What is the Millennium and How Does It Encourage Us
Revelation 20

(Pre-mil, Post-mil, A-mil where “mil” = “millennium”)

PROPOSITION: God’s plan for our future after death covers far more areas and involves far more blessings than we could ever imagine.

I. Characteristics of the millennium
(More detail in the Old Testament anywhere it talks of Messiah’s rule & reign as well as physical future reward)

A. After Jesus returns, antichrist/all Jesus’ opponents defeated & earth renewed

B. NO satanic or demonic deception/negative influence

C. It lasts 1,000 years

D. True believers will have resurrected bodies

E. Jesus will reign over earth

F. It will be a time where what was lost for Jesus is enjoyed

G. True believers will lead with Jesus (reign, priests)

H. It will be a time of outward justice but not all are perfected

I. It happens before the final judgement and eternal (new heavens & earth)

II. Great encouragements from the millennium

A. Shows both God’s fairness and grace

B. Breaks bondage to materialism  (If I don’t get/do it now, I never will)

C. Encourages sacrifice for Jesus

D. Helps us truly put Jesus first

E. Makes ‘rewards’ exciting

F. Fulfills promises to Jewish people

G. It means NO true believer misses out in life …
   • Those who have less now, don’t miss out
   • Those with physical challenges, don’t miss out
   • Those in bad circumstances, don’t miss out
   • Those without freedom, don’t miss out
   • Those who die early, don’t miss out

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