

all things new

REVELATION

ICE BREAKER

Are you a person who always needs to have the final word? Share a time someone else got the final word.

TEXT

Revelation 20:7-15 | Have a member of your group read the passage aloud.

⁷ And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison ⁸ and will come out to deceive the nations that are at the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them for battle; their number is like the sand of the sea. ⁹ And they marched up over the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city, but fire came down from heaven and consumed them, ¹⁰ and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. ¹³ And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. ¹⁴ Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. ¹⁵ And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

MESSAGE OUTLINE

Title: The End of Evil

Big Idea: God gets the final word on sin and evil

Key Question: How does God deal with the forces of evil?

1. Satan is defeated. (vv. 7-10)
2. Sin is judged. (vv. 11-13,15)
3. Death is destroyed. (v. 14)

DISCUSSION



- In Revelation 20, God gets the last word on Satan, sin, and death. How does hearing about John's vision of Satan's defeat encourage your faith?
- In verses 11-15, John describes how he sees all of humanity stand before the great white throne in judgment. What does it say about God that he will judge everyone's actions?
- Our sin will either be judged before God's throne or be judged on the cross of Christ. How does it impact you knowing that Jesus endured the judgment we deserved? What holds you back from trusting in Jesus and taking your sin to the cross for forgiveness and freedom from judgment?
- Not only will sin and evil be destroyed but death itself! How have you seen our culture make peace with death and accept it as just a normal and natural part of life? How does this view contrast with how God views death?
- Read 1 Corinthians 15:22-26. How does this passage illuminate Revelation 20:14? How does it encourage you as a believer?

LIFE APPLICATION



In the end, God will defeat Satan, sin, evil, and death itself! This is great news for those who have put their faith in Jesus and given their lives to Him! Yet, at the same time, the sobering reality of this week's passage is that a large portion of humanity will be deceived by Satan and end up with him – thrown into the lake of fire. How can we use this reality to change the way we live?

As a group discuss how you can both define and clearly communicate the gospel. Think about ways that you can show and share the gospel this summer with the people God has placed in your life.

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

PRAYER REQUESTS


