

Zechariah

God Remembers!



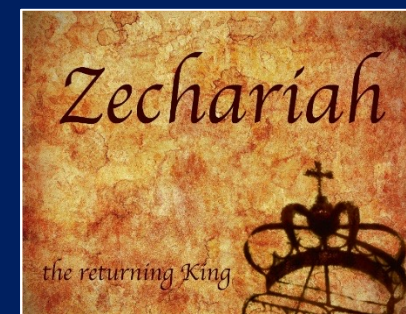
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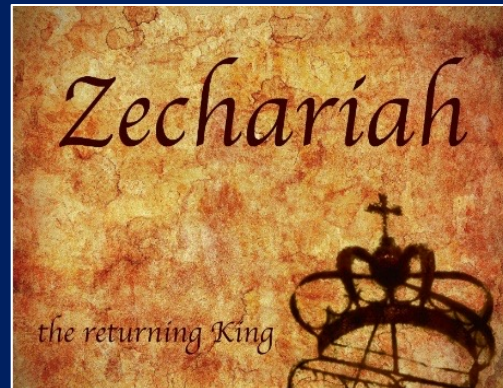
Occasion

- 538 B.C. – Cyrus' decree
- 536 B.C. – Temple foundation laid
- 534 B.C. – Temple building interrupted
- Temple project stalled for 15 years
- **520–518 B.C. – Ministries of Zechariah & Haggai**
- 519 B.C. – Darius confirmation of Cyrus' decree
- Resumption of Temple building
- 516 B.C. – Temple completed



Purposes

- A. To encourage the returnees to rebuild the Temple
- B. To provide eschatological hope in the challenging post-exilic world
- C. To prepare the returnees for Temple worship
- D. To exhort the returnees toward covenant obedience



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ZECHARIAH'S EIGHT NIGHT VISIONS

| Vision | Reference | Meaning |
|---|------------------|--|
| The Red-horse Rider among the Myrtles | 1:7-17 | God's anger against the nations & blessing on restored Israel. |
| The Four Horns & the Four Craftsmen | 1:18-21 | God's judgment on the nations that afflict Israel. |
| The Surveyor with a Measuring Line | Chapter 2 | God's future blessing on restored Israel. |
| The Cleansing & Crowning of Joshua the High Priest. | Chapter 3 | Israel's future cleansing from sin & reinstatement as a priestly nation. |
| The Golden Lampstand & the Two Olive Trees | Chapter 4 | Israel as the light to the nations under Messiah, the King-Priest. |
| The Flying Scroll | 5:1-4 | The severity & totality of divine judgment on individual Israelites. |
| The Woman in the Ephah | 5:5-11 | The removal of national Israel's sin of rebellion against God. |
| The Four Chariots | 6:1-8 | Divine judgment on Gentile nations. |

II. Eight Night Visions

(1:7–6:15)

1. Riders & horses among the myrtle trees (1:7-17)
 2. Four horns & four craftsmen (1:18-21)
 3. Man with the measuring line (2)
 4. Cleansing of the High Priest Joshua (3)
 5. Lampstand & olive tree (4)
 6. Flying scroll (5:1-4)
 7. Woman in the basket (5:5-11)
 8. Four chariots (6:1-8)
- Conclusion: crowning of Joshua (6:9-15)



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III. Questions & Answers Concerning Fasting

(7–8)

A. Question (7:1-3)

B. Four divine answers (7:4–8:23)

1. Condemnation of empty ritualism (7:4-7)
2. Condemnation of past covenant failure (7:8-14)
3. Prediction of Jerusalem's restoration (8:1-17)
4. Prediction of future blessing (8:18-23)



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A. First Burden Outline (9–11)

1. Divine warrior hymn (9)
2. True shepherd (10)
3. False shepherd (11)



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Zechariah 12

(Israel's Physical & Spiritual Salvation)



- I. Israel's physical deliverance (12:1-9)
 - A. The nations that will attack Israel (1-3)
 - B. The God who will protect Israel (4-9)
- II. Israel's spiritual deliverance (12:10-14)
 - A. God's Spirit: the cause of revival (10a)
 - B. Israel's remorse: the result of revival (11-14)

Zechariah 13

(Israel's Physical & Spiritual Salvation)

- I. Spiritual cleansing (13:1-5)
- II. Comprehensive deliverance (13:6-9)



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I. Jerusalem's Deliverance

(Zechariah 14:1-7)

- A. The theme (1)
- B. The crisis (2)
- C. The warrior (3)
- D. The return (4)
- E. The remnant (5)
- F. The darkness (6)
- G. The Uniqueness (7)



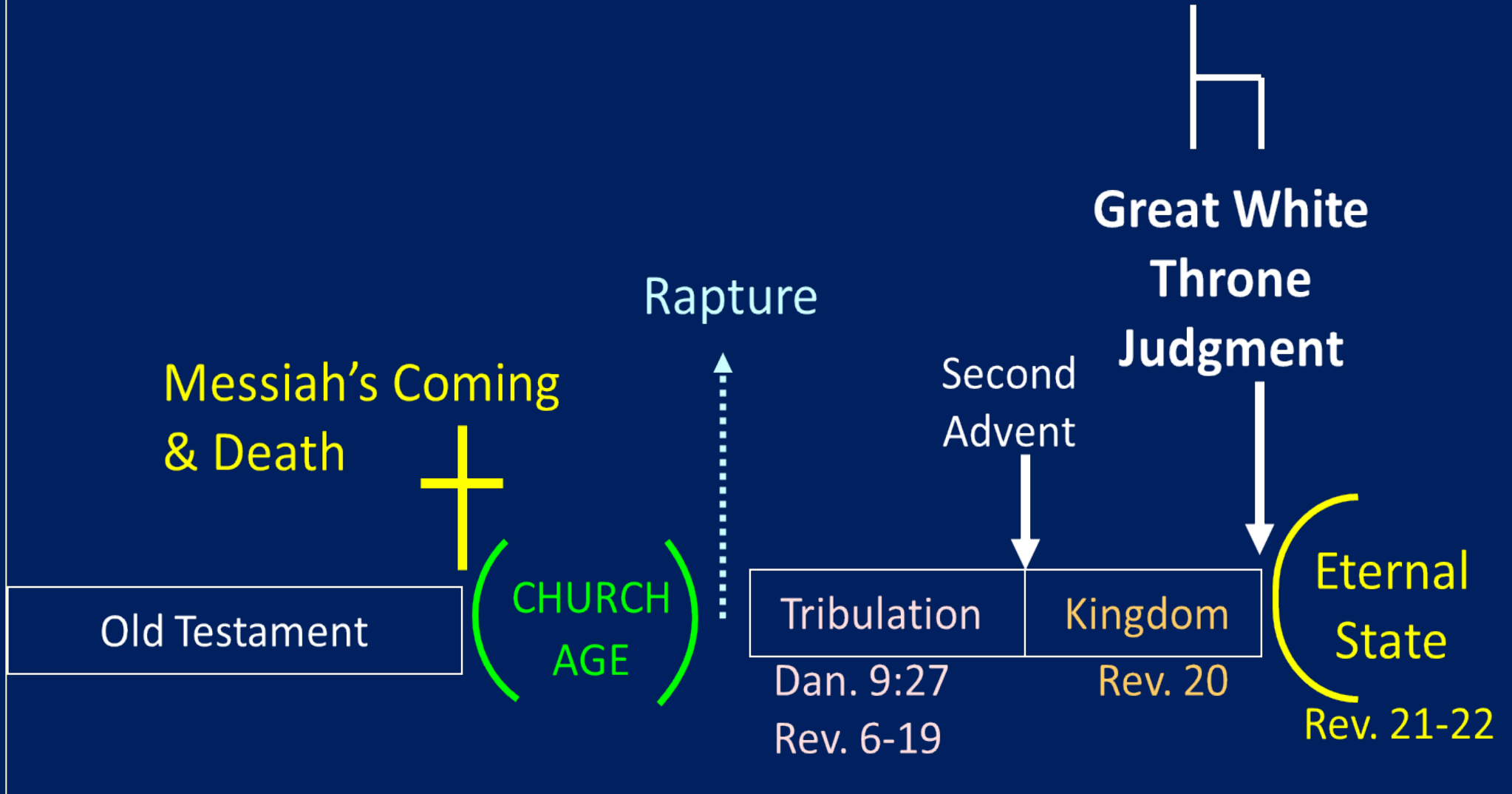
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Prophecy Panorama



II. Kingdom Conditions

(Zechariah 14:8-11)

- A. Jerusalem's waters (8)
- B. Earthly reign (9)
- C. Topographical changes (10)
- D. Millennial Jerusalem (11)



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III. Enemies' Judgment

(Zechariah 14:12-15)

A. Plague (12)

B. Panic (13)

C. Plunder (14)

D. Pets (15)



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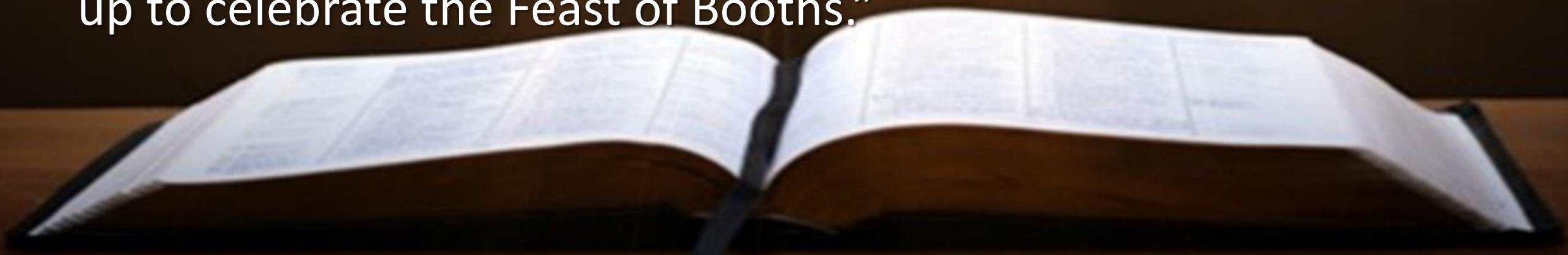
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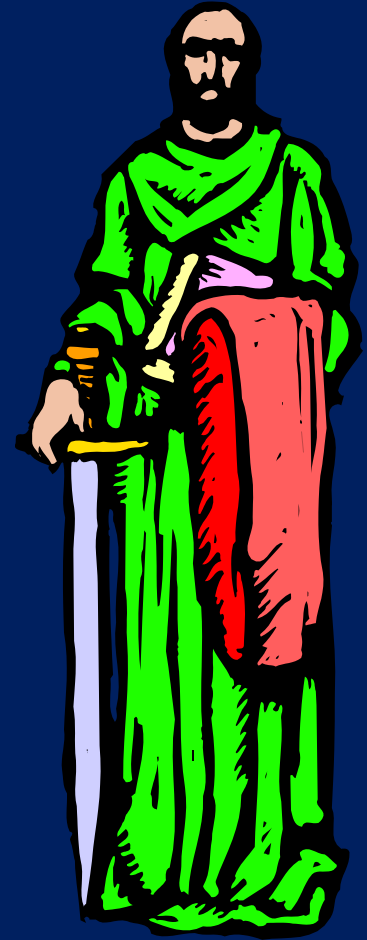


Scripture's Four Judgments

| NAME | SHEEP AND GOAT | JUDGMENT OF THE JEWS | BEMA SEAT | GREAT WHITE THRONE |
|------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| SCRIPTURE | Matt 25:31-46 | Ezek 20:33-44 | 1 Cor 3:10-15 | Rev 20:11-15 |
| PLACE | Earth, Jerusalem | Earth, wilderness | Heaven | Earth |
| AUDIENCE | Gentile Tribulation survivors | Jewish Tribulation survivors | Church Age believers | All unsaved |
| WHEN | After Tribulation | After Tribulation | After rapture | After Millennium |
| PURPOSE | Saved Gentiles enter kingdom | Saved Jews enter kingdom | Reward believers | Degree of punishment in hell |
| EVALUATION | Treatment of Christ's brethren | Passing under shepherd's rod | Works taken through fire | Not in the book; judged by books |

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Isaiah 2:1-4

¹ “The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.² Now it will come about that In the last days The mountain of the house of the LORD Will be established as the chief of the mountains, And will be raised **above** the hills; And all the nations will stream to it.³ And many peoples will come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; That He may teach us concerning His ways And that we may . . .



