

REVELATION SEMINARS

Lesson # 7:

- The devil Chained
in the Bottomless
Pit



**THE DEVIL CHAINED IN THE
BOTTOMLESS PIT**

- Revelation chapter 20 states that a mighty angel is going to bind the devil with a great chain and cast him into the bottomless pit for 1000 years.

- Satan resents the fact that this damaging information about his future has been made public information in the scriptures. So, he spreads the falsehood that Revelation is a closed book which no one can understand; otherwise, he distorts its meaning.

- Unfortunately, much that is said today about the 1000 years is not true. Some of it sounds like something that satan might invent to trap and destroy people. The devil is not playing games. He has one aim in mind: the destruction of you and your family and all other persons on earth. Our only safety is to stay close to God's Word. As we do this we will expose the devil's snares. The Lord is always anxious to assist us.

The Two Resurrections

- **1. What takes place as the great 1000 years begin?** **Revelation 20:4, 5:**
- “And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them; and judgement was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, 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 Christ a thousand years.”

2. Who will be raised in this first resurrection?



- **Revelation 20:5,6:**
- “Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection.” *Answer: The righteous / the holy.*

- **Note:**

- The righteous, who are called the “Blessed and Holy” will be raised in the ***first*** resurrection of the dead.

3. When will the second resurrection take place?



- **Rev. 20:5**
- “But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished.”
- *Answer:* After the 1000 years.

- **Note:**

- This is the resurrection of the wicked, who have died. Jesus referred to this as the resurrection of damnation (*John 5:29*)

The Two Rewards

- **4. What great event occurs at the first resurrection?**
 - *Answer:* The coming of the Lord.
 - **1 Thess. 4:15,16**
- **Note:** The purpose of the second coming is for Jesus to receive the faithful people who have served Him in all ages.

5. What happens to all the saints when Jesus comes?

a. 1 Cor. 15:51-54

Changed from mortal to immortal.

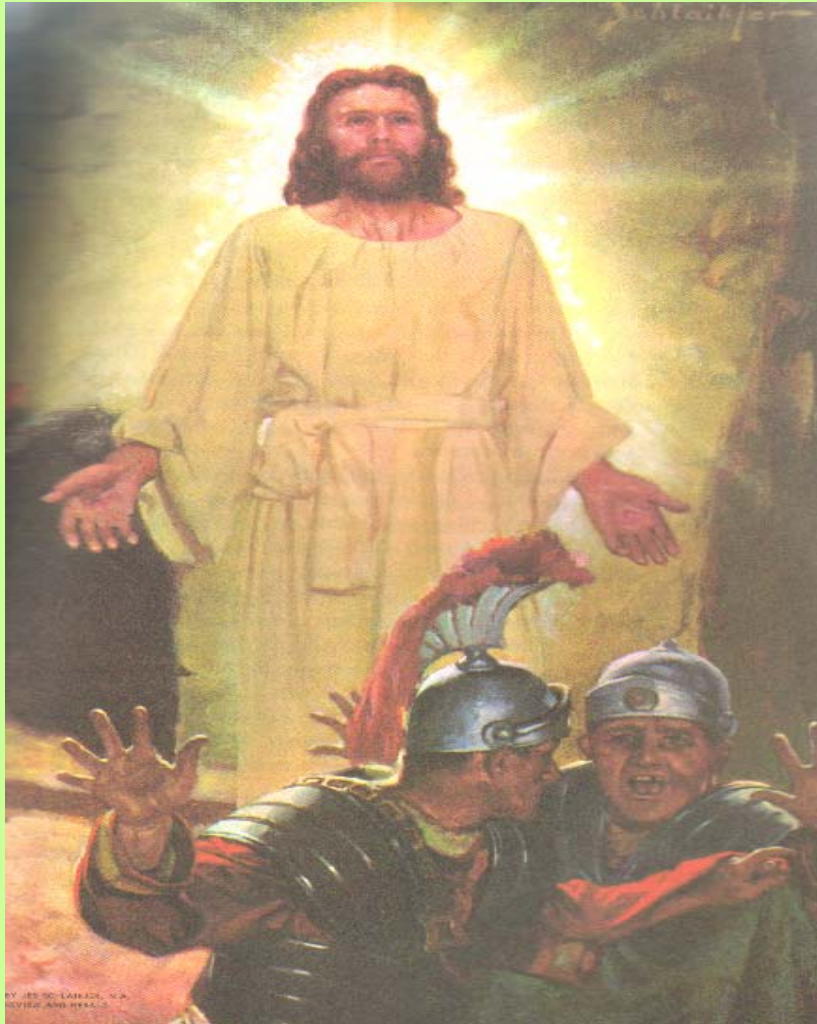
b. Phil. 3:20,21

Given bodies like His (glorious) body.

c. 1 Thess. 4:17

Both living and resurrected saints will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air.

