

The Book of Revelation
Part 15

Review and Summary Chapters 1-11

Foundation Scriptures

Gen 1:26 God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion

Gen 1:28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it and have dominion over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

Rev 21:7 He that overcomes shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

Col 1:27 Christ in you, the hope of glory:

A. Partnership

1. Gen 1:26, 28 From the beginning, God has chosen to partner with man. (Ex 7:1)
2. 2 Cor 4:4 When Adam sinned, satan became the god of this world. (Luk 4:5, 6)
3. Col 2:15 Jesus won back that power and gave it to the believer (Matt 28:18)
4. John 8:31 Disciples get set free (Phil 2:10, Acts 3:16, Luk 10:19)

B. Themes of the Bible

1. Mat 24:35 Heaven and earth **shall** pass away, but my words shall not pass away.
2. Three Major themes are Love, Salvation and Power.
3. Four Secondary Themes are (1) Replenish the Earth (2) Dominion over the Earth (3) Living in the Image and Likeness of God or the Glorious Church. (4) Eating of the Tree of Life or Overcoming the Last Enemy.
4. 1Cor 10:11 Now all these things happened unto them for examples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the **ends of the world are come**.

C. Chapters 1-7

1. Overview of the Book of Revelation (BOR).
 - a) Chaps. 1-5 show the believers some important rights, how to prepare for the things to come and some relevant signs in Heaven.
 - b) Chaps. 6-7 show the inability of man to rule this earth without the Messiah.
 - c) Chaps. 8-9 show man's unwillingness to repent and that the plagues are meant for the unrepentant unbeliever.
 - d) Chaps 10-11 Show the manifestation of the Glorious Church.
2. What the BOR means to you.
 - a) Revelation of the future.

Rev 1:1 The **Revelation** of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John.

 - 1) One single revelation, unfolded in a continuous and sequential manner.
 - 2) There are 22 chapters with 19 of them beginning "And". The others are 1, 2, & 4.
 - b) Chap 1 Know your rights.

2 Cor 5:20 You are an ambassador of Christ and that power is shown in Rev 1:11-18; Dan 10:5, 6; the Plagues of Moses in Exo 9 -12; and in the Two Witnesses in Rev 11.

 - 1) Jesus and His Angel

Rev 1:11-18 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last v18 I am he that lives, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore Amen;
 - 2) Jesus and the Believer

You are: The Body of Christ, the Righteousness of God, an Ambassador of Heaven, a son/daughter of the most High God and joint-heir with Jesus. You have the Armor of

God, dominion over the earth & all that moves on it (Gen 1:28); and authority in three worlds (Phil 2:9,10) through the Name of Jesus and power of attorney to use the Name.

c) Chaps. 2 & 3 Prepare yourself by living as an overcomer.

1) Two types of overcoming.

Rev 2:10 Be faithful unto death and I will give you a crown of life.

1 Thes 4:17 Be alive and remain unto the coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

2) Specific Directions for overcoming by being alive and remaining.

Rev 3:16 Do not be lukewarm.

Rev 2:4 Do not forsake your first love.

Rev 3:1 Do not be spiritually dead.

Rev 2:14 Do not have heresy in you or your church.

Rev 2:18 Do not tolerate heresy around you or your church.

Rev 3:16 3:7 Do keep the Word of God and do not deny His Name.

3. The Seals Chaps 4-7

a) Preparing to open the seals.

1) Chap 4 show that Heaven can be very noisy with **lightnings, thunderings, voices, praise & worship.** (*Rev 5:11 100 trillion angels*)

2) Chap 5 shows the power and importance of the seals and that the prayers of the saints are relevant to the events which are about to unfold. (also Rev 8:3,4)

b) Opening the seals.

1) The opening of the Seven Seals shows us the things which are to come and are a warning for us to prepare. The events result from evil perpetuated by man on man, around us but not affecting us, as we continue to partner with God. Refer Jam 4:1.

2) Chap 6.

Seals 1-4 show man conquering, war, famine and death over ¼ of earth

Seal 5 shows the martyrs of this great tribulation, referenced in Rev 7:14.

Seal 6 shows a mighty earthquake and celestial changes with stars falling to earth.

3) Chap 7 shows that the opening of the seventh seal is delayed until the sealing of the 144,000 of the tribes of Israel and that the plagues of the Trumpets are directed towards the unbeliever (7:3, 9:4, 20, 21), who are the inhabitants of the earth (Rev 8:13, 12:12).

