

## **December 11, 2022**

God's Gift Revealed to the World

Revelation 12:1-6

Revelation 12 is an unusual Christmas passage. It is not the picture of the tranquil manger scene in Bethlehem which people are accustomed. It is a violent scene depicting a dragon, angels, and images of war. Yet, it is an accurate description of the first Christmas. Revelation 12 reveals the cosmic battle taking place behind the manger in Bethlehem.

### **Additional Verses:**

Matthew 1:1

2 Corinthians 5:17

1 Peter 5:8

Luke 4:16-19

Revelation 1:1, 22:13

### **Outline:**

1. God's plan revealed in Christmas.

2. God's promise revealed in Christmas.

3. God's power revealed in Christmas.

### **Study Questions:**

1. How does Revelation 12 describe Christmas? From what lens is John viewing the incarnation?

2. How does Jesus fulfill the promise of Luke 4:16-19?

3. How does Satan attack believers today? How do believers have victory over these attacks?

4. How does Christmas remind us of the cosmic battle behind Christmas?

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?