

doubt in the readers' mind that Rome is speedily to be destroyed and the reigning emperor in whom the evil genius of Nero is reincarnated is to go into perdition. So complete and sudden will be the destruction of the city that all those people from land and sea who traded with her in time past will come as usual with their wares, and gaze upon her desolation with astonishment.

In chapters nineteen and twenty is revealed the fact that not only Rome will be overthrown but Satan also by whom Roman emperor worship is inspired. The victory represented in chapter twelve as taking place in heaven is now actually executed on earth. Satan is captured by a strong angel and cast into the abyss. There he is restrained during an indefinite period when the martyrs will reign in heaven and the saints will be triumphant on earth. Before the final consummation of all things, which now cannot be long delayed, Satan's power will again be exerted and the final and decisive conflict between the forces of evil and the forces of righteousness will take place. This conflict will be world wide, including Gog and Magog, which like *Jews and Greeks* or *Greeks and Barbarians* is an inclusive term meaning all. Righteousness, however, must and will finally prevail. The devil will be cast into the lake of fire. The New Jerusalem will come down out of Heaven. Christ shall receive as His bride the whole redeemed and glorified body of Christian believers and all shall enter into the eternal glory and unspeakable blessedness of heaven. And then "there shall be no more curse, and the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it and His servants shall serve Him. And they shall see His face, and His name shall be in their foreheads. And there shall be no night there, and they need no candle, neither light of the sun, for the Lord God giveth them light and they shall reign forever and ever."