

Revelation 19:1-21

REVIEW...

● OUTLINE...

- THREE times – PAST – PRESENT – FUTURE – **Revelation 1:19**
- THREE events – RAPTURE – WRATH – RETURN of Jesus
- THREE judgements – SEAL – TRUMPET – and BOWL judgments
- **Fall of Babylon...**
 - The FINAL bowl...
 - With the SEVENTH bowl – and angel cried out – it is FINISHED...
 - And God caused a great earthquake – shaking up the Kingdom of the Antichrist...
 - The FALL of the RELIGIOUS system – **Revelation 17**
 - The FALL of the ECONOMIC system – **Revelation 18**
 - The FALL of the POLITICAL system – **Revelation 19**
 - One world Economy...
 - The unprecedented growth in WEALTH – has made the world DRUNK on money...
 - And ALL of the GOVERNMENTS of the world – ALL the MERCHANTS have become RICH...
 - It has caused EVERYONE – in EVERY nation – to believe MONEY is the answer...
 - But in ONE day – ONE hour – God will bring destroy the economy of the WORLD!
 - Morning and Celebrating...
 - The WORLD will mourn its loss – the fall of the MONEY...
 - HEAVEN will rejoice – because the LIE that money will finally be seen...
 - The ECONOMY of the Antichrist – the MARK of the beast – will be gone!

RETURN OF JESUS CHRIST...

● 1ST – HEAVEN CELEBRATES... vs. 1-6

- 1st – Hallelujah... vs. 1
 - After these things I heard a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven – saying Alleluia!
 - After [Μετὰ ταῦτα] the FALL of BABYLON - the one world ECONOMY...
 - John HEARD a LOUD [μέγας] sound – coming from a LARGE crowd in heaven...
 - ALLELUIA [ἀλληλουϊά] – 4x in NT – all of them in the in **Revelation 19**
 - Hallelujah [הלל־להלל] - to intensely [piel] PRAISE [הלל] the LORD [יה] - an abbreviation for [יהוה]
 - It is interesting that God would choose to put a HEBREW word here...
 - That a GREAT multitude uses the word – does give us a HINT about Heaven...
 - It would appear that the language we will speak when we get there – will be HEBREW!
 - Salvation and glory and honor and power belong to the Lord our God!
 - They PRAISE God – because of what BELONGS to our Lord [κύριος]
 - SALVATION – a word that in the HEBREW would be Yashua [ישועה] – Jesus...
 - Therefore - Jesus deserves all of the GLORY – all of the HONOR...
 - Because ONLY Jesus has the POWER [δύναμις] to SAVE us from our SINS!
 - The road to DESTRUCTION is broad – NARROW is the way to eternal life – **Matthew 7:13-14**
 - There is only ONE hope to escape the WRATH of God - only ONE way to get to heaven!
- 2nd – Judgment of God... vs. 2-3
 - The Judge....
 - For true and righteous are His judgments!
 - Jesus also deserved to be PRAISE – because He is the one who will JUDGE the world!

