

**REVELATION: Lesson 166**  
**Chapter 19, God Hath Avenged the Blood**

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**Rev 19:1** “The great voice of much people in heaven” reminds us of God’s great grace. He made it possible for so many people to be saved and in His presence in heaven.

“*Alleluia*” is a Hebrew word meaning “Praise Ye Jehovah.”

All these people acknowledge that God saved them and they praise Him for it, and ascribe all glory, honor, and power unto Him alone.

**Rev 19:2-3** These people praise God for His righteous judgments. He destroyed religious and commercial Babylon, and the people in heaven confess that it was the right thing to do.

**Rev 19:4-6** Here we find sevenfold praise unto the Lord. Who is praising the Lord? Much people (vs 1) 24 elders (vs 4), the four beasts (vs 4), a voice out of the throne (vs 5), the voice of a great multitude (vs 6), the voice of many waters (vs 6), and the voice of mighty thunderings (vs 6).

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**GOD, THE RIGHTEOUS AVENGER OF BLOOD (Rev 19:2)**

**Lk 11:49-51** Jesus Christ said God sent prophets and apostles to warn people that the blood of all the prophets would be required. Those who shed innocent blood would pay for their deeds. (Genesis 9:6, Exodus 21:12). The purpose of capital punishment is to make a murderer pay for his deeds.

God avenges the blood of the innocent in Revelation 17-19. The people on Earth hate Him for it. The people in heaven praise Him for it. God is the only One who can perform this act of justice because He is the only One who is righteous; He’s the only One who is not guilty.

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**Heb 10:27-31** All men are accountable for the death of Jesus Christ on the cross (called murder in Acts 7:52). The Bible says the punishment for that crime is much sorer than any other crime previously. Vengeance for this will come directly from the hand of the living God.

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**Jn 10:27-29** Born-again believers are part of the same hand of God that destroys men in Hebrews 10.

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**Rom 12:17-21** Born-again believers are admonished to give place to wrath and leave vengeance to God.

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**Isa 61:1-4** This is the passage that Jesus Christ quotes in Luke 4:16-21.

- Jesus Christ fulfilled everything in Isaiah 61 verse 1, and the first statement in verse 2 at His First Coming.
  - Jesus will fulfill everything after the first comma in verse 2 (the vengeance and the comfort and the restoration of Israel, etc.) at His Second Coming.
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**Heb 10:10-12** Old Testament priests stood to minister and give offerings. Jesus Christ gave one sacrifice for sins forever. After that, He sat down. There would be no further need of sacrifices.

- When Jesus stands up again, He will fulfill the rest of Isaiah 61:2-4.

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**Luke 4:20-22** Note here that Jesus' words were gracious words. We are saved by grace (Eph 2:8-9). We are saved by hearing the word of God (**Rom 10:17**). Grace today (**Heb 10:12**), vengeance tomorrow (Heb 10:13).

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*Do you know Jesus Christ today as the gracious Savior,  
or will you know Him tomorrow as the righteous judge?*