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1. **Church Age**—Popularized by Clarence Larkin (1850-1924) and his 1919 book, “The Book of Revelation,” Larkin wrongly believed the seven churches of Revelation chapters 2 & 3 represented seven, distinct church ages. The scriptures reveal no such connection, suggestion, or even inference of such ages. The age of the church is revealed in the Bible in the Book of Acts and known as the apostolic church age, lasting approximately 66 years. Dispensationalism is taught in the Bible (Heb. 1:1, 2)¹; however, there is a problem when a tenet is taught that is not in line with Revelation chapters 2 & 3. With people who claim that such a link exists between the seven churches of Asia Minor mirroring seven distinct church ages, the following biblical conflicts arise:

- **KNOWLEDGE**—According to I Corinthians 14:6 knowledge is incomplete because we are still in the Church Age. Do you see the problem with such a ridiculous, unsubstantiated proposition?
- **PROPHECY**—Again, according to I Corinthians 14:6 prophecy is incomplete according to Larkin and others who embrace this heresy.
- **DOCTRINE**—According to I Corinthians 13:10 when the scriptures were completed, namely the last book of Jesus’ revelation to John, all spiritual authority left the clerical agency of men and would only reside in the inerrant scriptures. To say doctrine is still being added today is no different than Rome’s magisterial conviction that papal pronouncements are on an equal footing with the Bible.
- **TONGUES**—The phenomenon of tongues speaking, as Larkin would assert, is still for today. Unfortunately, what is passed off as tongues are not known human languages but glossolalia or gibberish and can be satanically influenced and directed. This has been confirmed by linguists attending Charismatic assemblies.

¹ Heb. 1:1, 2—God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,
2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by *his* Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

- MIRACULOUS APOSTOLIC HEALING—A belief in the Church Age condones miraculous healing, as the apostles performed them, along with their unscriptural healing services.
2. **Daniel's 70th Week**—Do we have 7 years left? Daniel 9:27 teaches us that only 3.5 years remain. A careful analysis of this verse reveals that the subject of this verse is Jesus Christ, NOT Satan as the Jesuit operative Francisco Ribera falsely claimed. The grammatical rule of subject pronoun agreement confirms that the subject in this verse is the same subject in the previous three verses (most Holy, Messiah the Prince, Messiah). Note the following in Daniel 9:27:
 - Jesus confirmed the New Testament covenant of his blood sacrifice for one week. The connection between Jesus' ascension and the apostolic church up to the present is one week (3.5 yrs.—Jesus' earthly ministry; + 3.5 yrs.—God's judgment on this planet as revealed in The Book of Revelation).
 - "In the midst of the week"—Means that Jesus' ministry lasted only 3.5 yrs. before his crucifixion. Jesus' sacrifice, satisfying God's requirement of a perfect offering, rendered the sacrifice and oblation, required by the law, as null and void. Any sacrifice offered after Christ had paid it all was ineffectual, abominable, and desolate or empty (incapable of atoning for sin).
 - "Even until the consummation," indicates that Israel's desolate temple practice would continue until the beast set up his image in the temple. God's judgment will fall upon the desolate or twice dead.
 3. **tribulation, great tribulation**—A careful reading of Matthew 24:19, 21, 22 & 29 reveals that Jesus made no distinction between the great tribulation and tribulation. This is not the case with the most popular tribulation views. All of them promote a seven-year period or that Daniel's 70th week is still future.
 4. **abomination of desolation**—The priestly sacrifice of making a sin offering, after Jesus' had paid it all. This abominable practice eventually led to the Roman judgment by General Titus on Jerusalem in 70 A.D.

5. **seven seal judgments**—Indirect or permissive will of God, the seven seal judgments are the tribulation or great tribulation which we are in! Those seven-seal judgments are:

