

## ***Christ in Prophecy***

### **Q&A 21: Questions About the Millennium**

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#### **Opening**

**Dr. Reagan:** Is Jesus going to return to this earth and reign for a thousand years from Jerusalem in what is called the Millennium? Many people are surprised to discover that the vast majority of Christendom, both Catholic and Protestant, say, "No!" That view is called Amillennialism, meaning no Millennium. Stay tuned for a discussion of this very important issue.

#### **Part 1**

**Dr. Reagan:** Greetings in the name of Jesus, our Blessed Hope, and welcome to Christ in Prophecy. I have in the studio with me today two of my colleagues, Nathan Jones, who is our Internet Evangelist, and Tim Moore who is our Associate Evangelist, and my designated successor. Gentlemen let's jump right into this so we can cover as much as we possibly can. And the first question that I want to deal with here is this one: If the Bible says point blank in Revelation 20 that Jesus is going to reign from Jerusalem for a thousand years how in the world does the majority of Christendom, both Catholic and Protestant, come to the conclusion that will not happen?

**Tim Moore:** Well, I think first of all that sometimes too many in Christendom itself dismiss the entire book of Revelation. Or they say, "Well, we can't look at that part of Revelation as being literal, it has to be spiritualized." So, they come up with fanciful interpretations of how that doesn't mean what it says when the Lord talks about coming and reigning for a thousand years.

**Nathan Jones:** Well, it depends on how you interpret the Bible, exactly, you either spiritualize it like many people do Revelation, they get to Revelation 20 where six times it says, "A thousand years, that Jesus' Kingdom will be a thousand years." So, it is just not one place, or one time it is six times, right? And so, you can spiritualize it and say well that just means a day for Jesus is like a thousand years, and a thousand years is like a day. Which it is like, not you know, and so then they spiritualize it, and say that doesn't really mean a thousand years. But you and I, we take it literally. So, we go by the golden rule of interpretation, that if the plain sense makes sense, look for no other sense, lest you end up with nonsense. And it says a thousand years, and that's what the Bible says, not just once but six times, so I am going to take it literally.

**Dr. Reagan:** And another point we might make is that all the First Coming prophecies meant exactly what they said, that should be a guideline for the Second Coming prophecies.

**Tim Moore:** Exactly right.

**Nathan Jones:** One-hundred-and-nine distinct prophecies about the First Coming prophecies all came true.

**Dr. Reagan:** I grew up in an Amillennial Church and we were taught that the Bible means exactly what it says from the beginning to the end unless it is talking about the Second Coming and that never means what it says.

**Nathan Jones:** How do they justify that?

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, that is a good question. I also one time was reading a book and the author said, now this was act of omission, he said “I can prove to you that the thousand years in Revelation 20 does not mean a thousand years, because over in the Psalms there is a psalm that says that God owns the cattle on a thousand hills, and certainly, there are more than a thousand hills. So, that had to be symbolic, therefore this has to be symbolic.”

**Tim Moore:** Well, you can end up with again, absolute nonsense when you start applying poetic language from the Psalms to a very clear narrative description of a reign of a thousand years.

**Dr. Reagan:** The meaning of words is always determined by context.

**Tim Moore:** Exactly right.

**Nathan Jones:** Plus, he doesn't use like or as when you get to Revelation 20, “He bound Satan for a thousand years.” Not like a thousand years, or sort of a thousand years. And you know it says again, “He shall not deceive the nations no more until the thousand years were finished.” And that is where we get the term millennium, millennium meaning one thousand.

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, that leads us to the next question, and these are questions that people have sent in, this one says: With regard to the Millennium my church teaches that Jesus is reigning now from Heaven. In other words, we are being taught that we are in the Millennium right now. What is your response to that?

