VISION OF VICTORY A STUDY OF REVELATION #21: WHY IS THE DEVIL SO MAD?—12:1-18 JIM HINTON

No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us.

Romans 8:37 (NLT)

. WHO IS THE DEVIL?

- 1. He is a fallen angel who led a rebellion against God (v.7-9; Ezekiel 28; Isaiah 14)
- 2. He and his demons were defeated, thrown out of heaven, and down to the earth

Jesus said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like lightning.

Luke 10:18 (GOD'S WORD)

- 3. He is identified in Revelation 12:7-9 as:
 - The devil = Accuser

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, power, kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Messiah have come. The one accusing our brothers and sisters, the one accusing them day and night in the presence of our God, has been thrown out. They won the victory over him because of the blood of the lamb and the word of their testimony.

Revelation 12:10-11 (GOD'S WORD)

Satan = Adversary

Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.

1 Peter 5:8 (NLT)

Deceiver = Father of Lies

The devil...[is] a liar and the father of lies.

John 8:44 (GOD'S WORD)

- Serpent = Crafty
 - ...And no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light.

 2 Corinthians 11:14 (NIV)
- Dragon = Powerful
 - ⇒ Enormous (v.3)
 - \Rightarrow Red (v.3)
 - ⇒ Seven heads (v.3)
 - \Rightarrow Ten horns (v.3)
 - \Rightarrow Seven crowns (v.3)
 - ⇒ Tail sweeps away a third of the stars (v.4)
 - ⇒ Waits to devour the woman's child (v.4)
 - ⇒ Pursues the woman (v.13)

And I will cause hostility between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring. He will strike your head, and you will strike his heel."

Genesis 3:15 (NLT)

- ⇒ Tries to drown the woman with a flood from his mouth (v.15-16)
- ⇒ Becomes enraged and makes war against the woman (v.17)

II. WHY IS THE DEVIL SO MAD? - REVELATION 12:1-18

- 1. He cannot defeat God's people—The Woman
- 2. He cannot destroy God's Messiah—The Son
- 3. He cannot condemn God's saved—The Church