6. What happens to the living wicked when Jesus comes?



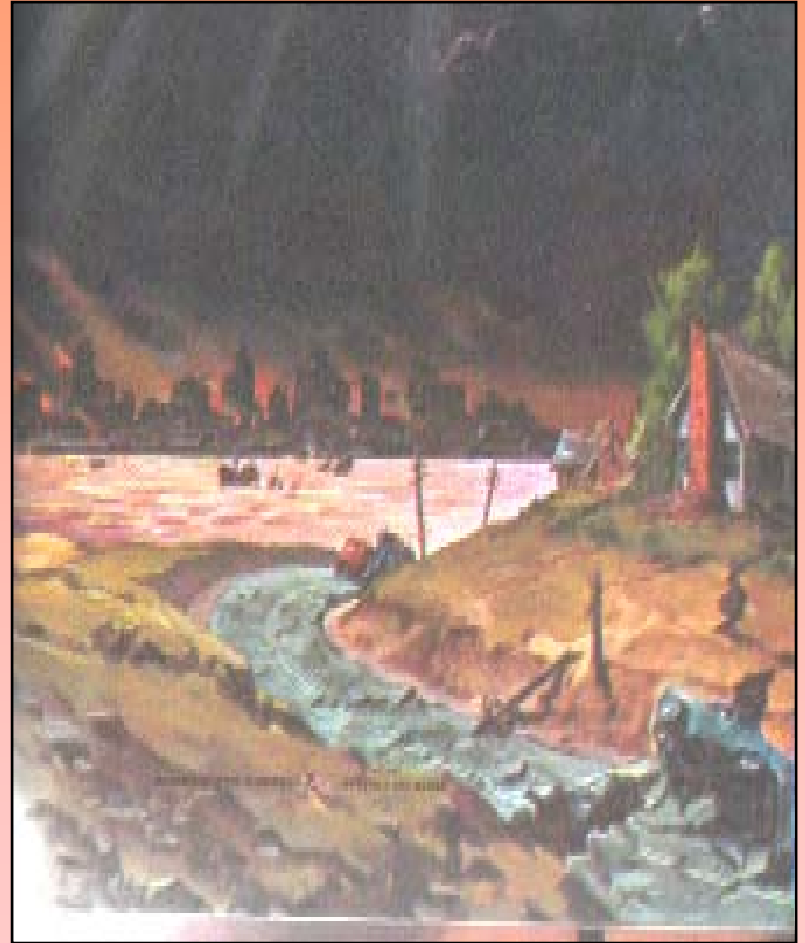
- **2 Thess. 1:7-9, 2:8 & Isa. 11:4**
- **Answer:** They will be slain by the Spirit of His mouth and destroyed with the glory of His power & brightness of His coming.

7. How will Jesus' coming affect the wicked dead?

- **Rev. 20:5:**
- “The rest of the dead lived not until the thousand years were finished”.
- Note: *The “rest of the dead” are all the wicked who lived throughout the ages - they remain in their graves until the end of the 1000 years.*

Worldwide Devastation

- 8. What is the earth's condition after Jesus' coming? **Jer. 25:33:**
- “And the slain of the Lord shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered nor buried ...”



- **Note:**

- No one will be left to conduct a funeral during the 1000 years, because all the righteous are in Heaven and all the wicked are left dead.
- **Rev. 19:11 - 21** also tells of the dead lying everywhere after the return of Jesus when the 1000 years begin.

9. What happens at Jesus' appearing?

Rev. 16:18, 21



- “And there were voices and thunders and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth; so mighty an earthquake and so great.”

10. What will the earth be like during the 1000 years?

Jer. 4:23-26,28 & Isa. 24:1,3,19,20

- 1. The earth will be without form and void.
- 2. The heavens will have no light.
- 3. There will be no inhabitants there.

*The earth is so devastated at the coming of Jesus that it goes back to its original empty condition described in the book of Genesis before God's great act of creation. It was without form and void and in total darkness. See **Gen. 1:1, 2.***

Events During the 1000 Years

11. Where is satan bound during the 1000 years and why? *Rev. 20:3*



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- *Satan is bound in the bottomless pit .. That he should deceive the nations no more.*

- Note:

- The devil is stopped from deceiving and tempting people. The “chain” that binds satan is a chain of circumstances. There is no one left on earth for him to deceive. All the wicked are dead and the righteous are in Heaven. This dark, empty earth becomes satan’s prison, a bottomless pit.

- **12. Who will the saints judge during the 1000 years?** *Rev. 20: 4, 12, 13*

- *Answer:* Every man / all the dead.

- Note:

- This judgement takes place in Heaven, where Jesus will have taken His saints.

