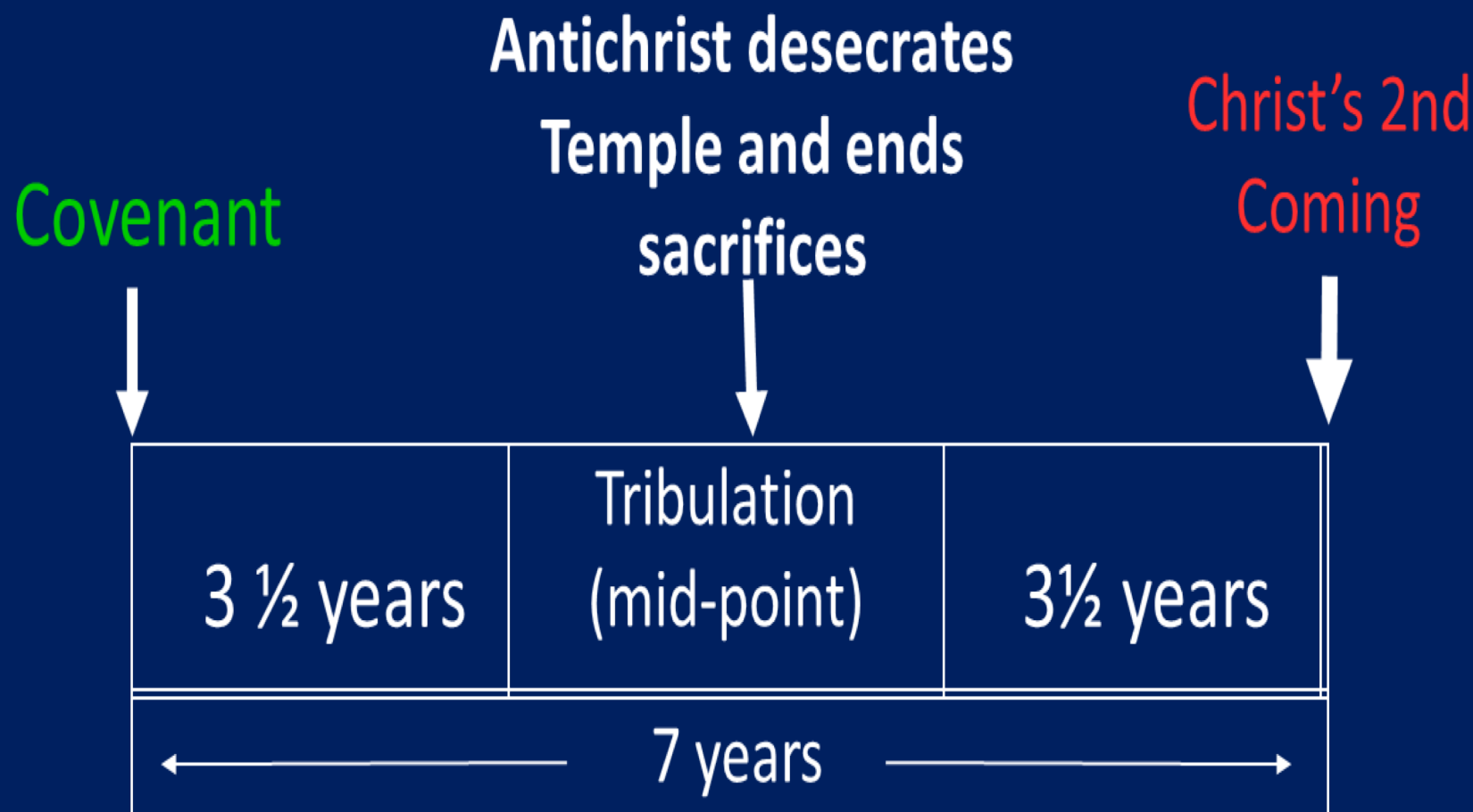
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1. 6:1-2 – Advent of antichrist
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3. 6:5-6 – Famine
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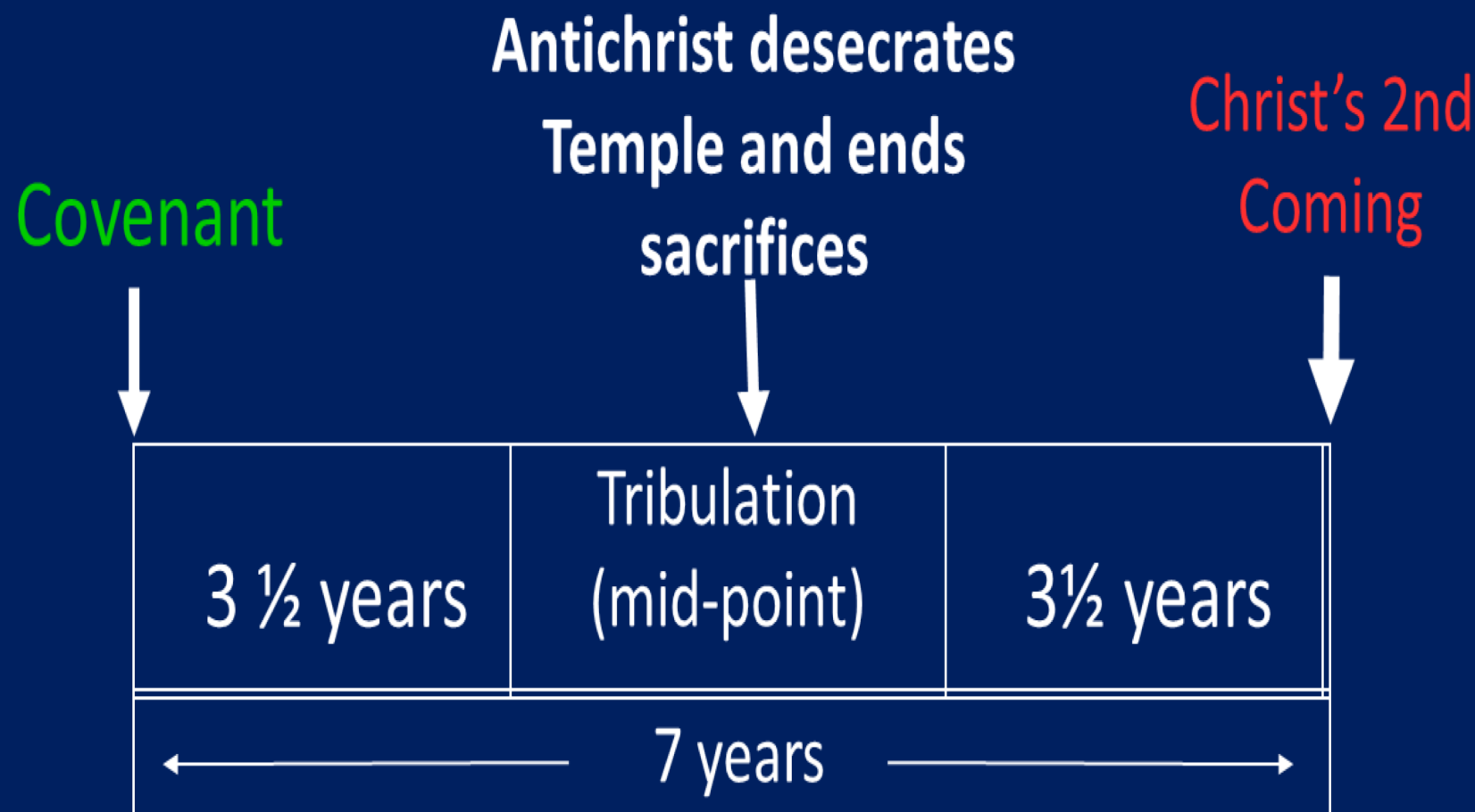
Asia	1:4	Philadelphia	3:7
Ephesus	2:1	Laodicea	3:14
Smyrna	2:8	Euphrates	9:14;16:12
Pergamum	2:12	Jerusalem	11:8
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Israel's Two Regatherings

