

Revelation: The Time is Near

## The Seven Last Plagues

Revelation 15-16

### Revelation Review:

- John on Patmos, **revealed** Jesus in glory
- **The end of the world (as we know it) - The Great Tribulation**, 7 years (number of completion, perfection)
- **Judgment on the nations and those who follow satan**
- **A last ditch effort to get the world to repent**

### Previously:

- A world in allegiance with a world leader
- Take his mark on hand or forehead, without it can't buy or sell
- An idol set up that has the power to speak
- False signs and wonders by a false prophet
- People bow down and worship the beast, sing songs to him
- Not just an economic system, or a dictatorship, he claims to be God, stands in the new temple and demands worship - or death.
- Always a perversion of God. God deserves worship. Those who go against him deserve death. But God doesn't wish that any would perish, that all would have everlasting life (John 3:16-17)
- Three angels sent out, three messages:
  - The Eternal Gospel
  - Babylon Fallen
  - Wrath for those with the mark, worshipping the Beast

### [Pray]

## Revelation 15:1-4

Previous signs about Israel as a woman, the great dragon, the story of salvation and satan's war against God and the end

### Seven angels and the seven last plagues

#### God's judgment has an end

It's not something he enjoys doing in a sense, **it's something He must do**

For righteousness to remain righteous, sin must be dealt with at the right time, in the right way

**[Rom 12:19-21 NKJV] 19 Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but [rather] give place to wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance [is] Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. 20 Therefore "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will**

**heap coals of fire on his head." 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.**

### **Wrath has it's rightful place.**

At some point, the good that evil bent on being evil, unrepentant evil, must be overtaken with wrath

(if someone were intent on harming my family...)

### **These are the last plagues, what were the first?**

#### **10 plagues on Egypt with Moses & Aaron**

(you could argue S&G, the Flood, but if we're talking a series of plagues in succession to send a message to the world)

### **We see the Sea of Glass again**

Likened it to a hologram, big-screen TV in heaven, in front of the throne

Perhaps it's even the container, portal to creation itself.

### **This time mixed with fire**

-judgment

-the end

**[2Pe 3:10-13 NKJV] 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. 11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner [of persons] ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, 12 looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? 13 Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.**

Tribulation saints over it in triumph, we saw them earlier

**[Rev 6:9-11 NKJV] 9 When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held. 10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" 11 Then a white robe was given to each of them; and it was said to them that they should rest a little while longer, until both [the number of] their fellow servants and their brethren, who would be killed as they [were], was completed.**

Their time, completed

**What are they doing? They're worshiping God with "the harps of God"**

Must be an amazing sound

### **The song they're singing? Of Moses, the servant of God and of the Lamb.**

The Law fulfilled in Jesus

Moses was used to bring plagues down on Egypt

The Lamb has authority to bring down these final plagues on the Earth

**"Just and true are you ways"** even in judgment God is perfect and holy and righteous

Holiness is separation from wickedness

**[1Pe 1:15-16 NKJV] 15 but as He who called you [is] holy, you also be holy in all [your] conduct, 16 because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."**

**"Who shall not fear you and glorify your name?"**

Almost in direct response to the world refusing to do both and instead worshiping evil itself

**"All nations"**

**"Your judgments have been revealed"**

Every tribe nation and tongue held accountable - and many out of each will be saved throughout history.

Revelation - Reveals Jesus for who he is, in glory (mount of transfiguration), his wrath fully revealed

Age of Grace (church age) over, age of wrath/judgment - tribulation

7 years, perfection

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### **Seven angels come out of heavenly tabernacle**

Tent in the wilderness with Moses, a picture of heaven, "shadow of things to come" (Col 2:17)

Pure, bright white linen - priestly dress, clean, righteous

Gold sash - gold of deity, royalty

Four living creatures from around the throne

Give **bowls full of the wrath of God**

*Ashlee when she makes herself coffee in the morning*

**They won't spill a drop. These bowls are full. Nothing missing. Nothing more.**

**The perfect, righteous amount**

### **Temple filled with smoke from glory of God and his power**

"Dwells in unapproachable light"

Fully revealed

The mount of God covered in smoke and cloud at the top, people too afraid to go up, Moses goes up, gets 10 commandments

**[Isa 6:1-5 NKJV] 1 In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His [robe] filled the temple. 2 Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings: with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. 3 And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy [is] the LORD of hosts; The whole earth [is] full of His glory!" 4 And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. 5 So I said: "Woe [is] me, for I am undone! Because I [am] a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts."**

### **No one can enter the temple until then**

In a sense, there's no worshipping God apart from through his judgment at this point.  
 Serious business, focus of all of heaven  
 Something all of history has been culminating towards

Until completed...they will be completed. Nothing can stop it. It's too late for mercy at this point.