- *See 1 Cor. 6:2,3.*

13. What is the judgement based upon?

Rev. 20:12

- *Answer:*

- *Those things that were written in the books
/According to their works.*

- Note:

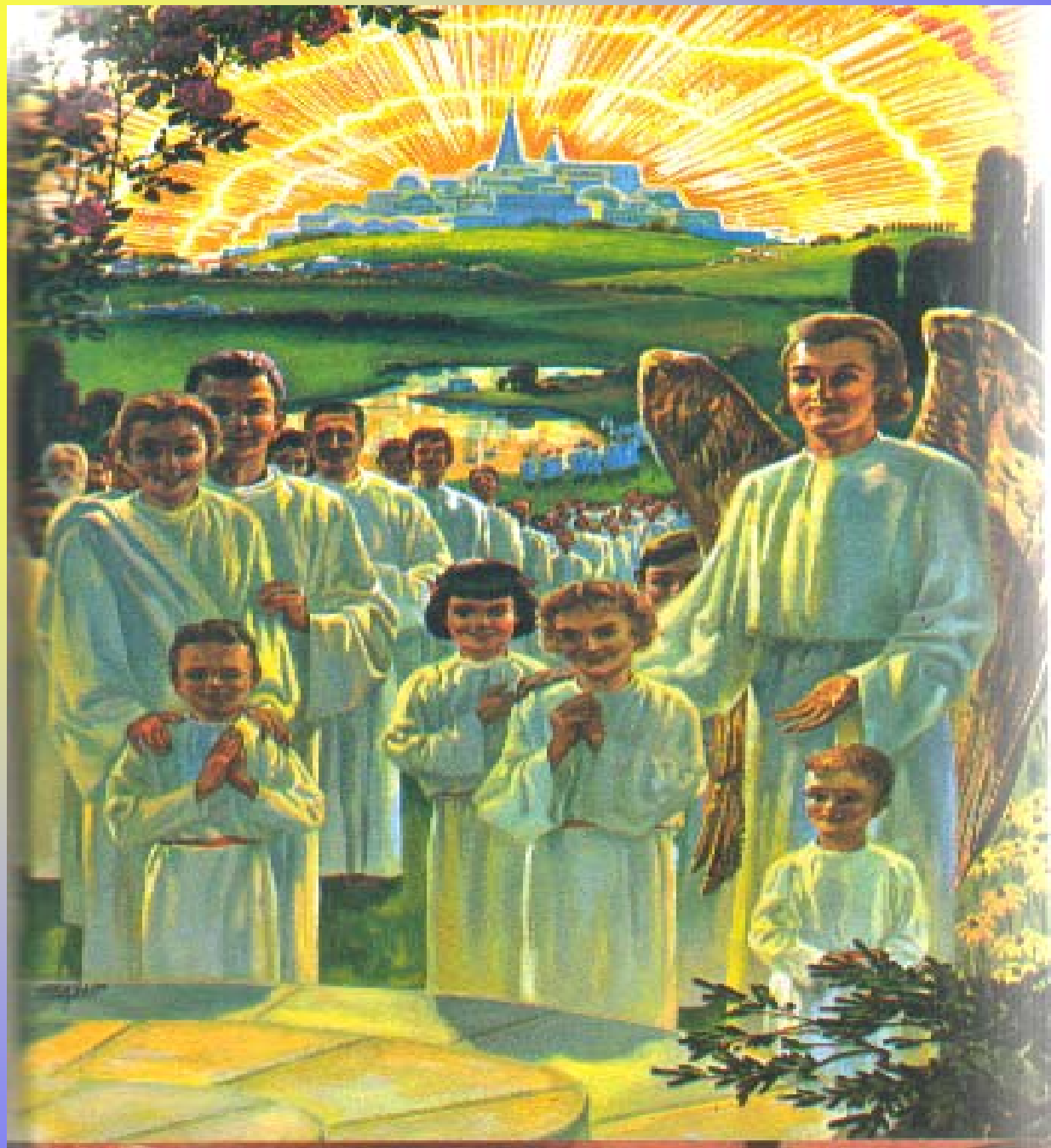
- God wants all to know of His justice and the reasons why He could not save those who are lost. As the righteous review the opportunities God has given everyone and how the divine has sought to intervene to save the lost. All will be eternally convinced of God's justice and we will confess "... just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints." *Rev. 15:3*

Events at the End of 1000 Years

- **14. What comes down to earth at the close of 1000 years?**
 - **Rev. 21:2, 10**
 - **“holy city, New Jerusalem ...”**

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15. Where will the Holy City land on this earth? **Zech. 14:1, 4, 10**

- *Answer:*
- **Where the Mount of Olives now stands.**
- **Note: The Lord left earth from the Mount of Olives, and He returns to the Mount of Olives. It will spread out and form a great plain for the Holy City. At the second coming of Jesus, He comes FOR His saints (Matt. 24:31). However, at the third coming of Jesus, at the close of the 1000 years, He comes WITH His saints (Zech. 14:5).**

16. What happens to satan when the Holy City descends? *Rev. 20:7*



- ***Answer:*** He is loosed out of his prison.
- **Note:** Remember that the resurrection of the wicked takes place at the close of the 1000 years. *Rev. 20:5*. This resurrection looses satan, because once again, he has people to deceive.

