**THE THOUSAND YEAR REIGN**

1. Rev. 11:15-19.

Corrections from Sinaitic and Alexandrian mss. Verses 15, 17.

7th. Angel = CTR.

Trumpeted in 1876, about Kingdom of God Almighty (Jehovah), beginning in 1874 when He sent His Son, Jesus back to earth at the start of the Times of Restitution of All things Acts 3:19-21.

This coincides with Jesus parable on the Pounds – Luke 19:12, 13

“He said therefore, a certain noble man went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them trade till I come.”

Among the other lessons, this illustrates that Jesus had the kingdom right UPON HIS RETURN, HENCE REIGN BEGAN IN 1874, and the PROCESS began and continues.

This is the same period of time as that stated by Jude 6 – “judgment of the great DAY” = 1,000 Year Day of our Lord’s presence.

II Pet. 3:8 “… a DAY with the Lord is as a 1,000 Years…”

What we have read in these verses denote A PROCESS. NOT AN INSTANTEOUS, 24 HOUR EVENT.

This process is called – SETTING UP THE KINGDOM.

The Kingdom is first, Jehovah’s, then Jesus’ and his Body members, his Bride, the 144,000. In the highest sense it is the Spiritual phase and it’s dominion over the earthly phase.

NOTE THAT IN REV.11:15-19 THERE IS NO MENTION OF PEACE!! RATHER IT IS TROUBLE.

This troubled time is a TIME OF TRANSISITON. It is the transition of Satan’s world order to that of our God and His Christ.

It is the passing away of the Old heavens and earth being replaced gradually by the New heavens and New earth.

IT IS THE HARVEST PERIOD OF THE GOSPEL AGE, OVERLAPPED BY THE INCOMING MILLENIAL OR MESSIANIC AGE.

Trouble is a result of several Kingdom related factors =

1. Increased knowledge and information, dispelling some aspects of the gross darkness of the so-called “Dark Ages”, resulting in a dramatic increase in discontentment among the masses of people. Calls for greater equality on every level.
2. Satan in some aspects becomes more active.
3. The stated “lightings” = startling revealments of truths on all subjects.
4. The stated “thunderings” = frightful declarations regarding various “rights”.
5. The stated “earthquake” = social revolutions and upheavals.
6. The stated “great hail” = hard cutting truths that is painful to fallen human passions and prejudices.
7. During this setting up or transition period, God renders judgement upon those that “destroyed” or “corrupted” the earth (society). Both with Christendom and Churchanity, as well as with governments and various financial powers.
8. Part of these judgements began in 1878, but there was a critical prophetic deadline in 1914 with the start of the eviction process of the Gentile Powers after a long 2520 years of the Gentile Times. We have no doubt that the outbreak of WWI was a direct result of our returned Lord’s shaping of world events to set this in motion at EXACTLY THE RIGHT DATE.

This trouble during the Day of Jehovah, during the sounding of the Trumpet, was prophesied in Zephaniah 1:14-18.

I want to double back to Rev. 11:15 “… and there were great voices in heaven saying…” This was prophesied by Isaiah in –

Isaiah 52:7-10 (read) and elaborate.

NOTES:

Feet members still in flesh while proclaiming.

Mountains (still are governments of earth, for awhile).

God = Jehovah reigns while earthly governments are still here = the Process, the Transition time.

Jehovah’s arm = Jesus. Made bare = eventually world will recognize Jesus as king.

The watchmen sing = in harmony on the fundamental truths of God’s Plan of the Ages.

Jerusalem restored. Israel restored. The end of the 1845 years of the Double of Disfavor from 33 AD until 1878 AD.

Rev. 11:18 stated in part “…the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and the thou shouldest give reward into thy servants, the prophets and the saints…”

Let us offer two scriptures right here in Revelation that interprets the Revelator’s meaning in “prophets and saints”.

Rev. 16:6 “For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink for they are worthy.”

A reference to the Gospel Age persecutions of the Spirit-begotten. NOT a reference to the Ancient Worthies of the previous Ages.

Rev. 18:24 “And in her was found the blood of prophets and of saints and of all that were slain upon the earth.”

Again, a Gospel Age reference to the Spirit-begotten, not the A. W. of previous Ages.

With this understanding in mind we proceed to connect the Rev. 11:18 statement that it is during the reign of God and His Christ that the Spirit-begotten are rewarded and we would add “first”. Later resurrection and resuscitation rewards await others as expressed “and then that fear thy name, small and great…”

This judgement and rewarding of the dead began with the resurrection of the Sleeping Saints, the Body Members of Christ that had proved faithful during their lives previous to Jesus’ return.

We read of this in I Thessalonians 4:15-17 (read).

Correction in the Greek.

