



## Resources

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## Revelation 20:1-10

1 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. 2 And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, 3 and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

4 Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. 5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

### The Defeat of Satan

7 And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison 8 and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea. 9 And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and consumed them, 10 and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

I. Satan is Bound (1-3)

II. Christ's Millennial Reign (4-6)

III. Satan's Ultimate Defeat (7-10)

## Life Group Leader Notes:





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- These verses are 'one of the most difficult parts of the entire book' and many evangelicals have harshly divided over their views about these verses (Leon Morris). Even within our group there may be differing views concerning these things - what are ways our group can model unity in Christ while holding various views about how He will return? How can we contribute to unity within our local church when it comes to these views?

- Pastor Scott briefly described the three views about the millennial kingdom and the surrounding events: The Amillennial view, the Postmillennial view, and the Premillennial view. Were you able to determine which one you might hold? Is there a view you grew up learning that is different from the one you hold now?

- How does your current view affect your outlook on the kingdom to come? On the world today? How does your view affect the way you live?

- According to the text, **who** bound Satan, the ancient serpent? Why might this be significant? Can this knowledge clarify our perspective of Satan's power today? In what ways?

- What pattern do we continue to see when Satan and the unrighteous come to do battle with the Lord and His people? What hope does this give us even this week as we consider the daily 'battles' we face?

- The imminent nature of the end times can be frightening to consider but Revelation points us to the main point of these events: the unquestioned authority, power, and grace of God and the glorious return of our Christ. This week how can our prayers reflect these things?

