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The End of War in Heaven

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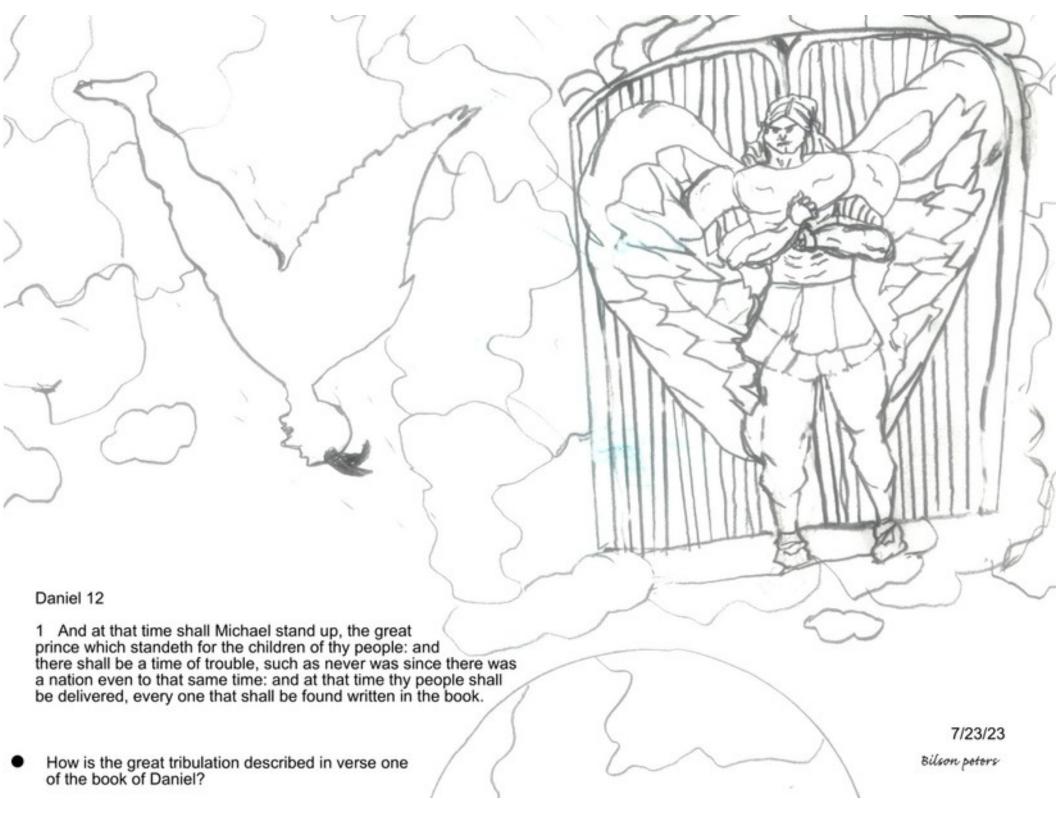
10-17, **Future**: Satan's Final Struggle on Earth



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Dan. 12:1 And at that time shall Michael stand up [stand back], the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

2 Thes 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day [of the Lord] shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. ... 6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. 7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth [hindereth] will let [hinder], until he be taken out of the way. 8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:



The Heavenly Courtroom

12:9 The Dragon's Titles

- Serpent → Genesis 3
- the Devil, Satan
 - Job 1
 - Zechariah 3
 - Rev 12:10 "accuser of our brethren"

which deceiveth the whole world

2Co 4:4 the god of this world hath **blinded the minds** of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. ... 6 For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

How to deal with a corrupt prosecutor?

Job 16:19 Also now, behold, my **witness** is in heaven, and my record (שֹהד H7717 **advocate**) is on high.

1 John 2:1 And if any man sin, we have an **advocate** with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:

Rom. 8:34 Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also **maketh intercession** for us.

Heb 7:25 he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

When does Satan Fall from Heaven?

Before creation?

Is. 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning!

how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God:

I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

→ but Job and Zech 3

At the Cross?

John 12:31 Now **is** the judgment of this world: now **shall** the prince of this world be cast out.

→ But Rev 12:10 (present tense)

Satan's Final Struggle on Earth

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Doxologies in the Revelation

(Speaker)	1:6 John	4:9, Living Creatures	4:10-11, Elders	5:9-10,	5:12, Angel Host	5:13, All Creation	7:10, Many People	7:11-12, Angels, Elders, LCs	11:15, Loud Voices in Heaven	12:10 Loud Voice in Heaven	19:1 People in Heaven
(Recipient)	Jesus Christ	God	God	Elders: 1	Lamb	God & Lamb	God & Lamb	God	God & his Christ	God & his Christ	Lord our God
(Form)	to	to	Worthy	The slain	Worthy	to	to	to	Now is come	Now is come	Alleluiah; to
Glory	1	1	1		6	3		2			2
Honor		2	2	Lamb is	5	2		5			3
Thanks		3		Wor				4			
Power δύναμις G1411			3	worthy	1			6		2	4
Blessing					7	1		1			
Riches					2						
Wisdom					3			3			
Strength, might ἰσχύς G2479					4			7			
Power κράτος G2904	2					4					
Salvation							1			1	1
Kingdom									1	3	
Power έξουσία G1849										4	
(Response)	Amen					Amen	Amen →	Amen			

11 They loved not their lives ...

Mat 16:25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

Three Clues to the Flood from the Serpent's Mouth

Clue 1. The OT Flood Metaphor

A conquering army?

Is. 8:7 Now therefore, behold, the Lord bringeth up upon them the waters of the river, strong and many, even the king of Assyria, and all his glory: and he shall come up over all his channels, and go over all his banks: 8 And he shall pass through Judah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach even to the neck; and the stretching out of his wings shall fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel.

Helpful References

Divine judgment?

Psa. 32:6 For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.

Nonmilitary popular oppression?

2Sam. 22:5 When the waves of death compassed me,

the floods of ungodly men made me afraid;

6 The sorrows of hell compassed me about;

the snares of death prevented me;

1Sa 23:12 Then said David, Will the men of Keilah deliver me and my men into the hand of Saul? And the LORD said, They will deliver thee up.

More Clues to the Serpent's Flood

Clue 2: When does the Earth Swallow Something?

Psa. 106:16 They envied Moses also in the camp, and Aaron the saint of the LORD. 17 The earth opened and swallowed up Dathan, and covered the company of Abiram.

Clue 3: Why "Serpent" instead of "Dragon"?

Gen. 3:15 And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between **thy seed** and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Joh 8:44 Ye are of **your father the devil**, and the lusts of your father ye will do.

→ The flood is widespread social rejection:

Mat 10:22 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake:

An Example

Num. 16:1 Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and Abiram, the sons of Eliab, and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben, took men: 2 And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel, two hundred and fifty princes of the assembly, famous in the congregation, men of renown: 3 And they gathered themselves together against Moses and against Aaron, and said unto them, Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the congregation are holy, every one of them, and the LORD is among them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the LORD?