



Bible study for the week starting September 28, 2025

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What's your favorite movie battle scene? When you think of the last battle as detailed in Revelation 20:7-15, what vivid images come to mind?

READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Read **Revelation 20:7-15**. This is the climactic battle of the Bible, but doesn't it come across as a little anti-climactic (really, Satan, that's all you've got after all this time?); What's good about these verses, and what's hard to hear?
2. We get the image of standing before the white throne of God. Does this terrify you? Should it? Why or why not?
3. Read **Isaiah 37:33-38a**. As I was reading about God's decisive victory over Satan, I couldn't help but think of the power of the angel of the Lord in this Bible story. What encouragement does this give you?
4. Read **Matthew 7:15-23**. Jesus warns that many wolves in sheep clothing will claim a place in God's Kingdom, and He will say to them, "I never knew you." Realizing this is a phrase you'd never want to hear – you'd rather hear "well done, good and faithful servant" – what gives you security in who you are and what you'll hear on the last day?
5. The next two chapters are all a vivid picture of what is in store for those who are welcomed into God's eternal kingdom, spared from the "second death." What's exciting about this?

PRAY

Pray that God would proclaim His victory in Christ into your life, so that you would know you "only have to be still," because "God will fight for you" (Ex. 14:14).



THE END [PART 2]: BATTLE AND JUDGMENT

Revelation 20:7-15 (Isaiah 37:33-38a; Matthew 7:15-23)

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Armageddon: the scene of the struggle between GOOD and EVIL...where God's FOES are vanquished, completing the 'ONCE and for ALL' victory Jesus accomplished on the cross.

The final battle is the last, hopeless breath of God's ENEMY.

Against Assyria: "...I will DEFEND this city to SAVE it..." (Isaiah 37:34-35).

Against Pharaoh: "The Lord will FIGHT for you, and you have only to be SILENT" (Ex. 14:13-14).

There will come a day when Satan will never BOTHER you again.

Jesus is who you want your JUDGE to be: perfect in TRUTH and GRACE.

'I believe...He will redeem me and all who believe in Him from bodily death and every infirmity and will eternally punish His enemies and adversaries and deliver us from their power forever.'
-Martin Luther

The second death is what happens when Jesus says, "I never KNEW you; DEPART from Me, you workers of lawlessness" (Matt. 7:23).

But what does God desire? (Ezekiel 18:23)

For next Sunday, please read Revelation 21:1-8.