

THE BOOK OF REVELATION

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INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

June 1 & 2, 2024

I. Revelation Ground Rules

1. It's normal to be _____.

(1 Corinthians 13:12 GNT)

2. Don't _____ interpretation.

(Rev. 22:18-19 NLT, 2 Peter 3:16 TLB)

3. Use _____ sense and _____

confirmation. (Luke 21:33 NIV, Galatians 1:8 GNT)

4. Don't let _____ pollute the purpose.

(Romans 14:1 TLB)

II. Revelation Backstory

1. Who: Revelation was given to _____, a

disciple of Jesus, to write and record. (Rev. 1:1-2 NLT)

2. Where: Revelation was written on _____

_____ in a prison where John was held

captive for preaching the Word of God. (Rev. 1:9 NLT)

3. What: Revelation contains _____,
_____,
and _____ of worship.
4. When: Revelation was written around _____
and scholars believe it was the last written book of the
Bible.
5. Why: Revelation was written to _____ end
time events, provide hope, and change lives.
(Rev. 1:1, 19 NLT)

III. Revelation Overview

1. Divided into six sections:
- A. Jesus the _____ - messages to the church.
(Rev. 1:1-3:22 NLT)
 - B. Jesus the _____ - worship in heaven, seven
seals broken. (Rev. 4:1-7:17 NLT)
 - C. Jesus the _____ - beginning of tribulation,
judgment, trumpets. (Rev. 8:1-10:11 NLT)
 - D. Jesus the _____ - middle of tribulation,
witnesses, armies, beasts, trumpets. (Rev. 11:1-13:18 NLT)

E. Jesus the _____ - end of tribulation,
destruction, bowls. (Rev. 14:1-19:10 NLT)

F. Jesus the _____ - final destruction,
Jesus reigns forever. (Rev. 19:11-22:21 NLT)

IV. Revelation for Today

1. Unshakeable _____ in God.
(Jeremiah 17:7-8 NLT, Psalm 9:10 NIV)

2. Unshakeable _____ for the future.
(Lamentation 3:21-23 NLT, Rev. 21:4 NLT)

3. Unshakeable _____ of Jesus.
(Hebrews 1:6 NLT, Rev. 5:8-14 NLT)

Revelation Overview

1

Jesus the Teacher - Revelation 1:1 - 3:22

THEMES

- The Glorified Jesus
- Warnings to the wicked and rewards for the righteous
- Messages to the seven churches

2

Jesus the Lamb - Revelation 4:1 - 7:17

THEMES

- The Heavenly Throne Room
- Worship in heaven and salvation of the earthly saints
- Breaking of the seven seals

3

Jesus the Judge - Revelation 8:1 - 10:11

THEMES

- Start of Tribulation
- Demonic deception, tragic death, wicked defiance
- The sound of Trumpets

4

Jesus the Sovereign - Revelation 11:1 - 13:18

THEMES

- Middle of Tribulation
- Trials of two witnesses, war of two armies, the reign of two beasts
- The seventh trumpet blows

5

Jesus the Deliverer - Revelation 14:1 - 19:10

THEMES

- End of Tribulation
- Deliverance, death, and destruction in the final days of judgment
- Pouring out the seven bowls

6

Jesus the King - Revelation 19:11 - 22:21

THEMES

- Christ's Forever Reign
- The final chapter and eternal destination of all humanity
- A new heaven and a new earth



Group Questions

1. What is your current understanding of the book of Revelation? Have you read it? Did you understand it? What have you read or who have you listened to in order to gain understanding on this book of the Bible?
2. Does it frustrate you that there are so many interpretations and speculations about the book of Revelation? Why didn't God simply spell it out and tell us exactly how things are going to end? Why are there so many interpretations and speculations among Christians around the world?
3. What is the danger in exaggerating the interpretation of Revelation? Why should we not let our interpretation and speculation divide us as Christians?
4. The book of Revelation provides an unshakeable confidence in God, an unshakeable hope for the future, and an unshakable worship of Jesus. Why is it more important to focus on these three things instead of trying to figure out exactly how the world will end?
5. What are you hoping to learn through this study? Do you have any apprehensions or concerns?

SPACE FOR
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THE VISION OF HIS GLORY

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I. Prologue and Greeting (Rev. 1:1-8)

The book of Revelation:

1. Comes from the _____ of God.

(Rev. 1:1-2)

a. God gave the Revelation to Jesus. Jesus gave it to an angel. The angel gave it to John. John gave it to God's people. God's people give it to the world.

2. Blesses those that _____, _____, and _____ it. (Rev. 1:3).

3. Provides _____ and _____ from the Father, Son, and Spirit. (Rev. 1:4-8)

II. John's Vision of Jesus Christ (Rev. 1:9-20)

1. Jesus fulfills the prophecy of _____.

a. The lampstands represent the _____ churches. (Rev. 1:20)

b. Jesus stands among His church as the _____
_____ and the _____
_____. (Zechariah 4:1-14, Rev. 1:12-13)

- Jesus is in _____ of God's church and He
will accomplish God's purpose in building His
church.

2. Jesus fulfills the prophecy of _____.

a. Long robe, gold sash, white hair. (Daniel 10:5, 7:9,
Rev. 1:13-14)

- Jesus is _____! (John 10:30)

b. Eyes were like _____ of fire.
(Daniel 10:6, Rev. 1:14)

- Jesus sees our _____.

- Jesus sees our _____.

- Jesus sees our _____.

c. Feet like polished _____ refined in a furnace.
(Daniel 10:6, Rev. 1:15)

- Jesus is _____ and _____.

d. Voice thundered like mighty _____
_____. (Daniel 10:6, Rev. 1:15)

- Jesus' voice drowns out Satan's _____
and calls us toward a life of _____.

e. Sharp _____ - _____
came from His mouth. (Rev. 1:16)

- Jesus speaks the _____ of God.
(Hebrews 4:12)

- Jesus speaks _____ over all things.
(Rev. 19:11-15)

f. Face was like the _____ in all its brilliance.
(Daniel 10:6, Rev. 1:16)

- Jesus' _____ and _____ are
unmatched.

g. Seven _____ in his right hand.
(Rev. 1:16, Rev. 20)

- The seven stars represent the _____
or _____ over the seven churches.
- Jesus _____,
_____ and gives _____ to
the angels or pastors of His churches.

III. Revelation for Today (Rev. 1:17-18)

Seeing the splendor of Jesus causes me to:

- 1. Fall at His feet in _____. (Rev. 1:17)
- 2. Submit in _____. (Rev. 1:18)

Comparison of Visions

	ZECHARIAH 4:1-14	REVELATION 1:12-13
LAMPSTAND	God’s presence with His people as they rebuild the temple.	God’s presence with His people as they build His church.
OLIVE TREES	The olive trees represent the High Priest (Joshua) and the High King (Zerubbabel) that helped God accomplish His mission of rebuilding the temple on earth.	Joshua and Zerubbabel are in control of God’s temple and they will accomplish God’s purpose of rebuilding His temple on earth.
MEANING OF VISION	The olive trees are not seen because Jesus Christ is both the High Priest and the High King that will accomplish God’s mission of building the church on earth.	Jesus is in control of God’s church and He will accomplish God’s purpose of building His church on earth.

Comparing Visions of Jesus

DANIEL

REVELATION

ROBE & SASH	<p>I looked up and saw a man dressed in linen clothing, with a belt of pure gold around his waist.</p> <p>Daniel 10:5</p>	<p>He was wearing a long robe with a gold sash across his chest.</p> <p>Revelation 1:13</p>
HAIR	<p>His clothing was as white as snow, his hair like purest wool.</p> <p>Daniel 7:9</p>	<p>His head and his hair were white like wool, as white as snow.</p> <p>Revelation 1:14</p>
EYES	<p>...His eyes flamed like torches.</p> <p>Daniel 10:6</p>	<p>His eyes were like flames of fire.</p> <p>Revelation 1:14</p>
ARMS & FEET	<p>His arms and feet shone like polished bronze.</p> <p>Daniel 10:6</p>	<p>His feet were like polished bronze refined in a furnace.</p> <p>Revelation 1:15</p>
VOICE	<p>His voice roared like a vast multitude of people.</p> <p>Daniel 10:6</p>	<p>...and his voice thundered like mighty ocean waves.</p> <p>Revelation 1:15</p>
FACE	<p>His face flashed like lightning.</p> <p>Daniel 10:6</p>	<p>And his face was like the sun in all its brilliance.</p> <p>Revelation 1:16</p>



Group Questions

1. Unlike any other book in the Bible, God proclaims that this book comes directly from him, that reading, hearing, and obeying it will bring blessings to your life and bring grace and peace to your life. Why do you think this book is so important to God? Why did He go out of His way to describe how we will be blessed?
2. When you think of Jesus today, how do you picture him? Does he have long brown hair, olive skin, and a brown beard. Do you think of him as a carpenter - a manly man that enjoys working with his hands? How do you picture Jesus?
3. Read aloud Rev. 1:12-16. Discuss. How does this heavenly picture of Jesus change your perception of who Jesus is? Would you have responded like John who fell at His feet in worship?
4. We learn that Jesus sees everything. He sees our faith. He sees our sin. He sees our suffering. How might this change the way you go about your day and the way you live your life?
5. Seeing Jesus in all his heavenly splendor should cause us to fall at his feet in worship and submit to him in obedience. How do you currently do these two things in your life? How might you improve your worship and obedience to God?

