

REVELATION Lesson 182

Chapter 20:4, The Second Coming: The Curse Removed

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God has promised many spiritual and material blessings to those who will live on Earth in His millennial kingdom. Most people today focus only on the material blessings and incorrectly believe that they can establish the Lord's kingdom on Earth today through good works and by emphasizing the material.

- The Jews of Jesus' day thought Jesus would lead a revolution and set up the kingdom.
 - This idea was supported by many writings preceding the birth of Jesus.
 - The Sibylline Books (140 BC).
 - The Book of Enoch (~130-30 BC).
 - The Psalter of Solomon (~63-48 BC).
 - The Assumption of Moses
 - Philo, Josephus, The Apocalypse of Barak, the Fourth Book of Esdras.
 - These teachings ignored the parts of the bible that emphasized spiritual righteousness and salvation. They focused only on the physical and material benefits of the kingdom.
- Modern day TV preachers and evangelists only preach the parts of the bible that emphasize physical, material benefits.
 - Physical healing, prosperity, material success. (All temporary material benefits).
 - Sadly, most church-going people who seek these material benefits today will never enjoy them when they become available in the millennium.
 - In their pursuit of physical things today, they are going to miss out on them because they neglected to come through Jesus Christ for salvation and righteousness.
 - Those who seek the things of God and His righteousness will enjoy ALL the physical blessings sought after by the worldly church-goers today (Mt 6:33).

CHANGES THAT YOU CAN EXPECT DURING THE MILLENNIAL DAY:

Isa 30:26 **Light:** The sun will be seven times brighter. The moon will shine as bright as the sun.

Isa 30:23 **Fruitfulness of the ground:** The earth will produce plenty of food.

Isa 35:1-2 **The wilderness will bloom:** no more wasteland. All God's creation will praise Him. (Psalm 150:6).

Psa 67:1-7 **The earth will yield her increase:** man will not have to struggle to make things grow.

Amos 9:11-13 **The Temple rebuilt by God:** man may attempt to rebuild the temple today, but it won't be the one the Lord is going to rule and reign from.

The crops will be continual: seasonal changes will not affect the earth's ability to produce.

Isa 55:8-13 **The plant life will praise the Lord:** no more briars or thorns. Beauty will cover the earth.

Isa 65:19-24 **The lifespan of man restored:** men and women will live hundreds of years. (See Genesis 5).

Zech 8:4-5-6 **Men and women will become old:** they won't die young. It will be a time of happiness, security, and prosperity.

Heb 12:26 **The heavens will shake:** at the Second Coming, the earthquake will extend to the heavens.

Isa 24:19-20 **A great earthquake moves the earth.** Could it be that God will restore the earth to its original position in the universe?

- Resulting in longer lifespans, brighter sun and moon, the stars seen in their original positions, larger reptiles, etc.

Isa 65:25 **The curse is not removed from the serpent during the millennium.** (See Genesis 3:14)

- This will remind man that he'd better not let his guard down. When Satan is loosed, he'll attempt to deceive man like he did before.

Psalms 45-47 **These Psalms outline the end-time events:**

- Psalm 45: Marriage of the Lamb
 - Psalm 46: The Second Coming
 - Psalm 47: The gathering of the people
 - Psalm 48: Jesus Christ at Jerusalem with everybody praising His name.
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