

End Times

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Is the Rapture biblical?

- ◆ 1 Thess 4:17
- ◆ Matt 24:40-42
- ◆ Luke 17:34-36



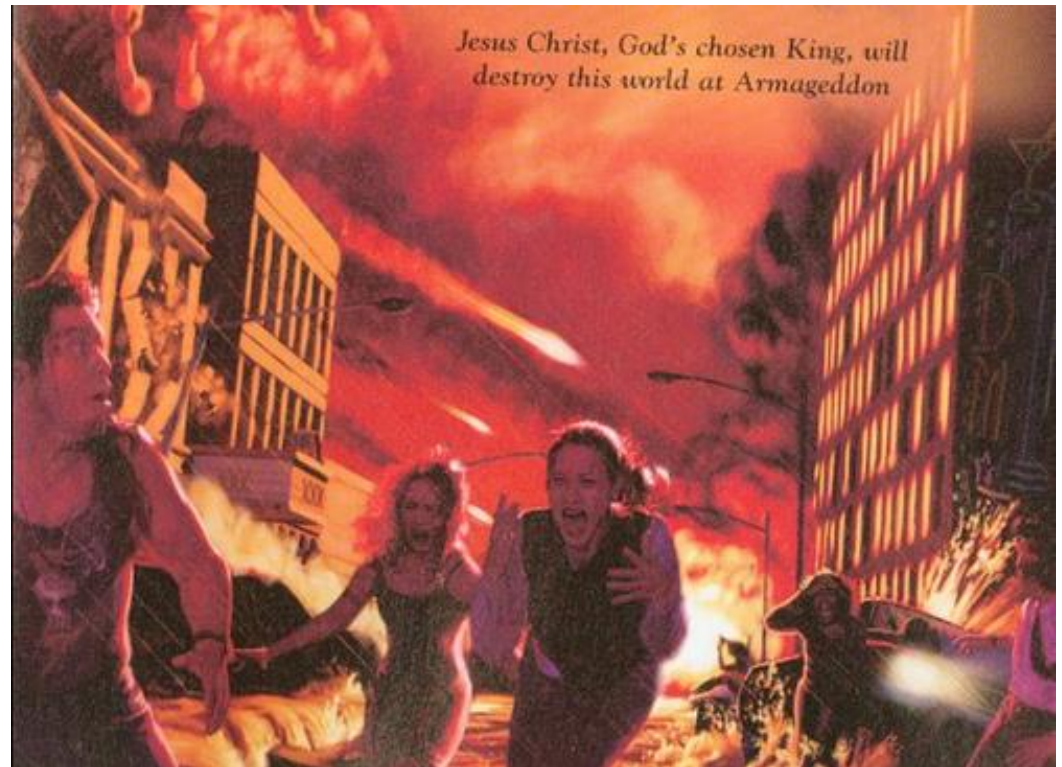
Is the Millennium biblical?

◆ Revelation 20:4-6



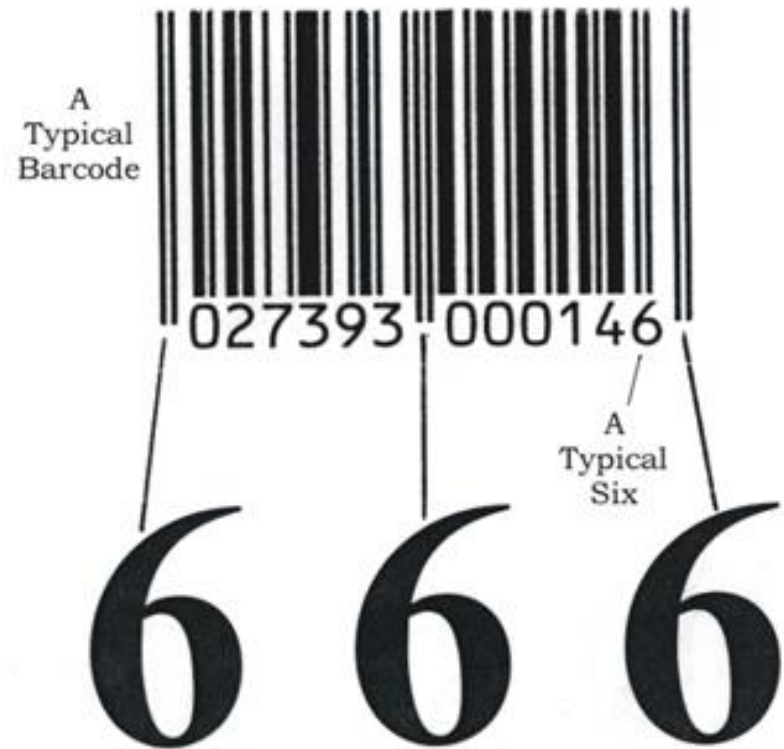
Is Armageddon biblical?

