

PREMILLENNIALISM ANSWERED BY THE BIBLE

INTRODUCTION

Why have American presidents sided with false denominational preachers thinking it's going to please God to always be on the side of present-day Israel to get their land back? Premillennialism is why! This false doctrine teaches that there is going to an Armageddon battle between God, evil people, and the Arabs, to get old Palestine back for the Jews.

Question: Will Jesus come back and rapture us and reign for a thousand years in present day Israel?

Is this true according to the Bible? The term and idea of a rapture is not found in the Bible! The Bible says different! I Thess. 4: 16-17. In verse 17, it states, "Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." Because of this false doctrine Billy Graham and many other popular preachers have persuaded people to believe things that are not true. They have convinced politicians for America to always help present-day Israel. This is why we give Israel arms to help them win their wars. Should we always be sympathetic to Israel?

I am writing this book to show why the above ideas are false doctrines and are answered differently in the Bible. The Bible teaches that present-day Israel is not the kingdom of God. The Bible teaches that present-day Israel is not the kingdom of the old testament prophecy. The one true church that you read about in Acts 2 is!! Present-day Israel is not a restoration on the part of God of anything in the Bible.

CONSIDER THESE COMPARISONS

Physical Present Israel of Today

1. Has no law or covenant.
2. Has no king.
3. Has no priest or high priest
4. Has no lineage or tribal identity.

The Israel of God of the New Testament Church of Today

Romans 9:6 and Galatians 6:16

1. Has the new testament covenant (Matthew 26:28).
2. Has King Jesus, Lord and Christ. (Acts 2:3, 17:7)
3. Has Christ as high priest. (Hebrews 8:1). Christians are all priests. (I Peter 2: 5-9)
4. Is the seed of Christ! (Galatians 3:29)

Jesus has said that all authority hath been given to me in Heaven and in Earth. (Matthew 28:18). The present-day Jews are still rejecting the authority of King Jesus, who is really their king!! Jesus told Pilate, "My kingdom is not of this world." (John 18:36) Tell me how

Jesus is going to go back on his word at this point in history and be a king over a kingdom of this world, when the Jews still don't want Him as their king. Tell me how Jesus will do this, going against the Holy Spirit, speaking through Jer. 19:1-11. Jeremiah is saying that the Jews, as a nation of His chosen people, are "broken like a potter's vessel, and cannot be made whole again." (Isaiah 19:11) Premillennialists are going to do what God says is broken and cannot be made whole again. They have Jesus ruling in Judea of Jerusalem on an earthly kingdom going against Jeremiah 22:28-30. Also, see Matthew 1:12, 16 about Coniah or Jechoniah. Jesus, our Lord, is of the seed of Coniah so no earthly rule of His can be prosperous in Judea of Jerusalem.

Premillennialists have our presidents believing different than the Bible. I wish our presidents would read Jer. 19:1-11, Jer. 22:28-30, and John 18:36 and see that the kingdom of Christ's reign is not ever going to be on this earth, in the sense of being of this world. Christ's kingdom is a spiritual one and it's the church. Our Lord's reign as King Jesus is not in physical Jerusalem, but at the right hand of God in Heaven. (Acts 2:30-35) He is reigning right now! (I Cor. 15: 24-26) Verse 25 states "he must reign." This reign is until people stop dying. Are people still dying? Yes! So He is still reigning in His kingdom right now. See Acts 13:32-34. Hebrews 1:2-5 and verse 8 places His reign at the right hand of God and tells what kind of a kingdom it is. It is a kingdom of righteousness, abiding in the hearts of men and women. Jesus is king of our lives. The Bible truth is not good enough for the premillennialists. They see Jesus directing wars on an earthly throne in old physical Jerusalem. Premillennialists need to read and understand that God took the physical kingdom away from the Jews forever. He states this in Amos 8:1-5, 9. In prophecy, Amos predicts that in the future God will bring an end to Israel, and the new moon, and Sabbaths when the sun goes down at noon. When did this happen? Think about it and read Matthew 27:44-45. When the Jews rejected and murdered God's son (Mat. 21:38), Father God rejected and took the kingdom, the church, from them and gave it to a nation, bringing forth the fruits thereof. (Mat. 21:43)

The Jews of today are experiencing what has happened in verse 44, the grinding effect of the prophecy of the stone. Why is this so? Because of all the bloodshed that is caused when the Jews try to put their physical nation back together.