17. Does satan experience a change during the 1000 years?

Rev. 20:7, 8

- *Answer:*
- No! He goes out to deceive the nations!
- Note:
- Satan takes up where he left off. Satan's "chain of circumstances" is broken. He now has people to deceive.

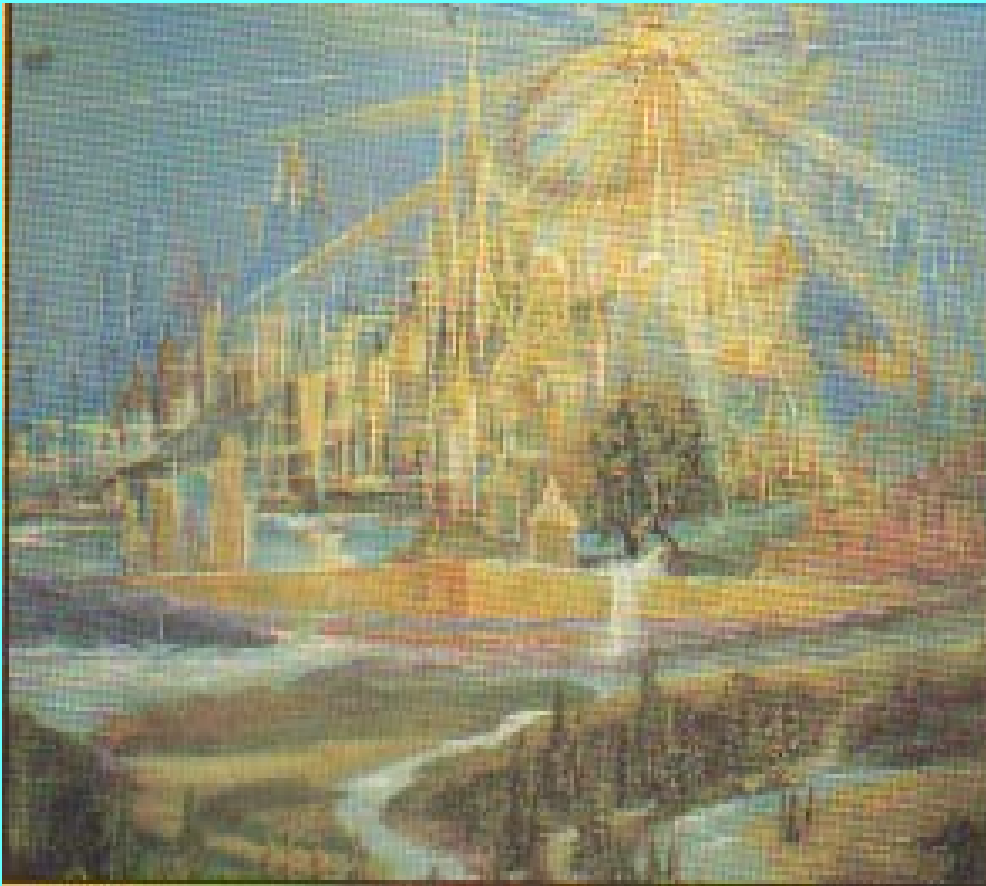
Doomsday for satan and Sinners

- 18. What happens when satan and his followers approach the city?

Rev. 20:9

- *Answer:*
- **Fire comes down from God out of Heaven and devours them.**

19. What happens to the devil at this time? **Rev. 20:10**



- *Answer:*
- **The devil is thrown into the lake of fire!**
 - **Note:**
 - The devil and his angels are in the fire, not outside tending the fire or torturing the wicked who are in the flames!

20. What does Jesus call this fire in Revelation? **Rev. 20:14**

- Answer:
- The second death.

- Note:

- All are raised from the first death. **Heb. 9:27, John 5:28,29.**

However, there is no resurrection from the second death. It is an eternal destruction.



Eden's Paradise Restored

- **21. What does Jesus do after the earth is burned?**

- *2 Peter 3:10 - 13 / Isa. 65:17*

- *Answer:* He will “make **New Heaven and a New Earth.**”

- **Note:**

- It will be very thrilling to see Jesus recreate this world!

22. Where will Jesus live after the earth is recreated? **Rev. 21:1 - 4**



- *Answer:*
- He will live on the (new) earth. He will dwell with us.