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... walk in His paths.” For the law will go forth from Zion And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.⁴ And He will judge between the nations, And will render decisions for many peoples; And they will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, And never again will they learn war.”



Revelation 20:7-9

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Four Views on the Book of Revelation, page 207.



“At the end of the Millennium that city will be Satan’s prime objective with his rebel army, because Israel will be a leader among the nations.”



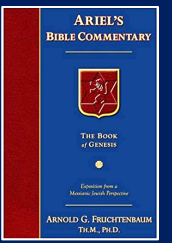
Levitical Feasts (Leviticus 23)

| Feast | Season | Purpose | Type |
|------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Passover | Spring | Redemption | 1 Cor 5:7 |
| Unleavened Bread | Spring | Separation | John 6:35 |
| 1st Fruits | Spring | Praise | 1 Cor 15:20 |
| Pentecost | Spring | Praise | Acts 2:1-4 |
| Trumpets | Fall | New Year | Matt 24:31 |
| Atonement | Fall | Lev 16 | Zech 12:10 |
| Booths | Fall | Wilderness provision | Zech 14:16-18 |



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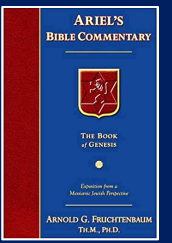


“There are usually. . . objections to taking these sacrifices literally. **First objection:** This would mean a return to the sacrificial system of the Mosaic Law which ended when Messiah died and therefore violates all that the New Testament teaches about the termination of the Law as a rule of life. **Answer:** While there are many similarities with the sacrifices of the Mosaic Law, as there are between the sacrifices of Noah and Moses, the differences show they are not the same. It was these very differences that kept the rabbis from accepting Ezekiel into the Hebrew Canon for some time. These differences include . . .



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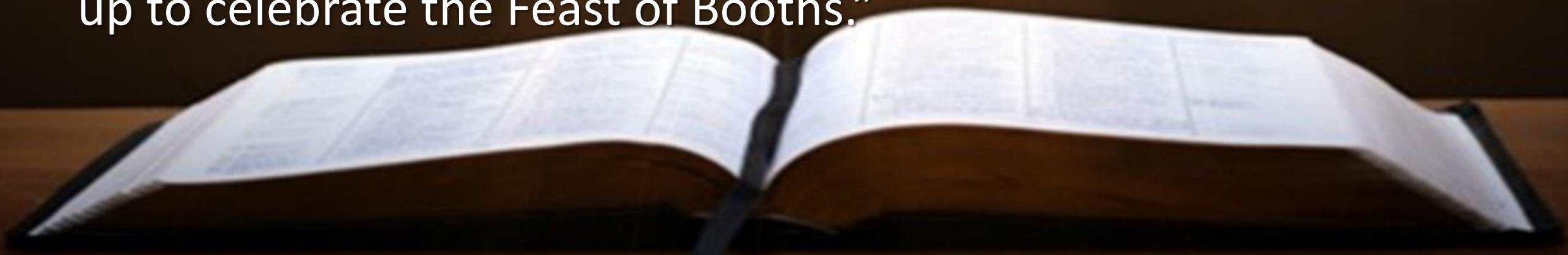
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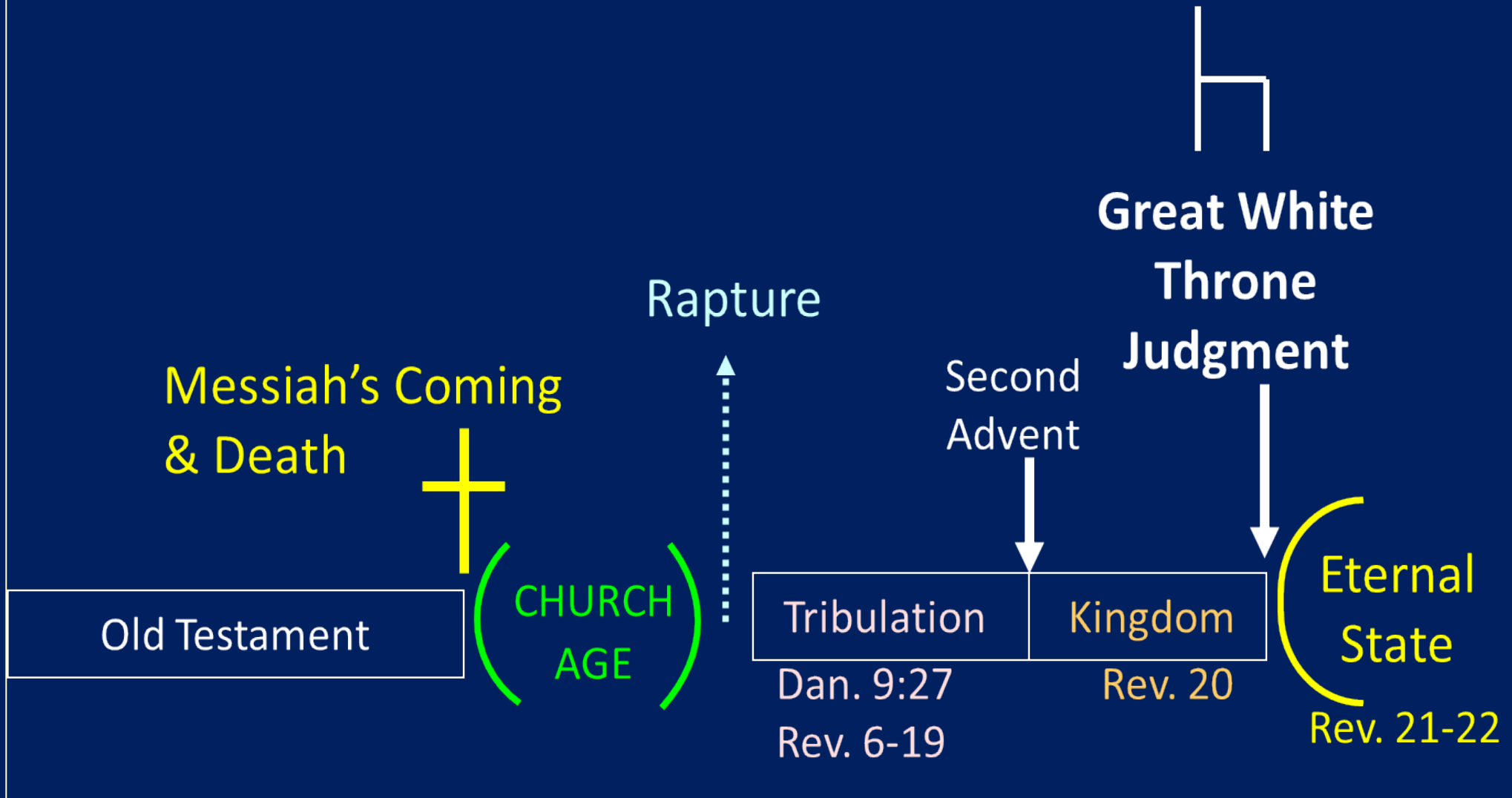


