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YAHWEH'S Final Blessing for HIS People and HIS Everlasting Judgment of the wicked

Throughout time, YAHWEH* the Almighty GOD has used HIS Servants to record, interpret and preach HIS beautiful message of Truth. Just as in the times of old when visions and prophecies were recorded by those selected and moved by the Spirit of YAHWEH, so also in these last days which we are now living in will these visions and prophecies be interpreted through those whom YAHWEH has selected and whom HIS Spirit is upon.

The only ones who have the authority to delve into the deep and hidden meanings of the Scriptures are YAHWEH'S resurrected Prophets of Old. It will be through these inspired men of GOD alone that the beautiful message of Truth will be revealed.

John, who was a Servant of YAHWEH was exiled on the island of patmos for preaching the Word of YAHWEH when he was given the vision recorded in Revelation Twenty. The events which take place in this chapter take us from the time just prior to the first world war through the final destruction of this wicked system up until the end of Yahshua's** One Thousand Year Reign after which time the perfected Kingdom will be handed back to His FATHER and wickedness will be gone from the face of the earth forever (1 Cor. 15:24-28).

Verse 1:

And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

An Angel is a messenger from YAHWEH. It is the Angels who make direct contact with the earth and bring instructions from the Heavens. In verse 1 of Revelation Twenty, we see that this Angel has both the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain—two different things symbolizing two distinct time periods and activities.

A chain is a restraining device used to limit one's activities, or to limit one to a certain area or region. A key allows you to open something. In this verse we see that the Angel has the key to the bottomless pit which is a symbol of everlasting death. Someone who was placed in the bottomless pit would be in an everlasting condition of death—forever falling—always in the grave—always dead. Revelation 1:18 states:

I am he that liveth, and was dead; and,

behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

This is Yahshua. He is the One who has the authority to take life or to give life. He has the keys to hell and death. In this chapter it is satan who is going to be bound and cast into the bottomless pit and the One who has the authority to do this is Yahshua. So Yahshua is the Angel who holds in His hand the key to the bottomless pit.

Verse 2:

And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years.

We see in this verse that Yahshua seized the dragon, satan the devil, and bound him for a thousand years. This is what the chain symbolizes—a restriction. No longer did his sphere of influence reach from the heavens to the earth. he was limited, restricted, chained. Revelation 12:7-9, 12 states:

7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

12 Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

Rejoice ye heavens and ye that dwell in them. Why? Because satan was cast out of the heavens onto the earth, and no longer can his influence be felt in the heavens. They are cleansed. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and sea. satan was cast out of the heavens onto the earth where he is bound or chained for a thousand years. And the earth felt the devastating effects of satan being cast out of the heavens because satan's full fury was directed

*YAHWEH, יהוה the original Hebrew Name of the Living GOD, erroneously written Jehovah.

**Yahshua, composed of the Names YAH and Hoshua, signifying YAHWEH-Savior in the Hebrew language, and presently known as Jesus from the corrupted Greek version Iesous.

Note: the names of different portions of satan's organization are not capitalized because we show no respect for satan's doomed system.

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upon them.

It was following satan being cast out of the heavens that the first world war began in 1914. Never before was the world involved in such a global bloodbath. There was death everywhere. Not only those killed on the battlefields, but unheard of numbers died as a result of famine and disease. The world certainly felt the unleashed fury of satan at that time, and it was because of what took place in the heavens that the world felt these effects.

Once he was bound to the earth, no longer was satan free to go to and fro from the heavens to the earth as he pleased. Job 1:6, 7 states:

6 Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD [YAHWEH], and Satan came also among them.

7 And YAHWEH said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered YAHWEH, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down on it.

So we see, where at one time satan was free to go between the heavens and the earth, he is now bound to the earth alone.

Verse 3:

And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

It is during the thousand years of satan's binding that he is thrown into the bottomless pit. When the beginning of satan's thousand year binding starts, his sphere of influence is limited to the earth alone. It is at a later time, but during the thousand years, that he is thrown into the bottomless pit. he is thrown into the pit at the time his organization on the earth is destroyed by the final war (again, which is during the thousand years of his binding). he goes down into the pit when his rule comes to an end. The wicked are destroyed and their organizations destroyed along with them, and in their place, YAHWEH'S glorious Kingdom will prevail and rule with a rod of iron and last throughout eternity. At this time satan will have no one to rule over, for all of his wicked former followers will be no more. Proverbs 14:28 states:

In the multitude of people is the king's honor [Yahshua and His hordes of Faithful Followers]; but in the want of people is the destruction of the prince [the demise of satan immediately after the final war].

