

# ***The Wrath of God: 7 Last Plagues*** ***The Four Winds Of Strife Rev 7:1-3 – Part 2***



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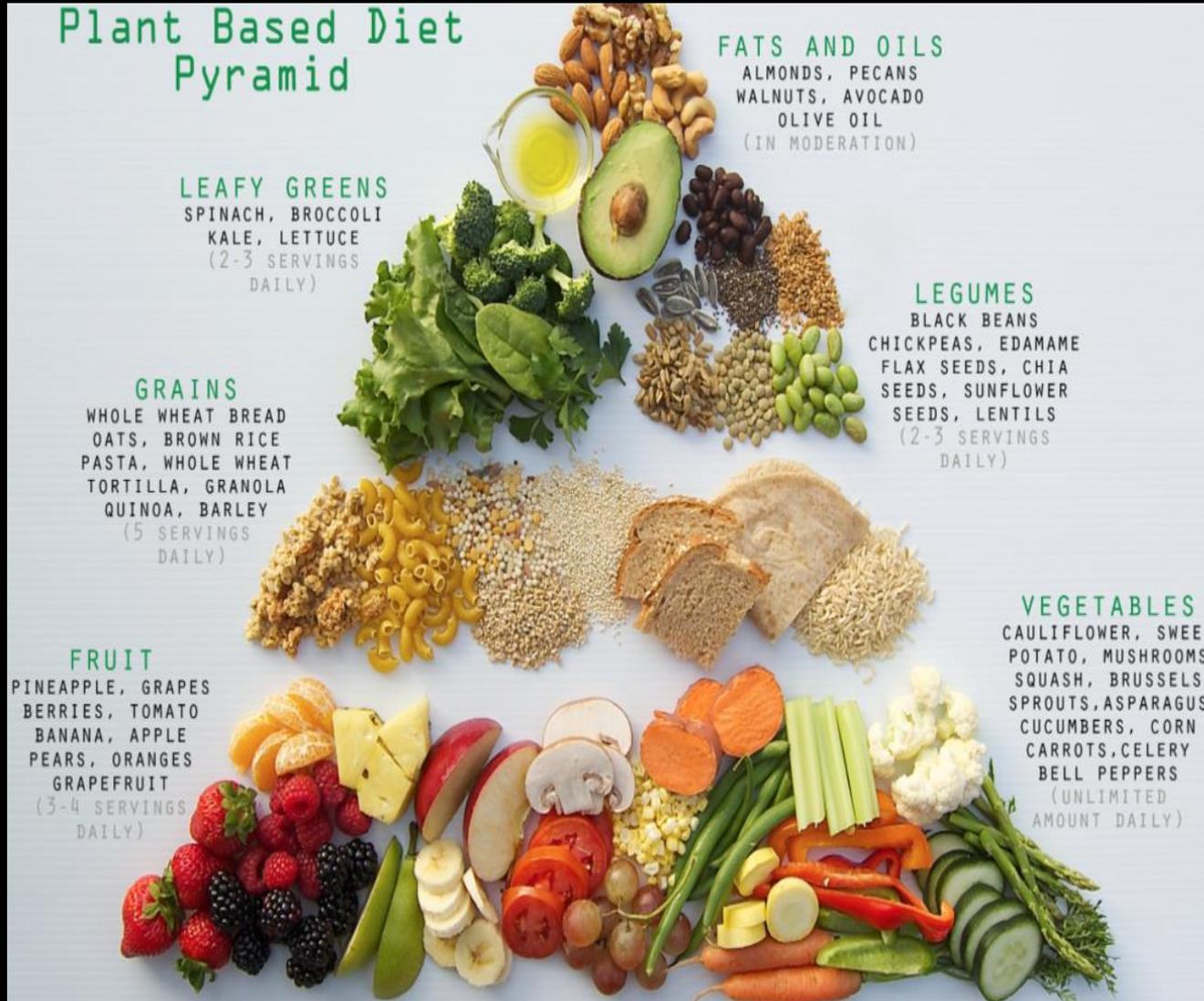
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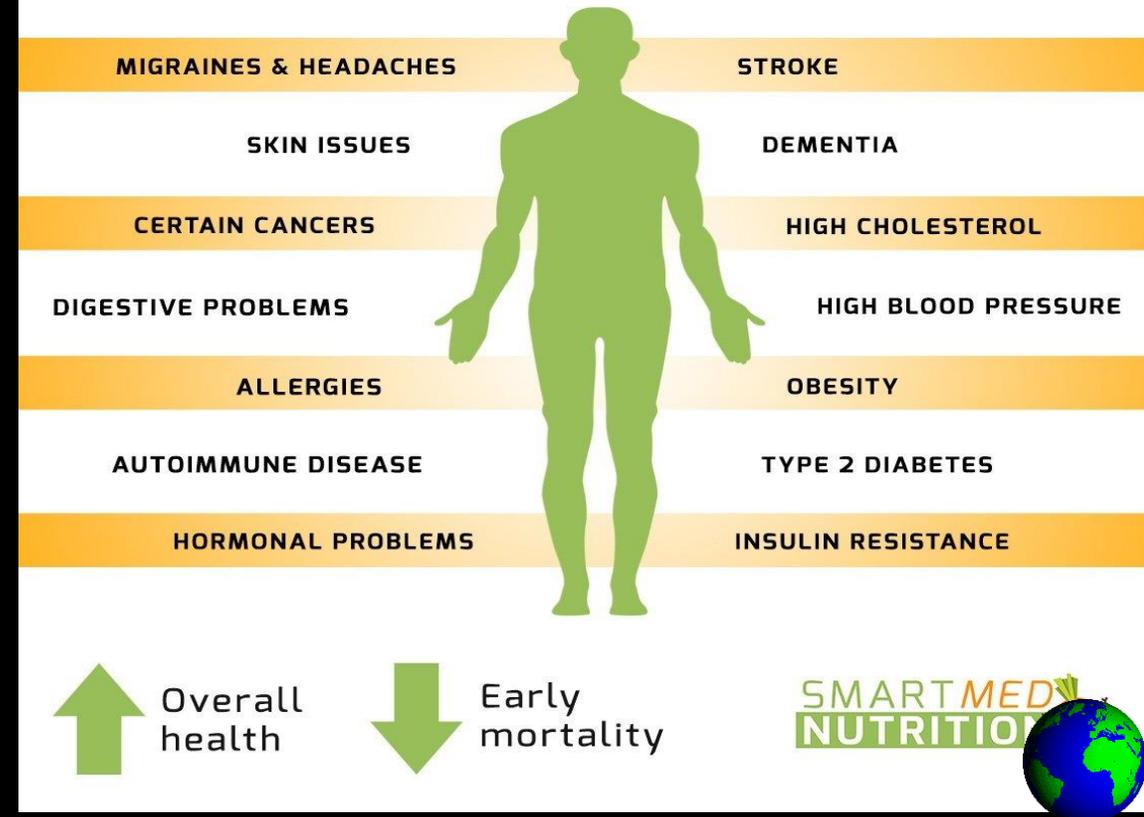
# Health Snippet – Nutrition: Genesis 1:29 > Genesis 3:18-19

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# *The Four Winds Of Strife Rev 7:1-3*



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# ***The Four Winds Of Strife Rev 7:1-3***

And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.

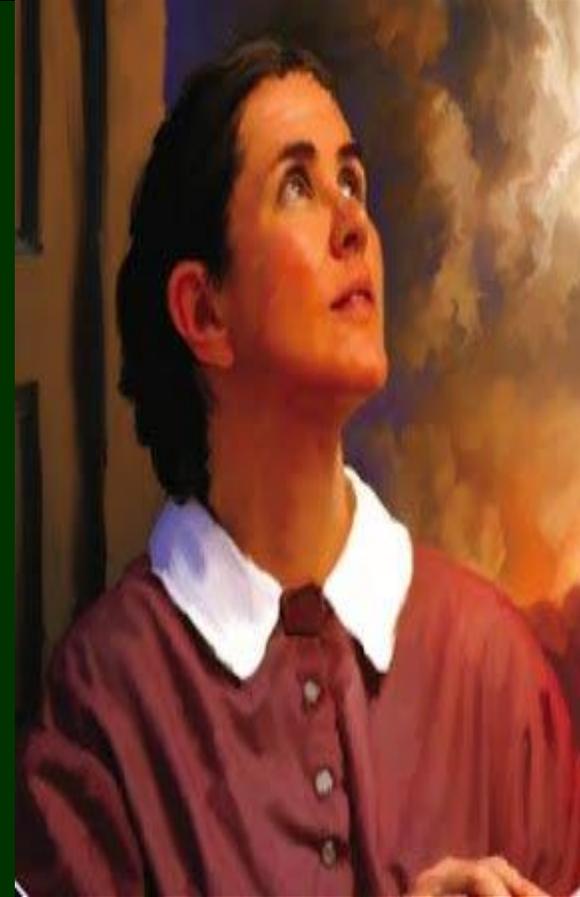
And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.



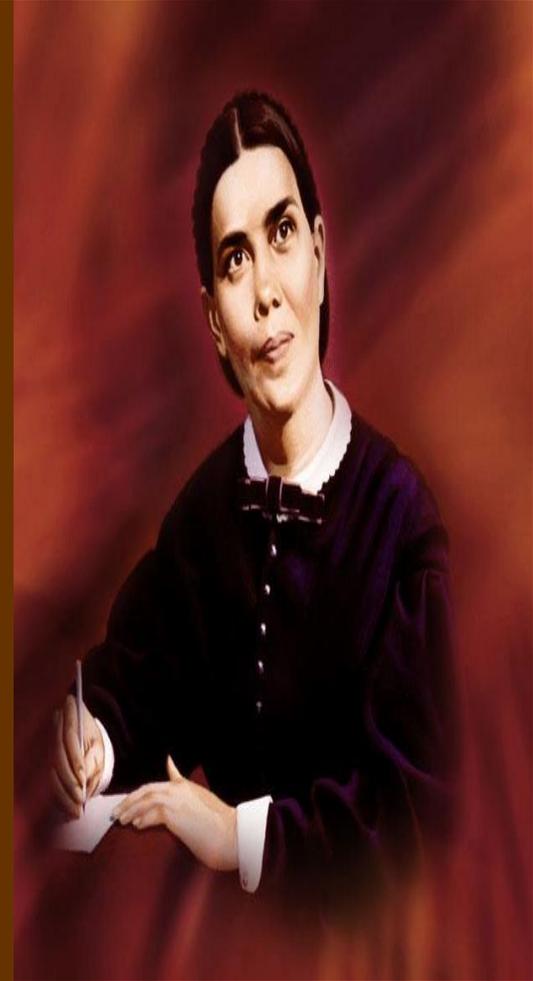
# *The Pen of Inspiration by EG White*

At the commencement of the holy Sabbath, January 5, 1849, we engaged in prayer with Brother Belden's family at Rocky Hill, Connecticut, and the Holy Ghost fell upon us. I was taken off in vision to the most holy place, where I saw Jesus still interceding for Israel. On the bottom of His garment was a bell and a pomegranate. Then I saw that Jesus would not leave the most holy place until every case was decided either for salvation or destruction, and that the wrath of God could not come until Jesus had finished His work in the most holy place, laid off His priestly attire, and clothed Himself with the garments of vengeance. Then Jesus will step out from between the Father and man, and God will keep silence no longer, but pour out His wrath on those who have rejected His truth. I saw that the anger of the nations, the wrath of God, and the time to judge the dead were separate and distinct, one following the other, also that Michael had not stood up, and that the time of trouble, such as never was, had not yet commenced. The nations are now getting angry, but when our High Priest has finished His work in the sanctuary, He will stand up, put on the garments of vengeance, and then the seven last plagues will be poured out. {EW 36.1}



# *The Pen of Inspiration by EG White*

I saw that the four angels would hold the four winds until Jesus' work was done in the sanctuary, and then will come the seven last plagues. These plagues enraged the wicked against the righteous; they thought that we had brought the judgments of God upon them, and that if they could rid the earth of us, the plagues would then be stayed. A decree went forth to slay the saints, which caused them to cry day and night for deliverance. This was the time of Jacob's trouble. Then all the saints cried out with anguish of spirit, and were delivered by the voice of God. The 144,000 triumphed. Their faces were lighted up with the glory of God. Then I was shown a company who were howling in agony. On their garments was written in large characters, "Thou art weighed in the balance, and found wanting." I asked who this company were. The angel said, "These are they who have once kept the Sabbath and have given it up." I heard them cry with a loud voice, "We have believed in Thy coming, and taught it with energy." And while they were speaking, their eyes would fall upon their garments and see the writing, and then they would wail aloud. I saw that they had drunk of the deep waters, and fouled the residue with their feet—trodden the Sabbath underfoot—and that was why they were weighed in the balance and found wanting. {EW 36.2}



# Tracing God's Wrath in the Bible - Past

There is a long history of God's wrath:

Adam & Eve kicked out of Eden

The Flood

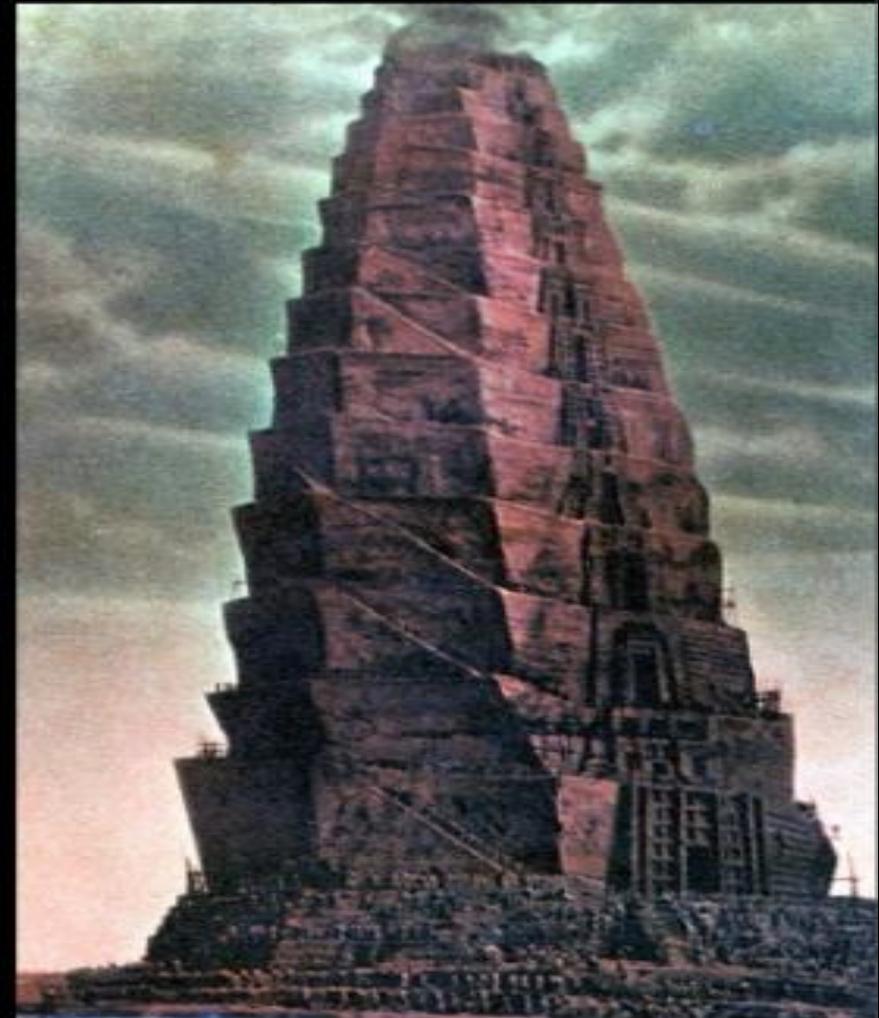
The Tower of Babel

Sodom & Gomorrah

Pharaoh

What other examples can you name?

Ultimate example - Jesus taking the wrath of God on the cross

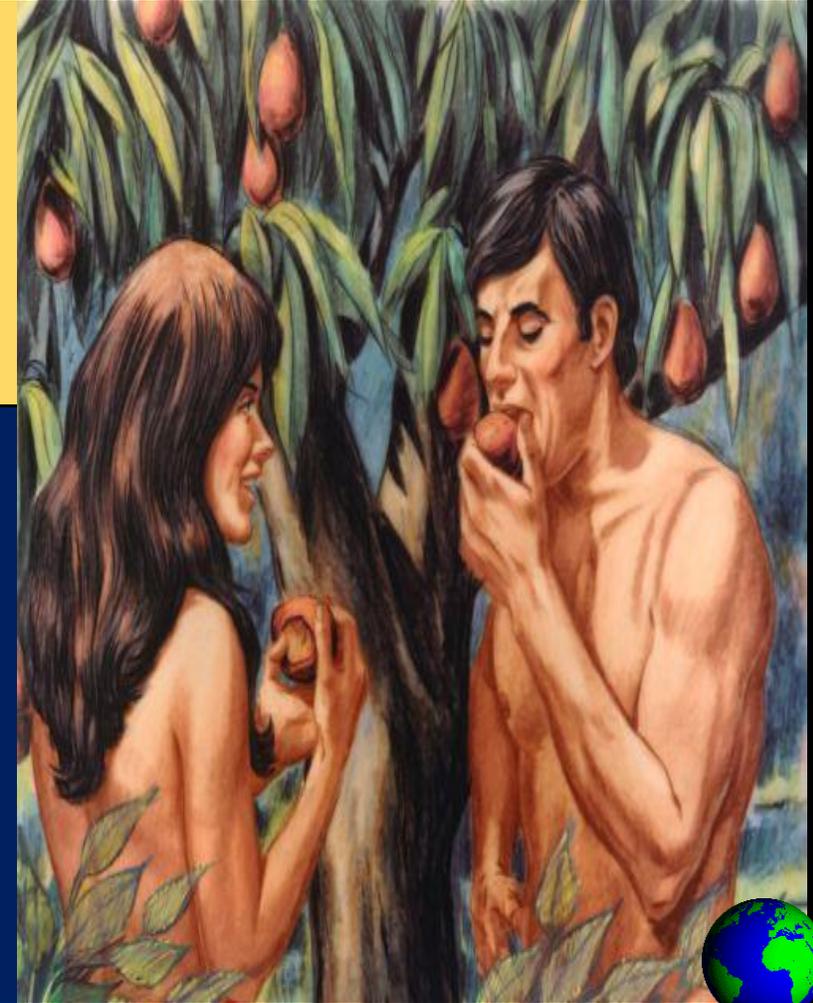


# ***The Close of Probation - Eden***

What is the Close of Probation? When is the Close of Probation?

