

Summit Woods Baptist Church
Sermon Study Equipping Class

Revelation 20:7-10

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

❖ Day 1

Read Revelation 20:7-10.

For these lessons, the sermon text is provided in a format that visually helps display the structure of the paragraph or section of text. The main verbs are underlined. Commands are double-underlined. Generally, the main indicative clauses remain to the left, and the other clauses are either directly underneath when they have equal priority to what comes before, or are tabbed to the right when the clause supports, develops, or draws a conclusion from a neighboring clause.

⁷When the thousand years are completed,
Satan will be released from his prison,
⁸and 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.

⁹And 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.

¹⁰And 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.

1. The passage begins with the phrase “When the thousand years are completed...” What are these “thousand years” referring to? Read back over Revelation 19:11-20:6 for the context of this passage.

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7. How are the nations described in verse 8? What can we know about them from the text?

8. What is the significance of the titles “Gog and Magog”? Cf. Ezekiel 38-39. How does Ezekiel’s vision compare with what we see described in Revelation 20:7-10?

❖ Day 2

Read Revelation 20:7-10 again.

9. Where do Satan and the nations go in verse 9?

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10. What happens to the armies?

11. What happens to the devil?

12. Who else is already in the lake of fire when the devil is thrown into it in verse 10? When were they thrown into the lake of fire?

13. How long do these individuals remain in the lake of fire?

14. Compare Revelation 20:7-10 with Revelation 19:19-21. What is similar? What is different? Are these describing the same event? Why or why not?

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❖ Day 3

Read Revelation 20:7-10 again.

15. What does this passage tell us about the heart of sinful man even in a perfect environment like the millennial reign of Christ Himself?

16. What does this passage tell us about the activity of Satan and his influence on the earth?

17. What does this passage tell us about the lake of fire? Cf. Revelation 20:14-15.

18. What does this passage tell us about the sovereign plans of God?

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19. What effect would this passage have on John's readers? What should it have on us today?

20. How would you summarize this passage in 21 words or less?

In preparation for Sunday, pray in light of God's glorious and final victory over Satan. Pray that you would trust Him now and turn away from temptation as His Word shows you the judgement of sin's deception. Praise God for His sovereign control of all things, good and evil, and His loving protection of His people.