In the second chapter of Daniel, satan's organization is struck at the feet, and the entire organization crumbles at once, both physical and spiritual. So it is at this time that satan is thrown into the bottomless pit, when his oppressive rule over the people comes to an end, when his organization is destroyed.

satan is a spirit creature, and spirit creatures, unlike human creatures, have life within themselves. Therefore, for satan to be destroyed, life actually has to be removed from him. It is Yahshua who has the power and authority to do this. This is satan's final restriction, when he is symbolically thrown into the bottomless pit, a condition of everlasting death. Life is removed from him completely.

The thousand year binding of satan began in the autumn of 1913 and continues until 2913 when he is loosed for a little season, but he is not in the bottomless pit for the entire thousand year period as christianity would have you believe. satan being bound, or chained, and being thrown into the bottomless pit are two separate and distinct actions, his binding preceding his being thrown into the bottomless pit.

During the time that satan is in the bottomless pit, YAHWEH'S Kingdom on the earth is in complete control and he can no longer deceive the people of the earth. Any wickedness that arises at this time will be completely willful. Those resurrected will be under the jurisdiction of YAHWEH'S righteous Kingdom and will have learned of satan's system and will be experiencing the beauty and justice of YAHWEH'S Kingdom. If they choose to disobey, it will be willful disobedience and there will be nothing more to offer them. They will have proven themselves wicked.

Yahshua's Reign is also one thousand years long, but it cannot be confused with the thousand years of satan's binding. These two thousand year periods overlap; they *do not* run concurrently. It was stated earlier that at the end of satan's thousand year binding, which is in 2913, he is loosed for a little season, and this must take place before the end of Yahshua's Thousand Year Reign.

Yahshua's One Thousand Year Reign began in April of 1917, three and one-half years after satan was cast out of the heavens onto the earth (where

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he was bound) but before satan is completely destroyed (or thrown into the bottomless pit). Revelation 11:1, 2, *Revised Standard Version* (R.S.V.), states:

1 Then I was given a measuring rod like a staff, and I was told: "Rise and measure the temple of God and the altar and those who worship there,

2 but do not measure the court outside the temple; leave that out, for it is given over to the nations, and they will trample over the holy city for forty-two months."

We see in these two verses that John was told to measure the Temple in the Heavens for the devil had been cast out onto the earth and the Heavens were cleansed (autumn 1913). It is three and one-half years later, in April of 1917, that Yahshua could begin His Thousand Year Reign in the Heavens, for there was no longer any wicked influence by satan. The Heavens are now totally cleansed and belong to YAHWEH. Now the scriptures recorded in Revelation 12:10 and Psalm 110:1, 2 can be fulfilled. Revelation 12:10, R.S.V., states:

And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ [Mawsheeyach] have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God."

Psalm 110:1, 2 states:

1 YAHWEH said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

2 YAHWEH shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

Isaiah 66:1 brings out:

Thus saith YAHWEH, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool.

So we see here that Yahshua will rule in the midst of His enemies because the whole world belongs to the devil and anyone who is not in the Truth is necessarily considered His enemy.

Verse 4:

And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I

saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus [Yahshua], and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Mawsheeyach a thousand years. This is the first resurrection.

Notice here that the verse states "thrones"—plural, and "those" which sat upon "them"—plural. A throne is associated with authority or rulership. The thrones being plural would indicate that there are more than one, or a group which are in this place of authority or rulership. These are the 144,000 Kings and Priests, the New Jerusalem, who rule with Yahshua. It was because of the fact that Yahshua resurrected them into the heavens that the war in the heavens started. It was after they were victorious over satan and his demons that Yahshua began His rule and the 144,000 along with Him. Matthew 19:28 states:

Yahshua said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

These twelve tribes are, more explicitly, the nearly 200 million which will make up the Earthly Portion of the Israel of Promise. These are made up of all races of mankind and are not limited to the israel of the flesh. No! Not by any means! But the majority will be made up of the gentiles. Romans 9:6-8, R.S.V., states:

6 But it is not as though the word of God had failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel,

7 and not all are children of Abraham because they are his descendants; but "Through Isaac shall your descendants be named."

8 This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are reckoned as descendants.

So the promise that was made to the 144,000 has been fulfilled. They now have their position as Rulers along with Yahshua in the Heavens; sitting on thrones, and judgment is committed to them. Paul spoke of their position in 1 Corinthians 6:3, R.S.V., when he stated:

Do you not know that we are to judge

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angels?

