

Understanding the
BOOK
of
REVELATION

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As you take this class always remember we are here to help you, serve you, and lead you. We pray that our Lord will richly bless you through this class.

Sincerely,

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Lesson 1

Introduction To The Book Of Revelation

Part I

Introduction:

A. The Author of the Book of Revelation

1. We know that God is the author of all of the Bible, however God used the _____ to pen the words of this Book.
2. **John** was alone on the Island of _____ when God used him to pen the book in _____.

B. Promises from the Book of Revelation

1. As we embark upon studying The Book of Revelation we see that we are promised several things in dealing with Revelation.
2. Revelation 1:3, "Blessed is he that **readeth**, and they that **hear** the words of this prophecy, and **keep** those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."
3. Here is a three-fold promise of God dealing with The Book of Revelation. Let's notice these promises:
 - a. "Blessed is he that _____..."
 - b. "...blessed are they that _____ the words of this prophesy..."
 - c. "...blessed are they which _____ those things which are written therein..."

C. People's Views of the Book of Revelation

1. Many good people think that they should not read The Book of Revelation because:
 - a. They cannot _____ it. (God said to read it; He did not say to understand it.)
 - b. They say it was written in _____. (The Holy Spirit is our teacher, and it is His job to reveal the truth of the Scriptures.)
 - c. They say it is too deep.
 - 1.) Again, may I remind you, Who our Teacher is.
 - 2.) God wants you to learn His Word more than you want to learn it.
 - 3.) Therefore, if you put forth a sincere effort to learn His

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Word, He will make sure that you learn it.

- 4.) You even have a private tutor called, _____.
2. Many other sincere people do not enjoy hearing The Book of Revelation because...
- a. They say it scares them.
 - i. The Book of Revelation was given to us to bless us, not scare us.
 - ii. The Bible tells us that God has not given us the spirit of fear but of power and of love and of a sound mind.
 - b. They say it confuses them. (The Bible says that God is not the author of confusion.)
 - c. They say it is boring.
 - i. Being bored is a state of mind that leads to a physical position.
 - ii. None of the Word of God is boring.
3. Many other people say they cannot keep the _____ in the Book of Revelation because...
- a. They say, "It is too hard."
 - b. The word *keep* means "to guard with care."
 - c. God will bless those who study or observe Revelation.
 - d. They say, "It will be difficult to remember."
 - e. The Holy Spirit will bring the Word of God back to our remembrance.
 - f. God says, "Blessed are those who read, hear, and keep, the word of this book." So we should:
 - i. _____.
 - ii. _____.
 - iii. _____.

Doctrine Taught in the Book of Revelation:

- I. THE DOCTRINE OF _____
- A. The most important doctrine of all is the Doctrine of Authority.
 - B. The Word of God is the _____ for the human race.

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- C. We are to live and die by the Word of God.
- D. In Revelation, you will find the "Word" mentioned **15** times.
- E. The first mention of the "Word" is in Revelation 1:2.
Revelation 1:2, "Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw."
- F. John was banished by the Roman Emperor to the Isle of Patmos because of the testimony of the Word of God.
Revelation 1:9, "I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ."
- G. Notice the testimony of "the book."
Revelation 5:2, "And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice. Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?"
- H. It is a little book with _____.
Revelation 10:9, "And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey."
- I. Notice the danger of adding to the Word of God.
1. We hold in our hand the preserved Word of God given to us in the form of the _____.
 2. The American Standard Version, the New International Version, the Living Bible, the New King James and all other "versions" of the Bible are NOT proper translations.
 3. God gives strong warning to those who would add or take away from this book.
Revelation 22:18-19 "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book. If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book."
- J. When God mentions "this book," He is talking about the individual Book of Revelation and it also applies to the entire Word of God.
- K. People who tamper with the Word of God also destroy many other innocent people who are woefully ignorant.

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Hosea 4:6, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shall be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children."

- L. When a person rejects knowledge it will influence and have an effect on others.
- M. When a "theologian" decides to change God's Word because he thinks he can do a better job than the Holy Spirit has already done, countless of people are destroyed because of a lack of knowledge.
- N. Let's read it, hear it, and keep it, but _____.
 - 1. Thank God for the godly men of God who preach it like God gave it and not water it down or change it.
 - 2. Thank God for the godly Sunday School teachers who teach it like God gave it and not water it down or change it.
 - 3. Thank God for the Godly Christians who read it, hear it, keep it and don't try to excuse it away or change it.
- O. GOD SAID WHAT HE MEANT AND MEANT WHAT HE SAID!

II. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

- A. *God* occurs 110 times in the 22 chapters of Revelation.
- B. Any doctrine that would occur 110 times in 22 chapters must be important.
- C. As we read and study Revelation you will be in awe of His almighty power and you will be reminded of the words of Isaiah, "Behold your God!"
- D. In the Book of Revelation we read:

Revelation 1:1, "The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him."

Revelation 1:2, "Who bare record of the Word of God."

Revelation 1:6, "And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father."

Revelation 2:7, "Which is in the midst of the paradise of God."
- E. The Book of Revelation is needed to correctly establish the theology on the Doctrine of God.

III. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

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- A. In Revelation 1:1, the very first line gives the theme for The Book of Revelation, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ."
- B. In The Book of Revelation, Jesus Christ reveals Himself even as He revealed Himself to Saul on the Damascus Road.
- C. The word **revelation** means "**unveiling, uncovering, presentation, appearing, coming**" (As in a great performance the curtain is pulled and the star is unveiled.)
- D. In The Book of Revelation Jesus reveals Himself to us.
- E. In The Book of Revelation Jesus reveals His _____.
Revelation 1:5, "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth."
- F. Revelation 1:5 reminds us of what Jesus said about Himself in John 14:6.
John 14:6, "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."
- G. Only through receiving Christ as Saviour can a person go to Heaven.
- H. It is not Him and...
1. ...baptism
2. ...keeping the 10 commandments
3. ...attending church
4. ...being good
5. ...keeping the sacraments
6. ...speaking in tongues
7. ...confessing your sins to another man
- I. IT IS CHRIST AND CHRIST ALONE!
- J. HE IS THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD!
- K. HE IS THE _____!
Revelation 1:8, "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, which is to come, the Almighty."
1. He was, is, and will be.
2. He is the "A", the "Z", and everything in the middle - "Alpha and Omega"
3. He is the Eternal One - "...the beginning and the ending..."

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4. He is the One in Whom is found no change, variableness or shadow of turning.
5. He is the same yesterday, today, and forever.
6. He is forever present.
7. He is the "...I am...", "...which is, and which was, and which is to come..."

IV. THE DOCTRINE OF THE _____

- A. The Holy Spirit is found 22 times in Revelation, the same as is the chapters of the book.
- B. The Holy Spirit is the complete revelation of the wisdom and revelation of Christ.
- C. The word *seven* means "complete."
Revelation 1:4, "And from the seven Spirits which are before his throne."
- D. The Holy Spirit is the only administrator over the church.
Revelation 3:6, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."
 1. Christ - the _____ of the church.
 2. The Holy Spirit - the _____ of the church.
 3. The Word of God - the _____ of the church.
 4. Salvation of Souls - the _____ of the church.

V. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

- A. The word, *repentance* can be found 11 times in the Book of Revelation.
- B. The one place most often pointed to is Revelation 2:5.
Revelation 2:5, "Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent."
 1. When God says, "Repent," He is talking to the _____.
 2. God is talking about the church of Ephesus, where Paul held a three-year revival.
 3. This ought to trouble us.

- C. The word *repent* appears with every one of the seven churches listed except for the church at Philadelphia.
- D. IT BREAKS THE HEART OF GOD AND GRIEVES THE HOLY SPIRIT WHEN A _____.
- E. The sin of...
 - 1. ...drunkenness
 - 2. ...ill temper
 - 3. ...adultery
 - 4. ...hidden malice
 - 5. ...gambling
 - 6. ...jealousy

VI. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

- A. The Doctrine of Atonement or the "blood redemption" can be seen 19 times in the Book of Revelation.
- B. No other book of the Bible gives such a clear view of the Blood atonement of Christ than The Book of Revelation.
- C. Heb. 9:22, "...without the shedding of blood is no remission..."
- D. There is no forgiveness apart from the _____.
- E. He is the Lamb of God that came to take away the sins of the world.

VII. THE DOCTRINE OF THE _____

- A. The word *soul* occurs at least five times in Revelation.
Rev. 6:9, "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held."
- B. Every human being has a soul that will never die.
Mark 8:36-37 "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"
- C. D. L. Moody said, "Some day you will read in the newspaper that Moody is dead.
Don't you believe it for at that time I will be more alive than I ever have been."
- D. D. L. Moody - "If I can get a man to think seriously about death for

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five minutes, I can get him saved."

I Cor. 15:55-57 "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

- E. The soul of man will never die.
 - 1. The unsaved soul will spend eternity in _____.
 - 2. The saved soul will spend eternity in _____.
 - 3. No limbo - for babies
 - 4. No _____ for adults.

VIII. THE DOCTRINE OF THE _____

- A. Angels occurs 26 times in The Book of Revelation, more than any other book of the Bible.

Rev. 5:11, "And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands."

- B. All angels in the Bible are _____ in gender.
- C. When the second person singular pronoun is used, it is always "he" or "him"; it is never "she."
- D. For the personal possessive pronoun, it is always, "his."

II Sam. 24:16, "The angel stretched out his hand..."

I Chron. 21:15, "God sent an angel unto Jerusalem to destroy it; and as he was destroying..."

Acts 12:7, "Behold the angel of the Lord came upon him and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side."

- E. The names of angels given in the Bible are Michael, Gabriel, Lucifer.
- F. In Heaven, there will be _____ and God uses the angels as examples, so angels do not marry.

Matt. 22:30, "...they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in Heaven."

- 1. IF GOD TOLD THE ANGELS NOT TO MARRY, HOW DO YOU THINK HE FEELS ABOUT THE HOMOSEXUAL CROWD?

(Read Romans 1 and find out.)

- 2. God says for a man to lie with a man it is an abomination.

Lev. 18:22, "Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination."

3. The word *abomination* comes from the Hebrew word *to-ay-baw* which means, "something disgusting, abhorrence."

G. Angels have similar features of men.

1. Matt. 28:1-5 – Identifies as angel as a "young man."
2. The Holy Spirit often called them men:
 - a. Gen. 18:2 – "men" identified as "angels" in Gen. 19:1.
 - b. Zech. 1:10 – "man" identified as "angel" in Zech. 1:11.
 - c. Luke 24:2 – "men" identified as "angels" in John 20:12.
 - d. Acts 1:10 – "men" identified as "angels" in Matt. 28:3; Mark 16:5.

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Introduction To The
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Part II

IX. THE DOCTRINE OF THE _____

- A. The word *church* occurs 22 times in Revelation.
- B. One thing the religious crowd hates and that is a _____.

1. They hate the soul winning that is taught and practiced.
2. They hate the separation that is taught and practiced.

- C. Today Christians are despising the church of the living God.

Heb. 10:25, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much more, as ye see the day approaching."

1. If a man says, "I love the Lord" but he is not faithful to church, he is a liar.
2. YOU SHOW GOD HOW MUCH YOU LOVE HIM BY YOUR ACTIONS.

- D. In order for a person to become a member in a Bible-believing Baptist Church they must first be _____ and then _____.

Acts 2:41, "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls."

1. "...they that gladly received his word..."
2. RECEIVE, his word, whose word?

Acts 2:30-38 "...God hath sworn with an oath to him...according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; ...the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption. This Jesus hath God raised up...Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ. Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart and...said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, men and brethren, what shall we do? (This is a favorite church of Christ verse.) Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the

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name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."

3. The Holy Spirit very _____ selected the words that He used.
 - a. The preposition here translated "for" is the little Greek preposition *eis*.
 - b. The Greek preposition *eis* is never used to mean "in order to," or "to the end that."
 - c. Though the word *eis* is translated "for," the translation does not mean that one must be baptized to be saved.
4. A man is paid for the work he has already done, not in order for him to get to work.
 - a. A woman is praised for her beauty, not to make her beautiful.
 - b. We are to be baptized because of the remission of sins.
 - c. Our sins have been forgiven, now be baptized.
5. As we look back to the original thought His "word" we see it is talking about Jesus' Word.
6. A person must _____ in order to be saved.
7. If someone shows you from the Word of God how to be saved and you don't receive it, you cannot be saved.

E. In order to become a church member, a person...

1. Must be saved.
2. Must be baptized.
3. Must join the church.

F. There are three steps to becoming a church member.

Acts 2:41, "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls."

X. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

A. The doctrine of creation occurs four times in the Book of Revelation.

Rev. 10:6, "And sware by him that liveth forever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer."

- B. Every doctrine of the Bible finds its foundational truth in the doctrine of creation.

(That's why we need to stay away from the Bible denying and faith-destroying theory of evolution.)

- C. Evolution:

I was a tadpole when I began to begin,
Then I was a frog with my tail tucked in,
Then I was a monkey in coconut tree,
And now I'm a man with a PHD.

XI. THE DOCTRINE OF THE _____

Rev. 20:6, "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years."

XII. THE DOCTRINE OF THE DIVINE _____

- A. God the Father
B. God the Son
C. God the Holy Spirit
D. In our meager attempt to explain the Trinity we have used the illustrations of:
1. Ice, which is comprised of H₂O (Hydrogen and Oxygen)
 2. Man, which is comprised of body, soul, and spirit.
 3. An egg, which is comprised of the shell, the yoke, and the white of the egg.

XIII. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

- A. Revelation is perhaps the greatest book in the Bible on prayer.
B. Prayer occurs at least six times in this book.
- Rev. 8:3-4 "And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand."

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- C. The sacrifice was the sweet incense mingled with blood. (The sweet incense was the prayers of the saints of God mingled with the sacrifices that ascended to the throne of God.)
- D. God wants us to pray.
I Thess. 5:17, "Pray without ceasing."
- E. John Bunyan said, "The best prayers have often more groans than words."

Mark 11:24, "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall receive them."

- F. Abraham Lincoln said, "I have been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go."
- G. Thomas Fuller said, "Prayer should be the key of the day and the lock of the night."
James 5:16, "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much."

XIV. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

- A. Several times hell occurs in The Book of Revelation.
Rev. 14:10-11 "The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb. And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name."
Rev. 20:14, "And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death."
- B. The following is a poem on hell:
Hell is the Prison House of Despair,
Here Are Some Things That Won't Be There
No flowers will bloom on the banks of hell,
No beauties of nature we love so well.
No comforts of home, music and song,
No friendship of joy will be found in that throng.
No children to brighten the long weary night,

No love or peace, not one ray of light.
No blood washed soul with face beaming bright,
No loving smile in that reign of night.
No mercy, no pity, no pardon, no grace,
No water, Oh, God, what a terrible place.
The pains of the lost, no human can tell,
Not one moments ease, there's no rest in hell.

**Hell is the Prison House of Despair,
Here Are Some Things That Will Be There**

Fire and brimstone are there we know,
For God in His word has told us so.
Memory, remorse, suffering, and pain,
Weeping and wailing, but all in vain.
Blasphemers and swearers, haters of God,
Christ rejecters while here on earth trod,
Murderers, gamblers, drunkards and liars,
All have there part in the lake of fire.
The filthy, the vile, the cruel, the mean,
What a horrible mob in hell will be seen.
Yes, More than humans on earth can tell,
There is a real place called hell.

- C. There is no use to preach on Heaven if there is not a hell.
- D. Hell is real and those who die without Christ go there.

XV. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

- A. The word Heaven occurs sixty times in The Book of Revelation.
Rev. 21:1, "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea."
- B. "...no more sea" is talking about no more death.
- C. I will live FOREVER ONE DAY IN HEAVEN!

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XVI. THE DOCTRINE OF THE _____

- A. As you read chapters 13 and 19 you will find the Anti-Christ.

Rev. 19:20, "And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

- B. The Anti-Christ will meet his doom.

XVII. THE DOCTRINE OF _____

- A. The kingdom is mentioned several times in The Book of Revelation.

- B. One of the most important verses in the Bible is Gen. 3:15.

Gen. 3:15 "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."

- C. Gen. 3:15 is fulfilled in Rev. 11:15.

Rev. 11:15 "And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever."

XVIII. THE DOCTRINE OF THE _____

- A. Remember the whole Book of Revelation is talking about "the unveiling, uncovering, presentation, appearing, coming."

- B. The theme of the book is found in Rev. 1:1, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ."

- C. All through The Book of Revelation his coming is evident.

- D. Even the closing of this book reveals His coming.

Rev. 22:20 "He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

XIX. THE DOCTRINE OF THE _____

Rev. 20:11 "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them."

- A. God is _____ in His dealings with mankind.
- B. God is _____ in all His ways.
- C. God is _____ in all his dealings.
- D. What God started in Genesis He finishes in Revelation.
1. In Gen., the beginning of time. "In the beginning..." – In Rev., the end of time. "Time is no longer."
 2. In Gen., we see God "in the beginning." In Rev., we see "the throne of God."
 3. In Gen., we see the creation of "the first heaven and the first earth." In Rev., we see the creation of the "new heaven and the new earth."
 4. In Gen., we see the beginning of day and night. In Rev., we see there is no more need of sun or moon. "...for the Lord God giveth light."
 5. In Gen., man is given dominion over the earth. In Rev., man shall "reign on the earth."
 6. In Gen., man is commanded to "subdue the earth." In Rev., "the kings of the nations of the earth bring glory and honor" to the new city.
 7. In Gen., we see "the generations" of all the people on the earth. In Rev., we see "the new people."
 8. In Gen., we see the "first Paradise lost." In Rev., we see the "second Paradise restored."
 9. In Gen., we see the "tree of life." In Rev., we see the "tree of life."
 10. In Gen., we see "the river." Which divides into four parts. In Rev., we see the "pure river of life."
 11. In Gen., man is a servant to keep the garden. In Rev., "his servants serve him."
 12. In Gen., the sentence is pronounced on man, "Thou shalt surely die," separated from God. In Rev., "God shall be with men," and "there is no more death."
 13. In Gen., it is from life to death. In Rev., it is from death to life.
 14. In Gen., the first bride is taken from the wounded side of the first Adam. In Rev., the second bride is taken from the wounded side of the second Adam.

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15. In Gen., the first marriage is performed by God in the presence of the angels. In Rev., the second marriage – the Marriage of the Lamb is performed by God in the presence of the angels.
16. In Gen., the serpent entered the world. In Rev., the serpent is removed from the face of the earth.
17. In Gen., the Word of God was added to. In Rev., the plagues of the Divine Judgment are added to the man who adds to the Word of God.
18. In Gen., men "hid themselves." In Rev., "men hide themselves from the Lamb that sitteth on the throne."
19. In Gen., the four fold curse is pronounced. In Rev., there is "no more curse, and the former things have passed away."
20. In Gen., we have the origin of Babel or Babylon. In Rev., we have the doom of Babylon.
21. In Gen., sin entered into the world. In Rev., nothing that defileth entereth therein."
22. In Gen., by the disobedience of one man many were made sinners. In Rev., by the obedience and reign of one man many are made righteous.
23. In Gen., God clothed man in skins, typifying the blood of Christ. In Rev., God clothes man in clean linen made white by the blood of the Lamb.
24. In Gen., the first Adam is defeated. In Rev., the second Adam is victorious.
25. In Gen., a garden is changed into a wilderness. In Rev., a wilderness is changed into a garden.
26. In Gen., we see the sacrifice of the first lamb. In Rev., we see the Lamb standing on Mt. Zion.
27. In Gen., man's punishment is greater than he could bear. In Rev., there is no more sorrow, curse or punishment.
28. In Gen., man weeps his first tears. In Rev., "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."
29. In Gen., man suffers in pain and labor. In Rev., there is "no more pain."
30. In Gen., the earth is destroyed by universal judgment by flood. In Rev., the earth is destroyed by universal judgment by fire.

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31. In Gen., it is Creator and creature. In Rev., it is Father and Son. "I will be his God and he shall be my Son."
32. In Gen., the earth is without form and in darkness. In Rev., we see "the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth."
33. In Gen., the heel of Christ is bruised by Satan. In Rev., Christ crushes the head of Satan.
34. In Gen., we have the first family. In Rev., we have the whole family of Heaven.
35. In Gen., the Patriarchs "found grace in the eyes of the Lord." In Rev., it closes with "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all."
36. In Gen., in the first two chapters we have no sin, no sorrow, no pain, no tears, and no death. In Rev., in the last two chapters, we have no sin, no sorrow, no tears, no pain, no death but a new heaven and a new earth.
37. In Gen., we have "void," "darkness," and "troubled waters." In Rev., we have "Before the throne a sea of glass like unto crystal."
38. In Gen., we have man made in the image of God. In Rev., we have the "sealed servants" who "are conformed unto the image of the Son of God."
39. In Gen., we have the rainbow of the covenant on the cloud of judgment. In Rev., we have the complete rainbow around the throne, the covenant fulfilled.
40. In Gen., we have the Cherubim, with the flaming sword of judgment, at the gate of Paradise lost. In Rev., we have the Cherubim singing the praises to the Triune God before the throne and Paradise regained.
41. In Gen., we see God "dwelling in tabernacles," with the patriarchs. In Rev., we see the "tabernacle of God with man."
42. In Gen., we have "every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food." In Rev., we have "On either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations."
43. In Gen., the Book ends in a "coffin," the curse of mankind. In Rev., we are told of a "resurrection," the hope of mankind.
44. In Gen., we have "and He made the stars also." In Rev., we have "The morning star" that shineth on a dark place until the day dawns."

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Lesson 3

Series Of Seven Sevens And Revelation 1:1-8

The Book of Revelation is a series of Seven Sevens:

I. SEVEN _____

This is not given here, but the first was at Ephesus, and the last in the Laodicean church.

II. SEVEN _____

- A. The first seal - "A white horse" - Rev. 6:2.
- B. The second seal - peace taken from the earth and the red horse. - Rev. 6:4.
- C. The third seal - famine, which always follows in the wake of war. - Rev. 6:5.
- D. The fourth seal - death. - Rev. 6:8.
- E. The fifth seal - martyred remnants. - Rev. 6:9.
- F. The sixth seal - the breakdown of governments - anarchy. - Rev. 6:12.
- G. The seventh seal - the seventh seal begins the seven trumpets.
The last seal is the seven trumpets and under the last trumpet are the seven bowls or vials of wrath.

III. SEVEN _____

- A. The first trumpet - hail, fire mingled with blood. - Rev. 8:7.
- B. The second trumpet - third part of the sea becomes blood. - Rev. 8:8-9.
- C. The third trumpet - the waters become wormwood - bitter. - Rev. 8:10-11.
- D. The fourth trumpet - the sun, moon and stars are smitten. - Rev. 8:12
- E. The fifth trumpet - "star falls from heaven unto earth. - Rev. 9:11.
- F. The sixth trumpet - a third part of men are killed. - Rev. 9:18.
- G. The seventh trumpet - lightnings, thunderings, voices, earthquakes, and a great hail, and still more judgments. - Rev. 11:15.

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IV. SEVEN _____

There are seven people found in chapters 12 and 13.

- A. The Woman - Rev. 12:1-2
- B. Satan - Rev. 12:3-4
- C. The child - Christ - Rev. 12:5-6
- D. The Archangel - Rev. 12:7
- E. The Jewish remnant - Rev. 12:17
- F. The beast out of the sea. - Rev. 13:1-10
- G. The false prophets - The beast out of the earth. - Rev. 13:11-17

V. SEVEN VIALS OR BOWLS OF _____

A. The first vial

Rev. 16:2 "And the first angel went and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a _____ upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image."

B. The second vial

Rev. 16:3 "And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea, and it became as the _____: and every living soul died _____."

C. The third vial

Rev. 16:4 "And the third angel poured out his vial upon the _____; and they became blood."

D. The fourth vial

Rev. 16:8 "And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to _____."

E. The fifth vial

Rev. 16:10 "And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was _____: and they gnawed their tongues for _____."

F. The sixth vial

Rev. 16:12 "And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates: and the water thereof was _____, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared."

- G. The seventh vial
Rev. 16:17-18 "And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a _____. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earth quake, and so great."

VI. THE SEVEN _____

- A. The doom of Babylon. Rev. 17
- B. The doom of the beast. Rev. 19:20
- C. The doom of the False Prophet. Rev. 19:20
- D. The doom of the kings and rulers of the earth. Rev. 19:21
- E. The doom of Gog and Magog - the last and final federation of the earth. Rev. 20:7-9
- F. The doom of Satan. Rev. 20:10
- G. The doom of the unbelieving dead. Rev. 20:11

VII. THE SEVEN _____

- A. A New Heaven - Rev. 21:1
- B. A New Earth - Rev. 21:1
- C. A New People - Rev. 20:3
- D. A New City (New Jerusalem) Rev. 21:9-21
- E. A New Temple - Rev. 21:22
- F. A New Light - Rev. 21:33
- G. A New Paradise - Rev. 22:1-5

REVELATION CHAPTER ONE

I. THE INTRODUCTION, Rev. 1:1-3

- A. Rev. 1:1 "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:"
 - 1. "The Revelation of Jesus Christ..." vs. 1
 - a. "The Revelation" means "_____."

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- b. As in a great performance when the curtain is pulled and the star is revealed.
 - 2. "...which God gave unto him..." vs. 1.
 - a. God probably gave his Son the glory because of all He suffered.
 - b. Christ will avenge His death when He comes in His glory.
 - 3. "...to show unto his servants..." vs. 1
 - a. *Servants* means "bondservants."
 - b. A bondservant is someone who _____ as a slave, but _____ continues to serve.
 - c. This is the kind of servant that God wants each Christian to be.
 - d. Each one of us ought to serve the Lord because of our love for Him.
 - 4. "...which must shortly come to pass..." vs. 1.
 - a. The word *shortly* means "_____."
 - b. There is no doubt that the things in this book will come to pass.
 - 5. "...and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:" vs. 1.
 - a. God gave this book by an angel from Heaven.
 - b. God used the Apostle John to pen the book.
- B. Rev. 1:2 "Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things he saw."
 - 1. This is the same John who said _____.
John 1:1 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."
 - 2. This is the same John who said Jesus is the Son of God.
John 20:31 "But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name."
- C. Rev. 1:3 "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."

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1. Who does God promise to bless concerning The Book of Revelation:
 - a. Those who _____ it.
 - b. Those who _____ it.
 - c. Those who _____ it.
2. The word *keep* means "_____."
3. We are to study these things because "the time is at hand."
 - a. The time is always at hand.
 - b. The rapture could take place at any minute.
4. The word *blessed* in this verse means "happy." (THE PEOPLE WHO LOOK FORWARD TO JESUS' COMING ARE THE HAPPIEST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD.)

II. THE _____, Rev. 1:4-8.

- A. Rev. 1:4 "John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;" In this verse John is greeting the churches which he is writing.
1. These churches have many things wrong with them yet John is taking time to _____.
 2. We should be friendly to all people.
 3. Here we see that John is writing to the seven churches. Seven is the number of _____.
 4. Numbers have a significant meaning in the Bible. Some examples are:
 - a. One - number for _____, unity.
 - b. Two - number for _____, division.
 - c. Three - number for the _____.
 - d. Four - number for the _____.
 - e. Five - number for God's _____.
 - f. Six - number for _____.
 - g. Seven - number for _____, perfection.
 - h. Eight - number for a _____.
 - i. Nine - number for the _____.
 - j. Ten - number for _____, testimony.

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5. The Book of Revelation was written to seven young churches. (So even young churches, young Christians can understand The Book of Revelation.)
 6. "Grace be unto you, and peace..." vs. 4
 - a. It was the _____ to greet each other with the phrase, "Peace be unto you."
 - b. John went a step farther and added grace to this for there is no real peace unless there has first been grace for our sins.
 - c. A person who has never been saved _____.
 7. "...and from the seven Spirits..." vs. 4
 - a. Remember seven is God's perfect number of completeness.
 - b. To find the real meaning of the seven spirits read Isa. 11:2.

Isa. 11:2 "And the spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord;"
- B. Rev. 1:5 "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the Kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,"
1. "And from Jesus Christ..." vs. 5.
 - a. Think of it. This letter is personally from Jesus Christ.
 - b. This letter is from the very Son of God.
 2. "...who is the faithful witness..." vs. 5.
 - a. Jesus Christ is our _____ before God.
 - b. In a trial, there is always a "key witness."
 - c. When the Devil comes to God to accuse you of your sins your key witness stands and says, "It's under the blood."
 3. "...and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth." vs. 5
 - a. The word *prince* is the same word for *ruler*.

- b. He is the King of kings, He is the Ruler of rulers.
 - c. Someday He is going to reign on the earth for _____.
- 4. "Unto him that loved us and washed us from our sins in his own blood." vs.5
 - a. That's why He suffered.
 - b. That's why He went to Calvary.
 - c. That's why He shed His blood.
 - d. That's why He died on the cross.
 - e. That's why He rose again.
 - f. That's why He sits at the right hand of God making intercession for you and I.
 - i. HE LOVES US
 - ii. I AM WASHED IN HIS BLOOD SET FREE FROM THE BONDAGE OF SIN BY HIS BLOOD.
- C. Rev. 1:6 "And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever, Amen."
 - 1. "And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father..." vs. 6
 - a. The very second that you received Christ, you became a priest.
 - b. John is looking to the 1000-year reign of Christ.
 - 2. "...to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever, Amen."
 - a. John is so excited, he said, "Glory to God."
 - b. John said, "Amen" which means, "Let it be done."
 - c. John is excited about the coming King. What about you?
- D. Rev. 1:7 "Behold he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen."
 - 1. Verse six can only take place after verse seven takes place.
 - 2. Jesus must _____.
 - 3. "Behold he cometh with clouds..."
 - a. Jesus is going to come in the clouds.

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- b. What a beautiful picture that will be.
- 4. "...and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him..."
 - a. Why will they mourn?
 - b. Most of the people that will see Jesus coming in the clouds and us with him will be the _____ who have gone through the _____.
 - c. These rejecters of Christ shall mourn at His coming.
- 5. "...even so, Amen."
 - a. John had to say, "Amen" which means "Yes, let it happen."
 - b. John couldn't wait for it to happen.
 - c. John was looking for Jesus to come at any moment.
- E. Rev. 1:8 "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."
 - 1. "I am Alpha and Omega..."
 - a. This is the _____.
 - b. Jesus is saying, "I am the A and the Z."
 - c. Jesus is everything.
 - 2. "...the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come..."vs. 8
 - a. Jesus is everything.
 - b. He always was, always is, and always will be.
 - c. He was here before you arrived, is here now and will be here when you are gone.
 - d. He has and will outlive every...
 - i. ...doubter
 - ii. ...hater of God
 - iii. ...unbeliever
 - iv. ...mocker
 - v. ...persecutor
 - vi. ...destroyer of truth
 - 3. "...the Almighty."vs. 8

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- a. Isa. 9:6 "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."
- b. He is the Almighty.
- c. No human, no institution, no government, no society, no nation is _____.