- **Note:**

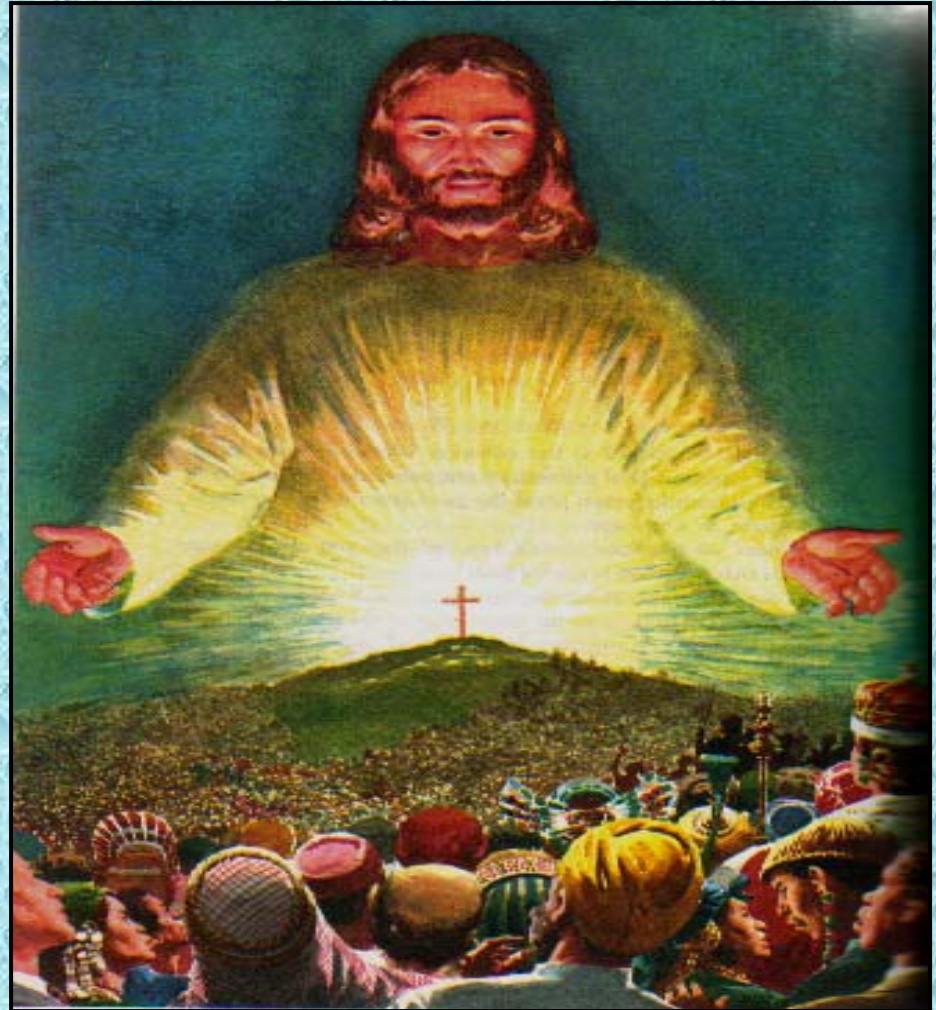
- **Jesus promised that the meek will inherit the earth, Matt. 5:5. In harmony with this promise, God will set up His Kingdom here on the New Earth and live with His people. Remember, God does not move His Kingdom here to convert the lost. His Kingdom is established here only after the lost have been cast into the fire.**

23. Where must my name be to escape the fire? *Rev. 20:15*

- *Answer:*
 - *In the Book of Life.*
- Note: *Those whose names are not written in the Book of Life will have no second chance for salvation.*
- **Is your name in Jesus' Book of Life?
If not, why not NOW?**

24. Who does Jesus invite into His Kingdom? *Rev. 22:17*

- *Answer:*
 - And
“**whosoever will**, let him take the water of life freely.”



