

Revelation 19

Verses 1-2

- We are come to what some scholars call *The Four Hallelujahs*.
- *Alleluia* is the Greek form of *hallelujah*. *Hallelu* means *to praise* and *Jah* is the name of God; it is where the name *Yahweh* comes from.

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- First, we are commanded to “Praise the Lord” because to Him alone belongs all salvation, glory and power.
- “Salvation (including healing and deliverance), glory, honor and [supernatural] power [come from God]. He has manifested them all; He is the source of them all. From Him will come the glory, the radiant, sublime majesty, we shall share with Christ when we reign with Him.” – Stanley Horton

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- We are commanded to praise “For true and righteous *are* His judgments” and because, “He has avenged on her the blood of His servants *shed* by her.”
- “Those praising God in heaven will declare His truth and justice because He destroyed the one-world harlot religious system and avenged the death of His people” – Daymond Duckworth

Verse 3

- The second hallelujah. – Praise the Lord for, “her smoke rose up forever and ever.”
- Isaiah 34:1-10
- “Her smoke rose up forever and ever.” – Babylon, the worldly system, will never again be able to be rebuilt. It is completely destroyed.

Verse 4

- “Who is singing in the first three verses”? It would seem to be all those martyred during the Tribulation will start the praise and then we will all join in.
- Our “amen”, or “truly”, “so be it” is an affirmation of their song and our agreement and praise to the greatness of our God.
- Then comes the third hallelujah.

Verse 5

- “From the throne” would seem to mean an angel who is in the presence of God is speaking. While it could be Jesus, its wording is different than Jesus would have used while on earth.
- “There is no room for any of the true Church, the born-again believers, to be left on earth at this point. They have already been raptured” – Stanley Horton

Verse 6

- The fourth hallelujah. - It is a song of praise not only because God has always reigned, but because Jesus is coming to rule and reign on earth and no one can stop Him for He alone is all-powerful.
- Isaiah 11 promise.

Verses 7-8

*Timeline by Daymond Duckworth

1. The Rapture – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
2. The saints before the Judgment Seat of Christ – This is judgment for our works/service for Jesus, not our salvation. – 1 Corinthians 3:12-15; 2 Corinthians 5:10
3. The Marriage Supper of the Lamb and His bride – Revelation 19:7-9
4. The return of Jesus with the Church, His Bride and the instillation of Jesus' Millenium Reign – Revelation 20:6

Verses 7-8

- “Write: ‘Blessed *are* those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!’. – You do not get married at the dinner; you are married before the dinner. We are no longer the “Bride of Christ” but the “Wife of Jesus”. (verse 7)
- The marriage vows are forever and so is this marriage.
 - 1 Thess. 4:16-17

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- Matthew 24:29-31 - ²⁹ “Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ³⁰ Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. ³¹ And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Verses 7-8

- Matthew 24:15-16 - ¹⁵ “Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place” (whoever reads, let him understand), ¹⁶ “then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.

Verses 7-8

- How has the bride made herself ready? Not only through faith but through active obedience.
- ⁸ She has been given the finest of pure white linen to wear.” For the fine linen represents the good deeds of God’s holy people. (NLT)

Verse 9

- There are seven blessings or beatitudes in Revelation. – 1:3, 14:13, 16:15, 19:9, 20:6, 22:7, 22:14.
- “The word “called” here implies that these blessed ones have not only received the invitation, but have accepted it as well”. – Stanley Horton
- Remember many were invited to the wedding in Matthew 22:1-14; Luke 14:15-24, but few came.

Verse 10

- “For the essence of prophecy is to give a clear witness for Jesus. (*Or is the message confirmed by Jesus.*)” (NLT)
- For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy [His life and teaching are the heart of prophecy].” (AMP)

Verse 10

- “The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy” means that the purpose of prophecy is to bear witness to Jesus, to exalt Him, and to reveal His redemptive work. It does not exalt the prophet or messenger. Nor is it intended merely to satisfy curiosity. It should make us see the glory and holiness of Jesus and encourage us to be ready [for His return]”. – Stanley Horton

Verses 11-13

- White Horse – The Rider is victorious. The old system must forever be struck down for Jesus' kingdom to reign.
- Faithful and True – He is genuine and real. Jesus is not the imposter, the beast/Antichrist was.
- The Antichrist broke the treaty; Jesus never breaks a covenant or promise. The Antichrist derived his power from the “father of lies”, Jesus is “the Way, the Truth and the Life”; there is no sin or lie in Jesus and there could never be one.

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- ...Its rider was named Faithful and True, for he judges fairly and wages a righteous war. (NLT)
- Only the One who is true and righteous and judge and make war justly.
- Being “righteous and true” also means that Jesus is inline with God the Father and God’s Word.

