

CONTEMPORARY OPTIONS IN ESCHATOLOGY I

(one of multiple ways to consider the various end-time positions)

Amillennialism (generally) | Current era | Satan loosed & defeated | **2nd Coming of JESUS CHRIST** | Great White Throne Judgment | Eternity

Key to understanding: A significant aspect of the position - **No** millennial (1,000-year) reign of Christ

Postmillennialism (generally) | Current era (Millennium) | **2nd Coming of JESUS CHRIST** | Satan loosed & defeated | Great White Throne Judgment | Eternity

Key to understanding: A significant aspect of the position - The "millennial" reign of Christ **PRECEEDS** the event of His Second Coming (The millennial reign of Christ is figurative through His Church). Or, as described in the title of the position, the Second Coming of Jesus Christ takes place **AFTER** (i.e., "Post-Millennial") His 1,000-year reign.

Premillennialism (generally) | Current era | **2nd Coming of JESUS CHRIST** | Millennial Reign of Jesus Christ | Satan loosed & defeated | Great White Throne Judgment | Eternity

Key to understanding: A significant aspect of the position - The millennial (1,000-year) reign of Christ **FOLLOWS** the event of His Second Coming. Or, as described in the title of the position, the Second Coming of Jesus Christ takes place **BEFORE** (i.e., "Pre-Millennial") His 1,000-year reign.

Timing of Rapture, according to Premillennial advocates

Pretribulationism (a 2-step 2nd Coming viewpoint) | Current day | **RAPTURE** | Antichrist & Tribulation | Great Tribulation | **2nd Coming of Jesus Christ** | Millennium

Midtribulationism (a 2-step 2nd Coming viewpoint) | Current day | Antichrist & Tribulation | **RAPTURE** | Great Tribulation | **2nd Coming of Jesus Christ** | Millennium

Pre-Wrath (a 2-step 2nd Coming viewpoint) | Current day | Antichrist & Tribulation | Great Tribulation | **RAPTURE** | Trumpet Blasts & Bowls of Wrath | **2nd Coming of Jesus Christ** | Millennium

Final Trumpet (a 3-step 2nd Coming viewpoint) | Current day | War against the Saints, antichrist & Great Trib. (Mt. 24:9-14) | **Initial 2nd Coming appearing in the sky** - 6th Seal (cf. Mt. 24:30) | Trumpet Blasts | **RAPTURE** | Bowls of God's Wrath upon the earth | **2nd Coming of Jesus Christ** | Millennium

Posttribulationism (a 1-step 2nd Coming viewpoint) | Current day | Antichrist, Tribulation & Great Tribulation | **2nd Coming of Jesus Christ & RAPTURE** (Revelation 19) | Millennium