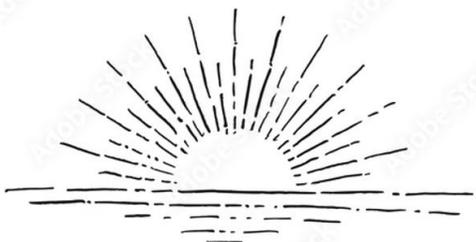




The
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of **Jesus Christ**
An overview

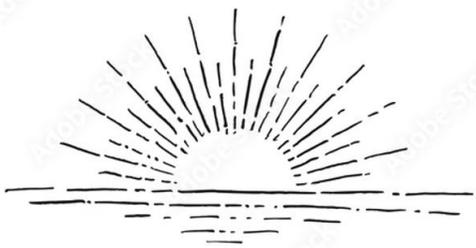
16. The wrath of God



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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, Christ among the lampstands, the letters to the seven churches.	The vision of God's throne, the sealed scroll, the Lion of Judah and the Lamb. Opening the seven seals.	The prayers of the saints, the seven trumpets, 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, the dragon and the two beasts, the Lamb on Mt Zion, proclamations by three angels, two harvests.	The song of victors over the beast. Seven bowls of the wrath of God.	The woman on the beast, the fall of Babylon, Christ on a white horse, the end of the two beasts.	The saints reign with Christ for 1,000 years, the final judgement, the new creation and the new Jerusalem.

