

REVELATION

Set 2. Studies 11-18.

Eight studies introducing Revelation chapters 6-14.

Here you will find assurance that God is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. (Ezekiel 33:11.)

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*The REVELATION of the imminent complete fulfilment
of God's plan from eternity past for mankind.*

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A few suggestions for using this course:

- **The answers for most of the questions are to be found within the Bible passage being considered. If you find some question(s) difficult to answer move on to following questions until you have opportunity to consult with others or relate to my "answers".**
- **For group study provide each member of the class with a copy of the lesson the week before the study is due. This will allow them time to study the passage and prepare their answers to the questions in order to be ready to participate in the Bible Study Class.**
- **If the class participates freely in prolonged discussion and conversation about the questions it may be better to divide each lesson into two and only do five questions at each study. That way your course will last twice as long!**

Study 11²⁵ of REVELATION.

The Lamb opens the seals!

Ask God to enlighten you by His Spirit giving you understanding and wisdom through His revelations.

Reading: Revelation 6:1-17.

The great day of wrath!

MEMORY VERSE PSALM 2:12.

1. What had the four Living Creatures been very involved in doing in chapter 5? (See 5:8-14.)

What are the four Living Creatures seen to be responsible for in chapter 6?

2. Who set about opening the seals?

Why did the four Living Creatures not break open the seals of the awesome scroll? (See 5:9-10.)

3. What did the opening of the first four seals have in common?

4. Describe how each of the first four plagues will come about and the successive effects they will have upon the earth.

5. What reason could God have for only partially judging the earth with these plagues instead of totally as in the flood?

6. Can you see a parallel between what is to happen when these seals are broken and what God did to Pharaoh and the Egyptians in Exodus 9:13-16?

7. What did the opening of the fifth seal reveal? Does that revelation support the answers to 5 & 6?

8. What terrors and horrors did the opening of the sixth seal reveal?

9. What response did these events produce from the whole of mankind?

10. What was it they were so terrified about?

Study 12/25 of REVELATION.

The worthy Lamb!

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Reading: Revelation 7:1-17.

The Lamb Shepherd!

MEMORY VERSE: MATTHEW 25 : 34.

1. What clue are we given that enables us to know when the things about to be revealed would happen?
2. What further details are revealed to add to the horrific events already listed in chapter 6:12-17?
3. What are we told about the people who are the cause of the delay of the angelic judgments on the land and sea and trees?
4. Meanwhile who were the people in Heaven and what condition were they in?
5. What did the great international company of white robed people have to say in praise of the Lamb?
6. Who were the others in Heaven who joined in the worship of the Lamb on the throne? And what had they to say in worship of God?
7. "These in white robes - who are they, and where did they come from? (v.13.)
8. How do you think these people had come to be clothed in these white garments?
9. What can you find out about their role and the conditions they have inherited?
10. What strange mix of metaphors is found in this revelation? How do you account for this double metaphor that combines two different pictures of Jesus in one?

Study 13^{/25} of REVELATION.

God's judgments intensify!

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Reading: Revelation 8:1-13.

Mercy triumphs over judgment!

MEMORY VERSE: 2 PETER 3 : 9.

1. When the time comes for the opening of the last of the seven seals that guards the contents of this awesome scroll, what will be the momentous response of the whole company of Heaven?
2. The events associated with the opening of the seventh seal will have to be fulfilled before the content is revealed. How are these final judgments of God going to be ushered in?
3. Can you think of any significance in the fact that the same censer used to present the "prayers of all the saints" will also be the censer used to initiate the awful judgments due to fall upon the earth?
4. What will the sounding of the first trumpet herald?
5. What will the sounding of the second trumpet herald?
6. What will the sounding of the third trumpet herald?
7. "Wormwood" is the meaning of a modern city called Chernobyl! Does the name Chernobyl convey anything to you?
8. What will the sounding of the fourth trumpet herald?
9. Can you think of any reason why God would restrict His wrath and judgment to one third of the natural world?
10. What words of warning came from the eagle for each of the remaining trumpets that were still to be sounded out?

Study 14/25 of REVELATION.

The end is nigh!

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Reading: Revelation 9:1-21.

The wrath to come!

MEMORY VERSE 1 THESSALONIANS 1 : 9-10.

1. When the fifth angel will sound his trumpet what horrific series of events will commence?
2. Compare Joel's (2:30-31.) description of the lead up to the Day of the Lord. Do you see similarities with these events in Revelation 9?
3. What was the fallout from the gigantic furnace-like smoke going to have upon people?
4. What restrictions or limitations were placed upon the power and influence of this awful plague?
5. Here are some adjectives I would use to describe these locust-like creatures. Can you link any of the descriptions given in verses 7-11 with these words?
Destructive / Attractive / Cruel /
Fearless / Terrifying / Deceptive /
Indestructible / Amazing /
6. Where did these demonic locust-like creatures come from and who was their king?
7. The sixth trumpet will herald another woe. What will this second woe be?
8. God works to a very exact time-table in bringing about His purposes.
Can you see any reference to God's detailed timing of events?
9. What destructive elements did this terrifying army employ in their destruction of one third of mankind?
10. What was the surviving population unwilling to repent of?

PS. "magic arts" is the translation given to the Greek word "pharmakeia" which can be translated as the use or administering of drugs. (from it the English word Pharmacy) Doesn't that translation seem relevant to our present age?

Study 15^{/25} of REVELATION.

Faithful witnesses!

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Reading: Revelation 10:1 – 11:14.

