## **Letters: Jerusalem embassy**

May 16, 2018

## Re: <u>Voices: Is the US embassy's move</u> <u>to Jerusalem a prophetic sign?</u>

Outstanding explanation of various Baptist eschatological views. The main problem is not a belief in the return of Christ, but with biblical/historical interpretation issues. Most Baptists do not understand the term "Apocalyptic Literature" as it relates to interpreting the Book of Revelation, some OT use of apocalyptic texts and several inter-biblical Jewish texts that help explain its characteristics.

Dispensationalists exchange intended symbolic/figurative readings for their own recent literal interpretations by Darby and Scofield and reinforced by inserting recent political/religious events and people to arrive at these bizarre conclusions. Sad to say most of these people know nothing of the literary and historical background to the interpretation of these biblical texts.

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