

COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS

The Great White Throne

Revelation 20:7-15

“When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison, ⁸ and will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore. ⁹ And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, and fire came down from heaven and devoured them. ¹⁰ And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever. ¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds. ¹³ And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds. ¹⁴ Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. ¹⁵ And if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.”

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OPEN:

1. Have you ever failed a test when you thought you aced it? Or did you ace a test when you thought you failed it?
2. If you built your own throne for fun, what would it look like?

DIG:

1. After the thousand years, Satan is released. No more chain, no more abyss. He’s free to go out and deceive the nations. Why is he released?
2. Where does Magog first show up in the Bible? When does Gog of Magog first show up? What battle is this that they are gathered for?
3. What is the ultimate fate of Satan?

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4. Who is sitting on the great white throne? Who is being judged? What's the basis for the judgment?
5. What is the ultimate fate of Death and Hades?
6. What happens to the folks whose names appear in the book of life? What happens to those who do not appear in the book of life?

REFLECT:

1. As believers, hopefully this passage motivates you to share your story—to tell others about Jesus. Most of the folks you come in contact with on a daily basis don't know Jesus. If they were to stand before the throne today, they would stand condemned to the lake of fire. Are you willing to pray that this breaks your heart and creates in you a sense of urgency and intentionality about the way you are pursuing your relationship with them?
2. Knowing that you too as a believer will be judged/evaluated based on your deeds, are you living a life worthy of the calling?

5 MARKS FOCUS: SHARING YOUR STORY

Since we are still here on earth, we have work to do. We need to share our stories with those around us and point others to Jesus. Pray for opportunities this week to share what Christ has done in your own life with friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers.