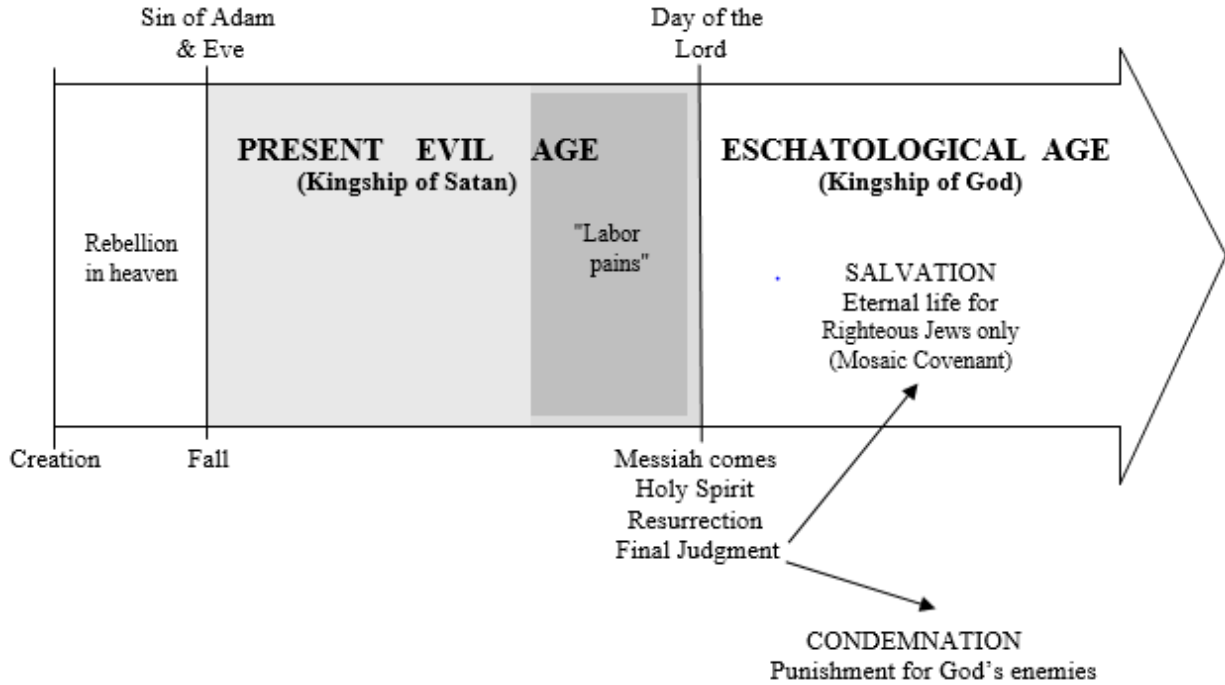


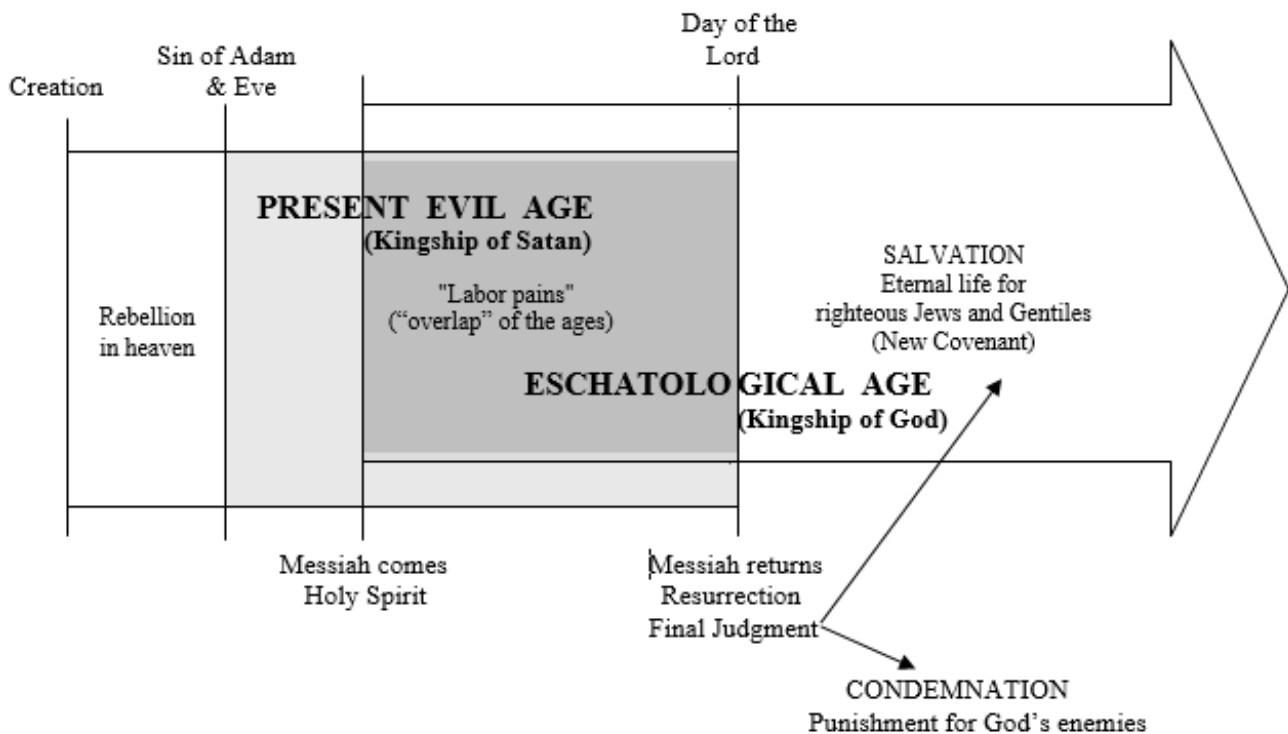
APOCALYPSE OF JOHN

Session 3: Christian Apocalyptic Theology

REVIEW: THE GENERAL SHAPE OF JEWISH APOCALYPTIC THEOLOGY



THE GENERAL SHAPE OF CHRISTIAN APOCALYPTIC THEOLOGY



SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES

SUMMARY OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN JEWISH AND CHRISTIAN APOCALYPTIC THEOLOGY		
	JEWISH	CHRISTIAN
Messiah's Identity		
Messiah's Coming		
Two Ages		
Labor Pains		
Kingship of God		
Resurrection		

TWO EXAMPLES OF CHRISTIAN APOCALYPTIC THEOLOGY

A. Romans 13:11-14 (NIV):

¹¹And do this, understanding the present time. The hour has come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

B. Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

²⁴Jesus told them another parable: "The Kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field. ²⁵But while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and went away. ²⁶When the wheat sprouted and formed heads, then the weeds also appeared.

²⁷"The owner's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, didn't you sow good seed in your field? Where then did the weeds come from?'

²⁸"An enemy did this,' He replied.

"The servants asked him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?'

²⁹"No,' he answered, 'because while you are pulling the weeds, you may root up the wheat with them. ³⁰Let both grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters; First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.'"

. . . ³⁶Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field."

³⁷He answered, "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of man. ³⁸The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the Kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the Evil One, ³⁹and the enemy who sows them is the Devil. The harvest is the consummation of the age, and the harvesters are angels.

⁴⁰"As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. ⁴¹The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his Kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. ⁴²They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."