## SERMON OUTLINE

# In Revelation 20:1-10 we are shown 3 events surrounding the thousand-year millennial reign of Christ.

- I. Satan is bound *prior to the thousand years*.
  - A. Satan is bound by an angel (vs. 1-2a).
  - B. Satan is bound in order to prevent him from deceiving the nations (v. 2b).
  - C. Satan will be released after the thousand years (v. 2c).
- II. Risen saints will reign with Christ *during the thousand years*.
  - A. They are vindicated for their faithfulness to Christ in life (v. 4a & b).
  - B. They share in the first resurrection after their faithfulness unto death (vs. 4c, 5, 6a).
  - C. They reign with Christ as priests over whom the second death has no power (v. 4d, 6b-d).

# III. Satan is released after the thousand years.

- A. To deceive the nations (vs. 7-8a)
- B. To gather the nations for battle against saints (vs. 8b-9a).
- C. To be judged by God and sentenced to eternal torment in the lake of fire (v. 9b-10).

#### **BIBLE DISCUSSION GROUP STUDY QUESTIONS**

#### In preparation for Sunday, March 17, 2019

Memory Passage: Revelation 20:7-10

#### DAY 1 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

(a) Read Revelation 20:1-10. Write a summary paragraph explaining what you learned last week in your study of vs. 4-6.

(b) Ask Good Questions: What good questions do you still need to answer concerning vs. 7-10?

#### DAY 2 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

(a) **Read Revelation 20:1-10**. When do the 1000 years end, and for what purpose has Satan been bound and now released?

(b) For what purpose does Satan "deceive the nations" (cf. Rev. 16:12-16)?

- (c) To what does "the four corners of the earth" refer?
- (d) Who are "Gog" and "Magog" and to whom do they refer?

#### DAY 3 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

(a) Read Ez. 38:1-22, Rev. 16:12-16, 19:11-21, & 20:1-10. What similarities do you see between Ez. 38 & Rev. 20:7-10?

(b) What similarities do you see between each of the Revelation passages?

(c) Do the 3 Revelation passages describe the same event or different events? What Biblical evidence supports your answer?

(d) How does the final battle as represented in Revelation fulfill the OT prophecy of Gog & Magog?

#### DAY 4 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

(a) **Read Revelation 20:1-10**. For what purpose have the nations gathered (v. 9)?

(b) What does the fire (v. 9) represent, who is in control of this fire, and what is its purpose?

(c) Since the lake of fire is the "second death" (cf. Rev. 20:14), what is the first death?

(d) How does the fact that the lake of fire is the second death help you see that 19:11-21 and 20:7-10 refer to the same event?

#### DAY 5 - ASK FOR INSIGHT

(a) Read Revelation 20:1-10 & 2 Thess. 2:1-12. What connections can you see between these 2 passages? Who is the restrainer and who is the man of lawlessness?

(b) Considering the deception of the nations that will happen at the end of this age before Christ's return, what should the church be doing today to prepare for that day? What should you be doing?

(c) Considering the destruction that God's enemies meet on that final day, how does this affect your passion to reach the lost and dying world? How does this affect your conviction to live a life that bears the fruit of the gospel, the fruit of the Spirit, rather than the fruit of death, the works of the flesh?

(d) In what ways do you see God's sovereignty and His covenant faithfulness in 20:7-10, and how does this bring you comfort and encouragement?

DATE: March 10, 2019

PASSAGE: Revelation 20:7-10

#### The Millennium Part III: Satan is Released and Defeated

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