The Redemptive Covenant Historical Flow

1. The Eternal Kingdom of God has no beginning or end. It is Heaven for believers from all dispensations

The Redemption plan of the Lord Jesus Christ is from eternity past throughout eternity future planned by the Fatherhead, Ephesians 1:3-5; Psalms 93:2; 1 Peter 1:18-21

There is only one Redemptive Covenant having two historical stages

2. FROM STAGE ONE TO STAGE TWO OF THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT

3. Redemption before the Nation of Israel
   Approximately 2000 years

4. Redemption to the world during the Nation of Israel
   Approximately 2500 years

5. Redemption during the Body of Christ
   2200 plus years

6. Redemption during the earthly Kingdom of the Messiah
   1000 years

The Redemptive Covenant Historical Flow Chart:

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Also called the “Eternal Covenant”, and the “Everlasting Covenant”, with two major stages: Stage One, the Old Covenant and Stage Two, the New Covenant. The following will show the relationship with the Abrahamic covenant and covenants for the Nation of Israel and the application to the rest of the world who are non-Jewish people.

1. **THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT WAS PLANNED IN ETERNITY PAST BEFORE CREATION**
   Planned in Eternity Past - made by the Godhead. Eph. 1:4, 2 Ti. 1:9, Tit. 1:2.

2. **THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT WAS IMPLEMENTED IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN**
   The Redemptive Covenant was implemented in the Garden of Eden - The beginning of Stage One of the Redemptive Covenant, called the "Old Covenant" Gen. 3:6-11, 21. The Promised Seed Revealed Prophetically Gen. 3:15.

3. **THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT WAS MENTIONED ALONG WITH THE NOAHIC COVENANT**
   Noah received a covenant along with the Redemptive Covenant. "Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant (Redemptive Covenant) between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth." Gen. 9:16, Rom. 8:18-25.

4. **THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT WAS MENTIONED INDIRECTLY IN THE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT**
   The Everlasting Covenant or Redemptive Covenant was passed down through Abraham and his descendants, Gal. 3:16, "The promises were spoken to Abraham and his seed. Scripture does not say "and to seeds," meaning many people, but "and to your seed meaning one person, who is Christ." Gen. 12:3 Speaking to Abraham, “And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." (Starting and passing through - Adam, Noah, Shem, Abraham, Judah, to Mary who gave birth to the Lord Jesus Math. 1:1-17, Lk. 3:23-38.)
Abraham received additional covenants along with the Redemptive Covenant which promised to be everlasting for him and his descendants, and none of these covenants changed the others; they only gave additional benefits to the recipients.

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The Redemptive Covenant’s application to the non-Jewish people as it related to the Abrahamic Covenant: First, they were to be blessed by the Redemptive Covenant’s extension to them through the Abrahamic Covenant. The atoning power’s requirement for humanity under the Redemptive Covenant did not change the need for a blood sacrifice, trust, faith, and belief, based on the mercy and grace of God. The requirements remained integral to the Redemptive Covenant; nothing was added or removed from the original plan of the Godhead during Stage One of the Redemptive Covenant. Stage One is also called the “Old Covenant”. With the giving of the Abrahamic Covenant, God changed the stewardship from the former dispensation’s stewardship of believers to Abraham and his descendants, Gal. 3:23-29. The change in stewardship is one of the seven guiding principles of a dispensation which is not a change in the covenant but a principle of a dispensation. The stewardship of the dispensation was to be carried out by Israel with the message and offer of the Redemptive Covenant to the world. Along with the Redemptive Covenant, other covenants were given at the same time to Abraham in a progressive period of faith between his ages of seventy-five and ninety-nine years old (Israel’s land, circumcision of its males, and in the development of a special relationship to God, Gen.12:1-7; 14:14-16; 15:4-7; 17:1-27; Rom.4:11-16; Gal. 3:16). Both the Nation of Israel and the non-Jewish people (Gentiles) were required to obey the revealed governing rules of the Dispensation of Promise given by God. The non-Jewish world was also required to observe the Redemptive Covenant and other covenants in accordance with the specific rules given in the Dispensation of Promise. The covenants were given for Israel’s well-being in its stewardship and for the Gentiles’ blessings as they related to the God of Israel, (“I will bless them that bless you and curse them that curse you”).
The changing or transition in the dispensation from Human Government to the Dispensation of Promise started with the sin at the Tower of Babel and the call of Abram. Continuing through Israel's 40 years in the wilderness and ending with the events recorded in the Scripture of the last carryover person, Balaam a corrupt Gentile prophet of God from the former dispensation, Numbers 22. After Balaam the Bible became silent on any of those spiritual leaders of the former Dispensation of Human Government.