Preach the Word!

MEMORY VERSE EZEKIEL 33 : 11.

1. *Although one third of mankind had been killed (9:18.) the surviving population showed no repentance! (9:20-21.) What indication was there that even yet God had a message for those still alive on sea and land?*
2. *What indication is given that the unrevealed content of the little scroll was a message from God for the surviving “peoples, nations, languages and kings”?*
3. *Do you detect anything in the angel’s message to indicate that God’s patience and gracious offer to the world was soon to come to an end?*
4. *Despite the worldwide devastation and death what very significant surviving building is our attention drawn to and what do we find out about it?*
5. *What other notable witness was to take place before the final woe of the seventh trumpet came to pass?*
6. *What are we told about how important God considers the service of these two mysterious witnesses to be?*
7. *What are we told about the response of these two witnesses to some of those who survived the first two woes?*
8. *Who is it that finally defeats and silences the two witnesses? And when does it happen?*
9. *What would the general worldwide response be to the death of the two witnesses?*
10. *What events turned their celebrations into fear and terror resulting in God being glorified?*

Study 16^{/25} of REVELATION.

The seventh trumpet!

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Reading: Revelation 11:15-12:17.

The final showdown begins!

MEMORY VERSE REVELATION 12 : 7-8.

1. In the light of John 14:30 & Ephesians 2:2 what major takeover was announced after the sounding of the seventh trumpet?
2. What response was heard in Heaven to the announcement of this takeover?
3. What had the previous regime been guilty of that deserved judgment and punishment?
4. What object that arouses comfort and assurance for the Believer was seen amidst the awesome display of judgment and power coming from Heaven?
5. Chapter 12 appears to be a brief summary and a replay of the main events that led up to this time. Let us seek to identify the main players. What details help us to identify the woman?
6. What clues are given to help us identify the "enormous red dragon"?
7. Can you recall how this dragon had brought pain and great distress to the nation of Israel in an effort to prevent the promised birth of the Christ Child?
8. The red dragon not only succeeded in uniting earthly forces to assist him in his struggle against God but he is also seen to bring along heavenly forces! What could be implied in his sweeping stars out of the sky to assist him?
9. In this replay of history what is the final outcome of the struggle against God in the heavenly realm?
10. So, in Heaven the matter is already settled but now the scene is set for the final earthly struggle for the souls of mankind! Who are seen to be the particular objects of the wrath of the dragon in the final showdown?

Study 17^{/25} of REVELATION.

The trinity-of-evil!

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Reading: Revelation 13:1-18.

Exposing the counterfeit!

MEMORY VERSE JOHN 16 : 14-15.

1. Can you name the trinity-of-evil that is revealed in this chapter?
2. Where did the beast out of the sea receive its power and position and authority from?
3. What characteristic did this 2nd person of the trinity-of-evil have that attracted a worldwide following to the dragon and the beast, and marked him as being a counterfeit of the 2nd person of the Triune God?
4. Compare and contrast this “beast out of the sea” with the Lord Jesus Christ!
5. What are we told of the power and influence of the beast that came out of the earth?
6. Can you identify any similarities between the work of the Holy Spirit - 3rd Person of Trinity - with the counterfeit works of this beast of the earth, the 3rd person of the trinity-of-evil?
7. In what way was the issue of life and death to be determined by the people’s response to the 2nd member of the trinity of evil?
8. Can you show from other passages of the Bible how the Triune God sets forth the issue of life and death with relation to the 2nd Person of the Trinity?
9. Those who were convinced about the 2nd member of the trinity-of-evil received a mark or seal that gave them the right to trade and be part of the system. Do you know what mark or “seal” the true Believer in Jesus Christ receives giving him or her the right to serve God and belong to the Kingdom of God?
10. The identification of the mark of the beast continues to be a mystery. (666?) But identifying the mark of the true Believer in Christ should not be a mystery! How do you think the true Believer is to be identified?

Study 18^{/25} of REVELATION. The time to reap has come!

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Reading: Revelation 14:1-20.

Saved or slaughtered?

MEMORY VERSE DANIEL 12 : 2.

1. Despite the awful devastation and death that proceeds from the opening of the seals (One third of mankind died! 9:15.) yet the 144,000 sealed Jews were safe and well! Who was their Leader? And where were they with Him?
2. The sounds that came out from Heaven at that time could be classified in two very different ways - some were terrifying while others were soothing. Can you identify them?
3. Do you find it strange in the midst of the outpouring of God's wrath that heaven resounds with praise and worship to the avenging God? Why should the 144,000 want to sing God's praise in a world devastated by terrible judgment?
4. What picture that suggests how helpless defenceless sheep can be kept safe in the midst of dangers is used to describe the safety and security of the 144,000?
5. How does the angel with the eternal Gospel demonstrate God's mercy and grace even at this time of judgment?
6. What message had the second angel? And what was the significance of the message?
7. What message had the third angel? And what was the significance of the message?
8. The persecution of any who become Believers in Christ during the tribulation of those days will continue to the end. But what is the message of hope and assurance to those facing persecution and death for Christ's sake?
9. What are angels? See Heb 1:14. So, assuming Rev 14:14 is describing the victorious Christ Jesus who rides on the clouds to overthrow His enemies (Deut 33:26-27. Ps 68:1-4.) are we to consider the words of the angel in v. 15 as a command or as an announcement and explanation of the event about to take place?
10. Two very different and separate reapings took place. How are the different reapings described and explained?

CONGRATULATIONS

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