

The Importance of Israel Revelation 12:1-17

The Lord - for _____...

- Created a people group – a _____ called Israel
- He gave them a specific _____ that would be theirs.

The _____ was created for the glory of the Lord and the _____ that He made to Israel are for His glory.

In Revelation 12, the _____ of the woman is critical.

Type of interpretation: _____ hermeneutic.

The allegorical / or symbolic hermeneutic has been applied by many throughout the history of the church and is _____ today. (example: Nancy Guthrie – *Blessed*)

Historic premillennialism – They usually agree that God made covenants with Israel in the Old Testament promising her that Messiah would one day set up a kingdom with Israel at the center.

But tragically, _____ these promises when, instead of accepting Christ as her Messiah, she crucified Him. Consequently, historical premillennialists teach that God permanently _____ the promises of the covenants from Israel to the _____.

The church, being a multi-national organism, in this view, is a step-up from the one nation of Israel, and thus the _____ “superseded” Israel. If there is a large conversion of Jews in the future, they will be added to the church. But national _____ a part of God’s plan. Most historic premillennialists teach that the church will go through the Tribulation.
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“**Supersessionism** is the view that the New Testament Church is the new and/or true Israel that has _____ the nation of Israel as the people of God.” Michael Vlach

Dispensational premillennialism – is based on God’s irrevocable _____ in the Abrahamic, Davidic, and New Covenants, Old Testament prophecies, and important New Testament passages.

These promises will be _____ after the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. Messiah will rule the world from an _____ in a wonderful era of peace between Israel and the Gentile nations. The city of Jerusalem will be the center of religion and government for one thousand years, and God’s glory will be displayed on the earth as in no other time in history. After this millennium, God will remake the heavens and the earth, then the second stage of God’s kingdom will begin and last forever. Concerning the rapture of the church, most dispensationalists believe that God will rapture the church out of the world before the 7 year Tribulation begins. During the Tribulation, God will begin to _____
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Information revealed in Revelation 12:

Revelation 12:1 And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars

- John was given a _____ – to understand the reality of spiritual warfare against Israel.
- The woman is a symbol _____
- In many OT passages, Israel is referred to as a woman, or as the _____ of the Lord (Ezekiel 16, Hosea 2:18, Jer 2:2-3, Jer 31:32, Isaiah 62:1-5)
- Revelation 12:6 - Jesus has told us when _____ (Matthew 24:15-16); Daniel told us that will happen in the middle of the 70th week, the mid-point of the Tribulation (Daniel 9:27).
- God will protect a remnant of Jews in the wilderness, until the end of the Tribulation, when they will finally _____ of Jesus the Messiah and call on _____.
- Israel is a people _____ and wisdom of God.

Michael Vlach – *The Bible Storyline* (chapter 35): “God has the _____ to choose Israel as His chosen instrument to bless the world. No amount of human protest can change that.”

“God’s selection of Israel was never about privilege for its own sake. His people were set apart not to dominate the nations, but as the _____ flow. Her choice is a beginning, a launch point in God’s redemptive movement toward all people.”

Romans 9:20

Covenant theology and supersessionism say that God revokes _____

Romans 11:28-29

Israel’s idolatry and rejection of Jesus _____ the promises of God.

Israel belongs to God; the world was blessed through the _____ by an Israelite named Mary.

The world will be blessed by the return of Jesus when Israelites _____ as their Messiah.