

Disclaimer: Last week I mentioned that "Birds", and the word "woman" when mentioned in Scripture are mostly mentioned as a negative in context: "Babylon the adulterous woman" for example, but I stand to be corrected. Yes, many times it is used in a negative manner but it (the word woman, or she - not so much "bird") is also used positively! For example Joseph pointed out to me that in proverbs "wisdom" is mentioned as a "she", and of course we have Israel who is the "woman" that will give birth to the Messiah. Sorry for that incorrect statement

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Revelation 15:2 We can only speculate what this "sea of glass mingled with fire" is, but I would assume it is like a spectacular main stage; something unique and beautiful that highlights those who stand on it. And who stands on it? All those who conquered the beast, the Anti-Christ, and the false prophet. All those that defeated satan by rejecting his lie. All those who chose to listen to the Holy Spirit of truth because of the proclamations that they made; the angels from above, the 144,000, and of course the two witnesses. We, as they, are victorious when we use the full armor of God (Ephesians 6:14-18 and pastors messages of July and August) in order to not fall prey to the wiles of satan. We are victorious when we let the power that is within us overcome evils temptations - Never ever speaking to satan, never allowing a conversation to take place. I believe we are to have God rebuke satan like Michael the archangel did in Jude 8-9 (see printout).


Revelation 15:3-4: So many times in God's Word we see new people break out into song after the miraculous. We saw

it when the Israelites were miraculously transferred (66) through the Red Sea (Exodus 15:1-18) or Mary's song which is in Luke 1:46-55 (see printout for both).

I am absolutely positive that we all will be singing our very own praise song when it is our turn to praise the Lord that He delivered us from where we were to standing in His presence!

Revelation 15:5-8 In the Old Testament economy this tent of witness was the Holy of Holies (I believe). It was a place where the High Priest would enter once a year on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, to sprinkle sacrificial blood on behalf of himself and the children of Israel and to ask forgiveness from God for the sins that occurred during that year. The vail of the entrance to the Holy of Holies was torn, by God, top to bottom once Jesus had fulfilled "The Law" on the Cross, ultimately giving access to any, and all, who wish to access God, who have given their lives to Jesus the Christ, (see printout Matthew 27)

Ultimately though: We are told that this "sanctuary" is once again off limits "until the seven plagues of the seven angels were finished." A possible synaxis: Christ shed blood was a propitiation for the sins of the believers and as such the Throneroom, and the Holy of Holies in heaven were accessible. But now the time has come for God to release His final, perfect (?) wrath on those on earth who rejected His Son's propitiation. Once these 7 have passed and the earth basically wiped out and God's wrath quenched access will once again be granted. (It only makes sense; like a good Father He is keeping His little children out of harms ways as He lets His anger explode out).

Revelation 16:1-2 The first (of 7) angels bowl contained painful boils for any and everyone who took the  mark of the beast. And just like the Sermon of two weeks ago titled "God does not want your religion" these boils are like that found on the Egyptians and not God's people (in this case Israel). (67)

Revelation 16:3-4 The second angel that John saw poured out God's judgement on the oceans, the salt water, which resulted in the rest of sea life dying (in Revelation 8:8 one third of the oceans were turned to blood when a great mountain burning with fire was cast in to them during the second trumpet result in $\frac{1}{3}$ of the ^{sea} creatures dying). In verse 4 the third angel pours his bowl into the fresh water supplies (rivers and springs) and they too became blood. $\frac{1}{3}$ of the fresh water supplies were tainted by "wormwood" in Revelation 8:9 and many people who drank of it died because they drank of it. Now the rest of the fresh water supplies have been tainted. (I think these rapid fire judgements are in the very very end of the tribulation because obviously people can not survive for very long without water; unless God lets them just suffer of thirst but not let them die).

Revelation 16:5-7 The angels and the martyr'd ones, from the Tribulation period, are praising God because His wrath is finally calling the evil ones to justice. And ironically those who drank blood in their satanic rituals are now dying by that same blood. I wouldn't be surprised if the life giving blood of Jesus Christ that was shed for us is the same blood that is killing of the Christ rejecting world!

Revelation 16:8-9 AND NOW THE PEOPLE REPENT.

NOPE! Either God moves the earth closer to the sun

or He may possibly just make the sun much hotter like a stove being put on broil, never-the-less people are being scorched. Notice that they recognize God is doing this yet they continue to be unrepentant and refuse to give Him glory. (68)

(I just realized that the people from the altar were giving God the glory for His just wrath on those who martyred them. Does that mean that besides those who fled to the mountains when the anti-Christ desecrated the temple have all been taken home?? "God did after all say, "just a little while longer till all the saints are brought home" when they asked Him, "how much longer till you take vengeance on those who martyred us"?)

Revelation 16:10-11 The fifth angel pours out his bowl on none other than Satan and along with him his earthly kingdom! It seems like Satan has been dealt a massive blow. People are chewing their tongues in pain but not enough so that they can not curse God. They also have absolutely no intent to repent.

Revelation 16:12 The river Euphrates is dried up which is the eastern boarder of the promised land as God showed it to Moses, God dries it up so that the evil world leaders coming from the north and east of Israel have dry ground to come and attack Israel (in what is known as the Battle of Armagedon. (see map)

Revelation 16:13-16 Demons jump out of Satan, the anti-Christ and the false prophet. They have great powers of deception and are going to convince, and gather, the armies of the world against Israel. Verse 15 is "red letter" because God

the Son is doing the talking here. He is giving one (69) last warning to fallen mankind. "This is it! I am coming quickly, no more chances!! If you don't heed my voice you will be forever put to shame - "naked and exposed".

Revelation 16:17-21 This is it! The seventh angel (# of completeness) pours out his bowl judgement and Jesus calls out, "It is done". This is the second and final time that Jesus says this; The first time was when He finished the work on the cross. He said, "It is finished" in other words, "I have paid the price of sin debt for anyone who will accept Me". Now He calls out "It is done" in other words, "The earth and all that is in it now belongs to Me and My people".

This is accompanied by "flashes of lightning, rumbles, peals of thunder, a worldwide earthquake such as never before seen even exceeding the continental shift that separates the eastern and western hemisphere. Babylon the greatly evil was totally destroyed along with all of its financial dominance (most every evil thing comes about because of greed, money, pride, wanting more, taking what does not belong to one, extortion, prostitution, slave trade, trafficking politics, education - I'm talking about schools promoting what Sodom and Gomorah were destroyed for - AND worse, all come about because of the World's obsession with money). Babylon finally was forced to drink of the cup of all the suffering it caused! verse 20 tells us that mountains and Islands "fled away" and "no more to be found" this is most assuredly because of the heat we just read about melting the polar icecaps. And to add to the fun, 100 pound hailstones dropped like bunker buster bombs on Fordo's nuclear site.