THE THRONE OF GOD

June 15 & 16, 2024

1. On the Throne

1. God has the appearance of _____ and _____ . (Rev. 4:3)
2. God lives in _____ and no human has ever seen Him. (1 Timothy 6:16)
3. God is _____ and never _____ . (1 Timothy 1:17)
4. Jesus is the _____ image of the _____ God. (1 Colossians 1:15, Hebrews 1:3)

The throne is a place of _____.

II. Around the Throne

1. An emerald _____ circles God's throne.
This means God radiates the _____ of His Word. (Rev. 4:3, Jeremiah 1:12)

2. Seven _____ with burning flames. This is a visual representation of the _____ Spirit of God - the Holy Spirit. (Isaiah 11:2)
3. The sea of glass represents a great _____ or _____ between God and everything else. God is set apart and holy; yet, He makes the promise that we can have a _____ with Him and be close. (Romans 8:39)

The throne is a place of _____.

III. From the Throne

1. Flashes of lightning and rumbles of thunder represent the _____ and _____ of God. (Rev. 4:5)
- God revealed Himself in the same way when He gave the _____ to Israel. (Exodus 19:16-20)

The throne is a place of _____.

IV. Circling the Throne

1. Four living beings with six _____, covered with _____, front and back.

(Rev. 4:6, Isaiah 6:2, Ezekiel 1:5, 10)

2. These beings are some of the _____ -
_____ angels in Heaven.

3. The beings' faces are like a _____,
_____, _____,
and _____. Two possible interpretations:

a. They represent _____ of God.

God is strong like a lion, patient like an ox, intelligent
like a man, and swift like an eagle.

b. They hold supreme _____
responsibility as representatives for God's creation. The
lion represents the _____ animals,
the ox the _____ animals, the man the
_____, and the eagle the
_____ animals.

4. Each living being had six wings. This means they have a _____ to serve God and fulfill His commands.
5. Each living being was covered with eyes. This means they can _____ and _____ God's creation in ways no one else can.
6. Every day and every night they _____ God singing, "Holy, Holy, Holy..." (Rev. 4:8)

The throne is a place of _____.

V. Before the Throne

1. The twenty-four elders sit on twenty-four _____.
(Rev. 4:4).

Thirteen interpretations exist. The two most common:

- a. A council of _____
_____ that lead worship before
the throne of God. (Psalm 89:7)

b. A redeemed, _____
_____ that lead worship
before the throne similar to the Old Testament
priestly orders.

(1 Chronicles 24:4-5, 1 Peter 2:9, Rev. 1:6)

2. The twenty-four elders are dressed in _____
with gold _____ on their heads.

a. This seems to bring further clarification that the twenty-
four elders are redeemed humans. Jesus promised
human believers _____ of white
and _____ of gold as rewards for
faithfulness. Scripture does not make that promise to
angels. (Rev. 6:11, Rev. 19:8, James 1:12)

3. The twenty-four elders lay their _____
before God's throne and fall before Him in _____.

The throne is a place of _____.



Group Questions

1. Read 1 Timothy 6:16, 1 Timothy 1:17, 1 Colossians 1:15, Hebrews 1:3. Discuss.
2. Many people have the idea that God the Father has a long, white beard with long white hair. Revelation seems to paint a completely different idea of God. When you read that God has the appearance of jasper and carnelian, that He lives in light and no human has ever seen him, and that he is unseen and never dies, how does your image or idea of God change? Does this image change the way you imagine him?
3. We learned that the throne of God is a place of promise. How does this strengthen your faith? What has God promised you in your life? What promises are you looking forward to the most in heaven?
4. How does seeing the power and judgment of God represented by great lightning and thunder in heaven change the way you live your life? How does this type of power lead you toward living a life of holiness? Are you scared to stand before God or do you anticipate it with great joy?
5. Of the two interpretations Pastor Bryan presented on the four living beings, which do you connect with the best? Is it hard to imagine these creatures singing every second of every day about the holiness of God? How might you live your life in constant worship of the holiness of God?

ONLY ONE IS WORTHY

June 22 & 23, 2024

I. The Scroll

1. God holds the _____ in His right hand. (Rev. 5:1)
2. The scroll and the seven seals represent a _____ of _____ . (Rev. 5:1)
3. No one was _____ enough to open the scroll. (Rev. 5:2-3)
4. If the scroll remains shut, the curse of _____ and _____ will remain. (Rev. 5:4)

II. The Worthiness of the Lamb

1. Jesus, our _____, is worthy of opening the scroll and giving to us an eternal inheritance of God's glorious riches. (Hebrews 2:11, Ruth 3:9)

2. Jesus, the suffering Lamb has taken away the _____ of the world.
(Rev. 5:5-6, Isaiah 53:6-7, John 1:29)
3. The Lamb's seven horns represent _____ and _____. (1 Samuel 2:10)
4. The seven eyes represent the _____ whom Christ sent to us.
(Zech. 3:8-9, 4:10, John 15:26)
5. The Father gives Jesus all authority to _____ His original creation.
(Rev. 5:7)

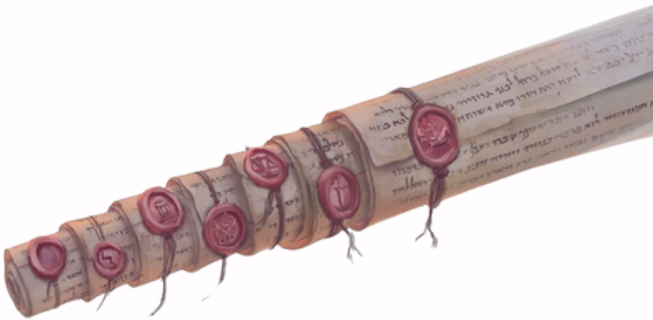
III. The Worship of the Lamb

1. The power and authority of Jesus unleashes _____ - _____ worship.
(Rev. 5:8-14)
2. Jesus is _____ of worship because He is the suffering _____ of God.
(Isaiah 53)
3. Jesus is _____ of worship because He is the _____ over all things in heaven and earth. (John 5:21-22, 27)

IV. Revelation for Today

1. We need Jesus because without Him we would be _____ . (John 14:6)
2. Our eternal inheritance cannot be _____ . (Ephesians 1:14 NLT)
3. Our worship should be fueled by our _____ and _____
for all Christ has done, is doing, and will do for all
eternity.

Seven-Sealed Scroll



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Group Questions

1. Many people that oppose the Christian faith, claim that Jesus was not God and simply just a good man. Yet, Revelation clearly shows that Jesus is not only God, but He is the only One worthy of restoring God's original creation. How does the importance of Jesus portrayed in Revelation solidify your faith and your perception of Jesus?
2. Read Isaiah 53 and John 5:21-27. Why is Jesus worthy of our worship?
3. Read Psalm 148, 149, and 150. As you read, make a list of all the attributes and actions in which God is worshiped.
4. Spend time talking about the mighty deeds God has done in your own life.
5. Then discuss ways you can respond to God's mighty deeds with your worship today.

THE TRIBULATION BEGINS

June 29 & 30, 2024

I. The Tribulation Begins

1. The seven _____, the seven _____, and the seven _____ describe unique events that will take place during the tribulation.
2. The _____ seal opens the _____ of the seven trumpets and the _____ trumpet opens the _____ of the seven bowls. These events happen one after the other with each event growing in severity.

II. What About the Rapture of God's People?

1. Three views exist:
 - a. Pre-tribulation - The rapture takes place _____ the seals of the scroll are broken and before the antichrist is revealed. (1 Thessalonians 1:10, 5:9, Romans 5:9)

b. Mid-tribulation - The rapture takes place

_____ the sixth seal is broken or after the sixth trumpet when the two witnesses are resurrected. (2 Thess. 2:1-4)

c. Post-tribulation - The rapture takes place when

Jesus returns to the earth _____ the seal, trumpet, and bowl judgments of the tribulation. (Matthew 24:29-31)

III. The Seals on the Scroll

1. The First Seal: The White Horse - A representation

of the _____. The antichrist will offer a false sense of _____ and _____ to the world. This

marks the beginning of the tribulation and the antichrist's reign over the world. (Matthew 24:4-5)

2. The Second Seal: The Red Horse -

A representation of a _____. There will be great conflict among the nations and casualties of war will be like none other in our earth's history. (Matthew 24:6-7)

3. The Third Seal: The Black Horse - a representation of _____. During this time, there will be economic inflation and starvation. The rich will get richer and the poor will get poorer. The divide between rich and poor will grow to unimaginable levels.

4. The Fourth Seal: The Pale Horse - a representation of _____. The antichrist will bring about a war, and war will bring about famine, and both of those will bring about disease and death to one-fourth of the world. (Matthew 24:8)

5. The Fifth Seal: The martyrs ask, "How long?" - This could be a representation of all the followers of Jesus throughout _____ that were killed because of their faith or those that were killed because of their faith during the _____. (Matthew 24:9, 13)
- a. What altar are the martyrs under? In Heaven, God has a temple. Inside the temple there are two altars: the altar of _____ and the altar of _____. The martyrs are under one of these altars.
- b. The altar of sacrifice - the martyrs are _____ and _____ by the blood of Christ.
- c. The altar of incense - the martyrs are _____ by the prayers of all God's people.
6. The Sixth Seal: Signs of God's Judgment - God's _____ fall over creation through earthquakes and troubles with the sun, moon, and stars. (Matthew 24:29)

- a. People will run and hide in _____.
- b. Those that hide from God's _____
today will hide from His _____
in the end.