"And I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Yahshua, and for the word of God." This beheading is symbolic. Certainly one need not be literally beheaded to follow the Word of GOD, nor were all those who did follow GOD beheaded. What this "beheading" is indicating is that these followers remove their own heads, or minds, leaving them completely open to put on the head of Yahshua, or the mind of Yahshua, their thoughts no longer being their own but the thoughts of Yahshua, their whole life being devoted to Him. 1 Corinthians 2:16 states:

For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Mawsheeyach.

No longer is their will utmost in their minds, but to do the will of Yahshua is paramount. They are completely obedient and follow the Lamb wherever He goes. Revelation 14:4 states:

These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

These 144,000 are the Firstfruits to GOD and to the Lamb, or the Church, of which Yahshua is the Head. Colossians 1:18 states:

And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he might have preeminence.

The firstborn of the dead refers to the first to be resurrected into the Heavens. These are composed of Yahshua and the 144,000. These 144,000 make up the Church, the ones gathered from the earth and resurrected into the Heavens as Kings and Priests after Yahshua. James 1:18 states:

Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Verse 4 continues, "Which had not worshiped the beast, neither his image." The beast mentioned in the thirteenth chapter of Revelation is the abomination of desolation which is the union of the united states, russia and the vatican, and this

mighty union is satan's last attempt to deceive mankind and turn them away from the true worship of their Almighty CREATOR YAHWEH. Even though the components of this beast were on the earth at the time of the Remnant, they were not unified and working together as an established organization as they will be in the last days when they do unite and form the abomination of desolation.

What the beast in this verse represents is the trial that satan and his organization would inflict upon the righteous at the time, and the Remnant suffered and endured unbelievable opposition and persecution, but never did they sway, never did they worship the beast, or its image, and renounce their GOD and CREATOR. It was at this time that satan in all his wrath had the world involved in a world war. patriotism and political propaganda were everywhere. But the Remnant of Yahshua's Body on the earth stood firm. They were not going to support this beastly organization in its demonized behavior, refusing to participate or take part in any activity which would support the war effort and reproach YAHWEH. For these stands, they were jailed as criminals and given severe sentences to make examples of them. They did not submit to this beast, to satan's organization. 2 Timothy 2:11, 12 states:

11 It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him:

12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us.

But they did not deny Him, they stood strong and immovable in their obedience, remaining faithful until death.

Not receiving the mark of the beast would indicate that they in no way belonged to satan's filthy organization. A mark is a branding signifying ownership. They belonged to YAHWEH, and YAHWEH alone.

"They lived and reigned with Mawsheeyach a thousand years. This is the first resurrection." (The words "this is the first resurrection" have been misplaced at the end of verse 5, but should be read at the end of verse 4.)

So they continued in obedience and were faithful until death. Now they are resurrected and given the crown of life, reigning with Yahshua for a thousand years. Revelation 2:10 states:

Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou

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faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

They did suffer tremendously, but because of their unwavering faith and obedience, they are lifted up to join Yahshua, reigning with Him for a thousand years. They are now granted everlasting life and are spirit creatures, possessing life within themselves. They are immortal.

Verse 5:

But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished.

Anyone, even though literally alive, is considered as dead if he does not have the Truth and the hope of YAHWEH'S Kingdom and blessings throughout eternity. Without the Truth he is heading for certain death. In YAHWEH'S Kingdom, all those who have died will be resurrected into a beautiful, just and righteous system where no evil influence will be felt. They will have a full opportunity to know YAHWEH and serve HIM with no obstacles in their path. But even though they have been resurrected, they will not truly come to life until they have proved themselves, proven that they desire to be obedient and that they desire to be a part of YAHWEH'S Kingdom. Once they have done this, they are granted everlasting life. It is at this time that they truly come to life, at the end of the thousand years of Yahshua's Reign. John 5:28, 29, R.S.V., states:

28 Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice

29 and come forth, those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment.

The resurrection of life goes to the faithful, to those who have already proven themselves. The 144,000 Kings and Priests who remained faithful unto death have received a heavenly resurrection to life for they died after Yahshua shed His life's blood. This was their reward, to reign with Yahshua in the heavens. Yahshua was the firstborn of the dead, or the first one to be resurrected into the heavens. Therefore, anyone who died prior to Yahshua's resurrection would not have a heavenly calling, but an earthly one.

There are those who, even though their resurrection is an earthly one, still have already received a resurrection to life and have been

granted everlasting life. YAHWEH'S Resurrected Prophets, when on the earth, remained faithful until death. They remained strong in all manner of opposition and persecution. Their faith carried them through on a course of obedience, even though they died without seeing any fulfillment. These Faithful Men of Old have now been resurrected to life and given the position as Supreme Rulers over YAHWEH'S earth forevermore. This is their reward—to be Rulers on the earth.

