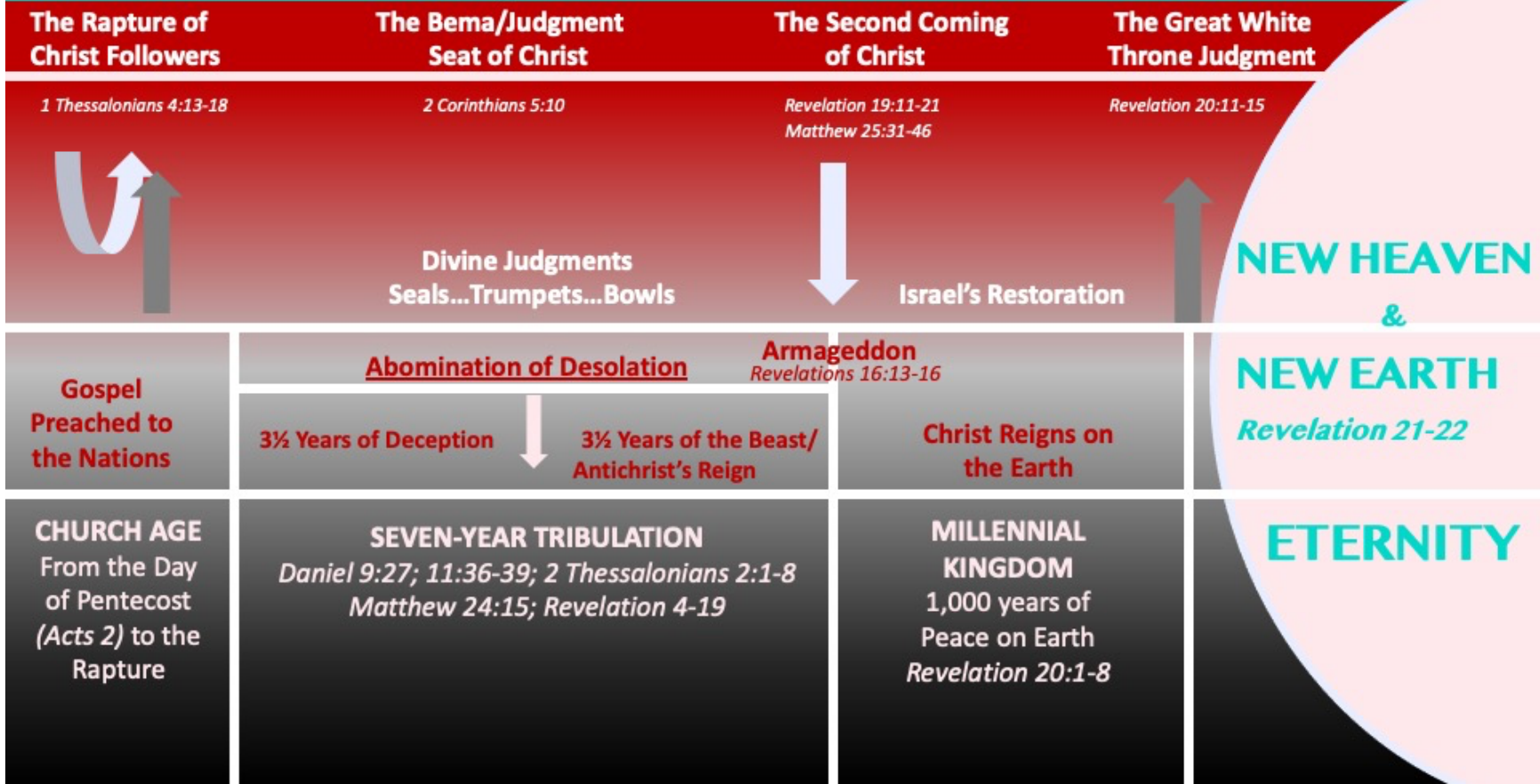


# TIMELINE OF FUTURE EVENTS



<b>RAPTURE OF CHRIST FOLLOWERS</b>	<p>The rapture refers to the resurrection (or transformation) and catching up of all followers of Jesus to Heaven. In this way, God will rescue Christ Followers from the coming wrath then reward them at the Judgment seat of Christ (also known as the Bema Seat). Because the rapture could occur at any moment, Christ Followers should always be ready to meet the Lord.</p>	<p>John 14:1-6; 1 Corinthians 15:51-53; 1 Thessalonians 1:0-10; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18</p>
<b>TRIBULATION</b>	<p>The first three and a half years of the seven-year tribulation will be characterized by worldwide deception. A remnant of Israel will be preserved and a great number of tribulation Christ Followers will suffer martyrdom. At the middle of the the tribulation, the Antichrist (also known as the Beast) will defile a rebuilt temple in Jerusalem and establish his rule over the earth while God unleashes increasingly severe judgments.</p>	<p>Daniel 9:27; 11:36-12:13; Matthew 24:3-28; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12; Revelation 6:1-19:10</p>
<b>SECOND COMING</b>	<p>At the end of the tribulation, Christ will return to earth with the raptured saints to destroy the forces and followers of the Antichrist, complete the resurrection of the righteous, and regather the people of Israel to fulfill God's promises to His people. At this time the righteous and wicked will be separated as a shepherd separates sheep from goats.</p>	<p>Matthew 24:29-31 Acts 1:6-11; Romans 11:25-27; Revelation 19:11-20:3</p>
<b>MILLENNIAL REIGN</b>	<p>While Satan is bound, Christ will reign over Israel and the nations in a kingdom of righteousness, during which the ancient promises to Israel will be fulfilled. After a thousand year, Satan will be released for a final test of humankind before he is permanently consigned to the lake of fire.</p>	<p>Isaiah 65:19-25; Jeremiah 31:31-40; 1 Corinthians 6:2-3; Revelation 20:1-10</p>
<b>NEW HEAVEN &amp; NEW EARTH</b>	<p>After the millennial reign, the wicked dead will be resurrected for judgment before God's Great White Throne and consigned to eternal punishment in the lake of fire. God will then create a new heaven and new earth, and eternal state of glory and splendor, in which God and Christ will reign forever over those who have been saved through Jesus Christ.</p>	<p>Romans 8:19-21; 1 Corinthians 15:25-28; Revelation 20:11-22:5</p>