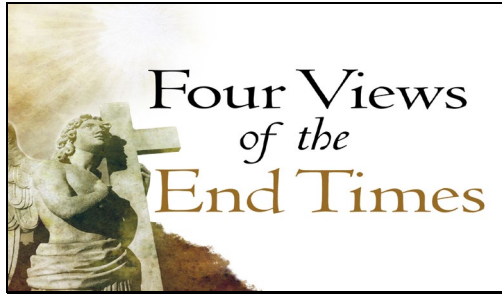


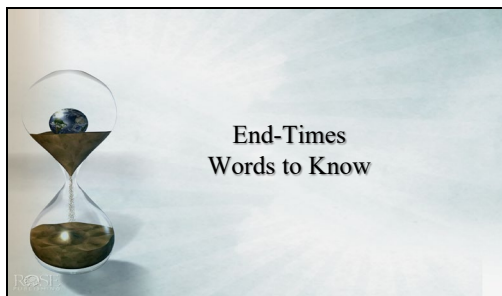
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Dia 4

End-Times Words to Know

Eschatology

- The study of the Bible's teachings about the events leading up to the second coming of Jesus.
- From Greek, *eschatos* [final] + *logos* [word or idea] = "a word about the final things."

Dia 5

End-Times Words to Know

First Coming of Christ

- The earthly life and ministry of Jesus Christ, about 4 BC–AD 30.

Second Coming of Christ


- The bodily return of Jesus to earth to reign as king.

Dia 6

End-Times Words to Know

Church Age

- The time period from the beginning of the church (about AD 30) until Jesus Christ returns for everyone who has trusted in him.





Dia 7

End-Times Words to Know

Millennium = 1000 jarig vrederijk

- The thousand-year reign of Jesus on earth, described in Revelation 20:4-6. From the Latin, *mille*, meaning "thousand."

Premillennial

- The belief that the millennium is a future event and Jesus will return before (pre-) the millennium.

Dia 8

End-Times Words to Know

Amillennial

- The millennium is a symbol of Christ's present reign among his people.

Postmillennial

- Jesus will return after (post-) the millennium. The millennium is the time in which most of the world submits to Jesus, and peace and justice reign.

Dia 9

End-Times Words to Know

Preterism

- The eschatological viewpoint that suggests some, if not all, biblical prophecies about the end times refer to specific events that happened in the first century. From the Latin, *praeter*, meaning "beyond" or "after."




Dia 10

End-Times Words to Know

Preterism

- From a preterist view, the antichrist may refer to Emperor Nero.
- The tribulation may refer to the Jewish War (AD 66–73).
- The destruction of the temple in prophecy may have been fulfilled in AD 70.




Emperor Nero, who ruled Rome AD 54–68, severely persecuted Christians

Dia 11

End-Times Words to Know

Rapture = opname van de Gemeente

- Event described in 1 Thess. 4:16–17 when Jesus Christ returns for his people.
- From Latin, *raptus*, meaning “carry away.”
- Historical premillennialists, amillennialists, and postmillennialists understand the second coming of Jesus and the event described in 1 Thess. 4:16–17 as the same event.




Dia 12

End-Times Words to Know

Rapture = opname van de Gemeente

- Dispensational premillennialists believe that the rapture and the second coming of Jesus are two separate events.
- They place the rapture before the great tribulation and the second coming after the tribulation.





Dia 13

End-Times Words to Know

Tribulation (Great) = grote verdrukking

- The time when disasters happen on the earth and people who are faithful to Jesus suffer intense persecution, possibly lasting seven years.
- Premillennialists place the great tribulation near the end.
- Dispensational premillennialists typically believe that the tribulation will last exactly seven years.

Dia 14

End-Times Words to Know

Tribulation (Great) grote verdrukking


- Many historical premillennialists view the reference to “seven years” as a symbol of the completeness of God’s dealings with the world as the end of time approaches.
- Most amillennialists and postmillennialists treat the tribulation as a symbol of calamities and persecutions that have occurred throughout church history.

Dia 15

End-Times Words to Know

Tribulation (Great) = grote verdrukking

- Some amillennialists and postmillennialists are preterists—they believe that the great tribulation occurred AD 63–70, during the Jewish-Roman War.

