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A Few Rules for Bible Prophecies

Why this study?

Because we have started expository preaching through Isaiah, and we will make many interpretational choices.

This study can be taken much deeper.

But it is far better and far more than what futurists and dispensationalists use to foist heresies on the gullible.

To skip introductory examples of errors in prophecies, go to slide #69 for the 21 rules of interpretation God taught us.

Prophecies are a tricky part of scripture.

You can miss details and be orthodox.

But errors leave puzzle pieces out.

Do not study willy-nilly or for an agenda.

Use all rules consistently or be wrong.

Futurists & Preterists are all or nothing.

We rightly divide past, present, future.

We must have two things to be right:

1. God's inspired words – the Bible.
2. The Bible's rules of interpretation.

And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

Daniel 8:14

What Happened by Abusing 2300 Days?

- They used a year for a day and began with Cyrus to get to 1844.
- This is where the SDA and JWs came from ... this childish mistake.
- The context clearly limits the 2300 days to the Greek Empire.
- Therefore, the day-year principle cannot possibly be used there.
- Antiochus IV violated temple 2300 days til Maccabees/Hanukkah.

We were Mistaken, not Wrong



For much more about the 2300 Days:

<http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/what-about-the-2300-days.pdf>

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And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

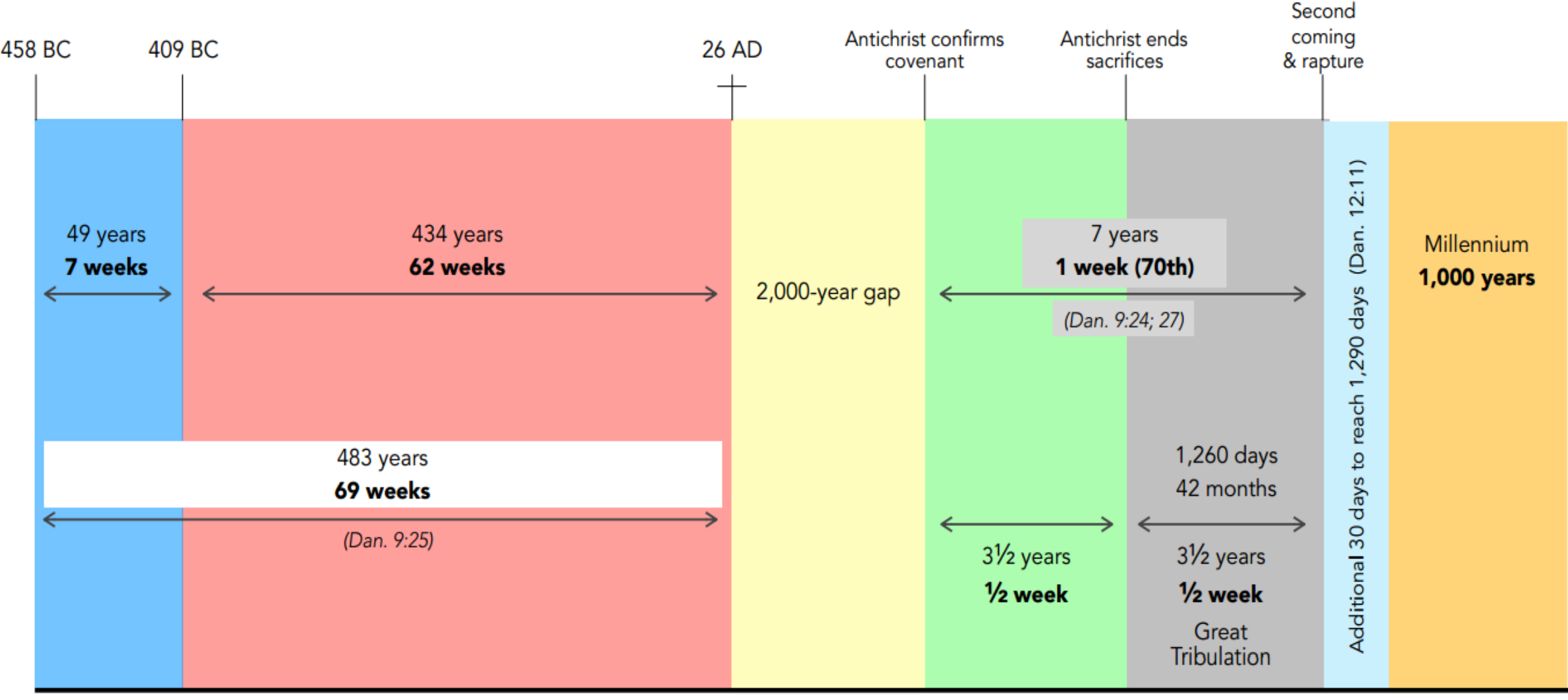
Daniel 9:27

What Happened by Abusing the 70th Week?

- They replaced Messiah in the verses with *Left Behind* Antichrist.
- They invented a key seven-year tribulation found nowhere else.
- They put a 2000+ year gap in a timed prophecy – making God lie.
- The timing began with Cyrus and ended in A.D. 34 and no later.
- Everything about the prophecy perfectly fulfilled in Jesus Christ.

