

CHRONOLOGICAL BIBLE STUDY  
LESSON 606

*Revelation 19*

## *Intro to Chapter 19*

- **Is Jesus return to earth a certainty?**
- **How can you know for certain?**
- **Acts 1. 10-11**
  - **“<sup>10</sup> They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. <sup>11</sup> “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”**

## *Intro to Chapter 19*

- Chapter 1 was an overview and outline of the whole book.
- Chapter 1 - John the writer of Revelation is told to write about things that are happening and will take place (
- Chapters 2-3 focus on the Christian church.
- 1st Peter 4. 17 states that "judgment begins at the house of God"
- Those who are most accountable are judged first
- God focuses on the church first - they are the ones most accountable
- Those chapters teach us how to live as Christians prior to Jesus Second Coming

## *Intro to Chapter 19*

- **Chapter 4 – there's the unveiling of the scroll with 7 seals**
- **As each seal is removed - came some sort of judgment**
- **The seventh and final seal broke into seven "subparts" called "trumpet judgments" [Revelation 8-9]**
- **The seventh trumpet broke into "seven more subparts" called "bowl judgments". [Revelation 15-16]**
- **Chapter 4 through the first part of Chapter 19 describe judgments on earth that happen prior to Jesus Second Coming.**
- **These judgments are only "partial" punishments (not complete destruction)**

## *Intro to Chapter 19*

- God is still trying to get the world's attention for Jesus' return
- Chapters 4 through 18 are essentially one big set of judgments on the world that occur prior to the event of Jesus Second Coming
- But enuf is enuf
- Jesus is coming and when He does...

1. *What did the “great multitude in heaven” shout?*

- **“After this I heard what sounded like the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting: “Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, <sup>2</sup> for true and just are his judgments. He has condemned the great prostitute who corrupted the earth by her adulteries. He has avenged on her the blood of his servants.”**
- **Hallelujah → praise to the Lord**
- **Hallelujah – very common in religious vocabulary**
- **Interestingly – it appears only 4 times in Bible**
- **All in this chapter**
- **God’s promises have come true**

## 2. *Why did they shout this?*

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- **The idolatrous city of Babylon is destroyed**
- **The blood of the martyred is avenged**
- **There is joy among the redeemed of The Lord**
- **Salvation — glory — power belong to Lord**

3. *What did the 24 Elders and 4 living creatures do? What is happening in verse 5?*

- **“<sup>4</sup> The twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God, who was seated on the throne. And they cried: “Amen, Hallelujah!”**
- **“<sup>5</sup> Then a voice came from the throne, saying: “Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, both great and small!”**
- **All servants – Jew or Gentile → Praise God**

4. *What is happening in verses 6-8?*

- “<sup>6</sup> Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: “Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. <sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. <sup>8</sup> Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear.”
- Calls God – Almighty = One who controls all things
- Used 10X in NT – 2 Corinthian 6. 18 & 9X in Revelation
- Vs 6 - Voice of multitude = the universal church
- Vs 7 – marriage of lamb = more glorious state than ever
- Vs 8 – Church will become pure – in doctrines – in conduct

5. *What was John instructed to write?*

- **“<sup>9</sup> Then the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!” And he added, “These are the true words of God.”**
- **Are you invited to this supper?**
- **Reference wedding supper in Matthew 22**
- **Blessed are they that hear the gospel and act**

6. *What did John see when he looked and saw the heavens opened?*

• **“I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war.”**

• **Christ the victor – Christ the conquerer**

• **Characteristic of Jesus**

• **Faithful [can be absolutely trusted]**

• **True [Jesus brings the truth and is the truth & never a falsehood]**

• **His motive for war →**

• **Righteous in in principle and object**

7. *Who was the rider of the white horse?*

- **Jesus**

- **Robe dipped in blood = blood of enemies**

8. *How does 2 Thessalonians 2: 8 relate to Revelation 19: 15?*

- **Revelation 19. 15**

- **“Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. “He will rule them with an iron scepter.” He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty.”**

- **2 Thessalonians 2. 8**

- **“And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming.”**

9. *What was written on the rider's thigh & robe?*

- **“On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written:  
KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.”**

- **Was an ancient custom**

10. *What did the angel yell in verse 17?*

- **“And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, “Come, gather together for the great supper of God,”**
- **The heavens will live on the devoured flesh of earth**

11. *What was the stage in verse 19?*

- **“Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the rider on the horse and his army.”**
- **John saw the beast**
- **Ready to wage war**

## 12. *What happened?*

- **“<sup>20</sup> But the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who had performed the signs on its behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped its image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur.<sup>21</sup> The rest were killed with the sword coming out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.”**
- **The beast was captured**
- **False prophets were captured**
- **All who received the mark of the beast were captured**
- **Cast into the lake of fire — Antichrist and False Leader**

## *A Few Closing Thoughts*

- The Second Coming of Jesus is a happy event for those who are expecting it
- The first half of this chapter was people and angels singing "Hallelujah" over the fact of Jesus Second Coming
- The church also gets married to Jesus
- **The second half of this chapter describes what the Second Coming means to those who don't want Jesus ruling over their hearts → They lose**
- **I could get a lot more graphic about the birds eating the bodies - but "they lose" says it all**

## *A Few Closing Thoughts*

- **Adam and Eve sinned, God stood back and said in effect - "OK, you want to live without me for awhile? Take your best shot it at!**
- **The influence of sin has been the ruin of man for centuries**
- **The rebellion against God had a beginning and will have an ending**
- **Our hope is the fact that one day - God is "going to make it all right again" — not only in heaven but on earth itself**
- **That is what the "return of the Messiah" is all about**

## *A Few Closing Thoughts – The Fate of The Unsaved*

- **There are two banquets in this chapter**
- **One is a wedding banquet**
- **One is birds eating dead bodies**
- **Which banquet do you want to be a part of?**