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Lesson 4

Revelation 1:9-20

III. JOHN'S VISION OF CHRIST, Rev. 1:9-20.

A. Rev. 1:9 "I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ."

1. "I, John..." vs. 9.
 - a. John did not use any flowery way to dress up his name.
 - b. He wasn't trying to _____.
2. "...who also am your brother..." vs. 9.
 - a. John wanted to be recognized as a _____.
 - b. To be called a "brother" is the highest honor of all.
3. "...and companion..." vs. 9.
 - a. The word *companion* means "co-laborer."
 - b. John wanted to be recognized as a _____.
 - c. He did not put himself above anyone else.
 - d. All the ground is level at the cross.
 - e. In our churches, we should not look up to someone who has money any more than we look down on someone who is poor.
4. "...in tribulation, and in the kingdom..." vs. 9.
 - a. John was always thinking about the _____.
 - b. Though he was on the remote island of Patmos, lonely, aged and in prison John had no complaints as he looked forward to Jesus establishing his kingdom.
 - c. While passing by the isle of Patmos years ago, Dr. Seiss wrote:

"It is a mere mass of barren rocks; dark in color and cheerless in form. It lies out in the open sea, near the coast of western Asia Minor. It has neither trees nor rivers, nor any land for cultivation, except some little nooks between ledges of rocks. There is still a dingy grotto

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- remaining in which the aged apostle is said to have had his vision. That was John's prison!"
- d. John was banished to this Island and in prison for about _____.
 - e. John was the last living apostle, he was banished to this prison island, went through persecution, was lonely and aged, yet he did not complain.
5. "...and patience of Jesus Christ..." vs. 9.
- a. John was patiently awaiting for _____.
 - b. The Bible teachings that the saints in Heaven often say, "Lord, How much longer?"
 - c. We should look forward to Jesus coming and say, "Come quickly Lord."
6. "...was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ." vs. 9.
- a. Here John tells why he was on the isle of Patmos.
 - b. He was on the Isle of Patmos, banished to this lonely prison isle "...for the word of God..."
 - c. John was in prison because he _____.
 - d. Notice why else he was exiled to the prison island of Patmos, "...for the testimony of Jesus Christ."
 - e. John testified of Jesus Christ; He was not ashamed.
 - f. No doubt John remembered...
 - i. _____ who was the first apostle to be martyred. (He was dragged through the city and stoned to death at Jerusalem.)
 - ii. _____, the apostle John's brother, was beheaded by Herod.
 - a) On the day of Stephen's death the man who falsely witnessed against Peter showed up to watch him die.
 - b) Stephen led him to Christ and they were both beheaded together.
 - iii. _____, after preaching at Hierapolis and enraging the rulers and priests who were making money off of idols was:

- a) cast into prison
 - b) cruelly scourged
 - c) and then crucified.
 - d) He enraged them because of those who received Christ and stopped buying idols.
- iv. _____, the evangelist and church planter, was slain by a sword.
- v. _____, who traveled with Peter,
- a) Had his feet tied together
 - b) Dragged through the streets
 - c) And was left bruised and bleeding in a dungeon all night.
 - d) The next day they burned his body.
- vi. James (the less) who _____ for salvation is sufficient, was:
- a) Attacked by an angry mob
 - b) Beaten
 - c) Bruised
 - d) And stoned to death.
- vii. _____ was the one chosen by the disciples to take Judas' place, who betrayed the Lord.
- a) He was stoned
 - b) Then beheaded at Jerusalem.
- viii. _____, the brother of Peter, preached at Greece against the idols which they worshipped.
- a) They strapped Andrew to a cross with cords for a slow death.
 - b) He hung on the cross for three days witnessing to everyone.
 - c) So many people were saved at the feet of his cross that they went to the governor and persuaded him to cut the

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- cords.
- d) When the cords were cut, he fell to the ground dead.
- ix. _____, that great Christian who was greatly used of God.
- a) He was in prison nine months.
- b) He was scourged then crucified.
- c) Before his crucifixion, it is said that he requested to be crucified upside down because he did not feel worthy to be crucified as his Lord.
- x. _____ preached in Greece, Rome, Gaul, Spain, and etc...
- a) Was in prison for nine months in Rome with Peter,
- b) beheaded by Nero.
- xi. _____, brother of James called Thaddaeus was crucified 72 years after Christ.
- xii. _____, translated The Book of Matthew into heathen languages.
- a) Some say that he was killed by sword.
- b) Others say that he was beaten to death.
- xiii. _____, preached in India and was thrust through with a spear.
- xiv. _____ who traveled with Paul to Rome was killed by the priest.
- xv. _____ who preached in Africa and Britain was crucified.
- xvi. _____ the great evangelist and who was noted to have loved Jesus chiefly.
- a) He started many churches in Greece.
- b) While in Ephesus the ruler ordered him to be carried to Rome and boiled to death in oil.
- c) The sentence was not carried out.
- d) He was banned to the Isle of Patmos.

- xvii. _____ died, but no one knows how.
- g. These men lived and died for the Word of God.
- h. WE OUGHT TO BE WILLING TO LIVE AND DIE FOR THE WORD OF GOD.
- B. Rev. 1:10 "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,"
1. "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day..." vs. 10.
 - a. "Spirit" has a capital "S" which is referring to _____.
 - b. John knew what it was to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.
 - c. We ought to be filled with God's Spirit every day and on the Lord's day, too.
 2. "...and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet."
 - a. We should look forward to the sounding of the trumpet.
 - b. The sounding of the trumpet is the next thing on _____.
- C. Rev. 1:11 "Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea."
1. This verse shows that God is using John to write to the seven young churches.
 2. God is using the man of God to give the churches their orders. This is always God's plan.
 3. For a church to go right they need the _____ and _____.
- D. Rev. 1:12 "And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;"
1. "And I turned to see the voice that spake with me."
 - a. Whatever voice John turned to see is the voice you and I ought to turn to see.

Gen 3:8 "And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and

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Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden."

John 1:1 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

- b. _____ is the voice John turned to see.
- c. Before we can see it we must hear it, which means we should always pay close attention to the Word of God.

2. "...And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;"

- a. Rev. 1:20 is the key to understanding this verse

Rev. 1:20 "The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches."

E. Rev. 1:13 "And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the floor, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle."

"And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man..." vs. 13.

- Jesus is in the middle of the churches.
- Jesus should rightfully _____ and head of every church.

Eph. 5:23 "For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body."

F. Rev. 1:14

"His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;"

- 1. Here John describes Jesus as he saw Him and how we will see Him one day.
- 2. "His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow..." vs. 14.
 - a. His hair white like snow.
 - b. White is the _____.
- 3. "...and his eyes were as a flame of fire;" vs. 14.
 - a. His eyes - flame of fire.

- b. Here one could see His intelligent, burning, all - penetrating power.
 - c. Here is the power to read secrets, to reveal the hidden things, to warm and search every heart at a glance.
Heb. 4:13 "Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do."
- G. Rev. 1:15 "And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters."
 - 1. "And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace..." vs. 15.
 - a. His feet - fine brass.
 - b. The nail marks are still fresh in His feet from Calvary; however, feet are colored with fine brass. Jesus appears _____.
 - 2. "...and his voice as the sound of many waters." vs. 15.
 - a. Jesus is the Judge who comes with justice being uttered with His voice.
 - b. He is _____.
- H. Rev. 1:16 "And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength."
 - 1. "And he had in his right hand seven stars..." vs. 16.
 - a. Again, the key to understanding this verse is vs. 20.
Rev. 1:20 "The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches."
 - b. "Angels" means "_____." (This is probably referring to pastors.)
 - c. It is a joy to know that Jesus holds His preachers in His right hand.
 - 2. "...and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword..." vs. 16.
Heb. 4:12 "For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the

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dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

- a. Notice the adjectives that describe the Word of God.
 - i. Quick
 - ii. Powerful
 - iii. Sharper
 - iv. Piercing
 - v. Dividing
 - vi. Discerner
- b. THE WORD OF GOD WILL DO ITS JOB IF _____.

3. "...and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength." vs. 19.

- a. Jesus is the _____.
- b. In His presence darkness flees.
- c. In His presence all is weak.

I. Rev. 1:17 "And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:"

- 1. "And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead..." vs. 17.
 - a. Over the past few years there has been people saying that they have died, went to heaven and seen Jesus face to face. These people are selling millions of books by spreading a lie.
 - b. John did not see Jesus' face, but look at what happened to him.

Ex. 33:20 "And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live."
- 2. "...And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not..." vs. 17.
 - a. There is no fear in the Lord _____.
 - b. Jesus can calm all fears just by the touch of His hand.
 - c. Those who know Jesus do not need to fear His coming. He is coming to reward you, not punish you.

- J. Rev. 1:18 "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."
1. "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; ..." vs. 18.
 - a. "...I am alive for evermore..."
 - b. "For evermore" means "Into the ages upon ages" not "through" but "into the ages."
 2. "...and have the keys of hell and of death..."
 - a. Jesus is the One who has the _____ and of death.

Mark 10:28 "And fear not them, which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul; but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell."
 - b. Jesus is the One a person must receive to shun Hell and gain Heaven.
- K. Rev. 1:19 "Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;"
1. This verse outlines the entire book.
 2. "Write the things which thou hast seen..." vs. 19.
 - a. Revelation 1 tells of the things which thou hast seen.
 - b. Revelation 1 is what we see.
 3. "...and the things which are..."
 - a. Revelation 2 and 3 tells of the things which are.
 - b. Revelation 2 and 3 are the things that are.
 4. "...and the things which shall be hereafter;"
 - a. Revelation 4 through 22 tell of the things which shall be.
 - b. Revelation 4 through 22 are the things to come.
- L. Rev. 1:20 "The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches."
1. The seven "stars" are the messengers or _____ of the churches.
 2. The "candlesticks" are the _____.
 3. Jesus is walking in the midst of the churches.

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4. Revelation 2 through 3 are letters written to the pastors of these seven churches as Jesus draws attention to the condition of each church.

Lesson 5

Revelation 2:1-8

REVELATION CHAPTER TWO

- I. THE LETTER TO THE CHURCH AT _____, Rev. 2:1-7.
- A. Rev. 2:1 "Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;"
1. "Unto the angel..." vs. 1.
 - a. The word *angel* means "messenger."
 - i. This is probably pertaining to the pastor of the church.
 - ii. Jesus was writing the pastor because no church can rise any higher than its pastor.
 - iii. The same thing is true about a Sunday School class, a bus route, a choir or anything else in the church.
 - iv. Dr. Lee Roberson said, "Everything rises and falls on leadership."
 2. "...of the church of Ephesus write..." vs. 1
 - a. Dr. John R. Rice said, "Ephesus was a city of 225,000 population at this time. Its temple of Diana was one of the Seven Wonders of the World."
 - b. Dr. Ironside reminds us that "Paul had lived there for two years, working miracles, preaching the Gospel with wonderful effectiveness, turning men from their idols to the living God, witnessing a bonfire of evil books worth, we are told, fifty thousand pieces of silver, and seeing Diana, her favorite goddess, brought into such disrepute...John himself had resided there, and ministered to that people. There Apollos had been converted; there Timothy had had his home, and according to tradition, suffered his martyrdom at the hand of a mob..."
 - c. The word *Ephesus* means "_____."
 - d. The Lord wants us to love each other.
 - e. You can love someone _____.

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- f. We are commanded to love each other, we are not commanded to like each other.

Romans 13:9, Gal. 5:14; James 2:8,

"...Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

I Peter 1:22

"...see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:"

I Peter 2:17

"...Love the brotherhood..."

I Peter 3:8

"...love as brethren..."

I John 3:23

"And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment."

I John 4:21

"And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also."

- g. In all these verses the word *love* is a verb that _____.

- h. Love is not an emotion that is felt, but rather a _____.

- 3. "...these things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand..." vs. 1.

- a. In Rev. 1:20, we see what these stars were.
- b. The "stars" are the messengers or pastors of the churches.
- c. God holds his preachers in his right hand. Thank God for this!

- 4. "...who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks." vs.1.

- a. Again in Rev. 1:20 we find the meaning of the "candlesticks."
- b. The "candlesticks" are the churches.
- c. Jesus is walking in the midst of the churches.

- d. I wonder how comfortable, how at home Jesus feels as He walks in the midst of our church?
- B. Rev. 2:2 "I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:"
 - 1. "I know thy works, and thy labour..." vs. 2.
 - a. This was a _____.
 - b. If this was a church today, I think it would be like our church. (It was a working church.)
 - c. However, there are many working churches that are not pleasing to the Lord.
 - d. There is a major difference between working for the church and _____.
 - 2. "...and thy patience..." vs. 2.
 - a. To have patience is good, but sometimes hard to obtain.
James 1:3, "Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience."
 - b. This was a working, patient church.
 - c. No doubt this church has been through some trials.
 - d. Every working church will go through the trials.
 - 3. "...and how thou canst not bear them which are evil..." vs. 2.
 - a. This church _____.
 - b. Someone said, "Sin will cost you more than you want to pay, sin will take you further than you want to go and sin will keep you longer than you want to stay."
 - c. We need Christians that will hate sin, yet love the sinners.
 - 4. "...and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and has found them liars." vs. 2.
 - a. This church _____.
 - b. This church was sound in their doctrine.
 - c. It's one thing to know the Bible and it's another thing to practice it.
 - d. Many people know about...

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...the importance of going to church, but don't go.

...the importance of going soul winning, but don't go.

...the importance of tithing, but don't do it.

- C. Rev. 2:3 "And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted."
1. This verse probably means that they have borne reproach for Jesus' name.
 2. Jesus' name has never been popular with the world.
 3. When a church really gets down to business there is going to be a certain stigma about it.
- D. Rev. 2:4 "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love."
1. "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee..." vs. 4.
 - a. Notice that Jesus spent some time bragging on the church, first, then He tells then something bad.
 - b. This is a good principle of discipline.
 2. "...because thou hast left thy first love." vs. 4.
 - a. Apparently, the honeymoon in the church is over.
 - b. When a couple gets married they have a great amount of love for each other, but if they are not careful that love will lesson over the years.
 - c. We, as a church, ought always to strive to stay on the honeymoon with our Lord.
- E. Rev. 2:5 "Remember therefore from whence thou are fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent."
1. "Remember therefore from whence thou are fallen..."
 - a. First Jesus told them what they had done wrong, then He asked them to remember.
 - b. If a person never agrees with God about their sin they will never _____.
 - c. Godly preaching from the pulpit and an honest person in the pew always brings good results.

2. "...and repent..."
 - a. The word *repent* means "_____."
 - b. So God says after you remember what you did you need to change your mind about it.
 - c. We do things because we think the things that we are doing are either alright or we are ignorant of their wrong.
 - d. Once we learn of their wrong we should immediately repent of them.
3. "...and do the first works..."
 - a. The "first works" is telling someone else about Jesus.
 - b. The "first works" is _____.
4. "...or else I will come unto thee quickly..."
 - a. Jesus wants to find them winning souls when He comes again.
 - b. Soul winning pleases God.
5. "...and will remove thy candlestick out of his place..."
 - a. In Rev. 1:20 we see that the candlestick is the church.
 - b. A church that leaves soulwinning _____.
 - c. Dr. Jack Hyles in his book on "The Church" says,
"A local church is like a franchise. God gives us the right to be called a church. Certain conditions must be met in order for a McDonald's restaurant to be allowed to keep the McDonald's sign over its building. Certain conditions also must be met in order to keep the Kentucky Fried Chicken sign over a building. If those conditions are not met, the right to be called McDonald's or Kentucky Fried Chicken will be lost. It is possible for a group of people who once were a church to cease being a church in God's eyes.

"God told the church at Ephesus to straighten up or they would not be a church anymore. They might still meet and have church services, but God threatened that they would lost their franchise or charter. In other words, they would no longer be a church."

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"There is something that a church can do to cease being a church in the sight of God. In verse five we see what exactly that it was that caused them to be on probation with God as a church. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works. What are the "first works" God gave the New Testament church to do? Jesus was going back to Heaven, and was on the mount. He met with the disciples and He gave them the first command."

Matthew 28:19-20 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen"

- F. Rev. 2:6 "But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate."
1. The word *Nicolaitanes* means "_____."
 2. God does not expect the church to be ruled by anyone.
 - a. Jesus is the head.
 - b. The Holy Spirit is the administrator.
 - c. The Word of God is the message.
 - d. The Man of God is the messenger.
 3. The word *Nicolaitanes* comes from the words *nikao* which means "to conquer" and "laos" which means "the people" or "laity."
 4. There is always a group that wants to rise up and _____.
 5. Perhaps the Nicolaitanes were in the church perhaps outside of the church, on this the Bible is not clear.
 6. The deeds of this clique were dangerous which God hates and God commended the church for hating their deed.
- G. Rev. 2:7 "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God."
1. "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches..." vs. 7

NOTES:

- a. The only way you can hear what the Holy Spirit has to say is _____.

I Cor. 2:14 "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."

- b. The Holy Spirit is our private tutor.

John 14:26 "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

- c. As I listen to the Word of God and yield myself to God the Holy Spirit will teach me and guide me.

- d. Notice the Holy Spirit is speaking unto the churches.

- e. You will learn some things in church that the Holy Spirit can teach you that you will learn in no other place.

2. "...to him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God."

- a. The "tree of life" is that which is described in Rev. 22:2.

Rev. 22:2 "In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations."

- b. This tree is for the _____.

- c. Thank God that He has made provision to take care of His own.

- d. Notice the Holy Spirit is speaking unto the churches.

- e. Again, you will learn some things in church that the Holy Spirit can teach you that you will learn in no other place.

I. THE LETTER TO THE CHURCH AT _____ Rev. 2:8-11

- A. Rev. 2:8 "And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;"

1. "And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write..." vs. 8

NOTES:

- a. The word *Smyrna* means "_____" or "myrrh" is a sweet-smelling ointment associated with death.
- b. The church of Smyrna was near Patmos.
 - i. Smyrna was situated at the head of a beautiful bay about 40 miles northwest of Ephesus.
 - ii. In its early days Smyrna was a beautiful city.
 - a) It was known for _____ and its sacred festivals.
 - b) No doubt this is one of the places that Paul preached while pastoring at Ephesus.
 - c) It is quite possible that Paul founded a church in this great city while pastoring at Ephesus.
 - 1) In many respects, Smyrna was a rival of Ephesus.
 - (a) Smyrna was not far behind Ephesus in the _____.
 - (b) Since this city is not named in The Book of Acts or written about by Paul in one of the Epistles we do not know when it received the gospel or when the church was established.
 - 2) _____ were enforced strictly through the local authorities.
 - (a) The Jews and unsaved put pressure on the local authorities to establish and enforce laws against Christians.
 - (b) It was during this time that _____,

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the friend of the beloved
John was martyred.

- (c) Polycarp was slain in
Smyrna, he was in his
late eighties or early
nineties.

- 3) Smyrna became the center of a

_____.

2. "...These things saith the first and the last..." vs. 8.

- a. Jesus was, is, and forever will be.
b. He was here before you arrived, is here now and will
be here when both you and I are gone.

3. "...which was dead, and is alive..." vs. 8.

- a. These are words of great encouragement to the
suffering church of Smyrna.
b. This church was under going _____
_____.
c. Jesus reminds them that He was killed but He rose
again.
d. The world may persecute and even kill God's children,
BUT WE WILL RISE AGAIN!

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Lesson 6

Revelation 2:9-16

- B. Rev. 2:9 "I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan."
1. "I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty..." vs. 9.
 - a. They really didn't have anything to draw people.
 - b. They had no...
 - i. ...padded pews
 - ii. ...heat or air condition.
 - iii. ...glamorous lighting.
 - iv. ...carpet.
 - v. ...rich members.
 - c. They _____.
 - d. They had _____.
 - e. They had poverty.
 2. "... (but thou art rich)..." vs 9.
 - a. They had riches that those who were not Christians knew not of.
 - b. They were rich in _____.
 - c. They were rich in God's spirit.
 - d. They were rich in the _____.
 - e. They were rich in the unity and _____.
 - f. I know many big churches that would rather trade their big buildings unity and a sweet spirit in the church.
 3. "...and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not..." vs. 9.
 - a. It's wrong to be one thing and say that you are something else.
 - b. God sees through the exterior deception of man.
 - c. God knows exactly what each individual is really like.
 4. "...but are the synagogue of Satan."
 - a. The word *synagogue* means "_____."

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- b. The word *church* means "_____."
 - c. The devil has a lot of his own churches.
 - d. A church that does not teach salvation is by grace through the blood of Jesus is not one of God's churches.
 - e. It is receiving Jesus and Jesus alone that will take a person to Heaven.
 - i. It's not Jesus and baptism.
 - ii. It's not Jesus and being good.
 - iii. It's not Jesus and keeping one of the sacraments.
 - iv. It's not Jesus and church membership.
 - v. It's not Jesus and speaking in tongues.
 - f. It is _____.

John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."
 - g. The Holy Spirit does not sugar-coat His words when dealing with _____.
 - i. The word *Satan* means "adversary."
 - ii. The word *Devil* means "slanderer."
 - h. There are two names in the Bible for the arch enemy of man:
 - i. The enemy of the church is both Satan, (the adversary) and the Devil (the slanderer).
 - ii. He is the one who is behind all persecutions and slanderers that are brought against the church.
- C. Rev. 2:10 "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days; be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."
- 1. "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days;" vs. 10.
 - a. This church was a suffering church.
 - b. This church was a persecuted church.

- c. This church was a church that faced prison.
- d. This church was tried.
- e. For ten years, this church went through tribulation.
- 2. "...be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."
 - a. We are to be faithful unto death, what a command!
 - b. God wants His church to be _____.
 - c. The crown of life has nothing to do with salvation.
 - d. This will be a special crowd that will be given to those who are faithful. Will you get it?
- D. Rev. 2:11 "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death."
 - 1. "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;..." vs. 11.
 - a. God wants each one of us to hear what the Holy Spirit has to say.
 - b. God has a job for you to do through the local church, but you must listen to the Holy Spirit to know what it is.
 - 2. "...He that overcometh shall not hurt of the second death." vs. 11
 - a. Both the synagogue of Satan and the heathen was raging against the church at Smyrna.
 - b. God gave this church a closing promise.
 - c. He promised them that they would not suffer to be _____.

Rev. 20:14 -15 "And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in The Book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

 - d. Though persecution was strong against the church of Smyrna and though an overcomer may die a painful death, he is promised that he will not suffer the second death in Hell.
 - e. The overcomer may lose his...
 - i. ...family, BUT HE WILL NOT GO TO

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- HELL!
- ii. ...friends, BUT HE WILL NOT GO TO HELL!
- iii. ...health, BUT HE WILL NOT GO TO HELL!
- iv. ...wealth, BUT HE WILL NOT GO TO HELL!
- f. God pity the Christians that make excuses as to why they are not serving the Lord faithfully.
- g. BE THOU FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH!

II. THE LETTER TO THE CHURCH AT _____ Rev. 2:12-17.

A. Revelation 2:12 "And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;"

1. "And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write..." vs. 12
 - a. The word *Pergamos* means "_____."
 - b. The city of Pergamos was even farther north than the city of Smyrna.
 - i. The city of Pergamos was known for its _____.
 - ii. It was a city known for its refinement, science and medicine.
 - iii. Many kings over the years held their residence in this great city.
 - iv. It is said that the library of Pergamos had over 200,000 books.
 - v. It was at the city of Pergamos that the curing of skins for writing was perfected.
 - vi. Pergamos was in greater idolatry than the cities of Ephesus and Smyrna.
 - a) Pergamos was known as "Satan's throne," a place where Satan dwells.
 - b) In the idol temple of Aesculapius behind the serpent on the throne was the deity of Satan displayed.
 - c) This idol was used in the ceremonies of healing.
2. "...These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges."
 - a. This sharp sword with two edges is _____.

Ephesians 6:17 "And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:"

- b. Here we see that Jesus is _____ upon the church at Pergamos.

B. Revelation 2:13 "I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth."

- 1. "I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is..." vs. 13

- a. To the church at Ephesus, Jesus said, "I know thy works."
- b. To the church at Smyrna, Jesus said, "I know thy works."
- c. To the church at Pergamos, Jesus said, "I know thy works."
- d. Looks like Jesus is interested in _____.

- e. In every case Jesus first looked at the work that the church was doing.

- i. A person can tell how much a person is _____ by how much a person is _____.

- ii. The works of a man _____.

James 1:25 "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, (that's the Word of God) and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed."

- a) Want the blessings of God - WORK FOR GOD
- b) Every deed you do for God, God will bless.
- c) A person who is not a forgetful hearer of the Word of God will want to be a "doer of the work."
- iii. The churches that are not busy doing the work are churches that have forgotten what they heard from the Word of God.

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iv. When God is talking to a church, He is talking to the born again, baptized believers who make up that local assembly called the church.

v. God is interested in what work _____ is doing for Him.

James 1:22-27 "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. But if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

vi. Let's be busy doing the work of God.

vii. God _____ a job for everyone to do in each local church.

f. The "seat" in Rev. 2:13 is describing the actual "throne."

g. This church was living, dwelling beside Satan's throne.

II Corinthians 4:4 "In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."

John 12:31 "Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out."

i. Satan's throne is _____.

ii. Satan is the _____.

h. This was a worldly church. ANY CHURCH THAT DOES NOT WANT TO DO THE WORK OF GOD IS A WORLDLY CHURCH.

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- i. Many churches today are not built around soulwinning and the preaching of the word of God.
- j. They are built around music programs, dances, concerts, movies, and socials.
- k. The drawing card to the church ought to be Jesus.
- 2. "...and thou holdest fast my name...: vs. 13
 - a. This church was _____.
 - b. They knew Jesus was the Son of God.
 - c. Where this church was getting in trouble was that they were getting worldly.
- 3. "...and hast not denied my faith..." vs. 13.
 - a. This church was straight on the plan of salvation.
 - b. No doubt they knew they were saved.
 - c. Yet they were a worldly church.
- 4. "...even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth." vs. 13.
 - a. The word *martyr* here means "witness."
 - b. Antipas was slain because he was a witness, because he was a soul winner.
- C. Revelation 2:14 "But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication."
 - 1. "But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam..." vs. 14
 - a. God said, "I have a few things against thee..."
 - b. In the church of Pergamos there were those who held the teaching of Balaam and those that held to the teaching of the Nicolaitanes.
 - c. In verse 14, God warns the church about the grievous sin that they have _____.
 - d. It was Balaam that taught Israel to fellowship with the Midianites and Israel fell into _____ and _____ with the Midianite women. (Numbers 22 and Numbers 31:36)

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- e. Since "Pergamos" means "marriage" and we have already learned that this was a worldly church.
 - f. This church was probably married to the world and its sinful practices.
- 2. "...who taught Balac to cast a stumbling block before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication." vs. 14.
- 3. At Pergamos the Christians ate the meat that had been sacrificed to idols and some committed the sin of fornication.
I Cor. 6:13 "Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body."
- D. Revelation 2:15 "So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes, which thing I hate."
 - 1. The doctrine of Balaam and the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes were different, but both resulted in ruin.
 - 2. The Nicolaitanes was a group or clique of lay people that was trying to rule.
 - 3. *Nico* means "_____".
 - a. "Laitanes" is referring to the laity or lay people.
 - b. This was a group of laymen who were trying to rise up and take rule or control.
 - 4. God said, "I hate that."
 - 5. God doesn't want a pope or any other person or persons to rule His church.
 - 6. Christ is to be the head of the church, not man.
- E. Revelation 2:16 "Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth."
 - 1. The church of Ephesus had Paul laboring in their midst for three years.
 - a. The church at Pergamos didn't have an apostle so the Lord didn't say, "Remember and repent."
 - b. He just said, "Repent."
 - 2. You cannot remember if you have not been taught, but God still holds us accountable for our wrong doings.

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3. To the non-soul winning church at Ephesus He said, Repent or I will cease _____, I will take your candlestick away.
4. To the worldly church at Pergamos He said, Repent or I will _____.
5. God said, "...I will come unto thee quickly." (That is the church.)
6. Then God said, "And fight against them." ("Them" are those that hold to the doctrine of Balaam and the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes.)

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Lesson 7

Revelation 2:17-25

- F. Revelation 2:17 "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it."
1. "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches..." vs. 17.
 - a. God wants every church to have a _____.
 - b. We ought to want to please God.
 - c. What makes a spiritual church is _____ in the church _____.
 2. "...To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna..." vs. 17.
 - a. The "hidden manna" is "hidden truths" in the Word of God.
 - b. Those who _____ God will reveal hidden truths.
 - c. A worldly person cannot know the hidden truths of the Word of God.
 - d. If God cannot trust you with His _____ (all commandments in the Bible which are seen) then He will not trust you with _____.
 - e. The Bible is a spiritual book and must be spiritually discerned.

I Corinthians 2:14 "But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned."
 3. "...and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written." vs. 17
 - a. The white stone was first used in history by the Romans to signify approval.
 - b. When Christ gives His church a white stone it also signifies _____.

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- c. Another time the white stone was used in history was among the ancient Greeks.
 - i. They used it to signify _____, days of brightness and victory.
 - ii. When Christ gives His church a white stone it also signifies the joyful days ahead, brightness in the midst of darkness and _____.
 - d. In the Olympic games, the white stone was used again as it was given as a reward to the winners with their name carved on it.
 - i. When Christ gives His church a white stone it also signifies _____.
 - ii. No church will work for God without receiving a just reward.
 - e. A black stone was given to signify _____.
4. "...which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it."
- a. No man knows your heart _____.
 - b. You know if your lifestyle is worldly or not.
 - c. You know if you are pleasing God or not.
 - d. You know if you would receive the white stone or the black stone.

III. THE LETTER TO THE CHURCH AT _____, Revelation 2:18-29

- A. Revelation 2:18 "And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;"
- 1. "And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write..." vs. 18.
 - a. The city of Thyatira is southeast of Pergamos.
 - i. This city is not as big as Ephesus, Smyrna, or Pergamos.
 - ii. The road from Thyatira to Pergamos is said to have been one of the most beautiful roads of its day.
 - iii. On Paul's missionary journeys we see that the city of Pergamos is mentioned.
 - iv. The first person Paul led to Christ in Philippi

was a woman from Thyatira whose name was _____.

- v. She was a merchant who sold purple and fine linen.

Acts 16:14 "And a certain woman named Lydia, a seller of purple, of the city of Thyatira, which worshipped God, heard us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul."

- b. This city was known for its potters, tanners, weavers, rope-makers, and dyers.
- c. The city was mostly known for _____. (Many clothes were dyed in this city and shipped to other cities.)
- d. This city had a population of about 20,000.

- 2. "...These things saith the Son of God..." vs. 18.

- a. Many times Bible preaching may sound hard, so the Holy Spirit is quick to remind us Who it is that says "...These things..."
- b. Not always is the preaching of the Word of God well received, especially if it is contradictory to our flesh _____.

Gal. 5:17 "For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would."

- 3. "...who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;" vs. 18.

- a. Fire is that which purifies the unpure.
- b. Brass is a symbol of judgment.

- B. Revelation 2:19 "I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first."

- 1. "I know thy works..." vs. 19

- a. To the church at Ephesus, God said, "I know thy works."
- b. To the church at Smyrna, God said, "I know thy works."

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- c. To the church at Pergamos, God said, "I know thy works."
 - d. Now to this church at Thyatira, God said, "I know thy works."
 - 2. "...and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience..." vs. 19.
 - a. This church was _____ and God took notice of that.
 - b. They stood for some very good things, but did not stand against anything.
 - c. This church was very rich _____.
 - d. God commended them on the social service activities and that is good, but that is not supposed to be the main service of a local New Testament church.
 - e. The main purpose of the New Testament church is to _____.
 - i. Win the lost.
 - ii. Baptize.
 - iii. Teach the saved.
 - 3. "...and thy works; and the last to be more than the first." vs. 19.
 - a. This was a _____.
 - b. Every working church will grow.
 - c. Just because _____ does not mean that it is a good church or even a true church.
 - d. A church is only a church if it is busy carrying out the Great Commission.
- C. Revelation 2:20 "Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed."
 - 1. "Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee..."
 - a. First God bragged on what they were doing, and then God begins to tell them what He has against them.
 - b. This is how _____.
 - 2. "...because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel..."
 - a. The word *sufferest* means "_____."