🟢 Revelation 16:14-16



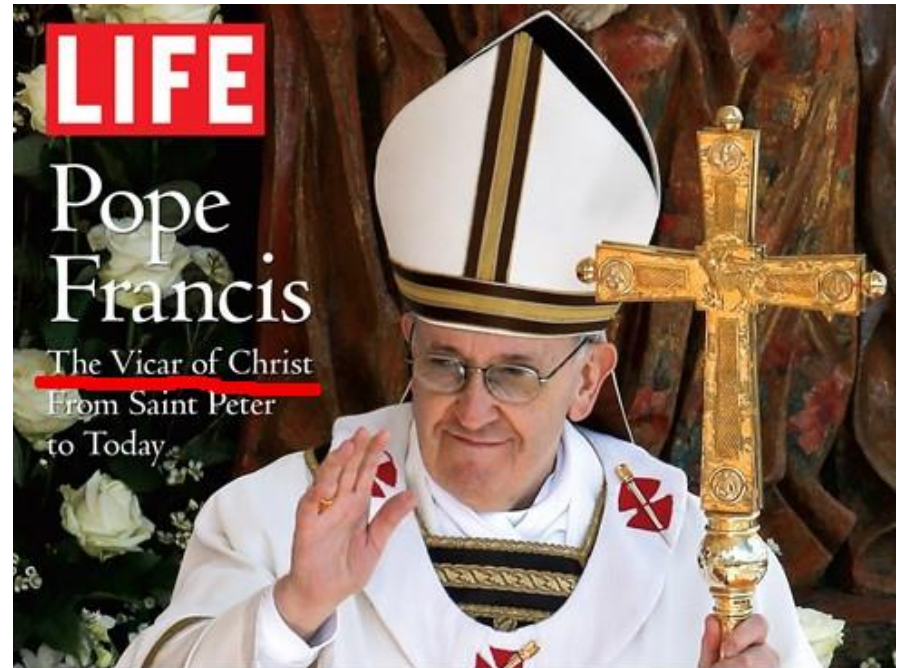
Is the Mark of the Beast biblical?

- ◆ Revelation 13:16-18



Is the Antichrist biblical?

- 🟢 1 John 2:22
- 🟢 1 John 4:3
- 🟢 2 John 1:7
- 🟢 and 1 John 2:18
- 🟢 2 Thess 2:1-4, 7-10



Vicar: (From Latin) vicarius, **a substitute**,
Anti: (From Greek) against, opposite, **instead of**,
Vicar of Christ = Anti Christ

Dispensationalism

- ◆ The Rapture
- ◆ The Millennial Reign
- ◆ Armageddon
- ◆ The Significance of Israel

The Dispensations

◆ Innocence	Creation to Fall
◆ Conscience	Fall to Flood
◆ Human Government	Noah to Babel
◆ Promise	Abraham to Egypt
◆ Law	Moses to John the Baptist
◆ Grace	Church Age
◆ Kingdom	Millennium

