

## 20231112 God, You are just in these judgements

Revelation 16:5-7

<sup>5</sup> Then I heard the angel in charge of the waters say: "You are just in these judgments, O Holy One, you who are and who were;

<sup>6</sup> for they have shed the blood of your holy people and your prophets, and you have given them blood to drink as they deserve."

<sup>7</sup> And I heard the altar respond: "Yes, Lord God Almighty, true and just are your judgments."

### The importance of understanding the Bible prophecy properly in relation to the Old Testament messages for the nation Israel

Matthew chapter 24:4-14

<sup>4</sup> Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you.

<sup>5</sup> For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Messiah,' and will deceive many.

<sup>6</sup> You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come.

<sup>7</sup> Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places.

<sup>8</sup> All these are the beginning of birth pains.

<sup>9</sup> "Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me.

<sup>10</sup> At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other,

<sup>11</sup> and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people.

<sup>12</sup> Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold,

<sup>13</sup> but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved.

<sup>14</sup> And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

### The time of future tribulation: the appearance of the Antichrist and the 7-year treaty

Daniel chapter 9:27

<sup>27</sup> He (the lawless one, the Antichrist) will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven'. In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And at the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation.

2 Thessalonians, chapter 2:3-4

<sup>3</sup> Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, **for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed**, the man doomed to destruction.

<sup>4</sup> He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God.

### No reason to fear and tremble

1 Timothy 1:7

<sup>7</sup> For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.

### Bible prophecy is given to us so that we may live in hope and confidence.

1 Corinthians 6:2-3

<sup>2</sup> Do you not know that **the Lord's people will judge the world**? And if you are to judge the world, are you not competent to judge trivial cases?

<sup>3</sup> **Do you not know that we will judge angels?**

## REVELATION 16 STUDY

### The time for God's *thumos* (wrath)

#### Two Greek words of wrath

Thumos: A more agitated condition of the feelings, an outburst of wrath from inward indignation.

Orge: A more settled or abiding condition of mind. It's less sudden in its rise than thumos, but more lasting in its nature.

#### Examples

John 3:36

36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's **wrath** [*orge*] remains on them.

Ephesians 2:3

3 All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of **wrath** [*orge*].

Revelation 14:9-10

9 A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: "If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives its mark on their forehead or on their hand, 10 they, too, will drink **the wine of God's fury** [*thumos*], which has been poured full strength into the cup of his wrath [*orge*]. They will be tormented with burning sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and of the Lamb.

### The seven bowls of God's fury upon the unbelievers at the end of the Great Tribulation

1<sup>st</sup> bowl: Ugly, festering sores breaking out on their body

2<sup>nd</sup> bowl: The sea becoming blood like that of a dead person, and every living thing in the sea dying

3<sup>rd</sup> bowl: The rivers and springs of water becoming blood

4<sup>th</sup> bowl: The sun scorching the people with fire. The people getting seared by the intense heat

5<sup>th</sup> bowl: The complete darkness and pains making the people gnawing their tongues in agony.

6<sup>th</sup> bowl: Drying out the river Euphrates (making a route for the battle on the great day of God Almighty – Rebellious people Marching to the grace!)

Revelation 16:13-14

13 Then I saw three impure spirits that looked like frogs; they came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

14 They are demonic spirits that perform signs, and **they go out to the kings of the whole world**, to gather them for the battle on the great day of God Almighty.

7<sup>th</sup> bowl: It is done with the finale!

Revelation 16:18-21

18 Then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since mankind has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake.

19 The great city split into three parts, and the cities of the nations collapsed. God remembered Babylon the Great and gave her the cup filled with the wine of the fury of his wrath.

20 Every island fled away and the mountains could not be found.

21 From the sky huge hailstones, each weighing about a hundred pounds, fell on people. And they cursed God on account of the plague of hail, because the plague was so terrible.

## Application

We can always trust in God and live in the blessed hope and victory in Jesus Christ.

1 John 3:2

2 ...Now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.