

## **“The King and His Kingdom”**

### **Revelation 20:1-9**

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1 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. 2 And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, 3 and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

4 Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. 5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

7 And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison 8 and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea. 9 And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and consumed them, 10 and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

### **Sermon Notes:**

*What do Revelation 19:11-16 reveal to us about the power of Jesus?*

*Where will Satan be during the millennial kingdom?*

*What will our role in the millennial kingdom be?*

*What will the millennial kingdom be like?*

### **Why the Millennium?**

**The millennium shows that God’s plan will never be thwarted.**

**The millennium shows the glory of God’s plan.**

**The millennium shows God’s righteousness in the midst of judgment.**

## Sermon Discussion Questions

1. How does the knowledge of Christ's millennial reign of peace change the way you look at the nightly news?
2. **Read Revelation 20:1-10.** Why do you think the millennial kingdom is an important part of Christ's final victory over Satan?
3. How does Revelation 20 change the way you think of the problems we face on earth today?
4. Matthew 25 contains three parables encouraging us to prepare for Christ's return. How do we prepare for the return of Christ?
5. **Read Matthew 25:1-12.** This parable reminds that Jesus could return at any moment. If Jesus were to return tonight, what would you want to change about your life?
6. **Read Matthew 25:14-30.** This parable connects our faithfulness in this life with our responsibility in millennial kingdom and the New Heavens and New Earth. Which is more important: the amount of gifts entrusted to to us or what we do with those gifts? What does it look like to be a good steward of God's gifts?
7. **Read Matthew 25:31-46.** Loving people in need does not save us but it comes from lives who are saved. What does this parable tell us about the importance of how we respond to those in need? What in this parable do you find most convicting?
8. What did you find most striking from our sermon this week?

**The millennial kingdom reveals God's glory in his victory over human rebellion.**

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## The Millennium: The King and His Kingdom

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**Sundays**

9:30 a.m.

Worship Service

