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CHAPTER 16

16 Then I heard a loud voice from the temple, saying to the seven angels, "Go and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of the wrath of God.

² So the first *angel* went and poured out his bowl on the earth; and a harmful and painful sore afflicted the people who had the mark of the beast and who worshiped his image.

³ The second *angel* poured out his bowl into the sea, and it became blood like *that* of a dead *man*; and every living thing in the sea died.

⁴ Then the third *angel* poured out his bowl into the rivers and the springs of waters; and they became blood.⁵ And I heard the angel of the waters saying, "Righteous are You, the One who is and who was, O Holy One, because You judged these things; ⁶ for they poured out the blood of saints and prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. They deserve it." ⁷ And I heard the altar saying, "Yes, Lord God, the Almighty, true and righteous are Your judgments."

⁸ And the fourth *angel* poured out his bowl upon the sun, and it was given *power* to scorch people with fire.⁹ And the people were scorched with fierce heat; and they blasphemed the name of God who has the power over these plagues, and they did not repent so as to give him glory.

¹⁰ And the fifth *angel* poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom became darkened; and they gnawed their tongues because of pain, ¹¹ and they blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pain and their sores; and they did not repent of their deeds.

¹² And the sixth *angel* poured out his bowl on the great river, the Euphrates; and its water was dried up, so that the way would be prepared for the kings from the east.

¹³ And I saw *coming* out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet, three unclean spirits like frogs;¹⁴ for they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the entire world, to gather them together for the war of the great day of God, the Almighty.¹⁵ ("Behold, I am coming like a thief. Blessed is the one who stays

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awake and keeps his clothes, so that he will not walk about naked and *people* will not see his shame.”) ¹⁶ And they gathered them together to the place which in Hebrew is called Har-Magedon.

¹⁷ Then the seventh *angel* poured out his bowl upon the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple from the throne, saying, “It is done.” ¹⁸ And there were flashes of lightning and sounds and peals of thunder; and there was a great earthquake, such as there had not been since mankind came to be upon the earth, so great an earthquake *was it, and* so mighty.¹⁹ The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. Babylon the great was remembered in the sight of God, to give her the cup of the wine of His fierce wrath. ²⁰ And every island fled, and no mountains were found. ²¹ And huge hailstones, weighing about a talent each, came down from heaven upon people; and people blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail, because the hailstone plague was extremely severe. (Revelation 16:1-21 NASB)

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Verse 2 is a **key**: *And the first went, and poured out his bowl upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.* Verse 13 is another **key**: *And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.* Its **keys** tell us His **bowls of wrath** fall when the beast, the false prophet, and the dragon are together on the earth. (cf. Rev. 13:1-4; 14:13-20; 19:20; 20:2-3)

The **first bowl** causes malignant sores on everyone with the mark in the hand or forehead. The **second** turns the sea to blood; every soul in it dies. The **third** turns rivers and springs to blood; they killed prophets and saints and so have only blood to drink.

The **fourth bowl** sends the intensity of the sun, scorching skin like searing wood. The **fifth** strikes the throne of the beast, Mystery Babylon (in 16:10-11), and darkness covers her kingdom as awful plagues afflict its people. His wrath impacts the world but doesn't deter its devils from their plans against the Lamb.

At the **sixth bowl**, the kings of the east, i.e., east of the Euphrates, cross the dried riverbed prepared to war against the

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Lamb, anticipating His return. They imagine their weapons can destroy the King of kings, but they're useless to them.

Ironically, the repulsive spirits attract the nations, mustering them to a broad valley below Armageddon. Repentance would remit wrath, but they refuse, so He pours out His anger.

¹¹ and they blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pain and their sores; and they did not repent of their deeds. (Rev. 16:11 NASB)

It's a mystery of iniquity: *no one seeks God; not even one.* (See Rom. 3:11-12; Ps. 14:1-3) He works in us to will and to do what pleases Him till we believe Him by His gift of faith. (Rom. 9:22-24); then sets us free to resist or follow Him. It's a mindset: the choice of life or death is up to us. (Rom. 8:5-14; Heb. 10:26-39)

Though we're taught we choose a new nature by a free will and are predestined to be saved no matter what we do, the truth is exactly the opposite: *God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth. (2 Thes. 2:13b)* But we have fallen into the great apostasy and must take down false ideas to believe God. He said, *Behold I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. (16:15)*

