

## **Revelation 19**

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We've seen 7 seal, trumpet & bowl judgments as God has poured out His wrath upon this impenitent--impertinent Christ rejecting world—Ch 17  
 God's wrath on religious Babylon—Ch 18 wrath upon Commercial/political Babylon utterly destroyed – Babylon stands mystically for rebellion against God. All world religions & world governments apart from God fit in this category **DAVOS Switzerland World economic Forum-'Own nothing be happy' "A bid for global domination' Klaus Schwab** – Began Gen 10 Nimrod tower to heaven in Babel be as God—Zodiac godless system God scatters.

Vs 1-6 Praise declared for justice & judgment upon Babylon system w/ great multitude of martyred saints, OT, NT saints (**rep 24 elders**), 4 Living creatures--all celebrating, rejoicing at the fall of religious & commercial Babylon ruled by Antichrist-Godly rejoice when justice served Godless don't

7-18 Two meals served--those eating & those eaten—feasts for faithful at marriage supper of Lamb 7-10 & feast for the fowl eating sinners at Armageddon 11-18

*1 After these things I heard, as it were, a **loud** voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God; 2 BECAUSE HIS JUDGMENTS ARE TRUE AND RIGHTEOUS; for He has judged the great harlot who was corrupting the earth with her immorality, and HE HAS AVENGED THE BLOOD OF HIS BOND-SERVANTS ON HER."*

After judgment comes exuberant, **loud** megalen **intensity in degree** **affecting the senses**—deafening praise

Alleuia KJV is Grk form of Heb *Hallelujah*—**Hallel**-praise; **U**-ye; **Jah**-short for Jehovah/God. **Praise ye the Lord**—First time used in NT and 4 times in next six verses. 24 times in OT. First time by David when Ark of Covenant brought into Jerusalem 1Chron 16:4 appointed Levites to give **halal**-praise-to shine and Ps 146-150 anticipating Lord coming to reign.

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We will thank or give praise to someone for a kindness done or generosity given—which speaks of a characteristic worthy of admiration.

For God certain attributes are listed here—salvation, glory, power, justice, truth, righteousness, judgment, throne :4=sovereignty, almighty, reigning.

Multitude in heaven who are rejoicing.....

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

Second Hallelujah intensifies; smoke of judgment ascends to heaven as fires of God wrath against His adversaries rises. Those singing praise are bond servants, 24 elders (rep OT, NT saints) 4 Living creatures all who belong to God in heaven—it is a call to worship for God judging the world.

Note the contrast of merchants of Babylon mourning for their lost when judged ch 18 and heaven rejoicing at the fact that God dealt a death blow to this corrupt world system misleading man and blaspheming God

Praise in time of trial often brings deliverance & a change of heart, mind and emotions. 2Chron 20 Jehosaphat going out against armies of Moab & Ammon :22 ***'Began singing and praising God and the Lord set ambushes so they were struck them down.***

***Amen*** is divine affirmation, in agreement w/ a thing being true—here it is God's judgment on a wicked society.

***5 And a voice came from the throne, saying, "Give praise to our God, all you His bond-servants, you who fear Him, the small and the great." 6 And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude and as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty peals of thunder, saying, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns. 7 "Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready."***

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Angel cries out w/ assurances of what God's people are doing is ok—to rejoice over God dealing w/ evil--& even do more of the same. No bleeding hearts-how can God be so mean.

**News Alert-2/1/17 ISIS chief bomb maker--bumbling ISIS bomb maker blows himself up while planting roadside IED-Improvised Explosive Device**

Wish for his salvation but reap what sow—rejoice not blow up innocent person & the Lord knows *vengeance is mine I will repay* his time to go to hell.

Two feasts, first *marriage supper of Lamb*—God's bride the church feasts w/ the Lord (bridegroom). Eph 5:22-33 (*mystery Christ & church*); 2Cor 11:2 (*betrothed pure virgin*); Mat 9:15 (*Jesus-bridegroom*); Jn 3:29 (*John friend of bridegroom*). Next events of believers agenda is Rapture **1Thes 4:16,17** And marriage supper of Lamb, an exclusive, invitation only event for church.

*8 And it was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. 9 And he said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.'" And he said to me, "These are true words of God."*

*Fine linen* – OT priest garment not wool so not sweat—it implies work. Salvation is not by work nor is serving the Lord a work of the flesh. Initially our righteousness is imparted righteousness based on faith in Christ. *'By grace you have been saved thru faith and that not of yourselves, it is a gift of God Eph 2:8.*

But *righteous acts of saints*, us--is life lived after salvation. *Ps 18:20-24 The LORD has rewarded me according to my righteousness; According to the cleanness of my hands He has recompensed me. 21 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, And have not wickedly departed from my God. 22 For all His ordinances were before me, And I did not put away His statutes from me. 23 I was also blameless with Him, And I kept myself from my iniquity. 24 Therefore the LORD has recompensed me according to my righteousness, According to the cleanness of my hands in His eyes.*

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Idea of sanctification or progressive personal righteousness. Marriage only takes a ceremony but living happily ever after takes a lifestyle. Salvation is a prayer of faith away but then walking in the spirit of obedience to please God.