*But as we'll see, somehow there's still a desire for repentance from the recipients, but they will not. They are totally hardened in heart against God.*

## **16:1-7**

### **Loud voice - Go pour out**

They dared not do it until commanded. Not their judgment to give. God is the only one.  
 I believe it's God's voice here.

### **First Bowl**

Foul, grievous sores

- 1 - men who had the mark of the beast
- 2 - those who worshipped image of the beast

### **Two distinct groups?**

I'm sure those who had mark worshipped  
 Everyone had to buy and sell, although a remnant of believers without, possibly a small group of people who didn't believe but didn't take mark, but I think the delusion (based on scripture) would be too strong and you're either for God or for Satan during this time. No middle ground.

So perhaps it goes like this:

1 Some people just went along with the world system and took the mark not to lose their job and societal status, no reason to not to in their minds, seems like the right thing to do and even if not, what choice do they have? It's the way of the world

2 Others totally gung-ho, worshipping the beast, have the sticker on their car, haircut to match their t-shirt, his flag in their yard.

*I used to wonder how people would just go along with it, how the world would be convinced to take a mark, worship an idol (AI discussion), but seeing the world today, it's no longer a wonder*

Terrible sores.

**[Rom 1:27 NKJV] 27 Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due.**

There are some diseases which are 99.9% avoidable if you just don't sin. STDs, HIV, Monkeypox, etc.

If you have them, the penalty is due. Simply a consequence.

## **2 Sea of Blood...of a dead man**

Thick, syrupy, black  
No life in it

Again, Egypt was foreshadowing

## **Every living creature died**

Think of all that. Most of the earth covered in water. No more fish for food. All the oxygen produced by the ocean. Gone.

*No matter what the world does to stop "global warming" it's over for them at some point*

## **3 rivers and springs of water**

No fresh water left. EVERYTHING.

Fullness of previous judgment

**[Rev 8:11 NKJV] 11 The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the water, because it was made bitter.**

It was a third, but now it's everything.

## **Angel of the waters**

Given authority over parts of creation, at least for this judgment  
But there are spiritual authorities behind things in the world

*Not everything happens because a demon did it, but too often we either totally neglect the spiritual aspect in life or go too far with it and fail to realize there's a connection between physical and spiritual*

**“You are righteous o Lord ... because You have judged these things”**

It is well within God's righteousness and authority to judge these things

If God says it's good. It's good.

If God says it's evil. It's evil.

If God says it deserves judgment...guess what...it rightfully deserves judgment.

And we should not say different.

**Shed the blood of the saints and prophets**

**IT IS WHAT THEY DESERVE**

**I like the KJV, I think it says it the most succinctly:**

**For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.**

**True and righteous are God's judgments (v7)**

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**4 - on sun, men scorched with great heat**

This is global warming guys, not what we're seeing now (seasons of seasons)

No amount of carbon tax credits will stop these people from being burned by the sun

Can you imagine? Third degree burns by going outside? Maybe even in shelter from radiant heat, reflected light, etc.?

Think this through!

**Their response when tasting the heat of hell? Blaspheme God.**

**The one they knew had power over these plagues.**

**They knew were it was coming from.**

**Did not repent**

**Did not give him glory.**

**But He will get glory.**

**5- bowl on the throne of the beast**

**[Rev 2:13 NKJV] 13 "I know your works, and where you dwell, where Satan's throne [is]. And you hold fast to My name, and did not deny My faith even in the days in which Antipas [was] My faithful martyr, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells.**

**Global powers throughout history, thrones shift  
Powers in the air, behind world events and governments**

**Where in the world is the false light coming from today? All the direction?**

**Hollywood certainly is a false prophet, the media**

World being swayed towards globalism, eating bugs, lockdowns, LGBTQ

Some of America is resisting, and it's tearing the nation apart

Other nations are resisting, tearing them apart

Europe? It Satan ready in Europe for the AC and wrestling global power away from the US as we were a Christian nation and still have a remnant...

