# The Focus of the Prophecies of the Book of Revelation is NOT about Israel



This article is a partial transcription of a talk pastor Chuck Baldwin gave to Liberty Fellowship on October 30, 2016, entitled, *The Protestant Reformation: Fulfillment Of Revelation Prophecy?* Please see the video below the text to hear the entire talk!

The emphasis in **bold** and *italics* are mine.

Revelation Chapter 11. I have to give some introductory remarks to this message. Most of the churches and Christians in the United States today have made several assumptions relative to especially the Book of Revelation, and Daniel's prophecy, which coincide. Those presuppositions stem from the teachings that began with a man named John Darby at about 1830 and then were popularized by the Scofield Reference Bible at the beginning of the 20th century, and then further popularized by institutions such as the Dallas Theological Seminary in Dallas, Texas, Hal Lindsay's famous book series, Tim Lahaye's books, and other writers of the 20th century, who have regurgitated the presuppositions that were first written by Darby and Scofield.

Most of the Bible commentators that I read almost exclusively now — the only time I read a modern Bible commentator is if I want to find the usually the wrong opinion that's being circulated currently — (laughter) I exclusively read Bible scholars and teachers, writers, commentators, who wrote previous to 1850. Many of the men that I read, wrote in the 17th and 18th centuries, and I can tell you that almost to a man none of those Bible scholars previous to 1830 taught anything like what John Darby and CI Scofield taught in their writings.

Even the famous Baptist preacher in London, Charles Spurgeon, who has been called, probably rightly, the prince of preachers, who, by the way, was a contemporary of John Darby, publicly and strongly repudiated John Darby's theology as it pertained to prophecy as it pertained to dispensationalism.

Most of the Bible scholars and teachers before 1830 had no consciousness of any such thing as dispensational teaching. They did not teach a necessarily a seven year tribulation, and they did not teach a pre-tribulation rapture.

For example, Spurgeon taught that when Darby came out with his rapture theory, Spurgeon retorted that **the rapture and the and the resurrection were one in the same!** That there was no distinction between a rapture and a resurrection, no time in between.

The presupposition of Darby and Scofield, and Lindsay, and Dallas Seminary, and all these fellows is that **the book of Revelation and prophecy in general focuses on and is primarily concerned with Israel.** The preachers and teachers before 1830 did *not* believe that. They believed that the prophetic Scriptures of Daniel, and especially the Book of Revelation, were focused on the *Church*. They were **not focused on Israel**. So the presupposition that almost every prophetic Bible teacher has today is that Israel is the focus of the book of Revelation.

What if that presupposition is wrong? Think about it. From the time of the apostles, to approximately 1830, over 1800 years of Bible teaching, Bible preaching, Bible scholarship, no one taught that the prophecies of Revelation focus primarily on Israel. They all said they focused on the Church. If we are to assume that the present presupposition that is promoted by almost every pastor, every radio teacher, Bible teacher, TV preacher, everybody you read, everybody you hear, the presupposition that it's all about Israel, that means that for 1800 years of church history, all the Bible scholars and teachers and theologians of church history have been wrong. And only in the last 100 or so years, have Bible teachers and scholars figured it out. (Which of course is wrong.)

I'm going to present you today with a perspective on Revelation Chapter 11 that was given by these pre-1830 theologians that had the different presupposition. Because, you know ladies and gentlemen, the problem is in a lot of our thinking, you can make anything work to fit your presupposition. But if your presupposition is wrong, then all of your proofs and evidences that support your presupposition are wrong. You have to start with a correct presupposition in order to be able to understand truth correctly from that point onward. Because if you're not, all you're trying to do is prove a falsehood. So the presupposition that we have on virtually everything in life is critical to whether or not we believe truth, or whether we are believing error. And you can argue till you're blue in the face and the cows come home and the sun comes up in the west and all those things, but if your presupposition is wrong, everything that you're using as proven evidence to support that presupposition is likewise wrong.

