

Precept study on Revelation Part 2, Lesson 11

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1 Review

- 1: Jesus amidst the lampstands
- 2-3: letters to the churches
- 4-5: before the throne, worthy is the Lamb to break the seals
- 6-7: seals 1-6
- 8-9: 7th seal; trumpets 1-6
- 10-11: two witnesses; then 7th trumpet
- 12: signs in heaven: woman chased by dragon
- 13: beasts
- 14: Lamb and 144K; three angels proclaim
- 15-16: bowls 1-7
- 17-18: the harlot Babylon
- 19: Jesus returns; beast and armies defeated
- 20: millenium
- 21-22: the new heaven and earth

2 Chapter 19 observations

- when does ch 19 start? “after these things”, so after ch 17-18, the judgement of Babylon
- “has judged” (19:2), “has avenged”
- “marriage of the Lamb has come” (19:7). compare with Revelation 4 and 5, and with Isaiah 25:6.
- 11:15-18 (7th trumpet) reads like an overview of ch 12-19.
- The King of Kings on a white horse (19:11-16). Compare with Revelation 1 and 5.
- compare with 6th bowl, 16:12-16, where the armies of the Dragon/beast/ false prophet are gathered ... but do not yet fight.
- 7th bowl, 17:14: “these *will* wage war with the Lamb” (but not yet waging war). Those with the Lamb are called/chosen/faithful; compare with 19:14.
- so is the 6th bowl events, and 17:14, prep for the battle in 19:11-16?
- 19:17-18 birds called for upcoming feast (not the marriage feast...)
- 19:19-21, the battle itself

3 Chapter 20 observations

- when? 20:1, “Then...” Assuming John saw events in chronological order, then ch 20 events (millenium) comes after ch 19 (Jesus’ return).
- Satan imprisoned for 1000 years, 20:1-3. No more deception (see 19, where the nations were deceived)
- 20:4-6, first resurrection; they come to life and rule for 1000 years.
- 20:7-10: 1000 years are over. Satan released; deceives nations (again!), gathers them for war (again!). Satan’s armies surround the saints in Jerusalem, but are defeated; Satan thrown into the lake of fire.
- Is this the same battle as 19:19-21? Or a different one?
In the battle of ch 20, no mention of the beast or the false prophet. Satan is on his own.
Satan is thrown into the lake of fire (20:10), where the beast and false prophet are already present.
Seems clear that this is another battle. So there are two: one before the 1000 years (ch 19), and one after (ch 20).
- 20:11-15: judgement. See notes in lesson. Compare with 11:15-19.