THE MILLENNIUM

I. DEFINITION OF MILLENNIUM.

- A. The Millennium, or the Kingdom Age, is that era in the future history of the world when the Lord Jesus shall receive from God the rule and government of the earth.
- B. This ear is to last one thousand years.
- C. Word comes from "mille" which means thousand, and "annus" or "annum" which means year or years.
- D. Rev. 20 is the only Scripture which specifically mentions the thousand years, yet there are many passages, both in the Old and new Testaments, that set fortht he character and describe the blessing of that age which is to come.

II. DESCRIPTIVE TITLES OF THE MILLENNIUM.

- A. The Regeneration (Mat. 19:38)
- B. The Last Day (John 6:40)
- C. Times of Refreshing (Acts 3:19)
- D. Times of the Restitution of All Things (Acts 3:21)
- E. The Dispensation of the Fulness of Times (Eph. 1:10)
- F. The Reign of 1000 Years (Rev. 20:4, 6)
- G. The Kingdom of Christ (Rev. 11:15)

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE MILLENNIUM.

- A. Christ will rule the nations with a rod of iron and by means of His judgments the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.
 - 1. Is. 26:9
 - 2. Ps. 101:5-8
 - 3. Ps. 58:11
- B. The Church will rule and reign with Christ.
- C. There will be universl peace during the thousand years.
 - 1. Is. 2:4
 - 2. Is. 11:5-9
 - 3. Is 65:25
- D. The earth will enjoy her pristine fruitfulness and freedom from the curse.
 - 1. Ps. 67:4-6
 - 2. Is. 35:1
 - 3. Is. 51:3
 - 4. Ez. 34:26
 - 5. Ez. 36:30
 - 6. Ez. 47:9-12
 - 7. Amos 9:13
 - 8. Rom. 8:19-23
- E. Human life will be prolonged.

Will depend not on grace and an over-watching Providence, but on righteousness.

A man will live as long as he is righteous, and no longer.

Death will be judgment for disobedience.

Ps. 72:8-9 Micah 5:8-15 Ps. 149:7)

Satan being bound, and the regenerating Lord enthroned in power, there will be no excuse for sin.

The heavens will be opened to the view of earth and intercourse between them will be established. Apparently this was the condition at the beginning. They were opened to Enoch, Elijah, Jesus, and Paul. They were wondrously opened to Jacob (Gen. 28:10-13). They will be opened by the coming of the Son of God (Rev. 19:11). It is through these opened heavens that the city of God will be seen shining in all its celestial splendor (rev. 21:9-27). That this description has to do with the millennial period is shown by the fact that there are certain references which seem to be quite impossible in relation to the eternal state (Rev. 21:27; 22:2, 14-15, 20:9).

The earth will be free from the polluting presence and power of Satan (Rev. 20:1-3).