IV. Interlude: Heaven's Response

1. Before the seven trumpets of judgment are blown over the world, God instructs His angels to protect the 144,000 from the incoming doom by placing a _____ on their _____.
2. The 144,000 are Jewish followers of Christ that were saved during the first part of the _____ and they come from the twelve _____ of Israel. They will be mighty witnesses for Jesus Christ during the rest of the tribulation.
(Isaiah 43:1-12, Rev. 14:4)
3. The vast crowd, too great to count, represent _____ of _____ that come to faith during the tribulation.

V. Revelation for Today

1. God is always in _____.
(Psalm 46:1-2)
2. His love will never _____ us.
(Ephesians 2:4-5)
3. We may experience _____
in this life, but there is a better life to come.
(Matthew 5:10)

SEVEN SEALS



REVELATION 6:1 - 8:5



SEVEN TRUMPETS



REVELATION 8:6 - 11:19



SEVEN BOWLS



REVELATION 15:5 - 16:21

Seven Seals in Revelation Compared to Words of Jesus in Matthew

SEAL 1

Its rider carried a bow, and a crown was placed on his head. He rode out to win many battles and gain the victory. (Rev.6:2)

Don't let anyone mislead you, for many will come in my name, claiming, "I am the Messiah." They will deceive many. (Matt. 24:4-5)

SEAL 2

Its rider was given a mighty sword and the authority to take peace from the earth. And there was war and slaughter everywhere. (Rev.6:4)

And you will hear of wars and threats of wars, but don't panic. Yes, these things must take place, but the end won't follow immediately. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. (Matt. 24:6-7)

SEAL 3

Its rider was holding a pair of scales in his hand. And I heard a voice from among the four living beings say, "A loaf of wheat bread or three loaves of barley will cost a day's pay. And don't waste the olive oil and wine." (Rev.6:5-6)

How terrible it will be for pregnant women and for nursing mothers in those days. For there will be greater anguish than at any time since the world began. And it will never be so great again. (Matt. 24:19, 21)

SEAL 4

Its rider was named Death, and his companion was the Grave. These two were given authority over one-fourth of the earth, to kill with the sword and famine and disease and wild animals. (Rev.6:8)

There will be famines and earthquakes in many parts of the world. But all this is only the first of the birth pains, with more to come. (Matt. 24:8)

Seven Seals in Revelation Compared to Words of Jesus in Matthew

SEAL 5

I saw under the altar the souls of all who had been martyred for the word of God and for being faithful in their testimony. (Rev.6:9)

Then you will be arrested, persecuted, and killed. You will be hated all over the world because you are my followers. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.
(Matt. 24:9, 13)

SEAL 6

There was a great earthquake. The sun became as dark as black cloth, and the moon became as red as blood. Then the stars of the sky fell to the earth like green figs falling from a tree shaken by a strong wind. The sky was rolled up like a scroll, and all of the mountains and islands were moved from their places. (Rev.6:12-14)

Immediately after the anguish of those days, the sun will be darkened, the moon will give no light, the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. (Matt. 24:29)

SEAL 7

There was silence throughout heaven for half and hour. I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and they were given seven trumpets. (Rev.8:1-2)



Group Questions

1. Read Revelation chapter six. Then read Matthew chapter 24. Discuss differences and similarities.
2. Based on Revelation chapter six and Matthew chapter twenty-four, which viewpoint of the rapture do you identify with? Pre-tribulation, mid-tribulation, post-tribulation view? Discuss.
3. Do the events in chapter six and seven of Revelation scare you? What are your feelings and emotions toward all of this destruction and death? Is it hard for you to see our loving and compassionate God allowing these types of hardships to fall on his creation? How do you reconcile this in your heart and mind?
4. The seal judgments represent the beginning of the tribulation. Why does God do this? Why does God allow these horrible things to happen?
5. Have you ever been persecuted for your faith? Have you had to defend your faith? Are you willing to die for your faith? (Consider watching the movie Silence by director Martin Scorsese. What would you do if you were the missionary in this film?)

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THE SOUND OF TRUMPETS

July 6 & 7, 2024

I. The Seventh Seal

1. The seventh seal marks the _____ of the first set of tribulation events and it marks the _____ of the seven trumpet judgments.
2. As the seventh seal is broken, there is a deafening _____ in heaven for thirty minutes.
(Habakkuk 2:20, Zephaniah 1:7, Zechariah 2:13)
3. This silence is a display of creation's _____ for God, His _____, and His _____ over the impending judgments.

II. The Angels and the Altar

1. The seven angels standing before God give Him _____ and they are among the highest-ranking angels in heaven that carry out the _____ of God. (Luke 1:19)

2. These angels are responsible for blowing the seven _____ of God's judgments.
3. On the golden altar of incense sits every _____ that we have ever prayed, answered and unanswered, and they produce a sweet _____ before God.
(Hebrews 9:3-4, Psalm 141:2, Luke 1:10)

III. The Sound of Trumpets

1. Overview: The first four trumpet blasts will impact one-third of the earth's _____ and _____, altering living conditions as we know them today. These judgments are eerily similar to the plagues of Egypt in the book of Exodus.
2. Overview: The remaining trumpet blasts (trumpets 5 and 6) will unleash _____ unlike anything we have seen before.
3. The First Trumpet - Unleashes destruction of a third of the earth's _____ and green grass impacting food supplies and the global economy. (Rev. 8:7, Exodus 9:23-26)

4. The Second Trumpet - Unleashes destruction of a third of the sea's living _____ and man-powered _____ impacting food supplies and global trading.
(Rev. 8:8, Exodus 7:17-21)
5. The Third Trumpet - Unleashes destruction of a third of the _____, _____, and other bodies of water creating polluted and poisonous drinking water impacting the lives of many. (Rev. 8:10-11, Exodus 7:19, 15:23-25)
6. The Fourth Trumpet - Unleashes destruction of a third of the _____, _____, and _____ creating anarchy and chaos in every community.
(Rev. 8:12, Exodus 10:21-29, Matthew 24:21)
7. The Fifth Trumpet, The First Terror - Demon destroyers will be released to _____ and _____ humanity but are not allowed to harm the 144,000 that have been sealed by the Lord.
(Rev. 9:1-12, Exodus 10:12-29)

a. What is the bottomless pit or the Abyss?

It is not _____. There is no one in _____ right now. These particular demons come from Hades, a place where many demons reside and where those who reject Jesus are waiting for judgment. (Luke 8:31).

b. Who is Abaddon, or Apollyon, or the

Destroyer? Many people believe this to be Satan, but this doesn't seem likely. Satan is not imprisoned in the bottomless pit or the Abyss. This is most likely one of Satan's highest-ranking _____ of evil.

c. Why does God allow these horrible things

to happen? God allows these things to happen so people can see the true _____ of Satan, so _____ can be exposed, and so people have every opportunity to give their _____ to God.

8. The Sixth Trumpet, The Second Terror – An army of 200 million _____ will be unleashed to kill one-third of all the _____ on the earth.
(Rev. 9:13-21, Exodus 11:1-10, 12:29-32)
- a. This could be a _____ army God uses as an instrument of judgment.
- b. This could be a _____ army released to kill and destroy.

IV. Revelation for Today

1. Pray for the _____ of those that refuse Jesus as Lord and Savior.
(1 Timothy 2:4, Matthew 6:10)
2. Seeing the face of sin and temptation is ugly.
Avoid _____ and live a life of worship! (Psalm 78:1, Romans 12:1, Mark 12:30, Proverbs 3:6, Colossians 3:17)
3. Don't get caught up in worldly things, for the world will pass away. Instead, focus on _____, your forever home!
(2 Corinthians 4:18)

Progression of Seal and Trumpet Judgments

SEVEN SEALS

- 1 The Antichrist
Rev. 6:2
- 2 Global war
Rev. 6:4
- 3 Famine
Rev. 6:5-6
- 4 Death
Rev. 6:8
- 5 Martyrs protected
Rev. 6:9
- 6 Earthquakes and troubles
with the sun, moon, and stars
Rev. 6:12-14
- 7 Silence in heaven then seven
trumpets begin
Rev. 8:1-2



- 1 1/3 of the earth's vegetation destroyed
Rev. 8:7
- 2 1/3 of the sea's living creatures destroyed
Rev. 8:8-9
- 3 1/3 of the earth's freshwater springs destroyed
Rev. 8:10-11
- 4 1/3 of the sun, moon, and stars destroyed
Rev. 8:12
- 5 Demon destroyers attack and torment humanity
Rev. 9:1-12
- 6 1/3 of humanity are killed by an army of 200 million soldiers
Rev. 9:13-21
- 7 Worship in heaven and the seven bowls begin
Rev. 11:15-19

Revelation Trumpet Judgments Compared to Exodus Plagues Over Egypt

REVELATION JUDGMENTS

EXODUS PLAGUES



Hail and fire thrown down to earth
Rev. 8:7

Hail and lightning thrown down to earth
Exodus 9:23-24



Sea turns to blood killing 13 of sea's creatures
Rev. 8:8-9

The Nile River turns to blood killing all fish
and living creatures
Exodus 7:20-21



Freshwater springs turn bitter and many people die
from the bitter water
Rev. 8:10-11

All rivers, canals, ponds, and reservoirs
turn bitter with blood
Exodus 7:19



1/3 of the sun, moon, and stars turned black
Rev. 8:12

Egypt was covered in darkness for three
days and three nights
Exodus 10:21-29



Locusts stung like scorpions
Rev. 9:1-11

Locusts swarmed over the land of Egypt
Exodus 10:12-20



Death angels lead army of 200 million to kill 1/3 of
humanity
Rev. 9:13-19

The firstborn of every family was killed that
did not have blood over their doorpost
Exodus 11:1-10, 12:29-32



All of heaven rejoiced giving honor and praise to
God
Rev. 11:15-19

The Israelites rejoiced giving honor and
praise to God
Exodus 15:1-18



Group Questions

1. Read Habakkuk 2:20, Zephaniah 1:7, Zechariah 2:13. Why does scripture remind us to be silent when we are in the Lord's presence? How often are you silent before the Lord?
2. Read Revelation 5:8 and Revelation 8:3-5. Revelation paints the picture that our prayers are an incense that rises before the Lord bringing a sweet smell in the throne room. Read Hebrews 9:3-4, Psalm 141:2, Luke 1:10. How might your prayers change knowing that every prayer you pray has a purpose in the heavenly throne room of God?
3. What emotion stirs within you when you read about the trumpet judgments? Are you scared? Apprehensive? Mad? Angry? Glad? Why do you have the emotion you have?
4. Do you agree with Pastor Bryan's interpretation that there is no place called Hell right now? Do you agree that Hell will not be created until the end of days? Do you understand the difference between the Abyss (the bottomless pit) and Hell? Discuss your thoughts.
5. Do these trumpet judgments cause you to want to give up any intentional sin your life? Why would it be important to give up any willful sins you are currently engaged in?

