

Revelation

Judgment

Revelation 20:7-15

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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.

Gog and Magog

Set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog... I am against you, Gog... I will bring you out with your whole army... the many nations with you... In the latter days I will bring you against my land, that the nations may know me, when through you, O Gog, I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. (Ezekiel 38:1-16)

Wrath, quake

In my blazing wrath I declare, On that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel... all the people who are on the face of the earth, shall quake at my presence. And the mountains shall be thrown down. (Ezekiel 38:19-20)

Fire, hail, prey

I will rain upon him and his hordes and the many peoples who are with him... hailstones, fire and sulfur. So I will show my greatness and my holiness and make myself known in the eyes of many nations... I will give you to birds of prey of every sort and to the beasts of the field to be devoured. (Ezekiel 38:22-23; 39:4)

Same end, 7 visions

- Sixth seal (6:12-17)
- Seventh trumpet (11:15-19)
- Harvest of the earth (14:14-20)
- Sixth and seventh bowls (16:14-21)
- Babylon burned (17:1-18:24)
- Rider versus beast (19:11-21)
- Satan and Gog (20:7-10)

Sixth seal

There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black ... and the stars in the sky fell to earth... The sky receded like a scroll...

They called to the mountains and the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!” (6:12-17)

Seventh trumpet

“The nations were angry, and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants... and for destroying those who destroy the earth.” And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a severe hailstorm. (11:17-19)

Harvest

The hour of his judgment has come...
Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great... If
anyone worships the beast... they will
be tormented with burning sulfur in the
presence of the holy angels and of the
Lamb. And the smoke of their torment
will rise for ever and ever. (14:7-11)

Sixth bowl

They are demonic spirits, performing signs, who go abroad to the kings of the whole world, to assemble them for battle on the great day of God the Almighty. And they assembled them at the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon. (16:14-16)

Seventh bowl

A loud voice from the throne said, “It is done!” And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been... and no mountains were to be found. And great hailstones... fell from heaven on people. (16:18-21)

Babylon's fall

The beast will hate the prostitute. They will... burn her up with fire, for God has put it into their hearts to carry out his purpose...

Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place for demons... she will be burned up with fire; for mighty is the Lord God who has judged her.” (17:16-18:8)

Rider versus beast

There before me was a white horse,
whose rider is called Faithful and True.
With justice he judges and wages war...
I saw the beast and the kings of the earth
with their armies gathered to make war
against him who was sitting on the horse
and against his army. (19:11-19)

Rider versus beast

But the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet... The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. The rest were killed with the sword coming out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh. (19:20-21)



Satan and Gog

And when the thousand years are ended, Satan will be released from his prison 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... they surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. (20:7-9)

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But fire came down from heaven and consumed them, 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. (20:9-10)

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Enemies

- Prostitute = Babylon = Magog
- Beast = Gog = antichrist = lawless
- Earth beast = false prophet
- Dragon = Satan
- Nations, rulers, allies of evil
- **Threats always; unbound at end**

Global deception

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Global attack

- Fooled by Satan and demons
- Led by Gog/beast/lawless one and false prophet
- Enlists all nations worldwide
- Against saints' camp/ beloved city

Total defeat

- An earthquake like no other
- God appears in holy might and wrath
- Hailstones and fire from heaven
- Bloody banquet for birds and beasts
- Defeat of beast at Armageddon =
final defeat of Gog and Satan

Millennium is now

- Millennium = “last days,” the period between Jesus 1st and 2nd comings.
- Jesus’ kingdom reign has already begun.
- Satan is already bound and cast down.
- Millions have already refused the beast.
- “First resurrection” has already happened for souls who reign with Christ in heaven.

End of the age

- Satan released; Beast/Gog unleashed
- Loud, visible coming of King Jesus
- Our bodies glorified; fly to meet him
- Earth and sky undone; enemies perish
- Final judgment of living and dead
- Satan and his allies cast into hell
- Heaven comes to remake earth

¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. The earth and the heavens fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books.

¹³ The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what they had done. ¹⁴ Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. ¹⁵ Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

Judgment Day

- **Who will judge?** God in Christ
- **Who will be judged?** Everybody
- **What evidence will be judged?**
 - Books of deeds, words, attitudes
- **What will outcome be?**
 - Eternal horror or eternal happiness
 - Degrees of punishment or reward

Book of life

I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels. (3:5)

...whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain. (13:8)

...only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. (21:27)