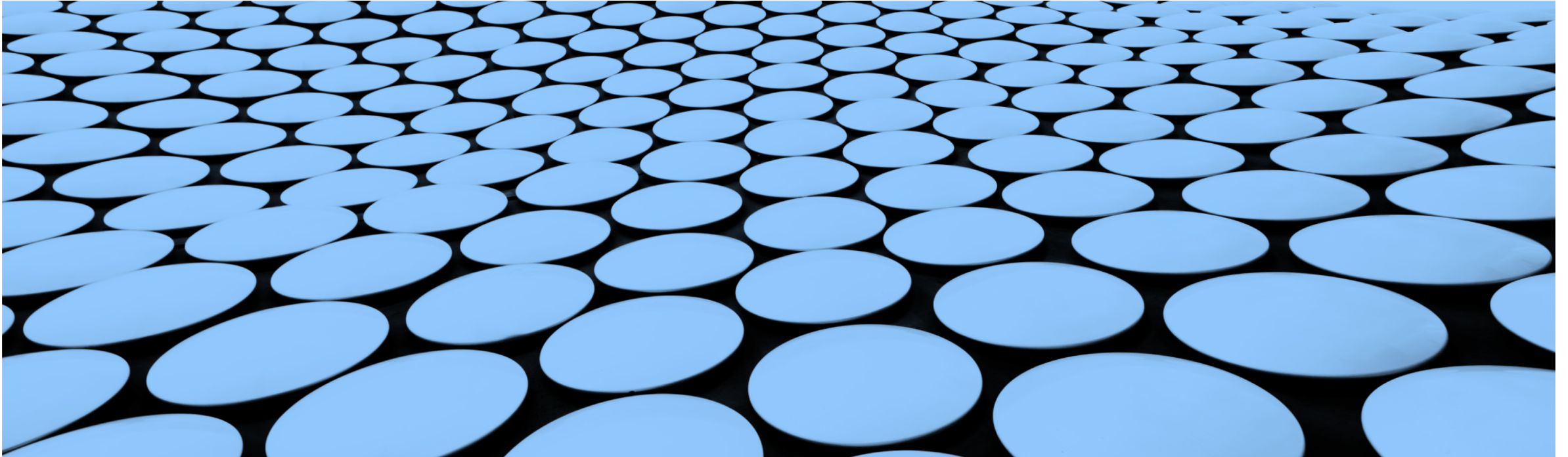
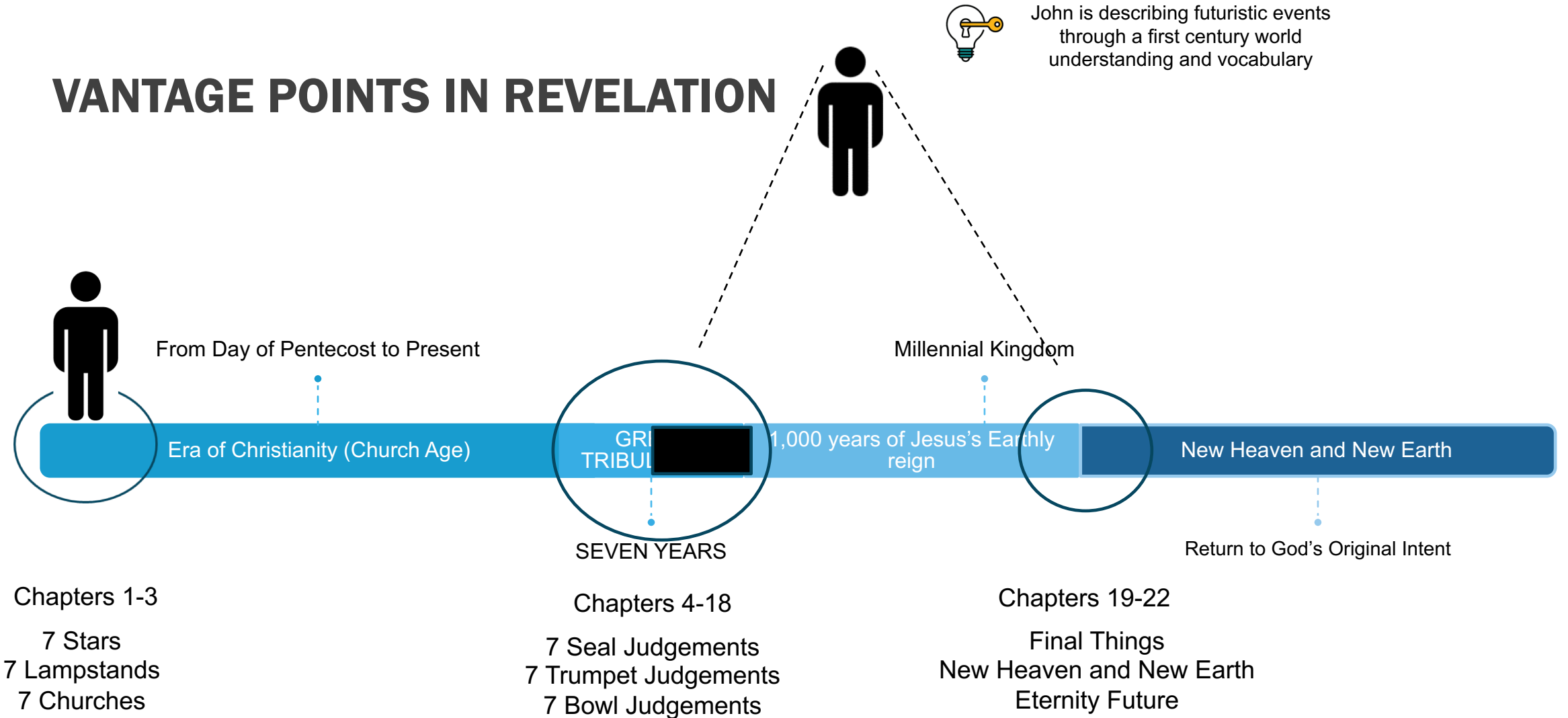

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STUDY 1: CHAPTERS 1-3



VANTAGE POINTS IN REVELATION



God's well thought out, planned out justice upon the earth

JOHN SEES JESUS (THINGS THAT YOU HAVE SEEN...)

The Book of Revelation has one main purpose. 1:1-3

What is its purpose? Describe the Return of Jesus Christ

The Book of Revelation has one primary audience. 1:4-8

Who is the primary audience? The Seven churches in Asia



John describes his initial encounter with Jesus 1:9-20

What does Jesus look like? Glorified

What did the stars represent? 7 Angels

What did the lampstands represent? 7 Churches

John reveals his writing assignment 1:11, 19

Who is John to write to? 7 Churches

What is John to write about?

'the things you have seen'

'the things which are'

'the things that will take place after these things'

SEVEN CHURCHES IN REVELATION (THINGS THAT ARE...)

The Church at **Ephesus** 2:1-7

- Struggle: Left their first love - Jesus
- Warning: I will remove your lampstand
- Solution: Return to your passion for Jesus

The Church at **Smyrna** 2:8-11

- Struggle: Coming Persecution
- Warning: Stand strong
- Solution: Do not fear, reward is coming

The Church at **Pergamum** 2:12-17

- Struggle: False teachers in the church
- Warning: Jesus will make war against them
- Solution: Remove the False teachers



The Church at **Thyatira** 2:18-29

- Struggle: Tolerate immoral teaching
- Warning: Jesus will strike them down
- Solution: Remove Jezebel

The Church at **Sardis** 3:1-6

- Struggle: Spiritually dead church
- Warning: I will return and hold you accountable
- Solution: Re-spark holy vitality again

The Church at **Philadelphia** 3:7-13

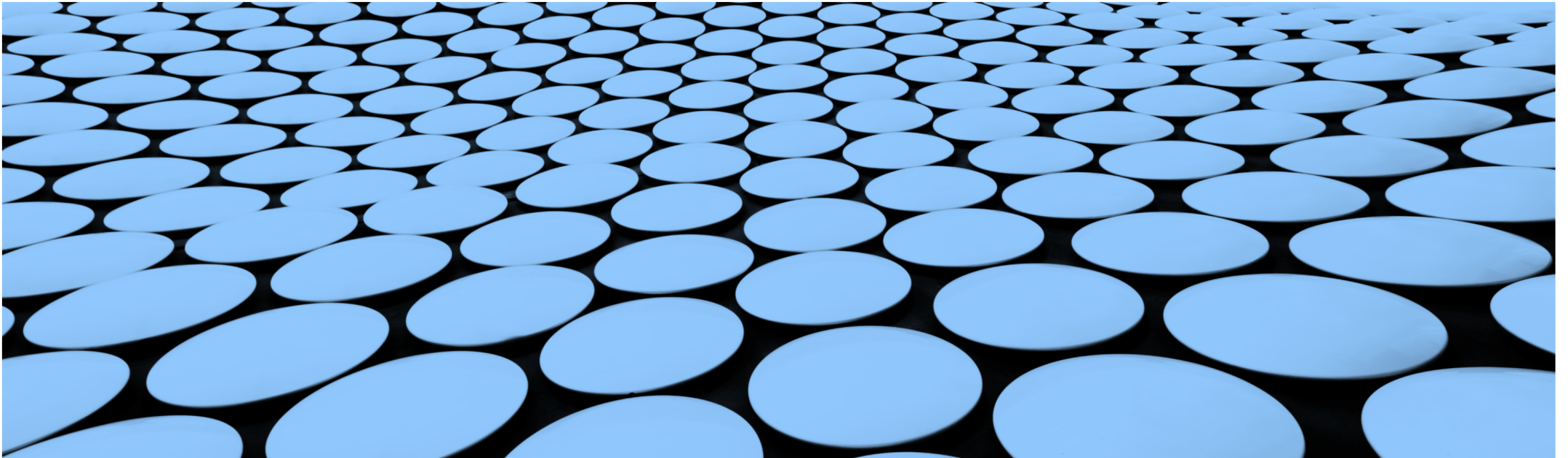
- Struggle: Not taking advantage of opportunities
- Warning: You will miss out on many blessings
- Solution: Walk through open doors

The Church at **Laodicea** 3:14-22

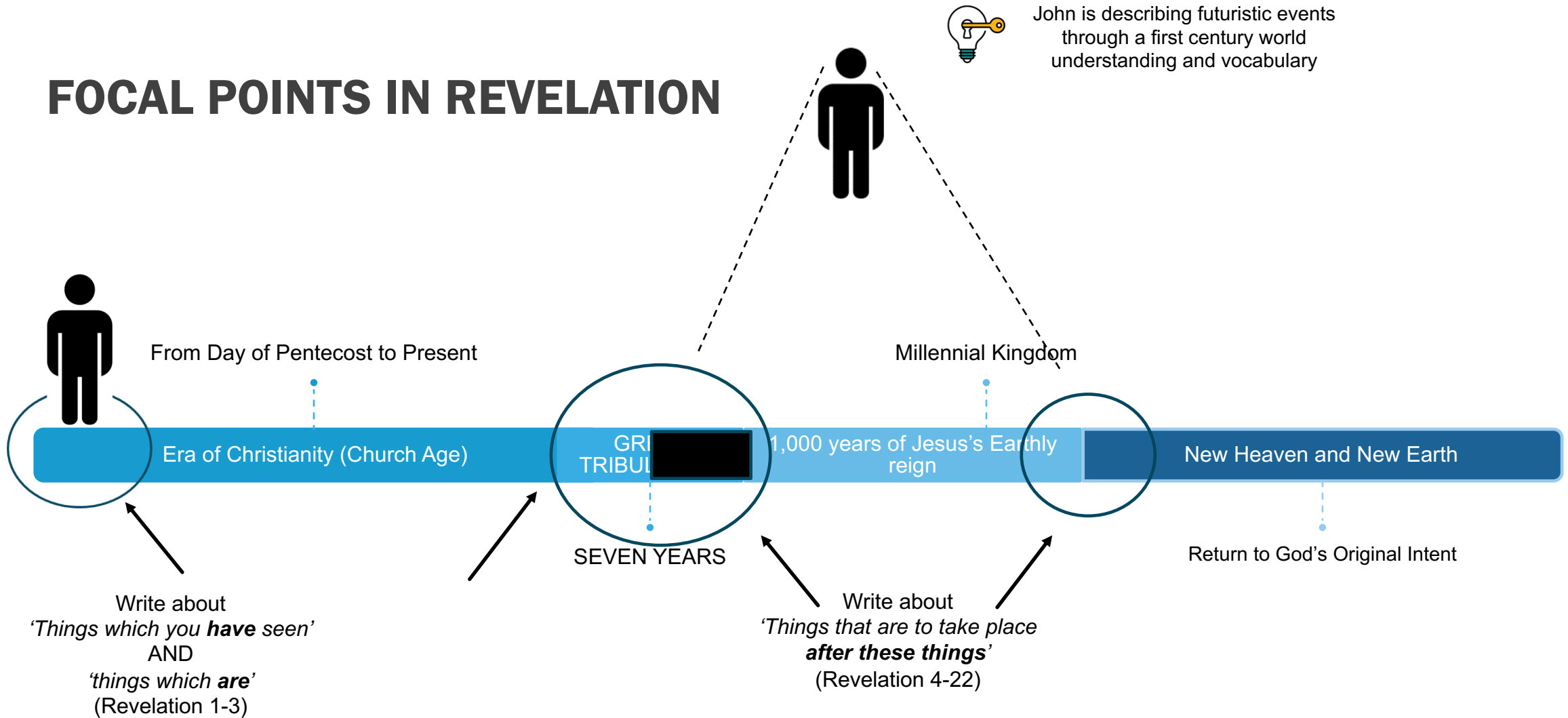
- Struggle: Contentment leading to mediocrity
- Warning: I will reprove you
- Solution: Refresh your need for the Lord

