

A BIBLE PROPHECY ADVENTURE

# *Revelation*

## *Promises Hope*

Notes

### Revelation's 1000 Years of Peace



One of the most fascinating of all Bible subjects is “1,000-Year World Blackout Predicted,” or the millennium. The word “millennium” is simply Latin for 1,000 years. There are many different ideas taught concerning the future of our world. Some Christians believe that the second coming of Christ will initiate a Golden

Age for humankind on earth—a time during which everyone will be converted and peace will prevail. Others believe that the 1,000-year period will be a time of distress and hardship, of conflict and chaos.

A third view is that the millennium immediately follows the return of Christ. A time when all the righteous are in heaven. Satan and his angels are left on earth, and the wicked are dead. At the end of this 1,000 years, God creates a new heaven and new earth.

With this subject, as with all others, we will discover what the Bible really teaches.

- I. At the beginning of 1000 years...
  - A. The 1000 years begins and ends with a resurrection. Rev. 20:4-6
  - B. The first resurrection is at the beginning. Revelation 20: 5b
    1. This resurrection occurs at the second coming of Christ when He comes FOR His saints. John 14:1-3, I Corinthians 15:51-54, Matthew 24:31
  - C. At the second coming of Christ, the righteous dead are resurrected and taken to heaven. 1Thess. 4:16 .
  - D. The living righteous are translated to Heaven. 1 Thess. 4:17
  - E. The wicked are destroyed by His coming. Revelation 16:18-
  - F. The earth is made desolate. Revelation 16:18-20, Jeremiah 25:31-33, 4:23-27
  - G. Satan is bound by a chain of circumstance... there is no one left to temp. Revelation 20:1-3
    1. All the righteous are in Heaven
    2. All the wicked are dead.

Note: Revelation 19:16-18 describes the supper of the birds immediately following the coming of Christ.

II. During the 1000 years...

- A. All the righteous are in Heaven judging. Revelation 20:4,5b,6
- B. All the wicked are dead.
- C. The earth is desolate— an abyss or bottomless pit. Jeremiah 25: 31-33,4:23-27
- D. Satan has no one to tempt and is bound to earth. Revelation 20:1-3

III. At the end of the 1000 years...

- A. Christ comes back WITH His saints in the Holy City, the New Jerusalem. Zechariah 14:4,5,9, Rev. 21:2
- B. The second resurrection takes place; the resurrection of the wicked. Revelation 20:5a
  - 1. Jesus calls this the resurrection of damnation. John 5:28,29
- C. Satan is freed from his prison by this resurrection; there are now people to tempt and deceive. Rev. 20:7,8
- D. The wicked host surround the city in an attempt to take it by force. Revelation 20:9a
- E. Fire comes from God out of Heaven and destroys sin and sinners. Revelation 20:9b,14,15
- F. The earth is purified by fire and then God creates a new earth!! 2 Peter 3:10-13 Revelatoin 21:1
- G. The meek (righteous) will inherit the earth. Matthew 5:5

IV. We must be among the righteous at the second coming.

There is not a second chance during or after the 1000 years. Revelation 22:11,12

- A. May God help us to surrender our lives to Him today while His Spirit is still speaking to us. Then we will be ready for the coming of Jesus.

The great challenge of the millennium is that men and women must choose today where they will spend eternity. There is no second chance after Jesus comes. The Bible clearly states, “Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is that day of salvation” (2 Corinthians 6:2, NKJV).\* Thousands will be lost because they are looking forward to a future time to make a decision for Jesus Christ. Jesus invites you to give Him your whole life today. If you have not done so, why not do it now?