Daniel's 70 Weeks

Daniel 9:24-27



THE THIRD TEMPLE



**The Anti-Christ
Sits Here**



The First Resurrection

The Resurrection of the Righteous

The 2nd Resurrection

The Resurrection
of the Unrighteous
*(The Great White Throne
Judgment)*

Stage 1

FIRSTFRUITS:
Resurrection of Christ

Stage 2

HARVEST:
Resurrection and
Translation of the Church

Stage 3

GLEANINGS:
Tribulation Martyrs
and OT Saints



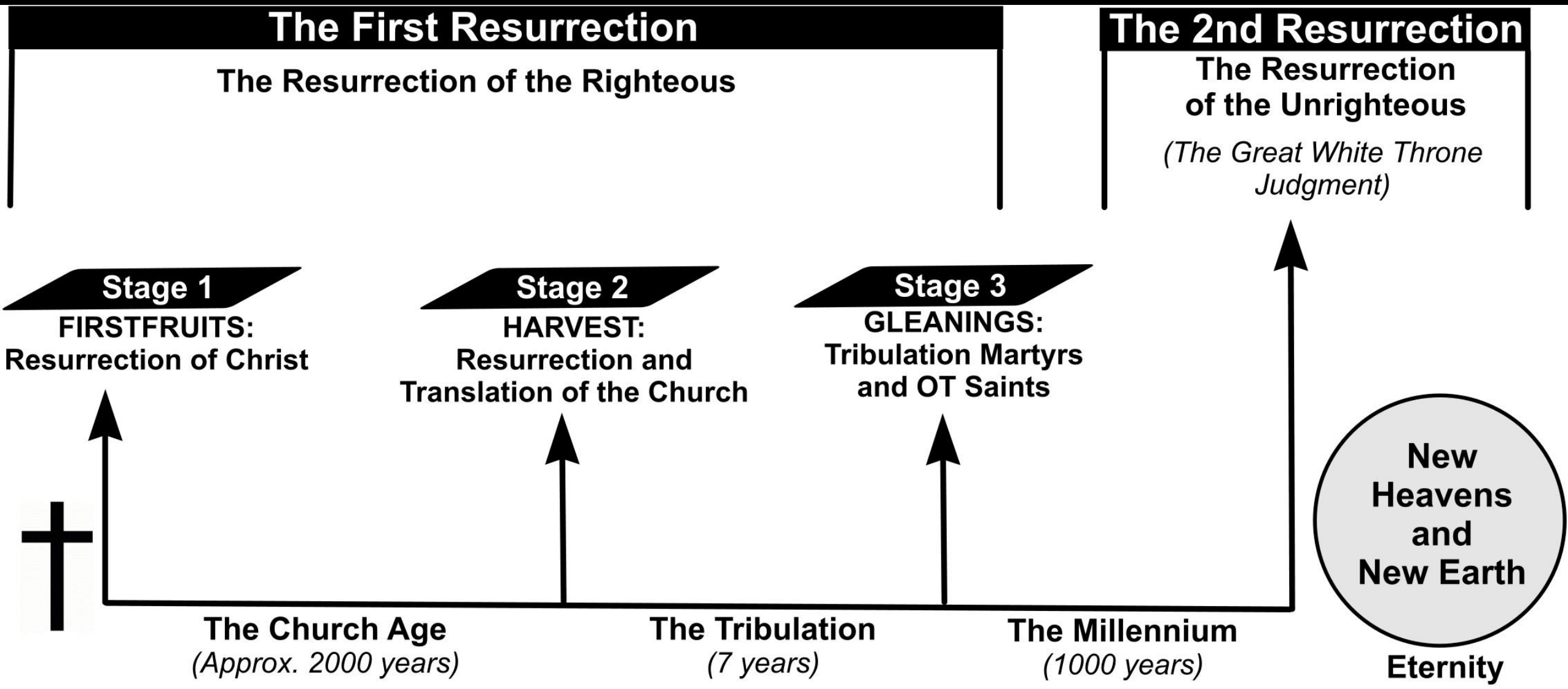
The Church Age
(Approx. 2000 years)

The Tribulation
(7 years)

The Millennium
(1000 years)

**New
Heavens
and
New Earth**

Eternity



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28 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:

29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.

Joel 2:28-29

What Happened by Abusing Joel 2?

- They invented a new baptism of the Holy Spirit on January 1, 1901.
- They made it a key experience to speak in tongues to be saved.
- They implied all Christians for 1900 years were Spirit-less frauds.
- Peter said everything Joel prophesied was fulfilled at Pentecost.
- Once experience with the least gift was in, there was no limit.



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30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.

31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.

Joel 2:30-31

What Else Happened by Abusing Joel 2?

- They started looking for blood moons and astronomical changes.
- They denied this prophecy was fulfilled due to lack of events.
- They added 2000 years into the future for their day of the Lord.
- Peter said everything Joel prophesied was fulfilled at Pentecost.
- Peter said the day of the Lord would fall on that very generation.