The presupposition of the Bible teachers, scholars, and theologians previous to 18th century, or previous to the popularity of Darby and Scofield was completely opposite of what the presupposition is of 20th century Christianity. Israel's not the focus. Israel was destroyed in 70 ad, according to the prophecy of Jesus in Matthew chapter 24. All of the first-century writers and the early-century writers, second and third-century writers all, if they talked about Israel, it was always in the past. This is what Israel did. This is what God did. And Israel was not part of the equation when it came to scriptures that pertain to the future, except as it pertained to the second coming of Christ. Then of course, they would talk about Israel as it's related to the future kingdom and the return of Jesus Christ. But except for that, it was a non-issue in their scriptural teaching, in their scriptural understanding. So between the teaching of Darby and the teaching of Scofield and then the creation of the modern Zionist state of Israel in 1948, the modern church has been swept with this tide of opinion

and focus on how everything in prophecy must relate to this state of Israel that we see over in Palestine today, the one that was created on May 14, 1948.

That was not the position of the Church Fathers, or the church leaders or the church scholars for 1800 years of our church history. So when you come to the book of Revelation, and you read the commentaries of these men compared to the modern interpretation, they are total polar opposites!

(End of transcription. Please see the video to hear what else pastor Chuck has to say!)

# New Order of Barbarians — Transcript of tapes I-III exposing the plans of the New World Order



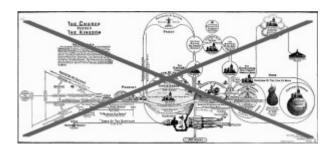
#### The NWO Agenda

from a 1969 speech

as recalled by Dr. Lawrence Dunegan

The agenda of the New World Order that is now referred to as the Great Reset.

# <u>Dispensationalism and Its Influence on</u> <u>Eschatology</u>



My new friends from 2014 have often used the theological term

"dispensationalism" in their conversations with me but until recently the meaning of this word has been nebulous in my mind. I think it most Christians today don't know what it means either even though they believe the doctrines that sprang from it.

Below is text edited from http://regal-network.com/dispensationalism/

Dispensationalism is a method of Bible interpretation which was first devised by John Nelson Darby (1800-1882), and later formulated by the controversial American Cyrus I. Scofield (1843-1921), and is also known as Pre-millennial Dispensationalism. Although Darby was not the first person to suggest such a theory, he was, however, the first to develop it as a system of Bible interpretation and is, therefore, regarded as the Father of Dispensationalism."

The origin of this theory can be traced to three Jesuit priests;

- (1) Francisco **Ribera** (1537-1591),
- (2) Cardinal Robert **Bellarmine** (1542-1621) one of the best known Jesuit apologists, who promoted similar theories to Ribera in his published work between 1581 and 1593 entitled Polemic Lectures Concerning the Disputed Points of the Christian Belief Against the Heretics of This Time,
- (3) Manuel Lacunza (1731-1801).

The writings of Ribera and Bellarmine, which contain the precedence upon which the theory of Dispensationalism is founded, were originally written to counteract the Protestant reformers' interpretation of the Book of the Revelation which, according to the reformers, exposed the Pope as Antichrist and the Roman Catholic Church as the whore of Babylon." (Quoted from http://regal-network.com/dispensationalism/)

The doctrine of dispensationalism makes a distinction between Israel and the Church. It stresses a literal fulfillment of Old Testament promises to Israel.

The notion that God has one plan for "ethnic Jews" and another plan for the Church was utterly rejected by the "Prince of Preachers" Charles Spurgeon.

Distinctions have been drawn by certain exceedingly wise men (measured by their own estimate of themselves), between the people of God who lived before the coming of Christ, and those who lived afterwards. We have even heard it asserted that those who lived before the coming of Christ do not belong to the church of God! We never know what we shall hear next, and perhaps it is a mercy that these absurdities are revealed at one time, in order that we may be able to endure their stupidity without dying of amazement. Why, every child of God in every place stands on the same footing; the Lord has not some children best beloved, some second-rate offspring, and others whom he hardly cares about. These who saw

Christ's day before it came, had a great difference as to what they knew, and perhaps in the same measure a difference as to what they enjoyed while on earth meditating upon Christ; but they were all washed in the same blood, all redeemed with the same ransom price, and made members of the same body. Israel in the covenant of grace is not natural Israel, but all believers in all ages. Before the first advent, all the types and shadows all pointed one way —they pointed to Christ, and to him all the saints looked with hope.