The verse now speaks of a resurrection of judgment to those who have done evil. Now this does not necessarily mean all those who are resurrected to judgment because they have done evil are wicked-hearted individuals. What this does mean is that there are some who have done evil because they really did not know any better. They were disobedient because they were ignorant of YAHWEH'S Purpose. But now they are brought back into a beautiful Kingdom, void of any satanic influence, to prove what their heart's desire is. Isaiah 65:20, *The Emphasized Bible*, by J.B. Rotherham (E.B.), states:

There shall be thenceforward no more A suckling of a few days or an elder Who filleth up not his days, But a youth a hundred years old may die, Yea a sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

So we are at the point now where YAHWEH'S Kingdom is in full operation. The resurrection begins, and there is no evil influence on the earth. The earth is a paradise. Anyone who continues on a course of obedience to YAHWEH will live, but a sinner will die at a hundred years of age. In other words, one who is in a perfect Kingdom and sins on his own from his heart has proven himself to be wicked. Why has he sinned? He has everything. He is completely surrounded with peace, harmony, justice and righteousness. He has sinned because there is wickedness in his heart and he has proven that there is not a place for him in YAHWEH'S Kingdom, and he will be given a hundred years to prove it. But the rest of those who are resurrected will not be given everlasting life until the end of the thousand years. Earlier in the study, we stated that there will be a three and one-half year period when satan is let loose to entice the remainder of the wicked, those who needed a little nudge for their true colors and motivations to come to the fore.

It is during this three and one-half year period, when satan is let loose, that those resurrected ones who did not have enough audacity on their own to

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follow their own evil course and oppose YAHWEH, will once again choose to follow satan, and this time to their second death. Those who do not follow satan at this time will have passed the "final test," so to speak, and will be granted everlasting life.

Verse 6:

Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Mawsheeyach, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

The first resurrection is the resurrection of the Firstfruits, the 144,000 Kings and Priests who rule with Yahshua in the heavens. They are blessed and holy because of the position they hold. They have proven themselves obedient and faithful unto death and have been resurrected into the heavens and given a position of rulership in YAHWEH'S Organization. They will reign with Yahshua for a thousand years. Matthew 24:45-47:

45 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?
46 Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.
47 Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

This is their reward. They are set up over YAHWEH'S Kingdom and will rule alongside of Yahshua in the heavens. They are immortal. This is why the second death has no power over them. They are spirit creatures and they have life within themselves. 1 Corinthians 15: 42-44, 50-55 states:

42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption: it is raised in incorruption:
43 It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:
44 It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.
50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.
51 Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

So the 144,000 cannot die. They are immortal. Those who experience the second death are those who knowingly reject YAHWEH'S beautiful Purpose for mankind and want no part of HIS beautiful Kingdom where, if they were permitted to remain, they would continue to cause oppression and misery. It is these who will die the second death, for YAHWEH has nothing more to offer them.

The verse goes on to say that "they shall be priests of God and of Mawsheeyach." In the type, the priests were the experts in the Law. They were the ones who instructed the people on what was and was not pleasing to YAHWEH. They acted as mediators between the people and YAHWEH, offering sacrifices to YAHWEH on behalf of Israel. This was all a type because animal sacrifices could never remove mankind's inherited sin. The fulfillment of this is in the 144,000 Kings and Priests with Yahshua as the True High Priest. He is the One who offered Himself as the True Sacrifice for the redemption of man so that man could have life and take part in the beautiful blessings of YAHWEH, their sin being removed. Yahshua was the Sacrificial Lamb who took away the sin of the world (John 1:29).

Our sacrifice to YAHWEH is now performed by the preaching work, the building of HIS Kingdom on the earth and our strict obedience to HIM. It is through these sacrifices that come from our heart's desire to serve YAHWEH that man meets with YAHWEH'S approval, and these sacrifices are offered through Yahshua who is the Mediator between GOD and man (1 Tim. 2:5).

YAHWEH is unable to look upon sin and imperfection. What a beautiful blessing it is for HIM to place us and the building of HIS Kingdom in the hands of Yahshua and the 144,000 Kings and Priests. It is through them that mankind will be restored to perfection and find favor in YAHWEH'S eyes. YAHWEH is a truly Loving

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FATHER who only wants to see HIS children blessed and happy. HE surrounds us with a beautiful and righteous Organization, Zion our Mother, who teaches and trains us to walk in the ways of righteousness so we can best serve our Heavenly FATHER YAHWEH.

The 144,000 Kings and Priests are perfectly suited for this position. They were once men and women like us. They can truly put themselves in our position and understand our imperfections and weaknesses.

