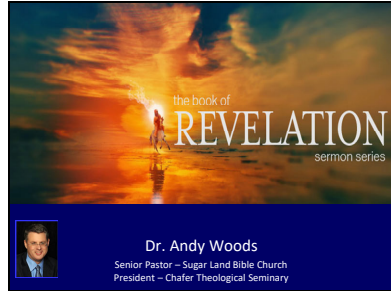


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The Eternal State
Revelation 21-22

- I. The New Heavens & Earth (21:1-8)
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2 Peter 1:19-21

¹⁹ So we have the prophetic word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts. ²⁰ But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹ for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God."



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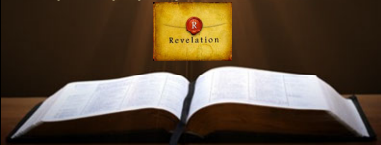
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"TIME-TEXTS" IN REVELATION <small>R.C. Sproul, The Last Days According to Jesus, p.139</small>	
SHORTLY, QUICKLY "TACOS"	
1:1	...Things which must shortly take place
2:16	Repent, or else I will come to you quickly.
3:11	Behold, I come quickly!
22:6	...Which must shortly take place.
22:7	Behold, I come quickly!
22:12	Behold, I am coming quickly!
22:20	Surely, I am coming quickly!
NEAR, AT HAND "ENGYS"	
1:3	The time is near.
22:10	The time is at hand.
ABOUT TO, ON THE POINT OF "MELLO"	
1:19	Write...the things that are about to take place.
3:10	...the hour of trial...is about to come upon the whole world.

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“Time Texts”

- **Preterist** = chronological
- **Futurist** = adverbial, qualitative, imminent



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Chronological vs. Adverbial Use of *Tacos*

- “I hope to come to you *soon*” (1 Tim 3:14) vs. “Leave Jerusalem *quickly*” (Acts 22:18)
- LXX
 - ◆ Isaiah 13:22: “Her fateful time also will *soon* come”
 - ◆ Isaiah 51:5: “My righteous is *near*, My salvation has gone forth, And my arms will judge the peoples; The coastlands will wait upon me, And on My arms they will trust.”



Thomas Ice, *End Times Controversy*, pp.102-108

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Imminency

- Engys: “The Lord is *near*” (Phil 4:5)
- Mellō: “and one who will share in the glory to be revealed” (1 Pet 5:1)



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2 Corinthians 5:10


"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad."



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Why?

- Not to judge sin (John 19:30)
- Not to determine salvation (John 5:24)
- But rather to give or not give rewards




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Scripture's Five Crowns <small>(Rev 4:10; 3:11; 2 John 8)</small>		
SCRIPTURE	CROWN	PURPOSE
1 Cor. 9:24-27	Incorruptible	Gaining mastery over the flesh
1 Thess. 2:19-20	Rejoicing	Soul winning
Jas. 1:12; Rev. 2:10	Life	Enduring trials
1 Pet. 5:2-4	Glory	Shepherding God's people
2 Tim. 4:8	Righteousness	Longing for His appearing

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2 Peter 1:3-11


⁸ For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ For he who lacks these qualities is blind or short-sighted, having forgotten his purification from his former sins. ¹⁰ Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; ¹¹ for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.



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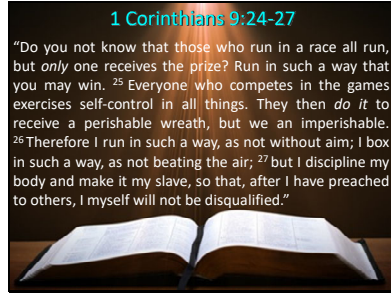


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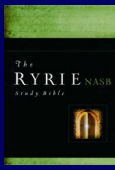
Revelation 21:8

"But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."



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 **Charles Ryrie**
The Ryrie Study Bible




Revelation 22:15. “dogs. Not animals, but people of low character (cf. Phil. 3:2).”

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Revelation 9:20-21


“The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to **worship demons**, and the **idols** of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; ²¹ and they did not repent of their **murders** nor of their **sorceries (pharmakeia)** nor of their **immorality** nor of their **thefts**.”



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Genesis 2:24

For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.”




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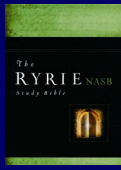
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Revelation 22:16-17. "Jesus is gracious because (1) He gave the book of Revelation to the churches, (2) as the son of David He will fulfill Israel's promises, (3) He is the morning star, the precursor of the new day, and (4) He offers the water of life freely."

