
ABSTRACT

The brazilian branch of pentecostalism, with its multiple expressions, has been intensely investigated by various researchers due to its significant growth and visibility. Many studies have displayed its strong aspects as well as its inconsistencies, its internal dynamics along with its relationship with society in general, through profound and clarifying analysis. However, when it comes to eschatology, researchers limit themselves to mention its importance in the beginning of the pentecostal movement. For that matter, little has been said about the inner relation between eschatology and pentecostalism. The purpose of this study is to understand the pentecostal's mentality in regard of eschatology, through the investigation of the apocalyptic beliefs, the feelings and representations caused by the presumed imminence of the Second coming among the members of the Assembly of God in Belo Horizonte (MG) in the last three decades. This work took advantage of a double methodology: conducting oral testimony besides a careful review of written sources.

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