A Comparison of Eschatological Systems

Similarities and Differences

Five Major Views

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Dispensational Premillennialism

Preterist Postmillennialism

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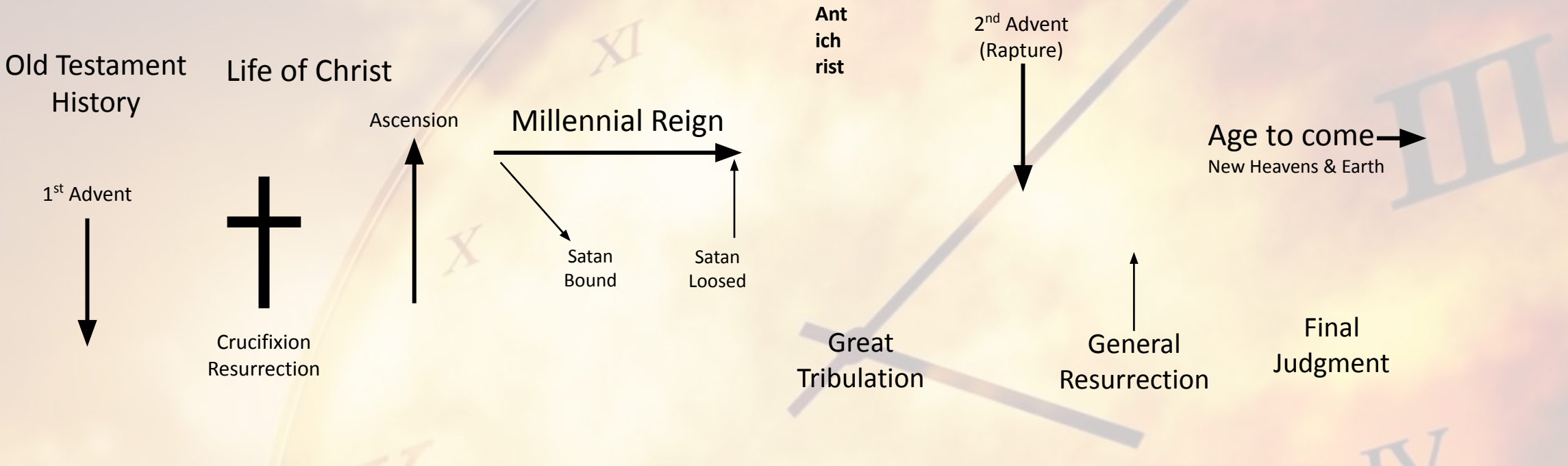
Amillennialism (*Post* or Realized Millennialism)

Common Features of the Current Views



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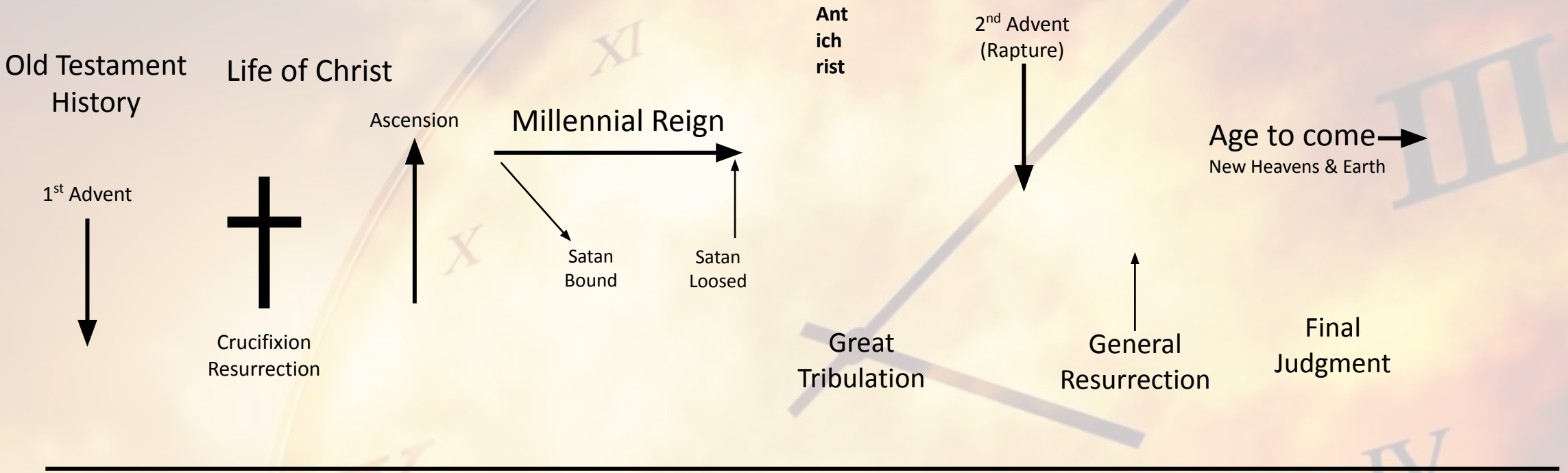