- **WHITE HORSE (SEAL 1)**—The false religious system of Rome, which is simply an extension of the Chaldean Mysteries, was founded by Nimrod. The fact that Rome possesses a bow with no arrows speaks of Rome's effort to have other nations do her fighting through concordats. She has accomplished this by making them drunk with the wine of her fornication. The crown represents the Tiara worn by the papal leadership. The title given to the pope is a pontifical title NOT the real birth name of the man occupying the office.
- **RED HORSE (SEAL 2)**—Takes peace from the earth. The red horse can rightfully be labeled the horse of war. While Rome gets all nations drunk with the wine of her fornication, she sets up a dialectic conflict whereby both opposing parties appear to the uninitiated, naïve, and liberals as opposites when they are on the same side. By creating a phony conflict and then offering a 'solution,' the shadow government benefits both ways: 1. financially profits from the military-industrial complex 2. implements their collectivist legislation.
- **BLACK HORSE (SEAL 3)**—The rider on the black horse possesses two balances in his hand. One balance weighs food as the necessity of life, represented in wheat and barley. These are important bread and cereal grains, considered to be the staff of life. The other balance weighs non-essential food items such as oil and wine, oftentimes a luxury for those possessing a significant disposable income.
- **PALE HORSE (SEAL 4)**—The rider sitting on this horse is called Death. Following him is a rider named Hell. One quarter of the earth's population is killed with the sword, hunger, and the beasts of the earth. The accomplice rider named Hell, eternally condemns those who succumb to the flames of perdition. "Death" is a reference to those individuals who reject the grace

of God in Christ Jesus. The Bible refers to those people as twice dead—death in this life and the hereafter.

- **CHRISTIAN MARTYRDOM (SEAL 5)**—Represented by the fifth horse, the fifth seal reveals those under the altar who are slain for the word of God and for the Christian testimony they live.
 - **COSMIC DISTURBANCES & EARTHLY ANOMALIES (SEAL 6)**
 - I. Great earthquake
 - II. Sun becomes black as sackcloth of hair
 - III. Moon becomes as blood
 - IV. stars of heaven fall to Earth like a fig tree casteth her fruit when shaken of a mighty wind
 - V. heaven departs as a scroll as it is rolled together
 - VI. every mountain and island moved out of their place

*These events DO NOT signal Jesus Second Coming. They signal Jesus coming in the clouds for the deceased & living (the first installment of the resurrection)
 - **THE OPENING OF THE SEVEN TRUMPETS & SILENCE IN HEAVEN ABOUT THE SPACE OF HALF AN HOUR (SEAL 7)**
 - I. The silence in heaven about the space of half an hour—This commences the construction of the third Jewish temple. Upon its completion the beast (political ruler) sets his image up in the temple and issues his mark to buy and sell. This event begins the ticking of the 3.5-year clock
6. **fig tree parable**—This parable speaks of Israel becoming a nation in May of 1948. Jesus goes on to say that the generation that witnesses this will not pass until his prophecy is fulfilled. The prophecy that awaits this fulfilment is the opening of the sixth seal. What follows shortly thereafter is the 3.5 years of God's judgment on this planet.
7. **first resurrection**—This period covers two moments in time:
- **THE OPENING OF THE SIXTH SEAL**—This is when the deceased precede the living who are raptured. (I Thess. 4:15-17)
 - **BELIEVERS WHO DIE DURING THE MILLENNIUM (REV. 20:5)**—Those who die during the millennium will receive their glorified bodies at the end of the millennium.

8. **rapture**—While this specific term is not used, it is evident from the following scriptures:
- **Matt. 24:40, 41**—Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. Two *women shall be* grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.
 - **Luke 21:27, 28**--And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.
 - **I Thess. 4:15-17**—For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive *and* remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
 - **I Cor. 15:51, 52**— Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
9. **beginning of sorrows**—These began at Jesus' ascension. They continue to the present. They encompass the five seals that have already been opened. We are not anticipating the tribulation or great tribulation. We are in it!!!
10. **latter days**—Also referred to as the “end of the world,” I believe we are currently in that period.
11. **Jewish evangelists, 144,000**—Sorry, Charles Taze Russell and the Jehovah's Witnesses, this does not include you! God directs his 144,000 Jewish evangelists NOT gentiles, divinely protected by having the seal of God in their foreheads, to evangelize a lost world during the 3.5 years, along with the two witnesses from Jerusalem. Why would God commission 144,000 Jewish evangelists and two Jewish witnesses in Jerusalem? I believe God does so because the church is gone. This is

what John sees in heaven. (Rev. 7:9) These are those who came out of great tribulation. (Rev. 7:14)