THE PRESENT (FIRST) REGATHERING	THE PERMANENT (SECOND) REGATHERING
Return to part of the land	Return to all the land
Return in unbelief	Return in faith
Restored to the land only	Restored to the land and the Lord
Sets the stage for Tribulation (discipline)	Sets the stage for Millennium (blessing)

Adapted from: Price, *Jerusalem In Prophecy*, 219

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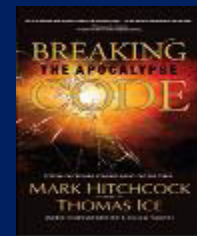


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“This phrase ‘earth dwellers’ is used eleven times in nine verses in Revelation (3:10; 6:10; 8:13; 11:10 2xs; 13:8, 12, 14 2xs; 14:6; 17:8). As you examine each individual use, except 3:10, you will see that all refer to a special class of stubborn sinners who are set in their rebellion against the God of heaven. You will also find that the phrase is *only* used to refer to those during the tribulation period. Therefore, since the future hour spoken of in 3:10 is set in contrast with the present set of believers in the church age, and the future ‘earth dwellers’ will be active during the time period in which believers are said to be kept from, it is clear that John speaks of the time or hour of the tribulation. This is why 3:10 is a clear promise that Christ will keep believers from the time of the seven year tribulation.”