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Revelation 21:4

“and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.”



| Millennium Rev.20 | Eternal State Rev.21-22 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Sin restrained | Sin removed |
| Curse restrained | Curse removed |
| Death | No death |
| Mortals / resurrected | Resurrected only |
| Mortals Destinies undecided | All Destinies sealed |
| Renovation | Recreation |
| Temporary | Eternal |
| Transitional | Non-transitional |

Millennium and Eternal State

| | 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 |

Ezekiel 20:33-38

³³ “As I live,” declares the Lord GOD, “surely with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm and with wrath poured out, I shall be king over you. ³⁴ I will bring you out from the peoples and gather you from the lands where you are scattered, with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm and with wrath poured out; ³⁵ and I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples, and there I will enter into judgment with you face to face. ³⁶ As I entered into . . .



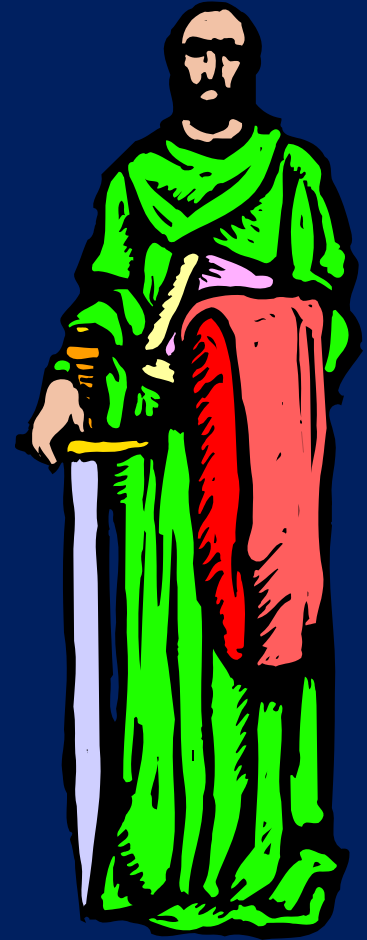
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... judgment with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will enter into judgment with you,” declares the Lord God. ³⁷ “I will make you pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant; ³⁸ **and I will purge from you the rebels and those who transgress against Me**; I will bring them out of the land where they sojourn, but they will not enter the land of Israel. Thus you will know that I am the LORD.



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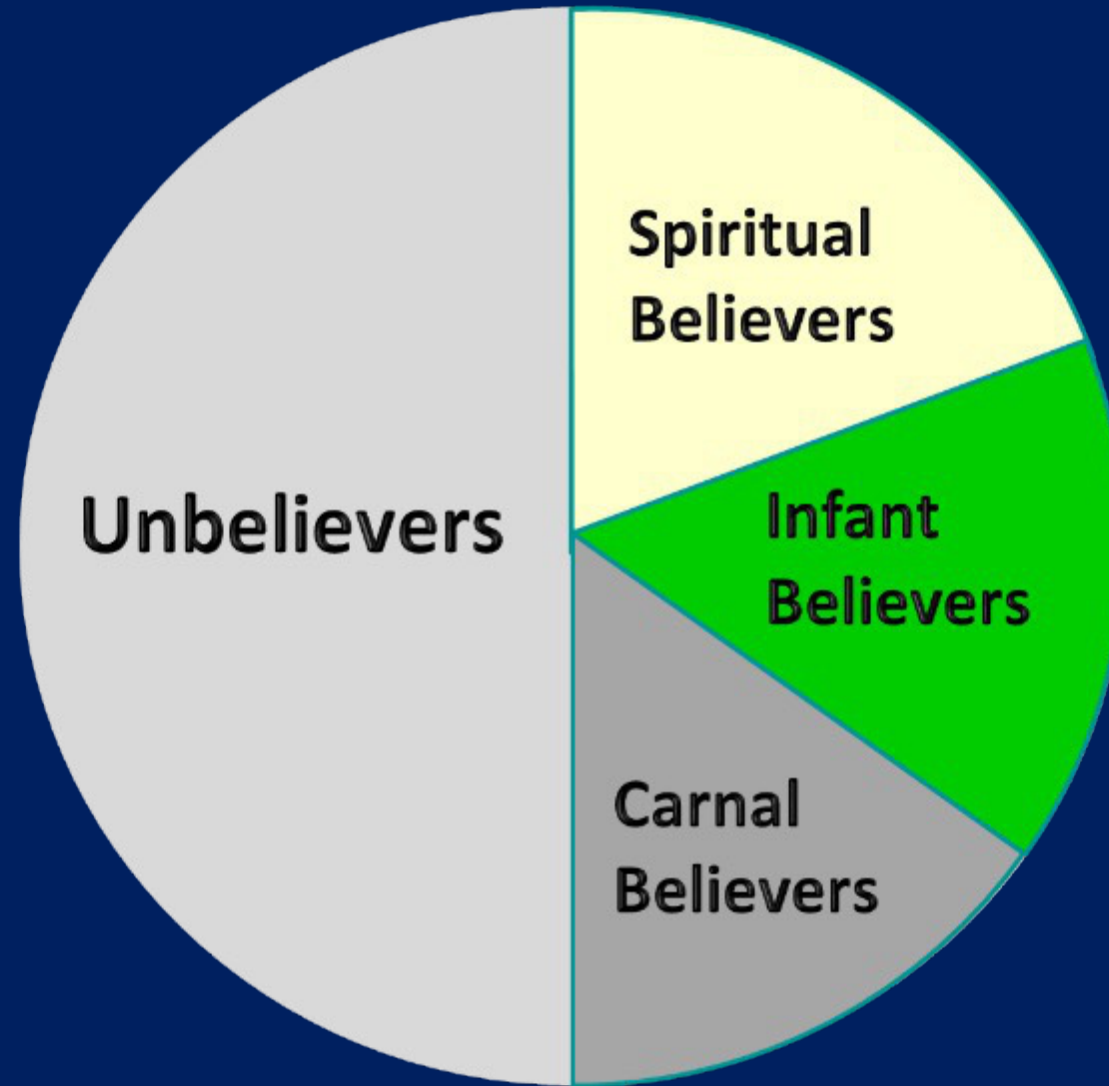