**Tim Moore:** I would ask, since when? In other words when did that thousand years start if they think we are in it right now? Because if they interpret it literally as a thousand years there had to be a beginning point, and an end point. And I don't see that there is a reign of Jesus Christ being manifest on the earth. In other words, is Satan bound? If he is, he sure has a lot of free reign in the midst of his binding because you can see his manifestation all around the world with descending darkness even as we sit here today.

**Nathan Jones:** I love what Micah 4:1-3 says, “Now it shall come to pass in the later days,” the Millennial Kingdom, “that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established on top of the mountain. It shall be exalted above the hills.” Is Jerusalem exalted today? “The people shall flow to it, many nations shall come and say, ‘Come and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of God of Jacob.’ Is the house of God up on Jerusalem today? And then it says, “They shall walk in our paths, for out of Zion the law shall go forth.” Is the law of the world coming out of Jerusalem?

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, Nathan, you obviously just don't understand. Amillennialist would say immediately that's talking about the Church.

**Nathan Jones:** So, the Church is up on top of that mountain?

**Dr. Reagan:** It's not talking some future Kingdom; it is talking about the Church.

**Nathan Jones:** Well, then couldn't if you interpret it that way you could make any interpretation you want?

**Dr. Reagan:** That's true, but is the Church reigning over all the world?

**Nathan Jones:** No.

**Tim Moore:** No, clearly not.

**Nathan Jones:** And that's another viewpoint, that's the Post-Millennial viewpoint, the idea that the Church will eventually rule the world.

**Dr. Reagan:** Yeah, but Amillennialist say it's going on right now.

**Nathan Jones:** Right.

**Dr. Reagan:** And I always say, "Well, if it is Jesus is doing a very, very poor job of it. And Arnold Fruchtenbaum a Messianic Jew always says, "If we're in the Millennium now, then we are living in the slum portion of it."

**Nathan Jones:** There is a misinterpretation I think that if you go to Cotton Mather he was a Puritan pastor back in the 1700's and he said, "The Kingdom of Christ was a four part kingdom, it was a spiritual kingdom, a providential kingdom, and a ecclesiastical kingdom..." Which it is, the Church is over the earth right now, the Lord through it. But there is a fourth aspect and that is the Davidic Kingdom where Jesus will rule, and reign on the seat of David in Jerusalem. And that aspect has not been claimed yet, but He will when Jesus returns.

**Tim Moore:** And He will rule with a rod of iron, which means all of the evil that we see manifest around the world today, will not be tolerated. So, clearly he is not reigning in that manner right now, even through the Church.

**Nathan Jones:** Great point.

**Dr. Reagan:** Yeah, the Bible says that the earth will be flooded with righteousness as the waters cover the seas. I don't see that today.

**Tim Moore:** No, certainly not.

**Nathan Jones:** Well, you take trips to Israel all the time, you go to the Dead Sea.

**Tim Moore:** Oh, yes.

**Nathan Jones:** Is the Dead Sea, are people fishing in the Dead Sea?

**Tim Moore:** Excellent point.

**Nathan Jones:** And the cliffs are all green?

**Tim Moore:** No.

**Nathan Jones:** In Ezekiel 47 it prophesized that the Dead Sea in the Millennial Kingdom will be alive again.

**Dr. Reagan:** But that is just symbolic language for the Gospel going out all over the world.

**Nathan Jones:** He really loves playing devil's advocate, doesn't he?

**Tim Moore:** Yes, he likes it, well we should say another advocate than that. But he likes to play the contrarian in a sense.

**Nathan Jones:** There you go.

**Dr. Reagan:** The problem is when you spiritualize prophecy then you never know when it is fulfilled.

**Nathan Jones:** Right.

**Dr. Reagan:** You don't know when it is.

**Tim Moore:** And that allows the interpreter to become the declarer of what the Word of God means, instead of letting the Word of God speak for itself.

**Dr. Reagan:** That's true. Okay, another question: My church teaches that the Millennium is future, and will occur on this earth but it will consist of the Church reigning over all of the world for a thousand years, without the presence of Jesus.

