

ESCHATOLOGY

An aerial photograph of the USS Gerald R Ford aircraft carrier at sea. The deck is densely packed with numerous fighter jets, likely F-35s, arranged in neat rows. The ship's superstructure is visible at the top, and the dark blue ocean surrounds the vessel.

**Consummation
of All**

USS Gerald R Ford

INTRODUCTION

I. Introduction

II. Importance

III. Intent

IV. Interpretation





PROPHECA

PRINCIPLES



❖ Literal

❖ Emphasize GHC

**GRAMMATICAL-
HISTORICAL-
CONTEXTUAL
METHOD**

Or

“Literal Method”

ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES

1. Linguistic



LINGUISTIC

An aerial photograph of Jerusalem, Israel, showing the Old City walls, the Dome of the Rock with its golden dome, and the modern city skyline in the background. The foreground features a cemetery with many tombstones.

Determine meaning by
conventions of language

ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES



1. Linguistic

2. Contextual

CONTEXTUAL

An aerial photograph showing a wide view of a coastal city. A multi-lane highway runs parallel to the coast, with a city built up behind it. The ocean is on the right, with waves breaking on the shore. The sky is blue with some clouds. The wing of an airplane is visible in the top left corner.

**Context is the final
determiner of meaning**

ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES



1. Linguistic

2. Contextual

3. Historical

A detailed model of an ancient city, likely a Roman or Greek city, featuring stone walls, columns, and a central temple-like structure. The model is set against a backdrop of a stone wall and a cityscape. The word "HISTORICAL" is written in large, bold, red letters at the top of the image.

HISTORICAL

Historical setting
contributes to meaning

ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES

1. Linguistic **4. Cultural**

2. Contextual

3. Historical **5. Metaphorical**

METAPHORICAL

A photograph of an ancient stone wall under construction or repair. The wall is made of large, rectangular stone blocks and is partially covered with scaffolding. In the foreground, there is a path made of stone slabs and a metal railing. The background shows a hillside with some buildings and a clear blue sky.

**Interpret according to
appropriate metaphorical
conventions**

OTHER GHC PRINCIPLES

➤ **Metaphorical - Rev 8 & 9**

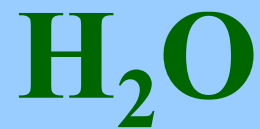
SYMBOLS

$$E = MC^2$$

$$V = d/t$$

$$A = \pi r^2$$

$$A = v/t$$



$$\tan \theta = y/x$$



PRINCIPLES



- ❖ Literal
- ❖ Emphasize GHC
- ❖ NT Interpretation

LITERAL

1. Basic Principles

2. NT Method

Isa 11:1 ->	Mt 1:1, 6	descendent
Isa 7:14 ->	Mt 1:23	virgin birth
Mic 5:2 ->	Mt 2:6	birth place
Ps 41:9 ->	Jn 13:18	betrayed
Isa 50:6 ->	Mt 26:67, 27:30	humiliation
Ps 22:16 ->	Mt 27:34	pierced hands/feet
Ps 34:20 ->	Jn 19:36	no bones broken

LITERAL

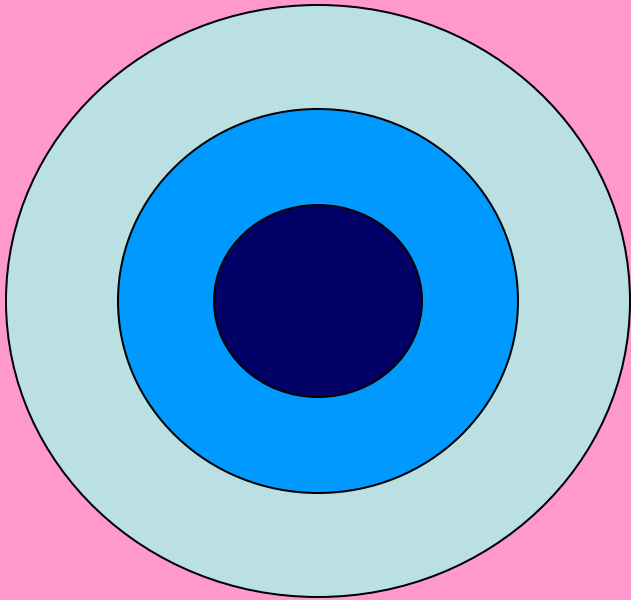
- 1. Basic Principles**
- 2. NT Method**
- 3. Other Literal Fulfillments**
 - a. Destruction of Cities**
 - b. Israel Restored - May 1948**
- 4. Resist spiritualization**

PRINCIPLES



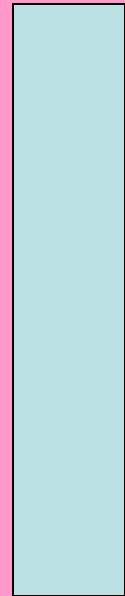
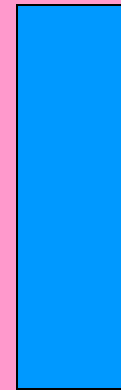
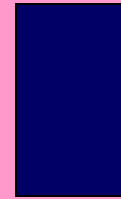
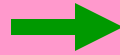
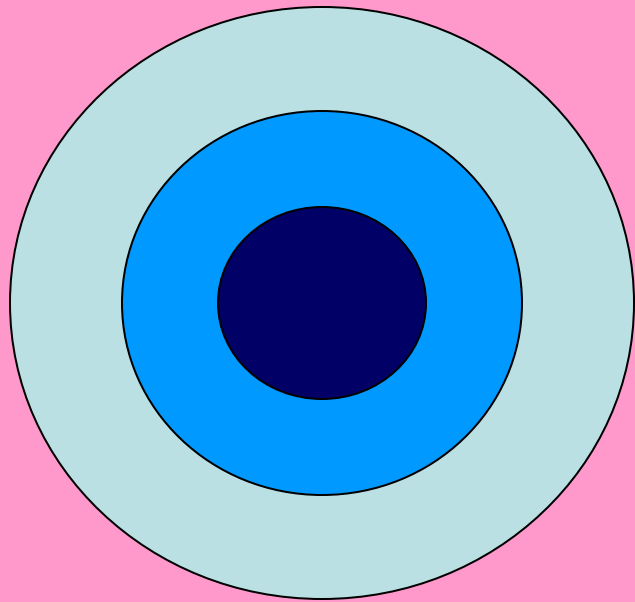
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- ❖ Emphasize GHC
- ❖ NT Interpretation
- ❖ Telescoping

TELESCOPING



**Prophet's
View**

TELESCOPING



**Prophet's
View**

Near 1st 2nd

Isa 9:6 For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

Lk 4:17 And the book of the prophet **Isaiah** (61) was handed to Him. And He opened the book and found the place where it was written,

Lk 4:18-19 “THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED, 19 TO PROCLAIM THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD.”