12. **two witnesses in Jerusalem** (Rev. 11:3-14)—Also referred to as the two olive trees and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth, the two witnesses mentioned in Revelation 11 prophesy (proclaim the gospel) in sackcloth 1,260 days or 3.5 years. They can silence their detractors by destroying them as fire proceeds from their mouths. They have the power to shut heaven so that it does not rain, turn water to blood, and smite the earth with plagues as often as they will. The beast will kill them; however, they will rise three days later, in a cloud, ascending to heaven. After their ascension, a tenth of Jerusalem's building crumble killing 7,000 men. Fear grips the inhabitants of the city, and they give God the glory. This is the **SECOND WOE**.
13. **Second Coming of Christ**—Many people mistakenly identify Matthew 24, Mark 13, and Luke 21 with Jesus' Second Coming. IT IS NOT! This is Jesus coming in the clouds for the deceased and the living. This is the first installment of the first resurrection.
14. **millennium**—Anyone who denies a literal, physical millennial reign of Jesus Christ is either missing it in their Bibles or missing something else. This is not a debatable issue.
15. **lake of fire**—At the end of the millennium is the great white throne judgment. Better known as the resurrection of the damned, it will be here that a massive re-location campaign by the Lord himself will take all those in hell and consign them to their new home in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone.
16. **beast**—A puppet of the man of sin (the black pope or Jesuit General), the beast will be the visible, political ruler of the world.
17. **false prophet**—This individual, the religious puppet (horns like a lamb, but the mouth of a dragon), ascends out of the bottomless pit and gets all to worship the beast. He accomplishes this by:
 - makes fire come down from heaven on earth
 - deceives men by miracles that Jesus gives him power to do
 - gives life to the image of the beast

- causeth all to receive a mark in their right hand or in their forehead and that no man can buy or sell without the mark, the name of the beast, or the number of his name

This false prophet is the same individual we read about in Revelation 17:8-12

18. **expulsion of fallen angels from heaven**—This happens at the incarnation of Christ. Michael, the warrior archangel, and protector of Israel, casts the dragon out as the dragon takes his tail, capturing one-third of the angelic host, casting his rebels to the earth with him. (Rev. 12:7-9).
19. **Armageddon**—Known as the plain of Esdraelon, valley of Megiddo, or the valley of decision,² this valley will be the final location, at the end of the 3.5 years, where ungodly nations strategize to march southward in their attempt to take Jerusalem. As the battle takes a turn for the worse for Israel, Jesus returns with his feet splitting the mount of Olives. Creating a valley, labeled the valley of the mountains in Zechariah 14:5, it will reach unto Azal or Damascus, Syria. Azal, a nickname for Hazael, King of Syria,³ was the only Gentile king ever anointed by God (Elijah anoints him king). This valley will bisect the plain of Megiddo as it heads south from Syria. In Zechariah 14:12 Jesus will send forth a plague of consumption, “Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.” Those that escape from this dreadful carnage will face the sword proceeding from Jesus’ mouth. . . the ungodly armies of the world do not stand a chance!
20. **valley of decision**—It is called this because those soldiers assembled in this valley know they do not have a chance against Jesus. They will have to make a decision that will not be popular with their C.O.’s . . . At least they will have eternal life if they choose to defect and die.

² Joel 3:14-16—Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the LORD *is* near in the valley of decision. 15 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining. 16 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD *will be* the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

³ I Kings 19:15—And the LORD said unto him (Elijah), Go, return on thy way to the wilderness of Damascus: and when thou comest, anoint Hazael *to be* king over Syria:

21. **valley of the mountains**—As I said before, this valley is created when Jesus sets his feet on the Mount of Olives at the end of the 3.5 years and the Battle of Armageddon. This valley stretches from the Mount of Olives to Damascus, Syria. Its length is approximately 165 miles.
22. **Azal**—A nickname, found in Zechariah 14:5, for Hazael, King of Syria
23. **Mt. of Olives**—Where Jesus ascended before his apostles in Acts 1 and where he plans to return and deliver Israel from their apparent defeat.
24. **seven trumpet judgements**—While the seventh seal opens the seven trumpet judgments, Revelation 8:1 says, “there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.” It is during this time, I believe, the third Jewish temple will be built. Once construction is finished on the temple, the beast will set his image up and the 3.5 years starts ticking.
 - 1st trumpet judgment—hail and fire mingled with blood (1/3rd trees and grass burnt up)
 - 2nd trumpet judgment—mountain burning with fire cast into the sea (1/3rd sea becomes blood, 1/3rd marine creatures die, 1/3rd ships destroyed)
 - 3rd trumpet judgment—Wormwood, the star, falls making bitter 1/3rd of the rivers and fountains of waters. Many men die.
 - 4th trumpet judgment—One-third of the Sun, Moon, and stars darkened, while a third of the day shone not, as well as the night being cut short by a third of its duration.
 - 5th trumpet judgment—The creatures from the bottomless pit ascend with their leader Abaddon or Apollyon and vex men five months with their stings like a scorpion. **FIRST WOE PAST.**
 - 6th trumpet judgment—Four angels lead an army of 2,000,000 horsemen to slay a third of the men on this planet. Their horses, with the heads of lions, exterminate with fire, smoke, and brimstone issuing from their mouths. These horse-like creatures also torment men with their tails shaped like serpents.
 - The death of the two witnesses and their ascension after having been dead three days brings God’s judgment whereby an