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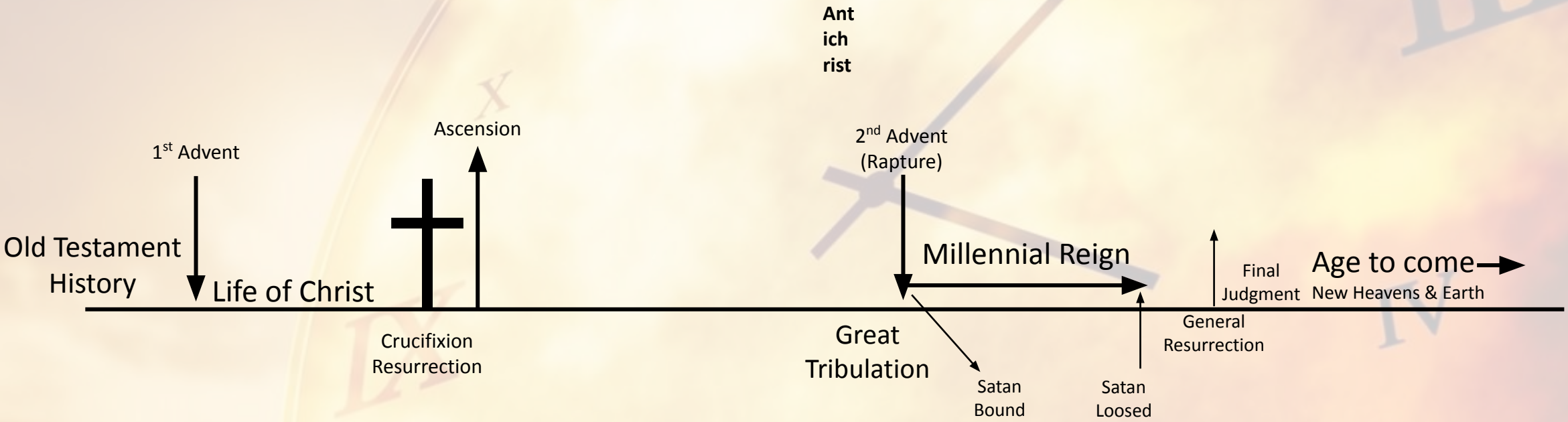

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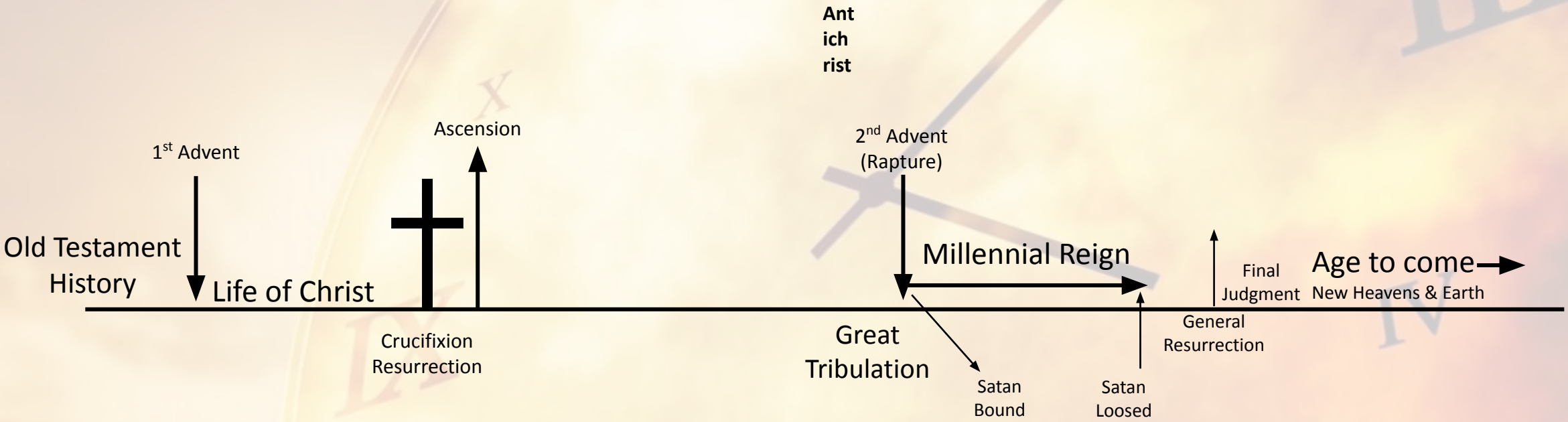

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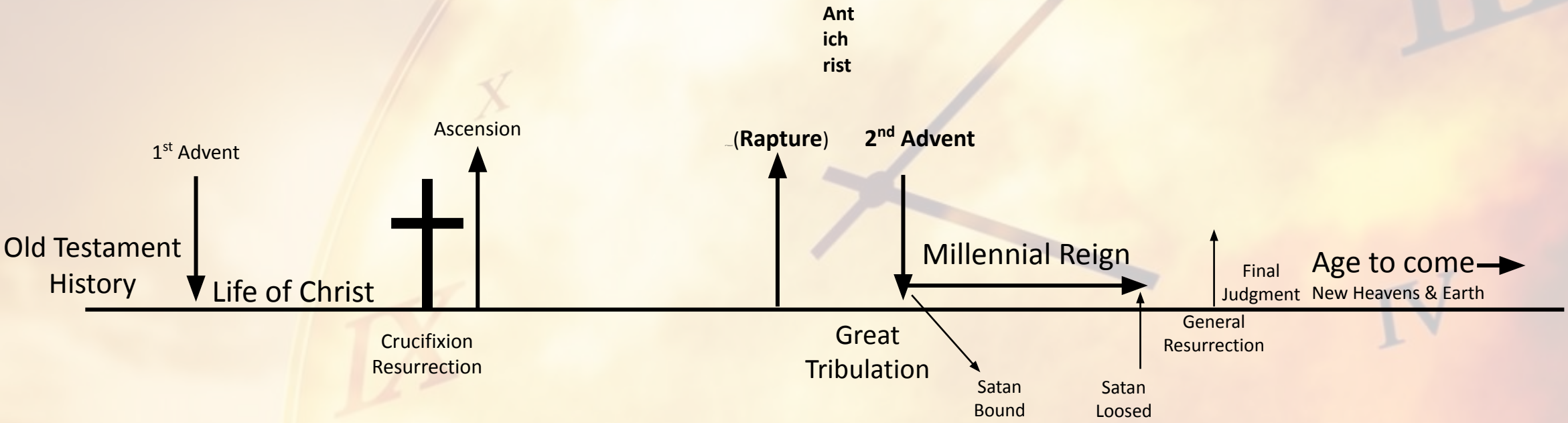

