

# FOCUS ON THE TRIBULATION

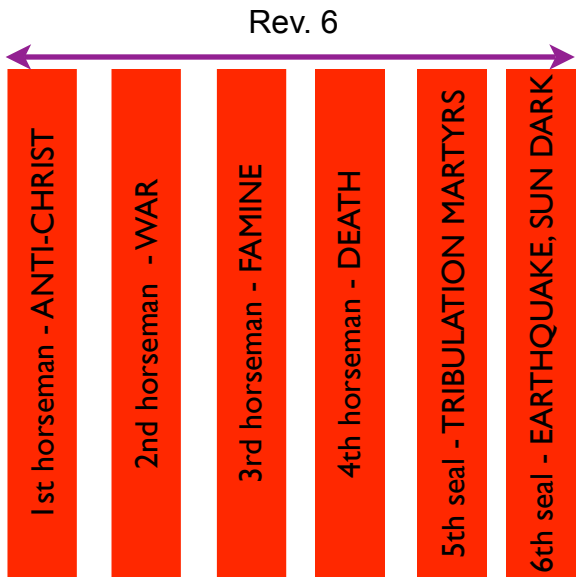
**RAPTURE NOTE:** Jesus comes in the air to gather all NT saints; the dead Christians get incorruptible bodies first, then the living Christians are translated and given incorruptible bodies and meet Jesus in the air (1 Thess. 4:16-17; 1 Cor. 15:52)

Ezek. 37-38, attack of Northern Alliance against Israel

Gospel reaches the ends of the earth (Rev. 14:6)

CHURCH AGE

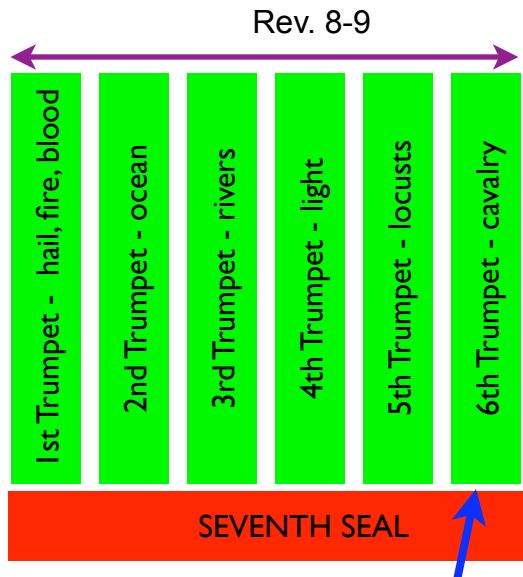
RAPTURE OF THE CHURCH



1/4 of unsaved killed

PERIOD OF REVIVAL  
MINISTRY OF 144,000  
MOSES AND ELIJAH FIGURES

ANTI-CHRIST BREACHES PEACE TREATY



1/3 of unsaved killed

GENTILES PREVAIL UNDER LEADERSHIP OF THE ANTI-CHRIST  
REMNANT FLEES TO WILDERNESS

2nd ADVENT

Rev. 11  
Rev. 16  
Rev. 11

2nd resurrection - the unsaved  
**GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT**  
Satan and the unsaved to the Lake of Fire (Rev. 20)

Jesus Christ and the saints rule and reign (Rev. 20:4)

TRIBULATION

MILLENNIAL KINGDOM

1st ADVENT

**BEMA JUDGMENT** (1 Cor. 3:11-15; 2 Cor. 5:10): Christians' rewards based on their works at some point in the Tribulation (timing subject to debate)

7 years  
death, resurrection, and ascension of 2 witnesses (Rev. 11:3-13)