- i. This church had allowed sin to creep in.
- ii. It did not judge sin.
- iii. It did not condemn sin.
- iv. A person can live like they want to today in many churches and never have their sins preached on and that is wrong.
- b. Jezebel was the wife of wicked King Ahab in the Old Testament.
 - i. King Ahab was nothing more than a puppet in Queen Jezebel's hands.
 - ii. It is very obvious that God is calling some of the women in the church "a Jezebel."
- c. Jezebel was:
 - i. _____
 - ii. Out of her _____
- d. As Jezebel in the Old Testament ran her husband, these women were probably trying to run the church.
- e. It is commonly believed that she might have been the preacher's wife.
- f. In history, we have seen when women try to _____ they always get into trouble and lead those who follow into trouble.

Example:

- i. Mrs. White, the founder of the Seventh-Day Adventists.
- ii. Mary Baker Eddy, founder of the Christian Science.

I Timothy 2:11-12 "Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not a woman to teach, not to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence."

I Corinthians 14:34-35 "Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if they will learn any thing, let them ask

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their husbands at home: for it is a shame for women to speak in the church."

- g. You will find _____ in the New Testament.
 - i. It would be very difficult for a woman to preach when she is not supposed to speak out in a public service or usurp authority over the man, don't you think?
 - ii. This is talking about a public service.
 - iii. It is all right for a woman to teach Sunday School, but never good for her to be put in a situation where she has to be given authority over a man in teaching the Bible.
- 3. "...to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication..." vs. 20
 - a. The word *seduce* means "_____."
 - b. This woman or these women were placed in a leadership position of teaching and leading.
 - c. Churches need to be careful who they get to teach and lead in their churches.
 - d. _____.
 - e. That's why at our church a person has to be willing to sign a doctrinal statement before they can be given a position as a teacher or leader.
 - f. THIS CHURCH LET SIN CREEP IN TO DESTROY THE YOUNG PEOPLE AND IMMATURE CHRISTIANS BECAUSE THEY DID NOT WANT TO MAKE ANYONE MAD.
 - g. This was a "sweet" group of people who didn't care much about _____, but they had _____.
- 4. "...and to eat things sacrificed unto idols." vs. 20
 - a. The city of Thyatira was famous for its great Temple of Artemis, which was another name for Diana.
 - b. It is commonly believed the Jezebel was a faithful follower of the image Diana and due to her position in the church persuaded others to become followers of this false idol.

D. Revelation 2:21 "And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not."

1. Jezebel, like the church of Rome, was _____.
2. Jezebel, like the church of Rome, did not get her teaching from the Word of God, but rather _____.
3. WE ARE NOT TO CHANGE THE WORD OF GOD TO FIT US, BUT RATHER, CHANGE US TO FIT THE WORD OF GOD.
4. God gave Jezebel time to repent.
5. She had time to change her mind, but she repented not.
6. By the way, in the Old Testament Jezebel was not a believer and did not care for the things of God.

E. Revelation 2:22 "Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds."

1. A person cannot sin against the Word of God, God in Heaven, and God's people and get away with it.
2. A church cannot sin against the Word of God, God in Heaven, and God's people and get away with it.

Romans 12:19 "...Vengeance is mine; I will repay; saith the Lord."
3. Just because a person is a "religious leader" doesn't mean that they are good and upright.

F. Revelation 2:23 "And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works."

1. "And I will kill her children with death..." vs.23
 - a. A person cannot _____ and it not affect their children.

Hosea 4:6 "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children."
 - b. We are to _____.

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Deuteronomy 6:5-9 "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates."

c. By the way, this is the parent's responsibility.

d. Parents are to teach their children the Word of God.

2. "...and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and the hearts..." vs. 23.

a. A church that has no children _____.

b. God has given every church the responsibility of _____.

c. Jesus reminds us in this verse that He judges every church.

d. Let's stand the test by fulfilling the Great Commission.

3. "...and I will give unto every one of you according to your works."

(Again, we see that God pays close attention to the works of a church.)

G. Revelation 2:24 "But unto you I say, and unto the rest of Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden."

1. This is the _____ in letters to the churches.

a. In the letter to the church at Smyrna he cast Christians into prison, Rev. 2:9-10.

b. In the letter to the church at Pergamos we find Satan's throne and we find him persecuting the church and the _____, Rev. 2:13-14.

c. In this letter to the church at Thyatira we find Jezebel's teaching or what is known as "the deep teachings of Satan" or "the depths of Satan," Rev. 2:24.

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2. In verse 24, Jesus is speaking to the true believers that has not become wrapped up in these false doctrines of Satan.
- H. Revelation 2:25 "But that which ye have already hold fast till I come."
1. There were some true believers in the church and Jesus _____, the Word of God until He comes.
 2. In our day of darkness and apostasy we also need to hold fast to the truth, the Word of God.

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Lesson 8

Revelation 2:26 Through 3:7

- I. Revelation 2:26 "And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:"
1. "And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end..." vs. 26
 - a. Those who hold fast to the truth (the Word of God), overcome the world and keep doing the works of God are given some promises to God.
 - b. These promises are only given to those who keep and _____.
 - c. God wants us to serve Him until death.
 2. "...to him will I give power over the nations:" vs. 26
 - a. These shall have power over the nations.
 - b. This is referring to the one-thousand-year reign of Christ on the earth.
 - c. To the degree that we _____ now is the degree that we will _____ during the one-thousand-year millennial reign of Christ on the earth.
- J. Revelation 2:27 "And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father."
1. Jesus is given authority by His Father to _____ during the one-thousand-year millennial reign of Christ.
 2. There will be those during the one-thousand-year millennial reign of Christ who will be ruled with a rod of iron.
 3. This is a clear indication that those who are ruling shall have people under them which they shall rule with great authority.
 4. Perhaps these are the unsaved that came through the tribulation period who hate God and refused the wonderful free gift of eternal life receiving Jesus as their Saviour and Him alone.
- K. Revelation 2:28 "And I will give him the morning star."

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1. Those whom Jesus place in leadership positions during the one-thousand-year millennial reign of Christ will also be given the morning star.
 2. The Morning Star is Jesus.
Rev. 22:16 "I Jesus sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star."
 3. Jesus is offering Himself with all of His wealth, power and love to His people.
- L. Revelation 2:29 "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."
1. This letter to the people of God in the churches at the Thyatira was given by inspiration of the "Spirit," the Holy Spirit.
 2. God admonishes us to open our ears and hear what the Holy Spirit is saying.

REVELATION CHAPTER THREE

- IV. THE LETTER TO THE CHURCH AT _____, Revelation 3:1-6.
- A. Revelation 3:1 "And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead."
1. "And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write..." vs. 1.
 - a. Here again we see that the letter is addressed to the pastor of the church.
 - b. The city of Sardis was situated about thirty miles south of Thyatira.
 - c. This city was a very _____.
 - d. Sardis was the capital of the kingdom of Lydia.
 - e. The city was eventually conquered by Cyrus.
 - f. In 1850, not one human being was found living there.
 - i. The church at Sardis was _____
_____ that surrounded it.

- ii. This ancient city was noted for its temple of the goddess Cybele, which was much like the temple of Diana at Ephesus.
- 2. "...These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars..." vs. 1.
 - a. In Revelation 1:20 we learned that the seven stars are the angels.
 - b. The angels were the messengers or the pastors of the churches.
 - c. Here we see that there is a close association between the _____.
 - d. The most important thing for a pastor to have is _____.
 - e. I'm for every pastor having...
 - i. ...education.
 - ii. ...administrative abilities.
 - iii. ...counseling skills.
 - f. However, the most important thing is for a pastor to _____.
 - g. Some Bible scholars believe that these are the seven spirits listed in Isaiah 11:2.

Isaiah 11:2 "And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord."

 - i. The Spirit of the Lord
 - ii. The Spirit of wisdom
 - iii. The Spirit of understanding
 - iv. The Spirit of counsel
 - v. The Spirit of might
 - vi. The Spirit of knowledge
 - vii. The Spirit of the fear of the Lord.
 - h. It does not matter what state a church is in, the Lord has adequate power to meet every need.
 - i. Jesus holds the seven Spirits and the pastors in His hand.

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- j. The work of the Lord is the Lord's.
- 3. "...I know thy works..." vs. 1
 - a. To the church at Ephesus, God said, "I know thy works."
 - b. To the church at Smyrna, God said, "I know thy works."
 - c. To the church at Pergamos, God said, "I know thy works."
 - d. To the church at Thyatira, God said, "I know thy works."
 - e. Now again we see to the church at Sardis, God said, "I know thy works."
 - f. You can't help but see that God is very interested in the work that a church does.
- 4. "...that thou hast a name that thou livest and art dead." vs. 1
 - a. This church had a _____ but now it was _____.
 - b. No doubt at one time this church was a...
 - i. ...soulwinning church.
 - ii. ...giving church.
 - iii. ...separated church.
 - iv. ...loving church.
 - v. ...caring church.
 - vi. ...Bible believing, practicing church, but now it is dead.
 - c. It is a sad thing when a church chooses to die.
 - d. God knew the church was dead, though it may have looked good on the outside it was dead on the inside.
 - e. Many times we will judge a church by the structure of its buildings.
 - f. While in God's sight a little store-front building may be a greater work than a big church on Main Street U.S.A.
- B. Revelation 3:2 "Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God."

1. "Be watchful..." vs. 2
 - a. A church that is _____ is a dead church.
 - b. A watchful person is not asleep.
 - c. A watchful person is alive and alert.
 - d. Charles Spurgeon has this comment on verse 2.

"Have you ever read The Ancient Mariner? I dare say you thought it one of the strangest imaginations ever put together, especially that part where the old mariner represents the corpses of dead men rising up to man the ship; dead men pulling the rope; dead men at the oars; dead men steering; dead men spreading the sails! I thought what a strange idea, and yet I have lived to see that. I have gone into churches where there was a dead man in the pulpit, a dead man reading the notices, a dead man singing, a dead man taking a collection, and the pews were filled with the same."
2. "...and strengthen the things which remain that are ready to die..." vs. 2
 - a. There was only a little spirituality left in the church at Sardis and it was dying fast.
 - b. Therefore, the assembly was admonished to "_____."
 - c. Every dying church can be salvaged.
 - d. God does not want any church to die and no church should desire to die.
 - e. When a church starts to die, the congregation should quickly strengthen the things which remain.
 - f. A dead church is a mockery of our living God.
3. "...for I have not found thy works perfect before God..." vs. 2
 - a. The word *perfect* means "mature."
 - b. The members of this church were not doing the mature work of the Lord.
 - c. The mature work is:
 - i. _____
 - ii. Praying

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- iii. _____
 - iv. Bible Study
 - v. Giving _____
 - d. We need to be busy obeying what God says and not always trying to come up with new things.
- C. Revelation 3:3 "Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee."
- 1. "Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent..." vs. 3
 - a. This church like the church at Ephesus is admonished to "remember."
 - b. This was a church that knew what was right. They had received truth, but had left it.
 - c. There was a day when this church was well pleasing to God.
 - 2. "...If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee." vs. 3
 - a. We ought to be busy every day _____.
 - b. Chorus: "O, I Want to See Him"
O, I want to see Him, look upon his face,
There to sing forever of his saving grace.
On the streets of glory let me lift my voice;
Cares all past, home at last, ever to rejoice.
- D. Revelation 3:4 "Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy."
- 1. "Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments..." vs. 4
 - a. In the church at Sardis there were only a few left who loved God, came faithfully to church, went soul winning, tithed and gave offerings, and obeyed the Lord in His leading in Christian service.

- b. The best thing that could ever happen to a dead church is for the _____.
 - c. If a church does not have at least a few people that want to obey God it then chooses to die.
 - d. A person ought not to stay in a dead church just because grandma is in it.
2. "...and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy." vs. 4
- a. The color white represents purity.
 - i. A person is only made pure by receiving Christ as their Saviour.
 - ii. However, every Christian should strive to live a pure upright life unspotted by the world.
 - b. Only those Christians who walk with Jesus are pure, and _____.
 - c. The closer a Christian walks with Jesus the less they will have a desire to be worldly.
 - d. Many so called "Christians" are worldly because they are dead in their trespasses and sin. (They have never truly been _____.)
 - e. Just because a person says that they are a church member does not mean that they are a child of God.
 - f. The statement, "...they are worthy," could only be talking about those who have been saved by grace, washed in the blood of the Lamb.
- E. Revelation 3:5 "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of The Book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels."
- 1. "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment..." vs. 5
 - a. The only ones who will overcome are those who have been washed in the blood of the Lamb.
 - b. These are those that overcame by the blood of the Lamb of God.
 - c. One day, all of the children of God will be clothed in white raiment.

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2. "...and I will not blot out his name out of The Book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels." vs. 5.
 - a. Jesus is never ashamed of those who have trusted Him.
 - b. He will gladly confess them before His Father and the angels of Heaven.
- F. Revelation 3:6 "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."
 1. God reminds us that we are _____.
 2. We are to hear what the Spirit has to say to the churches and learn from it.
- V. THE LETTER TO THE CHURCH AT _____, Revelation 3:7-13
 - A. Revelation 3:7 "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;"
 1. "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write..." vs. 7
 - a. The city of Philadelphia was about twenty-five miles south of Sardis.
 - b. It was named after the King of Pergamos, Attalus Philadelphus, who was the founder of this city.
 - c. The city of Philadelphia remained as an established city longer than any of the other cities that John named. (This was also the last Christian city to surrender to the Turks.)
 - d. The word *Philadelphia* means "_____."
 - e. A good characteristic of every church ought to be that of brotherly love.

Eph. 2:19 "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and the household of God;"

John 13:35 "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another."
 - f. This church of believers _____.

Prov. 10:12 "Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins."

- i. There is a man in the church that could be called "The Nosy Investigator." He is always trying to find dirty laundry on the preacher.
- ii. I love the man, but to be honest I think he could be a better soul winner if he just put away his little Sherlock Holmes magnifying glass and got busy for God.
- iii. By the way, I'm not a perfect preacher, but I would sure be leery of someone who is always trying to find fault.
- iv. WE ARE TO LOVE THE BROTHERLY.
- v. WHEN PEOPLE WALK INTO THIS PLACE THEY OUGHT TO SEE THE LOVE OF GOD EXPRESSED THROUGH HIS PEOPLE.

2. "...these things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David..." vs. 7

- a. He is _____.
- b. He is separated.
- c. He is _____.
- d. He is the only begotten Son of God.
- e. He is _____.

John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

When He returns to earth with the armies of Heaven, He will be called, "Faithful and True" Rev. 19:11.

- f. He has the keys of David.

Luke 1:32 "He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:"

- i. The next event on God's prophetic timetable is the _____.
- (a) When the rapture, the "catching away," of the children of God takes place the _____ on _____

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earth will begin.

(b) Those who are raptured will be at the Judgement Seat of Christ for seven years.

(c) The first 3 and half years for the Christian in Heaven will be the _____, the second 3 and half years in Heaven will be a time of reward at the _____.

(d) When the rapture takes place, those who have never received Christ will be _____.

(e) The first 3 and half years for those left behind on earth will be called the Tribulation period.

(f) The second 3 and half years for those left behind on earth some call the Great Tribulation Period.

(g) It is all going to be quite bad, as we will study later.

ii. After _____ seven years on earth and in Heaven is complete, the Lord will return with the armies of Heaven, defeat the enemies of Christ and will reign on the throne of David for 1000 years.

iii. This is _____.

3. "...he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth." vs 7

a. God reminds them that He is the One who opens and shuts the doors.

i. A door that God opens no man can shut.

ii. A door that God shuts no man can open.

b. No human enemy can bother a church when God keeps the doors open.

c. When God desires He can withdraw His power from a church and shut the doors.

Lesson 9

Revelation 3:8-15

- B. Revelation 3:8 "_____": behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name."
1. "I know thy works..." vs. 8
 - a. Now to the church at Philadelphia, God said, "I know thy works."
 - b. Again, we are reminded that God is very interested in the work that a church is doing.
 - c. The church at Philadelphia is the second church of the seven churches that _____.
 - d. Smyrna was the other church that was not rebuked by God.
 2. "...behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it..." vs8
 - a. Let's notice why God allowed this church to keep the door open.
 - i. "...for thou hast little strength." vs. 8 (This was probably said because it was a small church.)
 - ii. "...and hast kept my word..." vs. 8
 - iii. "...and hast not denied my name..." vs. 8
 - b. Many church doors have been shut because churches cease to believe, practice, teach and preach the Word of God.
 - c. It is a shame that some churches even call themselves churches today.
 - d. Smyrna was a suffering church that went through great persecution.
 - i. It went through the blood bath of persecution.
 - ii. Philadelphia also suffered persecution from surrounding _____ because it was a church that denied not the Word of God or the Son of God.
- C. Revelation 3:9 "Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make

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them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee."

1. As we studied vs. 8 we see that this was probably a small church.
2. In this verse, we see that Jesus promises that there will be a day when the _____ and worship before the feet of true churches like the church at Philadelphia.
3. God is jealous for His church.
4. The church is the _____ that He purchased with His own blood.

D. Revelation 3:10 "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth."

1. "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience..." vs. 10
 - a. The _____ is very important.
 - b. If the Word of God is stolen or kept from Christianity, Christianity would crumble.
 - c. The Word of God is the very _____ on which every believer should stand.
 - d. NO ONE HAS A RIGHT TO CHANGE THE WORD OF GOD.
 - e. When the NIV came out and our Baptist brethren endorsed it, they endorsed it in their ignorance.
 - i. The NIV leaves out the _____.
 - ii. The NIV attacks the _____.
 - iii. The NIV changes _____.
 - iv. The NIV _____ of the Bible.
 - v. The NIV _____.
 - f. The _____ has been proven as the accurate translation, if you want to call it that, for the English speaking people, that God has blessed for hundreds of years; IT'S NOT TIME TO CHANGE NOW.

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- g. THE KING JAMES BIBLE THAT YOU HOLD IN YOUR HAND IS JUST NOT ANOTHER TRANSLATION; IT IS THE WORD OF GOD.
 - h. This verse does not teach or imply that a person must keep the Word of God or do good works to be caught up in the rapture.
 - i. Remember Jesus is writing each letter to a church.
 - ii. A church is comprised of _____ who assemble together.
 - iii. These people are already saved and saved people should keep the Word of God.
 - iv. These are saved obedient people, who are patiently waiting for His return.
2. "...I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." vs. 10
- a. The key word in this verse is *from*.
 - b. God is going to keep us " _____."
 - c. No child of God will face the hour of temptation.
 - i. What is the hour of temptation?
 - ii. This is the _____.
 - d. Some believe and teach that the church will go through...
 - i. ...the first half of the tribulation.
 - ii. ...all the Tribulation.
 - e. These beliefs and teachers are not correct.
 - f. The church will be _____ and before the antichrist is revealed.
 - g. All true Bible-believing teachers and preachers teach that "the hour of tribulation" is that which is known in the Old Testament as "the time of Jacob's trouble."
 - h. Another key word in this verse is the word *keep* which means "to guard."

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- i. Jesus will _____ from the Tribulation to come.
- j. Those who have received Jesus as their Saviour will not go through the Tribulation.

I Thess. 5:9 "For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,"

- E. Revelation 3:11 "Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown."

- 1. "Behold, I come quickly..." vs. 11.
 - a. Jesus could come at any moment and it could all be over "in the twinkling of an eye." I Cor. 15:51-52.
 - b. Are you ready to meet the Lord? Is your house in order?
- 2. "...hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown." vs. 11
 - a. It doesn't say, "Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy salvation."
 - b. You didn't work to get salvation and you can't work to keep it.

Eph. 2:8-9 "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."
 - c. I believe this is talking about the _____ which will be given to those who love his appearing.
 - d. Child of God, don't let anybody steal your attention away from loving His appearing.
 - e. There will be men out there that will try to take this crown from you—don't let them.

- F. Revelation 3:12 "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name."

- 1. "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God..." vs. 12
 - a. We may be strong now, but that will be nothing compared to the future when our bodies shall be as strong as the pillars of the Temple of God.

- b. No weak sickened bodies there.
 - 2. "...and he shall go no more out...vs. 12
 - a. _____.
 - b. You will take no vacation to leave that place. (You couldn't leave it if you wanted to and you won't want to leave.)
 - 3. "...and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name." vs. 12
 - a. We will be _____.
 - b. We will be branded with...
 - i. ...God's name
 - ii. ...the name of the Heavenly city, Jerusalem.
 - iii. ...Jesus' name.
 - G. Revelation 3:13 "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."
 - 1. God wants each one of us to hear what He has to say, "...let him hear."
 - 2. Let's make our church like the church of "brotherly love," the church at Philadelphia.
- VI. THE LETTER TO THE CHURCH AT _____, Revelation 3:14-21
- A. Revelation 3:14 "And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;"
 - 1. "And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write..." vs. 14.
 - a. The word *Laodicea* means "please the people."
Galatians 1:10 "For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ."
 - b. The City of Laodicea was located about forty miles east of Ephesus.
 - i. The city was named after the wife of Antiochus II.
 - ii. Laodicea was a wealthy city.

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- iii. The city was once destroyed by a great earthquake in A.D. 62 during the reign of Nero, but because of its rich resources it quickly rebuilt.
- iv. John was used of God to pen The Book of Revelation which tells us that the city of Laodicea was a very wealthy city.
- c. The wealthy city greatly _____.
Dr. Oliver B. Greene said, "It seems strange to most people that riches and sorrow go together. It is the love of money that riches that is the root of all evil. There are a few rich people who serve God, and there are a few rich churches that are spiritual; but the general rule is that riches bring sorrow."
- 2. "...These things saith the Amen..." vs. 14
 - a. The word *Amen* means "so let it be" or "it ill be so."
 - b. Jesus is reminding the people that what He said will be so.
 - c. The Hebrew word for *Amen* is "truth" or "believe."
 - d. So when men shout "Amen" in church they are saying, "So let it be, it will be so, truth, believe."
- 3. "...the faithful and true witness..." vs. 14
 - a. Jesus is the faithful and true witness, since the day of Adam; He has never failed.
 - b. Jesus is the perfect representative of God in His _____.
 - c. Jesus is also the faithful and true witness in our churches and one day He will share His witness of all that He has seen.
- 4. "...the beginning of the creation of God." vs. 14.
 - a. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was in the very beginning.
 - b. Though Jesus is God, He _____.
- B. Revelation 3:15 "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot."
 - 1. "I know thy works..." vs. 1

2. "...that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot." vs. 15
- a. The word *cold* is the same word that a person would use to describe ice water or a cold winter day with temperature below freezing.
 - i. There are a lot of churches that are cold, and that is a sad commentary on God's children.
 - ii. The word *hot* means "burning" or "fervent."
 - iii. It would be great if all the churches in the world were on fire for God.
 - b. The Lord said this church was neither cold nor hot.
 - c. The church at Laodicea was in a very dangerous position.
 - i. They were not spiritually dead, but they were not spiritually alive either.
 - ii. These people were spiritually indifferent.
 - d. If the church was cold, it could have been shaken, slapped, and motivated to move toward the fire as a man who is dying in the cold winter storm in the woods is shaken, slapped and motivated by a friend to move toward the sheltered camp fire of an assembly.
 - e. If the church was hot, its works would have been vibrant and zealous in reaching other people with the gospel.
 - f. The church at Laodicea was an assembly of undecided, neutral members who would not _____.
 - i. They were the lukewarm, undedicated, unzealous Christians of the church.
 - ii. They were the Christians who would handicap and hinder soul winning by their _____.
 - g. The lukewarm Christian will criticize and make excuses why they don't...
 - i. ...go soul winning.
 - ii. ...work on a bus route.
 - iii. ...tithe and give offerings.
 - iv. ...support the pastor.

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- v. ...work in a Sunday School department
- vi. ...sing in the choir
- vii. ...do anything for the Lord
- h. This world has more respect for a drunk than for a half and half lukewarm Christian. (Many lost people have hid behind a lukewarm Christian by saying, "I am as good as he is.")
 - i. A lukewarm Christian is someone who is not established in truth, therefore is easily persuaded by _____.
 - ii. THE BEST PLACE TO BE IS ON FIRE FOR GOD!

Lesson 10

Revelation 3:16 Through 4:3

- C. Revelation 3:16 "So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth."
1. The word *spue* means "vomit."
 2. God says that the _____ makes him vomit.
 3. The person who says, "I'm not so bad; I don't care; I'm okay after all, I'm as good as so and so;" is in trouble.
 4. We should never become complacent and desire to settle down to the norm.
 5. No Christian should want to be the lukewarm Christian that gives God an upset stomach.
- D. Revelation 3:17 "Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked."
1. "Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing..." vs. 17.
 - a. Notice how this church described itself, this church was boasting on their riches, good and _____.
Matthew 6:21 "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."
 - b. The church at Laodicea had fancy buildings, social influence, fine fixtures, intelligent leaders, a huge banquet hall and the glamorous things of material riches.
 - c. They were very _____.
 2. "...and knowest not that thou are wretched, and miserable and poor, and blind, and naked." vs. 17.
 - a. Notice how the Lord describes this church.
 - b. The Lord said they were wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked.
 - c. This church, though they had material wealth, was _____, sick and dying.

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- d. This church because of its material wealth, prestige, social influence and multitudes of attenders was _____.
 - e. However, this church as seen by God was an _____.
 - f. God is much more concerned with _____ than what we have and who we are.
- E. Revelation 3:18 "I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see."
- 1. "I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich..." vs 18
 - a. Gold that is purified by fire points to the divine _____.
 - b. Without the riches of God's grace every man is truly miserable.
 - 2. "...and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear..." vs. 18
 - a. The white raiment is the _____.
Rev. 19:8 "And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints."
 - b. This is not talking about the righteousness of Christ, but the right acts of a Christian.
 - c. A Christian who is completely surrendered to God will want to _____, even in the clothing area.
 - d. Notice how nakedness is revealed as God describes a nation as a lady:
Isaiah 47:1-3 "Come down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon, sit on the ground: there is no throne, O daughter of the Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called tender and delicate. Take the millstones, and grind meal: uncover thy locks, make bare the leg, uncover the thigh, pass over the rivers. Thy nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, thy shame

shall be seen: I will take vengeance, and I will not meet thee as a man."

3. "...and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see."
vs. 18

- a. Eyesalve is the _____
to heal their eyes so they can see.
- b. Eyesalve hurts, takes a person's vision away and then it heals.

- F. Revelation 3:19 "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent."

1. "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten..." vs. 19

- a. When a dad really loves his son, he will rebuke and chasten his son when he does wrong.
- b. A parent who does not spank their child when the child does wrong does not love the child.
- c. A pastor who does not _____
does not _____.
- d. Discipline is as much a part of love as love is itself.
Hebrews 12:6-8 "For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards and not sons."
- e. Any person who lives in sin, prospers in sin, is happy in sin and never experiences the rebuking, chastening hand of God is not a son of God.

2. "...be zealous therefore, and repent." vs 19

- a. When a child of God is made aware of sin in his life, he should quickly repent.
- b. A child of God who quickly repents will _____.

- G. Revelation 3:20 "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."

1. "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock..." vs. 20

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- a. Some people use this verse when showing others how to be saved.
 - i. They say Jesus is standing outside the heart door of a person and knocking.
 - ii. This is not necessarily an injustice to the verse, however, the proper meaning of the verse is Jesus is _____.
 - iii. It's a shame that some churches do not welcome the Son of God in their services.
 - b. Jesus wants in every church.
 - c. He could straighten up and bless a lot of churches, if they would just let Him in.
2. "...if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him..." vs. 20
- a. If the lukewarm church would just open their ears they would hear Him knocking at the door.
 - b. If any lukewarm man in the church will open their ears he would hear Jesus knocking at the church door wanting to come in.
 - c. All it takes is _____ to open the door.
 - d. The problem in most lukewarm churches is you have one or two people that want to open the door, but the majority of the people are holding the door shut.
 - e. Your job as a Christian church member is to help get the door open and keep it open by _____ in obedience to Christ.
3. "...and will sup with him, and he with me." vs. 20
- a. The word *sup* means "supper" like the evening meal.
 - b. No one can stand in the way of you, as an individual, walking with God and enjoying His sweet fellowship.
 - c. You have a personal invitation from the Son of God to have _____.
- H. Revelation 3:21 "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne."
1. This is a promise from the Son of God to you for the millennial reign of Christ on earth.

2. As you live for the Lord now so shall you reign with the Lord during His 1000-year-millennial reign on earth.
- I. Revelation 3:22 "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."
 1. Jesus ends the letter to this church as He has done to other churches, admonishing the members of the church at Laodicea and all others who read this letter to hear what the precious Holy Spirit is saying.
 2. Let's strive to make our church a church that _____.

REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR

- I. _____
 - A. The word *rapture* means "_____."
 1. This refers to the time when Jesus comes in the air to _____.
 2. The rapture is the next event that will take place on God's prophetic time table.
 - B. Revelation 4:1 "After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven, and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter."
 1. "After this..." vs. 1
 - a. This is referring to the time when physical local churches, which are comprised of born again believers, will cease to exist.
 - i. A church is not a building, rather a group of born again baptized believers who have assembled together for the express purpose of carrying out the Great Commission.
 - ii. This will happen at the time of the rapture.
 - b. This will complete the _____.
 - c. Once Christians are taken away, raptured, the Holy Spirit will _____ from this wicked world.
 - d. At this point the tribulation will begin on earth.
 - e. That does not mean that the Holy Spirit Himself will be gone, for there will be _____.

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2. "...I looked, and behold,..." vs. 1
 - a. John was amazed by what he saw when he looked.
 - b. John was like a little child set loose in a candy shop.
 3. "...a door was opened in heaven..." vs. 1
 - a. We know that Jesus is the door.
John 10:9 "I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture."
 - b. Jesus is the One who opened the door for John to step through and see the wonders in Heaven.
 - c. John experienced in the spirit what you and I will _____ at the time of the rapture.
 4. "...and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me." vs. 1
 - a. This portion of the verse proves that the present topic is that of the rapture.
I Thessalonians 4:16 "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:"
I Corinthians 15:52 "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed."
 - b. We who are looking for Jesus to come are waiting for the sound of the trumpet.
 5. "...which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter." vs. 1
 - a. Here is a picture of the rapture.
 - b. Some day Jesus will open up Heaven and say, "Come up hither."
- C. Revelation 4:2 "And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne."
1. "And immediately I was in the spirit..." vs. 2
 - a. Immediately, there was _____.

- b. John was not physically caught up into Heaven.
 - c. However, for a moment John's spirit left his body and was caught up into heaven.
 - 2. "...and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne." vs. 2
 - a. This is not an earthly throne that has risen and fallen down through the centuries. (This is the Heavenly throne.)
 - b. The throne is in the center of Heaven as a symbol of God's universal government.
 - c. He who sits on the throne is not named but is described by the stones that symbolizes his appearance.
- D. Revelation 4:3 "And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald."
 - 1. "And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone..." vs. 3
 - a. Jasper and Sardine (or Sardius) are stones mentioned in Exodus 28:17-20 as a part of the precious stones which were set in the breastplate of the priest.
 - b. The Holy Spirit uses these symbols to describe the brilliant glory of God to mortal man.
 - c. The Jasper stone symbolizes the _____.
 - d. The Jasper stone was mentioned in connection with Benjamin.

John 12:11 "Because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus."

 - i. Clear as crystal. God's holiness is untouched, unmarred and perfect.
 - ii. It is clear that Jesus was the One that John saw sitting on the throne.
 - e. The deep red of the Sardius symbolizes the _____ that was demanded by God for the remission of sins.
 - i. The Sardius stone was mentioned in connection with Reuben.