earthquake kills 7,000 men and a tenth of the city of Jerusalem falls. **SECOND WOE PAST. THIRD WOE COMETH QUICKLY.**⁴

- 7th trumpet judgment—Great voices in heaven heard, “The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.”
25. **seven vial judgements**—As if the seven trumpet judgments are not bad enough, these last seven bowls or vials are filled up with the wrath of God Almighty.
- 1st vial judgment—Noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast.
 - 2nd vial judgment—Blood poured upon the sea. All died in the sea.
 - 3rd vial judgment—Rivers and fountains of waters turned to blood.
 - 4th vial judgment—Sun scorches men with fire and heat.
 - 5th vial judgment—Darkness upon the seat of the beast. Gnawed their tongues for pain.
 - 6th vial judgment—Euphrates River dried up to make way for the kings of the east. Three unclean spirits, like frogs, come forth from the mouth of the dragon, the beast, and the false prophet.
 - 7th vial judgment—“It is done.” Voices, lightnings, thunders and the biggest earthquake ever. Hail, at 130 lbs., descends out of heaven, pummeling and killing men.
26. **Holy Spirit**—Because many believe the church is raptured before God’s judgment of 3.5 years, the Holy Spirit is also absent. If this were true, then why would God send 144,000 Jewish evangelists and two Jewish witnesses to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ when no one will respond? The Holy Spirit is definitely present during the 3.5 years. He is just taken out of the way when the sixth seal is opened. (II Thess. 2:7)⁵
27. **temple cleansing of 45 days**—In Daniel 12:11 & 12 two figures are given. The 1,290 days are necessary for the beast to set up his image in the

⁴ Revelation 12:12 tells us that the third woe is a result of Satan being thrown out of heaven, by Michael the archangel, and him coming to earth as the prince of the power of the air, having great wrath, knowing that his time is short.

⁵ II Thess. 2:7—For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth *will let*, until he be taken out of the way.

temple. It takes him 30 days to do so ($1,260 + 30 = 1,290$ days). The 1,335 days in verse 12 are 45 days for the temple to be cleansed ($1,335 - 1,290 = 45$ days). ([See 1,260-1,290-1,335 days chart](#))

28. **sheep & goat judgment (Matt. 25:31-46)**—This event happens after Jesus sets up his millennial kingdom. The condemned goats Jesus separates from the sheep will be the older generation just as all of the older generation, during the exodus from Egypt, rejected God's promises to take the land. They all rotted and died in the wilderness, except Joshua and Caleb. Even Aaron, Moses and Miriam⁶ did not enter the promised land.
29. **pre-tribulation**—John Nelson Darby (1800-1882) is generally credited with the pre-tribulation rapture view of eschatology.⁷ In this view, 7 years are still being anticipated. The beginning of sorrows have not occurred and there has been no effort to connect these sorrows to the five seals of Revelation 6. Another egregious error in this eschatology is that Matthew 24, Mark 13, and Luke 21 are seen as Jesus' Second Coming which they are NOT. In these parousia narratives, Jesus comes in the clouds for the deceased and the living. Again, this is the first installment of the first of two resurrections—one when the sixth seal is opened, and the other at the end of the 1,000-year reign of Christ for those believers who died during the millennium (Rev. 20:5). The Pre-trib. rapture believes the elect will be delivered from God's judgment, but that judgment, the tribulation and great tribulation, is still future. It is not. The Bible clearly says we are in the tribulation/great tribulation period. We are waiting for the opening of the sixth seal at which time the deceased and the living will be removed. Remember, the 3.5 years of God's judgment will not come until the restraint upon evil is removed through an event known in Christian circles and alluded to in the scriptures as the rapture.
30. **mid-tribulation**—In Norman B. Harrison's 1941 book, "The End: Rethinking the Revelation," and articulating for other champions of the cause (J. Oliver Buswell, Harold J. Ockenga, and Gleason Archer), Mid-

⁶ Numbers 20:1—Then came the children of Israel, *even* the whole congregation, into the desert of Zin in the first month: and the people abode in Kadesh; and Miriam died there, and was buried there.