**Tim Moore:** Well, that goes back to what Nathan said about being a Post-Millennial--

**Dr. Reagan:** Yeah, Post-Millennial idea.

**Tim Moore:** Perspective of the Church actually gaining ascendancy. I think this was disproven in the last century with World War I, the Church thought it was beginning to globalize the Gospel message, and evangelize the world, and saw itself as maybe achieving that kind of--

**Dr. Reagan:** That's a good point because at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century in the 1890's the Church was flooded with articles and magazine and all about how the 20<sup>th</sup> Century was going to be the century of the Church.

**Tim Moore:** Yes.

**Dr. Reagan:** And the Church would take over the world through the proclamation of the Gospel. And nearly all Christians were Post-Millennialists in that sense.

**Tim Moore:** Yeah, they anticipated that that was about to be fulfilled.

**Dr. Reagan:** And then came World War I and World War II, and the Great Depression, and the Cold War, and suddenly you couldn't find a Post-Millennialist anywhere.

**Tim Moore:** No. What you find now--

**Dr. Reagan:** It is reviving today.

**Tim Moore:** Yeah, what we have now is Post-Modernist who are actually reverting to pagan religion, and pagan culture. And even within the last weeks as we record this program we have seen in our country a dramatic decline in the impact of the Church here. There has been a twelve-point drop in ten years in the number of people in the United States who even identify as being Christian.

**Dr. Reagan:** And that doesn't mean they are Christians.

**Tim Moore:** That doesn't mean they are Christian, that's just self-identification. And of course, generationally it is dropping precipitously, to where the Millennial generation today less than half

of them even will claim a faith at all, let alone a Christian faith. And so, the Church is obviously not gaining ascendancy.

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, you know I was raised in an Amillennial Church, and I was taught Amillennialism to the core. And when I first began to really read the Bible and believe what it said, and realized it says Jesus is coming back to reign for a thousand years, the first question in my mind was why? Why would He come back? Why not just do away with this world, take us all to Heaven, and be done with it. Why a Millennium?

**Nathan Jones:** Well, there are so many prophecies and promises in the Bible that must be fulfilled for there to be a Millennial Kingdom. Let's start with Jesus Christ Himself. He was promised to sit on the Throne of David and rule over this earth. Sure, He can do that spiritually, through the Church and providentially, but the Bible has many prophecies that say that Jesus will rule and reign from Jerusalem, that King David will be a co-regent under him as like mayor of Jerusalem. There are so many prophecies that say that Jerusalem will become the capital of the world, and it will be raised up above the other nations. And all the Gentile nations will flow through it, they'll grab the hem of a Jew and say, "Hey, you're with Jesus, take us to Jesus." Is that happening today?

**Tim Moore:** No.

**Dr. Reagan:** So, you are saying that Jesus is going to receive the honor and glory during that time that He should have received the first time He came.

**Nathan Jones:** Amen.

**Tim Moore:** Yes, He will.

**Dr. Reagan:** But there are other reasons too.

**Tim Moore:** There are other reasons. I think one of the things that Amillennialists kind of seize on is the idea that goes all the way back to some of the earlier Church Fathers, that flesh, that this material world is evil, it is inherently sinful.

**Dr. Reagan:** Greek philosophy.

**Tim Moore:** Greek philosophy, exactly. And so, really spiritualizing away any kind of material world or realm eliminates the evil and the sinfulness of the world. But, the Lord created the world in perfection. We are told over and over again in Genesis that the world was good, His creation was good. Mankind was declared as being very good. So, when peace, righteousness, and justice floods the world, then even the material world around us, the animal kingdom, the creation itself will be restored to its perfected state, and that is part of God's goodness in the creation.

**Dr. Reagan:** I'm so glad that you raised that point because Greek philosophy just invaded the Church when the Church began to be dominated by Gentiles.