5b. THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT ALLOWING GENTILES TO JOIN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Second, Individual Gentiles from the other nations who became believers joined the Jewish Nation in spiritual belief, and some became integrated into the Jewish Nation community; examples were Rahab and Ruth. The rest of the nations were to live alongside the Nation of Israel in peace, blessing that Nation. Third, Gentile men who believed in Jehovah God of Israel were to be circumcised to show they had subordinated their allegiance to the Nation of Israel's faith and covenants. As the Nation of Israel developed, all believing Gentiles could enter the Court of the Gentiles in the Temple to worship and learn. Believing Gentiles were to live in harmony and peace with the Nation of Israel. The Gentile proselytes were required to appear in Jerusalem three times a year because of their conversion to Israel's faith and covenants; and on the day of Pentecost many Gentile proselytes were present for this celebration, Ac. 2:5-12, Ex. 23:14-17. The Ethiopian eunuch was already saved before the Dispensation of Grace became fully operational; he was saved under the Old Covenant (Stage One of the Redemptive Covenant) and in proper relationship to the Nation of Israel as shown by his appearance in the Court of the Gentiles at Jerusalem one of the three times a year according to the Dispensation of Promise rules. When Philip explained the passage of Isaiah which the Ethiopian eunuch was reading, he believed the Gospel message about Jesus Christ, and identified himself with Christ Jesus in water baptism, Ac. 8:27-40, Is. 53, Gen. 17:12,13, Ex. 12:48,49, Is. 55:5, Is. 56.

5c. THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT AND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ISRAEL TO NON-JEWISH PEOPLE

Each person in the Nation of Israel, as the stewardship institution to the world, was to be a steward of the Redemptive Covenant (or the Old Covenant Stage 1), Ex. 22:21, 23:9. Israel's failure to fulfill its responsibility, according to the Dispensation of Promise as described in the Biblical accounts from Abraham through Moses, brought the Nation chastisements and judgments, which will eventually end with punitive judgment on the Nation. The punitive judgment will be fulfilled in the 70th week of Daniel, also called “Jacob’s trouble” or “7 year Tribulation Period”. In this Tribulation the Nation of Israel will be purged resulting in the repentance and salvation of a responsible remnant turning to the Messiah, the Lord Jesus Christ, Is. 1:9, Jer. 31:7, Joel 2:23. This remnant from the Jewish Nation will proclaim the truth of redemption to the world, Is. 10:20-23, Jer. 23:3-6, Rom. 9:26-29, Rev. 7, 14. After the Rapture God will fulfill His prophetic program, as foretold through this remnant, the true Nation of Israel Zeph. 3:8-13, Rom. 9:26-29. The nonbelieving Jews, along with all other nonbelievers of the world, will be punitively judged by the end of the Tribulation with death in the Battle of Armageddon. This Battle will end the Tribulation period and the transition into the Dispensation of the Kingdom. (Note: the Battle of Armageddon will occur at the end of the 7 year Tribulation, and the Battle of Gog and Magog will happen at the end of the 1000 years Rev. 16:15-20 cf. 20:7-10.) The Scripture will be fulfilled going into the millennial reign of Christ or the Dispensation of the Kingdom of our Lord. Our Lord says in the Gospels to the Nation of Israel, “many, I tell you, will try to enter (the Kingdom) and will not be able to”, Math. 7:13, 14. At this time the Gentile nations must be obedient as prescribed in the Abrahamic Covenant accepting the leadership of Christ Jesus through the real Nation of Israel formed by the believing remnant.
6. THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT STAGE ONE TO STAGE TWO OR THE OLD COVENANT TO THE NEW COVENANT

The Old Covenant Stage One, started back in the Garden of Eden; and through a sequential progression of events, Stage Two, the New Covenant developed and came into operation during the Dispensation of Promise. Israel’s earthly Kingdom in the Dispensation of Promise was similar and sequential in its progression of events from Abraham to Christ.

