

Welcome To Open Bible Hour

*Thank you for joining us on this
Lord's Day!*

*Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and
knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an in-
depth study of the book of Malachi.*

*If you have a prayer request, for which you would like
us to pray, please fill out a prayer sheet at the back
table and give to Lyle.*

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“THE LORD DOES NOT CHANGE”

Malachi 2:17 - 3:1-6

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Isa 5:20

20 Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil;

Who substitute darkness for light and light for
darkness;

Who substitute bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!

Ps 73:1-20

- 1 Surely God is good to Israel, To those who are pure in heart!
- 2 But as for me, my feet came close to stumbling, My steps had almost slipped.
- 3 For I was envious of the arrogant As I saw the prosperity of the wicked.
- 4 For there are no pains in their death, And their body is fat.
- 5 They are not in trouble as other men, Nor are they plagued like mankind.
- 6 Therefore pride is their necklace; The garment of violence covers them.
- 7 Their eye bulges from fatness; The imaginations of their heart run riot.
- 8 They mock and wickedly speak of oppression; They speak from on high.
- 9 They have set their mouth against the heavens, And their tongue parades through the earth.
- 10 Therefore his people return to this place, And waters of abundance are drunk by them.

- 11 They say, "How does God know? And is there knowledge with the Most High?"
- 12 Behold, these are the wicked; And always at ease, they have increased in wealth.
- 13 Surely in vain I have kept my heart pure And washed my hands in innocence;
- 14 For I have been stricken all day long And chastened every morning.
- 15 If I had said, "I will speak thus," Behold, I would have betrayed the generation of Your children.
- 16 When I pondered to understand this, It was troublesome in my sight
- 17 Until I came into the sanctuary of God; Then I perceived their end.
- 18 Surely You set them in slippery places; You cast them down to destruction.
- 19 How they are destroyed in a moment! They are utterly swept away by sudden terrors!
- 20 Like a dream when one awakes, O Lord, when aroused, You will despise their form.

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– to display His Glory.*

Malachi 2:17

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3. *God may and does delay judgment on those who are evil.*
4. *God may and does sometimes execute immediate judgment on those who are evil.*
5. *Therefore God will judge according to His divine plan which will glorify Him the most.*

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Isa 40:3

3 A voice is calling,
"Clear the way for the Lord in the wilderness;
Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God.

Matt 3:1-3

1 Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea,
saying,
2 "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."
3 For this is the one referred to by Isaiah the prophet when he said,