And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. – Genesis 2:15-17

They were put on probation. When Adam and Eve had shown their loyalty to God by avoiding the tree and not touching or eating from it, He would have removed it. In Genesis 3, we find the story of the fall of Adam and Eve after they had touched and eaten of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. They did finally die. Thank God for the story of the serpent and Jesus in Genesis 3:15. Adam and Eve did not die without any hope. On the contrary, they were faithful once more to Jesus and will be raised in the resurrection at the end of time. So can everyone else who loves his appearing.



# **Wrath of God – Garden of Eden**

To man the first intimation of redemption was communicated in the sentence pronounced upon Satan in the garden. The Lord declared, "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel." Genesis 3:15. Adam and Eve stood as criminals before the righteous Judge, awaiting the sentence which transgression had incurred; but before they heard of the life of toil and sorrow which must be their portion, or of the decree that they must return to dust, they listened to words that could not fail to give them hope.

- *Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 65



# Wrath of God – Flood

Beasts of every description, the fiercest as well as the most gentle, were seen coming from mountain and forest and quietly making their way toward the ark. A noise as of a rushing wind was heard, and lo, birds were flocking from all directions, their numbers darkening the heavens, and in perfect order they passed to the ark. Animals obeyed the command of God, while men were disobedient. Guided by holy angels, they “went in two and two unto Noah into the ark,” and the clean beasts by sevens. The world looked on in wonder, some in fear. Philosophers were called upon to account for the singular occurrence, but in vain. It was a mystery which they could not fathom. As the doomed race beheld the sun shining in its glory, and the earth clad in almost Eden beauty, they banished their rising fears by boisterous merriment, and by their deeds of violence they seemed to invite upon themselves the visitation of the already awakened wrath of God. – Patriarchs and Prophets 97.3



# ***The Close of Probation - Flood***

Here is another biblical example of the Close of Probation. At the time of the flood, Noah made one last appeal for everyone who would, to come into the ark. Noah went into the ark with his family, and one week later, the Deluge came on the world.

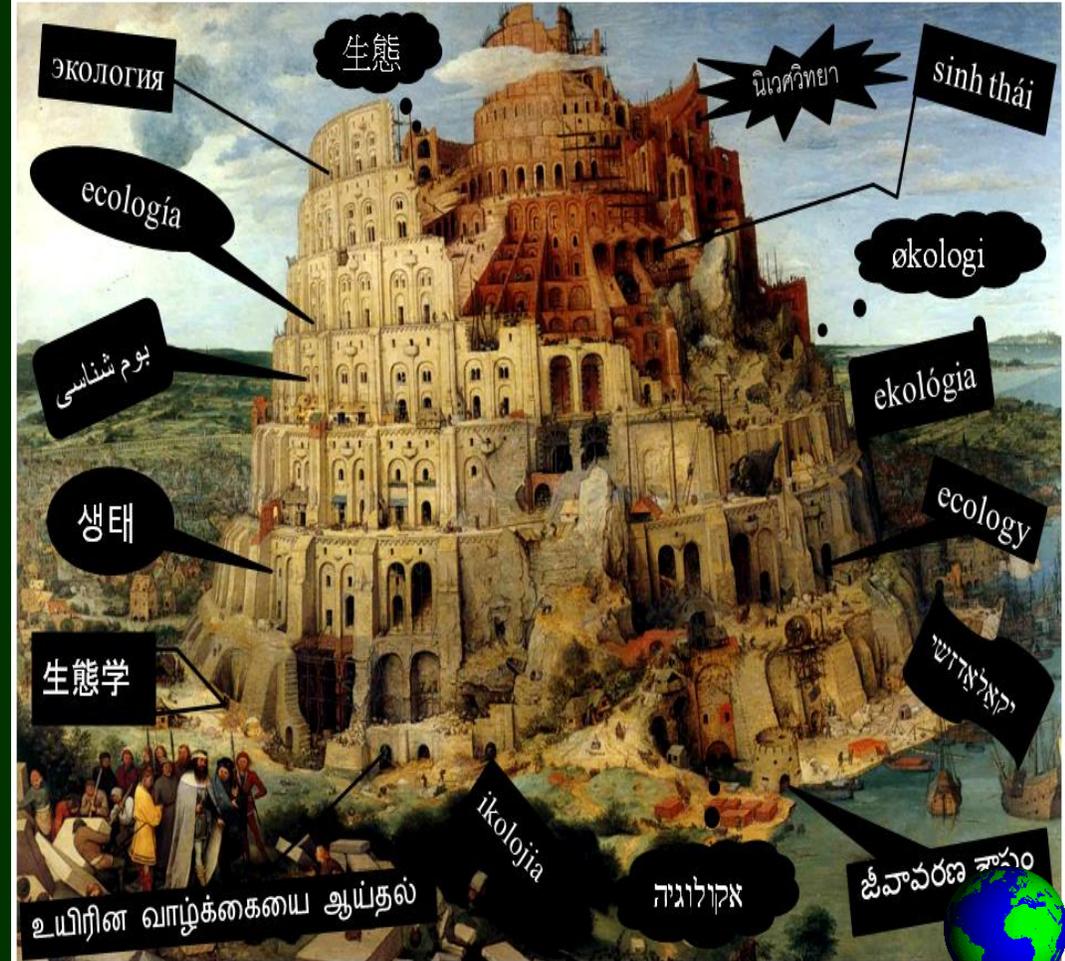
The Three Angels (Rev 14:6-12), that would be every one of you, are sounding the last message of mercy to the people who live on the earth. When everyone has received the Seal of God or the Mark of the Beast, Jesus will declare, "it is done." (Rev 21:6). It is then that the seven angels come out of the temple and begin pouring out their vials upon the earth.



# Wrath of God – Tower of Babel

The men of Babel had determined to establish a government that should be independent of God. There were some among them, however, who feared the Lord, but who had been deceived by the pretensions of the ungodly and drawn into their schemes. For the sake of these faithful ones the Lord delayed His judgments and gave the people time to reveal their true character. As this was developed, the sons of God laboured to turn them from their purpose; but the people were fully united in their Heaven-daring undertaking. Had they gone on unchecked, they would have demoralized the world in its infancy. Their confederacy was founded in rebellion; a kingdom established for self-exaltation, but in which God was to have no rule or honour. Had this confederacy been permitted, a mighty power would have borne sway to banish righteousness—and with it peace, happiness, and security—from the earth. —Patriarchs and Prophets, 123.1

## THE ECOLOGICAL TOWER OF BABEL



# **Wrath of God - Sodom & Gomorrah**

Though Lot had become a dweller in Sodom, he did not partake in the iniquity of its inhabitants. Abraham thought that in that populous city there must be other worshipers of the true God. And in view of this he pleaded, “That be far from thee, to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked; ... that be far from thee. Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?” Abraham asked not once merely, but many times. Waxing bolder as his requests were granted, he continued until he gained the assurance that if even ten righteous persons could be found in it, the city would be spared.— Patriarchs and Prophets, 139, 140.

Then the LORD rained on Sodom and on Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the LORD out of heaven; And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew on the ground.

(Genesis 19:24–25)



# Wrath of God - Pharaoh

Suddenly a darkness settled upon the land, so thick and black that it seemed a “darkness which may be felt.” Not only were the people deprived of light, but the atmosphere was very oppressive, so that breathing was difficult. “They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings.” The sun and moon were objects of worship to the Egyptians; in this mysterious darkness the people and their gods alike were smitten by the power that had undertaken the cause of the bondmen. Yet fearful as it was, this judgment is an evidence of God's compassion and His unwillingness to destroy. He would give the people time for reflection and repentance before bringing upon them the last and most terrible of the plagues.

- Patriarchs and Prophets 272.1



**Waters Turn to Blood**  
Exodus 7:14-25



**Amphibians (Frogs)**  
Exodus 7:26-8:11



**Gnats (Lice)**  
Exodus 8:12-15



**Flies**  
Exodus 8:16-28



**Disease on Livestock**  
Exodus 9:1-7

## The Ten Plagues of Egypt



**Unhealable Boils**  
Exodus 9:8-12



**Hail and Fire**  
Exodus 9:13-35



**Locusts**  
Exodus 10:1-20



**Darkness**  
Exodus 10:21-29



**Death of First-Born**  
Exodus 11:1-12:36



# The Plagues of Egypt and 7 Last Plagues

	Egypt (Exodus)	End time (Revelation)
1	bloody river, Ex. 7:14	-
2	frogs, 8:1	-
3	lice, 8:16	-
4	flies, 8:20	1: earth, sores Rev. 16:2
5	livestock struck, 9:1	2: sea, blood, 3
6	boils, 9:8	3: rivers & fountains, blood 4
7	hail, 9:13	4: heat from sun, 8
8	locusts 10:1	5: seat of beast, painful darkness, 10
9	painful darkness, 10:21	6: Euphrates prepared for kings, 12
10	firstborn struck, 11:1	7: air, earthquake and hail, 17

## There is a typology here:

Did plagues fall on a nation in the Old Testament? Yes, Egypt.

What happened after the 10<sup>th</sup> plague?

- The Israelites were delivered.

What will happen after the 7 last plagues?

- God's people will be delivered.

There is a day of reckoning that is coming upon all people in this generation.

The bible declares it over and over again.

The Three Angel's Messages of Revelation 14:6-12 mentions some awful things that are going to happen to people that receive the mark of the beast.



# **Wrath of God - Calvary**

“It was not bodily suffering which so quickly ended the life of Christ upon the cross. It was the crushing weight of the sins of the world, and a sense of His Father’s **wrath**. **The Father’s glory and sustaining presence had left Him**, and despair pressed its crushing weight of darkness upon Him and forced from His pale and quivering lips the anguished cry: “My God, My God, why hast Thou **forsaken Me?**” (**Testimonies for the Church, vol. 2, p209**)



# Christ's Life and The Seven Last Plagues

## The Seven Last Plagues and Christ's Life

		Prophetic Future	Last Week of Christ's Life
Prophetic Future		Seal of God (Rev. 7:1-3)	Jesus prays for protection of disciples (John 17:15)
		Mark of the beast and death penalty (Rev. 13:15-17)	Jesus condemned for Sabbath observance (Jn. 5:16)
	7 Last Plagues (Rev. 16)	1. Grievous sore	Sin laid on Christ (Matt. 26:39)
		2. Sea to blood	Sweat to blood (Lk. 22:44)
		3. Fresh water to blood	Blood shed (Matt. 27:24, 25)
		4. Sun scorches	Forsaken by God (Matt. 27:46)
		5. Darkness	Darkness (Matt. 27:45)
		6. Powers of evil unite	Unity among Satan, Jews, Rome
		7. "It is done."	"It is finished." (John 19:30)



# ***The Close of Probation – Time of End***

One of the major themes of Revelation has to do with this probationary time. The angel describes to John the close of this probationary time at the very end, in chapter 22. “He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still. And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be (Revelation **22:11, 12**).” This close of probation takes place at the end of the sounding of the seventh trumpet and the beginning of the falling of the seven last plagues. Recall that no one could go into the sanctuary till the seven last plagues were fulfilled. (Revelation 15:8) In other words, there was no intercession any more, Jesus had left the Most Holy Place. That probation closes when you die is also true, for “it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment (**Hebrews 9:27**).” We only have one lifetime in which to get ready, one more breath in which to praise or rebel against God.



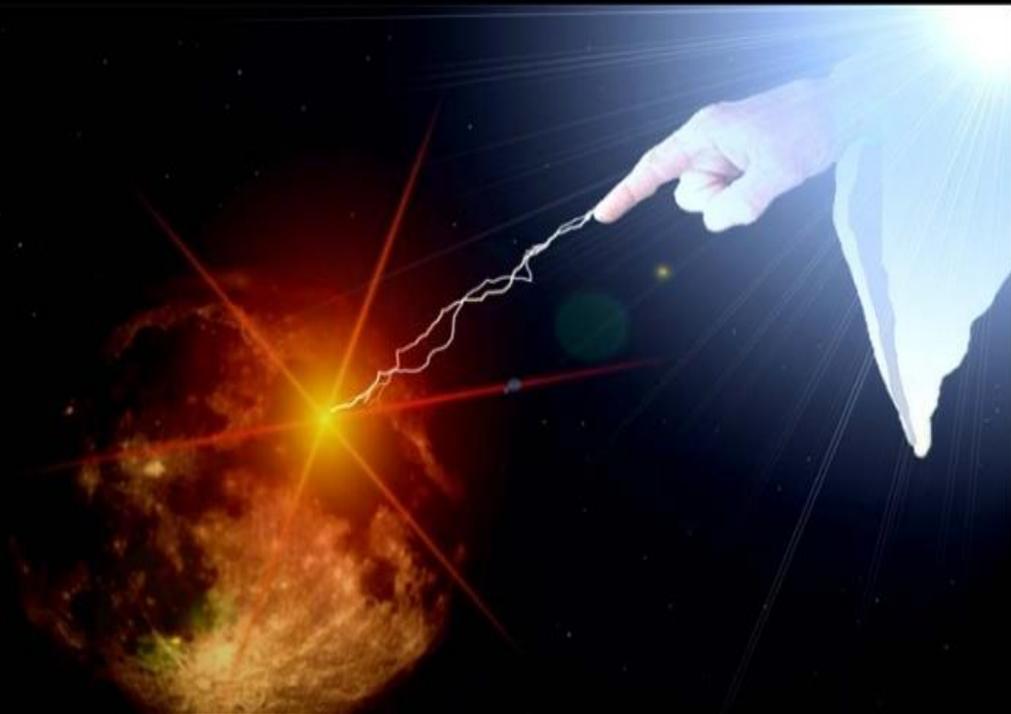
# ***Are the Plagues and Judgments of God real or figurative?***

1. God told Noah that He would give the antediluvian world 120 years to repent and return to Him, after that a Universal Flood happened. The flood destroyed them all away.
2. When Pharaoh refused to let Israel go, ten literal plagues fell upon the land of Egypt.
3. When Israel turned its back on God and worshipped idols, pagan countries destroyed them.
4. When Israel and Judah no longer followed the God of their fathers, Assyria and Babylon destroyed Israel and led them into literal and physical captivity for seventy years.
5. When Israel's time of probation—70 weeks of years, or 490 years—was given them to function as the chosen people of God, they rejected Jesus and His messengers, and they were literally destroyed as a nation in A.D. 70 by Titus, in the siege of Jerusalem.
6. When the Christian church left the apostolic teachings of Jesus and the disciples, cast down the once-for-all sacrifice of Jesus in favour of the mass, and reinstated the Aaronic priesthood in place of the high priestly ministry of Jesus (Judges 5:8), then was there war in the gates. The barbarian invasions of the Western Christian Roman Empire and the Muslim invasions on the Eastern Christian Roman Empire were as harsh as they were literal.
7. One can conclude that those who reject the seal of God and worship the beast and the image of the beast could receive a literal punishment (Seven Last Plagues).



# Truths About the Wrath of God

## The Wrath of God



Ps 18:8 - Fire from God

Ex 34:7 - guilty will not go unpunished

Dt 32:41 - vengeance

1 Pet 1:17 - judgeth

The words used in the Bible for God's wrath include the idea of his intense displeasure of sin and his judgement against it.

All sin is thought of in the same way by God - there are no big or little sins etc.



# *Five Truths About the Wrath of God*

We live in a day where we have set ourselves as the judge and God's character is on trial. "How can hell be just?" "Why would God command the Israelites to destroy the Canaanites?" "Why does God always seem so angry?"



# 1. God's wrath is just

If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider *it*? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth *not* he know *it*? and shall *not* he render to *every* man according to his works? – Proverbs 24:12

But after thy hardness and impenitent heart treasurest up unto thyself wrath against the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God; - Romans 2:5

FOR THE WRATH OF GOD IS REVEALED FROM HEAVEN AGAINST ALL UNGODLINESS AND UNRIGHTEOUSNESS OF MEN WHO SUPPRESS THE TRUTH IN UNRIGHTEOUSNESS.

ROMANS 1:18



## 2. *God's wrath is to be feared*

God's wrath is to be feared because all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God ([Romans 3:23](#)).

God's wrath is to be feared because we are justly condemned sinners apart from Christ ([Romans 5:1](#)).