- People like the image of a LOVING Jesus – a God with a big smile on His face...
- But Jesus represents the TRUTH – and what is RIGHT...
- And He will be the one to JUDGE the world for rejecting the TRUTH – doing what is WRONG!
- **II Timothy 4:1** - “Christ Jesus... will someday judge the living and the dead!”
- Great Harlot...
 - [Jesus] has judged the great harlot who corrupted the earth with her fornication.
 - And He has avenged on her the blood of His servants shed by her.
 - Again they said - Alleluia! Her smoke rises up forever and ever!
 - Jesus will JUDGE the one world RELIGION – the Great Harlot – **Revelation 17:1**
 - Who CORRUPTED [imperfect] the earth with her love of MONEY [religion of materialism]
 - A RELIGION that puts to death [blood] all who do not take the MARK – **Revelation 20:4**
 - Therefore – when the RELIGION falls – when the MONEY fails...
 - SECOND [δεύτερος] time heaven will say - ALLELUIA – because the LIE has been EXPOSED...
 - And anyone who believed the LIE – Religion of Money – will end up in HELL [smoke] forever!
 - People who live for MONEY are very short sighted...
 - They are only looking at TODAY – and not thinking about ETERNITY...
 - It does not matter how much wealth we have – it we end up missing out on HEAVEN!
 - **Mark 8:36** – “What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world - and loses his own soul.”
- o 3rd – Everyone agrees... vs. 4-6
 - The Elders...
 - The twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down.
 - And worshiped God who sat on the throne – saying - Amen! Alleluia!
 - At this point ALL of heaven join in on the WORSHIP...
 - WORSHIP [προσκυνέω] – 60x in NT – almost half of them in Revelation [27x]
 - FIRST - The 24 ELDERS – and the FOUR angels [Cherubim] - fall down and WORSHIP...
 - They cry out this is the TRUTH [Amen] – we should praise the Lord [Alleluia]!
 - The Spirit...
 - Then a voice came from the throne – saying - Praise our God.
 - All you His servants and those who fear Him - both small and great!
 - SECOND - a voice also came from the THRONE of God...
 - Perhaps the VOICE of the Holy Spirit – who brings GLORY to Jesus – **John 16:14**
 - Commanding [imperative] all – both small and great – to PRAISE God!
 - Jesus Christ...
 - I heard - as it were - the voice of a great multitude.
 - As the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings – saying:
 - Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!
 - THIRD - John heard a that VOICE was REALLY loud [like a huge crowd]
 - It sounded like MANY waters – boomed like THUNDER...
 - This is the same description given of Jesus [God] – **Revelation 1:15 – Psalm 29:3**
 - Jesus cries out the same thing – ALLELUIA – we should PRAISE God...
 - Because He is the ALMIGHTY [παντοκράτωρ] – and He RULES over all!
 - If we knew who would win a basketball game – we would root for the WINNER...
 - No one wants to pick the LOSING team – we want to WIN!
 - The ELDERS [tribes and apostles] – ANGELS – SPIRIT – and JESUS – all agree...
 - Everyone is called to WORSHIP the Lord – because in the end He WINS...
 - If we want to make sure we are on the right side of HISTORY...
 - We should join in and sing - ALLELUIA – the Lord REIGNS!

• 2ND – MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB... vs. 7-10

- o 1st – The Bride... vs. 7-8
 - Engagement...
 - John hears Jesus give a SECOND reason why we should PRAISE - the MARRIAGE of the LAMB...
 - MARRIAGE [γάμος] 16x in NT – 8x in the Parable of wedding feast...
 - Where the MASTER put out the invitation for ANYONE to come to the WEDDING!
 - **Matthew 22:9** – “Go into the highways - and as many as you find - invite to the wedding!”
 - In Jewish CUSTOM - the man initiates the BETROTHAL - proposes to His future wife...
 - He negotiates to determine the price He must pay for His bride...
 - And He will give a guarantee [a promise] that He will marry His bride!
 - Jesus left heaven [His home] - to come to earth [our home] - to propose...
 - The price He had to pay for His Bride was the CROSS - He gave everything...
 - Anyone is welcome to accept His invitation – **Romans 10:13**
 - He then gives us the Holy Spirit – His GUARANTEE He will finish what He started!
 - **Ephesians 1:13-14** – “The Holy Spirit of promise who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession.”
 - Waiting...
 - Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory - for the marriage of the Lamb has come!
 - Let [subjunctive] us be GLAD and REJOICE – because of the MARRIAGE...
 - Why would we NOT rejoice – because the MARRIAGE has not happened yet!
 - In Jewish CUSTOM – once the GROOM had proposed...
 - He would go back to His FATHER – and prepare a place for His new bride...
 - After Jesus told the disciples the COST of the MARRIAGE – Last Supper – **Luke 22:20**
 - He told the disciples He was going away - to prepare a PLACE for them!
 - **John 14:2-3** – “In My Father's house are many mansions... If I go and prepare a place for you - I will come again and receive you to Myself - that where I am - there you may be also.”
 - I think the LONGEST months of my life – was between my engagement and my marriage...
 - Saying YES – is the easy part – WAITING for Jesus to return is HARD...
 - Being PATIENT for Jesus to return and the WEDDING to take place!
 - Ceremony...
 - His wife has made herself ready. And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen.
 - Clean and bright - for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints!
 - In Jewish CUSTOM – the final step is for the BRIDE to be ready...
 - She does NOT know when her GROOM will come to get her...
 - But when she least expect – He will arrive with a TRUMPET blast - **I Thessalonians 4:16**
 - The WIFE need to be READY [active] – by putting on the RIGHT dress...
 - The BRIDE is given [passive] a WHITE dress - PURE and BRIGHT...
 - Her WHITE dress – is the RIGHTEOUSNESS of Jesus Christ – **Revelation 7:14**
 - This is where we get our tradition of the BRIDE wearing a WHITE wedding dress...
 - And also why the groom sneaks in the side – waiting for the BRIDE to come down the aisle...
 - Weddings are meant to be a PICTURE of Jesus and the Church – **Ephesians 5:32**
- o 2nd – Be Ready... vs. 9
 - Blessed...
 - Then he said to me. Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!
 - And he said to me - These are the true sayings of God!
 - Jesus told John to WRITE this down – BLESSED are those who are CALLED [passive]
 - It is the TRUTH – it is a BLESSING to make it into the MARRIAGE supper!
 - **Matthew 24:44** - “Be ready - the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