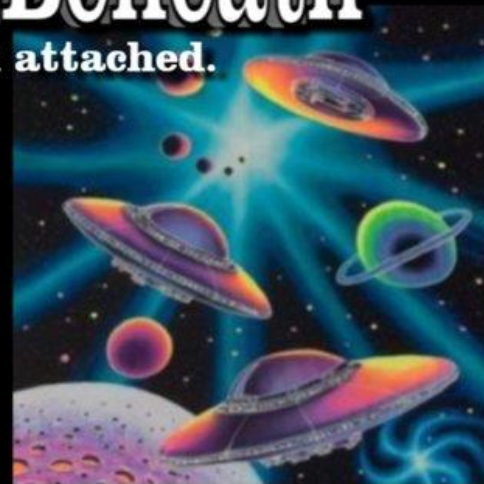


Wonders In Heaven Above And



Signs In The Earth Beneath

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BLOOD



1948
Israel
becomes
nation.

PASSOVER
4/15/14



1967
Jerusalem
recaptured.

JEWISH
SUKKOT
10/08/14

MOON



Acts
2:19-20

ADAR 29
NISAN 1
3/20/15



2014

FEASTS
PASSOVER
4/04/15



2015

SUKKOT
9/28/15

For more about Joel's Day of the Lord:

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<http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/this-generation-matt-24.pdf>

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6 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land;

7 And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.

Haggai 2:6-7

What Happened by Abusing Haggai 2?

- They started waiting for literal shaking of heaven and earth.
- They invented a third temple for the Desire of all Nations to visit.
- But Haggai gave this word to Zerubbabel to encourage him, then.
- But Paul said that this prophecy was fulfilled before Hebrews 12.
- These Bible perverters stole the glory from Jesus' first coming.



A dramatic scene of a comet streaking across a dark sky above a glowing horizon over the ocean. The comet is bright and fiery, leaving a long, dark trail. The horizon is a bright, golden glow, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The ocean is visible in the foreground, with waves breaking on a sandy beach. The overall atmosphere is one of awe and divine power.

For thus says the Lord of
hosts: "Once more (it is a little
while) I will shake heaven and
earth, the sea and dry
land." Haggai 2:6



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**BIBLICAL PROPHECY FULFILLED
BIRTH OF RED HEIFER SIGNALS
THE THIRD TEMPLE BUILT FOR
'PRINCE OF PEACE'**



Those were five corrupted prophecies
with terrible consequences to millions.

Why are people so gullible to such wild
corruption of plain, fulfilled
prophecies?

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

II Timothy 4:3-4

13 This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;

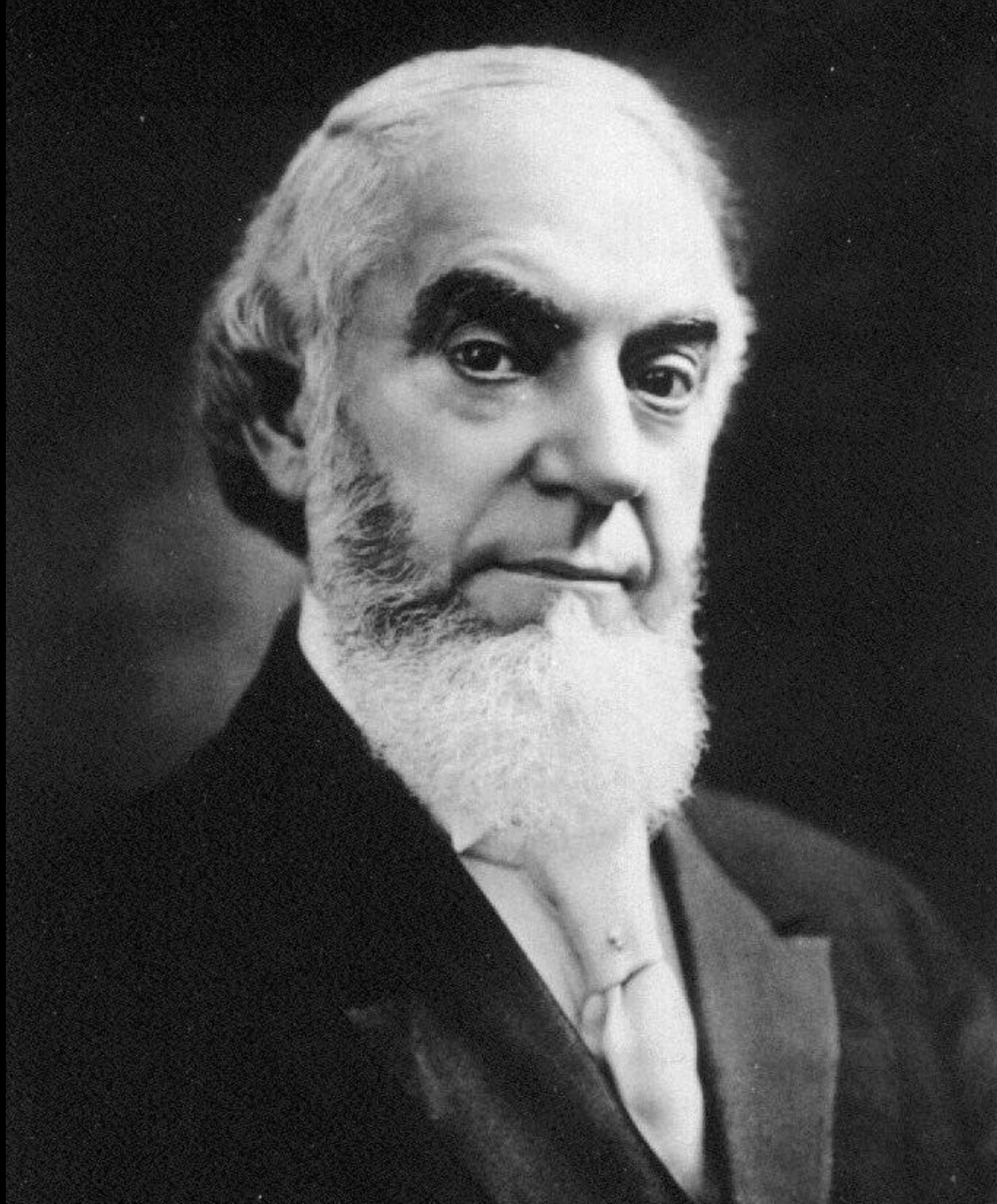
14 Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.

