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Warfare is wearing. It wears you down unless you know and you understand hey, this is just a skirmish; the final battle is coming and Satan, you will be defeated forever and ever. O beloved, the end is coming and we triumph; we win. Let's look at it. Let's see the demise of our enemy the devil.

PART ONE

I love teaching you. I love doing this program. And I love hearing from you. If you haven't written me yet, write me. I would so love to get to know you. Well we've been looking at Daniel and we're going to get back to Daniel, chapter 11. But before we do we've got to wrap up this mini-series on the devil, on Satan, on his angelic hosts, his angelic army that is warring against Michael and his angels, this angelic host that is trying to exterminate the Jews, trying to get rid of them, this angelic host that is not going to succeed because God is a covenant keeping God. Well we were in Revelation,

chapter 12. And in Revelation, chapter 12 we saw that in the last three and a half years of the seventieth week of Daniel, that Satan is going to be cast down to this earth. In other words, when that little horn takes his power and rules over the whole earth, as Daniel, chapter 7 says and treads it down and crushes it, it's because Satan is down here on earth. And listen to what he's like. I mean he is full of wrath. It says now in verse 10. And I heard a loud voice and saying now the salvation and power and kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ, His anointed One, His promised One, His Messiah, have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down who accuses them before our God day and night. Verse 12: For this reason rejoice O heavens and you who dwell on the earth. Woe to the earth and the sea because the devil; put a red pitchfork there, has come down to you. Now catch this, having great wrath. And what I do is I just take a red pen and go up and down and up and down like its flames. The devil has come down to you having great wrath. And then it says knowing that he, the devil, has only a short time. Time clock, it's ticking away. Put that clock there. The devil knows he has only a short time. Now what's going to happen to him? Well for three and a half years it's going to look like he is triumphing. It's going to look like he is because he has that little horn of Daniel, chapter 7 and he has empowered him. And that little horn is ruling over all the earth and we'll study that in a couple days. But let's go now from there to Revelation, chapter 19. In Revelation, chapter 19 Jesus returns to earth. I've read you this passage before. It says in verse 11 I saw heaven open and behold a white horse. And He who sat on it is called Faithful and True and in righteousness He judges and wages war. Now who is he waging war against? Well He is waging war against the nations that have come to make war on God and on God's holy people. So He has come to wage war. Now how does He get these nations there? Well I want you to look at Revelation, chapter 16 in verse 13. It says I saw coming out of the mouth of the dragon. Now you know who the dragon is because God has told us in Revelation that the dragon is Satan, the serpent of old, called the devil also. And I saw coming

out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast, and this is this empire that is ruling. It's the fourth empire of Daniel's statue. It's the fourth beast of Daniel, chapter 7 and so here is this beast. This is the one that makes a covenant with the many for seven years. And in the middle of those seven years breaks that covenant and puts an end to the Jews making sacrifices and grain offering. This is the one whose desolations are determined. This is the one who is causing horror and will cause horror until God moves. So it says I saw coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet three unclean spirits like frogs. I'm going to tell you why I'm laughing in just a minute. It says for they are spirits of demons performing signs, which go out to the kings of the whole world to gather them together for the war of the great day of God Almighty. In other words God, through this demonic influence of the dragon and the beast and the false prophet. Are you seeing what I'm seeing? The dragon, the beast, the false prophet. Dragon, finger number one. Beast, finger number 2. False prophet, finger number 3. Parallel it. God, the Father, God the Son, God, the Holy Spirit. Here's an unholy trinity. And because we understand Daniel 10 and we understand that there's a war in heaven and we understand Satan and his angels. And we understand how they're in opposition to God. We understand how they influence kings down here on earth. Now they're gathering all the kings together to do war against God, against God Almighty. How do they get there? And this is why I started to laugh and why I started to laugh again, because I almost forgot to tell you. It's because out of their mouths come unclean spirits like frogs. If you would go with us to Greece, when I say Greece I'm talking about Greece and then a three day cruise on the Aegean Sea and, and going to some of the islands there. And one of the islands is Patmos where John, the apostle was given the revelation, the book of Revelation and where he wrote it. And so we go there. And when we go there we teach the book of Revelation. When we go to Israel, if you would go to Israel and we go to Armageddon. Then we teach the book of Revelation. But we teach it in a