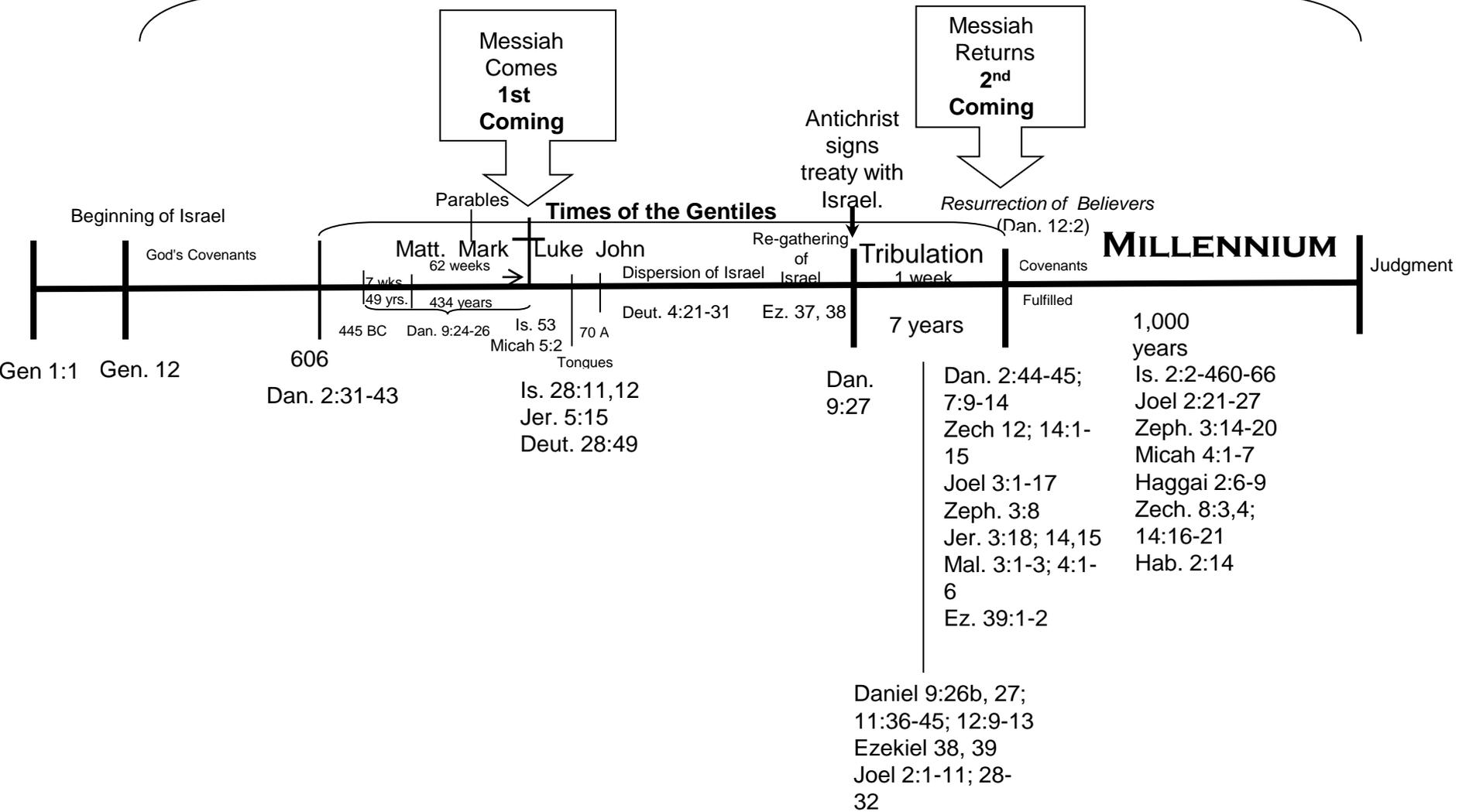
"THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS,
'MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD,
MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT!'"

Luke 1:15-17

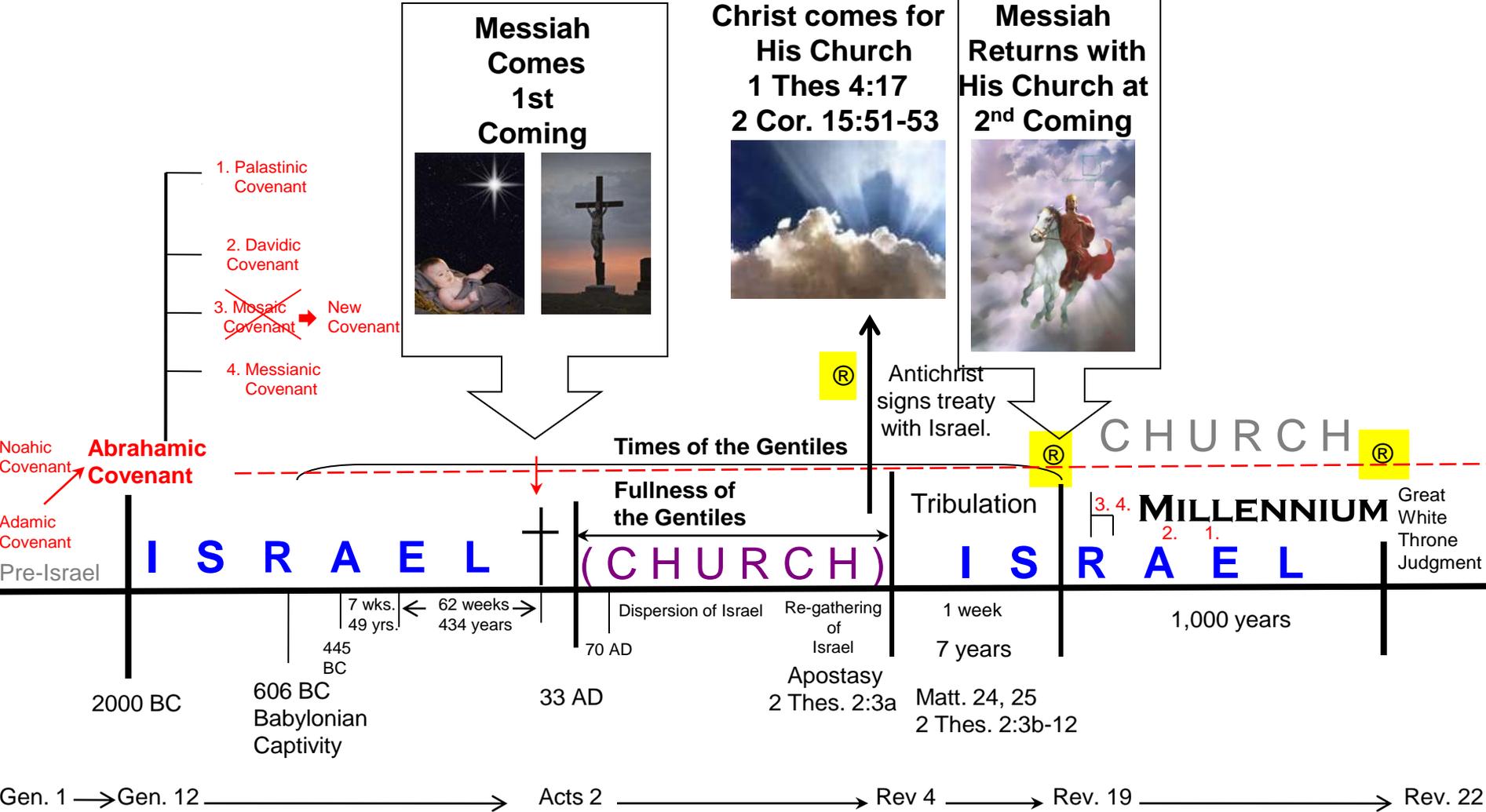
15 "For he will be great in the sight of the Lord; and he will drink no wine or liquor, and
he will be filled with the Holy Spirit while yet in his mother's womb.
16 "And he will turn many of the sons of Israel back to the Lord their God.
17 "It is he who will go as a forerunner before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah,