Titus 1:13-14

Who are the main culprits in these heresies by corrupting prophecies?







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6 The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

Isaiah 11:6-7

9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

Isaiah 11:9-10

What Happened by Abusing Isaiah 11?

- They invented a Jewish millennium with animals outside cages!
- They invented Jewish missionaries (144k) to get the gospel out.
- Jesus would set up a new throne on Mt. Zion in modern Israel.
- But Isaiah surrounded this prophecy well with His first coming.
- But Paul quoted from this passage for our Lord's first coming.





WE SHALL BEAT OUR SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES

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5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:

Malachi 4:5-6

What Happened by Abusing Malachi 4?

- They invented a third coming of Elijah the prophet yet to occur.
- They invented a great and dreadful day of the Lord yet future.
- Jesus could not be clearer that John the Baptist was this Elijah.
- Bless God for John the Baptist telling the Jews he was not Elijah.
- John (Elijah) said the terrible day would be on that generation.

Revelation
End Time



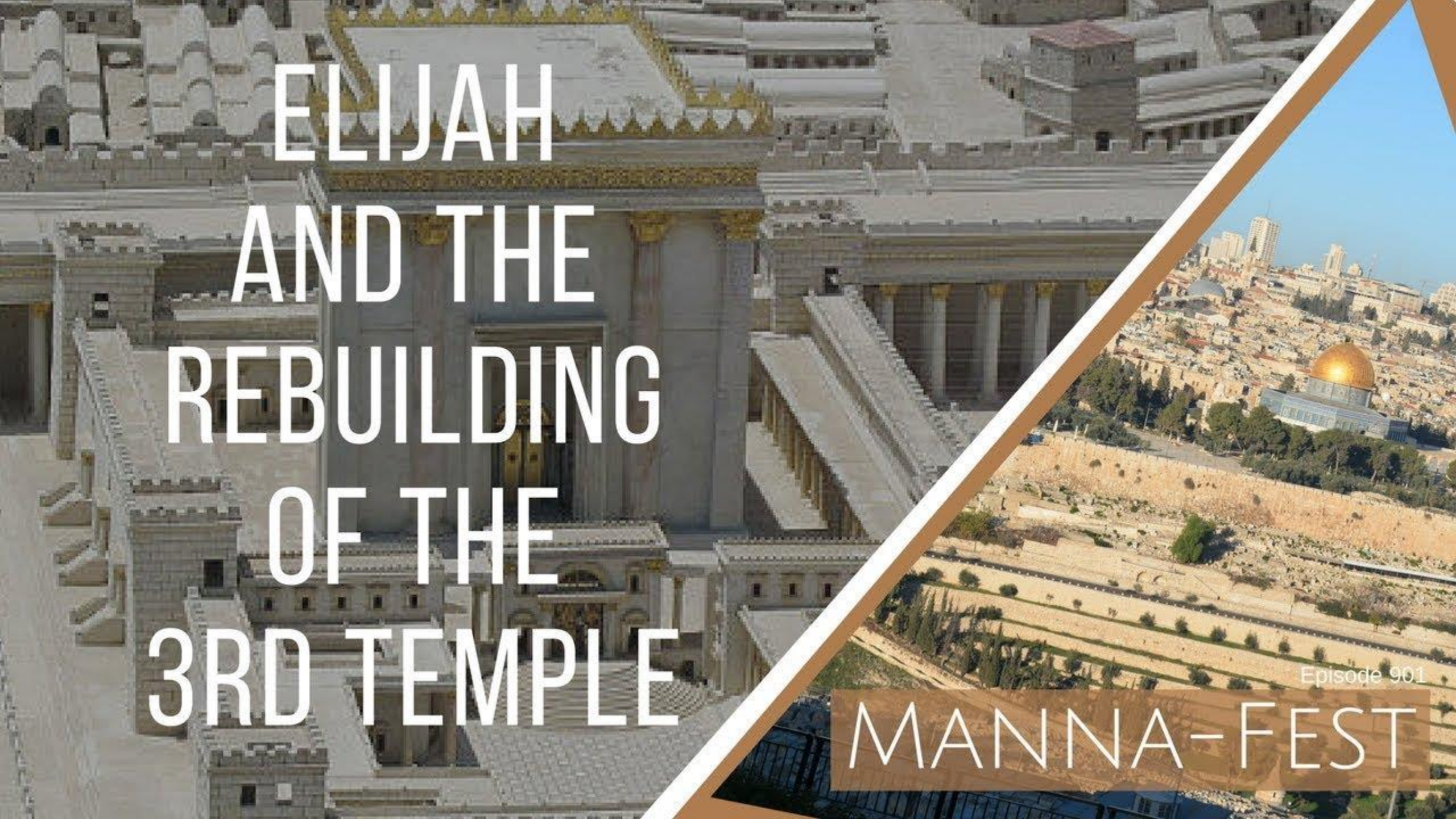
The Coming Elijah

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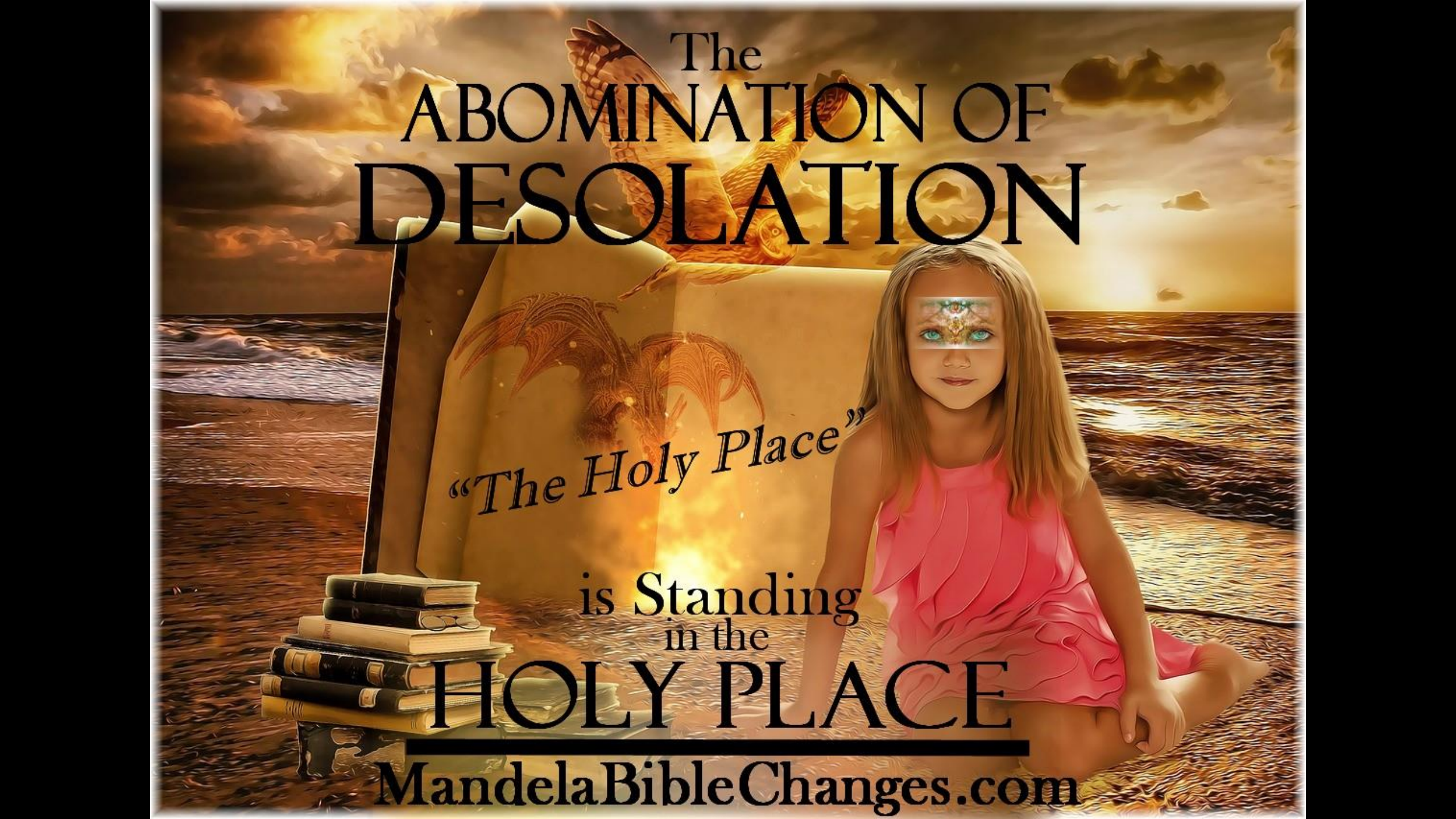
When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Matthew 24:15

What Happened by Abusing Matthew 24?

- They think Jesus is coming with any rumor of war or earthquake.
