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Satan Bound v. 1-6

Rev 20:1-2 Then I saw an **Angel coming down from heaven**, holding **and a great chain** the **key of the abyss** in his hand.



The Abyss: the bottomless pit for Demons (Lk 8:31) Realm of Satan (Rev 9:1; 11:7; 17:8; Rev 20:1,3)

The Key
(Rev 20:1)

This Key was for the **Abyss**
Peter had keys (Mt 16:19) For the **kingdom**
Jesus had keys (Rev 1:18) Of **Death & Hades**

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Rev 20:2 And he [Angel] *laid hold of the dragon*, the serpent of old, who is the devil & Satan & *bound him*.

Bound: limited Satan's activity

Paul was in *chains* (Eph 6:20),

☑ yet *preached* (2 Tim 1:11-12, 16).

Paul *imprisoned* (Phil 1:12-14),

☑ yet *influenced* (Acts 28:30 -31).



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Satan's limitation is spoken
of in various ways ...

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1. Satan "Chained" (Rv 20:2)
 2. Satan "Bound" (Mt 12:29)
 3. Satan "Fallen" (Lk 10:17)
 4. Satan "Cast out" (Jn 10:31)
 5. Made "Powerless" (Heb 2:14)
 6. Works "Destroyed" (1 John 3:8)



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Rev 20:2 [the angel] laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, & bound him for a 1,000 years;



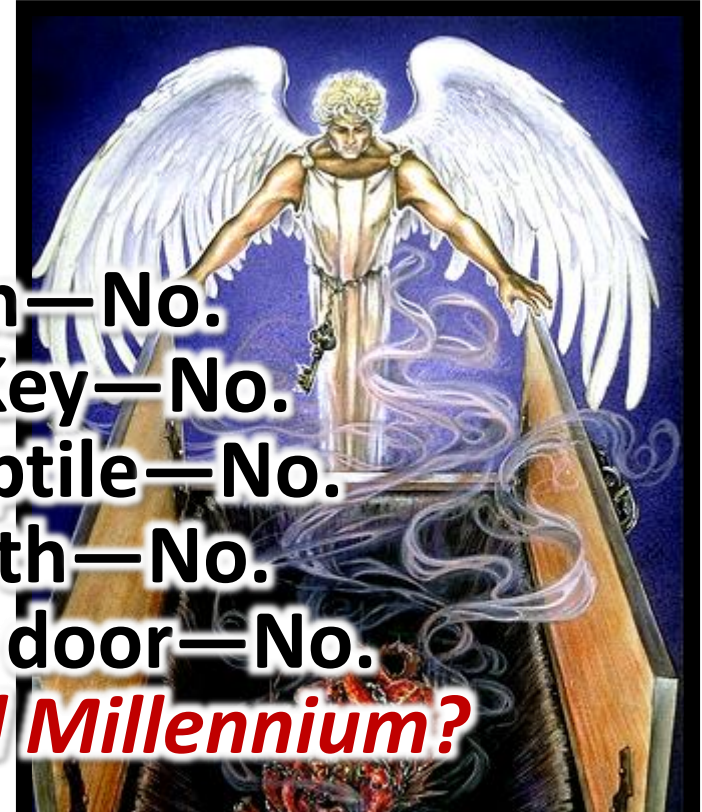
A thousand years— Long, unspecified period.
Dt 1:11 May the Lord increase you a 1,000 fold.
Dt 7:9 Lord keeps his covenant to 1,000th gen.
Josh 23:10 One man puts a 1,000 to flight.
Ps 50:10 [Lord owns] cattle on a 1,000 hills.
2 Pet 3:8 One day with the Lord is as 1,000 yrs.

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What should we take as **LITERAL** in this section ?

- v.1 Literal "**Chain**" ? A log chain—No.
- v.1 Literal "**Key**" ? Skeleton Key—No.
- v.2 Literal "**Dragon**" ? Cosmic reptile—No.
- v.3 Literal "**Hole**" ? In the earth—No.
- v.5 Literal "**Door**" ? Steel trap door—No.
- v.6 Literal "**1,000**" yrs ? **Literal Millennium?**



All is figurative showing that Satan is limited in his power for a VERY long time.

