

## **Sermon Questions**

### **Revelation 12**

In sporting events and theater, we like to learn about the “cast of characters” and what is really going on behind the curtain. This week, we studied Revelation 12 and began to learn of some of the significant characters that will be in play during the end-times drama. Chapters 12-15 are parenthetical, and help us to better understand what will take place during the last three and a half years on our planet. The five characters we discussed prove important if we are to understand God and how he relates to us.

Here are some notes to review from this week’s sermon...

### **The Cast of Characters**

#### **Revelation 12**

**The cast of characters include...**

**Israel (1-2)**

**satan (3-4)**

**Christ (5-6)**

**Angelic Beings (7-10)**

**Believers (11-17)**

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven’t had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it [here](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email [info@bravechurch.co](mailto:info@bravechurch.co) and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

### **Questions**

1. Why is our understanding of the “cast of characters” important as we study the book of Revelation? Who are the characters discussed in chapter 12?
2. Why is it important to understand the role of Israel? How did the nation of Israel begin? What has been God’s purpose for the nation of Israel? How significant has Israel been for the coming Messiah?
3. How has Israel “traveiled” through their history? Why have they endured such scrutiny as a nation and as a people group? Why does Israel still exist when none of

their contemporaries do? How should we treat the nation Israel? How will they play a role in end-times events?

4. What role has satan played from the very beginning? Why has satan been against God's plan for Israel? What has he attempted to do throughout history?
5. What are some of the names for satan in the Bible? Which name resonates with your experience of satan? What is satan's purpose in your life? In the church? In the world?
6. How can we defeat satan? Why does resisting him wield such great power? How can the Word of God help us in our struggle? How does the Holy Spirit help us in our struggle?
7. Who is the protagonist of the Bible? Why is Jesus Christ so important to understanding end-times events? Why should we continue to pursue Christ more and more every day?
8. How real is the unseen realm? Why is it imperative to understand that spiritual warfare is constantly all around us? What should a proper understanding of spiritual warfare cause you to do?
9. Who is Michael? What is an archangel? Are there more good angels or bad angels? How many of the angels follow satan?
10. During the end-times as satan picks a fight with Michael and his angels who wins? What is the result? When satan is cast down to the earth how does he respond? Who does he pursue? How is satan relentless and reckless?
11. As believers how should we remain firm in the faith? When will our battles with satan end? Why should we continue to endure?
12. How important is the blood of Jesus? How important is our testimony? How can you grow in your identity in Christ? How can the Word of God help you with that? Looking at the "I AM" statements which ones are needed most today in your life? Why should you refresh your mind with these thoughts daily?
13. What does it mean to *not love our life, even when faced with death*? How can you grow stronger in your trust in Christ's blood? Your testimony? Your love for God being more important than even your life?

# WHO AM I?

- Matthew 5:13** I am the salt of the earth.
- Matthew 5:14** I am the light of the world.
- John 1:12** I am a child of God.
- John 15:1,5** I am part of the true vine, and Christ's life flows through me.
- John 15:15** I am Christ's friend.
- John 15:16** I am chosen by Christ to bear fruit.
- Acts 1:8** I am Christ's personal witness sent out to tell everybody about Him.
- Romans 6:18** I am a slave of righteousness.
- Romans 6:22** I am a slave to God, making me holy and giving me eternal life.
- Romans 8:14,15;** I am a child of God; I can call Him my  
**Galatians 3:26; 4:6** Father.
- Romans 8:17** I am a coheir with Christ, inheriting His glory.
- 1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19** I am a temple—a dwelling place—for God. His Spirit and His life live in me.
- 1 Corinthians 6:17** I am joined forever to the Lord and am one spirit with Him.
- 1 Corinthians 12:27** I am a part of Christ's Body.
- 2 Corinthians 5:17** I am a new person. My past is forgiven and everything is new.
- 2 Corinthians 5:18,19** I am at peace with God, and He has given me the work of helping others find peace with Him.
- Galatians 3:26,28** I am a child of God and one with others in His family.
- Galatians 4:6,7** I am a child of God and will receive the inheritance He has promised.
- Ephesians 1:1; Philippians 1:1;** I am a saint, a holy person.  
**Colossians 1:2**