**Isa 61:2 To proclaim the favorable
year of the LORD And the day
of vengeance of our God; To
comfort all who mourn, ...**

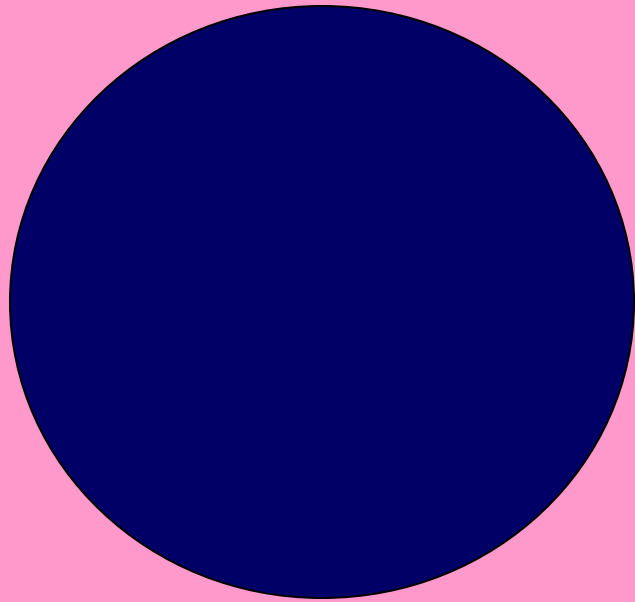
Lk 4:20-21 And He closed the book, gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. 21 And He began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

PRINCIPLES

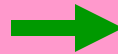


- ✧ Literal
- ✧ Emphasize GHC
- ✧ Conditional
- ✧ Telescoping
- ✧ Double Reference

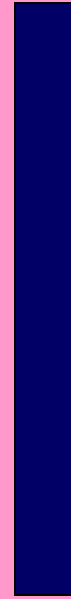
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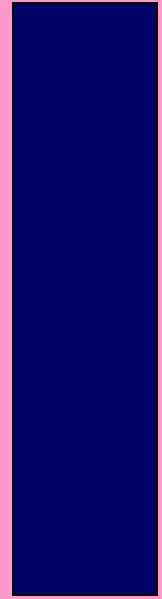
Prophet's
View



Near



1st



2nd

Mt 17:10-11 And His disciples asked Him, “Why then do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?” 11 And He answered and said, “Elijah is coming and will restore all things;

Mt 17:12-13 but I say to you that **Elijah already came, and they did not recognize him, but did to him whatever they wished. So also the Son of Man is going to suffer at their hands.”** 13 **Then the disciples understood that He had spoken to them about John the Baptist.**

MAJOR TERMS

- 1. Day of Lord - mainly judgment**
- 2. Tribulation - specific**

Deut 4:30 When you are in **distress** and all these things have come upon you, in the **latter days** you **will return** to the **LORD** your God and listen to His voice.

MAJOR TERMS

- 1. Day of Lord - mainly judgment**
- 2. Tribulation - specific**
- 3. Kingdom - millennial**
- 4. 2nd Coming Terms**

TERMS

1. παρουσία - presence
2. ἐπιφάνεια - appearance
3. φανερόω - appearing
4. ἀποκαλύπτω - unveiling
5. ἔρχομαι - coming

INTRODUCTION

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V. Positions





1. Postmillennial

2. Amillennial

3. Premillennial

MILLENNIAL

POSITIONS

POSTMILLENNIALISM



Church Age

KINGDOM

Christ's
Return



ETERNITY

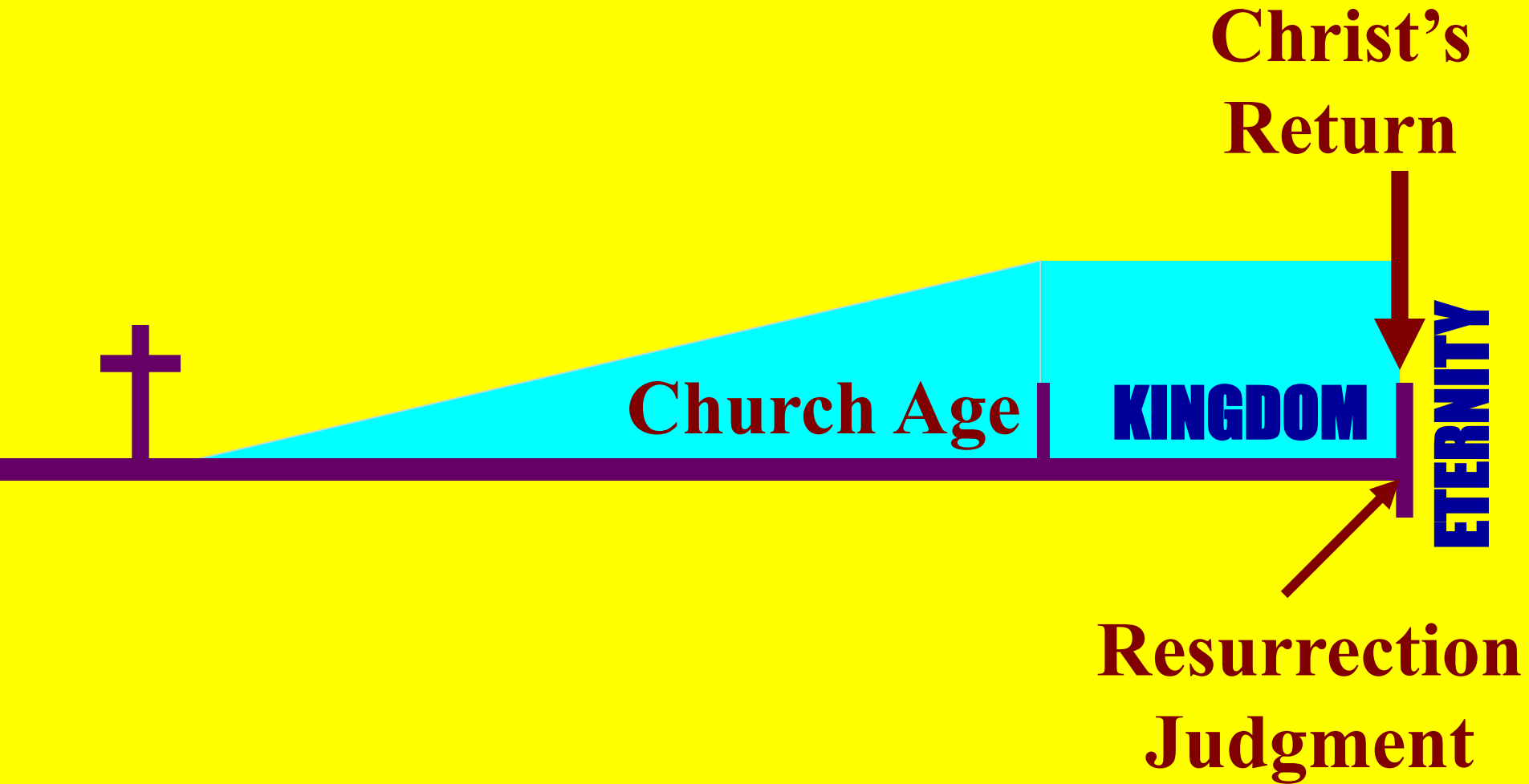
“... expects the proclaiming of the Spirit-blessed gospel of Jesus Christ to win the vast majority of human beings to salvation in the present age. Increasing gospel success will gradually produce a time in history prior to Christ’s return in which faith, righteousness, peace, & prosperity will prevail in the affairs of people & of nations. After an extensive era of such conditions the Lord will return visibly, bodily, & in great glory, ending history with the general resurrection & the great judgment of all humankind.”

Kenneth L Gentry Jr.