**Tim Moore:** Yes, by Augustine.

**Dr. Reagan:** They brought that Greek philosophy in. But there was another thing too, and that is all the early Church Fathers were very anti-Semitic, and that also propels Amillennialism because the kingdom that is portrayed in the Scriptures both Old Testament, and New is going

to be a Jewish Kingdom where Jesus is going to reign from Jerusalem, all the blessing of God are going to go out through the Jewish people. In fact, it says that they will be so honored during that time that ten Gentiles will grab hold of a robe of a Jew and say, "Can we walk with you, because we know God is with you?" And these fellas could not accept that, God had washed His hands of the Jews, and there is not going to be any future kingdom where Israel is the prime nation of the world.

**Tim Moore:** Well, not only the Jewish nation having all these promises to be fulfilled within that thousand years, but the Creation itself is groaning for the return of the Creator, for the restoration of the perfection that He established, again in the Garden of Eden, which we will see once again during that Millennial reign.

**Dr. Reagan:** And God has also made some promises to the Church for that Millennial reign, what are those? He's got to fulfill them.

**Tim Moore:** Yes, He has.

**Nathan Jones:** Well, those Christian who will be resurrected, the Church Age Christians, you and I at that time period, will rule and reign with Jesus. There are so many promises that the Lord's made.

**Dr. Reagan:** In our glorified bodies we are going to reign over those who are natural bodies.

**Nathan Jones:** Right. So, there will be a Jewish priesthood over the earth, in their human physical, earthly bodies, but we will come down and we will reign over the earth in our glorified bodies.

**Dr. Reagan:** Every president, every governor, every member of a school board, or a city council is going to be a person in a glorified bodies. No wonder the world is going to be flooded with peace, righteousness, and justice.

**Nathan Jones:** Yeah, the only law will be coming out of Jerusalem, and it will be God's law.

**Dr. Reagan:** Yeah, so, this concept that we've just got to spiritualize all of this and throw it out. In fact, I've also had people tell me there is no mention of the Millennium in the Old Testament.

**Tim Moore:** Oh, my. Well, there are many mentions of the kind of world that we could look forward to during the Millennium throughout the Old Testament.

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, the passage you mentioned Isaiah 2, it describes the Millennial reign in detail. Or take Micah, Micah 4 I believe it was, the same thing, it is described in detail in the Old Testament.

**Nathan Jones:** Isaiah 9:6-7 the famous Christmas passage that prophesize that the governing ship or the rulership will be on the Lord's shoulders. Well, is Jesus here ruling and reigning physically? He is not. So, He needs to claim that.

**Dr. Reagan:** And He didn't the first time either.

**Nathan Jones:** No, He did not. No.

**Dr. Reagan:** So, all of that has to be fulfilled. And it is going to be fulfilled in a Millennial reign of Jesus Christ. Well, folks, we are going to take a brief break, and when we come back we will pick up where we left off.

## Part 2

**Tim Moore:** Welcome back to Christ in Prophecy and our discussion of the Millennial reign of Jesus. We are in the process of affirming that the Bible teaches that Jesus is going to return to this earth to reign from Jerusalem for a thousand years. This is called the Pre-Millennial Viewpoint. So, okay, Dave what is your next question for us to try to stump us?

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, the next question is kind of an intriguing one and that is when we ended that last session we were talking about that during the Millennial reign of Jesus those of us in glorified bodies, the believers are going to be reigning over those in natural bodies. So, the question begins to emerge as to who in the world are those people? Because when the Rapture occurs all Church Age believers living and dead are going to be glorified bodies. When Jesus returns at the Second Coming He is going to resurrect the Old Testament saints, and the Tribulation martyrs, they will receive their glorified bodies. So, who are we going to reign over?

**Tim Moore:** That is a good question, but through the Tribulation period there will be people who are able to endure, and who survive that terrifically, horrible period of time, and enter the Millennial reign of Jesus Christ in mortal bodies. And they will then have children, their children will have children to repopulate the earth. So, those living people, who are still mortal will go into the Millennial reign.