God's wrath is to be feared because he is powerful enough to do what he promises ([Jeremiah 32:17](#)).

God's wrath is to be feared because God promises eternal punishment apart from Christ ([Matthew 25:46](#)).

IMMORALITY, IMPURITY, PASSION, EVIL DESIRE, GREED = IDOLATRY

**For it is because of these things that the wrath of God will come upon the sons of disobedience.**

Colossians 3:6



### 3. *God's wrath is consistent in the Old and New Testaments*

Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD goeth forth with fury, a continuing whirlwind: it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked. – Jeremiah 30:23

God *is* jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and *is* furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth *wrath* for his enemies.  
– Nahum 1:2

And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. – Revelation 19:15



Do not take revenge,  
my dear friends,  
but leave room  
for **God's** wrath,  
for it is written:  
“It is mine to avenge;  
I will repay,”  
says the **Lord**.

Romans 12:19



## 4. God's wrath is his love in action against sin

### IS GOD ONLY A GOD OF LOVE, OR IS HE ALSO A GOD OF WRATH?

Let's consider the concept of the wrath of God. The reason we need to do that is because I have discovered that most Christians, if not most pastors, do not believe in the wrath of God.

If any mention is made of God's wrath, there is usually an immediate and vehement response that God is a God of love, grace and mercy. And if you point to the wrath of God in the Hebrew Scriptures...



Everyone knows [John 3:16](#); few seem to be aware of [John 3:36](#), taken from a sermon of John the Baptist: *“He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”*



# 5. God's wrath is satisfied in Christ

Here we have the ultimate good news:

“Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” (1 Timothy 1:15).

Because of Christ, God can rightly call sinners justified (Romans 3:26).

God has done what we could not do, and he has done what we didn't deserve.

Charles Wesley rightly exulted in this good news:

And can it be that I should gain

An interest in the Saviour's blood?

Died he for me, who caused his pain!

For me, who him to death pursued?

Amazing love! How can it be

That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?



*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son,  
that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

*John 3: 16*



# The four heptads or the four “sevens” in Revelation

1. The Seven Churches time periods begin at Pentecost AD 31 and end at the close of the Laodicean period, which would be the Second Coming.
2. The Seven Seals time periods begin when Jesus takes the scroll and begins His reign at Pentecost, AD 31, when the Holy Spirit is poured out on the earth upon the waiting disciples. The sixth seal ends with the Second Coming and the seventh seal the short period of silence in the heavens.
3. The Seven Trumpets time periods begin with the Mediatorial work of Jesus at the golden altar in the Holy Place in AD 31. The seventh trumpet ends when the mystery of God is finished on the earth; (10:7), the Seal of God having been placed on all those that love Jesus and the Mark of the Beast having been placed on all those who despise Jesus and worship Satan.
4. AND THEN AFTER THIS, thy “wrath” is come, this wrath of God, this judgment of God on evil, the Seven Last Plagues.

**The Seven Churches of Asia**

- ▲ Church Left Its First Love – *Ephesus*  
- Revelation 2:1-7
- ▲ Church Under Pressure – *Smyrna*  
- Revelation 2:8-11
- ▲ Church That Compromised – *Pergamos*  
- Revelation 2:12-17
- ▲ Tolerant Church – *Thyatira*  
- Revelation 2:18-29
- ▲ Dead Church – *Sardis*  
- Revelation 3:1-6
- ▲ Faithful Church – *Philadelphia*  
- Revelation 3:7-13
- ▲ Luke Warm Church – *Laodicea*  
- Revelation 3:14-22

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**THE SEVEN SEALS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Seal White Horse: Deception Rev. 6:1-2	2 <sup>nd</sup> Seal Red Horse: War Rev. 6:3-4	3 <sup>rd</sup> Seal Black Horse: Famine Rev. 6:5-6	4 <sup>th</sup> Seal Pale Horse: Pestilence 1/4 of mankind dies Rev. 6:7-8	5 <sup>th</sup> Seal Martyrdom & Great Tribulation Rev. 6:9-11	6 <sup>th</sup> Seal Heavenly Signs Rev. 6:12-17
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→ SILENCE IN HEAVEN... (Rev. 8:1-6) → 7<sup>th</sup> Seal → Seven Trumpets (Rev. 8:13-17) →

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**THE SEVEN TRUMPETS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Green grass and 1/3 of the trees are burned up. Rev. 8:7	2 <sup>nd</sup> 1/3 of sea becomes blood; 1/3 of ships and sea life destroyed. Rev. 8:8-9	3 <sup>rd</sup> 1/3 of waters turn bitter. Rev. 8:1-11	4 <sup>th</sup> 1/3 of sun, moon, and stars do not shine. Rev. 8:12	5 <sup>th</sup> “Locusts” wield the Beast’s military power. Rev. 9:1-12	6 <sup>th</sup> 200-million-man army; a third of mankind killed. Rev. 9:13-21	7 <sup>th</sup> The Kingdom of God is declared. Rev. 11:15-19
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**THE SEVEN BOWLS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Sores afflict those who accepted the mark of the Beast. Rev. 16:2	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sea turns to blood; all sea creatures die. Rev. 16:3	3 <sup>rd</sup> Rivers turn to blood. Rev. 16:4-7	4 <sup>th</sup> Mankind scorched by the sun, blasphemes God. Rev. 16:8-9	5 <sup>th</sup> The Beast’s seat of government is afflicted. Rev. 16:10-11	6 <sup>th</sup> The Euphrates is dried up; world armies gather to Armageddon. Rev. 16:12-16	7 <sup>th</sup> The earth is utterly shut. Rev. 16:17-21
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# *The purpose of the seven last plagues*

The saints under the altar in the 5<sup>th</sup> seal (Revelation 5:9) are asking when God is going to “avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth”? The psalmist provides the answer: “O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself. Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud. LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph? How long shall they utter and speak hard things? And all the workers of iniquity boast themselves? They break in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine heritage. They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless (Psalm 94:1–6).” See also **Isaiah 63:1–6; Psalm 149:1–9; Jeremiah 51:6; Romans 12:19; and Hebrews 10:30.**



# *The purpose of the seven last plagues*

These various passages speak of the right of vengeance that belongs to the sovereign Lord. His is the right to subdue and punish rebellious people and nations. Some texts refer to the final judgment of the wicked. God has given Satan this incredibly long time, by human standards (6000+ years), to show himself and his methods. But God will take vengeance upon those who have killed His people.

**Revelation 18:6** reveals that Babylon will be rewarded doubly for what she did to those who stood true for God.



# *The purpose of the seven last plagues*

When is this? Is this avenging by God described in Revelation 15:1, when we see seven angels, “having the seven last plagues, for in them is filled up the wrath of God”? Here is the time when Asaph, in Psalm 73:3-17, says he was envious at the prosperity of the wicked. Then he “...went into the sanctuary of God; then I understood their end.” He saw the seven angels with the seven vials of the wrath of God in the sanctuary. Notice in Revelation 15:6, that the seven angels came OUT of the temple just before they began to pour out the vials.



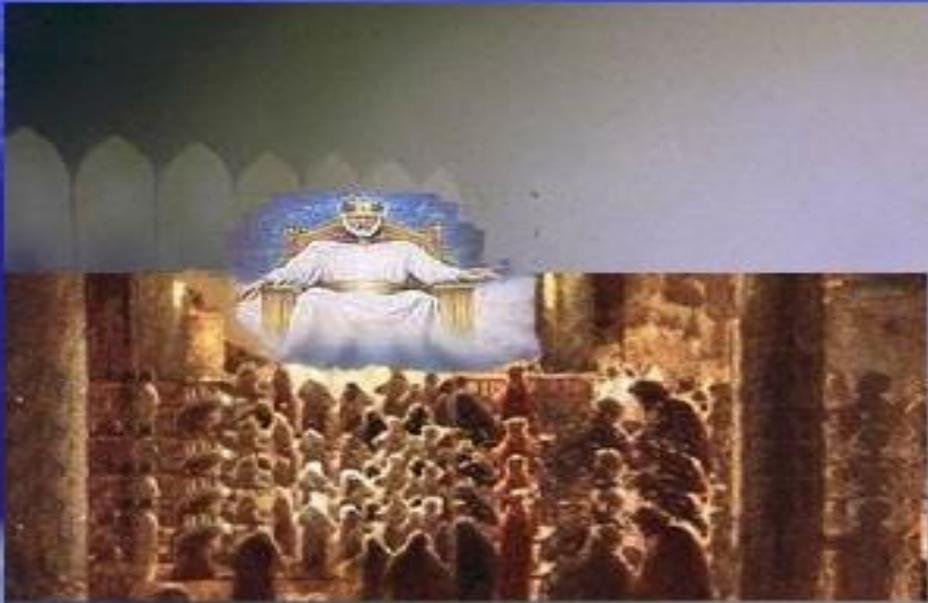
# *God's wrath*



**THE SEVEN LAST PLAGUES**



# ***God of Love, Grace, Mercy and Justice***

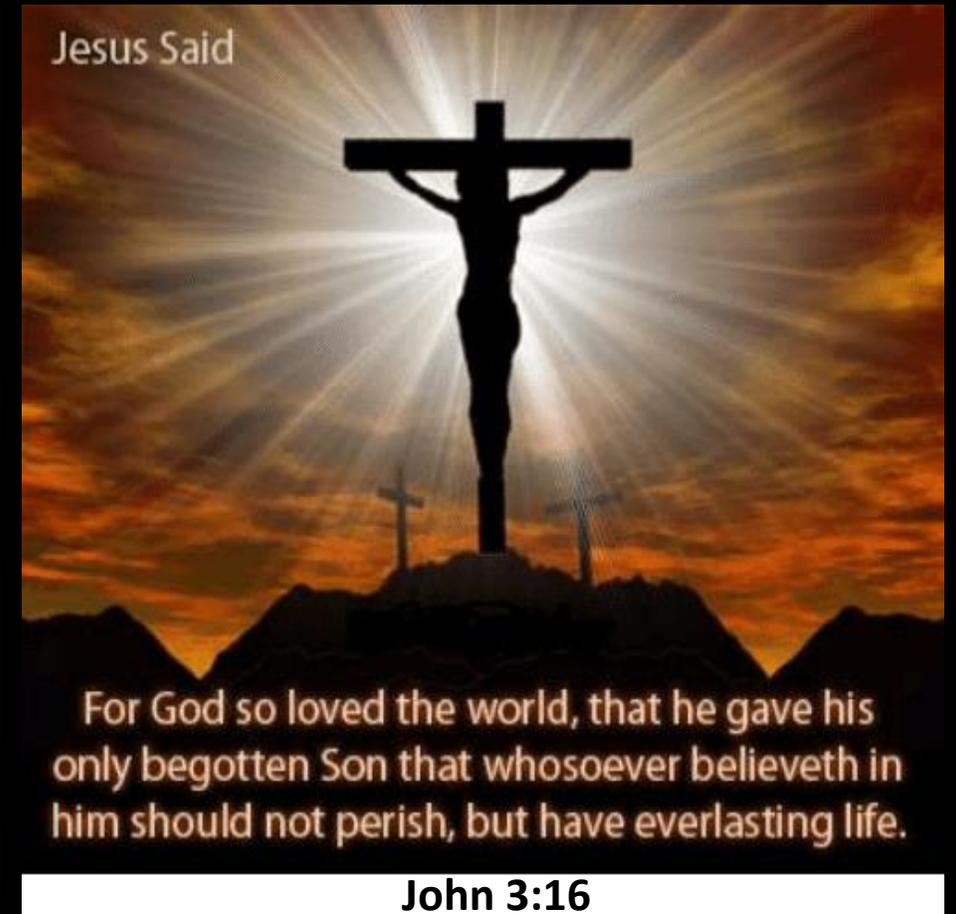


- **At this point, God seems to want to delay getting into the final judgment. He takes no pleasure in punishing sinners and is reluctant to close the opportunity to repent.**



# God of Love, Grace, Mercy and Justice

- His desire is expressed in Eze 18:32
- For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn *yourselves*, and live ye.



# ***God of Love, Grace, Mercy and Justice***

**They refused to repent...**

**Ultimately, the wrath of God is  
when He removes His**

- **Presence**
- **Control**
- **Drawing & convicting agent—  
the Holy Spirit**



# God of Love, Grace, Mercy and Justice

## The Gospel!

- Viewed alone, God's wrath would cause only fear and dread
- He pursued and rescued us (God's love)
- He placed His stored-up wrath on Jesus (God's justice)

## The Gospel!

- Romans 5:9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!
- 1 Thessalonians 5:9-10 <sup>9</sup> For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>10</sup> He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him.



# God of Love, Grace, Mercy and Justice

Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

– 2 Peter 3:3-7



# God of Love, Grace, Mercy and Justice

But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. *Seeing then that* all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of *persons* ought ye to be in *all* holy conversation and godliness, Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? – 2 Peter 3:8-12



## **God will protect His people during: 7 last plagues**

I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress: my God, in Him will I trust." Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings shall you trust: His truth shall be your shield and buckler. You shall not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flies by day; nor for the pestilence that walks in darkness; nor for the destruction that wastes at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at your right hand; but it shall not come near you. Only behold and see the reward which have made the Lord, which High, your habitation; there shall no evil befall you, neither shall any plague come near your dwelling. (...)

## **7 LAST PLAGUES**

side, and ten thousand at not come near you. Only behold and see the reward which have made the Lord, which High, your habitation;

**"Because he has set his love on Me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he has known My name. He shall call on Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and show him My salvation."** (Psalm 91:2-10,14-16)



# *The seven last plagues – God's wrath*



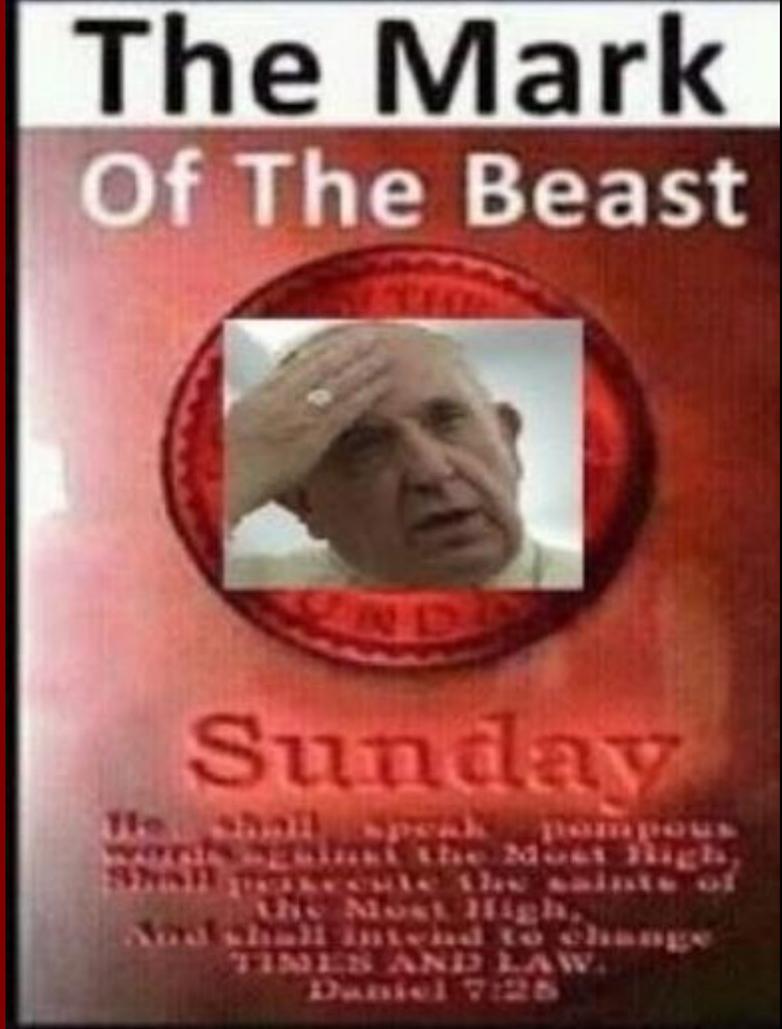
# Who Are The Plagues Against?