- They invented a tribulation, Antichrist, Zionism, deny timing, etc.
- They miss the glorious King Jesus and dozens of other scriptures.
- They must endure to the end and get the gospel to all nations.
- Jesus timed it in His generation. Period. Like Daniel and others.





The
ABOMINATION OF
DESOLATION

“The Holy Place”

is Standing
in the

HOLY PLACE

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The abomination of desolation and the
antichrist are totally different
and unrelated.

Antichrist is a term used in I & II John only. It is not used in Revelation at all.

The little horn of Daniel 7 and Man of Sin of II Thessalonians 2 are right terms.

About the abomination of desolation:

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Interpreting Prophecy

A Few Rules for Bible Prophecies

RULE #1

Prophets used similitudes or signs;
literal interpretations are dangerous.

I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and used similitudes, by the ministry of the prophets.

Hosea 12:10

What Is a Similitude?

Similitude. A person or thing resembling, or having the likeness of, some other person or thing. The form, likeness, or image of some person or thing. A sign or symbol; the symbolic representation of something.

Similitude is from simile, a comparison of one thing with another.

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

Revelation 1:1

What Is Signifying?

Signify. To be a sign or symbol of; to represent, betoken, mean.

Signify is from sign, something to convey an intimation or communicate some idea. When you signify something, you do not state it expressly.