- Ephesians 2:6;** I am a citizen of heaven seated in heaven right  
**Philippians 3:20** now.
- Ephesians 2:10** I am God's building project, His handiwork,  
 created in Christ to do His work.
- Ephesians 2:19** I am a citizen of heaven with all of God's  
 family.
- Ephesians 3:1; 4:1** I am a prisoner of Christ so I can help others.
- Ephesians 4:24** I am righteous and holy.
- Colossians 3:3** I am hidden with Christ in God.
- Colossians 3:4** I am an expression of the life of Christ because  
 He is my life.
- Colossians 3:12;** I am chosen of God, holy and dearly loved.  
**1 Thessalonians 1:4**
- 1 Thessalonians 5:5** I am a child of light and not of darkness.
- Hebrews 3:1** I am chosen to share in God's heavenly calling.
- Hebrews 3:14** I am part of Christ; I share in His life.
- 1 Peter 2:5** I am one of God's living stones, being built  
 up in Christ as a spiritual house.
- 1 Peter 2:9,10** I am a member of a chosen race, a royal priest-  
 hood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God.
- 1 Peter 2:11** I am only a visitor to this world in which I tem-  
 porarily live.
- 1 Peter 5:8** I am an enemy of the devil.
- 1 John 3:1,2** I am a child of God, and I will be like Christ  
 when He returns.
- 1 John 5:18** I am born again in Christ, and the evil one—the  
 devil—cannot touch me.
- Exodus 3:14; John 8:24,28,58** I am *not* the great "I am",  
**1 Corinthians 15:10** but by the grace of God, I am what I am.
- Romans 5:1** Since I am in Christ, by the grace of God...I am  
 now acceptable to God (justified) and complete-  
 ly forgiven. I live at peace with Him.

- Romans 6:1-6** The sinful person I used to be died with Christ, and sin no longer rules my life.
- Romans 8:1** I am free from the punishment (condemnation) my sin deserves.
- 1 Corinthians 1:30** I have been placed into Christ by God's doing.
- 1 Corinthians 2:12** I have received God's Spirit into my life. I can recognize the blessings He has given me.
- 1 Corinthians 2:16** I have been given the mind of Christ. He gives me His wisdom to make right choices.
- 1 Corinthians 6:19,20** I have been bought with a price; I am not my own; I belong to God.
- 2 Corinthians 1:21,22;**  
**Ephesians 1:13,14** I am God's possession, chosen and secure in Him (sealed). I have been given the Holy Spirit as a promise of my inheritance to come.
- 2 Corinthians 5:14,15** Since I have died, I no longer live for myself, but for Christ.
- 2 Corinthians 5:21** I have been made acceptable to God (righteous).
- Galatians 2:20** I have been crucified with Christ and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live is Christ's life.
- Ephesians 1:3** I have been blessed with every spiritual blessing.
- Ephesians 1:4** I was chosen in Christ to be holy before the world was created. I am without blame before Him.
- Ephesians 1:5** I was chosen by God (predestined) to be adopted as His child.
- Ephesians 1:7,8** I have been bought out of slavery to sin (redeemed) and forgiven. I have received His generous grace.

- Ephesians 2:5** I have been made spiritually alive just as Christ is alive.
- Ephesians 2:6** I have been raised up and seated with Christ in heaven.
- Ephesians 2:18** I have direct access to God through the Spirit.
- Ephesians 3:12** I may approach God with boldness, freedom and confidence.
- Colossians 1:13** I have been rescued from the dark power of Satan's rule and have been brought into the kingdom of Christ.
- Colossians 1:14** I have been forgiven of all my sins and set free. The debt against me has been cancelled.
- Colossians 1:27** Christ Himself lives in me.
- Colossians 2:7** I am firmly rooted in Christ and am now being built up in Him.
- Colossians 2:10** I am fully grown (complete) in Christ.
- Colossians 2:11** I am spiritually clean. My old sinful self has been removed.
- Colossians 2:12,13** I have been buried, raised and made alive with Christ.
- Colossians 3:1-4** I died with Christ and I have been raised up with Christ. My life is now hidden with Christ in God. Christ is now my life.
- 2 Timothy 1:7** I have been given a spirit of power, love and self-control.
- 2 Timothy 1:9; Titus 3:5** I have been saved and set apart (sanctified) according to God's plan.
- Hebrews 2:11** Because I am set apart (sanctified) and one with Christ, He is not ashamed to call me His brother or sister.
- Hebrews 4:16** I have the right to come boldly before the throne of God. He will meet my needs lovingly and kindly.