They will correct us with love, being strict when necessary, but always merciful, always bringing us closer and closer to YAHWEH. This is a True Mother's love.

Yahshua also lived the life as a man on the earth. Hebrews 4:15, R.S.V., states:

For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted [or tried] as we are, yet without sin.

Verse 6 of Revelation Twenty also brings out that these Priests shall live and reign with Yahshua for a thousand years, for they are also given a position as Kings. Theirs is a position of authority over YAHWEH'S entire Kingdom. Revelation 5:9, 10, *The Complete Bible, an American Translation* by Edgar J. Goodspeed (Greek Scriptures) (Gspd.), states:

9 Then they sang a new song: "You deserve to take the roll and open its seals, for you have been slaughtered, and with your blood have bought for God men from every tribe, tongue, people, and nation, 10 and have made them a kingdom of priests for our God, and they are to reign over the earth."

Even though the verse says that they will reign for a thousand years, they will actually rule with Yahshua throughout eternity (Ps. 45:6). The Thousand Year Reign is a specific portion of their reign, when there is a specified task to be accomplished, and that is to restore mankind back to perfection and do away with all the enemies of man. Everything that oppresses righteously disposed men will be done away with. Revelation 21:4, *The Living Bible* (L.B.), states:

"He will wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, nor

sorrow, nor crying, nor pain. All of that has gone forever."

It is at this time, at the end of the thousand years, that the Kingdom will be handed back to YAHWEH in a perfect state. All those on the face of the earth are righteous-hearted people who love YAHWEH with their whole heart and who desire to be obedient and serve HIM and be part of HIS Kingdom forever. There will be no division or rivalry. There will be one Nation and one Government on the entire face of the earth, every man, woman and child being of one heart and one mind, all working together, YAHWEH'S Kingdom flourishing without the fear of wickedness ever arising again. satan and wickedness are destroyed forever, and we will know that we have eternity to enjoy the blessings that YAHWEH has in store for those who love HIM.

Verse 7, R.S.V.:

**And when the thousand years are ended,
Satan will be loosed from his prison.**

This verse is going back to satan's thousand year binding and when he is loosed for a short while. This is not Yahshua's Thousand Year Reign. We said at the beginning of the study that Yahshua is the One who has the authority to give life or take life away. We also stated that satan is a spirit creature, and for him to die, Yahshua must remove life from him. For satan to be let loose again, it must be Yahshua who restores life to satan and his demons. This is not a resurrection for satan to be judged, for he and his demons have already proven themselves wicked. This resurrection of satan and his demons is so that all wickedness is fully wiped off the face of the earth forever. There will be those who are resurrected who have not as yet shown their true colors, or their true heart's desire, which is not to serve YAHWEH. It is at this time, when satan is let loose for a little season, that all those resurrected ones who have evil in their hearts will choose to follow satan the devil and go to their second death along with satan and his demons.

Verse 8, R.S.V.:

**And will come out to deceive the nations
which are at the four corners of the earth,
that is, Gog and Magog, to gather them for
battle; their number is like the sand of the
sea.**

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This verse brings out that satan will deceive the nations which are at the four corners of the earth. Moffatt's brings out "seduce" the nations, or entice the nations. At this time they are no longer deceived. They have lived in YAHWEH'S beautiful Kingdom and have enjoyed and received all the blessings of the Kingdom. But it was not good enough for them. They made it through the one hundred year trial; now they are just getting by. They were not bold enough on their own to take the lead and start any sort of uprising, but when satan is let loose, it is the perfect opportunity for the greed and wickedness in their hearts to surface, showing their true motivations and desires. These people are wicked and have been wicked all along, but they needed someone to take the first step, and they will be more than willing to follow. satan and his demons will lure those whose wickedness, up to this time, has not shown itself, and the evil ones will band together causing a rebellion. But they will not succeed. The only thing they will succeed in doing is to expose all the wicked and gather them together for them to go to their second death.

The word *gog* means "roof or covering" and this refers to satan himself, for he was the covering cherub in the Garden of Eden (Ezk. 28:14-17). There is no one higher in his organization than himself. magog is his domain, or his followers (Ezk. 38:1, 2). By mentioning magog, we see that satan again has gathered followers and he has an army. he is gathering his own, and he is doing this because he is preparing for battle. he is preparing a rebellion against YAHWEH and HIS Government. Can you imagine someone living in YAHWEH'S Kingdom, where all mankind has everything that he needs to have a beautiful and secure life, where the earth is flourishing, everyone is equal and receiving the blessings of the Kingdom, actually turning from YAHWEH and following satan? The only ones who will do this are the wicked. The truly righteous of the earth will have no part in this. The true characteristics of the wicked will show themselves. The greed, the selfishness, the ego of these individuals will again surface on the earth. They will attempt to sway the people with all their lies and deceit, campaigning like politicians. Their desire to be in authority and possess more wealth will prove that they never really wanted a system where all mankind is equal. They wanted to hold a position of honor and authority, having control over the peoples of the earth. They wanted a system where there was the upper and the lower classes, where they would be looked upon as the elite of the earth. YAHWEH gave them everything. But it was not enough.