Those who lived before Christ were not saved with a different salvation to that which shall come to us. They exercised faith as we must; that faith struggled as ours struggles, and that faith obtained its reward as ours shall. Charles H. Spurgeon, "Jesus Christ Immutable," in The Metropolitan Tabernacle Pulpit

Once you understand how the doctrine of dispensationalism originated, you will hopefully reject all the false doctrines that spring from it. These false doctrines include:

- A distinction between the Church and ethnic Israel.
- The Antichrist is a single individual in the Endtime, and will probably be a Jew.
- The Antichrist sets up a final world government and one world religion during his rule on earth which is from 7 years just before the return of Christ.
- The Antichrist makes a 7 year peace pact with the Jews which allows them to rebuild the Temple of Solomon.
- There will be a secret rapture of the Saints just before the start of the Great Tribulation which is starts 3.5 years into the Antichrist's reign.

My friends, these doctrines all sprang from the Roman Catholic Church! The Vatican wants you to think the Antichrist will be a Jew because then you will not think of the Pope as the biblical Antichrist — which is what the early Protestant reformers used to think. The doctrine of a final 7 year reign of the Antichrist is based on a false interpretation of Daniel 9:27. That false interpretation is also the bases of the 7 year peace pact doctrine with the Jews and the rebuilding of the Temple of Solomon.

I have written extensively about <u>Daniel 9:27 and its true interpretation on this website</u>.

For more study, please see:

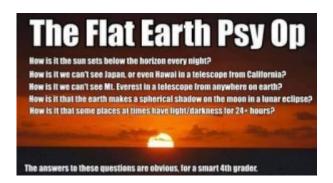
http://www.theologicalstudies.org/resource-library/dispensationalism/421-what
-is-dispensationalism

# The Seven Seals of Revelation Chapter 6 Shown to be Fulfilled Historically



The meaning of the 7 seals of the book of Revelation.

# <u>Genesis Chapter One Indicates a</u> <u>Spherical Rotating Earth</u>





Stationary GPS satellite over the rotating earth

On March 15th I hitchhiked to the Tokyo area from my home in Niigata City in 4 cars. When sitting in the back seat of one of the cars, the front seat passenger was having a long conversation with the driver. This meant I didn't have to engage in conversation with them and gave me an opportunity to redeem the time and type a message on my Tablet PC. I wanted to reply to a man named Sam who was debating with my friend <a href="Dr. John Gideon Hartnett">Dr. John Gideon Hartnett</a> about when God created the sun. Though the Bible in Genesis 1 clearly says God made the sun on the 4th day of creation, Sam says it must have been on the first day for

how can there be 24 hours without the sun? Before we go further, you must know I am writing this for Bible believers who believe in a literal six days of creation of the universe and everything in it, with one day being 24 hours. This is what most Creationists and fundamental Christians and Bible believers hold to be true.

Holding my Tablet PC in my left hand and typing with one finger of my right hand, I suddenly saw things from the first few verses of Genesis one that I never saw before! I wrote Sam things I didn't intend to write him. Have you ever experienced getting revelations from the written Word of God of things you haven't ever heard anybody else teach? I have, and it's thrilling! I think Bible teachers experience this more than those who just read the Bible but don't share with others what they learn. Maybe God showed me something new because He knew I was just about to share it with somebody else! You can read about another revelation I had on New Viewpoint of the Clay and Iron of Daniel Chapter 2

This is what I wrote Sam:

Your question, "How does one explain Day & Night and "first day" if this is not the creation of the sun????" is valid in my opinion and something I wondered about too. The way I see it is God, "in the beginning" not only created matter and light on the first day, He created time as well. Is 24 hours dependent on the existence of the sun to be 24 hours? Or is 24 hours dependent on one rotation of the earth? According to my understanding of time and physics, the latter is true. Therefore even without a sun there were 24 hour days because of the rotation of the earth!

