REVIEW:



- NO future dispersion and gathering of Israel
 Ezekiel 36 is fulfilled in 2 Kings 24; 25; Ezra, Nehemiah
- NOT seven major dispensations
 Three: Romans 5:14; Heb. 1:1, 2
- NO rapture

NOT SILENT, SECRETIVE, INVISIBLE, OR TEMPORARY!

16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a <u>shout</u>, with the <u>voice</u> of an archangel, and with the <u>trumpet</u> of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

17 Then we who are alive [and] remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

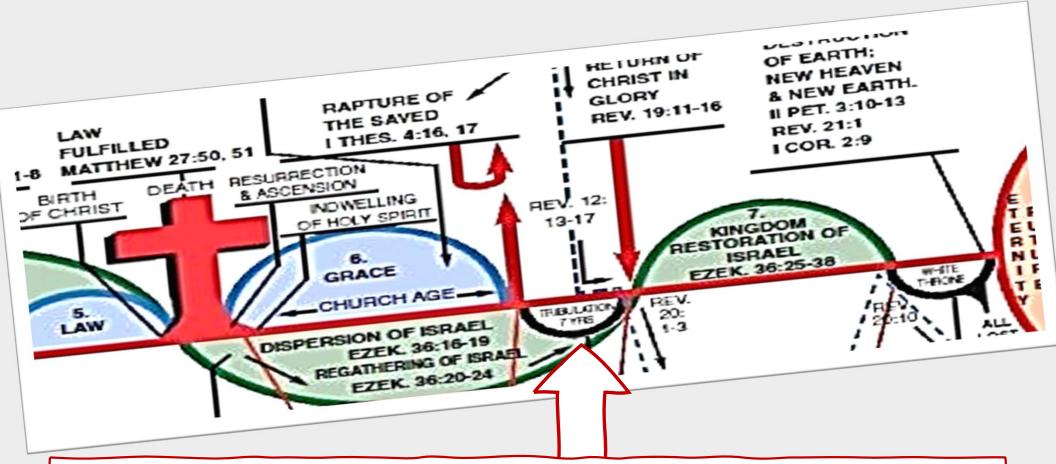
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KINGDOM COME

A Critical Review of Premillennialism

SEVEN-YEAR TRIBULATION

A SEVEN-YEAR TRIBULATION? NOT TAUGHT IN THE BIBLE!



"TRIBULATION" IN THE BIBLE

- Of Christ's disciples before the destruction of the temple - Matt. 24:1-14
- During the overthrow of Jerusalem Matt. 24:15-22
- During worldwide persecution of the church
 Rev. 2:9, 10; 3:10; 7:13, 14



"Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that hour which <u>is about to</u> come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth" (Rev. 3:10, NASB)

"TRIBULATION" IN THE BIBLE

- A common and expected response from the world - Jn. 16:33
- Can have positive effects Rom. 5:3; 12:12
- Should not become the means to separate us from the love of Christ Rom. 8:35
- God doesn't remove us from it but brings comfort in - 2 Cor. 1:3, 4

Revelation 12

Not addressing a seven-year tribulation on a Christ-rejecting World

Was written to encourage saints during a time when they were being massacred - Rev. 6:9-11

Revelation 12

Assures of Satan's defeat in three areas:

- 1. Satan failed when he tried to destroy the Christ (the male Child) Rev. 12:1-6
- 2. Satan failed when he tried to accuse saints
 Rev. 12:7-12; cf. Rom. 8:33, 34
- 3. Satan will fail in his earthly persecution of saints (the woman and her offspring)
 Rev. 12:13-17