- When Jesus gave the parable of the TEN virgins...
- We are told FIVE were wise – and kept their LAMPS burning [extra oil]
- But when the Lord did not come quickly – FIVE ran out of oil and had to leave to get more!
- **Matthew 25:10** – “While they went to buy - the bridegroom came - and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding - and the door was shut!”
- Jesus is coming – the ONLY question is are we READY for His return...
- The BLESSING is not saying YES to the WEDDING – it is getting into the WEDDING...
- And the only way to get in – is to be CLOTHED in WHITE [righteousness of Jesus]
- Keeping our LIGHTS burning [oil of the Spirit] – patiently waiting for our LORD!
- Timing...
 - In Jewish CUSTOM – the WEDDING ceremony last for SEVEN days...
 - At the end of the SEVEN days – the BRIDE would be introduced to the WORLD!
 - There is a LOT of debate on WHEN this marriage takes place...
 - Some say it takes place at the END of the Tribulation – during the Millennial Kingdom...
 - I personally believe it will be DURING seven years of TRIBULATION...
 - While the world is falling apart – we will be in heaven CELEBRATING with Jesus...
 - And at the end of the SEVEN years – Jesus will present His BRIDE to the WORLD!
- o 3rd – Worship God... vs. 10
 - I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me - See that you do not do that!
 - I am your fellow servant - and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus.
 - Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy!
 - When John saw and heard all of this he was OVERWHELMED...
 - He fell down and WORSHIPED the ANGEL who was showing Him these things – **Revelation 17:1**
 - But immediately the ANGEL told him NOT [imperative] to do that...
 - He was no different than John – he was also just a SERVANT [δουλος]
 - Instead – WORSHIP [imperative] God – because Jesus has the SPIRIT of prophecy!
 - In other words ALL prophecy is about Jesus – the whole BIBLE is about Jesus...
 - We study the book of Revelation – we study our Bible – to learn about Jesus...
 - Because only through Jesus – KNOWING Him - can we have Eternal Life!
 - **John 5:39** – “Search the Scriptures - for in them you think you have eternal life - and these are they which testify of Me.”
- 3RD – SECOND COMING... vs. 11-16
 - o 1st – His Transportation... vs. 11
 - Now I saw heaven opened - and behold - a white horse.
 - He who sat on him was called Faithful and True - and in righteousness He judges and makes war!
 - Then – John saw HEAVEN open [passive] – and Jesus came out on a white HORSE...
 - The one who is FAITHFUL and TRUE – the righteous JUDGE – will come to make WAR!
 - When Jesus came the FIRST time – He came on a DONKEY - **Zechariah 12:9**
 - A king would never come to conquer riding on a DONKEY - it was a sign of PEACE...
 - But when Jesus comes the SECOND time – He will NOT be riding a DONKEY...
 - He returns on a white HORSE – He comes to CONQUER a wicked world!
 - o 2nd – His Description... vs. 12-13
 - His Eyes... vs. 12
 - His eyes were like a flame of fire!
 - Jesus eyes will be LIKE a flame – **Revelation 1:14**
 - A picture of an ANGRY God – ready to come and JUDGE a rebellious world!
 - His Crowns... vs. 12

