

**Daniel & Revelation End-time Prophecies Sermon Series**  
**Study #75: The Battle of Gog and Magog**  
**Revelation 20:7 - 15**  
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**Review: After the second coming of Jesus 1000 Years review (Revelation 20:1 – 6)**

- Satan and his evil demons are bound to this devastated planet known as the “bottomless pit” or abyss.
- The condition of the earth will be in the same state of being without form, void, and very dark as before Creation.
- Satan is unable to tempt anyone; all the wicked who were slain at the second coming of Jesus lay as “dung” scattered throughout the earth
- The righteous faithful people of God are in Heaven as judges with Christ during the sentencing phase of judgment to determine how long and how intense will be each wicked person’s final punishment in hellfire.
- Also, the saved in Heaven will be “priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.”
- At the end of 1000 years all the guilty wicked are resurrected.

**Two Resurrections (Review):**

**First Resurrection:** The righteousness dead in Christ at His second coming are resurrected to receive God's eternal life reward.

**Second Resurrection:** The second resurrection is the resurrection of damnation of the wicked in which Jesus himself will raise up the wicked to receive their punishment.

**The Battle of Gog and Magog.....Revelation 20:7 - 15**

**After the 1000 years are complete what will Satan be allowed to do?**

**Revelation 20:7, 8**

7 And when the **thousand years are expired**, Satan shall be **loosed out of his prison**,  
8 And shall go out to **deceive the nations** (wicked people) which are in the four quarters of the earth, **Gog and Magog**, to **gather them together to battle**: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the sea.

Revelation 20:5 already revealed that Jesus will resurrect the wicked dead at the end of the 1000 years (see previous lesson study 74) and in verses 7 and 8 Satan will be loosed and allowed to deceive all the wicked to gather them for battle. The last and final battle.

**Notice that Jesus calls the nations, the wicked people of the earth, Gog and Magog, in which there are so many that they are as the sand of the sea.**

**Why does Jesus call the wicked people of the earth Gog and Magog?**

According to Ezekiel chapters 38 and 39 **Gog** was the king of the land of **Magog** who came from a mountainous region north of the land of Israel to attack it.

To understand this more fully we must understand the literal Gog and Magog in order to understand why Jesus called the wicked people of the earth Gog and Magog at the end of the 1000 years.

### **Ezekiel 38:1–9, 14–16, 21–23**

- 1 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
- 2 Son of man, set thy face against **Gog, the land of Magog**, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,
- 3 And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I *am* against thee, O **Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal**:
- 4 And I will turn thee back, and put hooks into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of *armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords*:
- 5 Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:
- 6 Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: *and many people with thee*.
- 7 Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and be thou a guard unto them.
- 8 **After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them.**
- 9 **Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.**
- 14 Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know *it*?
- 15 And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army:
- 16 **(Also has end time application) And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes.**
- 21 And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother.
- 22 **(Also has end time application) And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone.**
- 23 Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.

### **Ezekiel 39:6, 7**

- 6 **(Also has end time application) And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I *am* the LORD.**
- 7 So will I make my holy name known in the midst of my people Israel; and I will not *let them* pollute my holy name any more: and the heathen shall know that I *am* the LORD, the Holy One in Israel.

Now going back to Revelation 20:8, after 1000 years Satan is loosed, deceiving all wicked who were just resurrected to gather them for battle against Jesus. Satan will gather an army to battle against Jesus like he did before the second coming of Jesus. The reason Jesus calls the wicked guilty and

**Satan “Gog and Magog” is because there is a direct parallel between them and the literal king, Gog, over the land of Magog as prophesied by Ezekiel.**

Ezekiel 38 and 39 reveals the story of the literal king of Gog over the land of Magog who was gathering for battle against the people of God, in the land of Israel. They with the coalition of other nations were planning to overwhelm like a cloud cover and totally take over. ***But what did God do as they were approaching the city? He rained down great hailstones, fire and brimstone.***

**Satan is the self proclaimed king over the wicked at the end of the 1000 years.** He is figuratively the king of Gog. The wicked represent Magog, the kingdom of Satan, as a “covering” as many as the sands of the sea as mentioned in Revelation 20:8. In Greek, Magog means a “covering”. The literal Gog and Magog were planning to overwhelm Israel like cloud cover, but they were defeated by God in the end with hailstones, fire, and brimstone.

