**CrossRoads Community Church**

**Sermon Summary Sheet, Week of August 17, 2025**

***“Because the Time is Near,” “Part 4: The Saints’ Command” Revelation 20: 4-6***

**INTRODUCTION: *In studying Revelation 20, we see that the first matter for the King’s attention as He sets up His kingdom is the confinement of the chief rebel. The removal of Satan will dramatically change the world…Then, with Satan, his demons, and all God-rejecting sinners our of the way, the millennial kingdom of peace with be established… In this next vision,, John sees the panorama of God’s people resurrected, rewarded, and reigning with Christ.* John MacArthur**

**1. Fulfilled Regeneration**

***“And I saw thrones, and they sat on them,…”***

***Revelation 20:4a***

* + - ***Peace – Isaiah 32:17, 65:25***
    - ***Prosperity – Joel 2: 21-27***
    - ***Piety – Isaiah 11:9***

**2. fixed rule**

***“and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, …And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.” Revelation 20:4bc***

* + - ***Royal Priesthood – 1 Peter 2:9***
    - ***Reserved Privilege - 1 Corinthians 6:1-4***
    - ***Relegated Power – Matthew 19:28***

**3. first resurrection**

***“Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.”***

***Revelation 20:6***

* + - ***Blessing Declared – 1 John 3:1-2***
    - ***Believers’ Destiny – Romans 6: 8-11***
    - ***Beyond (second) Death – Revelation 2:11***

**CONCLUSION**

***This part of book of Revelation has captured the humanity’s imagination throughout history in describing the 1,000-year reign of Jesus on earth. Man has always dreaned of a “golden age” in which people will one day be free from war, sickness, and death. Men have tried to achieve this goal on their own and have failed. It is only when Jesus Christ reigns on David’s throne that the kingdom will come and the earth will be delivered from the oppression of Satan and sin.***