⁷ Also, the father of pre-millennial dispensationalism. He did not advocate anything new biblically. He just articulated what was there in the inerrant scriptures, and 'put it out there' for public consumption.

tribulation rapturism believes the church is raptured midway between the tribulation and great tribulation periods. Of course, there is no 7-year period. There is no tribulation/great tribulation period that we are anticipating. We are in it! There is no difference between the tribulation and great tribulation periods. They are one and the same!

31. **post-tribulation**—In his 1937 book, “The Approaching Advent of Christ,” Alexander Reese proposed his tribulation view. In it Reese said the church will have to endure God’s judgment of the seven trumpet and vial judgments. His view, like all of the other tribulation views has Ribera’s nefarious, unscriptural 7-year period wrongfully inserted into Daniel 9:27. Those that are born again during the 7-year period of God’s judgment pay with their lives by being beheaded as it says in Revelation 20:4. Does it really make sense for God to rapture the church after his judgment and the death of the saints only to return immediately? It is not supported by scripture! The rapture must occur prior to the construction of the temple and the beast’s revealing in order for the powers of darkness to capture the minds of the children of disobedience that remain on this planet.
32. **preterism**—Another Roman Catholic, unbiblical concept introduced to muddy the waters of prophecy, preterism meaning past in Latin, is the belief that the prophecies in Revelation have already come to pass. Ridiculous? It is absurd!
33. **futurism**—An unbiblical Roman Catholic concept formulated by Francisco Ribera in 1585, futurism says the pope does not possess the spirit of antichrist and that while Revelation reveals an antichrist at the very end of the age, we cannot put the pieces together to make a coherent, biblical end-time eschatology. Ribera said that the subject in Daniel 9:27 is not Christ, which it clearly is, and substituted Satan as the subject. His damnable ‘interpretation’ promotes that one week is still left, when it says in Daniel 9:27 that Jesus was cut off in the midst of the week or 7 years. Ribera also was incapable of making any connection between the beginning of sorrows and the five seals of Revelation 6. Ribera basically destroyed the Bible’s teaching of what really will transpire at the end of time. If people would simply read Daniel 9:24-27

in their K.J.V. Bible, they could see that Ribera is an implacable enemy of the Authorized Version and its author, Jesus Christ.

34. **pre-wrath rapture**—Popularized by its formulator Marvin Rosenthal, executive director of *Zion's Hope* and editor of *Israel My Glory* magazine, the author in his 1990 book, "The Pre-wrath Rapture of the Church," puts forth the belief in a 7-year period divided up into the beginning of sorrows (3.5 years), followed by the great tribulation and the day of the LORD—both periods being of equal length (638.75 days or 3.5 years).⁸ Rosenthal has the church being raptured at the end of the great tribulation period just before the day of the LORD. His tribulation eschatology, like all of the rest of the popular tribulation views, has been profoundly influenced by Francisco Ribera's futurism.
35. **neo-post-tribulation**—Its formulator Robert Gundry in his 1973 book, "The Church and the Tribulation," also believes in Ribera's 7-year period. Gundry believes that the elect are divinely protected during the tribulation. During that time when God's wrath is being poured out on a predominately lost planet, does the Bible indicate believers will be divinely protected? No! They will have their heads removed for their faith (Rev. 20:4). Gundry has the church raptured at the beginning of the great tribulation.
36. **666, the number of man**—In Revelation 13:18 it says, "Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number *is* Six hundred threescore *and* six." So, what exactly is being said and emphasized in this verse? The key I believe, is in the fall of man recorded in Genesis 3. We have the trinity of God. What is the trinity of man? A careful analysis of Genesis 3 should tell us what this number of man looks like:
 - **PRIDE-REBELLION-FREE-WILL (THE FIRST 6)**—With Eve she was already in rebellion. You do not have a conversation with the father of lies unless you have already determined to disobey God.
 - **DOMINION MANDATE REJECTED (THE SECOND 6)**—Eve's refusal to consummate her marriage with Adam, her husband, was a clear

