

Revelation 12:10 -- "And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, 'Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down, who accuses them before our God day and night.' "

Satan accuses believers before God day and night, but the time will come when he will be cast down.

Revelation 13:2 -- "And I saw a beast coming out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names."

Satan will give power and dominion and great authority to the beast.

Revelation 13:7 -- "And it was given to him to make war with the saints and to overcome them; and authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation was given to him."

Satan will give power to the beast to make war with the saints and to physically overcome them; and he will give the beast authority over the whole earth.

Revelation 20:1 3 -- "And I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the abyss and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, and threw him into the abyss,, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he should not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time."

Satan will be restrained from deceiving the nations during the Millennial reign of the Lord Jesus Christ upon the earth.

Revelation 20:7 9 -- "And when the thousand years are completed, Satan will be released from his prison, and 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. 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."

Satan will be released from restraint after the Millennium, and will deceive the nations, to gather them against the saints and against the city of Jerusalem for the final battle.

Revelation 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 and night forever and ever."

Satan will be cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, and will be tormented for ever, with no respite.

b. Summary of scriptural teaching concerning Satan's powers

(1) Satan rules the evil world system (the "world")

The "world" in this sense is not the world which God created and sustains, for God rules in that world. Nor does the "world" in this sense include the Church, for Christ rules in the Church. The "world" in this sense includes every place in which sin holds sway. Wherever sin holds