- Revelation 16:1 & 2
- And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out **the vials of the wrath of God** upon the earth.
- 16:2 And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore **upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and [upon] them which worshipped his image.**



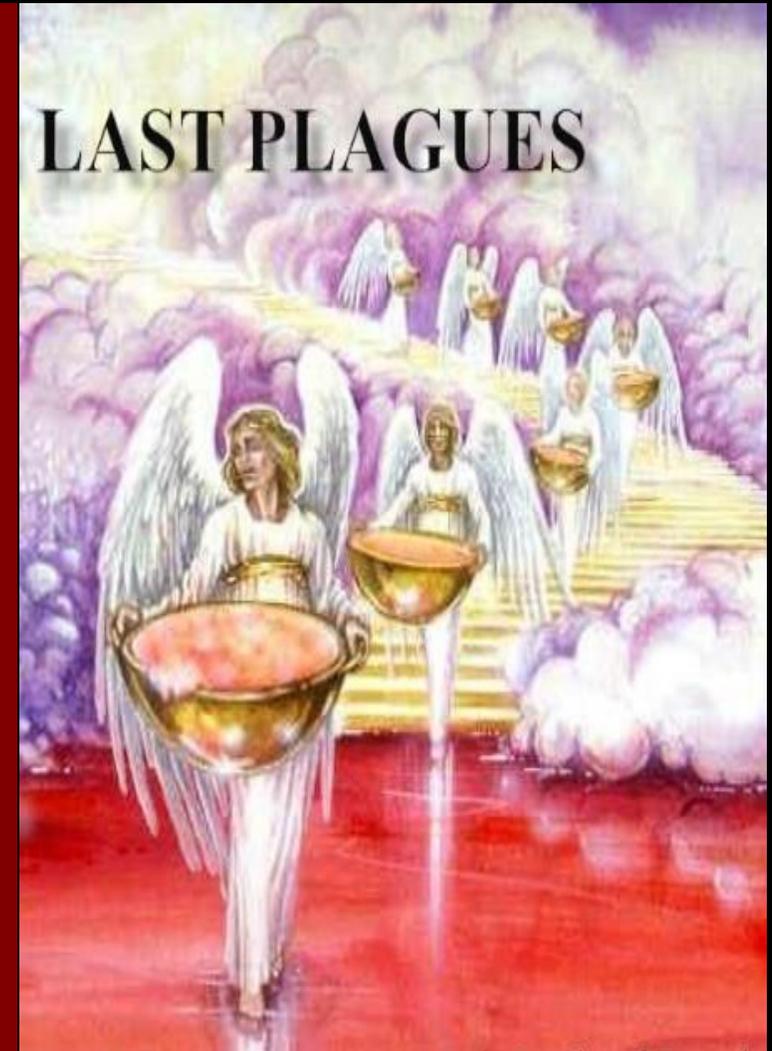
# A Vital Point to Remember

- REV. 14:9,10
- And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, *If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive [his] mark* in his forehead, or in his hand,
- 14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of **the wrath of God**,
- The Beast has a mark of identification and an image is made unto it.
- The wrath of God is against the Mark and Image



# Two Vital Points to Understand

- **1. The plagues** are directed against those who have the MARK OF THE BEAST and it's IMAGE
- 2. Rev. 14:12 "Here is the patience of the saints: here [are] they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.
  - The saints are commandment keepers \ Sabbath keepers
  - Those who have the Mark of the Beast do not keep the commandments



# **Winston Churchill**

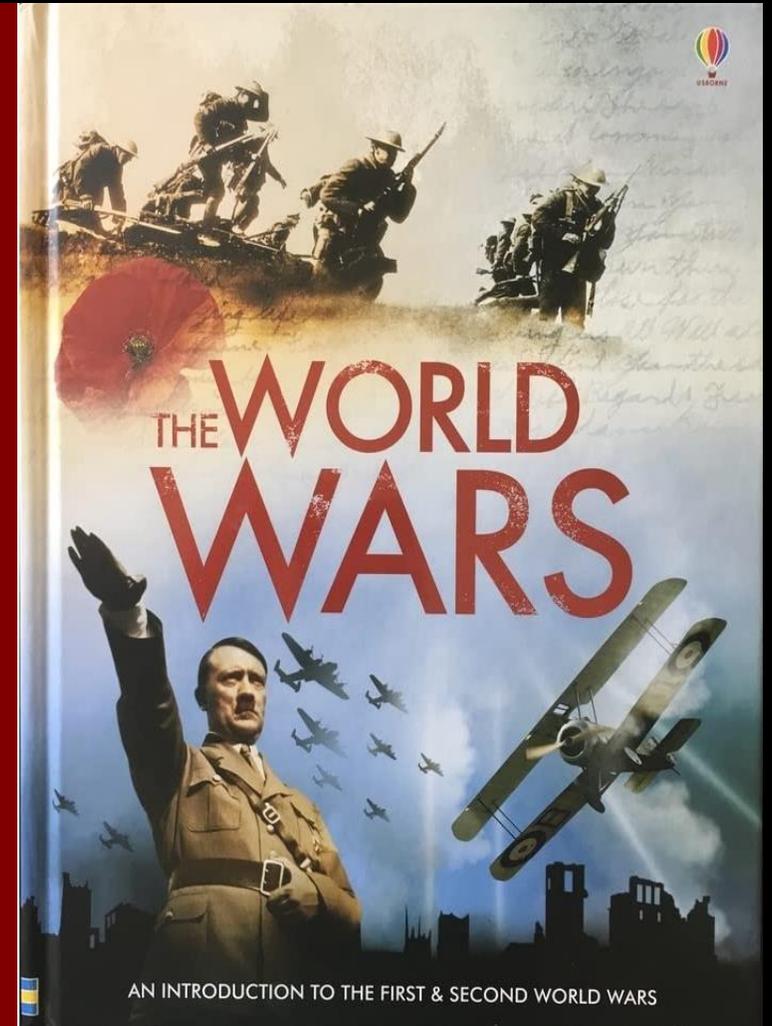
## **Former Prime Minister of England**

- Made this statement at the close of World War 2, after the atomic bomb had been dropped on Japan.
- **“Death stands at attention, obedient, expectant, ready to serve, ready to shear away the peoples in masses; ready, if called on, to pulverize, without hope of repair, what is left of civilization. He awaits only the command.”**
- If this is what man can do – what will God do as He brings the conflict of good and evil to an end? You will see as we get to plague number 7.



# ***The Last Battle*** ***The Battle of Armageddon***

- Since 1944 or the close of W.W. II there have been over 125 more wars.
- Armageddon will be the last and different
- At Armageddon God intervenes in behalf of his persecuted people
- God delivers his people and punishes the wicked through the Battle of Armageddon.
- Then Jesus comes in the clouds of heaven and brings the world to an end



# The seven last plagues – God's wrath

- Each plague gets more severe and continues as other plagues come upon the scene.

**All the judgments upon men, prior to the close of probation, have been mingled with mercy. The pleading blood of Christ has shielded the sinner from receiving the full measure of his guilt; but in the final judgment, wrath is poured out unmixed with mercy. In that day, multitudes will desire the shelter of God's mercy which they have so long despised.**



**THE SEVEN LAST PLAGUES AND JESUS' LOVE**

**A GRIEVOUS SORE**  
Jesus took the wounds of sin upon himself at the cross.

**SEA TURNS TO BLOOD**  
Jesus sweat turned to blood. He suffered for you.

**FRESH WATER TO BLOOD**  
Jesus is the living water. His blood saves. When you reject Him you drink of God's wrath. The living water turns to blood.

**SUN SCORCHES**  
Men worshipped the sun. Now they get burned. Sin separates us from God. Jesus was separated from his Father on the cross.

**DARKNESS**  
When Jesus hung on the cross, darkness covered the land. Jesus experienced the darkness of Satan's kingdom.

**EVIL POWERS UNITE**  
Satan led the civil and religious powers to unite and crucify Jesus.

**IT IS FINISHED**  
On the cross Jesus cried, "It is finished!"

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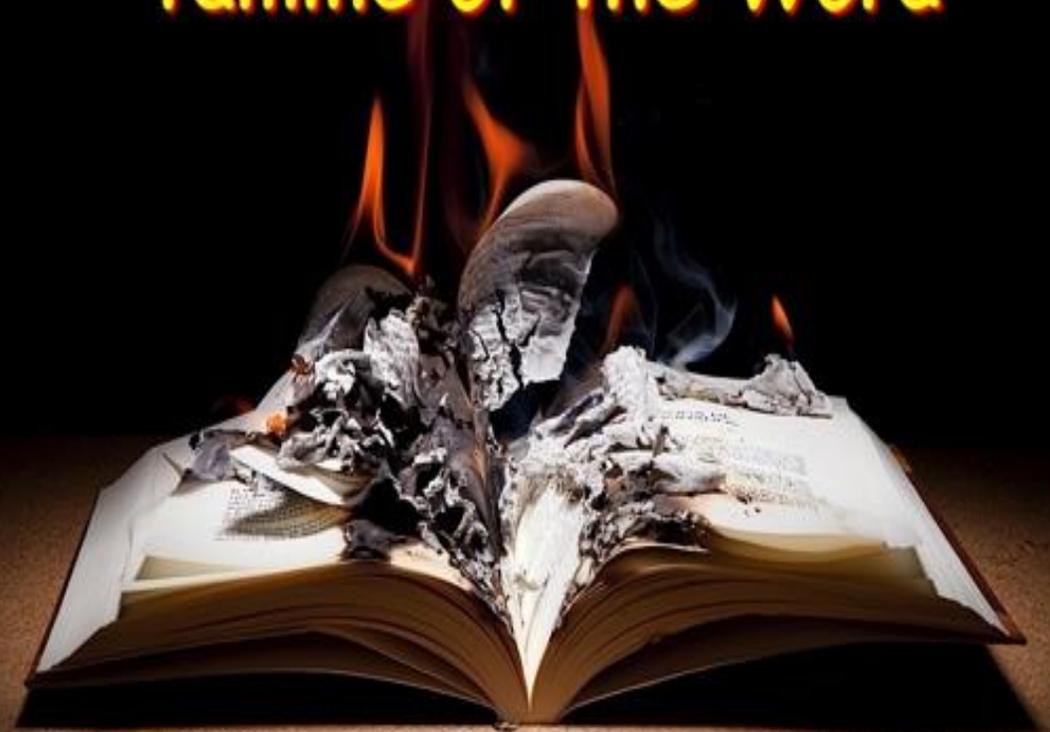


# *The seven last plagues – God's wrath*

‘Behold, the days come, saith the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord: and they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the Lord, and shall not find it.’

- Amos 8:11, 12.”

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famine of the Word**



# ***The seven last plagues – God’s wrath***

“While Jesus had been standing between God and guilty man, a restraint was upon the people; but when He stepped out from between man and the Father, the restraint was removed and Satan had entire control of the finally impenitent. It was impossible for the plagues to be poured out while Jesus officiated in the sanctuary; but as His work there is finished, and His intercession closes, there is nothing to stay the wrath of God, and it breaks with fury upon the shelterless head of the guilty sinner, who has slighted salvation and hated reproof. In that fearful time, after the close of Jesus’ mediation, the saints were living in the sight of a holy God without an intercessor. Every case was decided, every jewel numbered.” E.G.W. (Early Writings, p. 280)



# *The Introduction to God's wrath*

Chapter 15 opens with a quick glance at seven angels carrying the seven last plagues.

But then it quickly shows us again a picture of the joyful ones around the throne who have won the victory over evil through the power of Jesus.



Then we see the temple opened and out of it comes seven angels. They are dressed in white linen, which shows they are pure and holy, like Jesus. One of the four beasts gives each angel a golden vial, which is 'full of the wrath of God'.



# ***What two punishments are given to the wicked?***

- “...the wrath of God.” - Revelation 15:1
- Is for those who receive the mark of the beast (Revelation 16:2)
- “...tormented with fire and brimstone...” - Revelation 14:10
- The fire and brimstone is for all lost sinners including those who receive the Mark of the Beast at 2<sup>nd</sup> Resurrection.



# *The Introduction to God's wrath*

"And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous, seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God. And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God. And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvelous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints." Revelation 15:1-3.



# *The Introduction to God's wrath*

"Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest."

- Revelation 15:4



Whenever there is something sad that has to be told, our loving Jesus always gives us first, a view of something happy to encourage us. It is a good idea that if we have to show anyone a mistake they have made or some other negative thing that we first say something kind and cheering to them.



## *The Introduction to God's wrath*

"And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:" -  
Revelation 15:5



# *The Introduction to God's wrath*



And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles. – Revelation 15:6



# *The Introduction to God's wrath*



And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever. - Revelation 15:7



# *The Introduction to God's wrath*

"And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled."

- Revelation 15:8



## ***The Introduction to God's wrath***

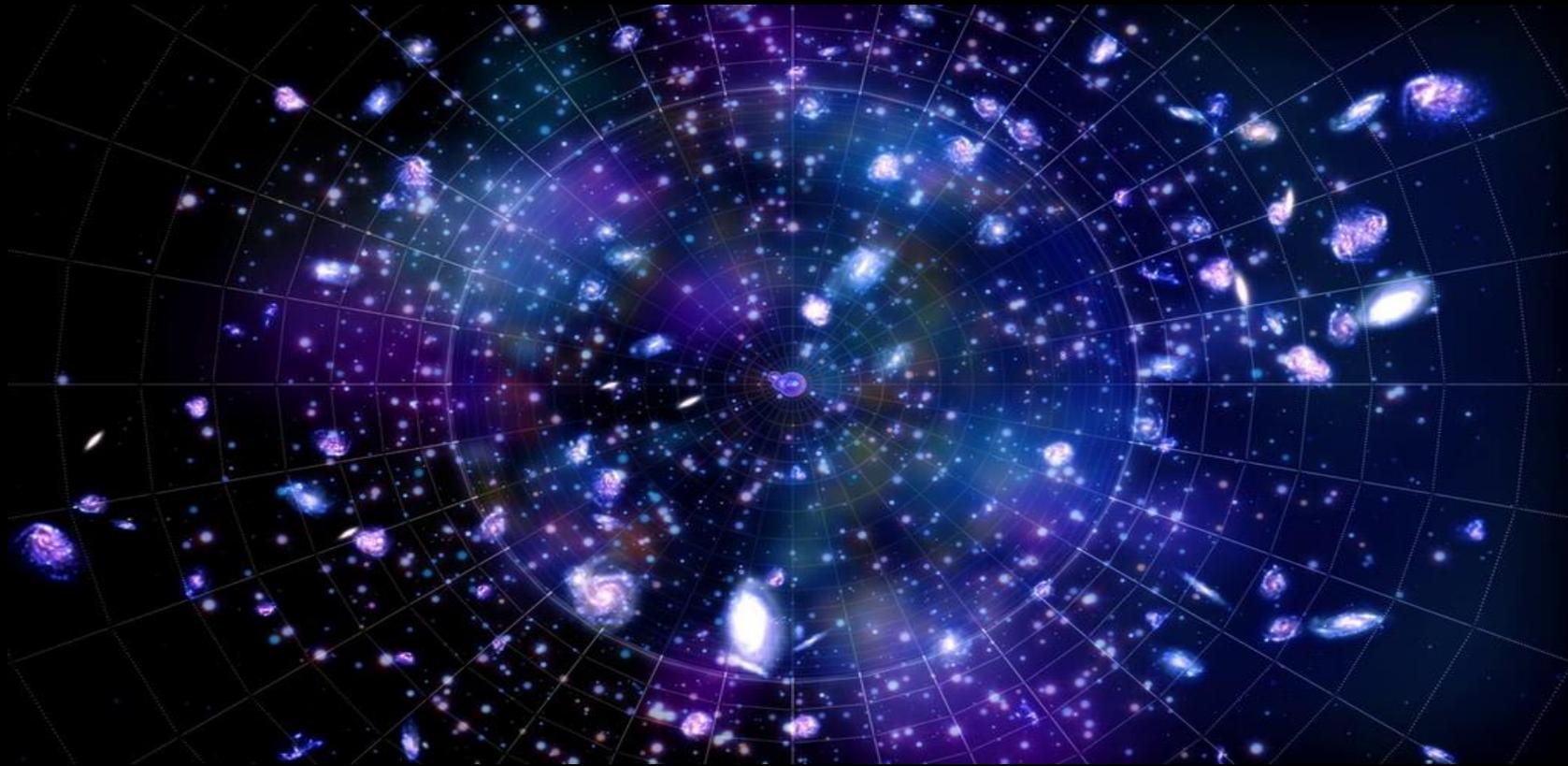
What a very sad thing that our loving God, who has patience, unselfishness and kindness beyond anything we can even imagine; our wonderful God who tells us His mercy is new every morning; has to finally pour out wrath on those He has done everything to save, but who have despised all His goodness and are determined to kill His faithful children.



How cruel and wicked it is to wear out the patience of One so good. But still it isn't a case of God finally losing His temper! Oh, no indeed! It is necessary for the good of others that these terrible plagues have to fall on the wicked world. There are several reasons for them. One is that these wicked ones are determined to murder all of God's faithful children. He will not allow this to happen.



# *The Introduction to God's wrath*



Another reason is to show to the universe that nothing God could do would ever get these rebels to change. No matter what, they will curse God and still go on being wicked and cruel.



## *The Introduction to God's wrath*

The last verse of chapter 15 tells us that no body is in the heavenly sanctuary at this time. **Probation has closed forever on the earth.** The mercy and love, which for all the years of earth's history has been poured out for people through Jesus, has finally ended. The world is left to its chosen ways, while the faithful ones are surrounded by heavenly angels and protected.



Jesus, our Great High Priest is still pleading at present in the Most Holy Place of the heavenly Sanctuary. The Day of Atonement judgment is going on. How soon All of our names will come up, we don't know but signs are all around us that the mercy of God will soon cease and our probation will close forever.



# *The Introduction to God's wrath*

We have to want that sinless life - we have to choose to have it - if we want to give Jesus lip service while we still cling to our darling sins - we will be lost! Those who are saved at last will hate sin just as God hates it - they will have rejected all of its so called pleasures and see it for the hideous, cruel thing that it is.



Jesus, as our High Priest has ALL power in Heaven and Earth! Anything we need to be able to overcome sin and have a character like His and be saved is available to us NOW! Do not wait or put it off! Do not listen to those who say all you need is to believe! REMEMBER the Bible says in the Letters to the churches, (Rev. 2-3) They that OVERCOME will receive the promises - not just they who BELIEVE! And we CAN overcome--we MUST! Jesus is there to give us the victory He has already won for us. This victory enables us to live a life like Jesus lived--in the POWER that He gives us!