BEFORE THE FINAL TRUMPET SOUNDS

July 13 & 14, 2024

I. Interludes Between the Series of Seven

1. The first interlude happens between the sixth and seventh seal. During this interlude, God seals and protects the _____ Jewish Christ-followers from the twelve tribes and He redeems the _____ that died during the tribulation.
2. The second interlude happens between the sixth and seventh trumpet. During this interlude, God interrupts His wrath on the _____ with the greatness of His _____ and the power of His _____.

II. The Greatness of God's Word

1. The Mighty Angel - This is not Jesus. Jesus is never referred to as an angel in the book of Revelation. This is a mighty messenger _____ that radiates the characteristics of God.
 - a. Clothed with clouds, feet like fire - clouds and fire often represent _____ in God's word. (Rev. 1:7, Exodus 13:21-22, Genesis 19:24)

b. Rainbow over his head – a reminder of God's

_____ and His covenant of
_____ with humanity.

(Genesis 9:13-16).

c. Face like the sun – represents the

_____ of God. (Psalm 80:19)

2. The Small Scroll – This is most likely the same scroll
that Jesus received from God in Revelation 5:1.

The scroll represents the title deed of the world.

The angel holds in his hand the story of

_____, _____,
and _____.

3. The Mighty Angel's Actions

a. One foot was on _____ and one
foot was on the _____. His right
hand was raised toward _____.

These three aspects of creation (land, sea, and
heavens) represent all of God's creation. The
Word of God the angel is about to proclaim will
impact all of God's creation. (Exodus 20:4).

b. The mighty angel's lion-like roar of God's word
causes seven shouts of _____

_____ to be unleashed.

- c. What are these judgments? We don't know. God wanted these judgments to remain a _____ . (Deut. 29:29)
- d. The mighty angel makes an _____ that the time has come to bring an end to the mystery of God. What is the mystery? Jesus Christ will _____ all things in heaven and on earth. It's almost time for the second coming of Christ.
4. John Eats the Scroll - God wanted John to not only write down everything he witnessed but more importantly God wanted John to _____ and _____ this part of the tribulation prophecy.
- a. Many prophets were asked to _____ the word of God. John was not the first. (Ezekiel 2:8-3:4, Jeremiah 15:16).
- b. God's word is sweet like honey - God's word is _____ to our soul.
- c. God's word is sour and bitter - God's word is also filled with _____ and _____.

- d. John was told to take this sweet and sour message and _____ it with all the people of the world.

III. The Power of God's Witnesses

1. The Temple of God - There are two most common interpretations, literal or symbolic.
 - a. Literal - The Temple is a literal _____ constructed in Jerusalem during the first 3½ years of the tribulation.
 - b. Symbolic - The Temple represents _____ of Christ (God's Church) during the first 3½ years of the tribulation.
(1 Corinthians 3:16).
2. The Measuring Stick - John was asked to measure the Temple of God and count the number of worshipers.
 - a. Literal - Measure the dimensions of the newly built _____ and only count how many people are in the inner court worshipping.
 - b. Symbolic - Measure how many _____ of Christ there are on the earth worshipping, and exclude those that are evil and unworthy.

3. The Main Point of Either Viewpoint – God will hand to Satan all the unbelievers, but God will protect His believers as a mighty witness for His Word.
- a. Literal – God will protect the new _____ and the newly-converted _____ believers that rebuilt the Temple during the first 3½ years of the tribulation.
 - b. Symbolic – God will protect every _____ during the first 3½ years of the tribulation from the impending fury of Satan, his demons, and Satan’s followers.
4. The Two Witnesses – This represents the preaching and teaching of God’s word before the final wrath of God.
- a. Literal – Two chosen _____ that witness and proclaim the Good News of Jesus during the first 3½ years of the tribulation.
 - b. Symbolic – All _____ will witness and proclaim the Good News of Jesus during the first 3½ years of the tribulation.

- c. Whether literal or symbolic, the same truth remains: God gives the world one more chance to _____ Him as He empowers His witnesses to _____ His Word before His final wrath falls.
5. The Protection of God is Removed - God removes His _____ allowing the antichrist to kill the _____. Three and half days later, the witnesses are resurrected from the dead and taken to heaven.
- a. Literal - The two witnesses are _____ by the antichrist ending the proclamation of the Good News of Jesus Christ. After three days, the two witnesses _____ from the dead and they are immediately taken into heaven.
- b. Symbolic - The _____ of Jesus Christ is _____ on earth by the antichrist. After three days, the Church will be vindicated as all God's children will _____ from the dead and be invited into God's presence.

c. After the removal of the two witnesses (literal or symbolic), God's wrath comes pouring forth through an _____ that kills seven thousand wicked people. Yet, many people will _____ and become Christ followers.

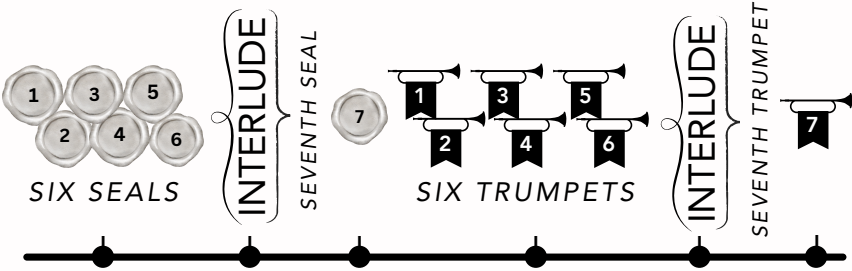
IV. The Seventh Trumpet, The Third Terror

1. The seventh trumpet announces the final phase of God's _____ (seven bowls in Revelation 16), it announces the beginning of Christ's _____, it ignites the _____ of the heavenly chorus, and it _____ the heavenly Temple of God where the Ark of His covenant is on display for all to see.

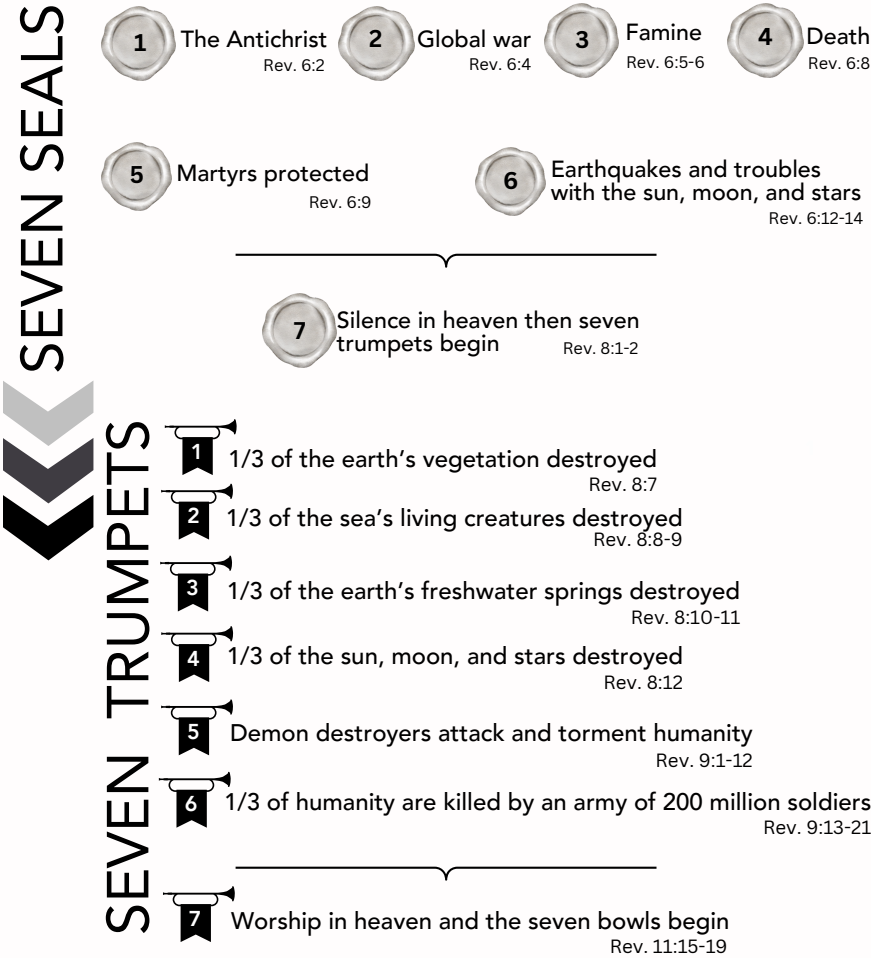
V. Revelation for Today

1. God desires all people to be _____.
(2 Peter 3:9)
2. God _____ and _____ for every person, good and evil, to give their life to Him.
(Ezekiel 18:30-32)

Interludes Between the Series of Seven



Progression of Seal and Trumpet Judgments



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Saints Protected	Saints Martyred
Trumpet Judgments	Bowl Judgments



Group Questions

1. Read Ezekiel 2:8-3:4, Jeremiah 15:16, and Revelation 10:8-11. How are we to eat the word of God today? How do you consume and digest the word of God? What parts of God's Word are sweet to you. What parts of God's Word are bitter to you?
2. What viewpoint do you take concerning the building of the Temple of God during the first part of the tribulation? Do you take a literal or symbolic view? Discuss.
3. What viewpoint do you take concerning the two witnesses? Do you take a literal or symbolic view? Discuss.
4. What has been the most eye-opening part of the study of Revelation?
5. What has been the most challenging part of the study of Revelation?

