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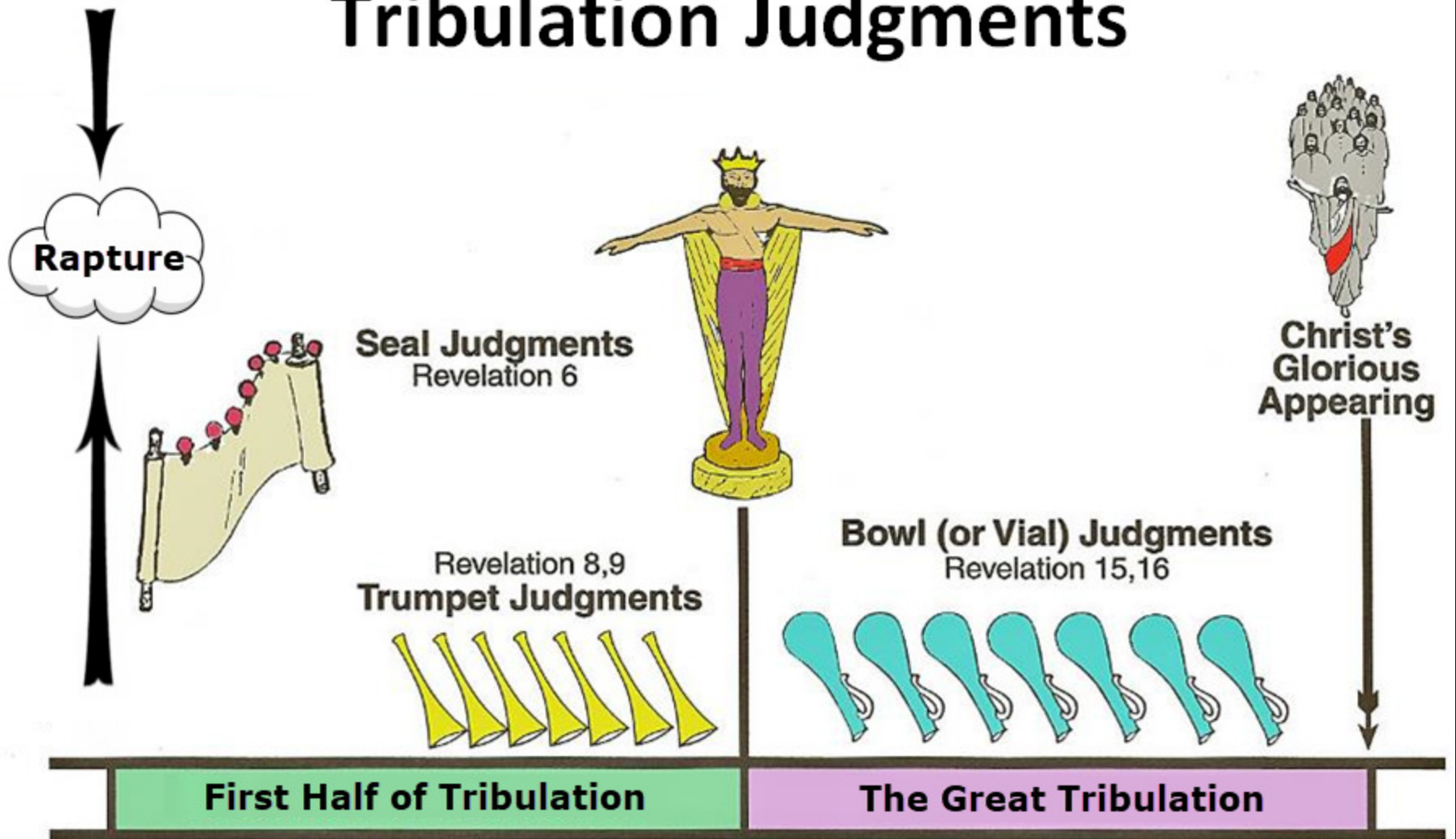
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Tribulation Judgments





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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Bowls (Rev 16:13-16) Armageddon

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PROPHETIC CHESS BOARD IS BEING SET UP



Israel Installs Security Cameras as Jerusalem Tensions Build

By Oren Liebermann and Ian Lee, CNN - July 24, 2017

“Jerusalem (CNN). Israel has installed security cameras near the entrance to one of the holiest sites in Jerusalem as tensions between Israelis and Palestinians edge higher after a violent week...Israel installed security cameras near the entrance to Old City of Jerusalem holy site early Sunday morning.”