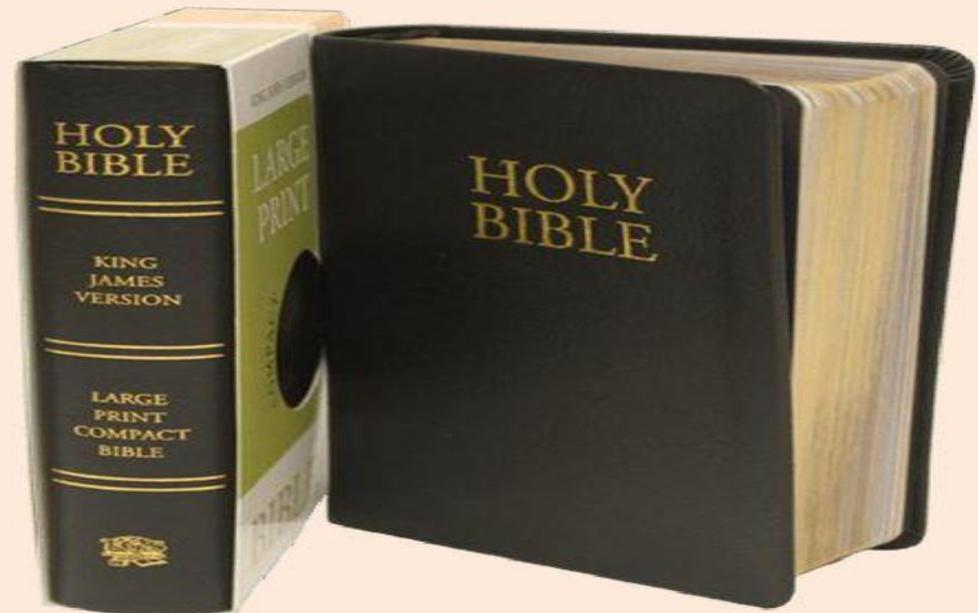


# ***The Introduction to God's wrath***

**But God will have a people upon the earth to maintain the Bible, and the Bible only, as the standard of all doctrines and the basis of all reforms.**

**The opinions of learned men, the deductions of science, the creeds or decisions of ecclesiastical councils, as numerous and discordant as are the churches which they represent, the voice of the majority--not one nor all of these should be regarded as evidence for or against any point of religious faith.**

**Before accepting any doctrine or precept, we should demand a plain "Thus saith the Lord" in its support.  
Great Controversy p595**



# 1<sup>st</sup> Plague

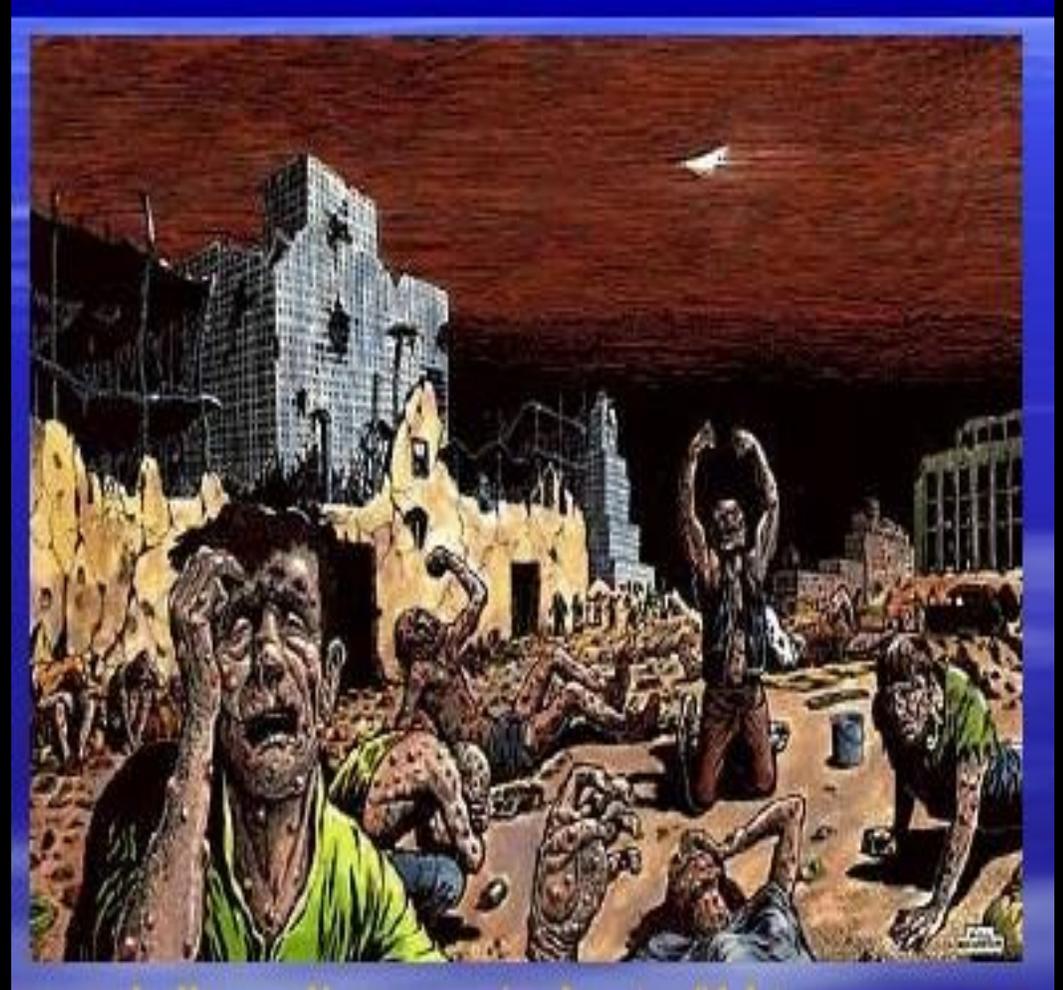
"And the first angel went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image." Revelation 16:2



Can you imagine sores all over your body! Notice, these gnawing, painful sores will afflict only those who have the mark of the beast and worship his image. What will it be like when this happens.

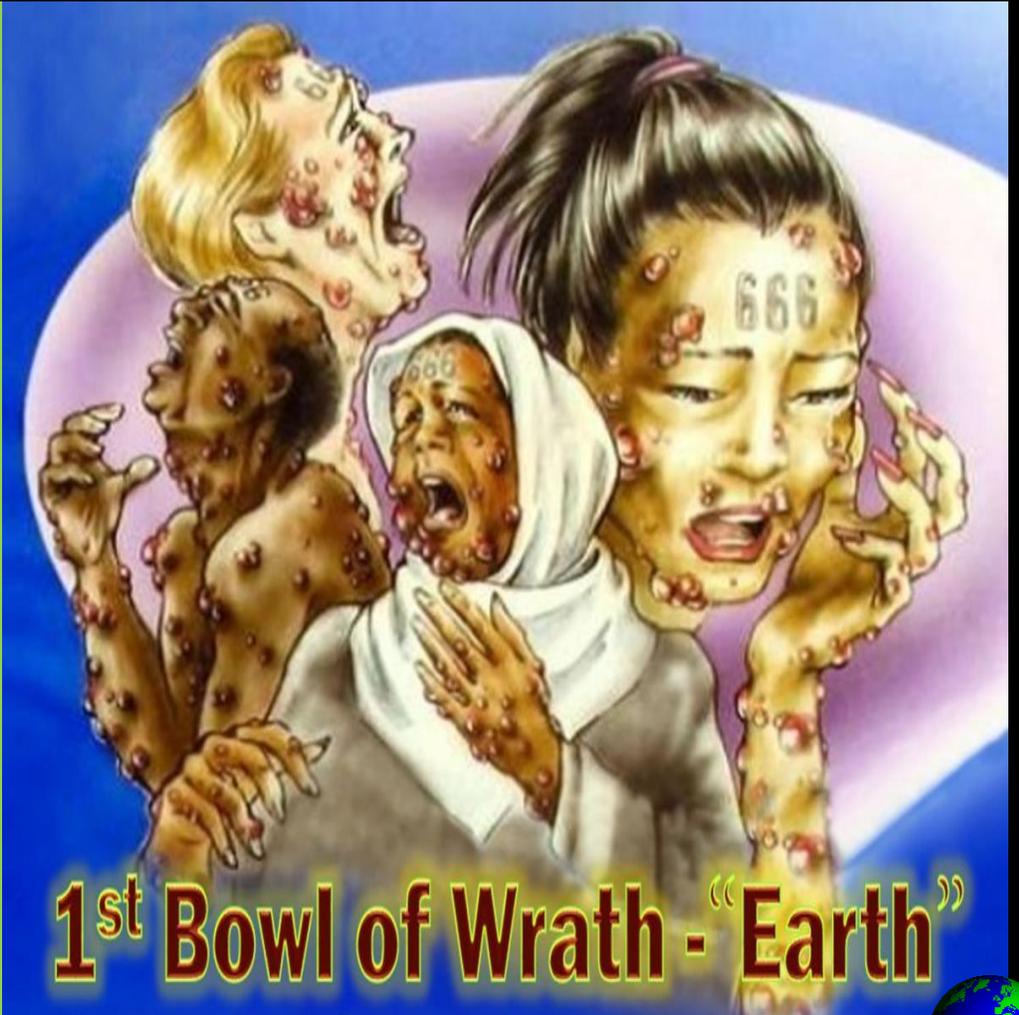


# 1<sup>st</sup> Plague – Painful Sores



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The first vial plague is poured out on the earth and a “grievous sore” (draining boils) come upon those who “have the mark of the beast and worship his image.” The Greek word here means “draining boils”, the same word used in Exodus 9:10, 11 to describe the boils that came upon the Egyptians where Moses threw ashes in the air in front of Pharaoh and sores broke out on man and beast. Look at Deuteronomy 28:35 where the Lord would smite them with sores from the head to the foot because of their apostasy. Job experienced these same “boils,” as did Lazarus in Luke 16:19-31.



# 1<sup>st</sup> Plague – Painful Sores

Can you picture the evening news telling the shocking story of this gross epidemic? People by the thousands who have received the "mark" for the purpose of saving their jobs and comforts of life now find that their comfort is gone.



Instead of causing them to repent, and pray to God for forgiveness, these terrible sores only cause them to "blaspheme God" and "gnaw their tongues for pain." **God knows that if He gave them a 100's of years more, they wouldn't, change.** When the plagues begin to fall, you'll know that every case is decided for eternity. Medical science will be helpless then. Can you picture doctors' offices and drug stores packed with shouting, angry, crying victims? What medicine will relieve the throbbing, biting, pain?



# 1<sup>st</sup> Plague – Painful Sores

Not everyone will get these awful sores. Those who so lately have been persecuted and mocked, are now safe. Angels of God protect them. They have loved and been obedient to their Lord even unto death, and now Jesus is very close to them. Though they'll be sentenced to death, God's people will not die. Jesus will interpose to save them. While the wicked are perishing with pestilence and famine, God's people are sheltered in the shadow of His hand.



**GOD'S PEOPLE WILL BE FREE FROM WORRIES,  
AND THEIR HOMES PEACEFUL AND SAFE.**

*Isaiah 32:18*



# ***The Good News is... Psalms 91:3-10***

Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.



## **2<sup>nd</sup> Plague – Seas & Oceans clot as Blood**



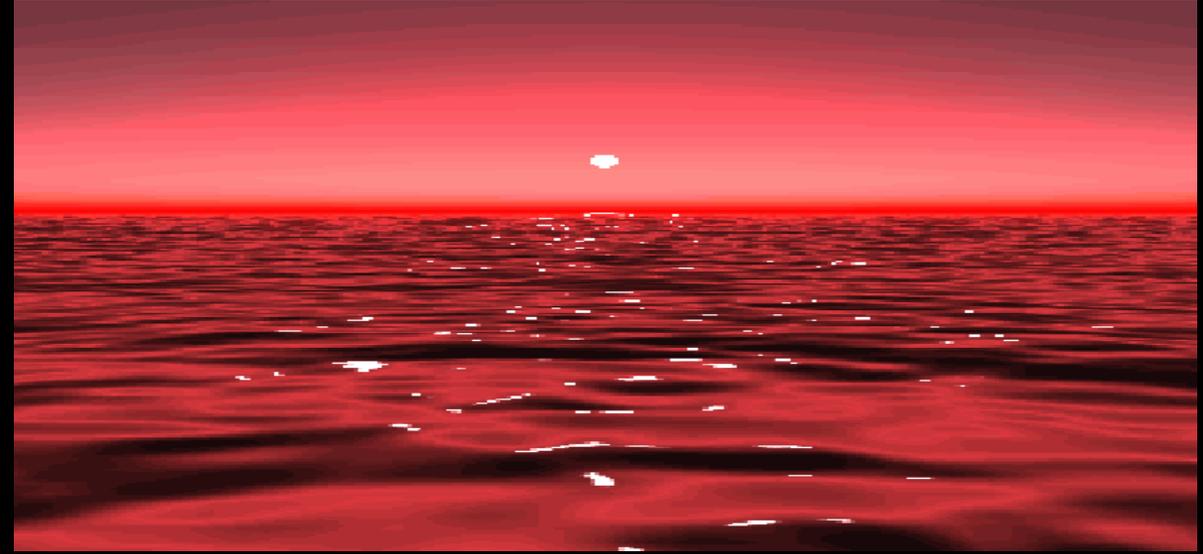
**REVELATION 16:3**

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**“And the second  
angel poured out  
his vial upon the  
sea; and it became  
as the blood of a  
dead man: and  
every living soul  
died in the sea.”**



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Plague – Seas & Oceans clot as Blood



## **2<sup>nd</sup> Plague – Seas & Oceans clot as Blood**

All of a sudden the news breaks - the ocean waters have turned to blood! Under the third plague the rivers also turn to blood. The word "soul" here means' "living creature." Have you ever seen the blood of a dead man? It putrefies and coagulates into a jelly mass. Those who have hated God's people have tried to shed their blood and now they are given blood to drink.



## **2<sup>nd</sup> Plague – Seas & Oceans clot as Blood**

The second vial plague is poured out on the sea and it turns to blood. Without oxygen in the water, everything in the sea died; a stinking, putrefying mess. The sea is no longer useful for commercial travel and no longer useful for food. The loss of the oceans in their natural cycle of watering the earth creates havoc with the ecosystem.



## ***The Good News is... Isaiah 33:16***

He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure.



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Plague – Fresh waters turn to blood

K J V

REVELATION 16:4

“And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.”

THE REVELATION  
of Jesus Christ

THE Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show unto His servants—things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John. I, John, both your companion and partaker of these things, was on the island called Patmos, for the word of God, and I saw these things, and I declare them unto you, and I certify that these things shall come to pass soon. Blessed is he that readeth the prophecies of this book, for the time is at hand. And I certify that if any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written here. And if any man shall take away from the words of the prophecy of this book, God shall take away his part, and he shall have his share in the plagues that are written here. Amen.

9 I, John, both your companion and partaker of these things, was on the island called Patmos, for the word of God, and I saw these things, and I declare them unto you, and I certify that these things shall come to pass soon. Blessed is he that readeth the prophecies of this book, for the time is at hand. And I certify that if any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written here. And if any man shall take away from the words of the prophecy of this book, God shall take away his part, and he shall have his share in the plagues that are written here. Amen.



# 3<sup>rd</sup> Plague – Fresh waters turn to blood



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Notice what the angel says here, who has seen the entire history of the world and the misery and killing and persecutions Satan, his former colleague, has caused: **“And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus. For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.”** - Revelation 16:5-6

**The third vial plague** is poured out on the rivers and fountains of waters and they become blood. People will hike to the mountains and streams looking for fresh water. They can dig where they will, go where they will, they will find nothing but blood to drink.



## **3<sup>rd</sup> Plague – Fresh waters turn to blood**

All the beings of the universe as well as the angels declare that they deserve just what they are getting. One voice is the angel from heaven and the other voice comes from the altar which represents the saved on earth. As terrible as these judgments are, they are righteous! You see, God is not an arbitrary tyrant. He moves ahead with His judgments only as fast as his created children are able to understand them and approve of them.



# ***The Good News is... Isaiah 41:17-18***

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the LORD will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them. I will open rivers in high places, and fountains in the midst of the valleys: I will make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.



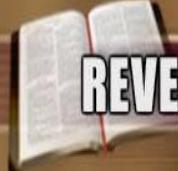
## 4<sup>th</sup> Plague – Scorching Sun

 **REVELATION 16:8** K I V

“And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.”

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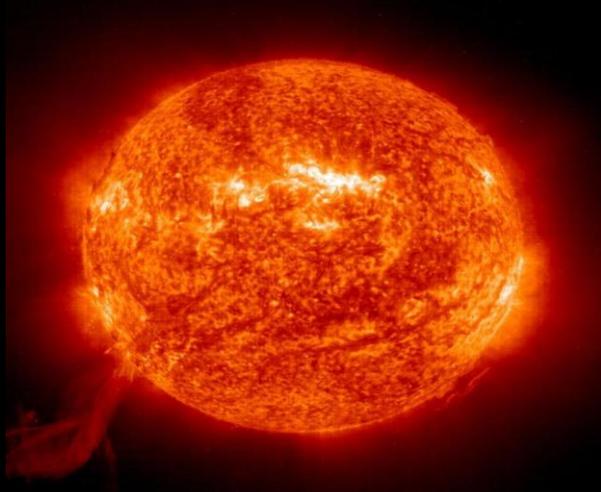
“And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues:

 **REVELATION 16:9** K I V

and they repented not to give him glory.”



