

Revelation 19:11-21 | David Chadwick | September 8, 2024

**Title:** The King Is Coming!

Recap: Previously, in Revelation...

Chapter 1: The revelation from Jesus to John about the End Times

**Chapters 2-3**: The seven churches of Revelation

Five of the seven needed to repent of different sins

One, the church in Philadelphia, had no negatives from Jesus. Look at his promise to this church:

### **Revelation 3:10**

**10** Because you have kept my word about patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth.

The Rapture of the church is between chapters 3-4 (the church is not mentioned until Revelation 19)

**Chapter 4:1:** "After this..." seemingly suggesting Revelation is sequential unless otherwise stated

**Chapters 4-5:** A glimpse of heaven, and the scroll with seven seals. The world was given to Satan by Adam, but is now ready to be reclaimed by its rightful owner. **Who is worthy to break these seals?** 

**Chapter 6:** The 7 Seal Judgments (the first seal is the antichrist bringing peace to the world's chaos—especially to the Mideast; a 7-year peace covenant with Israel; the temple rebuilt; a one-world government; and the beginning of the 7-year Great Tribulation/seal judgments)

**Chapter 7** (an interlude): The 144k Jewish evangelists are introduced, and this chapter offers an incredible glimpse of more worship in heaven brought out of the Great Tribulation

**Chapters 8-10:** The 7 Trumpet Judgments (especially as the second 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  years begin)

**Chapter 11** (another interlude): The two witnesses in Jerusalem preaching the gospel primarily to the Jews, and the 7th Trumpet blown

**Chapter 12** (the interlude continues): Satan is introduced as is his hatred for the woman/Israel and her son/Jesus. He turns especially against Israel to seek its destruction.

**Chapter 13** (the interlude continues): The introduction of the antichrist and the false prophet deceiving the world as it 1) worships the antichrist and its image in the temple and 2) people receive the mark of the beast (antichrist) to buy/sell/exist

**Chapter 14** (the interlude continues): Provides more info about the 144k Jewish evangelists and the three angels prophesying about the upcoming judgment and God's eventual harvest of his people

**Chapters 15-16:** The 7 Bowl Judgments (more rapid-fire succession) during the last days of the Great Tribulation, ending with the nations of the earth coming against Israel - the battle of Armageddon is ready to begin:

#### **Revelation 16:16**

**16** And they assembled them at the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon.

Chapter 17: A look back to first 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  years: the formation of a **one-world religion** 

**Chapter 18:** A look back to the second 3 ½ years: the formation of a **one-world economic system** 

**Chapter 19:1-10:** We now go to heaven and a glimpse of the power of praise that is happening in heaven right before Jesus's return to win the battle of Armageddon

**Today's Scripture: Revelation 19:11-21** 

Context: Remember Revelation 16:16

**16** And they assembled them at the place that in Hebrew is called Armageddon.

- We are now at the end of the 7-year Great Tribulation
- The Antichrist and false prophet have garnered a worldwide army
- The world believes that Israel is to blame for all the world's problems
- The army surrounds Israel in the plain of Megiddo (Napoleon: this place is the perfect place for a large battle)
- There is no hope for Israel
- This is the battle of Armageddon

#### **Revelation 19:11**

11 Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war.

- John sees heaven opened
- Jesus appears on a white horse (remember the antichrist in Revelation
   6 appearing on a white horse the first seal judgment bringing a false peace)
- Jesus is depicted like a conquering Roman general
- Jesus's name is Faithful and True (as all his judgments and rulings about all subjects will be! Faithful to God's will and truth)
- The war against truth and righteousness in this world

### Revelation 19:12-16

12 His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. 13 He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. 14 And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were

following him on white horses. **15** From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. **16** On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

# **Characteristics of the coming King Jesus:**

- 1. His eyes are like the flame of fire penetrating all godless hearts
- 2. On his head are many diadems/crowns

## A great hymn:

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.

Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

- 3. There is a name on the crowns no one knows but Jesus...mysteries about Jesus: INSCRUTABLE
- 4. His robe is dipped in blood perhaps the previous battles he fought for the Jews? Against the Canaanites in the Promised Land? Other nations?
- 5. His one name is the Word of God (John 1:1 "the Word/Logos")
- 6. The armies of heaven follow him on white horses: angels (the "hosts"), saints who have died pre-rapture, saints who are raptured, Great Tribulation saints who have been martyred or died, and Old Testament saints in **Hebrews 11** whose righteousness was by faith

#### **Jude 14-15**

14 It was also about these that Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his holy ones, 15 to execute judgment on all and to convict all the ungodly of all their deeds of ungodliness that they have

committed in such an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things that ungodly sinners have spoken against him."

- 7. Jesus's most powerful weapon against the godless nations words from his mouth. Examples of the power of Jesus's words:
  - Spoke Creation into existence in Genesis 1:3
  - Matthew 8:8 But the centurion replied, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word, and my servant will be healed.
- 8. He will rule the nations with a rod of iron: his word rules no democracy or majority rules or appeals to a higher court

**Psalm 2:9** "You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

- 9. His wrath/justice will rightly be expressed
- 10. His robe will have a sash with another name: King of kings and Lord of lords

**Isaiah 9:6** For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

# Revelation 19:17-18: Jesus calls the birds for supper!

17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, "Come, gather for the great supper of God, 18 to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great."

- To eat the flesh of the defeated armies.
- Jesus refers to this moment in Matthew 24:28
  28 Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

 Presently, there are 172 different species of predatory birds on the Temple Mount — for the first time ever!

# Revelation 19:19-21: The Battle of Armageddon

19 And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army.
20 And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. 21 And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

- The armies turn from Israel to do battle with Jesus and his armies from heaven
- The antichrist and the false prophet (who did miracles to deceive those who received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image) were captured
- They were thrown into the lake of fire
- Fire and sulfur (feel and smell) hell is not pleasant! You don't have to go there!
- The rest (the kings of the earth and their armies) were food for the birds

**Application:** Come to the supper (of the Lamb) or be the supper (of the birds!)

- 1. Come to Jesus today!
- 2. Repent of your sins
- 3. Be baptized (next one: September 22nd, 2024)
- 4. Share Jesus with friends, family, and associates (intercede, invest, and invite)
- 5. Where are you serving?

How you should live until the rapture. And until he returns again...

The King IS coming! Jesus wins! Hallelujah! Praise the Lord! Fight faithfully. You're fighting a battle you've already won.

A visual picture... (Gandalf)