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- ii. The Sardius stone was blood red, speaking of the sacrifice of blood which points to the first coming of Jesus as the Lamb of God.
 - iii. The name "Sardius" is derived from the name two Hebrew words meaning, "behold the Son."
 - iv. John the Baptist knew who Jesus was.
John 1:29 "The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."
2. "...and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald." vs. 3
- a. The emerald was Judah's stone, it was green, which symbolizes God's eternal freshness and _____.
 - b. It was the wedding stone in ancient oriental times.
 - c. The unbroken rainbow is a symbol of God's unbroken sovereignty.
 - d. God's power, God's love, God's grace, God's mercy has never been broken.
 - e. In the Old Testament God made a covenant with Noah and placed a rainbow in the sky to assure Noah that He would not forget His covenant, Genesis 9:9-17.
 - i. The rainbow John saw was not a colorful one like we see today but one of emerald green which is very pleasant to look at with the human eye.
 - ii. It is no mistake that God created the vegetable world in the pleasant green color that never tires the eye.
 - f. All believers will meet Jesus at the _____ and stand before Jesus under the _____ to receive the rewards for our labours while on earth, II Corinthians 5:10; I Corinthians 3:11-15.
 - g. Those who are not saved, those who have never received Jesus as their Saviour, will stand before God at the _____ where there is no rainbow of mercy.

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- h. At the White Throne Judgment the unsaved will be judged by the blazing white of God's Almighty holiness. Revelation 20:11-15
- i. Not one word in the Bible is mentioned to fill space.
- j. God mentions every word for the instruction, encouragement, discipline, and growth of His people.

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Lesson 11

Revelation 4:4 Through 5:14

- E. Revelation 4:4 "And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold."
1. "And round about the throne were four and twenty seats and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting..." vs. 4
 - a. The word *seats* also gives reference to "thrones."
 - b. The number 24 occurs only six times in the Bible referring to the elders.
 - c. Most Bible scholars agree that the twenty-four elders represent the New Testament Christians.
 - d. In the Old Testament days, there were _____ on duty at a time.
 - i. As they were on duty they represented all the priests.
 - ii. The Bible teaches that every New Testament Christian is a _____, therefore these 24 elders represent every New Testament Christian.
 2. "...clothed in white raiment..." vs. 4.
 - a. We will be wearing white raiment.
 - b. Remember white is a picture of God's holiness.
 - c. What makes man holy is the _____.
 3. "...and they had on their heads crowns of gold." vs. 4
 - a. God is going to reward us for all we do with crowns at the Judgment Seat of Christ.
 - b. There will be crowns for _____, clean living, suffering, _____, and loving His appearing. How many crowns will you receive?
- F. Revelation 4:5 "And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God."
1. "And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices..." vs. 5

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- a. The throne that Jesus sits on is like none other.
 - b. The throne of Jesus is more powerful than any other throne.
 2. "...and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God." vs. 5
 - a. The seven lamps of fire are the _____.
 - b. I believe those are the seven Spirits of God referred to in Revelation 3:1 and described in Isaiah 11:2.

Isaiah 11:2 "And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and under-standing, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord."

 - i. The Spirit of the Lord
 - ii. The Spirit of _____
 - iii. The Spirit of understanding
 - iv. The Spirit of _____
 - v. The Spirit of might
 - vi. The Spirit of _____
 - vii. The Spirit of the fear of the Lord
- G. Revelation 4:6 "And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind."
1. "And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal..." vs. 6
 - a. This is not like the uncalm seas that we know today.
 - b. The sea that John saw was a crystal sea, calm and peaceful.
 2. "...and in the midst of the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind." vs. 6
 - a. These four beast could very well be the same four "living creatures" as mentioned in Ezekiel 1:5-10

Ezekiel 1:5-10 "Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man. And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings. And their feet were straight feet; and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot: and they

sparkled like the colour of burnished brass. And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings. Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward. As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle."

- b. Though there are great similarities in the "four beasts" in Revelation 4:6 and the four "living creatures" in Ezekiel 1:5-10, there are also some differences.

H. Revelation 4:7-8 "And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come."

- 1. In these two verses, we see a more detailed description of the four beasts and their duties.
- 2. All four creatures picture the _____.
 - a. The lion pictures the _____ of Christ.
 - b. The calf pictures the _____ Christ made on the cross.
 - c. The man pictures the _____ of Christ.
 - d. The eagle pictures the _____ of Christ.
- 3. Their job is to praise God day and night without rest, saying "...holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come." vs. 8

I. Revelation 4:9-11 "And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever. The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

- 1. In these verses, we see that we also join the four creatures (beasts) in singing and praising our wonderful Saviour.

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2. We also see that we take off the crowns that He has given us and _____, because He alone is worthy to receive them.

REVELATION CHAPTER FIVE

- I. THE REDEEMER AND _____, Revelation 5:1-14
 - A. Revelation 5:1 "And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside sealed with seven seals."
 1. "And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne..." vs. 1
 - a. Notice that verse 1 starts off by using a conjunction "and" which links this chapter to chapter 4.
 - b. We learned in chapter 4 that Jesus is the one who is sitting on the throne at the Judgment Seat in Heaven, so what we are about to read will take place in Heaven.
 2. "...a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals." vs. 1
 - a. Dr. Jack Hyles said, "When one had to forfeit his property because of need, there were certain conditions when a kinsman could redeem it from the one who had bought it from his kinsman. When such a deal was made, a sealed book contained the title deed to the property and was held by the purchaser. This is the book mentioned by the Lord here. It was the title deed to that which Jesus had redeemed on Calvary that His kinsman, Adam, had lost in the Garden of Eden. Thank God, Jesus has redeemed us as well as the earth."
 - b. This book sealed with seven seals contains the redemption terms of the earth.
 - c. Jesus is the Redeemer; He redeemed the soul at Calvary, I Peter 1:18-23.
 - d. Jesus will redeem...
 - i. ...the body at the rapture, I John 3:1,2
 - ii. ...the earth and all creation at the removal of the seven seals from the scroll, Rom. 8:18-23

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- e. To gain a clear understanding of what the Lord is talking about when He mentions the seven seals we must go back to the Old Testament.
- f. There were many laws and regulations concerning Israel and their dealings with God in the Old Testament.
- g. There are three laws and regulations concerning redemption:
 - i. The redemption of a _____.
 - a) If the husband died and there were no children the brother of the deceased husband was to take the widow as his wife to preserve his brother's name.
 - b) Before this could be done the brother of the deceased would have to prove that he was financially able to take care of the widow.
 - c) Jesus redeemed His Bride, the church, with His own blood, Acts 20:28.
 - d) Jesus was and is the only one able to redeem man.
 - ii. The redemption of a _____.
 - a) If a man lost all he had and could not pay his bills, his creditors could take him as a slave.
 - b) When Adam sinned he lost all that he had and we became slaves to sin.
 - c) When a slave served six years as a slave he would automatically go free.
 - d) During the time of creation God worked six days and on the seventh day He rested.
 - e) II Peter 3:8 tells us that a day is as one thousand year and one thousand years as a day to our Lord.
 - f) Six thousand years of human history has now expired.
 - g) According to this verse six thousand years is equal to six days.

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- h) Therefore it is the time on God's time table for the day of peace and rest to begin.
Rev. 20:6 "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years."
 - For six thousand years man has been enslaved to the devil.
 - The first Adam brought bondage.
 - The second Adam brought freedom by His own blood.
- iii. The redemption of the _____.
 - a) In Leviticus 25:23-25 we learn how land is redeemed.
 - b) If a man lost his property, he was taken to the judges and a legal paper was prepared which stated the terms of redemption and that the property has not become the property of the creditor and is no longer the property of the buyer.
 - c) However, when the year of Jubilee came, the land would automatically go back to the original owner and at any time prior to the year of Jubilee the land could go back to its original owner by purchase.
- h. In Rev. 5 we see these redemptions have been properly cared for.
 - i. The redemption of the wife, Rev. 1:5
 - a) The wife of the bride of Christ is the New Testament church which Jesus bought with His precious blood.
 - b) Jesus redeemed _____.
 - ii. The redemption of the slave, Rev. 4:1

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- a) Jesus will redeem us from the _____ at the rapture.
- b) When He appears we shall be like Him.
- iii. The redemption of the land.
- iv. Jesus will redeem the land when _____.
- v. This will take place seven years after the rapture.
- vi. Today the earth groans as it awaits for redemption.
- vii. Today the earth is under the curse that was brought by Adam when he sinned but ONE DAY THE SECOND ADAM SHALL COME WITH THE DEED IN HIS HAND AND REDEEM THE LAND.
- i. In the book of Leviticus a near kinsman could redeem the property of a relative if he met three conditions:
 - i. He must be a _____ of the one who lost the property. (He could not be a distant relative.)
 - ii. He must be willing to act as a redeemer _____.
(No one can force him or bribe him.)
 - iii. He must be financially able to prove that he is _____.
- j. As the kinsman would come to act as the redeemer, the priest would bring out the scroll and make the terms of the redemption known.
- k. A good picture of the scriptural conditions of a near kinsman redeemer can be seen in Jeremiah 32:6-15.
- l. Jesus meets all of these qualifications.
 - i. Jesus, the Root of David, is the near kinsman of Adam.
 - ii. Jesus was _____ to pay the redemption price.
 - iii. Jesus was _____ to pay the redemption price.

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iv. He was the _____ the redemption price that was demanded.

B. Revelation 5:2-5 "And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof? And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon. And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon. And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof."

1. Only one is worthy to open the book and that is JESUS, THE KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.
2. JESUS MET THE CONDITIONS AS THE REDEEMER AND PAID THE PRICE.
3. The word *prevailed* in verse 5 also means "conquered."
4. Jesus met the requirements of the Redeemer.
5. Jesus shed his blood, conquered death and hell victorious.
6. Jesus, the Lamb of God, as the Lamb of God, _____ of God the Father.

C. Revelation 5:6-10 "And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent fourth into all the earth. And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne. And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints. And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth."

1. Jesus in the midst of the saints, will receive the book from His Heavenly Father who is now sitting on the throne and when He receives the book the four beasts and the New Testament saints fall down at His feet rejoicing.
2. The Redeemer has come to _____.
3. This will be one of the greatest days known in Heaven as the Redeemer steps forth to claim what is His.

4. There will be rejoicing and praising the One who is worthy to take the book and open the seals.
 5. God will make us _____ that shall reign on the earth during the millennial reign of Christ.
- D. Revelation 5:11-14 "And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands; Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing. And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever. And the four beasts said, Amen: And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever."
1. Dr. John R. Rice said, "How many angels in Heaven? Ten thousand times ten thousand would be a hundred million, and add to these "thousands of thousands." That is at least two thousand times two thousand or a minimum of four million more. So there are at least 104 million angels."
 2. All of these angels joined the saints and beasts in Heaven singing and praising the Redeemer.

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Lesson 12

Revelation 6:1 Through 7:8

REVELATION CHAPTER SIX

II. _____ - Rev. 6:1-

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A. Revelation 6:1 "And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see."

1. Keep in mind that this is the seven-year Tribulation that is spoken of in _____.
2. The first half of the Tribulation will be mild compared to the last half.
3. The judgements that are under the seals and the judgements that are under the trumpets occur at different times.
4. The judgements that are under the seals cover large areas, but are not as severe as the judgements that are under the trumpets.
5. You will also notice that the Lamb is connected with _____.
 - a. The angels are connected with the judgements with the trumpet.
 - b. God Almighty is connected with the vials (or bowls) of the wrath of God.
6. In Revelation 6:1 a seal is opened with the sound of thunder.

B. Revelation 6:2 "And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer."

1. "And I saw, and behold a white horse..." vs.2
 - a. The first seal reveals _____.
 - b. This reminds us of Jesus in Rev. 19:11-16.
 - c. This is not Jesus on the white horse, but the _____.
 - i. A man on a fine white horse represents power and authority.
 - ii. Great generals were often sculptured on horses.

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- iii. In the Old Testament, the horse is often a _____, Job 39:25; Ps. 76:6; Prov. 21:31; Eze. 26:10
- 2. "...and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer." vs. 2
 - a. He had a bow in hand.
 - b. The Antichrist will not be revealed until after the rapture.

II Thess. 2:1-8 "Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him. That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition. Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped: so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:"
 - c. Three thoughts concerning II Thess. 2:1-8:
 - i. There needs to be a "falling away," literally a _____ before the Antichrist can be revealed. (This is the rapture.)
 - ii. Nothing has to happen to precede the rapture.
 - iii. God gives a schedule of events that will follow the rapture.
 - iv. II Thess. 2:7 - There is someone "who now letteth" or restrains the Man of Sin, the Antichrist, from being revealed.
 - a) That person is the _____.
 - b) The Restrainer, the Holy Spirit, _____

_____ which makes it impossible for the Roman empire to be restored or the Antichrist to be revealed.

c) Once Christians are taken away, raptured, the Holy Spirit will _____ from this wicked world.

d) That does not mean that the Holy Spirit Himself will be gone, for there will be people saved through the Great Tribulation, Rev. 7:9-14, Joel 2:28-30.

d. Then the _____ on a white horse, with bow in his hand and a royal crown on his head; he will come _____.

e. He promises peace without blood shed and calms the millions of shaken people who have been disturbed because of the millions taken in the rapture.

f. The Antichrist will come as some type of superman who will bring _____.

C. Revelation 6:3-4 "And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see. And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill another: and there was given unto him a great sword."

1. Here we see the second seal is opened which is _____:

2. The red horse appears after the white horse of _____.

Matt. 24:6-8 "And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows."

a. So, the wars and killings of our time is only the beginning of sorrows.

b. Our wars and death is nothing compared to that which is to come.

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- D. Revelation 6:5-6 "And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine."
1. Now the third seal is opened which is _____.
 - a. The white horse - a picture of "Power-Dictatorship."
 - b. The red horse - a picture of "Peace Taken from the Earth."
 - c. The black horse - a picture of "Famine."
 2. The rider of the black horse holds _____ in his hand.
 3. _____, the two grains which constitutes the bread of life, is now to be rationed.
 4. Barley produces black bread which, in Bible days, were eaten by the slaves and those that were very poor who could not afford to buy the more expensive white bread.
 5. The penny mentioned here is referring to the penny mentioned in the days of Christ.
 - a. A day's wage for a soldier or a laboring man was one penny.
 - b. In the day of the Apostle John eight measures of wheat could be purchased for a penny.
 6. In verse 6, the words "and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine" refers to the rich people.
 - a. This famine falls on the poor and working classes of people.
 - b. The rich will be exempt from this judgement, but not from the judgements to come.
- E. Revelation 6:7-8 "And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see. And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell, followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth."
1. The fourth seal is opened which is _____.
 - a. With the first seal comes the white horse which is "Power-Dictatorship."

- b. With the second seal comes the red horse which is "Peace Taken from the Earth."
 - c. With the third seal comes the black horse which is "Famine."
 - d. Now with the fourth seal comes the pale horse which is "Death."
 - e. This is not the death of everyone in the world, however, millions will die.
 - f. _____ of those who live on earth will die.
 - g. Remember this is only the beginning of Tribulation, things will get much, much worse.
- F. Revelation 6:9-11 "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto everyone of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled."
- 1. The fifth seal is opened which is _____:
_____.
 - 2. These are those who _____,
but did hear the gospel and _____.
 - 3. Then they were killed by those who hated God after they received Christ as their Saviour.
- G. Revelation 6:12-14 "And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places."
- 1. The sixth seal is opened which is _____:
 - a. With the first seal comes the white horse which is "Power-Dictatorship."

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- b. With the second seal comes the red horse which is "Peace Taken from the Earth."
 - c. With the third seal comes the black horse which is "Famine."
 - d. With the fourth seal comes the pale horse which is "Death."
 - e. With the fifth seal comes The Martyrs of the Tribulation.
 - f. Now with the sixth seal comes God's Wrath in Nature.
2. The first four seals were _____ that were brought on by wicked men and an economy as a result of sin.
3. The fifth seal was the _____, which showed man's open hatred for God.
4. The sixth seal shows the wrath of God on the earth in reaction to man's sin.
5. Notice what happens when the sixth seal is opened:
 - a. A great earthquake
 - b. _____
 - c. Moon turns red
 - d. _____
 - e. Fiercest winds and storms
 - f. Islands and mountains sink into the earth no doubt as a result of the great earthquake that is probably worldwide.
- H. Revelation 6:15-17 "And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains. And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?"
 1. The kings - those who thought they were _____ for Jesus, hide themselves.
 2. The great men - those who thought they were _____ for Jesus, hide themselves.
 3. The rich men - those who thought they were _____ for Jesus, hide themselves.

4. The chief captains - those who thought they were _____
_____ for Jesus, hide themselves.
5. The mighty men - those who thought they were
_____ for Jesus, hide themselves.
6. The bondmen - those who thought they needed another
master other than Jesus, hide themselves.
7. Every man - thought _____, hide
themselves.
8. They pray to the mountains and the rocks to fall on them.
9. They knew who is sitting on the throne, but rather than
praying to the Lamb of God they pray to the mountains and
the rocks.

REVELATION CHAPTER SEVEN

I. _____ Revelation 7:1-17

- A. II Thessalonians 2:10-12 deals with those who have heard the gospel and rejected Christ as their Saviour; These will not be saved after the rapture.

II Thess. 2:10-12 "And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie. That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness."

- B. Revelation 7:1 "And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, not on the sea, not on any tree."

1. The "four winds of the earth" are the judgements of destruction.

Ephesians 2:2 "Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience."

Daniel 7:2 "Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea."

2. _____ are holding back this wrath of destruction for the time being.

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- C. Revelation 7:2-3 "And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, Saying, Hurt not the earth neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads."
1. An angel of God comes to delay the trumpets of judgement while the saints of God who have received Christ as their Saviour during the Tribulation are sealed.
 2. God protects His own.
 3. They are protected under the wings of the Almighty.
 4. No harm can come to them unless God deems it necessary for their eternal good and His own glory.
 5. God sealed his servants by placing a seal (mark) _____.
 6. Satan will also place a mark in the forehead or hand of his followers.
 - a. Every thing God does, _____.
 - b. Those not receiving the mark of Satan (the mark of the Beast) will be killed.
 - c. We will study the mark of the Beast in Revelation 13.
- D. Revelation 7:4-8 "And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel. Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nethalim were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand."
1. In verse 4 we see who these will be who are saved during the Tribulation.
 2. God always has had, has and will have someone to represent Him and give the gospel.
 3. The 144,000 are not the Jehovah "false" Witness cult, but are _____.
 4. God specifically tells who these tribes were.

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5. The meanings of the names of the twelve tribes are interesting. Notice the following:
 - a. Judah... _____
 - b. Reuben...Looking to the Son
 - c. Gad...A Company (of)
 - d. Aser... _____
 - e. Nephtalim...Wrestling with
 - f. Manasses...Forgetfulness
 - g. Simeon... _____
 - h. Levi...Cleaving to
 - i. Issachar... _____
 - j. Zabulon...A Home and Dwelling Place
 - k. Joseph...Adding
 - l. Benjamin... _____ at God's Right Hand
6. Read down the list of meanings and you'll find the purpose of these Jews.
7. They are praisers of God looking to the Son, a company of blessed ones wrestling with forgetfulness, hearing and obeying and cleaving to a reward of a home and a dwelling place, adding sons at God's right hand.

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Lesson 13

Revelation 7:8 Through 9:6

8. These 144,000 Jews are further described in Revelation 14:3-5
- Revelation 14:3-5 "And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth, There were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God."
- a. These were _____.
- b. These _____ will preach the Word of God with great power.
9. Those saved during the tribulation:
- a. Not only will there be 144,000 Jews saved during the tribulation, but there will be people of every nation under the sun saved.
- b. Verses 9-17 deal with these converts.
- E. Revelation 7:9-12 "After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen."
1. This is a beautiful occasion.
2. Every nation under Heaven singing praising God together.
3. These people have palms in their hands singing and rejoicing _____.
- F. Revelation 7:13-15 "And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sit, thou knowest. And he said to me,

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These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them."

1. The ones saved in the Tribulation will stand before the throne of God dressed in white which is symbolic of the _____.
 2. They have been _____.
 3. They stand before the throne of God serving Him day and night.
- G. Revelation 7:16-17 "They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living foundations of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes."
- Beautiful picture of Heaven and what to expect:
 - a. They shall _____.
 - b. They shall neither thirst any more.
 - c. They _____ for they will have the Son.
 - d. They will not need heat for they will be warmed by the Son.
 - e. They will not need food, for they will be _____.
 - f. God will wipe away all their tears.

REVELATION CHAPTER EIGHT

- I. THE PREPARATION FOR THE _____
 - A. Revelation 8:1 "And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour."
 1. So far, we have seen the opening of the six seals.
 2. The judgments under the seals cover large areas but are not as severe as the judgment of the trumpets.
 3. The seals are judgments that man brings on himself.
 4. The judgments under the seals are connected to the Lamb.

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5. The judgments that come with the trumpets are connected with the angels.
 6. Almighty God Himself is connected with the vials (or bowls) of the wrath of God.
 7. The seventh seal contains the seven trumpets.
 8. Now all the singing that we read about in chapter 8 _____.
 - a. The most horrible thing that has ever happened is about to happen.
 - b. For about thirty minutes, all the choirs of Heaven gasp in horror as they stop the music for a breathless moment of silence.
 9. Dr. Ironside said, "Calm before the coming storm – the most awful storm that shall ever break over this poor world... When this last seal is broken, it will be clearly manifested then just what side God takes in all the affairs of earth. He will judge according to the holiness of His character and the righteousness of His throne. The seventh seal introduces the final drama of the Great Tribulation. No wonder there is silence in Heaven for half an hour before that seal is broken!"
- B. Revelation 8:2 "And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets."
1. These are special angels. (Not all angels stand before God.)
 2. There will be seven of these angels representing _____.
 3. Seven trumpets were given to those seven angels.
 4. In Numbers 10:1-9, you will see several things there for which the trumpets were blown.
 - a. The gathering for a _____. (When Jesus comes to rapture the church a trumpet will be blown for the marriage supper of the Lamb.)
 - b. The gathering for _____. (The trumpet is blown to gather people for war.)
 - c. The anointing of the _____. (Jesus is going to come back to earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords to establish his 1000-year millennial reign of Christ.)
- C. Revelation 8:3 "And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense,

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that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne."

1. The prayers of the saints are those who have prayed for Jesus to come quickly to set up His Kingdom.
 2. This is interesting, God _____.
 - a. This should make us want to pray more.
 - b. Every time you pray it goes on your record.
 - c. God records your prayers.
 3. In this particular case, I believe that the prayers of these saints are the prayers of the converts of the 144,000 completed Jewish evangelists.
 4. Remember the church, the _____, is already in Heaven.
 5. I think these people are praying because of the persecution they are going through on earth.
- D. Revelation 8:4-6 "And the smoke of the incense which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand. And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake. And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound."
1. After the incense and the prayers of the saints ascend up before God, the angel of God fills the censer with fire from the altar and cast it on the earth.
 2. Now the stage is set for the seven angels to sound the seven trumpets.
- E. Revelation 8:7 "The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up."
1. God will send hail and fire mingled with blood.
 - a. In Exodus 9:18, 24, 25 God sent hail to destroy the trees and livestock in Egypt.
 - b. In Exodus 9 God also sent "hail, and fire mingled with the hail..." which killed man, beast, herbs, and trees in the field.
 - c. The fire was probably from lightning.
 2. The blood reminds us of the plague in Egypt where God _____.

3. The result of hail and fire mingled with blood was that a third part of the trees was burnt up, and all the green grass was burnt up.
 4. Imagine the blazing trees, the burning grass, the fire, the smoke and the blood.
- F. Revelation 8:8-9 "And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood; And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died: and the third part of the ships were destroyed."
1. The second trumpet will bring an object that will be like a _____ and a third part of the sea became blood.
 2. The water turning to blood reminds the people who _____ over and over again.
 3. They could have escaped this awful time if they would have received Christ who shed his blood for them.
 4. A third part of the sea life will die and a third part of the ships will be destroyed. (Can you imagine, it makes headlines now when one ship is destroyed. What awful shocking headlines will be read then.)
- G. Revelation 8:10-11 "And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters. And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter."
1. The third trumpet will bring a great star, called _____ falling from the heaven as a burning lamp.
 2. A third part of the rivers and fountains of water will become wormwood.
 3. The result of this is that many men will die because of the bitter water.
 4. Wormwood is a bitter, intoxicating, poison.
 - a. It _____.
 - b. It is the bitterest herb known to man.
 5. If you remember that man tried to give to Jesus the bitter gall at Calvary. (Could it be that as man sowed, now is he reaping what he sowed?)

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- H. Revelation 8:12-13 "And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise. And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!"
1. The fourth trumpet brings the smiting of a third part of the sun, the moon and the stars.
 2. Now the earth has _____ and _____ by a third part.
 3. Now an angel in the sky and with a loud voice warns the inhabitants of the earth.
 4. The angel gives three **woes** about the three trumpets of the angels to come.
 5. It's going to get worse!

REVELATION CHAPTER NINE

I. THE SOUNDING OF THE _____

- A. Revelation 9:1-2 "And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit. And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit."
1. At the sounding of the fifth angel a _____.
 2. Notice in verse 1 the star is called him and in verse 2 the star is called he.
 3. The Holy Spirit is very clear in making it understood that this star is a he.
 4. In Job 38:7 angels are called stars.
 5. We know that Jesus has the _____.
Revelation 1:18 "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."
 6. Our Lord gives the key of Hell to an angel, and Hell, the bottomless pit, is opened.
 7. From Hell comes the plague of the fifth trumpet.

8. There are many indications that hell is in the _____.

- a. Here is another indication of where Hell is in the earth.
- b. The angel comes to earth having the keys of Hell and opens up the bottomless pit, Hell.

Matt. 12:40 "For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."

9. Where did Jesus spend three days and three nights after he died?

Luke 23:43 "And Jesus said unto him, Verily, I say unto thee, To day shalt thou be with me in paradise."

10. Where is paradise?

Luke 16:23-24 "And in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame."

- a. Until the time when Jesus ascended to Heaven after his death He went _____ where all those who died prior to his physical ascension to heaven went.
- b. This is where Abraham was.

11. At this time, there was a great gulf fixed between _____ so that the people in Hell could look over and see the people in Paradise and so that the people in Paradise could look over and see the people in Hell.

12. Jesus went to paradise, got the keys to Hell and as He ascended to Heaven, He _____.

- a. Jesus in Heaven now gives the key to the bottomless pit, Hell, to an angel.
- b. The angel falls to the earth descends into the heart of the earth, the bottomless pit, and unlocks this terrible place.
- c. The smoke from this deep dark pit fills the air.
- d. The smoke is so thick that it darkens the sun and the air.

B. Revelation 9:3-4 "And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth

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have power. And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads."

1. Out of the pit of Hell ascends smoke and locusts which have the _____.
2. Normally locusts feed on the green grass and leaves of the fields and trees, but God has commanded the locusts not to hurt the grass or the trees.
3. Rather they are commanded to hurt those who do not have the seal of God in their head.
4. Remember those who receive Christ as their personal Saviour during the Tribulation God will place a seal of protection in their head.

C. Revelation 9:5-6 "And to them it was given that they should not kill the, but they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man. And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them."

1. These locusts were given power to hurt, but _____ the unsaved people in all the earth for five months.
2. These locusts were given the powerful sting of a scorpion.
3. Such a sting will cause such pain that a man will want to literally die.
4. The pain is so great that man wants to die, he seeks to die, he desires to die, yet _____.
5. God is not going to let him die.
6. The guns will not kill, the razors will not sever the arteries, the poison will not poison, the necks will not break, the heart will not stop, the rope will not hang, and the pills will not work.
7. Man wants to die, but God will not let him die.

Lesson 14

Revelation 9:7 Through 11:4

- D. Revelation 9:7-11 "And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months. And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon."
1. What did these locusts look like?
 - a. _____ - Well armored horses prepared for battle. In Italy and some other foreign countries locusts are called "little horse" because their bodies resemble a horse.
 - b. _____ - On their heads they will have crowns like gold.
 - c. _____ - These demon-looking locusts will have faces like the faces of men.
 - d. _____ - Their hair will look like the long flowing hair of a woman.
 - e. _____ - Their teeth will be like the jagged, sharp teeth of a lion.
 - f. _____ - The chest will be covered with a substance like a breastplate of iron.
 2. What will they sound like?
 - a. _____ - Their wings sounded like rushing wheels of many chariots and running huffs of many horses.
 - b. These chariots and horses were madly rushing to the battle.
 3. What was their mission?
 - a. _____ - Their mission was found in their tails.

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- b. For five months did they sting and hurt men with the painful sting of a scorpion.
- 4. Who was their king?
 - a. Abaddon - in the Hebrew tongue which means "destruction."
 - b. Apollyon - in the Greek tongue which means "destroyer."
 - c. Their leader is the angel of the bottomless pit. Again, we see that the devil has a cheap counterfeit for everything that God does.
- E. Revelation 9:12 "One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter."
 - 1. Only one of the three woes is past.
 - 2. It is going to get worse.

II. THE SOUNDING OF THE _____

- A. Revelation 9:13-15 "And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men."
 - 1. The sixth angel sounded the sixth trumpet. (Let us see what it contains.)
 - 2. These four angels bound in the river Euphrates are not the same four angels as mentioned in Revelation 7:1-3 which stand in the extremities of the earth.
 - a. In chapter 7, the four angels hold back the forces of evil.
 - b. In chapter 9, these four angels let loose the forces of destruction and judgments.
 - 3. Notice these four angels are bound by the sixth angel until the sixth angel gives them permission to be loose.
 - 4. These four angels are prepared for a specific duty to be performed at a specific time.
 - 5. Their duty is to slay, kill, one-third of all the people of the earth at the same time.
 - a. Let us say that there are 2 billion people left on earth after the rapture.

- b. In chapter four, we read that about 500 million would be killed and now another 500 million would be killed at the sounding of the sixth trumpet.
- B. Revelation 9:16-19 "And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths. For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails; for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt."
- 1. The number of the army led by the four angels are loosed for this specific mission.
 - a. The army numbers two hundred thousand thousand...that is 200,000,000.
 - b. It is said that the largest army that ever went on the battle field to war was under Xerxes when he invaded Greece.
 - c. His army numbered 1,500,000. These four angels will lead two-hundred million into battle.
 - d. During World War II at the height of the war, America had approximately 12,000,000 men under arms.
 - e. Compare that to 200,000,000.
- 2. What will the riders and the horses look like?
 - a. _____ – The riders will have breastplates of fire. These are demonistic looking creatures.
 - b. _____ – The heads of the horses will look like heads of lions and out of the horses mouths will come fire, smoke and brimstone.
- 3. What is their mission?
 - a. _____ – one-third part of all men will be killed by the **fire, smoke, and brimstone**. The army of locusts did not kill men, but this army will.
 - b. _____ – They will kill one-third of all men with fire, smoke, and brimstone out of the mouth.
 - 1. They will hurt them with their tails.

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2. Even their tails will have heads in them with the power of serpents to hurt all mankind.
- C. Revelation 9:20-21 "And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk: Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts."
 1. Even though these who will be alive at this time have seen millions killed, they will still not repent from their wrong doings.
 2. Those left alive will continue to...
 - a. ...worship devils (demons) *They are admiring the demons who just killed their relatives and friends. That's insanity.
 - b. ...worship idols
 - c. ...murder
 - d. ...practice sorceries (fortune-telling, narcotics, etc.)
 - e. ...practice fornication (adultery, living together without being married.)