Any person of Jewish descent can be saved if they become a part of Christ's true spiritual kingdom, the church. Jewish people must take Jesus as their true king, as he is. The natural branches can be grafted back into the olive tree of Christ. Read Romans 11:23-25. Their true king Jesus, the deliverer, can take them back, if they turn and obey the gospel.

Premillennialists say Isaiah 11:11 is talking about the Jew's physical kingdom being restored. This simply is not so. Isaiah 11:11 is the remnant promise of saved people, Jews or Gentiles. Isaiah 11:10 is a prophecy talking about the church. The resting place is the place where saved people can feel safe. All the saved are together with Jews and Gentiles alike before they are gathered together in Heaven. This has to be the church. Isaiah 11:10 is quoted in

Romans 15:12, as being fulfilled in the church. The age of grace is the gospel age. See John 1:17, Eph. 2:8, Gal. 3:26-29, Romans 9:6-8, Rom. 2:28-29, and Romans, Chapters 9-11.

A Jew today is not someone who simply lives in Palestine or Jerusalem. Those who do not obey the gospel are not spiritual Jews because they have no faith in Jesus, their king and Messiah. All Gentiles, Arabs, and Palestinians who do have proper faith are children of God and of Abraham in the way that it counts. They are spiritual children of God because they do have faith. A Jew in the flesh only is no longer the seed of Abraham to God. Any nation, including the Arabs and fleshly Jews, who believe correctly, are children of God, if they obey what God states. Why is this so? Because of Galatians 3:26-29 which states, "For you are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. For, as many of you, as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ. And, if you be Christ, then are you Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

Because of this scripture, the Jews, Arabs, and Palestinians need to stop killing each other and stop trying to tell each other where to live.

Our God does not respect physical holy sites today, as he used to when the old temple of the Jews was erected. That old temple site was rent from top to bottom with a bolt of fire, signifying the end of it by God.

The holy site that God respects today is in hearts of all obedient Jews, Arabs, Palestinians, and Gentiles of the whole world who obey His Son, Jesus. God has even stated that He dwells in them. (Eph. 3:17 and Rom. 8:9)

Our God only dwells in the hearts of people who love each other and are cleansed in the blood of Jesus. These people are the saved, the remnant, the election of grace. They are the one true church that you read about in the Bible. Romans 16:16 states, "The churches of Christ salute you." Brothers, false religious doctrine, being taught and believed in the world today is why we are at war right now! The only thing that will stop this bloodshed is if everyone believes the truth about the one true church that you read about in the Bible.

In answering the false idea that Isaiah 11 is a prophecy about a future earthly kingdom for Christ to rule on in Jerusalem, consider this explanation of these verses in light of Bible teaching. Isaiah 11:1-5 is talking about Christ. Verses 6-9, in signs and symbols, are talking about the character of the church in prophecy and fulfillment. Verse 9 is talking about "in all my holy mountain." This is the government of the church. Verse 9 is also talking about the far-reaching scope of the church over the whole world. "Earth full of the knowledge of the Lord." Verse 10, "root of Jesse," is Jesus. Verse 10, "gentiles seek." This would be together with the Jews who obey. See Romans 15:9. Verse 10, "his rest shall be glorious," for all. See Matthew 11:20-30. (Fulfilled in the church.) Verse 10, "recover the remnant." See Romans 11:5, Ephesians 3:2-6, and John

1:17. Verse 12, “ensign for nations.” This includes all nations. The “outcast of Israel” are the Samaritans. The “dispersed of Judah,” the Jews. This is the gathering of all peoples together in the one true church. Galatians 3:26-29 and Romans 10:12.

The conclusion to all of this is that God is no respecter of persons, and any Jew, Arab, or Gentile can be part of the remnant if they will call upon God and become spiritual Jews in the one true kingdom church that you read about in the Bible.

The premillennialists say that Israel never received all of their land. So, the idea is that Christ has to come back and sit on his throne in Jerusalem and have Armagedon to get their land back for them. Joshua 21:43, 45 states that they did get all of their land back. Verse 43 states, “and the Lord gave unto Israel all the land which he swore to give unto their fathers, and they possessed it and dwelt therein.” Verse 45 states, “there failed not ought of any good thing which the Lord had spoken unto the house of Israel; all came to pass.” David said that they did receive the land in I Samuel 8:3 and I Kings 4:21.

