

Mystery of the Millennium

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The title of this message is the Mystery of the Millennium, part 11. In II Cor 2:11, which we will read here, we are told something here and there is a principle that we need to be aware of, where Paul is speaking to the Corinthians and toward the end of it he says,

¹⁰... I have forgiven that one for your sakes in the presence of Christ, ¹¹lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.

And I think in many ways you and I and certainly me, we have been, I have been ignorant of his devices to quite a degree. And we probably should fix that. Should we be ignorant of this devices? Well if the answer to that is no, then it follows that we should recognize his devices when we see them.

Do we see them? And do we even think to look? It's possible in this series we've stumbled on one of those. What do you think?

If we go to the book of Acts; Act 3, verses 19-21 there are some instructions there that are really quite informative for us. It says:

¹⁹Repent therefore (That's the whole show) and be converted, that your sins (Where we did not live God's way) may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, (And, who's that Lord? Let's go on) ²⁰and that He (This Lord) may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before,

So there is no mistaking it, Lord there is God the Father. Christ is clearly referenced so there is no confusion about the Lord and He. And we need to look in scripture where both of them are talked about at the same time, because that is extremely enlightening as we seek to understand how they actually function together.

We notice in verse 21 it says:

²¹whom heaven must receive (Speaking of Christ) until the times of restoration of all things, (And we did indeed put that on our map on point 1) which God (The God the Father) has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.

It's so important to God that He took the time to speak about it through all of His prophets since time began. Do you suppose maybe that's a bit important to Him? And if it's important to Him maybe it should also be also as important to God's Ecclesia? What do you think? If it is that important to God the Father and to His Ecclesia what would Satan seek to do with that knowledge about the times of the restoration of all things? Why, bury it of course, and make it go away!

So we see, "Well that's the Old Testament, it's done away, it's fulfilled, we're now a New Testament church, Christ did away with it; we're under the new covenant now, etc, etc, etc." All of which is actually embraced widely and has the exact effect of making God's

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thoughts and reasoning's about the restoration of all things, which he spoke through his prophets, irrelevant. What a surprise!

There's another way yet and it really is diabolical and clever, and through the map, which we put together in MOM 10, it shows it up very nicely. What Satan has done through false doctrine by merging the millennium and the kingdom of God into one, he has obliterated the writing of the restoration of all things by God the Father.

So on your map if you simply take all of the events on point 2 on your map and mold them, bring them back across to point 1 all we have is complete confusion. As we saw in the map point 1 and point 2 are many years and possibly decades apart as we'll see. And the restoration of all things happens between those two points. This has largely been hidden from us. And today we are going to look at some of the events that occur between the left-hand side of the map, line 1 and line 2 on the right-hand side of your map.

Line 1, to refresh, is where the kingdom of God, in a very active way is set up on the earth. Its citizens will initially be God the Father, Christ, the innumerable multitude and the hundred and forty-four thousand. It will be a righteous and holy nation whose citizens are resurrected spirit Beings, who are incorruptible, as we read in I Cor 15, verses 50 – 54. So when that kingdom of God is actually set up on the earth those who come with God the Father and Jesus Christ are articulated and their spiritual condition is mentioned in I Corinthians 15, verses 50 – 54, where Paul teaches us:

⁵⁰... this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. ⁵¹..., I tell you a mystery: we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed—⁵²in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. ⁵³For this corruptible (And certainly that's where we are at now.) must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. ⁵⁴So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory"

We need to be mindful as well that the righteous angels could well have accompanied them; I would expect them to actually, as some translations of Zechariah 14:5 simply states, "Holy ones" rather than, "the saints" and it could include the angels as well. I don't know why it wouldn't.

A righteous and holy nation populated by these Beings would not be one to be trifled with, by my estimation. And it's important to remember a passage that we have in Hebrews 12; Hebrews 12, verse 23. In Hebrews 12:23 we read of some things that happen past our physical death that is extremely important as it is addressing to who the ecclesia have come to, but it speaks at the end of verse 23 to the spirits, and when we die our spirits go back to God, ²³... *of just men made perfect,*

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And we have talked about that before. So the spirits of just men are made perfect, implying there was much more creation needed upon our physical death to perfect our spirits for life in immortality and incorruption. And considering that then, that there will be some adjustments made to our spirit, our seat of intellect, upon our physical death and before we are resurrected.