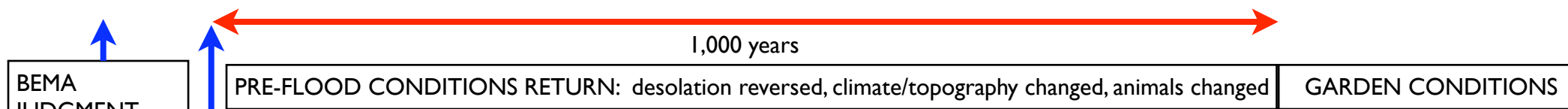
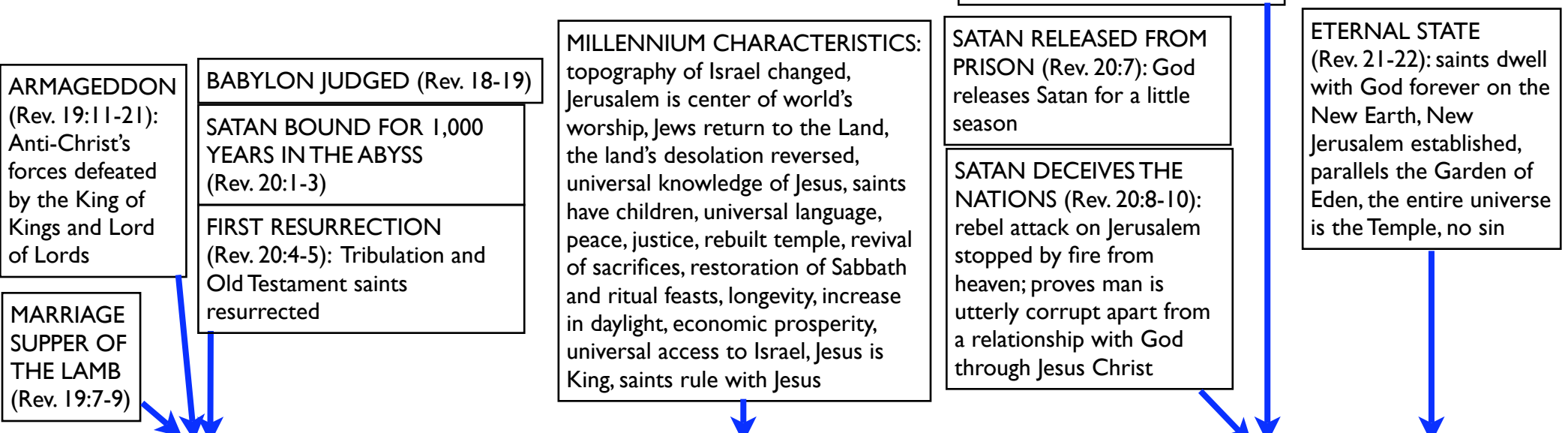
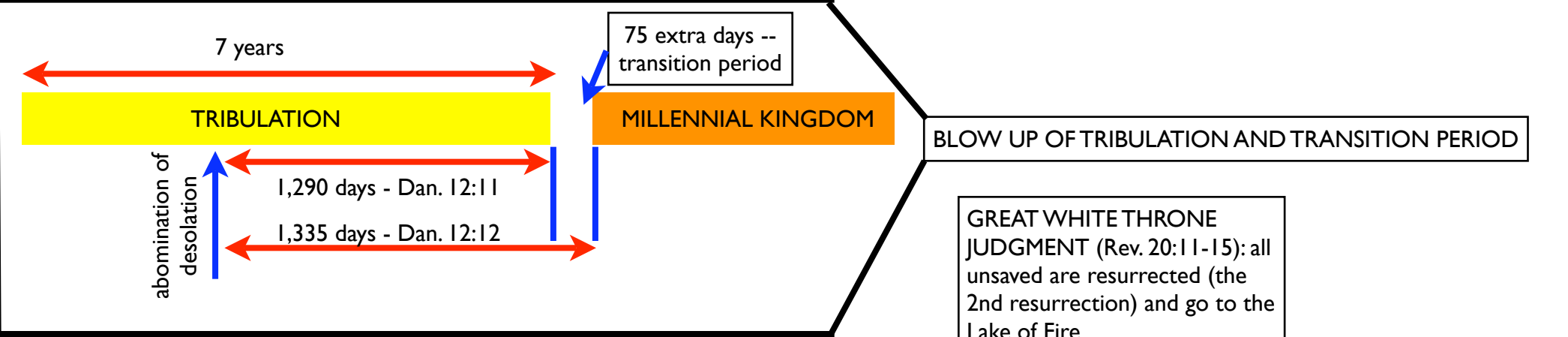
Satan imprisoned (Rev. 20:2)

1st resurrection - OT saints and Tribulation Martyrs (Rev. 20:4-5)

1,000 years

Satan released, leads rebellion (Rev. 20:7-9)





GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT (Rev. 20:11-15): all unsaved are resurrected (the 2nd resurrection) and go to the Lake of Fire

ETERNAL STATE (Rev. 21-22): saints dwell with God forever on the New Earth, New Jerusalem established, parallels the Garden of Eden, the entire universe is the Temple, no sin

