

Saturday, October 3, 2009—West Michigan Grace Bible Conference--*The Reign of Righteousness*

- Explain the duration and nature (e.g., animal relationships, whether curse in effect, Christ ruling with a rod of iron – Ps 2) of the LJC's Millennial reign.
- Describe the relationship between Israel and gentiles during the Millennium
- Demonstrate the extent of man's sinfulness by explaining the rebellion Satan leads at the end of the Millennium.

Outline

1. What the 1000 is like
2. The relationship between Israel and the Gentiles during the 1000
3. Man's rebellion at the end of the 1000

1. What the 1000 is like

Rev 20:2-7 The 1000 lasts for 1000 years – stated 6 times

It is not a lengthy indefinite period of time

Heb 1:8 The LJC rules in righteousness

Matt 25:31 The LJC sits upon the throne of his glory during the 1000

Heb 11:1 Man walks then by sight, not faith

It is a visible reign

Rev 20:2 No satanic influence

Matt 19:28 The twelve reign over Israel during the 1000

The SC is likened to the Flood (Matt 24:37, Luke 17:26-27)

The 1000 is similar to the post-Fall pre-Flood earth except that the LJC visibly reigns.

Summary of time

	Creation to Fall	Fall to Flood	Flood to Second Coming	SC to Great White Throne (1000)	New Heavens & New Earth (DOFT)
Death?	No	Yes (Gen 3:19)	Yes	Yes (Is 65:20)	No (Rev 20:14, 21:4)
Curse?	No	Yes (Gen 3:16)	Yes	Yes (Gen 3:14, Is 65:25 serpent still cursed)	No (Rev 22:3)
Human death penalty?	No	No (Gen 4:14-15)	Yes (Gen 9:6)	No (LJC administers Ps 2:12)	No
Animal fear / dread of man?	No	No	Yes (Gen 9:2)	No (Is 11:6-9)	No
Meat eating?	No	No	Yes (Gen 9:3)	No (Is 11:7, 65:25)	No
Faith / sight?	Faith	Faith	Faith	Sight	Sight

DW: The end of the Bible is similar but not identical to the beginning. Since God is a God of order, we sometimes assume that the end will be perfectly parallel to the beginning. Our understanding of what it means to be parallel is lacking so that we need to have verses to support our view and not simply our own reasoning.

2. The relationship between Israel and the Gentiles during the 1000

Matt 25:31-46 Only believing gentiles enter the 1000
Zec 8:20-23

The issue in real estate is “location, location, location.”

Israel will be the focus of the earth b/c that is where God has chosen to dwell.

Ps 2:8 The heathen are the Lord's inheritance.

This is good for the Gentiles since the LJC is not going to lose his inheritance.

Israel rules over the Gentiles during the 1000, and believing Gentiles grab hold of the skirt of the Jew

3. Man's rebellion at the end of the 1000

It is a transdispensational truth that man always criticizes the gov't

We always think that we could do better
Even when there is a perfect ruler, man isn't happy and resents authority

Rev 20:7-10 Satan leads and man follows in rebellion against the LJC.

Man's rebellion is an extraordinary act given the circumstances.
Let's start at the Second Coming.

Rev 19:15 The LJC smites the nations and treads the winepress
Rev 14:19-20 Blood flows for over 200 miles at level of horse's bridle
There are 10 pints of blood in average adult human body (8 pints in gallon).

Matt 24:39-41 This is not the Rapture aka Catching
This is the Severing.
It is the taking away of the wicked to be destroyed.

Matt 13:41-42 All that offend are gathered out of the kingdom and destroyed (Matt 24:39-42)

Matt 13:49-50 The SC is the "end of the world"
Matt 13:30,39 The tares are gathered first
These reapers "weed" the earth.
This is likely where the Grim Reaper comes from.

Rev 19:20 cast alive into the LOF

Isa 4:2-4 Every living person in Zion will be holy

The LJC's kingdom is established by conquest.
Not democratic election.
Not peaceful transition.
But by overwhelming irresistible force.

Psalm 2

- 2:1 The heathen rage & Israel imagines vain things
Luke 1:32-33 The LJC's kingdom cannot be put to an end
It is vanity to think that his kingdom can end.
- 2:3 They decide to rebel
- 2:4 God laughs
- 2:5 God is not happy
- 2:6 This must be the millennium (LJC on throne and Gentiles up to no good)

2:8 The earth belongs to the LJC

2:9 rod of iron (Rev 12:5 The LJC rules all nations with a rod of iron)
Rev 2:26-27 Tribulation overcomers rule over all nations with a rod of iron

2:10 Kings are to take note

Zec 14:17-19 LJC withholds rain from nonworshipping Gentiles during the 1000
This is a gentle indication not to anger the LJC

Isa 66:22-24 When the Gentiles go up to Jerusalem to worship, they shall look into hell
upon the carcasses of those who have transgressed.

2:11 Serve the Lord with fear

2:12 Kings perish when his wrath is kindled but a little

These are asininely self-destructive behaviors.

Man's rebellion at the end of the 1000 reveals man's enormous wickedness, stupidity and self-destructiveness.