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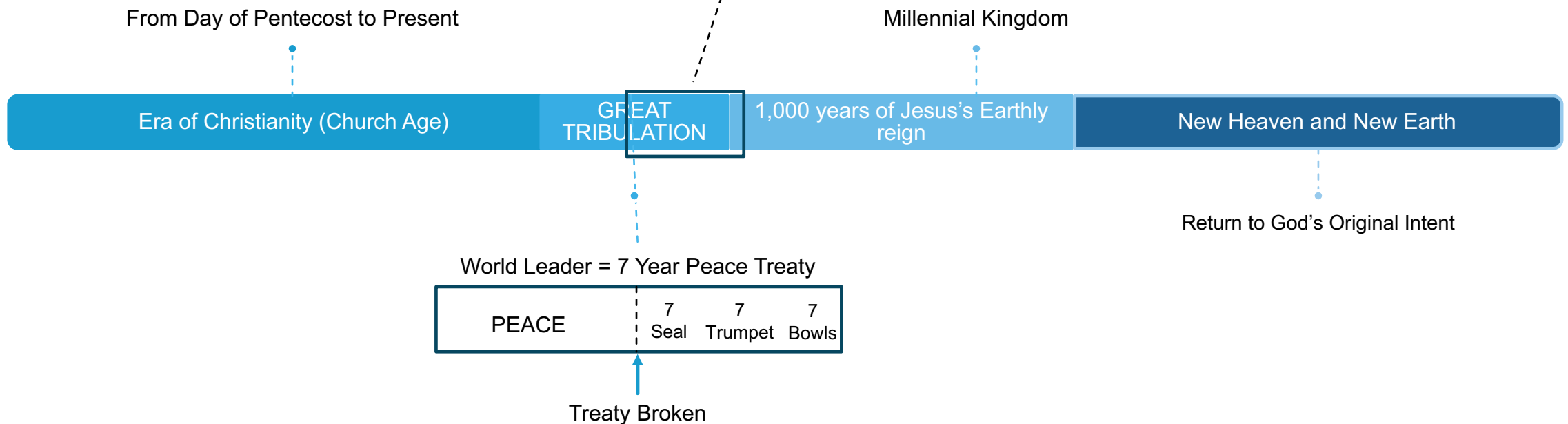
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DESCRIPTION OF GREAT TRIBULATION – REVELATION 4-18



JOHN IS CALLED UP INTO HEAVEN (DESCRIPTION OF THE THRONE & THRONE ROOM)

John Describes the Throne 4:1-4

What does John see?

God the Father sitting on His throne,
the throne itself, and the 24 Elders

John describes the throne room 4:5-11

What does John see? _____

Sea like glass; four living creatures



John describes a book (Scroll) 5:1-5

What does the scroll look like? _____ Scroll, written on front
and back, and having seven seals

What the proclaimed problem? _____ No one to open it

7 **Seal** judgements; 7th seal opens the

7 **Trumpet** judgements; 7th trumpet open the

7 **Bowl** judgements

The Scroll contains the entirety of God's justice upon the earth

Who is worthy to exercise this level of global justice?

Who solves the problem? _____ Elder: 'Jesus will open the scroll'

The scroll is handed off 5:6-14

Who takes the book from the Father? _____ The Lamb

What responses did this action receive?

the living creatures: Sang a new song to Jesus

the twenty-four elders: Sang a new song to Jesus

the many angels: Declared Jesus' worthless

Every living creature Declaring honor on Jesus



SEVEN SEALS IN REVELATION 6-7 (THINGS THAT ARE TO COME AFTER THESE THINGS...)

Seal #1 – vs. 1-2

- A WHITE Horse = White typically symbolized PEACE or holiness
- A bow with no ARROWS = a BLOODLESS conquest
- A Crown was given to him = VICTORY somewhere
- Conquering WORLD LEADER = conquered with PEACE (Political)

Seal #2 – vs. 3-4

- A RED Horse = Red typically symbolized blood and WAR
- Removed PEACE from the Earth
- Was given the SWORD of Violence

Seal #3 – vs. 5-6

- A BLACK horse –
- A pair of SCALES in his hand = market place instrument
- Quart of wheat or three quarts of barley for a denarius = a day's wages
- Food STAPLES (oil and wine) were so scarce they had to be protected
- Leads us to believe the black horse represents world wide FAMINE



Seal #4 – vs. 7-8

- An ASHEN Horse – rider's name was DEATH
- Had authority to kill a FOURTH of the earth
- Kill with the sword, with famine, with PESTILENCE, or with BEASTS of the earth

Seal #5 – vs. 9-11

- Souls of MARTYRS under the Alter in the throne room
- Souls were asking for JUSTICE from God
- Souls were instructed to REST for a while longer

Seal #6 – vs. 12-17

- NATURAL DISASTERS take place all over the earth
- A great earthquake, sun blackened, moon bloodied, stars fall from sky, mountains and islands moved.
- MANKIND responds to the six seals = HID themselves and asked for DEATH

PAUSE in the action 7:1-17

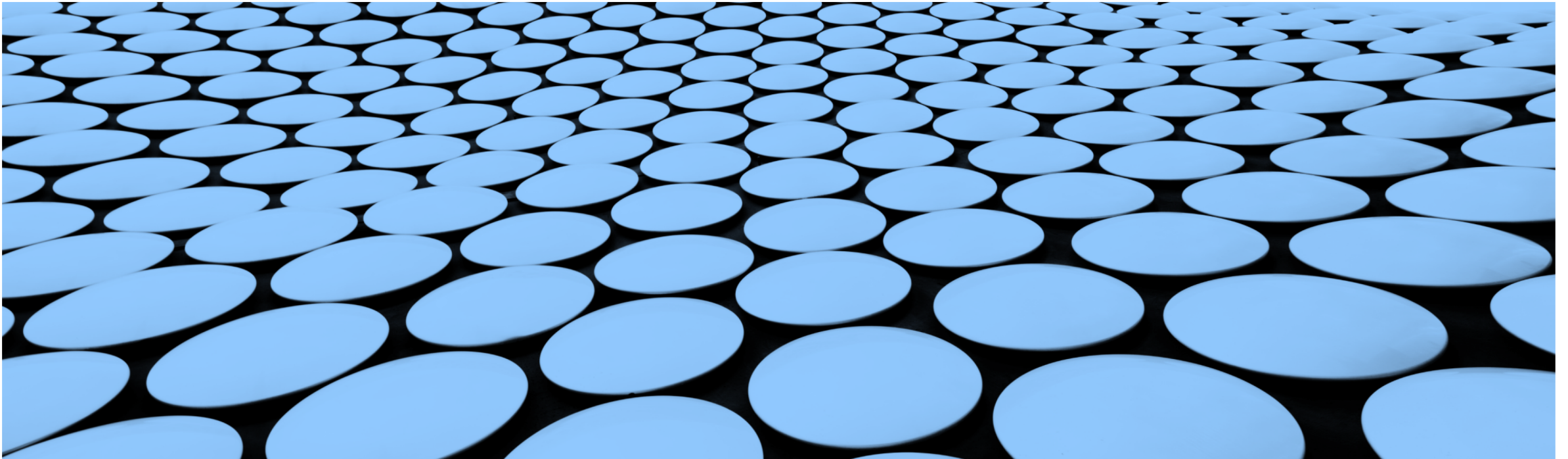
- God marks the **144,000** witnesses
- God honors the **Tribulation** Saints

Seal #7 – 8:1

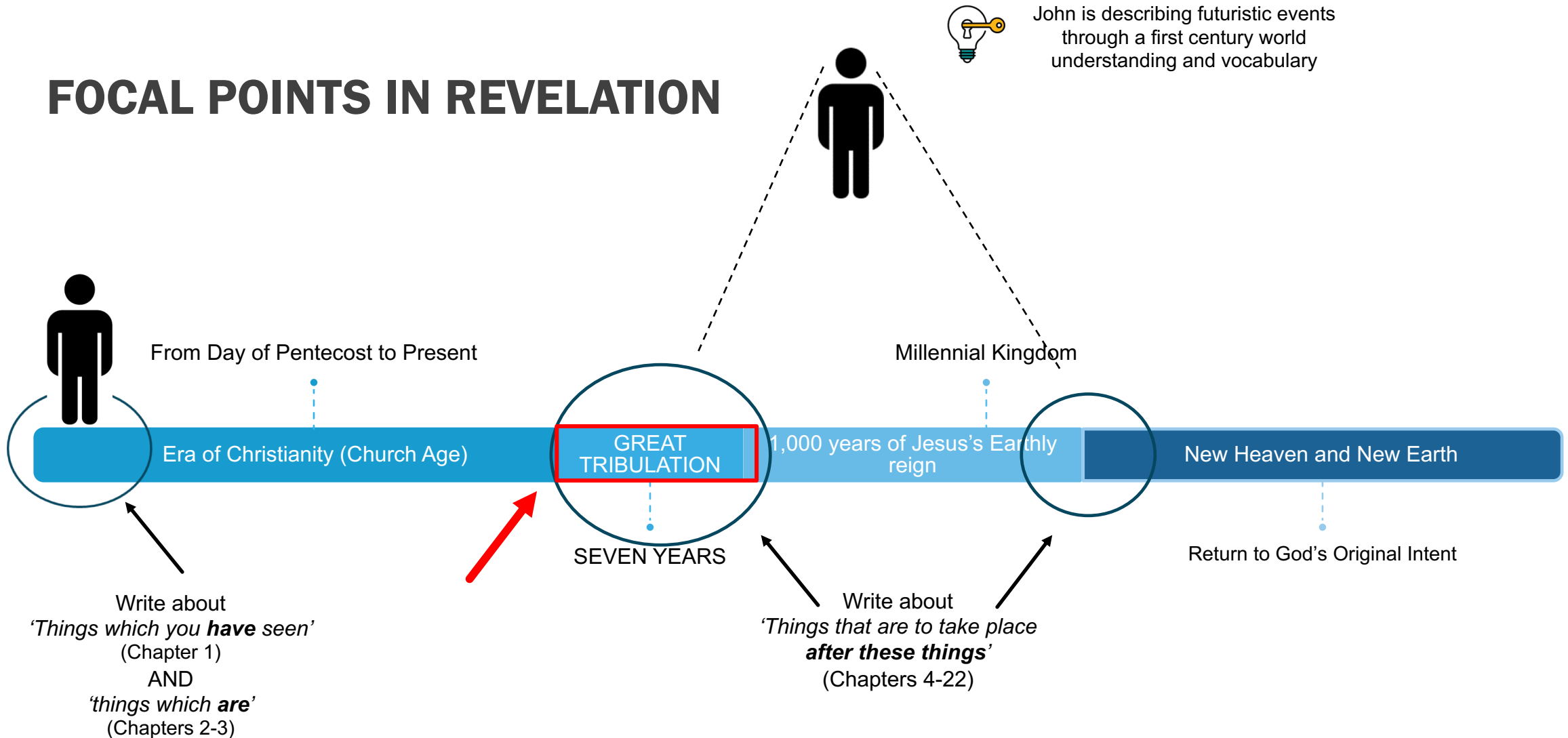
- Seventh Seal opens the Seven **Trumpet** judgments

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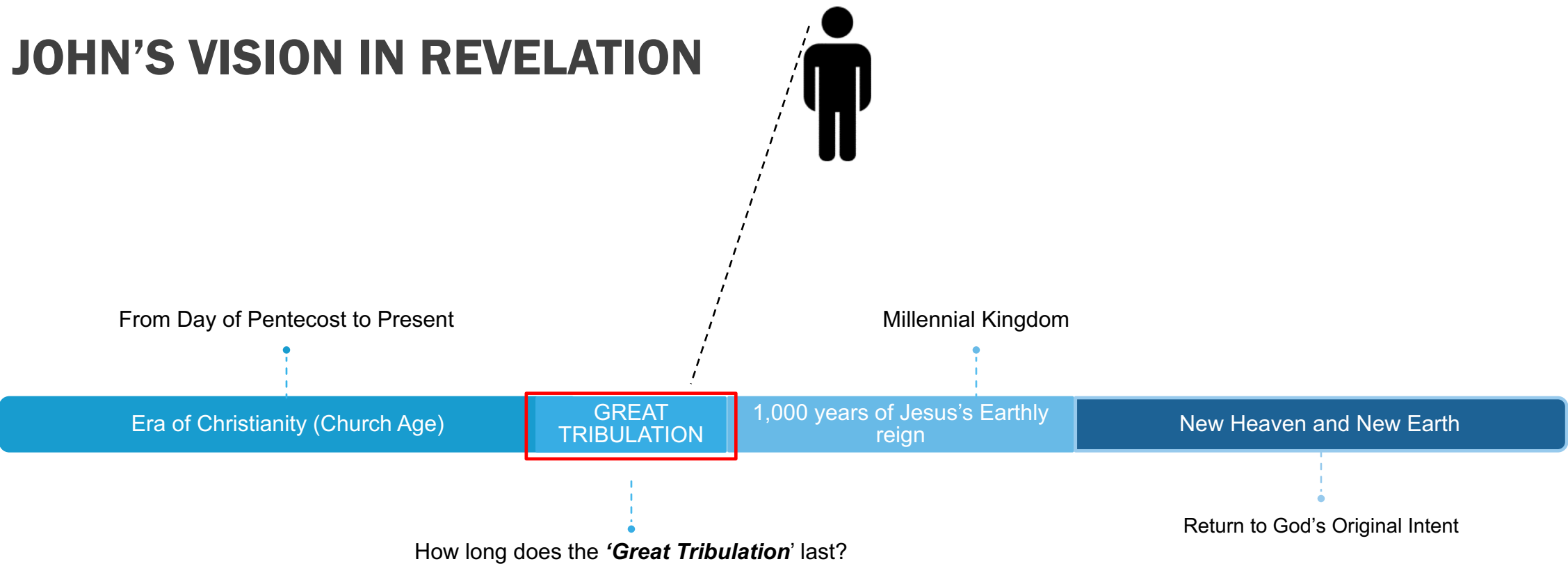
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FOCAL POINTS IN REVELATION



JOHN'S VISION IN REVELATION



DANIEL'S PLEA TO GOD – FORGIVE AND RESTORE YOUR PEOPLE AND CITY (DANIEL 9)



Seventy Weeks till Israel and Jerusalem are fully restored = 490 Years

Daniel 9:24

Finish the transgression

Make an end to sin

Make atonement

Bring in everlasting righteousness

Seal up Vision and Prophecy

Anoint the most Holy Place

DANIEL'S PROPHECY OF 70 WEEKS (7 WEEKS + 62 WEEKS + 1 WEEK = 490 YEARS)



From Decree to rebuild Jerusalem
till Messiah the Prince (9:25-26)

(7)+(62) weeks = 69 weeks of years = 483 years

70th Week =
7 years

TRIBULATION

Firm Covenant = Peace Treaty
Treaty is broken after 3.5 years (9:27)
Abominations take place
Destruction on earth

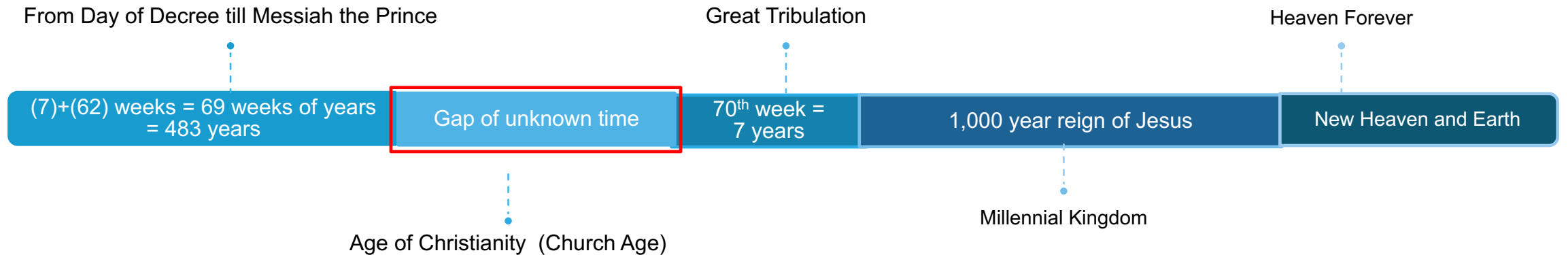
Millennial Kingdom

1,000 year reign of Jesus

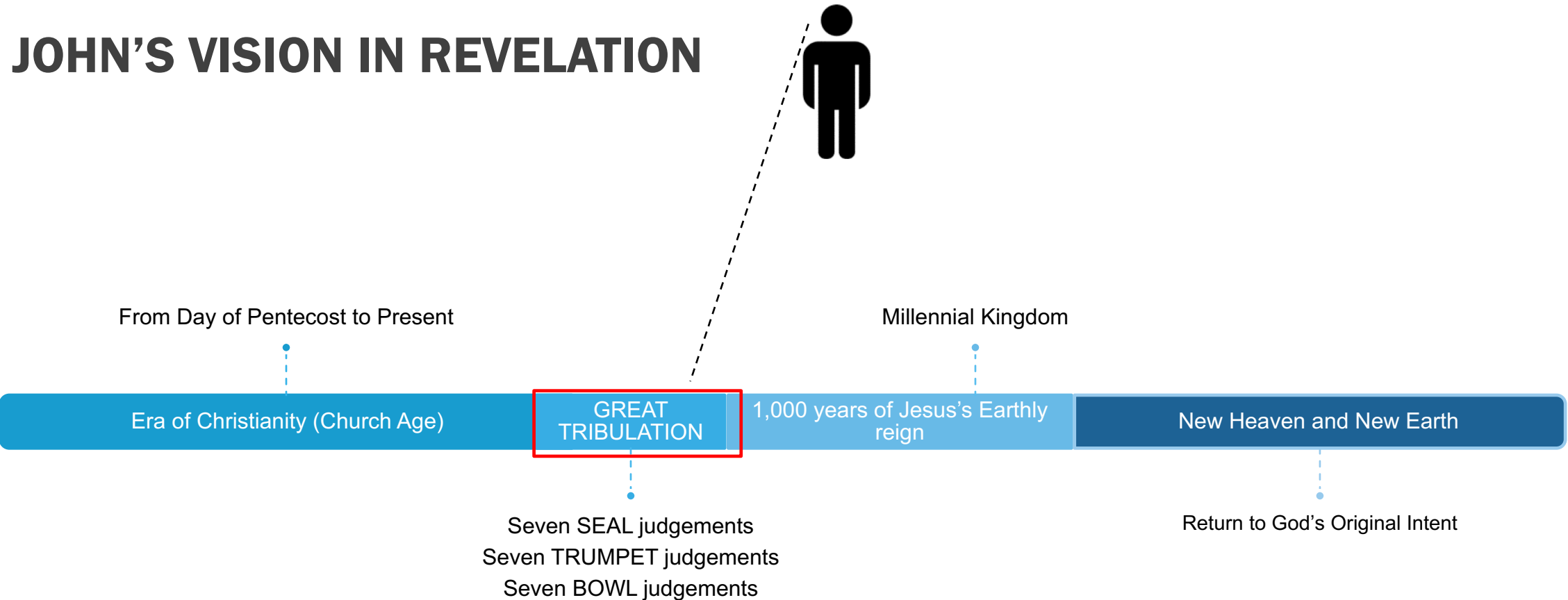
New Heaven and Earth

Heaven Forever

DANIEL'S PROPHECY OF 70 WEEKS (7 WEEKS + 62 WEEKS + 1 WEEK)



JOHN'S VISION IN REVELATION



SEVEN TRUMPETS IN REVELATION 8-11 (THINGS THAT ARE TO COME...)

The Trumpet Angels are prepped 8:1-6

- Incense: Part of worship
- Prayers of the Saints: Tribulation Saints
- Fire thrown on earth: Signifying that judgement is coming

Trumpet #1 – 8:7

- Judgment: Hail and Fire cast down
- Result: 1/3 trees burned up
And all grass was burned up
- Ramifications on humanity: Massive Destruction

Trumpet #2 – 8:8-9

- Judgment: Firey mountain cast into sea
- Result: 1/3 sea turns to blood
1/3 animals die; 1/3 ships sunk
- Ramifications on humanity: Food supply; Commerce



Trumpet #3 – 8:10-11

- Judgment: Star fall to earth
- Result: 1/3 Fresh water turned to wormwood
- Ramifications on humanity: Many people died

Trumpet #4 – 8:12-13

- Judgment: 1/3 of sun, moon and stars darkened
- Result: Eclipse 1/3 of day and
1/3 of night
- Ramifications on humanity: Food production, distribution, and supply is greatly hampered

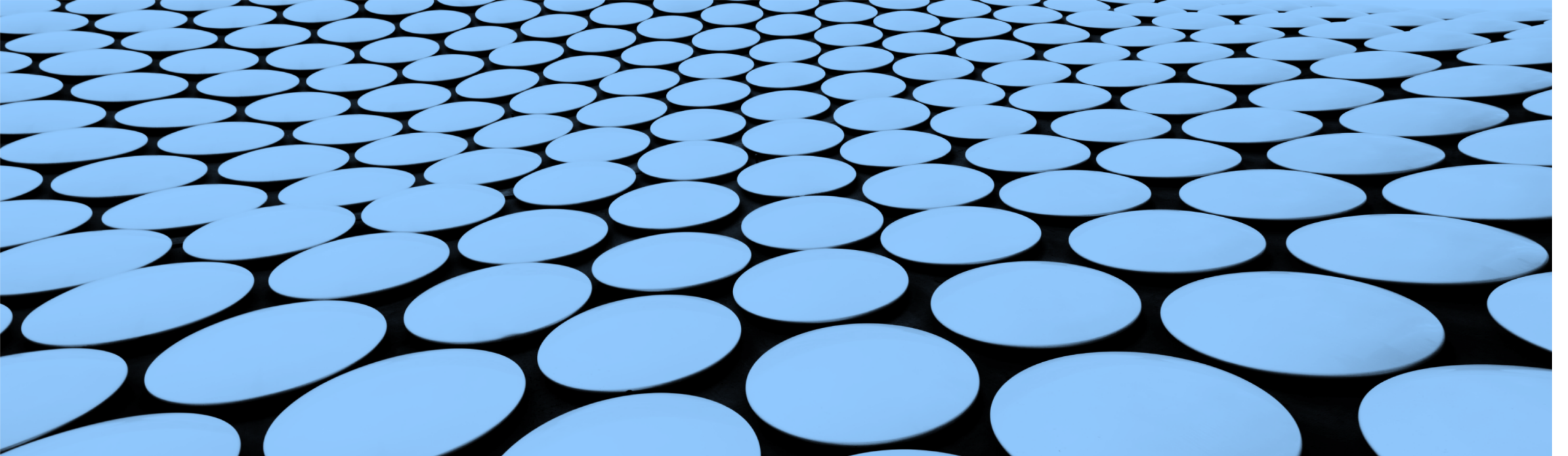
Trumpet #5 (First Woe!) – 9:1-12

- Judgment: Opening of bottomless pit
- Result: Release of demonic locusts
- Ramifications on humanity: Torment people for 5 months

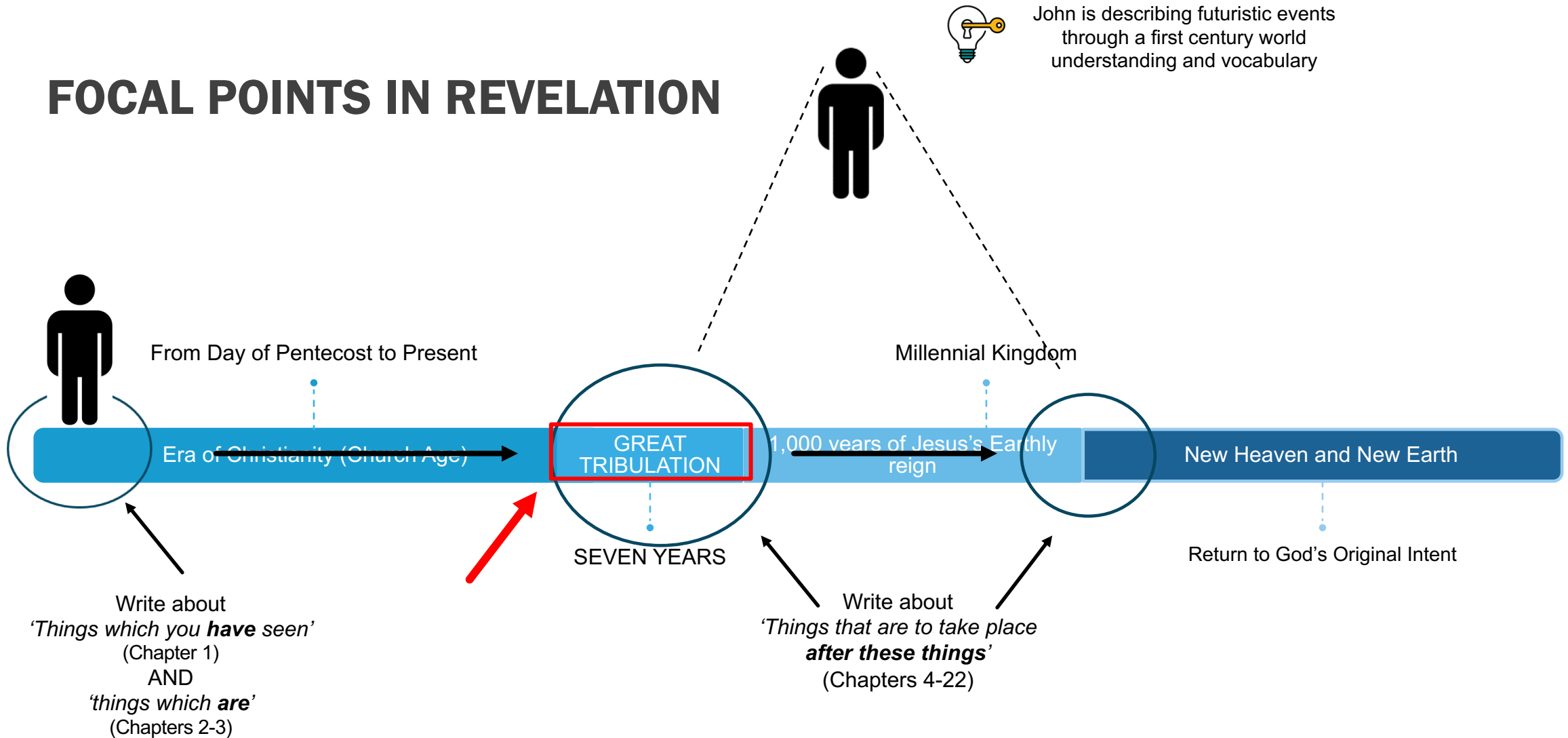


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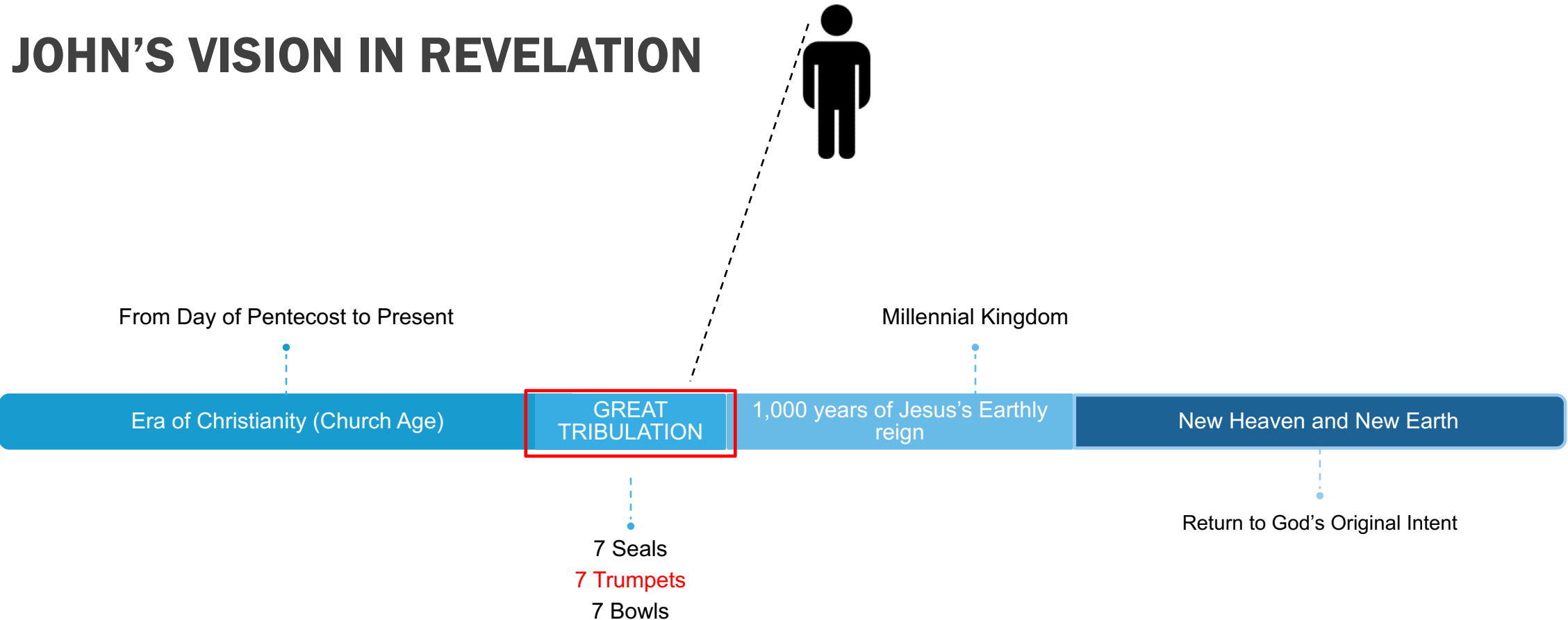
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JOHN'S VISION IN REVELATION





ANGELS IN THE BIBLE

ALL ANGELS WERE CREATED BY GOD
LUCIFER AND 1/3 ANGELS REBELLED

UNHOLY ANGELS = DEMONS

Leader: Satan

Demons Free to roam the earth Luke 8:31

Demons Imprisoned in bottomless pit (abyss) 2 Peter 2:4; Gen 6:1-4

Demons TEMPORARILY imprisoned

Demons PERMANENTLY imprisoned Jude 6-7

HOLY ANGELS

Leader: Michael

Hierarchy of roles and positions

All are Free to roam the earth

TRUMPETS 5-6-7 IN REVELATION 9-11 (THREE 'WOE' TRUMPETS)

Trumpet #5 – 9:1-12 (First WOE!)

- Judgment: Demons from the Bottomless Pit. Resemble Locust but have an unusual assignment – torment people who do not have God's mark for five months. Do not kill.

- Appearance: Like horses, crown of gold, face like a man, hair like a woman, teeth like lion, breastplates, tails like scorpions

- Response from humanity: Want death, but it will not come, unrepentant

Trumpet #6 – 9:13-21 (Second WOE!)

- Judgment: Four Angels and an army

- Result: Kill 1/3 of mankind

- Response from unbelieving humanity: Refuse to repent nor stop their evil ways



PAUSE in the action – 10:1-11:14

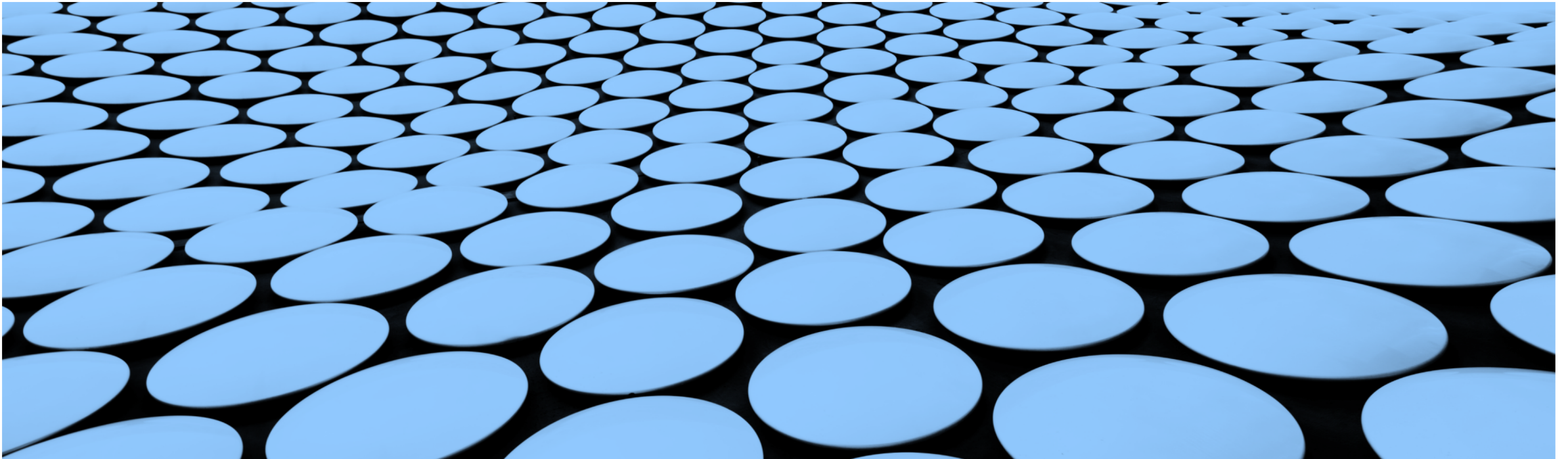
- An Angel with a Little Book 10:1-11
- The Two Witnesses 11:1-14

Trumpet #7 (Third WOE!) – 11:15-19

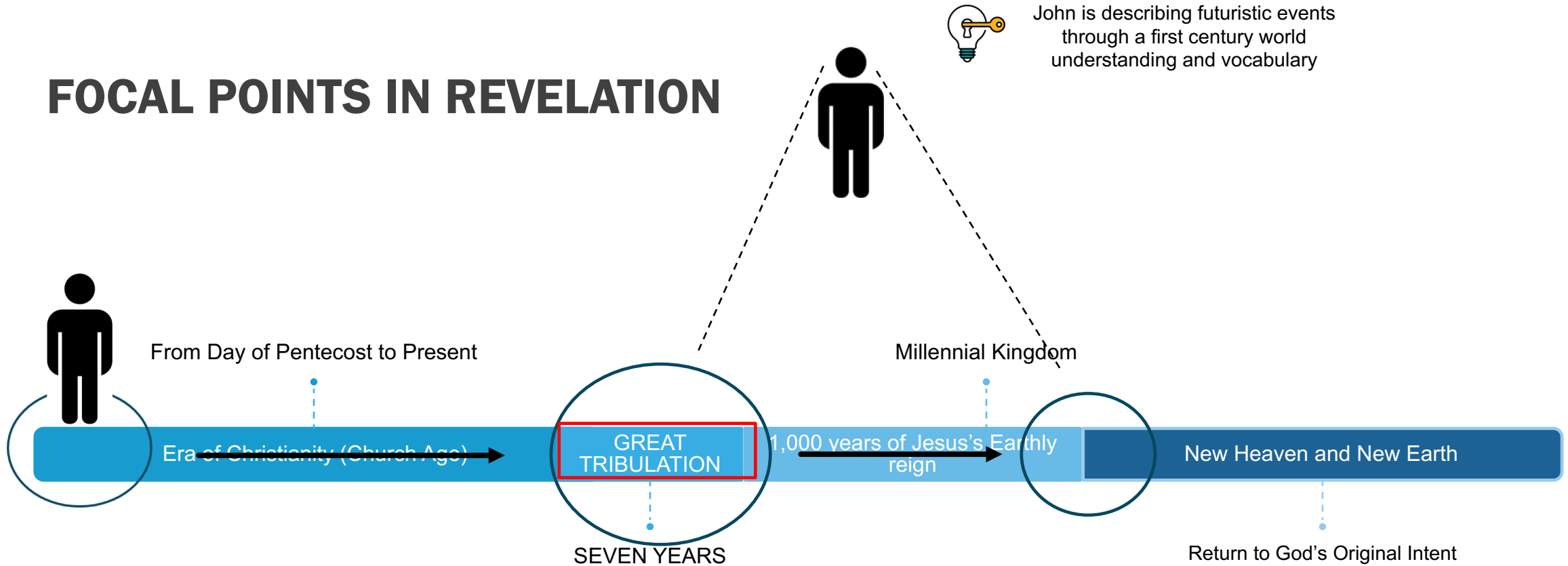
- Judgment: The Announcement of the Coming King
- Last offer of grace to humanity: Final opportunity before the real wrath of God (7 Bowls)

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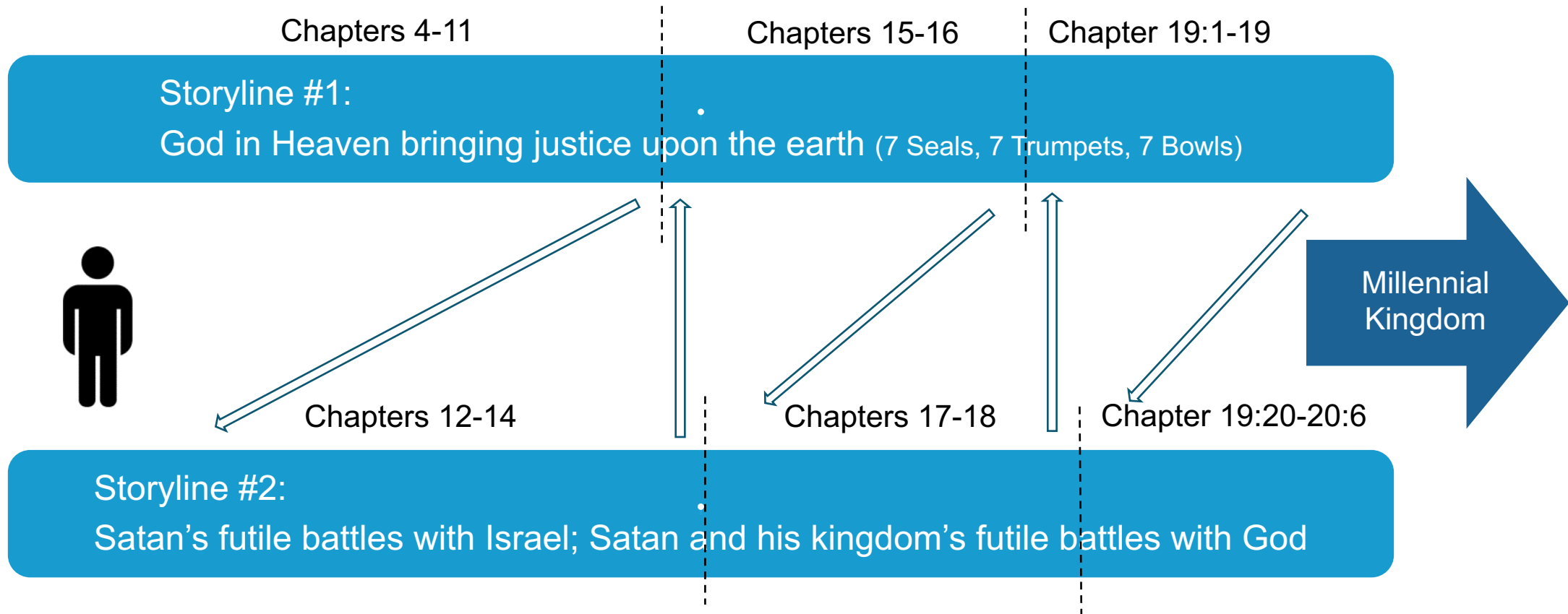
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JOHN'S STORYTELLING STYLE (THE GREAT TRIBULATION PERIOD)



SATAN'S BATTLE WITH ISRAEL (REVELATION 12-14)

The Seven Key Players:

The Woman = Nation of Israel

The Child = Jesus

The Red Dragon = Satan

Michael = the archangel

Rest of the children = Jews or Christians

Beast from the sea = Antichrist: World dictator

Beast from the earth: False Prophet: Religious leader

Battles

Battle between Satan and the Child vs. 1-6

Battle in Heaven; Satan defeated vs. 7-12

Battle on earth; Children are protected vs. 13-17



Beasts

Beast #1 13:1-10

Mighty in appearance

Miraculous healing

Worshipped by people of earth

Allowed influence for 42 months

Battled against Saints

This is the Antichrist; world dictator

Beasts

Beast #2 13:11-18

Demands worship of Beast #1

Performs miracles

Creates an image of Beast #1, then animates it

Institutes the Mark of the beast: 666

The is the False Prophet: world religious leader

Triumph of the Lamb 4:1-20

The Lamb and 144,000 survive and arrive vs. 1-5

The 'good news' is preached again vs. 6-8

Doom is proclaimed for beast worshippers vs. 9-13

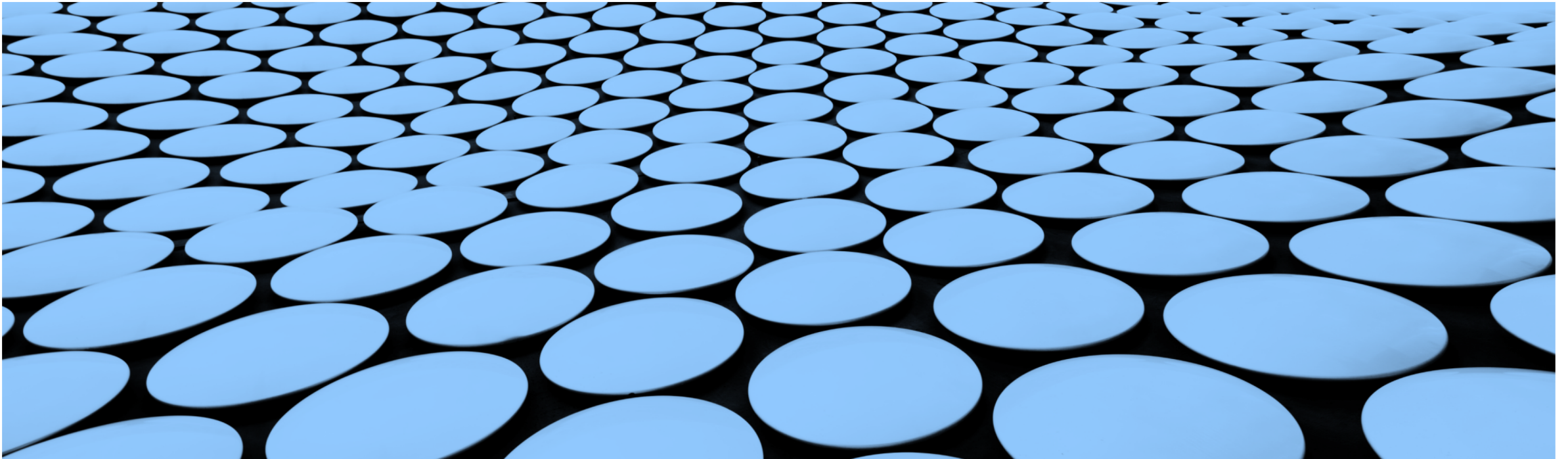
The duel reaping vs. 14-20

The 'Son of Man' reaps

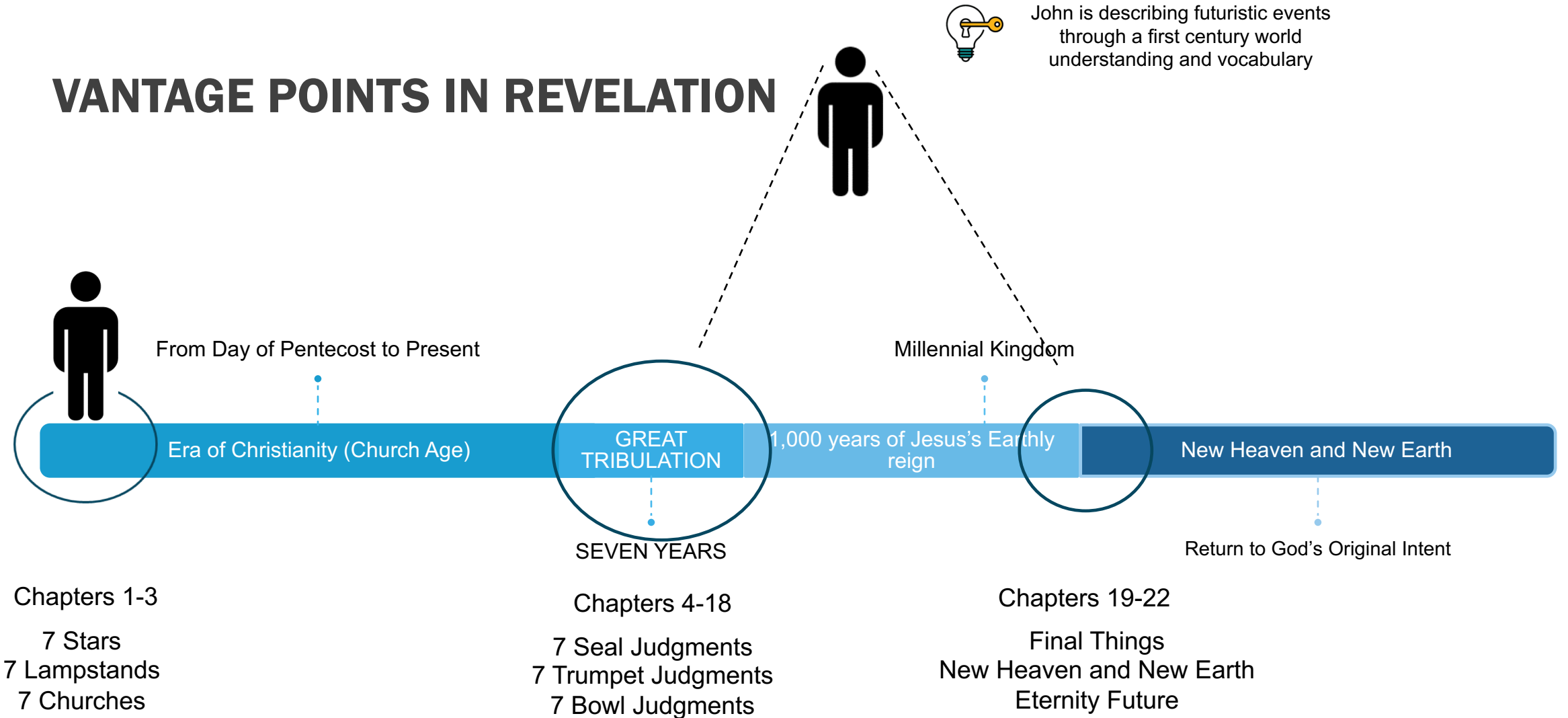
The 'angel' reaps

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THE SCENE IN HEAVEN (BEFORE THE FINAL BOWL JUDGMENTS)

Seven Angels

Seven Plagues

Those who were victorious over the Beast and his image are holding harps of God and singing !

They are singing the song of Moses and the Lamb!



The angels are then given the seven plagues by four living creatures. Seven golden bowls full of the wrath of God .

The Temple cannot be accessed or entered in by anyone due to the smoke from the Glory of God and His power until the seven plagues of the seven angels are finished.

BOWLS FULL OF TRIBULATION AND DEATH

Bowl 1 16:2

- Where: on the earth
- Effect: a loathsome and malignant sore
- Who: those with mark of the beast & who worshipped him

Bowl 2 16:3

- Where: on the sea
- Effect: became blood
- Who: every living thing

Bowl 3 16:4-7

- Where: on rivers and springs
- Effect: became blood
- Response: angels declare God's righteousness



Bowl 4 16:8-9

- Where: on the sun
- Effect: scorching fire and heat
- Response: men blasphemed God

Bowl 5 16:10-11

- Where: on the throne of the beast
- Effect: darkness and pain
- Response: men blasphemed God

Bowl 6 16:12

- Where: on the Euphrates River
- Effect: water dried up
- What: way is prepared for kings from the east

WAR AND THE LAST BOWL

Out of the mouth of the dragon, the beast, and the false prophet unclean spirits **LIKE** frogs.

Spirits of demons which gather the kings of the world to war against God Almighty at Har-Magedon.

Bowl 7

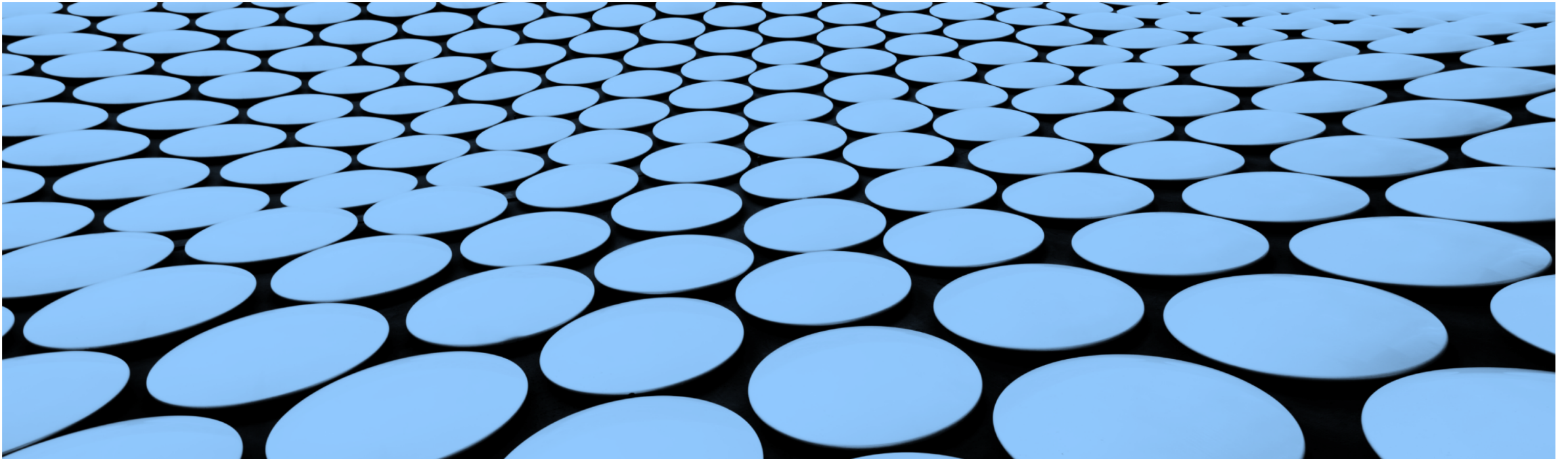
16:17-21

- Where: on the air
- Effects: loud voice, lightning, thunder, earthquake, great city split 3 ways,
cities of nations fall, God remembers Babylon, all islands flee,
mountains are gone, 100-pound hailstones, men blaspheme God