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Exemption from Death

(1 Cor 15:54-56)

- Enoch (Gen 5)
- Elijah (2 Kings 2)
- Christ (Acts 1:11; Rev 12:5)
- Philip (Acts 8:39)
- Paul (2 Cor 12:2, 4)
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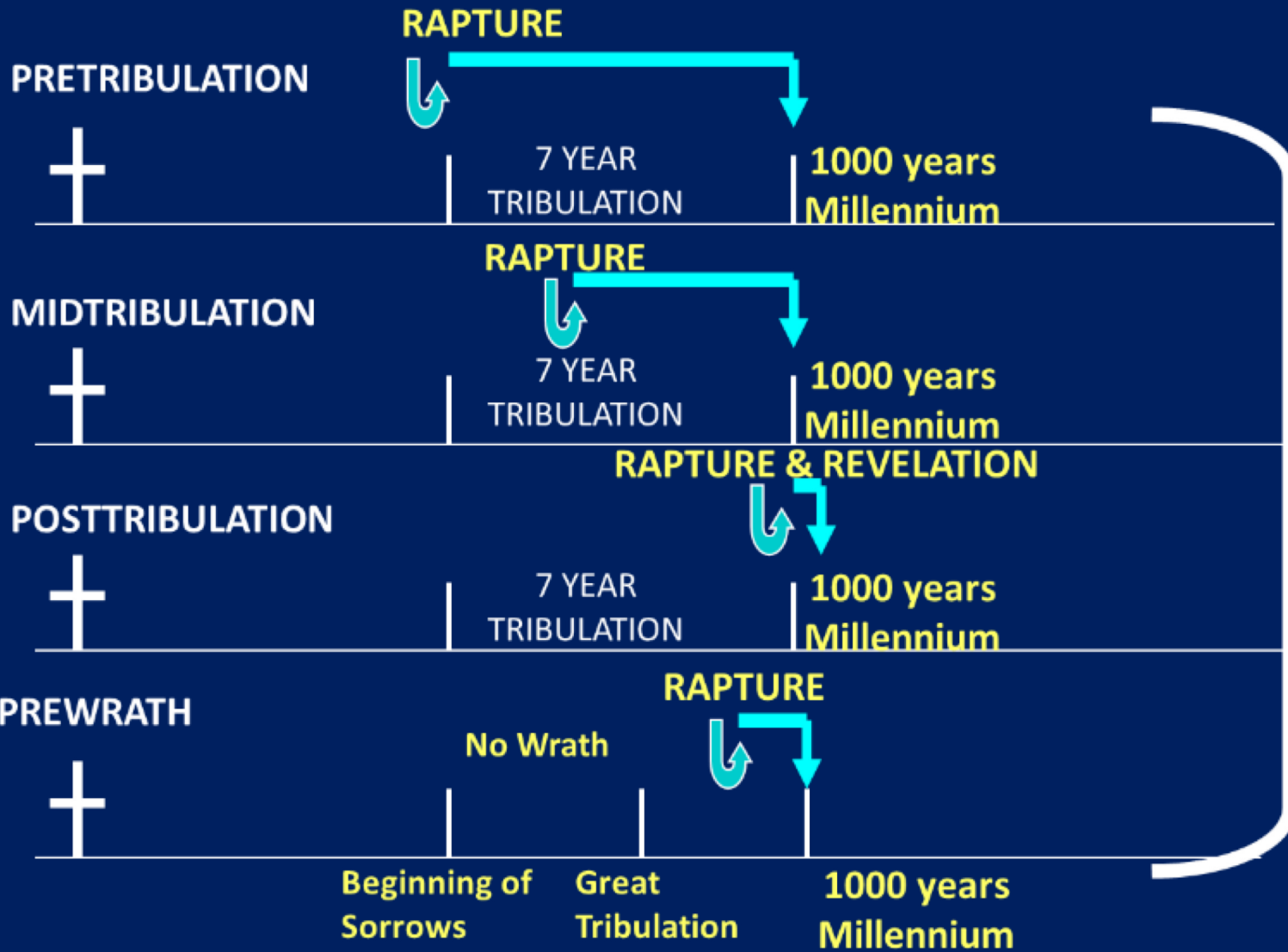


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“Scientists say thousands could die because Israel, which sits on a major fault line, has ignored warnings to strengthen homes and schools. After a series of minor tremors rattled northern Israel over the last two weeks, experts warned that the country is negligently unprepared for a major earthquake that would likely kill thousands of people, including many children. ‘The threat of an earthquake, is in my eyes, the greatest threat facing the state of Israel,’ geologist Ariel Heimann told Hadashot news on Friday... ‘It is definitely a greater threat than the Qassam [rockets] fired ...’”