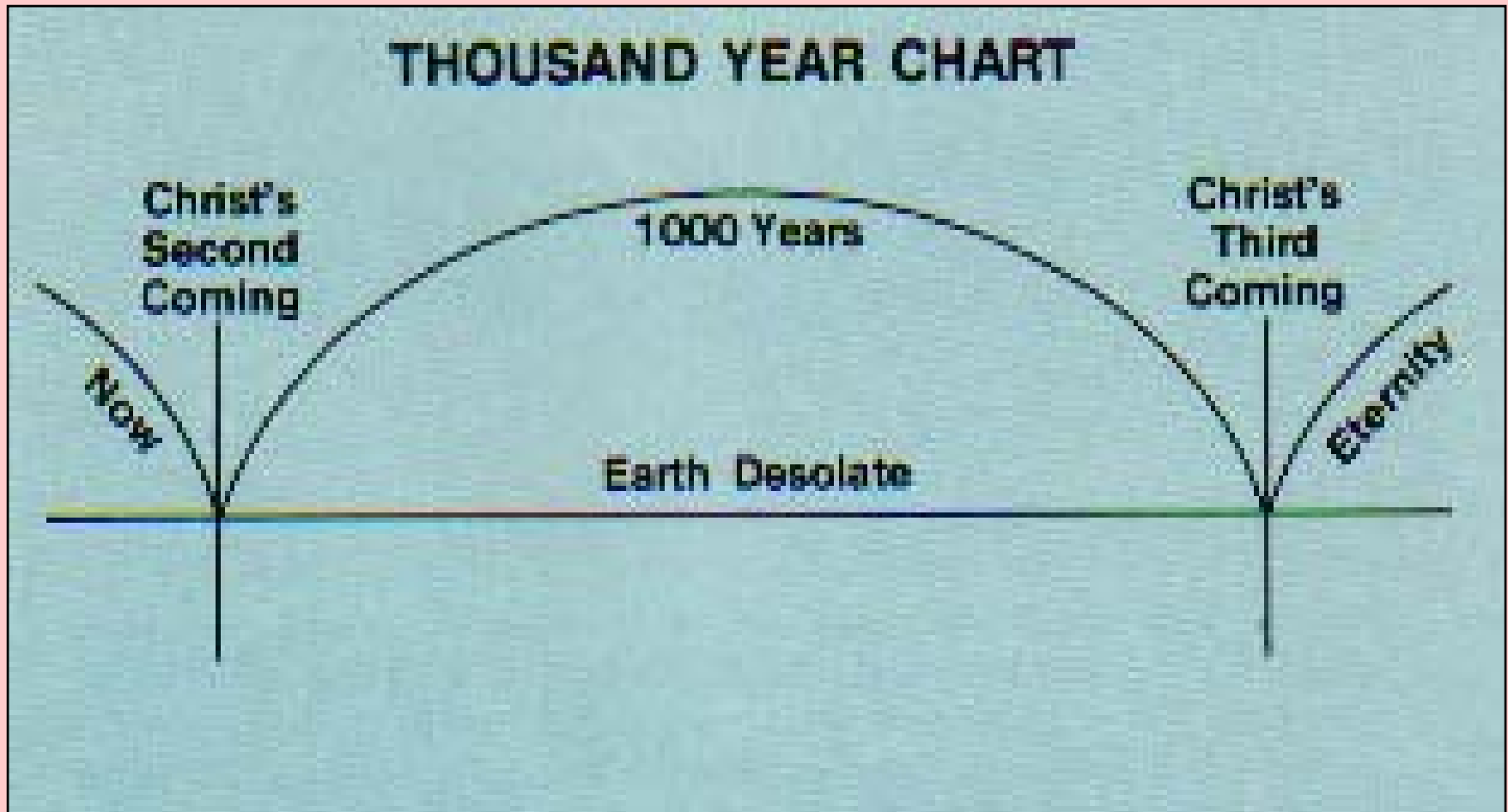


The New Earth