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- Eyes like flames of fire – Eyes of judgment and also, eyes that see everything; nothing escapes Jesus' notices. God sees the sparrow that dies.
- Many crowns – This confirms there is only One true King of Kings and Lord of Lords!

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- Jesus' unknown name – This can also be rendered “unknown names”. “[This] speaks of the inner glory and divine nature Jesus shares with the Father...The names of God are never mere titles; they are designations of the divine nature and character.” – Stanley Horton

Verses 11-13

- “The name(s) refer to Christ’s ultimate glory and nature He shares with His Father. Names of God or Christ throughout the Bible are never simply titles, but always reflect aspects of God’s nature, character and activity” – The Fire Bible

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- His robe (vesture) dipped in blood – Some see this a reference to Jesus' sacrifice on the cross, but probably refers to the wrath and fierceness of His anger when He comes to “make war and avenge the saints”.
- He is the Word made flesh – John 1

Verse 14

- Revelation 17:14 - ¹⁴These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings; and those *who are* with Him *are* called, chosen, and faithful.”
- We are those with Jesus and arrayed in white because of Jesus’ sacrifice and His imputed righteousness.

Verses 15-16

- The sharp sword is Jesus' very word. - Hebrews 4:12; Ephesians 6:17
- Jesus does not make war and conquer by wielding a sword in His hand, He but speaks and it is done.
- Genesis 1:3,6,9,11,14,20,24 – Then God said...

Verses 15-16

- “Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me...” – The staff was used for the sheep to help lead, guide and rescue them. The rod, which is not the shepherds crook or staff, but a stand-alone rod for protecting the sheep by bludgeoning the sheep. enemies.
- *The rod of iron* means Jesus’ rule is absolute and there will be adherence to God’s Law.

Verses 15-16

- He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. – As a grape is trodden or squeezed until there is nothing left, so it will be for Jesus' enemies.
- It is a terrifying picture. Be thankful you are behind those eyes and not in front of them. - Matthew 24:29-30

Verses 17-18

- Another banquet or supper, but not as wonderful. It stands in great contrast to the Marriage Supper of the Bride.
- “Standing in the sun” may be literal or that the angel is illuminated by the sun.
- This is the prelude to the Battle of Armageddon. There will be so many killed that carrion fowl and other scavengers are needed to deal with the bodies.

Verses 19-21

- Revelation 16:12-16
- Joel 3:12 - ¹² “Let the nations be awakened, and come up to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; For there I will sit to judge all the surrounding nations.

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- Jehoshaphat or Yehoshaphat - “Yeho” – a shortened form of *Yahweh*, the name of God in Hebrew. “Shaphat” – meaning *to judge* or *has judged*.
- Armageddon or the Valley of Jehoshaphat is the Valley where God/Yahweh Judges.

Verses 19-21

- Some say Megiddo means to rendezvous or to invade.
- While it seems that men will die in battle at the word of Jesus, the Antichrist and False Prophet are not killed but rather captured, probably by an angel or angels. (Matthew 24 Jesus says angels will return with Him)

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- The Antichrist and False Prophet are already judged just as Satan is judged. (John 16:11 -
¹¹ Judgment will come because the ruler of this world has already been judged.

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- The New Testament uses three words which we would or have translated “hell”.
- Hades, in the Old Testament is commonly called Sheol, which is simply the place of the dead. New translations may call this “the grave”.

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- More than likely, it is the holding place for the wicked dead as God's children go directly to be with the Lord. (2 Cor. 5:8)
- Luke 16:22-23 - ²² “Finally, the poor man died and was carried by the angels to sit beside Abraham at the heavenly banquet. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³ and he went to the place of the dead (Hades in the Greek). There, in torment, he saw Abraham in the far distance with Lazarus at his side.

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- Tartarus – is the same as Hades and speaks of an intermediate state.
- Gehenna – in the Greek means hell fire or hell

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- Matthew 5:22 - ²² But I say to you that whoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, 'Raca!' shall be in danger of the council. But whoever says, 'You fool!' shall be in danger of hell fire.
- Matthew 23:33 - ³³ Serpents, brood of vipers! How can you escape the condemnation of hell?

Verses 19-21

- Gehenna, is the final destination of all those who reject God and His Son.
- Interesting to note: Gehenna is the Aramaic name of the Valley of Hinnom. This is where Israel sacrificed their children to Molech. In Jesus' time it became the place where they would burn garbage all the time.

Verses 19-21

- I cannot take alive to mean anything else except that they maybe supernaturally preserved in their human state for such egregious sins against God.
- “Their army” was destroyed; not one person survived. However, not all those left on the earth were in the battle. The earth will still be full of people.