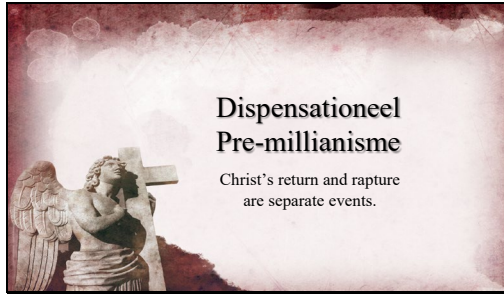


Destruction of the Jewish Temple, AD 70

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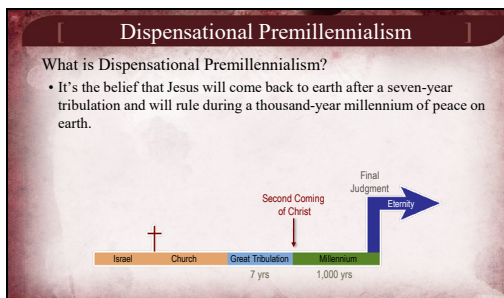
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Dispensationeel Pre-millianisme

Christ's return and rapture are separate events.

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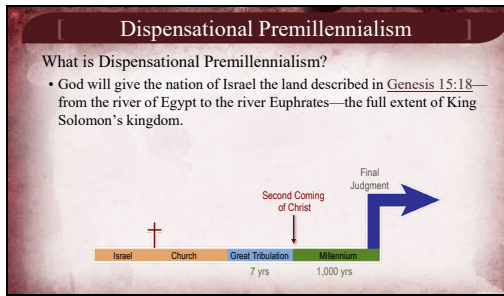


Dispensationeel Premillennialism

What is Dispensationeel Premillennialism?

- It's the belief that Jesus will come back to earth after a seven-year tribulation and will rule during a thousand-year millennium of peace on earth.

Dia 18



Dispensationeel Premillennialism

What is Dispensationeel Premillennialism?

- God will give the nation of Israel the land described in Genesis 15:18—from the river of Egypt to the river Euphrates—the full extent of King Solomon's kingdom.



Dia 19

Dispensational Premillennialism

What is Dispensational Premillennialism?

- The rapture comes before the great tribulation, and the second coming after the great tribulation.

The diagram shows a horizontal timeline with several segments: 'Israel' (orange), 'Church' (orange), 'Rapture' (yellow arrow pointing to the start of 'Great Tribulation'), 'Great Tribulation' (blue, labeled '7 yrs'), 'Second Coming of Christ' (red arrow pointing to the start of 'Millennium'), 'Millennium' (green, labeled '1,000 yrs'), 'Final Judgment' (blue arrow pointing to 'Eternity'), and 'Eternity' (blue arrow pointing right).

Dia 20

Dispensational Premillennialism

What is Dispensational Premillennialism?

- Most dispensational premillennialists are "pre-tribulationists." They understand Revelation 4:1-2 to refer to "the rapture."

The diagram is similar to the previous one but includes a 'Pre-tribulation' segment (orange) before the 'Church' segment. The 'Rapture' arrow points to the start of the 'Great Tribulation'.

Dia 21

Dispensational Premillennialism

What is Dispensational Premillennialism?

- The rapture is understood as the event when Christ removes Christians from the earth before the great tribulation begins.

The diagram is identical to the previous ones, showing the sequence of events from Israel to Eternity.



Dia 22

Dispensational Premillennialism

What is Dispensational Premillennialism?

- Some dispensational premillennialists, known as mid-tribulationists, believe the rapture will occur during the great tribulation.

The diagram shows a horizontal timeline with several stages: Israel (marked with a cross), Church, Pre-tribulation, Great Tribulation (with a sub-label 'Mid-tribulation 7 yrs'), Millennium (1,000 yrs), Second Coming of Christ, Final Judgment, and Eternity. A blue arrow points from the Millennium stage towards the right, indicating the progression of time.

Dia 23

Dispensational Premillennialism

What does this view emphasize?

- During the seven years of tribulation, people who are faithful to Jesus will suffer intense persecution.
- Natural disasters and wars will occur.
- This view emphasizes literal interpretations of Revelation.

The illustration shows a close-up of several hands being held together in a supportive or grasping manner, set against a dark, textured background.

Dia 24

Dispensational Premillennialism

According to this view ...

- During the great tribulation, many Jews will turn to Jesus Christ.
- God's promises to Abraham and his offspring were unconditional. Jews will still receive the land described in Genesis 15:18.

