

## Revelation 20:1-10

In chapter 19, we saw the beast and the false prophet, and ultimately they were cast alive into the lake of fire. There is no one there right now. They are in a place called Sheol now.

Vs1-2: this is the first time we see the "thousand years" mentioned. The word 'millinia' is not in the Bible, but here is the reference to Satan being bound for a thousand years. This script tells us exactly who is bound; it is Satan, no doubt about it. How can you chain a spirit with a chain? It's some kind of device that God has that can hold Satan for 1,000 years.

Vs3: God sealed Satan so he can't deceive the nations anymore for 1000 years, and after that, he will be set free for a little while. God turns Satan loose again, after 1000 years of bliss and perfection on Earth. The reason is, during the millennial rule of Christ, He will not allow any rebellion or disrespect at all. Mankind will still live in the flesh and populate and reproduce for 1000 years with no sickness or poverty. No rebellion against Christ will be allowed. Christ will rule, not the Supreme Court or anyone else. At the end of that period, Christ will set Satan loose again to allow people who really don't like Christ's rule can show their true colors. God always allows people to make a free choice. In the spirit realm, there is no straddling the fence. You are either w/God or w/Satan, not both. So Satan will come tempt again after this 1000 years of perfection w/o evil, pollution, poverty, and then Satan will be turned loose and start deceiving people again. This is the Great Rebellion. To give mankind one last opportunity to show who you love and who your allegiance is to.

Isaiah 14:12 –

12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, *and* consider thee, *saying*, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;

Mankind will have a chance to see Satan as he really is, and we will be amazed that this is the character that has disturbed the world for thousands of years.

17 *That* made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; *that* opened not the house of his prisoners?

Satan was strong, he made entire cities desolate.

Rev. 20:4- here is the description of the tribulation scenes. The antichrist is going to bring back the guillotine to behead believers of Christ. There is currently a computerized beheading machine today, in Europe. Those that are beheaded during this time will rule w/Christ a thousand years. Their body will be killed, but their spirits will be rewarded with Christ. These are the Tribulation Saints. The problems the world is having now are instigated by demonic-lead rulers who are guiding the world right into this scenario.

Vs5: When Satan is set free a bit after 1000 years of bondage, it is called the First Resurrection. There are different resurrections. In Thessalonians, we are taught of the resurrection of believers in Christ. There is still another one 1000 years later of the people who rejected Christ.

Vs6: The rapture has already occurred; believers are in heaven, priests of God and Christ, reigning with Him 1000 years. You'll be real happy if you are in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over you, that means you will not be thrown into the lake of fire, alive, to suffer.

Vs7: Satan will be loosed for a bit to go out and deceive the nations. 'Gog' and 'Magog' mean 'leader' and 'followers', respectively.

Vs8: and they gathered millions of people to fight.

Vs9-10: Fire came down out of heaven and destroys all these humans who had a perfect life, perfect environment for 1000 years, God doesn't call up an army or helpers, He just calls out fire from Heaven to destroy these people for once and for all.

All of us are born with two natures, and the one we feed and nurture is the one that dominates. If you don't read the bible and feed your spiritual side, it gets weak and Satan can tempt you easily. The nature you feed the most is the one that will dominate.