When you read the news, put on your Spiritual glasses

**Kingdom filled with darkness**

Like Egypt

**Strange, again, darkness as an entity, physical property. More than a power out, more than a dark night, a physical, heavy darkness**

Gnawed tongues! In pain from everything else, now can't see.

Another taste of hell.

**And yet...they blasphemed God and did not repent.**

When "bad" things happen to us, do we blame God? Or do we seek him? Do we consider that maybe it's a consequence of our sin? A wake up call from God to repent before things get worse? They aren't always that, most of the time it's just the result of being in this world...but we should always consider. God is gracious and wants us to be in a better place spiritually, always, and sometimes that means letting us go through a hard place physically.

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**6 - bowl on Euphrates**

Dries up!

Droughts here, Southwest

Of course it dries up, in a way, full of blood anyway, but all of that recedes in the heat of the sun and directly by this bowl

**It's in preparation for the final battle. God opens the door for men's armies to walk through.**

**In a sense, a trap to bring them all in one place -**

**They think it's their grand plan for victory, it's really God's design for their destruction.**

### **3 Demonic Spirits**

#### **"Frogs"**

Plague of frogs on Egypt

If there wasn't any doubt, the dragon, beast and false prophet all Satanic, controlled by evil spirits

Possessed by Satan himself.

Do they stop at this point, is this just a vision of their power going out to all the world to deceive? Or is their time in thinly veiled control over?

*"Reptillians" conspiracy theories*

*Musician talking of his experience in the industry and around other famous and powerful people*

**Their purpose? To gather the world to go to physical and spiritual war against God in a final battle.**

Not the war you want to be drafted into.

## **:15-16**

**Coming as a thief in the night**

**[1Th 5:2 NKJV] 2 For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.**

**Watches, keeps his garments on - ready to go, a minuteman for God**

Both now prior to the rapture, and those saints ready to go with God comes during the tribulation

**God has good tactics**

Like spec ops with night vision coming at night when the enemy least expects it, can't see in the darkness, and has been bombarded already

**They gathered together in Armageddon**

Not the cheesy 90's movie...



## The Valley of Megiddo The Final Battle

Valley of Megiddo is in Israel. Some Bible versions use the word 'plain' instead of the word 'valley'. Megiddo valley is also called Plain of Esdraelon or Plain of Jezreel (Vale of Jezreel).

It is the area immediately north of the ancient biblical city of Jezreel. Plain of Esdraelon, or Plain of Jezreel, is in northern Israel, between the Sea of Galilee (Lake Tiberias) and the Jordan River on the east and the Mediterranean Sea on the west.

So if they're coming across the Euphrates, from Iran, Middle East, Russia, China, potentially Europe as well.

Again, have we been brought back to sticks, stones, spears during this time? Industry, technology, society undoubtedly in ruins

The mark not only a technological "advancement" but potentially also a fail safe for tyranny when the grid is down

## **:17-21**

### **7 - bowl in the air**

**Loud voice, God's voice**

**IT IS DONE**

**(remember it is finished)**

This is enough. It's over. God is trampling the grapes in his winepress of wrath. Trampling Satan's head physically and finally.

### **Noises, thundering lightning in the air**

Global storm? Spiritual storm? Reminiscent of the sound of God's voice in heaven

"Prince of power of the air" commentary

### **Global earthquake - strong enough to level everything, even mountains**

**[Luk 3:4-6 NKJV] 4 as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, saying: "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the LORD; Make His paths straight. 5 Every valley shall be filled And every mountain and hill brought low; The crooked places shall be made straight And the rough ways smooth; 6 And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.' "**

**Babylon divided - global capital, world eco-political-religious system destroyed**

**All cities fall, whatever's left of them**

Everything in upheaval

I think in a sense, similar to what happened during the flood and when the continents divided into what we currently see

**100# hail**

**Vivian Hailstone**

**Diameter: 8 inches (10-11 when found)**

**Weight: 1.94 pounds**

**Location: Vivian, South Dakota**

**Habitat: July 23, 2010**

**<https://largest.org/nature/hailstones/>**

10x larger!

With the world in upheaval, did the ice at the poles evaporate with the sun's heat, this massive thunderstorm built up and is now raining down? Potentially. But also potentially God must be making it happen.

**Again...what did the people of earth do?**

**Blasphemed God. Did not repent.**