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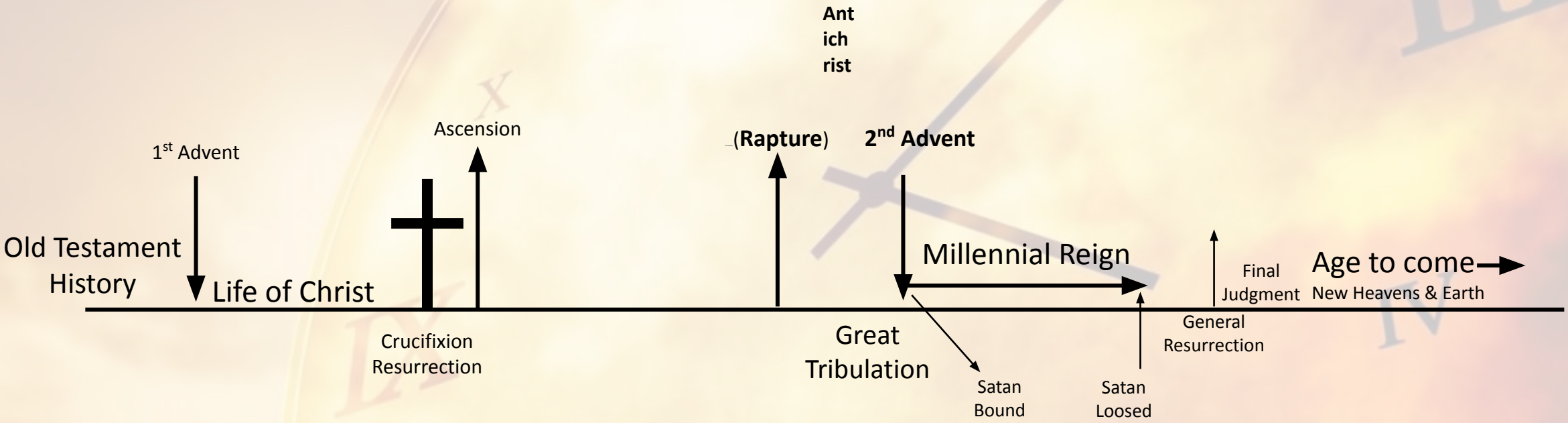

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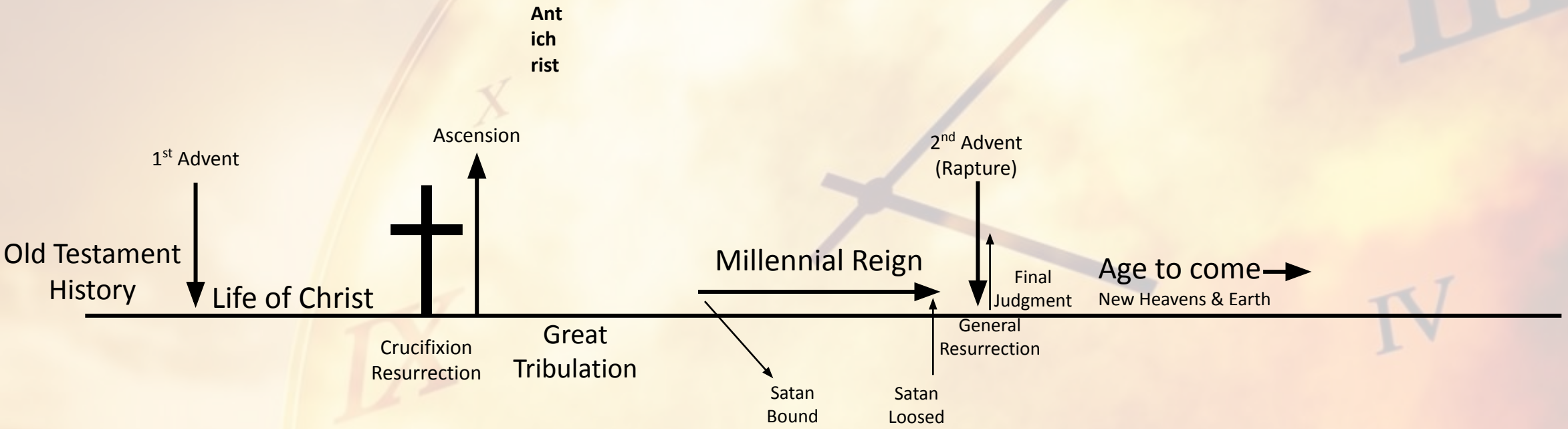

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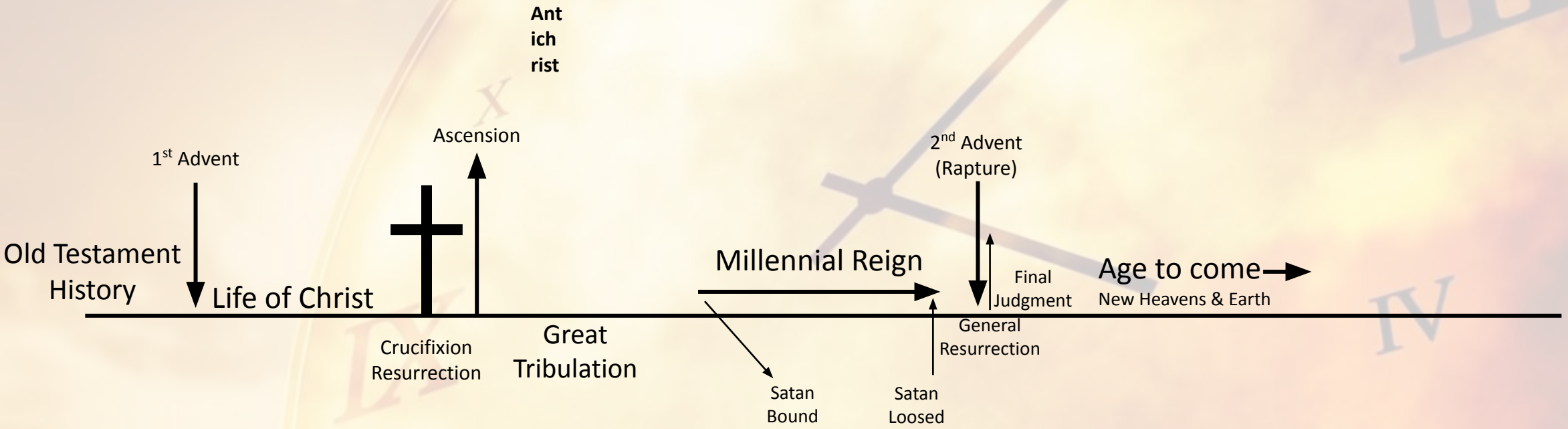

