

# Dragon Restrained

You consider yourself a lion of the nations,  
but you are like a dragon in the seas;  
you burst forth in your rivers,  
trouble the waters with your feet, and foul their rivers.

Thus says the Lord GOD:  
I will throw my net over you with a host of many peoples,  
and they will haul you up in my dragnet.

And I will cast you on the ground; on the open field I will  
fling you, and will cause all the birds of the heavens  
to settle on you, and I will gorge the beasts  
of the whole earth with you.

I will strew your flesh upon the mountains  
and fill the valleys with your carcass.

I will drench the land even to the mountains with  
your flowing blood, and the ravines will be full of you.

When I blot you out, I will cover the heavens and make  
their stars dark; I will cover the sun with a cloud,  
and the moon shall not give its light.

All the bright lights of heaven will I make dark over you,  
and put darkness on your land, declares the Lord GOD.

Ezekiel 32:2-8 (ESV)

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# Revelation 19:17-20:6

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## Eater or Eaten? (19:17-21)

- A. Armageddon turns out to be anti-climactic as Jesus crushes the opposition and the meat-eating birds of earth feast (irony) on God's enemies (19:17-18, 21).
- B. Significantly, the Beast and False Prophet are captured and thrown alive into a "Lake of Fire" (Hell), an eternal death (19:19-20).

Notes

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## Satan Subdued (20:1-3)

- A. An angel (? , cf. 9:1) descends from Heaven with a key to the bottomless pit and a "mega-chain" to subdue a powerless Satan for one-thousand years (20:1-2).
- B. Unlike the eternal judgment of the Beast and False Prophet, Satan is imprisoned, and "must" be released after a millennia (20:3).

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## The Millennial Reign Of Christ (20:4-6)

- A. God's people through history will "reign with Christ" for the millennium as "priests of God and of Christ" (20:4-6).
- B. This "first resurrection" is a blessing because it delivers great reward and does not include unbelievers (20:5), who are not judged until the "Great White Throne" judgment (cf. 20:11).