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Revelation 20:1-10



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His people will share his victory.
Evil will meet its final end.

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Teaching Outline

REVELATION 20:1-10 | NIV

Big idea: Jesus will reign, his people will share his victory, and evil will meet its final end.

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“Satan will be released from his prison”	
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4. REMOVAL - The devil is defeated forever	20:10
“was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur”	
• Permanent punishment 20:10 - “for ever and ever.” • Perfect future 20:10; 21:1-5 - “for ever and ever.”	

Note on the heart: John 3 explains our need for changed hearts. Revelation 20 does not state why Satan is released.

Closing question: If Jesus is the King of my future, where do I need to surrender to his rule today?

1. RESTRAINT

THE DECEIVER IS CONFINED

Revelation 20:1-3

NIV	THE MESSAGE
1 And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. 2 He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a thousand years. 3 He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him, to keep him from deceiving the nations anymore until the thousand years were ended. After that, he must be set free for a short time.	I saw an Angel descending out of Heaven. He carried the key to the Abyss and a chain—a huge chain. He grabbed the Dragon, that old Snake—the very Devil, Satan himself!—chained him up for a thousand years, dumped him into the Abyss, slammed it shut and sealed it tight. No more trouble out of him, deceiving the nations—until the thousand years are up. After that he has to be let loose briefly.

- **Authority from heaven - God has the power to confine Satan.**
 - **Arrest of the enemy - Satan is seized and bound.**
 - **Absence of deception - He cannot deceive the nations during this period.**
- Millennium** means a thousand years. This sermon understands it as a future reign of Jesus. Christians differ about the timing, but agree that Jesus will finally defeat evil.
- Remember:** The devil is dangerous, but he is never in charge.
- Consider:** What fear do I need to bring to Jesus?

2. REIGN

THE FAITHFUL LIVE AND REIGN

Revelation 20:4-6

NIV	THE MESSAGE
4 I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They 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 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 are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.	I saw thrones. Those put in charge of judgment sat on the thrones. I also saw the souls of those beheaded because of their witness to Jesus and the Word of God, who refused to worship either the Beast or his image, refused to take his mark on forehead or hand—they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years! The rest of the dead did not live until the thousand years were up. This is the first resurrection—and those involved most blessed, most holy. No second death for them! They’re priests of God and Christ; they’ll reign with him a thousand years.

- **Faithfulness honored**
- **From death to life**
- **Favored by God**
- **For God alone**
- **Free from the second death**
- **Faithful service to God**
- **Future rule with Christ**

First resurrection: Understood here as believers being raised bodily.

Second death: Final judgment, pictured as the lake of fire ([Revelation 20:14](#)).

Remember: Faithfulness to Jesus is never wasted.

3. REBELLION

THE ENEMY’S LAST ATTEMPT

Revelation 20:7-9

NIV	THE MESSAGE
7 When the thousand years are over, Satan will be released from his prison 8 and will go out to deceive the nations in the four corners of the earth—Gog and Magog—and to gather them for battle. In number they are like the sand on the seashore. 9 They marched across the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of God’s people, the city he loves. But fire came down from heaven and devoured them.	When the thousand years are up, Satan will be let loose from his cell, and will launch again his old work of deceiving the nations, searching out victims in every nook and cranny of earth, even Gog and Magog! He’ll talk them into going to war and will gather a huge army, millions strong. They’ll stream across the earth, surround and lay siege to the camp of God’s holy people, the Beloved City. They’ll no sooner get there than fire will pour out of Heaven and burn them up.

- **Released to deceive - Satan returns to his old work.**
 - **Rebellion reveals the heart - We need more than better circumstances.**
 - **Rebels defeated - God ends the attack.**
- Gog and Magog:** Names drawn from Ezekiel 38-39 for enemies gathered against God’s people. Do not confuse these rebels with believers raised with bodies that cannot die.

The need for changed hearts is a lesson drawn with [John 3:3-8](#). Revelation 20 does not state why God permits Satan’s release.

Remember: Being near God’s blessings is not the same as surrendering to his King.

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4. REMOVAL

THE DEVIL IS DEFEATED FOREVER

Revelation 20:10

NIV	THE MESSAGE
10 And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.	The Devil who deceived them will be hurled into Lake Fire and Brimstone, joining the Beast and False Prophet, the three in torment around the clock for ages without end.

- **Permanent punishment - Satan’s defeat is final.**
- **Perfect future - God’s new creation follows the final judgment.**

Satan does not rule the lake of fire. He is punished there. The temporary prison at the beginning of the chapter gives way to final judgment.