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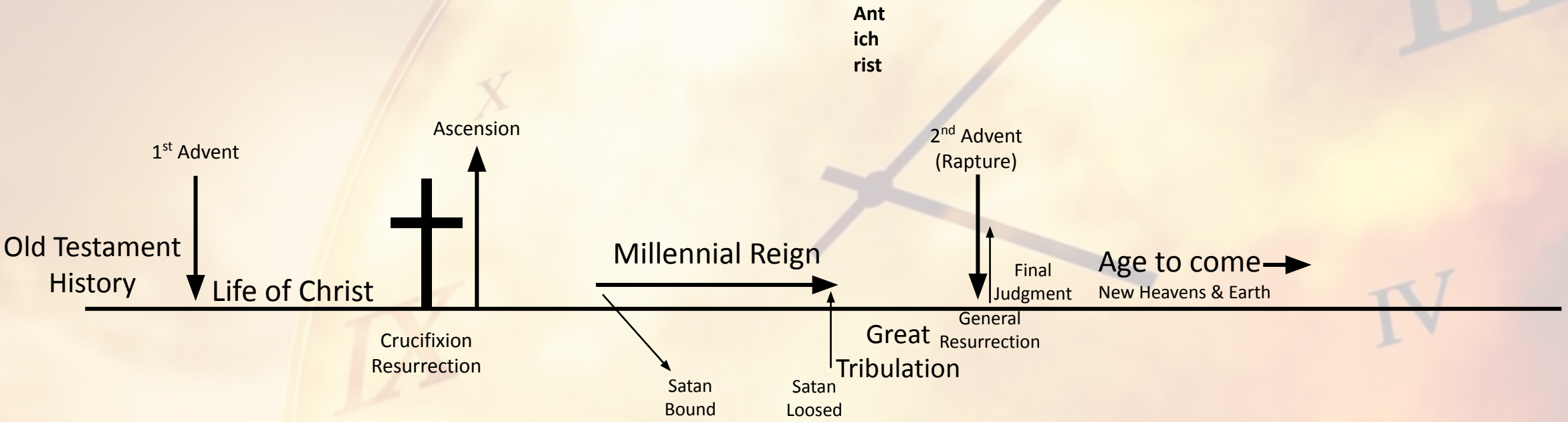

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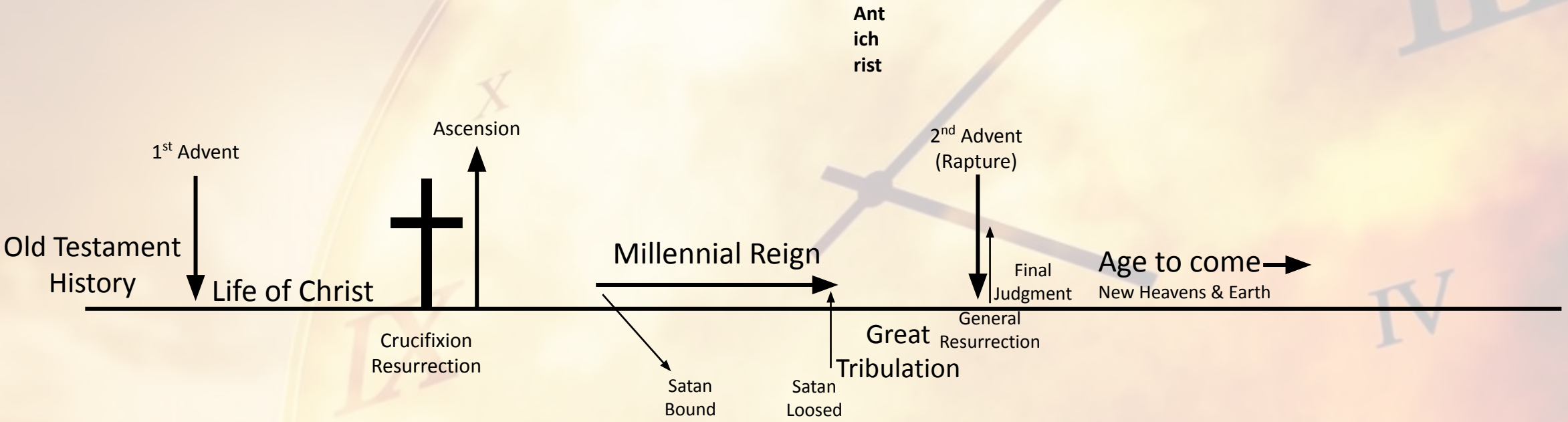