REVELATION CHAPTER TEN

- I. THE _____
 - A. Here begins the parenthetical passage and it continues until chapter 11 and verse 12.
 - B. In chapter 11 and verse 15, the seventh trumpet will sound and the order of the Tribulation will continue.
 - C. This chapter deals with the things that are _____ under the opening of the sixth trumpet.
 - D. Revelation 10:1-3 "And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire: And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth, And he cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices."
 1. Here we see that a mighty angel comes down from Heaven.
 - a. Some say that this angel is Jesus.

- b. Others say that it is a special angel.
 - c. In either case you will see some things that will remind you of Jesus in the coming of this angel.
 - d. I personally do not believe that this is Jesus, for Jesus is not scheduled to return to the earth during this time of the Tribulation.
- 2. However, let's notice some things about the angel that will remind us of Jesus.
 - a. This angel is _____.
 - b. This angel comes down from Heaven.
 - c. This angel will be _____.
 - d. This angel will have a face like the sun.
 - e. This angel will have _____.
 - f. This angel will have in his hand "a little book open."
 - g. This angel put one foot on the land and one foot on the sea which denotes _____ of the Lord.
 - h. This angel will have a loud voice as the roaring of a lion.
- D. Revelation 10:4 "And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not."
 - 1. John was about to write what he heard from the voices of the seven thunders, but _____.
 - 2. There will be some things that happen during the Tribulation that is too horrible to write. – things so terrible that it would boggle the mind of man.
- E. Revelation 10:5-7 "And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven. And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer: But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets."
 - 1. This angel will stand upon the sea with one foot and upon the earth with the other foot and lift up His voice to the Son of God and sware unto Him.

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2. Even this powerful angel recognizes our Lord for who He is and what He has done.
 3. Notice how he recognizes our Lord.
 - a. Him that _____.
 - b. Who created Heaven.
 - c. Who _____.
 - d. He who holds time in His hand.
 4. The days of the voice of the seventh angel, which is to come, when that angel begins to sound then the mystery of God will be finished.
 5. At this time, God will bring to pass what he promised the servants of the men of God, the prophets.
- F. Revelation 10:8-11 "And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth. And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey. And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter. And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings."
1. John will be commanded to take the little book out of the hand of the angel.
 2. This little book is the _____.
 3. It is open to all.
 4. All you have to do is TAKE IT!
 5. We, as John, are commanded to TAKE THE WORD OF GOD AND EAT IT UP!
 6. How does the Word of God taste?
 - a. Sweet as honey to the mouth.
 - b. Bitter as a bitter herb to the belly.
 7. Many times the Word of God is _____.
 8. What does God want us to do with the Word of God?
 - a. Prophesy it - Proclaim it, preach it, tell it, share it with others.

- b. Share it with EVERYONE!

REVELATION CHAPTER ELEVEN

I. THE BEGINNING OF THE LAST THREE AND HALF YEARS OF THE

Revelation 11:1-2

- A. From the time that Judah was taken captive by Nebuchadnezzar (II Chron. 36:1-7) until May 1948, Jerusalem was under _____.

1. Today Jerusalem is still protected by Gentile powers.
2. If it were not for God using America, England and other free nations to protect Jerusalem it would be under Communist rule today.
3. _____ would wipe out Israel today if God would permit it.
4. The times of the Gentiles will come to an end when Jesus comes in power and destroys the Antichrist and his armies.
5. This account is found in Revelation 19:11-21.

- B. Revelation 11:1 "And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein."

1. Revelation 11:1 begins with a conjunction, "And" which connects it to the last verse in chapter 10.
2. John is given a reed which is like a rod and told by the angel of God to measure the temple of God, the altar and those that worship therein.
3. A reed is like a _____.
4. The measuring stick, the reed, was ten feet long.
5. The temple will be _____ after the Rapture of the church.
6. It will be built where the _____ stands.

- C. Revelation 11:2 "But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months."

1. John is told not to measure the court that is outside the temple because it is given unto the Gentile.

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2. That which were given unto the Gentiles will they tread under foot for forty-two months which adds up to three and a half years.
 - a. Bible months in the Bible when dealing with prophecy is always _____, not twenty-nine or thirty-one.
 - b. It is always thirty days.
 - c. For 1,260 days, the Gentiles shall tread the people in Jerusalem under foot as the dirt in the road, Isa. 10:6.
 - d. At this time, the _____.
 - e. This is during the first half of the reign of the Antichrist.
 - f. The time of peace when he comes with a bow in his hand with no arrow.
 - g. This is the last half of _____.
 - h. This part of the Tribulation period is called the Great Tribulation.
3. The Holy city is Jerusalem as spoken of over and over in the Bible.

II. THE _____ REVEALED, Revelation 11:3-12.

- A. Revelation 11:3-4 "And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth."
 1. We are dealing with Jews here.
 2. The Jewish laws demanded that two witnesses be secured in dealing with _____ between two men.
 - a. There were two angels _____ on the morning of his resurrection, John 20:12.
 - b. There were two men who appeared to the disciples at the _____, Acts 1:10.
 - c. The seventy were sent out _____ Luke 10:1
 - d. Here God sends two witnesses to _____ 1,260 days.

- e. These two men are clothed in sackcloth and ashes, a symbol of calamity and _____.
 - i. Jacob wore sackcloth when he mourned for his sons.
 - ii. David wore sackcloth when he grieved deeply because Abner was unjustly killed.
 - iii. Daniel wore sackcloth when he came before the Lord to weep and pray about the sins of Israel.
 - iv. Hezekiah wore sackcloth when he heard of the terrible blasphemies of Sennacherib.
 - v. The priest of God wore sackcloth when the holy services of the temple were interrupted.
 - vi. In like manner, the two witnesses will wear sackcloth, and during the time they prophesy,
 - vii. _____ will have literally moved to this earth.
- 3. Who are these witnesses?
 - a. Bible scholars differ on their identification.
 - b. Some Bible scholars believe these men will be Elijah and Enoch.
 - 1. They base this on Hebrews 9:27.
 - 2. They say that they believe these two men will be the witnesses based on the fact that they never died, but God took them.
 - 3. This is not a good argument, because at the Rapture, all saved people will be taken and not see death.
 - c. I personally believe that these two witnesses will be _____.
 - 1. We know Elijah will be one of these witnesses for in both the Old and New Testament we see that Elijah must come before the coming of Christ.
 - 2. It is true that John the Baptist came in the spirit and power of Elias, Luke 9:27, but that should not be confused with the literal fulfillment of prophecy.

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3. Elijah must come before the _____.
4. We also know that Moses had much to do with Israel in the giving of the law.
5. Therefore, he will probably be the other witness.
6. We know that both of these men appeared before the Lord on the _____ and that that was a prefiguration of Christ's coming.
7. The miracles that we are about to read is another strong supporting fact that these two witnesses will be Moses and Elijah, for these are similar miracles that God worked through them before.

Lesson 15

Revelation 11:5 Through 12:6

- B. Revelation 11:5-6 "And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will."

1. Elijah dealt with fire in his lifetime - _____ to destroy the offering, then the prophets of Baal were killed by the people.
2. Moses dealt with fire as God sent fire to destroy the _____, Num. 16:35.
3. Elijah smote the earth and caused it _____.
4. Moses was used by God to _____.
5. Moses was used by God to bring _____ upon the earth.
6. For 1,260 days, these men cause it not to rain.
 1. The earth's ground will be as hard as iron, the sky will be as brass.
 2. The earth will become like a gigantic dust bowl.
 3. The water will be blood and these men will cause plague after plague, as often as they will.

- C. Revelation 11:7-10 "And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them. And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves. And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth."

1. After their 1,260-day mission is completed as God designed, the beast will ascend from the bottomless pit, overcome them, and destroy them.
 - a. The form of death they will suffer is not stated.
 - b. We know that during the reign of the Antichrist,

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beheading will be prevalent, Rev. 20:4.

2. Moses and Elijah _____.
 3. Their bodies will _____
for 3 and 1/2 days.
 4. Notice that Jerusalem is called "Sodom and Egypt."
 - a. Sodom, because it is spiritually dead, Isa. 1:9,10; Jer. 23:14.
 - b. Egypt because it is rich in its practicing of idolatry.
 - c. The statement, "...where also our Lord was crucified," identifies this city as Jerusalem.
 5. Those that live on the earth will rejoice over the death of Moses and Elijah.
 6. They will pass by their dead bodies in the street and rejoice, celebrate and even give each other gifts.
 7. Church history tells us that when John Hus was burned at the stake, his enemies held banquets and danced.
 8. Cain killed Abel and probably buried him in a shallow grave, thinking to hide his murderous act.
 - a. However, the blood of Abel cried out of the ground.
 - b. _____.
 9. The Jews believe that the spirit of the dead hovers near the body for three days after death.
 - a. This is why Jesus waited until the fourth day to raise Lazarus from the dead.
 - b. If he would have raised Lazarus on the third day, the Jews would not acclaimed it as being a miracle.
 - c. Moses and Elijah will lie in the street for three days and a half.
- D. Revelation 11:11-12 "And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them. And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them."
1. After three and a half days "the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.
 2. The parties ended abruptly.

- a. The passing of gifts ceased.
- b. All media turns for _____.
- c. We are reminded that the triumph of the wicked is short.
3. Moses and Elijah will _____.
4. The people will gaze in amazement as the disciples did when Jesus ascended in a cloud in Acts 1:9-11.

III. THE _____ WOES, Revelation 11:13-14

- A. Revelation 11:13 "And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven."
 1. As soon as Moses and Elijah have ascended in to heaven in a cloud the earth begins to shake and tremble with a great earthquake.
 2. Many times in scripture God sent _____:
 - a. Jesus died on the cross, there was an earthquake, Matt. 27:51.
 - b. Paul and Silas in the Philippian jail, there was an earthquake, Acts 16:26.
 - c. The opening of the sixth seal, there was an earthquake so great that it moved mountains and islands, Revelation 6:12.
 - d. In Revelation 16:18, we are told that there will be a great earthquake like no other earthquake has ever been.
 3. Man spends millions of dollars building bombs to blow up cities but God speaks a word and great cities are destroyed.
- B. Revelation 11:14 "The second woe is past; and, behold, the third woe cometh quickly."
 1. The great earthquake in vs. 13 will destroy a tenth part of the city, seven thousand men will be slain, a remnant to be frightened and some will give glory to God in Heaven.
 2. Now the third woe will quickly come.

IV. THE _____ SOUNDED, Revelation 11:15-19.

- A. Revelation 11:15 "And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall

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reign for ever and ever."

1. With the sounding of the seventh trumpet great voices sound from Heaven proclaiming that "the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord."
 2. The announcement is made that the Lord is going to take over what rightfully belongs to Him.
- B. Revelation 11:16-17 "And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God. Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned."
1. Here God receives the praise that he rightfully deserves.
 2. Here the Lord God Almighty receives the thanks He rightly deserves.
- C. Revelation 11:18-19 "And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth. And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail."
1. The nations of the earth are now very angry.
 2. The _____ has come.
 3. God is about to judge the wicked in final judgment.
 4. God is about to reward His servants, His prophets and all those that are His small and great.
 5. God is also ready to destroy them which destroy the earth.
 6. There is a literal temple in Heaven.
 7. The tabernacle and the temple of the Jews were copies of the _____.
- Exodus 25:40 "And look that thou make them after their pattern, which was shewed thee in the mount."
8. When the temple in Heaven is open, John sees "the ark of God's covenant."
 9. All of the _____ to His people are in that ark.

10. God has never and will never break a promise to His people.

REVELATION CHAPTER TWELVE

I. _____, Revelation 12:1-2

- A. Revelation 12:1 "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars."

1. The word "wonder" here means "signs" or "symbols."
 - a. God is telling us that, in this chapter, He is going to speak to us in _____.
 - b. This is a chapter of symbols and signs that God uses to describe spiritual truths.
2. We see that this great wonder appears in Heaven to describe an event on earth.
3. This woman that is clothed in a most unusual attire is _____.
4. The crown on the woman's head signifies royal dignity.
5. Without a doubt these stars in the crown point back to Joseph's dreams of the _____.
6. The number 12 is mentioned several times in Revelation which denotes _____.

- B. Revelation 12:2 "And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered."

1. The woman is Israel and the man-child born to Israel is the _____.
2. The child from Israel is the long-prophesied _____, the Christ.

Romans 11:26-27 "And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins."
3. It was Israel that God used to bring forth the Redeemer.
4. One day the Son of God will rule the nations with a rod of iron and we will rule with him.
5. He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Psalm 2.

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6. Christ is to "rule all nations with a rod of iron," but first He must return to Heaven which He has done, until the Second Coming.

a. He came the first time to save.

b. He will come the second time to rule.

II. _____, Revelation 12:3-4

A. Revelation 12:3 "And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads."

1. Here we see another "wonder" which means "signs" or "symbols", appears in heaven.

2. The " _____ " is Satan.

Revelation 20:2 "And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years."

a. Red is the color of the horse whose rider took peace from the earth, Rev. 6:4.

b. Red describes flaming heat, the blood of others.

3. The seven crowned heads of the dragon refer to the _____.

4. The ten horns refer to the ten kings who will rule over ten kingdoms of his empire.

a. Horns are instruments of destruction.

b. Ten is the number of evil, worldly completeness.

c. With these horns the dragon will gore, wound, hurt, scatter, destroy and kill.

5. The red dragon will be the ruler of the world-wide _____.

B. Revelation 12:4 "And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born."

1. The tail of this dragon is a powerful part of his body.

2. With his tail he gathers a third part of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth.

3. The stars are the angels.

4. In Revelation 9, the angel that God will use to unlock the

bottomless pit is called a star.

3. When God made the world in the beginning, the stars, angels sang.

Job 38:7 "When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?"

a. These angels are called "stars" because of their brightness of beauty and glory.

b. Angels are the beautiful creations of God.

4. The red dragon, Satan, was at one time a leader of all the stars, back then he was called _____.

Isaiah 14:12 "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning!..."

5. Lucifer, the son of the morning, became jealous of Jehovah God and made an attempt to overthrow God.

6. In turn, God kicked him and his fellow angels, out of Heaven.

Jude 6 "And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation..."

II Peter 2:4 "For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;"

7. The Bible does not say how many angels Satan led astray, however, here we see that it was one-third of the stars, the angels, that were pulled away from the beauty of Heaven.

a. _____ always brings spiritual darkness and slavery.

b. Sin always brings _____.

c. Sin will take you farther than you want to go, cost you more than you want to pay, and keep you longer than you want to stay.

8. In the latter portion of verse 4, we see that Satan tried to destroy the child of the woman at birth.

a. This child is the Son of God, _____.

b. Some teach that this child is the church, but that can't be for the church is the bride of Christ. Israel is the mother of Christ.

Isaiah 66:7 "Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child."

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- C. There has been a _____ from Gen 3:15 to the cross and from the cross to the present as Satan had made an all-out attempt to destroy _____.
- D. Satan is a murderer from the beginning, John 8:44.
 - 1. He is the _____ seeking whom he may devour, I Peter 5:8.
 - 2. He brutally attacked our first parents in the Garden of Eden, Gen. 3.
 - 3. He went against Jesus, Matt. 4.
 - 4. He causes all unhappiness and unrest, Prov. 13:15
 - 5. He is the cause of every tear that falls, Rev. 7:17.
- E. The devil turned loose all of the demons of hell to prevent Jesus from _____ and making it possible to set the captive free. BUT JESUS DID IT! SATAN IS A DEFEATED FOE, AND HE KNOWS IT!

III. _____, Revelation 12:5-6

- A. Revelation 12:5 "And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne."
 - 1. The first words of this verse almost fit exactly the words spoken in the Gospels concerning _____.
 - 2. We should be eternally grateful to the Jews for being the One through which our Saviour came.
 - 3. The second truth given in this verse is that Jesus will come back one day to set up his earthly kingdom for 1000 years.
 - 4. The third truth this verse deals with is the fact that Jesus "was caught up unto God, and to his throne."
 - 5. Of course, this speaks of Jesus' _____.
 - 6. Between Rev. 5 (history) and Rev. 6 (unfulfilled prophecy) hundreds of years pass. (Between the time when Jesus ascended to be with His Father in Heaven (verse 5) and the time of when Israel shall flee (verse 6) is where we presently are in time.)
- B. Revelation 12:6 "And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed here there a thousand two hundred and threescore days."
 - 1. The woman (Israel) fleeing into the wilderness, signifies a place of _____.

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2. Israel will again be fed as they were fed by God when He rained _____ from Heaven and sent them _____ for meat.
3. Many Bible teachers believe this place in the wilderness to be the ruby-red, rock of Petra.
4. "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place (the temple of God in Jerusalem is the holy place referred to here. Read Daniel 7:8 and Rev. 19:20.) ...then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains (This refers to the middle of Daniel's seventieth week of Prophecy...the time when Antichrist breaks all his promises to the Jews who are then back in their own land.)
5. The people in Judaea are here instructed to flee to the mountains when they see the "abomination of desolation" stand in the holy place.

Matt. 24:15-23 "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: "Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house. Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes. And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened. Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not:"

 - a. This time of tribulation will be terrible.
 - b. When this time occurs, the Jews are instructed not to go back in their houses, but to flee for their lives to the fields.
 - c. This has nothing to do with believers, all believers will be with Jesus.
 - d. This part of the Great Tribulation has to do with Israel, and except those days should be shortened there will be no flesh saved, Matt. 24:22.
 - e. For the sake of Israel _____.

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Lesson 16

Revelation 12:7 Through 13:11

IV. _____, Revelation 12:7-12

- A. Revelation 12:7-10 "And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night."
1. Michael and his angels _____ and his angels.
 2. Michael is mentioned five times in Scriptures: Dan. 10:13-21; Dan. 12:1; Jude 9; Rev. 12:7.
 - a. Every time Michael is mentioned he is going to battle.
 - b. Every time Gabriel is mentioned he is delivering a heavenly message.
 3. When Lucifer, Satan, was cast out of Heaven the first time God cast him out.
 4. This time Michael the Archangel will do the casting.
 5. Satan spends time going before God _____ (Job 1), but one day he will be stopped.
 6. Chapter 12 is the account of the greatest war that will ever be fought in the atmosphere above us.
- B. Revelation 12:11-12 "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time."
1. Verse 11 tells us the importance of the blood of the Lamb.
Col. 1:20 "And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself: by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven."

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Heb. 9:22 "And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission."

2. Without the shedding of the blood of Jesus, _____.
3. Satan and his angels will lose.
4. Satan has never won a victory against God and never will win a victory against God.

V. _____ IN THE GREAT TRIBULATION, Revelation 12:13-16.

A. Revelation 12:13-16 "And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child. And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth."

1. When Satan realizes that He has lost in his battle against the powers of Heaven and is cast down to the earth, he will try to destroy Israel.
2. Israel will be protected by God and given power to flee into the wilderness, perhaps by plane.
3. For 3½ years she will be protected.
4. Satan will attempt to destroy her again, this time by flood, but God will cause the earth to open and swallow up the water.

B. Revelation 12:17 "And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ."

1. Now Satan is very wroth (angry) and goes forth in greater force to destroy Israel, but God's chosen shall never be destroyed.
2. The miracle-working God of yesterday _____.

REVELATION CHAPTER THIRTEEN

INTRODUCTION:

1. In Revelation 13, we will study two beasts.

2. One beast will come _____ and another _____.
 - a. In Revelation 12, we learned that Michael, the archangel, will overthrow Satan's power and influence in the heavenlies.
 - b. Satan and his angels will be cast down to the earth.
 - c. At this point the battle ground will begin on earth.
3. Up until this point Satan has not set up a strong, forceful earthly kingdom.
 - a. Now Satan's headquarters of wrath and force is set up on earth.
 - b. His main objective of wrath and hateful force will be pointed toward the God-fearing _____.
4. Satan will mentally blind the eyes and darken the hearts of the people outside of Israel.
 - a. Though Satan is a spiritual being, he will be in a physical body of flesh during the tribulation period.
 - b. In Revelation 13, we will see that he has _____.
 - c. These ministers are also spoken of as beasts.
 - d. Satan will give these two ministers his authority and power.
 - e. Remember every thing that God does _____.
5. God will send _____ to the earth as His representatives and God will give them His authority and power.
6. Satan will send two representatives out of the earth to represent him and Satan will give them His authority and power.

I. THE REVELATION OF THE _____, Revelation 13:1-10.

A. Revelation 13:1 "And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy."

1. Here we see the _____.
2. The same kind of beast that represented Rome, the fourth world empire is pictured in Daniel 7:3-7.

Daniel 7:3-7 "And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it. And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself

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on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh." After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it. After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

a. The ten horns of the fourth beast picture _____ that were left of the Roman Empire when it was dissolved.

i. Out of those ten horns God prophesied that there would come a little horn, who would violently take over three of the ten kingdoms and form a federation with the others.

ii. This leader will be the Beast or _____.

Daniel 7:8-11 "I considered the horns, and behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things. I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame."

b. This is prophecy for the future, not ending in past history.

2. We know that this leader is the Beast for "upon his heads the name of blasphemy" is written.

- B. Revelation 13:2 "And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority."
1. The Beast, will be one of great power; Notice some things about him:
 - a. He will have power, a _____.
 - b. His authority will be over every tribe, tongue and nation.
 - c. He will be a _____.
 - d. He will reign for the seven years of the Tribulation period, but reign in terror during the last 3 and 1/2 years.
 - e. His government will be over _____.
 - f. He is the world's greatest blasphemy.
 2. His power, his throne and his authority will be given to him from the dragon who is Satan.
- C. Revelation 13:3 "And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast."
1. It was after the birth of Christ that the Roman Empire was wounded to death.
 - a. The head of the Roman Empire died, however, parts of it has lived ever since.
 - b. Now the head, _____ is raised.
 - c. A Roman Emperor rules again and the whole world "wondered after the beast."
 2. This empire will not revive before the Rapture.
 3. There is a push today for a "_____ " and "_____, " but that will not take place until after the Rapture.
 4. Today you hear the propaganda of "All men are brothers."
 - a. That slogan is a lie.
 - b. All men are brothers according to the flesh, but all men are not true brothers according to God, until they receive Christ as their Saviour, then and only then do men become true brothers.

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- D. Revelation 13:4 "And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast, who is able to make war with him?"
1. The world at this very moment is looking for some type of superman.
 2. The world will find what they are looking for in the "new" leader of the Roman Empire.
 3. The Beast will sweep man off of his feet.
 4. Man will begin to worship "the dragon" who is Satan and the Beast.
- E. Revelation 13:5 "And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months."
1. The Beast will speak great things, no doubt because of the great things which he has done.
 2. With his vile mouth he also _____ continually.
 3. For 3 and 1/2 years he reigns with great authority and force.
- F. Revelation 13:6 "And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven."
1. He blasphemes against God, God's name, God's tabernacle and all of God's children and angels that dwell in Heaven.
 2. I HATE THE DEVIL! (When I read this, I feel like David felt when he heard the giant blaspheming the living God and his people.)
- G. Revelation 13:7 "And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations."
1. The Beast will make war against the saints here on earth, overcome them and kill them.
 2. These are the saints referred to in Revelation 6 when _____ were told to wait until their fellow servants were killed like they were martyred.
 3. The Beast becomes dictator over all kindreds tongues and nations.
- H. Revelation 13:8 "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in The Book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world."

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1. Everyone on the earth will worship the beast, except those who have their _____.
 2. These are those who have been washed in the blood of the Lamb.
 3. These are those whose names are written in the "Lamb's" book of life.
- I. Revelation 13:9 "If any man have an ear, let him hear."
1. This is a solemn warning: "If any man have an ear, let him hear."
 2. Are you saved? Have you been washed in the blood of the Lamb? If the Rapture was to occur right now, would you be left behind to go through the terrible reign of the Antichrist?
- J. Revelation 13:10 "He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints."
1. The Antichrist will lead many into captivity, kill with the sword and make slaves of many.
 2. Those who refuse to worship the Antichrist will be _____.
- II. THE REVELATION OF THE _____, Revelation 13:11-18.
- A. Revelation 13:11 "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon."
1. Everything that God has done, Satan will mockingly _____.
 2. Christ who is God incarnate, came into the world so Satan brought forth the _____, Satan incarnate.
 3. The Holy Spirit of God comes to dwell in Christians and gives miraculous power and comfort.
 4. So Satan sends the _____, the evil spirit of power and discomfort.
 - a. Remember while Aaron was down in Egypt he cast down a rod before Pharaoh and it became a serpent, then Pharaoh's magicians copied the miracle.

Exodus 7:11-12 "Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments.

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For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Aaron's rod swallowed up their rods."

- b. Moses used the rod of God and turned the water of the river to blood, then Pharaoh's magicians

_____.

Exodus 7:22 "And the magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, neither did he hearken unto them; as the Lord had said."

- c. Moses caused the _____ to come upon the land of Egypt, then Pharaoh's magicians copied the miracle.

Exodus 8:7 "And the magicians did so with their enchantments, and brought up frogs upon the land of Egypt."

- d. After the miracle plague of the frogs, Pharaoh's magicians were not able to copy any more of the miracles of God.
- e. It is interesting to note that Satan has more than human power, but Satan can not do more than God will allow him to do.
- f. False prophets may be allowed to work miracles.

Deut. 13:1-3 "If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth thee a sign or a wonder. And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them; Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the Lord your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul."

Lesson 17

Revelation 13:11 Through 14:8

The Revelation of the Second Beast continued...

5. Notice the second beast, _____ will have two horns like a lamb and he will have the voice of a dragon.
6. Both of these beasts are world dictators having separate fields.
7. The first beast will _____ while the false prophet will _____.
8. In this chapter, we see the trinity of Satan.
 - a. _____ mocks God.
 - b. _____ mocks Christ.
 - c. _____ mocks the Holy Spirit.
9. In the Old Testament, the Beast is called various names:
 - a. King of Babylon - Is. 14:4
 - b. _____ - Is. 14:12
 - c. The little horn - Dan. 7:8, 8:9-12
 - d. A king of fierce countenance - Dan. 8:23
 - e. The prince that shall come - Dan. 9:26.
 - f. The willful king - Dan. 11:36.
10. In the New Testament, the Beast is called various names:
 - a. The _____ - II Thess. 2:3-8
 - b. The son of perdition - II Thess. 2:3-8; John 17:12
 - c. That Wicked - II Thess. 2:3-8
 - d. _____ - I John 2:18
 - e. The Beast - Rev. 13:11
11. Let's compare the two Beasts of Revelation 13.
 - a. The first Beast will have _____; the second Beast will have _____.
 - b. The first Beast will be a _____; the second Beast will be a _____.
 - c. The first Beast will have ten horns; the second Beast will have two horns.

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- d. The first Beast will have _____; the second Beast will have _____.
 - e. The second Beast will be the minister of the first Beast.
 - f. The second Beast is the one who will deceive the world and establish a one world religion.
 - g. In Revelation 5:6, we see that the Lamb of God has seven horns.
 - 1. Seven is the number of divine perfection.
 - 2. In Revelation 13:11, we see that the false lamb, the Antichrist, also called the false prophet will have only two horns.
- B. Revelation 13:12 "And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed."
- 1. The Antichrist now reveals his _____.
 - 2. This Beast will have mighty power.
 - 3. These two Beasts are working together.
 - 4. One Beast will be the head of the political rule, while the other Beast will be the head of the religious rule.
 - 5. The first Beast will be the most powerful ruler ever known on the face of the earth.
 - 6. He is the boldest and most blasphemous leader ever known to man.
 - 7. The second Beast will have no royal authority _____.
 - a. Therefore, the second Beast, the Antichrist will use his power of _____ of the first Beast to gain influence and total control.
 - b. The dragon, Satan, gave the first Beast the power over all military power.
 - 8. The second Beast will be the one who _____.
- II Thess. 2:4 "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God."
- C. Revelation 13:13-15 "And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. And

deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed."

1. As Elijah prayed down fire from heaven, (I Kings 18:38-39), so will the Antichrist call down fire from heaven.
 2. Verse 14 tells us that the Antichrist will use his miracles to deceive men.
 3. He then sets up the first Beast that was wounded by a sword "and did live."
 4. The Beast is now set up as a _____.
 5. The Antichrist, that false prophet, will give life to the image and it will speak.
 6. All will be commanded to worship the image.
 7. Those who refuse will have their _____.
- D. Revelation 13:16-17 "And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads. And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name."
1. Remember the rapture has already taken place, Rev. 4.
 2. Multitudes of farmers who were saved have been gone for 3½ years.
 - a. Many plagues of destruction has come.
 - b. The shortage of food is wide spread.
 3. Now the _____ and everyone is forced to receive it.
 - a. A person will not be able to buy or sell without this mark.
 - b. The mark will be given in the right hand or forehead.
 4. Those who do not bow down to worship the image of the Beast will be killed.
 5. Those who do not receive the mark of the Beast will not be able to buy or sell food or any thing else.
 6. This will be a _____.

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7. A person will only be allowed to buy their daily allotment.
Revelation 6:5-6 "And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine."
 8. Those who receive the mark of the Beast will be linked to the kingdom of the Beast.
 9. Those who refuse the mark of the Beast will be _____ in the forest, in the dens and beg for food.
 10. After the Rapture the church and the state will lock arms.
 - a. The dragon, Satan, will dictate the political and religious agendas.
 - b. It does not matter how rich a person is in these days they will obey the laws of the dragon or suffer the consequences.
- E. Revelation 13:18 "Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six."
1. The number of the Beast is the number of man which is six hundred threescore and six, which adds up to three 6's.
 - a. It is interesting to know that the mark of the Beast is _____ which is also the number of man.
 - b. Goliath, the enemy of God's people was a type of Antichrist.
 - c. He was six cubits high.
 - d. He had six pieces of armour and his spear head weighed six hundred shekels, I Sam. 17:4-7.
 2. _____.
 - a. He worked six days and rested on the seventh day.
 - b. Seven is the number of _____.
 - c. Man was created on the sixth day which is short of God.
 3. Since Satan is a trinity, we have three sixes.
 4. The Satanistic trinity is the _____, the _____,

and the false _____.

5. Jesus performed His public ministry in 3½ years, so the Antichrist will perform his public ministry in 3½ years.

6. The Antichrist is spoken of in Daniel.

Daniel 7:25 "And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time."

Daniel 8:25 "And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand."

Daniel 11:36 "And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done."

Daniel 8:27 "And I Daniel fainted, and was sick certain days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood it."

6. Daniel, who faced the man-eating lions in the den with unshaken knees and nerves of steel, fainted when he saw the Antichrist.

REVELATION CHAPTER FOURTEEN

I.

- A. Revelation 14:1 "And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads."

1. In chapter 13, we saw the many horrible things that would happen to Christians.
2. Now we see a refreshing sight: A Lamb appeared and stood on Mount Sion.
3. The 144,000 here are the same 144,000 that are mentioned in Revelation chapter 7.

- B. Revelation 14:2-5 "And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the

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elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God."

1. Let's notice some things about these 144,000:
 - a. These were those chosen of the _____.
 - b. They were sealed between the sixth and seventh seals and were still alive after the sounding of the seventh trumpet, the third woe and the revealing of the man of sin.
 1. They live through it all.
 2. This dispels that fact that some teachers saying that the tribulation period is thousands of years.
 3. The days, months, and years spoken of in the Bible are real days, months and years.
 4. The tribulation period is 7 years long, no longer and no shorter as spoken of in the Word of God.
 - c. The 144,000 are those who _____ and will have the names of the Father and of the Lamb marked in their foreheads.
 - d. These men sing a new song before the throne of Heaven, the four beasts and the elders. (The elders in Revelation 4:9-11 are those who fell down and cast their crowns before the throne.)
 - e. These are all _____.
 - f. These Jewish men refuse the mark of the Beast and _____.
 - g. These men have no guile in their mouths and stand faultless before the throne of God.
2. These 144,000 are not the 144,000 that the Jehovah "false" witness claim them to be.

