

Five purposes in the Tribulation

- * To fulfil God's judgment upon Israel for rejecting the Messiah
- * To bring about Israel's repentance
- * To judge the world for its sin & rebellion
- * To judge the world's unbelief
- * To create a final showdown between Christ & Satan's forces that sees Satan evicted from his false place as the god of this world



A word or phrase, often an item of jargon, that is fashionable at a particular time or in a particular context

- * Environmental stewardship
- * Stewardship renewal
- * Climate change
- * As above, so below: as below, so above

Revelation 16:18-21

18. And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake.
19. The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of His wrath.
20. And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found.
21. And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.

Psalm 2:1-12

1. Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?
2. The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against His Anointed, saying,
3. “Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us.”
4. He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.
5. Then He will speak to them in His wrath, and terrify them in His fury, saying,
6. **“As for Me, I have set My King on Zion, My holy hill.”**

7. I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to Me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.
8. Ask of Me, and **I will make** the nations Your heritage, and the ends of the earth Your possession.
9. **You shall** break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."
10. Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth.
11. Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling.
12. Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and you perish in the way, for His wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in Him.

Psalm 46:6-11

6. The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; **He** utters his voice, the earth melts.
7. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah
8. Come, behold the works of the Lord, how **He** has brought desolations on the earth.
9. **He** makes wars cease to the end of the earth; **He** breaks the bow and shatters the spear; **He** burns the chariots with fire.
10. **“Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”**
11. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah



KINGDOM NOW THEOLOGY

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...is a theological belief that God lost control over the world to Satan when Adam and Eve sinned. Since then, the theology goes, God has been trying to reestablish control over the world by seeking a special group of believers, known variously as "covenant people," "overcomers," or "Joel's army" and that through these people, social institutions (including governments and laws) would be brought under God's authority. The belief is that, since believers are indwelt by the same Holy Spirit that indwelt Jesus, we have all authority in heaven and on the earth; we have the power to believe for and speak into existence things that are not, and thus we can bring about the Kingdom Age.

Kingdom Now / Dominion Theology

- As the Body of Christ, we are Christ, we have His divine nature.
- There is no rapture of the Church. The rapture is just a feeling of excitement (rapture) when the Lord returns to receive the kingdom from our hands.
- All prophecies regarding Israel, in both Testaments, apply to the Church.
- The second coming of Jesus occurs in two stages. Firstly, through the flesh of believers (particularly the flesh of today's apostles & prophets). Secondly, in Person to take over the kingdom handed to Him by those who have been victorious (the "overcomers", "Joel's Army")
- The Church, or at least a special group of the Church, are called to "bring heaven to earth" (as above, so below).

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- We are to reclaim this earth for Christ. The Kingdom of God belongs to us.
- This is done through intense Spiritual Warfare and the raising up of a new breed of Christian, an Army of God.
- The Tribulation has already occurred.
- We are now in the millennial Kingdom of God.
- We currently exist under the covenant of grace, & man, under the covenant of grace, is responsible to rule the world, to hold dominion over it in obedience to the laws of God.

The Seven Mountain Mandate

Man (or a special group of elite believers) is to rule & is to have authority in all these **Seven Mountains of Influence**

1. Education
2. Religion
3. Family
4. Business
5. Government/Military
6. Arts/Entertainment
7. Media

Isaiah 14:26-27

26. This is the purpose that is purposed concerning the whole earth, and this is the hand that is stretched out over all the nations.
27. For the Lord of hosts has purposed, and who will annul it? His hand is stretched out, and who will turn it back?

1 Peter 1:24 & 25


24. For all humanity is like grass, all its glory is like a wildflower - the grass withers, and the flower falls off;
25. but the Word of the Lord remains forever.

Dominionism (the lie that frail, weak and sinful [and emerging] human beings who are but as the flower of the grass can usher in the Kingdom of God on earth) is one of the direct results of Replacement Theology. It started with Augustine who wrote the book 'City of God' proclaiming that the Roman Catholic Church has established the Kingdom of God on earth and that every king, prince and subject must bow to the authority of Mother Church and its Vicar of Christ.

Pope Nicholas I (858-867) said: Fear, then, our wrath and the thunders of our vengeance; for Jesus Christ has appointed us [the popes] with his own mouth, absolute judges of all men; and kings themselves are submitted to our authority.

Isaiah 46:8–11

8. Remember this and stand firm, recall it to mind, you transgressors,
9. remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me,
10. **declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all My purpose,'**
11. calling a bird of prey from the east, the man of my counsel from a far country. **I have spoken, and I will bring it to pass; I have purposed, and I will do it.**

A photograph of a sunset over a rocky coastline. The sky is filled with orange and yellow clouds, transitioning to a darker blue at the top. In the foreground, a person is standing on a large rock, holding a surfboard. The ocean waves are breaking against the rocks. In the background, there are some buildings and other people on the shore.

God is in charge but
He is not in control.
He has left us in control.
-Bill Johnson



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