THE MILLENNIUM

DEFINITION: Millennium means “a thousand years.” We use the word to denote the thousand year reign of Christ on earth. Rev. 20:1-15.

1. THE PREDICTIONS OF THE MILLENNIUM.

The whole Bible predicts an age of peace and righteousness.

David: Psalm 72:8.

Jeremiah: Jer. 23:5-6

Paul: Rom. 8:19, 21

Isaiah: Isa. 9:7

Joel: Joel 3:17-18

Peter: Acts 3:20-21

Daniel: Dan. 7:27

Micah: Micah 4:2, 4

Christ: Matt. 13:40-43

1. THE TIME OF THE MILLENNIUM.

The millennium cannot come BEFORE Christ’s return but must come AFTER His return for the following reasons.

1. Because scripture declares it is a result of His coming. Matt. 25:31. “Son … shall come … then…throne of glory.”
2. Because world condition at His return are not millennial conditions. Luke 17:25-30. II Tim. 3:13.
3. Because there can be no peace (as the Millennium) until he comes. Ezekiel 21:27. “I will overturn … UNTIL HE COME.”
4. Because the First Resurrection (which occurs “at His coming” I Cor. 15:23) is before the Millennium. Rev.20:6.
5. THE CHARACTER OF THE MILLENNIUM.
6. NATURE: The curse gone, Edenic conditions restored.

Plant life: Isa. 35:1-2, 7; Amos 9:13. Great fruitfulness.

Animal life: Isaiah 11:6-9 and 65:25. No longer carnivorous.

Human life: Isaiah 33:24; 35:5-6; 65:20. Great longevity.

1. MORALITY: God’s will done on earth as it is in heaven.

Righteousness will prevail. Zech. 14:20-21; Psalm 72:7.

Sin will be suppressed. Isaiah 11:4 and 60:12; Zech. 14:17.

Satan the tempter bound. Rev. 20:1-2 “bound him”

War will be abolished. Isaiah 2:4 “learn war no more.”

1. GOVERNMENT: The personal reign of Christ on earth.

Christ will reign as King on earth. Zech. 14:9; Rev. 20:6.

His throne will be in Jerusalem. Zech. 14:16; Isaiah 2:2-3.

Believers will reign with Him. I Cor. 6:2-3; Rev. 20:6.

Israel will be head of the nations. Micah 4:8.

The whole earth subject to Him. Psalm 72:8-11; Zech. 14:9.

1. WORSHIP: The universal knowledge and worship of God.

Isaiah 11:9; Jer. 31:34 “all shall know Him.”

Zeph. 3:9 “all call … to serve Him with one consent.”

Mal.1:11 “in every place” He shall be worshipped.

1. THE END OF THE MILLENNIUM.

Rev. 20:7-8. Satan loosed; deceives the nations.

Rev.20:9. The nations rebel and besiege Jerusalem.

Rev. 20:9. The fire of God devours them.

Rev. 20:11-12. The great white throne judgment.

Rev. 21:1. The new heavens and the new earth.

NOTE: This rebellion after the millennial reign demonstrates the incorrigible wickedness of fallen human nature.