

Great Christmas Epic! Part 5–Battlefield Earth! Revelation 12:1-12 December 26, 2021

"... And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne. Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days. And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. ..."
(Revelation 12:1-12; NKJ)

IV. Christmas calls us to be _____ in our role in the _____!

- The dragon is the _____ of all the world.
- The dragon is the _____ of all Christians.

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death." (v11)

A. You can _____ the adversary!

B. You can overcome Satan by " _____ to the _____ " of Christ.

"My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world." (1 John 2:1-2; NKJ)

"And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him." (Colossians 2:13-15; NKJ)

C. You can overcome Satan by openly and unreservedly _____.

1. Make your _____ of faith in Jesus Christ!

"If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." (Romans 10:9; NKJ)

2. Share _____ of God's saving work in your life!

3. Speak the _____ of God into the _____ of others.

"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." (Hebrews 4:12; NKJ)

"So they called them and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, 'Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you more than to God, you judge. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.'" (Acts 4:18-20; NKJ)

D. You can overcome Satan by _____ of your life to Christ.

"And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death." (v11)