## THE LIFE and TIMES of JESUS CHRIST

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

## "Christ and His Millennial Rule"

The Revelation of the Promised Messiah of Israel

THE THEME OF THIS SERIES:

Colossians 2:9 "For in Christ all the fullness of the Godhead dwells in bodily form"

THE TOPICAL SUBJECT REFERENCE:

The Second Coming, Prophecy, The Millennium

We've Taken chronological steps to the closing topics of our series in

### "The Life and Times of Jesus Christ"

...And we end with what is called the **Millennial Reign** (or Rule) of Jesus Christ – 1000 years

### Why Does Jesus Need to Come Back?

#### **Because The Owner-Builder is Returning**

Luke 20:9

Then He began to tell the people this parable: "A certain man planted a vineyard, leased it to vinedressers, and went into a far country for a long time.

## Why?

Matthew 1:1

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham:

Matthew 5:18

"For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

### About This, Stephen Preached...

Acts 2:29-30

"Men and brethren, let me speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. 30 "Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne,

### Jesus Said it About Himself...

Matthew 25:31-32

"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 32 "All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats.

## The Events Preceding The Millennial Rule of Jesus Christ are

- 1.) The Church is Raptured from the earth
- 2.) The Fulfillment of Daniel Chapter 9:24-27 (trib)
- 3.) Jesus Returns to Earth in the Second Coming
- 4.) The Antichrist, and The False Prophet are Destroyed
- 5.) And Satan is Arrested and bound up
- 6.) The advent of the Mill. Jesus Takes His Throne from Jerusalem

## The Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ

#### 1.) God's Government Shall Reign

### From the beginning of time God Has desired an Intimate Relationship with Man

#### Genesis 1:27-28

So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

#### Genesis 3:8 And Adam and Eve heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool (evening hours) of the day,

What A Fantastic, Almost Mysterious Observation they Make...

## "The Sound of Him Walking"

That Relationship was to be rooted and basted in Love / Man Living in Harmony with God

#### The Governing of God – A Monarchy

Ezekiel 36:27

"I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

#### Israel Was to Be Unlike All Other Nations

#### 1 Samuel 8:4-7

Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, 5 and said to him, "Look, you are old, and your sons do not walk in your ways. Now make us a king to judge us like all the nations." 6 But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to judge us." So Samuel prayed to the LORD. 7 And the LORD said to Samuel, "Heed the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected Me, that I should not reign over them.

#### The Governing of God – A Restored Again

John 20:21-22

So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

# Both Christians and Jews Alike

Believe in the Fact that God is the Ultimate Authority in Human Affairs.

Acts 5:29 "We ought to obey God rather than men.

## It Is True That God Has Established Earthly Governments

Romans 13:1-2

Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God. 2 Therefore whoever resists the authority resists the ordinance of God, and those who resist will bring judgment on themselves.

#### a.) He Will Reign In Righteousness

righteousness grk 1343 dikaiosune (dik-ah-yos-oo'-nay); the exercise of absolute equity both of character and action

#### Hebrews 1:8 "Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever, and righteousness will be the scepter of your kingdom.

Micah 4:7

LORD will reign over them in Mount Zion from now on, even forever.

# Why Must Jesus Return?

## Because Jesus Must Reclaim the Earth

**Revelation 5:1-5** 

And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals. 2 Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?" 3 And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it. 4 So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it. 5 But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals."

### Jesus Christ Must Return to Earth

#### Matthew 25:31-32

"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 32 "All the nations will be gathered before Him,

### To His Disciples He Said...

Matthew 19:28

"... that in the regeneration, 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.

### It's at That Time When

Matthew 26:29

"But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom."

### The Millennium is not Heaven

It's God's Government on Earth !!!

#### Those Who Live into the Millennial Age Will be under His governing

Zechariah 14:16-17

Then the survivors from all the nations that have attacked Jerusalem will go up year after year to worship the King, the LORD Almighty, and to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles. 17 If any of the peoples of the earth do not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD Almighty, they will have no rain.

Revelation 19:13-15

He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. 14 And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. 15 Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron.

## Man's Sinful Nature Will Need to Be Controlled

Revelation 20:1-3

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2 He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years 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.

#### c.) He Will Reign In Mercy

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Isaiah 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, and He will have mercy on him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

Isaiah 16:5 In mercy the throne will be established; and One will sit on it in truth, in the tabernacle of David, judging and seeking justice and hastening righteousness."

Psalm 106:1 Praise the LORD! Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

## Mercy Looks Over Judgment (not over looks)

## The Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ

#### 2.) God's Creation Shall be Healed

Isaiah 65:17-20

"Behold, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy. I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people...

the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more. "Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; he who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere youth;

#### a.) Creation will be Restored Physically

Isaiah 55:11-13

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it. 12 "For you shall go out with joy, and be led out with peace; the mountains and the hills shall break forth into singing before you, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. 13 Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree;

Zechariah 14:8-10

And in that day it shall be that living waters shall flow from Jerusalem, half of them toward the eastern sea and half of them toward the western sea; in both summer and winter it shall occur. 9 And the LORD shall be King over all the earth. In that day it shall be--" The LORD is one," and His name one. 10 All the land shall be turned into a garden

#### b.) Creation will be Maintained Personally

Ezekiel 47:9

Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so where the river flows everything will live.

