



W E L C O M E

— THE STUDY OF —
REVELATION

WHICH IS, WHICH WAS, AND WHICH IS TO COME

Revelation 19: 4 (NASB)

And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sits on the throne, saying, "Amen. Hallelujah!"

Revelation 19: 5 (NASB)

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."

Revelation 19: 6 (NASB)

Then I heard something like the voice of a great multitude and like the sound of many waters, and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, saying,

"Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns.

Revelation 19: 7-8 (NASB)

Let's rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, because the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His bride has prepared herself." 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.

Revelation 19: 9 (NASB)

Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb.'" And he said to me, "These are the true words of God."

Revelation 19: 10 (NASB)

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

Revelation 19: 11 (NASB)

And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war.

Revelation 19: 12-13 (NASB)

His eyes are a flame of fire, and on His head are many crowns; and He has a name written on Him which no one knows except Himself. He is clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.

Question?

Who is the rider of this white
horse?

Our Lord Jesus Christ!

Revelation 19: 14 (NASB)

And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, were following Him on white horses.

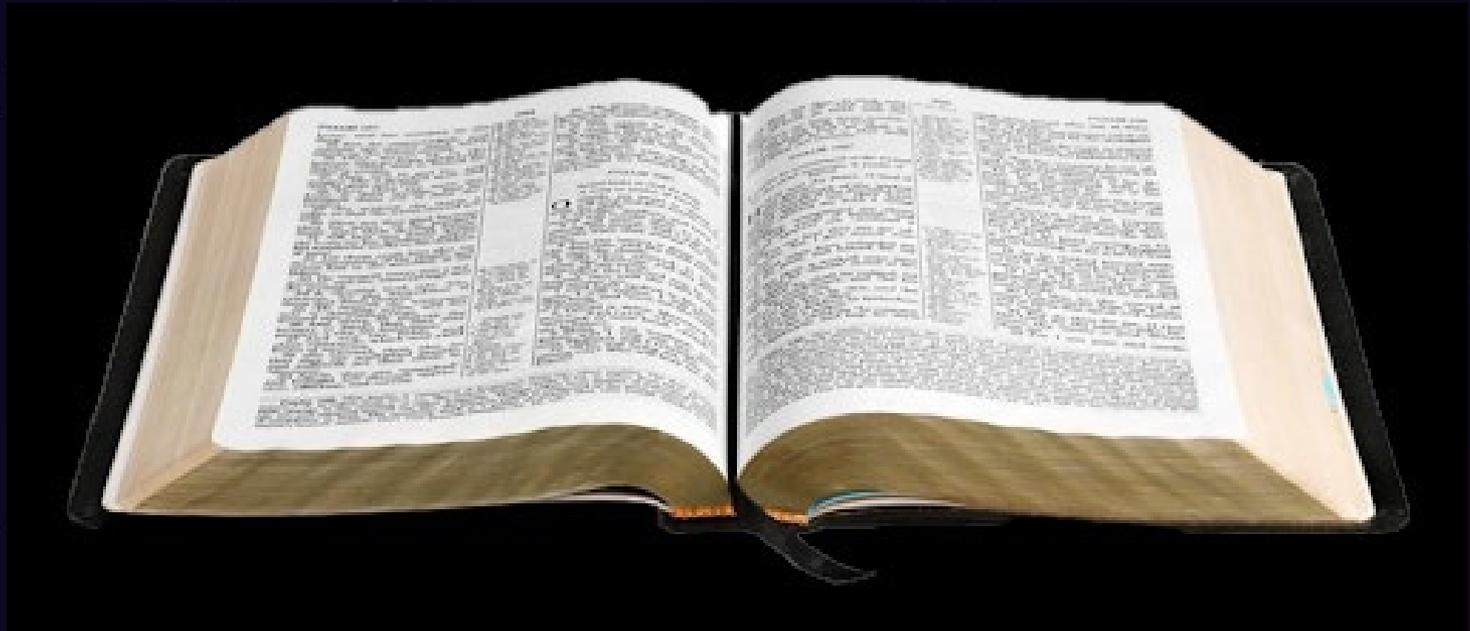
Question?

Who was given fine linen, white and clean?

The Church. I believe we will be following Christ on white horses to witness this final battle!!!

Question?

Do you realize we have been
asked by Jesus to pray for His
return?



Turn to: Luke 11: 1-4

Luke 11: 1-4 (NLT)

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying. As he finished, one of his disciples came to him and said, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples."

Luke 11: 1-4 (NLT)

Jesus said, "This is how you should pray:

Father, may your name be kept holy.
May your Kingdom come soon.

Give us each day the food we need, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And don't let us yield to temptation."

