

# THE BOOK OF REVELATION

A REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

## REVELATION CHAPTER 20:1-15

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The "Summation" of Text

If you remember, we stated to you that the Book of Revelation is the least taught book of the New Testament because few have taken the time to understand it.

Well, it's this chapter that is the reason why...

*I Am Not Kidding*

when I tell you that, when I was just a little Jack,  
I was terrified by the closing scene of the Wizard of Oz.

When Dorothy and Her Three Friends with Toto in arm  
were summoned before that great awesome throne of Oz.

If Those Freaky-Demonic Flying Monkeys Didn't Scare You,  
That Witch was Sure To...

There is a Day Coming, According to the Bible When  
God will judge All of Humanity!

**THERE WILL BE A COURTROOM**

*but no jury*

**THERE WILL BE A PROSECUTOR**

*but no public defender*

**THERE WILL BE A JUDGE**  
*but there will be no chance to appeal*

**THERE WILL BE A SENTENCE**  
*but no one will be able to pay the fine*

**IT WILL BE THE GREAT WHITE THRONE JUDGMENT OF GOD**  
*and there will be no escape*

*This Passage of Scripture  
is very personal to me, for me.*

**It was a Monday in June of 1977  
when I heard this chapter of the Bible taught,  
And It Changed My Life Forever - and I 'm eternally glad for it!**

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. :2 He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is *the* Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; :3 and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while. And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then *I* saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received *his* mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. :5 But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. :6 Blessed and holy *is* he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years. Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be re-leased from his prison :8 and will go out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle, whose number *is* as the sand of the sea. :9 They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. :10 The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet *are*. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever :11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. :12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book* of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. :13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. :14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. :15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

## WHEN JESUS COMES TO JUDGE

**I.) Satan will be physically captured** v.1-3

**a.) his influence removed** v.1-2

**b.) his deception stopped** v.3

**c.) his purpose used** v.3

**II.) All believers will be resurrected** v.4-6

**a.) resurrected in righteousness** v.4

### Daniel 7:9-10

"I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire; :10 A fiery stream issued And came forth from before Him. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, And the books were opened.

**b.) resurrected in glory** v.5-6

**III.) A thousand years of peace and righteousness** v.7-10

**a.) but a man's heart still needs to be changed** v.7

**b.) but a man's mind still needs to be renewed** v.9-10

## WHEN JESUS COMES TO JUDGE

**IV.) God will judge all those exposed by sin** v.11-15

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**Jude 1:11-12**

Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah. :12 These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving *only* themselves. *They are* clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots;

Billions of people have died Twice (You Can Die Twice)

It Is The "Great" - The "White" - The "Throne"!

***God will judge all those exposed by sin***

**a.) *everyone without Christ must stand before Him* v.11-12**

**Numbers 32:23**

But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out. (find) here in Hebrew is to be exposed, made naked, revealed, having no where to hide.

**John 5:22-23**

For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, :23 that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

**Acts 10:42-43**

And He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that it is He who was ordained by God *to be* Judge of the living and the dead. :43 To Him all the prophets witness that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins."

**2 Timothy 4:1**

I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom:

**Psalm 2:12**

Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, And you perish *in* the way, When His wrath is kindled but a little.

**Verse 12**

...and book(s) were opened (works). And another book was opened, which is ***the Book of Life***. And the dead were judged according to their (works), by the things which were written in the books.

**Galatians 2:16**

knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.

**Romans 3:19-20**

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. :20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.

***Remember When Jesus "Judged" the Pharisee's?***

**John 8:8-9a**

And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground. :9 Then those who heard *it*, being convicted **by *their* conscience**, went out one by one,

**Romans 2:15**

for the law is written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves *their* thoughts will either accuse or else excuse *them*)

Every man and woman without Jesus will stand before God with their naked conscience exposed to the perfect mind of Almighty God

***and the books will be opened...***

**THE BOOK OF LIFE**

The totality record of every human allowed to live throughout all time is written in the book of life.

**Philippians 4:3**

And I urge you also, true companion, help these women who labored with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names *are* in the Book of Life.

**Revelation 3:5**

He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.

**THE LAMBS BOOK OF LIFE**

is the grateful record of every human being that has accepted God's gift of salvation by faith which comes through Christ.

**Daniel 12:1**

“At that time Michael shall stand up, The great prince who stands *watch* over the sons of your people; And there shall be a time of trouble, Such as never was since there was a nation, *Even* to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, Every one who is found written in the book.

**Revelation 13:8**

All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in **the Book of Life of the Lamb** slain from the foundation of the world.

**Revelation 21:27**

But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in **the Lamb’s Book of Life.**

## THE BOOK OF LIFE

The grand indictment of those humans who rejected God's gift, these will be removed, blotted out, of the book of life.

**Exodus 32:33**

And the LORD said to Moses, “Whoever has sinned against Me, I will blot him out of My book.

**Psalms 69:28**

Let them be blotted out of the book of the living,  
And not be written with the righteous.

**Revelation 22:19**

and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from **the Book of Life**, from the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book.

**Revelation 17:8**

The beast that you saw was, and is not, and will ascend out of the bottomless pit and go to perdition. And those who dwell on the earth will marvel, whose names are not written in **the Book of Life** from the foundation of the world,

There is Only One Way to Have Your Name Blotted Out of the Book of Life, That is to Never Get it Into the Lambs Book of Life

## **God will judge all those exposed by sin**

### **b.) and no one will be excused**

**v.13-15**

**:13** The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. **:14** Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. **:15** And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

## **God will judge all those exposed by sin**

### **c.) and so plead with you...**

**v.15**

**:15** And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

So Then I, As I Have Opportunity, I Offer You This Plea.  
I Plead With You - Be Humble Now  
I Plead With You - Sorrow Now  
I Plead With You - And Repent Now  
I Plead With You - And Believe, Now

### **Hebrews 10:26-29**

For if we sin willfully after we have received the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, **:27** but a certain fearful expectation of judgment, and fiery indignation which will devour the adversaries. **:28** Anyone who has rejected Moses' law dies without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. **:29** Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace?

### **2 Corinthians 6:1-2**

We then, as workers together *with Him* also plead with *you* not to receive the grace of God in vain. **:2** For He says: "*In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you.*" Behold, now *is* the accepted time; behold, now *is* the day of salvation.

### **Matthew 25:41,46**

"Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: **:46** And these will go away into everlasting punishment...'"

**Matthew 7:21-23**

“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. :22 Many will say to Me in that day, “Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ :23 And then I will declare to them, “I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!”

**Theatrically, Can You See This in Eternity?**

***Jesus will search the book of life for this man's name, and with pain He turns each page...***

I never knew you; depart from Me  
I never knew you; depart from Me  
I never knew you; depart from Me  
I never knew you; depart from Me  
I never knew you; depart from Me  
I never knew you; depart from Me  
I never knew you; depart from Me

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states that for every (1) word Jesus says about heaven, he says (3) about hell

**Romans 2:16**

in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

**Ecclesiastes 12:14**

For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil.

**Matthew 16:27**

For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works.

**Jude 1:12-13**

These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving *only* themselves. *They are* clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots; :13 raging waves of the sea, foaming up their own shame; **wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.**

**2 Thessalonians 2:10**

and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

**2 Peter 3:9**

The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

**John 3:16-20**

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. :17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved :18 “He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. :19 And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. :20 For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

**Revelation 3:5**

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*End of Study*

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