



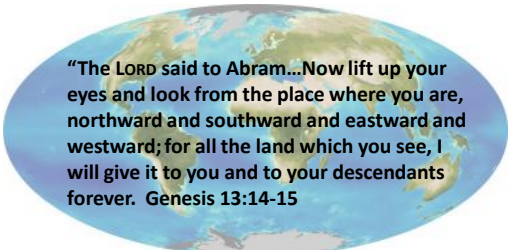
# God's Kingdom Plan & Paradise Restored

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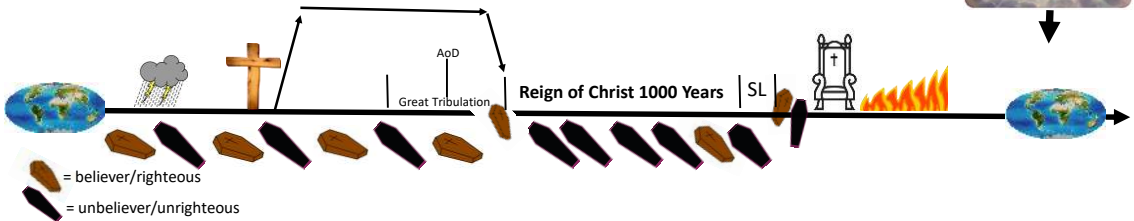
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God created a paradise for mankind and mankind ruined it. But God still had a plan to restore not only our relationship with Him, but to restore the earth back to paradise conditions. The Bible tells us this story and reveals God's plan for us and a restored planet earth.

- 1) God created the earth & paradise for mankind.
- 2) Mankind sinned & was separated from God. Death.
- 3) God destroyed the earth and mankind with water. (flood)
- 4) Promise to Abraham (The land)
- 5) Jesus' death & resurrection
- 6) The last days (from Jesus' time until present)
- 7) Great Tribulation & End of this Evil Age (Abomination of Desolation = AoD)
- 8) Jesus' return, resurrection of the righteous
- 9) Millennial rule on earth (Satan bound)
- 10) Satan Loosed (SL) (Revelation 20:1-3; 7-10)
- 11) Second resurrection, judgement
- 12) Earth cleansed with fire & renewed. New Jerusalem comes down from heaven and God comes to the earth.



“And all these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised, because God had provided something better for us, so that apart from us they would not be made perfect.” Hebrews 11:39-40



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Read Genesis 13:14-15 and Hebrews 11:39-40

Quick overview slide – go through it briefly...

# Jesus is Coming!



**“Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him...”**

Revelation 1:7

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Main Event! Our salvation hinges on this event. This is when we are resurrected and made immortal.

It is not a secret coming. It is visible.

**“And he will send forth  
his angels with a great  
trumpet and they will  
gather his elect...”**

Matthew 24:31



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Exciting! The dead saints are rising out of the ground and sea! Those who are alive are changed in a twinkling of an eye. And they rise to meet Jesus in the sky and then come back down to the earth.

“The perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality...” 1 Cor. 15:53 When Jesus returns and sends his angels, then this happens for the righteous and faithful followers, the saints! This is the **FIRST RESURRECTION**.



**“...and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True...”** Revelation 19:11

## **Revelation 19:11-21**

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Read Revelation 19:11-21

There are two battles...one when Jesus rides into Jerusalem after the great Tribulation, and another after Satan is released after the millineum. (How arrogant to think they defeat Jesus!)

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; and he threw him into the abyss, and shut *it* and sealed *it* over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time. Revelation 20:1-3



**Revelation 20:7-10**



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And to think that some people don't believe in Satan! If we deny his existence, it is much easier to be deceived by him.

