THE REVELATION a study of the book of Daniel + Revelation

Fall 2014 Session 11: Revelation 19

a survey of the book of Dahiel + a ten week study of the book of Revelation

Resources

- Holy Bible NASB, ESV
- <u>The End</u>, Mark Hitchcock
- Bible Knowledge Commentary, Walvoord & Zuck
- Charts and other reference material taken from Dr. Charles Ryrie, Dr. Arnold Fruchtenbaum and Harold W. Hoehner



What is Revelation 19



Millennial Kingdom: Light

First Bowl Judgment: Utter Darkness

Session 11: This week Revelation 19 – Macro Themes

- Fourfold "Hallelujah" in Heaven, 19:1-10
- The 2nd Coming of Christ, 19:11-16
- Campaign of Armageddon, 19:17-21



<u>Heaven</u>	Hallelujah Chorus	Marriage Invitations of the to the Lamb Wedding Feas	2 nd Coming t	Millennial
<u>Earth</u>		Israel's National ege of Repentance ozrah	Battle from Bozrah to Valley of Jehoshaphat (Kidron Valley)	Kingdom 75 Day Interval

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."

Revelation 19:1-2 (NASB)

1st Hallelujah

- "After these things" After the destruction of Babylon (Revelation 17 & 18)
 - Some Scholars disagree about which Babylon is referred to in the first hallelujah.
 - Cross reference: Jeremiah 51:48

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"A great multitude" – Same phrase used in Revelation 7:9 in reference to the martyred dead of the Great Tribulation

1st Hallelujah

"Salvation and glory and power"

Salvation: deliverance
Glory: God's moral glory in judgment
Power: might displayed in judgment upon the harlot

"His judgments are true (fair) and righteous (just)"

1st Hallelujah

- "The great harlot" is specifically mentioned Reference to Ecclesiastical Babylon in Revelation 17
- "Avenged the blood of His bond-servants on her"
 Revelation 6:11. Just prior to the second coming the number would be complete.
 - Revelation 17:6. References the blood of the saints and of the witness of Jesus (anyone following the faith).

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 came from the throne, saying, "Give praise to our God, all you His bond-servants, you who fear Him, the small and the great."

Revelation 19:3-5 (NASB)

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, "<u>Hallelujah!</u> For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns." Revelation 19:6 (NASB)

Marriage of the Lamb Jewish Wedding Analogy

Stage 1: Covenant Stage 2: Groom returns to his father's house Stage 3: Groom returns for his bride Stage 4: Groom takes bride home/consummation

Stage 5: The Wedding Feast

2 Cor. 11:12 - Betrothal, dowry paid Acts 1:9 - The Ascension

John 14:1-3 - Rapture

Rev. 19:6-8 - Marriage of the Lamb takes place in heaven; Rev 19:9 - Invitation to the feast
Takes place in the Millennial Kingdom "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.

Revelation 19:7-8 (NASB)

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."

Revelation 19:9-10 (NASB)

Spirit of Prophecy

The Spirit of Prophecy is the testimony of Jesus.

- "He is the source of all prophecy."
- "All Prophecy moves toward a fulfillment by Him."
- "With a view toward His own glory..."





Revelation 19:11
 The Second Coming of Christ



- - 5. The National Regeneration of Israel
 - 6. The Second Coming of Messiah
 - 7. The Battle From Bozrah Ends at The Valley
 - of Jehoshaphat (During which Antichrist is slain by Wessiah)

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8. The Victory Ascent Upon the Mount of Olives

The burden of the word of the LORD concerning Israel. Thus declares the LORD who stretches out the heavens, lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him, ² "Behold, I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that causes reeling to all the peoples around; and when the siege is against Jerusalem, it will also be against Judah."

Zechariah 12:1-2 (NASB)

"It will come about in that day that I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples; all who lift it will be severely injured. And all the nations of the earth will be gathered against it."

Zechariah 12:3 (NASB)

"In that day I will make the clans of Judah like a firepot among pieces of wood and a flaming torch among sheaves, so they will consume on the right hand and on the left all the surrounding peoples, while the inhabitants of Jerusalem again dwell on their own sites in Jerusalem." 7 The LORD also will save the tents of Judah first, so that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem will not be magnified above Judah.

Zechariah 12:6-7 (NASB)

In that day the LORD will defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the one who is feeble among them in that day will be like David, and the house of David will be like God, like the angel of the LORD before them. Zechariah 12:8 (NASB)

Behold, a day is coming for the LORD when the spoil taken from you will be divided among you. ² For I will gather all the nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city will be captured, the houses plundered, the women ravished and half of the city exiled, but the rest of the people will not be cut off from the city.