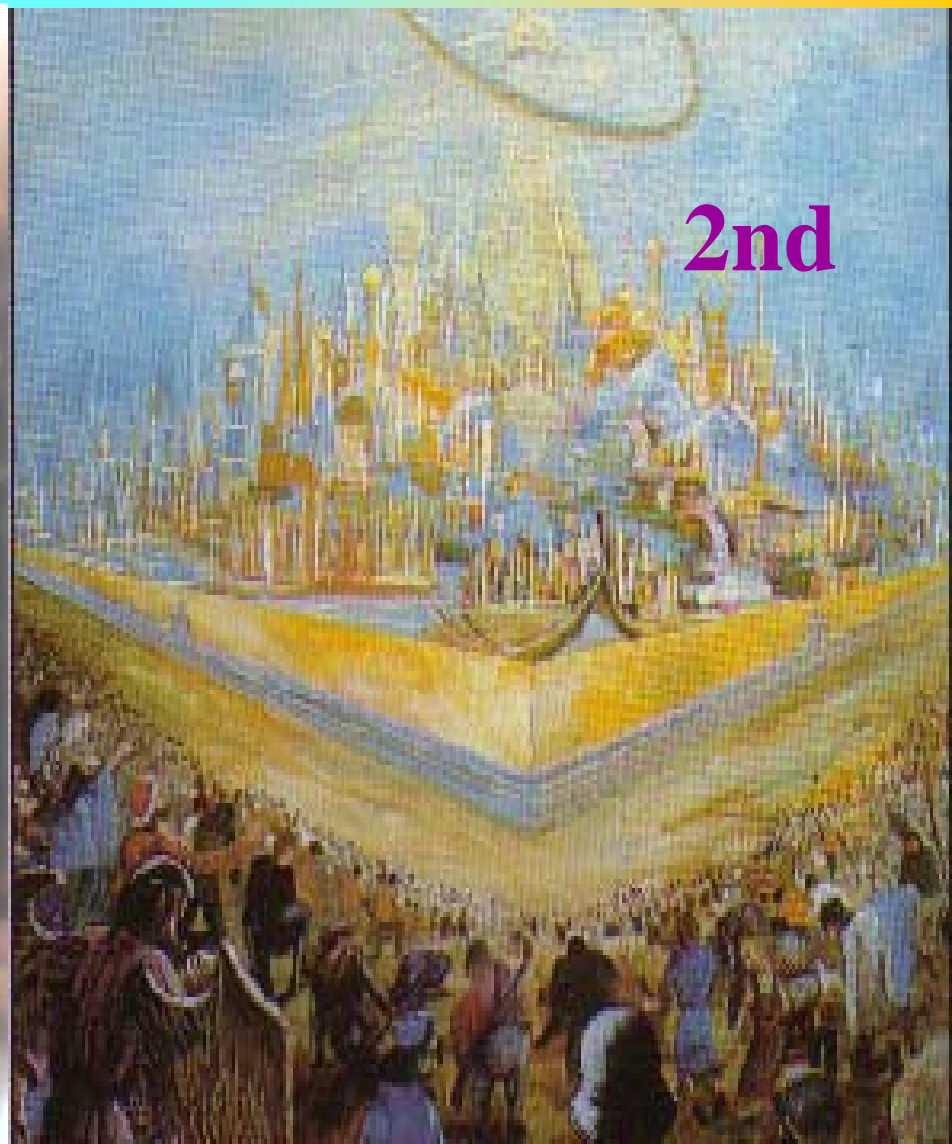
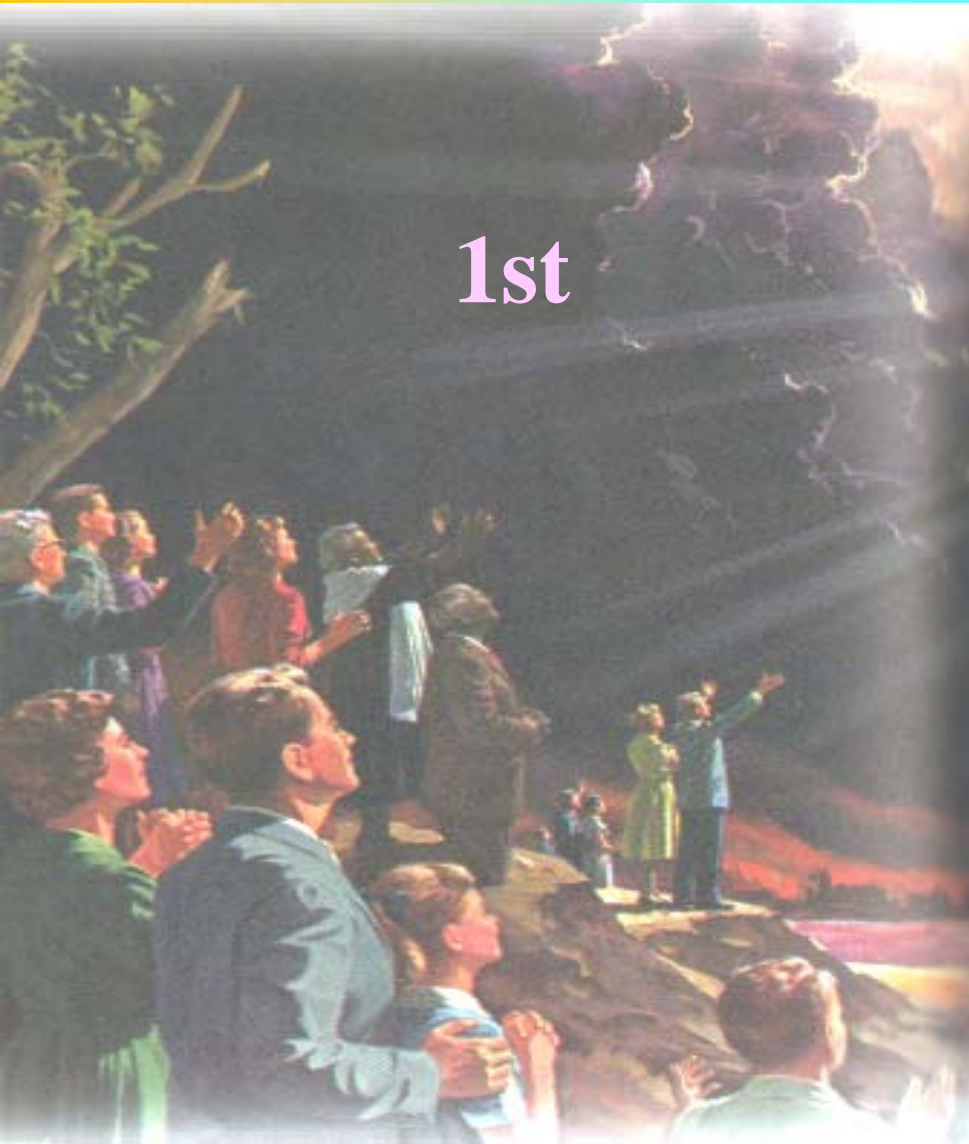