II.

- A. Revelation 14:6 "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,"
1. An angel, God's messenger will fly in the heaven and preach the everlasting gospel to them that dwell on the earth.
 2. Dr. Scofield, in his notes, says that there is four forms of Gospels and he names them:
 - a. The gospel of the Kingdom.
 - b. The gospel of the Grace of God.
 - c. The Everlasting Gospel.
 3. Dr. Scofield has grossly erred in stating this because there is only one true Gospel.

Gal. 1:8-9 "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed."

Gal. 1:11-12 "But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ."
 4. What is the Gospel? Paul gives a definition of the Gospel in I Cor. 15:1-4.

I Cor. 15:1-4 "Moreover brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:"
 5. Paul preached the same Gospel everywhere.

Romans 1:15 "...I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also."

Col. 1:23 "If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;"

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- a. In Romans 2:15 Paul called the Gospel "my gospel."
- b. In II Cor. 4:3 he called it "our gospel."
- c. This is the same Gospel.
- 6. There is only one saving Gospel.
- 7. Though the Gospel may be identified in the Bible by different names, depending on who it is connected with, it is still the same.
 - a. Peter, when preaching the Gospel to the Jews, he called it "the gospel of the circumcision," but when he preached the same Gospel to the Gentiles he called it "the gospel of the uncircumcision."
 - b. When Jesus preached the same Gospel, it was called "the Gospel of the kingdom."
- 8. The liberal crowd that pushes the "_____ " or "_____ " says that the independent, fundamental, Bible-believing, soulwinning separated Baptist crowd don't care much about the benevolence and human welfare of others.
- 9. Yet the very crowd that they criticize and mock are the ones who build rescue missions, run buses, have clothes closets, food pantries and much more, all to meet the needs of the poor.
- B. Revelation 14:7 "Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters."
 - 1. Here we see the angel preached warning the people to fear God, give God glory, of the judgment to come and to worship God that made all.
 - 2. True preachers have always preached these very same things.
- III. THE FALL OF _____ AND THE DOOM OF THE _____
 - A. Revelation 14:8 "And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication."
 - 1. Here we see another angel comes to give a message, this message is an announcement.
 - 2. The angel announces the fall of the great city of Babylon.
 - 3. No doubt this verse points to chapters 17 and 18 and when the political and ecclesiastical Babylon shall be destroyed.

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4. Babylon is a picture of the _____ that are under the Antichrist.
5. In Revelation 11:8 we learned that Jerusalem is called Sodom and Egypt.
6. Here _____ is called Babylon.
7. We know this is Rome because of Daniel 9:26.
Daniel 9:26 "...and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary."
 - a. This speaks of the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70 after the crucifixion of Christ.
 1. The destruction of Jerusalem was by the Roman army.
 2. So the Antichrist is to be of Rome and his capital city will be Rome.
 - b. Revelation 16:19 tells us that the great city will be divided into three parts which is referring to the seat of the Antichrist.
 - c. Revelation 17:9 tells us that the false religion of the Antichrist will be centered in the City of seven hills, which is Rome.
 - d. This is why some Bible teachers believe that the Antichrist will lead a _____.
 - e. It is called Babylon because this is where the world empires from Babylon, Media-Persia, Greece and Rome restored meet.
 - f. Satan revived Rome which is symbolically called Babylon.
 - g. This city will be destroyed in Rev. 17:1-2 because of its _____.

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Lesson 18

Revelation 14:9 Through 15:8

- B. Revelation 14:9-11 "And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name."

1. The first angel preached the gospel, _____.
2. The second angel announces the fall of the city of Babylon.
3. The third angel announces the doom of the Beast-worshippers.
4. The doom of those who receive _____ and worship the image of the Beast is clearly seen in verses 10 and 11.
5. Notice that these who are not saved, but rather followers of the Beast will be tormented with fire and brimstone.
6. The smoke of their torment will ascend up for ever and ever.
7. The soul in Hell _____.
8. The soul never burns up, it burns day and night forever and never burns up.
 - a. The rich man spoken of in Luke 16 is still in hell begging for one drop of water to cool his blistering tongue.
 - b. Poem on hell.

Hell is the Prison House of Despair,

Here Are Some Things That Won't Be There

No flowers will bloom on the banks of hell,

No beauties of nature we love so well.

No comforts of home, music and song,

No friendship of joy will be found in that throng.

No children to brighten the long weary night,

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No love or peace, not one ray of light.
No blood washed soul with face beaming bright,
No loving smile in that reign of night.
No mercy, no pity, no pardon, no grace,
No water, Oh, God, what a terrible place.
The pains of the lost, no human can tell,
Not one moments ease, there's no rest in hell.

**Hell is the Prison House of Despair,
Here Are Some Things That Will Be There**

Fire and brimstone are there we know,
For God in His Word has told us so.
Memory, remorse, suffering, and pain,
Weeping and wailing, but all in vain.
Blasphemers and swearers, haters of God,
Christ rejecters while here on earth trod.
Murderers, gamblers, drunkards and liars,
All have there part in the lake of fire.
The filthy, the vile, the cruel, the mean,
What a horrible mob in hell will be seen.
Yes, more than humans on earth can tell,
There is a real place called hell.

V.

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- A. Revelation 14:14 "And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle."
1. The following verses deal with "The Battle of Armageddon.
- a. The battle that is described here is not the _____ described in Rev. 20:8-9, these are two separate battles.
- b. This battle will be fought at the close of the Tribulation period.
- c. The Battle of Gog and Magog will be fought at the _____.

- d. This battle is a battle of blood.
 - e. The battle of Gog Magog is a battle of fire.
 2. Here Jesus is coming back on a cloud.
 3. On His head He wears a sharp sickle.
- B. Revelation 14:15-16 "And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped."
1. This is a time of _____.
 2. An angel comes out of the temple and sounds the charge for the Lord to thrust in His sickle into the earth.
 3. The harvest field of sin is now ripe.
 4. The earth and those on it will now reap in judgment what they have sowed.
- Revelation 14:17-20 "And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe. And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs."
1. There are six angels mentioned in chapter 14.
 2. Those mentioned in verse 15 and 17 come out of the temple from which the vials of the wrath of God are poured out.
 3. Notice that six angels are mentioned here, man's number is six.
 4. Six is one number shy of completion, which is the number seven.
 5. The fifth angel is told to _____ and "gather the clusters of the vine of the earth for her grapes are fully ripe."
 - a. Ps. 80:8 identifies the true vine of the earth as being Israel.
 - b. Israel was the vine that was brought out of Egypt.

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- c. The "wine of the earth" is the _____, which will be reaped at the close of the Tribulation period.
- d. In Israel 5:2-4 we see that Israel produces "wild grapes."
 - 12. In Jeremiah 2:21 we see that Israel turned into a degenerate plant that could not be used by God.
 - 13. Only "...the true Vine," who is Christ can produce fruit that is acceptable to God, John 15:1-10.
 - 14. God uses people to tell others that "Jesus Saves."
 - 15. The mark of a caring Christian is that he is a _____, not just a branch, but a fruit-bearing branch.
- 6. An angel will gather the religious systems of the earth which are led by the Antichrist and cast them into the winepress of the wrath of God.

Isaiah 63:2-4 "Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat? I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come."
- 7. The angel thrusts in his sickle, and the vine of the earth is gathered and is cast into the winepress of God.
 - a. God Himself will tread the winepress and the blood of the dead will come out (not grape juice, but the blood of men).
 - b. _____ for the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs, which adds up to approximately two hundred miles of blood.
- 8. The city referred to here is the city of _____.
 - a. The valley of Armageddon is just north of Jerusalem.
 - b. It is in this place that the battle will be fought and the blood will be six feet deep, two hundred miles long

and ten miles wide.

REVELATION CHAPTER FIFTEEN

I.

- A. Revelation 15:1 "And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God."
1. Here we see that John saw a sign in Heaven.
 2. In Revelation 12:1, John saw a sign in heaven and it was "a woman."
 3. In Revelation 12:3, John saw a sign in heaven and it was "a red dragon."
 4. Now John sees another sign in heaven and it is "great and marvellous."
 5. This sign is so great and marvellous because it "is filled with the wrath of God."
 6. There are three groups of angels mentioned in The Book of Revelation:
 - a. In Rev. 7:1, we read about _____.
 - b. In Rev. 8:2, 15:1, and 16:1, we read about _____.
 - c. In Rev. 21:12, we read about _____.

II.

- A. Revelation 15:2 "And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God."
1. In Revelation 13 the Beast killed those who would not worship him.
 - a. At that time he was victorious over those Christians who would not bow to him.
 - b. Now those who he martyred are the victors and the Beast is about to receive his reward.
 2. Notice that these martyred Christians stand, this denotes _____.
 3. In their hands they will have the harps of God.
- B. Revelation 15:3 "And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy

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works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are the ways, thou King of saints."

1. These Christians play and sing the song of Moses and the song of the Lamb.
 - a. The song of Moses celebrates the _____ Israel out of bondage.
 - b. The song of the Lamb celebrates the great redemption purchased by the blood of the Lamb which was shed on Calvary.
 - c. All the shed blood that was offered by the high priest in the Old Testament _____.
 - d. Old Testament saints looked forward to the shedding of the blood, as we look back to Calvary and see the shedding of the blood.

Hebrews 9:22 "...without the shedding of blood is no remission."

I John 1:7b "...the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

2. The words, "Great and marvellous" also appear in verse 1 of this chapter.
 - a. All the works of God are great and marvellous.
 - b. From judgment to blessing all the works of God are great and marvellous.

- C. Revelation 15:4 "Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only are holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest."

In this verse, we see three reasons why we should fear the Lord and glorify His name:

1. "...for thou art holy..."
(God and God alone is worthy of worship.)
2. "...for all nations shall come and worship before thee..."
(All the nations of the earth have never worshipped before God, but there is coming a day WHEN THEY WILL!)
3. "...for thy judgments (thy righteousnesses) are made manifest."
(Here God will reveal His judgments contained in the vials of wrath. God is just and righteous in His judgments.)

III.

A. Revelation 15:5 "And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:"

1. Here we see the _____ is opened.
2. From Revelation 11:19 to Revelation chapter 19, judgments come from the temple in Heaven and not the throne in Heaven.
3. It was from the throne in Heaven that the seal and trumpet judgments proceeded.
4. The temple takes the place of the throne from which will come the vials of God's wrath.
5. The temple that John saw in Revelation 11:19 is open.
6. The temple in Heaven is where _____.
7. These vials that are about to be opened are filled with judgments of Almighty God.
8. God's holiness, _____ will be seen in these judgments.
9. Also in Rev. 11:19 the ark of the covenant is seen.
10. "The covenant" was a _____.
Psalm 105:8 "He hath remembered his covenant forever, the word which he commanded to a thousand generations."
Psalm 106:45 "And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of his mercies."
Psalm 111:5 "He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant."

B. Revelation 15:6 "And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles."

1. The clothing of these seven angels signifies the importance of their job.
2. When John saw those coming out of the temple, he did not see priests (the ministers of grace), but angels (the ministers of judgment).
3. Their clothing was "pure and white linen..." which signifies the _____ which they are about to perform.

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4. When John saw the Lord in Revelation 1:13 He wore a _____.

Revelation 1:13 "And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle."

- C. Revelation 15:7 "And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever."

1. The word "beasts" here does not refer to a wild animal or the Beast of Satan.
2. These are four beasts _____.
3. One of the four beasts will give to the seven angels the vials full of the wrath of God.

- D. Revelation 15:8 "And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled."

1. Three things to consider about those angels:

- a. These angels were equipped and _____ in the temple.

- i. Today God equips His children in church and commissions the church to fulfill the great commission.
- ii. It is not enough just to come to church and fill a pew.
- iii. God wants you to do more than that.

- b. Each angel will receive a golden bowl which is a vial filled with the wrath of Almighty God from one of the four beasts.

1. That doesn't sound like the God of the love happy modernists of our day, does it?
2. There are some things that _____.

- c. The angels are under God's charge and cannot act until God gives them the command.

1. God is loving.
2. God is longsuffering.
3. God is patient.
4. God is kind.

5. God is good.
6. God is also just and will _____
_____.

Psalm 7:11 "God judgeth the righteous, and God is angry with the wicked every day."

Deut. 32:39-43 "See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand. For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever. If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me. I will make mine arrows drunk with blood, and my sword shall devour flesh; and that with the blood of the slain and of the captives, from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy. Rejoice, O ye nations, with his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful unto his land, and to his people."

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Lesson 19

Revelation 16:1 Through 16:21

REVELATION CHAPTER SIXTEEN

I. _____ (BOWL) OF GOD'S WRATH

A. Revelation 16:1 "And I heard a voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, God your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth."

1. This chapter opens with "a great voice of the temple" telling the angels, "Go your ways."

a. In Revelation 5:2 we saw a "loud voice."

b. In Revelation 16:1, 21:3, we see a "great voice."

c. In Revelation 18:2, we see a "strong voice."

d. All these voices describe the character of God.

2. These angels will have _____.

B. Revelation 16:2 "And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image."

1. When this angel pours out his vial a _____ who wear the mark of the beast and those who worship the image.

2. The first vial contains running, grievous sores which reminds us of the plagues in Egypt during the time of Moses.

3. This plague in Egypt was the sixth plague and the first plague to be inflicted upon men.

4. The Greek word describes those sores as giving off a very _____.

II. _____ (BOWL) OF GOD'S WRATH

A. Revelation 16:3 "And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea."

B. Each new vial that is poured out will immediately follow the one before it.

C. There is no need to try to explain away God's Word.

D. When God says that the sea will turn to blood that is exactly what he means.

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- E. When Moses was in Egypt God sent real blood, real fire, real lice, real flies, real darkness and real death.
- F. In Revelation 16:3 we see that the sea will become blood and every living soul will die in the sea.
- G. That means every human in the sea will die, every whale in the sea will die, every fish in the sea will die, every sea monster in the sea will die, everything in the sea will die.

III. _____ (BOWL) OF GOD'S WRATH

- A. Revelation 16:4 "And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood."
 - 1. The third angel poured out the third vial and all the rivers and fountains of water turn to blood.
 - 2. Every time you drink a glass of water, pause and thank God for it.
- B. Revelation 16:5 "And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus."
 - 1. The angel that is turning the water to blood says to the Lord, "Thou art righteous."
 - 2. Our God is _____ in all that He does.
- C. Revelation 16:6 "For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy."
 - 1. No fresh water can be found anywhere.
 - 2. All the fountains, faucets, showers will all pour blood when they are turned on.
 - 3. The angel _____ as he says, "For they shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy."
- D. Revelation 16:7 "And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments."
 - 1. The angels are saying, "Lord you're right, your judgments are true and righteous, give them blood to drink; they are worthy; they deserve it!"
 - 2. God will reward exactly what a person deserves, whether saved or lost.
 - 3. God is _____.

IV. _____ (BOWL) OF GOD'S WRATH

A. Revelation 16:8 "And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire."

1. In Revelation 8:12 _____.
a. Here it is different; the power of the sun is increased.
b. The sun's rays will increase until it burns and _____.
c. God is the one who created the sun, so it would be a small thing for Him to put the sun close enough to the earth to scorch men.
2. Both Moses and Malachi speak of a day when it will "burn as an oven" and when men will be _____.
Deut. 32:24, Mal. 4:1.

B. Revelation 16:9 "And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory."

1. You would think that everyone on the earth would fall on their face and beg God for mercy.
2. Instead of repenting, they _____.
3. When man knows the way of God, yet boldly refuses to keep God in their knowledge _____.
Romans 1:18 "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness:"
4. The most dangerous thing that a man could do is to know the way of God, hear the truth and know what God expects, and _____.

V. _____ (BOWL) OF GOD'S WRATH

A. Revelation 16:10 "And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,"

1. This will be another terrible plague. (One plague ends and another one quickly begins.)
2. Now darkness covers all the earth. (There will be no sun, no moon, and no stars. Total darkness covers the earth.)
3. _____ foresaw this day.

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Isaiah 60:2 "For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people..."

4. _____ foresaw this day.

Joel 2:2 "A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness..."

Joel 2:31 "The sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood..."

5. _____ mentioned this day.

Matthew 13:24 "But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light."

- B. Revelation 16:11 "And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds."

1. Notice the people have their sores that they received at the first pouring out of the first vial.
2. These plagues are coming in concession, one after another.
 - a. First, those who have the mark of the beast and worship the beast are covered with running "grievous" _____.
 - b. Second, the _____ of a dead man and all life in the sea die.
 - c. Third, all the fresh water is turned to blood and there is _____.
 - d. Fourth, the _____ the backs of men with a blistering heat.
 - e. Fifth, God blacks the entire universe and the people are left in _____.
3. Though all of this has taken place the people have still not repented of their deeds.

VI. _____ (BOWL) OF GOD'S WRATH

- A. Revelation 16:12 "And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared."
- B. Here we see the great _____ mentioned.
- C. The Euphrates River has been a great dividing line throughout history.
- D. It divides the countries of the east part of the world from the countries of the west part of the world.

- E. This river is 1780 miles long, from 300 to 1200 yards wide and its depth averages from ten to thirty feet, depending on the rain fall.
- F. When this great river dries up the countries of the east will march on Jerusalem.
- G. Isaiah saw this day.
Isaiah 11:15 "...with His mighty wind shall He shake His hand over the river (Euphrates) and shall smite it in the seven streams, and make men go over dryshod."
- H. At the drying up of the Euphrates, John sees something else:

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- A. Revelation 16:13-14 "And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty."
 - 1. Here the Antichrist is reigning, all the kings of the earth are bowing down to him and he commands them to _____ who have refused the false prophets and the mark of the Beast.
 - 2. In order for the armies of the Antichrist to come against Jerusalem two things have to happen:
 - a. The great Euphrates River that hinders the armies of the east would _____.
 - b. The three demonistic, unclean spirits will have to be sent out to draw and gather the kings and their armies to Jerusalem for the battle.
 - 3. The three unclean spirits have _____, satanistic miracles. These three unclean spirits deceive many to follow the Antichrist into battle.
 - 4. The armies of the Antichrist will assemble, numbering 200 million, Rev. 9:16.
 - 5. Psalm 2 describes the great day when Christ and His army meet the Antichrist and his army at Jerusalem in the _____.
Psalm 2:1-4 "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying. Let us break their bands asunder,

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and cast away their cords from us. He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision."

- B. Revelation 16:15-16 "Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame. And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon."

1. Here Jesus announces how He is going to come.
2. During the reign of the Antichrist, not everyone who doesn't receive the mark of the Beast or bow down to worship the Beast will be killed, some will live through it all.
3. God will _____, let this never be a fear.
4. The word "Armageddon" means "mount of Megiddo."
5. This includes the plain of Jezreel, the great valley that runs through the middle of the Holy land from the Mediterranean Sea to the Jordan River.
6. The valley is approximately two hundred miles long and ten miles wide.
 - a. The name comes from the Hebrew word which means "to cut off."
 - b. This valley has been the place of many battles down through the history.
7. At the end of the battle, there will be _____ that is six-foot-deep and ten miles wide, as our Lord defeats His foe. Rev. 14:20.

VIII. _____ (BOWL) OF GOD'S WRATH

- A. Revelation 16:17 "And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done."
1. The seventh angel poured out his vial of wrath in the air and from the _____ an announcement comes, "It is done."
 2. The dragon, the Beast and the false prophet is about to meet the doom.
 3. The contents of the little seven sealed book has been completed.
- B. Revelation 16:18-20 "And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.

And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found."

1. This earthquake will be like none other seen before.
2. _____ tells of this earthquake.

Isaiah 2:19-21 "And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the Lord, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth. In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats; To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the Lord, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth."

3. _____ tells of this earthquake:

Haggai 2:6-7 "For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land. And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts."

4. The "great city" Jerusalem is shaken in three parts.
 - a. All the cities of the earth are ruined in this gigantic earthquake.
 - b. Can you imagine the death and destruction?

C. Revelation 16:21 "And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great."

1. From the sky fell hail stones weighing about a talent.
 - a. Talents varied in weight at the time of the writing of Revelation.
 - b. A Jewish talent of silver weighed 118 pounds while all others were 135 pounds.
 - c. An Egyptian talent was 86 pounds.
 - d. In Antioch, they used talents of 390 pounds.
2. Still the unsaved _____, yet blasphemers God.

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Lesson 20

Revelation 17:1 Through 17:18

REVELATION CHAPTER SEVENTEEN

I. _____

A. Revelation 17:1 "And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:"

1. The fall of Babylon was announced _____.
2. The events in Revelation 14:8 through the remainder of the chapter take place after the pouring out of the seventh vial.
3. This is very important to know so that we have a proper understanding of the events and when they will take place.
4. In Revelation chapters 17 and 18, we learn of the _____, her relationship with the Antichrist and to the kings of the earth.
5. We also learn of _____.
6. In order for a person to properly understand Revelation, they must understand who and what Babylon is, for Babylon plays a great role in Revelation.
7. There are two women mentioned in Revelation.
 - a. One is the _____ found in Revelation 12.
 - b. The other is the mother of unrighteousness and impurity, known as the _____ and abominations found in Revelation 17.
 - c. One woman is of God, the other woman is of Satan.
8. By studying and comparing, we find who this woman, this great whore really is.
9. Mother of Righteousness (Rev. 12)
 - a. Brought forth _____.
 - b. "Clothed with the sun." Her clothing is the "light" of Heaven. (Heavenly clothing)
 - c. Has the moon (the power of darkness) under her feet.
 - d. _____.

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- e. The dragon pursues her and drives her into the wilderness.
 - f. Produces masculine nobility.
 - g. Helped by celestial wings.
 - h. Wears a crown of twelve stars.
 - i. Final residence in the heavenly city surrounded by the saints of the ages.
10. Mother of Harlots (Rev. 17)
- a. _____.
 - b. "Arrayed in purple and scarlet color decked with gold and precious stones, and pearls." (Earthly clothing)
 - c. _____.
 - d. Suffers at the hands of the ten kings who supported her.
 - e. Produces feminine impurity.
 - f. _____.
 - g. Upon her head the name destroyer and she is drunk with the blood of saints and prophets.
 - h. _____ surrounded by the damned forever.
11. These two women are rivals.
- a. They are as different as day and night.
 - b. The first woman we studied in Revelation chapter 12.
 - c. She is the picture of _____, "Salvation is of the Jews."
 - d. _____.
12. The second woman is the ... "great whore."
- a. She is proud of who she is for she advertises her immoral acts by wearing on the head the name Mother of Harlots."
 - b. In the Word of God, harlotry stands for "idolatry and false devotion."
 - c. This is worshipping a man-made god, not the God.
 - d. When people set up idols, rites, rituals, doctrines and systems to replace what God has commanded and revealed in the Word of God, that is called whoredom,

adultery, fornication.

Jeremiah 3:6 The Lord said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up on every high mountain and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot."

Jeremiah 3:8-9 "And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also. And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks."

Revelation 2:20-22 "Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols. And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not. Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds."

13. A bad woman in the Bible is invariably a _____.
 14. All those who are saved make up the _____.
 - a. Those who are not saved make up the bride of the Antichrist.
 - b. The Antichrist bride is made up of the little harlots that are produced by the spiritual adultery of the "great whore."
- B. Revelation 17:2 "With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication."
1. This great whore is guilty of committing fornication with the kings of the earth.
 2. _____, not believing in the separation of church and state.
 3. Do you know of any religions like that today?
 4. This is a religion of loose morals.

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- C. Revelation 17:3-5 "So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH."
1. Here we see a picture of the "great whore."
 - a. She is a wealthy woman.
 - b. This religion can afford purple and scarlet, gold, precious stones, and pearls.
 - c. This religion has the prettiest buildings and most elaborate furnishings.
 2. The cup in her hand is full of abomination and filthiness.
 3. This religion is an _____.
 4. Her first name was called, "Babylon the Great."
 - a. Babylon is a symbol of the _____, Genesis 11.
 - b. The word, "Babylon" means "confusion."
 - c. In Genesis 10 and 11, Nimrod led the building of the tower and city in order to _____.
 - d. This is where the "mother of harlots" began.
 5. Nimrod was the grandson of Ham and it was he that built _____, the tower of Babylon.
 - a. The name "Nimrod" means "rebellious panther."
 - b. He was the forerunner of the Antichrist.
 - c. It was Nimrod that built the tower, "...whose top may reach unto heaven..." Gen. 11:4.
 - d. He led the people to try and get to Heaven their own way and by the labors of their own hands.
 - e. History tells us that Nimrod was a tremendous organizer and administrator.
 1. He enslaved people and made them work for mere bread.
 2. He claimed to have seen a golden crown in the

sky and he made himself a golden crown that he wore, setting himself up as deity.

- f. He organized the people to be one.
 - g. History tells us that he had a great statue made that was the image of his wife, Semiarmis and set it up in the capital of his empire.
 - h. The capital was "Babel" from which the word "Babylon" was derived.
 - i. God stopped the building of the tower and city, _____ to speak different languages and scattered the people to the _____.
 - i. However, the people never forgot the teachings of Nimrod.
 - ii. The false religions and idol worship of today all have their roots in the _____.
 - j. Still more than two-thirds of the world adhere to the system of idol worship.
4. Who could the "mother of harlots" be?
- a. _____ is the mother of many denominations.
 - b. A child usually favors its mother.
 - c. The children of the "great whore" will favor their mother.
 - d. Observation: If the "great whore" is the Roman Catholic church and I believe it is, then they have left mama, yet still hold to her practices, can easily be identified as the harlots spoken of in the Bible. Some of the practices of mama and her babies are sprinkling, having centralized denominational leaders, baptizing babies, etc.
 - e. There was a day when there were only two great religious bodies.
 - i. These two bodies were _____ and _____.
 - ii. However, now there are many denominations, because mama has had a lot of babies.
 - iii. One day all of these babies will return to

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mama, by the way, they are in the process of returning now.

- D. Revelation 17:6 "And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration."
1. This religion is _____.
 - a. She kills the saints.
 - b. Through the centuries, the Roman Catholic Church has been guilty of killing true believers.
 2. History has been marked by the trail of innocent blood of believers who have been killed by the Roman Catholic Church.

II.

- A. Revelation 17:7 "And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns."
1. The woman is _____.
 2. So this church has the power of Satan behind it, pushing it forward.
 3. The heads represent seven mountains as seen in verse 9 and the ten horns represent the power of the ten kings or kingdoms.
- B. Revelation 17:8 "The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in The Book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is."
1. This verse describes the past and the future _____.
 2. Multitudes of unsaved will wonder after this Beast who restores the Roman Empire and claims to be God.
 3. Multitudes will worship him, except those whose names are written in The Book of life.

III.

- A. Revelation 17:9 "And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth."
- B. The Greek word used here for mountains could also be used for hills.

- C. For centuries, Rome has been notably famous as it is situated on seven hills:
1. Palatine
 2. Avenine
 3. Caelian
 4. Esquiline
 5. Viminal
 6. Quirinal
 7. Capitoline

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- A. Revelation 17:10-13 "And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition. And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast."
1. The seven kings are the different forms of religious governments of the Roman Empire.
 - a. Five are fallen, which are past forms of government.
 - b. There was one in John's day and there will be one to come, which will be the final form of the revived Roman Empire.
 2. The ten horns are _____.
 - a. The horns represent the power of the ten royal people, _____.
 - b. There are ten kingdoms and ten kings that have authority.
 3. Those kings are given their authority in one hour by the Beast.
 4. Now there will be a federation of ten kingdoms with ten kings which has been united and given power by the Beast.
 5. These ten kings will be no more than puppets to the puppet master, the Beast.
- B. Revelation 17:14 "These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of

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kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful."

1. Here is the final act recorded of the Beast and puppets.
2. They will come to the battle of Armageddon _____.
3. Here the battle is just announced as the angel of God is covering many events.

(Aren't you glad that in the midst of bad news that God takes time to inform you that you are on the winning side? Amen)

V.

A. Revelation 17:15-16 "And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues. And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire."

1. Verse 15 is referring back to verse 1.
2. The waters that the great whore sits are the people, the multitudes, the nations and the tongues.
3. Though multitudes of people _____ they do not follow with their heart.
4. These same fellows will God use to rise up against her and bring this false religion to its destruction.

B. Revelation 17:17-18 "For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled. And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth."

1. First, the great whore _____. (Those who loved her now hate her.)
2. Second, the great whore _____. (Her wealth will be destroyed and turned to waste, Rev. 18:10.)
3. Third, the great whore _____. (She will be stripped of her royal robes and appear before multitudes naked and ashamed, Eze. 23:29; Rev. 3:18.)
4. Fourth, the great whore's enemies _____. (Her admirers will devour her riches and become her bitter enemies, James 5:3; Psalm 27:2; Micah 3:2, 3.)
5. Fifth, the great whore _____. (She will be socially and politically ruined.)

Lesson 21

Revelation 18:1 Through 18:24

REVELATION CHAPTER EIGHTEEN

- I. BABYLON, _____
- A. Revelation 18:1-2 "And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird."
1. Here we see another angel comes from Heaven with great power.
 2. This is not one of the seven angels of Revelation chapter 17 who God will use to release the vials (bowls) of wrath, this is "...another angel..."
 3. Keep in mind all angels are not _____ in their service, authority and power.
 4. Each angel is different in their _____.
 5. In Revelation chapter 17, we learned of the fall of religious Babylon as the great whore was destroyed by the ten kings who rose up against her.
 - a. So, we saw that the religious Babylon was destroyed by the political Babylon.
 - b. In Revelation 17, we saw that the "great whore" and the kings of the earth became as one, as the kings of the earth committed fornication with the "great whore" (Roman Catholic Church).
 - c. We also saw that the ten kings representing ten kingdoms (these are not the "kings of the earth") _____".
 - d. Hence, the religious Babylon separates from the political Babylon.
 4. Now in this chapter, we will study the fall of the political Babylon and the city of Babylon (Rome).
 5. The angel sent from Heaven announced that Babylon is fallen and tells now how that void is being filled.
 6. It has become:

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- a. The _____.
 - b. The hold of every foul spirit.
 - c. A cage of every unclean and hateful bird.
7. The great city of _____, spiritually is called Babylon.
- B. Revelation 18:3 "For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies."
- 1. In verse 3, we see that the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her again.
 - 2. For a while in Revelation chapter 17, we saw that the Beast made himself subject to the great whore as she set on him.
 - 3. Now the great whore (_____) has been destroyed, however, the Anti-christ has not been destroyed.
 - a. Some Bible teachers teach that the first 3 and a half years of the tribulation religious Babylon will rule and during the last 3 and a half years of the tribulation political Babylon will rule.
 - b. One is just as bad as the other.
 - c. Both are _____.
 - d. Still other Bible teachers teach that both the spiritual and the political Babylon co-existed and that they will both be destroyed about the same time. (This is what I believe.)
 - 4. The spiritual Babylon once promoted by the Beast (Satan) is given great authority.
 - 5. When spiritual Babylon is destroyed by political Babylon, political Babylon will be given great authority for a short time.

II. GOD'S _____ WHO ARE ON THE EARTH

- A. Let's not forget that there will be people that will receive Christ during the tribulation period.
- 1. Some of those people, no doubt, heard one of the 144,000 male, virgin _____ and received Christ as their Saviour.
 - 2. Others, perhaps heard a gospel cassette tape or CD recording that they had found and received Christ.