SATAN AND HIS STRATEGIES OF WAR

July 20 & 21, 2024

I. Setting the Scene

1. The Woman - The pregnant woman is clothed with the _____, with the _____ beneath her feet, and a crown of twelve _____ on her head.

a. The woman represents the nation of

_____, all Christ
_____, all Christ followers
in _____, or the
_____ protected, Jewish
Christians.

b. Her appearance represents the

_____ and
_____ of God's children in
His eternal plan. (Genesis 37:9-10)

2. The Red Dragon - The red dragon has seven

_____ and ten _____,
with seven _____ on his head.

a. The Red Dragon is _____.

(Rev. 12:9)

- b. Seven heads, ten horns, and seven crowns is a representation of the evil and powerful _____ of the world. _____ is the ruling principality behind their evil ways. (Rev. 17:12-14)
3. The Male Child - A son was born to the woman (Israel/Mary) and he would rule all nations with an iron rod.
- a. The male child is _____ the King of all kings and Lord of all lords. (Rev. 19:15-16)
4. The Angel Michael and His Army - A great war takes place in heaven and Michael and His army _____ Satan and his demons forcing them out of heaven.
- a. Michael is one of the _____ angels of heaven that stands guard over _____ and battles demonic forces for God's people. (Daniel 10:13, 21, 12:1)

- b. Commanding the army of God's holy angels,
Michael stands toe-to-toe with Satan
_____ his lies and blasphemy
against God. (Jude 1:9)

II. The Battle Between Satan and Jesus (Rev. 12:1-6)

1. From the beginning of time, there has been a
cosmic game of chess between _____
and _____. Satan wanted to destroy
Jesus. God made sure Jesus prevailed.
- a. Satan tried to influence _____
to keep God's people away from the Promised
Land. But God won. (Exodus 5:1-14:31)
- b. Satan tried to influence _____
to remove God's people out the Promised
Land. But God won. (Daniel 1:1-4:37)
- c. Satan tried to influence _____
to kill Jesus as soon as He was born. But God
won. (Matthew 2:13)
- d. Satan tried to tempt _____
to render Him unholy and unfit for being the
Messiah. But Jesus won. (Matthew 4:1-11)

e. Satan tried to kill _____ by turning his enemies into murderers. But Jesus won the battle when He rose from the grave and ascended into heaven. (Matthew 26:3-4, Matthew 28:1-18)

2. The Woman Fled into the Wilderness - The battle against Jesus will continue during the most intense part of the tribulation as Satan tries to go after

_____.

But God will protect the woman during the last three and a half years of the Tribulation.

a. Protecting the woman could refer to all God's people (the _____, all Christ followers in _____, or the _____ protected Jewish/Christian tribes of Israel).

III. The Battle Between Satan and Michael

(Rev. 12:7-12)

1. _____ and the angels of the Lord fought against _____ and his demons. Michael leads the heavenly host to victory by throwing Satan and his demons out of heaven and casting them down to earth.

2. When did this battle happen? When was Satan and his demons kicked out of heaven? Three views exist:
- a. Pre-Sin View - Satan and his demons were kicked out of heaven _____ Satan successfully tempted _____ and _____ in the Garden of Eden. This view requires reconciliation with Satan's easy access into heaven in the book of Job. (Job 1:6-12, Job 2:1-7). If he had already been kicked out, how can Satan still enter heaven?
- b. Post-Resurrection View - Satan and his demons were kicked out of heaven _____ Jesus _____ death and this now prohibits Satan from entering heaven to condemn believers in the presence of God. (Romans 8:1). Satan can no longer go before God to accuse us, so now he comes directly to us with accusations. (Rev. 12:10)

c. Tribulation View – Satan and his demons will be kicked out of heaven at the _____ the Church is _____ during the Tribulation.

Like the book of Job, Satan still has access into heaven where he accuses believers before the throne of God. Jesus now serves as our mediator protecting us from the accusations of Satan.

(Romans 8:34)

3. No matter the view you lean toward, the result is the same: Satan _____, and Jesus Christ gets the _____!

IV. The Battle Between Satan and Humanity

(Rev. 12:13-18)

1. Satan's first plan was to _____ Jesus Christ. He failed. Now, he wants to defeat God's _____ people (Israel) and all followers of Christ. (John 10:10)
2. The Woman - Represents God's _____ (Israel/144,000, or all Christians).

3. The woman was given two wings like an eagle - The chosen people of Israel (144,000) will be carried to a place of _____ safe from Satan's torment. God will fulfill His promise of protecting Israel. (Exodus 19:4, Romans 11:28-29)
4. Satan tried to drown the woman with a flood of water - Israel will receive God's supernatural _____ from Satan's attempts of destroying Israel during the first three and half years of the tribulation. After this time, God will lead Israel into the _____ for further protection during the second half of the tribulation.
5. Satan declares war against all of God's children - Satan's _____ reaches a new level when His attempts at destroying Israel fail. In his anger, he unleashes a _____ against the Tribulation saints.

V. Revelation for Today

1. God will never _____ us or forsake us. (Deuteronomy 31:6)
2. Satan is _____. But Jesus is _____. And Jesus _____ in you! (1 John 4:4)
3. Our _____ is a weapon of war. (Rev. 12:11)



Group Questions

1. When you think about Satan, demons, and spiritual warfare, what feelings do you wrestle with? Scared? Anxious? Disbelief?
2. Talk about a situation in your life when you know Satan was out to get you? Was there a time when you felt like you were under attack from the Enemy? What happened? How did you respond? What was the outcome?
3. How can your testimony be used as a weapon against Satan?
4. Read aloud the following verses: Luke 22:31-32, Ephesians 6:12-3, 2 Timothy 1:7, James 4:7-8, 1 Peter 5:8-10, 1 John 4:4. How can these verses help you firmly stand against Satan and his attacks in your life?
5. Read Revelation 12:7-12. Review Pastor Bryan's three interpretations of when this battle happened or will happen. What view do you hold?

SPACE FOR
NOTES

FURY FROM THE BEASTS HOPE FROM THE LAMB

July 27 & 28, 2024

I. The First Beast is Summoned from the Sea

(Rev. 13:1-11)

1. After Israel flees into the wilderness to be protected by God, Satan positions himself on the shore beside the sea and summons the _____.
2. Will the antichrist really come from the sea? Maybe. Maybe not. This is most likely symbolic language representing the _____ of Satan's evil inside his chosen Antichrist.
3. Seven heads, ten horns, ten crowns:
 - a. Satan (the Dragon) was described the same way in Revelation 12:3. The Antichrist is the visible _____ of the _____ Satan. Satan is presenting a _____ mockery of the relationship between God and Jesus. (Colossians 1:15)

b. This suggests the Antichrist will be a powerful

_____ that unites the empires of the world under His evil dictatorship where promises of

_____ turn to wide scale
_____. (Daniel 7:25)

c. The Antichrist will be a satanically empowered

_____ portraying himself as
a cheap _____ of the true
Messiah.

4. A fatal head wound is healed:

a. This suggests the Antichrist will mimic Christ's

_____ and _____
through his own deceptive injury and resuscitation.
(2 Corinthians 11:14)

b. Many people will be tricked by the Antichrist and

they will fall down and _____
Satan for giving the Antichrist such power and
persuasion. (Rev. 13:8)

5. For three and half years, the Antichrist will have

permission to speak _____
against God, hold _____ over
every nation, and wage _____ against
God's holy people. (Rev. 13:10)

II. The Second Beast is Summoned from the Earth

(Rev. 13:11-18)

1. Satan summons the second beast, the _____, to be the right-hand counterpart to the Antichrist. Empowered by Satan, together the Antichrist and the False Prophet will deceive, convince, and kill the saints of God. (Rev. 16:13, 19:20).
2. Satan is trying to sell the world a cheap imitation of the _____ by replacing God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit with Satan, Antichrist, and the False Prophet.
3. The False Prophet will receive _____ from the first beast (Antichrist) and will perform miraculous signs, influence followers of Satan, and point people toward worshiping the Antichrist.
4. The False Prophet is a satanic _____ of the Holy Spirit. In the Holy Trinity, Jesus points people to the Father, and the Holy Spirit points people to Jesus. In the satanic false trinity, the Antichrist points people toward Satan, and the False Prophet points people toward the Antichrist.

