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REVELATION
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- **Ch. 4:1-5:14** – provide important background for the tribulation judgments

  - Revelation 5:2 Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "***Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?***"
  - Revelation 5:5 But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. **Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll** and to loose its seven seals."

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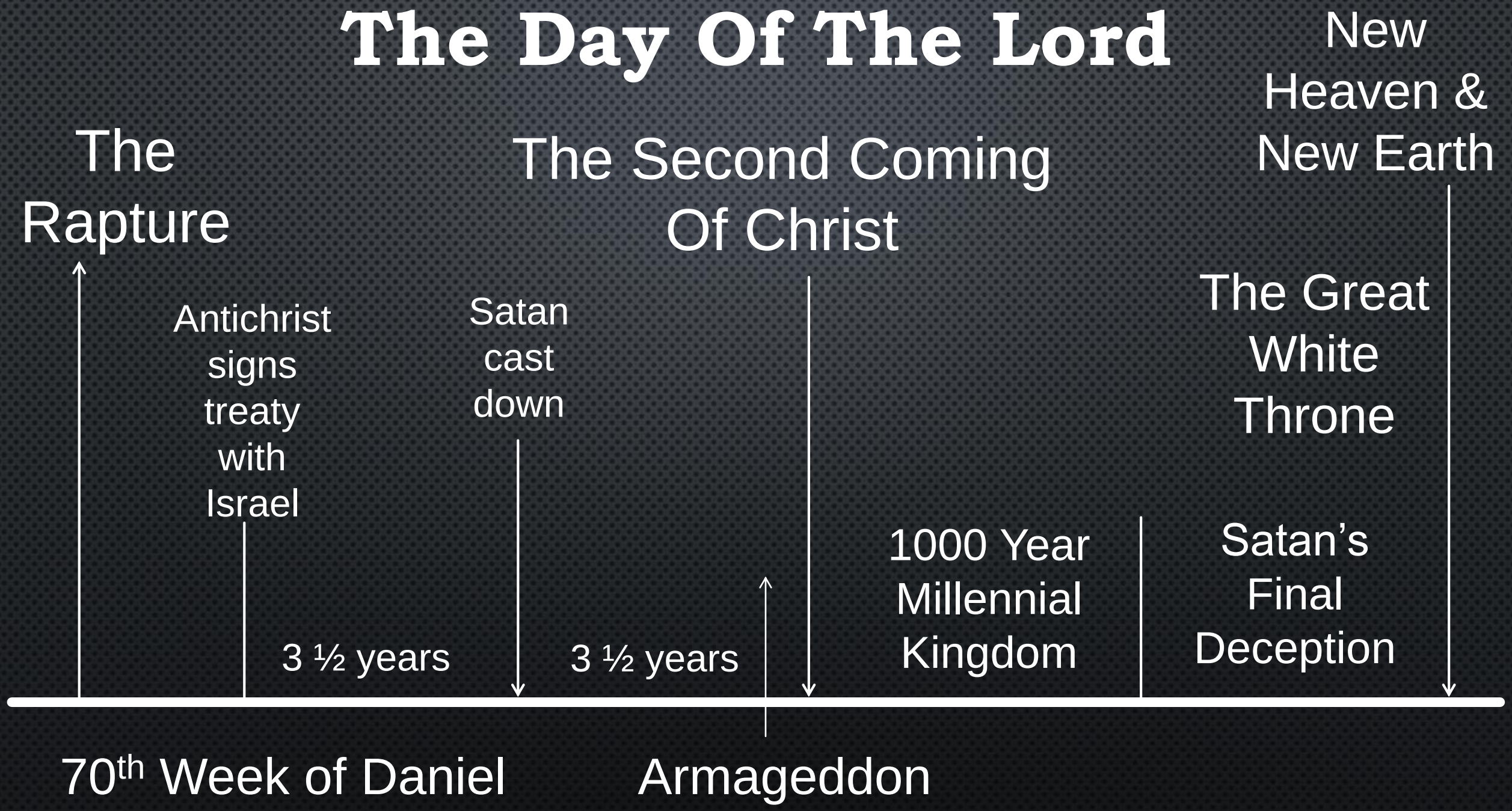