Zechariah 14:1-2 (NASB)

Jewish Repentance

I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and of supplication, so that they will look on Me whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only son, and they will weep bitterly over Him like the bitter weeping over a firstborn.

Zechariah 12:10 (NASB)



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Bozrah/Petra



"I will surely assemble all of you, Jacob, I will surely gather the remnant of Israel. I will put them together like sheep in the fold; Like a flock in the midst of its pasture They will be noisy with men."

Micah 2:12 (NASB)



Revelation 19:11 The Second Coming of Christ

Jewish Repentance

"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, the way a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were unwilling. ³⁸ Behold, your house is being left to you desolate! ³⁹ For I say to you, from now on you will not see Me until you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" Matthew 23:37-39 (NASB)

Jewish Repentance

I will go away and return to My place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek My face; In their affliction they will earnestly seek Me.

Hosea 5:15 (NASB)

"Come, let us return to the LORD. For He has torn us, but He will heal us; He has wounded us, but He will bandage us. ² "He will revive us after two days; He will raise us up on the third day, that we may live before Him.

Hosea 6:1-2 (NASB)

I will go away and return to My place until they acknowledge Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? ² For He grew up before Him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of parched ground; He has no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him, nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him.

Isaiah 53:1-2 (NASB)

He was despised and forsaken of men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

Isaiah 53:3 (NASB)

Surely our griefs He Himself bore, and our sorrows He carried; yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. ⁵ But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, and by His scourging we are healed. ⁶ All of us like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; but the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.

Isaiah 53:4-6 (NASB)

He was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He did not open His mouth; like a lamb that is led to slaughter, and like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, so He did not open His mouth.⁸ By oppression and judgment He was taken away; and as for His generation, who considered that He was cut off out of the land of the living for the transgression of my people, to whom the stroke was due?

Isaiah 53:7-8 (NASB)

His grave was assigned with wicked men, yet He was with a rich man in His death, because He had done no violence, nor was there any deceit in His mouth.¹⁰ But the LORD was pleased to crush Him, putting Him to grief; If He would render Himself as a guilt offering, He will see His offspring, He will prolong His days, and the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand.

Isaiah 53:9-10 (NASB)

As a result of the anguish of His soul, He will see it and be satisfied; by His knowledge the Righteous One, My Servant, will justify the many, as He will bear their iniquities. ¹² Therefore, I will allot Him a portion with the great, and He will divide the booty with the strong; because He poured out Himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet He Himself bore the sin of many, and interceded for the transgressors. Isaiah 53:11-12 (NASB)
The Second Coming

- Is the first of seven final things John saw:
- 1. Christ's return
- 2. Satan's capture
- 3. Satan's binding
- 4. The Millennium
- 5. Satan's final end
- 6. The last judgment
- 7. New heaven and earth (including the New Jerusalem)



The Second Coming

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.

Revelation 19:11-13 (NASB)

The Second Coming

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."

Revelation 19:14-16 (NASB)

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 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."

Revelation 19:17-18 (NASB)

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.

Revelation 19:19 (NASB)

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 <u>alive</u> into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone.

Revelation 19:20 (NASB)

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.

Revelation 19:21 (NASB)

But immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ³⁰ And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory. Matthew 24:29-30 (NASB)

And He will send forth His angels with a great trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

Matthew 24:31 (NASB)

His radiance is like the sunlight; He has rays flashing from His hand, and there is the hiding of His power. ⁵ Before Him goes pestilence, and plague comes after Him. ⁶ He stood and surveyed the earth; He looked and startled the nations. Yes, the perpetual mountains were shattered, the ancient hills collapsed. His ways are everlasting. ⁷ I saw the tents of Cushan under distress, the tent curtains of the land of Midian were trembling. Habakkuk 3:4-7 (NASB)

God comes from Teman, and the Holy One from Mount Paran. *Selah.* His splendor covers the heavens, and the earth is full of His praise.

Habakkuk 3:3 (NASB)



"The breaker goes up before them; they break out, pass through the gate and go out by it. So their king goes on before them, and the LORD at their head."

Micah 2:13 (NASB)



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Isaiah 63:1-3 (NASB)

"For the day of vengeance was in My heart, and My year of redemption has come. ⁵ I looked, and there was no one to help, and I was astonished and there was no one to uphold; so My own arm brought salvation to Me, and My wrath upheld Me. ⁶ I trod down the peoples in My anger and made them drunk in My wrath, and I poured out their lifeblood on the earth."

