



The  
**Revelation**  
of **Jesus Christ**

**21. The wrath of God**



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***On this one will I look:  
he who is humble and contrite in spirit  
and who trembles at My word***

(Isaiah 66:2)

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Part 1		
Section 1	Section 2	Section 3
Chapters 1 to 3	Chapters 4 to 7	Chapters 8 to 11
Prologue, the vision of Christ among the lampstands, the letters to the seven churches.	The vision of God's throne, the scroll in His right hand, the Lion and the Lamb. The seven seals are opened.	The prayers of the saints, the seven trumpets are sounded, the great angel, the little book, the two witnesses.

Part 2			
Section 4	Section 5	Section 6	Section 7
Chapters 12 to 14	Chapters 15 to 16	Chapters 17 to 19	Chapters 20 to 22
The woman gives birth to a child, the dragon cast out, the two beasts, the Lamb on Mt Zion, three angels, two harvests.	The song of victors over the beast. Seven bowls of the wrath of God are poured out on the earth.	The woman riding on the beast, the destruction of Babylon, Christ on a white horse, the damnation of two beasts.	Satan is bound, the saints reign with Christ for a thousand years, the final judgement, a new creation, the new Jerusalem.

# An overview of the fourth section

The beginning 

## Chapter 12

- **Christ ascends** to God's throne
- The dragon, **Satan, is cast out**
- The dragon persecutes God's people

The present time  
and the future

## Chapter 13

- The dragon gives his power to **the antichrist**
- **The false prophet** deceives the world
- The world is compelled to submit to the antichrist

## Chapter 14

The end 

- **The faithful church** is seen with the Lamb
- The world is **warned** of the judgement coming
- **The harvests** of the earth are reaped

# The harvests of the earth are reaped – Revelation 14:14-20

## The first harvest

Then I looked, and behold,  
a white cloud, and seated on the cloud

**One like a son of man,**  
with **a golden crown** on His head...

*“Put in your sickle, and reap,  
**for the hour to reap has come,**  
for the harvest of the earth is fully ripe.”*

So He who sat on the cloud  
swung His sickle across the earth,  
and the earth was reaped.

(Revelation 14:14-16)

## The second harvest

Then another angel came out of the temple  
in heaven, and he too had a sharp sickle.

*“Put in your sickle  
and gather the clusters  
from the vine of the earth,  
for its grapes are ripe.”*

So the angel swung his sickle across the earth  
and gathered the grape harvest of the earth  
and threw it into **the great winepress**  
**of the wrath of God.**

(Revelation 14:17-19)

# Revelation 15

1. The woman (12:1)
2. The dragon (12:3)
3. These seven angels

Then I saw **another sign** in heaven, great and amazing, seven angels with seven plagues, **which are the last**, for with them **the wrath of God** is finished.

(Revelation 15:1)

reaches its end,  
is completed

# Revelation 15

And I saw what appeared to be  
a sea of glass mingled with fire—  
and also those who had **conquered** the beast  
and its image and the number of its name,  
standing beside [*or on*] the sea of glass  
with harps of God in their hands.

(Revelation 15:2)

# Revelation 15

Exodus 15:1-18

And they sing **the song of Moses**, the servant of God,  
and **the song of the Lamb**, saying,

Revelation 5:9-12

*Great and amazing are your deeds,  
O Lord God the Almighty!*

***Just and true are Your ways,**  
O King of the nations!*

*Who will not fear, O Lord,  
and glorify Your name?*

***For You alone are holy.***

*All nations will come and worship You,  
for Your righteous acts have been revealed.*

(Revelation 15:3-4)



# Revelation 15

The Most Holy Place

After this I looked,  
and the sanctuary of the tent of witness  
in heaven was opened,  
and out of the sanctuary  
came **the seven angels** with **the seven plagues**,  
clothed in pure, bright linen,  
with **golden sashes** around their chests.

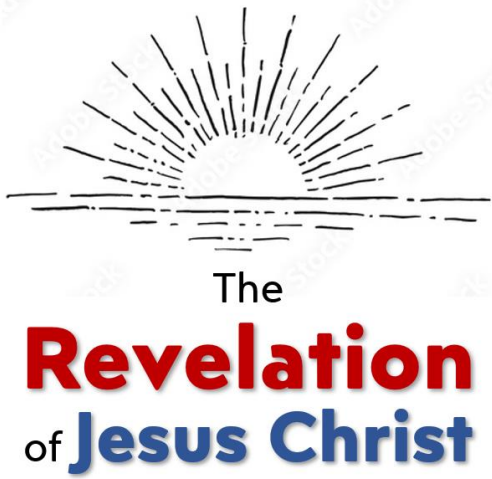
Revelation 1:13

(Revelation 15:5-6)

# Revelation 15

And one of the four living creatures  
gave to the seven angels **seven golden bowls**  
**full of the wrath of God** who lives forever and ever,  
and the sanctuary was filled with smoke  
from the glory of God and from His power,  
and no one could enter the sanctuary until  
the seven plagues of the seven angels were finished.

