

THINGS CHRISTIANS SHOULD THINK ABOUT THE ISRAEL AND HAMAS WAR

All people are created in the image of God and loved by God.

John 3:16

The Israel - Palestinian war is a preamble to a worldwide war that will take place in the future that centers on Israel.

Ezekiel 38-39

There is depravity on both sides of the conflict.

Mark 7:21-23

We must pray for the salvation of Israelites and <u>Palestinians.</u> We must pray for <u>peace in the Middle East</u>.

Psalm 122:6

Christians have a special affection for Israel because we cannot disconnect <u>Jesus from this place</u>. <u>God purposed</u> Him to be born in this specific nation.

Romans 11:17 and Psalm 139:4

In times of injustice, we must compel the church to do justice, to love, be merciful, and walk humbly with God.

Micah 6:8

As believers suffer on both sides, we should remember that persecution is a part of the package.



Behind everything visible and physical is something <u>invisible</u> and <u>spiritual</u>.

THE BOOK OF REVELATION IS SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENS BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE RETURN OF JESUS CHRIST.



SYMBOLISM IN NUMBERS

(and their multiples)



4 WAYS
REVELATION
HAS BEEN
APPROACHED

P<u>reterist</u>

Everything
was fulfilled in
the first
century of the
Church.

02 H<u>istorist</u>

Revelation was fulfilled during Western Christian history, specifically after Israel became a country.

03 Futurist

Most prophecy has not been fulfilled, as of yet. 04 I<u>dealist</u>

This involves an interpretation of Revelation that sees all or most of the imagery of the book as symbolic.

REVELATION 2 - 3



OUR TEMPTATION

MORALISTIC THERAPEUTIC DEIST

The central goal of life is to be happy

TENET 03

God remains uninvolved in most people's lives

TENET 01

God only involves Himself when He is needed to solve a problem

TENET 04

God wants people to be good

TENET 02

Good people (regardless of their faith) will go to heaven when they die

TENET 05

3 SCHEMES THE DEVIL WILL USE ON THE CHURCH



Spiritually Aware but Indifferent Spiritually
Weary and
Falling Away

CHURCH	DATE	MEANING OF NAME	COMPLAINT	COMPLIMENT	PROMISED REWARD
EPHESUS The Loveless Church Rev 2:1-7	A.D. 31-100	Desirable, Lovely	Lost first love	Hate deeds of Nicolaitans	Tree of Life
SMYRNA The Suffering Church Rev 2:8-11	A.D. 100-313	Sweet fragrance, Myrrh	None	Rich in good works	Crown of Life, escape second death
PERGAMOS The Compromising Church Rev 2:12-17	A.D. 313-538	Height, Elevation, "By marriage"	Tolerance of Baalism, idolatry, and immortality	Not denied Christ's name or faith	Hidden manna, White Stone, New Name
THYATIRA The Adulterous Church Rev 2:18-29	A.D. 538-1500's	Perfume of labor, Sweet savor of sacrifice	Tolerance of "Jezebel," idolatry, and immorality	Good works, love, faith, and patience	Power over the nations
SARDIS The Dead Church Rev 3:1-6	A.D. 1500's- 1790's	Those escaping or remaining	Dead works	A few are not defiled	White raiment, Book of Life
PHILADELPHIA The Faithful Church Rev 3:7-13	A.D. 1790's- 1840's	Brotherly love	Little strength	Kept Christ's Word; Not denied Him	Kept from the hour for trial, pillar in temple, Name of God
LAODICEA The Lukewarm Church Rev 3:14-22	A.D. 1840's- Second Coming	Judging of the people or a just people	Lukewarm experience, spiritually poor, blind and naked	None	Sit with Christ on His throne, eat with Christ

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