

THE COMING GOLDEN AGE: "NO DEVIL"
Revelation 20:1-3

Getting Started

1. Imagine you're hiking on a trail filled with various obstacles and challenges. What strategies or tools would you use to overcome these obstacles to safely reach your destination? How would anticipating the experiences awaiting you at your destination influence your mindset and help you overcome the obstacles?

Digging Deeper

- 1. In Revelation 20:1-3, the devil is referred to by four different names. How do each of these names contribute to our understanding of the devil's character and role in the future? How does understanding who the devil is help us navigate the challenges and adversity we face?
 - a. The Dragon
 - b. The Serpent of Old
 - c. The Devil
 - d. Satan

2. In Luke chapter 8, Jesus casts out demons from a possessed man. The demons pleaded with Jesus not to send them to the Abyss. What does this interaction reveal about the nature of evil and the authority Jesus has over it? Share a time when you experienced that power and authority of Jesus in your own life.

3.	In Revelation 2:10, Jesus warns the church in Smyrna about the devil's scheme
	to persecute believers. How do you see the devil's influence manifesting in the
	issues in our world today?

4. In 2 Corinthians 4:4, the Apostle Paul says that the devil is the "god of this age." However, in the "Coming Golden Age" we know that he will lose his dominion here. How does this fact encourage you in your Christian walk?

Applying the Message

1. Imagine a world where the devil is bound, and his influence is absent. How do you envision life being different?

2. The hymn "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" reminds us that God is sovereign and will prevail over the Devil and evil in the end. Take a moment as a group to recite the hymn and discuss which verse resonates and encourages you.

"A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing; Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing: For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe; His craft and power are great, And, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal."

"Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; Were not the right Man on our side, The Man of God's own choosing: Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He; Lord Sabaoth, His Name, from age to age the same, And He must win the battle."

"And though this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us: The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him; His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure, one little word shall fell him."

"That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours Through Him Who with us sideth: Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still, His Kingdom is forever."