REVELATION Lesson 181

Chapter 20:4, The Second Coming: Changes that will be Made to the Physical Creation

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While men desperately try to save the Earth from various environmental disasters, those of us who believe the bible know that all men's efforts to preserve the environment are vain. It is impossible to save the Earth from the sure destruction that is coming with the Great Tribulation and the Lord's Second Coming. The Lord Jesus Christ is the only One who can restore the Earth to its original beauty and perfection.

WHAT WILL IT BE LIKE DURING THE LORD'S THOUSAND-YEAR REIGN ON EARTH?

- **Hos 2:18-22** God is going to make a covenant with all His creation for the benefit of man. God's creatures will no longer fear man.
- Mat 19:27-28 Jesus spoke of the time in which the Earth will be regenerated (given new life).
- **Rom 8:19-22** The creatures earnestly await the manifestation (appearance) of the sons of God.
 - They don't see that we are sons of God today, but they will (1 Jn 3:2).
 - Because of man's sin, death rules the planet (vs 20).
 - The creatures who did not sin, but were made subject to sin's results, look forward to the day that they also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption (vs 21).
- **Luke 2:13** This world will not know peace until God gets the glory.
 - If you desire to have peace in your marriage, family, etc., then give God the glory.
- **Isa 65:25** Dangerous creatures will not be dangerous in the millennium.
- **Isa 11:1-9** When the Lord reigns on Earth, all His creatures will dwell together in harmony and not harm one another. The Lord will change the very nature and appetite of all the beasts.
- **Deut 11:10-17** God promised the children of Israel that He would take care of them in the Promised Land because He would be the one caring for the land and bringing the rains.
 - This promise was conditional. They had to obey God's commandments and serve Him with all their heart and soul (13-14).
 - When Israel turned aside from obeying God, He stopped the rains and made the land unfruitful.
- **Ezek 47:8-12** Living waters shall flow from the throne of Jesus Christ and give life to everything on Earth.
- Zech 14:4-11 The Lord is going to change the geography of the land. All of Jerusalem is going to be lifted up. It will be the highest point on Earth. Living waters will flow down from there and be able to reach the whole Earth.

Micah 1:3-4 At the Lord's return, He will melt down the high places and build up the low places with fire.