⁸ The sad thing about all these authors is they have followed the profane, godless calendars of the past, not the accurate calendar of the Bible containing 360 days being equivalent to a year.

violation of God's decree to be **fruitful and multiply**. God's *dominion mandate* was issued to a married couple, not the unmarried. You should not fornicate outside God's covenant of marriage.⁹ God hates co-habitation, as well as any perversion of God's marriage arrangement. Had Eve consummated her marriage by becoming one with her husband, she would have accomplished the will of God (I Tim. 2:12-15).¹⁰ It is my belief that had Eve consummated her marriage, she would not have sinned. Remember, in I Timothy 2:15 where God said Eve would have been saved in childbearing if she continued with her husband in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.¹¹

- **GODLY INDIVIDUALISM (HUMILITY) IS SWAPED FOR THE COLLECTIVIST MENTALITY (PROUD, ARROGANT, HAUGHTY, REBELLIOUS & SELFISH)**—First, Eve acted independently by rebelling against God's *dominion mandate* (to be the mother of all living) and then her husband. In the act of marriage, she refused to become one. She willingly co-opted the truth by giving ear to the serpent's lies. Collectivism is the opposite of God's expectation with that individual being responsible before their Creator to have a healthy relationship with God. Collectivism is summed up in the motto, "From each according to his ability; to each according to his needs."¹² Eve's responsibility to her husband was to have a

⁹ God calls children conceived out of wedlock bastards (Deut. 23:2). If you want God's blessings, stop slapping God in the face and living in sin.

¹⁰ I Tim. 2:12-15--12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve. 14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression. 15 Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

¹¹ **Faith** is a virtue coming directly from God—it is a gift from the Holy Spirit (Gal. 5:22). Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God (Rom. 10:17). God's command to them both was NOT eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil: for in the day they did eat, they would surely die. **Charity** is self-sacrifice or agape love—it seeks no compensation in return. **Holiness** is in God's command for us to be holy, even as he is holy. This is accomplished by the crucifixion of the old nature and the putting on the mind of Christ—my sinfulness is exchanged for his holiness (imputed righteousness). This is accomplished through the phenomenon known as baptism by the Holy Spirit. It happens only ONCE! (Eph. 4:5) **Sobriety** is a reference to one's state to mind—to be sober, reflective, appreciative, and grateful in God's actions toward us, a sinner.

¹² This Marxist phrase is rooted in the belief of a compulsory, self-centered response NOT a willing response that is voluntary.

personal relationship with her Creator first— “Love the Lord¹³ thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength.” Then and only then can you love your neighbor as yourself. . . or in this case your husband. Eve’s refusal to submit herself to God, naturally resulted in her refusal to be Adam’s help meet and ultimately received the rebuke from God that Adam would “rule over thee.” (Gen. 3:16)

