

### **1.3.3 *Parousia*/The Day of the Lord/ Millennial Kingdom Prophecies**

The key to separating the two eschatological comings of the Messiah in the Old Testament prophecies is in the differing purpose for each coming. The First Coming involves “the suffering servant” of Isaiah for the atonement of the sin of humanity and reconciling/restoring relationship with *Yahweh*. The Second Coming (*Parousia*) involves the glorious “King of Kings and Lord of Lords” of Revelation coming to complete the salvation of His beloved Body (the Church) through physical resurrection and rapture, to judge the earth for its sins (day of the Lord), and to set up His kingdom on earth for one thousand years (Millennium). Many of the prophecies concerning the First Advent of the Messiah for salvation also contain prophecies concerning the *Parousia* for judgment. There are also specific prophecies concerning the “day of the Lord” or “day of *Yahweh*” in regards to judgment. Finally, the Old Testament contains promises of hope and restoration of the kingdom for *Yahweh*’s chosen people on earth (the Millennium).

All of these types of prophecies are seen in the prophetic eschatological fulfillment of the last three Old Testament annual feasts: Trumpets, Atonement and Booths or Tabernacles. The Feast of Trumpets will be fulfilled by Jesus Christ returning in the clouds for His Body (the Rapture of the Church), at the beginning of the *Parousia* and before the antichrist appears/the Tribulation begins (Lev 23:23-5—1 Thess 4:14-17; Luke 21:36; Acts 1:8-11). The Feast of Atonement will be fulfilled when Jesus judges the earth/humanity for their sins during the “day of the Lord/*Yahweh*”/Armageddon at the end of the *Parousia* (Lev 23:26-7—Matt 24:9-22; Rev 5 -19). The Feast of Booths will be fulfilled by the physical Messianic Kingdom on earth during the Millennium (Lev 23:34, 42-3—Ezek 43:1-12; Joel 3:18-21; Mic 4:1-8; Zeph 3:11-20; Zech 14:4-16; Rev 20:2-4) – (Deal 1981:142-153; Biederwolf 1985:12). After these last three Old

Testament feasts are fulfilled through the *Parousia* and the Millennium, all seven of the Feasts of Israel will have been fulfilled by or through Jesus Christ (*Yeshua HaMashiach*).

Next, each type of these specific prophecies will be addressed separately. Although many of the prophecies are contained in the same section of scripture, or thought of the prophet, they will be considered independently. First, the *Parousia* prophecies will be addressed. Next, the day of the Lord prophecies will be addressed. Finally, the Millennial Kingdom prophecies (including the restoration of Israel) will be addressed.