# 4<sup>th</sup> Plague – Scorching Sun

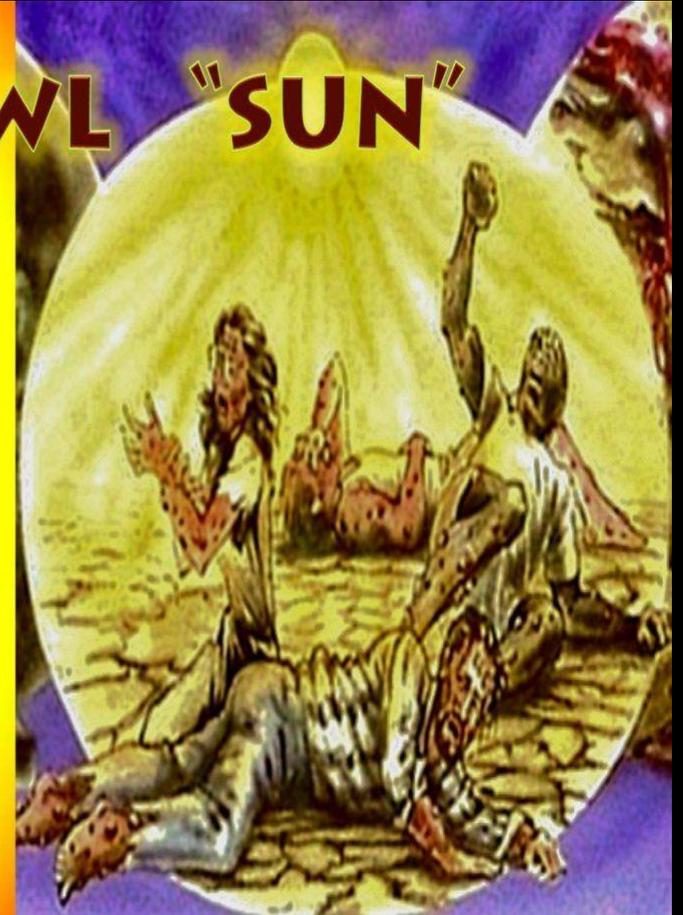


## **4<sup>th</sup> Plague – Scorching Sun**

The fourth vial plague is poured out on the sun. This life-sustaining sun, necessary for all plant and animal life, becomes hotter than it ever has before. Is this global warming? No. God gives power to the sun to scorch men with fire.

**4<sup>TH</sup> BOWL "SUN"**

**SCORCH  
MEN WITH  
FIRE**



# 4<sup>th</sup> Plague – Scorching Sun

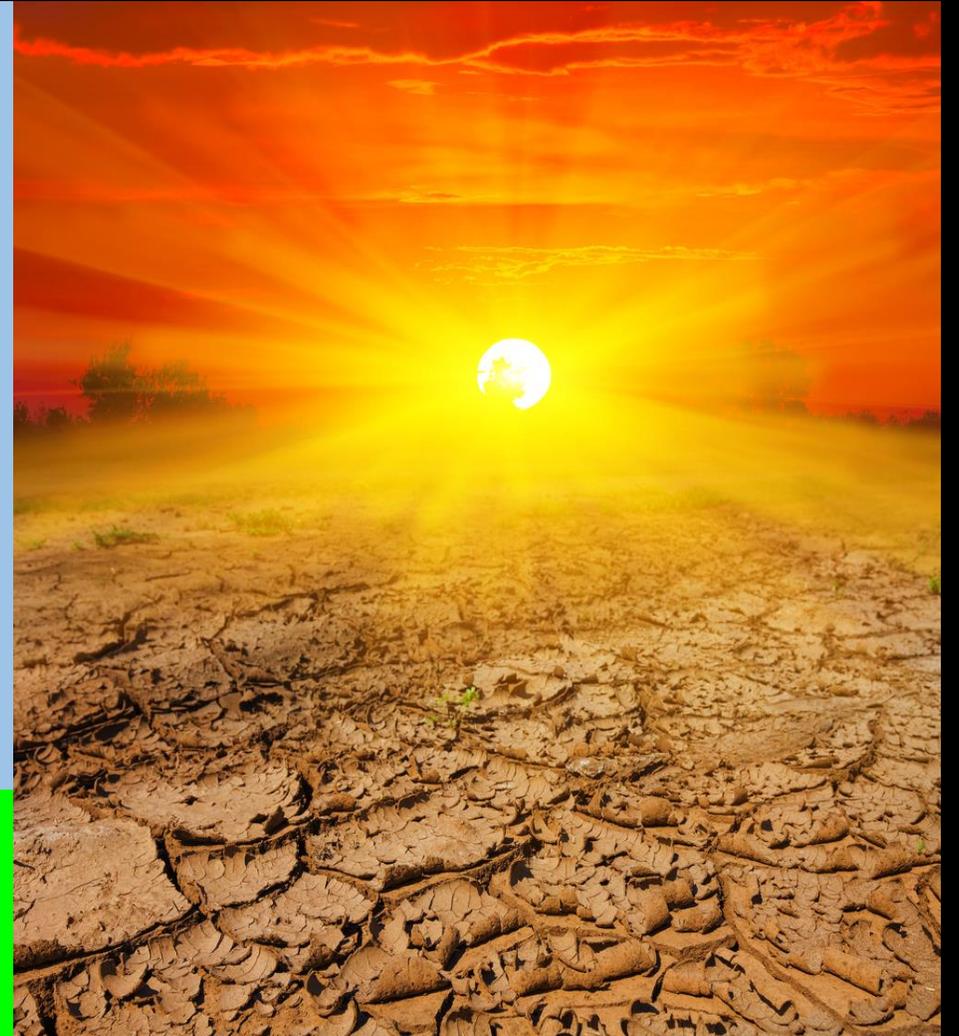
The fourth plague causes the sun to become so hot that it scorches people! This is also a very fair judgment because these people are exalting sun-worship and seeking to force all to worship the Sunday— so God gives them what they want—lots of sun! Horrible pain is now experienced by the wicked. The combination of scorching heat and raw sores is excruciating. Miracles will abound, like in Moses day; some from God, some from Satan. The wicked will not realize that the devil has counterfeited the gifts of the Spirit. Many who have worked miracles and done wonderful works, have trampled on God's Sabbath and persecuted those who honored it. They've felt secure in God's favor. But now their rage is great.



## **4<sup>th</sup> Plague – Scorching Sun**

Air-conditioners will not be able to cope with the intense heat. The buildings will be like ovens. For the wicked, there'll be no relief anywhere. This plague is perfectly suited to the sin of the people. They have honored the "day of the sun" according to the traditions of men - and now God gives them sun! The New English Bible says that men were "fearfully burned" during the fourth plague.

**In that day, many will long for the shelter of God's mercy which they have so long despised.**



## 4<sup>th</sup> Plague – Scorching Sun

God's people will still be hiding in desolate places, but He who provided food for Elijah in the wilderness will care for them. While the wicked are dying from the pestilence, angels will shield God's faithful people and supply their wants. God's promise is:

"When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them." Isaiah 33:15,16; 41:17.

While the disobedient are shrieking in pain, reeking with sweat, and their parched throats are raw for thirst, God's promise to His people is: 'The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.' Psalms 121:5-7.



# ***The Good News is... Psalms 121***

Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.



# ***5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness***



# 5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness

The fifth brings dense darkness to the seat of the Beast—his kingdom is full of darkness. For centuries Rome has poured out spiritual darkness onto the world, now they find themselves in actual darkness.

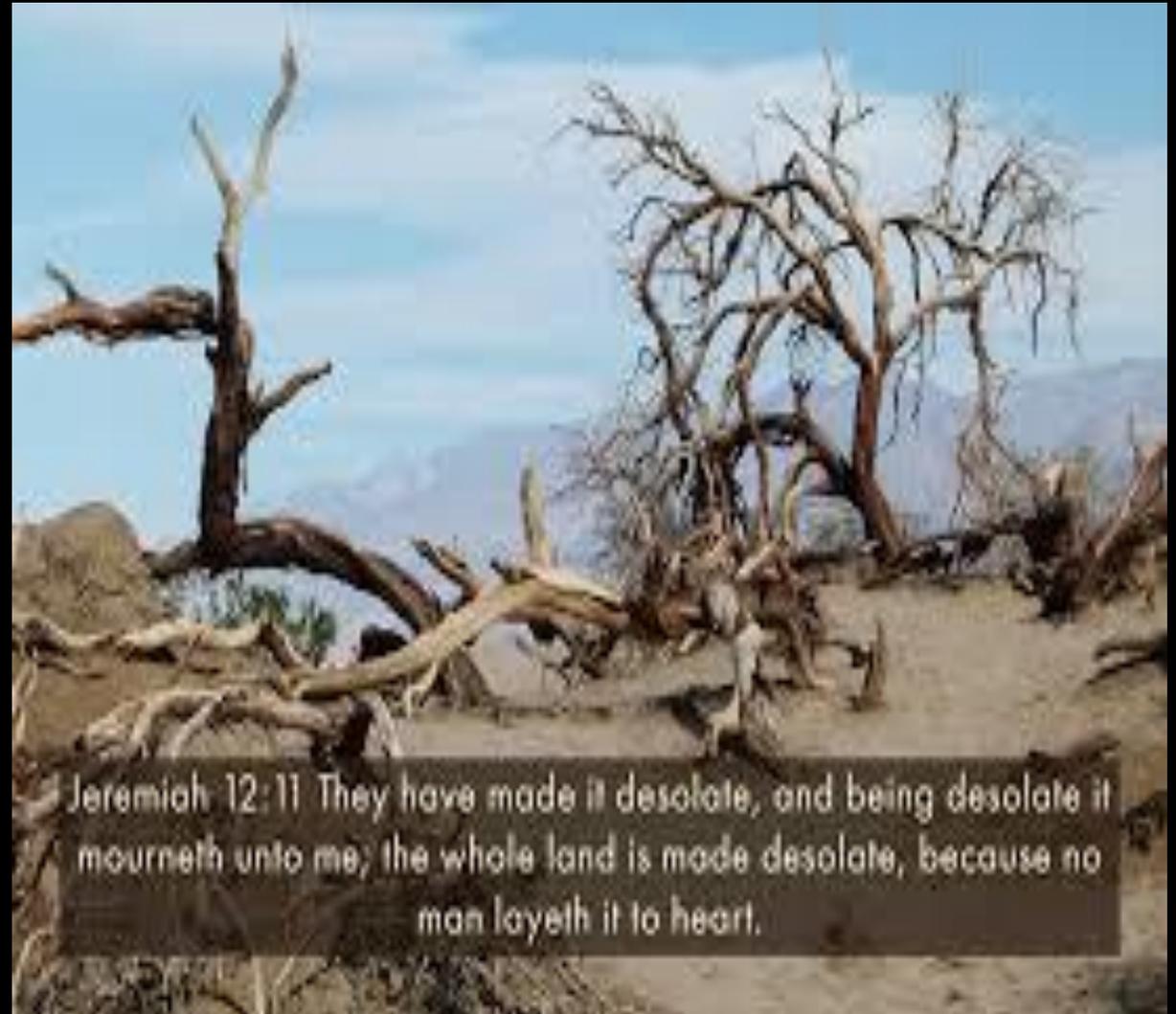
Can you imagine that! In choosing to honor the beast and receive his "mark" instead of honoring God and His "seal," the people have chosen darkness. Now again, God gives them what they've chosen.

I think the human mind is inadequate to conceive of the horror that will engulf all society. People of high society, the rich, men of science, and the ignorant masses will be paralyzed with pain, hate, and panic. Society will be utter chaos! Of these scourges the Bible says: - Revelation 18:17-19



## 5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness

"The land mourneth; ... because the harvest of the field is perished ... All the trees of the field are withered: because joy is withered away from the sons of men." "How do the beasts groan! The herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture." Joel 1:10-12; 17-20.



# 5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness

Oh, if they had only responded to God's great kindness. His arms have been stretched out in love. Now it's too late, The disobedient have decreed that those who have received God's seal cannot buy or sell. Now they themselves are starving with famine and groping in utter darkness. This supernatural darkness is a fit symbol of the gross darkness that has come upon the minds of those who have turned away from the light of truth.

God's people are still hiding out. They've weeks ago lost their jobs, homes, and fled for their lives before insane men urged on by the religious leaders and evil angels. They've given up all for- Christ. They've seen the wicked perishing while angels of God provided food for them. To the obedient God's promise is given: "Bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure."



## **5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness**

**By the fifth plague, the whole wicked world is really angry. They've decided that those who honor God's Sabbath of the Bible are the cause of the horrible convulsions of nature and they determine to blot them from the earth!**

**When the protection of human laws shall be withdrawn from those who honour the law of God, there will be, in different lands, a simultaneous movement for their destruction. As the time appointed in the decree draws near, the people will conspire to root out the hated sect. It will be determined to strike in one night a decisive blow, which shall utterly silence the voice of dissent and reproof.” {GC 635.1}**

**The date has been set to strike one stunning blow that will wipe the hated sect from the face of the earth. At midnight the death decree goes into effect. At midnight, - the Mighty God of heaven will interpose to save His people. Watch what happens.**



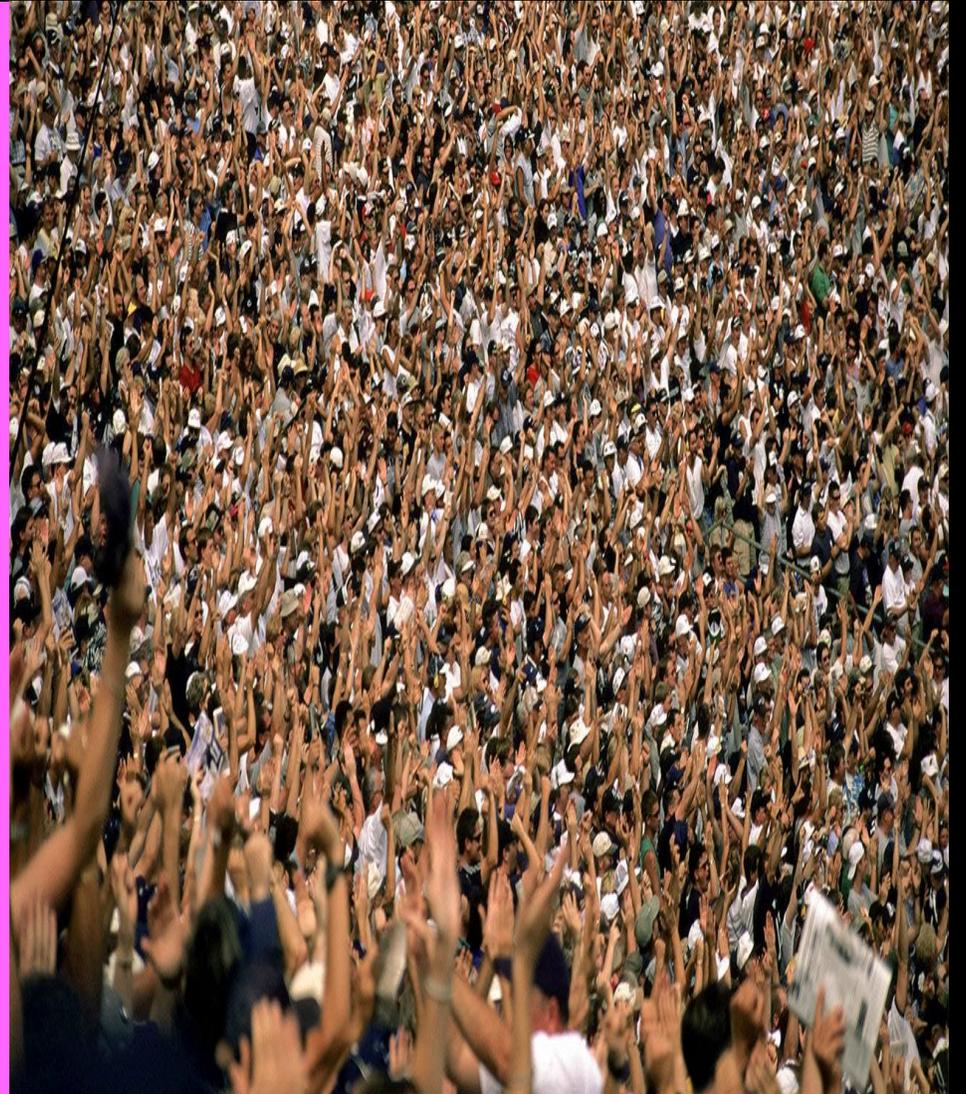
## 5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness

“The people of God—some in prison cells, some hidden in solitary retreats in the forests and the mountains—still plead for divine protection, while in every quarter companies of armed men, urged on by hosts of evil angels, are preparing for the work of death. It is now, in the hour of utmost extremity that the God of Israel will interpose for the deliverance of His chosen. Saith the Lord; “Ye shall have a song, as in the night when a holy solemnity is kept; and gladness of heart, as when one goeth . . . to come into the mountain of the Lord, to the Mighty One of Israel. And the Lord shall cause His glorious voice to be heard, and shall show the lighting down of His arm, with the indignation of His anger, and with the flame of a devouring fire, with scattering, and tempest, and hailstones.” Isaiah 30:29, 30.” {GC 635.2}



