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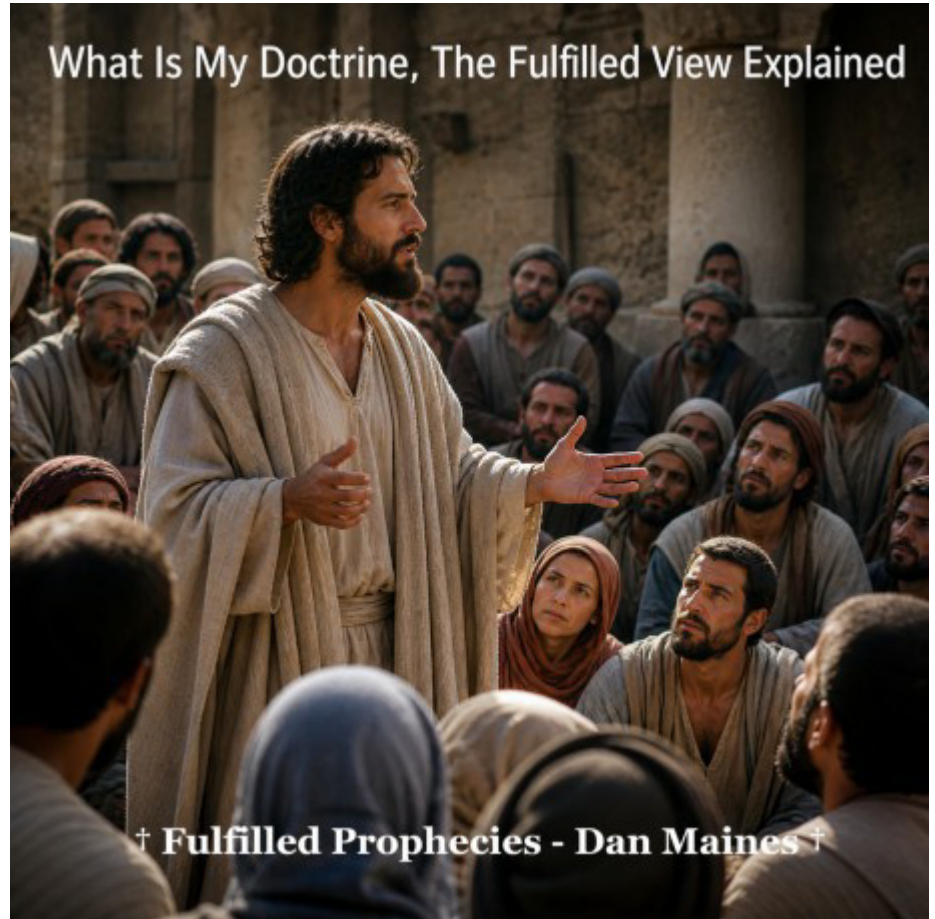
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Doctrine - What Is My Doctrine, The Fulfilled View Explained



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Introduction

† People often ask what my doctrine is, so let's make it clear, it's the fulfilled view of Scripture, not tradition, not speculation, but what the Bible actually says about time, audience, and fulfillment (Matthew 24:34)

† I'm not following systems built hundreds of years later, I'm following what Jesus and the apostles said would happen in

their generation (Matthew 16:27-28)

† If we let Scripture define its own timing, its own audience, and its own fulfillment, everything becomes consistent and complete (Luke 21:22)

† Scripture repeatedly says these things were near, not distant, and that matters (1 Peter 4:7)

Acts 2:16-17

but this is what has been spoken through the prophet Joel:

'AND IT SHALL BE IN THE LAST DAYS,' God says,
'THAT I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT ON ALL MANKIND;
AND YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS WILL PROPHECY,
AND YOUR YOUNG MEN WILL SEE VISIONS,
AND YOUR OLD MEN WILL HAVE DREAMS;

† Peter said this was then, not something future, the last days were present in their time

† The last days refer to the end of the Old Covenant age, not the end of the physical world (Hebrews 1:2)

† This anchors the timeline firmly in the first century and removes any future speculation

1 Peter 4:7

The end of all things is near; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober spirit for the purpose of prayer.

