

Revelation 20:7-15
The Great White Throne

The failure of men (7-9)

Satan is released – after 1000 yrs. – a test? (Deuteronomy 13:1-3)

Experiencing life with Jesus – man is still not satisfied

Sand of the seashore – the number of those who rebelled (I John 2:15-17)

Satan uses the same tactics to deceive (Gen. 3 & Mt. 4)

Surrounding God's people – insurmountable odds (Psalm 27:1-3)

We need not fear the enemy if we stand with Jesus (James 4:7)

Settled with finality – the last rebellion of man (see dispensations)

Mankind has failed in every dispensation – yet God rescues a remnant

The enemy of men (10) (I Peter 5:8) ***He always seeks to devour.***

Tempter – the deceiver from the beginning (Genesis 3:13 / James 1:14)

Lying is his native tongue (John 8:44)

Thrown into the lake of burning sulfur – the stench of evil (II Corinthians 2:16)

Like Sodom / we also give a fragrance of death to the unsaved

Tormented forever – he has no kingdom (beast and the false prophet – 1000 yrs.)

(Jude 13 / Mark 12:38-40) ***His punishment will be greater than any***

The judgment of men (11-15) ***the final role call will be to stand before Jesus***

Great White Throne – He who sits upon it (John 5:22-23 / Philippians 2:9-11)

Giving an account to the One whose love was rejected (Heb. 10:26-31)

Great and small are judged – according to the books (Hebrews 4:13)

Everything ever said and done will be exposed (Matthew 12:36-37)

Giving up the dead – all who will face the second death

Physical death is not the end – judgment follows (Hebrews 9:27)

Those of the sea – Noah's flood (Genesis 6:5)

Whose thoughts were continually evil

Those of Hades – the place of the wicked dead (Luke 16:27-28)

A place of torment awaiting the final judgment

Going into the lake of fire – this is eternal (II Thessalonians 1:8-9)

Separated from God (light, love, & goodness)

Discussion question for Revelation 20:7-15

How can we stand when tempted by Satan? How can we stand when tested by God? (James 1:2-18) ***Do not be deceived! Know that evil is found in my own heart and that everything that is good comes from God. He does not change. He has rescued us through His Word. Do not be discouraged, but rather be steadfast in your faith. God has a purpose in everything He allows us to experience. Be humble and do not be enticed by riches.***

Why is the Gospel (and those who share the Gospel) a stench to those who are evil? (Psalm 14 / Romans 3:10-18) ***They do not want the wickedness of their heart exposed. (John 3:19-21) They are deceived into believing they are basically good and the gospel challenges that lie. They want to do there own way (Isaiah 53:6) and do there own thing, without anyone telling them what to do or how to live.***

How does the truth of the Great White Throne impact you? How does it motivate you? (Ephesians 2:1-5 / Matthew 28:18-20) ***So thankful that God chose me to be a part of His family and write my name in His book of life. So thankful for my Savior, who gave His life for me even though I deserved nothing except His wrath. I want to respond by living my life for Him. I want to share the truth of the gospel with those who are under His wrath that they may escape having to face Judgment.***

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