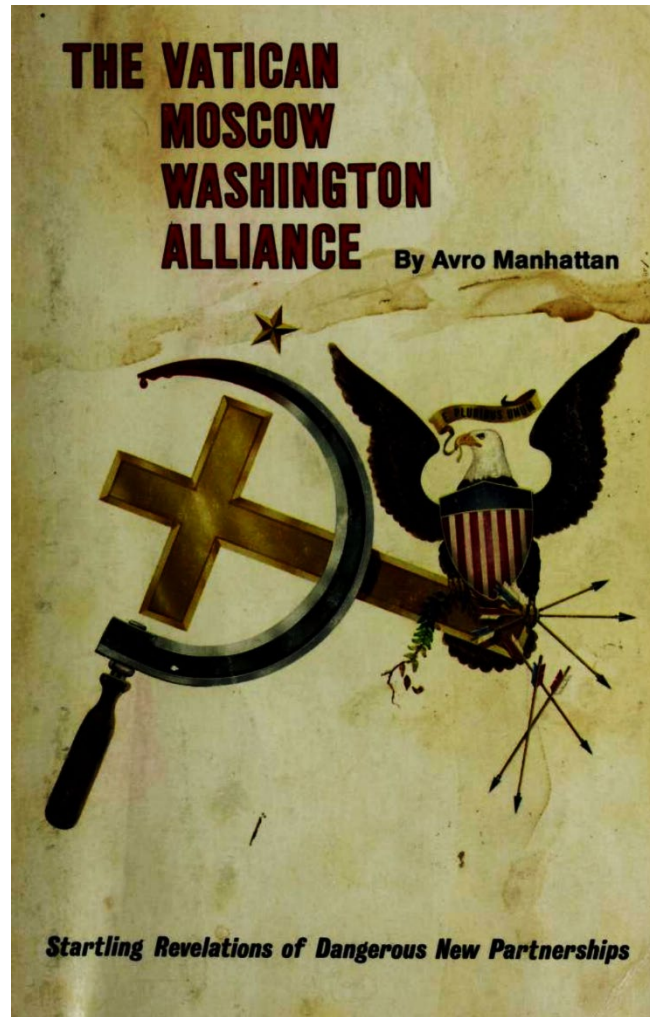
- THE MILLENNIUM WILL SEE AN ABSENCE OF SATANIC ACTIVITY— During the millennium Satan and demonic activity will be absent; however, men will still sin. The notion that when we see evil it is Satan’s fault is not necessarily accurate. The unconverted individual is referred to as a child of disobedience . . . he is sinful, without any help from the powers of darkness! Remember, Jesus created Lucifer. Lucifer and the demonic realm are SUBJECT to Jesus Christ. In the New Testament when Jesus encountered the unclean spirits, he cast them out. When we see demonic activity in the life of a believer, as it was in the life of Job, Satan had to petition God for permission to buffet Job. In the end, God permitted these calamities on Job’s life to test his faith. And even though Job struggled in his faith, God blessed him twice as much at the end, as he had at the beginning.

37. **Zionism**—What should a Christian believe about the nation of Israel, specifically, its leadership? The reason this is important is because it places Bible prophecy squarely in its proper context where “the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.” (Rev. 19:10). All who understand that God’s promises went through Isaac NOT Ishmael, will also understand that it is Israel’s Messiah, Jesus Christ, who will usher in the millennial kingdom on earth. This is contrary to the belief of Zionism’s founders who believe in a “global theocracy” (p. 219) and “unique presence” (p.220) but without Christ.¹⁴ It will be a combination of

¹³ An important side note. In some versions, the N.K.J.V. for example, there is no distinction between Lord in Deut. 6:5 and Lord in Matthew 22:37. The K.J.V. makes this distinction. In Deut. 6:5 LORD refers to God the Father. In Matthew 22:37 Lord refers to Jesus Christ. Of course, both are God but you would never know this from the N.K.J.V.

¹⁴ "It is important, although it may be difficult for some to recognize the religious nature of the Communist/Zionist/Catholic political configuration. Although deliberately muted in public pronouncements, behind the Zionist banner

unbelieving Jewish leadership ([See pdf. on Jewish flag](#)), unbelievers in general, as well as the rapture itself that will usher in God's judgment of 3.5 years.



38. new heavens, new earth, & New Jerusalem, In the

- death—While death is done away in Rev. 21:4, we read of the tree of life in Rev. 22:2 “which bare twelve *manner of* fruits, *and* yielded her

there was to be found the ancient Messianic hope for the coming of a global theocracy, as predicted by all the seers and prophets of Zion. It was to be a theocracy in which Jehovah, not Christ, was to be King. Avro Manhattan, “The Vatican Washington Moscow Alliance,” [pp. 219-220](#)

fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree *were* for the healing of the nations.” Notice in verse 1 of this chapter, that the tree’s nourishment comes from “a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.” Is not it interesting that in Genesis 3:24 that “at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.” God did this to prevent Adam and Eve from eating the fruit and living forever in their sin; however, in the new paradise people are free to take of the tree of life. Why? Following right on the heels of Revelation 22:2 verse 3 says, “And there shall be no more curse.” If the consequences of sin are removed, there has to be something that happened to man’s sin nature that makes that action possible. In Revelation 22:4 God says, “his name *shall be* in their foreheads.” That is why they see Jesus’ face and serve him. It becomes apparent that these people are born again. It is at this point they can partake of the tree of life and obtain physical immortality along with their spiritual immortality. God will not allow man’s sin nature to continue forever, even as he prohibited Adam and Eve in Eden from doing the same and living forever in their sin.

