THE REVELATION a study of the book of Daniel + Revelation

Fall 2014 Session 12: Revelation 20-22

a survey of the book of Daniel + a ten week study of the book of Revelation

### Resources

- Holy Bible NASB, ESV
- <u>The End</u>, Mark Hitchcock
- Bible Knowledge Commentary, Walvoord & Zuck
- Charts and other reference material taken from Dr. Charles Ryrie, Dr. Arnold Fruchtenbaum and Harold W. Hoehner



# Chronology of Eschatology



## Session 11: Recap Revelation 19 – Macro Themes

- Fourfold "Hallelujah" in Heaven
- Proclamation of the Wedding of the Lamb
- Campaign of Armageddon
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ

## Session 12 Revelation 20

- Satan bound for 1,000 years (1-3)
- Saints reign with Christ for 1,000 years (4-6)
- Satanic rebellion crushed (7-10)
- Great White Throne Judgment (11-15)



## The Millennial (1,000 Year) Kingdom

- Revelation 20 is the only place in the Bible where the length of the Messianic Kingdom and the event (the aftermath) that will end the 1,000 year Kingdom is given.
- This is the only New Testament contribution to the knowledge of the Kingdom.
- The Old Testament has abundant references.

## The Millennial (1,000 Year) Kingdom Basis for Belief

The Unfulfilled Promises of the Jewish Covenants

– Abrahamic Covenant: Genesis 13, 15, 17

- Davidic Covenant: 2 Samuel 7
- New Covenant: Jeremiah 31, Ezekiel 36

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# The Unfulfilled Promises of the Jewish Prophets

Isaiah 2:2-4 Isaiah 4:2-6 Isaiah 9:6b-7 Isaiah 11:6-9 Isaiah 25:6-10a Isaiah 29:17-24 Isaiah 30:18-24 Isaiah 35 Isaiah 60:2b-22 Isaiah 61:4-11 Isaiah 65:19-25 The Unfulfilled Promises of the Jewish Prophets (Kingdom)

Ezekiel 47:1-12 Hosea 2:16-23 Joel 3:18 Amos 9:13-15 Micah 7:11-20 Zephaniah 3:9-20 Zechariah 14:16-21 Malachi 4:1-3

Now it will come about that in the last days the mountain of the house of the LORD will be established as the chief of the mountains, and will be raised above the hills; and all the nations will stream to it.<sup>3</sup> And many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that He may teach us concerning His ways and that we may walk in His paths." For the law will go forth from Zion and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

Isaiah 2:2-3 (NASB)

And He will judge between the nations, and will render decisions for many peoples; and they will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, and <u>never again</u> will they learn war.

Isaiah 2:4 (NASB)

And the wolf will dwell with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little boy will lead them. <sup>7</sup> Also the cow and the bear will graze, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox.<sup>8</sup> The nursing child will play by the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child will put his hand on the viper's den.<sup>9</sup> They will not hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 11:6-9 (NASB)

I will also rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in My people; and there will no longer be heard in her the voice of weeping and the sound of crying.<sup>20</sup> No longer will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his days; for the youth will die at the age of one hundred and the one who does not reach the age of one hundred will be thought accursed.

Isaiah 65:19-20 (NASB)

## Satan is Bound for 1,000 Years Revelation 20:1-3



#### Satan is Bound for 1,000 Years

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand.<sup>2</sup> And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; <sup>3</sup> and he threw him into the abyss, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he would not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time. Revelation 20:1-3 (NASB)

## Saints Reign with Christ for 1,000 Years Revelation 20:4-6

#### Saints Reign with Christ for 1,000 Years

Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. Revelation 20:4 (NASB)

#### Saints Reign with Christ for 1,000 Years

The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection.<sup>6</sup> Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years. Revelation 20:5-6 (NASB)

## Satanic Rebellion Crushed Revelation 20:7-10

#### Satanic Rebellion Crushed

When the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison, <sup>8</sup> 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. <sup>9</sup> 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. Revelation 20:7-9 (NASB)

#### Satanic Rebellion Crushed

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.