**JUDGMENT DETAILS**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Seal</b> [6:1-2] The Tribulation begins with the entrance of Anti-Christ onto the world stage. He rides a <u>white horse</u> and has a bow and a crown. No mention is made of arrows; he primarily rises to power through political alliances.	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Seal</b> [6:3-4] A <u>second</u> horseman riding on a <u>red horse</u> wields a great sword. In contrast to Anti-Christ initially peaceful rise to power, this horseman brings violence and war.	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Seal</b> [6:5-6] A third horseman riding on a <u>black horse</u> has a pair of balances. War and violence give way to famine and inflation. A day's wages buys a day's worth of food, but some still live in luxury.	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Seal</b> [6:7-8] Death rides a <u>pale horse</u> and Hell (or Hades) follows him. Following on what has already occurred, he kills one-fourth of the unsaved people on earth by the sword, with hunger, disease, and the beasts of the earth.	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Seal</b> [6:9-11] Christians are slain for the word of God and their testimony. They ask the Lord to avenge them, but they are given white robes and told to rest for a little season, until their fellow Christians are killed as they were.	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Seal</b> [6:12-17] A great earthquake shakes the entire planet, the sun turns black, the moon turns red, meteors fall to the earth, and the stars disappear from view. Everyone on earth realizes that this wrath is from God, so they hide.	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Seal</b> [8:1-6] There is silence in heaven for half an hour in awe of the 7th Seal, which itself contains seven Trumpet judgments. With the breaking of the 7th Seal, God answers the prayers of the saints throughout history ("thy kingdom come"). Lightning, thunder, voices and an earthquake indicates God's power being unleashed. This occurs during the second half of the Tribulation.
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7 Seal Judgments  
7th Seal contains seven Trumpets



<b>1<sup>st</sup> Vial</b> [16:2] A plague of painful sores falls on everyone who has accepted the mark of the Anti-Christ and worship his (animated) image. Note that the seven Vials correspond to the seven Trumpets.
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Vial</b> [16:3] All of the oceans turn into coagulated blood and ocean life is destroyed. This corresponds to the 2nd Trumpet, but is a complete destruction.
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Vial</b> [16:4-7] All of the rivers and underground water supplies are turned to blood. This corresponds to the 3rd Trumpet, but is a complete destruction.
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Vial</b> [16:8-9] Tremendous global warming occurs to the point that men are scorched with fire and great heat. Even so, they curse God and do not repent. This corresponds to the 4th Trumpet in that the sun is affected.
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Vial</b> [16:10-11] The kingdom of the Anti-Christ was darkened. People continued to curse God in their pain, but do not repent. In the 5th Trumpet, Satan unleashed darkness (the cloud of locusts); here, God unleashes the darkness on Satan's forces.
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Vial</b> [16:12-16] Corresponding to the 6th Trumpet, the Euphrates River dries up so that armies from the east (e.g., China) can come to Israel to wage war with Anti-Christ and his forces. Three unclean "frog" spirits are dispatched by Satan, the Anti-Christ and the false prophet to gather forces to Israel to withstand the attack from the kings of the east. The armies are gathering north of Jerusalem near Mount Megiddo (for Armageddon).
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Vial</b> [16:17-21] Corresponding to the 7th Trumpet, there was an unprecedented earthquake that destroys the cities and removes mountains and islands. God pours His wrath on Babylon. Giant hail - stones, weighing up to 100 pounds, fall from heaven on the unsaved people. Despite all that has occurred, they curse God to the last.

7th Trumpet contains seven Vials

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Trumpet</b> [8:7] Hail-stones and fire mingled with blood rains on the earth burning up one-third of the trees and other vegetation.
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Trumpet</b> [8:8-9] A burning mountain-sized hail-stone falls into the sea, causing a third of the sea to become blood, killing one-third of all sea creatures, and destroying one-third of the ships.
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Trumpet</b> [8:10-11] A burning star/meteor called Wormwood falls to the earth poisoning one-third of the fresh water (both rivers and underwater supplies) and causing many to die.
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet</b> [8:12-13] A third of the sun, moon, and stars are blocked so that days are shortened and nights are darkened.
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet</b> [9:1-12] Satan is cast from heaven to the earth and is given the key to the Abyss, which he opens. The sun and air are darkened. Locust-like demons torment unsaved people for five months. They desire death but cannot find it.
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet</b> [9:13-21] One-third of the unsaved people of the earth are killed by fire, smoke, and brimstone from 200,000,000 demon horsemen led by the four demons that were bound by the Euphrates River.
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet</b> [11:15-19; 15] The heavenly Temple opens and seven angels are given Vials full of God's wrath to pour on the earth. Lightning, thunder, voices, an earthquake, and hail indicates God's power being unleashed. This Trumpet contains the seven Vial judgments.