Their true motivations and desires are made manifest and they have proven that they are wicked to the core, just as satan and his demons, and a wicked heart does not change (Isa. 26:10). These people are not imperfect. They are not deceived. They are completely and totally willfully wicked. They have no place in YAHWEH'S beautiful and righteous Kingdom.

YAHWEH the Almighty GOD knows the end from the beginning. HE knows who is wicked and who is righteous. Why then did HE allow these wicked individuals to be resurrected? HE allows this for the benefit of the righteous. There will be no doubt or reservation in our minds that these individuals were truly wicked, and there will be no remorse when they are destroyed. YAHWEH is a GOD of love and justice and HE allows this so that we can see for ourselves and there will be no questions as to their wickedness. It is only then that we can have true peace and happiness, knowing that if they were allowed to remain, they would be a curse upon YAHWEH'S righteous system.

Verse 9, R.S.V.:

And they marched up over the broad earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city; but fire came down from heaven and consumed them.

Israel* at this time will be all over the earth. The Beloved City is actually YAHWEH'S Kingdom which encompasses the entire earth. It is called a city because it is a functioning organization. By marching up over the broad earth and surrounding the camp of the Saints and the Beloved City, satan's hordes on the earth are strategically moving to overtake or conquer YAHWEH'S People. This rebellion is going to build to a point where it is going to be undeniable. There will be no question as to what the motivation of these people is. Their position will be made clear. They want authority and control, and they want to overtake YAHWEH'S Kingdom. This will all take place during the three and one-half years that satan is let loose. he will be successful in his attempt to entice those whose wicked heart was hidden, for verse 8 states that the number who follow him is like the sands of the sea. Even though he will be successful in gathering those who have a wicked heart like himself, he will not be successful in overtaking YAHWEH'S Kingdom and oppressing the righteous hearted of the earth. he oppressed mankind for some six thousand years, and YAHWEH promises that rivalry

*Israel, the name of YAHWEH'S True People, meaning "he who strives with GOD [for HIS blessing]" (Gen. 32:24-28). The Promised Israel will be made up of all nations, kindreds and tongues.

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will not rise up a second time (Nahum 1:9). satan will not succeed in his evil scheme.

The verse goes on to say that fire came down from Heaven and consumed them. They will not get the chance to pervert the people of the earth again, for Yahshua steps in and fire will literally come down from the Heavens and consume them. They are willfully disobedient and have willfully opposed YAHWEH'S beautiful Kingdom. This is literal. The wicked ones will be completely consumed by this fire from Heaven that comes down upon them at Yahshua's command. This time YAHWEH does not allow wickedness to take its course and the wicked to destroy themselves. YAHWEH did not interfere before, but allowed man to be totally convinced that HE was right by allowing them to experience wickedness, so that they knew that mankind on his own, without his GOD, could not chart his own course, for his course led to death. Yahshua will not allow the righteous to suffer for the sake of the wicked, so in plain view of all, He destroys them.

We can now see how satan's binding began in the autumn of 1913, three and one-half years prior to the beginning of Yahshua's One Thousand Year Reign which began in April of 1917, meaning that satan's thousand year binding would end in 2913, three and one-half years before Yahshua's Thousand Year Reign would end in April, 2917.

It is this three and one-half year period prior to the end of Yahshua's Reign that satan is let loose for a short season, and during this time death will occur, but only the death of the wicked. By the end of Yahshua's Thousand Year Reign, all enemies will be done away with, including death, and it is at this time that the perfected Kingdom will be handed over to YAHWEH. Everything has been accomplished. 1 Corinthians 15:24-26 states:

24 Then cometh the end [of Yahshua's Reign], when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. [It is at this time that YAHWEH can now look upon HIS Kingdom, for there exists no sin or disobedience.]

25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet [pain, suffering, disease, affliction, sorrow, disobedience].

26 The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

This is the final cleansing of the earth, where all those who have wickedness and rebellion in their

hearts will be exposed and destroyed.

Verse 10, R.S.V.:

And the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulphur [brimstone] where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

The lake of fire represents the second death from which there is no resurrection. It is an everlasting death. Never again will the wicked be able to arise and oppress mankind again. Revelation 14:11 brings out that the smoke from this fire goes up forever, meaning that anything put in there would never have a chance to live again. It is continually burning.

Being thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone would indicate a purification. Brimstone is a purifying agent, and what is being purified is the earth, for all the wicked will be destroyed forever. It is at the end of Yahshua's Thousand Year Reign that He removes life from satan once and for all, for his purpose for remaining, which was a final cleansing of the earth, has been fulfilled, and his life will never be restored again.

Thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet were—this beast describes the entire organization of the devil on the earth. The abomination of desolation was satan's last attempt to hold on to his authority over the earth, and when it falls, it is gone forever, and no selfish and corrupt organization will ever rise again.

The false prophet is the ability to deceive (Isa. 9:14, 15). satan is the father of lies (John 8:44) and when satan goes down, so does the beast and its ability to deceive, for it all stems from satan. Notice the verse says that the devil was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet were. The beast and the false prophet (or its ability to deceive) went down at the final war; the ones who rebelled later were not deceived, but were willfully wicked.

"And they will be tormented day and night for ever and ever." Now this is not a literal torment. First of all, you cannot physically torment an organization or the power of deceit. Secondly, the lake of fire is the second death and Ecclesiastes 9:5 brings out that the dead are dead and know not anything. And finally, to torment someone or something throughout eternity would go against YAHWEH'S attributes of love, justice, wisdom and power. There is no love shown by watching someone being tortured, especially eternally.

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YAHWEH has no pleasure in the death of the wicked, and HE does not give an ultimatum—either serve HIM or burn forever, as christianity teaches. HE has HIS pleasure in seeing HIS People happy and taken care of and serving HIM from their hearts and doing it freely.

The torment suffered here only pictures the agony they would experience if the dead could actually think or feel, if they could look back and see that they did in fact have a full opportunity to be a part of YAHWEH'S beautiful Kingdom. But they chose to do wickedly and reproach YAHWEH and therefore have forfeited their chance for complete happiness forever. They were not satisfied with YAHWEH'S Kingdom when they had the chance, and now they have nothing. And if in death they could realize these things, they would be tormented knowing that they will never be part of the beautiful Kingdom and the land of the living. Life will go on without them and go on throughout eternity with abundant blessings for all the righteous hearted on the earth.

Verse 11, R.S.V.:

Then I saw a great white throne and him who sat upon it; from his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them.

The earth and the sky picture satan's visible and invisible ruling elements which are on the scene momentarily and then are gone or flee away, done away with.

The ONE sitting on the throne is YAHWEH and the earth and sky fleeing away are what happens to the devil's organization when YAHWEH turns HIS judgments against it. It is YAHWEH'S Purpose, and they are YAHWEH'S judgments. HE is the ALMIGHTY, the Supreme ONE of the Universe. HE is the Almighty CREATOR and all credit goes to HIM. Everything that stems from YAHWEH is Holy, meaning pure, undefiled and wholly devoted to righteousness. Yahshua now has been given all power and all wisdom by His FATHER. He is the King of Kings, but He was given this position and authority by YAHWEH, and without YAHWEH there would be no Yahshua. So all glory belongs to YAHWEH. The credit for removing satan's organization must go to YAHWEH. In YAHWEH'S Kingdom there is no place for the wicked or for those who would cause oppression and misery. satan tried his best, but he failed. satan, along with all those who have followed him, have proven to be one hundred percent wicked and have brought nothing but misery to mankind. They

were allowed to exist for a purpose, and that purpose has been fulfilled. Man now knows the results of disobedience and also the results of obedience. There is now a New Heaven and a New Earth and both are ruled in righteousness. Psalm 37:10, 11 states:

10 For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.

11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

Verse 12, R.S.V.:

And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Also another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, by what they had done.

This goes back to verse 5 where we said that the dead are the living dead, or the resurrected ones who will not truly gain life until the end of the Thousand Years. Being great and small refers to all, no matter who they were.

religion would have you believe that this is YAHWEH passing judgment on the literal dead. John 5:28, 29, R.S.V., states:

28 Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice

29 and come forth, those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of judgment.

Here again, religion would have you believe that the dead stand before YAHWEH and if you have done evil, HE curses you to damnation or to hell and you will remain there burning throughout eternity. This is in total opposition to a GOD of love, justice, wisdom and power. YAHWEH is our Loving FATHER, and HE gains no pleasure in the death of the wicked (Ezk. 33:11). HE certainly would not gain pleasure from tormenting them throughout eternity.