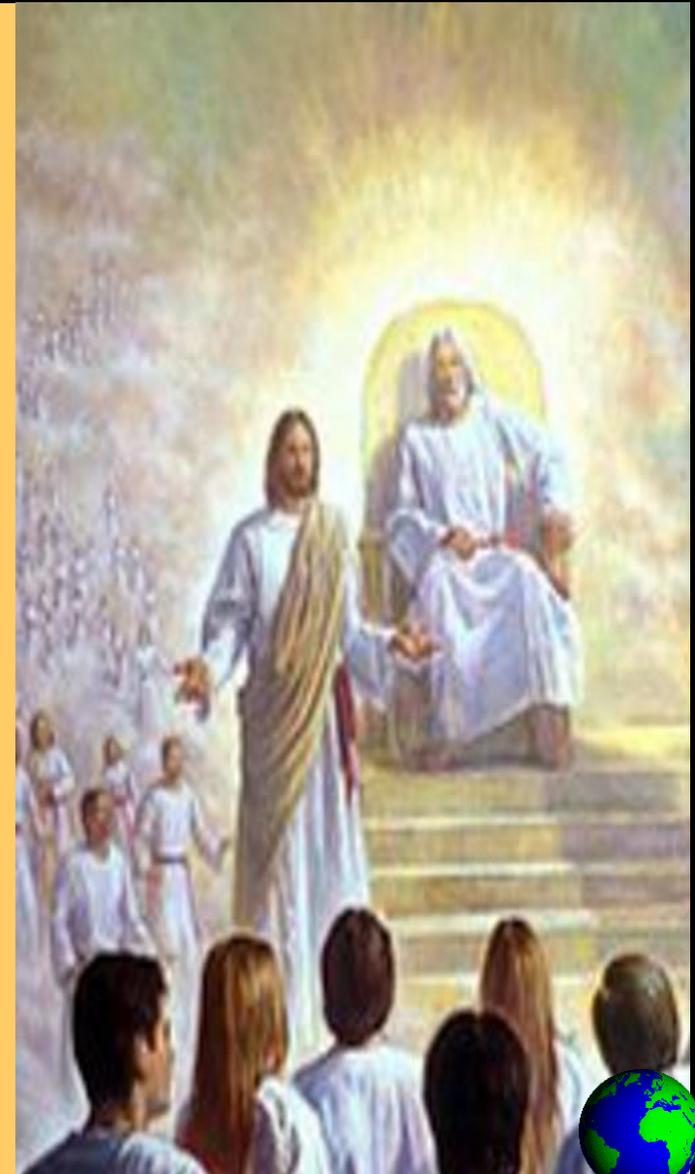
## **5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness**

**“With shouts of triumph, jeering, and imprecation, throngs of evil men are about to rush upon their prey, when, lo, a dense blackness, deeper than the darkness of the night, falls upon the earth. Then a rainbow, shining with the glory from the throne of God, spans the heavens and seems to encircle each praying company. The angry multitudes are suddenly arrested. Their mocking cries die away. The objects of their murderous rage are forgotten. With fearful forebodings they gaze upon the symbol of God’s covenant and long to be shielded from its overpowering brightness.” {GC 635.3}**



## **5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness**

“By the people of God a voice, clear and melodious, is heard, saying, “Look up,” and lifting their eyes to the heavens, they behold the bow of promise. The black, angry clouds that covered the firmament are parted, and like Stephen they look up steadfastly into heaven and see the glory of God and the Son of man seated upon His throne. In His divine form they discern the marks of His humiliation; and from His lips they hear the request presented before His Father and the holy angels: “I will that they also, whom Thou hast given Me, be with Me where I am.” John 17:24. Again a voice, musical and triumphant, is heard, saying: “They come! They come! Holy, harmless, and undefiled. They have kept the word of My patience; they shall walk among the angels;” and the pale, quivering lips of those who have held fast their faith utter a shout of victory.” {GC 636.1}



## **5<sup>th</sup> Plague - Darkness**

“It is at midnight that God manifests His power for the deliverance of His people. The sun appears, shining in its strength. Signs and wonders follow in quick succession. The wicked look with terror and amazement upon the scene, while the righteous behold with solemn joy the tokens of their deliverance. Everything in nature seems turned out of its course. The streams cease to flow. Dark, heavy clouds come up and clash against each other. In the midst of the angry heavens is one clear space of indescribable glory, whence comes the voice of God like the sound of many waters, saying: “It is done.” Revelation 16:17.” {GC 636.2}



# *The Good News is... Psalms 27:1*

The LORD is my  
light and my  
salvation; whom  
shall I fear? the  
LORD is the  
strength of my  
life; of whom  
shall I be afraid?



## **6<sup>th</sup> Plague – 3 Unclean Sprits like Frogs**

In the midst of the chaos, the sixth angel pours out his vial

"And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. - Revelation 16:12.



# The Sixth Plague

**The Dragon** (the Serpent, Satan, the Devil)

**The 1st Beast** (Out of the sea, the world's political system and its leader)

**The 2nd Beast** (Out of the earth, the world's accepted false prophet)

Revelation 16:13-14

And I saw, coming out of the mouth of the dragon and out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs. For they are demonic spirits, performing signs, who go abroad to the kings of the whole world, to assemble them for battle on the great day of God the Almighty.



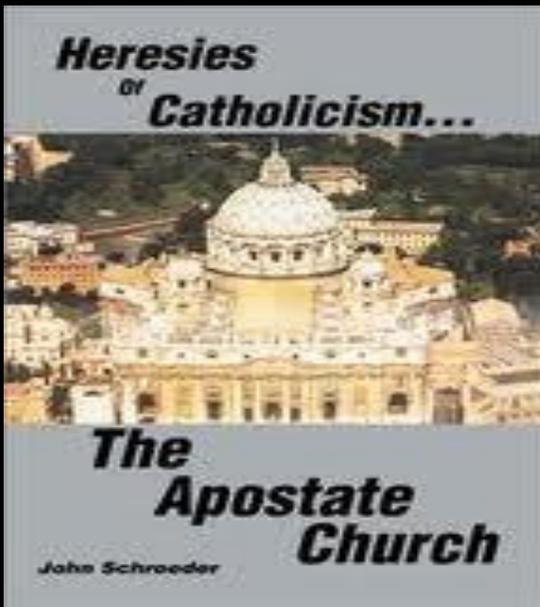
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**The Dragon - The Beast -  
False Prophets & Miracles**

**THREE UNCLEAN SPIRITS**



# 6<sup>th</sup> Plague – 3 Unclean Sprits like Frogs



# *The Sixth Plague*

“Through the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, Satan will bring the people under his deceptions. While the former lays the foundation of spiritualism, the latter creates a bond of sympathy with Rome. The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience”.

— [\*The Great Controversy\*, p. 588.](#)



# *The Sixth Plague*

The sixth plague talks about the drying up of a river. When real Babylon was conquered, the river that flowed through the city was dried up so the soldiers came into the city in the riverbed. So this shows us that spiritual Babylon is about to fall, as the 'waters', which represent the people of the world who support it, turn away from supporting it, and start to fight against it. This prepares the way for Jesus coming, represented as the 'Kings of the East'.



# *The Sixth Plague*

Always remember when you read the prophecies that they do not follow through in order like a story, the 6th plague of course does follow the fifth but some things referred to here are reaching a climax that began long before. **These two verses, although they are mentioned in the time of the 6th plague when they reach their climax, they actually begin happening long before that.** They are happening now, as Satan uses his miracles and tricks to fool people into disobey God and seeking to force everyone to also disobey Him.

Notice the 3 symbols; The Dragon—spiritualism; the Beast—Papal Rome; the False Prophet—Apostate Protestantism. **Satan gets them to join together and he gets the kings and mighty men of the earth to join in too—how? By performing miracles and wonders that get people believing the lies he is telling them.** Only people who know and believe the Bible will not be tricked.



# The Sixth Plague

"Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame." Revelation 16:15



It is most interesting that Jesus inserts this warning thought here right during this period of final events. When this time actually comes it is then too late to get the Garment of Christ's righteousness and put it on. **If we are not to be naked in that terrible day, and all the universe see our shame, we must accept the garment now and co-operate with Jesus as He works to perfect our characters to be like His.** If we think we are 'good enough' as 'good as the next guy' and our own good works are enough to take us to heaven and we don't feel the need to repent and plead with Jesus now to take all the sin out of our lives and make us pure; then in that day, we will be exposed to all for what we are, hypocrites.



# *The Sixth Plague*

**"And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon." Revelation 16:16.**

**It is this gathering of all the powers of earth together for the purpose of fighting against God's law and His people that is called the Battle of Armageddon. There have been many funny things taught about this subject, but what it means is this time when these powers seek to force everybody to break God's law. It is not a particular place or a literal battle between powers of earth.**



# *The Sixth Plague*

The word "Armageddon" is made of two Hebrew words "Har" and "Megidon." This is not just some local battle fought in the Valley of Megido as some have said. The word "Har" means "mountain." "Armageddon" is the symbolic word Jesus uses here to denote the great universal battle where the wicked turn against God and His faithful people. This is a world-wide battle. The national Sunday law of the U.S. has spread to all the nations of the world. The Universal law seeks to, in one day, strike a decisive blow that will wipe the hated sect from the face of the earth.

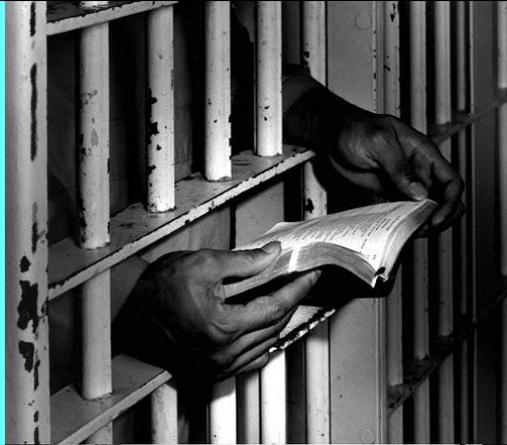


**When the great corrupt, Christian coalition of the world comes to the place where it causes (amid miracles and Satanic delusion) the leaders ("kings of the earth") to decree that those who will not go along with the Sunday law should be put to death, it brings the world to the place of sealing it's own doom.**



# *The Sixth Plague*

The people of God, some still in prison, some hidden in forests and mountains - still plead for God's protection, while companies of armed men, hurried on by evil angels, are preparing to execute the death sentence. It's now - in the darkest hour, that the God of Israel will interpose to deliver His faithful people.



# **Good news is.... Psalms 46:1**

GOD  
IS OUR REFUGE  
*and* STRENGTH,  
*a very*  
PRESENT  
HELP  
IN TROUBLE.  
PSALM 46:1



## **7<sup>th</sup> Plague Culminates in Second coming**

**"And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done. And there were voices, and thunders and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague was exceeding great." Revelation 16:17-21.**



# 7<sup>TH</sup> BOWL AIR IT IS DONE!

GREAT EARTHQUAKE

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EVERY  
ISLAND & MOUNTAIN  
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HAIL



# 7<sup>th</sup> Plague



# ***The Good News is... Isaiah 54:14-17***

No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.



# 7<sup>th</sup> Plague Culminates in Second coming

Here's where the spirits of devils, by their miracles, prepare the rulers and people of the world and "gather them together" to fight against God and His people. **This is the global-conflict. This is the battle of Armageddon.** It's earth's final battle between good and evil. All have taken sides. The wicked are in the majority and seemingly have great advantage - like David against Goliath.

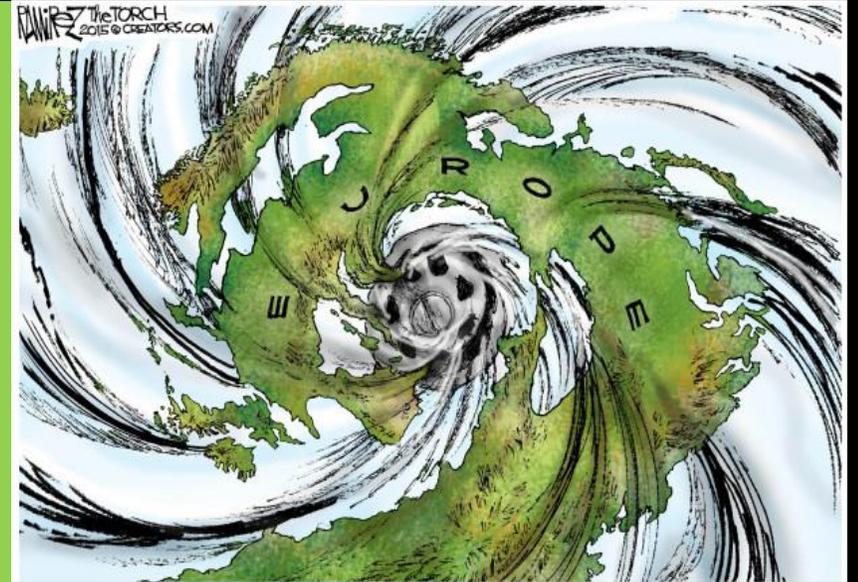
Here we see that Great Babylon, made out of these 3 parts, which Satan has worked so hard to bring together, quickly falls apart again and all the parts fight against each other.

The seventh plague takes place as Jesus comes back to get His faithful people. A terrible hailstorm with huge chunks of ice comes and smashes all the proud cities of earth.



# 7<sup>th</sup> Plague Culminates in Second coming

Everything in nature goes haywire. The mountains shake like reeds in the wind. The wicked are paralyzed with abject terror and look with amazement upon the scene, while the obedient watch with solemn joy at the signs of their deliverance. Ragged rocks are hurled in every direction. The sea is lashed into fury. **The earth heaves and swells. Its surface is breaking apart. Mountain chains sink. Islands disappear.** Wicked cities that have become like Sodom are swallowed up by tidal waves. Great hailstones, each "about the weight of a talent" are wreaking havoc. A talent is about 63 pounds. You can see that these, like cannon balls, will beat the wicked cities to a pulp.



# 7<sup>th</sup> Plague Culminates in Second coming

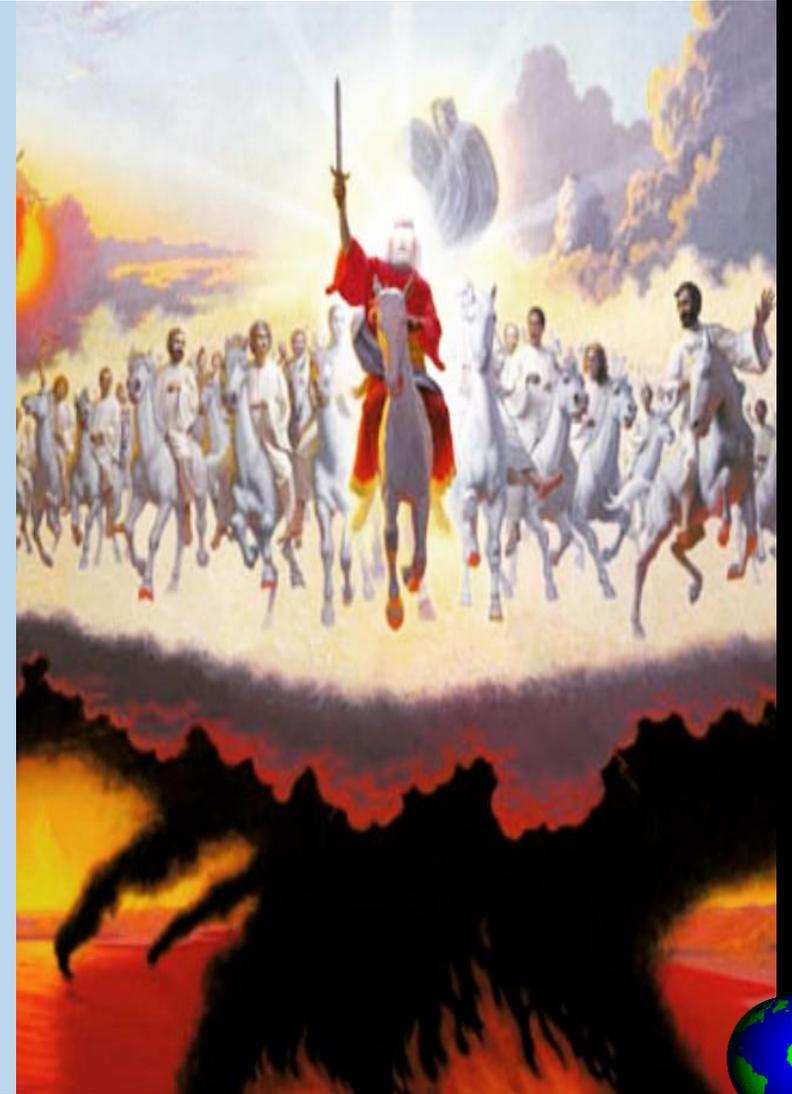
Splendid mansions erected by the rich with money embezzled from the poor are dashed to pieces before their eyes. Prison walls tumble down, and God's humble people, who have been held in bondage for their faith are set free.

It's impossible to describe the horror and despair of those who have trampled on God's requirements. The enemies of God's law, from the ministers down, have a new conception of what is truth. **Too late, they see the true nature of the counterfeit Sabbath that the Roman church has brought in and the shaky foundation they've been building on.** Many now see that they're lost. **They've chosen the easy, popular way - and have received the mark of the beast.** They've followed the religious leaders instead of the plain word of God. They've been led to believe that the majority couldn't be wrong. Now they turn on their ministers and bitterly reproach them for their sorry state.