† At hand doesn't mean thousands of years, it means near, about to happen

† Peter was speaking to his audience, not to people thousands of years later (James 5:8-9)

† The end of all things refers to the end of the covenant system, not the end of the planet

Matthew 24:34

Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.

† Jesus didn't speak in vague timelines, He gave a direct time statement, their generation would see all these things fulfilled

† The word generation never means thousands of years, it always refers to the people living at that time (Matthew 23:36)

† If we stretch generation, we destroy the clarity of Jesus' words, but if we keep it as written, the entire prophecy falls into place (Luke 11:50-51)

Matthew 16:27-28

For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and WILL THEN REPAY EVERY PERSON ACCORDING TO HIS DEEDS.

"Truly I say to you, there are some of those who are standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom."

† Jesus said some standing there wouldn't die before seeing His coming, that locks the timing into the first century

† This wasn't symbolic language about thousands of years later, it was a real expectation for those hearing Him (Mark 9:1)

† If those men died without seeing it, then Jesus' words would fail, but Scripture doesn't fail, it was fulfilled (Luke 9:27)

Matthew 24:3

And as He was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples

came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things happen, and what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"

† The question was about the end of the age, not the end of the physical world

† This was about the Old Covenant age coming to an end, not the destruction of the universe

† Misreading this one verse leads to an entirely false future expectation

Acts 1:11

and they said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven."

† Like manner doesn't mean physical return to earth, it refers to the same type of divine authority and presence

† Scripture consistently uses coming language for judgment, not physical appearances (Matthew 24:30)

† This aligns perfectly with the first century judgment on Jerusalem, not a future event

Daniel 9:27

And he will confirm a covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come the one who makes desolate, until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, gushes forth on the one who makes desolate."

† Christ is the one confirming the covenant, not a future antichrist, He brought the New Covenant through His death

(Hebrews 8:6)

† In the middle of the week He caused sacrifice to cease by becoming the final sacrifice (Hebrews 10:10)

† The desolation that followed was the judgment on Jerusalem, completed in AD 70 just as Jesus said (Luke 21:20-22)

Matthew 5:17-18

"Do not presume that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish, but to fulfill. For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke of a letter shall pass from the Law, until all is accomplished!

† Heaven and earth here are tied directly to the law, not the physical universe

† When the law was fulfilled, heaven and earth in that covenant sense passed away

† This explains the language of passing away as covenantal, not physical destruction

Hebrews 12:26-28

And His voice shook the earth then, but now He has promised, saying, "YET ONCE MORE I WILL SHAKE NOT ONLY THE EARTH, BUT ALSO THE HEAVEN." This expression, "Yet once more," denotes the removing of those things which can be shaken, as of created things, so that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we receive a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let's show gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable service with reverence and awe;

† The shaking refers to the removal of the Old Covenant system

† What remains is the unshakable kingdom, already established

† This is fulfillment language, not future speculation

1 Corinthians 15:53-54

For this perishable must put on the imperishable, and this mortal must put on immortality. But when this perishable puts on the imperishable, and this mortal puts on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written: "DEATH HAS BEEN SWALLOWED UP in victory.

† This resurrection wasn't about reviving physical corpses, it was about the transition from the Old Covenant death to New Covenant life (2 Corinthians 3:6)

† Death being swallowed up was covenantal, the power of sin and death under the law was removed (1 Corinthians 15:56)

† This was fulfilled when the Old Covenant system ended, and full access to life in Christ was established (Hebrews 9:8)

1 Corinthians 15:24-26

then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to our God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be abolished is death.

† The end here is the end of the covenant age, not the end of time

† Christ's reign continued until all enemies were placed under His feet in that generation

† Death being destroyed ties directly to the fulfilled resurrection

Hebrews 11:39-40

And all these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised, because God had provided something better for us, so that apart from us they would not be made perfect.