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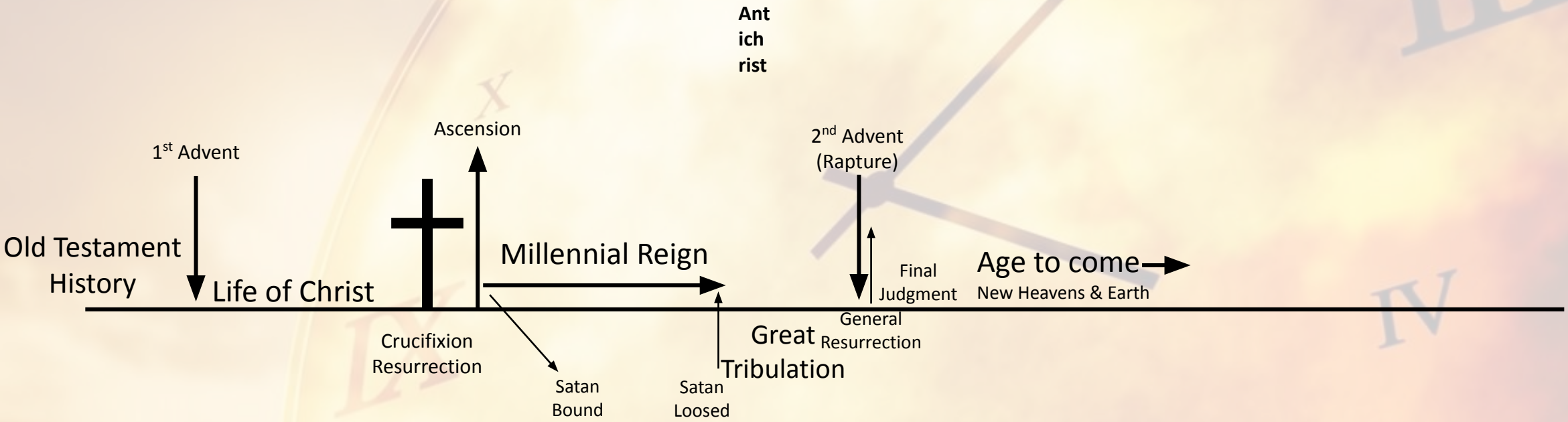

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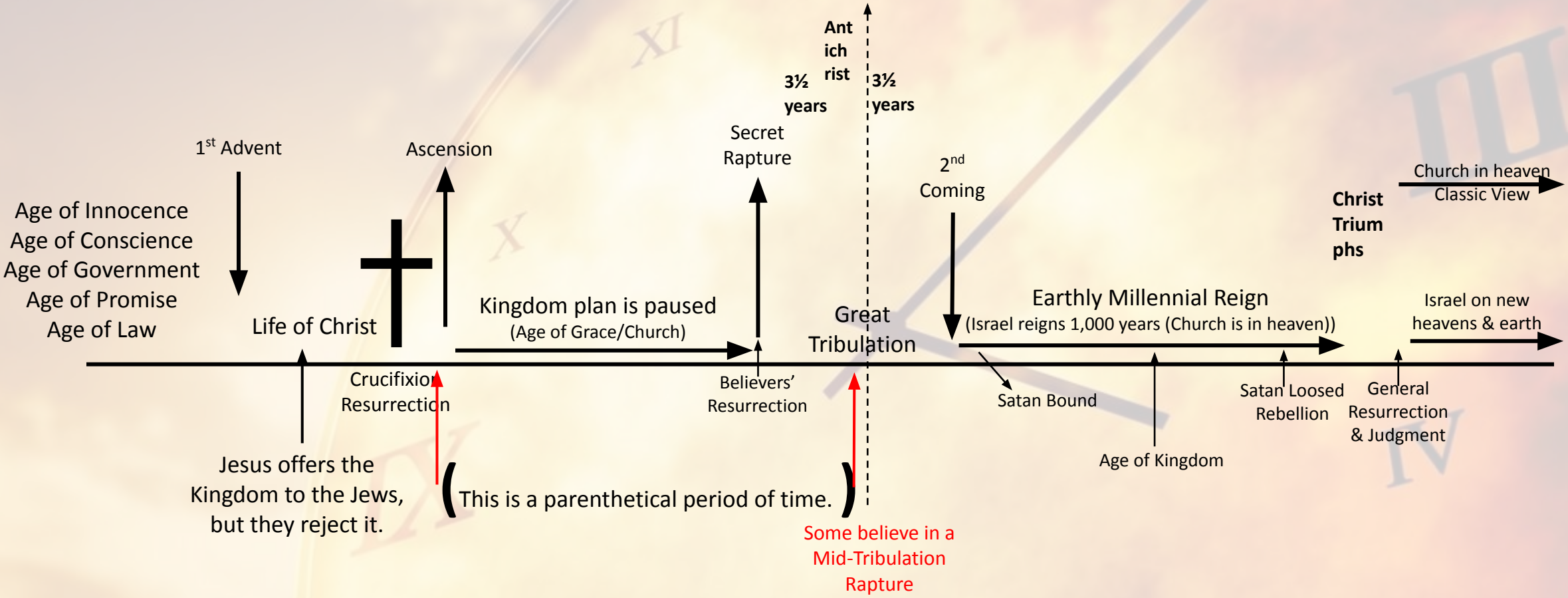