5. The Statue of the Beast – The False Prophet commands the people to make a statue of the Antichrist.
- a. This statue is supernaturally _____ to come to life and speak.
 - b. The statue repeatedly commands people to _____ it. Failure to do so results in death.
6. The False Prophet commands everyone on earth that worships the Antichrist to be given the _____ of the beast on the right hand or the forehead. The mark represents _____ and _____.
- a. _____ the mark results in no money, no food, no medicine, no shelter, no life. Satan wants his mark on people instead of God's mark. (Rev. 7:3, Deuteronomy 6:5-8)
 - b. The number 666 refers to the _____.

III. A Snapshot of Hope (Rev. 14:1-5)

1. After such a hopeless foretelling of Satan's rule and reign, John provides a foreshadowing of the _____ of the saints at the end of the Tribulation. (Rev. 14:1-5).
2. Even though there is pain and persecution during the Tribulation, there is the glorious _____ for our eternal future in the presence of God. (Romans 8:18)
3. The 144,000 worshiping God - There are two common interpretations:
 - a. Literal - The protected tribes of Israel that have been in the wilderness (the remnant) will triumphantly _____ with Jesus at the end of the Tribulation on Mount Zion in Jerusalem _____ God. (Isaiah 37:31-32, Micah 4:6-7)
 - b. Symbolic - All of God's children will triumphantly _____ with Jesus on Mount Zion _____ God. (Hebrews 12:22)

- c. Discerning the description of the 144,000:
- Pure as virgins: remained pure to God through the tribulation. They were _____ to God.
 - Followed Jesus: refused to worship Satan, only worshiped Jesus. They were _____ to God.
 - Blameless, never lied: stood up for Jesus in the face of all the lies of Satan. Their witness remained strong, it never failed, during the Tribulation. They had _____ and unimpeachable _____.

IV. Revelation for Today

1. Watch out for _____ disguised like _____ . (Matthew 7:15)
2. Don't be fooled by cheap imitations of _____ .
(2 Timothy 3:16, Mark 13:31)
3. We must live our life as a people _____
from the ugly ways of the world.
(Matthew 5:16, 1 Peter 2:12)

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Comparison Between the Holy Trinity and the Satanic Trinity

HOLY TRINITY

GOD

Holy Father

JESUS CHRIST

Visible image of the invisible God. Jesus Christ points people toward God.

HOLY SPIRIT

Receives power from Jesus Christ.
Influences worship of Jesus Christ.

SATANIC TRINITY

SATAN

Father of Lies

ANTICHRIST

Visible image of the invisible Satan.
Antichrist points people toward Satan.

FALSE PROPHET

Receives power from the Antichrist.
Influences worship of the Antichrist.



Group Questions

1. During the final years of the tribulation, our allegiance will be tested. We will side with Satan or with God. How is your allegiance tested today? Do you often put someone or something else in place of Jesus? Money, sex, time, work, relationships, drugs, alcohol? Is there something you put before your worship of Jesus?
2. Have you noticed that people are far more willing to follow a lie than the truth? Why do you think that is? Does Revelation 13 give clues to explain why that is the case?
3. How can we be faithful followers of Jesus while working in a fallen world economic system?
4. How can the believers in Revelation 13 trust in God for sustenance instead of the beast, given that they are shut out of the economic system?
5. Have you ever been deceived by Satan? Have you ever believed the words of a lamb that talks like a dragon? Have you ever put your faith or hope in something other than God? How can you set yourself apart and be a mighty witness for Jesus Christ?

PROCLAMATIONS, PREVIEWS, AND PLAGUES

August 3 & 4, 2024

I. Proclamations Before the Wrath of God

1. Eternal Gospel Proclaimed – _____
and _____ the One True God. Never
worship Satan, resist him and his schemes. (Rev. 14:6-7)
2. Satan's Sentence Declared – The Antichrist's evil empire
of terror will fall. God will _____ and
_____ his evil economic, political, and
religious systems. (Rev. 14:8)
3. Final Warning Issued – Harsh _____
will fall on every person that worships the Beast and his
statue. Those with the mark of the Beast will be subject
to God's soon and coming _____.
(Rev. 14:9-11)
4. Eternal Blessing Announced – Followers of Christ that
refuse to worship the beast and his statue, and refuse
the mark of the beast, will be _____.

They will suffer persecution and possible death from Satan, but eternal blessings will be given to them for their faith. (Rev. 14:12-13)

II. Previews of the Coming Wrath of God

1. Harvest the Earth - After delaying judgment for as long as possible, the day of judgment will arrive where _____ will fall over all the evil of the world. (Rev. 14:14-16, 2 Peter 3:9, Joel 3:13)
 - a. Son of Man Sitting on a Cloud - Jesus Christ is the _____ of the Old Testament prophecies as the One with the power and authority to judge and rule. (Mark 13:26, Daniel 7:13)
2. Gather the Grapes - There will be a battle unlike any this earth has ever seen between good and evil. This battle will take place at _____. All the followers of the Beast will be _____ by the Army of Christ resulting in destruction of Satanic followers, and salvation for Christ followers. (Rev. 14:17-20, Jeremiah 25:30-31, Lamentations 1:15)

3. Seven Bowls of Plagues – The seven-year Tribulation will end with the final expression of God's wrath in the form of severe and destructive _____ against the evil of the world. (Rev. 15:1)
- a. These plagues will come to a _____ at the Battle of Armageddon with the return of Jesus Christ, the King of all kings.
- b. As the angels prepare to pour out the wrath of God, the saints in heaven _____ and _____ God. (Rev. 15:2-4)
- The Song of Moses – Most likely a reference to the lyrics found in either Exodus 15:1-8 or Deuteronomy 32:1-43. This is a song of _____, defeat of evil, and entrance into the Promised Land.
- The Song of the Lamb – This is a _____ song with lyrics describing the greatness of God, the glory of His name, and the holiness of His ways.

III. Seven Plagues Poured from Seven Bowls

1. The First Bowl – The first plague will produce

on everyone that took the mark of the beast and worshiped his statue. Followers of Christ will be immune from this terrible plague. (Rev. 16:2)

2. The Second Bowl – The second plague will turn the

_____ seas to

_____ contaminating and killing all

the animals of the sea. Those that took the mark of the beast to buy and sell food will be dealt a crushing blow to their economy. (Rev. 16:3)

3. The Third Bowl – The third plague will turn all

_____ rivers and springs to

_____. After the pouring of this

plague, the angel with authority over all water declares God's justice as perfect and righteous for those that have brought holocaust against the people of God.

(Rev. 16:4-7)

4. The Fourth Bowl - The fourth plague will cause the _____ to shine with intense heat that _____ the bodies of Satan's followers. With no water to be found on earth these evil people desperately need rain to quench their thirst. Instead of rain, God turns up the heat.

(Rev. 16:8-9)

5. The Fifth Bowl - The fifth plague will cause _____ and great _____ over the kingdom and political power of Satan's rule and reign.

(Rev. 16:10-11) With an outbreak of painful sores, no water to drink, no food to eat, and darkness surrounding them, they will still refuse to acknowledge Jesus as Lord and Savior. (Romans 1:18, 1:21, 1:24-26)

6. The Sixth Bowl - The sixth plague dries up the _____ River, sets the stage for the Battle of _____, and unleashes the final tactic of the unholy, satanic _____ of Satan, Antichrist, and the False Prophet.

(Rev. 16:12-16)

- a. Euphrates River – Has been an _____
part of the history of the world since creation.
(Genesis 2:14, Genesis 15:18, Joshua 1:4)
- b. Setting the Stage – The Antichrist will direct the
armies of the world to gather at

for the Battle of Armageddon against Jesus Christ
and His heavenly army. The depiction of this battle
begins in Revelation 16:12-16, and is completed,
after a pause in the action, in Revelation 19:11-21.
- c. The Unholy, Satanic Trinity – Demon spirits come
from the _____ of Satan, the
Antichrist, and the False Prophet. These demons
produce evil _____ convincing the
rulers of the world to gather their armies for a war
against Jesus Christ.
7. The Seventh Bowl – The seventh plague brings about
an _____ unlike any humanity
as ever known. Lightning and thunder flash and roar
across the atmosphere, the Antichrist's capital city is
split into three parts, islands sink into the ocean,
mountains collapse into the earth, and seventy-five-
pound hailstones pummel the earth. God says, "It is
finished!" (Rev. 16:17b)

IV. Revelation for Today

1. Choose _____ over wickedness. (Philippians 2:12-13, Romans 6:12-13)
2. Show _____ for those who choose to _____ Jesus.
(1 Peter 3:15-16)

Progression of Seal, Trumpet, and Bowl Judgments

SEVEN SEALS

- 1 The Antichrist
Rev. 6:2
- 2 Global war
Rev. 6:4
- 3 Famine
Rev. 6:5-6
- 4 Death
Rev. 6:8
- 5 Martyrs protected
Rev. 6:9
- 6 Earthquakes and troubles with the sun, moon, and stars
Rev. 6:12-14
- 7 Silence in heaven then seven trumpets begin
Rev. 8:1-2



SEVEN TRUMPETS

- 1 1/3 of the earth's vegetation destroyed
Rev. 8:7
- 2 1/3 of the sea's living creatures destroyed
Rev. 8:8-9
- 3 1/3 of the earth's freshwater springs destroyed
Rev. 8:10-11
- 4 1/3 of the sun, moon, and stars destroyed
Rev. 8:12
- 5 Demon destroyers attack and torment humanity
Rev. 9:1-12
- 6 1/3 of humanity are killed by an army of 200 million soldiers
Rev. 9:13-21
- 7 Worship in heaven and the seven bowls begin
Rev. 11:15-19