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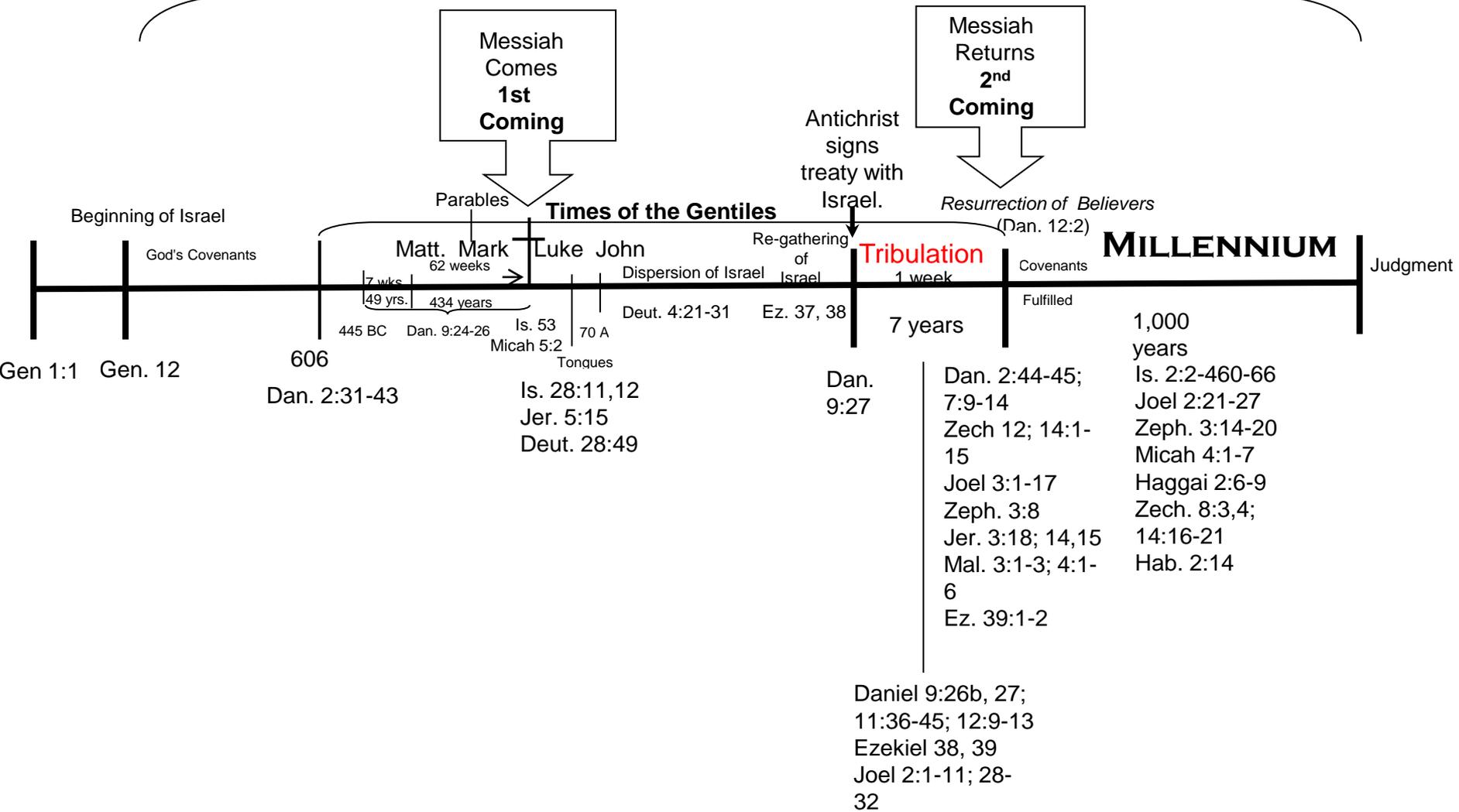
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7 Year Tribulation