32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

33 This he said, signifying what death he should die.

John 12:32-33

18 Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not.

19 This spake he, signifying by what death he should glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him, Follow me.

John 12:32-33

10 Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you:

11 Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.

I Peter 1:10-11

We Should Expect and Embrace Similitudes

- God told us in both testaments He used symbols by his prophets.
- We should accept lots of metaphors to figure out or not (Psalm 18).
- The five verses we just read are crucial for correct hermeneutics.
- But today's speculators demand literalism and deny spiritualizing.
- They say shaking heaven and earth = shaking heaven and earth.

C.I. Scofield (1843 – 1921)

Prophecy is the ground of absolute literalness.

Prophecies may never be spiritualized, but are always literal.

Lewis Sperry Shafer (1871 – 1952)

“The outstanding characteristic of the dispensationalist is ... that he believes every statement of the Bible and gives to it the plain, natural meaning its words imply.”

Charles C. Ryrie (1925 – 2016)

“Dispensationalists claim that their principle of hermeneutics is that of literal interpretation. This means interpretation which gives to every word the same meaning it would have in normal usage, whether employed in writing, speaking or thinking.”

The Bible is Filled with Similitudes & Signs

- Those three leaders of futurism and Zionism are anti-scripture.
- Does the first prophecy in Genesis 3:15 intend a literal heel?
- Land for Abram in Genesis was not realized nor desired (Heb 11).
- What did Joseph's dream of bowing sun, moon, and stars mean?
- Was Canaan truly a land flowing with milk and honey? How so?

Think Through Some Bible Examples

- Wolves and lambs in Isaiah 11 are cute pictures but bad doctrine.
- Shaking heaven and earth is not a vibrating universe for a while.
- Reading Elijah in Malachi 4 is not the hairy prophet as they think.
- Great and dreadful day of the Lord need not be final judgment.
- They force a thousand years of Revelation 20 to be exactly 1000.

Similitudes & Signs in Isaiah 13

My sanctified ones	Moon shall not cause her light to shine
My mighty ones	I will punish the world for their evil
Them that rejoice in my highness	I will punish the wicked for their iniquity
To destroy the whole land	A man will be more precious than gold
The day of the LORD is at hand	I will shake the heavens
Behold, the day of the LORD cometh	The earth shall remove out of her place
He shall destroy the sinners out of it	In the day of His fierce anger
Stars of heaven shall not give light	The earth shall be like a chased roe
Sun shall be darkened in going forth	Babylon will be like Sodom and Gomorrah

Similitudes & Signs in Joel 2 & Acts 2

The last days	Sun turned into darkness
Pour out of my Spirit on all flesh	Moon into blood
Wonders in heaven above	Great and notable day of the Lord
Signs in the earth beneath	Whosoever calls on Lord will be saved
Blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke	Pentecost before 70 A.D. is all intended

Apocalyptic Language Is More Metaphorical

- By apocalyptic we mean world-ending judgment or transforming.
- It has cataclysmic language in nature for religion, politics, society.
- Recall Isaiah 13 and its fantastic language for overthrow of a city.
- You are not confused if you hear, “I have earth shattering news.”
- What is the older description of the Middle Ages ... *Dark Ages!*

RULE #2

Context trumps difficult wording
or convenient cross-references.

Examples

- 2300 days in Daniel 8 is limited by Greece ... stated in context.
- Isaiah 11 about wolf and lamb cannot be the second coming.
- The worldwide flood guides II Peter 3 against John Owen et al.
- Romans 8:17-23 cannot be limited to some vital creatures only.
- Genesis 6 is not angel-human sex by foolish cross-referencing.

And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

Daniel 8:14

21 And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.

22 Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.

23 And in the latter time of their kingdom

Daniel 8:21-23

RULE #3

Dates or timing language must be honored and terms forced to agree.

Examples

- *This generation* for Matthew 24 and other places is just that!!!
- Daniel 11 is limited to Israel up to their scattering ... Dan 10:14; 12:7.
- Matt 16:27-28 happened within 40 years no matter questions.
- We trust Peter in Acts 2 ... James in Acts 15 ... Paul in Hebrews 12.
- A falling away, the man of sin, and Christ's return is Paul's order.

Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days: for yet the vision is for many days.

Daniel 10:14

And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

Daniel 12:7

RULE #4

Chronologies have no gaps; efforts to insert them are heresy at best.

Examples

- The 2000-year gap in Daniel's 70-weeks has no basis whatsoever.
- We should not be surprised, since they reject Cyrus for Ptolemy.
- Interrupting Daniel 11 (verse 36) destroys the prophecy parameters (10:14; 12:7) and the clear consecutive chronology of kings.
- Some of them will also jam an indefinite gap after Genesis 1:1.

RULE #5

A prophet's future verb tenses quoted at fulfillment will still be future tense.

Examples

- Prophetic perspective honors the original writer's verb tenses.
- If a N.T. writer quotes an O.T. prophet accurately, it will be future.
- But the N.T. writer can be saying the prophecy is present or past.
- There are 4-5 great examples ... Acts 2,15 ... Rom 11 ... Heb 8,12.
- Men have made terrible errors by overlooking this simple matter.

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

Acts 2:16-17

15 And to this agree the words of the prophets;
as it is written,

16 After this I will return, and will build again the
tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I
will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it
up:

Acts 15:15-16

RULE #6

The Day-Year principle is certainly inspired, but it is not universal.