4. Two Themes

a) There are two themes beginning here.

1) **Theme 1 Replenish the Earth:** In chapter 6, unsaved man has made a mess of the world and in chapters 8 & 9 God begins to show them that, because of satan, man is incapable of ruling the world.

2) **Theme 3 Living in the Likeness of God:** In chapters 7, 10 & 11, God begins to lead the very elect, his disciples who continue in the Word, into the time of the Glorious Church.

D. The Trumpets

The Trumpets are seven judgments which are targeted for (i.e. intended to affect) only the ungodly. God's protection is always upon the believers, who are walking in faith. These plagues also should not affect us directly.

1. Preparing to blow the trumpets.

a) **Rev 8:1** And when he had opened the **seventh** seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

b) Silence in heaven is very significant because as we saw in Chapters 4 & 5, heaven can be a noisy place; and the silence is probably because there have been no salvations for a period of time.

- c) Luk 15:10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.
 - d) No salvations mean that sinners are refusing to repent as seen in Rev 9:20-21.
 - e) Seal 7 shows that the earth is ready to be judged by God's wrath.
 - f) **Rev 8:2** And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.
2. Sounding the Trumpets.
- a) Chap 8 Trumpets 1-4.
 - Rev 8:7 The **first** angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.
 - Rev 8:8 And the **second** angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood;
 - Rev 8:9 And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.
 - Rev 8:10 And the **third** angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;
 - Rev 8:11 And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.
 - Rev 8:12 And the **fourth** angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.
 - b) Woe, Woe, Woe
 - Rev 8:13 And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, **Woe, woe, woe**, to the inhabiters of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!
3. Chap 9 Trumpets 5-6.
- a) Rev 9:1 And the fifth angel sounded,
 - Rev 9:3 And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.
 - Rev 9:4 And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those **men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.**
 - b) Rev 9:12 One woe is past; [and], behold, there come two woes more hereafter.
 - c) Rev 9:13-18 And the sixth angel soundedLoose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. 200 million army slay the third part of men.
 - Rev 9:20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils,
 - Rev 9:21 Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.
 - d) The time of the **second woe** extends from Trumpet 6 in Rev 9:13, which precedes war, to right after the great earthquake in Rev 11:14 and includes the time of the rebuilding of the temple and the Two Witnesses. This war results in a peace treaty with Israel.
4. Trumpet 7
- a) Beginning to sound Trumpet 7.
 - 1) Rev 10:5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven, v 10:6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be **time no longer:**

- Rev 10:7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the **mystery of God should be finished**, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.
- 2) Col 1:26 [Even] the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:
Col 1:27 To whom God would make known what [is] the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you, the hope of glory**:
Col 1:28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man **perfect** in Christ Jesus: (Heb 10:14 by one sacrifice)
- b) Sounding Trumpet 7.
- 1) The re-building of the Temple.
Rev 11:1 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: measure the temple
Rev 11:2 But the **court which is without the temple leave out**, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot **forty [and] two months**.
- 2) The Two Witnesses – Two of the Glorious Church.
Rev 11:3 And I will give [power] unto my two witnesses, and they shall **prophecy** a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. (*3 ½ years @ 30 days per month*)
Rev 11:5 And if any man will hurt them, **fire proceedeth out of their mouth**, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. v 11:6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues.
Rev 11:7 When they shall have finished, the beast shall overcome them, and kill them.
- 3) Raised from the dead.
Rev 11:11 And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them,.... v12 And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. They ascended up to heaven in a cloud; v13 a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and **gave glory to the God of heaven**.
Rev 11:14 **The second woe** is past; [and], behold, the third woe cometh quickly.
- 4) The kingdoms of this world.
Rev 11:15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The **kingdoms of this world** are become [the kingdoms] of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.
Luk 4:5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the **kingdoms of the world** in a moment of time.
Luk 4:6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.
- Mat 22:44** The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool? (*6 occurrences plus 1 Cor 15:25 rule until enemies under feet*).
Heb 10:12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; v13 From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. v14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified
- Eph 5:26 Jesus wishes to sanctify & cleanse us with the washing of water by the word,
Eph 5:27 That He might **present us to Himself a glorious church**, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.
Col 1:27 **Christ in you is the hope of glory**.