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Rev 20:4 Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, & judgment was given to them....

Commentators guess Living Christians, Christ & Apostles, Martyrs.

These judges are... **not here identified.** *Barnes*

*Dan 7:9-10, 26 **Thrones were set up.. the court sat & the books were opened.** (Rome must fall)*



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Rev 20:4 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 they came to life and REIGNED with Christ for a thousand years.

Interesting: John saw **SOULS**—come to life.

They came to life & reigned... 1,000 years—

The same 1,000 years that Satan is Bound !
Faithful MARTYRS reigning = ***First Resurrection.***

This is the resurrection of HOPE.

We Win !!! (Read Ezk 37:1-11)

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Rev 20:5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed.
This is the first resurrection.

Rest of the dead: “The dead who died in the service of the beast.” (Rev 19:19-21) McGuiggan

Did not come to life until the 1,000 years were completed: “The wicked dead have a resurrection of their cause in efforts of Gog & Magog.” (Rev 20:7-9) Hailey

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The thousand years — From Emperor Constantine (325AD) till shortly before the Lord's return. *Hailey*

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Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy is the one who has a part in the *first resurrection*...

The 2nd death has no power, but they *will be priests* of God and of Christ and will *reign with Him for a thousand years.*

1st Resurrection: The cause of the faithful (v 4)

2nd Death: The Lake of Fire (Rev 20:14)

Be priests: Believer's Priesthood (2 Pet 3:7, 9)

1,000 yrs: Christians reign as Judges & priests
Believers joined by Martyrs. *McGuiggan p.283. 286*

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Rev 20:7 When the *thousand years are completed*, Satan will be released from his prison.

John's vision now moves ahead 1,000 years to the time when *Satan will be loosed from his chains* in a millennium of restraint.



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Rev 20:8 And [Satan] *will come out to deceive the nations which are in the four corners of the earth, Gog and Magog*, to gather them together for the war; the number of them is like the sand of the seashore. **[Massive]**

Gog & Magog = *The enemies of God*
Atheists; Occultists;
Terrorists; False religion;
Sexually perverted.. Etc.
(Read Ezek 38:1-6; 9-16, 22-23)



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Rev 20:9 And they came up on the broad plain of the earth ***and surrounded the camp of the saints*** and the ***beloved city, and fire came down from heaven*** and devoured them.

And surrounded the camp: *Vines*

Distribution of troops in army formation.

