

trying to put all of the Bible into a few major categories. I believe we should go to the Scripture to see what it says, rather than to try to fasten our particular categories upon it....

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**ISAIAH 66:12-24
AND THE MILLENNIUM**

In Isaiah 66:12-24 the Prophet looked forward into the distant future and saw many things of which he might not have clearly understood the details, and particularly the precise times involved. Peter tells us that the prophets often saw glimpses of future facts that they did not fully understand (1 Peter 1:11-12) and particularly stresses the fact that the time of these events was often a mystery to them.

The Bible teaches that Christ will establish his kingdom of universal peace. After it has lasted a thousand years there will be an uprising which will be put down by God's great power, and then will follow the judgment of the wicked dead (Revelation 20:7-15). There is little clear information as to the details of what will come next. Perhaps conditions will continue much as they were during the millennium; perhaps there will be a complete change, utilizing principles that we now have no way of knowing or understanding; perhaps we will be transferred to another planet or even to another galaxy. As far as I know any of these conditions may occur. As we study the Bible further light may come to us on particular statements that at one time were not clear.

Some Bible students feel that Revelation 21 describes events that follow Revelation 20. This may very well be the case. On the