POSTMILLENNIALISM

- **Church dominates thru Gospel**
- **Worldwide Peace & Righteousness**
- **Lasts 1000 years or long time**
- **Christ not present except in Hearts**
- **Christ comes after millennium**
- **Non-literal interpretation**

POSTMILLENNIALISM



SUPPORT



1. Covenants - Creation, Edenic, Abrahamic, New

2. Scripture - Ps 2, Isa 2:2-4, Mt 13, Jn 12:31-32, Mt 28:18-20

3. Power of Gospel - Rom 1:16

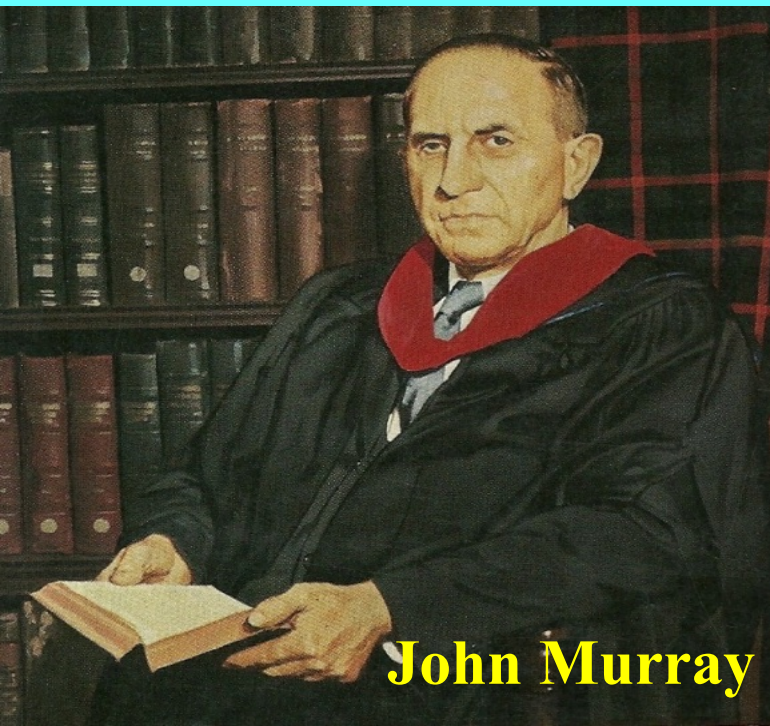
HISTORY

- ✧ **Origin - Whitby (17th C)**
- ✧ **Liberal Version**
- ✧ **WWI & WWII - few post-mills**
- ✧ **Resurgence - Dominionian Theology
(reformed & charismatic)**

PROPONENTS

- **Recent - L Boettner, John Murray,
OT Allis, RJ Rushdoony, Earl Paulk**
- **Older - C Hodge, AH Strong,**

**AA Hodge, BB Warfield,
WGT Shedd,
T Brightman**



John Murray

AMILLENNIALISM



KINGDOM

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ETERNITY

AMILLENNIALISM

- **No Future Millennium**
- **Heaven now Rules over Church**
- **Satan now Bound**
- **Christ present in Hearts**
- **Christ comes at End of Age**

2 FORMS

- **Historic Augustinian -**
Kingdom between 1st & 2nd Coming
Kingdom on Earth
- **Modified Augustinian -**
Satan Partially Bound
Kingdom in Heaven

HISTORY

- ✧ **Soon coming questioned**
- ✧ **Origen - allegorization**
- ✧ **Augustine (354-430) - popularized**
- ✧ **Reformation - followed Augustine**

AMILLENNIALISM



Church age = **KINGDOM**

Christ's
Return



ETERNITY

Resurrection
Judgment



SUPPORT



1. Heavenly Kingdom - Eph 2:6,

Phil 3:20

2. Last Days - Heb 1:2, 9:26

Act 2:16-17

3. Interpretation of NT

PROPONENTS

➤ **Recent -** EJ Young, Wm Hendriksen,
A Kuyper, Leon Morris

➤ **Older -** L Berkhof,
RCH Lenski,
HB Swete,
M Luther



PREMILLENNIALISM

Christ's
Return



MILLENNIUM

ETERNITY



PREMILLENNIALISM

- **Christ comes before Millennium**
- **Christ Establishes Kingdom**
- **Kingdom is Literal & Earthly**
- **Distinct from Present Form**
- **Jews expect Fulfillment of Promises**

2 FORMS

- **Historic - Includes**
 - Non-dispensationalists**
 - Variety of Theologies**
- **Dispensational - Distinctions**
 - Israel & Church**
 - Earthly & Heavenly States**

HISTORY

✧ **1st 3 Centuries**

✧ **4th Century - decline**

✧ **Joachim (~1135-1202) - future**

✧ **After Reformation - restored**

✧ **Today - still minority view**

SUPPORT

A vibrant, detailed illustration of a heavenly city. In the center, Jesus Christ with long hair and a beard, wearing a white robe with a gold sash, stands with arms outstretched. A large, multi-colored rainbow arches across the sky behind him. The city below is a grand, golden structure with many towers and spires, situated on a hillside. A river flows through the city, with a waterfall in the foreground. In the lower right, a large, majestic lion with a thick mane lies on the grass, with a small, white cub resting beside it. In the lower left, a man and a woman in white robes stand near a stream, surrounded by various animals like sheep and goats. The sky is filled with white birds flying. The overall scene is bright and colorful, with a sense of peace and divine presence.