visual way. It's awesome because we show you the seals and the trumpets and the bowls and then the characters and how they come in and when they come in. And when we do that, one day I was teaching this and, and our staff plays the different characters and so Pete, who's our vice-president of training, and Bob Vereen, who is our ambassador at large and travels all of the world for us, and I think it was Tom Hayes; I can't remember, who's the director of our Spanish work, but anyway, those three guys were standing there; I'm teaching away and I'm teaching this verse because I'm teaching what happens when the last seven bowls of wrath are poured out on the earth. And as I'm standing there teaching and I say and out of their mouths come these unclean spirits like frogs. Well one time I was standing there and all of a sudden I heard Budweiser, Budweiser, which was that famous ad a long time ago when they did this Budweiser ad and it was three frogs on three lily pads saying Budweiser. Then the next time I'm standing there and these three guys are doing it again and all of a sudden they open their mouths, stick out their tongues and each one has a frog, a toy frog, not a real frog, but a toy frog standing on their tongues. I mean you don't forget it. You see the book of Revelation. And so every time I read this scripture I turn around and see my three, these three prominent men, in our ministry with these frogs sitting, on their tongues. So these unclean spirits gather all the nations of the earth to do war against God. Now, Revelation, chapter 19; so heaven's open; Jesus is on a white horse. He is called Faithful and True and in righteousness He judges and He wages war. And it says and His eyes were like a flame of fire and upon His head are many diadems and He has a name written upon Him, which no one knows except Himself. And then it goes on and it says in verse 16 and on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written King of kings and Lord of lords. And He comes on this white horse and He comes to do battle to confront these armies that Satan his angels have gathered together. And it says I saw an angel standing in the sun and he cried out with a loud voice, saying to all the birds which fly in mid-heaven, come and assemble yourself for the great supper of God that you

may eat the flesh of kings and the flesh of commanders and the flesh of mighty men and the flesh of those who sit on them and the flesh of all men, both free men and slaves, both small and great. And I saw the beast and the kings of this earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. And as I told you in an earlier program, we're the army. And the beast was seized and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence. There's two of the unholy trinity, the beast and the false prophet. The dragon is the other one. So He just seized the beast and the false prophet and it says the false prophet who performed the signs in the presence of the beast. And it says by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshipped his image, who worshipped the image of the beast. These two were thrown alive; catch where, into the lake of fire. Double underline it; it's a geographical location. It exists. You say I've never seen it. It's not on any map. No honey, it's not on a map, but it's in the Bible. And you don't ever want to see it. You don't ever, ever, ever want to see it. And God doesn't want you to go there. That was a place, as I told you in our last program that was prepared for the devil and his angels. You don't ever want to see it. But these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire, which burns with brimstone. And the rest, the rest of this army and everything that comes against God were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat upon the horse and all the birds were filled with their flesh. You say, but wait a minute, where's that dragon? I've got to know. Good, I'll tell you right after the break.

PART TWO

We left Revelation 19, verse 21. We have the beast and the false prophet in the lake of fire. We have the rest of those armies killed. We have the birds of the air devouring their flesh. But what about that dragon? We can't let one escape, can we? God can't let one escape. So it continues, verse 20. I saw an

angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the abyss and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan and bound him for a thousand years. You say, oh, that's right. You got to mark it. It is time; put a clock there. Now, the key to handling the Word of God accurately is to let the text say what it says, to not put your interpretation into the text. So if he says a thousand years here he means a thousand years, unless he says it was like a thousand years. So let's just assume it's literally a thousand years. Verse 3: He bounds Satan, for a thousand years and he threw him into the abyss and shut it and sealed it over him, that he should not deceive the nations any longer until the thousand years were completed. After these things he, he who? He the devil is released for a short time. So Jesus comes back. He conquers all those that have come to war against Him and then we would insert Matthew, chapter 25 and we're going to see how that fits in later too, with Daniel, chapter 12. The devil is chained in the bottomless pit. The beast and the false prophet are cast into the lake of fire. The dragon, Satan, the devil is in this bottomless pit for a thousand years. Then he's released for a short time. Now, verse 7, and when the thousand years are completed Satan will be released from his prison. Now what's happening during those thousand years? Well if you look at verse 4 it says I saw thrones and those that sat on them and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of the testimony of Jesus and because of the Word of God and those who had not worshipped the beast or his image and had not received the mark on their forehead and upon their hand and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. When Jesus Christ comes back to earth, earth is populated. There are those who believe in Jesus. There are those who take care of the Jews during their time of persecution. These are called the sheep in Matthew, chapter 25. They go into the kingdom. The goats, the ones that came against Christ and against the Jews are cast into the lake of fire. But you have people living on the face of this earth. They give birth to children. I mean after all they're living here for a thousand years.

Satan is bound. The saints are ruling and reigning with Jesus Christ as King of kings and Lord of lords upon this earth. And as Daniel, chapter 2 and as Daniel, chapter 7 says, God has set up His kingdom. He has brought the kingdom of the beast to an end because He's put the beast in the lake of fire. So God is ruling in His kingdom; as He rules in His kingdom, He rules and reigns through His saints. He rules and reigns through those that have been faithful, through those that have been martyred and through us, and so they reign with Christ for a thousand years. So I would take it literally. If you take Revelation and you go through and you just interpret it as you would any book, similes for similes, metaphors for metaphors, but reality for reality, then what you see is, there is a literal rule and reign on the face of this earth with Satan bound. And when the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison and will come out to deceive the nations, which are in the four corners of the earth. Now is he able to do that? Yes, because they're still sinners. They're still born in sin. In sin did my mother conceive me. So he comes out to deceive the nations, which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together for the war. In other words, that old devil has been in the bottomless pit for one thousand years and he has never ever changed. He is still a deceiver. He is still a murderer. So he gathers those people that have been under the reign of Jesus Christ and seen what Christ is doing here on the earth and he gathers them and the number of them is like the sand of the seashore. And they came up from the broad plain of the earth and they surrounded the camp of the saints in the beloved city. Now what city is that? That is Jerusalem. And fire came down from heaven and devoured them. You know God is showing and separating the true from the false. So fire comes down from heaven. Now catch the scenario. The devil has not learned his lesson. The devil is the devil is the devil. He is a liar. He is a deceiver. He is a murderer. He abides not in the truth. So he comes out and he deceives these people. There's so many of them that they're like the sand of the seashore. And they gather and they camp around Jerusalem again. God doesn't have to send out

His armies. This time fire comes down out of heaven and devours them. That's it; it's over because watch what happens. Verse 10: And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are also. Do you see how it all fits together? Do you see how God gives you a nugget of truth. And he says the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are also. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever and ever. There's no end to the lake of fire. There is no annihilation beloved. It is torment forever. And I saw the great white throne and Him who sat on it from whose presence earth and heaven fled away and no place was found for them. He sees God. And I saw the dead, small and great standing before the throne and the books were opened and another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged from the things written in the books according to their deeds. Now watch. And the sea gave up the dead, which were in it and death and Hades gave up the dead, which were in them, and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds. And death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. So you have the beast, you have the false prophet, first. Then you have the dragon. Then you have death and Hades. This is the second death, the lake of fire. Do you know what this means? This means that these never ever experience life. It says and if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire. God wrote your name in the book of life. He wants you to be saved. He wants you to believe in Jesus, to trust in Him, to acknowledge that He is God, to believe that He paid for your sins and to receive Him as your Savior. If you do that, He will not erase your name. But if you die without Jesus, He'll erase your name and you'll spend eternity in the lake of fire. O beloved, repent, repent and be saved.