

Christmas in Revelation: The Cradle that Rocked the World ~Pt. 2

Revelation 12:7-17

Satan gets beaten up.

📖 Revelation 12:7–8 (NIV84) “And there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. ⁸ But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven.”

📖 Revelation 12:9 (NIV84) “The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.”

Satan can't shut up.

📖 Revelation 12:10 (NIV84) “Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of His Christ. For the accuser of our brothers, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.”

📖 Job 1:6–7 (NIV84) “One day the angels came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came with them. ⁷ The Lord said to Satan, “Where have you come from?” Satan answered the Lord, “From roaming through the earth and going back and forth in it.”

📖 Matthew 25:41 (NIV84) “...He will say to those on His left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.’”

📖 Revelation 20:15 (NIV84) “If anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.”

📖 Revelation 12:11–12a (NIV84) “They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death. ¹² Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them!”

Satan won't let up.

📖 Revelation 12:12b (NIV84) “...woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short.”

📖 Revelation 12:13-16 (NIV84) “When the dragon saw that he had been hurled to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. ¹⁴ The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the place prepared for her in the desert, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent’s reach. ¹⁵ Then from his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river, to overtake the woman and sweep her away with the torrent. ¹⁶ But the earth helped the woman by opening its mouth and swallowing the river that the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.”

📖 Revelation 12:6 (NIV84) “The woman fled into the desert to a place prepared for her by God, where she might be taken care of for 1,260 days.”

📖 Daniel 9:26c–27 (NIV84) “...The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed. ²⁷ He will confirm a covenant with many for one ‘seven.’ In the middle of the ‘seven’ he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on a wing of the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.”

📖 2 Thessalonians 2:4 (NIV84) “He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God.”

📖 Revelation 12:17 (NIV84) “Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to make war against the rest of her offspring—those who obey God’s commandments and hold to the testimony of Jesus.”

Digging Deeper: How does God’s faithfulness to Israel provide personal hope for us today?



According to Revelation 12:11, what are the three ways believers overcome the enemy? Why are the serpent’s accusations powerless against those who are in Christ? What does the “Child born in Bethlehem” guarantee regarding ultimate victory? Do you have a dragon in your Nativity set yet? Who are you inviting to our Christmas Eve service?