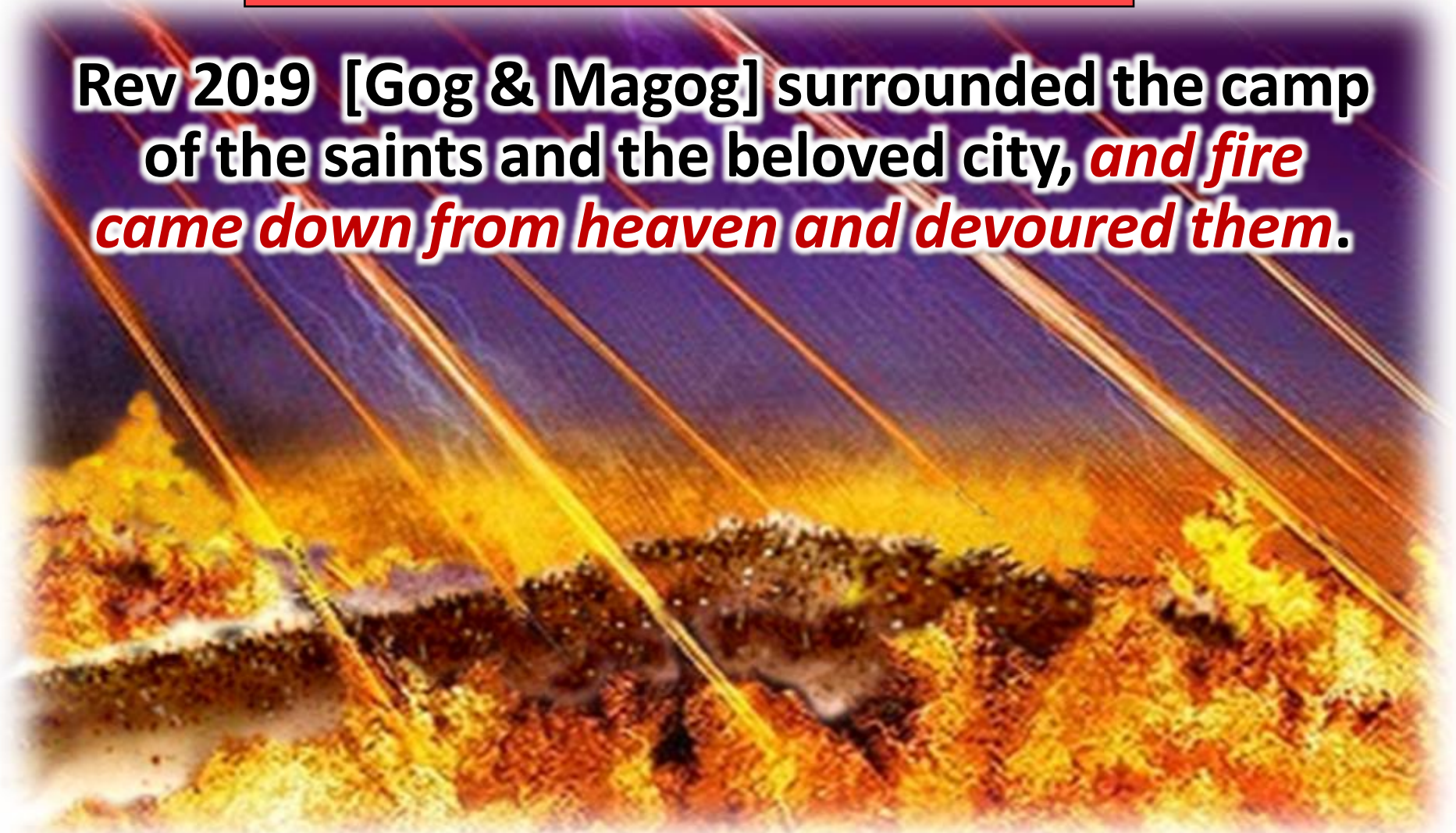
Beloved city: The church of the Lord (Heb 12:22)

Fire came down: God defending His people!
(2 Ki 1:10, 12) Like Elijah to Samaritan soldiers
No enemy can withstand Him !!!

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Rev 20:10 And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the ***lake of fire and brimstone***, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be ***tormented day & night forever & ever***.

***Satan
Tormented
Forever
and ever.***



***Hell was
Prepared
for SATAN!
Mat 25:41.***

Forever & ever: all day, all night, for all eternity!

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Final Judgment v. 11- 15

*Rev 20:11 I saw a **Great White Throne** and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence **earth and heaven fled away ...***



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Rev 20:11 I saw a Great White Throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence *earth and heaven fled away* and no place was found for them.

Earth and heaven fled away: Passing of the physical world.