Revelation 19: 15 (NASB)

From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down 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.

Question?

Do you remember the phrase "*He will rule them with a rod of iron*"?

Revelation 12: 5 (NASB)

And she gave birth to a Son, a male, who is going to rule all the nations with a rod of iron; and her Child was caught up to God and to His throne.

Question?

Do you remember the phrase "*He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God*" ?

Revelation 14: 17-20 (NASB)

And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, and he also had a sharp sickle. Then another angel, the one who has power over fire, came out from the altar; and he called with a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, saying,

Revelation 14: 17-20 (NASB)

"Put in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters from the vine of the earth, because her grapes are ripe." So the angel swung his sickle to the earth and gathered the clusters from the vine of the earth, and threw them into the great wine press of the wrath of God.

Revelation 14: 17-20 (NASB)

And the wine press was trampled outside the city, and blood came out from the wine press, up to the horses' bridles, for a distance of 1,600 stadia.

Joel 3: 11-16 (NASB)

*Hurry and come, all you surrounding nations,
And gather yourselves there.*

Bring down, Lord, Your warriors.

*Let the nations be awakened
And come up to the Valley of
Jehoshaphat,*

*For there I will sit to judge
All the surrounding nations.*

Joel 3: 11-16 (NASB)

Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe.

*Come, tread the grapes, for the wine
press is full;*

*The vats overflow, for their wickedness
is great.*

*Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of
decision!*

*For the day of the Lord is near in the
valley of decision.*

Joel 3: 11-16 (NASB)

*The sun and moon have become dark,
And the stars have lost their
brightness.*

*The Lord roars from Zion And utters
His voice from Jerusalem,
And the heavens and the earth quake.
But the Lord is a refuge for His people,
And a stronghold for the sons of Israel.*

Isaiah 63: 2-6

*Why is Your apparel red,
And Your garments like one who
treads in the wine press?*

*"I have trodden the wine trough
alone,*

*And from the peoples there was no
one with Me.*

Isaiah 63: 2-6

*I also trod them in My anger
And trampled them in My wrath;
And their lifeblood is sprinkled on My
garments, And I stained all My
clothes.*

*For the day of vengeance was in My
heart, And My year of redemption has
come.*

Isaiah 63: 2-6

*I looked, but there was no one to help,
And I was astonished and there was
no one to uphold;*

*So My own arm brought salvation to
Me, And My wrath upheld Me.*

*I trampled down the peoples in My
anger And made them drunk with My
wrath, And I poured out their lifeblood
on the earth."*

Revelation 19: 16 (NASB)

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

Revelation 19: 17 (NASB)

Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and he cried out with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in midheaven, "Come, assemble for the great feast of God,

Question?

What types of birds do you think this angel is speaking to?

The word in the Greek is where we get vulture and crow. Only the birds that eat dead flesh, not seed eating song birds.

Revelation 19: 18 (NASB)

so that you may eat the flesh of kings and the flesh of commanders, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, both free and slaves, and small and great."

Revelation 19: 19 (NASB)

*And I saw the beast and the kings
of the earth and their armies,
assembled to make war against
Him who sat on the horse, and
against His army.*

Question?

What is this passage talking about?

The second return of Christ to the
earth.

Christ will appear twice in the
future.

1. First is the return of Christ in the air. This is the rapture which will call the Church to heaven and can happen now. This return takes the Church out of the world to heaven for a marriage with Christ. This is our blessed hope (Titus 2:13).

2. Several prophecies must be fulfilled before the second return of Christ to the earth, which is also known as the great and terrible day of the Lord. This return is for judgement and establishing His Kingdom on Earth.

Revelation 19: 20 (NASB)

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.

Question?

Who is the beast and the false prophet?

The anti-Christ and the false religious leader.

Question?

What happens to them?

They are thrown alive into hell. I believe this is because they are held responsible for all the those who they deceived. After the 1000 years reign of Christ those they deceived will be judged and then also cast into hell with them.

Revelation 19: 21 (NASB)

And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh.

Question?

Who is the rest?

Those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped its image.

Question?

What happens to them?

They are killed by the voice of
Jesus Christ.

Question?

How do you think Jesus kills with
his voice?

John 11: 38-44 (NASB)

So Jesus, again being deeply moved within, came to the tomb. Now it was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Remove the stone." Martha, the sister of the deceased, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there will be a stench, for he has been dead four days."

John 11: 38-44 (NASB)

Jesus said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" So they removed the stone. And Jesus raised His eyes, and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.

John 11: 38-44 (NASB)

But I knew that You always hear Me; nevertheless, because of the people standing around I said it, so that they may believe that You sent Me."