Jesus descends from heaven = Acts 3:19-21 God send Jesus back to earth’s atmosphere to claim and set up the Kingdom.

NOTE: “air” vs. 17 in the Greek it is “atmosphere, the first 10,000 feet above the earth’s surface”.

Yes, Jesus literally is present as a divine being in earth’s atmosphere where he receives the sleeping Saints, now risen in-masse in 1878.

NOTE: he returns during the Trumpet sounding (both the 7th Trumpet of our Rev. 11:15 and the antitypical Jubilee trumpet of liberty.

Since 1878 any of the living Saints who die will not have to sleep in death, but they will be changed in the twinkling of an eye, as Paul writes in I Cor. 15, during the “Last Trumpet” = the “Seventh trumpet”.

Now in Revelation 14:14, 15 (read)

Jesus is present in earth’s atmosphere and is overseeing the Harvest work. He is stated to have a “golden crown on his head” = divine authority to REGIN AS EARTH’S KING.

The Harvest work is an evidence of both Jesus’ presence and reign begun. (corresponding verses to this are in Matt. 24:30, 31).

NOTE: “white cloud” is heaven’s view, “dark clouds” is earth’s view.

We would like to consider Matthew 13:41, 42 (read)

Angels = The Church on both in heaven and on earth still during the Harvest time.

Gather out = by using the Truth and other methods known to the Lord.

Out of HIS KINGDOM = Yes, an activity of Jesus’ reign is to remove all opponents of righteousness, allowing them to pass through the great time of trouble of the Armageddon crash, bemoaning that they were NOT the Lord’s true people.

NOTE: Jesus reign begins with TROUBLE – TRANSITION.

Turn with me to Daniel 2:34, 35, 44. (read)

Metalic Image = Gentile powers of the Gentile Times.

Smote = WWI

Broken means “ground to powder” = WWII and all subsequent to 1914 conflicts.

Summer threshing floor = Harvest time while the Harvesting work of the Church is going on. This grinding work starts in the Summer but will continue into the “Winter” of even greater trouble.

Stone = Kingdom of God in The Christ. Starts while some are still in the flesh, note vs. 44 “in the days of these kings” = kingdom work begins to be set up before 1914 (in fact in 1874 onward).

This Kingdom has to GROW to fill the whole earth. YES, the stone is just a beginning part of it, in fact this kingdom or 5th. Universal Empire has two phase – spiritual and earthly, celestial and terrestrial.

NOTE: Again the kingdom is set up during TROUBLE – TRANSITION.

Now to REV. 20:1-7 (READ)

Corrections in verses 2, 3 from the Siniatic mss.

The most correct translation on these verses is ‘The Concordant Greek Text”.

It has “the” before thousand years consistently or no word, but never “a”.

Make the point of a cat versus the cat = The subject is the period of the Reign of Christ, it is a TITLE OF AN AGE.

Note CTR’s change of name on the DPA Chart, to better conform to the other names of Ages, it is the work of the Age rather than a time period name, even though it is a specific time.

The Little Flock will “come to life” during this reign of Christ, it is because he is the HEAD THE BRIDEGROOM AND WE ARE HIS BODY, HIS BRIDE, that we are associated at all in his kingdom.

Would any of us complain that we did not get to reign a full 1,000 years!

Think of the parable of the Penny, certainly we would not murmur because some of the 144,000 got to reign longer than we did?!

On the binding of Satan = Rpt. 4609.

However, we want to add that I think Satan himself is very active but his methods and manners of control have been adversely affected by Jesus return and the increase of knowledge, along with The Christ’s actions during this Harvest period.

In connection with the foregoing:

Mark 3:27 “No man can enter into a strong man’s house and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man and then he will spoil his house.”

Jesus has to enter where Satan is in order to start “binding” = restricting in part.

Some “goods” that Jesus has spoiled:

1. Resurrection in mass of Sleeping Saints 1878
2. Every living Saint who dies henceforth is “changed in a twinkling of an eye”. That is, Satan no longer has the complete power over death.
3. Jewish return to Palestine 1878. (this was a bad year for Satan!).
4. End of the Gentile Times and the smiting of the Image with the subsequent breaking down of the old Order (Monarchies, Colonialism, legal slavery, etc.) 1914.
5. Jewish Statehood 1948.
6. United Jerusalem 1968. The future Earthly Phase of the kingdom Capitol.

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What we first thought was to be 40 years in process, we now know is a much longer process. However, every single one of the signs and evidences we were told in scripture to look forward, have either been fulfilled or are still ongoing. We see NO EVIDENCE TO THE CONTRARY,

CTR was clear, from the start of his ministry until the close October 1916 Forwards, he believed the 1,000 year reign had begun and was continuing to be set up.

End.

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