



The Canadian *Lord's Day* Association

Bible Course

Acts to Revelation

Lesson 87

Name: _____

Read Revelation 20

**Vision #7:
The Millennial
Kingdom**

Revelation 20 is one of the most controversial chapters in Revelation. This chapter introduces the final section of the book of Revelation. Everything is becoming more vivid, vibrant, and is like a grand crescendo at the end of a symphony or the grand finale at the end of a fireworks display. Review the beginning notes of this book to review the three millennialists views.

1. Briefly explain the three views of the millennial kingdom of Christ.

- a. _____

- b. _____

- c. _____

2. The first three verses of chapter 20 describe the binding of Satan. And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the _____ of the _____ and a great _____ in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the _____, and _____ and bound him _____

years. Satan is like a dog on a leash or with an electric fence. The dog can go so far and no further. The Scriptures speak of Christ controlling Satan:

- a. Colossians 2:15 ...and having spoiled principalities and powers, He made a show of them openly, _____ over _____ in it.
 - b. Hebrews 2:14 ...that through _____, He might destroy him that had the power of _____, that is, the _____.
3. Revelation 20 continues the description of John's vision. The reign of the saints is described (the 1st resurrection – saints in heaven, not yet with their bodies) and then the loosing of Satan for a short time. ...And when the thousand years are expired, _____ shall be _____ out of his prison, and shall go out to _____ the nations...and the _____ that _____ them was cast into the lake of _____ and _____... forever and ever.

Revelation 20:11-15 is a very solemn portion. We must appear before the King of kings and Lord of lords on the final day and we will give an account of every word, thought and action. We will go to one of two places.

4. And I saw a _____, and _____ that sat on it. The throne speaks of judgment (a court of law), authority, royalty, summons, condemnation (if not found in Christ), glory, and grace (if found in Christ).
5. **All** shall appear before the throne...and I saw the _____, small and great, _____ before _____. ... and the _____ gave up the dead which were in it; and _____ and _____ delivered up the _____

which were in them. All will stand before God in one day. There will be no more separation of body and soul.

6. ...and they were _____ every man according to their _____. Remember, even our best works are stained with sin. So, the ultimate question is, "On whose works are we resting?"
7. The opening of the books will occur ...and the _____ were opened (v. 12): and another _____ was _____, which is the book of _____: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books (book of God's memory – nothing will be forgotten, the book of the law, gospel, and conscience).
8. The judge on this throne is: _____
(see Matt 25:31-32). The glorified God-man will judge...it will be a divine and humane. No one will be able to say of this judge that He doesn't know what it means to be human.

What will you do if you are unprepared to meet God? You don't know what to do? Follow the example of Christian in Pilgrim's Progress. Christian cried that he was condemned to die and was not ready to come to the judgment. The Evangelist questioned why he stood still. Christian said he did not know where to go. Evangelist directed Christian to the wicket gate (Christ). So Christian put his fingers in his ears so he would not be dissuaded by others around and ran to the gate. Yet, we so easily turn aside. Go to the Word, read the Word, search the Word, and plead upon the promises of God that are found in the Word.

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Meditation

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, Ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Matthew 25:34

We have a joyful word to our hearts now: "Come let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." Isaiah 1:18. There is another precious word from Jesus to our souls, "Come unto me, all you that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give your rest." But this last Come, from the lips of our King in the Day of Judgment, will be the

most joyful, crowning word of all! Every soul who has tasted his love on earth shall then drink his fill at the fountain-head, in a blissful, never ending eternity of glory.

“Ye blessed of my Father;” beloved from eternity, and blessed to eternity. Chosen in me; blessed in me with all spiritual blessings. I was given to you. I sought you, and gathered you to myself in time. Now come, live and reign with me forever in my kingdom. Is not the thought of this enough to make us wish to break through the walls of our prison, the body? Pause, O soul! Call together all thy faculties; rather, O Divine Spirit, realize the view, bring near the solemn, joyful day to our minds. Give us, even now, to dwell on it with rapture of affection and ardor of love.

“Inherit the kingdom prepared for you:” not bought by your good works; not purchased by your well-doings; not obtained by your faithfulness; but the free gift of my Father’s love and good pleasure; richly prepared by his free grace and bounty, purposely reserved for you. Come ye all. Not one of my little flock shall be rejected; there is a mansion for each of you. Ere you had a being, or time commenced, the kingdom was established, the heirs chosen, places prepared. I visited you on earth; so that you loved me, though you saw me not. I invisible wrought in your hearts, and drew them out in love to myself, my cause, and my brethren; so you approved yourselves my disciples, by following my example. Come ye, enter, possess, enjoy what you were born for, born again to meet for. O methinks it strikes one’s heart with heavenly joy to conceive of the loud hosannas and shoutings, (O that we may catch the heavenly flame,) “Salvation to our God, who sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.” “Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his father; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.” Rev. 1:5, 6.

“Now to the Lord, that makes us know
“The wonders of his dying love,
“Be humble honors paid below,
“And strains of noble praise above.”

A Spiritual Treasury for the Children of God, William Mason

O my friend, if you could die and say that Christ had never been offered to you would have and easier hell than you are like to have. You must go your way either rejoicing in or reject Christ this day; either won, or more lost than ever.

Gems of Robert Murray McCheyne