Messiah Returns
2nd
Coming

Satan cast out of heaven Rev. 3:7-10

ABOMINATION

OF

DESOLATION

(Matt. 24:15)

Antichrist is World Ruler

(Defeats all Kings and nations)

10 member Roman
Confederacy
Rev. 13:1; 17:12

VS

Antichrist Ascends to Power

3 ½ years

King of the South - Egypt+
King of the North -
Russia+
King of the East - China
Dan. 11:40-44

Israel is
to flee
to mountains.
(Matt. 24:16-20)

GREAT

WAR
OF
ARMAGEDDON

Rev. 16-19

3 ½ years

Nations gather
in Israel to do

Millennium

Earthquakes

(Matt. 24:7)

Two Witnesses Begin Their
Ministry Rev. 11:3-6

Evangelistic Angel
Rev. 14:6,7

Wars & Rumors of Wars (Matt. 24:6,7)
Judgments

Seal Judgments - Rev. 6

- *Famine
- *1/4 of pop. will die
- *Earthquakes
- *Sun darkened, moon becomes like blood, stars fall.
- *Mountains & islands are moved.
- *Panic & Terror

Famines

(Matt. 24:7)

One World Religion Rev. 17

144,000 Jews are Saved & Sealed
Rev. 7:4-8

Trumpet

Judgments - Rev. 8,9,11

- *Hail & fire mixed with blood.
- *1/3 of earth burned up.
- *1/3 of sea turns to blood & 1/3 of life in sea die.
- *Great star falls from heaven & poisons waters & kills many.
- *1/3 of sun, moon, & stars are darkened - affects light & temperatures.
- *Another 1/3 of world's pop. die
- *Earthquakes.
- *Great hailstorm.

Satan Worship. Rev. 13:3,4

False Prophet
Rev. 13:11-15.

(Matt. 24:21, 22)

war with God.
Rev. 17:14; 19:19

Worldwide
evangelism
Matt. 24:14
Rev. 14:6,7

Bowl Judgments -

Rev. 16

- *Malignant sores on the unsaved..
- *Seas become blood & everything in them dies.
- *Rivers & springs become blood.
- *Sun scorches men with fire.
- *Greatest earthquake ever - cities of the world destroyed.
- *Every mountain & island disappear.
- *100 pound hailstones fall on men..

