## **Discussion & Application:**

- 1. Last week we saw how Satan's pride will lead him (and his demons) to fight (and lose) against Michael (and his angels). What battles do you have with pride? How does pride contribute to rationalizing our disobedience against God? What are you currently doing to develop & maintain humility? What does God promise to do for those who are humble?
- 2. Antisemitism is hostility, prejudice, or discrimination against Jewish people. It can manifest as hate speech, conspiracy theories, and stereotypes about Jewish control or disloyalty, and has historically led to violence and persecution. Many falsely believe the problem is "Jewish blood" that cannot be overcome by assimilation or even conversion. What examples can you cite of antisemitism in biblical history? What examples can you cite in secular history? How does Revelation 12 help us understand who is behind antisemitism? Why will it get even worse during the Great Tribulation? Why does he want to destroy them?
- 3. Why will God allow persecution of the Jewish people during the Great Tribulation? What is He doing in their lives? What is He preparing them for at the end of the Tribulation? See Zech. 12:10; Is. 53; Rom. 11:1-12.
- 4. How will God protect the Jewish people during the Great Tribulation? What is meant by "the two wings of the great eagle?" Why will God specifically protect the Jews until the end of the Tribulation period? What promises do Premillennialists believe He is fulfilling? See 1 Sam. 12:22; 1 Kin. 6:13; Ps. 89:31–37; 94:14; Is. 49:15; 54:1–10; Jer. 33:19–26 Zech. 12-14; Rom. 11.
- 5. Who do you think "the rest of her children" refers to in Rev. 12:17? What does it mean that they "keep the commandments of God" and that they "hold to the testimony of Jesus"? What might that look like during the Great Tribulation when believers are being persecuted and martyred?
- 6. Is your life characterized by keeping the commandments of God and holding to the testimony of Jesus? If not, why not? How might understanding biblical prophecy motivate you to live that way no matter what the cost?

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## "The Things Which Will Take Place" – Part 20 "Panorama of the Cosmic War of the Ages" – Part 3

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Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has *only* a short time."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male *child*.

<sup>14</sup> But the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, so that she could fly into the wilderness to her place, where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.

<sup>17</sup> So the dragon was enraged with the woman, and went off to make war with the rest of her children, who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

<sup>15</sup> And the serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, so that he might cause her to be swept away with the flood. <sup>16</sup> But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and drank up the river which the dragon poured out of his mouth.

So What?