3. Others perhaps will be led to Christ by one of the _____ while he heard the preaching of the gospel by one of the 144,000 evangelists.
 4. There will be saved people living on the earth during the tribulation.
- B. Revelation 18:4 "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues".
1. There will be Christians living in Rome and other cities no doubt in _____ from the spiritual and political control of the Beast.
 2. Now the spiritual and political systems have been destroyed.
 3. God tells His people come out of that wicked city, Rome, and the systems under her control, for He is going to send judgment.
 3. We have already seen that many and possibly most Christians will not live through the tribulation as they will die of starvation for not receiving the mark of the Beast or be killed for not bowing down to the image of the Beast.
 4. All through the Bible God tells us not to have _____.
- Deut. 7:3-4 "Neither shalt thou make marriages with them: thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son. For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the Lord be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly."
- Ps. 1:1 "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful."
- Eph. 5:11 "And have not fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them."
- II Cor. 6:14-18 "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteous-ness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hat the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they

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shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

II John 9-11 "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed: For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds."

5. The Scriptures are very clear that we are not to receive them into our houses, our churches, our colleges or Christian fellowship.
6. If we receive them for Christian fellowship we become _____.
 - a. Bible believing preachers have no right sharing platforms or pulpits with those who do not _____.
 - b. Those who preach that good works will take a person to Heaven are proclaiming a false gospel.
 - c. JESUS is the only way to Heaven.
John 14:6 "Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."
7. The Scriptures are clear.
8. A believer should not have Christian fellowship or _____.
9. That means:
 - a. A saved boy or man _____ an unsaved girl or lady.
 - b. A saved girl or lady should not date an unsaved boy or man.
 - c. A Christian business man ought not to yoke up with an unsaved business man.
 - d. Don't _____ in your home for "fellowshipping" around the Word.
 - e. God says not even to bid them God's speed.

- f. By the way, one who stays in a liberal denominational system where his gifts support infidel leaders in colleges, seminaries and literature is "partaker of his evil deed" and will suffer for it.

III. THE CITY OF BABYLON (ROME) _____

A. Revelation 18:5-6 "For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double."

- 1. Babylon (Rome) the seat of the Anti-christ, the center of the world empire, must now reap what she sowed.

Gal. 6:7 "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

- 2. A nation, a city or a person, can not sow deeds of wickedness and corruption and reap rewards of righteousness and incorruption.

Gal. 6:8 "For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

- 3. A nation, a city or a person will reap proportionately as to how they have sown.

II Cor. 9:6 "He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."

- 4. David committed adultery and murder, but he had to reap four-fold.

- a. His baby died.
- b. His daughter, Tamar, was raped.
- c. His son, Amnon, was murdered.
- d. His son, Absalom, rebelled and was killed.

Hosea 8:7 "For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk: the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up."

- 5. There is an _____.

- 6. However, these same principles that God uses as His measuring rod to reward the evil doer, He uses to _____.

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Luke 6:38 "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

7. A man sows, _____ double or more.

B. Revelation 18:7-8 "How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her."

1. What is her reward? What is the reward of the city of evil deeds and wickedness?
 - a. Her torment and sorrow will equal her self-glorifying actions and pleasurable lifestyle.
 - b. Her plagues will come in one day accompanied by death, mourning and famine.
 - c. She will be burned with fire.
2. God who is just in His judgments will make sure that she _____.
3. God who is just in His judgments will also make sure that every individual will receive their just rewards.

IV. _____ THE GREAT LOSS OF BABYLON (ROME) AND HER CONTENTS

A. Revelation 18:9 "And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,"

1. This is not the destruction of the great whore.
 - a. The destruction of the great whore has already past.
 - b. This is the actual physical destruction of the political Babylon and the physical city of Babylon (Rome) itself.
2. When the political system and the city is destroyed the kings of the earth who had committed fornication with her and lived richly because of her lament.

- B. Revelation 18:10 "Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come."
1. The ten kings that the Beast gave authority and power over ten kingdoms are not the "kings of the earth" that is mentioned in chapter 17 and several times in this chapter which are loyal to Babylon.
 2. The city and system of political rule is all destroyed in one hour.
 3. The "kings of the earth" had great interest in Babylon because of their person investments will stand afar off in fear as they watch the smoke of the great city ascend upward and lament.

V. _____ OVER THE DESTRUCTION
OF BABYLON (ROME)

- A. Revelation 18:11 "And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:"
1. If New York, London or Tokyo was destroyed by an earthquake and burned to the ground _____ and the livelihood of millions of lives would be ruined.
 2. This is exactly what will happen when the great city of Babylon and her commercial system is destroyed, yet on even a much larger scale.
 3. The merchants weep and mourn because of their ruin.
- B. Revelation 18:12-19 "The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men. And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all. The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing, And saying, Alas, alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls! For in one hour so great riches is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off, cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is like unto this great city! And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and

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wailing, saying, Alas, alas, that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate."

1. In verse 12 and 13, we see the _____.
2. The merchants not only buy and sell the riches of the world commerce, but also "the slaves and souls of men."
3. There are various articles named in verses 12-19 that shows the rich market and wealth of this great city.
4. These articles are of seven different groups or categories.
 - a. **All kinds of** _____.
(There is gold, silver, diamonds, rubies, pearls...)
 - b. **Costly wearing apparel.**
(Notice the fine linen that is named. There is purple, silk and scarlet.)
 - c. _____ **is named.**
(There are various pieces of furniture manufactured by precious wood, ivory and precious metals.)
 - d. **Ointments of all kinds.**
(There are frankincense, cinnamon...)
 - e. _____ **of all kinds.**
(There are fine meat, sheep, beasts of all kinds, wheat flour, oil, wine, intoxicating drinks.)
 - f. **Horses and chariots are named.**
 - g. **The merchandise of the "souls of men."**
(This reminds you of religious groups that try to sell people the right to go to Heaven. Religious leaders accepting money to pray for man's soul.)
5. All of the merchandise of the city will be destroyed and burned _____.
6. All the kings of the earth who were made rich by her will weep and mourn.

VI. GOD'S PEOPLE _____ WILL REJOICE OVER THE DESTRUCTION OF BABYLON (ROME)

- A. Revelation 18:20-23 "Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her. And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be

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thrown down, and shall be found no more at all. And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee; And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived."

1. On earth there is lamentation, weeping and mourning while at the very same time there is _____.
 2. The great city Babylon and her corrupt political system and commercial enterprise has now been destroyed.
 3. No more will she deceive all the nations with her sorceries.
- B. Revelation 18:24 "And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth."
1. This great city, Babylon (Rome) with her religious and political influence has been the cause of the bloody martyrdom of _____ down through the years.
 2. Now the city and its corrupt systems reap what she has sown.
 3. As she destroyed, so is she destroyed.

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Lesson 22

Revelation 19:1 Through 19:12

REVELATION CHAPTER NINETEEN

I. THE ALLELUIA'S OF THE _____ OVER GOD'S VENGEANCE

A. Revelation 19:1-2 "And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God. For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand."

1. The phrase, "And after these things..."is referring back to the fall of Babylon as described in Revelation chapters 17 and 18.
2. After the fall of Babylon, God's people in Heaven rejoice, saying, "Alleluia, Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power unto the Lord our God."
3. Why must God judge sin?
 - a. God is _____.
 - b. His very nature demands that He judge sin.
 - c. Though God must judge sin, He never judges unfairly or unrighteously.
4. As news arrives in Heaven that God has judged the great whore, shouts of praise will be heard up and down the streets of gold.
5. Heaven will be filled with a great voice of many people shouting, "Alleluia".

B. Revelation 19:3 "And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever."

1. Here we see the result of the city of Rome as her smoke rises up for ever and ever.
2. This is not just the burning of the city like New York, Paris or London.
3. This is also the burning of a _____
_____ in its systems of religion and politics.
4. Notice the people in Heaven are still rejoicing over the righteous judgments of God.

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- C. Revelation 19:4 "And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia."
1. This is the third Alleluia.
 2. The four and twenty elders (_____) and the four beasts will fall down and worship God saying, "Amen and Alleluia."
 - a. I feel sorry for precious people who have trouble enjoying a little noise of praising God in church.
 - b. I wonder what those who do not like the amens and alleluias will do on this great day of rejoicing?
 3. We learned in Rev. 4 that the four and twenty elders are the church.
 4. _____ will rejoice.
 5. We also see that every creature in Heaven will rejoice.
- D. Revelation 19:5 "And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great."
1. Notice the throne of God puts its _____ on the process of rejoicing in Heaven.
 2. The wicked on earth are in terror, the people of God in Heaven are rejoicing.
 3. God commands those in Heaven to Praise God both the small and the great.
 4. This includes the angels, the servants, the cherubims, the seraphims, and every creature abiding in Heaven.
 5. Notice two types of people praise God:
 - a. Those who are His _____.
 - b. Those who _____.
 6. The same thing is true in our churches today.
 7. There are two types of people that praise God and say, "Amen" in church.
 - a. Those who are His servants.
 - b. Those who fear Him.
- E. Revelation 19:6 "And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of

mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth."

1. Notice the volume of those that are praising God saying, "Alleluia."
 - a. It will sound like _____.
 - b. It will sound like the _____.
2. The reason that it is so loud is because "a great multitude" is joining together praising God.

II.

A. Revelation 19:7 "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready."

1. This is a time of _____.
 - a. A wedding is certainly a time of gladness and rejoicing.
 - b. There will be tears of great joy shed at this wedding.
 - c. Weddings are happy occasions.
2. Two things must happen before Christ can occupy the throne of the world:
 - a. Babylon with her hellish systems must be _____.
 - b. The Marriage Supper of the Lamb must be _____.
 - c. When Jesus returns to the earth to take His rightful throne, His Bride will be with Him.
3. After the judgment and destruction of Babylon and the Marriage Supper of the Lamb we see the fulfillment of Isaiah 9:6-7.

Isaiah 9:6-7 "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, the everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this."
4. Israel is not a part of the Bride of Christ.

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- a. Israel is the _____.
- b. Israel will be restored as seen in Isaiah 51:1-10 and Hosea 2:1-17.
5. Israel is identified as an earthly people with an earthly blessing.
Hosea 2:23 "And I will sow her unto me in the earth; and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and I will say to them which were not my people, Thou art my people and they shall say Thou art my God."
6. When Israel (the adulterous wife of Jehovah) is forgiven and restored, she will _____.
II Cor. 11:2-13 "For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ."
7. When Israel (the adulterous wife of Jehovah) is forgiven and restored she will _____.
Rev. 21:9 "And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife."
8. In Revelation 19:7, notice the careful wording of the Holy Spirit.
 - a. This is not "the marriage of the Bride" but the marriage of the Lamb."
 - b. All will now rejoice because of His wedding.
9. No great details are given about this marriage.
 - a. We do know that it takes place before Jesus comes back (the second coming of Christ) to earth to reign for one-thousand years on His earthly throne.
 - b. This is not the rapture.
 - c. The rapture takes place in Revelation 4:1-4.
10. In the Bible, does God talk about the church as being the _____ and that is in Hebrews 12:22-24.

Hebrews 12:22-24 "But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and

to an innumerable company of angels. To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to the spirits of just men made perfect. And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel."

11. At the time of the rapture all born-again believers will assemble in the air with Lord which will be the great assembly of the church.
12. Until that time, God always refers to the church in scripture as the local assembly of born-again, baptized believers.
13. Who is the bride?
 - a. All the saints of God, those who are born-again, are the bride that will assemble in Heaven.
 - b. The Heavenly bride is not a denomination, certain group or organization.
 - c. The Heavenly bride is a picture of all Christians who are _____, during the tribulation and after the tribulation.
 - d. Dr. Jack Hyles in his book on "Let's Study the Revelation" said: "The Bridegroom will be the Lamb, the bride will be His wife, or all the redeemed. Some seem to think that just one denomination will be the bride. This is not consistent with the teaching of the Bible. We are all members of His body and will be one with Him as His bride. Many have even gone so far as to say that only Baptists will be the bride. This is not so. Every saved Baptist, Presbyterian, Methodist, every saved Church of Christ, every saved Catholic, and those saved from every other denomination or no denomination will be a part of the bride."
14. The Judgment Seat is a time where the bride prepared for the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.
 - a. At the Judgment Seat, _____ will be judged.
 - b. Believers will be rewarded according to their _____.
 - c. In Rev. 19:7 we read, "...His wife hath made herself ready."

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15. There will be many carnal people who will be ashamed due to their _____ which will be revealed that day by little or no rewards.

I John 2:28 "And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming."

- B. Revelation 19:8 "And to here was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints."

1. The bride will be arrayed in _____.

2. This is quite a contrast to the gaudy garments worn by the great whore and her harlots.

3. The garments of the great whore and her harlots signify their character, as does the garment of the bride of Christ.

4. The bride of Christ is _____.

Ephesians 5:25-27 "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish."

5. In Revelation 19:8, we see that the fine linen is the _____.

6. There are two types of righteousness mentioned in the Bible:

- a. _____ righteousness - This is the righteousness that God imputes (gives) to each person who receives Christ as their Saviour. (This is _____.)

Romans 3:21-26 "But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets. Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of his sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he

might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus."

b. _____ Righteousness –

1. This is the right acts that a Christian does.
2. This comes after imputed righteousness.
3. This is being justified before man as found in The Book of James and mentioned in Romans 8:4.

Romans 8:4 "That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

7. The next great event on God's prophetic time table is the _____, I Thess. 4:13-18.
8. After the rapture, we will appear at the Judgment Seat, II Cor. 5:10; I Cor. 3:12-15.
9. After the Judgment Seat, we will appear at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, Rev. 19:7-10.
10. After the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, we will _____ with Him in the Kingdom, Rev. 20:6.

C. Revelation 19:9 "And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God."

1. The word, "Blessed" means "happy, content."
2. So those that are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb will be a _____.
3. This indicates that all the saved will be there and all the unconverted will be left out.
4. The Marriage Supper of the Lamb is done decently and in order:
 - a. The place of the wedding is in _____, Rev. 19:1.
 - b. The false suitors are eliminated, Rev. 19:2.
 - c. Sounds of rejoicing will be heard before the wedding, Rev. 19:1, 4, 6.
 - d. The bridegroom is present and honored, Rev. 19:7, _____ is the Bridegroom.

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- e. The bride has made herself ready and is present, Rev. 19:7.
- f. After the wedding, there will be the wedding reception, Rev. 19:9.
- g. After the wedding reception, the groom will take the bride on a honeymoon, Rev. 20:6.
- h. This will be the _____ on earth.
- i. After the honeymoon, the groom takes the bride to their new home, Rev. 21:2.
- j. Jesus is preparing a place for His bride right now.
- k. They will live happily ever after.

D. Revelation 19:10 "And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

- 1. Here John became so astonished with the truth that was being shown him by the angel that he fell down to worship the angel.
- 2. John was rebuked by the angel for doing so and _____.

III.

A. Revelation 19:11 "And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war."

- 1. Many times the rapture is confused with the second coming of Christ.
 - a. The two are totally separate.
 - b. The second coming of Christ to the earth will take place _____.
- 2. The heaven will open and the One Who will come back on a white horse is called, "Faithful and True," who is none other than Jesus.
- 3. There is only one other time mentioned in scripture where Jesus rode an animal. (In Matthew 21:4-11 you see Him riding upon an humble ass, but not now.)
- 4. Conquering generals and kings rode the great white charging horses and so will the King of kings and Lord of lords.

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5. Remember the Antichrist, who is the imitator of Christ _____ in Revelation 6.
 6. The white horse is a symbol of _____.
 7. Jesus comes to judge in righteousness and make war.
- B. Revelation 19:12 "His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself."
1. Fire is that which purifies the unpure and our Lord will come _____.
 2. On his head, He _____.
 - a. History tells us that when a king would conquer a country he would wear the crown of the country that he defeated.
 - b. The reason Jesus will have many crowns is that He will be the _____.
 3. In Rev. 13:1, the Beast only had ten crowns on his horns which represented his ten kingdoms.
 4. Jesus will wear the crown of every nation.

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Lesson 23

Revelation 19:13 Through 20:2

IV.

A. Revelation 19:13-14 "And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean."

1. In Revelation 16:15-16 Jesus announced how He was going to come back and even gave details as to where the Battle of Armageddon was going to be fought.

Rev. 16:15-16 "Behold, I come as a thief, Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon."

2. The blood on His garments is not His own blood, but _____.

3. The ones who gather against Him are those described in Revelation 16:14 who have gathered themselves against the Jerusalem.

Rev. 16:14 "For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty."

Zechariah 12:8 "In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon."

4. Christ _____ will bring an end to that war and utterly destroy all who oppose Christians, devout Jews and Himself.

5. He will deliver Jerusalem and Palestine on this day from the bondage of battles and war forever.

6. The name of our Lord is "The Word of God."

John 1:1 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

John 1:14-15 "And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I

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spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me."

7. It is very clear in the Word of God, Jesus is the One described here.
8. If you want to know Jesus you _____ !
9. The armies that come which are clothed in fine linen white and clean, are the saints described in Rev. 19:8; This is His bride.

Jude 14-15 "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints. To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him."

- B. Revelation 19:15 "And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God."

1. The sharp sword which comes out of the mouth of our Lord is _____.
2. It was by the Word of God that the world was spoken into existence, it was by the Word of God that Jesus _____ and it is by the Word of God that this battle will be won.

Hebrews 4:12 "For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

3. The same Word of God that brings life to those that hear and believe is the same Word of God that brings death and eternal damnation to those who refuse to hear and believe.

John 3:18 "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

John 5:24 "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life."

4. The battle is pictured as a great winepress and the wine pressed out is the blood of millions.
5. We know that this army assembled against the Lord will be an army numbering 200 million soldiers, Rev. 9:16.
6. We also know that the blood from this battle will be _____, Rev. 14:20.
7. Christ treading the wine press is prophesied in Isaiah 63:1-4.
Isaiah 63:1-4 "Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore art thou red in thing apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat? I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury; and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come."

C. Revelation 19:16 "And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

1. Instead of the sharp sword being on His side, it is in His mouth, and His name is on His thigh.
2. His name is "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."
Zechariah 14:9 "And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord; and his name one."

V.

A. Revelation 19:17 "And I saw an angel standing in the sun: and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;"

1. This is the second supper mentioned in this chapter.
2. The first is the _____.
3. The angel comes, standing in the sun where all can clearly see Him.
4. Immediately after the battle of Armageddon, the angel calls all the birds of the air to the _____.

B. Revelation 19:18 "That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of

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them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great."

1. The word "flesh" is mentioned five times in association to the great supper to which the fowls of the air are invited.
2. Notice whose flesh the birds will eat:
 - a. The flesh of _____
 - b. The flesh of captains
 - c. The flesh of _____
 - d. The flesh of horses
 - e. The flesh of _____
 - f. The flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.
3. God will use all the birds of Heaven to clean up the dead bodies after the battle of Armageddon.

VI. THE _____, THE FALSE PROPHET THE KINGS AND THEIR ARMIES

A. Revelation 19:19 "And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army."

1. The Beast is named first in this great battle against the Lamb of God.
2. The _____ follow the Beast.
3. These are the same kings of the earth that groaned and wailed when Babylon was destroyed.
4. Next, we have the mention of their armies.
5. The armies of the Beast and the armies of the kings "gathered together."
6. Satan is the one who sent forth the three unclean spirits in Revelation 16 to gather a great multitude for battle.
7. The battle is against "him that sat on the horse, and against his army."
8. This battle is against the _____
9. There has never been a battle fought like this battle in all the history of humanity.

Revelation 14:18-20 "And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp

sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe. And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs."

- a. That adds up to 200 miles of blood up to the horse's bridle which is approximately six feet deep.
 - b. In Isaiah 34:1-8 this is a time described when the land will be soaked in blood.
- B. Revelation 19:20 "And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone."
1. The _____ are cast alive into the _____.
 2. The Beast and the false prophet are not killed like their followers, but are cast alive into the lake of fire.
 3. This is not a lake of water, this is a real lake of fire _____.
- C. Revelation 19:21 "And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh."
1. Remember these armies are not butchered by bullets or bombs.
 2. They are literally killed _____ and Lord of Lords.
 3. Their flesh will be consumed by the buzzards!
 4. There will be enough flesh of the dead to fill all the fowls of the air.
 5. This is the supper of the great God.

REVELATION CHAPTER TWENTY

I. _____

- A. Revelation 20:1 "And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand."

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1. In Revelation 1:18, we read that Jesus has the _____.
Revelation 1:18 "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."
2. Bible teachers believe this angel to be Jesus Himself.
3. Others as I believe that this is an angel of the Lord that has been given this special mission.
4. The _____ is spoken of many times in the Bible.
5. Remember when Korah, Abiram and their adherents were destroyed by God's hand for their rebellion, they "went down alive into the pit."
6. The Bible speaks of "the pit" in several different places as it makes reference to hell.
Job 33:24 "Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom."
Psalm 28:1 "Unto thee will I cry, O Lord my rock; be not silent to me: lest if thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit."
Psalm 143:7 "Hear me speedily, O Lord: my spirit faileth: hid not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit."
Jude 6 "And the angles which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day."
5. The _____ begged Jesus not to torment them before the time, casting them into the deep.
Matt. 8:29 "And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee. Jesus thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time?"
Luke 8:31 "And they besought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep."
 - a. The "into the deep" refers to the same bottomless pit that Satan will be cast into for one thousand years.
 - b. This is where the _____ and tormented this very hour.
6. The "bottomless pit" is one of the many names for Hell.

7. The "lake of fire", "outer darkness" are other names for Hell.
- B. Revelation 20:2 "And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years."
 1. In this verse, Satan is mentioned by four different names:
 - a. The _____ - cruelty
 - b. The _____ - guile and cunning treachery.
 - c. The _____ - deceiver, tempter of men.
 - d. _____ - enemy of Christ and His people.
 2. Satan is a real live person, not an influence or mere spirit.
 3. Satan is...
 - a. ...the _____.
Eph. 2:2 "Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:"
 - b. ...the _____.
II Cor. 4:4 "In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."
 - c. ...the _____.
Eph. 6:11-12 "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."
 4. The term "a thousand years" is found six times in Revelation 20: It can be seen in verses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.
 5. The one thousand years is a literal one thousand years of _____.
 6. A prophetic year in the Bible is 360 days, not 365 days.
 7. According to the Jewish belief and reasoning, the six thousand years of the creation of the heavens and the earth are now drawing to a close.
 - a. God created the heavens and the earth in six literal days.

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- b. On the seventh day, He rested from His labour.
- c. Man has lived on the earth about six days, almost _____.
- d. Four-thousand years before Christ and almost 2000 years after Christ.
- e. It must be about time for the Sabbath; the one-thousand-year rest and peace.

II Peter 3:8 "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

Lesson 24

Revelation 20:3 Through 20:11

C. Revelation 20:3 "And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season."

1. Satan will be cast in the "bottomless pit" and _____.
2. During the one thousand year millennial reign of Christ on earth, Satan is imprisoned in the "bottomless pit."
3. Why would God release Satan after one thousand years?
 - a. Isaiah 65 and 66 are worthy of study in answer to this question.
 - b. Israel will be in her own land and for one thousand years she will multiply by the millions.
 - c. These are not those who were raptured then came back with the Lord at His Second Coming.
 - d. These are those who are living in natural bodies, having children, growing old and dying just like today.
4. During the millennial reign of Christ, while Satan is in captivity, unsaved man will still sin and be punished for sin, however, Satan will not be loose to _____.
5. God is not a respecter of persons, therefore, God will allow the unsaved _____ as you and I have been.

Romans 2:11 "For there is no respect of persons with God."
6. The Bible says that He will be loosed for "a little season."
7. There is no indication in the Bible how long this little season may be.

II.

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- A. Revelation 20:4-5 "And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the

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dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection."

Daniel 7:9 "I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire."

1. Both Daniel and John _____.
2. These thrones are not to be confused with the twenty-four thrones of Revelation 4:4.
3. The thrones Daniel saw and the thrones John saw point to the _____ that will be established during Christ's reign.
4. Who are these that sit on the thrones and judge the world?
5. We know they are _____.

I Cor. 6:2 "Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?"

4. There is not just one general resurrection and one general judgment.
 - a. The "resurrection of the just" - Luke 14:13-14
 - b. The "resurrection unto damnation" - John 5:28-29.
5. There are two resurrections:
 - a. **The resurrection of the _____.** - This includes all the saved, though resurrected at different times.
 - i. _____ was the first to be resurrected.

I Cor. 15:23 "But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming."
 - ii. The _____ will be the next resurrection.

I Thess. 4:16 "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:"
 - iii. The resurrection of all the _____ of the tribulation on the eve of the Millennial reign of Christ is the other resurrection.

- b. The resurrection of the _____.
 - i. Before the Millennium, the righteous hear His voice.
 - ii. At the close of the Millennium, the _____ here His voice.
 - iii. All the wicked from Cain all the way to the last person who died without Christ as their Saviour will be raised at the end of the one-thousand-year millennial reign of Christ.
 - iv. The unsaved dead _____ at the "White Throne" judgment, then _____.
- B. Revelation 20:6 "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years."
 - 1. Certainly, any thinking person could not miss the fact that only holy people (those made holy _____) will be a part of the first resurrection.
 - 2. Jesus came the first time to _____.
 - 3. Jesus will come the second time to redeem the body.
 - 4. The redemption of the soul is _____ the very second a person received Christ as their Saviour.
 - 5. Christians do not die; the body rests in the dust, but the _____.
 - 6. The wicked die forever.
 - 7. At the resurrection of the saved the body of a man is _____, which goes immediately to Heaven at death.
 - 8. At the resurrection of the unsaved dead, the body of a man is reunited with the soul and spirit which goes immediately to hell at death.
- C. What will the earthly millennial reign of Christ be like?
 - 1. Isaiah 11:61 "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the

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asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cackatrice' den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea."

- a. A _____ will dwell together.
 - b. A leopard and a baby goat will feed together.
 - c. A child will _____.
 - d. A bear and a cow will feed together.
 - e. The young bears and the calves will _____.
 - f. A lion will eat straw like an ox.
 - g. A _____.
 - h. There will be no killing or destroying God's holy mountain.
 - i. The earth will be filled with the _____.
2. Matthew 25:31-34 "When the Son of man shall come to his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:"
 3. Notice what Jesus promised his disciples in Matthew 19:28.
Matthew 19:28 "And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, that ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel."
 4. The place of government _____.
Ezekiel 48:10 "And for them, even for the priests, shall be this holy oblation; toward the north five and twenty thousand

in length, and toward the east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length: and the sanctuary of the Lord shall be in the midst thereof."

III.

A. Revelation 20:7-8 "And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea."

1. The Bible plainly teaches that Satan will be loosed out of his prison in hell for a little season.

a. The Bible does not say how long this little season is going to be.

b. We know it will be long enough for Satan to _____ for the battle of Gog and Magog.

2. Where is Satan going to get his army?

a. We know it can't be the children of God who have glorified bodies.

b. They won't and can't rebel.

c. Satan's army will probably be the _____ during the one-thousand-year millennial reign of Christ.

1. These babies who are born to their natural parents will have natural bodies.

2. These natural bodied people who live and are born during the millennial reign of Christ will live hundreds of years in their natural bodies.

3. Even though Adam sinned he lived to age 930 because the vegetables, fruits, water and air were not contaminated.

4. When a man dies at age hundred people will gather around and say, "What a shame he was just a child."

Isaiah 65:20 "There shall be no more thence an infant of days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be so cursed."

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- d. During this time, Satan will deceive millions, "The number of whom is as the sands of the sea."
- 3. Who is Gog and Magog?
 - a. In Ezekiel 38 and 39, the question is answered.
Ezekiel 38:2 "Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him,"
 - b. Meshech is _____, the capital city of Russia.
 - c. Tubal is Tobolsk, the chief city of _____.
Ezekiel 38:3 "And say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:"
 - d. Russia is identified in Scripture as the land which is the vast northern empire.
 - 1. Gog is the ruler, head of the great Russian empire.
 - 2. Ezekiel also describes Persia, Ethiopia and many other nations that will come under the leadership of Gog, "like a cloud to cover the land," Ezekiel 39:18.
- B. Revelation 20:9 "And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them."
 - 1. Satan's great deceived army march, covering "the breadth of the earth, and surround the saints and the beloved city" of Jerusalem.
 - 2. When Jerusalem becomes completely surrounded by millions of soldiers and the battle of Gog and Magog looks like a sure win, _____, and devour them.
 - 3. The Creator is always greater than the creature.
 - 4. Lucifer (Satan) was not created a devil, he was created "the anointed cherub that covereth."
Ezekiel 28:14-15 "Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou was created, till iniquity was found in thee."

5. When Lucifer (Satan) thought to overthrow God, God kicked him and his followers out of Heaven to earth.
6. Satan has _____.
7. Satan's last army is destroyed by fire that God sent from heaven.
8. Now Satan is left alone.

IV.

- A. Revelation 20:10 "And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever."
1. Before we read how Satan will be bound in the bottomless pit for one-thousand years.
 2. Now we read how Satan will be _____, where the beast and the false prophet are.
 3. The beast and the false prophet at this point have been in hell for over _____.
 4. Satan will never get out of hell and will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

V.

- A. Revelation 20:11 "And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them."
1. Notice that a personal pronoun is used to describe the One who sits on the throne.
 2. Though the Judge is not named, we know who He is, none other than _____.
John 5:22 "For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:"
 3. The people who are about to be judged at this judgment are trying to _____.
 4. There is no place for them to hide.
 5. The Throne that is set up in Matt. 25:31 is not the Great White Throne of Revelation 20:11.
 6. The Matt. 25:31 throne was set up before the Millennial reign of Christ and _____.
 7. There are several judgments mentioned in the Bible:
 - a. **The Judgment Seat of Christ** _____.

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II Cor. 5:9-10 "Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad."

I Cor. 3:10-15 "According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any may build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what work it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire."

b. **The Judgment of _____**

(This is after the tribulation)

Matt. 24:31 "And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

Ezekiel 20:33-38 "As I live, saith the Lord God, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you: And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face. Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord God. And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant: And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the Lord."

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Revelation 20:11 Through 21:4

- c. **The Judgment _____ often called "the judgment of the nations."**

(This is after the battle of Armageddon.)

Matt. 25:31-46 "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:" For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily, I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungered, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee and hungered, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal."

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d. **The _____
of the unsaved dead.**

- B. Revelation 20:12 "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is The Book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works."
1. The dead here refer to those who have _____.
 2. The words "...the small and the great..." occur five times in the New Testament: Rev. 11:18, 13:16, 19:5, 19:18, and 20:12.
 3. When I think of small and great, I think of people who are...
 - a. ...small in physical stature and great in physical stature.
 - b. ...small in wealth and great in wealth.
 - c. ...small in intellect and great in intellect.
 - d. ...small in power and great in power.
 4. An unsaved person's physical stature, wealth, intellect or power _____.
 5. Notice the dead small and great will stand erect before God.
 - a. THIS IS JUDGMENT DAY!
 - b. Kings as well as peasants will stand before God.
 - c. In Rev. 4:1-4 we saw the Judgment Seat of Christ where Christians will be judged for their service, not for their sins.
 - d. Around the throne at the Judgment Seat of Christ is a rainbow, _____.
 - e. At this judgment there is no mercy, just the blazing white surroundings of God's righteousness, holiness, and purity.
 - f. There is _____ at this throne.
 6. God records every action a person does in Heaven.
 - a. God believes in _____.
 - b. Every thought, every word, every deed is recorded in these books.
 - c. Twice it is written "according to their works."
 7. The books (plural) were opened.

