

* Revelation Song

Welcome

- Pray →

- Isn't this amazing?
- Our task - 5wks, End Times

CLASS SCHEDULE

↳ Not specifically a study of Rev.

Unit 1

Living in Light of the End

An Introduction to Biblical Eschatology

• Questions - ^{end of every class &} cards every week
email, work into teaching

Unit 2

The Signs of the Times

What will happen before Jesus comes back?

Rapture, Antichrist, Fullness of Israel, wars, earthquakes

Unit 3

The Return of Christ and the Millennium, Part 1

How will Jesus come back?

Unit 4

The Return of Christ and the Millennium, Part 2

Navigating the Millennial Maze

Rev 19 & 20 - Left Behind

Unit 5

The End of the End and the Beginning of Forever

The Last Judgment and the New Heavens and the New Earth

After Jesus comes back, after the millennium

RECOMMENDED READING

Rinne, Jeramie. How will the World End? The Good Book Company, 2014.

simple, concise

Hoekema, Anthony A. The Bible and the Future. Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., 1979.

- deeper study

Goldsworthy, Graeme. The Lamb and the Lion: The Gospel in Revelation. Thomas Nelson, 1984.

↳ commentary for your own personal study

• One of the goals = community or for a small group

• Turn to those around you - introduce - talk about one question you really wanted answered

• Let's launch in, Unit 1

AN INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL ESCHATOLOGY

- "Biblical" Eschatology  Books, Movies, History Channel
- ↳ & not just Daniel or Rev **LIVING IN LIGHT OF THE END**

I/ Are we in the End Times? - Let's go for the jugular - might not be as definitely controversial a question as you think

- Answer: YES, we are in the E.T., and we've been in the E.T. for almost 2,000 yr

A. The perspective from the Old Testament

- From the very beginning expectation of the coming Redeemer (Gen 3:15)
- Expansion to line of Judah, King, ~~Ruler~~ → Isaiah Advent Series
- Daniel 7:13-14 ← Ruler King has a kingdom, usher in a time of shalom - fix the world - Isaiah 65:17-25
- Day of wrath, Zeph 1:14-15 → Judgment

* FROM PERSP. OF OT = 2 great expectations - 2 events - new judgment and coming of the redeemer ~~israel~~ new heaven's new earth

B. The perspective from the New Testament

- Central Expectation of the OT has been fulfilled - ~~messiah~~ life, death, resurrection of Christ
- ↳ "the kingdom of God has come / at hand" (casting out demons)
- Yet Jesus still spoke of 2 ages, an age to come - Matt 12:32 ; Luke 18:29-31
- "Last day" (sing) John 6:40, 44, 5
- Therefore, NT now at peaks, realize there is separation b/w the 2 events
- ↳ Christ came once, and he will come back again, so the NT writers said 1 Cor 10:11 ; Heb 1:1-2 ; 1 John 2:18
- Def of E.T.'s = MOUNTAIN RANGE - driving to the Rockies

C. Eschatology (eschatos, logos)

- Have used the word several times, now we can define it → study of those things that take place before, during, and after Christ's return (2nd advent)
- Like many things, we can gravitate towards 2 extremes - obsession or neglect ("pessimist" vs "optimist")
- Must learn balance - Good Xns disagree - no one has it all 100% correct
- We study ALL God's truth but we learn

the time between the 1st coming of Christ & His 2nd coming
- the time b/w the advents
- we live in the end time just like those in the NT, they were just closer to the 1st coming
- So if anyone asks you: Are we in the E.T.
THE END TIMES, PAGE 1
Better question: is it the end of the E.T., and that can answer - O

- So, if we're going to ~~talk about~~^{Study} the E.T. and really get it, perhaps the most important concept we must learn is..

II/ The Already and the Not Yet

- The prime ex. is what we've been talking about, the K of E
 - ↑ Plays out in every aspect of Xnty - We live in the tension

A. The concept

• 1 John 3:2 ; 1 Cor 13:12

- The resurrection already and not yet John 5:25-29
 - ↳ Salvation - John 3:16-18

- We're going to see throughout our study how this Already / Not Yet impacts signs of the times, the millenium, resurrection, etc.

B. Implications

① We should be realistic

the millenium, resurrection, etc.,

and optimistic - we strive:

But now, some implications
of AI/NY

is this God's fight for Kingdom advancement, but we don't mistake the already w/ the not yet (Preacher in Midwest - healing)

② How we engage our culture - don't just hole up, give it over to the devil

- ↳ WORK → Mt 25, Parable of the Talents

③ We spur one another on in godliness, knowing that Xp has made us new, but we are not perfect yet

* Today day of * MOST EXCITING
Sabbath * TRUE *
Eternal Year

Philippians

Titus 2:11-13 ; 2 Peter 3:11-12

↳ "Work out your salvation - he who began a good work will

④ Also means what we have and experience now in the already cannot satisfy us 1 Cor 7:29-31

⑤ Hope in the midst of trials - Rom 8:18

↳ the glory to come

Revelation 6:9-11 → martyrs

... in it

- End thinking about why hasn't Jesus come back?

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2 Peter 3:3-10

III/ Anticipating the End Answer? Holding in balance 3 kinds of passages

A. Imminence passages - soon

Summary of each

~~Mark~~ Matt 10:23

Matt ~~13:22~~ 24:34

~~Matthew~~ Rom 13:11-12

Philipp 4:5 → "the Lord is at hand"

} Were Jesus and Paul wrong?
These passages keep us on our toes. Laxity
Satany
III

B. Interval passages - things must take place 1st, delay

Matt 24:14 - universal gospel proclamation

~~Matthew~~ Mark 13:7 - wars

Rev 6:11 - martyrs

Mt 25 - Parable of the Ten Virgins

} We should not be surprised if there is a delay

C. Ignorance passages - you don't know

- fast predictions \Rightarrow Acts 1:11! disciples already asking - AD 1000, 1033, ~~1800~~, 1844, 1948
- Matt 24:36-51
- Mark 13:32-37

88 Reasons
Xp in 1981
2000
2012

Keep us from setting dates

and promote Spiritual Readiness
↳ Funeral for Martyr's mom