Isaiah 63:4-6 (NASB)

Final Events

- Ascension to the Mount of Olives
- 75 Day Interval

 Cleansing of the Temple
 Binding of Satan

Reading Assignment for Next Week

Revelation 20

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Revelation vs. The Titanic



Titanic Answer

- How are the stories similar?
 - Many died but some survived.
 - We know how the story ends.
- How are they different?
 - The Titanic can't be changed.
 - God has given us directions going into the final days.
 - The events can't be changed, but the chess pieces on the board could change.

What We Can Do

Embrace the Great Commission

- Matthew 28:16-20
- Christ's final earthly orders to the Apostles
- Jesus already asked God to bless us in this endeavor
- John 17:20-22

Resources

- Navigators http://www.navigators.org/us/resources/illustrations/items
- BiLD http://bild.fellowshipnwa.org/#/baseline/classroom
 - Survey of Theology
 - Panorama of the Bible
 - Personal Bible Study
- **Downline** www.downlinenwa.com

Bridge Illustration



Appendix

Bema

- Timing: sometime between the Rapture and the Second Coming
- Judgment Seat of Christ (Saved in Christ) 1 Corinthians 3:10-15; 2 Corinthians 5:10
- Rewards system laid out in Sermon on the Mount

See Chart of Judgments in the Appendix

The Marriage of the Lamb

- How do we know the bride is the invisible church?
 John 3:29; Ephesians 5:25-32
 - The church is regarded as the virgin bride in 2 Corinthians 11:2
 - The bride will return with Christ at the Second Coming

The Marriage of the Lamb

- Why not Israel?
 - In contrast, when Israel is mentioned as "wife" in the O. T., its use is in the context of the unfaithful wife. (Hosea 2:2, 16, 19)
 - O. T. saints experience resurrection after Christ returns to earth. (Daniel 12:1-2)
 - The nation of Israel has yet to be regenerated.

The Invitation to the Wedding Feast

- "He" The angel speaking to John is the same angel that guided him through the destruction of Babylon.
- Revelation 19:10 The angel swiftly corrects John when he falls down to worship.
- Describes himself as a "fellow servant" (fellow slave).
- Angel of the Lord: Captain of the Lord's Army
 - Speaks with authority as only God can
 - Such as in Revelation 1:17-18 "I am the first and the last"
- Unfallen angel will rebuke men that fall down to worship

The Invitation to the Wedding Feast

- Who is invited to the Wedding Feast?
 - The bride is already there and not a guest
 - O.T. saints possibly Isaiah 25:19; Daniel 12:2
 - Dependent on timing of resurrection and feast during the Millennial Kingdom
 - Tribulation Saints martyrs and living

Not All Saints Have the Same Program

- An incorrect notion in the church is that all saints are the same.
- God has different programs for different groups of saints.
 - Israel as a nation vs. those in Israel who believe
 - Gentile believers in the O. T. vs. the Church Age gentiles
- Not so much a different blessing as it is being part of different programs in God's overall plan.
 - Each has its particular advantages and particular place in the divine program.

Why Does Satan Want to Kill the Jews?

- Hitler, Islam, etc.
- Why is the Anti-Christ so fixated on the destruction of the Jews?
 - Israel's national regeneration is the linchpin to the return of Christ.

Battle for Judah and Jerusalem

- Instead of moving his forces to counter the assault on Babylon, the Anti-Christ moves them to Judah and Jerusalem.
- All the armies of the world will be against Israel.
- Fighting will be house to house.
- The forces of the Anti-Christ will take heavy casualties.
- The Jews in Jerusalem will gain divine strength.
- The feeble will have the strength of David.

The Fall of Jerusalem

- Ultimately, Jerusalem will fall.
 - Houses will be sacked.
 - The women of the city will be violated.
 - Half the inhabitants of Jerusalem will be taken captive.
 - Half will be held in Jerusalem (disposition is unknown).
- The Anti-Christ will then move his force to Bozrah (in southern Jordan) and lay siege to the city.
- White horse symbolic of victory over one's enemy
- Faithful and true
- He judges and makes war
 - A current trend in many western churches and secularists is to discount the coming judgment.
 - Scripture that outlines judgment cannot be overlooked to focus only on the love of God.
 - Actions accepting or rejecting Christ has consequences

- His eyes are like a flame of fire Suggests piercing judgment of sin that takes everything into account.
- Many diadems crowns
 - The crowns of a ruler/authority
 - Answers the question "Who has the right to rule?"
 - See Matthew 28:18 All authority in heaven and on earth has been granted to me.

