

all things new

# REVELATION

**ICE BREAKER**

A lot has happened in the last Millennium, let alone century! What modern advancement are you most thankful for and why?

**TEXT**

**Revelation 20:1-6** | Have a member of your group read the passage aloud.

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. <sup>2</sup>And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, <sup>3</sup>and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while.

<sup>4</sup>Then I saw thrones, and seated on them were those to whom the authority to judge was committed. Also I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for the testimony of Jesus and for the word of God, and those who 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 for a thousand years. <sup>5</sup>The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. <sup>6</sup>Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

**MESSAGE OUTLINE**

**Title:** Welcome to the New Millennium

**Big Idea:** Christ will reign in a millennial kingdom.

**Key Question:** What will mark this millennial kingdom?

1. Satan will be bound. (vv. 1-3)
2. Saints reigning with the victorious King. (vv. 4-6)

## DISCUSSION



- While you more than likely have not faced life-threatening persecution as a Christian living in America, where have you experienced pressure or “persecution” for your faith?
- Living out the values of God’s Kingdom can be challenging. In what areas of your life or faith walk have you felt the temptation to “throw in the towel?”
- In Revelation 20:1-3, we read that Satan will be bound for a millennium. How can the knowledge that one day the enemy’s power will be removed encourage you in the areas of your faith that are the most difficult?
- Verses 4-6 in this week’s passage paint a picture of Christ’s millennium reign. What do you imagine the world will be like under the rule and reign of Christ? What will be different?
- There has been a lot of debate about when the New Millennium will take place but the more important question to answer is: “Why” is the New Millennium significant to believers?

## LIFE APPLICATION



Christ will reign in the New Millennium and Satan will be bound, unable to deceive the nations! This future promise gives hope to all Believers, encouraging us to live a life that is pleasing and honoring to God today.

As a group take a few minutes to revisit some of the areas of your lives where you’ve felt the temptation to “give up” living a God-honoring life. How can you encourage one another to keep going this week? What would it look like for you to hold one another accountable to living a life pleasing to God?

Jot your ideas below and send a picture to your group to remind everyone of your action steps this week.

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## PRAYER REQUESTS




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