**What happens to the heavenly holy city of God in heaven, the new Jerusalem, after the 1000 years are ended?**

**Revelation 21:2, 9, 10**

2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

9 And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

10 And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

**Going back to Revelation 20, what does Satan and the wicked do next when the New Jerusalem settles on this earth and what is God's response?**

Revelation 20:9, 10

9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and **devoured them.**

10 And the **devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone,** where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Satan and the multitude of the wicked that he gathered for battle, the battle of Gog and Magog, surrounds the city and begins to attack, then God executes his punishment by raining down fire on the wicked, Satan, and his demons where destroyed like the literal Gog and Magog. It says at the end of verse 9, that they were “devoured”; meaning that they were totally destroyed, never to come back. The fire raining from heaven is hell fire in which the wicked, demons, and Satan meet their punishment of eternal death, NOT life. They will not burn throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity. Again, they will be devoured.

**What are some more Bible verses that confirm that the fire of hell will “devour” the wicked and burn them up completely?**

**Psalm 145:20**

20 The LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he **destroy.**

**Psalm 37:38**

38 But the transgressors shall be **destroyed** together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off.

**Malachi 4:1 – 3, 10**

1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall **burn them up**, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall **leave them neither root nor branch**.

2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall **be ashes** under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do *this*, saith the LORD of hosts.

**2 Peter 3:10**

10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be **burned up**.

It is clear that hell fire will totally destroy Satan and the wicked. It will burn them up.

**What does Revelation 20:10 mean when it says that they will be “tormented day and night for ever and ever”?**

For ever in the Greek can mean perpetual or a period of time. “For ever” in this context is a specific period of time. We use this turn “forever” meaning a specific period of time when something lasts longer than anticipated or desired. Like standing in a very long line at the store. How many times have we used the word “forever” when you had to stay in that long line? You were not talking about staying in that line throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity.

**When Jonah was in the belly of a great fish at the bottom of the sea how long did he feel like he was in that fish?**

**Jonah 2:6**

6 I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars was about me **for ever**: yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O LORD my God.

**Does this mean that Jonah was in the belly of the a great fish forever, throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity?** No.

**Jonah 1:17**

17 Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish **three days and three nights**.

**So in this case “forever” was a specific period of time that is longer that anticipated or desired.**

**Also, what kind of fire is hell fire known as?**

**Matthew 25:41**

41 **Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:**

**Isaiah 1:28, 31**

28 And the destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners *shall be* together, and they that forsake the LORD **shall be consumed**.

31 And the strong shall be as tow, and the maker of it as a spark, and they shall both burn together, and none shall **quench (extinguish)** *them*.

### **Jeremiah 7:20**

20 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, mine anger and my fury shall be poured out upon this place, upon man, and upon beast, and upon the trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground; and **it shall burn, and shall not be quenched**.

Remember hell fire is the execution of God's judgment of the wicked. Hell fire is known as an everlasting unquenchable fire that cannot be extinguished until it has completely devoured the wicked. Hell fire has everlasting results. Satan and the wicked will never rise again. Hell fire will totally purify this earth from sin.

### **Who has already been destroyed by eternal or everlasting fire from God?**

#### **Jude 1:7**

7 Even as **Sodom and Gomorrha**, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the **vengeance of eternal fire**.

### **Is Sodom and Gomorrha still burning throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity?**

#### **2 Peter 2:6**

6 And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned *them* with an overthrow, making *them* an **ensample** unto those that after should live ungodly;

God's eternal or everlasting fire completely burns the wicked up with everlasting results.

**What will happen right before the Battle of Gog and Magog and the total destruction of the wicked after the city of New Jerusalem settles on this earth?** This is a time when ALL the people who ever lived on this earth will be alive, the wicked all resurrected in the second resurrection outside the city and the saved who are inside the city. ***What will happen at this brief period of time before the total destruction of Satan, his demons and ALL the wicked?***

### **Revelation 20:11 - 13**

11 And I saw a **great white throne, and him that 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, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead** were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

**The dead that stand before God in verse 12 are all the wicked who are resurrected during the second resurrection. Here Jesus will pronounce the wicked's sentence of eternal death.**

"In the presence of the assembled inhabitants of earth and heaven the **final coronation of the Son of God takes place**. [Coronation definition: "the ceremony of crowning a sovereign." - Google

dictionary] And now, invested with supreme majesty and power, the King of kings pronounces sentence upon the rebels against His government and executes justice upon those who have transgressed His law and oppressed His people. Says the prophet of God: 'I saw a great white throne, and Him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.' Revelation 20:11, 12.