1. Literal Interpretation

2. Fulfilled Prophecy

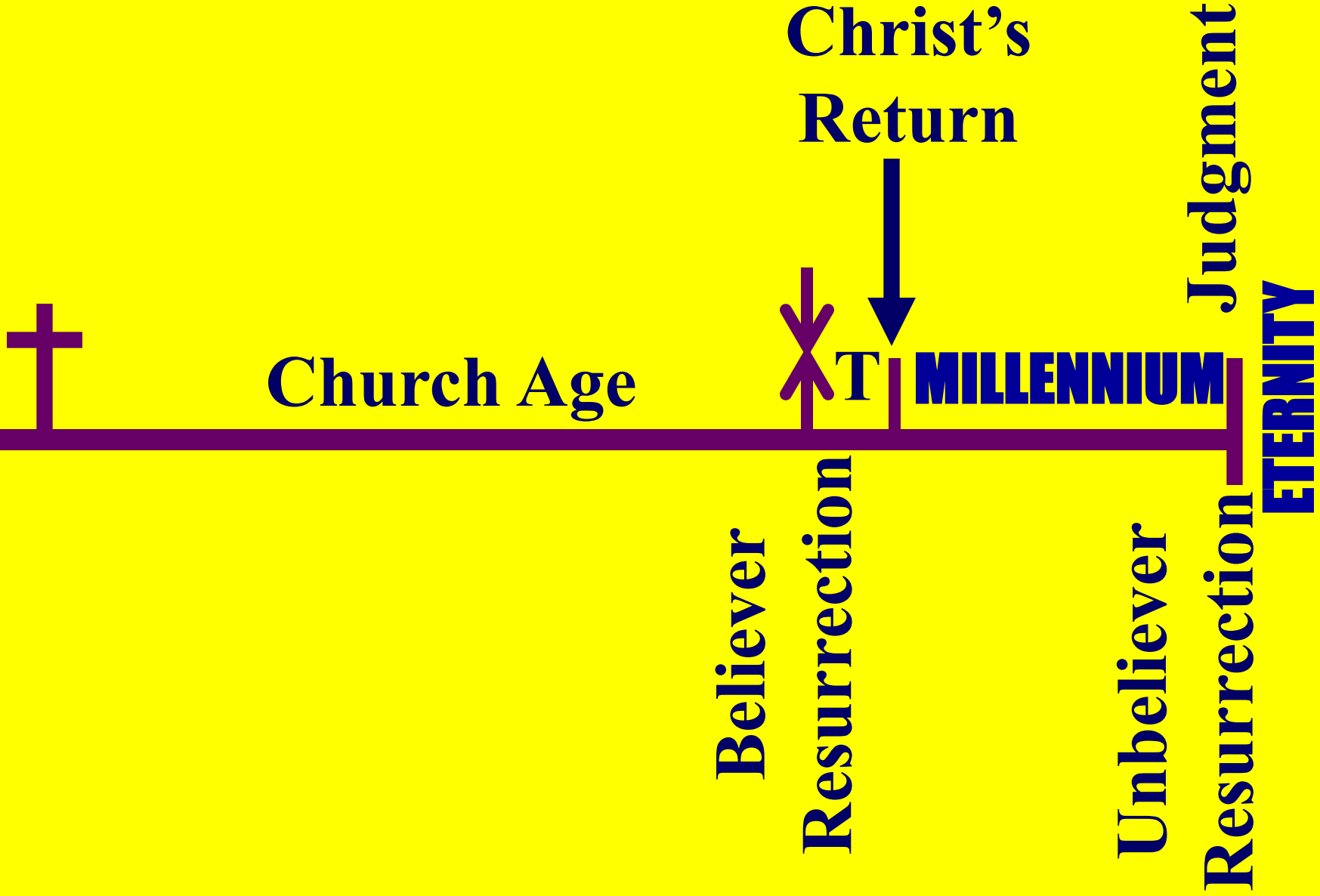
3. Early Church

4. OT Expectation

5. Chronology of Major Passages

6. Rev 19-20

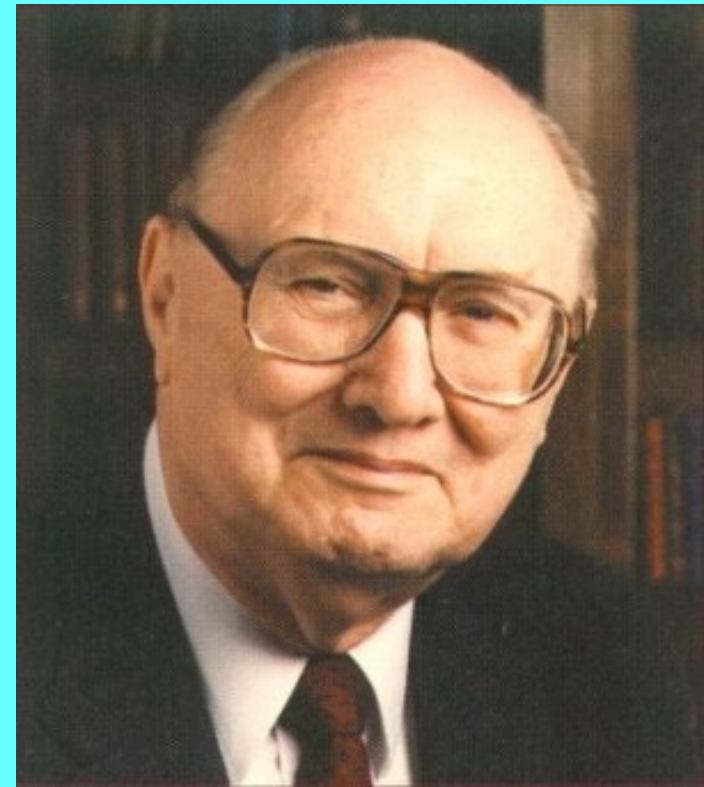
PREMILLENNIALISM



PROPONENTS

➤ **Dispensational - JF Walvoord,
GL Archer, JD Pentecost,
CL Feinberg, AJ McClain**