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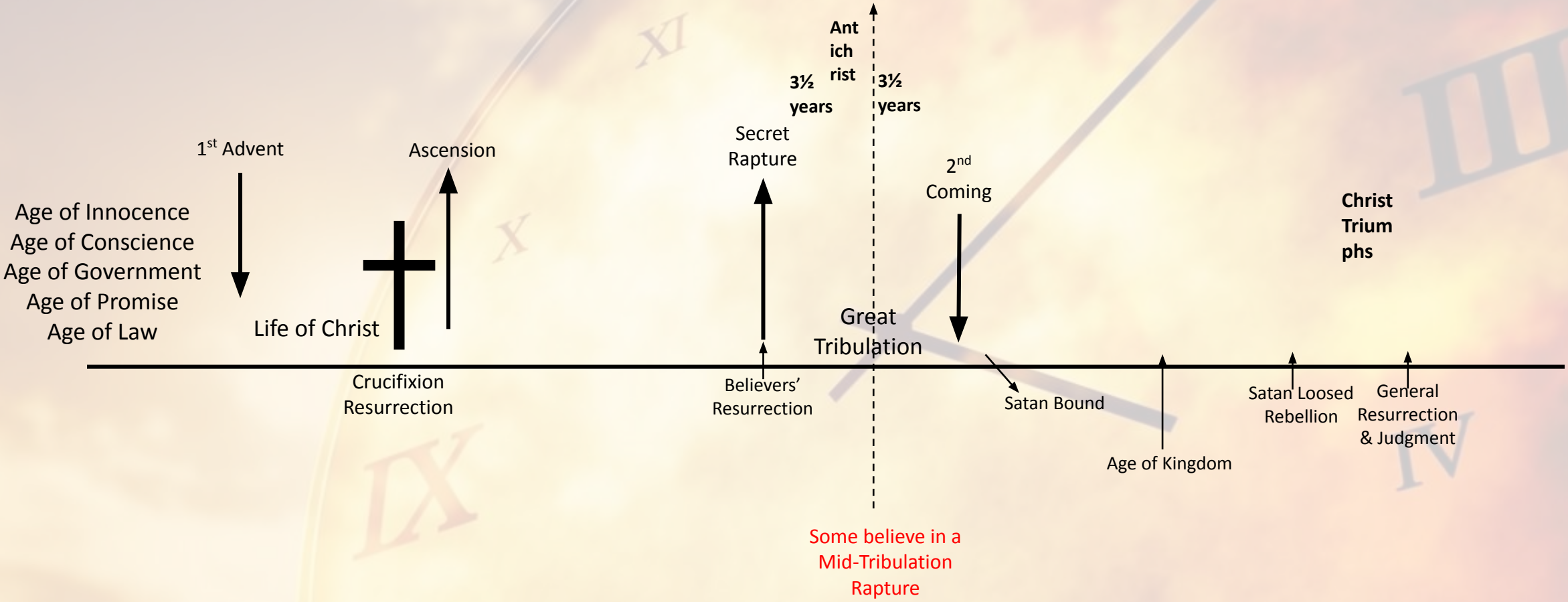

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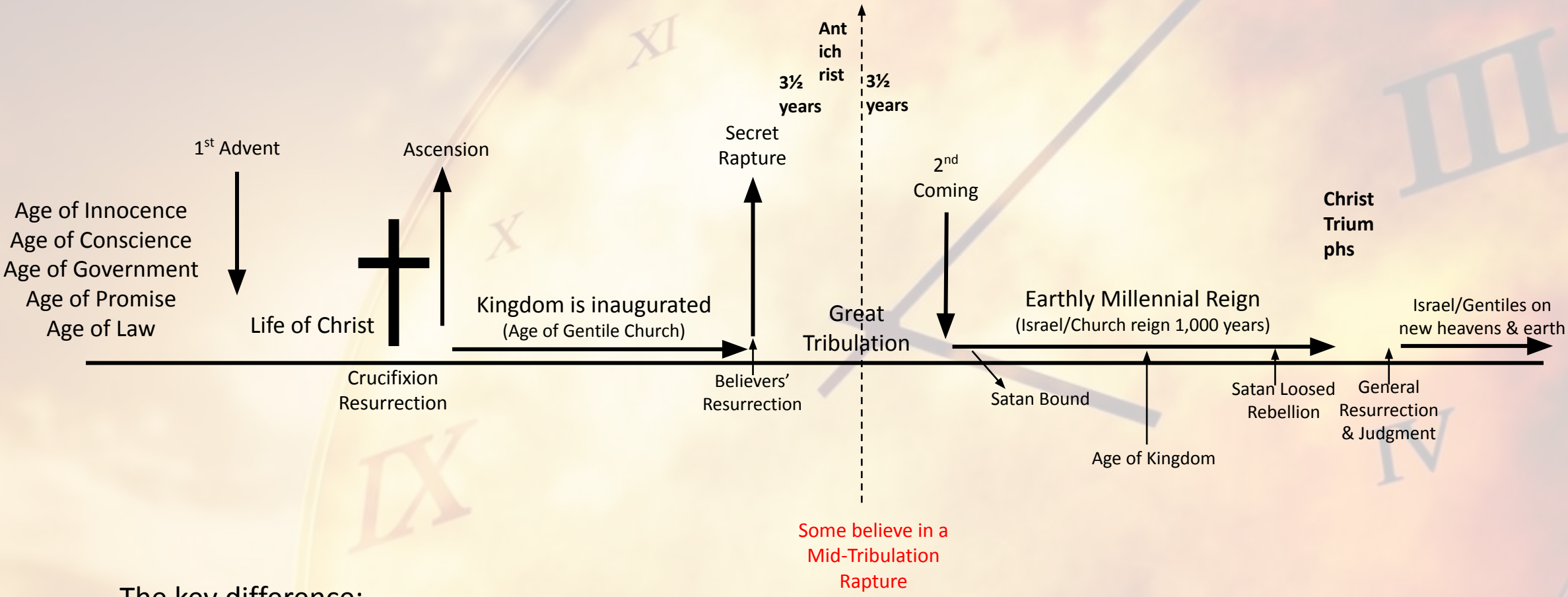

The key difference:

Though the land promise for national Israel is fulfilled in the millennium, the kingdom is inaugurated at the ascension of Christ, and the Church and Israel are brought together as one people in the end.