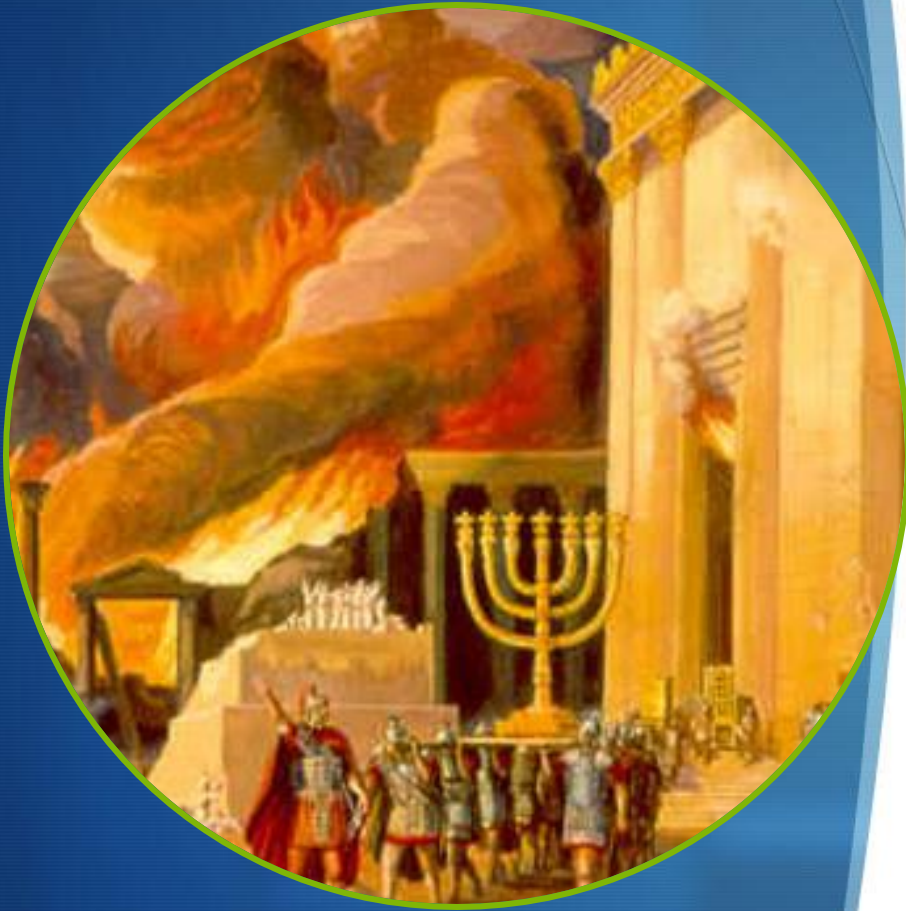
The Covenants

- ◆ Adam The covenant of creation
- ◆ Noah The covenant of preservation
- ◆ Abraham The covenant of promise
- ◆ Moses The covenant of law
- ◆ David The covenant of the kingdom
- ◆ Jesus The covenant of fulfilment

Old Testament

- ◆ Joseph
- ◆ Of the increase of His government and peace...
- ◆ Nebuchadnezzar's dream
- ◆ A new age coming...

Matthew 24- 25 – Two Questions



- ◆ When will the Temple be destroyed? 24:4-34
- ◆ Ends with “This generation...”
- ◆ When will Jesus come again? 24:35-25:46

Destruction of The Temple vs End of The Age

- ◆ “Those days” 24:19, 22, 29
- ◆ “That Day or Hour” 24:36, 42, 44, 50
- ◆ Apocalyptic
- ◆ Parabolic
- ◆ Abnormal days 24:4-8
- ◆ Normal days 24:38-39
- ◆ Earthly judgment 24:9-13
- ◆ Heavenly judgment 24:40-41
- ◆ Local 24:15-18
- ◆ Global 25:31-32
- ◆ Not final 24:14, 26-27
- ◆ Final 25:46

Three Judgments

- ◆ Of the Jews – 24:4-34
 - ◆ Their rebellion will bring their downfall
- ◆ Of the Church – 24:35-25:30
 - ◆ About level of reward, NOT salvation
 - ◆ Be ever watchful and prepared
 - ◆ Live like the end is near
 - ◆ Be faithful servants, wise virgins, productive & fruitful
- ◆ Of the world – 25:31-46
 - ◆ The rest will be judged by what they do

1 Thessalonians 4:14-17

- ◆ Angelic proclamation and trumpet call
- ◆ Jesus descends to earth
- ◆ The dead in Christ are raised to be with Him
- ◆ Living believers join with them to meet Him 'in the air'
- ◆ We will be with Jesus forever

What will happen?

- ◆ We will get new bodies
- ◆ We will be rewarded according to our faithfulness
- ◆ The rebellious will die the second death
- ◆ A new heaven will be present on a new earth
- ◆ There will be no more death, sorrow or pain!
- ◆ God and man live forever together!

Our Mission

- ◆ History confirms the increase of His government...
- ◆ To cover the earth with the knowledge of His glory
- ◆ Evil won't be entirely eradicated till He comes again
- ◆ False prophets will arise
- ◆ Anti-Christ's will come, maybe a great anti-Christ
- ◆ But we have no fear, for we have the authority and the victory

Expectations Dictate! Escape or Win?

- ◆ Fear
- ◆ Siege mentality and exclusive
- ◆ Expect the church to remain small and have little impact
- ◆ No Fear
- ◆ Open mentality and inclusive
- ◆ Expect the church to grow in number and influence