1 Corinthians 3:1-3 (NKJV)

¹ And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual people but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ. ² I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able *to receive it*, and even now you are still not able; ³ for you are still carnal. For where *there are* envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like *mere* men?

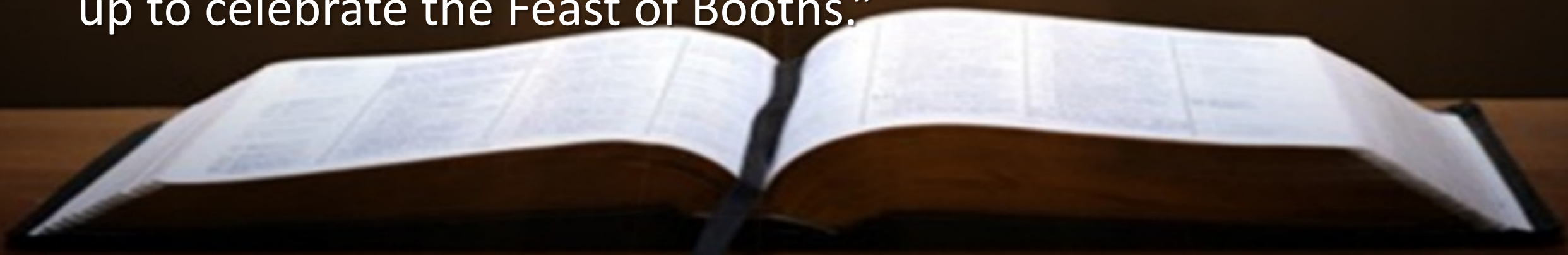


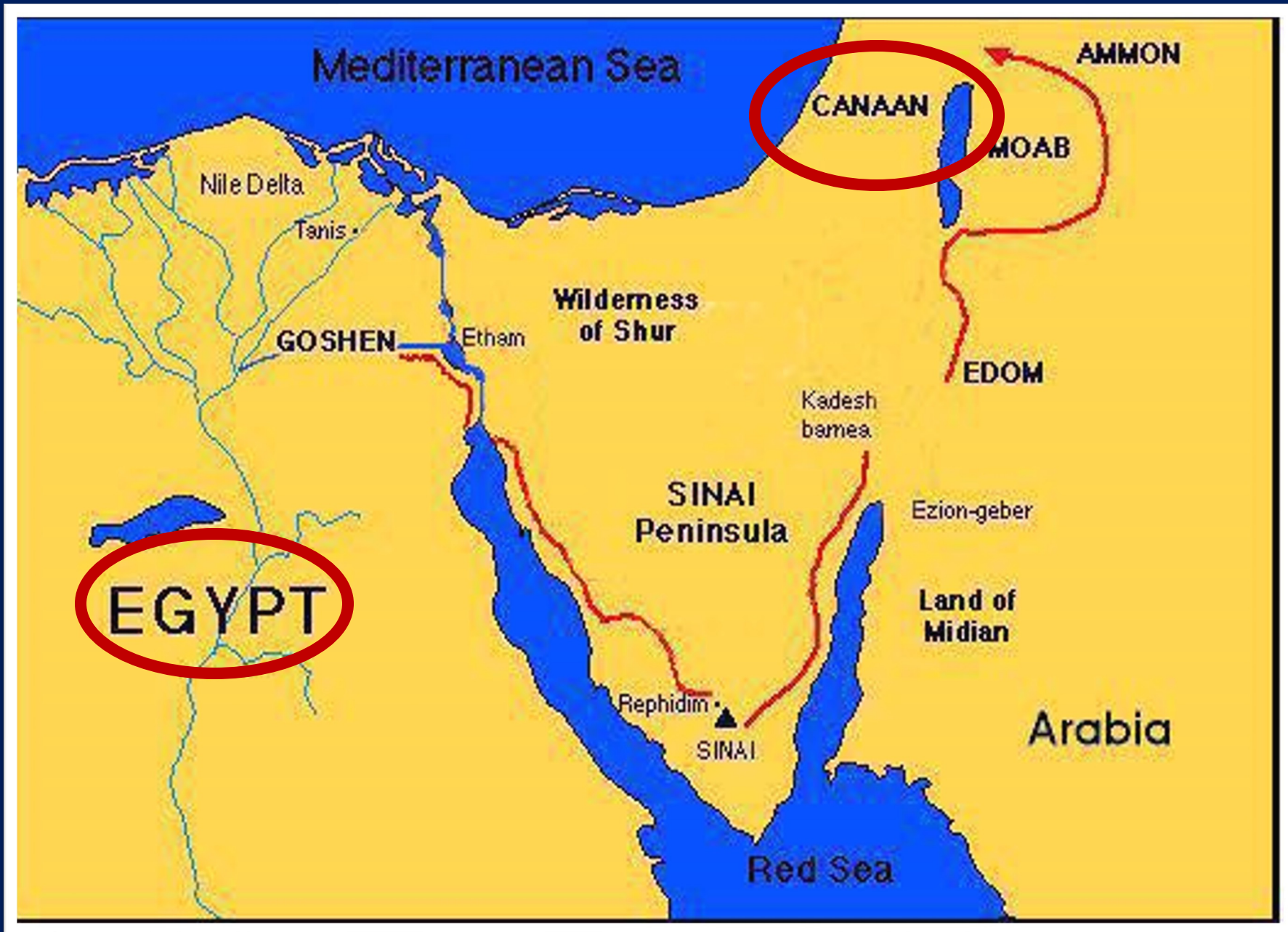
4 Kinds of People from 1 Corinthians 3:1-3