**Dr. Reagan:** So, the survivors of the Tribulation, who are believers.

**Tim Moore:** Who are believers.

**Dr. Reagan:** Because there will be survivors who are not believers.

**Tim Moore:** Oh, yes.

**Dr. Reagan:** They will be condemned to death, and to Hades. But, the ones who survive who are believers both Jew and Gentile will be allowed to be into the Millennium in the flesh, that is going to be a very small number of people.

**Tim Moore:** Relative to the world today, yes it will, but they will repopulate in very quick order.

**Nathan Jones:** Yeah, when you read about the Sheep Goat Judgment in Matthew 25 how at the, after the Second Coming, at the end of the Tribulation the Lord gathers all the people together for a judgment, and they fit in the Valley of Jehoshaphat. So we are talking about, you've got the 144,000, you've got the Jews protected in the wilderness, but there's not many people, but think about what the Millennial Kingdom must be like, if you don't have sickness and disease, and the life spans go as long as a tree, so like a thousand years. What would the population be? I once read that one theologian estimated by the end of the thousand years there could be 20 billion people living on this planet. And with the bounty, there is no scarcity and want, everybody has plenty of food. And I just love this Daniel 7:18, "But the Saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever."

**Dr. Reagan:** Amen.

**Nathan Jones:** And as I Christian you ought to say, "Hallelujah," because that is a wonderful prophecy. And again in verse 27 it says the same thing, "Then the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven," kingdoms plural, nations, "shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High, His Kingdom is an everlasting kingdom and all dominions shall serve and obey Him." So, we know then during the Millennial Kingdom there will be nations. The people who survive the Tribulation will split out and form countries again. We know that Egypt and Assyria will be nations again. Israel of course, the prime nation of the world. It talks about Russia, a second Gog and Magog War at the end of the Tribulation. So, those four nations we know exist there too.

**Dr. Reagan:** But the Millennium will begin with people in the flesh that all will be believers.

**Nathan Jones:** Right.

**Dr. Reagan:** And then they will begin to propagate. And one of the things that you mentioned I think we ought to emphasize is that Micah chapter 4 says that people will live as long as a tree. And the indication of Scripture is that the lifespan of man will be returned to what it was at the beginning when men lived like a thousand years. And, if that happens then certainly we are going to have a tremendous population explosion.

**Tim Moore:** Yes, we will.

**Nathan Jones:** Yeah, you won't be limited to your 30's, your 20's and 30's to have children. You might be having children up to 100 or 200. Can you imagine how many?

**Dr. Reagan:** So quickly another question that arises then is what are going to be some of the characteristics of the Millennium?

**Tim Moore:** Well, I think there is a number of different kind of characteristics that we have to consider. I mean there will be spiritual bounty and blessing as the Lord reigns from Jerusalem. The world will be flooded with peace and righteousness. I mean it says that even the bells on the horse's bridles, the pots in the kitchens will say, "Holy unto the Lord." In other words, everything.

**Dr. Reagan:** Which is what the high priest does.

**Tim Moore:** Exactly, everything will be set apart as holy for God. With that kind of righteousness, you can just imagine there is no crime, there is no injustice, there is no sin anywhere in the world. Now, for those people who have entered as believers, they will be looking forward to that kind of life because they will have endured seven years of great terror during the Tribulation. Their children and grandchildren will grow up in a world not knowing any of the darkness that we see today. But some of them sadly, will not be eager to subject themselves to the Lord's reign, and so they will be the ones who will eventually revolt against Him in the second wars of Gog and Magog at the end of the Millennium. But spiritually the world will be flooded with peace and righteousness. We can only imagine.

