

APOCALYPSE: Heaven on Earth! Pt. 2

Revelation 20:1-3

Pastor Jason's Notes

NKJV - *"Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while."*

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- This unique event will demonstrate many things:
 - **SOVEREIGNTY** of GOD - *He alone is in ultimate control!*
 - **Psalm 115:3** - *"But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases." (Rev 4-5)*
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 - **CEASEFIRE** from War - *Satanic influence will be totally removed!*
 - **Isaiah 2:4** - *"He shall judge between the nations, and rebuke many people; They shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore." (Isa 9:6)*
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 - **SINFULNESS** of Man (v.) - *Rebels will still persist in rejecting Christ!*
 - **Jeremiah 17:9** - *"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; Who can know it? (Rom 7:18)*

II. **TIME** is Revealed.

- 1,000 years- Lat. “*mille annum*” - This time frame of 1,000 years is mentioned no less than 6 times in this chapter...yet some don't believe it!!
 - “*Golden Rule*” of Interpretation - “*The Plain Sense is the Main Sense.*”

- **Isaiah 2:1-5 NLT** -
 - **“This is a vision that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem: 2 In the last days, the mountain of the Lord’s house will be the highest of all - the most important place on earth. It will be raised above the other hills..”**
 - **TRANSFORMATION** - **Zech 14:3-4 NLT** - “Then the Lord will go out to fight against those nations, as he has fought in times past. On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem. And the Mount of Olives will split apart, making a wide valley running from east to west. Half the mountain will move toward the north and half toward the south.”

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 - **“... and people from all over the world will stream there to worship.”**
 - **ADORATION** - **Phil 2:9-11 NLT** - “Therefore, God elevated him to the place of highest honor and gave him the name above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue declare that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

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 - **3 “People from many nations will come and say, “Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of Jacob’s God. There he will teach us his ways, and we will walk in his paths.” For the Lord’s teaching will go out from Zion; his word will go out from Jerusalem.”**
 - **INSTRUCTION** - **Psalms 1:1-3 NLT** - “Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law

of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do."

- - **4 “The Lord will mediate between nations and will settle international disputes.”**

- **MEDIATION** - **Isaiah 11:3-4 NLT** - "He will delight in obeying the Lord. He will not judge by appearance nor make a decision based on hearsay. He will give justice to the poor and make fair decisionsfor the exploited. The earth will shake at the force of his word, and one breath from his mouth will destroy the wicked."

- - **“They will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will no longer fight against nation, nor train for war anymore.”**

- **PACIFICATION** - **Isaiah 9:6-7 NLT** - "For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His government and its peace will never end."

- - **5 “Come, descendants of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord!”**

- **APPLICATION** - **Matt 6:33** - "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need." (**Live for Heaven!**)