Psalm 149 becomes all the more important to grasp in the greater picture of what we are trying to look at here. In Psalm 149 if we take the time to read that, it says:

¹ ... Sing to Yahovah a new song, and His praise in the assembly of saints.

²Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

³Let them praise His name with the dance; let them sing praises to Him with the timbrel and harp. ⁴For Yahovah takes pleasure in His people; He will beautify the humble with salvation. (So speaking of what and who the saints actually are, and it goes on to say :)

⁵Let the saints be joyful in glory; (Well they've been resurrected and achieved immortality and incorruptible nature) let them sing aloud on their beds.

⁶Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand, ⁷to execute vengeance on the nations, and punishments on the peoples;

And notice it says all things, it seems there won't be any milk toasts in God's saints, they have things to do, a role God has prepared them to do, God will empower them to do. And an attitude adjustment, it would seem to be a necessary thing would be done, will be set in motion. And on point 1 on the map, it opens the door to events that must happen as we move to the right towards point B (2). Saints will be prepared mentally to deal with the tasks that they will be given as per Psalm 149.

When we finished up MOM 10, I mentioned Isaiah 11 and also Ezekiel 28, verses 24 – 26 as something we might want to consider. One of the myths that we need to make go away is that once we hit point 1 there is a big battle and everything comes up roses and blue sky.

Isaiah 11 has been used to promote this, but by only reading parts of it. So let's read Isaiah 11 in its fullness to see what we can actually learn.

Before we do that let's revisit Psalm 110; Psalm 110, which is a pivotal thing and we have that on our map now on point 1 and I hope we actually made a map. I am going to send ours out along with this clip, so you can see if our map is like your map. Well we notice here in Psalm 110, verse 2, it says:

²Yahovah shall send the rod of Your strength (Speaking of Christ) out of Zion. (And it says to) Rule in the midst of Your enemies!

Well I would have to ask, is Christ ruling? Who sends Him out from there? Well, God the Father! What is the condition of those that surround the kingdom of God? Their

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enemies! Is Christ ruling? Yes! Is the whole world under that rulership? It is not! Is this in the current age, or is it in the new age? Has the new age begun? No! So this is in the old age where this newly formed kingdom of God, that is to break in pieces all the other nations, has been formed, and it's completely surrounded by enemies.

If we look at point 2 on the map, Christ ruling, there are no enemies. The enemies have all been burnt up. We must recognize the difference or we'll be back to where we were when we started, blending number 2 into number 1. And we simply must differentiate if we seek to understand what we are looking at.

So if we go to Isaiah 11; Isaiah 11, it gives us details of how it will look when Christ rules in the midst of His enemies. We can actually see that; and at this time, just before I read it, while we are turning there it's also important to consider a couple of things. If we go where, you know, Christ is going to rule. And we will see that, but it is also important to remember If we go to Matthew 19; Matthew 19, and verse 28. Commensurate with what we learned in Psalm 149. Matthew 19, verse 28:

²⁸ ... Christ said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration,

So when the disciples are resurrected, those of the first resurrection or the chief resurrection.

when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life.

They are going to inherit eternal life just after the great tribulation and it will be part of what we traditionally called, "The First Resurrection". That's a pretty admirable, wonderful thing to where people that follow Christ and follow God in their ways will be given occasion to be part of the transition to another world. And of course Satan wouldn't want to hide that either of course. Because why would you want to encourage anybody to actually get with the program?

We see the same thing in Luke (Chapter 22); Luke mentions it in verse 28 – 30, where it says:

²⁸"But you are those who have continued with me in my trials. (And if we are in the ecclesia we can understand that) ²⁹And I bestow upon you a kingdom, just as my Father bestowed one upon me, ³⁰that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

So on point 1 I think it would be wise to add those two passages; Matthew 19:28 and Luke 22, verses 28 – 30 so that we can see the participation there in the things that are going to go down.