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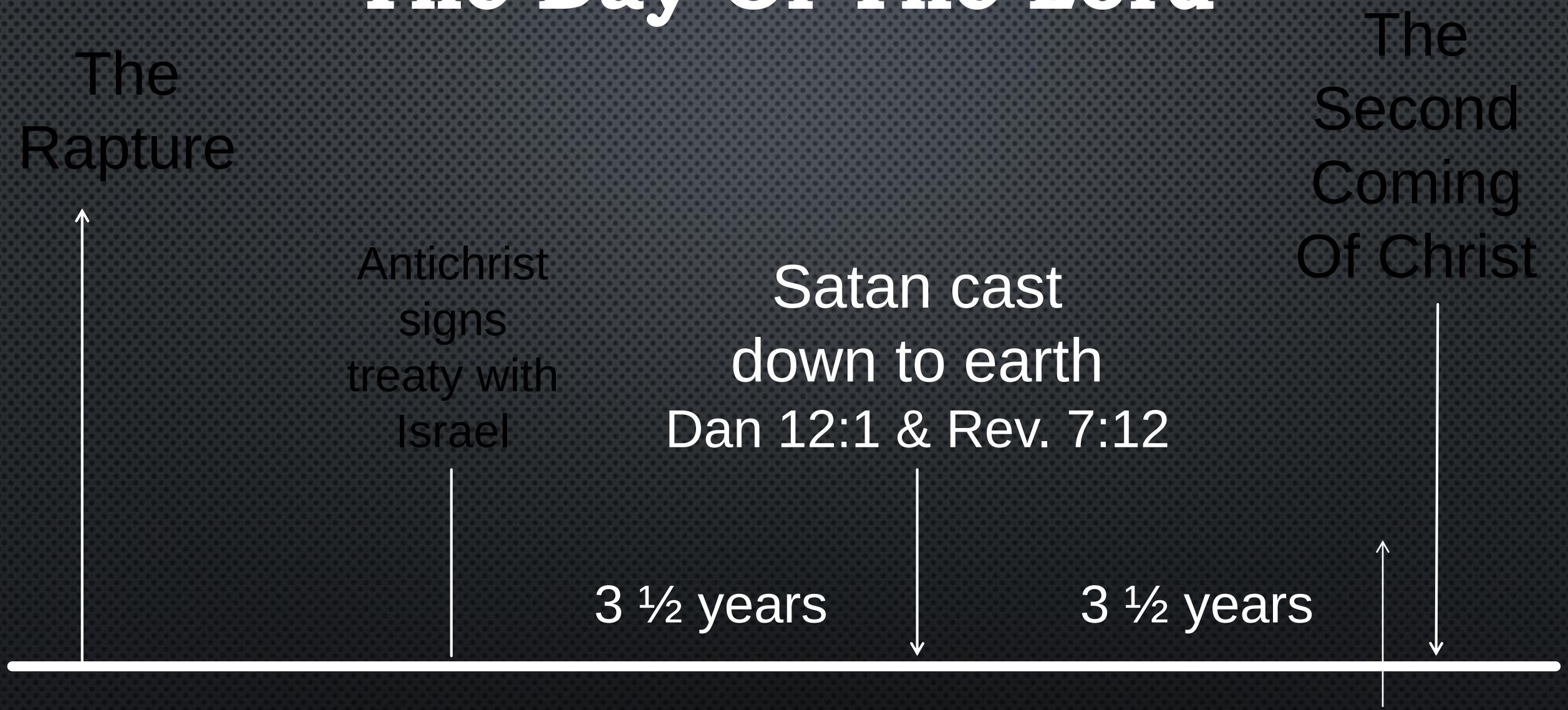