SEVEN BOWLS

- 1 Malignant sores
Rev. 16:2
- 2 Saltwater seas turn to blood
Rev. 16:3
- 3 Saltwater rivers turn to blood
Rev. 16:4-7
- 4 Heat from sun will scorch humanity
Rev. 16:8-9
- 5 Widespread darkness and misery
Rev. 16:10-11
- 6 Satanic army prepares for massive military invasion
Rev. 16:12-16
- 7 Earthquake destroys Satan's city
Rev. 16:17-21

Contrasting the Two Comings of Christ

Jesus came in meekness as a servant

Matthew 20:18

Jesus came in humility & gentleness

Matthew 11:29, John 5:41

Jesus came to seek & save the lost

Matthew 18:11, Luke 19:10, John 3:17

Jesus came as a servant to suffer
wrath for sinners

Matthew 16:21, 17:12, Mark 9:12

Jesus came to sow the seed of
the gospel

Matthew 13:3-9, Luke 8:11

FIRST

2
SECOND

Jesus will come in power as Judge

Matthew 24:30-31, 25:31-46, John 5:26-29

Jesus will come in majesty & splendor

1 Thessalonians 4:16, Revelation 1:7

Jesus will come to judge & reign

Acts 10:40-42, 2 Corinthians 5:10, Revelation 11:15

Jesus will come as a conqueror to
rescue the righteous from wrath

1 Corinthians 15:51-52, 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17

Jesus will come to reap the harvest

Matthew 13:37-42



Group Questions

1. Read Philippians 2:12-13 and Romans 6:12-13. Time and time again, in God's word, we are told to choose righteousness over wickedness. How have you struggled with this in the past and present, and what do you need to do so you can choose righteousness over wickedness in the future?
2. Read 1 Peter 3:15-16. How are you currently showing concern for those that do not have a relationship with Jesus? Do you ever talk to others about Jesus? Do you share the gospel in a respectful manner?
3. Read through the Graph: Contrasting the Two Comings of Christ. Why do you think Jesus revealed Himself the way he did during his first coming? Why didn't Jesus simply come as Judge in majesty in splendor the first time?
4. Over the last ten weeks, what have been the most eye-opening revelations for you personally? What have been the greatest challenges for you?
5. Is it hard for you to reconcile God as good and loving and also conqueror and judge? Discuss.

THE FALL OF BABYLON

August 10 & 11, 2024

I. Key Phrases and Images of Babylon

1. Babylon - Refers to the religious, political, and economic world-wide _____ of the Antichrist.
2. The Great Prostitute, the Woman Sitting on the Scarlet Beast - The prostitute represents _____. Babylon is like a prostitute who gives herself to the Antichrist. The prostitute receives its _____ and _____ by submitting herself to the demands of her master. (Rev. 17:1-8)
3. Many Waters - Babylon (the great prostitute) will influence many _____ and around the world to prostitute themselves to the Antichrist's religious, political, and economic empire. (Rev. 17:1, 15)
4. The Beast - Refers to the _____, the satanically-possessed ruler of the end-times global empire that becomes an object of worship in a world-wide religion. (Rev. 17:3, 8, 11-14)

5. Who was, who isn't now, who is soon to come - The Antichrist will produce a counterfeit _____ of Christ's death and resurrection to amaze the world and gain religious and political devotion. This blasphemy is a distortion of who _____ really is - the One who is, who always was, and who is still to come. (Rev. 17:8, 11, 1:8).
6. Seven Heads, Seven Hills - There are three common interpretations:
- a. The seven kings of _____ from Caesar Augustus to Caesar Domitian.
 - b. A symbol for the fullness of _____.
 - c. Seven powerful _____ throughout the ages (Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Persia, Greece, and the last world-wide empire Babylon). (Rev. 17:3, 7, 9-10)
7. Ten Horns - Ten _____ will be empowered and unite by turning all power and control of their territory over to the Antichrist. (Rev. 17:3, 7, 12)

8. War – Foreshadowing of the _____
of _____ where these
evil nations will wage war against the Lamb, Jesus
Christ. But Jesus and his army of saints (resurrected
and raptured believers) will reign victorious.
(Rev. 17:14)
9. Hate for the Prostitute – The Antichrist and the ten
nations will turn against Babylon and against each
other causing the alliance to _____.
The climax of this implosion will happen at the Battle
of Armageddon. (Rev. 17:16-17)

II. The Fall of Babylon

1. Condemnation - Babylon will be _____
for its hideous sins of vanity, false religions,
materialism, political power, sexual perversions, and
extreme human wickedness. (Rev. 18:1-3)
2. Separation - Christ followers will be called to
_____ themselves from the
ways of Babylon and to flee before the seven plagues
are poured as punishment. (Rev. 18:4-8)

3. Lamentation - Those who place their faith, hope, security, and love in the Antichrist's empire will _____ and _____ over the destruction of Babylon. (Rev. 18:9-20)
4. Celebration - All the angels in heaven, the twenty-four elders, the four living beings, the people of God, and the apostles and prophets will _____ over the destruction of the evil world-wide religious, political, and economic empire of the Antichrist. (Rev. 18:20-19:8). We will celebrate because:
- a. God has _____ evil. (Rev. 19:1-3)
 - b. God and God alone _____. (Rev. 19:4-6)
 - c. The _____ of the Lamb and His Church has come. (Rev. 19:7-8, Ephesians 5:25-27)
 - d. The _____ will begin. (Rev. 19:9)

III. Revelation for Today

1. Separate yourself from the _____
of the world.

(2 Corinthians 6:14-18, Philippians 2:14-16)

2. Prepare yourself for the _____.

(1 John 1:9, Philippians 1:10-11)



Group Questions

1. Scripture refers to Satan's empire as a prostitute who receives wealth and prosperity from obeying the demands of her master. Why do you think God uses this image? Does this seem harsh?
2. We learn that God condemns Babylon for her sins of vanity, false religions, materialism, political power, sexual perversions, and extreme human wickedness. Have you ever struggled with any of these same sins? Knowing the outcome of Babylon, how does this cause you to turn from sin and embrace holiness?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 6:14-18 and Philippians 2:14-16. How are you living your life in a way that shows the world you stand apart in righteousness? How might you need to change the way you are living?
4. Like a bride prepares herself for her wedding day, how might you begin to prepare yourself for the eternal marriage between Jesus Christ and His bride, the Church?
5. Read 1 John 1:9 and Philippians 1:10-11. Discuss. How do these verses apply to you and your life today?

HERE COMES THE KING

August 17 & 18, 2024

I. The Second Coming of Christ

1. Description of Jesus – John has a vision of Jesus Christ descending to earth.

a. A man named Faithful and True rides a White Horse
– Jesus Christ will stand in direct _____
to the first rider of a white horse, the Antichrist. The Antichrist, deceptive and evil, will wage war inspired by wickedness. Jesus Christ, faithful and true, will wage war inspired by righteousness.

(Rev. 19:11, Rev. 6:2-8, 2 Thessalonians 2:10)

b. His eyes like flames of fire – the eyes of Jesus were described by John in the same way in Revelation 1:14. This portrays Jesus as One who is able to _____ into the depths of our soul and expose our thoughts and motives. (Rev. 19:12)

c. On His head were many crowns – this represents Jesus Christ as the one and only _____ of the world. He is the King above all kings and the Lord above all lords. (Rev. 19:12)

- d. A name written on Him that no one understood except Jesus – Perhaps the name represents His unique _____ with God the Father or maybe refers to the _____ of giving believers “a new name that no one understands except the one who receives it.” (Rev. 19:12, 2:17)
- e. He wore a robe dipped in blood – His robe is a twofold reminder that Jesus was the Lamb _____ for our salvation and He is the One that will _____ His enemies establishing final victory. (Rev. 19:13, Isaiah 63:3-4)
- f. His title was the Word of God – Jesus Christ is not only a physical and tangible representation of God’s _____, He is also a physical and tangible representation of _____ Himself. (Rev 19:13, John 1:1, 14)
- g. From His mouth came a sharp sword – Christ’s judgment of the nations will not come from weapons of mass destruction, instead His judgment will come from the devastating blow of God’s _____.
- (Rev. 19:15, Ephesians 6:17, Hebrews 4:12, Isaiah 49:2)

- h. He will rule with an iron rod – Jesus fulfills the description of the Old Testament messianic prophecies of ruling the _____.
(Rev. 19:15, Psalm 2:9, Isaiah 11:1-4, Isaiah 63:3, Joel 3:13-14)
 - i. Written on His robe “King of kings and Lord of lords” – Jesus is the supreme _____ over all the earth. There is no one greater than Jesus. (Rev. 19:16)
2. The Battle Begins and Quickly Ends – Jesus and His armies of heaven march toward the Battle of Armageddon.
- a. Behind Jesus and his horse of white, an army of resurrected, glorified, and rewarded _____ are dressed in white riding horses of white. (Rev. 19:14) These are not angels, they are the _____ of God which was clearly depicted in Revelation 17:14.

