

The Golden Age!

Revelation Series Part 22 Revelation 20

Did you know that the Garden of Eden will exist again on earth? (Isaiah 35)

*Even the wilderness and desert will be glad in those days. The wasteland will rejoice and blossom with spring crocuses.
² Yes, there will be an abundance of flowers and singing and joy! The deserts will become as green as the mountains of Lebanon, as lovely as Mount Carmel or the plain of Sharon. There the LORD will display his glory, the splendor of our God.*
Isaiah 35:1-2

It's called the _____! Mille means "thousand"; annum means "year."

There are THREE BASIC VIEWS in regard to the Millennium!

Amillennialism—"a" before a Greek word means opposite a-theist believes in "no god"

This view holds that there is no real 1000 year reign but this is all symbolism

Objections---Literalism Vivid Detail Where does symbolism end?

Postmillennialism—The world will keep _____ until it gets really enlightened, godly and then Jesus will return at the end (post) of this improving 1000 years. There are not too many of these around since all we do is look around us---how's that improving coming along?

"We're a Story To Tell to the Nations" is a postmill song.

Premillennialism—Our view. That Jesus comes to earth before the millennium. He is the One who makes it happen. He literally comes to earth and actually rules from Jerusalem.

Why will the Millenium be So Golden?

1. The Forceful Restraint of _____!

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven with the key to the bottomless pit and a heavy chain in his hand.

² *He seized the dragon—that old serpent, who is the devil, Satan—and bound him in chains for a thousand years.*

³ *The angel threw him into the bottomless pit, which he then shut and locked so Satan could not deceive the nations anymore until the thousand years were finished. Afterward he must be released for a little while.*

Revelation 20:1-3

Where is Satan today? He is on earth opposing God! Ephesians 2:1-3 I Peter 5:8

He is guilty of High Treason against the KING!

2. The Future Reign of _____!

⁴ *Then I saw thrones, and the people sitting on them had been given the authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their testimony about Jesus and for proclaiming the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his statue, nor accepted his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They all came to life again, and they reigned with Christ for a thousand years.* ⁵ *This is the first resurrection. (The rest of the dead did not come back to life until the thousand years had ended.)* ⁶ *Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. For them the second death holds no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him a thousand years.*
Revelation 20:4-6

Changes that Will Take Place During His Reign

Human Kingdoms—Isaiah 2:2-4; Micah 4:1-3; Psalm 2:9; Dan. 2:44 God's Favorite Form of Gov't?

Animal Kingdom—Isaiah 11:6-9; Isaiah 65:25 (Reversal of the Flood animal change)

Climate Change (for real, not this pretend stuff today!) Isaiah 35:1

The First Resurrection—The Bible often refers to the Resurrection as a "Harvest"

- First Fruits—Those raised in the OT and NT before Christ's Resurrection i.e. Lazarus
- General Harvest—Rapture of the Church I Corinthians 14 I Thessalonians 4
- Gleanings—Final part is the resurrection of the Tribulation dead in Christ Rev. 20:4

Ruling With Christ

3. The Final Rebellion of _____ !

⁷ When the thousand years come to an end, Satan will be let out of his prison. ⁸ He will go out to deceive the nations—called Gog and Magog—in every corner of the earth. He will gather them together for battle—a mighty army, as numberless as sand along the seashore. ⁹ And I saw them as they went up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded God's people and the beloved city. But fire from heaven came down on the attacking armies and consumed them. ¹⁰ Then the devil, who had deceived them, was thrown into the fiery lake of burning sulfur, joining the beast and the false prophet. There they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Revelation 20:7-10

Why loose Satan again? Where does Satan Get his army from? *** Isaiah 65:17ff

4. The Fixed Resolution of _____ !

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Revelation 20:9b-10, 15

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