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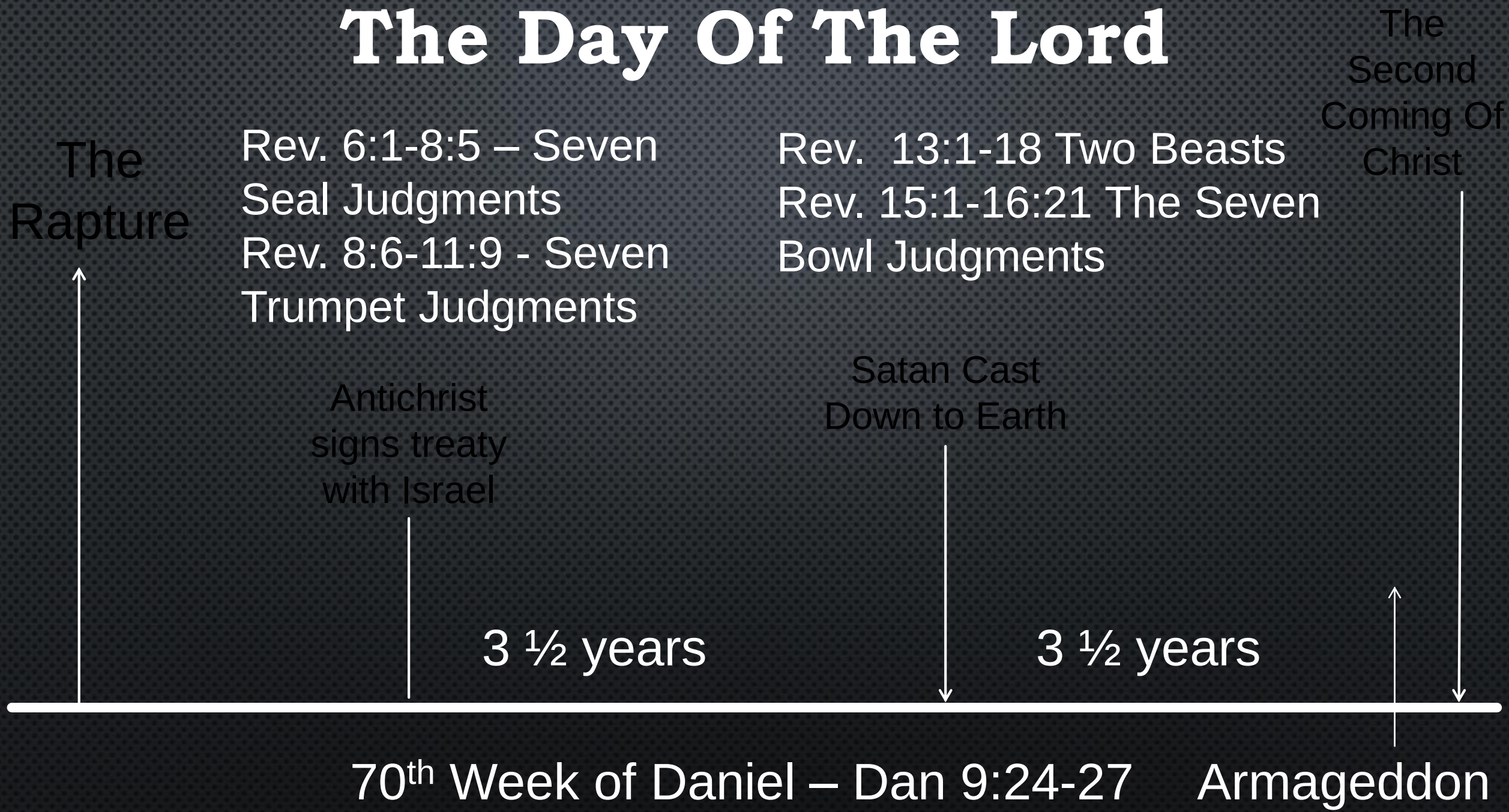

- Ch. 6:1-8:5 – the Seven Seal Judgments – first half of the tribulation period.
  - Ch. 7 – 1st Interlude
    - Sealing of the 144,000
    - A great Multitude worshipping both God and the Risen Lamb.
- Ch. 8:6-11-9 – the Seven Trumpet Judgments

- Ch. 10:1-11:14 – Second Interlude.
  - Little book of judgment given to the strong angel
  - The activity of the two witnesses
  - The 7th trumpet sounds

- **The third interlude, 12:1-14:20.**
  - The signs of the woman and the dragon, ch. 12
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    - First Beats – 13:1-10
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  - The Worship of the Lamb, ch. 14:1-5
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D. The Announcements preparatory for the last judgments, 14:6-20.

5. The announcement of the fourth angel, v.v. 14-16.

- Revelation 14:14–16 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat ***One*** **like the Son of Man**, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle. 15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for **the harvest of the earth is ripe**." 16 So He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

6. The announcement of the fifth angel, v.v. 17-20.

- Revelation 14:17–18 Then another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. 18 And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, “Thrust in your sharp sickle and **gather the clusters of the vine of the earth**, for her grapes are fully ripe.”