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So if we go back, now that we have kind of got that in place and understand who the players are. If we go to Isaiah 11, and that has been, I would say, cherry picked and plumed so that we really didn't go and understand it entirely.

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

Well, who do you suppose that might be? We would understand that is the Christ.

²The Spirit of Yahovah 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 Yahovah.

And we see in the New Testament where, I think it is in John, where it says, "My God and your God" So it doesn't change. And we can see here in this passage the equipping of Christ to do the job of ruling when the restoration of all things takes place. The rod is Christ. Who's the Branch? It's also Christ. Again, look for places where both God the Father and Christ are mentioned together and we might actually learn something.

The tools given to Christ to fulfill His role are handed out in verse 2, and to be at the right hand of God and do His bidding, you might need a few things like that to carry forward and get what you need to do.

Notice His mental disposition, His spirit:

³His delight is in the fear of Yahovah, and He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, nor decide by the hearing of His ears; ⁴but with righteousness He shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

Well, is He ruling? Sure sounds like it to me!

He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. ⁵Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, and faithfulness the belt of His waist.

So on our point 1 we can see Christ is also there with God the Father and he is given the tools to get it done. Completely in harmony with Psalm 110, verse 2. Again, does it sound like He is ruling or given rulership? It certainly would indicate that. Now verses 6 – 9:

⁶"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

⁷The cow and the bear shall graze; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. ⁸The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, and the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den. ⁹They shall not hurt nor destroy in all

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My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of Yahovah as the waters cover the sea.

And typically we have looked at that as a millennial picture. Well, maybe it predates that a little bit. This is how it will be in the kingdom of God when it is established and as we walk through this we shall see that it is not in place yet in the other kingdoms. The conditions in the holy mountain are like that and they are in the kingdom of God and the kingdom of God will be fully available to the whole world. And the flow will be to the kingdom of God and they will look to Christ. Notice:

¹⁰“And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse (Christ), who shall stand as a banner to the people; for the Gentiles shall seek Him, and His resting place shall be glorious.”

Well that's fairly straight forward.

¹¹It shall come to pass in that day that the Lord

And it's interesting here, you might want to look this up, the word is actually ad-o-noy; I didn't know what that meant, I didn't know what small "lord" was, but if you look it up it is a reference referring to God the Father as a title that is exclusive to him.

He will set His hand again the second time (He has already done it once) to recover the remnant of His people who are left, from Assyria and Egypt, from Pathros and Cush, from Elam and Shinar, from Hamath and the islands of the sea.

So there's a role, Christ is there, the Father is the quarterback; He wants that done.

¹²He will set up a banner for the nations, and will assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

So we are talking about the second exodus here.

¹³... the envy of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off; Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not harass Ephraim. (But notice this)

¹⁴But they shall fly down upon the shoulder of the Philistines toward the west; together they shall plunder the people of the East; they shall lay their hand on Edom and Moab; and the people of Ammon shall obey them.

Well, wait a minute, that can't be true, isn't this the millennium? Actually no, no it isn't! We can see exactly what happens here. Going on:

¹⁵Yahovah (The Quarterback) will utterly destroy the tongue of the Sea of Egypt; with His mighty wind He will shake His fist over the River, and strike it in the seven streams, and make men cross over dry-shod. ¹⁶There will be a highway for the remnant of His people

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So God the Father is totally involved there, facilitating the regathering of His people.

who will be left from Assyria, as it was for Israel in the day that he came up from the land of Egypt.

You can see both of them involved; a highway will be put in place, the kingdom of God will be established. Now, isn't that a little bit different than what we have historically understood? Is that what it says?

And I had mentioned in MOM 10 for us to have a look at Ezekiel 28 where we get a confirmation of this setup. In Ezekiel 28, verses 24 – 26, Ezekiel 28, verses 24 – 26, these are things, these are conditions that happen between points 1 and point 2 on our map well ahead of what we have traditionally called the millennium.