The thousand years are not the final destination

Revelation 20:11-15 describes final judgment. Revelation 21:1-5 describes the new heaven and earth, where God lives with his people and death, mourning, and pain are gone. Tap the references to read these passages.

Remember: God’s future brings more than a limit on evil. Evil will finally be defeated.

Our ultimate hope: Life with God in the new creation - not simply a better version of the world we know.

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My response

IF JESUS IS KING OF MY FUTURE, HIS RULE SHOULD SHAPE MY LIFE TODAY.

- Trust him when I am afraid.
- Remain faithful when obedience is costly.
- Ask him to change my heart.
- Serve today with hope for the future.

Take one step this week

Where do I need to surrender to Jesus's rule? Name one specific step of obedience, courage, service, or trust.

The invitation is personal

We do not enter God's future by mastering a timeline or earning our place. Jesus died for our sins and rose again. Turn to him in repentance and faith. Salvation is God's gift, not payment for good works ([John 3:16-18](#); [Ephesians 2:8-10](#)).

Closing question: If Jesus is the King of my future, where do I need to surrender to his rule today?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, help me trust your promises and live faithfully today. Show me where my loyalty is divided, and give me courage to follow you. Amen.

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Scripture Guide | Full NIV text: Restraint

REVELATION 20:1-10 | COMPLETE PRIMARY PASSAGE

The full NIV passage is printed below, with each verse connected to the sermon. The point-by-point chart and supporting references follow.

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Authority from heaven Revelation 20:1 (NIV)	1 And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain.
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Scripture Guide | Full NIV text: Reign

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Faithfulness honored Revelation 20:4 (NIV)	4 I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They 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 a thousand years.
From death to life Revelation 20:5 (NIV)	5 (The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection.
Blessed, holy, and serving with Christ Revelation 20:6 (NIV)	6 Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

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Scripture Guide | Full NIV text:
Final victory

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Rebellion: Satan released Revelation 20:7 (NIV)	7 When the thousand years are over, Satan will be released from his prison
Rebellion: Nations deceived Revelation 20:8 (NIV)	8 and will go out to deceive the nations in the four corners of the earth—Gog and Magog—and to gather them for battle. In number they are like the sand on the seashore.
Rebellion: Rebels defeated Revelation 20:9 (NIV)	9 They marched across the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of God’s people, the city he loves. But fire came down from heaven and devoured them.
Removal: The devil defeated forever Revelation 20:10 (NIV)	10 And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

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Scripture Guide | Restraint and reign

POINTS, PASSAGES, AND SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE | 1 OF 3

The complete NIV passage appears at the start of this Scripture Guide. This chart connects each point with a key phrase and supporting passages. Tap a reference to read it.

POINT / SUBPOINT	PRIMARY SCRIPTURE NIV	SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE
MAIN POINT 1 RESTRAINT The deceiver is confined	Rev. 20:1-3 “bound him for a thousand years.”	Rev. 12:9 Satan is identified as the deceiver.
• Authority from heaven	Rev. 20:1 “having the key to the Abyss”	Rev. 1:17-18 Jesus holds authority over death and Hades.
• Arrest of the enemy	Rev. 20:2 “He seized the dragon”	Gen. 3:1-15 The ancient serpent recalls the first deception.
• Absence of deception	Rev. 20:3 “to keep him from deceiving the nations anymore”	Matt. 12:28-29 Jesus describes tying up a strong man. Some Christians connect this with Satan’s binding.
MAIN POINT 2 REIGN The faithful live and reign	Rev. 20:4-6 “They came to life and reigned with Christ”	Dan. 7:21-27 God’s people receive the kingdom.
• Faithfulness honored	Rev. 20:4 “their testimony about Jesus”	Rev. 12:11 Victory comes through Jesus, the Lamb, as his people remain faithful.
• From death to life	Rev. 20:4-5 “This is the first resurrection.”	1 Cor. 15:20-23 Believers are raised when Christ comes.

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Scripture Guide | Promises and rebellion

POINTS, PASSAGES, AND SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE | 2 OF 3

The complete NIV passage appears at the start of this Scripture Guide. This chart connects each point with a key phrase and supporting passages. Tap a reference to read it.