Persuaded by miracles and amazed by wonders, we've been divided by deceptions; it began long before the fourth century; the apostles wrote of it. God does miracles, but what have we learned? The Spirit also convicts men of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. (Jn. 16:8-10) God knows each heart, yet out of its abundance, we speak. We can't both pander to the flesh and serve Jesus Christ. In the great apostasy, by shunning the truth, we'll be disarmed and deceived. (Jer. 5:30-31; 14:14-16)

¹⁰ The righteous shall rejoice when he sees the vengeance;
He shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked,

¹¹ So that men will say,
"Surely *there is* a reward for the righteous;
Surely He is God who judges in the earth."
(Ps. 58:10-11 NKJV)

At the **seventh bowl** (in 16:14), all the earth reels. Babylon is destroyed when God's fire falls as prophesied (in 16:19; 17:16-17; 18:17-20; 19:1-3). In the midst of it, all Israel mourns for her Son.

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In God All Things Are Possible

Most people agree it wasn't possible for God to create the universe in six days; they say Noah couldn't have saved the animals from a worldwide flood in an ark; that Moses could not have freed the Hebrews from slavery in Egypt, and God could not have parted the Red Sea for them to cross through it though the Egyptians drowned; that a great fish never swallowed Jonah; that God didn't father a Son as a mortal; that Jesus couldn't have risen from the dead. Most didn't believe the Jews would return to their land or speak its native tongue again, but now they're there, and most people want them destroyed while Jews are turning to Yeshua daily; by faith in Him, *all Israel will be saved* with those who endure to the end, despite what most people think.

³⁴ And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out. (Ezk. 20:34)

In Egypt all the Hebrews shook the blood of lambs on their doorposts and lintels. In Persia every Jew prayed for three days without food or water, hoping the king would extend his scepter to Esther, his Jewish wife.

When we consider the greatness of God, we must think in great terms. All He does is for the greater good, but when we see Jerusalem take a living image into her temple, Daniel's prophecy of the abomination that causes desolation is repeated. Although God's objective is righteousness and love in a Kingdom that lasts forever, first He returns to rescue His Bride when as one man, at last, they call for Yeshua:

⁴ And his feet shall stand that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. ... ⁹ And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one. ... ¹¹ And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited. (Zec. 14:4, 9, 11; cf. Ezk. 38:8, 11, 14; Rev. 16:18-21)

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Assembling the Pieces

The One who walked through the storm on the sea was God in Christ. In the day of battle, He bruised the serpent's head and gave the saints the Kingdom. He stands on the Mount of Olives and splits it in two for His people to flee their enemies. In that day the LORD will be King over all the earth, and *Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited* for a thousand years till the world's rebels rise, and God's wrath falls on them who hate Him. (Rev. 20:7-10)

Ezekiel 38 and 39 are similar, but each has its time, divided by the Messianic Kingdom. Reading and comparing the words, chapter 39 precedes 38 by a thousand years, splitting Daniel's seventieth week in half with the indignation of the bowls and the wrath of the trumpets on either side of the Messianic Kingdom.

Here is the order of history: Revelation 12; then 17, which is mostly fulfilled, including the seventh and eighth kings. When its ten kings (in 17:12) received kingdoms after WW1, the dragon rose as a little horn, a king-to-be, the eighth, but *of the seven*.

The terrible beast was slain when Hitler was slain, and his throne fell in Berlin as Babylon. Its king gave it to the next beast; he can do that; he's supernatural. The dragon was *the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed* (in 13:2-3, 12). After the next one, he's *another, diverse from the first*. (Dan. 7:24; Rev. 13:11)

In Rev. 2:13 Yeshua cites *where Satan's seat* is and *where Satan dwells* as Pergamon, but it isn't contradictory to say that Babylon was his throne, which he gave the beast in Rev. 13:2 and yet destroys in 17:16-17. The city's spirit is his evil throne, mystical Babylon, which he carried to cities that took her in.

¹³ "I know your works, and where you dwell, where Satan's throne is. And you hold fast to My name, and did not deny My faith even in the days in which Antipas was My faithful martyr, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. (Rev. 2:13 NKJV)

Babylon had power in the cities of the Persians, Greeks, and Romans long before the dragon carried her to Rome. When he carries his throne, he moves her spirit to another city for another empire. Wherever his throne is, its land is taken by her culture.