**Dr. Reagan:** And justice.

**Tim Moore:** And justice, yes.

**Nathan Jones:** I love Jeremiah 31:13, “Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, and the young men, and the old together for I will turn their mourning to joy, will comfort them, and make them rejoice rather than sorrow. I mean I love to preach about the Millennial Kingdom because it is a time, that is our home, we might consider you know where you live your home, but this is a temporary home. Our future home is the Millennial Kingdom and then into the Eternal State.

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, I don’t think it would be exactly correct though to say there will be no crime during that time, because you are going to have people in the flesh, and the flesh is going to want what the flesh wants. And what I think is going to happen is that when people violate the law of God, there won’t be legislatures, there will be the law of God. And when they violate it they will be arrested immediately. They will be tried immediately. There will be no appeal because that judge is going to be in a glorified body with the mind of Christ. Justice will be swift. Justice will be certain. Justice will be for sure. In fact, it indicates in Micah that if a person is rebellious that they won’t live beyond the age of 100. I’m not quite sure what all that means but it indicates it.

**Tim Moore:** That is a good point, because as even I am watching the raising of grandchildren now I realize that children have to be taught, and they have to be admonished. So, they have a sinful nature within themselves that wants to rebel against parents, and as the world is repopulated children will have to be taught. So, you are exactly right, crime itself will not be eliminated.

**Dr. Reagan:** But it will be certainly reduced.

**Tim Moore:** But it will be tamped down, and it will be corrected immediately.

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, some people say how can there be any evil during the Millennium because Satan is going to be tied up during that time? He is going to be chained. So how can there be any evil?

**Tim Moore:** Well, that is a proof that evil is not just external to mankind, it’s in our very heart.

**Nathan Jones:** Yes.

**Tim Moore:** It is inside us. And that will be what happens in what is demonstrated in that great finality at the end of the Millennial reign.

**Nathan Jones:** That is the true tragedy of the Millennial Kingdom though, the release of Satan. And people say, “Why release Satan?” It’s like letting a serpent into a daycare center, you know? But when it says that Satan will lead an army against Jerusalem one last time to try to overthrow Jesus, that people beyond count will follow him. They will turn. I mean it is a true tragedy that you could have a utopia society and all these children that are born of the Tribulation Saints will follow Jesus in an attempt to overthrow Him.

**Tim Moore:** Well John Milton wrote in “Paradise Lost” a phrase attributed to Satan, but there will be many people who will share this philosophy, “Better to reign in Hell, than to serve in Heaven.” People will live in a heavenly kind of environment with perfect peace and righteousness, and justice but even then they’ll realize I’m serving someone, Jesus Christ, and perhaps not willingly. So, given the opportunity and half a chance they will seek to rebel. And that is very tragic.

**Dr. Reagan:** I suspect that during the Millennial reign when people see that justice is swift and certain and sure that what you'll have is people saying, "We love you Jesus," with their teeth clenched because they want everything that the evil nature wants. And so, at the end of that time when Satan is released he'll have a whole bunch of people ready for rebellion.

**Tim Moore:** Yes, he will.

**Nathan Jones:** We even see that when the nations are supposed to go up at least once a year to Jerusalem to see Jesus. Jesus wants to connect with His people. And we read about how Egypt at some point is going to say, "Ah, we are not going up." And the Lord shuts off the rain until they finally repent and come to see Him. So, we already see a little bit of rebellion during that time period.

**Dr. Reagan:** You ever thought about the fact that history goes in a circle here? It begins with two people in a perfect environment, and they rebel. It ends with all of humanity in a perfect environment, and humanity rebels. I think God is trying to prove, and will prove that Humanism is absolutely wrong, because Humanism is basically the religion of the world it goes under many different names. But it is the belief in man, and it is the belief that man can be perfected. And it is a belief that all the sin in the world is due to society, not man. And if we could just perfect society, man will be perfected. No, the Bible says that the problem is man, the problem is the evil nature of man, and that the only thing that can change that is the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

**Tim Moore:** Well, evil nature, not nurture. But speaking of nature there is one more thing that a lot of people mistake our very namesake here at Lamb & Lion Ministries as part of the Millennial reign. And that comes from Isaiah chapter 65 verse 25 when it says, "The wolf and the lamb will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, the dust will be the serpents food, and there will be no evil or harm in all my holy Mountain." And so, the animal kingdom, again, creation being restored, and that is what the Lord promises to all of creation, like the Garden of Eden. But again folks, it will be the wolf and the lamb, and not the lamb and the lion, that is a picture of Jesus Christ.

