Section Three: The Kingdom of God on Earth (Future) Category C: Millennium – Kingdom Intelligence Report #4

Topic: Chronology (The Significance of 1 Corinthians 15:25)

The actual restoration of Plan A will be a process, consisting of a sequence of events, designed to establish the Kingdom of God on earth in a manner that is permanent, universal and eternal. This is truly a big picture scenario which can be difficult to grasp. Knowing that, the Holy Spirit uses the Apostle Paul to describe this progression toward completion with a brevity and simplicity that is easily understood. In **1 Corinthians 15:20-28**, Paul emphasizes the resurrection of Jesus Christ in overcoming our death in Adam (vv20-22). He then describes the consequences of His resurrection in vv23-28. Our Savior is the first fruits as a result of His victory over sin, death and hell; followed by our fully partaking of that victory at His coming (v23). Then, there will be a culmination, as the kingdom which Christ has ruled over for 1,000 years, is handed over to God the Father(v24), with death itself being eliminated (v26), "so that God may be all in all." (v28b)

However, sandwiched into the middle of this chronology, we have an all-important descriptive detail, presented by Paul in vv24b-25, consisting of a Messianic reference from Psalm 110:1 -"The Lord says to My Lord: 'Sit at My right hand until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet." This declaration was apparently so critical for the human authors of the New Testament, that it became one of their most frequently quoted verses from the Old Testament. Paul's use of Psalm 110:1 serves as a clarifying element within this all-encompassing chronology. How? The restoration of Plan A is contingent upon our Savior, as King of kings and Lord of lords, abolishing "all rule and all authority and power" (v24b). This eradication of all opposing authority is then described by Paul in v25, as putting "all His enemies under His feet." If you will notice, Paul's assertion in v25 is not an exact quote from Psalm 110:1. The reason can be found in Psalm 110:2, "The Lord will stretch forth Your strong scepter from Zion, saying, 'Rule in the midst of Your enemies." Under the authoritative inspiration of the Holy Spirit, Paul combines Psalm 110:1 with Psalm 110:2, providing us with an infallible interpretation of David's true intent in writing Psalm 110:1-2. The result is 1 Corinthians 15:25 -- "For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet." This "reign" of Jesus Christ will take place on earth, during the Millennium. As a result of His Millennial reign, all His enemies will be put under Christ's feet.

Why is this composite by Paul significant? There is no greater interpretational distortion in all of Dominion Theology than Psalm 110:1. For Dominionist heretics, Psalm 110:1 means that Jesus Christ will remain in heaven, seated at the right hand of the Father, UNTIL Christians individually, and the Church collectively, bring every nation on this planet under Christian Theocratic rule. Christ will not return to earth UNTIL Christians establish the Kingdom of God on earth, for Him, and without Him. UNTIL then, we Christians need to get busy infiltrating nations, taking over their governments, and establishing Christian theocracies throughout the world. Really!

This is why we can all be thankful for 1 Corinthians 15:25, which declares in no uncertain terms that: HE must reign, until HE has put all HIS enemies under HIS feet! The "until" is not referring to our Lord in heaven waiting, but Christ on earth, ruling and reigning, until all His enemies are dealt with. How tragically ironic! Dominion Theology's misrepresentation of Psalm 110:1 has become their house of cards, upon which their false doctrine has been built. Yet, with one single verse of New Testament Scripture, namely, 1 Corinthians 15:25; the Apostle Paul causes their counterfeit theology to implode upon itself. Praise God!