

DISPENSATIONALISM (13)

The Great Tribulation may be broken down into two time elements:

(Element #1) - The first 3 ½ years in which God pours out His wrath on the world.

(Element #2) - The second 3 ½ years in which the Antichrist pours out his wrath on Israel and God continues to pour out His wrath on the world.

The Tribulation will end with the Second Coming of Jesus Christ (Revelation 19:11-16).

Dispensation Time Zone #8 - The time period of the 1000 year millennium

This will be a 1000-year reign of Jesus Christ in which Israel is in her land (Rev. 20:1-7). This will be the period of time when Jesus Christ will reign on earth and fulfill all promises made to Israel. This will be a time of peace and prosperity on earth. A time in which righteousness reigns over the entire world (Is. 11:1-5; Zech. 14:9, 20).

During this time Satan will be bound; however, at the end of this 1000-year millennium Satan will be released for a short time and he will gather all internal defectors and ultimately he will be cast into the eternal Lake of Fire. After Satan is cast into the Lake of Fire, there will be a Great White Throne Judgment in which all unbelievers will face Jesus Christ and they, too, will be cast into the Lake of Fire (Rev. 20:11-15).

Dispensation Time Zone #9 - The time period of the New Heaven, New Earth, New Jerusalem.

This is described in Revelation 21-22. This will be an eternal utopia of an eternal existence with God. Everything in this era will be brand new, never before in existence.

QUESTION #7 – How does dispensationalism interpret the Sermon on the Mount?

There can be little doubt that the Sermon on the Mount found in Matthew 5-7 is perhaps “the” most famous sermon in the entire Bible and it is a battlefield for dispensationalism.

There is also no doubt that this sermon is one of the major issues of dispensationalism, and it has become a major dispensational issue. This sermon is used by opponents of dispensationalists to attack the dispensationalist.

I had a woman tell me if we don't forgive others we won't go to heaven based on Matt. 6:14-15.
Some have said we have no right to judge or we will be condemned based on Matt. 7:1.
Some have said if we reach real purity we will see God based on Matt. 5:8.
Some have said we should not serve in the military or defend ourselves based on Matt. 5:37-43.
Some have said that this sermon clearly teaches a works-salvation of heaven or hell.

However, dispensationalists do not believe that this instruction is primarily aimed at the church. The Sermon on the Mount is not given to the church and it is not specifically for the church.