

Palmetto Baptist Church – June 10, 2018
Understanding Our Enemy – Revelation 20:7-10

Inside the Text:

I. The confinement of Satan. (7)

- A. His conditions will be specific. (Rev. 20:1-3; Matthew 25:41)
 - 1. It will be physically restricting.
 - 2. It will be emotionally unsettling.
- B. His confidence was unbroken. (8a)
 - 1. Unshaken by the record of his past defeats.
 - 2. Unmoved by the promise of his future demise. (Genesis 3:15; Matt. 25:41)

II. The allurement of Satan. (8-9)

- A. He will create doubt. (“Deception”)
- B. He will create dissatisfaction.
- C. He will cause massive division between the army of unbelievers and the camp of the saints and those living in the beloved city. (9a)
- D. He will lead those who follow him into utter destruction. (9b – fire from heaven)

III. The plummet of Satan. (10)

- A. He will be cast into the Lake of Fire.
- B. He will never get out again.

Apply the Text:

- **Learn to identify the signs of God’s judgment.**
 - God’s judgment is physically restricting.
 - God’s judgment is emotionally unsettling.
 - Throw yourself at the foot of the Cross and beg for His forgiveness and cleansing.
- **Be on guard against the deception of the devil.**
 - He loves to create doubt, collect the dissatisfied, and cause division among professing believers.
 - He loves to make people think they can fool others and end up getting what they want if they are simply patient enough and ready to act when the time comes.
 - His chief problem is his obsession with himself... PRIDE IS HIS ROOT SIN. (Illustration of Mid-evil paintings of the devil as a red man with a pitchfork and pointy tail)
- **Avoid the condemnation of the devil.**
 - Trust Christ and His righteousness.