POINT / SUBPOINT	PRIMARY SCRIPTURE NIV	SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE
• Favored by God	Rev. 20:6 “Blessed and holy”	Rev. 14:13 Those who die in the Lord are blessed.
• For God alone	Rev. 20:6 “Blessed and holy”	1 Pet. 1:15-16 God’s people are called to live his way.
• Free from the second death	Rev. 20:6 “The second death has no power over them”	Rev. 2:10-11; 20:14 The second death cannot claim Christ’s people.
• Faithful service to God	Rev. 20:6 “priests of God and of Christ”	Rev. 1:5-6; 1 Pet. 2:9 God’s people serve him and declare his praise.
• Future rule with Christ	Rev. 20:6 “reign with him”	2 Tim. 2:11-12; Rev. 3:21 Believers share Christ’s reign.
MAIN POINT 3 REBELLION The enemy’s last attempt	Rev. 20:7-9 “Satan will be released from his prison”	Rev. 20:3 The brief release was already announced.
• Released to deceive	Rev. 20:8 “deceive the nations”	Ezek. 38:1-9; 39:1-6 Enemies gather against God and face judgment.

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Scripture Guide | Final victory and our response

POINTS, PASSAGES, AND SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE | 3 OF 3

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POINT / SUBPOINT	PRIMARY SCRIPTURE NIV	SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE
• Rebellion reveals the heart	Rev. 20:7-9 Rebellion follows Satan’s deception. Summary.	John 3:3-8; Mark 7:20-23 New birth is needed; this is not the stated reason for Satan’s release.
• Rebels defeated	Rev. 20:9 “fire came down from heaven”	Ezek. 38:22; 39:6 God defeats his enemies.
MAIN POINT 4 REMOVAL The devil is defeated forever	Rev. 20:10 “was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur”	Matt. 25:41 Eternal fire is prepared for the devil and his angels.
• Permanent punishment	Rev. 20:10 “for ever and ever.”	Rev. 20:11-15 The following scene describes human judgment.
• Perfect future	Rev. 20:10; 21:1-4 Final judgment and new creation follow. Summary.	Rev. 21:1-5; 22:3-5 God removes death and the curse.
• God’s offer of salvation	Rev. 20:6 “The second death has no power over them”	John 3:16-18; Eph. 2:8-10 Salvation is a gift through faith, not works.
• Our response today	Rev. 20:4, 6 “reigned with Christ”	1 Cor. 15:54-58 Resurrection hope strengthens faithful service.

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Context | Who first heard Revelation?

A message for real churches

John writes to seven churches in the Roman province of Asia, in what is now western Turkey: Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea ([Revelation 1:4, 11](#)). These were real congregations learning to follow Jesus under pressure.

John was on Patmos

John says he was on the island of Patmos because of God's word and his witness to Jesus ([Revelation 1:9](#)). His situation is usually understood as exile - being forced to live away from home. The verse does not describe his prison conditions or daily work.

Their challenges were different

Some faced poverty, threats, and death. Others struggled with false teaching, sexual sin, fading love, or comfortable religion. Ephesus had lost its first love; Sardis looked alive but was spiritually dead; wealthy Laodicea did not recognize its spiritual need ([Revelation 2:4; 3:1, 17](#)).

Why was the book written?

Revelation shows God's servants what must take place and calls them to hear and obey. It strengthens suffering believers, warns those drifting from Jesus, and directs worship to God. Its future promises are meant to shape how we live now ([Revelation 1:1-3; 2:5, 10; 22:8-9](#)).

When was it written?

Many scholars place it around AD 95-96, near the end of Emperor Domitian's reign. Others argue for an earlier date. The book does not name the emperor or give a year; the sermon does not depend on settling the date.

The question behind the book: When following Jesus is costly and evil looks powerful, will we trust him and remain faithful?

Context | Where chapter 20 fits

A CHAPTER-BY-CHAPTER OVERVIEW OF REVELATION

The numbers in this chart are chapters in Revelation, not verse numbers. This is a guide to the book’s flow, not a claim that every vision follows a strict timetable.

REVELATION CHAPTERS	THE BIG PICTURE
1-3 Jesus and his churches	Jesus knows each church and calls it to remain faithful.
4-5 Heaven’s throne and the Lamb	God reigns, and Jesus is worthy to open the scroll. Evil is never God’s equal.
6-11 Judgment and witness	God judges evil. Those killed for their faith ask when he will act.
12-14 The conflict exposed	The dragon opposes God’s people; the beast demands worship.
15-18 Babylon falls	The wealthy, corrupt city called Babylon faces God’s judgment.
19 The victorious King	Jesus defeats the beast and false prophet.
20 The enemy’s end	Satan is restrained; Christ’s people reign; final rebellion ends; judgment follows.
21-22 God with his people	God makes everything new. Death and the curse are gone; his people serve and reign.

The reading taught in this sermon: Jesus returns before a future thousand-year reign. Final judgment and the new creation follow. Other Christians understand chapter 20 as revisiting the present age from another angle.

Context | Promises coming true

CHAPTER 20 CONNECTS WITH WHAT THE CHURCHES ALREADY HEARD

EARLIER IN REVELATION	THE CONNECTION TO CHAPTER 20
Revelation 2:10-11 Faithfulness even to death	Those who belong to Christ are safe from the second death (20:6).
Revelation 3:21 Sharing Christ's throne	His faithful people are pictured reigning with him (20:4-6).
Revelation 6:9-11 Those killed for God's word	Those killed for their witness now live and reign with Christ (20:4).
Revelation 12:9 The dragon identified	The same ancient serpent is seized and bound (20:2).
Revelation 13:15-17 Pressure to worship the beast	Those who refused the beast's worship and mark are honored (20:4).

John's vision connects to earlier Bible passages

The images John describes in his vision have roots in earlier parts of the Bible:

The ancient serpent: The snake who deceived Eve in Genesis 3. [Revelation 12:9](#) identifies this serpent as the devil, or Satan.

The thrones: [Daniel 7:9-10, 22, 27](#) describes God judging evil and giving his people a share in his kingdom.

Gog and Magog: [Ezekiel 38-39](#) describes enemies gathering against God's people and God defeating them. These names connect John's vision with that earlier promise of victory.

The message is bigger than a timeline: Jesus keeps his promises, faithfulness matters, and evil will not have the last word.

For more detail about the date, setting, and different interpretations, see the separate Preaching Notes. The date discussion draws on early testimony in [Irenaeus, Against Heresies 5.30.3](#).

City Group Questions | Salvation and paradise

PARTICIPANT QUIZ + DISCUSSION | 1 OF 5

A review of the first five weeks of our sermon series. Genesis 1-2 tells us how the story began. Scripture also tells us how it ends. We will review what lies ahead, consider our place in the story, and think about the people we love.

- 1. According to the Bible, how can a person know for sure they will go to heaven?**
 - A. By doing enough good deeds to outweigh their sins.
 - B. By receiving God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ.
 - C. By faithfully following religious traditions.
- 2. What did Jesus promise the repentant criminal who was crucified beside Him?**
 - A. He would be with Jesus in paradise that very day.
 - B. He would enter the millennial kingdom that day.
 - C. He would wait for final judgment to learn his fate.
- 3. When a Christian dies, what happens to them and their body?**
 - A. Their body is resurrected and taken to heaven at death.
 - B. Their body remains behind, but they go to be with Christ; their body is resurrected when He returns.
 - C. Both body and spirit remain in the grave until the final judgment.

DISCUSS

If someone told you they believe they are a good enough person to go to heaven, what would you tell them makes a person right with God?

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City Group Questions | Death: the rich man and Lazarus

PARTICIPANT QUIZ + DISCUSSION | 2 OF 5

- 4. What did Jesus teach through the rich man and Lazarus about what happens after death?**
- A. The rich man could not change his situation after death.
 - B. Everyone receives a new body the moment they die.
 - C. Everyone gets another chance to follow God.
- 5. How are Hades and Gehenna (Lake of Fire) different?**
- A. Hades is followed by another chance to be saved.
 - B. Hades is where unbelievers are punished before final judgment; Gehenna is where punishment continues forever afterward.
 - C. They are two names for the same temporary place.
- 6. Which description of hell best summarizes what Pastor Rick taught?**
- A. A symbolic warning about bad choices in this life.
 - B. A literal place of personal, painful, permanent, and preventable punishment.
 - C. A place where people are punished briefly before entering heaven.
- 7. According to the Bible, why does someone face eternal punishment in hell?**
- A. Because they committed terrible sins, such as murder or harming children.
 - B. Because they did not do enough good deeds to earn heaven.
 - C. Because they rejected God's gift of salvation through Jesus Christ.

DISCUSS

Jesus compared the days before His return to the days of Noah. Pastor Rick described our focus on the next trip, purchase, promotion, or sports season as living in a "three-foot world." "Eternity reveals what life conceals." What will matter to you five minutes after you die?

City Group Questions | Tribulation, Christ's return and judgment

PARTICIPANT QUIZ + DISCUSSION | 3 OF 5

- 8. Why do many Christians believe the tribulation will last seven years?**
- A. Jesus states that it will last exactly seven years.
 - B. They connect [Daniel 9:27](#) with other Bible passages about the future.
 - C. Revelation uses the phrase “seven-year tribulation.”
- 9. According to the seven-year tribulation view, what does the Antichrist do at the halfway point?**
- A. He exalts himself as God and demands worship.
 - B. He ends the tribulation and begins the millennial kingdom.
 - C. He gives up his power and encourages people to follow Jesus.
- 10. What do Christians disagree about concerning the rapture?**
- A. Whether Jesus will return at all.
 - B. Whether Jesus gathers believers before or after the tribulation.
 - C. Whether Christians will ever live with Jesus.
- 11. In Matthew 25, what does Jesus say to the sheep and goats when He returns in judgment?**
- A. He welcomes the sheep into His kingdom and tells the goats to depart from Him.
 - B. He welcomes those who kept religious rules and rejects those who did not.
 - C. He welcomes those whose good deeds outweigh their sins and rejects the rest.

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12. What is the difference between the judgment seat of Christ and the Great White Throne Judgment?

- A. Believers are rewarded for worthwhile works; the Great White Throne is the final judgment for unbelievers.
- B. Both describe Christians earning their salvation.
- C. The Great White Throne concerns only angels.

DISCUSS

If you believed that you and your family might live through the Great Tribulation, how would that change the way you live and raise your children? Since we do not know for certain, what is stopping us from living that way now?

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City Group Questions | This age and the age to come

PARTICIPANT QUIZ + DISCUSSION | 4 OF 5

13. What event marks the end of this present age in the view presented in this series?

- A. The death of any individual believer.
- B. Jesus returning at the end of the tribulation.
- C. Every believer going to paradise at death.

14. Which sequence puts these future events in the right order?

- A. Tribulation → Jesus returns → Millennial kingdom → Final judgment → New heaven and new earth.
- B. New heaven and new earth → Tribulation → Millennium → Jesus returns.
- C. Final judgment → Millennium → Tribulation → Jesus returns.

15. According to Revelation 20-21, what happens after Christ's thousand-year reign?

- A. Satan's final rebellion is defeated, final judgment follows, and believers inhabit the new heaven and new earth.
- B. Jesus returns to die again, and the present age begins again.
- C. The final judgment takes place, but God's people remain forever in the millennial kingdom.

16. What does the Bible teach about where people spend eternity?

- A. Everyone eventually goes to the same place.
- B. Believers live forever with God in the new creation; those who did not choose to follow Jesus Christ face final punishment.
- C. The thousand-year kingdom is the final home of everyone.

DISCUSS

After learning how the story ends, what do you believe awaits you after death? What would you want someone you love to understand about their own future?

City Group Questions | The Millennial Kingdom

PARTICIPANT QUIZ + DISCUSSION | 5 OF 5

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Read the NIV or The Message passage in the follow-along pages before answering.

- 17. What happens to Satan at the beginning of the thousand-year reign?**
- A. He is bound so he cannot deceive the nations during that time.
 - B. He is thrown into the lake of fire before the thousand years begin.
 - C. He is allowed to rule alongside Christ for a thousand years.
- 18. According to [Revelation 20:4-6](#), what do those who share in the first resurrection do?**
- A. They return to ordinary life without any responsibility.
 - B. They reign with Christ and serve as priests of God.
 - C. They wait for the final judgment before meeting Christ.
- 19. What does it mean that the “second death” has no power over them?**
- A. They can never experience physical death in any sense.
 - B. They are protected from final condemnation.
 - C. They will not have to give an account of their lives.
- 20. What happens when the thousand years come to an end?**
- A. The new heaven and new earth begin before any other event.
 - B. Satan is released, leads a final rebellion, and is defeated.
 - C. Christ gives up His authority and Satan takes over.

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21. How is the millennial kingdom different from the new heaven and new earth?

- A. The millennial reign comes before final judgment; the new creation follows it.
- B. The millennial kingdom is the final eternal home described in Revelation 21.
- C. The new creation is temporary, but the millennium lasts forever.

DISCUSS

What part of Revelation 20 challenged your understanding most: Satan being restrained, believers reigning with Christ, or Satan's final defeat? What does the passage tell us about it?

CONSIDER YOUR PLACE IN THE STORY

Before this series, what did you think happened after Jesus returns? How has learning about the millennial kingdom changed your understanding of your own future?