Let's read that, notice:

²⁴And there shall no longer be a pricking brier or a painful thorn for the house of Israel

We just read about in Isaiah 11 where they are going to be gathered back into the land.

from among all who are around them,

So they have been scattered. But notice the condition of those, at this time yet, Israel has been restored and what is the mental state of the nations that surround this newly created, holy and righteous nation?

They despise them. Then they shall know that I am the Lord God.” ²⁵ ‘Thus says the Lord God: “When I have gathered the house of Israel (So we get some clarification here.) from the peoples among whom they are scattered, and am hallowed in them in the sight of the Gentiles, then they will dwell in their own land which I gave to My servant Jacob.

So the regathering of Israel has already occurred.

²⁶And they will dwell safely there, build houses, and plant vineyards; yes, they will dwell securely, (The lamb with the lion, etc, etc.) when I execute judgments on all those around them who despise them.

So even after the time when Israel has been restored the nations around them despise them, and God is going to deal with them. This condition is not millennial; Christ is ruling in the midst of His enemies.

Now that we know where Isaiah 11 is, to the right of point 1 on our map, we can see how it fits perfectly with Ezekiel's passage. Notice Israel is restored; they are living

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peacefully amongst those who hate them. They are surrounded by those who hate them.

God then sets His mind to deal with these people who despise them. Would you say that the spirit of those around Israel would be of the spirit of Satan or the spirit of God? Were the surrounding nations under the influence of the kingdom of God, meaning that's how they lived? Did they live according to its rules at this point in time? Not a chance! This is not millennial!

Can we see or think of an example of God dealing with the other nations? We've read where He is going to do that. Well, can we actually see a place in scripture where it refers specifically to, Yahovah actually, going out and dealing with people in a very, very personal way; those enemies that surround the newly formed kingdom of God, which is not yet embraced by the world? You know, it will come to pass that all those nations that came against Jerusalem will come up to keep the feast of Tabernacles. But it doesn't happen immediately, as we have often thought and been taught.

Isaiah 63, verses 1– 6. These are the nations who surround the new nation that God is building.

Who is this who comes from Edom, ¹ With dyed garments from Bozrah, this One who is glorious in His apparel, traveling in the greatness of His strength?—"I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save." ²Why is Your apparel red, and Your garments like one who treads in the winepress? ³"I have trodden the winepress alone, and from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, and trampled them in My fury; their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, and I have stained all My robes. (This is up close and personal) ⁴For the day of vengeance is in My heart, and the year of My redeemed has come. ⁵I looked, but there was no one to help, and I wondered that there was no one to uphold; therefore My own arm brought salvation for Me; and My own fury, it sustained Me. ⁶I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, made them drunk in My fury, and brought down their strength to the earth."

Real personal! From the map, these people have heard the announcement, the pronouncement of God and that angel. And when this happens they already know, they might they might have forgotten; God doesn't forget!

Where does this happen on our map? And must it fall between points A (1) and B (2)? Is that where it would go?

Going back to Ezekiel 28, or thinking of that we see Israel regathered to the land, living peacefully. How long did it take for that to happen? Is that an overnight occurrence? You know, in our minds maybe we've done that. Did an overnight thing, does it happen between points A (1) and B (2), long before the millennium and the new age is in place?

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I wonder how long would that actually take? Well, we get some clues to that if we just roll over to Isaiah 65; Let's read Isaiah 65, verses 1 – 7 initially. Where God says:

¹ "I was sought by those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am,' to a nation that was not called by My name. ²I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, according to their own thoughts; ³a people who provoke Me to anger continually to My face; who sacrifice in gardens, and burn incense on altars of brick; ⁴who sit among the graves, and spend the night in the tombs; who eat swine's flesh, and the broth of abominable things is in their vessels; ⁵who say, 'Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am holier than you!' These are smoke in My nostrils, a fire that burns all the day.

If you want to know the things that really make the Father mad simply go and read Ezekiel 20, verses 1 – 32. There will be no question as to what that actually is, that's the smoke that burns in God's nostrils, it's an irritant and it's a bad thing. We learned something very important as we continue reading in Isaiah 65:

⁶"Behold, (verse 6) it is written before Me: I will not keep silence, but will repay—even repay into their bosom— (Up close and personal) ⁷your iniquities (Of the people alive at the time) and the iniquities of your fathers together,

In effect, what we are doing here is unrolling the scroll which had been rolled into a ball so that we couldn't see anything. If God the Father is going to deal with those alive and their fathers together, then it naturally follows that He would have to resurrect them at this time when he is going to do this. And that resurrection occurs between our two points and well before the millennium. Well, can we read anything that would confirm that? Well how about Isa 26, verses 19 – 21. Does this sound like a resurrection to physical to you? Isaiah 26:19:

¹⁹Your dead shall live; together with my dead body they shall arise. Awake and sing, you who dwell in dust; for your dew is like the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead. ²⁰Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you; hide yourself, as it were, for a little moment, until the indignation is past. ²¹For behold, Jehovah comes out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity; the earth will also disclose her blood, and will no more cover her slain.

Hmm; you have a resurrection, a gathering of a people to their place and then Jehovah goes out to begin dealing with the other nations. Have these been put under the sole of Christ's feet yet? No, this happens in the kingdom of God; it does not happen in the millennium. This happens between points A (1) and B (2) on our map. To get to a position where Israel could be restored, you have to resurrect them, deal with them all at once.

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Oops! There is more yet! What we are trying to do, you know we've got the bookends of the map; we are looking at activities that happen between points A (1) and B (2). We are trying to fill in the voids that we've had in our understanding of events that happen in the kingdom of God, but well before the millennium.

Let's go to Ezekiel 20 and let's read verses 33 – 42. Where we see Israel has been raised, they are brought back in there and told to just chill while it's dealt with. Let's go to:

³³“As I live,” says the Lord God, “surely with a mighty hand, (Verse 33 of Ezekiel 20) with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out, I will rule over you. (Israel does not want to be ruled over) ³⁴I will bring you out from the peoples and gather you out of the countries where you are scattered, (Well, didn't we just read that) with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out. ³⁵And I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples, and there I will plead My case with you face to face. (How long does this take?) ³⁶Just as I pleaded My case with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will plead My case with you,”

The resurrected people, the people alive at the time and God's going to plead the case with them, deal with them at the same time as we are told in Isaiah 65.

³⁷“I will make you pass under the rod, (So they will enter into covenant) ... I will bring you into the bond of the covenant; (But notice) ³⁸I will purge the rebels from among you,

They are brought into covenant; then there is analysis of who rebels.

and those who transgress against Me; I will bring them out of the country where they dwell, (We have looked at that) but they shall not enter the land of Israel. (The righteous and holy nation; not going to happen!) Then you will know that I am the Lord.

³⁹“As for you, O house of Israel,” thus says the Lord God: “Go, serve every one of you his idols—and hereafter— (These guys have been given an opportunity) if you will not obey Me; but profane My holy name no more with your gifts and your idols. (He's done) ⁴⁰For on My holy mountain, (On the mountain height of Israel, that restored kingdom of God) ... all the house of Israel, (The physical) all of them in the land, shall serve Me;

So they're is a sorting out here where people are resurrected, they're brought in, they're given an opportunity, they have to choose; well doesn't this sound a whole bunch like the sorting out of the sheep and the goats to you? And when Israel is gathered only the righteous go into the holy and righteous nation. How long would God give folks to choose? Five minutes, five days, five years? If God only gave us five years to sort it all out and then made the call, whether you are a sheep or goat, I personally would be toast; and I have been at this for 30 some years.

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How about you, would you like a little time to sort that out? Would that be a good thing, to where you are resurrected; all you know is Satan's way and God gives you understanding as His way and His truth, would you want a little time maybe to reconcile that in your own mind?

Because down the road it points to the sheep and goats going to be separated out and if you are a goat, you're done!

Well, let's notice Ezekiel 37, verses 11 – 14:

¹¹Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!'

¹²Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

Well doesn't Isaiah 65:7 ring very loudly at this point? He is going to do them together?

¹³Then you shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves. ¹⁴I will put My Spirit in you, (So they will have a different spirit) and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken it and performed it," ...