The photograph shows a panoramic view of a city, likely Jerusalem, with its characteristic architecture and the Temple Mount area, under a dramatic, cloudy sky.




Dia 25

Dispensational Premillennialism

According to this view ...

- The establishment of the modern state of Israel in 1948 fulfilled a key end-times prophecy.
- References to Israel in Revelation refer to the nation of Israel.



Dia 26

Dispensational Premillennialism

What Scriptures seem to support this view?




- God will remove Christians before the outpouring of his wrath during the tribulation ([Revelation 3:10](#)).
- God's promises to Abraham and his offspring were unconditional ([Genesis 15:7-21](#)).
- The church is not specifically mentioned between Revelation 4 and 19.

Dia 27

Dispensational Premillennialism

When has this view been popular?

- Emerged in the 1800s among the Plymouth Brethren.
- Increased in popularity in the late 1800s and remains widespread today.
- In Nederland via het werk van Johannes de Heer grote bekendheid gekregen.

J. Nelson Darby (1800-1882) of the Plymouth Brethren advocated Dispensational Premillennialism



Dia 28

Dispensational Premillennialism

Prominent dispensational premillennialists:


• J. Nelson Darby	• Hal Lindsey
• C.I. Scofield	• Chuck Smith
• Harry A. Ironside	• John MacArthur
• Gleason Archer	• Tim LaHaye
• Donald G. Barnhouse	• Charles Stanley
• Charles Ryrie	• Norman L. Geisler



Dia 29

Historical Premillennialism

Christians endure the tribulation.

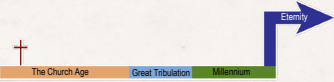


Dia 30

Historical Premillennialism

What is Historical Premillennialism?

- The belief that Christians will remain on the earth during the great tribulation.



Dia 31

Historical Premillennialism

What is Historical Premillennialism?

- The tribulation will purify the churches by rooting out false believers.
- The second coming of Christ will precede the millennium.

Dia 32

Historical Premillennialism

What is Historical Premillennialism?

- The church has replaced the nation of Israel as God's covenant people.
- The thousand-year millennium is a literal future event.

Dia 33

Historical Premillennialism

What is Historical Premillennialism?

- The earliest church fathers envisioned an earthly millennium, a physical reign of Jesus following a time of testing.
- All creation would be restored to its original goodness in a millennial kingdom.



Dia 34

Historical Premillennialism

What is Historical Premillennialism?

- Historical premillennialism began to fade as later church fathers downplayed the idea of an earthly millennium because of:
 - Greek philosophy that viewed the physical world as evil.
 - The aftermath of some Christians' false expectations of a physical millennium.

Dia 35

Historical Premillennialism

What does this view emphasize?

- Historical premillennialists try to balance symbolic and literal interpretations of Revelation.
- They emphasize both what the book meant to first-century readers and how it might apply for people's lives today.

Dia 36

Historical Premillennialism

According to this view ...


- God's promises of land and blessings to Abraham and his offspring were conditional promises, based on their obedience.
- Israel's persistent disobedience violated God's covenant with them.

Dia 37

Historical Premillennialism

According to this view ...

- God has maintained a covenant of grace throughout the Old and New Testaments with all who trusted in him.
- These believers—embodied today in the church—are the true Israel.
- Most references to “Israel” in Revelation refer symbolically to the church.



Dia 38

Historical Premillennialism

What Scriptures seem to support this view?

- The revealing of the Antichrist precedes Christ’s return (2 Thessalonians 2:3–4).
- The tribulation will root out false members from the churches (Revelation 2:22–23).
- The saints are on earth during the tribulation (Revelation 13:7).

Dia 39

Historical Premillennialism

What Scriptures seem to support this view?


- God’s promises to Abraham and his offspring were conditional (Genesis 22:17–18).
- The New Testament frequently uses “Israel” and “the twelve tribes” to refer to Christians (Romans 9:6–8).
- Historical premillennialism seems to have been the earliest view of the end times among Christians who lived just after the apostles.

Dia 40

Historical Premillennialism

When has this view been popular?

- The earliest view of the end times among Christians who lived just after the apostles.



Justin Martyr (AD 100–165) was one of the earliest church leaders to hold this view.

