

Precept study on Revelation Part 2, Lesson 8

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Observation of wrath, woe, earthquake, plague, and blood.

1 Wrath

- **6:16-17 : wrath of the Lamb**

The 6th seal. The kings and people of the earth hide from the **wrath** of the Lamb, calling the mountains and rocks to fall on them.

- **11:18 : wrath of the Lord God Almighty : overview of chap 11-20**

The 7th trumpet. The **wrath** of the Lord God Almighty has come. Time for dead to be judged, and for the reward of His bond-servants.

This appears to be a summary of the rest of the book, from chapters 11 to the end of chapter 19 or 20 when Death and Hades, and anyone not written in the book of life are thrown into the lake of fire.

- **12:12 : Satan's wrath**

After the 7th trumpet (or part of the 7th trumpet; before the bowls). Satan is cast down from heaven to the earth, having great **wrath** because he knows his time is short.

- **14:10,19 : wrath of God against those who worship the beast**

Just prior to the 7 angels with the 7 plagues. The 3 angels proclaim

1. fear God, give Him glory. The hour of His judgement has come
2. Babylon is fallen
3. those who worship the beast will drink the full cup of God's **wrath**

- **15:1,7 : wrath finished with the 7 plagues**

Seven angels with the 7 plagues, in them the **wrath** of God is finished. Then the 7 angels are given 7 bowls full of the **wrath** of God.

finished: teleō: to finish, performed, completed, carried out, fulfilled.

- **16:1,19 : 7 bowls of the wrath of God**

Start of the 7 bowls. The 7 angels are told to pour out on the earth the 7 bowls of the **wrath** of God. Then all 7 are poured out in rapid succession (no pauses between bowls).

In the 7th bowl, Babylon is given the cup of the fierce **wrath** of God. This continues through 19:15, below.

- **19:15 : Jesus treads the winepress**

Jesus comes on a white horse, treads the winepress of the fierce **wrath** of God, the Almighty.

This connects to the start of the 7th bowl, where Babylon drinks the cup of the fierce **wrath** of God. In Rev 19:1-5, just prior to this passage, God is praised for judging Bablyon.

2 Woe

- **8:13 : eagle cries out: woe, woe, woe**

The 4th trumpet. Eagle flying in midheaven cries out **woe, woe, woe** because of the next 3 trumpets.

- **9:12 : 5th trumpet, first woe**

The 5th trumpet. First **woe** is past. Two more to come.

- **11:14 : 6th trumpet, second woe**

The 6th trumpet. Second **woe** is past, third coming quickly.

- **12:12 : 7th trumpet, third woe**

The 7th trumpet has sounded (11:15). The dragon persecutes the woman, and then fights a war with Michael and the angels with him. The dragon (Satan) is thrown down to the earth, which has **woe** as a result.

- **18:10,16,19 : woe, woe to Babylon**

The 7th bowl has been poured out (16:17), and Babylon is judged. The kings, merchants, and sailors all cry out “**woe, woe**” Bablyon because in one hour her judgement has come.

This **woe** is part of the 7th bowl (see “wrath” above). This is the last reference to **woe** in Revelation, so this gives another clear indication that the 7th bowl includes the entire judgement against Babylon (16:17 to the end of chapter 19).

3 Earthquake

- **6:12 : 6th seal: great earthquake : hiding from the wrath of God**

The 6th seal. Great **earthquake**. Every mountain and island moved, yet the kings and people of the earth call on the mountains and rocks to fall on them and hide them from the wrath of God.

At the same time: sun darkened, moon to blood, stars fall.

- **8:5 : angel throws golden censer to earth**

Just prior to the 7 trumpets. An **earthquake** (not a great one), when the angel throws the golden censer to the ear, with fire from the altar, smoke of incense, and prayers of the saints.

At the same time: thunder, lightning.

- **11:13,19 : two witnesses come back to life, great earthquake hits Jerusalem**

Three and 1/2 days after the two witnesses are killed, they rise from the dead and are called to heaven. A **great earthquake** strikes Jerusalem. This is the end of the 6th trumpet and 2nd woe, just prior to the 7th trumpet.

At the same time: 7000 die, the rest give glory to God.

- **16:18 : 7th bowl : greatest earthquake, strikes entire planet**

The 7th bowl just poured out. "It is done." Great city split into 3 parts, cities of the nations fall (all of them?).

Every island fled away; mountains not found. Compare / contrast with the 6th-seal great earthquake (every mountain and island move).

At the same time: lightning, thunder.

4 Plague

- **9:18,20 : three plagues from the 200 million horses**

6th trumpet. Three **plagues** come from the mouths of the horses: fire, smoke, and brimstone. A third of mankind is killed by these **plagues**.