The wealth of the world follows Babylon. Introduced in chapter 17, her description is detailed in 18 where we learn more

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about her curse. At the last bowl of wrath, God recalls Babylon, and she is destroyed. In that moment, there's rejoicing in heaven. She crumbles in 18, preceding the Lord's return to Armageddon (in chapter 19) when He destroys His enemies and casts the beast and false prophet into the lake of fire; an angel chains and locks the devil in the abyss till the thousand years are over (in 20:1-3):

⁶ And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. ⁷ Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

⁸ And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

⁹ And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God. (Rev. 19:6-9)

Ezekiel's Revelation

A political upheaval comes at the end when ten horns [kings] rejoin the dragon to assault the city. At last (in 16:17-21), Babylon is annihilated, yet their launching devices and missiles [bows and arrows] fail them at Yeshua's return:

39 "And you, son of man, prophesy against Gog and say, Thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I am against you, O Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. ² And I will turn you about and drive you forward, and bring you up from the uttermost parts of the north, and lead you against the mountains of Israel. ³ Then I will strike your bow from your left hand, and will make your arrows drop out of your right hand. ⁴ You shall fall on the mountains of Israel, you and all your hordes and the peoples who are with you. I will give you to birds of prey of every sort and to the beasts of the field to be devoured. ⁵ You shall fall in the open field, for I have spoken, declares the Lord GOD. ⁶ I will send fire on Magog and on those who dwell securely in the coastlands, and they shall know that I am the LORD.

⁷ "And my holy name I will make known in the midst of my people Israel, and I will not let my holy name be

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profaned anymore. And the nations shall know that I am the LORD, the Holy One in Israel. ⁸Behold, it is coming and it will be brought about, declares the Lord God. That is the day of which I have spoken.

⁹“Then those who dwell in the cities of Israel will go out and make fires of the weapons and burn them, shields and bucklers, bow and arrows, clubs and spears; and they will make fires of them for seven years, ...

¹¹“On that day I will give to Gog a place for burial in Israel, the Valley of the Travelers, east of the sea. It will block the travelers, for there Gog and all his multitude will be buried. It will be called the Valley of Hamon-gog.

¹²For seven months the house of Israel will be burying them, in order to cleanse the land. ¹³All the people of the land will bury them, and it will bring them renown on the day that I show my glory, declares the Lord God. ¹⁴They will set apart men to travel through the land regularly and bury those travelers remaining on the face of the land, so as to cleanse it. At the end of seven months they will make their search. ¹⁵And when these travel through the land and anyone sees a human bone, then he shall set up a sign by it, till the buriers have buried it in the Valley of Hamon-gog. ...

¹⁷“As for you, son of man, thus says the Lord God: Speak to the birds of every sort and to all beasts of the field: ‘Assemble and come, gather from all around to the sacrificial feast that I am preparing for you, a great sacrificial feast on the mountains of Israel, and you shall eat flesh and drink blood. ...

²²The house of Israel shall know that I am the LORD their God, from that day forward. ²³And the nations shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity, because they dealt so treacherously with me that I hid my face from them and gave them into the hand of their adversaries, and they all fell by the sword.

²⁴I dealt with them according to their uncleanness and their transgressions, and hid my face from them.

²⁵“Therefore thus says the Lord God: Now I will restore the fortunes of Jacob and have mercy on the whole house of Israel, and I will be jealous for my holy name.

²⁶They shall forget their shame and all the treachery

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they have practiced against me, when they dwell securely in their land with none to make them afraid,²⁷ when I have brought them back from the peoples and gathered them from their enemies' lands, and through them have vindicated my holiness in the sight of many nations.²⁸ Then they shall know that I am the LORD their God, because I sent them into exile among the nations and then assembled them into their own land. I will leave none of them remaining among the nations anymore.²⁹ And I will not hide my face anymore from them, when I pour out my Spirit upon the house of Israel, declares the Lord God." (Ezk. 39:1-9, 11-15, 17, 22-29 ESV)

The chief prince Gog is from the uttermost parts of the north [Heb.: *sar is an* official, prince, or ruler, et al]. Russia's king rules Magog as Satan had ruled Babylon. Out of her, Gog incited the Marxist revolution in China and leads Meshech and Tubal on the south side of the Black Sea, now Turkey. When the feet of the Russian bear mobilize the beast in 13, armies from the East cross the Euphrates to the valley below Armageddon, renamed *Hamon-Gog*—their burial ground. ["multitudes of Gog"; cf. 16:16]

² "Behold, I am about to make Jerusalem a cup of staggering to all the surrounding peoples. The siege of Jerusalem will also be against Judah.³ On that day I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples. All who lift it will surely hurt themselves. And all the nations of the earth will gather against it.