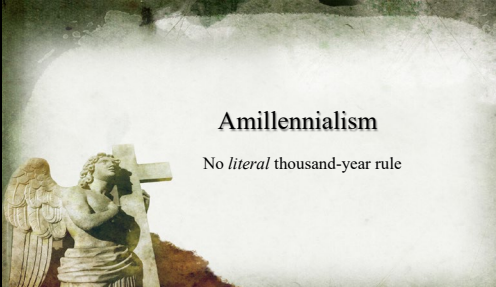
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Historical Premillennialism

Prominent historical premillennialists:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early church fathers - Papias - Justin Martyr - Irenaeus - Lactantius 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modern supporters - David Dockery - John Warwick Montgomery - George R. Beasley-Murray - Robert Gundry - George E. Ladd
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Dia 42



Amillennialism

No literal thousand-year rule

Dia 43

Amillennialism

What is Amillennialism?

- The millennium is the spiritual reign of Jesus in the hearts of his followers.

Dia 44

Amillennialism

What is Amillennialism?

- The "first resurrection" in Rev. 20:5 is not a physical restoration from the dead, but the spiritual resurrection known as regeneration.

Dia 45

Amillennialism

What is Amillennialism?

- Christ's triumph over Satan through his death and resurrection in AD 30 restrained the power of Satan on the earth.

Dia 46

Amillennialism

What is Amillennialism?

- Persecution of Christians (tribulation) will occur until Jesus comes again, as will the expansion of God's kingdom (the millennium).

The diagram shows a horizontal timeline starting with a cross and the text 'Satan's power is restrained'. A green line labeled 'Millennium' rises from the start. A blue line labeled 'Tribulation' descends from the end of the Millennium line. A blue line labeled 'Eternity' rises from the end of the Tribulation line. A red arrow labeled 'Second Coming of Christ & Final Judgment' points to the end of the Eternity line.

Dia 47

Amillennialism

What is Amillennialism?

- When Christ returns, he will immediately defeat the powers of evil, resurrect the saved and the unsaved, judge them, and deliver them to their eternal destinies.

The diagram shows a horizontal timeline starting with a cross and the text 'Satan's power is restrained'. A green line labeled 'Millennium' rises from the start. A blue line labeled 'Tribulation' descends from the end of the Millennium line. A blue line labeled 'Eternity' rises from the end of the Tribulation line. A red arrow labeled 'Second Coming of Christ & Final Judgment' points to the end of the Eternity line.

Dia 48

Amillennialism

What does this view emphasize?

- Many amillennialists believe that the book of Revelation consists of seven sections.
- These seven sections are *not* interpreted as successive time periods.
- Rather, the seven sections describe the time from Jesus' first coming until his second coming in seven different ways.


The image shows an open book with the number '7' overlaid in a large, glowing font. The text 'THE BOOK OF REVELATION' is visible on the page.

Dia 49

| Amillennialism |

What does this view emphasize?

- Amillennialists tend to emphasize the historical context of Revelation and what the book meant to first-century readers.



Dia 50

| Amillennialism |

According to this view ...


- The great tribulation represents disasters, wars, and persecutions that have occurred throughout church history.
- Most references to "Israel" in Revelation are symbolic references to the people of God on earth ([Galatians 6:16](#)).

Dia 51

| Amillennialism |

According to this view ...

- In apocalyptic literature, numbers represent concepts, not literal statistics. For example:
 - Six symbolizes incompleteness.
 - Seven represents completeness.
 - Ten indicates something that is extreme but limited.





Dia 52

Amillennialism

According to this view ...

- Twelve represents the perfection of God's people.
- One thousand symbolizes a great amount or long period of time.

12

1,000

Dia 53

Amillennialism

What Scriptures seem to support this view?


- The Bible frequently uses the number 1,000 figuratively (2 Peter 3:8).
- The first resurrection could refer to the spiritual resurrection (the regeneration or new birth) of persons who trust Christ (Romans 11:13-15).

Dia 54

Amillennialism

What Scriptures seem to support this view?

- The saints are on earth during the tribulation (Revelation 13:7).
- The second coming of Christ and the resurrection of the saved and the unsaved will occur at the same time (John 5:28-29).




Dia 55

Amillennialism

When has this view been popular?

- Amillennialism became popular in the 5th century.
- Amillennialism has remained widespread throughout church history.