- Robe dipped in blood blood of His enemies. Reinforces coming judgment. Isaiah 63:2-3; Revelation 14:20
- Word of God John 1:1

Armies

- At least two
- Army of Angels (Matthew 16:27)
- They will gather the elect from the four corners of the earth (Mark 13:27)
- The Bride of Christ the church
- Will not engage in the battle

- From His mouth comes a sharp sword
 - Long like a javelin, for piercing
 - Symbolic of His authoritative word (2 Thessalonians 2:8)
- Iron rod absolute rule
- The wine press of the fierce wrath of God indication of how awful the impending judgment will be (Matthew 24:30)

3 names used for Christ
1. Name only known by Him
2. The Word of God
3. King of kings and Lord of lords

- All birds
 - Common on the battlefields of WW1 and early historical battles to have vultures and other animals eat the unburied
 - However, nothing as the magnitude described in Revelation
- The list of those to be killed
 - All who oppose the Christ total annihilation
 - Only faithful believers will be left at the end
- The armies of the Anti-Christ are assembled which include the armies of the nations

Battle from Bozrah to Kidron Valley

Who is this who comes from Edom, with garments of glowing colors from Bozrah, this One who is majestic in His apparel, marching in the greatness of His strength? "It is I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save."² Why is Your apparel red, and Your garments like the one who treads in the wine press? ³ "I have trodden the wine trough alone, and from the peoples there was no man with Me. I also trod them in My anger and trampled them in My wrath; and their lifeblood is sprinkled on My garments, and I stained all My raiment." Isaiah 63:1-3 (NASB)

Battle from Bozrah to Kidron Valley

- Very little is mentioned considering the historical significance
- "The battle of the great day of Almighty God" (Revelation 16:14)
- Beast is killed by Christ
 - Scripture suggests it is quick and at Bozrah
 - "How" is described in 2 Thessalonians 2:8
 - The condition of the body is outlined in Habakkuk 3:13
- The Beast's body is not buried (Isaiah 14:16-21, specifically 20)

Battle from Bozrah to Kidron Valley

- The Beast is cast into the lake of fire "alive"
 - Resurrection must happen prior 1st of the 2nd resurrection
 - First to enter the final hell "lake of fire"
- After the Beast and the False Prophet are seized, the battle continues
- The campaign of Armageddon stretches for 200 miles

 100 miles from Jerusalem to Bozrah
 100 miles from Bozrah to Kidron Valley (Valley of Jehoshaphat)

Chart of Judgments

Judgment	Time	Place	Persons	Basis	Results	Scripture
Believer's Works	Between Rapture and Second Coming	Bérna of Christ	Believers in Christ	Works and walk of the Christian life	Rewards or loss of rewards	1 Gas. 3:10-15; 2 Gas. 5:10
Old Testa- ment Saints	End of Tribulation/ Second Coming		Believen in Old Testa- ment Times	Faith in God	Rewards	Dan. 12:1-3
Titibulation Saints	End of Tribulation/ Second Coming		Believens of Tribulation period	Faith in and faithfulness to Christ	Reign with Christ in the Millenniam	Res. 20:4-6
Living Jews	End of Tribulation/ Second Coming	Wildomess	Jews who survive the Tribulation	Faith in Christ	Believen enter kingdom; rebels are purged	Eack. 20:34-38
Living Genetiles	End of Tribulation/ Second Coming	Valley of Jehoshaphar	Gentiles who survive the Tribulation	Faith in Christ as proved by works	Believens enter kingdom; other to the lake of fire	Joel 3:1-2; Mart. 25:31-46
Senan and Fallen Angela	End of Millennium		Satan and those angels who follow him	Allegiance to Satan's counterficit system	Lake of fire	Marz. 25:41; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6; Res. 20:10
Unarved People	End of Millennikam	Before the Great White Throne	Unbelievers of all time	Rejection of God	Lake of fire	Rev. 20:11-15

(Ryrie, BT. 516)

Views of Prophecy THE RAPTURE



DIFFERENCES - THE RAPTURE AND THE 2ND COMING

The Rapture

KEY VERSES | JOHN 141-3; 1 COR. 15:50-34; 1 THESS. 413-17

- 1. Imminent. No "signs' precede.
- 2. Received of believers, both living and dead.
- 3. Saints are 'caught up.
- 4. Christ comes to claim His bride.
- 5. Brings a message of comfort and hope.
- 6. A mystery: not revealed in the Old Testament.
- 7. Apparently the judgment seat of Christ follows.
- 8. Creation unchanged. Earthly curse remains.
- 9. Sudden: instantly occurs. Involves believers only.