(Revelation 15:7-8)



*thymos* = passion (as if breathing hard)  
indignation (anger and disgust)  
fierceness, hot anger

## The wrath of God

1. What it is not
2. What it is
3. Our response

# The wrath of God

## 1. What it is not

2. What it is

3. Our response

- ❖ God's wrath is NOT out of place in God's character
- ❖ God's wrath is NOT bad temper or spite
- ❖ God's wrath is NOT excessive, unjust or unfair

# The wrath of God

1. What it is not

**2. What it is**

3. Our response

- ❖ God's wrath is His perfect holiness expressed
- ❖ God's wrath is part of His love for His own people
- ❖ God's wrath is His purposes being accomplished

# The wrath of God

1. What it is not
2. What it is
- 3. Our response**

- ❖ We fear God, standing in awe of Him
- ❖ We are humbled, seeing how our sin blinds us
- ❖ We appreciate His abounding grace so much more

# The wrath of God

1. What it is not
2. What it is
3. **Our response**

❖ We appreciate His **abounding grace** so much more

...having now been **justified by His blood**,  
we shall be saved from **wrath** through Him.

(Romans 5:9)

...Jesus, who **delivers us** from the **wrath** to come.

(1 Thessalonians 1:10)

God did not appoint us to **wrath**,  
but to obtain **salvation** through our Lord Jesus Christ...

(1 Thessalonians 5:9)



## Revelation 16

And I heard a loud voice out of the sanctuary...

*Go and pour out  
on the earth  
the seven bowls  
of the wrath of God.*



# Revelation 16

Or: foul and loathsome sores,  
an evil and pernicious ulceration

So the **first angel** went and poured out his bowl **on the earth**,  
and **harmful and painful sores** came upon the people  
who bore the mark of the beast and worshiped its image.

(Revelation 16:2)

# Revelation 16

The **second angel** poured out his bowl **into the sea**,  
and it became like **the blood of a corpse**,  
and **every living thing died** that was in the sea.

(Revelation 16:3)

## Revelation 16

**You are just, O Holy One,**  
who is and who was,  
for You brought these  
judgments.

For they have shed the blood  
of saints and prophets,  
and You have given them  
blood to drink.

**It is what they deserve!**

The **third angel** poured out his bowl  
**into the rivers and the springs of water,**  
and they became **blood.**

(See Revelation 16:4-7)

Yes, Lord God the Almighty,  
**true and just are your judgments!**

# Revelation 16

The **fourth angel** poured out his bowl **on the sun**,  
and it was allowed to scorch people with fire.

They were scorched by the fierce heat,  
and **they cursed the name of God**  
who had power over these plagues.

**They did not repent and give Him glory.**

(Revelation 16:8-9)



# Revelation 16

The **fifth angel** poured out his bowl  
**on the throne of the beast,**  
and its kingdom was plunged into darkness.

People gnawed their tongues in anguish and  
**cursed the God of heaven** for their pain and sores  
and did not repent of their deeds.

(Revelation 16:10-11)

## Revelation 16

The **sixth angel** poured out his bowl **on the great river Euphrates**, and its water was dried up, to prepare the way for the kings from the east.

And I saw, coming out of the mouth of the **dragon**  
and out of the mouth of the **beast**  
and out of the mouth of the **false prophet**,  
three unclean spirits like frogs.

For they are demonic spirits, performing signs, who go abroad to the kings of the whole world, to assemble them for battle **on the great day of God the Almighty**.

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



(Revelation 16:12-16)

Literally: Mount Meggido, where Barak and Gideon won victories

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And I saw, coming from the east, and on

**Behold, I am coming like a thief!**

Blessed is the one who stays awake,  
keeping his garments on,  
that he may not go about naked  
and be seen exposed!

For they are coming  
who go abroad  
to assemble the



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that in Hebrew is called **Armageddon**.

(Revelation 16:12-16)

# Revelation 16

The **seventh angel** poured out his bowl **into the air**,  
and a loud voice came out of the temple,  
from the throne, saying, “**It is done!**”

(Revelation 16:17)



# Revelation 16

And there were flashes of lightning,  
rumblings, peals of thunder,  
and **a great earthquake**  
such as there had never been  
since man was on the earth,  
so great was that earthquake.

The great city was split into three parts,  
and the cities of the nations fell,  
and God remembered **Babylon** the great,  
to make her drain the cup  
of the wine of **the fury of His wrath.**

(Revelation 16:18-19)

# Revelation 16

And every island fled away,  
and no mountains were to be found.

And great hailstones,  
about one hundred pounds each,  
fell from heaven on people;  
and **they cursed God** for the plague of the hail,  
because the plague was so severe.

(Revelation 16:20-21)



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## **What have we seen?**

- Terrifying wrath poured out on the earth
- Blasphemy and defiant rebellion on earth
- Worship and praise out of heaven



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*And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!"*

*And let him who hears say, "Come!"*

*And let him who thirsts come.*

*Whoever desires,  
let him take the water of life freely.*

(Revelation 22:17)