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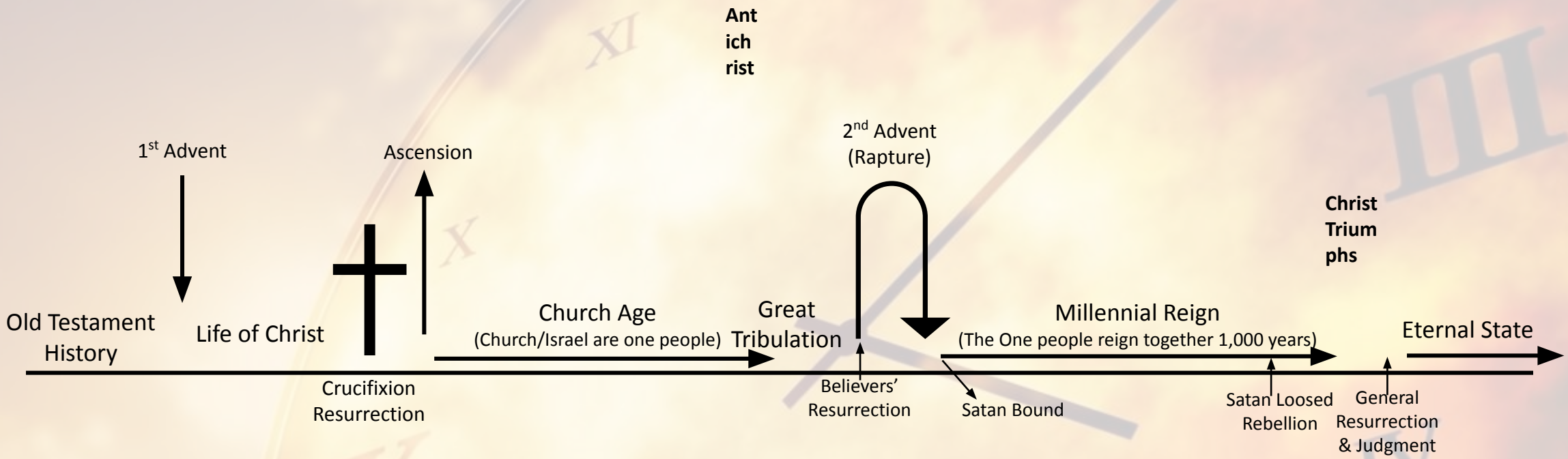

Historic pre-millennialism does not separate Israel and the Church but sees them brought together as one new people. Thus, they do not believe in a "secret rapture". Nor do they believe that the millennial kingdom is the fulfillment of the land promises to national Israel. The Israel/Church issue significantly differentiates them from dispensationalists.

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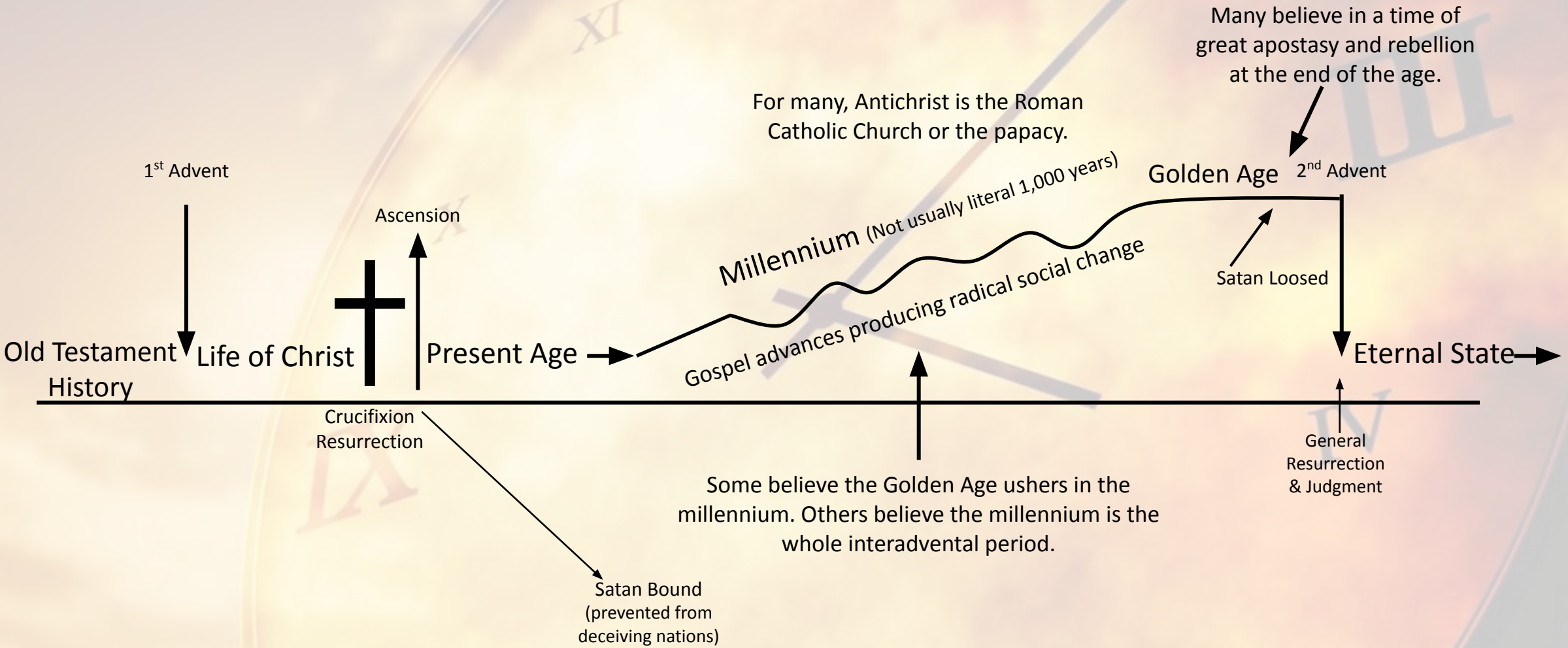