➤ **Historic - GE Ladd,
FF Bruce,
Lightfoot,
RH Charles**

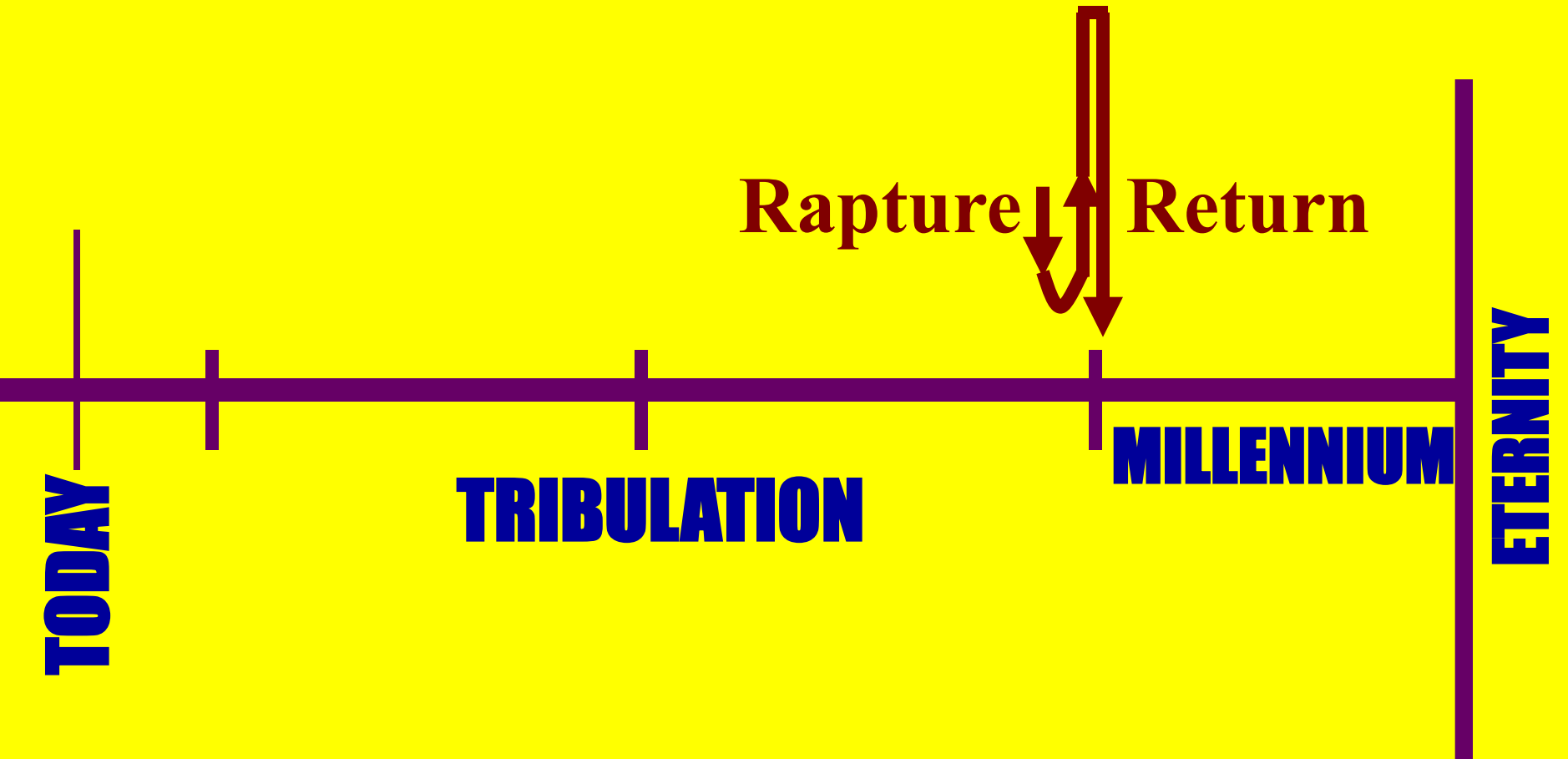




TRIBULATION

POSITIONS

POSTTRIBULATION



2 VARIATIONS

➤ Entire Present Age

➤ Future Great Tribulation



SUPPORT

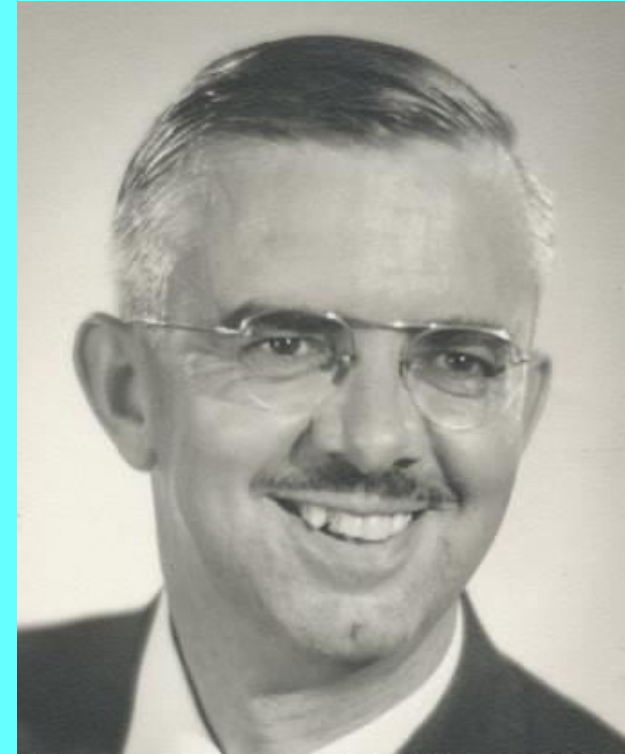
1. Vocabulary of 2nd Coming
2. Promise of Tribulation
3. Church on Earth
4. Fulfillment of Dan 9:24-27
5. Supernatural Protection

DENIAL of

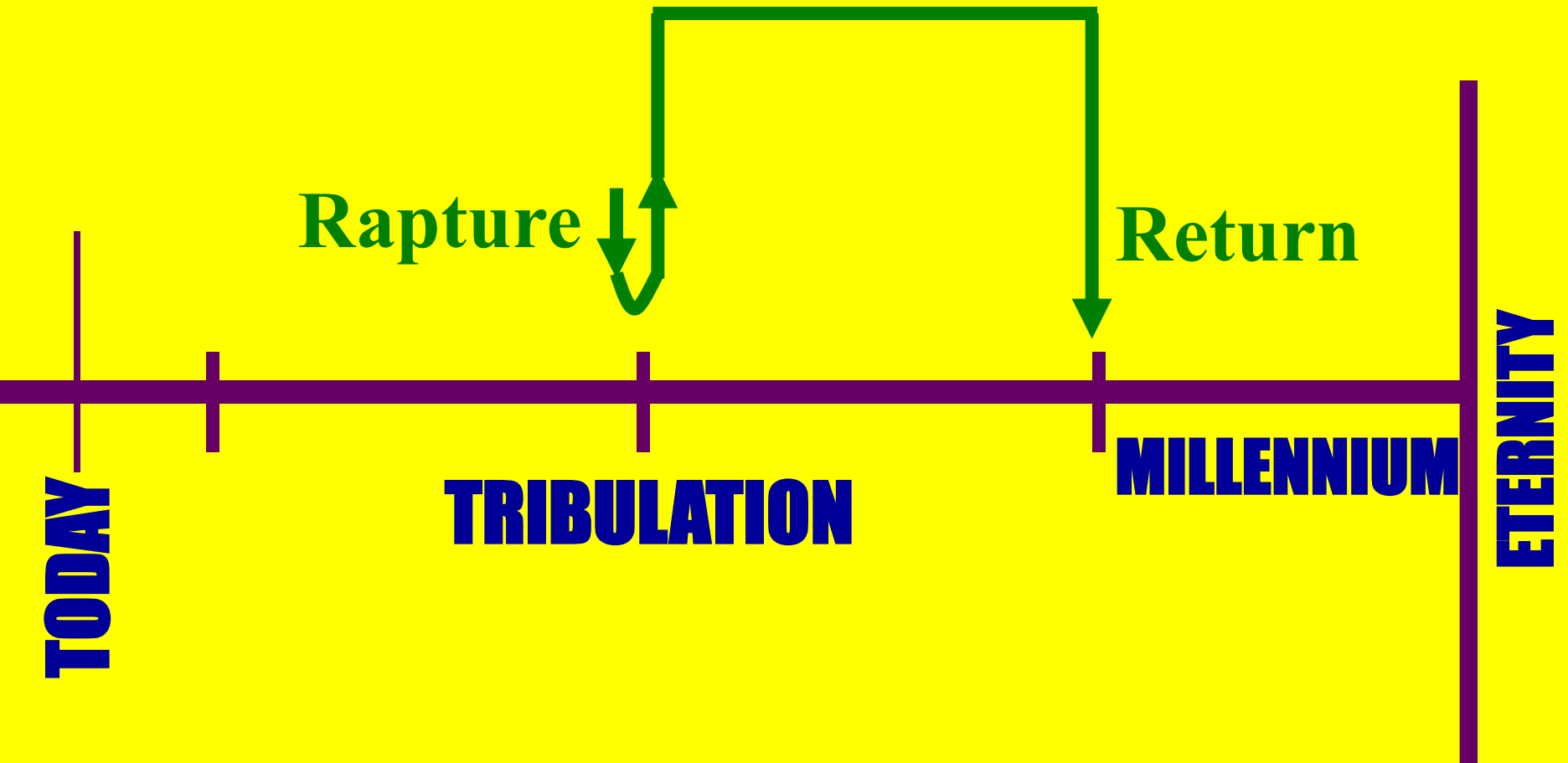
- **Israel/Church Distinction**
- **Doctrine of Imminence**
- **Rapture/2nd Advent Distinction**
- **Purpose of Tribulation**
- **Future Fulfillment of Dan 9:24-27**
- **Dispensationalism**

PROPONENTS

- **Generally -** most Amillennialists,
Postmillennialists,
Catholics, Protestants
- **Individuals -** GE Ladd,
R Gundry,
A Reese,
DJ Moo



