

THE UNVEILING OF JESUS CHRIST

"From Woes to Worship"

Revelation 11:15-19

INTRODUCTION:

1. In **Chapters 4 & 5** the "church" is in Heaven.
2. In **Chapter 5:1-5**
 - a) Here we see the Scroll (Title Deed) with the 7 Seals and the Lamb who is worthy.
3. In **Chapter 6** we see the **FIRST SIX SEAL JUDGMENTS**
 - a) **SEAL #1** - White Horse - False Peace
 - 1) The Antichrist steps onto the scene.
 - b) **SEAL #2** - Red Horse - War and Bloodshed
 - c) **SEAL #3** - Black Horse - Starvation, disease and famine
 - 1) Food shortage
 - d) **SEAL #4** - Death and Hades
 - e) **SEAL #5** - Martyrs under the Altar
 - 1) Those who were slain for the Word of God and their testimony!
 - 2) Revelation 6:9-10
 - f) **SEAL #6** - Natural Disasters
 - 1) Earthquakes and Meteors hitting the earth.
 - 2) Revelation 6:15-17
4. **Chapter 7 is a Parenthesis (Interlude)**
 - a) 144,000 Jewish evangelists sealed by God.
 - b) Revelation 7:9-11
 - c) **WE SEE THE GRACE OF GOD**
5. **Chapter 8 - SEAL #7**
 - a) **Vs 1-2**
 - b) Which opens up the 7 Trumpet Judgments
6. **THE SEVEN TRUMPET JUDGMENTS**
 - a) **TRUMPET #1** - Revelation 8:7
 - 1) 1/3 of the earth is burned up. 1/3rd of the Trees and all green grass.
 - b) **TRUMPET #2** - Revelation 8:8-9
 - 1) 1/3rd of all Sea Creatures die
 - c) **TRUMPET #3** - Revelation 8:10-11
 - 1) 1/3rd of Fresh Water poisoned by Wormwood
 - d) **TRUMPET #4** - Revelation 8:12
 - 1) 1/3rd of the Sun, Moon, and Stars darkened. From 24 to 16 hour days.

e) **TRUMPET #5** - Revelation 9:1-12

1) Demonic creatures from the Abyss torment the lost for 5 months.

f) **TRUMPET #6** - Revelation 9:13-21

1) 200 million man army from the east

2) 1/3rd of mankind is killed

7. **Revelation 10** is another Parenthesis between the 6th and 7th TRUMPET.

a) **Revelation 10:1-7**

b) A vision of the Old Testament **Angel of Jehovah** - Jesus Christ

8. The Interlude between the 6th and 7th TRUMPET has concluded and loud voices are heard in heaven **Revelation 11:14**.

a) **Vs 15**

1) When the **SEVENTH TRUMPET** is sounded, the final **7 BOWL JUDGMENTS** of God upon the earth will begin.

9. In **Revelation 11:15-19** we get a glimpse into the Throne Room of Heaven.

a) And we get a preview of things to come.

I. THE ANTICIPATION OF THE KINGDOM

1. **Vs 15**

a) *"The Kingdom of the World has become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ."*

b) *"and He shall reign forever and ever"*

2. The events of Chapters 12-18 describe that transition of power to Jesus as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

3. **LISTEN UP:** Many believers are shocked when they discover that the kingdom of this world @ present does not belong to Christ.

a) The Kingdom of this world is under the authority of Satan.

1) **John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11**

b) Jesus refers to Satan's Kingdom

1) **Matthew 12:26**

4. **SO HERE IT IS:** It's the removal of Satan's kingdom and the establishment of Christ's Kingdom which is the end result of the book of Revelation.

5. **Daniel 2:44; 7:13-14**

II. OUR WORSHIP OF THE KING

1. Vs 16a

a) 24 is the number of all "inclusiveness". That's us!! We are there.

2. Revelation 6:10

a) "*How long O Lord...?*"

3. Vs 17

III. EXPECTING THE CONSUMMATION OF THE END

1. Notice Vs 18

2. Prophetic language is written in a way that appears to be narrow.

3. Notice *Isaiah 61:1-2*

a) Between Vs 1-2a and the rest of verse 2 is the distance between the 1st and second coming.

4. Between these 2 phrases is 2000 years.

5. Now look @ *Luke 4:18-21*

6. *1 Corinthians 15:23-24*

a) "*But each in his own order*"

1) "*Christ the first fruits*" - Past tense

2) "*then @ His coming, those who belong to Christ*" - @ the Rapture

b) Vs 24

1) That's after the Millenium!!! 1000 years

7. Revelation 11:18

a) Contains an outline of what is going to happen in the rest of the book.

A. GOD'S JUDGMENT OF THE NATIONS

1. Vs 18

a) "*The nations raged, but your wrath came*"

2. Psalm 2:1-5

B. GOD'S JUDGMENT AGAINST THE DEAD

1. Vs 18

a) *"and time for the dead to be judged"*

2. Cf. Chapter 20:4-5, 11-15

a) This is where the unsaved dead are judged.

3. We must be careful not to get the judgments mixed up.

a) The Great White Throne is not for believers.

1) You don't want to be here.

b) The Judgment Seat of Christ is where believers will be judged.

1) This takes place @ the Rapture

2) Not for Salvation but for works.

3) **1 Corinthians 3:11-15**

4) **2 Corinthians 5:10**

C. GOD REWARDS BELIEVERS

1. Vs 18

a) *"and for rewarding your servants, **the prophets and saints, and those who fear your name**, both small and great"*

1) **"prophets"** - O.T. believers

2) **"saints"** - N.T. believers

3) **"those who fear your name"** - Tribulation believers

D. THE DESTRUCTION OF DEMONS

1. Vs 18

a) *"and for destroying the destroyers of the earth"*

2. These are the demons who have been turned loose as emissaries of Satan to wreak havoc on God's creation during the Tribulation.

a) Satan is the great destroyer and anyone who follows him is a **"destroyer of the earth."**

3. Vs 16-17

a) Once again we find the Church worshipping together in Heaven.

4. **Very Important:** Everything that needs to take place to bring about the establishment of God's Kingdom will in fact take place.

5. **WOW!!!** We will worship from the absolute certainty of the prophetic PICTURE.

6. **JUST REMEMBER:** Those who should be judged will be judged.

CONCLUSION:

1. **Vs 19**

a) "*the ark of the covenant*" - Every Jew understood the Ark represented God's presence.

1) *The Two Tablets* - The 10 Commandments

a) God's Law

b) The certainty of God's Word

2) *Bowl of Manna* - God's sufficiency and provision

3) *Aaron's rod that budded* - God's life - Hebrews 9:4

2. **Vs 19**

a) We are reminded that God is in the midst of our most difficult times in our lives.