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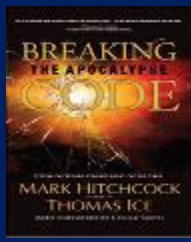


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“This phrase ‘earth dwellers’ is used eleven times in nine verses in Revelation (3:10; 6:10; 8:13; 11:10 2xs; 13:8, 12, 14 2xs; 14:6; 17:8). As you examine each individual use...you will see that all refer to a special class of stubborn sinners who 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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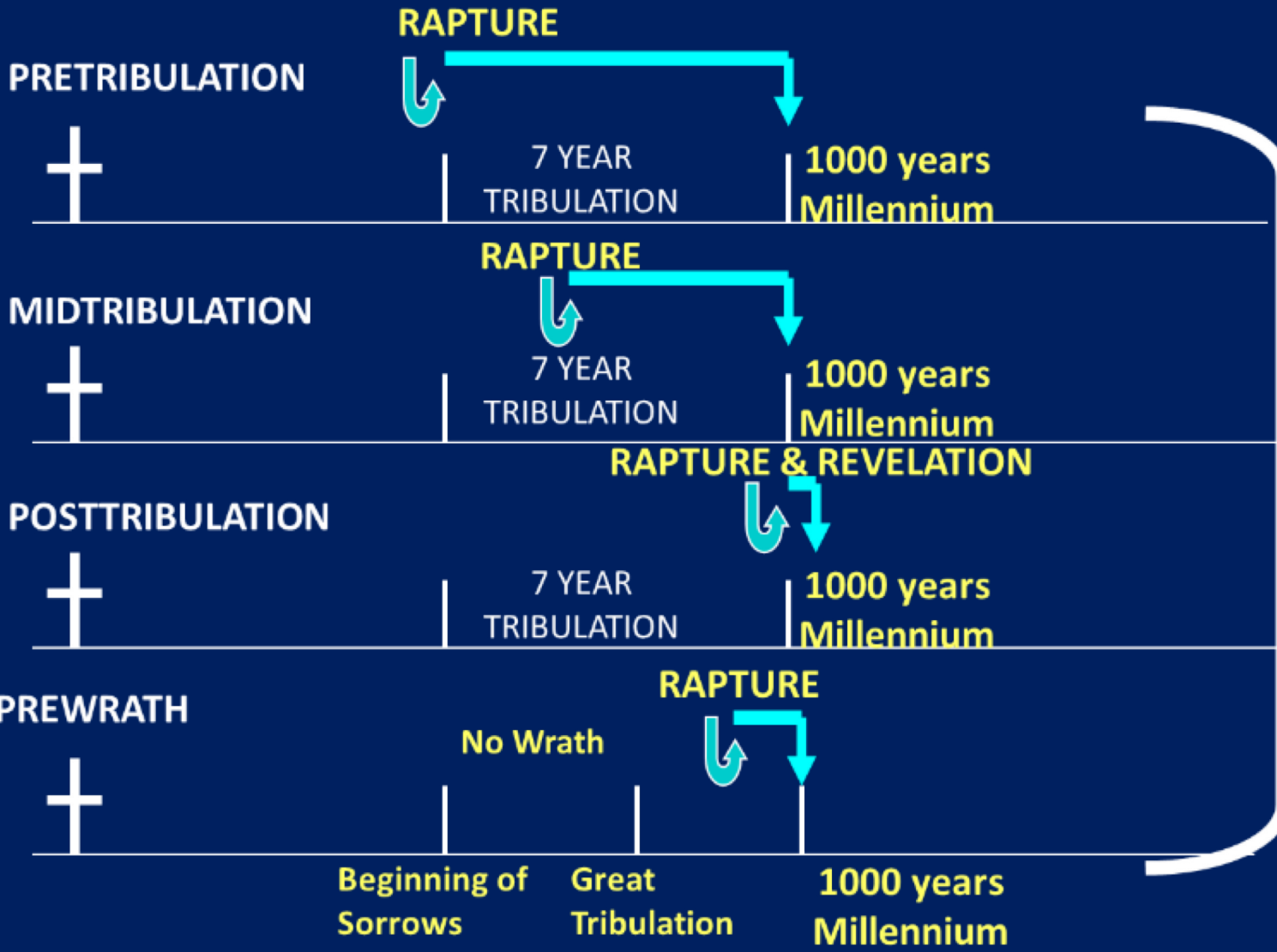


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“Scientists say thousands could die because Israel, which sits on a major fault line, has ignored warnings to strengthen homes and schools. After a series of minor tremors rattled northern Israel over the last two weeks, experts warned that the country 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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“... from Gaza, and it is a far greater danger than the Iranian threat.’ Israel sits on the Syrian-African rift, a tear in the earth’s crust running the length of the border separating Israel and Jordan, and is part of the Great Rift Valley, which extends from northern Syria to Mozambique. ‘If, God forbid, we have an earthquake like this, it will leave thousands dead and hundreds of thousands of people will have to leave their homes. Houses will be destroyed, there will be massive economic damage that will set the country back dozens of years,’ Heimann warned.”