John 11: 38-44 (NASB)

*And when He had said these things, He cried out with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" Out came the man who had died, bound hand and foot with wrappings, and his face was wrapped around with a cloth. Jesus *said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."*

Themes Of The Next Chapters

Chapter 20: The 1000 year reign of Christ.

Chapter 21: Eternity with Christ.

Revelation 20: 1 (NASB)

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand.

Question?

What is the Abyss?

Luke 8: 26-31 (NASB)

Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. And when He stepped out onto the land, a man from the city met Him who was possessed with demons; and he had not put on clothing for a long time and was not living in a house, but among the tombs.

Luke 8: 26-31 (NASB)

And seeing Jesus, he cried out and fell down before Him, and said with a loud voice, "[o]What business do You have with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!" For He had already commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man.

Luke 8: 26-31 (NASB)

For it had seized him many times; and he was bound with chains and shackles and kept under guard, and yet he would break the restraints and be driven by the demon into the desert.

Luke 8: 26-31 (NASB)

And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; because many demons had entered him. And they were begging Him not to command them to go away into the abyss.

Revelation 20: 1 (NASB)

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand.

Revelation 20: 2 (NASB)

*And he took hold of the dragon,
the serpent of old, who is the devil
and Satan, and bound him for a
thousand years;*

Revelation 20: 3 (NASB)

and he threw him into the abyss
and shut it and sealed it over him,
so that he would not deceive the
nations any longer, until the
thousand years were completed;
after these things he must be
released for a short time.

Question?

Why is satan set free again after
being bound in the abyss for
1000 years?

To answer this we must ask a more relevant question-Why did God allow satan to deceive in the first place?

Deuteronomy 29:29:

The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law.

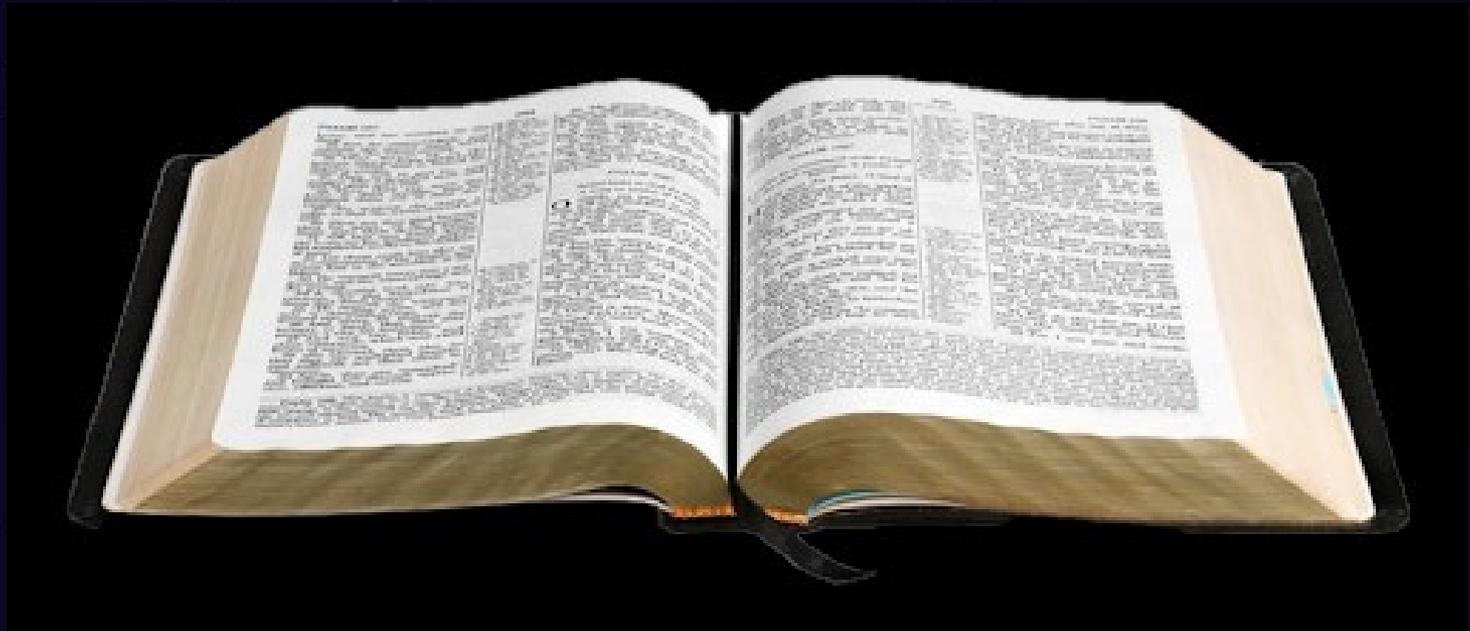
Revelation 20: 4 (NASB)

Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God,

Question?