## 7<sup>th</sup> Plague Culminates in Second coming

The global conflict has prepared the way for the coming of Christ and His mighty host of angels during the last of the plagues, **There appears in the sky a cloud which betokens the coming of the "King of Kings and Lord of Lords."** In solemn silence God's people gaze upon it as it draws nearer and nearer to' the earth. **Brighter and brighter it becomes, and more glorious, until it's a great white cloud, its glory like consuming fire. Jesus rides forth as a mighty conqueror. "And the armies which were in heaven" follow Him.** Revelation 19:11,14. The whole heaven seems filled with dazzling forms - "ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands."



## ***7<sup>th</sup> Plague Culminates in Second coming***

**No pen can describe it. No human mind is adequate to imagine the fantastic and holy scene. As the living cloud comes still nearer, every eye beholds the lovely Jesus. There's no crown of thorns on that holy brow, but now a crown of glory rests upon His sacred head. His face outshines the dazzling brightness of the sun.**

**As the King of Glory descends on the cloud amid terrific majesty, and wrapped in flaming fire, the earth trembles. The ground heaves and swells and the very mountains move from their foundations.**



## **7<sup>th</sup> Plague Culminates in Second coming**



"Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before Him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about Him. He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth,, that He may judge His people." Psalms 50:3,4



## **7<sup>th</sup> Plague Culminates in Second coming**

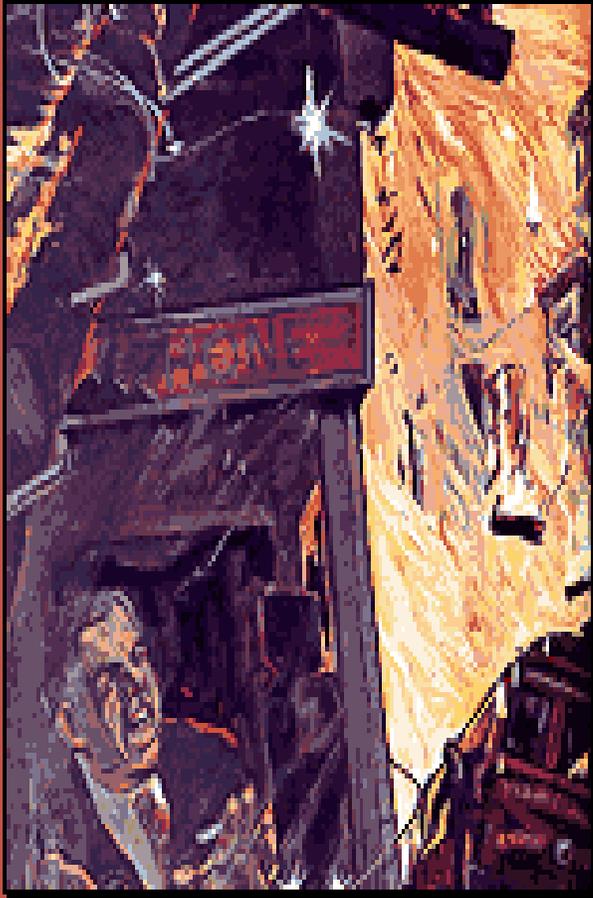
The jokes have stopped. Cursing, lying,, lips are now silent. In the middle of their terror the wicked hear the voices of God's people joyfully exclaiming.

"Lo this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us." Isaiah 25:9.



# Summary of the Seven Vials - Plaques

The seven vials aim at punishing seven sins of unrepentant men:



**Plague contained in the vial**

A malignant sore strikes men.

Sea turned to blood.

Springs of water turned to blood.

The sun scorches men.

Deep darkness upon the world.

Drying up of the river Euphrates.

Terrible earthquake and great hail at the return of Jesus.

**Specific sin punished by this plague**

Contempt for God's commandments.

Choosing the mark of the beast in order to maintain material security.

Forsaking God, Source of living water.

Rejection of God's day of rest in favor of Sunday (day of the sun).

Forsaking God, Light of the world.

Blindly trusting apostate Babylon.

Rebellion of Satan, his angels, and all the nations they have deceived.



# Summary of the Seven Vials - Plaques

The people of God were spared the last seven of Egypt's ten plagues:



Plague

Protection granted to the people of God against this plague

4

The swarms of flies did not invade the land of Goshen, where the Hebrews were dwelling (see Exodus 8:22).

5

The livestock of Israel did not die (see Exodus 9:4).

6

The boils and sores struck only the Egyptians (see Exodus 9:11).

7

The hail spared Goshen, where Israel lived (see Exodus 9:26).

8

The locust invasion struck only the houses of the Egyptians (see Exodus 10:6).

9

No darkness in the Hebrews' dwellings (see Exodus 10:23).

10

No firstborn died in all the houses which were marked with the blood of a sacrificed lamb (see Exodus 11:4-7; 12:12,13).



# Summary of the Seven Vials - Plaques

The seven vials reverse the work which God did at Creation:



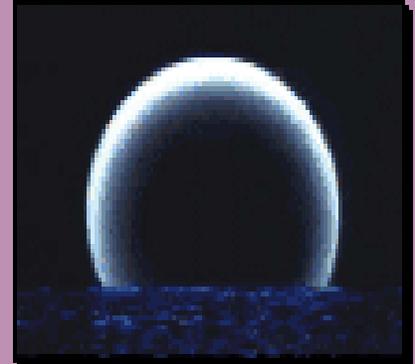
First day of Creation

«God said, "Let there be light." (...) And God divided the light from the darkness.» (Genesis 1:3,4)



The work of the seven vials

« And the fifth angel poured out his vial on the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness.» (Revelation 16:10)



Second day of Creation

«God said, "Let there be a firmament, (...) and let it divide the waters." (...) God called the firmament Heaven.» (Genesis 1:6,8)



The work of the seven vials

« The seventh angel poured out his vial into the air. (...) There fell on men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent.» (Revelation 16:17,21)



# Summary of the Seven Vials - Plaques

The seven vials reverse the work which God did at Creation:



Third day of Creation

«God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree.» (Genesis 1:11)



The work of the 7 vials

« [He] poured out his vial on the earth; there fell a noisome and grievous sore on men.» (Rev. 16:2)



Fourth day of Creation

«"Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; (...) to give light on the earth." » (Genesis 1:14,15)



The work of the 7 vials

« And the fourth angel poured out his vial on the sun; and power was given to him to scorch men with fire.» (Revelation 16:8)



# Summary of the Seven Vials - Plaques

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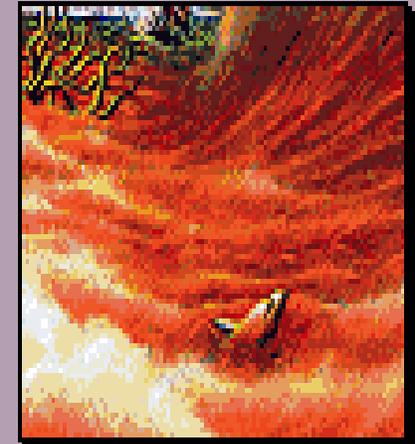
Fifth day of Creation

«God said, "Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that has life. (...) Fill the waters in the seas."» (Genesis 1:20,22)



The work of the seven vials

«The second angel poured out his vial on the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea.» (Revelation 16:3)



Sixth day of Creation

«God said, "Let Us make man in Our image. (...) And multiply, and replenish the earth."» (Genesis 1:26,28)



The work of the seven vials

«Men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail, for the plague was exceeding great.» (Revelation 16:21)



# Summary of the Seven Vials - Plaques

The trumpets (chapters 8 to 11) correspond with the vials (chapters 15 and 16):



Historical part: Conflict in progress

REVELATION  
8  
11

Severe judgments warn the world (7 trumpets)

1. Earth (8:7)

2. Sea (8:8,9)

3. Springs of water (8:10,11)

4. Sun, moon, stars (8:12)

5. Darkness (9:2)

6. River Euphrates (9:13-21)

7. Great voices (11:15-18)



Eschatological part: Conflict ended

REVELATION  
15  
16

Severe judgments punish the world (7 vials)

1. Earth (16:2)

2. Sea (16:3)

3. Springs of water (16:4)

4. Sun (16:8,9)

5. Darkness (16:10,11)

6. River Euphrates (16:12,16)

7. Great voice (16:17-21)



# Summary of the Seven Vials - Plaques

The promise of the sixth letter will protect us from the sixth vial:



## REVELATION 3:10,11

Because you have kept the word of My patience, I also will keep you from the hour of temptation, which shall come on all the world, to try them that dwell on the earth. **Behold, I come quickly! Hold that fast which you have, that no man take your crown.**

## REVELATION 16:14,15

They are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great Day of God Almighty. **«Behold, I come as a thief! Blessed is he that watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked.»**

## PARALLELS

By persevering in Jesus, we will avoid being deceived and enlisted by the devil.

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**Jesus Christ is coming very soon.**

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So let's watch and keep our relation with Jesus alive.

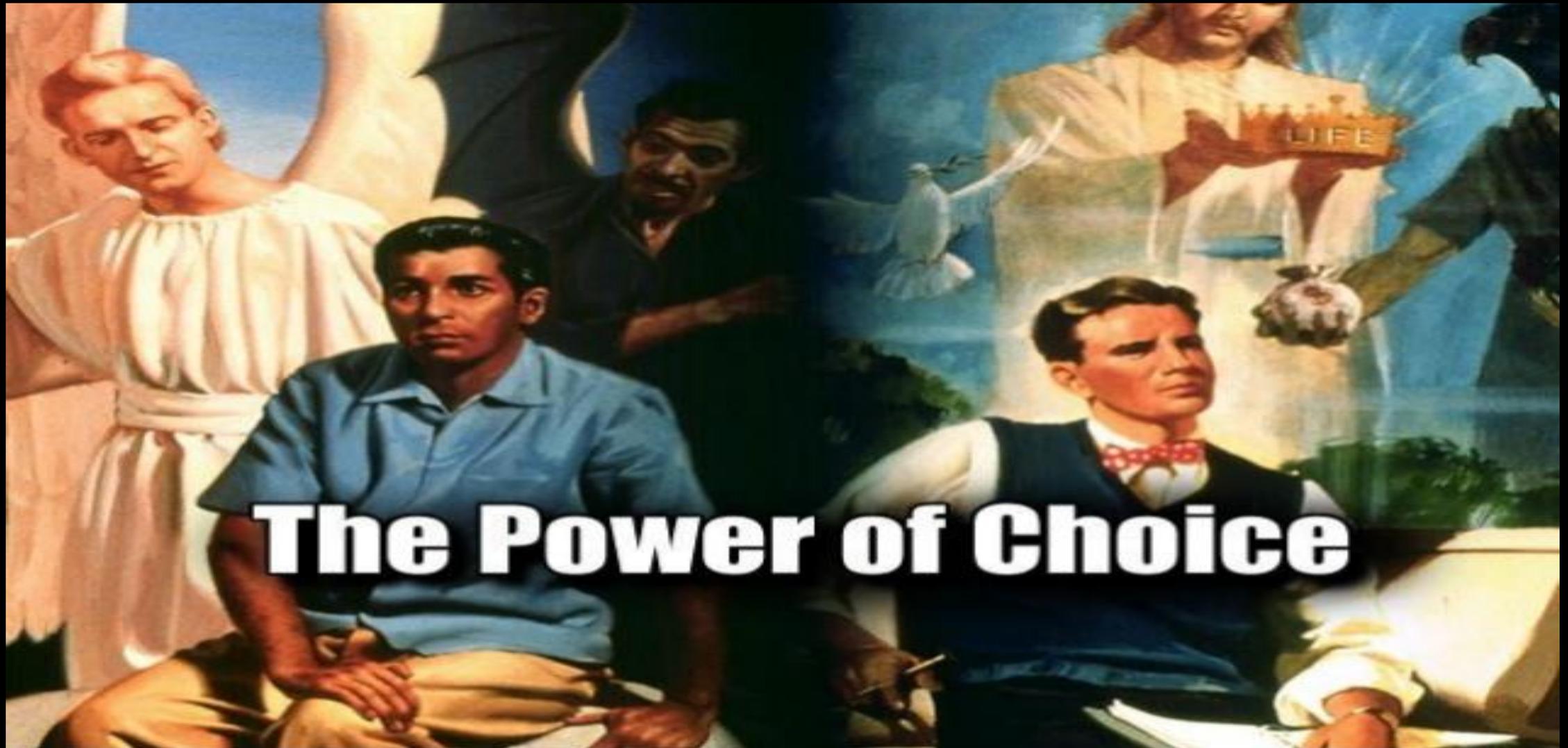


# *The seven last plagues – God's wrath*

“The people of God will not be free from suffering; but while persecuted and distressed, while they endure privation and suffer for want of food they will not be left to perish. That God who cared for Elijah will not pass by one of His self-sacrificing children. He who numbers the hairs of their head will care for them, and in time of famine they shall be satisfied. While the wicked are dying from hunger and pestilence, angels will shield the righteous and supply their wants. To him that ‘walketh righteously’ is the promise: ‘Bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure.’ ‘When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.’ Isaiah 33:15, 16; 41:17” E.G.W. (The Great Controversy, cp. 39, p. 629)

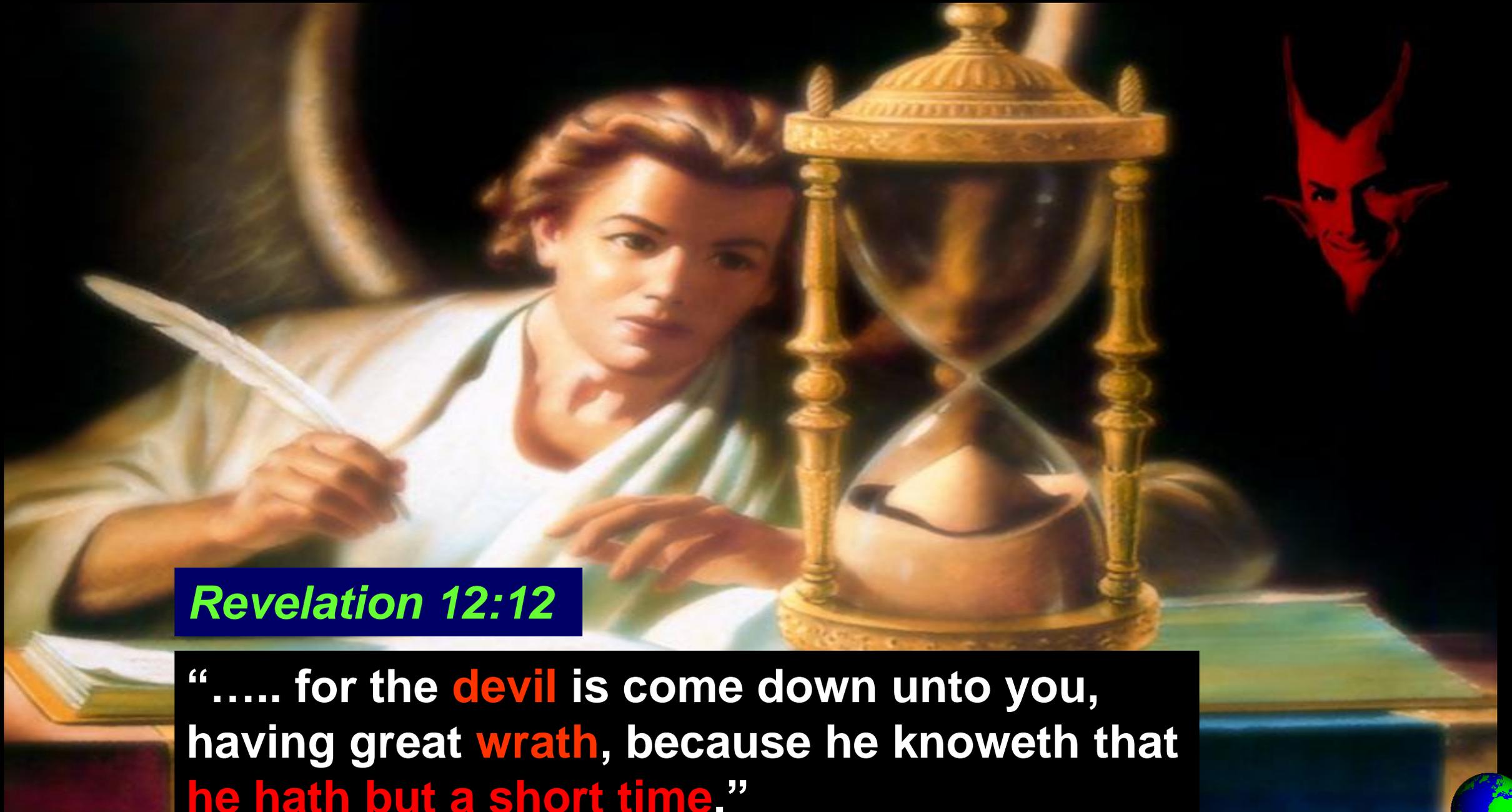


*God has given all:*



**The Power of Choice**





**Revelation 12:12**

“..... for the **devil** is come down unto you, having great **wrath**, because he knoweth that **he hath but a short time.**”



# Enter The Ark of Hope

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, *and* one shepherd.

– John 10:16



The Ark of the Covenant



**Psalms 77:13**

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. –  
Revelation 3:20





**THE END**



**ARE YOU READY TO MEET JESUS?**