

1 ☐ The Revelation

Study of John's Revelation
Chapter 19

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3 ☐ Chapter 19 - The Lord Returns

- ▶ The Four Alleluias (Re 19:1-6)
 - ▶ Alleluia! Salvation belongs to the Lord (v.1)
 - ▶ Alleluia means "Praise ye the Lord." (First found in Ps 104:35)
 - ▶ This is said by a great crowd in heaven, likely Tribulation martyrs
 - ▶ They praised the Lord for four things: 1) Salvation, 2) Glory, 3) Honour, and 4) Power
 - ▶ Alleluia! God has avenged the blood of the saints (v.2-3)
 - ▶ God's judgments are true and righteous - always!
 - ▶ God judged and avenged!
 - ▶ Alleluia is often reserved to praise God's vengeance on the wicked.

4 ☐ Chapter 19 - The Lord Returns

- ▶ The Four Alleluias Continue (Re 19:1-6)
 - ▶ Alleluia! Their torment is eternal (v.3-4)
 - ▶ The eternality of this judgment is also righteous. God never makes mistakes.
 - ▶ This Alleluia is said by the 24 Elders (representing pre-tribulation believers) and the four living creatures as they worship God.
 - ▶ Alleluia! The Lord God omnipotent reigns (v.5-6).
 - ▶ A voice from the throne encouraged the praise.
 - ▶ This may be said by all the inhabitants of heaven combined. This "great multitude" translates the same words as "much people" (v.1) and "great multitude" (Re 7:9).

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- ▶ The Marriage of the Lamb (Re 19:7-10)
 - ▶ The scene is still in heaven.
 - ▶ Marriages in Bible times had three parts (descriptions vary).
 - ▶ Betrothal - binding contract between the parents and/or the couple
 - ▶ Presentation - a meal celebrating the marriage, sometimes lengthy
 - ▶ Ceremony - the wedding vows and celebration
 - ▶ In this marriage, the Groom is the centre of attention, not the bride (v.7).
 - ▶ He gets the honour.
 - ▶ She is given the privilege of wearing fine linen, clean and white, picturing her righteousness (v.8).

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- ▶ The Marriage of the Lamb Continued (Re 19:7-10)
 - ▶ Who will be the bride of Christ and the guests? This is a difficult question to answer clearly.
 - ▶ Israel is never called Christ's bride.
 - ▶ Church age saints are called Christ's bride (Ephesians 5:27).
 - ▶ The inhabitants of the heavenly city are called the bride (Re 21:9).
 - ▶ It is puzzling that on the 12 heavenly city gates are the names of the 12 tribes of Israel (Re 21:12).
 - ▶ Where do the Tribulation saints fit in? Many of them are martyrs!
 - ▶ Is it possible that all people of all ages who trust Christ are the bride?
 - ▶ Are the OT and Tribulation saints the blessed guests (v.9; John 3:29)?
 - ▶ The angel forbid John to worship him (v.10)

7 ☐ Chapter 19 - The Lord Returns

- ▶ The Lord Prepares for Battle (Re 19:11-16)
 - ▶ The Lord will come from heaven riding on a white horse
 - ▶ He is rightfully riding the white horse of royal victory.
 - ▶ He is Faithful and True and a righteous Judge and General (v.11)
 - ▶ His fiery eyes are discerning and he wears all the kingly crowns. (v.12)
 - ▶ His clothes are dipped in Calvary's blood. He is the Word of God. (v.13)
 - ▶ The armies of heaven follow on white horses dressed in white (v.14)
 - ▶ The words of his mouth are like a sharp sword (v.15)
 - ▶ He will rule with a rod of iron (v.15)
 - ▶ He will tread the wicked as in a winepress (v.15)
 - ▶ He will wear a name KING of kings AND LORD of lords (v.16)

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- ▶ The Lord Destroys all the Wicked (Re 19:17-21)
 - ▶ An angel calls all the birds to come for a great meal (v.17)
 - ▶ Birds will eat the flesh of kings, captains, mighty men, horses, riders, and of all men (free and bond, small and great) (v.18).
 - ▶ The beast (Antichrist) and kings of the earth gather in Armageddon to fight with Christ (v.19), (cf. Re 16:16).
 - ▶ The Antichrist and False Prophet are sent to the Lake of Fire (v.20).
 - ▶ They are cast in alive and are still burning 1,000 years later (Re 20:10).
 - ▶ All the other wicked are killed by Christ's sword (v.21)
 - ▶ Their blood will flow over a mitre deep (Re 14:20).
 - ▶ Possibly, all unbelievers on earth will be killed (v.18).

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10 ☐ Personal Application

- ▶ When Jesus comes as King, all heaven will shout Alleluia!
 - ▶ Will you be among those who shout praises to God?
- ▶ Believers will be part of the Marriage of the Lamb
 - ▶ Will you be part of Christ's bride?
- ▶ All the saints in heaven will ride in Christ's army.
- ▶ We will see Christ destroy all the unbelievers.
 - ▶ Judgment is coming! Unbelievers will be destroyed and go to hell.
 - ▶ Are you positive you are among the true believers?
 - ▶ Are you seeking to reach others with the gospel?
 - ▶ Are you living for the glory of God Almighty?