Genesis 1:4 And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

Suddenly verse 4 makes more sense to me than ever! If the sun didn't exist till day 4, how could God divide the light from the darkness? Answer: God Himself was the light source over a rotating earth!

And even if you say all of the above is mere speculation, the Scriptures say clearly in verse 1:16, And God MADE two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also.

1:19 And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

Sam didn't argue against my answer. □

#### Refuting the Flat Earthers

During year 2015, an unusual and crazy phenomenon of people who believe the earth is flat spread around the Internet. Flat Earthers are bound not to like this article. And who bought flat earth foolishness? Every one of them I have encountered so far is an English speaking US American or Canadian. Every one of them is a Bible believing Christian and a conspiracy researcher. I even had to deal with one face to face on March 16th! I visited him without knowing that he had become a flat earther. Do you see a pathern here? I

believe Flat Earth is a psyops designed to trip off mostly white North American Christians who are also conspiracy researchers. Not a single Japanese I have ever met believes the earth is flat. They all laugh when I tell them I know people who do.

If the child turned constantly around holding a rope attached to a swinging bucket of water while facing it, this would be akin to how a geostationary satellite orbits the rotating earth while staying over the same area of the earth. The rope between the bucket and the person swinging it is akin to the gravitational force that keeps the satellite in motion from flying away into space. Flat earthers deny the existence of gravitational force, outer space, Newtonian laws of motion, and the existence of communication satellites that make the Internet fast so they can spread their flat earth propaganda easier?! Incredible!

#### Further Reading:

The earth is not flat and hangs upon nothing!
Flat Earth Theory Totally Trashed

### Science the New Religion



Science has become the new religion. Those who dare challenge the dictates of "science" are often declared crackpots, pseudo-scientists, or just plain crazy.

#### Facebook Memes



Some of my favorite meaningful memes.

### Discerning the truth about John Todd



Views about Illuminati defector John Todd by Gerry Keloney.

## The Washington D.C. - Rome Connection



The Capitol facing the Washington Monument, an obelisk

"The best place to hide something is out in the open. Nobody ever thinks to look there." - Robert Anton Wilson

Did you know that "Capitol" was the name of Jupiter's temple in Rome? Did you know that word "obelisk" literally means "Baal's Shaft" or Baal's organ of reproduction. Baal of course is referring to Satan, the Devil.

Did you also know the Vatican in Rome has an obelisk standing in the middle of St. Peter's Square?



Papal Basilica of Saint Peter facing an obelisk in St. Peters Square in the Vatican, Rome

# Quotes from Samuel Morse's book: FOREIGN CONSPIRACY AGAINST THE LIBERTIES OF THE UNITED STATES:

This Samuel Morse is the same person who invented the telegraph.

"If Papists conquered Rome, why may they not conquer America? Is it so utterly impossible that the next generation should witness the supremacy of Romanism that we can afford to fold our arms in ease? Possessing the balance of power between the two political parties, demanding favorable legislation as the condition of support, and wielding political power in some of our largest cities, **Popery is a foe whose giant strength it is folly to underestimate...**Under the banner of civil liberty Rome may possibly bind upon us the fetters of spiritual despotism."

"Tyrants, the more effectually to secure power, have ever professed supreme regard for man's highest interests."

"That the Roman Church is nothing less than a conspiracy against liberty, personal and national, civil and religious, we firmly believe. Being the twin sister to despotism, she ever has been, and is now, most bitterly hostile to freedom of conscience, freedom of press..."

"Nor has Romanism shown less hostility to another principle of our national life, the separation of Church and State...Almost every Pope for the last thousand years has pronounced it a 'damnable heresy.'

This post is just a tiny scratch on the surface in the hope you discover the players in the conspiracy to create the New World Order or one world government talked about in the Book of Revelation, chapter 13.