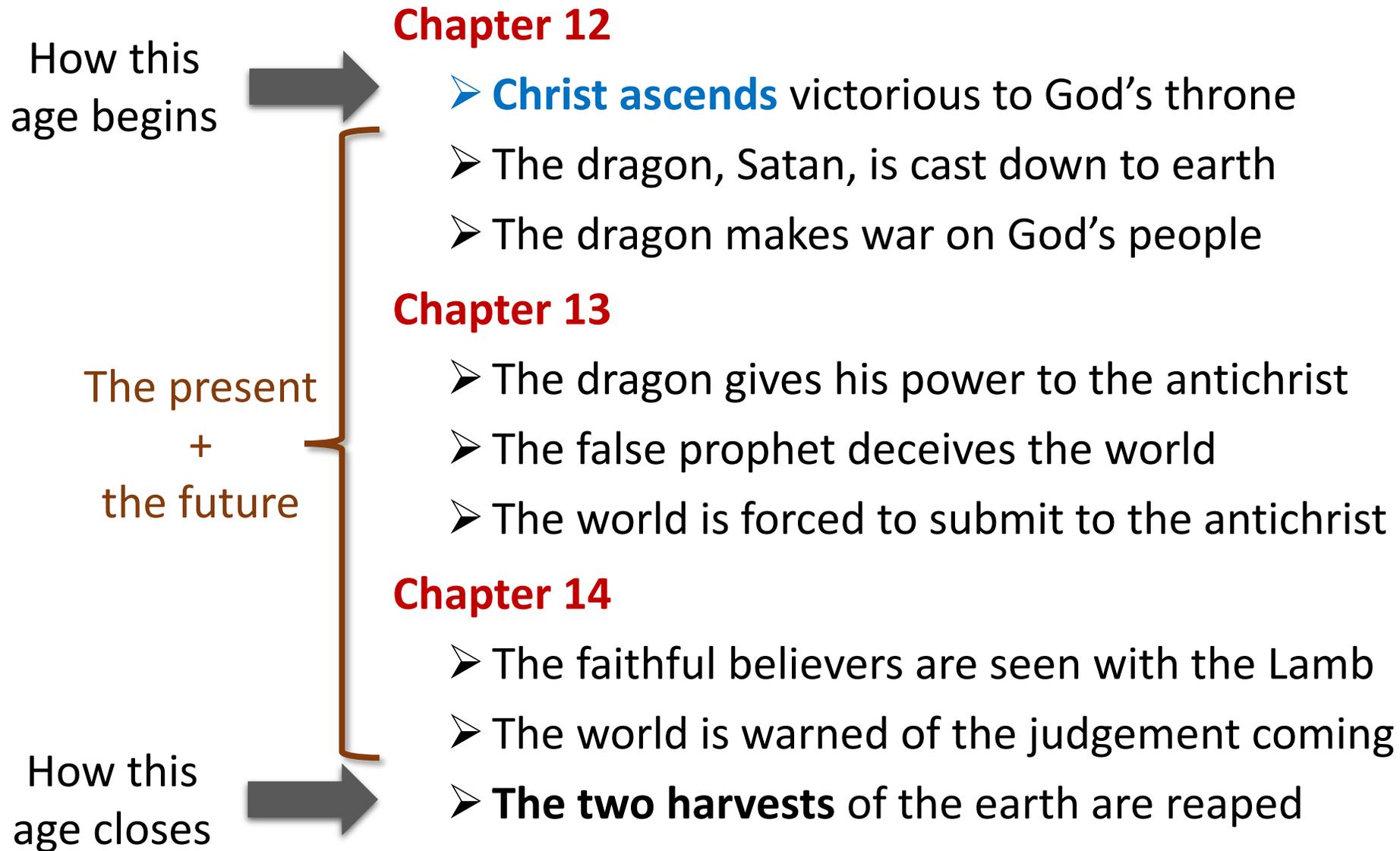


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*God has not destined us for **wrath**,
but to obtain **salvation**
through our Lord Jesus Christ*

(1 Thessalonians 5:9)

A bird's eye view of the last section...



Revelation 15:1-8

A summary
introduction

The signs:

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.

666

(Revelation 15:2)



Revelation 15

The LORD ... has become my salvation
(Exodus 15:1-18)

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

*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)

*Worthy is the Lamb
who was slain...*
(Revelation 5:9-12)

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.

Like the Lord Jesus
(See Revelation 1:13)

(Revelation 15:5-6)

Revelation 15

*“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come!”*

(Revelation 4:8)

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.

The Most Holy Place

(Revelation 15:7-8)



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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

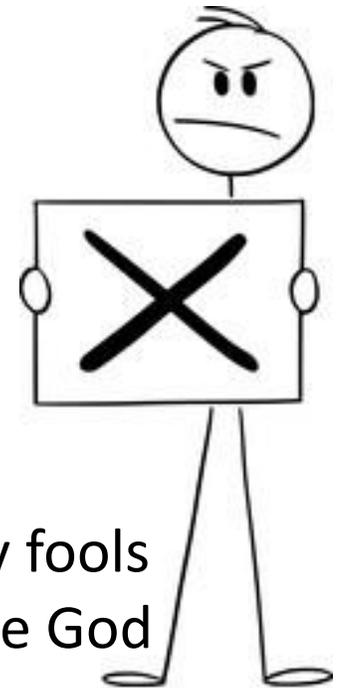
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1. What it is not
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Can we see it in Jesus?

- ❖ 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

“Shall not the Judge
of all the earth
do what is just?”
(Genesis 18:25)



Only fools
judge God

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 **a 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



“foul and loathsome sores”

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)

Mount Meggido, where Barak and Gideon won victories

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.

About 40 kg

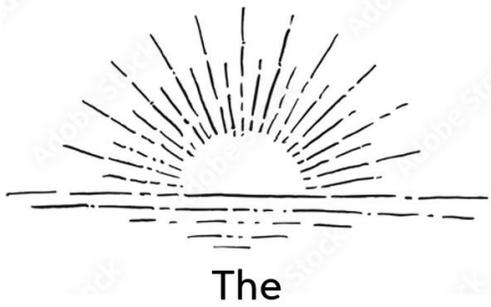
And great hailstones,
about one hundred pounds each,
fell from heaven on people;
and **they cursed God** for the plague of the hail,
because the plague was so severe.