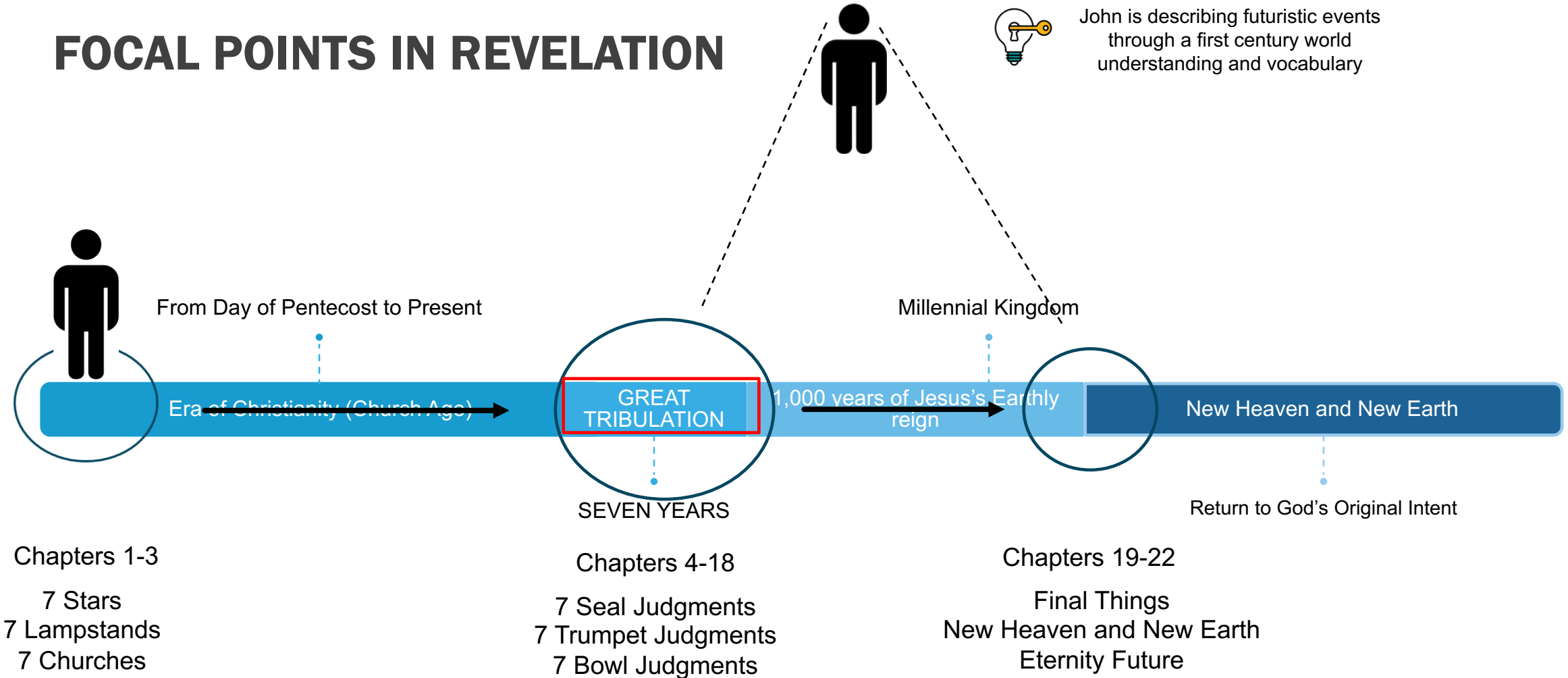


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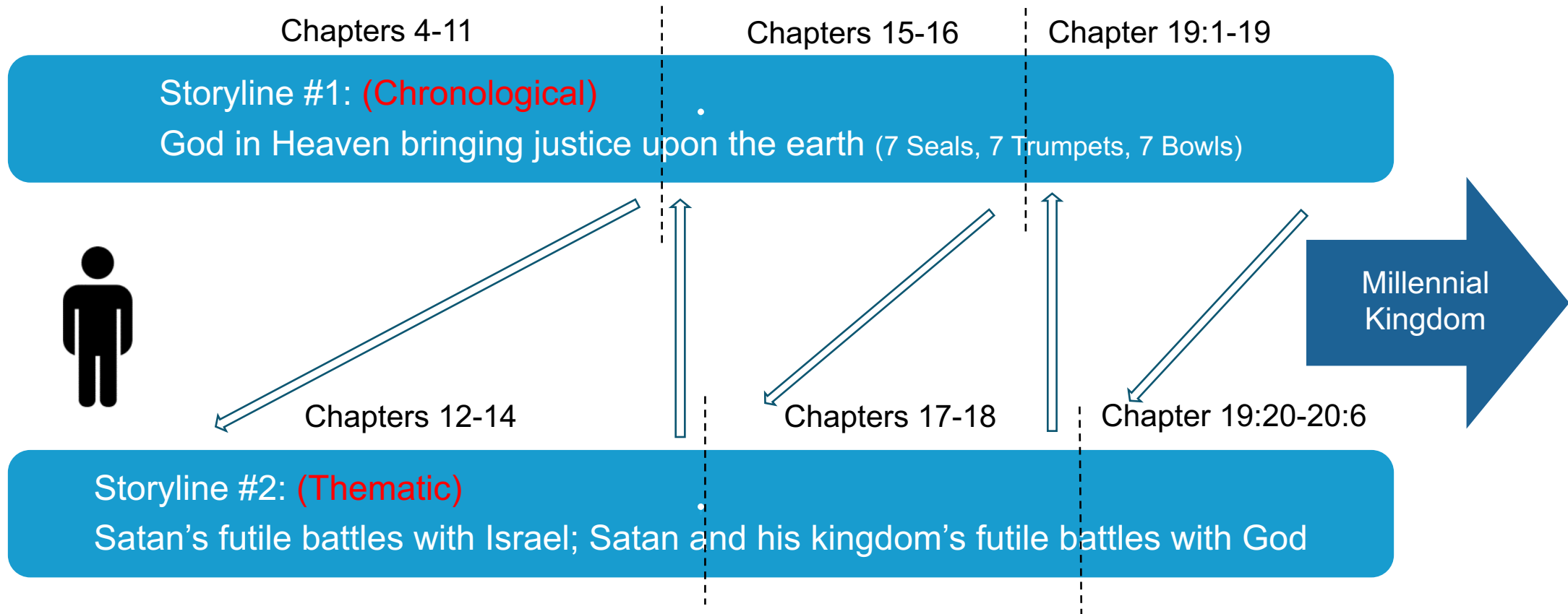


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JOHN'S STORYTELLING STYLE (THE GREAT TRIBULATION PERIOD)



THE DESTRUCTION OF 'BABYLON'

(CHAPTER 17: 'BABYLON' IS A GLOBAL FALSE RELIGION)

The Vision of Babylon vs. 1-7

The Great Harlot = another woman = False Religion

Kings of earth commit acts of immorality

Peoples of earth are drunk with her wine

Looks glamorous, but holds a cup full of abominations

Has a name on her forehead

Drunk herself on the blood of the saints

The Beast = 7 heads, 10 horns = Antichrist (13:1)



Interpretation vs. 8-18

Beast is from the Abyss on his way to destruction vs. 8

Seven heads = 7 Mountains (kingdoms); 7 Kings vs. 9-10

7 Kings = 5 past, 1 future, 1 present (Beast)

10 Horns = 10 Kings coming to help the beast vs. 12-13

Kings will war against the Lamb, but lose vs. 14

Waters = People groups, nations, tongues vs. 15

God changes the kings hearts, they attack the woman vs. 16-17

Woman = Great City = Babylon vs. 18

THE DESTRUCTION OF 'BABYLON'

(CHAPTER 18: 'BABYLON' IS A GLOBAL ECONOMIC/POLITICAL SYSTEM)

Babylon has Fallen! Collapse of global economic system

Babylon = system or city, or both?

The Decree is announced vs. 1-3

The call out to the saints vs. 4-5

The judgement = payback vs. 6-8

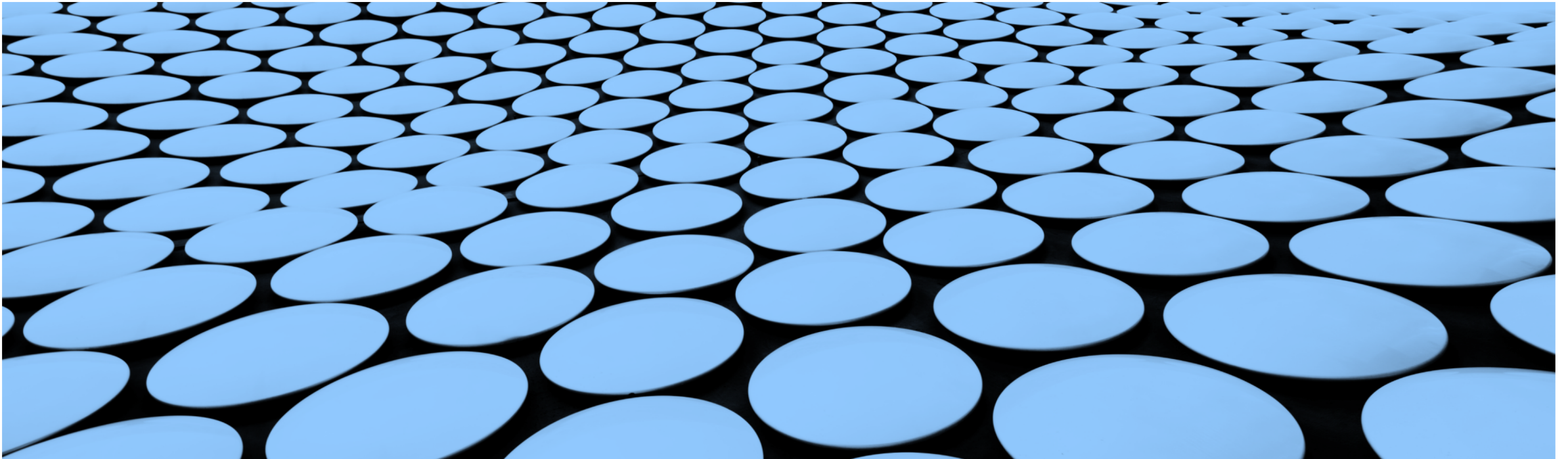
The Lament of kings and merchants vs. 9-20

The Degree realized vs. 21-24

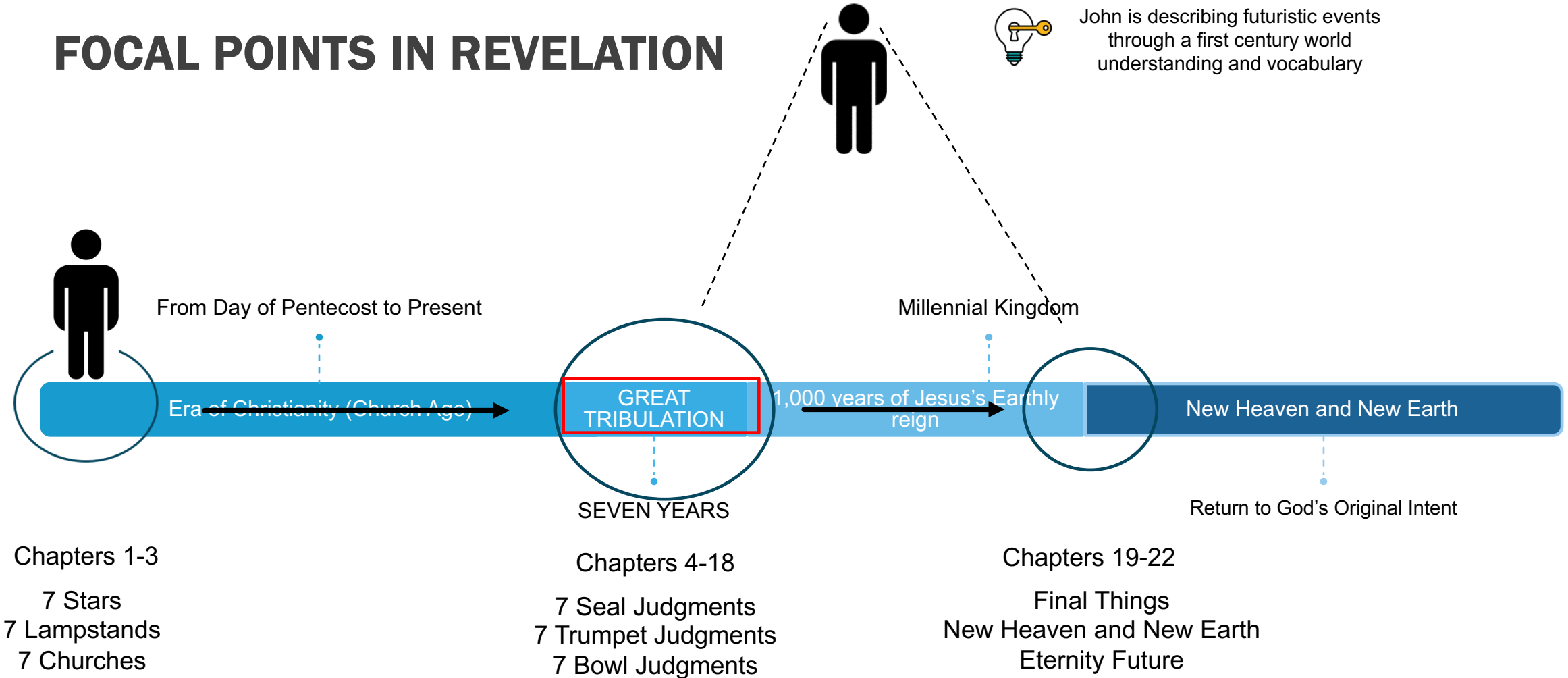


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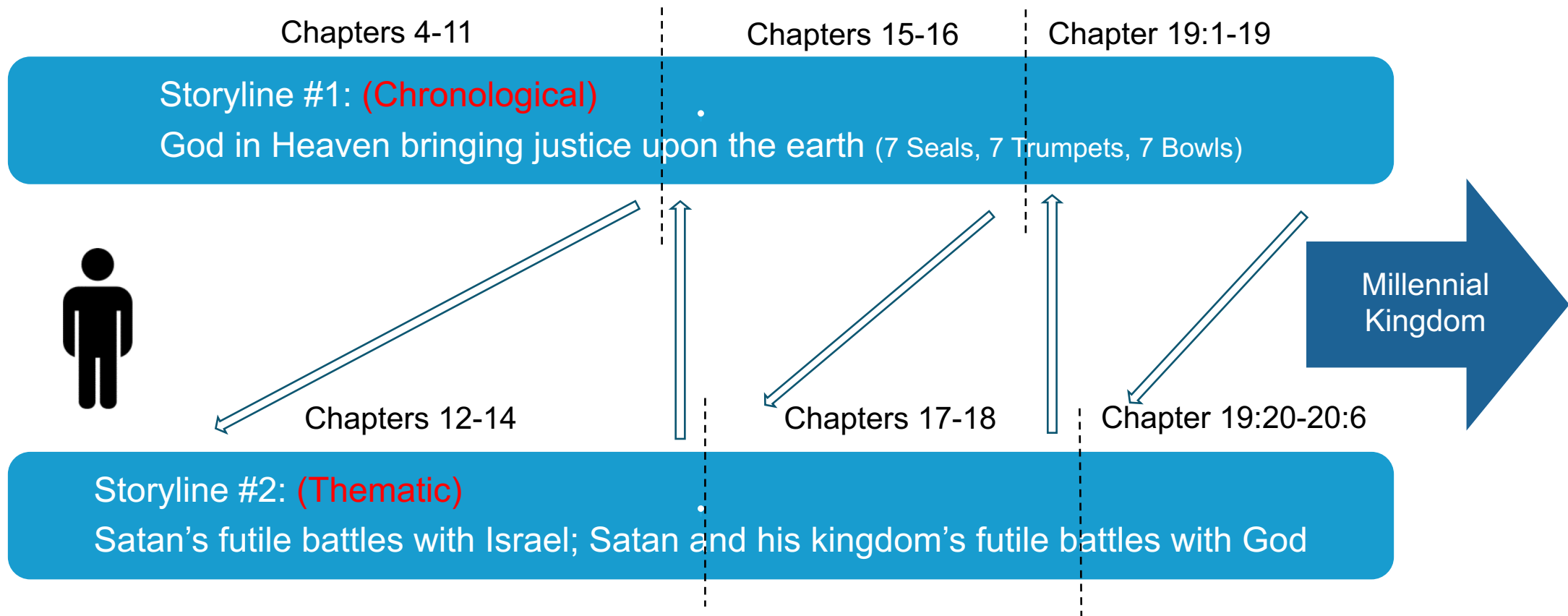


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THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS TO EARTH (CHAPTER 19)

The **Victory Cry** vs. 1-6
Four shouts of '**Hallelujah**' vs. 1, 3, 4, 6
The justice is **complete** vs. 2
'He **has** judged'; 'He **has** avenged'
The Lord **alone** reigns on earth vs. 6



The **Marriage Supper** of the Lamb vs. 7-9
The Bride has made Herself **Ready**
The Bride is **NT** Saints
Bridal gown = **righteous acts** of the saints
It's time for the Marriage **Supper**
The **attendees** are the other groups of **saints**
These are the **true words** of God
This celebration is the perfect combo of **Jew** and **Gentile**
John is **overwhelmed** and responds vs. 10

Various Groups of '**Saints**' in the Bible – all saved by **faith**

OT Saints – Jewish nation and Gentile converts before Jesus
NT Saints – Jew and Gentile Followers of Jesus (Church)
Tribulation Saints – Jews and Gentiles saved during Tribulation
Millennial Saints – Jews and Gentiles saved during the 1,000 years

The traditional **Jewish Wedding** had three parts

Engagement – the legal act of betrothal
Wedding **ceremony** – Groom snatched bride to bring to wedding
Marriage **Supper** – Invited guests celebrate the couple

The **Actual, Bodily** return of the Lamb vs. 11-19
Jesus arrives ready to **battle** vs. 11-16
Heaven's army: Saints from **OT & NT**
Enemies: **Beast, False Prophet**, earthly **armies**
The battle is swift and **victorious** for the Lamb vs. 17-21
Beast and False Prophet are thrown into '**lake of fire**'
The armies were destroyed and now await **final judgement**

JESUS SETS UP HIS 1,000 YEAR EARTHY KINGDOM (CHAPTER 20:1-6; 'MILLENNIAL KINGDOM')



Millennial
Kingdom

Satan is Bound for the 1,000 years vs. 1-3

The First resurrection in this Kingdom vs. 4-6

Only Tribulation Martyrs (saints) are resurrected

Jesus rules as literal King of the Earth for 1,000 years

→→→ →→→ **FAST FORWARD TO END OF MILLENNIAL KINGDOM** →→→ →→→

THE DESTRUCTION OF SATAN AND SINNERS (CHAPTER 20:7-15)

Satan is Released for a short time vs. 7-10

Nations are deceived again to battle Jesus (19:11-19)

They aim to defeat the saints and Jerusalem

The armies are consumed without a fight

Satan is thrown into the 'lake of fire'

He joins the Beast and False Prophet

They will be tormented forever and ever

The Second Resurrection in this Kingdom vs. 11-15

All 'unbelieving' souls- great and small

'Books' were opened: record of people's individual deeds

Another 'Book' was opened: *Book of Life*

Souls from everywhere were brought before this throne

Notice: Eternal judgement is individualized, not groups

'Sea', 'Death', 'Hades' are holding places until judgement

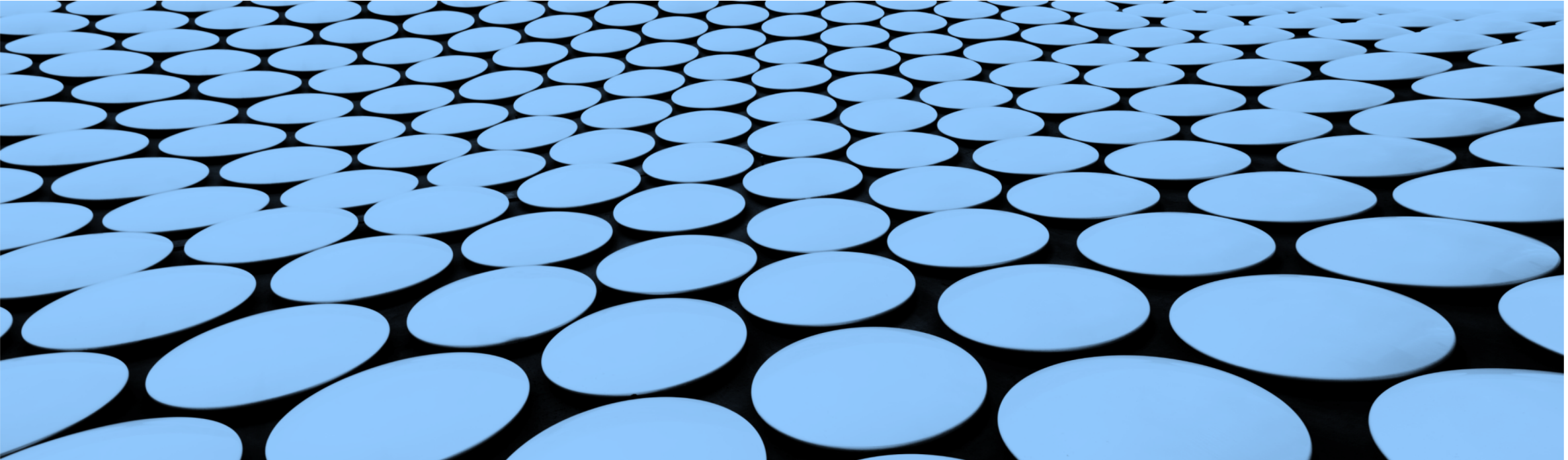
No more holding places for souls: Death and Hades gone

Simple test: Is your name in the book of life?

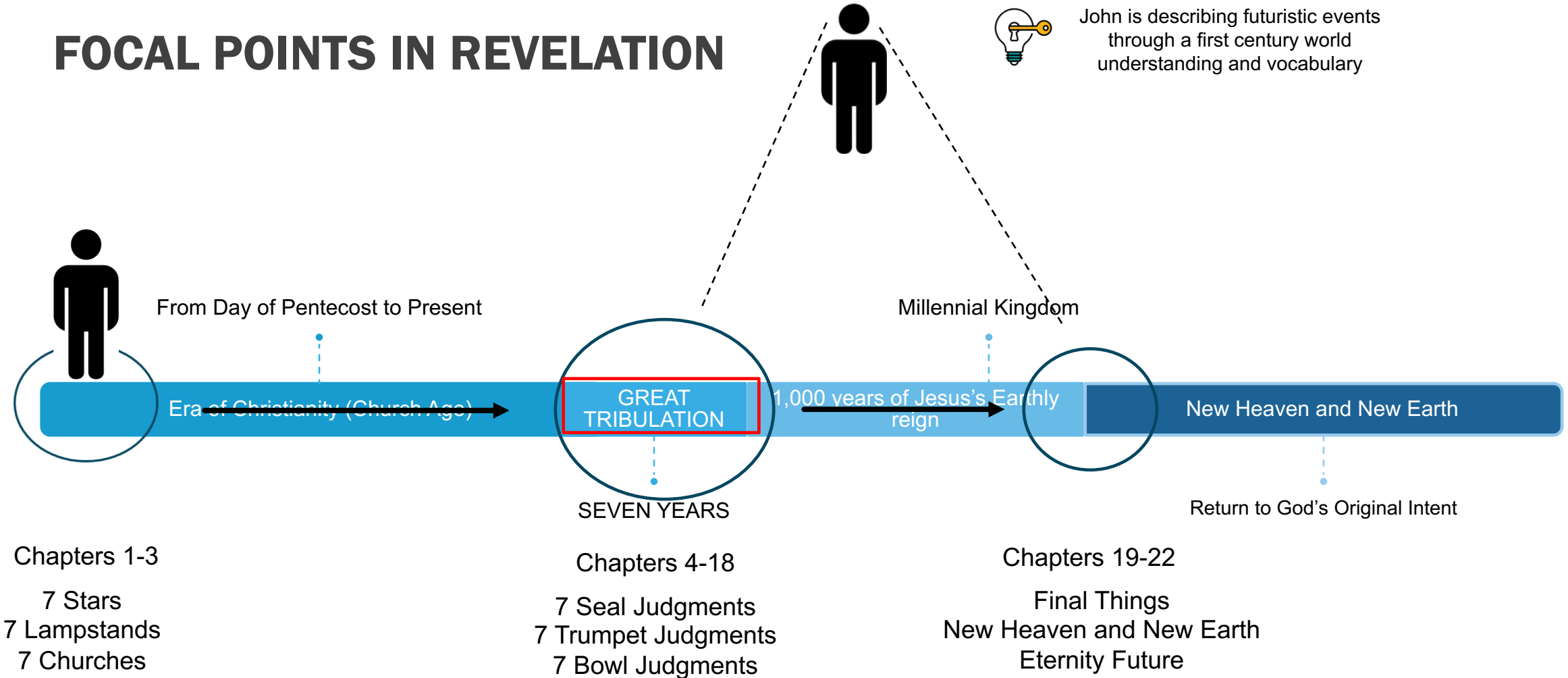
Unbelieving souls thrown into the 'lake of fire'

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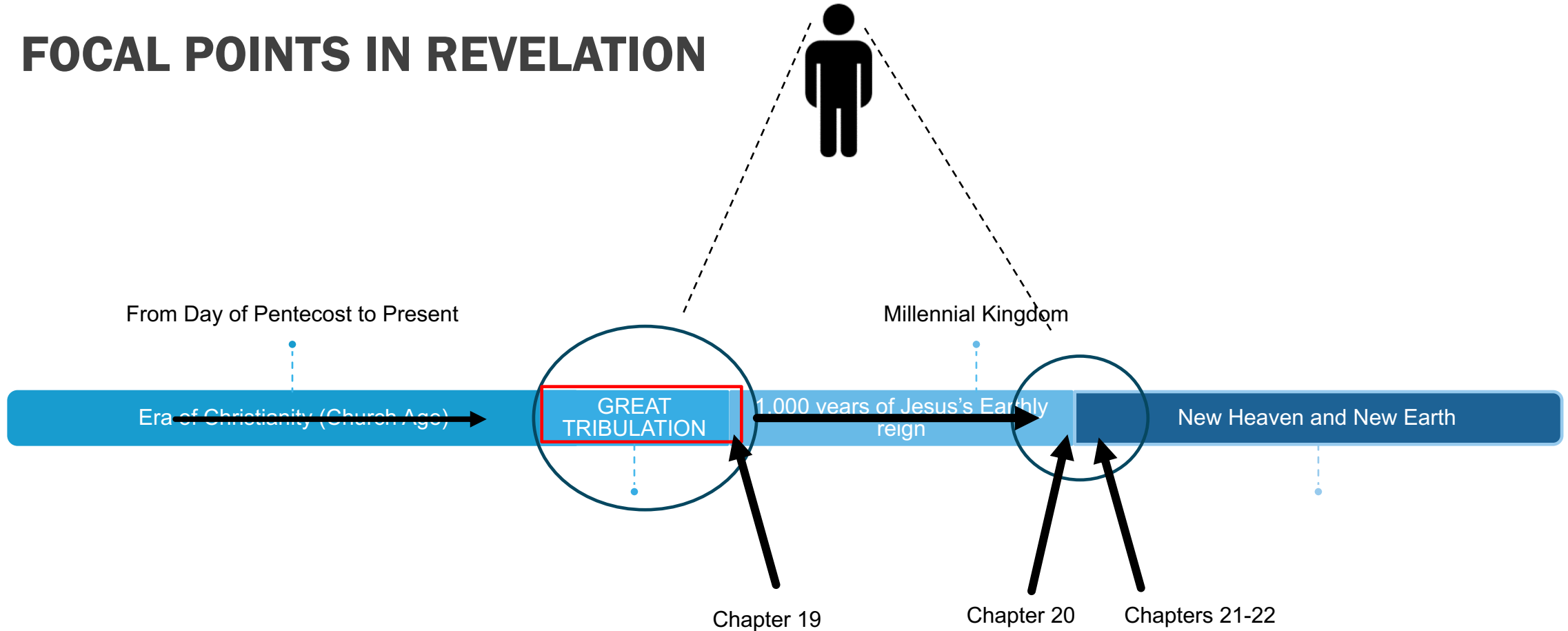


