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# "God's Action Thriller"





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The Last Words

Jesus Spoke to His Church!

A Powerful Verse by Verse Study on The Book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ

# Revelation 12 "The Woman, The Dragon & The Child"

#### Revelation 12

**1** Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars. 2 Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth. 3 And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. 4 His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. 5 She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne. 6 Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days. 7 And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, 8 but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. 9 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. 10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. 11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of did their testimony, and they not love their lives to the death. 12 Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time." 13 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. 14 But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent. **15** So the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood. **16** But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. **17** And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.


## The Woman

#### **REVELATION 12:1**



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<u>Isaiah 9:</u> 6; Gen. <u>37:9-1</u>	<u>0; Isaiah 54:1-6</u> ;
Jer. 3:20; Ezekiel 16:8-	14; Hosea 2:19-20;
Isa. 4:5; 1Chron. 23:31	; <u>2Chron 2:4</u> ; <u>8:13</u> ;
Gen 3:15	

# **REVELATION 12:2**



<b>Genesis 3:15</b> ; <b>Exodus; Matt. 2:18</b> ;
<u>Jer 31:15</u>

## The Dragon

#### **REVELATION 12:3**



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#### **REVELATION 12:4**



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His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth.

And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born.

<u>Rev 13:1;</u> <u>D</u>	<u>an. 7:7</u>	<u>'-8</u> ; <u> </u>	<u>7:24</u>
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Daniel 4:17; Job 38:7; Jude 1:58; 2Peter 2:4; Micah 5:2; Gen. 3:15; **Gen 4**; **Exodus 1**; **Matt. 2:16**;

## The three players in this drama:

- 1. The Dragon = \_\_\_\_\_ 2. The Woman = \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 3. The Male Child = \_\_\_\_\_

Back to the Beginning - Gen 3:1; Gen 49:17; Rev. 7; Judges; 1 Kings.

Lucifer's Fall - Isa 14:12-17

The Puppet Master - <u>Ezekiel 28:12-19</u>; <u>Rom 4:17</u>; <u>Ezekiel 28</u>; <u>Rev. 20:10</u>

## The Man Child

## **REVELATION 12:5**



#### **Revelation 12:5**

She bore a male
Child who was to rule
all nations with a rod of
iron. And her Child
was caught up to God
and His throne.

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# <u>Psalm 2:9; Rev. 2:27; 19:15</u>

#### **REVELATION 12:6**



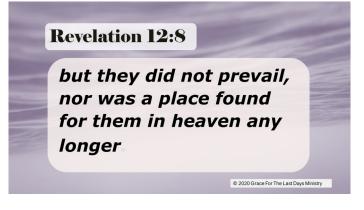
Matt 24:15-16; John 14:2-3; Daniel 9
Revelation 12:5; 12:6;


#### **REVELATION 12:7**



Rev. 12:9; Dan. 12:1; Zech. 12:10; Luke 13:35; Eph. 6:12; Col. 2:15

#### **REVELATION 12:8**



Ezekiel 28:15-18; Genesis 1:1-19; 2Cor. 12:2; Job 1:6, 38:4-7; Eph. 2:2; Eph. 6:12

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Hebrews 7:25; 1John 2:1

Romans. 8:33-39

**Ephesians 1:7**; **Col. 1:14**; **Hebrew 9:14**;

#### **REVELATION 12:9**

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So, the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels, were cast out with him.



#### **REVELATION 12:10**

# Revelation 12:10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.

#### **REVELATION 12:11**



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And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

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#### **REVELATION 12:12**

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Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time."

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#### **REVELATION 12:13**

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Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child.

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<u>Daniel 9:27</u> ;	<b>Matt. 24:15</b> ;	2Thess. 2:4;
<u>Luke 13:35</u>		

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#### **REVELATION 12:14**

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But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

# <u>Psalm 91:4; Isaiah 40:31; Exodus 19:4;</u> <u>Zechariah 13:8; Dan 7:25; 12:7</u>


#### **REVELATION 12:15**

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So, the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood.



## **Daniel 9:26**; Matthew 24:15-22


#### **REVELATION 12:16**

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But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth.

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#### Isaiah 54:17; 59:19


#### REVELATION 12:17

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## Take Aways

- 1. This chapter reveals the story of the fall of Lucifer, the fall of Man, and Satan's never ending hatred for Israel, and the retrieval of God's Creation from the clutches of Satan. By the time we reach **Rev. 22** the story will be completed.
- 2. Satan may be our accuser, but Jesus is our advocate with the Father.

  1John 2:1
  - ♦ Advocate means defense attorney
  - When Satan attempts to accuse us before the Father, Jesus, our defense attorney steps in and reveals that our slate has been wiped clean by His blood and made innocent before God our Father.

### 2Corinthians 5:21

3. **Rev. 12:11** states that they overcame the dragon "by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death."

Three key ingredients were used to overcome the enemy:

- 1."the **Blood** of the Lamb"
- 2. The Word of their testimony
- 3. **Love** for for heavenly things rather than the things of this world.

Remember the Lord's instruction to the church in Smyrna - "... be faithful unto death, and I will give you a <a href="crown">crown</a> of Life." <a href="Rev 2:10">Rev 2:10</a>

# **Questions for Reflection**

1.	If we believe to live is Christ, and to die is gain, (Phil. 1:21) then how can Satan's violence against us be truly effective?
	When we have this perspective it is like we are coated in spiritual Teflon.
2.	Has Satan ever paralyzed your walk with the Lord through throwing guilt and reminders of your past failures and weaknesses? (If so, remind him of his future - eternal demise in the "Lake of Fire".)

3. Do you live each day in the confidence that Jesus Christ is indeed your advocate.

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