**Stage One continued, during the Dispensation of Promise:**

1st The time of the Dispensation of Promise, God chose to have a unique relationship with the people of Israel (Ps. 135:4, “For the Lord has chosen Jacob for Himself, Israel for His special treasure.”) Deut. 4:37, 7:6, 10:15, 14:2, Ps. 105:6.

2nd The time of the lives of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob continued during Stage One of the Redemptive Covenant Gen. 17:19 - 35:10, 49:33.

3rd The sojourn of the Israelites in Egypt and their subsequent deliverance which occurred during the Dispensation of Promise under Stage One of the Redemptive Covenant, Gen. 42:1 – Ex. 14:30.

4th The Mosaic Law was added for the Nation of Israel’s blue print for governing and obedience, occurred during the Dispensation of Promise, Gal. 3:15-21. The Mosaic Law given to Moses contained the rules establishing the Kingdom, a worship system, civil obedience and moral living which the people could not keep because of the sinfulness of the heart, Ex. 19:1 – Lev. 1 - 27, Num. 1 - 36. What is called the Mosaic Law included some laws that were modified from the previous dispensation, new laws which could be modified in later dispensations, and eternal universal laws which had not been previously revealed; all of these laws are consistent with the first three guiding principles of a dispensation. And the fourth guiding principle was for the stewards who govern; they were to obey these laws establishing a Godly Nation.

5th The Israelites’ chastisement in the wilderness happened during the Dispensation of Promise Num. 13 - 27 – Deut. 1 - 34.

6th The conquest of the land promised to the Jewish Nation was one of the events establishing the covenants given to Abraham under the Dispensation of Promise Josh. 1-24.

7th The period of the Judges continued the establishment of Israel’s position in an earthly Kingdom leading to the rule by an earthly king, Judg. 1-21, Ruth 1-4, Est. 1-10, 1 Sam. 1-8.

8th The time of the earthly Kingdom established by Israel, Israel’s first earthly king (Saul), and the Davidic Covenant under King David’s kingship, all happened during the Dispensation of Promise with the Redemptive Covenant, Stage One operating 1 Sam. 8 – 2 Sam. 24, Ps. 1-150, Prov. 1 – 31, 1 Chron. 1 - 2 Chron. 10, 1 Kgs. 1-12.

9th When the Nation of Israel’s Kingdom was divided into two Kingdoms, the Dispensation of Promise continued 2 Chron. 10 - 36, 1 Kgs. 12 – 2 Kgs. 25.

10th When the Northern Kingdom tribes were taken into captivity, the Times of the Gentiles began but the Dispensation of Promise continued, 2 Kgs. 1 - 17.

11th The Southern Kingdom tribes were taken into captivity during the Dispensation of Promise 2 Chron. 36, 2 Kgs. 25.

12th The Dispensation of Promise operated before, during and after the 12 tribes of the Northern and the Southern Kingdoms’ captivity Dan. 1 - 12, Ezr. 1 - 10, Neh. 1 -13. (None of the 12 tribes of Israel have fully come back from captivity as one Nation, but will when the Dispensation of the Kingdom begins.)