6. The announcement of the fifth angel, v.v. 17-20.

- Revelation 14:19–20 So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth,
  and **threw *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God**. 20 And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses' bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs.

THE SEVEN BOWL JUDGMENTS, 15:1-16:21

A. THE INTRODUCTION TO THE BOWL JUDGMENTS, 15:1-16:1.

1. THE SIGN OF THE SEVEN ANGELS, 15:1.

- REVELATION 15:1 THEN I SAW **ANOTHER SIGN IN HEAVEN**, GREAT AND MARVELOUS: **SEVEN ANGELS HAVING THE SEVEN LAST PLAGUES**, FOR **IN THEM THE WRATH OF GOD IS COMPLETE**.

2. The vision of the tribulation martyrs, 15:2-4.

- Revelation 15:2–3 And I saw *something* like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and **those who have the victory over the beast**, over his image and over his mark *and* over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God. 3 **They sing the song of Moses**, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: "**Great and marvelous *are* Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true *are* Your ways**, O King of the saints!

2. The vision of the tribulation martyrs, 15:2-4.

- Revelation 15:4 Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name? For ***You* alone *are* holy.** For all nations shall come and worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested."

3. The presentation of the seven bowls, 15:5-16:1.

- Revelation 15:5–6 After these things I looked, and behold, **the temple** of the tabernacle of the testimony **in heaven was opened**. 6 And out of the temple came the seven angels having the seven plagues, clothed in pure bright linen, and having their chests girded with golden bands.

3. The presentation of the seven bowls, 15:5-16:1.

- Revelation 15:7–8 Then one of the four living creatures **gave to the seven angels** seven golden bowls **full of the wrath of God** who lives forever and ever. 8 The temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God and from His power, and no one was able to enter the temple till the seven plagues of the seven angels were completed.

3. The presentation of the seven bowls, 15:5-16:1.

- Revelation 16:1 Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, "**Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of God on the earth**."

B. The first bowl judgment, 16:2.

- Revelation 16:2 So the first went and poured out his bowl upon the earth, and **a foul and loathsome sore** came upon the men who had the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image.”

C. The second bowl judgment, 16:3.

- Revelation 16:3 Then the second angel poured out his bowl on **the sea,** and it **became blood** as of a dead *man;* and **every living creature in the sea died**.

D. The third bowl judgment, 16:4-7.

- Revelation 16:4–7 Then the third angel poured out his bowl on **the rivers and springs of water**, and **they became blood**. 5 And I heard the angel of the waters saying: "**You are righteous, O Lord**, The One who is and who was and who is to be, Because You have judged these things. 6 For **they have shed the blood of saints and prophets**, And You have given them blood to drink. For **it is their just due**." 7 And I heard another from the altar saying, "Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous *are* Your judgments."

E. The fourth bowl judgment, 16:8-9.

- Revelation 16:8–9 Then the fourth angel poured out his bowl **on the sun**, and power was given to him to scorch men with fire. 9 And **men were scorched with great heat**, and they blasphemed the name of God who has power over these plagues; and **they did not repent and give Him glory**."

F. The fifth bowl judgment, 16:10-11.

- Revelation 16:10–11 Then the fifth angel poured out his bowl **on the throne of the beast**, and his kingdom became **full of darkness**; and **they gnawed their tongues because of the pain**. 11 They blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and **did not repent of their deeds**."

G. The sixth bowl judgment, 16:12-16.

- Revelation 16:12–13 Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on **the great river Euphrates**, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the kings from the east might be prepared. 13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs *coming* out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

G. The sixth bowl judgment, 16:12-16.

- Revelation 16:14–16 For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, *which* go out to **the kings of the earth and of the whole world,** to **gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty**. 15 "Behold, **I am coming as a thief**. Blessed *is* he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame." 16 And **they gathered them together** to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon."

H. The seventh bowl judgment, 16:17-21.

- Revelation 16:17–19 Then the seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, "**It is done!**" 18 And there were noises and thunderings and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such a mighty and **great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth**. 19 Now **the great city** was divided into three parts, and **the cities of the nations fell**. And great Babylon was remembered before God, to give her **the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath**.

H. The seventh bowl judgment, 16:17-21.

- Revelation 16:20–21 Then every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. 21 And **great hail from heaven fell upon men**, *each hailstone* about the weight of a talent. **Men blasphemed God** because of the plague of the hail, since that plague was exceedingly great.”