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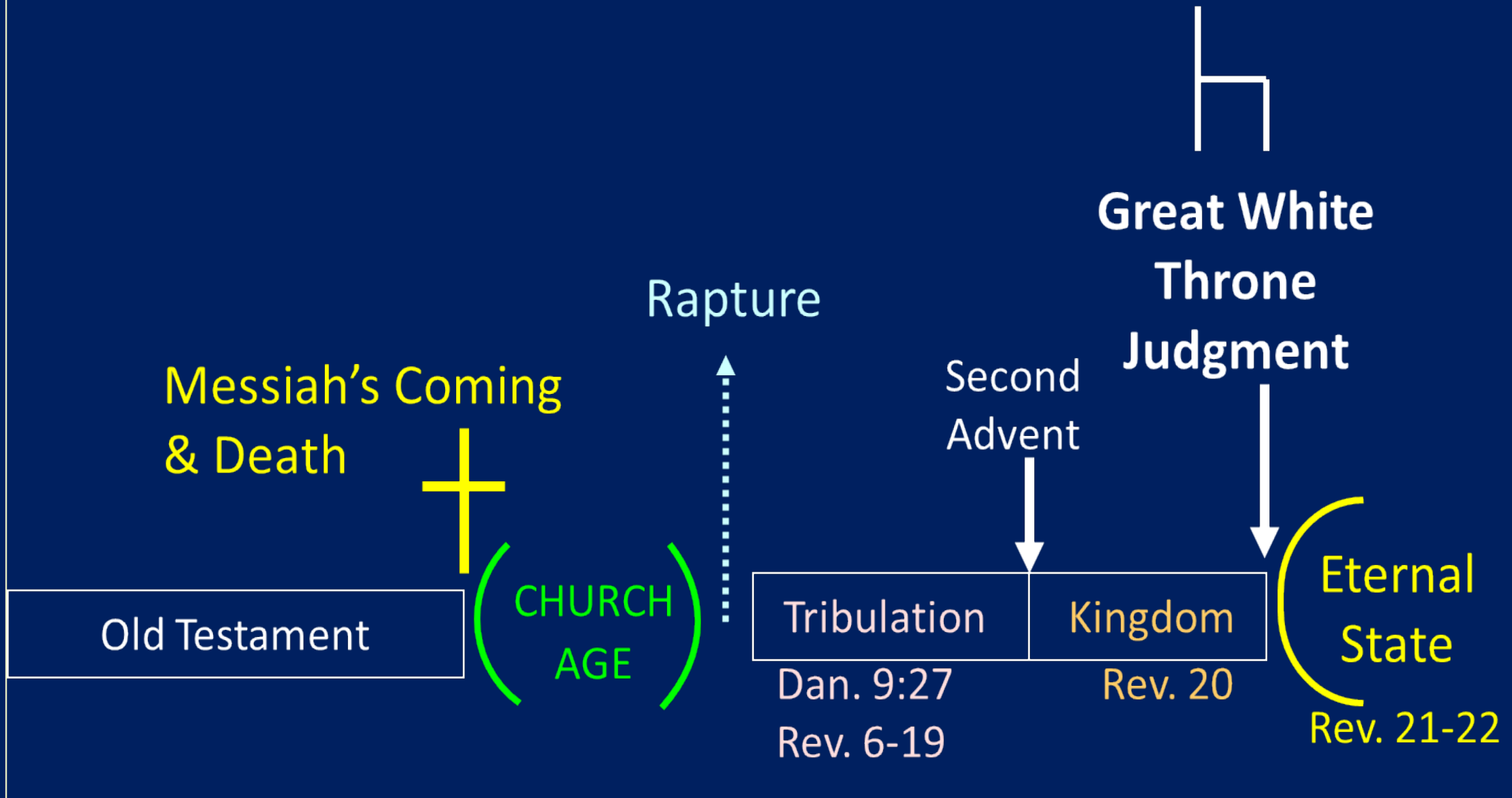
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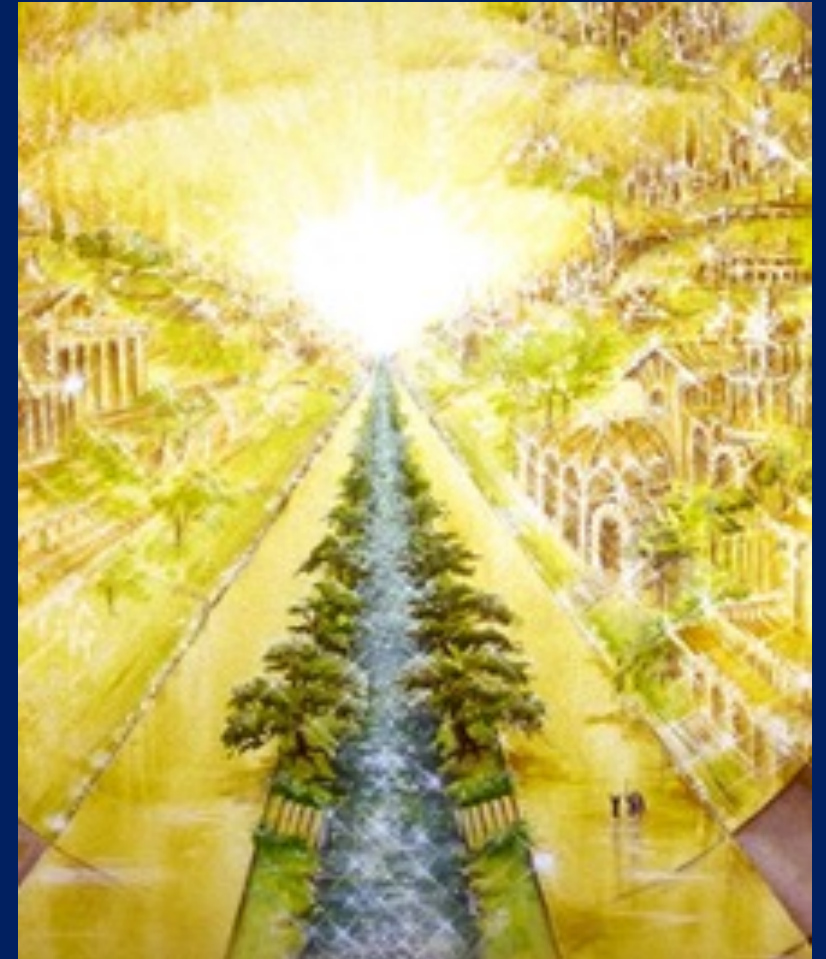