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Protection	Rev. 11:5	Num. 16:35; 2 Kgs. 1:10-14
Activities	Rev. 11:6	Exod. 7:12-21; 1 Kgs. 17:1
Duration	Rev. 11:3	Luke 4:25; Jas. 5:17
Rapture	Rev. 11:12	2 Kgs. 2:11

Identity of the 2 Witnesses: Moses and Elijah

- Transfiguration (Matt 17:3)
- Ministries cut short in the OT (2 Kgs 2:11-12; Num 20:12)
- Future appearance predicted in the OT (Mal 4:5-6; Jude 9)
- Never fulfilled in the NT (Luke 1:17; John 1:21)



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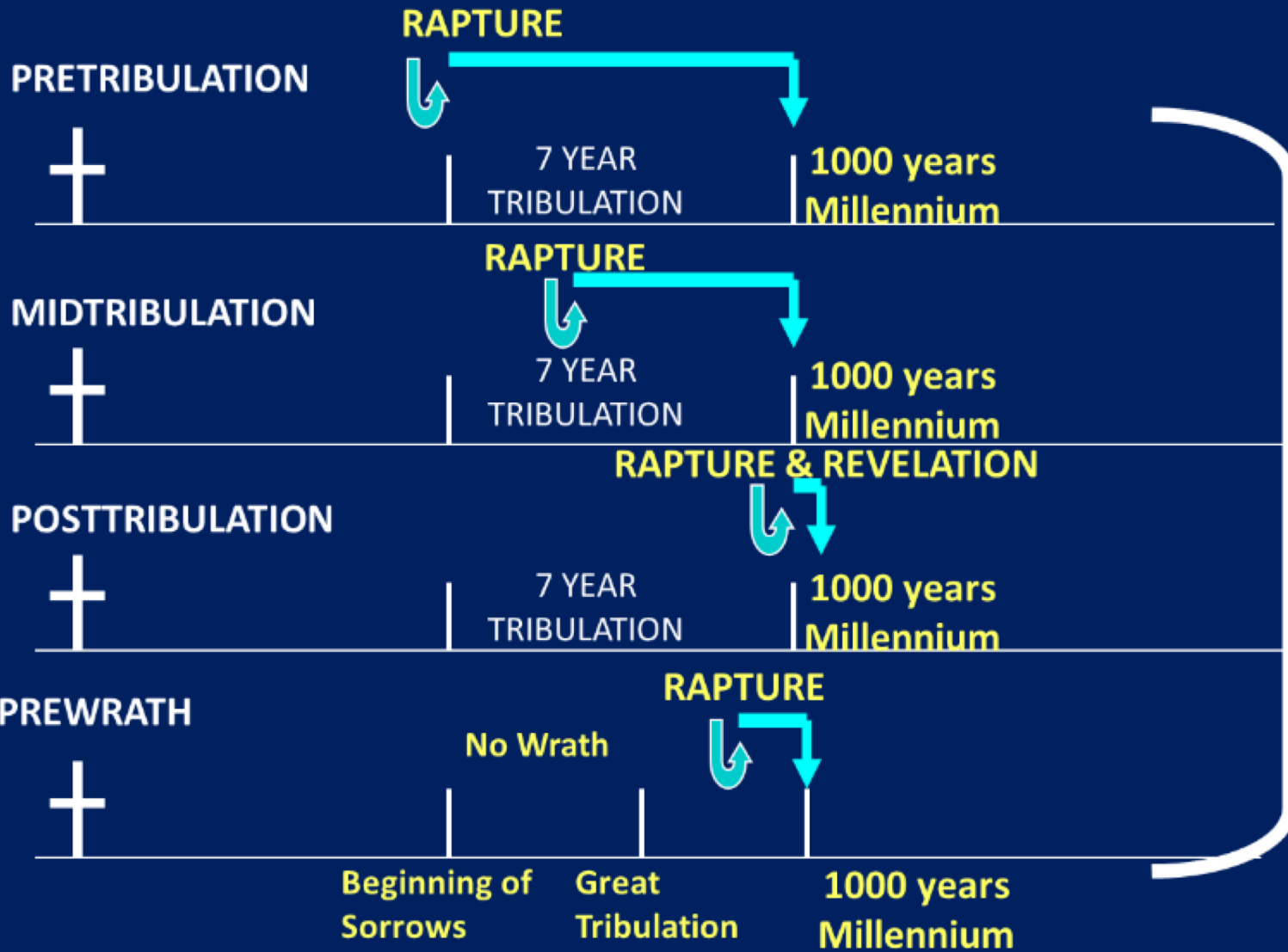


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