(Revelation 16:20-21)

Revelation 16

...and a loud voice came out of the temple,
from the throne, saying, **“It is done!”**

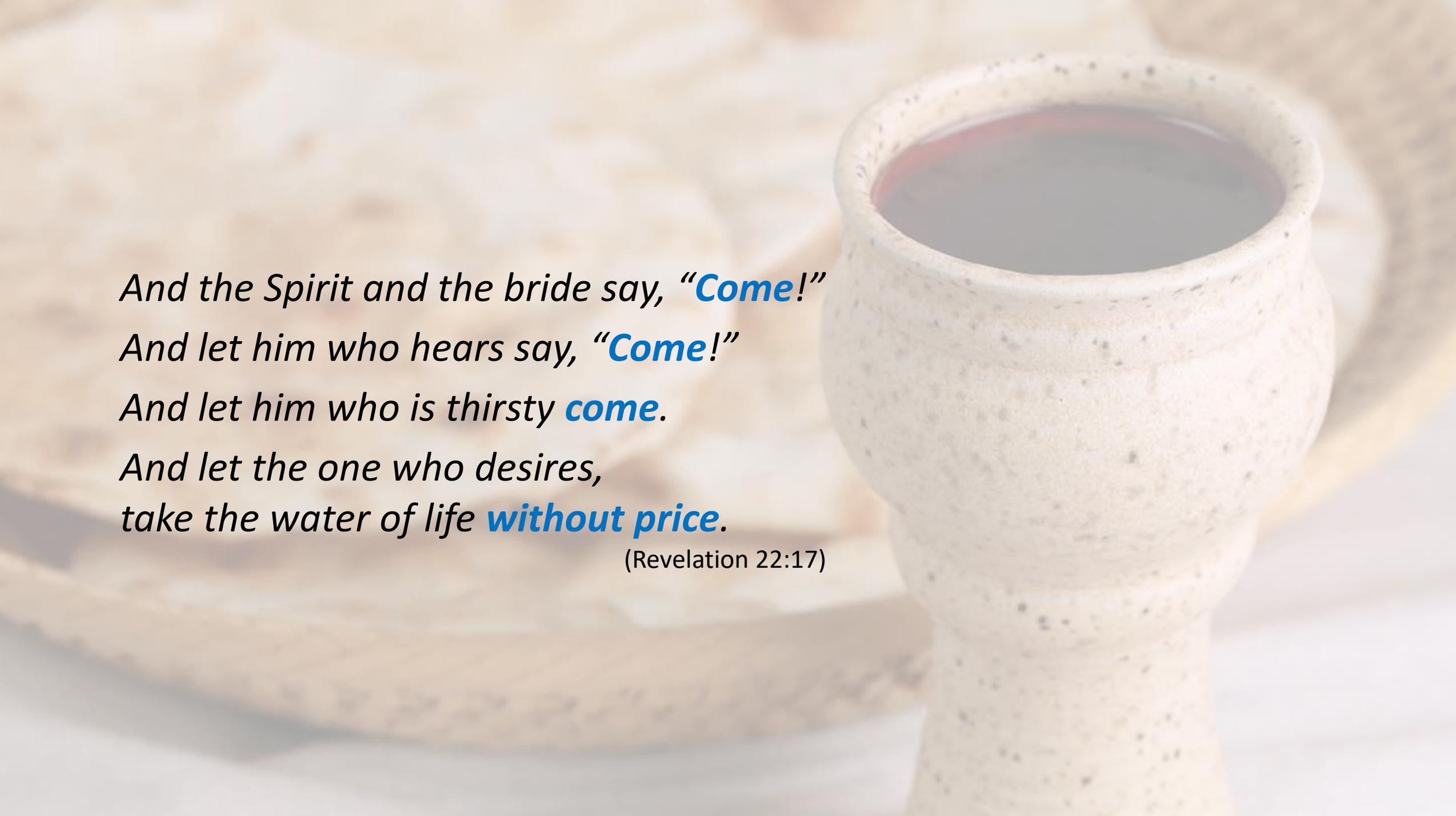
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What have we seen?

- **The holy wrath of God** poured out on the earth
- **Blasphemy and bitter defiance** from mankind
- **Songs of worship and praise** out of heaven



*And the Spirit and the bride say, “**Come!**”*

*And let him who hears say, “**Come!**”*

*And let him who is thirsty **come**.*

*And let the one who desires,
take the water of life **without price**.*

(Revelation 22:17)