- On His head were many crowns!
- He has MANY crowns [διάδημα] – speaking of His ROYALTY...
- Not the same as crown [στέφανος] – which speak of something EARNED...
- Jesus does not REIGN because He has earned the right to be King...
- He will RULE because of who He is – the God who created all THINGS – **Colossians 1:16**
- His Name... vs. 12-13
 - He had a name written that no one knew except Himself - His name is called The Word of God!
 - He has NAMES [alternative manuscript] written – that no one knew but Him...
 - This seems to fit the context better as we DO know His name – it is the Word – **John 1:1**
 - Presumably the NAMES he carried – are the names of those who are SAVED...
 - Jesus knows who will be JUDGED – and those who belong to Him - **I Timothy 2:9**
- His clothing... vs. 13
 - But His clothes are dipped in BLOOD!
 - His WHITE clothing – is stained RED with blood...
 - Because when Jesus comes – it will mark the end of the reign of the Antichrist...
 - His clothing will be spattered with the BLOOD of those who killed His saints!
 - **Isaiah 63:2-3** – “Why is Your apparel red - and Your garments like one who treads in the winepress... I have trodden them in My anger - and trampled them in My fury. Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments - and I have stained all My robes!”
- o 3rd – His Church... vs. 14
 - The armies in heaven - clothed in fine linen white and clean - followed Him on white horses!
 - Jesus will NOT come alone – He will bring an ARMY with Him...
 - Not an army of ANGELS – He will bring with Him an innumerable number of SAINTS...
 - Those who have been CLEANED – who wear pure WHITE - **Revelation 7:14**
 - **Jude 1:14** – “Behold - the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints [ἅγιοι].”
 - Including ALL of the SAINTS from the OLD testament...
 - ALL the SAINTS who have died in the Church age – and are with the Lord – **II Corinthians 5:8**
 - As well as everyone who was RAPTURED before the TRIBULATION – **I Thessalonians 4:17**
 - We will all ride out together – on our own WHITE horses – alongside of Jesus!
- o 4th – His Reign... vs. 15-16
 - His Sword...
 - Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword - that with it He should strike the nations!
 - And when Jesus returns – He first goes to BOZRAH [Jordan] – **Isaiah 63:1**
 - The city of PETRA [Greek] – also called in the Hebrew SELA [שֵׁלָא]
 - Then Jesus will return to the Mount of Olives – **Acts 1:11**
 - The mountain will split in two – giving life to the Dead Sea - **Zachariah 14:4**
 - He will then head to the Valley of Megiddo – to face the Armies of the Antichrist...
 - With one word – the SWORD of His mouth will strike the nations – **II Thessalonians 2:8**
 - His Rod...
 - He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron.
 - Then Jesus will PASTOR [ποιμαίνω] all the NATIONS [ἔθνος] – **Revelation 12:5**
 - He will SHEPHERD them with a ROD of IRON [unbreakable]
 - A WOOD rod can be broken – an IRON rod is unbreakable – His Kingdom will NEVER end!
 - **Psalms 2:6-9** – “I set My King upon My holy hill of Zion... break them with a rod of iron.”
 - His Wrath...
 - He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God!
 - We were told an ANGEL gathers the NATIONS [vines] of the earth – **Revelation 14:19-20**
 - Where they will be TRAMPLED outside the city [of Jerusalem]

