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"Millennium" is taken from the Latin word mille meaning "thousand." Theologically, it is used to refer to the thousand-year reign of Christ based on the text in Revelation 20:1–6 (where the Greek word for thousand is used five times).

mille: Latin for 1,000

chilioi: Greek for 1,000

The early church called them *chiliasts*. We call them *premillennial*.

Premillennialism

Jesus returns before the beginning of the kingdom



Resurrection



Great White **Throne** Second Resurrection

Church Age Tribulation

Millennium

Eternity

Postmillennialism

Christ returns *after* the Millennial Kingdom

First Resurrection

is spiritual at conversion

Continual Progress



Second Resurrection

All Judgment

Church Age

Kingdom

Eternity



Amillennialism

No Literal, Earthly Kingdom 1,000 is merely a symbolic number





Church Age

Spiritual Kingdom
Christ Reigning from His Throne in Heaven

Eternity

Rev. 20:1, "Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand."



Rev. 20:2, "He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;

Rev. 20:3, "and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while."



Rev. 20:4, "And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years."

Rev. 20:5, "But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

Rev. 20:6, "Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years."

Three Ways to Establish a Future Jewish Kingdom

- 1. Unfulfilled, eternal covenants with Israel
- 2. Specific promises about the Messiah
- 3. Character of the Jewish kingdom

ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

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Genesis 12:1-3

"land" "seed" "blessing"

ISRAEL LAND COVENANT

Deuteronomy 30

"land"

DAVIDIC COVENANT

2 Samuel 7

"seed"

NEW COVENANT

Jeremiah 31

"blessing"

DAVIDIC COVENANT

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2 Sam. 7:12–16 Psa. 89 1 Chron. 17:11–14

ETERNAL HOUSE

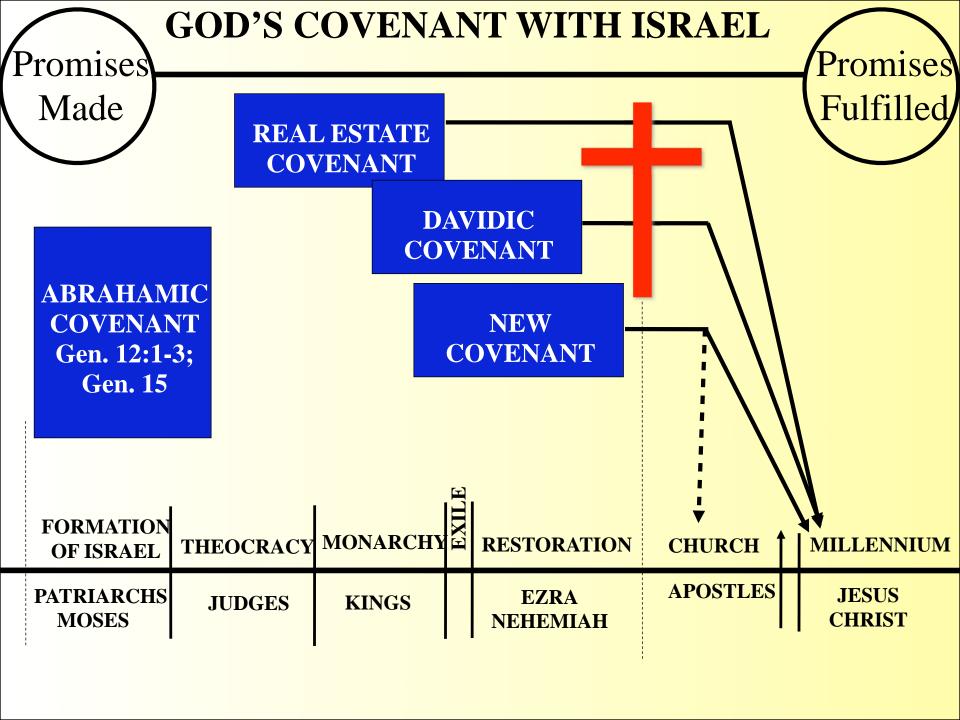
2 Sam. 7:11, 13a, 16 1 Chron. 17:10

ETERNAL KINGDOM

2 Sam. 7:12c 1 Chron. 17:14

ETERNAL THRONE

2 Sam. 7:13b 1 Chron. 17:12b, 14



Psa. 2:5, "Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, and distress them in His deep displeasure:

Psa. 2:6, "Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion."

Psa. 2:7, "I will declare the decree: the LORD has said to Me, 'You are My Son, today I have begotten You.

Psa. 2:8, "'Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession.

Psa. 2:9, "'You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.'"

Isa. 9:6 "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father [lit. "Father of eternity"], Prince of Peace.

Isa. 9:7, "Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this."

Isa. 11:1, "There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

Isa. 11:2, "The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD."

Jer. 23:5, "'Behold, the days are coming,' says the LORD, 'That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; a King shall reign and prosper, and execute judgment and righteousness in the earth.

Jer. 23:6, "In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell safely; now this is His name by which He will be called: THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS."

Jer. 23:7, "'Therefore, behold, the days are coming,' says the LORD, 'that they shall no longer say, "As the LORD lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of Egypt,"

Jer. 23:8, "but, 'As the LORD lives who brought up and led the descendants of the house of Israel from the north country and from all the countries where I had driven them.' And they shall dwell in their own land."

Jer. 33:20, "Thus says the LORD: 'If you can break My covenant with the day and My covenant with the night, so that there will not be day and night in their season,

Jer. 33:21, "then My covenant may also be broken with David My servant, so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne, and with the Levites, the priests, My ministers."

Jer. 33:22, "'As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, nor the sand of the sea measured, so will I multiply the descendants of David My servant and the Levites who minister to Me.'"

Jer. 33:23, "Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying,"

Jer. 33:24, "Have you not considered what these people have spoken, saying, 'The two families which the LORD has chosen, He has also cast them off'? Thus they have despised My people, as if they should no more be a nation before them.

Jer. 33:25, "Thus says the LORD: 'If My covenant is not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth,' "

Jer. 33:26, "then I will cast away the descendants of Jacob and David My servant, so that I will not take any of his descendants to be rulers over the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. For I will cause their captives to return, and will have mercy on them."

Ezek. 34:23, "I will establish one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them—My servant David. He shall feed them and be their shepherd.

Ezek. 34:24, "And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken."

Ezek. 34:25, "I will make a covenant of peace with them, and cause wild beasts to cease from the land; and they will dwell safely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods." Ezek. 37:23, "They shall not defile themselves anymore with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions; but I will deliver them from all their dwelling places in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them. Then they shall be My people, and I will be their God.

Ezek. 37:24, "David My servant shall be king over them, and they shall all have one shepherd; they shall also walk in My judgments and observe My statutes, and do them." Luke 1:32, "He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.

Luke 1:33, "And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."