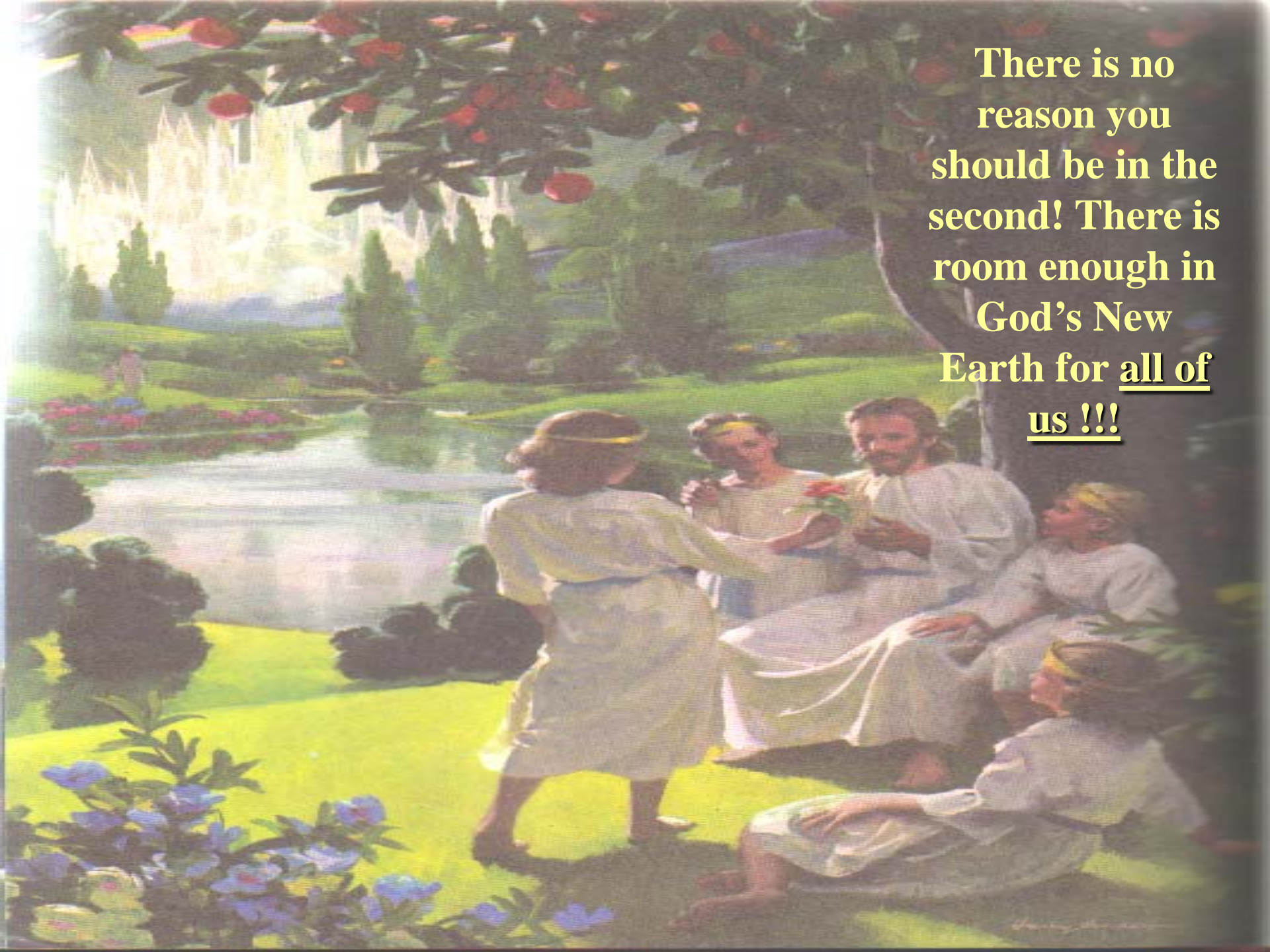
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- 25. Are you determined to hold onto the eternal life that is yours through Christ?
 - *Answer:* **YES!**



26. Which resurrection do you want to be in?





**There is no
reason you
should be in the
second! There is
room enough in
God's New
Earth for all of
us !!!**