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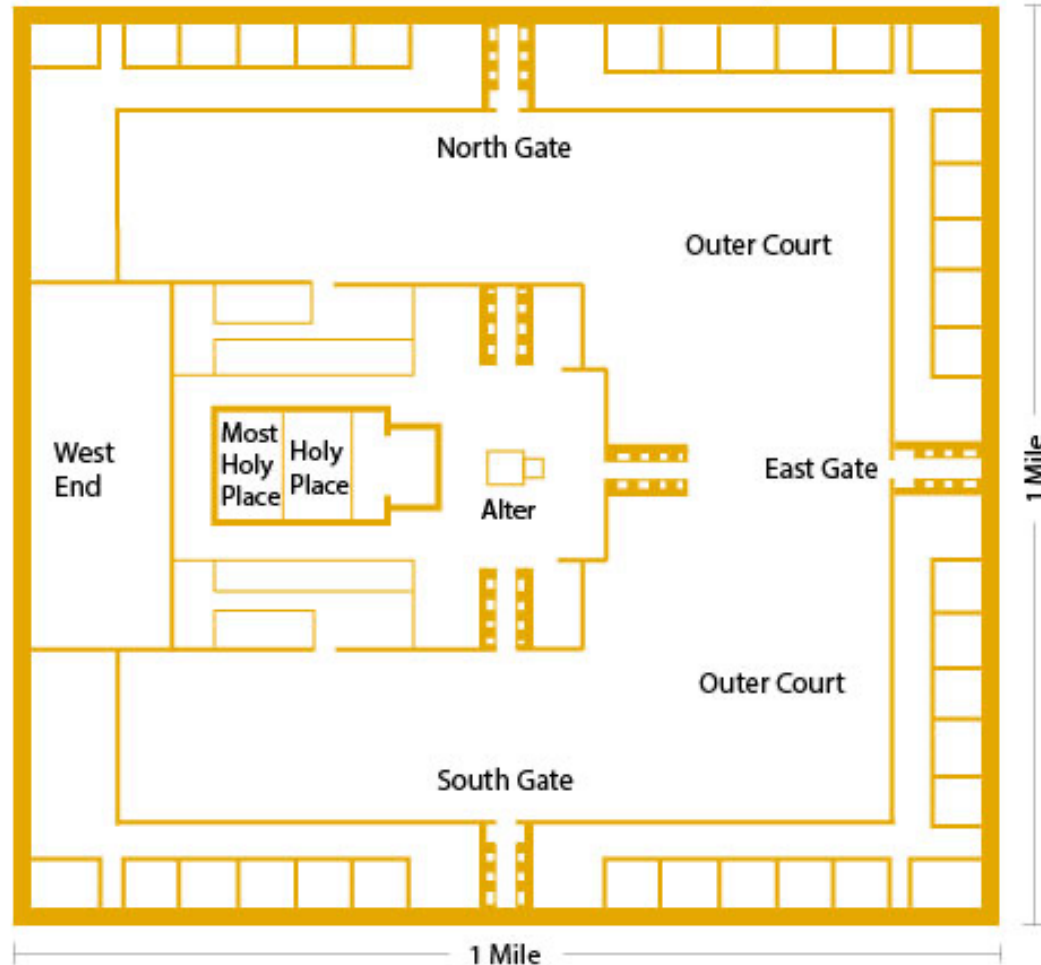


ISRAEL'S FOUR TEMPLES

1. Solomon's pre-exilic temple (Kings and Chronicles)
2. Zerubbabel's post exilic temple (Ezra 1-6; John 2:20)
3. Antichrist's temple (Dan. 9:27; Matt. 24:15; 2 Thess. 2:4; Rev. 11:1-2)
4. Millennial temple (Ezek. 40-48)

