

The Revelation of Jesus Christ



Revelation 19

¹ After these things I heard something like a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying,

“Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God; ² BECAUSE HIS JUDGMENTS ARE TRUE AND RIGHTEOUS; for He has judged the great harlot who was corrupting the earth with her immorality, and HE HAS AVENGED THE BLOOD OF HIS BOND-

SERVANTS ON HER.” ³ And a second time they said, “Hallelujah! HER SMOKE RISES UP FOREVER AND EVER.” ⁴ And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sits on the throne saying, “Amen. Hallelujah!” ⁵ And a voice

Chapter 19

THE RIGHTEOUS CELEBRATION OF DEFEAT OF THE HARLOT

- What does the word Hallelujah mean?

- List the reasons it is being said...

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came from the throne,
saying,

“Give praise to our God, all
you His bond-servants, you
who fear Him, the small and
the great.” 6 Then I heard
something like the voice of a
great multitude and like the
sound of many waters and
like the sound of mighty
peals of thunder, saying,

“Hallelujah! For the Lord our
God, the Almighty, reigns. 7
“Let us rejoice and be glad
and give the glory to Him, for
the marriage of the Lamb has
come and His bride has made
herself ready.” 8 It was given
to her to clothe herself in fine
linen, bright and clean; for
the fine linen is the righteous
acts of the saints.

Rev. 19:9 Then he *said to
me, “Write, “Blessed are those
who are invited to the
marriage supper of the
Lamb.” And he *said to me,
“These are true words of
God.” 10 Then I fell at his
feet to worship him. But he
*said to me, “Do not do that;
I am a fellow servant of yours
and your brethren who hold
the testimony of Jesus;
worship God. For the
testimony of Jesus is the
spirit of prophecy.”

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- To whom does this praise then give credit for this revenge?
- What extra reason is give in v. 7 for this Hallelujah?
- Who is she?

- How is she clothed?
- What would these righteous acts be?
- Matt. 22:2ff (what is this story?)
- Luke 14:15ff (what is this story?)
- Who is speaking here?
- Why would John fall down and worship?
- Why should he and we not do that?

Rev. 19:11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war. 12 His eyes are a flame of fire, and on His head are many diadems; and He has a name written on Him which no one knows except Himself. 13 He is clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. 14 And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, were following Him on white horses. 15 From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. 16 And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

Rev. 19:17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and he cried out with a loud voice, saying to all the birds which fly in midheaven, "Come, assemble for the great supper of God, 18 so that you may eat the flesh of

THE LION OF JUDAH

- Who is this rider?
- What does a white horse represent?
- Why are we told that He has a name which no one knows except Himself?
- What does a robe dipped in blood tell us about Him?
- Who is "The Word of God"?
- How is his army clothed and equipped?
- Meaning?
- What do you suppose it means when "The Word of God" has a sharp sword for a tongue?
- What is the reference to ruling with a "rod of iron"
 - Psalm 2:9
 - Rev. 2:27
 - Rev. 12:5
- Where have we read about a wine press of the wrath of God before?
- So Who did the treading?
- What is His title?
- How lamb-like is He?

A MACABRE INVITATION

- We are unfamiliar with the aftermath of battle in the ancient world, but battlefields would be strewn with dead bodies, severed

kings and the flesh of commanders and the flesh of mighty men and the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them and the flesh of all men, both free men and slaves, and small and great.”

Rev. 19:19 And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.
20 And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone. 21 And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh.

body parts, and blood and gore. The dead were not always buried right away, since 1) the victorious army might have need of sealing the victory by pursuing the remains of the vanquished army and 2) as in this case there would be no survivors to bury the dead.

Scavenger animals, largely birds, would therefore have a feast on the human corpses.

- This invitation’s purpose is not to revel in the gore, but underscore the finality and totality of the victory.
- What will be done with the leaders of these armies, the beast, the false prophet?
- And what will happen to the armies themselves?
- Meaning?