#### Revelation 20:10 (NASB)

## The Great White Throne Judgment Revelation 20:11-15



#### The Great White Throne Judgment

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. <sup>12</sup> 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.

Revelation 20:11-12 (NASB)

#### The Great White Throne Judgment

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.

#### Revelation 20:13 (NASB)

#### The Aftermath

Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. <sup>15</sup> And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Revelation 20:14-15 (NASB)

## The Eternal Order Revelation 21-22

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## The Eternal State Revelation 21-22

The Descent of the New Jerusalem The Description of the New Jerusalem The Delights of the New Jerusalem The Eternal State: Descent of the New Jerusalem Revelation 21:1-8

## The Eternal State: Descent of the New Jerusalem

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer any sea. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

Revelation 21:1-2 (NASB)

The Eternal State: Descent of the New Jerusalem 1<sup>st</sup> Declaration

And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, <sup>4</sup> and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away."

Revelation 21:3-4 (NASB)

The Eternal State: Descent of the New Jerusalem 2<sup>nd</sup> Declaration

And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true." <sup>6</sup> Then He said to me, "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end." Revelation 21:5-6a (NASB)
# The Eternal State: Descent of the New Jerusalem

"I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost. <sup>7</sup> He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son. <sup>8</sup> But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death." Revelation 21:6b-8 (NASB) The Eternal Order: Description of the New Jerusalem Revelation 21:9-27

Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, "Come here, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb." <sup>10</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God...

Revelation 21:9-10 (NASB)

[Description begins here] <sup>11</sup> ...having the glory of God. Her brilliance was like a very costly stone, as a stone of crystal-clear jasper.

Revelation 21:11 (NASB)

It had a great and high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels; and names were written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel. <sup>13</sup> There were three gates on the east and three gates on the north and three gates on the south and three gates on the west. <sup>14</sup> And the wall of the city had twelve foundation stones, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Revelation 21:12-14 (NASB)

The one who spoke with me had a gold measuring rod to measure the city, and its gates and its wall. <sup>16</sup> The city is laid out as a square, and its length is as great as the width; and he measured the city with the rod, fifteen hundred miles; its length and width and height are equal. Revelation 21:15-16 (NASB)

And he measured its wall, seventy-two yards, according to human measurements, which are also angelic measurements. <sup>18</sup> The material of the wall was jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass. Revelation 21:17-18 (NASB)

The foundation stones of the city wall were adorned with every kind of precious stone. The first foundation stone was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, chalcedony; the fourth, emerald; <sup>20</sup> the fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, topaz; the tenth, chrysoprase; the eleventh, jacinth; the twelfth, amethyst.

Revelation 21:19-20 (NASB)

And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; each one of the gates was a single pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass. <sup>22</sup> I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp is the Lamb.

Revelation 21:21-23 (NASB)

The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. <sup>25</sup> In the daytime (for there will be no night there) its gates will never be closed; <sup>26</sup> and they will bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it; <sup>27</sup> and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life. Revelation 21:24-27 (NASB) The Eternal Order: Delights of the New Jerusalem Revelation 22:1-5

# The Eternal Order: Delights of the New Jerusalem

Then he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb, <sup>2</sup> in the middle of its street. On either side of the river was the tree of life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

#### Revelation 22:1-2 (NASB)

# The Eternal Order: Delights of the New Jerusalem

There will no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His bond-servants will serve Him; <sup>4</sup> they will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there will no longer be any night; and they will not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God will illumine them; and they will reign forever and ever. Revelation 22:3-5 (NASB)

#### Epilogue: Revelation 22:6-21

And he said to me, "These words are faithful and true"; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His angel to show to His bond-servants the things which must soon take place. <sup>7</sup> "And behold, I am coming quickly. Blessed is he who heeds the words of the prophecy of this book."

#### Revelation 22:6-7 (NASB)

I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed me these things. <sup>9</sup> But he said to me, "Do not do that. I am a fellow servant of yours and of your brethren the prophets and of those who heed the words of this book. Worship God."

Revelation 22:8-9 (NASB)

And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. <sup>11</sup> Let the one who does wrong, still do wrong; and the one who is filthy, still be filthy; and let the one who is righteous, still practice righteousness; and the one who is holy, still keep himself holy."