10. Expectation of the church.

The Second Coming

KEY VERSES : ZECH. 14:1-11; MATT. 24:29-44; REV. 19:11-21

- 1. Not imminent. Preceded by "signs".
- 2. The appearance of the Son of God.
- 3. Christ returns with the saints.
- 4. Christ returns with Ilia bride.
- 5. Brings a message of judgment.
- 6. No reystery: clearly revealed in both testamenta.
- 7. Israel and the Gentiles are judged (sheep it goats).
- 8. Creation changed. Earthly curse removed.
- Comes as a result of worldwide military campaign. Involves the world.
- 10. Expectation of believing larael.

(Final State of the Unsaved)

Their Habitation

After their judgment, the unsaved will be cast into the lake of fire (Rev. 20:15) or hell (Matt. 10:28; 23:33), a place originally prepared for Satan and his angels (demons) (25:41). Hell is described as a place of fire (Mark 9:43; Rev. 20: 15), darkness (2 Peter 2:17; Jude 13), weems (Mark 9:48), and the awareness of God's absence (Matt. 7:23; 2 Thess. I:9; cp. Matt. 27:46). Since the Beast, the False Prophet, and Satan will be cast into the lake of fire before the dissolution of the present universe (Rev. 19:20, 20:10; 2 Peter 3: 10), hell must have existed before this event and will be divinely preserved from this universal dissolution.

Their Experience

The unsaved in hell will experience various kinds of mental and sensuous torments, including unfulfilled desires, loneliness, hopelessness, and restlessness. There will be conscious suffering and torment (Rev. 14:10-11; Rom. 2:8-9), crying and gnashing of teeth (Matt. 13:42), stark loneliness (2 Thess. 1:9), shame and contempt (Dan. 12:2), utter ruin (Matt. 10:28), and the terror of endless darkness (Jude 13). There appears to be no social communication with others in hell. There will only be the terrible experience of God's perpetual wrath (Rev. 14:10-11: Rom. 9:22) and the sense of His utter abandonment (Matt. 7:23).

(Barackman, PCE 475-76)

Intermediate State of Man Between Death and Resurrection

(taken from I. Jensen, 1-2 Thessalonians Study Guide, 55)



Alas, you who are longing for the day of the LORD, for what purpose will the day of the LORD be to you? It will be darkness and not light; ¹⁹ As when a man flees from a lion and a bear meets him, or goes home, leans his hand against the wall and a snake bites him. ²⁰ Will not the day of the LORD be darkness instead of light, even gloom with no brightness in it?

Amos 5:18-20 (NASB)

For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night. ³ While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape. ⁴ But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day would overtake you like a thief; ⁵ for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness... 1 Thessalonians 5:2-5 (NASB)

Purpose of the Tribulation, p. 259

- a. Completes the "time of the Gentiles"
- b. Prepares Israel for restoration (repent)

"And I will bring the third part through the fire, refine them as silver is refined, and test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name, and I will answer them; I will say, 'They are My people,' and they will say, 'The LORD is my God.""

Zechariah 13:9 (NASB)

Three References to Women in Revelation

- 1. The woman (mother) in chapter 12 is Israel.
- 2. The harlot in chapter 17 is Ecclesiastic Babylon.
- 3. The bride in chapter 19 is the church (church age saints).

"Those who see you will gaze at you, they will ponder over you, saying, 'Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms, ¹⁷ who made the world like a wilderness and overthrew its cities, who did not allow his prisoners to go home?' ¹⁸ All the kings of the nations lie in glory, each in his own tomb."

Isaiah 14:16-18 (NASB)

"But you have been cast out of your tomb like a rejected branch, clothed with the slain who are pierced with a sword, who go down to the stones of the pit like a trampled corpse. ²⁰ You will not be united with them in burial, because you have ruined your country, You have slain your people. May the offspring of evildoers not be mentioned forever.²¹ Prepare for his sons a place of slaughter because of the iniquity of their fathers. They must not arise and take possession of the earth and fill the face of the world with cities."

Isaiah 14:19-21 (NASB)

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