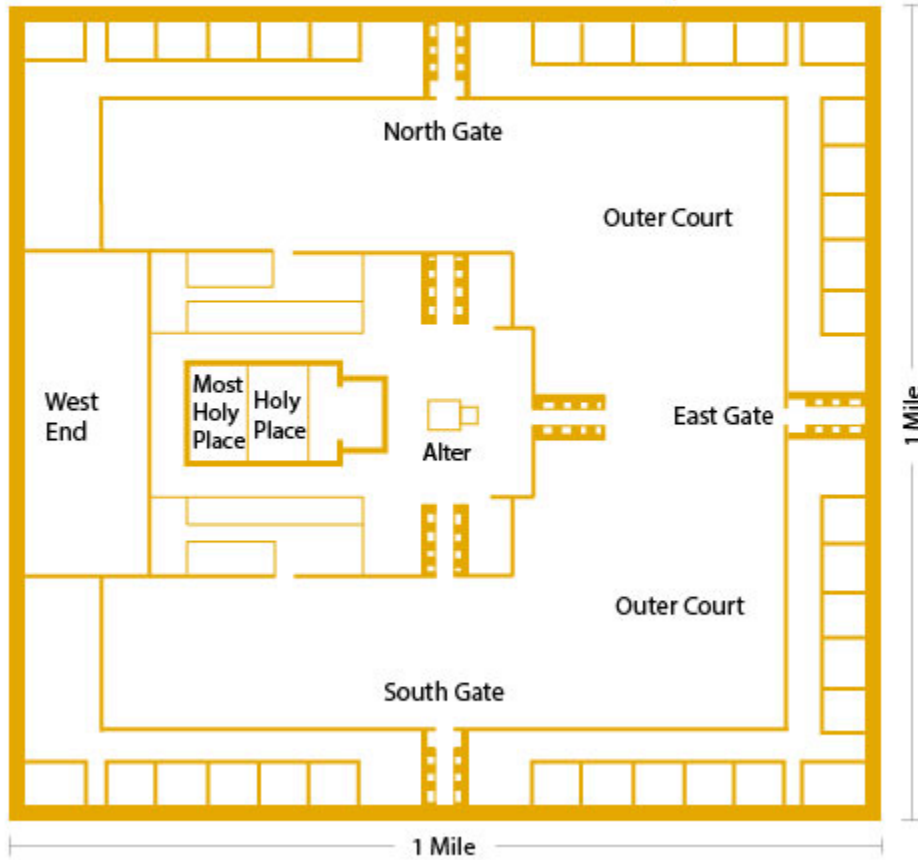
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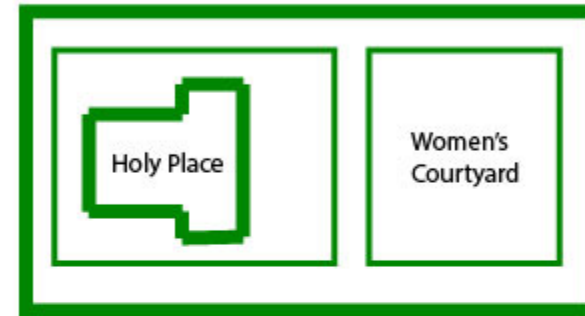


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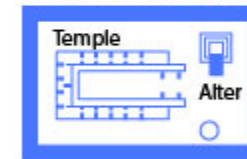
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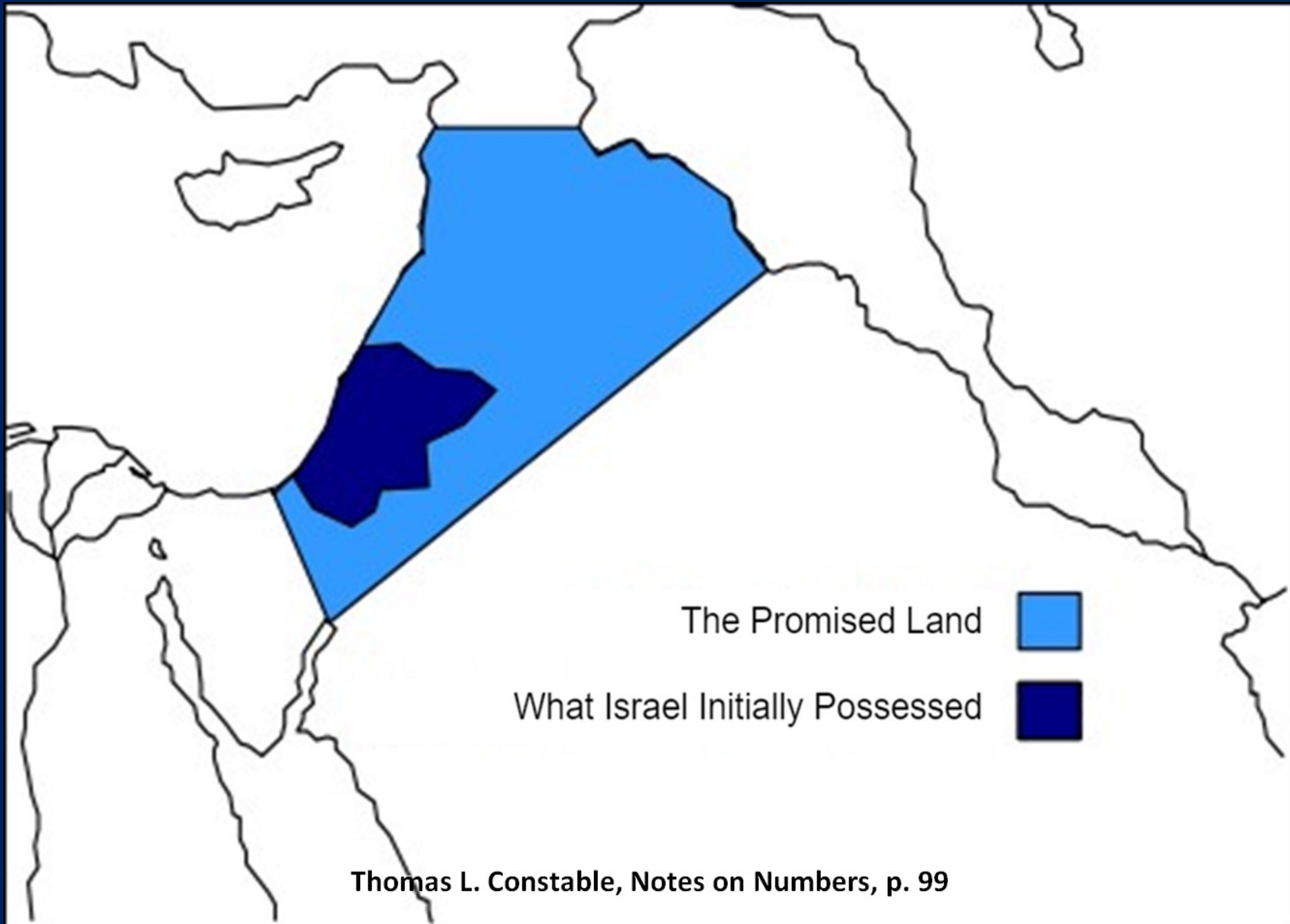
SOLOMON'S TEMPLE



FOOTBALL FIELD



100x50 YARDS | 300x150 FT



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