Examples

- Substituting years for days is proven right by Daniel 9:24-27.
- It is the way to grasp Daniel 7's use of time, times, half a time.
- It is the way to grasp John's use of 1260 days and 42 months.
- But it cannot be used in Daniel 8 or Daniel 12 – context too short.
- This is rightly dividing the word of truth at its finest. Hallelujah!

RULE #7

Prophetic symbols are learned and applied by scriptural use of them.

Examples

- If men would learn Isaiah 13, they would learn many symbols.
- Joseph introduced symbols of sun, moon, and stars (Gen 37:9).
- Time, times, half a time, 42 months, 1260 days help each other.
- Daniel introduced the beasts of Revelation ... learn them there.
- Learn how prophecy is fulfilled by the Bible, history, or Josephus.

And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

Genesis 37:9

1 Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them;

2 While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars, be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:

Ecclesiastes 12:1-2

The burden of Egypt. Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

Isaiah 19:1

3 Seek ye the LORD, all ye meek of the earth,
which have wrought his judgment; seek
righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall
be hid in the day of the LORD'S anger.

Zephaniah 2:3

RULE #8

Make sure every complementary passage is used for a final solution.

Examples

- This is similar to rule #7 above, but it deserves its own treatment.
- Matthew's abomination of desolation ... is easily solved by Luke!
- Compare all three accounts ... *some of you shall not taste death.*
- Daniel and John see the same beast ... pagan and papal Rome.
- Paul explained in Galatians and Hebrews much about Abraham.

When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Matthew 24:15

And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

Luke 21:20

RULE #9

Progressive revelation means God revealed more truth over time.

Examples

- It is foolish (and dangerous) to start with Revelation at any point.
- Revelation should be the last book you read or try to understand.
- Jesus told men to learn Daniel to understand Him (Matthew 24:15).
- If men would study Daniel, much of Revelation would open up.
- The apostles understood almost infinite more than O.T. prophets.

RULE #10

A prophetic timeline may confirm or deny current events or later fulfillment.

Examples

- A timeline shows major and minor O.T. prophets in time order.
- Isaiah has contemporary minor prophets to clarify or confirm.
- Later prophets like Malachi confirm or deny Judah's condition.
- Jonah's date and Nahum's date explains 100-150 years between.
- Dating of Revelation can significantly affect its interpretation.

RULE #11

Details may not matter when the large interpretive factors are very clear.

Examples

- When the big picture is obvious ... little details are not essential.
- The ten horns ... the three horns ... of Daniel 7 are not crucial.
- Our document ... *Two or Three Eunuchs* ... may be helpful here.
- The Bible uses a variety to make up “12” tribes or “12” apostles.
- The specific start or end of 2300 days or 1260 years is only nice.

RULE #12

God gets the benefit of any doubts, no matter how much opposed by men.

Examples

- Believing Bible study exalts and trusts God over any difficulty.
- Daniel trumps Ptolemy by Bible; Ptolemy does not trump Daniel.
- Order of events at II Thess 2:1-3 is God's ... Scofield was a liar.
- Some standing here shall not taste death ... believe it, Christian!
- God does not owe Jews land – He already fulfilled all promises.

RULE #13

The New Testament, especially Paul,
must be exalted over O.T. assumptions.

Examples

- Progressive revelation is the N.T. over O.T. This is not redundant.
- Paul knew more of Jews/Gentiles than any other man (Eph 3:1-12).
- Every N.T. use of an O.T. prophet should be considered for value.
- O.T. prophets did not really know what they wrote (I Pet 1:10-12).
- We read the O.T. with the spectacles of the N.T., never vice versa.

RULE #14

The Messiah and His N.T. Kingdom are
more important than anything else.

Examples

- The whole universe exists for God to exalt His Son and kingdom.
- Jesus said to search the scriptures – it tells about Him (John 5:39).
- From Genesis 3:15 to Malachi 4:1-6 ... it is all about God's Son.
- All earthly kingdoms move toward Christ's that destroys them.
- His is the name, the preeminence, the glory, the praise, etc., etc.

RULE #15

Spiritual trumps natural by both value
and precedent throughout the Bible.

Examples

- Spiritual things are far more important than natural (II Cor 4:18).
- Paul called the O.T. carnal ordinances and other derogatory terms.
- Jesus told the woman of Samaria the Jews' worship was wrong.
- Minding earthly things is belly worship ... including Jewish fables.
- Think! Genesis 3:15 ... 12:3 ... 13:15 ... 22:18 ... Heb 11:8-16 ... 12:22-24 ... 13:14.

RULE #16

Diligently avoid Jewish fables, for Israel was a conditional, temporary covenant.

Examples

- An obsession with Israel and Jews causes many prophetic fables.
- Promises to Abraham were conditional, temporary, and spiritual.
- Israel was only for 1500 years of the earth's 6000-year history.
- In Christ, there is no Jew-Gentile difference, only His kingdom.
- Paul offered Israel nothing beyond Christ (Ac 28:17-29; Heb 12:22-24).

RULE #17

There are prophecies with “double fulfillments,” but do so very carefully.

Examples

- Abraham had descendants and a Seed (Gal 3:16; Gen 15:13-16; 22:17).
- David's seed included both Solomon and Jesus (II Sam 7:12-17).
- David knew there was more than Solomon (II Sam 23:5; Acts 2:30).
- We must be reluctant, or we will invent things and/or miss truth.
- Abraham and family got some land ... but primarily got heaven.

