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Hebrews 6:6, "if they and fall away, [it is impossible for us] to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put *Him* to an open shame."

παραπίπτω parapíptō; "To fall aside or away, err, stray, lapse. Used only in Heb. 6:6, denoting a falling away, an abandonment." Para to the side of Ek from

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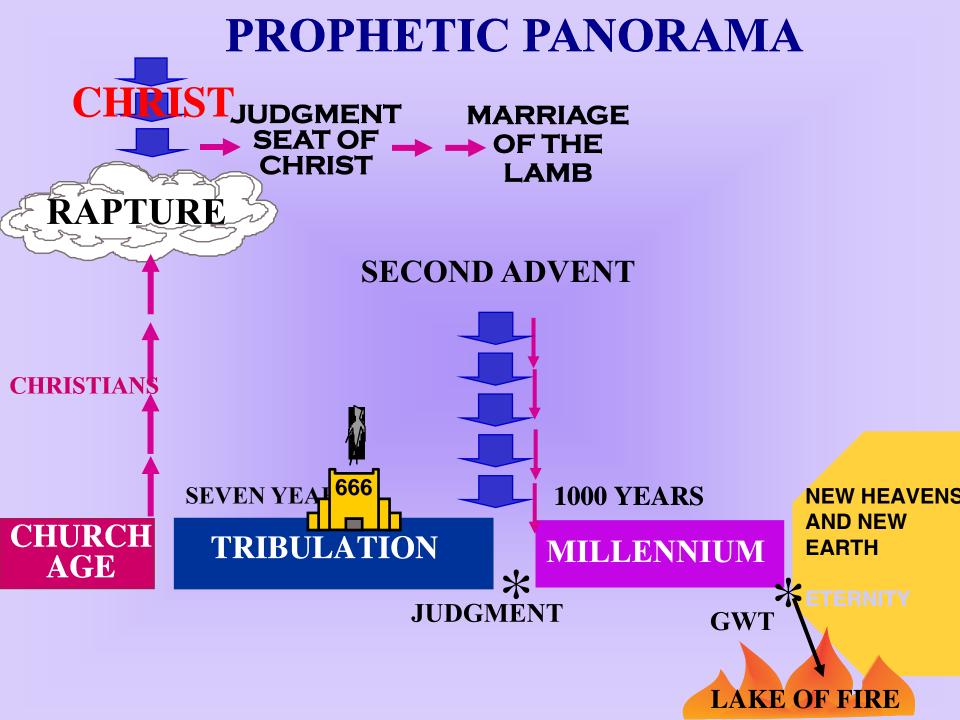
- **Earth = the believer**
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1. This illustration relates to judgment, but which one?

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Tribulation





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άδόκιμος adókimos; Unapproved, unqualified, unworthy, spurious, worthless. In a pass. sense meaning disapproved, discredited, rejected, cast away (1 Cor. 9:27; 2 Cor. 13:5–7; Heb. 6:8 [cf. 2 Tim. 3:8; Titus 1:16]) Proverbs 25:4, "Take away the dross [adókimos] from silver, and it will go to the silversmith for jewelry."

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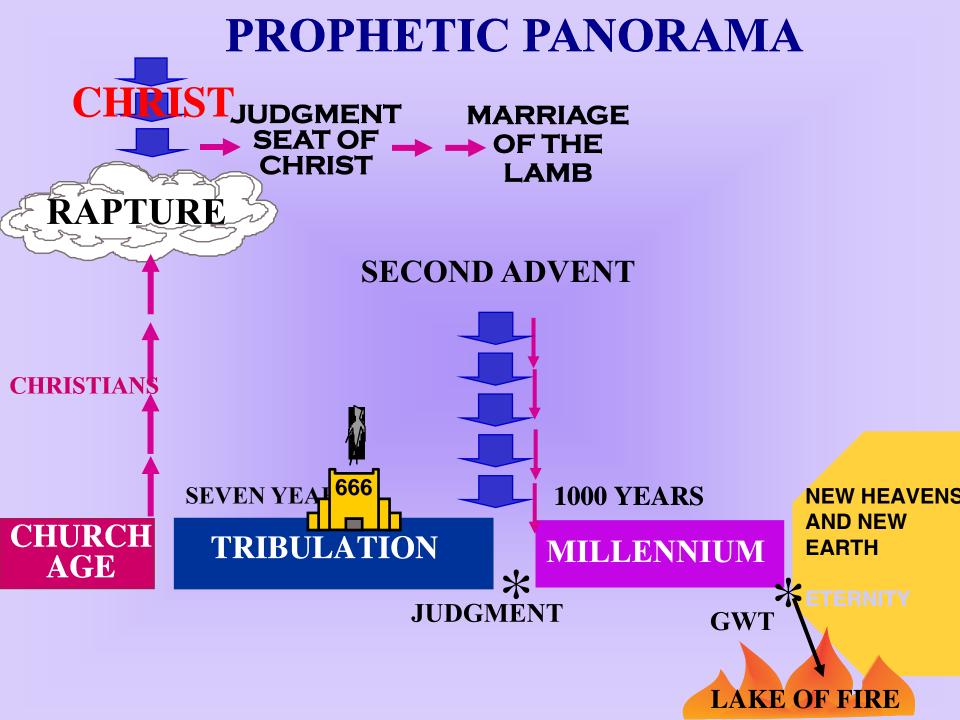
"to <u>win</u>, attain; to gain control of someone through pursuit, catch up with, seize." 1 Corinthians 9:25, "Everyone who competes in the games exercises selfcontrol in all things. They then do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable." 1 Corinthians 9:25, "Everyone who competes in the games exercises selfcontrol in all things. They then do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable."

στέφανος, stephanos; a wreath made of foliage and worn by one of high status or held in high regard, wreath, crown; that which serves as adornment or source of pride, adornment, pride; award or prize for exceptional service or conduct, prize, reward. 1 Corinthians 9:26, "Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air." 1 Corinthians 9:27, "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified." 1 Corinthians 9:27, "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified."

ὑπωπιάζω, hupopiazo; present active indicative 1st person singular; "to blacken an eye, give a black eye, strike in the face; to bring someone to submission by constant annoyance, wear down; to put under strict discipline, punish, treat roughly, torment." 1 Corinthians 9:27, "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disgualified."

ἀδόκιμος, adokimos; "not standing the test', then unqualified, worthless, disqualified from an athletic competition."

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