St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354–430) was possibly the first amillennialist

Dia 56

Amillennialism

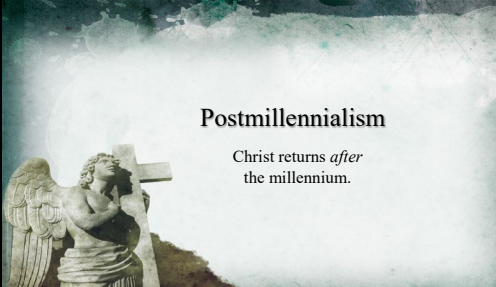
Prominent amillennialists:

• Augustine	• Abraham Kuyper
• Martin Luther	• G.C. Berkouwer
• John Calvin	• Herschel Hobbs
• E.Y. Mullins	• Stanley Grenz
	• J. I. Packer

Dia 57

Postmillennialism

Christ returns *after* the millennium.





Dia 58

Postmillennialism

What is Postmillennialism?

- Postmillennialism is the belief that the second coming of Christ will occur *after* the millennium.
- A period of great tribulation may precede the millennium.

The diagram shows a horizontal timeline starting with a cross icon labeled 'The Church Age'. This is followed by a blue segment labeled 'Tribulation'. Then comes a green segment labeled 'Millennium'. At the end of the Millennium, a red arrow points to a bracket labeled 'Second Coming of Christ & Final Judgment'. From this point, a blue arrow points to the right, labeled 'Eternity'.

Dia 59

Postmillennialism

What is Postmillennialism?

- The millennial reign described in Revelation 20:1–6 represents a long time period when, through the preaching of the gospel, most of the world will submit to Christ.

The diagram is identical to the one for Dia 58, but with the text 'Society gradually improves' written below the green 'Millennium' segment.

Dia 60

Postmillennialism

What is Postmillennialism?

- During this time, Satan will have no power over the earth, and evil regimes will collapse.

The diagram is identical to the one for Dia 59, showing 'Society gradually improves' below the Millennium segment.



Dia 61

Postmillennialism

What is Postmillennialism?

- Some charismatic Christians embrace *dominion postmillennialism*—that is, through the contemporary charismatic movement, God has been binding Satan.
- When the church recognizes the fullness of its power through the Holy Spirit, the church will establish God’s kingdom on earth and usher in the millennium, a golden age.

Dia 62

Postmillennialism

What is Postmillennialism?

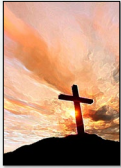
- Some view the tribulation as a brief time of persecution that occurs immediately before the millennium.
- Others believe that “great tribulation” describes the seven years of the First Jewish-Roman War which culminated in AD 70 with the destruction of the Jewish temple.

Dia 63

Postmillennialism

What does this view emphasize?

- Postmillennialists place great confidence in the preaching of the gospel.
- They contend that the gospel will eventually spread in such a way that nearly everyone in the world will turn to Jesus Christ.

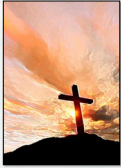


Dia 64

Postmillennialism

What does this view emphasize?

- One scripture cited in favor of this view is [Mark 3:23-27](#).
- Augustine understood these verses to mean that before Jesus can claim his kingdom, those that are lost (the "possessions" of Satan, "the strong man") must come under the control of Jesus.



Dia 65

Postmillennialism

What does this view emphasize?


- Postmillennialists believe that this golden age is described in Bible passages such as [Micah 4:3](#).
- Postmillennialists tend to emphasize the power of the gospel to transform societies and individual lives.

Dia 66

Postmillennialism

According to this view ...

- During the millennium, Christ will rule the earth through his Spirit and through his Church.
- He will not, however, be physically present on the earth.
- The resurrection depicted in Revelation 20:4 represents the spiritual regeneration of people who trust Jesus Christ.




Dia 67

Postmillennialism

According to this view ...

- These events will occur together immediately *after* the millennium:
 - The second coming of Christ
 - The final conflict between good and evil
 - The defeat of Satan
 - The physical resurrection of all people
 - The final judgment



Dia 68

Postmillennialism

Which Scriptures seem to support this view?


- Every ethnic group will receive the gospel before the second coming (Matthew 24:14).
- The first resurrection could refer to the spiritual resurrection (the regeneration or new birth) of persons who trust Christ (Romans 11:13-15).
- The second coming of Christ and the resurrection of all people, saved and unsaved, will occur at the same time (John 5:28-29).