To answer the creed statements of the premillennialists we will state their creed sayings first, and then answer them with one scripture, which completely refutes their false ideas.

Creed Statement:

Jesus will be an earthly priest someday for a thousand years.

Bible Truth Answer:

Hebrews 8:4, “for if he were here on earth he should not be a priest.”

Creed Statement:

During a thousand years the gospel will be replaced by the law of Moses.

Bible Truth Answer:

“But though we, or an angel from Heaven, preach any other gospel unto you, than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.” (Gal. 1:8)

Creed Statement:

The last state of Israel will be better than the first during the thousand year reign.

Bible Truth Answer:

Matthew 12:45, “And the last state of that man is worse than the first, even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation.”

Creed Statement:

Israel could not forfeit God's promises to her.

Bible Truth Answer:

Jude 5, "I will therefore put you in remembrance, though you once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not."

Creed Statement:

Jesus will have a kingdom of this world during a thousand year reign on earth.

Bible Truth Answer:

John 8:36, "My kingdom is not of this world."

Creed Statement:

During a thousand year reign we will walk by sight, not by faith.

Bible Truth Answer:

II Corinthians 5:7, "We walk by faith, not by sight."

Creed Statement:

Jesus will come in the future from the ancient of days to receive an earthly kingdom on earth.

Bible Truth Answer:

Daniel 7: 13-14, "Behold one like the son of man came with the clouds of Heaven and came to the ancient of days and they brought him near before him. And there was given Him dominion and glory and a kingdom."

Creed Statement:

Then cometh the end when the kingdom will be established.

Bible Truth Answer:

I Cor. 15:24, "Then cometh the end when He shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father."

Creed Statement:

The apostles did not receive the kingdom, for it had not been established.

Bible Truth Answer:

Hebrews 12:28, "Wherefore, we, receiving a kingdom, which can not be moved, let us have grace whereby we say, serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear."

Creed Statement:

John saw Jesus come down from Heaven.

Bible Truth Answer:

Rev. 20:1, "And I saw an angel come down from Heaven."

Creed Statement:

We know that John saw the bodies of the righteous. This included all the righteous.

Bible Truth Answer:

Rev. 20:4, "And I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus and for the word of God."

Question: Has every righteous person been beheaded for the word of God?

Creed Statement:

Jesus only has partial preeminence now. He will receive the rest when he comes again.

Bible Truth Answer:

Col. 1:18, "And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He might have the preeminence."

Creed Statement:

Jesus only built the foyer of the church, not the real building of the kingdom.

Bible Truth Answer:

Mat. 16:18, "Upon this rock I will build my church."

Creed Statement:

The church never was in God's eternal purpose. The church was an historical accident.

Bible Truth Answer:

"To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus, our Lord."

Creed Statement:

Jesus only has limited power right now.

Bible Truth Answer:

Mat. 28:18b, "All power is given unto me in Heaven and in earth."

Creed Statement:

The saved will be preserved unto an earthly kingdom.

Bible Truth Answer:

“And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work and will preserve me unto His heavenly kingdom.”

Creed Statement:

The apostle, John, was a companion of his brethren in tribulation and patience, but not in the kingdom of Jesus Christ.

Bible Truth Answer:

Rev. 1:9, “I, John, who also am your brother and the companion in tribulation and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ.”

In closing, I would like to say that premillennialists misunderstand what the words, “everlasting covenant” mean. Everlasting in the Bible does not always mean “time without end.” Sometimes it means “age-lasting” only. For an example, the covenant of circumcision was given as an everlasting covenant to Abraham in Genesis 17:13. However, when you turn over to Galatians 5:1-6. we find it is taken away because we are under grace

Also, one thousand years does not mean “time without end,” but only age-lasting or one thousand years only.

In closing, I am sorry to say that some churches of Christ have been led astray by partially believing this false doctrine. Also, they fellowship those who teach it. My closing thought is II John 10-11, “If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine receive him not unto your house, neither bid him godspeed, for he that biddeth him godspeed is a partaker of his evil deeds.”

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