

"The Second Coming of Satan"

Revelation 20:7-10

Introduction: In our study of Revelation we have been looking at the Millennial Kingdom of Jesus Christ as described in Revelation 20 as well as other passages. The passed 4 weeks we have been in Revelation 20:1-6 and it was in these verses that we looked at some very interesting spiritual Truth.

1. The binding of Satan.
2. The literal 1000-year reign of Jesus Christ.
3. The coronation of the saints.
4. The FIRST resurrection and the 6 parts of the FIRST resurrection.
 - a. **Jesus Christ**
 - b. **A few saints following Jesus' resurrection.**
 - c. **The Church**
 - d. **God's Two Witnesses.**
 - e. **The Old Testament Saints.**
 - f. **The Tribulation Martyrs.**
5. The 75 days at the end of the Tribulation.
6. The reason for the Kingdom.
7. The reason for the sacrifices in the Kingdom.

Today we are going to fast forward through the 1000-year reign of Jesus Christ and we are going to look at an event that will happen after the Kingdom Age and before the eternal state. The event which we are going to look closely at today is the release of Satan from the prison/bottomless pit.

Now before we get into the verses that are before us let me first of all explain the different subjects of the Kingdom.

Two groups of people will enter into the Kingdom and both of those groups will be saved.

1. There will be believers with glorified bodies.

- a. The Church
- b. The Old Testament Saints.
- c. The resurrected Tribulation Saints.

What will these bodies be like?

1 Corinthians 15:35-44

³⁵ *But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come?*

³⁶ *Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die:*

³⁷ *And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain:*

³⁸ *But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.*

³⁹ *All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds.*

⁴⁰ *There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.*

⁴¹ *There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory.*

⁴² *So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption:*

⁴³ *It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:*

⁴⁴ *It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.*

Our glorified bodies will be like the body of Jesus Christ after His resurrection. We will be able to enter a room without going through the door. I believe they will be bodies of flesh and bone but no blood. Blood today filters out the impurities of which we will not have in the glorified body.

2. There will be believers with natural bodies.

There will be many believers who will survive the Great Tribulation by living in the shadows. These people will be bruised and beaten and so before the start of the Kingdom there will be a HEALING service.

Isaiah 35:4-6

⁴ *Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence; he will come and save you.*

⁵ *Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.*

⁶ *Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.*

Isaiah 61:1-3

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

² *To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;*

³ *To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.*

When Jesus walked the earth the first time it is believed He healed all in His land that were sick and lame. **These healings were a preview of the Kingdom.**

These people with natural bodies will go into the Kingdom and will live for the entire 1000 years and they will also populate the Kingdom. They will have children and their children and their children's children will have children. Those children who are born will be born sinners and will need to be saved.

I. The Loosing of Satan

Notice Revelation 20:7

It is after the 1000-year reign of Jesus Christ that Satan will be loosed.

Notice Revelation 20:8

Here in this verse there is a great deal to be considered.

When Satan is loosed he will most likely be furious. He will immediately pick up where he had stopped before.

Revelation 12:9

⁹ *And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.*

Satan is the great deceiver and he deceives people with his lies.

John 8:44

⁴⁴ *Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.*

I need to stop here and point out that 1000-years in the bottomless pit will not change Satan. When he comes out he will just as deceptive and just as wicked as he was when he went in.

Application:

Hell will not change one heart. People who die and go to hell still have their same sinful natures and if they were set free they would go back to their old ways of rejecting God and His ways. The very way people go into hell is the way they remain even after they have been there for thousands of years. It is only an acceptance of the Gospel on this side of death that will change a person's heart.

Romans 1:16

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

A. Satan's Mission

Notice Revelation 20:8 again.

When Satan is loosed from his prison he will immediately go after those who will be born in the Kingdom. There will be many of those born who will come to faith in Jesus Christ but there will be many who will not. They will be mixed in with the believers, but they will not be saved. They will be under a perfect economic society. They will see perfect justice and righteousness. They will see sin dealt with quickly and swiftly. They will see blessings poured upon those who bow to Jesus Christ.

But there will be many who will refuse to come to Jesus Christ and they will even suffer for their rejection. Let me show you something that Zechariah recorded.

Zechariah 14:16-19

¹⁶ And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

¹⁷ And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

¹⁸ And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

¹⁹ This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

Even under the rod of iron many will not come to Jesus Christ.

Notice Revelation 20:8 again.

The number of the unbelievers will be as the sand of the sea. There will be a great population explosion during the Kingdom. People will marry and have children probably all their lives. We can only imagine how many children a family could produce in 1000-years.

It is believed that when the flood of Noah's day came there was somewhere around 10 billion people. Now that happened in about 1700 years, but it also came from just 2 to start with. Here in the Kingdom there will be thousands to start so the numbers will increase rapidly. There on top of that there will be no barrenness. Sickness and disease will be extinct.

There are 2 main points that we need to consider here:

1. A perfect government will not change the hearts of people.

Here is a population that is under a perfect government and perfect economic society and they will still refuse to turn to Jesus Christ.

I point this out because there are people today known as **reconstructionists** who spend all their energy, and time and finances on trying to return our government to a moral government. They somehow believe that if we are under a moral government that the Gospel will be more effective. This scene right here proves that is not true. We can change the surrounding of men but the surroundings no matter how moral they are will not change the heart. Instead of being so focused upon the government we as believers should be focused upon the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The truth is that there are many people would reject a righteous government and, a righteous leader. They would much rather be in a corrupt society. Just watch how people react if they think a conservative Christian is going to get into power.

2. Why will these people not turn to Jesus Christ?

This question is best answered with the Words of Jesus Christ.

John 3:19-21

¹⁹ And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and **men loved darkness rather than light**, because their deeds were evil.

²⁰ For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd.

²¹ But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

These people will not come to Jesus Christ for salvation because they love their sin. This shows the very power of sin and the depravity of man.

Application:

If you have never accepted Jesus Christ as your Savior, then please do not miss the warning here. Your heart is wicked and sinful.

Jeremiah 17:9-10

⁹ The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

¹⁰ I the LORD search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.

Your heart will lead you into eternal damnation if you do not repent. Let me take you back to Genesis to show you what sin will do.

Genesis 4:3-8

³ And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD.

⁴ And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering:

⁵ But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell.

⁶ And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

⁷ If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? and if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire, and thou shalt rule over him.

⁸ And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him.

Sin ruled over Cain and led him to kill his own brother and it then led him away from God and he died in his sins.

B. Satan's Deception

Notice Revelation 20:8-9

We are not told what lie Satan will sell to these people but whatever it is they will believe it. It will have something to do with overthrowing Jesus Christ and His Kingdom.

Satan will gather unbelievers from all over the world, from the North, South, East and West, and they will encompass Jerusalem. Believing they can take over the Kingdom.

Application:

There is an application here that needs to be stated. This shows the deceptiveness of Satan. This shows that Satan is not to be taken lightly.

2 Corinthians 4:4

⁴ In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

Jude 1:9

⁹ Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.

C. Satan's Doom

Notice Revelation 20:10

This will be the final doom of Satan. He will never again be free to deceive the righteous in the eternal state.

Conclusion:

Satan's mission today is to keep as many people as he can from coming to Jesus Christ. If you are not saved, you have 3 dangers working against you.

1. Satan.
2. Your sinful deceptive heart.
3. Sin.