

THOUGHTS ABOUT THE THOUSAND YEARS AND AFTERWARD

Revelation 20:1-7

Introduction: With the current situation of our nation as well as the other nations plus the disasters of nature, volcano eruptions, tidal waves, hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, tornados, along with the man made crisis, such as the oil well leaks in the Gulf of Mexico, not forgetting the constant wars and acts of violence of nation against nation, those who are familiar with the Biblical prophecies of the last days are beginning to look more closely at what is happening and wondering, “are these the last days?” If they are, what does the Bible say about what happens afterwards?

1. Christ will return with all His Saints (the Church) and an innumerable heavenly host with every eye on earth watching.
2. Christ's feet will touch the Mt. of Olives (from whence He ascended) and it splits in half, North to South and all the Saints gather in it's valley.
3. Satan is cast into the bottomless pit and the anti-Christ and false prophet are cast into Hell.
4. Christ destroys all the gathered armies in judgment (except any who aided a Jew in any way).
5. All Jews will have gathered in Israel and will fall down before Jesus Christ in acknowledgement.
6. All shame, stigma, suffering and disgrace upon the Jews for 2,000 years plus will be removed.
7. Jesus will enter triumphantly AGAIN into Jerusalem, this time as it's rightful KING.
8. The heavens surrounding the earth that are laden with dust, debris and disease, will be cleansed and rolled back and replaced with a totally new and clear atmosphere.
9. The shining City of Heaven and all the glory of Heaven shall be able to be seen from the earth.
10. Those who were especially faithful during the Church age will be given positions of rulership and administration upon the earth.
11. A river will break out from Jerusalem and flow down to the Dead Sea, cleansing it and turning the area into a paradise, a garden of the Lord.
12. Jerusalem will be resurrected, rebuilt greater than any other time and will be the Lord's dwelling place on earth.
13. The Temple will be rebuilt (Ezekiel) and nothing this earth has ever seen will come near the splendor and glory of it.
14. People from all over the earth will come to Jerusalem to see and worship the Lord.

15. The 12 Tribes of Israel will be restored that have been lost for over 2,000 years to all but God, and the Lord Jesus will call them out.
16. Israel shall once again be ONE NATION, no longer scattered over the earth, mixed with humanity, no longer the tail, but the head of all the nations on earth.
17. The 12 Apostles will be the rulers of the 12 Tribes as their administrators and judges.
18. Jesus will sit on the Throne in Jerusalem, as Son of David, Son of Mary, Son of Man and the Son of God.
19. Jesus, Himself, will teach mankind the Bible and will take mankind through the places of His earthly life, describing each place and event.
20. Israel will be the Minister of the Lord to the whole world and the world will see out the Jews.
21. Peace will reign and men will no longer war or covet.
22. There will be no private holdings of properties of land. Jesus owns all and will dispense as He wishes.
23. Each person will be given a home and land.
24. Everyone will "compete" in righteousness and devotion to the Lord Jesus.
25. The curse of the land will be removed and the earth will literally burst forth in bloom. Deserts and wildernesses will bloom and flower in beauty and food. Gone will be weeds and all poisonous vegetation and things.
26. Trees and plants will bend under the heavy weight of produce and the entire earth will be a paradise.
27. Once a year the nations of the earth will gather in Jerusalem to offer "Thanksgiving" for the provisions the Lord has bestowed upon them.
28. There will be no more sickness or disease, no doctors or hospitals, nursing homes or undertakers.
29. There will be no more crime, prisons, courts, jails, police, judges or jurors.
30. Jesus will rule in complete control. Even to tell a lie will bring immediate punishment.
31. Life will be prolonged and anyone who dies before 100 years of age will be thought to be accursed.
32. Knowledge will abound as never before as man's life span increases, so does his accumulated knowledge.
33. Every problem will be solved.

34. A thousand years of peace, prolonged life, no disease, sickness or death, expanded knowledge and the very presence of the Lord, Himself.
35. At the end of the thousand years, Satan will be loosed, and by his actions, all false, pretending and unbelievers will be revealed, for in spite of the presence of Jesus and the paradise environment, many will not accept His rulership and will come out against Him when led by Satan.
36. Fire from Heaven will fall and consume all false and rebellious men and Satan will be cast into the Lake of Fire.
37. The Great White Throne of Judgment for unbelievers will then be set up:
Jesus sits on the Throne as Supreme Judge of all man kind.
All lost unbelieving dead of all history will be revived and judged.
They will be judged according to the opportunity they had in their own age.
The sentence of death will be carried out which is the "Second Death."
Souls damned and doomed to wander the darkness of eternity, tormented forever with no hope of ever being in God's presence again or to make things right with Him.
38. The earth will be purified with fire and every sign of the previous earth will be removed.
39. The earth will be returned to it's Genesis 1 condition.
40. The earth will be inhabited with REDEEMED people. God loving and God-adoring people.
41. The New Jerusalem, the Holy City of God, shall suspend between Heaven and earth.
42. Jesus will take up His abode on earth and the earth will be come his Throne, not His Footstool.
43. The heavens will be cleansed and will swing around as the radiant center of all the universe.
44. The Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit, the Church, Israel and the rest of mankind will dwell in that order, forever on the new earth.
45. The Father began with a clean earth and a God-loving couple. Jesus hands back to the Father a new earth and a redeemed people.

"Behold....the former things are passed away..."

CONCLUSION:

1. Whether the times of today are the prophesied last times, only God knows, not even Jesus.
2. It is the Christian's obligation to be ready and to be busy spreading the good "News."
3. What a glorious day that will be - but only for Christians!