Realized Eschatology The 70 a.D. Doctrine

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- What exactly is Realized Eschatology?
 - "Eschatology, or doctrine of last things, is meant the ideas entertained at any period on the future life, the end of the world (resurrection, judgment...), and the eternal destinies of mankind." (Intl. Standard Bible Encyclopedia)
 - "Realized" means accomplished or done.

- Warnings concerning false doctrines:
 - Some elders would depart from the truth. Acts 20:29-30
 - Many Christians would accept false doctrines. Gal. 1:6-8
 - Some false teachers appear harmless. Matt. 7:15
 - We are commanded to test all teachers.
 1 John 4:1

- The main doctrines of Realized Eschatology:
 - The second coming of Christ...
 - The resurrection of the dead...
 - The day of judgment...
 - The end of the world...



All <u>happened</u> in 70 a.D. when Jerusalem was destroyed by the Romans

- Concerning the second coming of Christ:
 - In a sense, Jesus did come in the first century.
 - He was to come in His kingdom. Matt. 16:28
 - He was to come in His kingdom with power. Mark 9:1
 - He came on the day of Pentecost. Acts 1:4-5, 8; 2:1-4, 33
 - Jesus promised that in the coming of the Holy Spirit, He would also be with them. John 14:16-20
 - Not a bodily coming, but He did come. John 15:26

- The claim that the second coming of Jesus occurred in 70 a.D. encounters a major problem.
 - The scriptures say He ascended bodily and so He would return. Acts 1:9-11
 - He will not return in a figurative way, but literally. 1 Thess. 4:16-18
 - He did not come in bodily form nor was He personally seen at:

The coming of the kingdom. Matt 16:28

Nor at the destruction of Jerusalem. Matt 24:30

- Jesus second coming <u>WILL</u> happen.
 - Those who espouse the 70 a.D. doctrine cannot believe: Heb. 9:28
 - They have to deny the promise of Jesus. John 14:1-3 cf. 1 Pet. 1:3-5 and Heb. 11:9-10, 39-40
 - They would have to claim that promises attached with His coming are ours now. 2 Tim. 4:7-8 cf. Rev. 2:10; 1 Pet. 5:4

