**Bible Passages used in Millennium Part One – Update**

**1. Is the Millennium Literal**

An overview is given with reference back to previous talks, namely,

Eschatology: A Tale of Two Futures.

* 1. Majority View of Institutional Church is A-Millennialist

1,1.1 Example - Martin Luther and the Reformation

1.1.2 Inevitably Anti-Zionist – Anti-Semitic

* 1. A Major View of Historical Church was Post-Millennialist
		1. John Wesley
		2. Expectation that the World would become Christian
		3. The Millennium becomes the Gospel Age
	2. A Realistic View of Evangelical Church is now Pre-Millennialist
		1. Classical Pre-Millennialism (e.g. Charles Spurgeon)
		2. Dispensational Pre-Millennialism (J.N. Darby)

1.4 All Church centred Eschatological Schemes

**2. Israel and the Gentiles**

**Ephesians 3:4-6** In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

**2.1 One Flock, One Shepherd**

**John 10:16** I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

**2.2 One New Man**

**Ephesians 2:15-16** His purpose was to create in himself one new man out of the two, thus making peace, and in this one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross …

**2.3 One Olive Tree with two types of branches**

**Romans 11:17-18** If some of the branches have been broken off, and you, though a wild olive shoot, have been grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing sap from the olive root, do not boast over those branches.

**Romans 11:24** For if you were cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and were grafted contrary to nature into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, who are natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?

**2.4 One Root – Jesus**

**Romans 11:16** If the root is holy, so are the branches …

**Revelation 22:16** I am the Root and the Offspring of David

**Romans 15:12** Isaiah says, "The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; the Gentiles will hope in him."

**Isaiah 11:10-12** In that day, the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his place of rest will be glorious. In that day, the Lord will reach out his hand a second time to reclaim the remnant that is left of his people … He will raise a banner for the nations and gather the exiles of Israel; he will assemble the scattered people of Judah from the four quarters of the earth.

**John 3:16** For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

**2.5 One Bride**

**Revelation 19:6-8** Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given to her to wear.

**2.6 One Elect People of God – Jew and Gentile together**

**Matthew 24:22** If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of **the elect** those days will be shortened.

**Matthew 24:31** And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather **his elect** from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

**2.7 One Ecclesia – Jew and Gentile – “Called-out ones”.**

**For the Jew:** **Isaiah 43:1** But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; **I have called you by your name**; You are Mine.

**For the Gentiles:** **Romans 1:5-6** Through him and for his name's sake, we received grace and apostleship **to call people from among all the Gentiles** to the obedience that comes from faith. And you also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ.

**And in the Millennium**

**Isaiah 56:6-8** And foreigners who bind themselves to the LORD to serve him, to love the name of the LORD, and to worship him, all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it and who hold fast to my covenant - these I will bring to my holy mountain and give them joy in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.

**3. A House of Prayer for All Nations**

**Revelation 5:9-10** With your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, **and they will reign on the earth.**

**Psalm 102:21-22** So, the name of the LORD will be declared in Zion and his praise in Jerusalem when the peoples and the kingdoms assemble to worship the LORD.

**North of the City - Not on the Temple Mount !!**

**Ezekiel 40:2-3** In visions of God he took me to the land of Israel and set me on a very high mountain, **on whose south side were some buildings that looked like a city.**

**4. The Final Battle and the Geological Changes**

**Zechariah 14:2-5** I will gather all the nations to Jerusalem to fight against it; the city will be captured, the houses ransacked, and the women raped. Half of the city will go into exile, but the rest of the people will not be taken from the city. Then the LORD will go out and fight against those nations, as he fights in the day of battle. On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will be split in two from east to west, forming a great valley, with half of the mountain moving north and half moving south. You will flee by my mountain valley, for it will extend to Azel. You will flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the LORD my God will come, and all the holy ones with him.

**Revelation 16:18-19** No earthquake like it has ever occurred since man has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. The great city split into three parts and the cities of the nations collapsed.

**Joel 3:2**  I will gather all nations and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat. There I will enter into judgment against them concerning my inheritance, my people Israel.

**Isaiah 2:2** In the last days, the mountain of the LORD's temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and all nations will stream to it.

**Isaiah 40:4-5** Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. For the mouth of the LORD has spoken.