

Sermon Discussion Guide:

The Defeat of Satan

Sunday, October 17, 2021

Scripture: **Revelation 20:7-10**

Series: **Revelation**

OVERVIEW

God's Word is living and active. We should not oversimplify our theology or emphasize one aspect to the detriment of the other. Revelation is about the victory of Jesus and His Church over Satan and the world. As we study this book and especially this chapter, we are encouraged to rest in God's sovereignty while also being prompted to act as His servants according to His will in the present time. **The promise of Satan's defeat comforts us and calls us to act.**

CORROBORATING TEXTS

John 8:44, 2 Corinthians 11:14, Ephesians 6:10-18, 1 Peter 3:18, 2 Corinthians 5:17

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is the theme of the book of Revelation? [*The victory of Jesus and His Church over Satan and the world.*]
2. Does an obsession to connect specific, contemporary names and dates with the symbols of Revelation contribute or detract to its theme? How?
3. How is Satan bound during the present church age in a way he was not before? [*Now the church is commissioned and empowered to make disciples of all nations through the preaching of the gospel. Before Jesus' resurrection, this light was largely impeded by Satan's deception of the nations.*]
4. Verses 7-8 indicate this period of grace toward the nations will come to an end before Satan is ultimately defeated. What should this finite opportunity prompt you to do today? [*Share the gospel of Jesus Christ with a sense of urgency because every sin will soon be punished—either with the life of the sinner or with the substitutionary life of Jesus.*]
5. Are you tempted to excessively fear evil in the world or to be passive in spiritual warfare? How does this passage give you renewed peace and motivation to fulfill your mission?