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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

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¹ “Six days later Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up on a high mountain by themselves. ² And He was transfigured before them; and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as light. ³ And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him.”



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Jude 9

“But Michael the archangel, when he disputed with the devil and argued about the body of Moses, did not dare pronounce against him a railing judgment, but said, ‘The Lord rebuke you!’”



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Luke 1:17

“It is he who will go as a forerunner before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers back to the children, and the disobedient to the attitude of the righteous, so as to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”



John 1:19-21

“¹⁹ This is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent to him priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, ‘Who are you?’ ²⁰ And he confessed and did not deny, but confessed, ‘I am not the Christ.’ ²¹ They asked him, ‘What then? Are you Elijah?’ And he said, ‘I am not.’ ‘Are you the Prophet?’ And he answered, ‘No.’”



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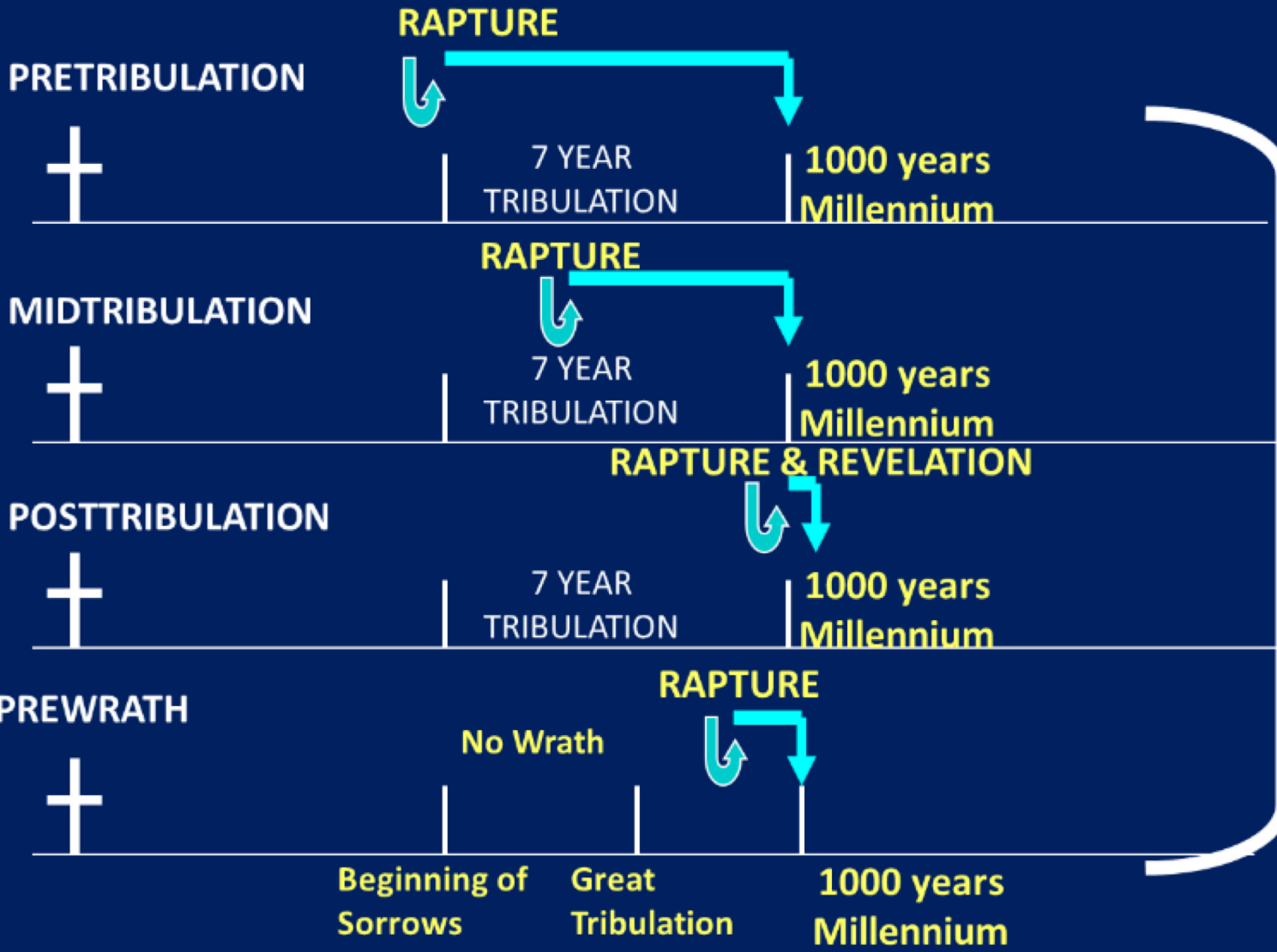


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