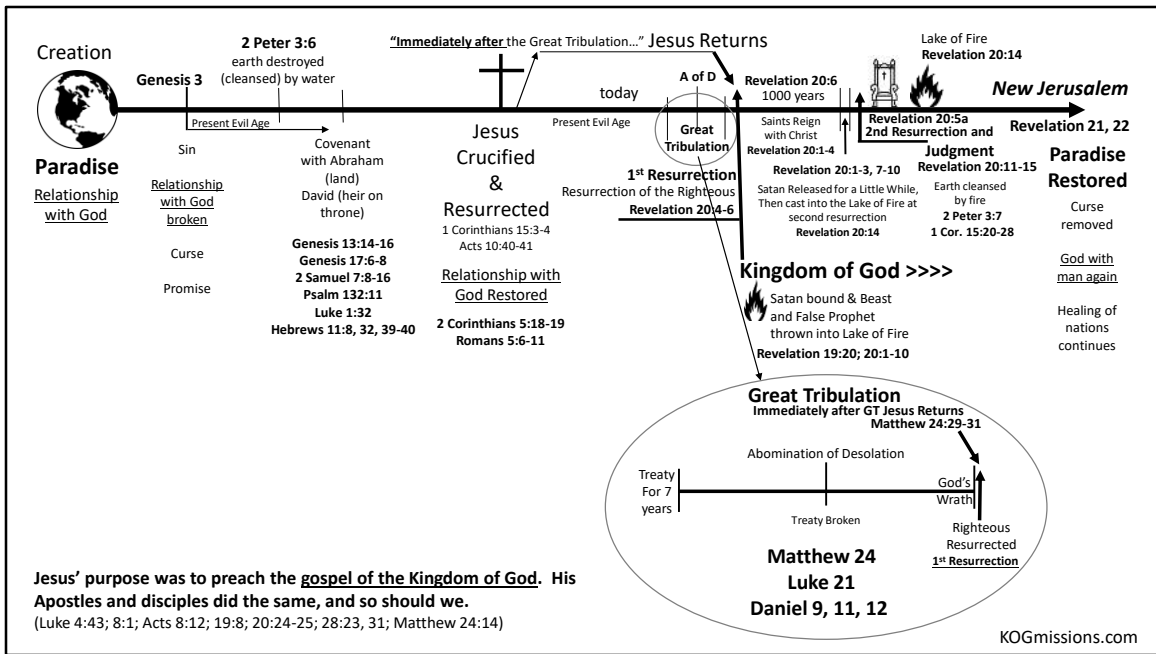
After Satan is released he will have a short time to gather an army to try one final time to beat Jesus.

Read - Revelation 20:7-10

Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I *saw* the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; **and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.** The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the **first resurrection.** Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but **they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.** Revelation 20:4-6

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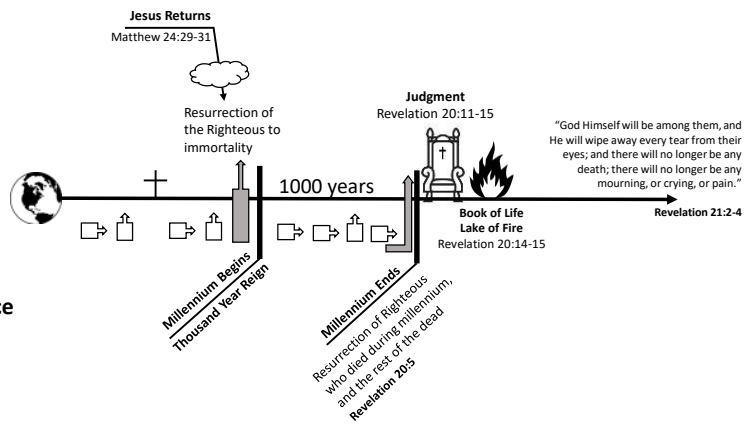
Then what?! We will reign with Jesus!



So let's take a look again, but with more of the details and Scripture references.



# Death & Resurrection



**It is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment...**

Hebrews 9:27

**All the dead are asleep**

(Daniel 12:2; Psalms 6:5; 13:3; Ecclesiastes 9:5; John 5:28-29)

☒ = sleeping (dead) righteous (saved) person  
 ☒ = sleeping (dead) unrighteous (unsaved) person

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It is essential to understand death and the importance of being resurrected.

This helps us understand the nature of man/human beings. "The perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality..." 1 Cor. 15:53  
 So when does this happen? Not at death! But at RESURRECTION! And when we understand the nature of man, we can understand who Jesus was and is, and who God is.

# Preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom

(Luke 4:43; 8:1; Acts 8:12; 19:8; 20:24-25; 28:23, 31; Matthew 24:14)

## Jesus' Example

- Preached, Taught & Revealed Future Kingdom Life
- Parables (Matthew 13, 18, 22 & 25)
- Talked about for 40 Days after Resurrection (Acts 1:1-3)

## Resurrection – 1 Corinthians 15:12-28

- If no resurrection, then you are still in your sins
- Jesus was the first resurrected to immortality
- Saints are the next to be resurrected at Jesus' return
- Jesus must reign until all enemies are under his feet and death is destroyed
- Then, he will turn the kingdom over to his Father, God.

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Once we know this, we have a responsibility to share it with others!