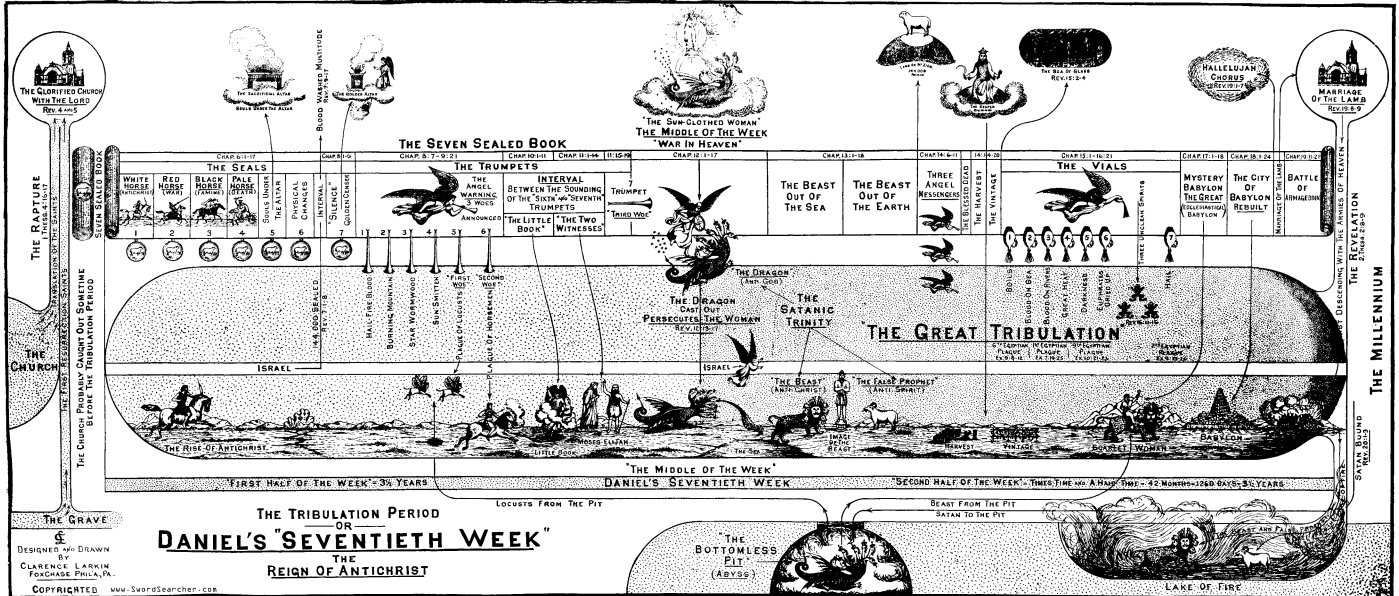


## REVELATION: Lesson 133

### Chapter 14:14-20, The Reaping of the Earth, No More Mercy, Armageddon

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This passage of scripture speaks of the end time when mercy is no longer being dispensed at the Mercy Seat of Christ, but only severe judgment. It is the time to “destroy them which destroy the earth” (Rev 11:18). No longer can a man flee to the Lord and receive mercy (1 Kings 1:50). At this stage, a man will seek mercy and only find destruction (1 Kings 2:28).



#### Joel 3:9-16 Prepare war (vs 9)

#### Beat your plowshares into swords (vs 10)

Note that Isaiah 2:4 is the opposite, which speaks of the millennium.



...and your pruninghooks into spears.

...let the weak say I am strong.

God will supernaturally call every man to battle (vs 9).

At the same time God's mighty ones will come down from heaven (vs 11).



The battle will be in the valley of Jehoshaphat (vs 12).

**Revelation 16:12-16** reveals that the place of this gathering is also known as Armageddon (vs 16).

Armageddon means “*The Hill of the crowded.*” From that hill, you can look out into the valley of Megiddo and observe that it is not crowded today, —but it will be when God calls all men to battle.

**Isaiah 63:1-7** This passage speaks of Jesus Christ coming to stomp His enemies like grapes until His garments are dyed red with their blood. He does this in “**the day of vengeance**” (vs 4).

Compare with **Isaiah 61:1-2**. Note that Jesus quoted this in **Luke 4:18-19**, referring to His first coming, but He did not include “**the day of vengeance,**” which spoke of this battle at His Second Coming. After the vengeance, the Lord will “**comfort all that mourn.**”

After God's fury is poured out (vs 5-6), **"I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD."** If you're on the Lord's side, you understand that his actions were acts of kindness toward those whom He has avenged by destroying the wicked.

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**2 Chron 20:26-30** This passage reveals why Armageddon is called the Valley of Jehoshaphat. After the enemies are defeated, rejoicing follows.

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**Zechariah 12:9-11** When the Jewish remnant see the Lord Jesus Christ **"whom they have pierced,"** their mourning over what they did to their Messiah (acknowledging their guilt) will signal the destruction of their enemies and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.

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**Revelation 14:20** Armageddon will result in a land full of blood 1 meter deep for 1600 furlongs (200 miles or 322 km). This is the distance from Dan to Beer-Sheba (2 Sam 3:10, 17:11).

When an innocent man is killed, blood must be shed to cleanse the land (Num 35:33)

When Jesus Christ is finished, the entire land of Israel will be cleansed.

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**Isaiah 34:6-8** Speaking of earthly Zion, God says, **"Their land shall be soaked with blood."**

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*Jesus Christ shed His precious blood for you, so you don't have to shed your blood to cleanse the Holy Land.*