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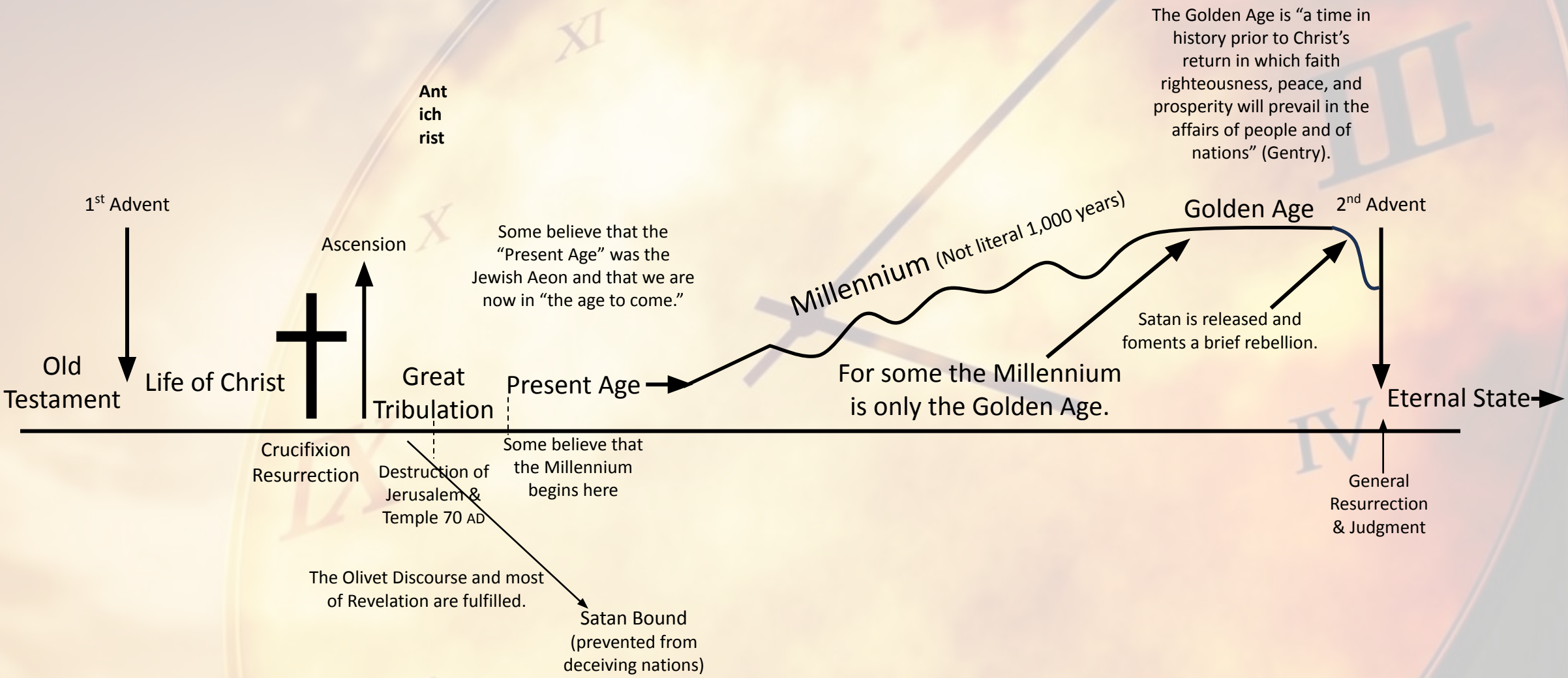

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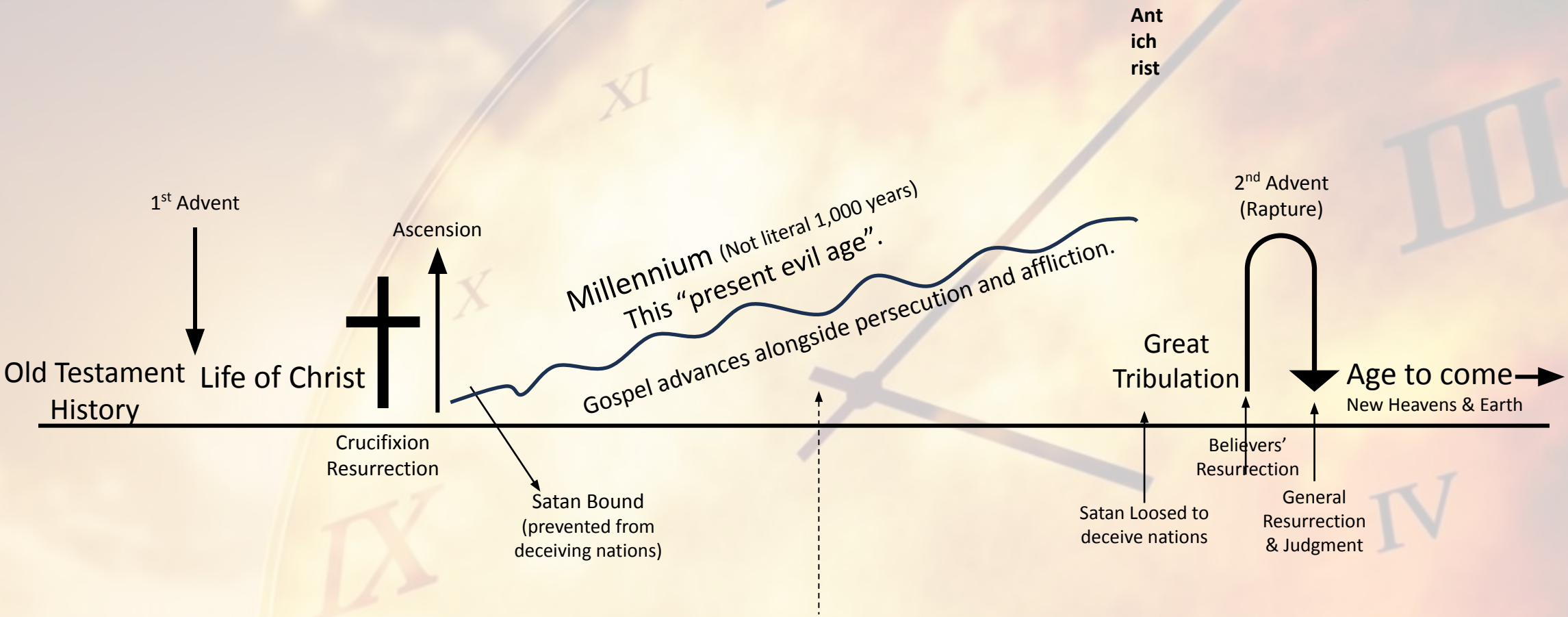

Believers reign with Christ in the heavens in the intermediate state, but this kingdom breaks into the world in an already/not yet reality.