- a. These books contain the _____.
 - b. The dead are not judged out of _____ but "out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works."
8. Since man is judged according to his works, some men's punishment in hell will be more severe than others.
- a. All Christ-rejecters go to hell, but _____ will not be the same for everyone.
 - b. All saved people go to Heaven, but some will have more rewards than others, more happiness than others.
9. Only those who have been washed in the blood, redeemed by the Lamb will have their names registered in The Book of life.
- C. Revelation 20:13 "And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works."
- 1. The sea and the grave give up the bodies that are in them.
 - 2. Even out of hell, the Christ-rejecters are delivered up to appear at this final judgment.
 - 3. We know that hell is in the _____.
Matt. 12:40 "For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."
 - 4. When Jesus died on the cross he went to Paradise which was at that time located beside hell in the center of the earth.
 - a. This is where all the _____ were at death.
 - b. Jesus told the thief who received Christ on the cross, this day he was going to be with Him in Paradise.
 - c. When Lazarus died, in Luke 16, the _____.
 - d. That's Paradise.
Luke 16:26 "And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence."
 - 5. There was "a great gulf fixed" between _____.

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6. Every unsaved person will be judged at the Great White Throne judgment.
 7. The record books are opened and the judgment begins.
- D. Revelation 20:14-15 "And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in The Book of life was cast into the lake of fire."
1. Both body and soul are cast in the lake of fire; _____.
 2. Someone has said, "He who is born once will die twice; he who is born twice will die once."
 3. The determining question at the Great White Throne judgment is, "_____".
 - a. If it is, you will not appear at the Great White Throne judgment.
 - b. If it is not, you will appear, be judged and cast into hell.
 - c. It doesn't matter if you have been baptized, keep the sacraments, do good deeds or join a church.
 - d. If you have not received Christ and Him alone as your Savior you will be judged at the Great White Throne judgment and cast into hell.
 4. During the Great White Throne judgment, there will be _____.

Isaiah 66:22 "For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the Lord, so shall your seed and your name remain."

II Peter 3:13 "Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness."
 5. This is the only time allowed for such a change for Revelation 21:1 says, "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away."
 6. Observations:
 - a. When the final day of judgment and damnation of ungodly men arrives, God is going to _____.
 - b. He is going to _____ for His redeemed people.

II Peter 3:7 "But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men."

II Peter 3:10 "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up."

II Peter 3:13 "Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness."

- c. Once the Christian has been raptured, Rev. 4:1-4, He is promised that he will ever be with the Lord.

I Thess. 4:17 "Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

- d. We will be _____ on this terrible day.
- e. Once we are raptured, we will always be with the Lord.
- f. After this terrible day of judgment, when we see friends, relatives and multitude of people cast into hell _____.

Rev. 21:4 "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away."

REVELATION CHAPTER TWENTY-ONE

In Revelation 21 and part of 22, we will find seven new things:

1. The new _____
2. The new earth
3. The new _____
4. The Lamb's wife, the new Jerusalem
5. The new temple
6. The new _____

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7. The new Paradise and river of the _____

I. _____

A. Revelation 21:1 "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea."

1. There are three heavens mentioned in the Bible.

a. The _____ heaven where the birds and airplanes fly. (This is what we call, "The _____ Heaven.")

b. The _____ heaven where the sun, moon, and the stars exist. (This is what we call "The _____ Heaven.")

c. The Heaven where _____. (This is what we call "The _____ Heaven.")

2. In Revelation 21:1 we read that "the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea." (This statement refers to Revelation 20:11.)

Revelation 20:11 "...from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away."

3. This will take place through the _____.

II Peter 3:10 "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up."

4. While our Lord meets with the unsaved at the Great White Throne Judgment, for this terrible day of judgment, us being with Him, the earth and the first heaven is burned and "cleansed" with fire.

5. Both the first heaven and the earth will be made new and will be adapted to the new creatures who will inhabit them.

B. Revelation 21:2 "And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."

1. When God has completed the task of making the "new" heaven and the "new" earth it will be _____.

2. While Jesus is passing final judgment at the Great White Throne Judgment in the starry heaven, God is cleansing the earth and the first heaven, making them new.

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3. The "holy city" is mentioned three times in Revelation 11:2, 21:2, 22:19
4. In the New Testament, there are three Jerusalems:
 - a. The _____ Jerusalem
Hebrews 12:22 "But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels."
 - b. The _____ Jerusalem
Rev. 11:2 "But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months."
 - c. The _____ Jerusalem
Rev. 21:2 "And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."
5. The holy city, new Jerusalem could not be properly described if we used all the adjectives in the world in an attempt to describe its splendor.
6. The means by which the Holy Spirit has chosen to describe her beauty is to compare her to "a bride adorned for her husband."
7. Notice that "John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem coming down from God out of heaven."
8. This literal holy city is not mystical or spiritual, _____
_____.

II. _____

- A. The unsaved have been cast into hell.
- B. The first heaven and earth has been cleansed by God, now God can dwell among men.
- C. Revelation 21:3 "And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God."
- D. Let's notice some things about the people who will occupy the new earth.
 1. _____ will be with them.
 2. _____.

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3. These are God's people.
4. It is God Himself who will continually _____.

III.

A. Revelation 21:4 "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away."

1. _____ until after the one-thousand-year millennial reign of Christ and until after the Great White Throne Judgment.
2. Our resurrected glorified bodies will have tear glands.
 - a. So after the rapture in Heaven there will be tears.
 - b. During the one thousand year millennial reign of Christ there will be tears.
 - c. At the Great White Throne Judgment, which will be held in starry heaven, there will be tears.

3. Why will there be tears shed?

- a. _____ **will be shed.** (Some Christians will be ashamed before Christ at His coming.)

I John 2:18 "Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that Antichrist shall come, even now are there many Antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time."

- b. _____ **will be shed.** (At the Judgment Seat of Christ there will be many tears shed as Christians who did not work will be terrified to face Christ.)

II Cor. 5:10-11 "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences."

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Revelation 21:4 Through 21:17

c. _____ **will be shed.**

- i. At the Judgment Seat of Christ our works are burned and many shall suffer loss.
- ii. Many tears will be shed over the _____.
- iii. Tears are not selfish tears, but tears of shame and regret.

I Cor. 3:10-15 "According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon. For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire."

d. _____ **in heaven over loved ones on earth who receive Christ.**

- i. The Bible says, "...there is joy in the presence of the angels..."
- ii. Who will be in the presence of the angels?
- iii. We will be.

Luke 15:7 "I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance."

Luke 15:10 "Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth."

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- e. **Tears in Heaven over _____.**
(Loved ones in heaven who are watching us shed tears of grief when we fail.)

Hebrews 12:1-2 "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us. Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God."

- f. **Tears in Heaven over _____.**
(If the heavenly host rejoice and shed tears of joy in the presence of the angels because someone receives Christ as their Saviour, then they must weep when someone refuses Christ.)

- g. **Tears shed during the one-thousand-year _____ on earth.**

- i. People receiving Christ.

- a) Remember, there will be people who live through the tribulation, people who have natural bodies, not glorified bodies, that give birth to babies.
- b) No doubt some of these children will receive Christ and _____ will be shed.

- ii. People who die without Christ as Saviour.

- a) Lost people who lived through the seven-year tribulation will be alive going into the millennial reign of Christ.
- b) As they die and go to hell _____ will be shed.

- iii. Attending funerals of the saved and the lost who die.

- iv. People being _____ at the Great White Throne Judgment.

- a) We will be there.
- b) We will hear their cries, their pleas,

their bargaining for mercy.

c) We will see their _____
_____ past.

d) We will see friends and loved ones
who never received Christ as their
Saviour in their life time being cast
into hell by the angels of Almighty
God.

4. After the Great White Throne Judgment, God Himself will
_____. There will be...

- a. ...no more death.
- b. ...no more sorrow.
- c. ...no more crying.
- d. ...no more pain.

B. Revelation 21:5 "And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I
make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words
are true and faithful."

- 1. Notice God _____ but instead He
makes all things brand new.
- 2. There will not be one trace of the old earth and first
atmospheric heaven left.

IV. THE _____ BETWEEN THE SAVED AND THE LOST

A. Revelation 21:6 "And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and
Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst
of the fountain of the water of life freely."

- 1. The term, "It is done", means that it is a _____.
- 2. It is a settled fact that God will make all things new.
- 3. Jesus said, "I am Alpha and Omega" that is the first and the
last letters of the Greek alphabet.
- 4. He is "the beginning and the end."
- 5. He is the One who was, is and will be.
- 6. Those thirsty can _____, Jesus,
Freely.
- 7. This a perfect picture of receiving Christ and Him alone for
salvation.
- 8. Salvation is not earned.

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9. Jesus said, "I will give."
10. For anyone to add one bit of work to salvation

_____.

Romans 11:6 "And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work."

Ephesians 2:8-9 "For by grace are ye saved through faith: and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not by works, lest any man should boast."

- B. Revelation 21:7 "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son."

1. Who are they who overcome?
 - a. Those who overcome the fact that _____ does not save – ONLY JESUS SAVES!
 - b. Those who overcome the fact that keeping the sacraments does not save – ONLY JESUS SAVES!
 - c. Those who overcome the fact that _____ does not save – ONLY JESUS SAVES! (By the way, no one has ever kept the ten commandments!)
 - d. Those who overcome the fact that church membership does not save – ONLY JESUS SAVES!
 - e. Those who overcome the fact that _____ does not save – ONLY JESUS SAVES!

2. Salvation can only be receiving Christ as your Saviour.

John 1:12 "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:"

John 3:18 "He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God."

John 3:36 "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

- C. Revelation 21:8 "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone; which is the second death."

1. Now we see a picture of the unsaved person's external residence and what their neighbors will be like.
 - a. **The** _____
 - i. The word "fearful" suggests "cowardness."
 - ii. They are those who refused to get saved because they were afraid of what other people might say.
 - b. **The** _____ (In hell, all unbelievers will become believers.)
 - c. **The** _____
 - i. In hell will be millions of murderers.
 - ii. The Judases, the Hitlers, the Stalins, the doctors of our day who are baby butchers through their acts of abortion operations.
 - d. **The** _____
 - i. Those who shack up without being married.
 - ii. The teenage boys and girls who commits fornication outside the Scriptural bonds of marriage.
 - iii. This is those prostitutes and whoremongers that sell their bodies for a wage.
 - e. **The** _____
 - i. These are those who profess to have power in which to contact spirits of another world.
 - ii. Under the law sorcerers were put to death.

Deut. 18:10-12 "There shall not be found among you say one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch. Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a secromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord: and because of these abominations the Lord thy God doth drive them out from before thee."
 - f. **The** _____
 - i. These are the heathen who worship idols and other gods.

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- ii. These are they who make god their business, their home, their wife, their possessions.
- g. **The _____**
 - i. All liars will burn in hell forever.
 - ii. There is no such thing as a little white lie.
 - iii. All lying is wicked and no lying is little.
 - iv. Sixty second of lying can ruin a person's life forever.
- h. **The _____, the Beast and the false prophet.**

Rev. 20:10 "And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever."
- 2. Hell _____.

Matthew 25:41 "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:"
- 3. Only saved people, those who have received Christ and Christ alone, those who have been redeemed by the blood of the Lamb _____.

Romans 3:10 "As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one."

Romans 3:23 "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."

Romans 5:8 "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Romans 5:12 "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:"

Romans 10:13 "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

V. _____

- A. There has been much debate over where the New Jerusalem will be located.
 - 1. Some believe and teach that the New Jerusalem will be

located in the second heaven, the atmospheric heaven, where the sun, moon, and stars rest.

2. Their logic for this is based on Rev. 21:2.

Rev. 21:2 "And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven..."

- B. Knowing that John was on the earth when he saw the New Jerusalem coming down, I rather believe that this scripture along with other scriptures indicate that the New Jerusalem will be on earth.

- C. Revelation 21:9-10 "And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife. And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God."

1. Again, in Rev. 21:10, we see that John is physically still on the earth, but he sees the holy Jerusalem descending out of heaven from God.

2. Many times, in scripture, God indicates that the New Jerusalem _____.

II Chron. 6:6 "But I have chosen Jerusalem, that my name might be there..."

II Chron. 7:16 God says, "...and mine eye and mine heart shall be there perpetually."

3. The land of Palestine is promised to _____
_____ "for ever," Gen. 3:15; Gen 17:8.

4. In Ecclesiastes 1:4, we read, "...the earth abideth for ever," not in its present state for it will be purged and cleansed by fire as the Great White Throne Judgment is being held.

5. After the purging, cleansing and making new the heaven and the earth the New Jerusalem, that holy city, will _____
_____.

6. The New Jerusalem will be the capital city of this new paradise of God.

7. Heaven and earth will be combined, _____
_____.

VI. THE NEW JERUSALEM _____

- A. Revelation 21:11-13 "Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;

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And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates."

1. In verse 11, we see the light of the city. In verses 12 through 25, it describes the foundations, walls, streets, gates etc.
 2. The _____ of the New Jerusalem will be named after the twelve tribes of Israel.
 3. The gate will have the name of a tribe on it.
 4. The location of the gates of the city are described in verse 13.
 - a. Three gates on the east.
 - b. Three gates on the north.
 - c. Three gates on the south.
 - d. Three gates on the west.
 5. There will be _____ on all four sides of the city.
 6. There will be an angel at each gate.
- B. Revelation 21:14-15 "And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof."
1. The wall of the city will have _____.
 - a. The wall of the city will be fifteen hundred mile high and therefore must have a strong foundation to support such weight.
 - b. The twelve foundations of these walls are named after the twelve apostles.
 2. The one talking with John, in verse 15, had a _____.
 - a. A reed is a measuring stick.
 - b. A reed in that day was normally ten feet long.
 - c. With this measuring stick the city was measured.
- C. Revelation 21:16-17 "And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal. And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred and

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forty and four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel."

1. The city is _____.
 - a. The length of the city, the breadth of the city and the height of the city are all equal.
 - b. It is a square city, not a pyramid or rectangle, but foursquare.
2. The measurements of the city are _____.
 - a. One furlong is 582 feet.
 - b. Multiply 582 by 12,000 then divide by 5,280 feet which is one mile and you will get the exact size that the city will be.
 - c. The city will be 1,500 miles long, 1,500 miles wide and 1,500 miles high.
3. The wall of the city is 144 cubits thick which is 216 feet thick.

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Lesson 27

Revelation 21:18 Through 22:12

- D. Revelation 21:18-22 "And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass. And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald. The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolyte; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst. And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass. And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it."
1. In these verses, God describes the materials that are used in the building of this magnificent walls.
 2. Walls of _____ and streets of _____.
 3. The gold used for the street is so pure it is transparent like a clear glass.
 4. The _____ will be garnished with all kinds of precious, priceless stones.
 5. God lists them according to how they are laid as the foundations.
 - a. First - jasper
 - b. Second - _____
 - c. Third - chalcedony
 - d. Fourth - _____
 - e. Fifth - sardonyx
 - f. Sixth - sardius
 - g. Seventh - chrysolyte
 - h. Eighth - _____
 - i. Ninth - topaz
 - j. Tenth - chrysoprasus
 - k. Eleventh - jacinth
 - l. Twelfth - _____
 6. These stones are not all the same color.

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7. In verse 21, God points out some other magnificent things concerning the gates and the street of the city.
 - a. Each gate is a _____.
 - b. The Scriptures do not say that there will be streets (plural) in the New Jerusalem, but _____ (singular).
 - i. There are no back streets.
 - ii. There is one street of pure gold.
 - iii. Everyone will live on _____.
 8. In verse 22, we see there is no temple in the holy city.
 - a. The _____ is not confined to a temple.
 - b. There is no need for a temple as God will be everywhere as He dwells with His people.
 - c. Everyone will live next door to God and next door to Jesus.
- E. Revelation 21:23 "And the city had no need of the sun, neither the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof."
1. The New Jerusalem will have no _____ to shine upon it.
 - a. There will be no need for these because _____.
 - b. Where Jesus is there can be no darkness.
 2. There will be no morning, noon or night.
 - a. The day will never be spent and the light will never go out for Jesus is that Light.
 - b. The Shekinah glory of God will illuminate ever inch of the holy city.
- VII. THE _____ OF THE NEW JERUSALEM
- A. Revelation 21:24 "And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it."
1. The New Jerusalem, the holy city will be that of many nations.
 - a. God is not willing that any should perish.
 - b. All the saved will be a part of the New Jerusalem.

2. The "kings of the earth" will bring their honor and glory into the holy city.
 - a. We can only speculate who these kings might be.
 - b. They may very well be those who Christ has chosen to honour because of _____.
- B. Revelation 21:25-26 "And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there. And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it."
 1. The gates of the holy city never shut.
 - a. There is no need for them to shut.
 - b. There is no danger, no night.
 2. The traffic in this busy city is free to flow throughout all parts of the city continually.
 3. The glory and honor of all nations are found in the holy city.

VIII. _____

- A. The tragedy of Ezekiel 28 and Genesis 3 will never be repeated.
- B. Revelation 22:27 "And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life."
 1. The final judgment of rejecting Christ and the sins of mankind has already been paid at the Great White Throne Judgment.
 - a. Man goes to hell because he rejects Christ as His Saviour.
 - b. The degrees of torment and suffering in hell will be determined by man's sin.
 2. Only those written in the _____ will enjoy eternity with Christ and all the blessings thereof.

REVELATION CHAPTER TWENTY-TWO

I. THE RIVER OF THE _____

- A. Revelation 22:1 "And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb."
 1. This "pure river of water of life" is germ-free, pollution-free and disease-free.
 2. It is not muddy; it is clean, bright and clear as crystal.

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3. This river is a literal river.

4. This river is also a _____.

Revelation 21:6-7 "And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son."

B. Revelation 22:2 "In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations."

1. Here we see "the tree of life" which bears twelve manner of fruits and _____.

2. Someone has asked, "Will we eat in Heaven?"

a. We know Jesus ate in his _____.

Luke 24:41-43 "And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat. And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. And he took it, and did eat before them."

b. We know that our glorified bodies will be like His glorified body.

Phil. 3:20-21 "For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself."

c. We know we will eat at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.

d. So, yes, _____.

3. The tree of life was in the _____.

a. As Adam and Eve would eat of the tree of life it would renew their bodies and health.

b. So when they became sinners they were shut out of the Garden of Eden, because if they would have eaten of the tree of life they would have _____.

c. Adam and Eve would be alive today if they would have eaten of the tree of life.

Gen. 3:22-24 "And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life."

II.

A. Revelation 22:3 "And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:"

1. First, we see in this verse that there will be "no more curse" in Heaven.

- a. There will be _____.
- b. Things that were brought on by the curse of sin will be no more.
- c. There will be no more...
 - i. ...illnesses
 - ii. ...upset stomach
 - iii. ... _____
 - iv. ...pain
 - v. ...infection
 - vi. ... _____
 - vii. ...decay
 - viii. ... _____
 - ix. ...hurt
 - x. ...graves
 - xi. ... _____
 - xii. ...disabled bodies
 - xiii. ...erosion
 - xiv. ... _____
 - xv. ...old age
 - xvi. ...because "the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it..."

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2. Many people wonder what we are going to be doing in Heaven.
 - a. Are we going to be sitting around? No, _____.
 - b. There will be work to be done.
 - c. Our bodies will _____.
 - d. There will be no night.
 - e. We will _____.
 - f. We will have joyful hearts and healthy bodies as we work.
- B. Revelation 22:4 "And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads."
 1. In our _____, no man can see God and live.
Exodus 33:20 "And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live."
 2. One day we will see Him face to face.
 3. His name will be in our foreheads. (What a sweet brand that will be.)
- C. Revelation 22:5 "And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever."
 1. Darkness of any kind will not have a place in Heaven.
 2. Jesus will be _____.
 3. The brightness of His presence will be so bright that we will need no other light in Heaven.

Daniel 12:3 "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

III. _____

- A. Revelation 22:6 "And he said unto me, These saying are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done."
 1. God is reproclaiming that the sayings in this book are _____.
 2. You can trust every word in your King James Bible.
 3. Throughout the Book of Revelation God uses John to remind us that we can _____.

4. The Book of Revelation reveals the things which will shortly come to pass.
- B. Revelation 22:7 "Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the saying of the prophecy of this book."
1. This verse reminds us of the _____ found in the beginning of The Book of Revelation.
Revelation 1:3 "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."
 2. The Book of Revelation is very important.
 - a. To the young Christian, the one who just received Christ as Saviour, I advise them to read The Book of John.
 - b. The Book of John will strengthen their belief and _____.
 - c. Then I suggest they read The Book of Galatians will help a person to _____.
 - d. There are special blessings promised to those who read, study and keep the things written in this precious book.

IV. _____

- A. Revelation 22:8-9 "And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things. Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God."
1. John is so overwhelmed by the things he saw and heard that he fell down to worship the angel.
 2. The angel immediately rebuked John and _____.
 3. There is no person in Heaven or earth that is worthy of our worship except the King of kings and Lord of lords.
 4. God is a _____ and wants us to love Him with all our heart, soul, strength, mind, spirit and body.
- B. Revelation 22:10 "And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand."
1. This is quite different than what Daniel was commanded by God to do in Daniel 12.

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2. In Daniel 12 Daniel was commanded to _____, until the time of the end.
 3. The Book of Daniel is sealed no more for the time of the end is here.
 4. This is the reason why John is instructed not to seal the sayings of revelation up in a book.
 5. The time is at hand.
- C. Revelation 22:11 "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still."
1. The unsaved people who were on earth, now in hell, are in a _____.
 2. The saved people who are in Heaven, are in a _____.
- D. Revelation 22:12 "And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be."
1. We are reminded of the certainty and the nearness of the _____.
 2. Jesus is coming with rewards to give to every man according as he has worked for the Lord.
 3. You give a cup of cold water in His name and _____.
 4. You, who work, serving the Lord...
 - a. ...in the bus ministry, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
 - b. ...in the Sunday School ministry, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
 - c. ...in the nursing home, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
 - d. ...in the music ministry, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
 - e. ...in the nursery, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
 - f. ...in the chapel ministries, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
 - g. ...in the youth ministry, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!

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- h. ...in the shut in ministry, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- i. ...as an usher, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- j. ...as a deacon, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- k. ...as a soundman, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- l. ...as a toddler worker, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- m. ...in the missions closet, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- n. ...in the food pantry, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- o. ...cleaning up, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- p. ...serving on Big Days, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- q. ...keeping a missionary family, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- r. ...encouraging a Christian worker, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- s. ...in feeding the poor, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!
- t. ...clothing the naked, YOU WILL BE REWARDED ONE DAY!

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Lesson 28

Revelation 22:13 Through 22:21

- E. Revelation 22:13-14 "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city."
1. Jesus _____ by reminding us that He is "Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last."
 2. He was, is and always will be.
 3. He is the "A," the "Z" and everything in between.
 4. Notice God says, "Blessed are they that do his commandments..."
 - a. The word "blessed" means "_____".
 - b. Those who keep His commandments are happy people.
 5. Those people who live spotless, consecrated lives _____ than those who don't obey God.
 6. NO ONE INHERITS THE RIGHT TO GO TO HEAVEN BY KEEPING A COMMANDMENT.
 - a. However, after a person receives Christ as Saviour, the more they obey the Word of God, the _____.
 - b. This is the case here.
 - c. Saved people who obey God will be blessed more and have more benefits than saved people who do not obey God.
- F. Revelation 22:15 "For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie."
1. Does this verse confuse you? Those "without" - those in hell are listed here.
 2. We see similar lists describing the unsaved in other places in the Bible.

Rev. 21:8 "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and

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sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone; which is the second death."

I Cor. 6:9-10 "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God."

3. Those who are saved, forgiven are no longer listed as sorcerers, whoremongers, idolaters and liars.

4. The very second that a person receives Christ as their Saviour _____ and _____.

I Cor. 6:11 "And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God."

5. At salvation, look what happens to a saved person's sins:
 - a. They are forgiven and carried away as far away as _____.
Psalm 103:12 "As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us."
 - b. They are buried in the _____.
Micah 7:19 "He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea."
 - c. They are all _____.
Isaiah 38:17 "Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back."
 - d. They are "remembered no more."
Hebrews 10:17 "And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more."
6. Those outside Heaven are sinners who never received Christ for salvation and they remain sinners, unforgiven forever in Hell.

- A. Revelation 22:16 "I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star."
1. Jesus is the one who extends the last invitation in the Bible.
Matt. 1:21 "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins."
 2. It is sad that some dear people have gone to church all their lives and never heard their pastor preach a message out of The Book of Revelation.
 3. Jesus said, "I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you those things in the churches."
 4. Jesus assures us that He is "the offspring of David."
 - a. His body descended from David, His Father is God Almighty.
 - b. So, He is the "son of David" as well as the "Son of God."
 - c. He is _____.
 - d. He declares _____.
 5. Jesus did not want to end the last book of the Bible without giving an invitation for sinners to come to know Christ as their Saviour.
- B. Revelation 22:17 "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely."
1. Notice who wants people to be saved.
 - a. **The _____ wants people to be saved.**
 - i. The Holy Spirit wants people to be saved.
 - ii. Let's never forget that the Holy Spirit must speak to a man's heart before that man will be saved.
 - b. **The _____ wants people saved.**
The collective bride of Christ in Heaven wants people to be saved.
 - c. **The _____ on earth should want people to be saved.**

NOTES:

- i. Notice how the Spirit of God and the bride in Heaven say "Come."
 - ii. Then the Bible says, "let him that heareth say, Come."
 - iii. It is a shame that not all Christians are soulwinners.
 - a) It is a shame that not all Christians pass out gospel tracts.
 - b) It is a shame that not all Christians want people saved.
 - iv. Dr. John R. Rice gave this illustration: Spurgeon spoke once of walking in a busy market place and he heard a man stand up on a box and cry out his testimony for the Lord Jesus. "I ain't got no education but I want to tell you about my Saviour." Spurgeon said that the man butchered the King's English and in his heart at first there was some thought, then why doesn't he leave it to other people who have some education to tell it better? But the man continued, "I ain't got no education but I have heard it and I've a right to tell it!" And Spurgeon said there leaped in his heart the glad word, Yes, if he heard it he ought to tell it. And so ought all of us. "Let him that heareth say, Come."
2. In the first portion of the verse, we see who is extending the invitation or wants people saved: the Holy Spirit, the bride of Christ in Heaven, the soulwinner on earth.
 3. Now we see who the invitation is extended to:
 - a. The _____ should come and be saved.
 - i. God says if you are thirsty, come and be saved.
 - ii. God says if you want forgiveness, come and be saved.
 - iii. God says if you want to be delivered from the penalty of sin, which is death and hell, come and be saved.
 - b. Whosoever will should come and be saved.

Matt. 28:19-20 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen"

Mark 15:16 "And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Praetorium; and they call together the whole band."

- i. We are to witness to everybody.
- ii. If it is living, breathing, and is a human we are to tell it how to be saved.
- iii. It does not matter what color they are or where they come from, tell them how to be saved.

3. Matt. 28:19-20 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen"

- a. This is the _____ and the command to the individual Christian.
- b. The great commission to every church is three-fold:
 - i. Win the lost
 - ii. Baptize
 - iii. Teach the saved
- c. Every child of God in every church should be busy in their effort of leading people to Christ, getting people down the aisle for baptism and teaching them to be soulwinners.
- d. A church that is _____ is not a church.

Rev. 2:5 "Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent."

- e. Let's restress what was taught about this verse:
 - i. "Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen..."

NOTES:

- a) First Jesus told them what they had done wrong, then He asked them to remember.
- b) If a person never agrees with God about their sin they will _____.
- c) Godly preaching from the pulpit and an honest person in thy pew always brings good results.
- ii. "...and repent..."
 - a) The word "repent" means "to change one's mind."
 - b) So God says after you remember what you did you need to _____.
 - c) We do things because we think the things that we are doing are either alright or we are ignorant of their wrong.
 - d) Once we learn of their wrong we should immediately repent of them.
- iii. "...and do the first works..."
 - a) The "first works" is telling someone else about Jesus.
 - b) The "first works" is _____.
- iv. "...or else I will come unto thee quickly..."
 - a) Jesus wants to find them winning souls when He comes again.
 - b) Soulwinning pleases God.
- v. "...and will remove thy candlestick out of his place..."
 - a) In Rev. 1:20 we see that the candlestick is the church.
 - b) A church that _____ ceases to be a church.
 - c) Dr. Jack Hyles in his book on "The Church" says,

"A local church is like a franchise. God gives us the right to be called a church. Certain conditions must be met in order for a McDonald's restaurant to be allowed to keep the McDonald's sign over its building. Certain conditions also must be met in order to keep the Kentucky Fried Chicken sign over a building. If those conditions are not met, the right to be called McDonald's or Kentucky Fried Chicken will be lost. It is possible for a group of people who once were a church to cease being a church in God's eyes.

"God told the church at Ephesus to straighten up or they would not be a church anymore. They might still meet and have church services, but God threatened that they would lose their franchise or charter. In other words, they would no longer be a church.

"There is something that a church can do to cease being a church in the sight of God. In verse five, we see what exactly that it was that caused them to be on probation with God as a church. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works. What are the "first works" God gave the New Testament church to do? Jesus was going back to Heaven, and was on the mount. He met with the disciples and He gave them the first command."

Matthew 28:19-20 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen"

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Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor..."

Luke 7:22 "Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached."

Luke 14:12-23 "Then said he also to him that bade him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor thy rich neighbors; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompense be made thee. But when thou makes a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind: And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just. And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him, Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God. Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and bade many: And sent his servant at supper time to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring

in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."

6. Let's not forget to reach the poor with the gospel.
7. Let's not forget the children.
Luke 18:16 "But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God."
8. Let's not forget to witness to anyone!

VI.

A. Revelation 22:18 "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:"

1. If anyone adds to the words of this book, I think this also applies to _____, they are asking God to judge them with plagues.
2. No man has a right to add anything to the Bible.
I Cor. 13:8-10 "Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away."
3. We have that which is perfect, the Word of God, so that which was in part (prophecy, tongues, knowledge - those who say, "I have a word of knowledge.") is done away.
4. It exists no more.
5. A person who adds anything to any book in the Bible is _____.

B. Revelation 22:19 "And if any man shall take away from the words of The Book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of The Book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book."

1. If any one takes away the words from this prophecy, God will take away his "part" out of The Book of life.

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2. The Bible does not say God will take away his "name" out of The Book of life.
3. God will take away his "part," his "portion."
4. This is talking about _____.
5. At the Judgment Seat of Christ, each Christian will be rewarded for the works that they did for Christ.
6. Our works, our labour, that we do for Christ is recorded beside our names in The Book of life.

II John 8 "Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward."

Matt. 10:42 "And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward."
7. No one ever loses their salvation in Christ.
8. You did not work to get it so you can't work to keep it.

Romans 11:6 "And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work."

VII. THE _____ IN THE BIBLE

- A. Revelation 22:20 "He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus."
 1. The Lord is pointing back to Himself and then stated that He will come quickly.
 2. This is His promise.
 3. So the _____.
 4. Jesus could return at any moment.
 5. John, who had seen the whole prophetic future.
 - a. He had seen the rapture, the marriage of the Lamb, the millennium, the New Jerusalem, and the many other wonderful things that God has prepared for those who have received Christ as their Saviour.
 - b. He cried out, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus."
- B. Revelation 22:21 "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen."
 1. The Old Testament closes with the words, "...I come and smite the earth with a curse."

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2. The New Testament closes with the words, "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen."