

## TIME OUT?

Pastor Dave Bechtel | Revelation 20:1-10

- I. Time alone doesn't fix heart trouble
- Isa 2:2-4; 11:1-16;  
Micah 4:1-4

- Exhibit A. Satan
- Rev 12:10; Ezek 28:1-19;  
Isa 14:9ff; Eph 6:10-18;  
I John 3:8; I Pet 5:8

- Exhibit B. mankind
- Matt 8:29;  
Luke 8:31

- II. Positive external conditions don't  
produce good hearts  
either

- A. A good start doesn't guarantee  
good hearts
- Matt 25:31-46

- B. A "positive  
environment" doesn't  
generate good hearts
- Gen 1:31; 3:1-7;  
Mark 3:13-19; Jer 17:9

- III. Heart fixing requires  
co-operation

- A. Spiritual fixing requires  
Outside Help
- I Pet 1:23; 2:2

- B. We "work" in our healing  
too
- Phil 2:12-13;  
I Cor 3:6; Rev 3:20

## SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

*The following is designed to help your group enter into meaningful discussion and application as you become a more fully-devoted follower of Jesus. These questions are a guide and you may not address all of them in group. Look through them ahead of time and identify questions you would like to discuss more thoroughly together. Any questions not addressed during group may be useful for personal study. Remember, our goal is to not just listen to the Word but obey it (James 1:22).*

1. As a group, discuss what kind of Sharefest project you would like to do. (Signups begin on Sunday, February 14. Sharefest is Saturday, March 20.)
2. What is your favorite game show and why?

### REVIEW

1. Looking back over this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly challenged you, confused you, or caught your attention?
2. Discuss the principle "time alone doesn't fix heart trouble." Why not?
3. Discuss the principle "a perfect environment doesn't produce a perfect heart." In what ways does this challenge your thinking?

## APPLICATION

1. Many times we think: "If only \_\_\_\_\_, then I could follow Christ more closely." (E.g., if only I had a different spouse, if only I had more time to read the Bible). What other things might fill this blank? Do you have any if-only's active in your life right now?
2. Have you ever been in a state of heart trouble (bitterness, anger, pride, lust, etc.) and "nurtured it" for a while? What is your part in healing your heart?
3. According to the following passages, how is the Word of God effective in dealing with heart trouble?

Psalm 19:7-11

John 1:1-14

Hebrews 4:12

2 Timothy 3:16-17

How do these truths motivate you to engage God's Word?

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1. In our passage, Satan is bound for 1000 years and is ineffective. Currently, Satan is active and effective. According to the following passages, what is Satan doing right now?

Matthew 4:3

John 8:44

John 10:10

2 Corinthians 11:14

1 Peter 5:8

Revelation 12:9-10