


The Promise of the Davidic Kingdom

A Study in How the O.T. Promises Inform Matthew and Revelation

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"Filling In Our Charts"

1. Old Testament
2. New Testament (Times of Gentiles)
3. Daniel's 70th week
4. Christ's Kingdom (Millennial)
5. Christ's Kingdom (Eternal States)

70th Week
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| Old Testament | New Testament | 70 th Week ↓ | Millennial | Eternal |
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Understanding Our Perspective

- 1. Covenant Theology** (Works, Grace)
Strengths: Same salvation O.T. and N.T. One People of God.
Weakness: Israel replaced by church.
- 2. Dispensational Theology** (7 dispensations)
Strengths: Promises still apply to Israel
Weakness: Extreme forms see two different modes of salvation in Old and New Covenants.
- 3. Blend** = Salvation the same yesterday, today, and forever. Promises still apply to Israel (i.e. gentiles "grafted in") (One people of God)

Revelation and The Kingdom

1. Timing
2. Location
3. Nature
4. Duration
5. Participants

Revelation 11:15b The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He will reign forever and ever.

The Davidic Kingdom In Revelation

Revelation 3:7b He who is holy, who is true, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut...

Revelation 5:5 and one of the elders said to me, "Stop weeping; behold, the Lion that is from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David has overcome so as to open the book and its seven seals.

Revelation 22:16 I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things...I am the root and the descendant of David...

The Seed Promise And The Kingdom

Genesis 3:15 "And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; **He** shall bruise you on the head. and you shall bruise Him on the heel."

- Seed = Zera collective noun " The One and the many"
- He = Hebrew pronoun demanding seed be seen as a singular male!

The Seed Promise And The Kingdom

Context: Post flood – **Noah**, Shem, Ham (father of Canaan 9:18,22), Japheth.

Genesis 9:25-27 So he said, “Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants He shall be to his brothers.” And he said, “**Blessed be the LORD, the God of Shem**; and let Canaan be a servant to Him. May God enlarge Japheth and let Him dwell in the tents of Shem; And **let Canaan be His servant.**”

The Seed Promise And The Kingdom

Galatians 3:16 Now the **promises** were spoken to Abraham and to his seed, He does not say, “And to seeds,” as referring to many, but rather to one, “And to your seed,” that is, Christ.

Genesis 12:1-3, 5b-7 “Go forth from your country and from your relatives...to the **land** which I will show you; And I will make you a **great nation**, and I will bless you and make your name great; And so you shall be a blessing...and in you all the families of the earth will be blessed...thus they came to the **land of Canaan**. Now the Canaanite was then in the **land**. Yahweh appeared to Abram and said, “To your seed I will give **this land**.”

The Promise To David

2nd Samuel 7:9-13, 16 I have been with you wherever you have gone and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make you a great name...I will also appoint **a place for My people Israel** and will plant them, that **they may live in their own place** and not be disturbed again, nor will the wicked afflict them any more as formerly...I will give you rest from all your enemies. The LORD also declares to you that the LORD will make a house for you...I will raise up a **descendant** after you, who will come forth from you and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever...Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me forever; your throne shall be established forever.

Davidic Throne After Jacob's Distress

Jeremiah 30:6-7 Ask now, and see If a male can give birth. Why do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in childbirth? And why have all faces turned pale? Alas! for **that day is great**, there is none like it; And it is the time of Jacob's distress, But he will be saved from it.

Matthew 24:8 But all these things are the beginning of birth pangs.

1 Thessalonians 5:2-3 For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night. While they are saying, "**Peace and safety!**" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like birth pangs upon a woman with child.

Davidic Throne After Jacob's Distress

Jeremiah 30:8-9 "It shall come about on that day," declared Yahweh of hosts, "that I will break his yoke from off their neck and will tear off their bonds; and strangers will no longer make them their slaves. But they shall serve Yahweh their God and David their king, whom I will raise up for them."

Ezekiel 37:24-25 "My servant David will be king over them, and they will all have one shepherd; and they will walk in My ordinances and keep My statutes and observe them. **They will live on the land that I gave to Jacob My servant, in which your fathers lived;** and they will live on it, they, and their sons and their sons' sons, forever; and David My servant will be their prince **forever.**"

Gentile Inclusion

Isaiah 14:1 When the LORD will have compassion on Jacob and again choose Israel, and settle them in their own land, then strangers will join them and attach themselves to the house of Jacob.

Isaiah 56:3 Let not the foreigner who has joined himself to the LORD say, "The LORD will surely separate me from His people."

We Are Grafted Into Israel

Romans 11:18 ...do not be arrogant toward the branches; but if you are arrogant, remember that it is not you who supports the root, but the root supports you.

1. Who is qualified for Christ's Kingdom?
Jews and Gentiles who believe in Jesus

2. Where is the Kingdom coming?
Israel

Acts 1:6 So when they had come together; they were asking Him, saying, "Lord, is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?"

Matthew 24 Implications

1. Matthew 24 is about the fulfillment of Daniel's 70th week! (Kingdom coming to Israel!)

2. Matthew 24 applies to all believers (Jew and Gentile!)

Daniel 9:24 Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city; to **finish the transgression**, to **make and end of sin**, to **make atonement for iniquity**, to **bring in everlasting righteousness**, to **seal up vision and prophecy** and to anoint the most holy place.