MIDTRIBULATION





SUPPORT

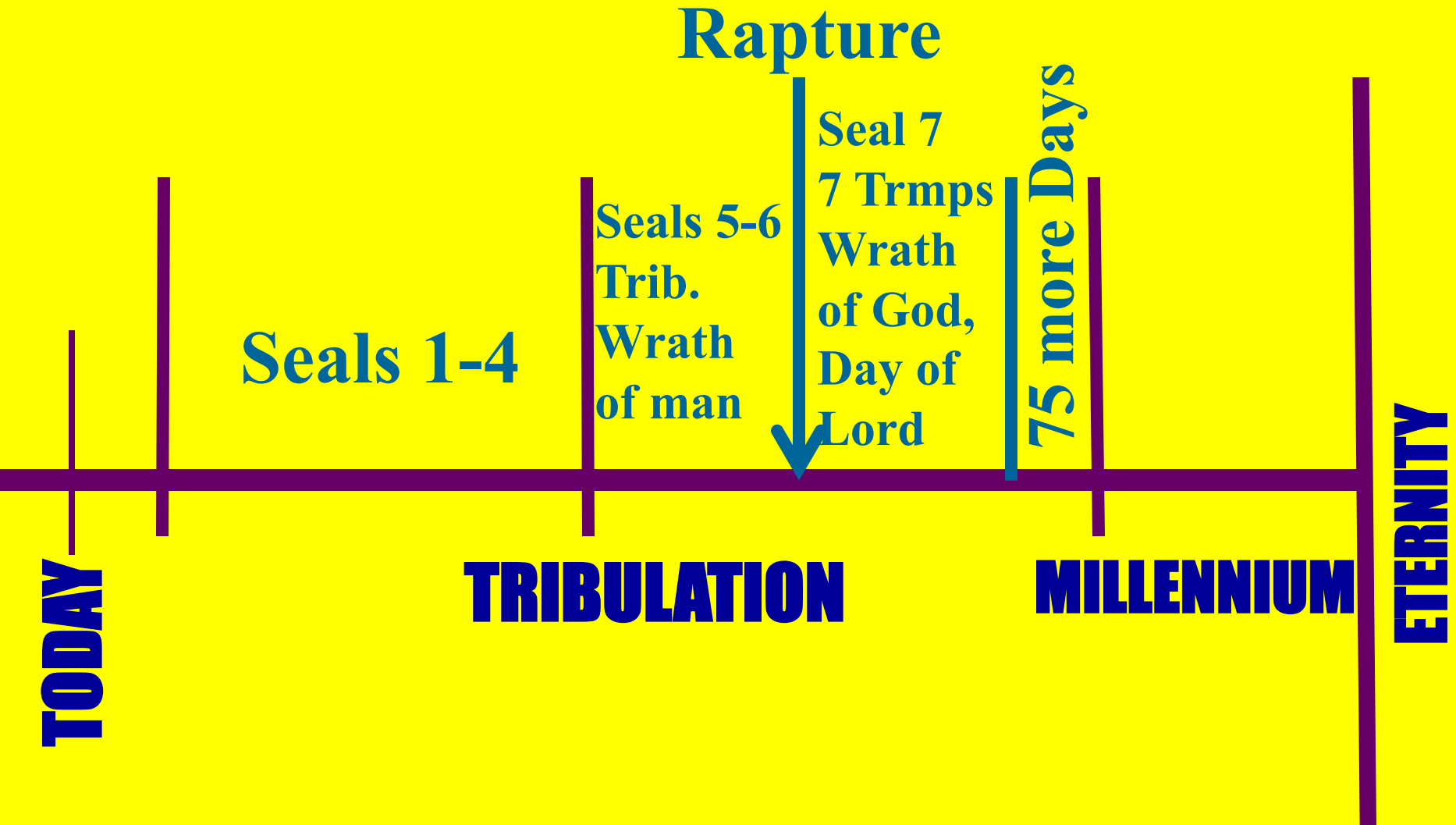
- 1. Promise of Tribulation**
- 2. Duration of Tribulation**
- 3. Rev 11**
- 4. Last Trumpet**
- 5. Nature of Revelation Judgments**

PROPONENTS

➤ **Individuals - Norman B Harrison,
J Oliver Buswell,
Gleason Archer,
Harold Ockenga**