- **11:6 : two witnesses stike the earth with plague**

Part of the 6th trumpet. The 2 witnesses strike the earth with every **plague**, as often as they want.

- **15:1,6,8 : 7 angels with 7 plagues**

7th trumpet events. The 7 angels with the 7 **plagues** come out of the temple in heaven, and are given 7 bowls. No one can enter the temple until the 7 **plagues** are finished. Each of the 7 bowls is a **plague**.

- **16:9,21 : 4th bowl : all the bowls are plagues**

The 4th bowl, men scorched with fire blaspheme God who has power over **these plagues**. Reference to all the 7 bowls. Note that they credit God for the **plagues**, but still they do not repent nor do they give Him glory.

The 7th bowl: men again blaspheme God because of the extremely severe **plague** (in this case, 100-pound hailstones).

- **18:4,8 : plagues on Babylon**

During the 7th bowl. The people of God are told to come out of Babylon so they do not participae in her sins and received her **plagues**.

In 18:8, Babylon's **plagues** come in a single day: pestilence, mourning, famine, burning with fire. This could be inferred to apply to all the 7 bowls (chapter 16). If so, then the 7 bowls come in a single day (chapter 16 to 19). But the events in chapters 16 to 19 are too many to pack into a single day (battle of Har-Magedon in the 6th bowl, for example).

So perhaps this "single day" refers to just the 7th bowl (Rev 16:17 through 18, and perhaps chapter 19). That is also consistent with her rapid judgement ("in one hour"). This seems most likely. Thus, the **plagues** on Babylon are all in the 7th bowl (16:17-19:21). They include drinking the full cup of the wrath of God, from the winepress tread out by Jesus in 19:15.

- **21:9 : one of the angels with the 7 last plagues**

The new heaven and the new earth. One of the 7 angels with one of the **last seven plagues** carries John to a high mountain to see the new Jerusalem. The **plagues** are all past, but his reference repeats the reference to all 7 **plagues** in Revelation 15:1.

- **22:18 : God will add plagues to anyone who adds to this book**

5 Blood

1. the blood of the Lamb (5:9, 7:14, 12:11)
 2. blood of the martyrs / saints / prophets (6:10, 16:6, 17:6, 18:24, 19:2)
 3. moon like blood (6:12), hail mixed with blood (8:7),
 4. sea/waters/rivers become blood (8:8, 11:6, 16:3-6)
 5. the blood of the enemies of God (14:20)
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- **5:9 : Jesus has purchased us with His blood**

Jesus is worthy to take the book and break the seals because He purchased us for God, with His **blood**.

- **6:10 : God will avenge the blood of the martyrs**

5th seal. Souls under the altar ask God for justice, to avenge their **blood**.

- **6:12 : moon becomes like blood**

6th seal. moon becomes like **blood**.

- **7:14 : washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb**

Between the 6th and 7th seal. The saints are before the throne, having come out of the great tribulation, washed their robes and made white in the **blood** of the Lamb.

- **8:7 : hail and fire, mixed with blood**

The first trumpet.

- **8:8 : third of the sea becomes blood**

The 2nd trumpet. Also connected with fire.

- **11:6 : two witnesses turn waters to blood**

Part of the 2nd woe, the 6th trumpet.

- **12:11 : they overcame Satan by the blood of the Lamb**

7th trumpet, before the 7 bowls are poured out. They (the brethren) overcome (Satan) because of the **blood** the Lamb and the word of their testimony.

- **14:20 : blood up to the horses' bridles**

7th trumpet, before the 7 bowls are poured out. The wine press of the wrath of God is trodden outside the city, and **blood** flows for 200 miles.

- **16:3 : sea becomes blood**

2nd bowl. The sea becomes **blood** and everything in it dies.

- **16:4, 16:6 : rivers become blood**

3rd bowl. All the rivers become **blood**. This is just because they poured out the **blood** of the saints and prophets, and are thus given **blood** to drink.

- **17:6 : Babylon drunk with the blood of the saints**

7th bowl, poured out on Babylon. The harlot is drunk with the **blood** of the saints.

- **18:24 : in Babylon is found the blood of the saints**

7th bowl, poured out on Babylon. The **blood** of the saints is found in Babylon (all those slain on the earth).

- **19:2 : God has avenged the blood of His bond-servants**

7th bowl, poured out on Babylon. God is praised for avenging the **blood** of His bond-servants. See also 6:10 (where they ask the Lord – “how long?”), 16:6 (where the wicked are given blood to drink because they poured out the blood of the saints).

- **19:13 : Jesus on a white horse, robed dipped in blood**

End of the 7th bowl, poured out on Babylon. Jesus on a white horse, in a robe dipped in **blood**, and following Him are the armies in heaven, on white horses and clothed in white linen. Whose blood is on His robe? The blood from 14:20, the great wine press of the wrath of God?