† They were waiting for fulfillment that came in the first century

† Perfection came when the covenant was completed, not at a future time

† This ties the resurrection to covenant completion, not physical resurrection

Revelation 1:1

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants, the things which must soon take place; and He sent and communicated it by His angel to His bond-servant John,

† Shortly doesn't mean thousands of years, it means exactly what it says, these events were about to happen (Revelation 22:6)

† The book was written to first century believers about first century events (Revelation 1:3)

† The Beast wasn't a future system, it was a ruling Caesar, tied directly to that time period (Revelation 13:18)

Revelation 17:9-11

Here is the mind which has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains upon which the woman sits, and they are seven kings; five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come; and when he comes, he must remain a little while. The beast which was, and is not, is himself also an eighth and is one

of the seven, and he goes to destruction.

† This directly identifies a line of kings, not a future unknown system

† The Beast is tied to a specific sequence of rulers in the first century

† This removes any future interpretation completely

Revelation 21:2

And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

† The New Jerusalem isn't a future physical city, it's the fulfilled covenant people of God (Galatians 4:26)

† The bride is the church, not a literal city descending from the sky (Ephesians 2:19-22)

† This was established after the old system passed away, when the temple and old covenant were removed (Hebrews 12:22-24)

Revelation 21:9-10

Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls, full of the seven last plagues, came and spoke with me, saying, "Come here, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb."

And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

† The bride and the city are the same, this is symbolic language

† This confirms the identity of the New Jerusalem as the people of God

† This is fulfilled reality, not a future location

Historical References

† Eusebius records the destruction of Jerusalem in AD 70 as the fulfillment of Christ's warnings (Eusebius, Ecclesiastical History 3.5)

† Josephus gives a detailed account of the siege and destruction exactly as Jesus described (Josephus, Wars of the Jews Book 6)

† Tacitus confirms the Roman involvement and devastation under the Caesars during that time (Tacitus, Histories 5.13)

† Clement of Alexandria references the events surrounding the apostolic age and transition (Clement, Stromata)

† These aren't theological guesses, they are recorded history matching Jesus' prophecy

How It Applies To Us Today

† We're not waiting for fulfillment, we're living in it, the kingdom has been established and we're part of it now (Luke 17:20-21)

† We don't live in fear of a future coming judgment, because judgment already came on that generation (John 5:24)

† Our identity is in the New Covenant, not in an old system that has already passed away (2 Corinthians 5:17)

† We walk in life, not waiting for life, because Christ has already accomplished everything He promised (John 19:30)

† If Jesus said it would happen in that generation, and history confirms it did, then the fulfilled view isn't a theory, it's the only position that takes Him at His word

Q & A Appendix

Q: If everything is fulfilled, what about Acts 1:11?

A: It refers to Christ coming in the same manner of authority and judgment, consistent with Matthew 24:30, fulfilled in that generation

Q: What about a physical resurrection?

A: The resurrection was covenantal, tied to the completion of the promise, not biological immortality (1 Corinthians 15:54; Hebrews 11:40)

Q: What about the end of the world?

A: The Bible speaks of the end of the age, not the end of the physical world (Matthew 24:3)

Q: What about modern Israel in 1948?

A: Scripture never points to a future regathering tied to prophecy after fulfillment, all promises were fulfilled in Christ (Galatians 3:28-29)

Q: Who is the Beast?

A: A first century Caesar, tied to the number 666 and the Roman system of that time (Revelation 13:18)

Q: Are we still waiting for anything to be fulfilled?

A: No, all things Jesus spoke of have been fulfilled, just as He said they would be in that generation (Luke 21:22)

Q: Are we in the New Jerusalem now?

A: Yes, the New Jerusalem is the bride, the church, and we are part of it now (Revelation 21:2; Ephesians 2:19-22)

Q: Does that mean we're in the New Earth?

A: Yes, the new heaven and new earth describe the New Covenant order that replaced the old, and we are living in that reality now (Isaiah 65:17; 2 Corinthians 5:17)

† This is the fulfilled perspective we proclaim at Fulfilled Prophecies †

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