RULE #18

Prophecy is less for speculation and
more for confirmation after fulfillment.

Examples

- Futurists have disgraced Christianity by their idiotic speculations.
- William Miller, Charles Russell, and Harold Camping were wrong.
- Speculating about Christ's return or the beast's number is folly.
- Jesus said prophecy was for fulfillment (John 13:19; 14:29; 16:4).
- God glories in His ability to fulfill prophecy (Isaiah 48:5 and more).

RULE #19

Prophecy requires knowledge of history
both within and without the Bible.

Examples

- Some resent the burden to know history ... but they must read!
- God greatly promotes the glory of fulfilled prophecy (Isaiah 40-48).
- Cyrus the Persian and Alexander the Great are both in the Bible.
- Dan 10-12 requires Ptolemy-Seleucid wars; many places 70 A.D.
- Ignorance of Catholicism hinders II Thess 2:3-12 and I Tim 4:1-6.

RULE #20

Do not let current events or anything to do with America cloud your judgment.

Examples

- Many have been corrupted by interpretations for selfish ends.
- Jack van Impe is notorious for matching today's news to Ezekiel.
- America is important to Americans ... but not to Bible prophets.
- The only nations that mattered were those connected to Israel.
- William Miller with 1844 and Harold Camping in 2011 ... heresy!

RULE #21

If you see details differently without denying any doctrine, we can wait.

Examples

- We distribute Woodrow's, Prophecies in spite of Matt 24:27-31.
- If you know Abomination of Desolation and 70 A.D., we can wait.
- Is the 1260 years from 610-1870 or 538 – 1798? We don't care.
- This does not mean we allow preterism, futurism, or any heresy.
- Variances are subject to (1) no discord and (2) receiving all else.

For Further Study (1)

Timeline O.T. Prophets & Dates ... (notes/table/LINKS) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/prophets-table-with-notes.pdf>

What About the 2300 Days? ... (table/outline)... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/what-about-the-2300-days.pdf>

Witness of 70 A.D. ... (sermons/outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/sermons/prophecy/70ad/sermon.php>

Daniel or Ptolemy ... (essay) ... <https://www.letgodbetruer.com/bible/prophecy/cyrus-decree-to-rebuild.php>

Bible Hermeneutics ... (outline; see Rule 10) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/bible/scripture/knowning-the-scriptures.php>

Learning Daniel ... (detailed outlines) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/bible/prophecy/daniel.php>

Two or Three Eunuchs ... (outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/two-or-three-some-details-do-not-matter.pdf>

Glory of Fulfilled Prophecy ... (sermons/outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/sermons/prophecy/glory-of-fulfilled-prophecy/sermon.php>

Preterism ... (sermons/extensive outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/sermons/prophecy/preterism/sermon.php>

Maccabees ... (slides) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/maccabees.pdf>

Harold Camping Heresy ... (slides) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/harold-camping-postponement.pdf>

Alexander the Great ... (slides) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/bible/prophecy/alexander.php>

For Further Study (2)

Woodrow's, Great Prophecies ... (book) ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/bible/prophecy/great-prophecies-of-the-bible.php>

Mauro's, Seventy Weeks ... (book) ... https://www.preteristarchive.com/Books/1921_mauro_seventy-weeks.html

Anstey's, Bible Chronology ... (book I) ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/reference/anstey/anstey1.pdf>

Anstey's, Bible Chronology ... (book II) ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/reference/anstey/anstey1.pdf>

The Gospel Millennium ... (sermons/outline) ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/sermons/prophecy/gospel-millennium/sermon.php>

The Prophets of God ... (outline) ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/prophets-of-god.pdf>

The Prophets of the O.T. ... (slides) ... <http://letgodbettrue.com/pdf/old-testament-prophets-slides.pdf>

Balaam and His Prophecies ... (outline) ... <https://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/balaam-and-his-prophecies.pdf>

A Few Lies of Scofield ... (table) ... <https://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/scofield-lies.pdf>

Dispensationalists Crash in Acts 15 ... (slides) ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/pdf/dispensationalists-best-verse.pdf>

What About the Land? ... (outline) ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/bible/heresies/dispensationalism.php>

Which Comes First? ... (short table) ... <http://www.letgodbettrue.com/bible/prophecy/which-comes-first.php>

For Further Study (3)

Figures of Speech in the Bible ... (slides) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/figures-of-speech.pdf>

Absolute or Relative Bible Usage ... (simple outline) ... <https://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/absolute-or-relative.pdf>

“This Generation” Bible Usage ... (slides) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/this-generation-matt-24.pdf>

Parables & Proverbs & More ... (slides) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/parables-proverbs-miscellaneous.pdf>

Two Parables Explained ... (sermon & outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/sermons/exposition/two-parables-explained/sermon.php>

Who Is the Seed of Abraham? ... (outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/bible/prophecy/seed-of-abraham.php>

The Israel of God ... (outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/true-israel.pdf>

Abraham and Land of Canaan ... (slides) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/abrahams-land.pdf>

Six Things Determined ... (outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/six-things-determined.pdf>

The Antichrist a Present Reality ... (outline) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/antichrist-future-things-1985.pdf>

Second Coming Facts ... (slides and LINKS) ... <http://www.letgodbetruer.com/pdf/second-coming-facts.pdf>