What this is bringing out is that they are resurrected to judgment according to their actions, whether or not they were obedient. Only living people can be judged. These are the resurrected ones who are brought back to life in YAHWEH'S Kingdom and are judged only after they have a

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full understanding of YAHWEH'S Purpose and after satan's influence is removed, only after they have a full knowledge of right from wrong. So standing before the throne means that they know YAHWEH and understand HIS Purpose. It is as if they are face to face and communicating with HIM. They are now in YAHWEH'S Kingdom, have been given a full opportunity to know YAHWEH and now their deeds and actions are taken into account. They were not judged when they were in satan's system, for they did not know YAHWEH or understand HIS Purpose. They are only judged after the veil of ignorance is removed. So this is a totally just judgment, for YAHWEH is a Just and Loving GOD.

The books being opened is symbolic of a record of their deeds since they were resurrected.

The other book being opened, which is the book of life, encompasses all those who have met with YAHWEH'S approval and have gained everlasting life in HIS beautiful Kingdom. Isaiah Sixty-five brings out that many prove wicked without being lured by satan, but then when satan is let loose at the end of his thousand year binding, many of the obedient will be tempted by him and will meet their doom at this time. Those who go through the entire trial, with and without the temptation and influence of satan, will gain everlasting life.

Verse 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.

This just shows that wherever the dead are, they will be resurrected. Those in hell are dead. They are not alive and burning. So those who are in a state of death will be resurrected from wherever they are. Again, it repeats that they shall be judged by what they have done—whether they were obedient or disobedient, whether they have accepted or rejected YAHWEH'S Holy Kingdom.

Verse 14:

And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Death being cast into the lake of fire simply means that there will be no more death. It will be done away with.

Now, *hades* is the greek word for hell. Can hell be cast into hell? Can a lake of fire be cast into a

lake of fire? This is all symbolic and means that death and hell, or the grave will be completely done away with forever.

This is the second death, the lake of fire. The first time man died because of inherited sin and his ignorance of YAHWEH'S Purpose for mankind, and he could not be held accountable for his actions. But Yahshua died for our inherited sin and ransomed us from the death sentence. Now they are brought back in the resurrection into YAHWEH'S Kingdom which is in full operation. It is governed with love and justice; no one is deceived, confused; there are no lying politicians, greedy businessmen or demonized religionists. Everything that is done is done with the full knowledge of right and wrong. No longer is mankind ignorant of YAHWEH'S Purpose. They know the results of disobedience. So anything that is done against YAHWEH or HIS Kingdom is done purposely and with contempt for YAHWEH and for Yahshua and the sacrifice He made so that we can have life. These individuals prove that they have no desire to be a part of YAHWEH'S Kingdom and partake of the beautiful blessings HE has in store for us. They will be removed from the Kingdom forever. These die the second death, from which there is no resurrection. But it is their choice. They had a full opportunity to be a part of HIS Kingdom, but once they reject it, they will not be allowed to remain and in any way disrupt the peace and security of the Kingdom and oppress those whose desire it is to be obedient. YAHWEH does not force anyone to accept HIM, nor does HE threaten them. HE offers them HIS Kingdom and if they reject it, HE has nothing more for them. They will not be tortured. They will simply cease to exist, thus removing them from YAHWEH and HIS Holy Kingdom which they have continued to reproach all of their lives.

Verse 15, R.S.V.:

And if any one's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Again, the book of life is symbolic of all those who have met with YAHWEH'S approval and have gained everlasting life in HIS beautiful Kingdom. Those who have chosen to disobey and are not found worthy to receive everlasting life will be thrown into the lake of fire, or destroyed forever. So in the end, man either lives or dies, but it is his choice.

We have a Heavenly FATHER who wants to

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shower us with blessings that we cannot even imagine. 1 Corinthians 2:9 states:

But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.

We have the hope of YAHWEH'S glorious Kingdom before us, for Yahshua began His Reign in April of 1917 and obedience to YAHWEH will place us in

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this glorious Kingdom. All HE wants is our strict obedience and our desire to serve HIM, putting HIM first in our lives and in everything that we do because HE has proven to us that HIS way is the only way that mankind can arrive at this blissful condition. YAHWEH is our FATHER and we are HIS Children, and HIS love for us is greater than we can even imagine, and HE wants to bless all HIS creatures throughout eternity.

YAHWEH promises us HIS Kingdom, and YAHWEH cannot lie. HIS promises are real, and HIS Kingdom certain.

You are my children; you are lost:

I want to tell you of my Love

Please feel free to express your desire to acquire more Knowledge.