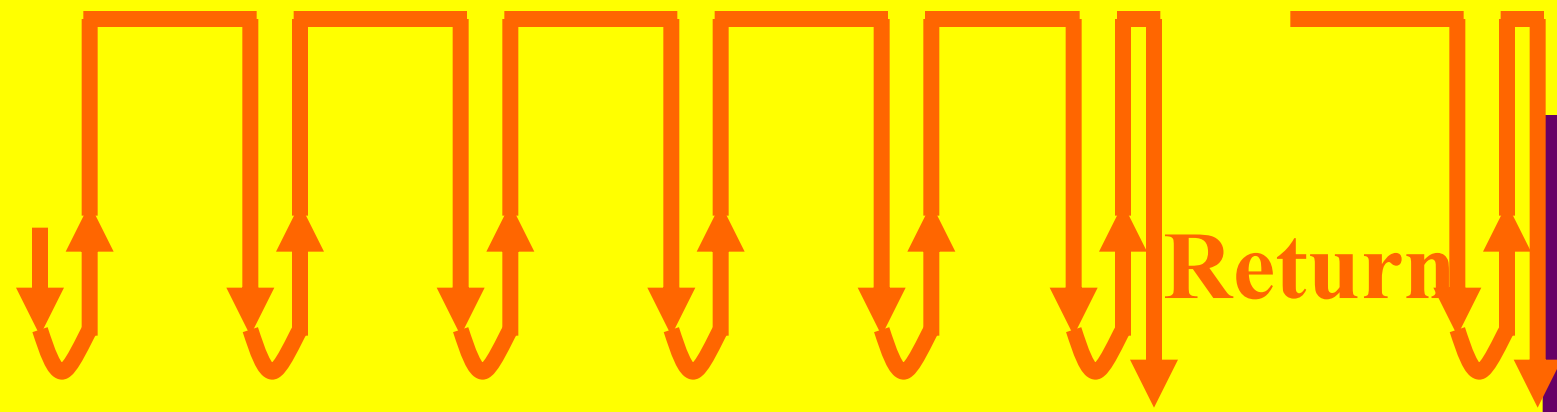


PRE-WRATH



PARTIAL RAPTURE

Raptures



TODAY

TRIBULATION

MILLENNIUM

ETERNITY

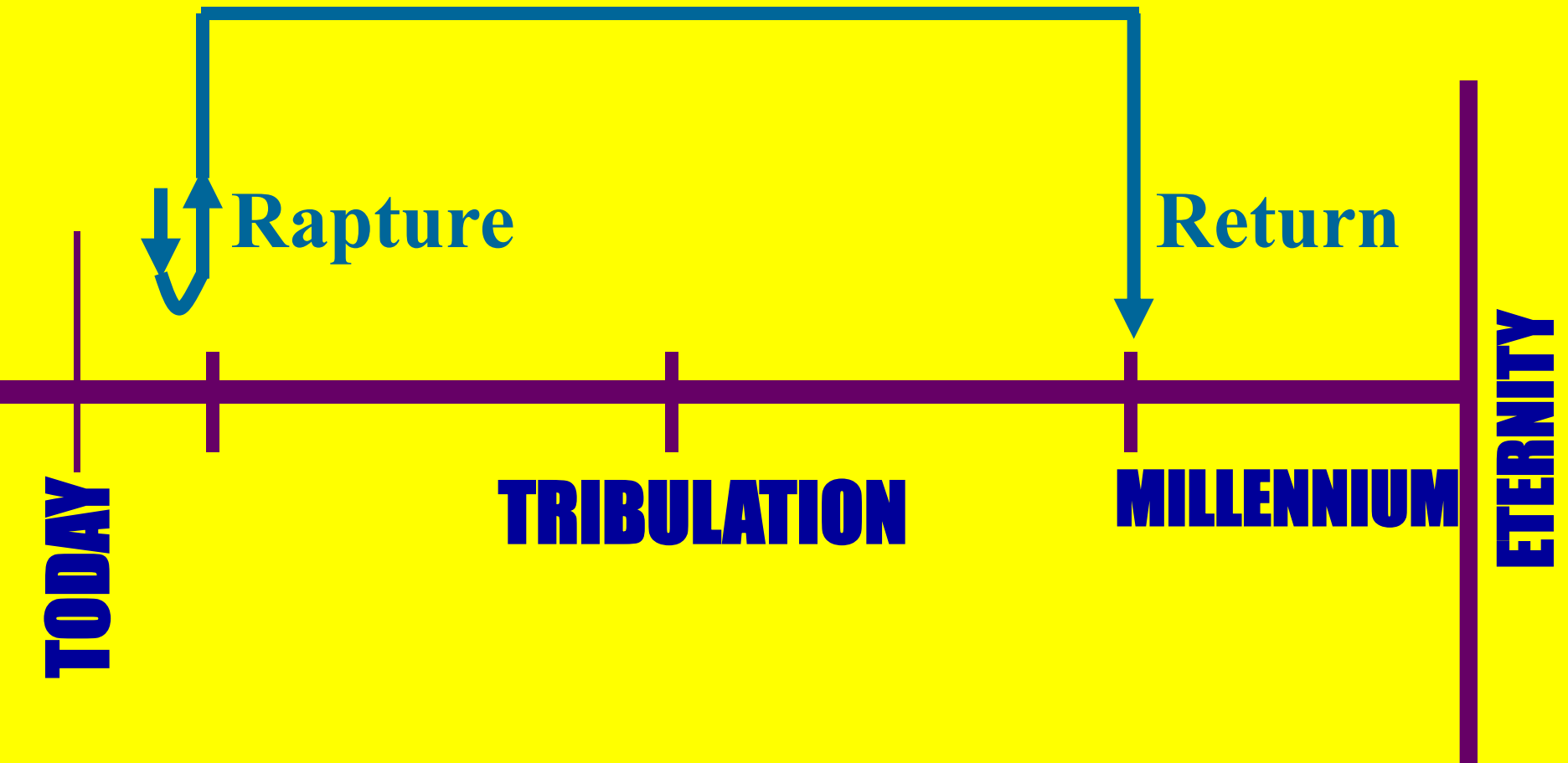
EMPHASIS

➤ **Nature of the Believer**

Basis - Spiritual Condition

➤ **Not Time Frame**

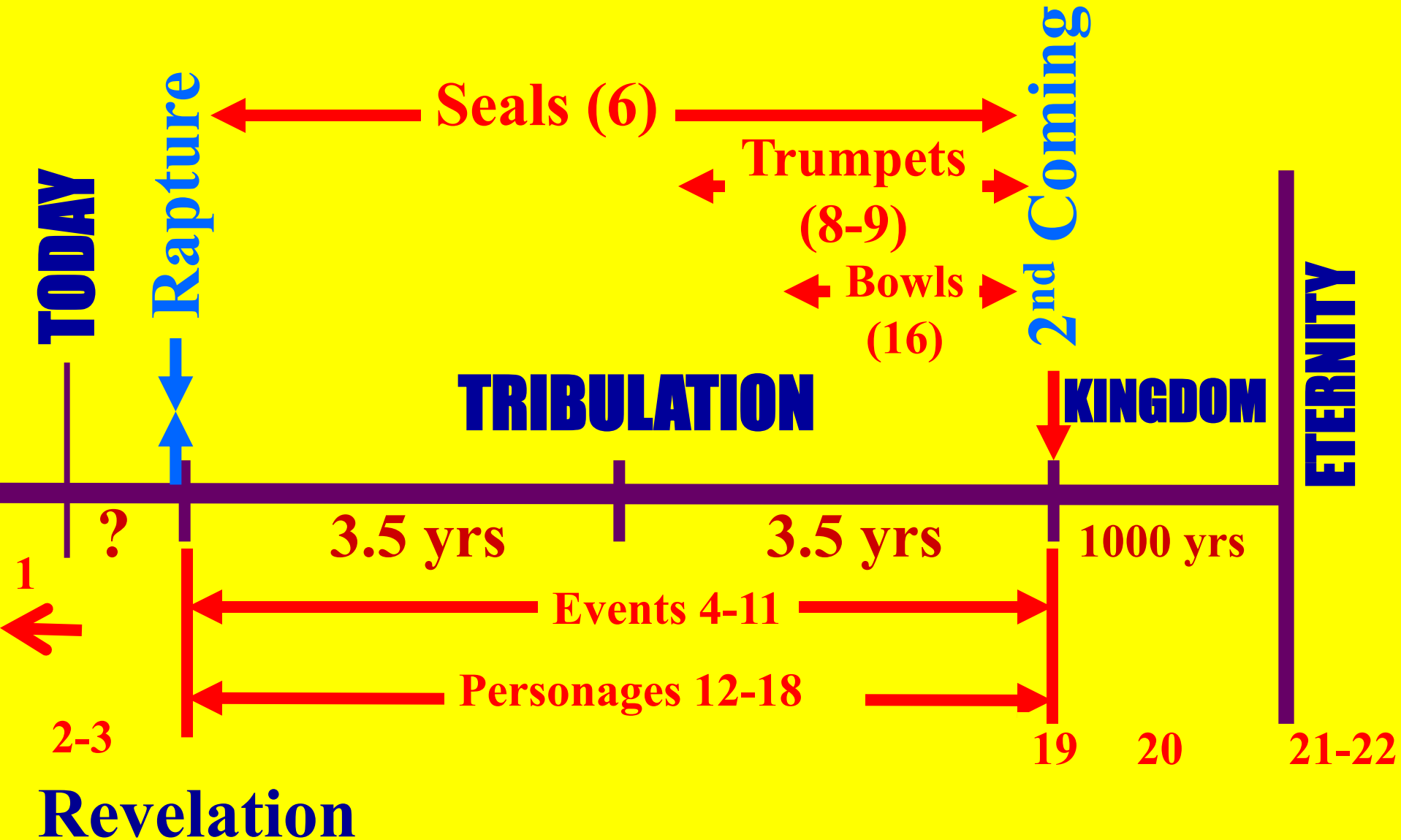
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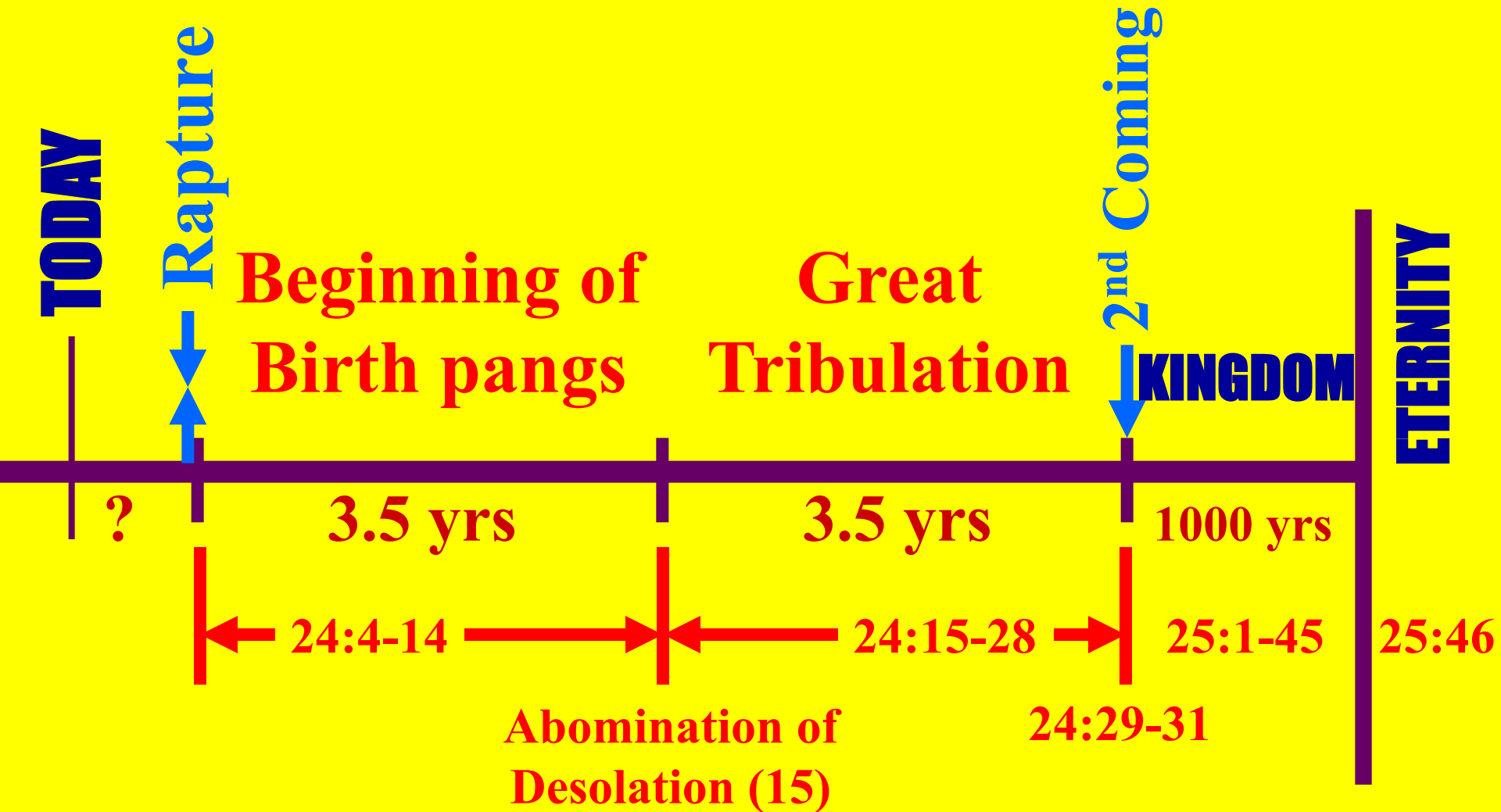
SUPPORT