#### c.) Creation will be Renewed Spiritually

Romans 8:21-22

because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. 22 For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.

#### Nature is in Pain

## A Psalm of the Millennial Reign of Christ

#### Psalm 98:1-9

Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! For He has done marvelous things; his right hand and His holy arm have gained Him the victory. 2 The LORD has made known His salvation; his righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations. 3 He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. 4 Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth; break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises. 5 Sing to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the sound of a psalm, 6 With trumpets and the sound of a horn; shout joyfully before the LORD, the King. 7 Let the sea roar, and all its fullness, the world and those who dwell in it; 8 Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills be joyful together before the LORD, 9 For He is coming to judge the earth. With righteousness He shall judge the world, and the peoples with equity.

#### Isaiah 11:6-10

"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. 7 The cow and the bear shall graze; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. 8 The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, and the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den. 9 They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. 10 "And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse, who shall stand as a banner to the people; for the Gentiles shall seek Him, and His resting place shall be glorious."

## The Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ

#### 3.) Mankind Shall Know The Lord

#### Hebrews 8:10-12

"For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. 11 "None of them shall teach his neighbor, and none his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them. 12 "For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more." Zephaniah 3:14-15

Sing, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, O daughter of Jerusalem! 15 The LORD has taken away your judgments, he has cast out your enemy. The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall see disaster no more.

#### a.) Man Shall See His Earthly Rule

#### It Will Begin at The Second Coming of Christ to Earth

Matthew 24:30

"Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

Zechariah 12:8-10

"In that day the LORD will defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; the one who is feeble among them in that day shall be like David, and the house of David shall be like God, like the Angel of the LORD before them. 9 "It shall be in that day that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. 10 "And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they have pierced; they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.

Zechariah 13:6

And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.

Zechariah 14:3-6

Then the Lord will go out fully armed for war, to fight against those nations. 4 That day his feet will stand upon the Mount of Olives, to the east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will split apart, making a very wide valley running from east to west, for half the mountain will move toward the north and half toward the south. 5 You will escape through that valley, for it will reach across to the city gate. Yes, you will escape as your people did long centuries ago from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah, king of Judah, and the Lord my God shall come, and all his saints and angels with him. 6 The sun and moon and stars will no longer shine,

## His Physical Presence Shall be Awesome

Psalm 99:1-5

The LORD reigns; let the nations tremble! He dwells between the cherubim; let the earth be moved! 2 The LORD is great in Zion, and He is high above all the nations 3 Let them praise Your great and awesome name-- he is holy 4 The King's strength also loves justice; you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Israel 5 Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at His footstool -- he is holy.

> Zechariah 14:20 In that day "HOLINESS TO THE LORD" shall be engraved on the bells of the horses bridles

Before the Millennial Reign Can Begin, The Judgment of the Nations Must Take Place

## Matthew 25:31-46 & Daniel 12:10-12

Zechariah 14:16-18

And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. 17 And it shall be that whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them there will be no rain. 18 If the family of Egypt will not come up and enter in, they shall have no rain; they shall receive the plague with which the LORD strikes the nations who do not come up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.

#### b.) Man Shall Enjoy His Benefits

Isaiah 27:6 The time will come when Israel will take root and bud and blossom and fill the whole earth with her fruit!

#### Psalm 100:1-5

Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands! 2 Serve the LORD with gladness; come before His presence with singing. 3 Know that the LORD, He is God; it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture. 4 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name. 5 For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting, and His truth endures to all generations.

#### c.) Man Shall Vote Upon His Throne

Psalm 2:8-12

Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations for Your inheritance, and the ends of the earth for Your possession. 9 You shall break them with a rod of iron; you shall dash them to pieces like a potter's vessel.'" 10 Now therefore, be wise, O kings; be instructed, you judges of the earth. 11 Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. 12 Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all those who put their trust in Him.

#### And so the Series Concludes with This Challenge;

### To The Christian

#### 2 Timothy 2:15

Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

#### 2 Timothy 4:3-5

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; 4 and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. 5 But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist,

#### 1 Peter 3:15

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

### **To The Atheist & Evolutionist**

Romans 1:22-23

Professing to be wise, they became fools, 23 and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man-- and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things.

> Psalm 14:1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."

#### Because you cannot say it in your head

### **To The Religious & Moralist**

Galatians 2:16

"knowing that a man is not justified by the keeping of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of keeping the law; for by the keeping of the law - no flesh shall be justified before God.

The End