Antichrist signs
treaty with
Israel.
(Dan. 9:27)

Church
Age

The 7 Judgments of God

1. The judgment of sin on the cross.
***Col. 2:13.14**
2. The judgment of unbelievers in time.
***The Flood – Gen. 6:17**
3. The judgment of believers in time.
***Uzzah – 2 Sam. 6:7**
***Nadab & Abihu – Lev. 10:1,2**
***Ananias & Sapphira – Acts 5:1-11**
***Believer at Corinth – 1 Cor. 5:1-5**
4. The judgment of the believer in eternity –
***The Judgment Seat of Christ – 2 Cor. 5:10.**
5. The judgment of the angels.
***2 Peter 2:4**
***Jude 6**
6. The judgment of the nations and Israel.
***Nations - Matt. 25:31-33**
***Israel - Ez. 20:33-44**
7. The judgment of unbelievers in eternity –
***The Great White Throne Judgment – Rev. 20:11-15**

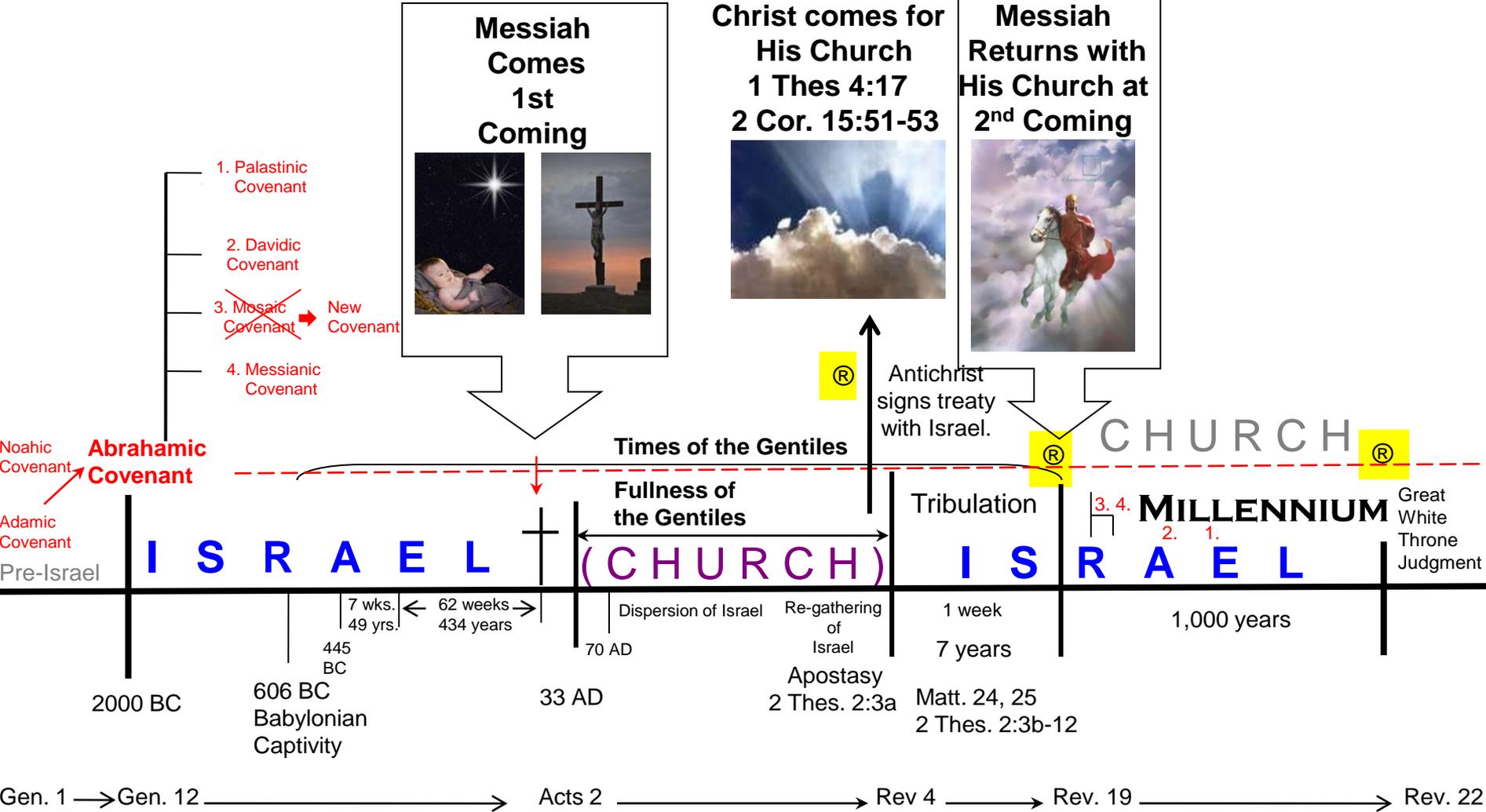
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