

- As seen in 1 Kings 18:20-40 Mt. Carmel is the sight of the confrontation between Elijah and the priests of Baal, these priests were later slaughtered.
- The battle of Armageddon is the spiritual battle between good and evil, the climax of the war over worship from Revelation 13 and 14.

12. **What does Christ say during the sixth plague?**

Revelation 16:15

Notice it is after the plagues have struck that He says He is coming and blessed are those that have been watching and waiting for Him. This can only mean His children will go through the time of tribulation but will be protected.

13. **What is the Battle of Armageddon really about?**

2 Corinthians 10:3-5, Ephesians 6:12

This is a battle for our minds. Who will we worship? This battle will be won in the thoughts. The battle of Armageddon is not in a valley or on a mountain it is in your mind. Who will you choose?

14. **What is the seventh plague?** - Revelation 16:17-21

In Genesis 2:1 (creation) and in John 19:30 (the cross) God said "It is finished". Now we are told "It is done". This final plague is the return of Jesus which is accompanied by an earthquake such as was never seen before. Those not waiting and watching for Jesus, those who refused all of God's attempts to reach them are taken by this earthquake that swallows up islands and is accompanied by 75 pound hail stones.

Psalm 91:4 – He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Psalm 91:10 – There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

Psalm 91:11 – For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

Conclusion:

God has won the battle and He will protect you. Will you choose Him today? **Amen.**



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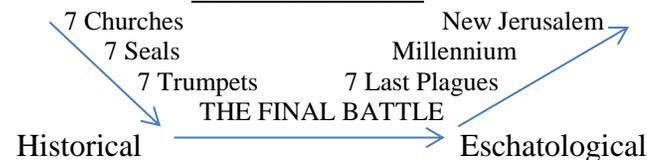
**Faith, Apocalypse, Plagues, and
Tribulation**
Lesson 12

Introduction:

What is it? Where will it be? Will I be here for it? Many thoughts and theories surround this subject. Let's pray and let the Bible explain itself.

1. **How is the book of Revelation structured?**

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- Rev. 12 – Dragon persecutes the church (woman), fails to destroy her, then focuses on the remnant
- Rev. 13 – The Dragon recruits two allies: the Sea Beast and the Land Beast, by different names in Rev. 16.
- Rev. 14 – God sends Three Angels with the last-day messages to the whole world: God's followers worship Him/give Him glory, others worship the beast.
- Rev. 17-18 – Babylon, the false spiritual system of worship, works through the state, and ends up broken.

2. **Why will the plagues come?**

Leviticus 26:14-29, Deuteronomy 28:15-68

In the Old Testament plagues were the consequences of Covenant disobedience.

3. **What makes God so angry that He will do this?**

Revelation 15:1

God loves us supremely as seen as a result at the cross. What God does hate though is not the sinner but the sin.

4. **What is the wine of the wrath of God?**

Revelation 14:9-11

The wine of the wrath of God has in past been poured out with mixture (Rev. 14:10). Jesus once said “let this cup pass from me” (Matt. 26:39). The wine is the wrath of God and up until the time of the plagues it will have been mixed with His mercy. The bowls (plagues) are extensions of the cup of wrath from the Third angel.

5. **Can I give my heart to Jesus when the plagues come?** – Revelation 15:7, 8

Intercession, that takes place in the sanctuary, will no longer be possible once the plagues begin to fall; probation is closed at this point. All decisions for or against Christ will have been made by this point (Rev. 22:11).

6. **Why will the plagues come?** – Revelation 16:5-7

These plagues are retaliatory justice against treatment inflicted to God’s people throughout the centuries.

7. **Who will go through the plagues?**

Revelation 7:9, 14

God does not deliver His people from a time of trouble; He delivers them through a time of trouble. Noah and his family went through the flood, Moses and the Israelites went through the plagues, the three Hebrew worthies went through the fire, yet God was able to deliver them through this.

8. **Where is God calling me?**

Exodus 6:26, Revelation 18:4

God is calling us to worship Him so we are not partakers of the plagues but will be delivered through them.

9. **The first five plagues:**

These are environmental plagues as literal as the ones in Egypt (Exodus 7-12) and affect only those who have the mark of the beast (Rev. 16:2).

#1 – Revelation 16:2 – Malignant sore on followers of the beast

#2 – Revelation 16:3 – Seas turn to coagulated blood

#3 – Revelation 16:4 – Water springs and rivers turn to blood

#4 – Revelation 16:8, 9 – Fierce heat burns men: God is blamed for the plague, but people still do not repent

#5 – Revelation 16:10, 11 – Darkness causes pain on the beast’s throne: God is blamed for it, but still there is no repentance. Lack of sunlight leads to a depletion of vitamin D, when this happens, pain is much more keenly felt.

Although God’s people will go through the plagues they will be protected (Psalm 91).

10. **Symbols of the sixth plague.** - Revelation 16:12-16

A - Drying of the river Euphrates represents a withdrawal of civil/political support, like ancient Babylon’s source of life before Cyrus’ conquest as prophesied in Isaiah 44:27, 45:1. Revelation 17:15 relates end time events in spiritual Babylon to events that took place in literal Babylon.

B – Kings from the east – Jesus will come from the east (Matt. 24:27), He is the Prince of the kings of the earth (Rev. 1:5), and His saints from every nation tribe and language are His kings and priests.

C – The Dragon, Beast, and False Prophet are Babylon’s trinity.

D – Three unclean spirit’s like frogs are the counter to the Three angels of Revelation 14.

11. **The Battle of Armageddon?**

The word Armageddon comes from the Hebrew words Har and Megiddo meaning Mountain of Megiddo or mountain of slaughter, there is no such mountain referenced in the Bible.

- There is however mentioned a Valley of Megiddo. Megiddo is a city located at the foot of the Mt. Carmel range; battles were fought in this valley (Judges 1:27, 2 Chron. 35:22).