

1. More on the “Universal Church”

A. Distinctions

The “Universal” Church	The “Local” Church

B. The Term: _____

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2)

2. The Relation of the Church to Israel

A. Two Primary Views

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2. The Relation of the Church to Israel (continued)

B. How the “Millennium” Factors into This

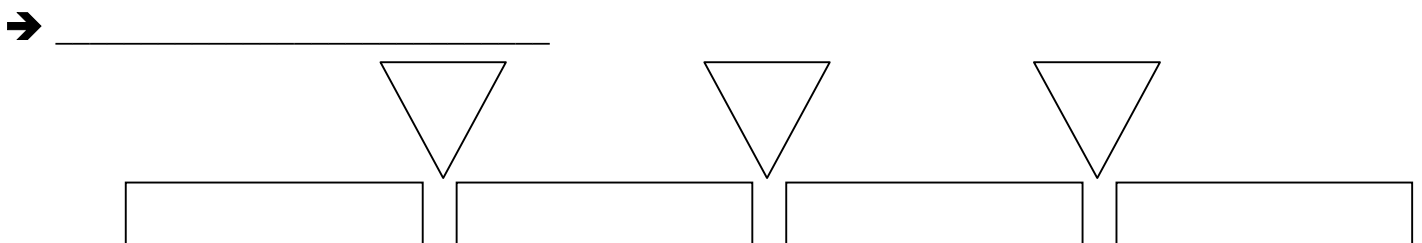
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Msg.# 1032 -- *Election & God’s Future for Israel* (Rom.11:23-36)

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B. The Term "Catholic"

1) From Greek "*kata*" + "*holou*"

* Lit.: Concerning the Whole

* Refers to the "Universal Church"