*Blessed* 'oh how happy' *invited* but have to receive the invitation. Being left out when invitations go out & not getting one..Ouch!. **Valentines cards in school or invite to birthday party.** But God's invitations go out to all—those who don't come chose not to.

***10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said to me, "Do not do that; I am a fellow servant of yours and your brethren who hold the testimony of Jesus; worship God. For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."***

John is overwhelmed, beside himself as he falls in worship- But inappropriate—Cornelius made the same mistake ***Acts 10:25,26 And when it came about that Peter entered, Cornelius met him, and fell at his feet and worshiped him. 26 But Peter raised him up, saying, "Stand up; I too am just a man."***

John was corrected and instructed...don't do that I may be an angel but I'm a fellow servant representing God...Only Jesus is to be worshiped. God said let all the angel of God worship Him Heb 1:6; Apostle Thomas 'My Lord and my God Jn 20:28

Walk on water ***Matt 14:33 And those who were in the boat worshiped Him, saying, "You are certainly God's Son!" Jn 9:38 Man born blind--The man Jesus, He is a prophet, Lord I believe & he worshiped Him.***

***Jesus spirit of prophecy***—He is central theme of bible & of prophecy OT-first coming & NT-2<sup>nd</sup> coming ***'you search the scripture for in them..Jn 5:39***

***11 And I saw heaven opened; and behold, a white horse, and He who sat upon it is called Faithful and True; and in righteousness He judges and wages war. 12 And His eyes are a flame of fire, and upon His head are many diadems; and He has a name written upon Him which no one knows except Himself. 13 And He is clothed with a robe dipped in blood; and His name is called The Word of God.***

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*White horse*—white victory, power, honor, speed, elite leader--*Faithful & True*- Christ character who is good to his promises. In righteousness he judges and makes war—Artists emasculates Jesus—projecting a false wimpy Christ-projection of themselves

Battle of Armageddon rages 16:16 when Jesus returns *Mat 24:21,22 for then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever shall. 22 "And unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days shall be cut short.*

*Eyes flame fire* Penetrating vision, insight, nothing hidden--*everything is open and bare before him w/ whom we have to do...*--Last crown Jesus wore on earth was crown of thorns now *many diadems* of royalty, symbol of sovereign, authority—*many*-unmatched. Speaks of vast dominion—eternal heavens which will take us an eternity to explore

Blood of redemption or enemies in judgment? *NLT Is 63:1-4 1Who is this who comes from Edom, from the city of Bozrah, with his clothing stained red? Who is this in royal robes, marching in his great strength? "It is I, the LORD, announcing your salvation! It is I, the LORD, who has the power to save!" 2 Why are your clothes so red, as if you have been treading out grapes? 3 "I have been treading the winepress alone; no one was there to help me. In my anger I have trampled my enemies as if they were grapes. In my fury I have trampled my foes. Their blood has stained my clothes. 4 For the time has come for me to avenge my people, to ransom them from their oppressors.*

*14 And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, were following Him on white horses. 15 And from His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may smite the nations; and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty.*

*Armies of heaven*--No sooner bride & wedding feast declared in heaven—Jesus brings w/ Him, to earth, his army-his bride, show her off and wage war w/ His enemies. We have no armor we don't fight only observe 'out of Jesus mouth by His word He destroys His enemies.

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***16 And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."***

Speaks of absolute authority to reign and rule—no kings to challenge no Lords to compete only total submission to righteous rule of God.

***17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried out with a loud voice, saying to all the birds which fly in midheaven, "Come, assemble for the great supper of God; 18 in order that you may eat the flesh of kings and the flesh of commanders and the flesh of mighty men and the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them and the flesh of all men, both free men and slaves, and small and great." 19 And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies, assembled to make war against Him who sat upon the horse, and against His army.***

The second feast—angel standing in the sun who is brighter—Sun is 27 million degrees F—blind if look at sun too long. Fowls of the air are called to feast on the fallen enemies of God at Armageddon. Flesh 5 times—these lived for, walked in, consumed by and now judged because of. Judgment no respecter of persons—gravity no respecter of persons—kings/slave; mighty/weak; slave/free

Stop fighting each other and make war w/ Jesus and saints. Shows absolute absurdity and depth of deception in striving against God--trying to prevent 2<sup>nd</sup> coming.

***20 And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone. 21 And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat upon the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh.***

***Lake of fire*** beast and false prophet first to be thrown into lake of fire--unrighteous dead are in holding place Hades until millennial is over. Ironside 'Lake of fire is not annihilation and it is not purgatorial ether, for it neither annihilates nor purifies these two fallen foes of God and man after a 1000 years (ch 20) under judgment'