What Is This World Coming To?

An In-depth Study Of Bible Prophecy
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Lesson 26: The Actions At The Lord's Arrival

Before we begin the study of the 1,000-year reign of Christ here on earth, The Millennium, we have to address what our Lord did upon His arrival again here on earth.

1st Point The Introduction To The Binding of Satan (Revelation 20:1-3)

- We notice that this chapter begins with the familiar phrase…**And I saw...**
- By starting this sentence with the word **"and"** lets us know that this is a sequence of events that began in **chapter 19:1.**
- It's letting us know that events are following in **logical**, **chronological** order.
- It's like saying *and this happened and next this happened*
- **What a dramatic moment this will be!**
- **The moment is dramatic; the message is dramatic.**
- The descriptive names stand out.
- This person is called **dragon**; **old serpent; devil; satan.**

2nd Point The Work & Intent Of Satan Is Coming To An End

- You see Satan, as the god of this age **(2 Corinthians 4:4**), has carried on his work to defeat the purpose and program of God.
- As we would say; *"THE LORD IS BEGININNG TO CLEAN HOUSE"*.
- All that would, and those that would keep peace from reigning on earth will be removed.
- Having already disposed of the antichrist, and the false prophet and the armies of the world, it is only natural that our Lord would then turn to Satan.

3rd Point The Ascent Of This Angel From Heaven (Revelation 20:1-3)

An Angel descends from heaven:

- He is **holding** the keys to the Abyss.
- He has this **great** chain.
- He **grabs** Satan, the dragon, that old ancient serpent and **binds** him.
- And **throws** him into this bottomless pit (literally the abyss)
- And then this angel **locks** this bottomless pit.
- This **prevents** Satan from **deceiving the nations** anymore for **1,000 years.**

- According to **Revelation 20:3,** Satan will be set free for a short period of time after the 1,000 years.

4th Point The Rewarding Of The Martyrs (Revelation 20:4-6)

- Again and again, John receives these revelations
  - **John sees** these thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge.
  - You see Christ had predicted in **Luke 22:29-30** that the 12 disciples would **eat** and **drink** at HIS table in HIS kingdom and would **sit** on thrones and judge the 12 tribes of Israel.
  - **John is informed** in **Revelation 20:4** that:
  - **1st,** these are the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their standing true to the Lord in the Great Tribulation.
  - **2ndly,** they had been killed because they refused to worship the beast and receive the mark of the beast.
  - **3rdly,** they will be resurrected with glorified bodies and live and reign with Christ for 1,000 years
  - **This VERY! VERY! IMPORTANT**
  - **According to verse 5 the rest of the dead did not come to life until the 1,000 years were ended.**
  - This refers to the resurrection of the wicked dead, that will be discussed later in **verses 11-15**.

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