

Week 7 – Eschatology

What is eschatology?

Revelation 20:1-6

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

Premillennialism

1. Dispensational Premillennialism

What are the two views about the rapture for a dispensational premillennialist?

2. Historic (Post-Tribulation) Premillennialism – This is called historic premillennialism because many of the early church fathers had this belief.

Amillennialism (Probably the most popular view amongst Christian today)

What is different about amillennialists compared to premillennialists and postmillennialists?

Postmillennialism (Popular belief amongst Christians before WW2)

How do postmillennialists think the world is going to end?