Revelation 22:10-11 (NASB)

"Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done. <sup>13</sup> I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end. <sup>14</sup> Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter by the gates into the city." Revelation 22:12-14 (NASB)

Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying. <sup>16</sup> "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

Revelation 22:15-16 (NASB)

## Invitation of the Holy Spirit and of the Church

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who wishes take the water of life without cost. Revelation 22:17 (NASB)

# Epilogue: Words of Warning

I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues which are written in this book; <sup>19</sup> and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book.

Revelation 22:18-19 (NASB)

# Epilogue: Closing Benediction

He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming quickly." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. <sup>21</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

Revelation 22:20-21 (NASB)

## The End Maranatha

I would like to close like we started, with a PROMISE.

"Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of the prophecy, and heed the things which are written in it; for the time is near."

Revelation 1:3 (NASB)

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May they be blotted out of the book of life and may they not be recorded with the righteous.

Psalm 69:28 (NASB)

Indeed, true companion, I ask you also to help these women who have shared my struggle in the cause of the gospel, together with Clement also and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life. Philippians 4:3 (NASB)

He who overcomes will thus be clothed in white garments; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.

Revelation 3:5 (NASB)

All who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain.

Revelation 13:8 (NASB)

The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the abyss and go to destruction. And those who dwell on the earth, whose name has not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, will wonder when they see the beast, that he was and is not and will come.

Revelation 17:8 (NASB)

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.

Revelation 20:12 (NASB)

#### Who are they?

- They "are men whose hearts are where their bodies are. Their home is here, here their treasures, their honors, their pleasures." (Robert Govett)
- Those who have settled down on earth, "to live or dwell in a place in an established or settled manner." (Louw & Nida Gelnt)

#### Who are they?

- "The unsaved at the time of the end who steadfastly continue their rejection of God." (Tony Garland)
- Earth Dwellers make a MORAL choice. It is not a geographical term.

- Earth Dwellers are tested to show true heart.
- Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that hour which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. Revelation 3:10 (NASB)

• Earth Dwellers persecute and kill believers.

 ...and they cried out with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, will You refrain from judging and avenging our blood on <u>those who dwell</u> <u>on the earth</u>?"

Revelation 6:10 (NASB)

- Earth Dwellers are a focus of the judgments.
- Then I looked, and I heard an eagle flying in midheaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to those who dwell on the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

Revelation 8:13 (NASB)
- Earth Dwellers rejoice at the death of 2 witnesses.
- And those who dwell on the earth will rejoice over them and celebrate; and they will send gifts to one another, because these two prophets tormented those who dwell on the earth.

Revelation 11:10 (NASB)

- Earth Dwellers worship the antichrist.
- <u>All who dwell on the earth</u> will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain.

Revelation 13:8 (NASB)

- Earth Dwellers worship the antichrist.
- He exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence. And he makes <u>the earth and those who</u> <u>dwell in it</u> to worship the first beast, whose fatal wound was healed.

Revelation 13:12 (NASB)

- Earth Dwellers will be deceived by the Beast.
- And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life.

Revelation 13:14 (NASB)

- Earth Dwellers will not follow the Lamb.
- And I saw another angel flying in midheaven, having an eternal gospel to preach to <u>those who live on the</u> <u>earth</u>, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people...

Revelation 14:6 (NASB)

- Earth Dwellers will be amazed by the Beast.
- The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about • to come up out of the abyss and go to destruction. And those who dwell on the earth, whose name has not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, will wonder when they see the beast, that he was and is not and will come. Revelation 17:8 (NASB)

### Sidebar – Book of Life

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...and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 21:27 (NASB)

# The Aftermath

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.<sup>11</sup> Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness...

2 Peter 3:10-11 (NASB)

# The Aftermath

...looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat! <sup>13</sup> But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

2 Peter 3:12-13 (NASB)



#### Intermediate State of Man Between Death and Resurrection

(taken from I. Jensen, 1-2 Thessalonians Study Guide, 55)



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