13th The Times of the Gentiles started with the captivity of the Northern Kingdom tribes, and runs through two dispensations: the Dispensation of Promise and the Dispensation of Grace, which will end with the 7 year Tribulation period:

   a) The first coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in human form occurred during the Times of the Gentiles and the Dispensation of Promise.
   b) The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John recorded the historical events in the lives of the people of Israel during our LORD’s first coming to earth. The Gospels’ historical events occurred during the Times of the Gentiles under the Old Covenant or Stage One of the Redemptive Covenant, continuing the Dispensation of Promise.
   c) The completed requirements of Stage One, which empowered the Redemptive Covenant, and the atonement happened during the Times of the Gentiles and during the Dispensation of Promise.
d) The Redemptive Covenant Stage Two or the New Covenant, was implemented at Pentecost with the permanent indwelling of the Holy Spirit in believers taking place during the Times of the Gentiles and the Dispensation of Promise, Gal. 4:4, Ac. 1-2.

e) The Dispensation of Grace is occurring during the Times of the Gentiles which is the spiritual continuation of the chastisement on the Nation of Israel. Because of the Nation of Israel rejecting its leadership position during the Times of the Gentiles, God instituted a mystery dispensation, the Dispensation of Grace, Ac. 1-7, 28:28; Eph. 3:1-3. Today's dispensation overlays God's finishing the punitive judgment on the Nation of Israel which was prophetically supposed to have happened at the end of the Dispensation of Promise; its dispensational punitive judgment was to have been the 7 year Tribulation, Isa. 2:12; 13:6-9; Jl. 1:15; 2:1-31; 3:14, Deut. 4:30; Zeph. 1:1, Dan. 12:1; 9:24-27, Zeph. 1:15, Jer. 30:7, Math. 24:21; 25:31-46, 1 Thess. 5:2. This unfinished punitive judgment on the Dispensation of Promise will happen right after the mystery Rapture which also will start the punitive judgment on the Dispensation of Grace, today's administration, Rom. 16:25, 1 Cor. 2:7, Eph. 3:3, Eph. 3:9, Col. 1:26, 1 Thess. 4:13 - 5:11.

f) The Times of the Gentiles will end with the completion of the Battle of Armageddon. Bible teachers have taken the phrase 'the Times of the Gentiles' from Lu. 21:24. The time period covers all the time Israel is divided and under the oppression of the Gentiles and before it is under the rule of Christ Jesus in the Millennial reign.

14th Stage One of the Redemptive Covenant (Old Covenant, Everlasting Covenant) was fulfilled by the completed work of our Lord Jesus Christ; and Stage Two was implemented when the Holy Spirit came to indwell the believers upon accepting the Gospel message at Pentecost, recorded in Ac. 2. Stage One ended at Pentecost, but the Dispensation of Promise continued.

15th The Nation of Israel had not yet sinned by rejecting the Holy Spirit. (The Holy Spirit had to be given before He could be rejected.) The enactment of the New Covenant in Ac. 2 and the offer to the Nation of Israel did not constitute a new dispensation Ac. 1-7, because the last three of the seven principles for a dispensational change had not yet occurred: the final sin of the Holy Spirit's working through the Nation's stewardship, the transition of the seven year Tribulation and the ending of the punitive judgment of the Battle of Armageddon. However, with the Nation of Israel rejecting its office of the Holy Spirit's filling stewardship under Stage Two of the New Covenant by Ac. 7, a mystery dispensation began to overlay Israel's completion of its inheritance which started after the stoning of Stephen in Ac. 7. (At this point God inserted a mystery dispensation, the Dispensation of Grace; this mystery dispensation will be completed when the Rapture occurs, 1 Thess. 4:13 - 5:11. When the Dispensation of Grace ends, God will go back to complete the transition to the Kingdom Dispensation with the punitive judgment of the seven year Tribulation, ending with the Battle of Armageddon; however, all these events are still under Stage Two of the Redemptive Covenant.).

16th The completed Redemptive Covenant, which occurred under the Dispensation of Promise, was offered to the Nation of Israel as a whole; but only certain individuals in the Nation, who were in correct relationship to the Dispensation of Promise responded, preparing themselves for the Dispensation of the Kingdom.

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7. THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT FUNCTIONING DURING THE OVERLAIN DISPENSATION

17th The overlay, the Dispensation of Grace, which is a mystery dispensation, started right after the stoning of Stephen in Ac. 7, beginning the transition into the new Mystery Dispensation and ending when it became fully operational at the end of Ac. 28.

18th If God had not revealed His mystery dispensation when He did, the world would have gone into the prophetic worldwide punitive judgment as prophesied to Israel in the Old Testament causing a dispensational change, Ac. 2:17-22. God stopped His prophetic economic timetable at this point with the Nation of Israel. The Times of the Gentiles continued with the Nation of Israel's oppression being overlaid with the Body of Christ, working redemption today for the world through a New Stewardship, a New Organism Eph. 2:14 (read all of chapters 1-4 of Ephesians).
19th After the overlaid dispensation ending with the Rapture of the church of today and the conclusion of the 7 year punitive judgment on the world, the era called the “Times of the Gentiles” will come to an end. The Lord Jesus Christ will descend from Heaven in His second literal appearance on earth concluding the Gentiles’ rule over the Nation of Israel, and He will reign in the Millennial Kingdom, Lu. 21:23-25. Our Lord Jesus’ appearing will usher in the Dispensation of the earthly Kingdom with Him sitting on the throne of David. The Gospel, the Redemptive Covenant or New Covenant, will still be in effect for those born during the Dispensation of the Kingdom. The timing of the final transformation for the believers will occur at different stages depending upon the dispensation in which they were saved, 1 Cor. 15:12-58, 1 Thess. 4:13-18, Dan. 12:2, Is 2:19. The physical to the spiritual transformation of the believers’ bodies will occur for some at the Rapture, for some at the beginning of the Millennium and for others at the end of the 1000 years. The nonbelievers will experience their final eternal punitive transformation to condemnation at the Great White Throne Judgment, Rev. 20:4-6, Ps. 1. (The Bible does not say that the nonbelievers’ bodies will be reunited for the eternal judgment; but if they will be, this reunion will probably occur at the Great White Throne which will be their final judgment.).

The completion of Stage One of the Redemptive Covenant and the preparation for Stage Two started at the birth (incarnation) of the Lord Jesus, Gal. 4:4-6; and His earthly work ended with His ascension. The actual implementation of Stage Two was at Ac. 2. The stewardship was first offered to the Nation of Israel in the first seven chapters of Acts provided it would repent and receive Jesus Christ as Messiah and Savior. These events established the last days of the Dispensation of Promise leading up to the Dispensation of the Kingdom, Ac. 3:11-26, 2:14-40. The Redemptive Covenant, Stage One was implemented at Adam’s fall in Genesis and operated during the first four dispensations: the Dispensation of Innocence, the Dispensation of Conscience, the Dispensation of Human Government and the Dispensation of Promise until Stage Two was implemented, (the New Covenant) at Ac. 2. Stage Two has operated throughout the last part of the Dispensation of Promise, Ac. 2-7, and continues to operate throughout the last three dispensations: the Dispensation of Grace, the Dispensation of the Kingdom and the Dispensation of the Fullness of Time. Since the Dispensation of the Fullness of time will be eternal, so will the Redemptive Covenant, 2 Pt. 1:11, Dan. 4:3, 4:34, Ps. 45:5-7, 145:13, Dan. 7:26-28.

8. THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT AND THE MYSTERY DISPENSATION

Instead of going into the Tribulation, with Israel’s rejection of its stewardship, God applies the Redemptive Covenant to the world through a stewardship of a mystery dispensation, Rom. 16:25, 1 Cor. 2:7, Eph. 3:3, Eph. 3:9, Col. 1:26. This dispensation is a ‘new organism’, Eph. 2:14-18, Gal. 3:15, Col. 3:10,11, Rom. 9:22-33, 1 Cor. 12:12-14, Gal. 3:28, Heb. 2:11. This new organism is comprised of all believing mankind based on each individual's personal relationship to the New Covenant which was accomplished in Christ Jesus through the Gospel, Eph. 3:6. During the former dispensation, the Nation of Israel, having the stewardship, lost its unique position until today’s dispensation becomes complete, Rom.11. The evangelistic outreach for the world’s salvation continues, but not with the Dispensation of Promise but rather with the Dispensation of Grace as the dispensing institution of stewards. The Dispensation of Grace is a mystery not prophesied; salvation was prophesied but not on an equal governmental basis, Col. 1:27, Col. 2:2. Governments are to be subordinate to the spiritual stewardship of God in harmony with the new organism, the church, called “the Body of Christ”, Rom. 13, Eph.6:5-20, 1 Ti.2:1-7, 1 Pt. 2:13-17. All governments today are held accountable for dispensing good and promoting the Redemptive Covenant on the basis of Biblical truths and personal faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