So they are given an opportunity here, they have already lived in Satan's world; they have been given God's spirit. If that was you personally, how long would you like to decide, to make that decision? Would you like 10 years maybe to get it sorted out; how about 20, how about 30? Every one of us has been given 30 – 50 years, generally; are you there? Am I there? How long would you like to have to decide if you were a sheep or a goat, because you are going to face the music; we're all going to face the music at point 2 on the map. This is for all the marbles!

There are many events that must occur between points A (1) and B (2). We have got the bookends in place, what have we got that happens in between? I have given you some examples of the things that must occur. It could be decades between point 1 and 2; because by the time we get to point 2, it's a cleanup act.

We know what the end of the age is now; we can see what the events spoken of all over the place in the Old Testament about the time of the restoration of all things, which is marked on the map. We now know where they go, they're not millennial; they are in the kingdom of God.

I would like to finish with Isaiah 65 if I can, we have already touched on that, but I would like to read it, possibly in a different context or consideration. We have been so doctrinally focused, I think, we can't see the forest for the trees, and we need to fix that, we need to begin to understand what it is that we are looking at and we now have a

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template, a map, where we can point these things out and say, “Well, hey that goes right there, how about that?” I never understood that before.

Let’s review; Isaiah 65

¹ “I was sought by those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me. I said, ‘Here I am, here I am,’ to a nation that was not called by My name. ²I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people,

Has God always been there for His people? Yes! And the answer for the largest part has been; go away! Which we will read:

who walk in a way that is not good, according to their own thoughts; ³a people who provoke Me to anger continually to My face; who sacrifice in gardens, and burn incense on altars of brick; ⁴who sit among the graves, and spend the night in the tombs; who eat swine’s flesh, and the broth of abominable things is in their vessels; ⁵who say, ‘Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am holier than you!’ These are smoke in My nostrils, a fire that burns all the day.

Well, if we stop and think about that, that’s talking about ancient Israel. That would be way to the left of point 1 on our map.

⁶“Behold, it is written before Me: I will not keep silence, (Oh!) ...I will repay—even repay into their bosom— (It’s going to get very personal) ⁷your iniquities and the iniquities of your fathers together,”Says the Lord, “Who have burned incense on the mountains and blasphemed Me on the hills; therefore I will measure their former work into their bosom.”

So we have learned or looked at, this happens when they are resurrected. Well, how about that?

⁸Thus says the Lord: “As the new wine is found in the cluster, and one says, ‘Do not destroy it, for a blessing is in it,’ so will I do for My servants’ sake, that I may not destroy them all. (Oops, here is an opportunity) ⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,

Well, how do you do that? You resurrect them. And that is exactly what God does. This is in the kingdom of God; this is not in the millennium! It is precedent to it and we will see that. Isaiah 65 is a marvelous passage.

⁹I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah an heir of My mountains; My elect shall inherit it, and My servants shall dwell there. ¹⁰Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the Valley of Achor a place for herds to lie down, for My people (the People) who have sought Me.

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And we see that these folks that do seek God and enter into covenant with Him, as we saw in Ezekiel 20 come into the land, they are God's servants. But there is also going to be a bunch who are not God's servants. Well, what about them?

¹¹"But you are those who forsake Yahovah, who forget My holy mountain,

That kingdom of God is there, the holy and righteous nation is there and there are going to be some, perhaps many; they don't want any piece of the action.

who prepare a table for Gad, (They want to worship their demons) and who furnish a drink offering for Meni.

Well, what's going to happen to them?

¹²Therefore I will number you for the sword, and you shall all bow down to the slaughter; (This is very important) because, when I called, (Who is it that called? It's God the Father, this is God the Father speaking) when I called, you did not answer;

You know they passed under the rod, they were given an opportunity, they made another choice.

when I spoke, you did not hear, but did evil before My eyes, and chose that in which I do not delight."

So they were clearly given an opportunity, shown team dark's way, shown team light's way, they made the wrong choice and they faced the slaughter at the hands of God. And He lays out here the sorting; this is the sheep and goats thing again. And we can see now, suddenly we are sneaking up on the sheep and the goats; the wheat and the tares.