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Henry Morris
The Revelation Record, 323

"At the very least, it would be confusing to John's first century readers, as well as to later generations, for him to write so much about Babylon when he really meant Rome (Paul was not afraid to speak directly against Rome in his writings, so why should John be?) or 'the false church' (all the apostles, including John, wrote plainly and scathingly about false teachers and false doctrines in the church and would not hide their teachings by symbols). **It must be stressed that Revelation means "unveiling," not "veiling."** In the absence of any statement in the text to the contrary, therefore, we must assume that the term Babylon applies to the real city of Babylon..."

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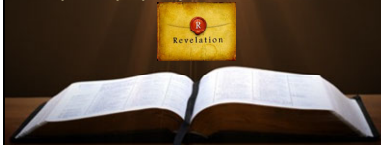
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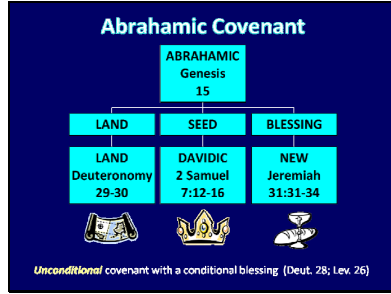
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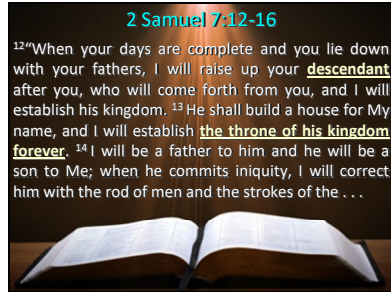
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 **John F. Walvoord**
Israel in Prophecy (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1962), 84-85, 87.

"The covenant with David is not only given twice in its major content—namely, **II Samuel 7** and **I Chronicles 17**—but it is also confirmed in **Psalms 89**. In this and other Old Testament references there is no allusion anywhere to the idea that these promises are to be understood in a spiritualized sense as referring to the church or to a reign of God in heaven. Rather, it is linked to the earth and to the seed of Israel, and to the land...There is no indication that this kingdom extended to a spiritual entity such as the church nor that the throne in view is the throne of God in heaven rather than the throne of David on earth...Such a situation does not prevail in this present age and is not related here or elsewhere to the reign of Christ from the throne of His Father in heaven."

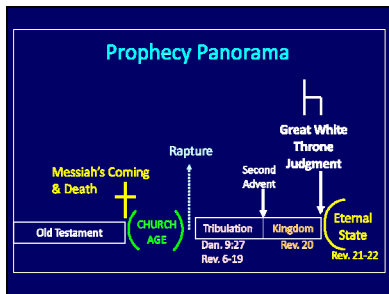
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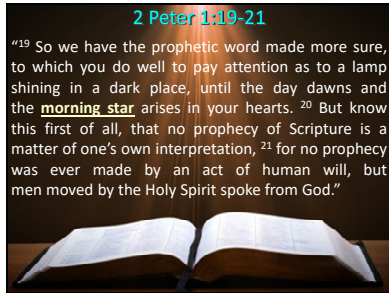
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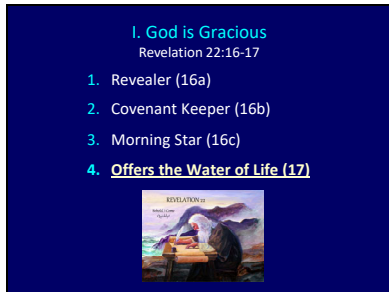
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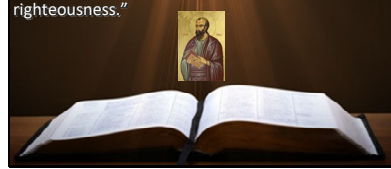
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Romans 4:4-5

"Now to the one who works, his wage is not credited as a favor, but as what is due. **But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him** who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness."



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John 3:16

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever **believes** in Him shall not perish, but have **eternal life**."




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Belief – God’s One Condition for Justification

Gen 15:6
Then he **believed** in the LORD, and He reckoned it to him as righteousness.


John 3:16
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Acts 16:30-31
"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They said, "**Believe** in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved..."



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“...because upwards of 150 passages of Scripture condition salvation upon believing only (cf. John 3:16; Acts 16:31).

Lewis Sperry Chafer, vol. 7, Systematic Theology (Grand Rapids, MI: Kregel Publications, 1993), 265-66.

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Religion says...

Jesus Christ did 90% → You must do 10%

This is salvation by works.

God says...

Jesus Christ did 100% →

This is salvation by God’s grace.