The Apostles' Creed



***"...I believe in
the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic
church, the
forgiveness of
sins..."***

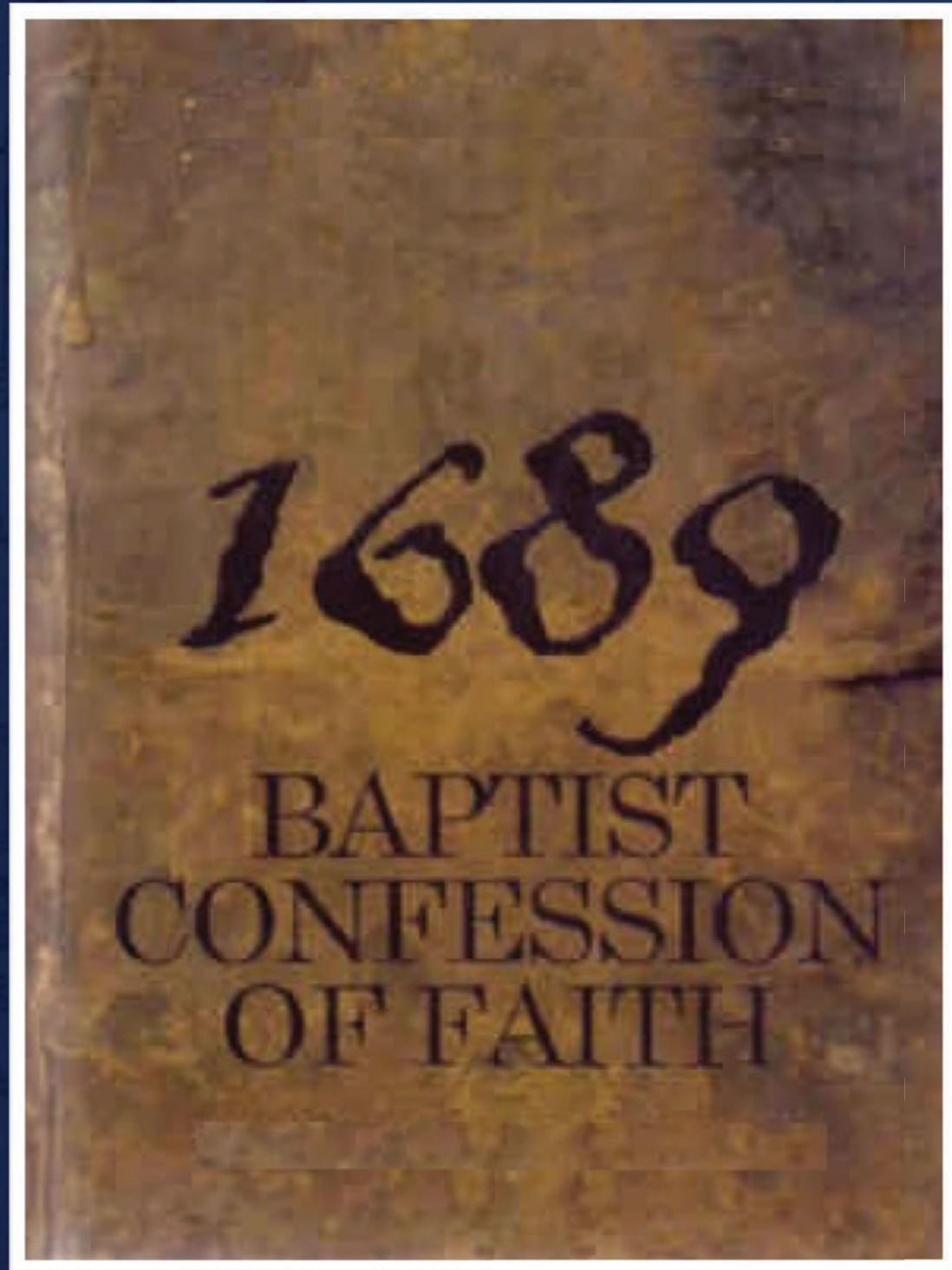
The Nicene Creed

"...I believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church..."



AD. 325

Second London Baptist Confession



"...the catholic or universal church, which may be called invisible, consists of the whole number of the elect, that have been, are, or shall be gathered into one, under Christ..."

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B. The Term "Catholic"

1) From Greek "*kata*" + "*holou*"

2) Distinguish from the Roman Catholic Church

** They refer to the "visible" church...*

** Organized under the authority of the Pope...*

** 1995 Encyclical: 'separated' still under Rome*

2. The Relation of the Church to Israel

A. Two Primary Views

1) The Church has Replaced Israel

** OT / NT / Future People of God = Church*

> *"Covenant Theology"*

2) The Church is Distinct from Israel

** God will Reestablish & Save Ethnic Israel*

> *"Dispensational Theology"*

2. The Relation of the Church to Israel

B. How the "Millennium" Factors into This

1) A Seeming "Need" for a Millennium

*** e.g., Ezk. 37 -- Misc. "Land" Promises**

*** e.g., Is. 65 -- Long Life + Death**

*** e.g., Zech. 14 -- King Reign + Rebellion**

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2) NT Prophecies Regarding Ethnic Israel

*** Romans 9 - 11**

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Israel Not Saved (Yet)

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3) The NT on the "Millennium"

** Rev. 20*

** Options Dependent on Definition of church*

* Views Regarding the 1000 Years

>> **The 2nd Coming = after a Spiritual Millennium**

- “Amillennialism” → “A” = no / non
- “Millennium” = Christ Spiritually Reigning over the hearts of Christians in this age



* things get worse & worse

* Views Regarding the 1000 Years

>> **The 2nd Coming = After the Millennium**

- “Postmillennialism” → “Post” = after
- “Millennium” = Christ Reigning over the World transformed by a victorious Church



* things get better & better

* Views Regarding the 1000 Years

>> **The 2nd Coming = Before the Millennium**

- “Premillennialism” → “Pre” = before
- “Millennium” = Christ Reigning over the Kingdom of Israel Fulfilling OT Promises





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