Matthew 24: Fulfillment of 70th Week

Matt 23:37 Jerusalem, Jerusalem...How often I wanted to gather your children together...

Isaiah 27:12-13 In that day Yahweh will start His threshing from the flowing stream of the Euphrates to the brook of Egypt, and you will be gathered up **one by one, O sons of Israel**. It will come about also in that day that a **great trumpet** will be blown...

Matt 24:31 And He will send forth His angels with a **great trumpet** and they will gather together His elect from the four winds...

Old Testament Promise of Gathering

Ezekiel 5:12 One third of you will die by plague or be consumed by famine among you, one third will fall by the sword around you and one third I will scatter to every wind...

Deut 30:4 If your outcasts are at the ends of the earth, from there Yahweh will gather you...

Psalms 147:2 The LORD builds up Jerusalem; He gathers the outcasts of Israel.

Isaiah 43:5-7 "Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and gather them from the west. I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' And to the south, 'Do not hold them back.' Bring My sons from afar and My daughters from the ends of the earth."

The "Israel Centric" Nature of Matthew 24

Matt 23:37 Jerusalem, Jerusalem...How often I wanted to gather your children together...

Matt 23:38 ... your house is left to you desolate!

Matt 23:39 (Psalm 118:26)

Matt 24:15 Abomination of Desolation (Daniel 9:27)

Matthew 24:16 those in Judea – flee to mountains

Matthew 24:20 pray that flight is not on the Sabbath

Matthew 24:22 great trib cut short for the elect

Matthew 24:25 deception if possible of the elect

Matt 24:31 And He will send forth His angels with a **great trumpet** and they will gather together His elect from the four winds...

With Whom Does Matt. 24 Apply?

"Those who recognize the signs will realize that Christ's coming is at the door. Those who live during the Tribulation can have absolute confidence that He will return soon..." (MacArthur as quoted by Ryan Habbena, Parable of The FigTree, 17).

"MacArthur's exposition is sound regarding the central point ...yet he does not hold that the command to watch for these signs could apply to the contemporary church" (Fig Tree, 17).

How Does Matt. 24 Apply?

- Matthew 24 does apply to believers living during the Great Tribulation period.
- Matthew 24 applies to all believers in that it teaches that Jesus is faithful to all His promises concerning the Messianic Kingdom!
- Matthew 24 applies to all believers because 24:44 "you must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming.."

Prewrath/ Posttrib.

70th week

Can't apply!

➤ Matthew 24:20 pray that flight is not on the Sabbath

➤ Matthew 24:16 those in Judea – flee to mountains

Matthew 24:3b ...When will these things happen, and what will be the sign of Your coming, and the end of the age?

- When ...these things (24:3b)
 - What...sign of coming (24:3b)
 - Matthew 24:4-35 (answers what sign)
- Matthew 24:36-25:13 (answers when- these things)

Matt 24:32-35 Fig Tree = Observable Signs "You know"

Matt 24:36-25:13 Unknowable "You do not know..."

Don't Know

know

70th week

Matt. 24:4-30 What will be the sign...24:3b

False Christs and deceivers (vs. 4-5)

Wars (vs. 6)

Famines and earthquakes (vs. 7)

Tribulation and persecution (vs.9)

False prophets (vs.10-11)

Abomination of Desolation (vs. 15)

Great Tribulation (vs. 21)

Signs and wonders (vs.24)

Signs sun, moon, stars, (vs.29)

Sign of Son of Man (vs.30)

Parable of fig tree = Observable Signs – 24:32-35

Matt 24:36-25:13 When will these things happen 24:3a

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| "No one knows" | It's Jesus!!! | (vs.36) |
| "Did not know" | | (vs. 39) |
| "You do not know" | | (vs. 42) |
| "When you do not think" | | (vs.44) |
| "When he does not expect him" | | (vs. 50) |
| "You do not know" | | (25:13) |

Note: The 70th week's beginning is unknown. Once the 70th week begins, there will be signs and what will happen becomes predictable.

"Peri De" In Matthew 24

Matthew 24:32 34-35 Now learn the parable from the fig tree: when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, **you know** that summer is near; so you too, when you see all these things, recognize that He is near, right at the door. Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.

Matthew 24:36 Now concerning that day and hour **no one knows**, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father alone. For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah.

Peri de: "Means 'now concerning' and marks a new section of thought" (Harris, New International Dictionary Of New Testament Theology, 3:1203).

Parable of the Laborers:

Matthew 20:5-6 Again he went out about the sixth and the ninth hour, and did the same thing (hired idle people to work vineyard). Now concerning the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing around...

Principles of Marriage:

1 Corinthians 7:1 Now concerning the things about which you wrote, it is good for a man not to touch a woman.

Summary

1. God has promised from the beginning to bring the Davidic Kingdom through Israel and to Israel.
2. The only way ANYONE can enter this kingdom is through faith in Jesus Christ!
3. Matthew 24 applies to every believer in that it proves God's faithfulness to all of His promises.
- 4 Matthew 24 applies to every believer in that Jesus' coming is imminent. We must believe, obey, preach, contend. This is how we are "ready."
5. Matthew 24's warnings within the 70th week will specifically apply to tribulation saints (primarily Israelite believers in Christ).