John saw two groups of people with Christ. One group are rulers who have authority to judge and are seen sitting on thrones.

Who do you think these people are?



Turn to: 1 Corinthians 6: 1-3

1 Corinthians 6: 1-3 (NLT)

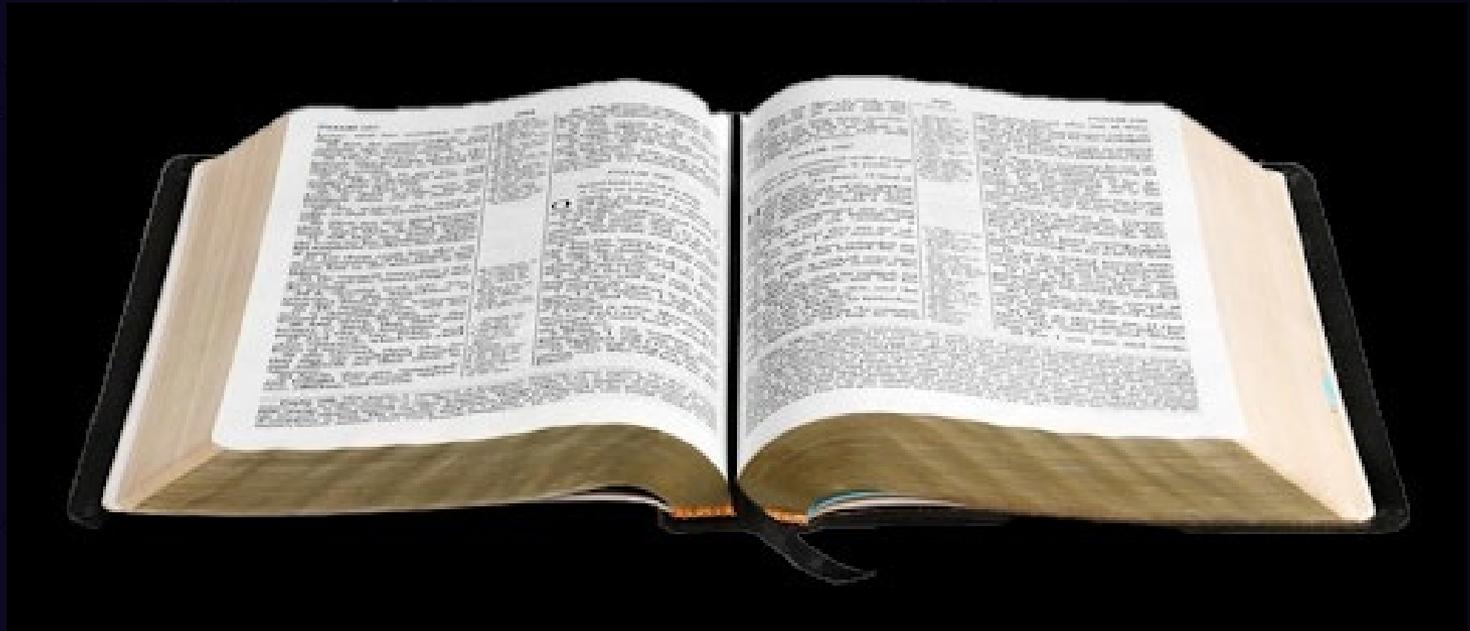
When one of you has a dispute with another believer, how dare you file a lawsuit and ask a secular court to decide the matter instead of taking it to other believers!

1 Corinthians 6: 1-3 (NLT)

Don't you realize that someday we believers will judge the world? And since you are going to judge the world, can't you decide even these little things among yourselves?

1 Corinthians 6: 1-3 (NLT)

Don't you realize that we will judge angels? So you should surely be able to resolve ordinary disputes in this life.



Turn to: Matthew 19: 27-28

Matthew 19: 27-28 (NLT)

Then Peter said to him, "We've given up everything to follow you. What will we get?"

Matthew 19: 27-28 (NLT)

Jesus replied, "I assure you that when the world is made new and the Son of Man sits upon his glorious throne, you who have been my followers will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Revelation 20: 4 (NASB)

Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God,

Question?

Beheading was considered an archaic method of execution, are we seeing a resurgence of this type of execution today?



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The people of the cross, the followers of the hostile Egyptian Church

Revelation 20: 4 (NASB)

and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their foreheads and on their hands; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

Revelation 20: 5 (NASB)

The rest of the dead did not come to life *until the thousand years were completed.* This is the first resurrection.