REVELATION: Lesson 165

Chapter 19, Preparations for Armageddon and the Second Advent

A GREAT EARTHQUAKE

- **Rev 16:16-18** When the Bride and the Bridegroom have been joined in heaven at the end of the Great Tribulation, a great earthquake will shake the Earth.
- **Haggai 2:6-7** God is going to shake the heavens, the earth, the sea, and the dry land. When Jesus Christ returns, the One who is despised and rejected of men will be "the desire of all nations."
- **Isaiah 2:11-21** Man will be humbled, the Lord will be exalted. Men will fear the Lord and hide from Him in the dens and caves of the earth. Adam and Eve did the same when they sinned (Gen 3:8).
- Rev 11:11-13 The great earthquake takes place at the time of the catching away of the Tribulation saints. Seven thousand men will be slain by the earthquake in Jerusalem. See Romans 11:4. There won't be 7,000 faithful men in the city. The faithful remnant who give glory to God are already hidden by God in the rocks.
- **Rev 10: 5-7** God's angel swears that there shall be time no longer, the mystery of God is finished.
- **Rev 11:15** The Lord Jesus Christ takes possession of the kingdoms of this world.
- **Gen 1:28** God gave dominion of the earth to the first man, Adam.
- Gen 3:1,6-7 This is the record of the fall of man. What did man lose?
- **2 Cor 4:3-4** Adam is not the "god of this world;" Satan is.
- Luke 4:3-6 Satan claimed that the kingdoms of the world had been delivered to him. It was given up by Adam.
- **1 John 2:1-2** Jesus Christ paid for the sins of the whole world. (See Gen 3:17-19). Jesus paid for what Adam did. He reversed the curse and reclaimed what Adam gave to the Devil.
- Mat 28:16-18 After Jesus was resurrected, He proclaimed "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth." Jesus redeemed the earth from the devil.
- **Rev 11:15** "The kingdoms of this world are BECOME the kingdoms of our Lord..." Jesus Christ takes actual possession of the world at His Second Coming when He returns to destroy all unbelievers. He didn't take possession at His First Coming because He gave space for those unbelievers to repent and be saved.
- **Psa 110:5-7** This is a prophecy of the Lord coming to overthrow the kings of the earth.
- **Rom 5:21** God offers a period of grace, but it must be accompanied by righteousness through repentance.
- **Isa 9:6-7** Here is a prophecy of the birth of Jesus Christ followed by His taking over the world and ruling it. Since Jesus didn't take control of the kingdoms of this world at His First Coming, that must be fulfilled at His Second Coming.

Micah 5:2 The Baby that would be born in Bethlehem would become ruler in Israel. He is from of old, from everlasting. Jesus Christ existed before the creation of the Earth.

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S ENEMIES

- **Rev 16:12-16** The Lord will gather the kings of the earth to Armageddon to destroy them.
- **Isa 11:15-16** God will dry up the waters to help the Hebrew remnant. He will dry up other waters to get the world's armies to Armageddon.
- Jer 51:63 God gave Jeremiah a prophecy concerning the destruction of the nations at Armageddon and told him to cast it in the midst of the Euphrates.
 - This is God placing a warning in a place where men will be sure to find it. If they choose to go to Armageddon to their destruction, it will be their own fault. God always gives a warning. They'll have to step over the word of God to go to hell.
- **Rev 16:12** Kings of the east: this is a multitude of God's enemies coming from the east. No further identification is needed. Many commentators commit great errors when they see a place mentioned in the Bible and point to a current nation on this earth and say that is it.
 - Army of the north (Ezekiel 38:15). Many said this is the Soviet Union. Today there is no Soviet Union.
 - Gog and Magog do not exist on a map yet, but they will. Don't try and make them something else. They are Gog and Magog (Ezekiel 38:2, Revelation 20:8).
- **Zeph 3:8** God with gather the nations for destruction.
- Mat 13:39-42 God's angels with gather all things that offend, and which do iniquity, and they shall be burned. They'll use the same fire that the Antichrist used to burn the beheaded bodies of the martyrs who refused to take his mark (Rev 20:4, Dan 3:22).

"For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

(Galatians 6:7)