- b. This army of saints will assemble in the sky with Jesus as He _____ Satan's armies gathered in the Jezreel Valley at Armageddon. (Rev. 19:19)
- c. An angel will stand in the sun and summon all the vultures flying above the battlefield to prepare for a feast of wicked flesh. This fulfills the prophecy that Jesus spoke in Matthew 24:27-28.
(Rev. 19:17-18)
- d. The Casualties of War:
- The Antichrist and the False Prophet will be _____ into a fiery lake of burning sulfur. (Rev. 19:20)
 - The Antichrist and the False Prophet are the first residents to inhabit _____, a place of eternal suffering. Satan and all the wicked people of the world will join them later.
(Matthew 25:41)
 - The Evil, Earthly Armies will all _____ on the battlefield by the sword of Christ's mouth.
(Rev. 19:21)

II. The Millennium

1. Three popular interpretations of the Millennium exist:
 - a. Pre-millennial (literal view): The second coming of Christ happens _____ a one-thousand-year earthly reign with Jesus and his resurrected saints.
 - b. Post-millennial (symbolic, optimistic view):

This view suggests the one-thousand years symbolizes the time period from Christ's first coming through the present age. This view believes the second coming of Christ will happen _____ Christianity prospers throughout the world where almost every person in the world will be righteousness.
 - c. A-millennial (symbolic, pessimistic view): This view suggests there is _____ a one-thousand-year time period and Jesus and the saints have been ruling and reigning over the earth since the first coming of Christ. When Christ returns, he will immediately set up His new heaven and new earth.

2. What will happen in a Pre-millennial view:

- a. An angel with a key to the bottomless pit and a heavy chain comes from heaven to earth to _____ Satan. (Rev. 20:1-3)
- b. The bottomless pit (Abyss) is where many _____ are held in prison waiting for final judgment. This bottomless pit was unlocked in Revelation 9:2-11 by an evil angel of darkness and it will be locked again by a heavenly angel of light. (Rev. 20:1-3)
- c. This heavenly angel will bind Satan with a chain and throw him into the bottomless pit where he will seal the pit shut. Satan will no longer have any _____ or _____ over the earth. The earth will be free from evil and sin for one thousand years. (Rev. 20:1-3)
- d. Satan was thrown into the bottomless pit or Abyss, this is different than Hell or the lake of fire. When you are thrown into the Abyss you are able to _____ to the earth once the Abyss is opened. Once you are thrown into Hell, the lake of fire, there is _____. The Antichrist and False Prophet will never be able to return to earth.

e. Jesus Christ will begin His thousand-year rule and reign over the earth by appointing _____ King of Israel. He will then place righteous rulers across the earth to rule and judge. (Rev. 20:4)

3. Who are these righteous rulers? The resurrected and glorified _____ of Christ, the resurrected and glorified _____ of the Church, and the resurrected and glorified _____ that were executed during the Tribulation.

(Matthew 19:28, Rev. 2:26-27, Rev. 20:4)

4. The first resurrection – All God's children that have died as followers of Christ throughout the ages, including those that died in the Tribulation will be _____ and given new glorified bodies at the beginning of the thousand-year earthly rule and reign of Christ. All non-believers (the unsaved) throughout the ages must wait their resurrection and subsequent judgment until after the thousand-year earthly reign of Jesus and His saints. (Rev. 20:4-6, 1 Corinthians 15:23)

5. Who are the saints, along with Jesus, ruling during the thousand-year reign? The most common pre-millennial interpretation says the saints will rule all the followers of Christ that _____ the Tribulation. Since these men, women, and children did not perish, they will still have their earthly bodies. Their bodies are not resurrected and glorified because they never died. These men and women, Jew and Gentile, will marry and populate the earth for a thousand years. Many generations and numerous descendants will have bodies of mortal flesh alongside the immortal saints with resurrected, glorified bodies that will neither marry or be given in marriage. (Matthew 22:30)

6. The earth, under the rule of Christ and His saints will be like the _____ of _____: harmonious, peaceful, and good.
7. But much like the Garden of Eden, and the fall of Adam and Eve, the descendants of the Tribulation _____ will be tested by Satan once more.
8. Satan's Return - After the thousand-year reign of Christ, Satan will be released into the earth where he will introduce _____ into Christ's world once again. (Rev. 20:7)
9. He will once again recruit an _____ as numberless as sand along the seashore. (Rev. 20:8)
10. As Satan's army surrounds Jesus Christ and His beloved city, fire will fall from heaven and _____ Satan and his army of rebels. (Rev. 20:9)
11. Satan will then be thrown into the fiery lake of burning sulfur (Hell) where he, the Antichrist, and the False Prophet will be _____ forever. (Rev. 20:10, Matthew 25:41)

III. Revelation for Today

1. _____ Jesus Christ and
_____ a life of holiness
so your name will be written in the Book of Life.
(Romans 10:9, 2 Corinthians 7:1)



Group Questions

1. Review the entire outline by reading all the sermon notes with the appropriate blanks filled in.
2. Discuss as a group some of the more complex ideas and things that you never knew before. What surprised you? What confused you?
3. In thinking about dying and going to heaven, we often skip the 1,000-year reign of Christ and His followers on earth. What interpretation do you hold?
4. During this reign, do you think we will live on the earth with our resurrected bodies alongside men and women that have not yet been given glorified, heavenly bodies?
5. Does this seem strange? Is this new information to you?

SPACE FOR
NOTES

FOREVER FACE TO FACE

August 24 & 25, 2024

I. The Great White Throne Judgment

1. After Satan is thrown into Hell with the Antichrist and the False Prophet, the dead (the unsaved) will be _____ and summoned to stand before God's white throne of judgment. This is known as the second resurrection. (Rev. 20:11-15)
2. Followers of Jesus will not be at this judgment, because followers of Christ are not _____. We are alive in Christ Jesus! (Rev. 20:6, John 5:24)
3. Judgment will be for all those over the course of history that chose to _____ God and ignore Him as the Lord and Savior of the world. Judgment is for the unsaved, those that are spiritually dead. (Rev. 20:11-15)
4. The Book of Life has an _____ of every man, woman, and child that is saved by grace, through faith, and has trusted that Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior. (Rev. 20:12, 15, Luke 10:20, Philippians 4:3, Hebrews 12:23)

5. While the lake of fire was originally intended for Satan and his demons (Matthew 25:41), those who _____ God will be assigned to the same eternal destination - the fiery lake of burning sulfur, known as Hell. (Rev. 20:14)

II. A New Heaven and a New Earth

1. After the Great White Throne Judgment, God will create a new _____ and a new _____ no longer contaminated by sin. (Rev. 21:1-5, Romans 8:20-22, Isaiah 65:17-19)

2. Two common views exist regarding the new heaven and the new earth:

a. Destruction View: The stars, heavens, and the earth we live on today will be _____ and God will make a new heaven and a new earth where we will spend eternity.

b. Resurrection View - God will take the heavens and the earth we see and live on today and _____ them, much like our new resurrected bodies, and make them perfect and complete - the way they were supposed to be before sin entered the world.

III. A New Jerusalem

1. The New Jerusalem, this holy city for all of God's children, will come down from heaven, perfectly _____ and _____ by God, and placed on the New Earth.
2. This city is not made by human hands, it is made by _____ Himself. (Rev. 21:10, Acts 7:48, Hebrews 9:11, Hebrews 11:10, 11:16)
3. Biblical description of the New Jerusalem:
 - a. Appearance - like a flawless _____ radiating the glory and brilliance of God. (Rev. 21:11)
 - b. Exterior - there will be a great _____ surrounding the glorious city. The wall will rest on twelve foundation stones and above the stones will be twelve gates guarded by twelve angels (3 gates and 3 angels on each side of the square). Each gate will have the names of the twelve tribes of Israel. Each foundation stone will have the names of Christ's twelve apostles. (Rev. 21:12-14)

c. Dimensions – approximately _____
miles on each side of the city. God's city is a
staggering size and it will be the eternal dwelling
place of countless saints and angels.

(Rev. 21:15-17)

d. Materials – the city will look like a
_____ adorned for her husband.

(Rev. 21:2)

John gives us some of the details:

- Foundation of the city will be adorned with every
type of _____.

(Rev. 21:19-20)

- The city itself will be crystal clear

(_____)

and the massive wall surrounding it will be like
diamonds. (Rev. 21:11,18)

- Each gate will be made of one single

_____. (Rev. 21:21)

- The streets will be made of pure gold as clear as

_____. (Rev. 21:21)

e. Distinctiveness - there is no need for a Temple in the New Jerusalem. There is no need for a place to go and worship God because God and Jesus are the _____. God and Jesus will be the center of our worship and we will worship them forever by the power of the Holy Spirit.

(Rev. 21:22)

f. Brilliance - there will no longer be a _____ or a _____ for the glory and light of the Lord will shine on all creation. (Rev. 21:23)

g. Interior - a river with the water of life will flow directly from the throne of God down the center of the main street in the city. On each side of the river there will be a _____ of _____ producing eternal nourishment from the Lord. The curse will be broken. (Rev. 22:1-5, Genesis 3:14-22)

4. Followers of Christ are already _____ of this New Jerusalem! (Philippians 3:20)

IV. God's Final Word

1. Everything in the book of Revelation is _____ and _____ . (Rev. 22:6)
2. Jesus Christ is coming _____.
(Rev. 22:7)
3. Obey God's word and put no other _____
before Him. (Rev. 22:8-11, 18-19)
4. Follow Jesus and the pearly gates will be _____ for you.
(Rev. 22:14-15)



Group Questions

1. When we put our faith in Jesus, we are made new and God looks at us as righteous, even though we are sinners. Because of this, we will not stand before God in judgment, we will stand before Him to be given our rewards. How does this make you feel about yourself? How does this make you feel about unbelievers that will be judged according to their sin?
2. Review the two interpretation of the new heaven and new earth. Which view do you take? Discuss.
3. When you think about the new heaven and the new earth, what excites you the most? What questions do you have?
4. Spend some time talking about the entire Revelation series. What did you learn? What was the most surprising revelation? Is there anything you have struggled with?

THE BOOK OF REVELATION