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"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace." (NIV)

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Rev. 19:9-Then he said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.'" And he *said to me, "**These are true words of God.**"

Rev. 21:5-And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for **these words are faithful and true.**"

Rev. 19:11-And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it *is* called **Faithful and True**, and in righteousness He judges and wages war.

2 Pet. 1:1-Simon **Peter, a bond-servant** and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have received a faith of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ:

Amos 3:7-Surely the Lord GOD does nothing Unless He reveals His secret counsel To His servants the prophets.

John 15:15-No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you.

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John 13:17-If you know these things, you are blessed if you do them.

Jas. 1:22-But prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.

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Isa. 42:8-I am the LORD, that is My name; I will not give My glory to another, Nor My praise to graven images.

Acts 12:21-23-²¹ On an appointed day Herod, having put on his royal apparel, took his seat on the rostrum and *began* delivering an address to them. ²² The people kept crying out, “The voice of a god and not of a man!” ²³ And immediately an angel of the Lord struck him because he did not give God the glory, and he was eaten by worms and died.

1 John 5:21-Little children, guard yourselves from idols.

Acts 14:8-18-⁸ At Lystra a man was sitting who had no strength in his feet, lame from his mother’s womb, who had never walked. ⁹ This man was listening to Paul as he spoke, who, when

he had fixed his gaze on him and had seen that he had faith to be made well, ¹⁰ said with a loud voice, “Stand upright on your feet.” And he leaped up and *began* to walk. ¹¹ When the crowds saw what Paul had done, they raised their voice, saying in the Lycaonian language, “The gods have become like men and have come down to us.” ¹² And they *began* calling Barnabas, Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. ¹³ The priest of Zeus, whose *temple* was just outside the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates, and wanted to offer sacrifice with the crowds. ¹⁴ But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their robes and rushed out into the crowd, crying out ¹⁵ and saying, “Men, why are you doing these things? We are also men of the same nature as you, and preach the gospel to you that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, WHO MADE THE HEAVEN AND THE EARTH AND THE SEA AND ALL THAT IS IN THEM. ¹⁶ In the generations gone by He permitted all the nations to go their own ways; ¹⁷ and yet He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good and gave you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness.” ¹⁸ *Even* saying these things, with difficulty they restrained the crowds from offering sacrifice to them.

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Dan. 12:4-But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book until the end of time; many will go back and forth, and knowledge will increase.

Dan. 12:8-9-⁸ As for me, I heard but could not understand; so I said, “My lord, what *will be* the outcome of these *events*?” ⁹ He said, “Go *your way*, Daniel, for *these* words are concealed and sealed up until the end time.

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Gal. 6:9-Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary.

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John 1:3-All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

Col. 1:16-17-¹⁶ For by Him all things were created, *both* in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

Heb. 1:2-in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

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Eph. 5:26-so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word

Gen. 3:22-24-²² Then the LORD God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of Us, knowing good and evil; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever”—²³ therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground from which he was taken. ²⁴ So He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword which turned every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.

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Philip. 3:2-Beware of the dogs, beware of the evil workers, beware of the false circumcision

Prov. 6:16-17-There are six things which the LORD hates, Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him: ¹⁷ Haughty eyes, a lying tongue, And hands that shed innocent blood

Heb. 13:4-Marriage *is to be held* in honor among all, and the *marriage bed is to be* undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.

John 3:19-21-¹⁹ This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil. ²⁰ For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. ²¹ But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God.

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Gen. 1:5-God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And **there was evening and there was morning, one day.**

Rev. 2:28-and I will give him the morning star.

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John 4:13-19-¹³ Jesus answered and said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again; ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never thirst; but the water that I will give him will become in him a well of water springing up to eternal life.” ¹⁵ The woman *said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, so I will not be thirsty nor come all the way here to draw.” ¹⁶ He *said to her, “Go, call your husband and come

here.”¹⁷ The woman answered and said, “I have no husband.” Jesus *said to her, “You have correctly said, ‘I have no husband’;¹⁸ for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; this you have said truly.”¹⁹ The woman *said to Him, “Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet.

John 7:37-39-³⁷ Now on the last day, the great *day* of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink.³⁸ He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, ‘From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water.’”³⁹ But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet *given*, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

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John 19:30- Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “**It is finished!**” And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.

Rom. 6:23- For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Eph. 2:8-9-⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; ⁹ not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Gal. 1:8-9-⁸ But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach to you a gospel contrary to what we have preached to you, he is to be accursed! ⁹ As we have said before, so I say again now, if any man is preaching to you a gospel contrary to what you received, he is to be accursed!

Conclusion

Num. 6:24-26-²⁴ The LORD bless you, and keep you;
²⁵ The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; ²⁶ The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.'