- Their BLOOD come up to the horses bridle – about TWO meters...
- And fill a space of over THREE hundred kilometers long [Megiddo Valley]
- Jesus will be the one who does the STOMPING – the WRATH of the ALMIGHTY God!
- His Title...
 - He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS!
 - If someone is a DOCTOR – or an ENGINEER – or a LAWYER
 - Their TITLES are given to them to establish AUTHORITY – denote POSITION!
 - The TITLE of Jesus is written [passive] on His ROBE – and on His THIGH...
 - He is the KING [nominative] who OWNS all other kings [genitive]
 - He is the LORD [nominative] who OWNS all other lords [genitive]
 - There is no question – there can be no doubt – Jesus is the one in CONTROL!
 - We live in a CRAZY world – and things are not going to get better...
 - We are spiraling towards the rise of the Antichrist [though the rapture happens first]
 - But it is good to KNOW – that in the END – Jesus WINS!
- 4TH – FALL OF ANTICHRIST... vs. 17-21
 - o 1st – Second Feast... vs. 17-18
 - The Bright Angel... vs. 17
 - Then I saw an angel standing in the sun - and he cried with a loud voice.
 - Saying to the birds in the midst of heaven: Gather together for the supper of the great God.
 - The SUN is bright – it puts out 127,000 lumens of light...
 - To put that into perspective – the typical flashlight is only about 100 lumens!
 - If an ANGEL can be seen standing on the SUN – he is BRIGHTER than the sun...
 - And he cries out with a LOUD [μέγας] voice to ALL [πᾶς] the BIRDS on earth...
 - They must [imperative] come to the SUPPER of the GREAT [μέγας] God!
 - The Supper... vs. 18
 - That you may eat the flesh of kings - the flesh of captains - the flesh of mighty men.
 - The flesh of horses and of those who sit on them.
 - And the flesh of all people – free and slave - both small and great!
 - The BIRDS will eat the flesh of men – from KINGS and CAPTAINS...
 - They will eat the flesh of ALL men – both small and great...
 - Speaking of the SLAUGHTER of the armies of the Antichrist – when they face Jesus Christ!
 - Everyone is going to attend a FEAST of the LORD – the question is which feast...
 - Those who put their faith in Jesus – will attend the WEDDING feast...
 - Those who reject Jesus – will end up being eaten at the GREAT feast...
 - It should make the choice simple – CHOSE Jesus – II Corinthians 6:2
 - o 2nd – Armageddon... vs. 19-21
 - The battle...
 - I saw the beast - the kings of the earth - and their armies gathered together.
 - To make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army!
 - John saw the KINGS of the earth – gathered [passive] by the Antichrist – **Revelation 16:14**
 - To go to WAR with Jesus [on His horse] – and with the SAINTS [His army]
 - It will NOT be much of a BATTLE – just ONE word and it is over!
 - Lake of Fire...
 - The beast was captured - and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence.
 - He deceived those who received the mark of the beast - those who worshiped his image.
 - These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone!
 - The Antichrist and Prophet will be captured ALIVE...
 - Because they deceived the world – ALL who took the MARK of the beast – **Revelation 13:16**

- As punishment – they will be cast ALIVE into the LAKE of FIRE!
- Popular culture depicts satan as being the ruler in HELL...
- But it was created as the eternal PRISON for SATAN and the fallen angels – **Matthew 25:41**
- And he will be the SECOND resident there [good riddance] – **Revelation 20:10**
- Sadly – they will NOT be the ONLY residents in the BRIMSTONE [450°C]
- So also will everyone whose names are NOT in the book of LIFE - **Revelation 20:15**
- Final Judgement...
 - The rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth...
 - And all the birds were filled with their flesh!
 - 30 days after the Return of Jesus – 1290 days after the Abomination – **Daniel 12:11**
 - Jesus will judge the NATIONS – those who survived the Tribulation – **Matthew 25:31-46**
 - Anyone who has taken the MARK of the BEAST – will be executed – **Revelation 14:9-10**
 - Then Jesus will establish His THOUSANDS year [millennial] kingdom...
 - And we – the CHURCH - will rule and reign with Him – **I Corinthians 6:2-3**
 - But that is the story for next week – today it is enough to say – Jesus WINS!