

Bible Reading - Week #8 - Leviticus 11-23, Mark 6-10, Psalm 38-44, Proverbs 10

The Gospel Saves, Saturates, and Satisfies.

Revelation 12:11 (ESV) Dr. Keith McKinley

Biblical Context (Revelation 12:5-12) [5] She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, [6] and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days.

[7] Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, [8] but he was defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. [9] And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world —he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

[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 brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. [11] And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death. [12] Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!"

Specific meanings by verse:

5 The Son who is to rule all the nations is Jesus.

6 The Son ascends to God, to his throne.

6 The woman (the people of God) flees into the wilderness, nourished by God for a complete time (1,260 days).

7 The heavenly dimension to Christ's victory over sin and death.

8-9 The dragon no longer has a place in heaven.

10 Christ's victory is announced!

1. The gospel that saves

-they overcame him (that is Satan) by the blood of the Lamb,

• The central tenant of our faith is that the blood of the Lamb covers our sin.

• Men and women, boys and girls, who live fearless lives of faith are marked and made by the gospel that saves!

2. The gospel that saturates

- they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony,

• The gospel of Christ is the testimony of the faithful.

• Men and women, boys and girls, who live fearless lives of faith are marked and made by the gospel that saves, the gospel that saturates!

3. The gospel that satisfies

-for they loved not their lives, even unto death.

• Refers to any suffering for Christ up until the point of and including martyrdom.

• Satisfied, not as a minimal standard, but satisfied in that all of our needs and desires are met and fulfilled in Christ.

• Men and women, boys and girls, who live fearless lives of faith are marked and made by the gospel that saves, the gospel that saturates, the gospel that satisfies!

Do you know the gospel that saves?

Do you believe the gospel that saturates?

Do you have the gospel that satisfies?

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