



## 2. MILLENNIUM MADNESS

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### Sermon Notes

Text: Revelation 20:1-10

#### Intro:

*Revelation unveils the hidden spiritual realities of heaven and earth.*

Revelation 20:1-10

6 mentions of the 1000 years in Revelation 20:2-7.

#### 3 basic systems proposed:

##### 1. Pre-Millennialism

- Second coming before the millennium.
- Satan bound, Christians resurrected.
- Earthly kingdom where Christians reign with Jesus.
- Satan released after millennium, later thrown in lake of burning sulfur.
- Judgement.

##### 2. Post-Millennialism

- Second coming after the millennium.
- Millennium is a period of time when the gospel wins the day, and Satan is bound.
- 1000 years symbolic of a time of peace.
- Satan released after millennium, later thrown in lake of burning sulfur.
- Judgement.

##### 3. A-Millennialism

- Second coming after the millennium.
- Millennium symbolic of the church age (current age).
- Satan was bound during Jesus' earthly ministry.
- Satan released after millennium, later thrown in lake of burning sulfur.
- Judgement.

2 Timothy 2:23

#### What are some things we can all agree on?

##### 1. The future is not for grabs; it belongs to Jesus.

*Whatever the millennium is, it's about Jesus.*

"Millennial madness is made manageable by focusing on the millennial man." ~Darrell Johnson

##### 2. Satan's days are numbered.

Revelation 20:7-10

Satan is not the lord of Hell; he's merely one of its future residents.

"[Satan] must ultimately do the worst he can, so that when he is defeated there will be no last tiny remnant of suspicion that anything worth 'accusation' has been left unaccounted for. He must be allowed a final moment to flail around with his lies and accusations, so that in his overthrow it will be clear beyond the slightest doubt that 'there is therefore now no condemnation for those in the Messiah Jesus'." ~N.T. Wright

##### 3. The best is yet to come!

#### Conclusion:

## Life Group Discussion

### Warm up:

1. When you think about your future in heaven, what are you most looking forward to?
2. What stood out to you about Sunday's sermon? What was interesting? Confusing? Weird? Thought provoking?

### Study & Discussion:

1. Read Revelation 20:1-10. What stands out to you? What does this passage say about Jesus? About us? About Satan?
2. Read 2 Timothy 2:22-26. It is not a bad thing to have an opinion on the chronology of end times events, and it's certainly not a bad thing to discuss your views with others, even those with whom you disagree. At what point, however, does a discussion about end times events turn into a "foolish and stupid argument?" How can we ensure we have civil discussions with each other about the things we disagree on?
3. Practice what you just discussed in question 2. Review the 3 basic systems for understanding the millennium. Have you heard about these before? Is there one that you lean toward? What are some strengths and weaknesses of the different views? What do they have in common?

### Application:

1. Pray for the help of the Holy Spirit in discerning what God wants to say to you about the end times. Then ask God to help you live in light of Jesus' ultimate victory over evil.

### Prayer:

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