**As soon as the books of record are opened, and the eye of Jesus looks upon the wicked, they are conscious of every sin which they have ever committed. They see just where their feet diverged from the path of purity and holiness, just how far pride and rebellion have carried them in the violation of the law of God. The seductive temptations which they encouraged by indulgence in sin, the blessings perverted, the messengers of God despised, the warnings rejected, the waves of mercy beaten back by the stubborn, unrepentant heart--all appear as if written in letters of fire." Ellen White, Great Controversy, p. 666**

**"The whole wicked world stand arraigned at the bar of God on the charge of high treason against the government of heaven. They have none to plead their cause; they are without excuse; and the sentence of eternal death is pronounced against them.**

It is now evident to all that the wages of sin is not noble independence and eternal life, but slavery, ruin, and death. The wicked see what they have forfeited by their life of rebellion. The far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory was despised when offered them; but how desirable it now appears. 'All this,' cries the lost soul, 'I might have had; but I chose to put these things far from me. Oh, strange infatuation! I have exchanged peace, happiness, and honor for wretchedness, infamy, and despair.' All see that their exclusion from heaven is just. By their lives they have declared: 'We will not have this Man [Jesus] to reign over us.'

As if entranced, the wicked have looked upon the coronation of the Son of God. They see in His hands the tables of the divine law, the statutes which they have despised and transgressed. They witness the outburst of wonder, rapture, and adoration from the saved; and as the wave of melody sweeps over the multitudes without the city, all with one voice exclaim, 'Great and marvelous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are Thy ways, Thou King of saints' (Revelation 15:3); and, falling prostrate, they worship the Prince of life." {GC p. 668}

"Satan sees that his voluntary rebellion has unfitted him for heaven. He has trained his powers to war against God; the purity, peace, and harmony of heaven would be to him supreme torture. His accusations against the mercy and justice of God are now silenced. The reproach which he has endeavored to cast upon Jehovah rests wholly upon himself. And now Satan bows down and confesses the justice of his sentence." {GC p. 670}

### **Romans 14:11**

11 For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.

### **Philippians 2:10, 11**

10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and *things* under the earth;

11 And *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Every knee, both the wicked and the righteous, shall bow and confess that Jesus is Lord!

## Does this mean that the wicked will have a second chance or change of character?

NO! This confession is not a confession to turn from sin. Even Judas confessed that he betrayed an innocence man, Christ Jesus, but he did not turn from sin, he killed himself.

“Notwithstanding that Satan has been constrained to acknowledge God's justice and to bow to the supremacy of Christ, his character remains unchanged. The spirit of rebellion, like a mighty torrent, again bursts forth. Filled with frenzy, he determines not to yield the great controversy. The time has come for a last desperate struggle against the King of heaven. He rushes into the midst of his subjects and endeavors to inspire them with his own fury and arouse them to instant battle. But of all the countless millions whom he has allured into rebellion, there are none now to acknowledge his supremacy. His power is at an end. **The wicked are filled with the same hatred of God that inspires Satan**; but they see that their case is hopeless, that they cannot prevail against Jehovah. **Their rage is kindled against Satan and those who have been his agents in deception, and with the fury of demons they turn upon them.**” {GC p. 671}

### *What does the bible say about this?*

#### **Ezekiel 28:6-7, 16 - 19**

6 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of God;

7 Behold, therefore I will bring strangers upon thee, the terrible of the nations: and they shall draw their swords against the beauty of thy wisdom, and they shall defile thy brightness.

16 By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

17 Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

18 Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.

19 All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and never shalt thou be any more.

#### **Isaiah 34:2**

2 For the indignation of the LORD is upon all nations, and his fury upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them, he hath delivered them to the slaughter.

#### **Psalms 11:5-6**

5 The LORD trieth the righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth.

6 Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: this shall be the portion of their cup.

## What is the conclusion of Revelation chapter 20?

### **Revelation 20:14, 15**

14 And death and hell (Greek: the grave) were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Death, the grave, and ALL who were not found written in the book of life receive the execution of God's judgment. Hell fire also known as the lake of fire that will be rained down on the wicked. This

is the second death with no opportunity to live again. This is it. All the wicked, Satan and his demons will be totally destroyed. Burned up!

“Some are destroyed as in a moment, while others suffer many days. All are punished ‘according to their deeds.’ The sins of the righteous having been transferred to Satan, he is made to suffer not only for his own rebellion, but for all the sins which he has caused God's people to commit. His punishment is to be far greater than that of those whom he has deceived.” {GC p. 673}

**How will God feel when He has to destroy the wicked [sinners]? Is this act foreign to Him?**

**Luke 9:56**

56 For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save *them*.

**Ezekiel 33:11**

11 Say unto them, *As I live*, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

**Isaiah 28:21**

21 For the LORD shall rise up as *in* mount Perazim, he shall be wroth as *in* the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his work, his strange work; and bring to pass his act, his strange act.

The punishment of hell fire is a strange act to Jesus. He came to save not to destroy, but sin must be eradicated forever and those who choose to hold on to sin will be destroyed by hell fire.

Jesus is making that appeal again today! The good news is that the time is now to make a decision to turn from sin and worldliness and turn to Jesus! He wants to save you and not destroy you. The decision is totally up to you.

**Next study Revelation 21**