- curse, the—In Revelation 22:3 we witness the curse, namely the consequences for man’s sin, being erased. This is why we see in Isaiah 65:20¹⁵ the child living to 100 years old, and the sinner at 100 years old being accursed.¹⁶ The effects of sin have been removed and this is why the verse may appear puzzling at first glance. The child, emotionally, spiritually, and rationally, lives to be 100 years old—he does not see the effects of age or sin on his physique; however, he will eventually die. While the sinner, on the other hand, is accursed, namely forsaken by the godly majority, he too, eventually dies. How does this happen? The sinner is prevented from entering the New Jerusalem and partaking of the tree of life. We are told from this verse that the child and the sinner DIE! That means both are

¹⁵ Isa. 65:20--There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner *being* an hundred years old shall be accursed.

¹⁶ Isaiah 65:17 places the context within the new heavens and the new earth, and hence verse 20.

- unbelievers. This contrasts with those that desire to please God. With death, the curse, and all satanic activity absent, the sinner will still defy God. After all, with unbelievers they are labeled as children of wrath (Eph. 2:3) and children of disobedience (Eph. 5:6)
- tree of life, the—We read that the tree of life is for the healing of the nations. The nations, and peoples within those nations, are healed from sin's consequences. After receiving life through the Spirit, God permits the tree in the New Jerusalem to be freely accessed and partaken. The tree's life-giving nutrients come from the Father and Christ himself, both eternal beings.
 - New Jerusalem, the—Measuring 1,320 cubic miles,¹⁷ the New Jerusalem could possibly occupy the Mediterranean Sea? Is this why it says in Revelation 21:1 “there was no more sea.”
 - wicked, the—In Isaiah 65:20 it says, “There shall be no thence an infant of days.” Why? I believe the wicked are sterile. Possibly a result from God's consuming fire of judgment the second time around. God will not allow the wicked to remain in his paradise on earth. They will eventually disappear while the righteous shine as the noon day. Prevented from access to the tree of life in the New Jerusalem, the sinner will not live in his sin forever. He will die!
 - righteous, the—In Revelation 22:17 these respond to the Holy Spirit and the bride, Christ. The righteous are those in their resurrected or raptured bodies. These include those resurrected and raptured when the sixth seal was opened, over a thousand years in the past. The righteous also include those who were beheaded for Christ during God's 3.5 year's judgment. For those who died during the millennium, they are resurrected at the end of this period. If there are any believers who are alive at the end of the millennium, they will see the new heavens, the new earth, and the New Jerusalem descending out of heaven and escape God's fiery judgment, even as Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego did from Nebuchadnezzar's seven-times heated furnace.

¹⁷ According to a furlong or 1/9th of a mile or .11 x 5,280' = 580 x 12,000 = 6,969,600 / 5,280 = 1,320 cubic miles

- I. chosen, the—In Revelation 22:17 three types of individuals become apparent. There are those who respond to the Shepherd. They hear his voice and know his words. They are the redeemed who have been purchased with the blood of the Lamb and renewed by the Spirit of Christ.
 - II. called, the—Without any worldly distractions or physical wants, these people who would have compromised their beliefs in the past,¹⁸ will hear the voice of Christ, surrender their life as a result of being crucified and then partake of the fruit of the tree of life in the New Jerusalem and wear the mantle of physical immortality.
- morally conscious, the—Heeding their God-given moral conscience, this group will drink of the life-giving water from the pure, crystal-clear river. Once their souls have been satisfied with the life-giving water, they too, will surrender self to Christ through baptism by the Spirit and subsequently partake of the tree of life and its fruit of physical immortality. These people can be likened to those from Hebrews 6:4, 5 “. . . who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, 5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come . . .” There is no reason for apprehension or hesitation in the Spirit’s action of baptism and the tree of life’s physical immortality.
 - satanic influence—Will be absent in the new heavens, the new earth, and the New Jerusalem. No serpent to tempt anyone. No tree of the knowledge of good and evil. For all will know evil, not through experience but by their moral conscience and the Spirit of Christ. They will have a conscious awareness, along with the Holy Spirit’s presence, as well as an avoidance of sin because one’s spiritual discernment. For the righteous to live any other way, it would be to invite destruction, misery, and to lose one’s purpose, hope and happiness.

¹⁸ In the parable of the sower and the seed, this is the rocky soil where Christ was sown. We learn later; however, that when tribulation or persecution comes because of the word, by and by these people are offended. This is not the case in the New Jerusalem, however.