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The Book of Revelation (7)

12:1-17

Wednesday Night
Bible Study

Tonight's Plan

Introduction

The Story of Redemption
(12:1–6)

The Battle of Redemption
(12:7–12)

The Result of Redemption
(12:13–17)

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Purpose and Structure of Revelation 12-20

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**Structure: Introduction and Destruction
of God's Enemies + Recapitulations**

A: Dragon/Serpent Introduced: ch. 12

B: Beasts Introduced: ch. 13

C: Babylon Introduced: ch. 14:8; 17

C*: Babylon Destroyed: ch 18

B*: Beasts Destroyed: ch 19

A*: Dragon/Serpent Destroyed: ch 20

Recapitulations

Chs 12-14: Deeper conflict

Chs 15-16: Seven bowls

**Chs 17-20: Destruction of God's Enemies
(complicated)**

Purpose and Structure of Revelation Chapter 12

The Story of Redemption (12:1-6)

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- **The Woman: The OT-NT people of God**

Genesis 37:9-10 ESV

Then he dreamed another dream and told it to his brothers and said, “Behold, I have dreamed another dream. Behold, the sun, the moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me.” But when he told it to his father and to his brothers, his father rebuked him and said to him, “What is this dream that you have dreamed? Shall I and your mother and your brothers indeed come to bow ourselves to the ground before you?”

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John 12:31, 2 Cor 4:4, Eph 2:1-2 ESV

Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out...

In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God...

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience.

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Genesis 3:15 ESV

I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.”

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Daniel 9:24-27 ESV

“Seventy weeks are decreed about your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place. Know therefore and understand that from the going out of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks. Then for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time.

Daniel 9:24-27 ESV

And after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing. And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed. And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.”

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Zechariah 3:1-2 ESV

Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him. And the LORD said to Satan, “The LORD rebuke you, O Satan! The LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is not this a brand plucked from the fire?”

Romans 3:21-26 ESV

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith.

Romans 3:21-26 ESV

This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

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- War in heaven
- Satan thrown to earth
- Woe to the earth

The Result of Redemption (12:7-12)

The Result of Redemption (12:13–17)

- **Wings for the wilderness**

Exodus 19:4-6 ESV

‘You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”

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- **The Dragon's flood**
- **The war on the saints**

Summary

Application

1. Satan's work in the world
2. God nourishing us in the desert
3. Romans 8:31-39
 - a. Satan's accusation and the gospel
4. The life Christians should expect