**Dr. Reagan:** You know we have people argue with us about that. They'll write and they'll say, "Now I know it says somewhere the lion will lie down with the lamb and that is the name of your ministry, so where is it?" And I'll say, "It's not there."

**Tim Moore:** It's not there.

**Dr. Reagan:** And they'll say, "No, it's there I get a Christmas card every year with a picture on it."

**Nathan Jones:** Those lions though are going to be the most depressed animals during the Millennial Kingdom. Can you imagine a lion sitting there chewing straw and looking at the sheep going by?

**Tim Moore:** Ah, now, see but they are restored to their proper perfection.

**Dr. Reagan:** One of my all-time favorite religious cartoons shows during the Millennium this lion is sitting under a tree and he is reading a book. And this little lamb next to him just leaning over sleeping. And the title of the book is, "Veggie Recipes."

**Nathan Jones:** Well, that is a question are we going to be eating meat, or are we going to be vegetarian during that time? I love the verses that talk about how the person who is reaping will actually surpass the person who is planting. In other words the crops are coming up so abundantly that you can't keep up with it.

**Tim Moore:** I've been noted that anybody that makes a vegetable burger always says it tastes like meat. They don't make meat that tastes like broccoli. So, you know what it seems like there still have meat.

**Nathan Jones:** Well, I have a question for you then Dr. Reagan, because we get this all the time: Why are there sacrifices during the Millennial Kingdom?

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, that is a very complicated thing, and many different opinions on it. I hope we have the time to answer your question. One approach to that and many people take this position is that these sacrifices that will be offered at the Millennial Temple will be sacrifices like reminding people of the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, they are a remembrance process, very similar to what communion is today it reminds us of the cross. And so, that is one of the major positions that taken. Another one is that it all relates to the fact that there will be Gentiles, and there will be Jews who are unsaved during this time. And that they have to go through certain cleansing processes to even go on the Temple Mount and enter the Temple. I don't know. All I know is the Bible says that will be the case. And they're certainly not sacrifices to save people's souls. They are either for cleansing, for ritual cleansing, or else they relate to remembrance of the cross.

**Nathan Jones:** So, the whole world population won't be having sacrifices?

**Dr. Reagan:** So, what do you say?

**Nathan Jones:** I think the ritual purification for the priests makes sense. We are not taking about, there wouldn't be any animals left on the earth if all 20 billion people had to have sacrifices for them.

**Tim Moore:** Well and I think it is almost a first fruits giving over to the Lord, whether it is bounty of crops, or we do consume animals, giving over to Him a first fruits just out of recognition and honoring of Him.

**Dr. Reagan:** Some people are wondering how in the world can I participate in this Millennial reign? Tell them.

**Tim Moore:** Well, to participate in the Millennial reign what you need to do is you need to accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. Not just Savior but let Him reign now as Lord. We know that He's going to reign as Lord in Jerusalem during the Millennial reign, but He can do so right now by you giving your life to Him today. And when you do you are guaranteed to enter that Millennial Kingdom in a glorified body, and reign with Jesus Christ.

**Dr. Reagan:** Well, folks, that's our program for this week. I hope it has been a blessing to you, and I hope the Lord willing you will be back with us next week. Until then this is Dave Reagan speaking for Lamb & Lion Ministries saying, "Look up, be watchful, for our redemption is drawing near."

**End of Program**