- 1. Literal Interpretation - only position**
- 2. Israel/Church Distinction**
- 3. Daniel's 70th Week**
- 4. Chronologies of Major Passages**

END of the AGE

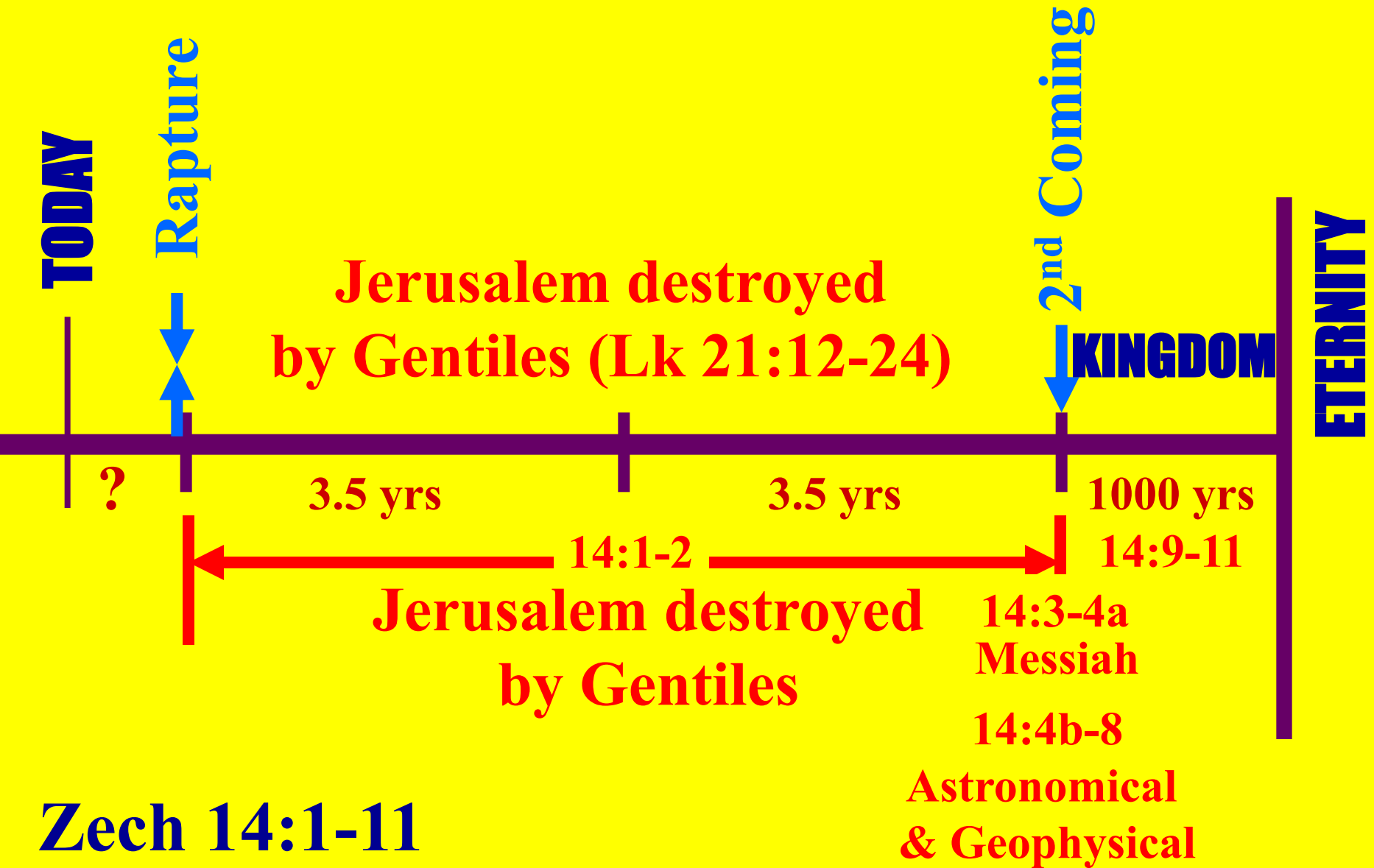


END of the AGE



Mt 24-25

END of the AGE



SUPPORT

The background of the slide is a rich, colorful illustration. At the top center, Jesus Christ is depicted with long brown hair and a beard, wearing a white robe with a gold sash, standing with his arms outstretched. He is surrounded by a brilliant, golden light that radiates across the sky. Several angels with large white wings are flying around him, some holding trumpets. A vibrant rainbow arches across the sky behind him. In the foreground, a diverse group of people, including men, women, and children, are running and jumping joyfully towards the light. They are dressed in various styles of clothing, some in traditional robes and others in modern attire. The ground is a lush, green landscape with many colorful flowers, including purple and yellow blooms. The overall atmosphere is one of divine glory and joyful anticipation.

1. **Literal Interpretation - only position**
2. **Israel/Church Distinction**
3. **Daniel's 70th Week**
4. **Chronologies of Major Passages**
5. **No OT or NT Tribulation passages**
6. **Promise of Exemption**
7. **Doctrine of imminence**
8. **Symbolic parallels**

PROPONENTS

- **Generally - Most Dispensationalists**
- **Individuals - JN Darby,
Walvoord,
JD Pentecost,
CL Feinberg,
CC Ryrie,
Leon Wood**