Dia 69

Postmillennialism

When has this view been popular?

- The earliest writer who was clearly postmillennialist was Joachim of Fiore (1135-1202).
- But many historians believe that earlier church leaders such as Eusebius of Caesarea, Athanasius of Alexandria, and Augustine of Hippo were also postmillennialists.



Joachim of Fiore

Dia 70

Postmillennialism

When has this view been popular?

- During the 1800s, postmillennialism increased in popularity.
- Some Christians believed that the increased work of missionaries throughout the world represented the beginning of the millennium.
- During the early 1900s, a world war and an economic depression raised questions about whether the world was actually becoming a better place.
- Postmillennialism then began to diminish in popularity.

Dia 71

Postmillennialism

Prominent postmillennialists:

- Jonathan Edwards
- B.B. Warfield
- Augustus H. Strong
- Charles Hodge
- R.L. Dabney
- Loraine Boettner
- R.C. Sproul



Jonathan Edwards (1703–1758), Calvinist theologian and leader during the Great Awakening

Dia 72



**Four Views
Side by Side**

Dia 73

Four Views Side by Side

1. Will Jesus return physically?

Dispensational Premillennialism	Yes
Historical Premillennialism	Yes
Amillennialism	Yes
Postmillennialism	Yes

Dia 74

Four Views Side by Side

2. When will Jesus return?

Dispensational Premillennialism	After a 7-year tribulation; before the millennium.
Historical Premillennialism	After a tribulation; before the millennium.
Amillennialism	Anytime; a detailed time frame is not important.
Postmillennialism	After the millennium.

Dia 75

Four Views Side by Side

3. Will the rapture and second coming of Christ occur at the same time?

Dispensational Premillennialism	No, they are separated by either 7 years or 3½ years.
Historical Premillennialism	Yes
Amillennialism	Yes
Postmillennialism	Yes

Dia 76

Four Views Side by Side

4. Will there be a great tribulation?

Dispensational Premillennialism	Yes
Historical Premillennialism	Yes
Amillennialism	It occurs any time there are wars, disasters, or Christian persecution.
Postmillennialism	It is either first-century Jewish War, or ongoing conflict between good and evil prior to the millennium.

Dia 77

Four Views Side by Side

5. Will Christians suffer during the tribulation?

Dispensational Premillennialism	Christians are raptured before the tribulation or 3½ years into it.
Historical Premillennialism	Yes, Christians will go through the tribulation.
Amillennialism	Yes, Christians will endure persecution until Christ returns.
Postmillennialism	Yes, tribulation occurs when the gospel is opposed.

Dia 78

Four Views Side by Side

6. Will there be a literal 1,000-year millennium?

Dispensational Premillennialism	Yes, after the tribulation, Christ will return; reign for 1,000 years.
Historical Premillennialism	Yes, after the tribulation, Christ will return; reign for 1,000 years.
Amillennialism	No, the millennium is the reign of Christ in the hearts of believers.
Postmillennialism	No, it is a period of peace when the gospel reaches all people.



Dia 79

Four Views Side by Side

7. Who is saved?

Dispensational Premillennialism	Christians only
Historical Premillennialism	Christians only
Amillennialism	Christians only
Postmillennialism	Christians only

Dia 80

Four Views Side by Side

8. Is the modern state of Israel relevant to the prophecies in Revelation?

Dispensational Premillennialism	Yes
Historical Premillennialism	No
Amillennialism	No
Postmillennialism	No

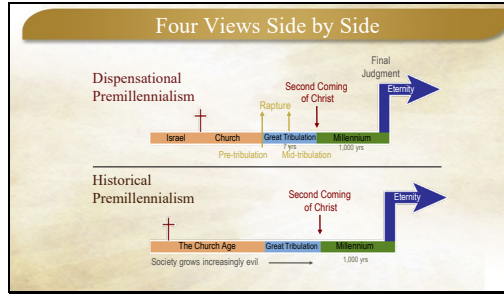
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Four Views Side by Side

9. When was this view most held?

Dispensational Premillennialism	Became popular about 1860 and has increased in popularity.
Historical Premillennialism	The earliest view of the end times, emerging in the late 1 st century.
Amillennialism	Popularized in AD 400 and continues to be accepted today.
Postmillennialism	May have been popular as early as AD 300; less popular today.

Dia 82



Dia 83

