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Final Judgment

Restoration and the Return of Divine Rule
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• The End of Rebellion and the Binding of Satan

Satan is bound for a thousand years, preventing him from deceiving the nations.

Old Testament Imagery - **Isaiah** 24:21–22

- “Host of heaven” punished and imprisoned
- Spiritual rulers restrained before final judgment

Expanded Meaning:

This is not the destruction of evil—but its **containment**:

- **Deception**—the defining mark of the Beast system—is halted
- The nations are no longer actively manipulated

Divine Council Worldview (“DCW”) Insight:

This reflects a **temporary suspension of the Deuteronomy 32 corruption structure**

- Nations remain, but...
- The spiritual rebellion influencing them is restrained

- **The Earthly Reign of Christ** (*Millennium*)

Those who remained faithful now reign with Christ.

Old Testament Imagery:

- **Daniel 7:27** *“The kingdom shall be given to the saints of the Most High”*
- **Genesis 1:26–28** Humanity originally given dominion

Expanded Meaning:

Authority is restored to those aligned with God

The failed dominion of the Beast system is replaced

This is a **restoration of the originally intended rulership** (*Eden*) with **Christ as King**

DCW Insight:

The dominion lost through rebellion is now **returned to the faithful** under **God’s authority**

- **The Final Rebellion**

After the Millennium, Satan is released and gathers the nations once more.

Old Testament Imagery - **Joel 3:1-2** *“For behold, in those days and at that time, when I restore the fortunes of Judah and Jerusalem, I will gather all the nations and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat. And I will enter into judgment with them there, on behalf of my people and my heritage Israel, because they have scattered them among the nations and have divided up my land.”*

Expanded Meaning:

Even after restraint, rebellion re-emerges, Satan *“still pursues the woman”*, Israel, this time while it is under Divine rule. The unique aspect about this rebellion, however, *reveals* the real issue cannot simply be attributed only to deception, it is **internal allegiance**. Nations still turn against “The Kingdom”, even when led by Christ.

DCW Insight:

The nations, even without deception, when Christ has been revealed to all, still demonstrate their **capacity for rebellion**

- **The Final Defeat of Satan**

Fire falls from heaven—Satan is cast into the lake of fire.

Old Testament Imagery - **Isaiah** 66:24

- Final judgment imagery
- The unending consequence of rebellion

Expanded Meaning:

- This is not restraint—it is a **permanent removal**
- The source of deception is eliminated entirely

DCW Insight:

The spiritual rebellion behind and inspiring the nations is **fully and finally ended**

- **The Great White Throne Judgment**

All the dead stand before God—books are opened.

Old Testament Imagery - **Daniel** 7:9–10

- Thrones set
- Books opened
- Judgment rendered

Expanded Meaning:

- Individual accountability is now complete
- No system, nation, or identity shields anyone
- Judgment is based on **truth and allegiance**

DCW Insight:

The final restoration of order includes **justice across all nations and peoples**

- **Revelation 21 – The Restoration of Creation**

New Heaven and New Earth

The old order completely passes away—creation is made new.

Old Testament Imagery - **Isaiah** 65:17

“New heavens and a new earth”

Expanded Meaning:

- This time it is not reform—it is **replacement**
- The entire corrupted system is removed

DCW Insight:

The Deuteronomy 32 world system is not *repaired* as in the *Millennium*—it is **ended**

- **The New Jerusalem Descends**

The new Holy City comes down from heaven.

Old Testament Imagery - **Ezekiel** 40–48

Vision of restored temple and city

Expanded Meaning:

- God's dwelling is no longer distant
- Heaven and earth are unified

DCW Insight:

Divine presence is no longer mediated—**it is direct and permanent**

- **God Dwells With Humanity**

“Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man”

Old Testament Connection - **Leviticus** 26:11–12

Expanded Meaning: Covenant promises fulfilled to completion

- No temple separation
- No priestly mediation

DCW Insight:

The original Eden relationship is **fully restored**

- **The End of Death & Sorrow**

Old Testament Imagery - **Isaiah** 25:8

Death, pain, and mourning are gone.

Expanded Meaning:

- The curse of Genesis is reversed
- Death—the final enemy—is removed

DCW Insight:

The consequences of rebellion are fully undone

The **Structure of the City**

Old Testament Imagery - **Ezekiel** 48, Measured, ordered, and radiant.

Expanded Meaning:

- Perfect symmetry → divine order
- Foundations → permanence
- Gates → access restored

- **Revelation 22, Final Restoration and Eternal Rule**

The River of Life

Old Testament Imagery - **Ezekiel 47** Water flows from the throne of God.

Expanded Meaning:

- Life now flows directly from God
- No intermediary systems required

Contrast to **Revelation 16**:

Corrupted waters judged – they are now pure waters, restored

The Tree of Life Restored

Old Testament Imagery - **Genesis 2–3** Healing for the nations.

Expanded Meaning:

- What was lost in Eden is restored
- Nations are no longer divided or corrupted

DCW Insight: The nations are no longer under competing authorities—they are unified

- **No More Curse** 📖

Old Testament Connection - **Genesis 3** - “The curse is no more”

Expanded Meaning:

- No sin
- No death
- No corruption

DCW Insight - The entire framework of **rebellion is removed permanently**

- **God as Light & King**

OT Imagery - **Isaiah 60** - No sun—God is the light.

Expanded Meaning:

No external sources needed

God Himself sustains all

DCW Insight: All false sources of light (*Beast system, false prophets*) are gone

- **Final Invitation and Warning**

“Come... do not add or take away...”

Old Testament Pattern – same as the Covenant warnings - **Deuteronomy**

Expanded Meaning:

- Final call to respond
- Final warning against distortion

DCW Insight:

👉 The entire biblical narrative resolves in one issue: **Allegiance to the True God**

Final Thought:

“Revelation ends not with destruction—but with restoration: the complete removal of rebellion and the full return of God’s rule over His creation.”

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