This is another passage Isaiah 65, verse 13 – 16 that you can place on point 2. Isaiah 65 spans a period of time that's laid out. So on the bottom of your map you can have Isaiah 65 and plug in all the points where it fits. God is showing the difference between the sheep and the goats here.

¹³... thus says the Lord God: "Behold, My servants shall eat, but you shall be hungry; behold, My servants will drink, but you will be thirsty; behold, My servants shall rejoice, but you shall be ashamed; ¹⁴behold, My servants shall sing for joy of heart, (They're in the kingdom of God, inside the righteous and holy nation.) but you shall cry for sorrow of heart, and wail for grief of spirit. ¹⁵You shall leave your name as a curse to My chosen; (What happens to the cursed? They go into the lake of fire.) for the Lord God will slay you, and call His servants by another name; ¹⁶so that he who blesses himself in the earth shall bless himself in the God of truth; and he who swears in the earth shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hidden from My eyes.

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This passage can go on point 2, line 2 on your map. It's going to be dealt with. Notice, it's a continuous time in Isaiah 65 as we'll see.

17"For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth;

Well just after everything has been cleaned up He makes a new heaven and new earth, well that can't possibly be true, because that's not what Bollinger taught us. I am going to send out the link, so you can see in the Church of God what they teach, and still teach, exactly what Bollinger laid out in his dispositions. And look at it yourself.

But here we have the things are hidden, God has dealt with them, the sheep and goats episode is all over. The same thing:

... behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former shall not be remembered or come to mind. 18But be glad and rejoice forever in what I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem as a rejoicing, and her people a joy. 19I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in My people;

We are talking about the new age. Oops, this is the millennium. And what is it going to be like? We don't learn an awful lot in scripture about, "the millennium." This is starting on our line, going to the right; it describes what this millennial condition will actually be. God is going to be there.

the voice of weeping shall no longer be heard in her, nor the voice of crying.

We're into the new age; it describes what it is going to be like.

20"No more shall an infant from there live but a few days, nor an old man who has not fulfilled his days; (It's going to be a different time.) for the child shall die one hundred years old,

If you cash in at a hundred you will still be considered a child. These people are going to live a very long time in the new age.

but the sinner

Yes, there are still going to be sinners, there are going to be people in the millennium who choose to live the wrong way.

but the sinner being one hundred years old shall be accursed.

Sounds to me like they are going to be given an opportunity for a hundred years and if they just don't get with the program, they're done. Why would you want them around?

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Talking of these physical human beings who live in the millennium:

²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for as the days of a tree, so shall be the days of My people, (They are going to live a very long time) and My elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.²³They shall not labor in vain, nor bring forth children for trouble; for they shall be the descendants of the blessed of the Lord, and their offspring with them. ²⁴"It shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer; and while they are still speaking, I will hear.

And again notice; this is now in the millennium, a condition that existed within the kingdom of God while it was on the earth in the old age.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain," Says Yahovah.

In the millennium the whole world will be under that jurisdiction. When you are still converting from point 1 to point 2 it will be extent in the kingdom of God, but the other nations will not experience that until they tie into God's system.

And we see this over and over again. If we look at Ezekiel 38 and 39; Israel has been restored and in verse 37, or Chapter 37; they are living, they are happy, they are a peaceful unwallled nation with God and Christ and the saints living there and He brings Gog and Magog against them. Are Gog and Magog still under the influence of the mind of Satan? Yes! Yeah, as a matter of fact they are!

So, do we see it? Isaiah 65 is an amazing passage; it spans a period of time. And when we have been doctrinally focused we just haven't looked at those things. It gives us a complete panorama from Israel's disobedience to when they are dealt with between point A (1) and B (2) and we actually see the millennial conditions spoken of and how that new age is going to be different.

There is much to happen between points A (1) and points B (2). We now have a template, because we know where they go, to begin to look at the various events that happen in the Old Testament that speak to the restoration of all things. Read the whole book of Amos with the understanding of where that fits, and some things will come to light that we've never seen before.