

“The Final Millenium on Earth”

Revelation 20:1-10

Sunday, October 29, 2023

1. Intro

A. The American genius for getting things done quickly and easily with little concern for quality or permanence has bred a virus that has infected the whole evangelical Church in the United States and, through our literature, our evangelists and our missionaries, has spread all over the world Instant Christianity which came in with the machine age. Men invented machines for two purposes. They wanted to get important work done more quickly and easily than they could do it by hand, and they wanted to get the work over with so they could give their time to pursuits more to their liking, such as loafing or enjoying the pleasures of the world. Instant Christianity now serves the same purposes in religion. It disposes of the past, guarantees the future and sets the Christian free to follow the more refined lusts of the flesh in all good conscience and with a minimum of restraint.

By “instant Christianity” I mean the kind found almost everywhere in gospel circles and which is born of the notion that we may discharge our total obligation to our own souls by one act of faith, or at most by two, and be relieved thereafter of all anxiety about our spiritual condition. We are saints by calling, our teachers keep telling us, and we are permitted to infer from this that there is no reason to seek to be saints by character. An automatic, once-for-all quality is present here that is completely out of mode with the faith of the New Testament. A.W. Tozer, *That Incredible Christian*

2. Satan is No Factor (1-3)

3. Saints Are Now Faithful (4-6)

A. (Mt 19:28), as they wondered what their future would be, “Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.” NKJV

B. (1 Cor 6:2) “Do you not know that the saints will judge the world...” NKJV

C. (2 Tim 2:12) says “If we endure, we shall also reign with Him...” NKJV

D. (Rev 5:10) we see the church singing “And [you] have made us kings and priest to our God; and we shall reign on the earth” NKJV

4. Society Still Falls (7-10)

A. “You tell me why God loosed him the first time, and I’ll give you a reason he loosed him the second time” Lewis Sperry Schaefer

B. ‘The wheat and chaff stay in the same hand until you blow on it’ Anonymous

C. (Jn 3:19) “And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.” NKJV