



Do you enjoy the revealing of God's Word to your common sense...your thinking...your character?

Well, get ready...your character is going to be revealed!

Revelation 16—“And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.”

The Voice of God...or Jesus? Who is it? It has to be Jesus. He speaks of the wrath of God who He (Jesus) has presented as the Final/Ultimate Deliverer (of salvation or God's wrath) and the Final/Ultimate Judge of whom God will punish those who does not accept His Son as Savior/Messiah!

John 14:6, “Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.”

As the old cowhand states, “There ain't no way without knowing Jesus!”

Revelation 16... “² And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image. ³ And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea. ⁴ And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood. ⁵ And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus. ⁶ For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy. ⁷ And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments. ⁸ And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. ⁹ And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory. ¹⁰ And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, ¹¹ And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds. ¹² And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.”

Note: The angels who are implementing the judgment of mankind are giving praise and acknowledging God as the Judge...and they are witnesses of evil in man who shed the blood of the saints and prophets.

Revelation 16:.. “¹³ And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. ¹⁴ For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.”

Three (3) unclean spirits like frogs will come out of the mouths of the dragon, the beast, and the false prophet

Introduction of the unholy trinity.

- ✓ **The unholy trinity breathed forth evil influences.**
- ✓ **They even performed miracles to make the world think they have the answer!**
- ✓ **The delirious, unrepentant world follow them because they are looking for God to lose and be judged himself...for bringing on all the plagues.**
- ✓ **Note: the 3 unclean spirits gathered them for battle.**

But Jesus comes on the scene and John records his voice.

Revelation 16:15, “Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.”

How many times has Jesus used the term “Watch” in His warnings...His testimony before the millions...the churches...we the called of God?

No Commandment Appears More Frequently in the New Testament Than to:
Watch...Wake Up!

• **Watchfulness Should Be the Constant Attitude of the Christian Life.**

- ✓ **Paul says, “It is full time to wake from your sleep!” Romans 13:11**
- ✓ **“Be watchful, stand firm in your faith.” 1 Corinthians 16:13**

Revelation 16:16-20, “And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.”

Question: Who gathered them into a place called Armageddon? It is singular (who)!

JESUS...BECAUSE He had the great voice out of the temple...saying, "IT IS DONE."

Remember...on the cross...Jesus said, "It is finished." This statement lets us know that God's wrath is finally being done to the unrepentant...the one's rebelling against God.

The two statements coincide as to a way to salvation (the cross) and a way to the final wrath for the unrepentant.

Bowl (Vial) Judgments

Last of the terrible plagues

Certain connection with 2 things:

(1) *The ten plagues in Egypt*

(2) *Terrors which followed the sounding of the trumpets (Rev. 8-11)*

Commonality of the 3 Lists:

Hail - Darkness - Blood in the waters -

The ulcerous sores- The coming of the terrible force (hordes from the East)

- from beyond the Euphrates River...

Armageddon—Megedon and Magged----means: "Valley of Megiddo" or "Mountain of Megiddo"

Same valley where other great battles/wars have taken place.

How bad of a battle is it going to be?

■ *Blood up to the horses' bridle (Rev. 14:14-20)*

■ *Land soaked with blood (Isaiah 34:1-8)*

■ *Feast for all the birds of prey (Ezekiel 39:1-12)*

■ *It will take seven months to bury the dead (Ezekiel 39:12)*

■ *Fowls of the air are filled with their flesh (Rev. 19:21; Matthew 24:27,28)*

The last day of the battle, the forces against God are to be stoned to death (Leviticus 24:16)

Watch out, Church, keep your clothes ready—you don't want to be left on earth...Are you ready?

Prepare, be aware, make ready, take a deep breath...and get ready to go home!

Note: Verses 9-11, “⁹ And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory. ¹⁰ And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, ¹¹ And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.

It is a picture of men who had no doubt of the existence of God and even saw His hand in events—and yet, they were the ones who still went their own way.

We are bound to ask ourselves whether we are so very different!!

We do not doubt the existence of God; we know that God is interested in us and in the world which He has made; we are well aware of God’s laws; we know His goodness and we know that sin has its punishment; and...Yet, time and time again we go our own way.

False Prophet—Who is it? Who is it going to be?

He will do great wonders (miracles) to enhance his power and worship of the beast (antichrist). He deceives those who dwell on the earth by the miracles he performs in the presence of the beast.

- *Works of the false prophet and the antichrist are identical.*
- *Stands for the organization which seeks to make men worship the emperor (antichrist) and abandon the worship of Jesus Christ.*

Remember: A man who tries to introduce the worship of other gods, who tries to make men compromise with the state or with the world...who tries to seduce other men from the exclusive worship of God is always a false prophet.

Compromise and “tolerant of” are like words.

Today’s world (culture) wants to place Jesus in the pacifist role... The role where He is only loving, peaceful, and tolerant in every way.

In Revelation, Chapters 4-22 are unfulfilled prophecies

Jesus actually speaks in two of those chapters.

Chapter 16 and chapter 22.

What does He say?

Is it a loving conversation with His flock...with those that are reading the book?

No...it is Jesus Himself warning of things to come...and to get ready for the reaping of those who have shook their finger at God...those who have trounced on the name of Christ...who have spent their time

criticizing and persecuting the Christians...who have belittled God's people...who have neutralized the Gospel!

Repeat of Verse 15 of the 16th chapter... "Behold, I come like a thief! Blessed is he who stays awake and keeps his clothes with him, so that he may not go naked and be shamefully exposed."

The best commentary on this judgment comes from the pen of Malachi, the prophet who, when speaking of the same day (v. 14, "Great Day of God Almighty"), described it with these words:

"For behold, the day cometh, that shall burn like an oven, and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble; and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root no branch. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of Righteousness arise with healing in His wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up like calves of the stall" (Malachi 4:1-2).

The Day of the Lord is coming! Are you ready?

Maranatha = "The Lord is Coming."

Maranatha is an Aramaic word that means "the Lord is coming" or "come, O Lord."

To the early Christians, this was their greeting in lieu of the Jewish greeting of "Shalom."