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JESUS SETS UP HIS NEW AND FOREVER KINGDOM (CHAPTER 21-22)

The **Global** viewpoint 21:1-8

The **New Heavens**, **New Earth**, **New City**

Not remodeled but brand new; never previously existed

No longer any sea; Earth is one land mass

New **Jerusalem** as beautiful as a wedding

God dwells among us now

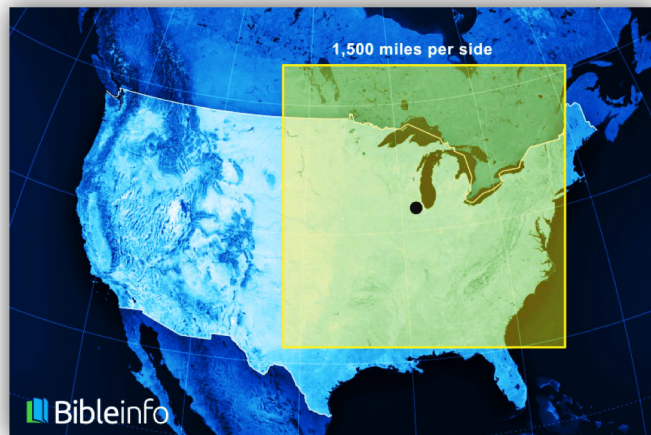
Perfection is pervasive

The **City** viewpoint 21:9-27

The Beauty of the City vs. 9-15

The Size of the City vs. 16-21

The Atmosphere of the City vs. 22-27



The **Throne Room** viewpoint 22:1-9

The River of the water of Life

The Tree of Life with 12 fruits, one ripe per month

No longer any curse

We will be face to face with Jesus, His name on our foreheads

Perpetual light; we will reign forever and ever

Words of Confirmation

John's response

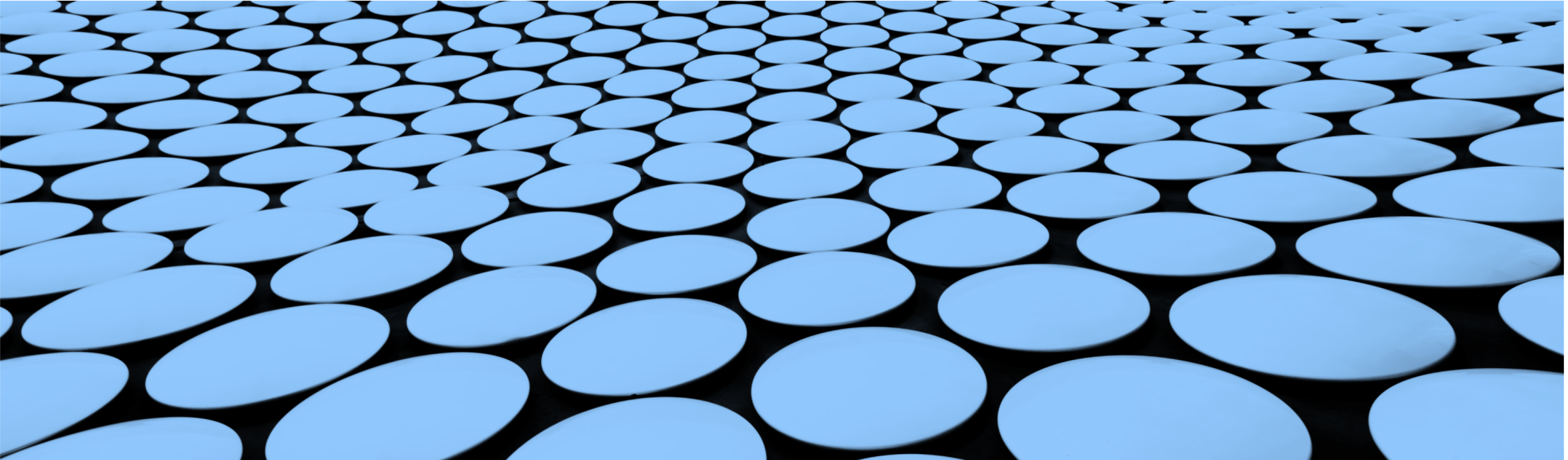
FINAL THOUGHTS... (CHAPTER 22:10-21)

Final message	22:10--21
The <u>Angel's</u> final thoughts	vs. 10-11
<u>Jesus</u> ' Final thoughts	vs. 12-16
Events will happen rapidly (<i>'I am coming quickly'</i> said 3x)	
The <u>Spirit's</u> and <u>saints</u> final thoughts	vs. 17
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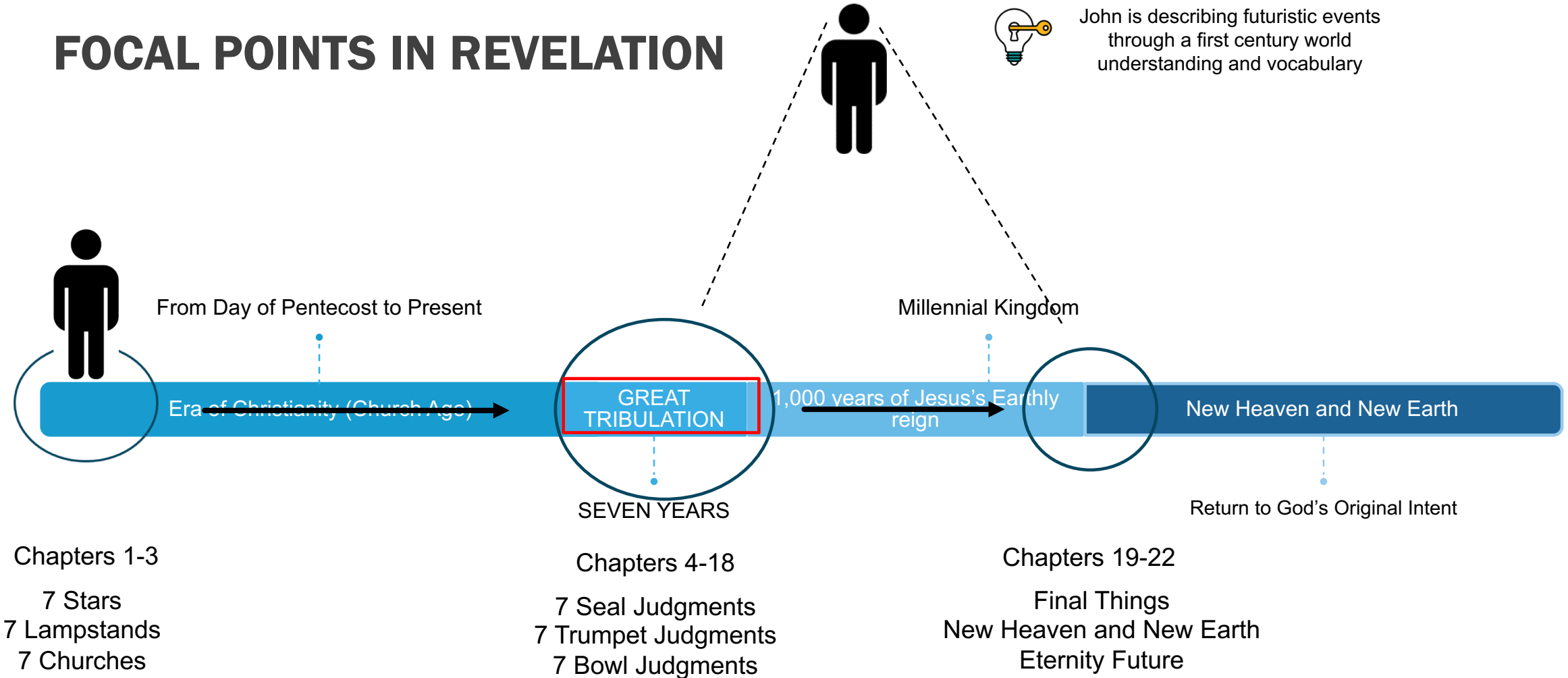


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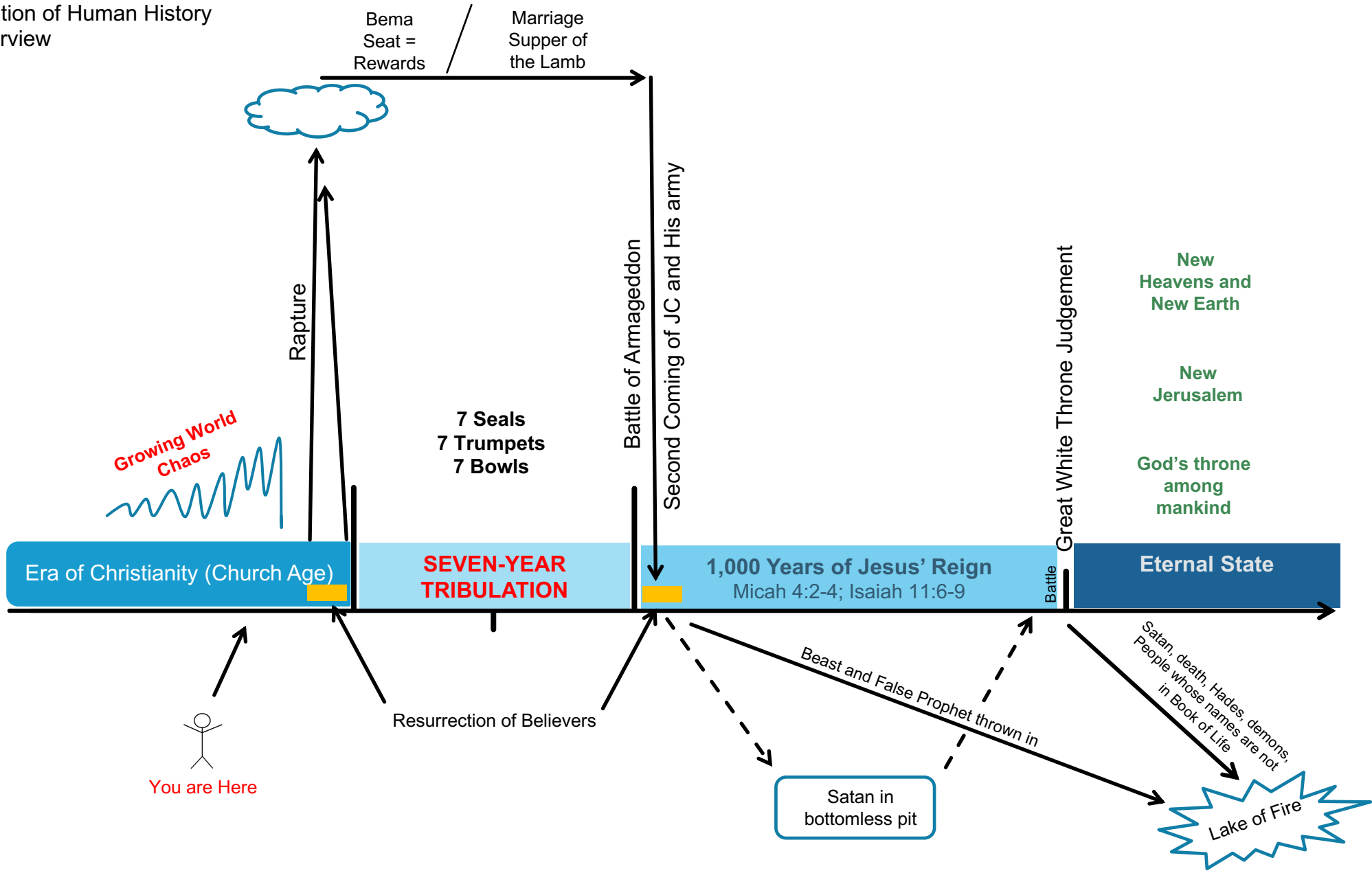


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The Culmination of Human History
Timeline overview



MAIN END TIMES EVENTS NOT IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Growing World **Chaos** Matt. 24:1-31

The rise of **wars**, natural **disasters**, **antisemitism**

Many **Imposters** will rise up

Persecution and **Lawlessness** will be on the rise

The Great **Tribulation** will occur

Then the glorious **Return** of Jesus will occur



The **Rapture** of Believers 1 Thess. 2:10, 4:13-18, 5:9

We are **rescued** from the wrath to come

The Lord will arrive in the clouds with a **shout**, a **trumpet**

The **dead** in Christ will rise first, then those who **remain**

We will meet the Lord **in the air**

Forever we will be with the Lord

We are **destined** to experience God's wrath

MAIN END TIMES EVENTS NOT IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION

The **Bema Seat** Rom. 14:10; 1 Cor. 3:10-15; 2 Cor. 5:10

Place for assessing **Rewards**, not for **punishment**

The **Quality** of our deeds for Jesus are **tested**

The testing is of **fire**: false deeds are **burned up**

Real deeds are **rewarded**

We are all **saved** at this point