The universal laws of God and the Redemptive Covenant did not change when the Dispensation of Grace was revealed; redemption is open for all who will trust in Jesus Christ. One cannot change a covenant or the universal laws of God; only the rules for governing its provisions can change. The change is according to the operating guidelines or the laws modified from the former dispensation or the new rules given by God to govern the new dispensation; these are two of the seven guiding principles of a dispensation, Gal. 3:15. There is one Gospel whereby the Redemptive Covenant becomes applicable. The Gospel is a universal truth applying to all dispensations from the time of the completed work of Jesus Christ. The Good News, the Gospel of the Redeemer was prophetically promised to all future humanity back in the Garden of Eden in
The “mystery of the Gospel” that Paul spoke about referred to the equal approach to God and a relationship with Him under the Dispensation of Grace, Eph. 6:19, Eph. 3:6, Ro. 16:25 cf. Rom 10:9-13, Eph 2:1-13, Jn. 1:11,12, 1 Jn. 5:9-14. The Gospel does not fail; only the stewards fail - even in this dispensation. The failure today will bring an end to the present dispensation and punitive judgment on those under the Dispensation of Grace as prophesied in 1 Ti. 4:1-4, 2 Ti. 3:1-7. The end today will result in God’s completing the program with the Nation of Israel that He prophesied and suspended when He instituted today’s dispensation, Rom. 11:25, Ac. 7, 28:24-28, Rom. 11. The Redemptive Covenant and the Gospel will still be operating when God completes His program with the Nation of Israel.

9. THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT WILL OPERATE THROUGH THE 7 YEAR TRIBULATION PERIOD

The Tribulation is the next event after the Rapture, ending today’s dispensation, the Dispensation of Grace. The Rapture will snatch up all believers into Heaven and will leave all of today’s unbelievers on earth to face the Tribulation which will follow. This 7 year Tribulation will be the beginning of the transition to the Kingdom Dispensation ending with the punitive judgment from God on two dispensations, the Dispensation of Promise and the Dispensation of Grace. This period of time will encompass all who are left on earth who have not heard the Gospel and those who have rejected the Gospel during the Dispensation of Grace. The Holy Spirit will still permanently indwell those who become believers by receiving Jesus Christ as savior during the Tribulation period. The Redemptive Covenant will never ceases operating during the Tribulation, Rev. 14:13; 19:10; 2:7; 2:11; 2:17; 2:29; 3:6; 3:13; 3:22. God will still be convicting men of sin – working through the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ that is integral to the Redemptive Covenant for those individuals who put their trust in the substitutional sacrificial work of Christ Jesus for the forgiveness of sin and the sin nature, 1 Jn. 2:1-3.

During the 7 year Tribulation period, the new believers will have to endure trials to enter into the earthly Kingdom in their physical bodies, Rev. 2:7; 2:11; 2:17; 2:26; 3:5; 3:12; 3:21; 15:2; 21:7. Believers who do not escape at this time will be martyred by the opposing evil forces of Satan for refusing to accept the mark of the Beast. Those who refused the Gospel message, rejecting the Redemptive Covenant, from the former dispensation who are alive going into the Tribulation period, will not be saved because they hardened their hearts before the Rapture, 1 Thess. 4:13-18, cf. 2 Thess. 1:5-10; 2 Thess 2. Those who reject the Gospel for the first time in the Tribulation without ever repenting will be eternally lost and perish, 2 Thess. 2:9-12, Rev. 14:8-11, and chapters 1-3. The Nation of Israel will have the authorized stewardship once again during this time when a remnant of the Nation will take responsibility by preaching the Gospel to the world as prophesied Math. 28:26-20, Rev. 7, Math. 10:16-23, Micah 5, Zeph. 3. The seven churches of Revelation will find their fulfillment during this period Rev 1-3. This transition will end with the Battle of Armageddon and the Lord Jesus will return literally in His second coming to earth, Rev. 16:13-16, 19:11-21, Zech. 14:1-5. He will ascend the Throne of David to rule the earth from the New Jerusalem, Rev. 20:4-6. This event will be the beginning of the full operation of the Dispensation of the Kingdom and the fulfillment of Israel’s promises with Christ Jesus reigning for 1000 years.

10. THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT WILL OPERATE IN THE EARTHLY KINGDOM, THE DISPENSATION OF THE KINGDOM

The Redemptive Covenant will continue through the Dispensation of the Kingdom with the unique presence of our Lord Jesus Christ sitting on the Throne of David. Jesus Christ the Messiah will fulfill all the prophecy spoken since the world began relating to the earthly Kingdom, and God will fulfill the covenants He made with Abraham and Sarah, Isaac, Jacob and the Nation of Israel as His chosen Nation. This period of time is called in Scripture the “Kingdom of Christ” or “Millennial Reign of Christ” (Messiah), “1000 year Millennium”, the “Dispensation of the
Kingdom”. This will be a time of perfect rule and peace until the end of the 1000 years when God will win the final battle against the forces of Satan, “And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them.” Rev. 20:9. All Old Testament saints, along with those saved during the Dispensation of Grace and those martyred during the Tribulation, will reign along with and under the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, ‘Messiah – King’ in their glorified bodies throughout this 1000 year period, Rev. 20:4-6, 1 Cor. 6:1-4. During this time Satan will be bound up by our Lord for the 1000 years and then be released at the end, Rev. 20:1-10. The children born during the Millennium will still be in their natural bodies and will need to be saved in order to escape eternal punishment in the Lake of Fire. At the end of the 1000 years, an unknown number who have not been saved will follow Satan to attack Christ; in response God will destroy the followers of Satan in the Battle called “Gog and Magog”, Rev. 20:7-10. Our Lord Jesus Christ will sentence all unbelievers to eternal punishment at the Great White Throne Judgment ending the dispensation of the Millennial Kingdom and starting the Eternal Kingdom of God, also called the “Dispensation of the Fullness of Time”, Eph. 1:10, Ps. 45:6, Dan. 2:44, 6:26, Math. 12:28, 19:24, 21:43, Ac. 19:8, 28:23, 1 Cor. 6:9. The earthly Kingdom or the Kingdom of Messiah, will be fulfilled, and will then be incorporated prophetically with or identified as the “Kingdom of God” or the “Eternal Kingdom” operating in the eternal Dispensation of the Fullness of Time, Rev. 12:10.

11. THE REDEMPTIVE COVENANT WILL BE COMPLETE THROUGHOUT ETERNITY, THE DISPENSATION OF THE FULLNESS OF TIME

The Dispensation of the Fullness of Time completes the fullness of redemption, Eph. 1:10. The Holy Spirit will still be working in this Dispensation, Rom. 14:17. The spiritual benefits of the Redemptive Covenant, which was brought about by our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, will have been fully applied to individual believers in this dispensation, the Eternal Kingdom, Eph. 1:14, Rom. 14:17. The beginning of this dispensation or transition into it started with Satan being cast into the Lake of Fire and the completion is at the end of the Great White Throne Judgment, and the creation of the New Heaven and a New Earth. When this transition is completed the Son of God will hand over to God the Father, the Kingdom, signaling that the Redemptive Plan of the Godhead has come to completion, Rev. 21, 1 Cor. 15:24. The Dispensation of the Fullness of Time will never end because it will never fail; the recipients or beneficiaries are the redeemed since creation. Also, the Dispensation of the Fullness of Time will never fail because Satan - identified as an evil liar, a deceiver, and a serpent - with his devices - and all who followed him, will be in the Lake of Fire for all eternity, created for them and their disobedience, Math. 25:41, Rev. 14:10. God’s new creation of a New Heaven and a New Earth is eternal, Is. 65:17, Is. 66:22, Rev. 21:1, 20:14, Is. 24:18-21.