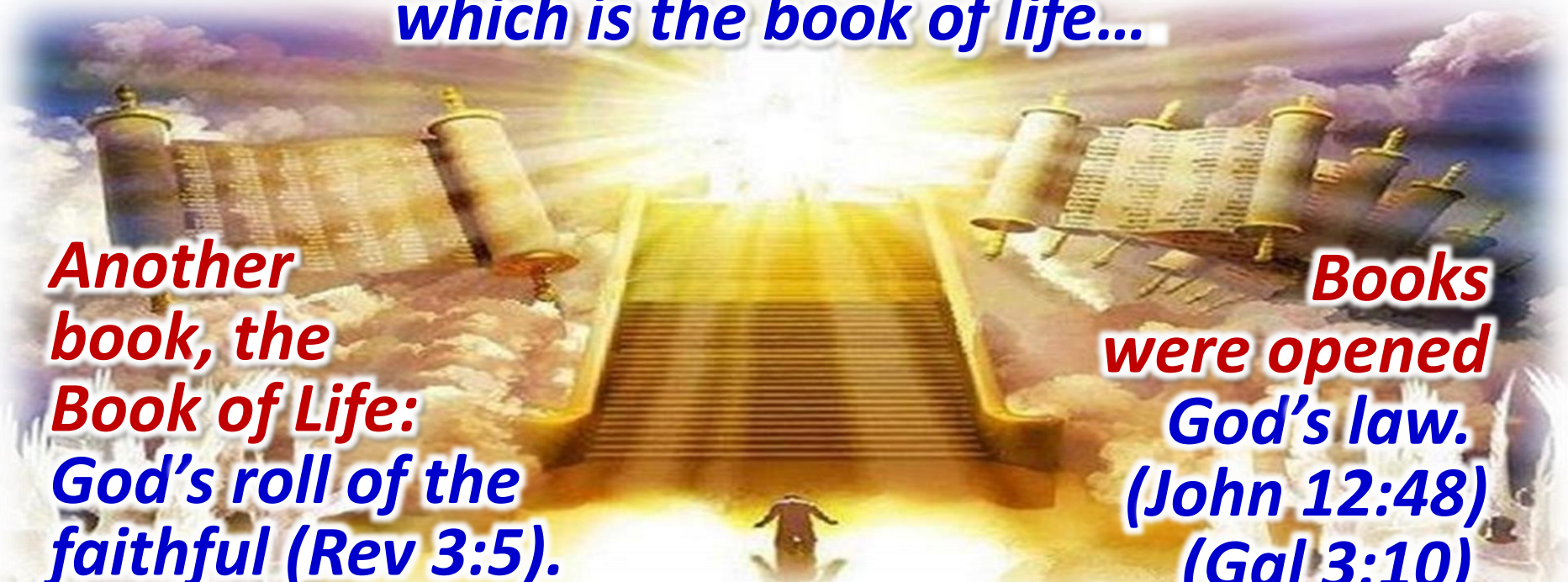
(Heb. 1:10 -11) They will perish, but You remain.

(2 Pet 3:10) Elements will be dissolved with fervent heat.

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Rev 20:12 I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, *and books were opened; & another book was opened, which is the book of life...*



Another book, the Book of Life: God's roll of the faithful (Rev 3:5).

Books were opened God's law. (John 12:48) (Gal 3:10)

