

Millennial Perspectives on Revelation

Viewpoints

Amillennial	The present rule of Christ in heaven or the present age of Christ's rule in the church is the millennium. Holds to one resurrection and judgment marking the end of history as we know it and the beginning of the eternal state.
Historical (Posttribulation) Premillennial	Christ will reign on earth for one thousand years following His second coming. Saints will be resurrected at the beginning of the millennium, nonbelievers at the end, followed by the judgment.
Pretribulation Premillennial	Christ will reign on earth for one thousand years following His second coming. Saints will be resurrected at the rapture prior to the tribulation, those who die during the tribulation at the beginning of the millennium.
Preterist Postmillennial	Millennial kingdom of Christ established in the first century will continue to spread and increase until the time of the final resurrection and judgment.

Book of Revelation

Amillennial	Current history written in code to confound enemies and encourage Asian Christians. Message applies to all Christians.
Historical (Posttribulation) Premillennial	Immediate application to Asian Christians. Applies to all Christians throughout the ages, but the visions also apply to a great future event.
Pretribulation Premillennial	Immediate application to Asian Christians. Applies to all Christians throughout the ages, but the visions also apply to a great future event.
Preterist Postmillennial	A history of events now past, with consequences extending into the present time. Seven churches of John's day.

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