"The Last Revolt of the Wicked" Revelation 20:7–10

I. The completion of the 1000 years reign of Christ:

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A. What will these 1000 years accomplish?

- 1. God will fulfill all remaining prophecies about the promised Kingdom of God.
- 2. God will fulfill all the promises made by Jesus to all His followers. **Matthew 19:29**
- 3. God will continue to save the lost under the perfect rule of Christ.
- 4. God shows that people will still love their sin and reject Christ as savior.

B. What will happen to us and the reign of Christ after the 1000 year anniversary?

- 1. Our reign with Christ will be over after a 1000 years (Rev. 20:6)
- 2. There must be ideal condition for Satan to convince the nations to rebel.

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A. We are not told how long it will take for Satan to unite the nations against the Lord.

1. There must be a period of decline and corruption and fomenting discontent.

- B. Satan will find no lack of willing masses of the unconverted who are ready to rebel.
 - 1. Their fully blossomed hatred is described in Psalm 2:1-3 —
- C. Application: Truths that mold the attitudes of the redeemed:
 - 1. Psalm 33:12 —
 - 2. Psalm 1:1-2 —
 - 3. Psalm 32:1-2 -

III. The revolt of the nations:

A. There will be one last war between good and evil.

Revelation 20:9 "And they came up on the broad plain of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city..."

- B. The enemy will eventually surround the remaining saints and the royal city.
 - 1. It seems that after a prolonged conflict with the rebel alliance of Satan, the Kingdom of Christ will be reduced to a single military camp of loyalist.
- C. When all seems lost, the wrath of God will descend from Heaven.

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- 1. Again, God delt with them swiftly and decisively and His fire will cleanse his creation 2 Peter 3:10.
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