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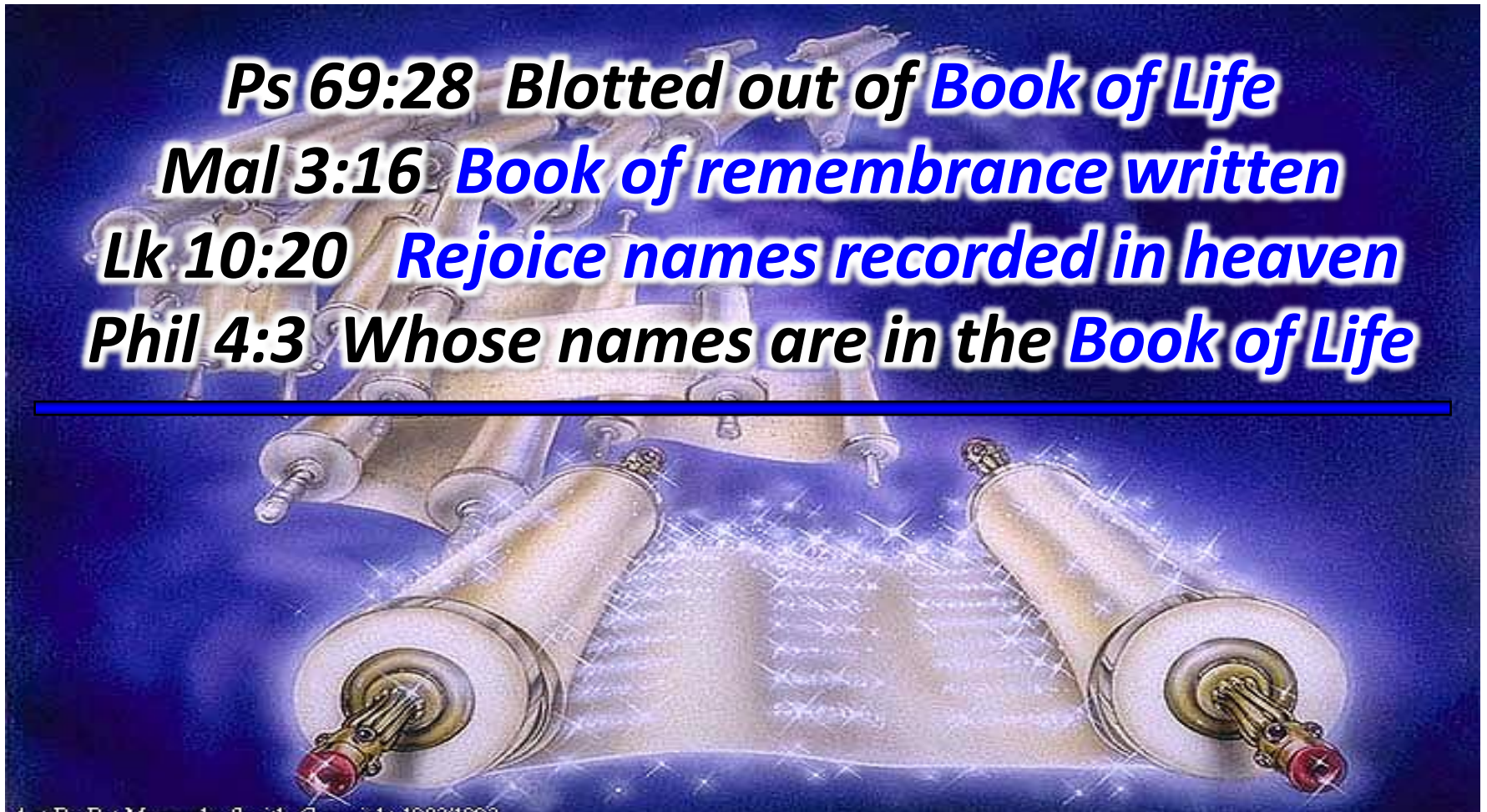
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Ps 69:28 Blotted out of *Book of Life*

Mal 3:16 *Book of remembrance* written

Lk 10:20 *Rejoice names recorded in heaven*

Phil 4:3 *Whose names are in the *Book of Life**



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Final Judgment v. 11- 15

Rev 20:13 And the *sea gave up the dead* which were in it, and *death and Hades* gave up the dead which were in them...

Sea gave up the dead:

The hard-to-recover, are raised in the general resurrection!

(John 5:28-29) "All who are in the tombs shall come forth.."



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Rev 20:13 And *they were judged*, every one of them according to their deeds.

(Ecc 12:14)

Every
hidden
thing

1 Tim 2:5

One mediator
also between
God and men,
the man
Christ Jesus



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Rev 20:14-15 Then ***death and Hades*** were ***thrown into the lake of fire.***



**This is the 2nd death,
the lake of fire.**

***Last enemy (1 Cor
15:26) "They will
disappear forever."***

***People's NT
Commentary***

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Rev 20:15 And *if anyone's name was not found* written in the book of life, *he was thrown into the lake of fire.*

Who **NEVER**
stood for Jesus
(Mat 10:33)

Or, once did—
then Fell away
(Heb 10:26, 31)

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What We Have Seen in Chapter 20

20:1-2 Satan be ***bound*** 1,000 years

20:6 Church reigns ***victorious*** 1,000 yrs

20:7-8 Satan ***released*** for Final Attack

20:9 God ***protects*** His believers.

20:10 Satan ***cast*** into Hell, lake of fire.

20:11-13 The Final ***judgment*** begins.

20:14 Death and Hades ***End***.

20:15 Wicked ***cast*** into lake of fire.