⁴ On that day, declares the LORD, I will strike every horse with panic, and its rider with madness. But for the sake of the house of Judah I will keep my eyes open, when I strike every horse of the peoples with blindness.⁵ Then the clans of Judah shall say to themselves, 'The inhabitants of Jerusalem have strength through the LORD of hosts, their God.'

⁶ "On that day I will make the clans of Judah like a blazing pot in the midst of wood, like a flaming torch among sheaves. And they shall devour to the right and to the left all the surrounding peoples, while Jerusalem shall again be inhabited in its place, in Jerusalem.

⁷ "And the LORD will give salvation to the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of

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the inhabitants of Jerusalem may not surpass that of Judah. ⁸On that day the LORD will protect the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the feeblest among them on that day shall be like David, and the house of David shall be like God, like the angel of the LORD, going before them. ⁹And on that day I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. (Zec. 12:2-9 ESV)

The nations gather for war after the **sixth bowl**, and a voice from heaven speaks: “It is done!” (16:17), signaling His return. A great earthquake splits Jerusalem, *the great city*, in three.

The angel reveals the method by which God deftly conducts His plan to annihilate Babylon: He recalls Babylon the Great and sends His wrath, inciting the ten kings against her (in 17:15-17). Islands and mountains disappear at her great fall (in 16:19-21).

After the city’s destruction at the **seventh bowl**, chapter 19 describes Jesus’ return for His Bride and the wedding supper of the Lamb. This means His Bride is not caught up to heaven with Jesus, but the elect return with Him from heaven for His Bride on earth. Meanwhile, the dragon’s harlot heads for destruction, but though Jerusalem fell into harlotry, she is saved as the Bride of Christ, His capital city—and He is her Head as her King.

43 Then he led me to the gate, the gate facing east. ³And behold, the glory of the God of Israel was coming from the east. And the sound of his coming was like the sound of many waters, and the earth shone with his glory. ⁴As the glory of the LORD entered the temple by the gate facing east, ⁵the Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court; and behold, the glory of the LORD filled the temple.

⁶While the man was standing beside me, I heard one speaking to me out of the temple, ⁷and he said to me, “Son of man, this is the place of my throne and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the people of Israel forever. And the house of Israel shall no more defile my holy name, neither they, nor their kings, by their whoring and by the dead bodies of their kings at their high places, ⁸by setting their threshold by my threshold and their doorposts beside my doorposts, with only a wall between me and them. They have defiled my holy name by their abominations that they

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have committed, so I have consumed them in my anger.

⁹ Now let them put away their whoring and the dead bodies of their kings far from me, and I will dwell in their midst forever. (Ezk. 43:1-9 ESV)

The church is in the depths of the great apostasy; it's so dark she doesn't know it. Nearly all of us have believed words and teachings that are untrue. Our flesh is inclined toward deception, but we are not to be subject to a nature that rejects the truth. Most of the prophets are misled by messages out of their own hearts, and they ensnare itchy ears. (Jer. 14:13-15; 23:17, 21-22) We're on the edge of the infamous tribulation, but the church expects a rapture and plenty of platitudes, not a call to repent or to endure till death. Contrary to the life of ease, the life of faith costs little in comparison with its eternal reward.

All we have, everything and everyone, are in God's hands. We'll take up the cross to prepare for it when we know what to expect. It's exciting to see prophecy play out before our eyes, but the greatest joy is in knowing we have the truth, and its words are the testimony of Jesus Christ.

The Throne of the Dragon

The woman riding a scarlet beast in chapter 17 is the city of the dragon's seat (in 17:18). Today the throne of the dragon is the city of the beast that houses all nations as Babylon in chapter 18. The dragon who carried her to Berlin in Daniel 7 gave his throne to the beast that now owns her (in 13:2). The story of Babylon is in chapters 13–19 and in many other scriptures and writings.

In chapter 18 she is full of deceptions, violence, sorceries, idolatry, mind-altering drugs, immorality, and the sales of human souls. She suits many big cities; her influence covers the world, but the prophecy pinpoints the site of her throne. Babylon's nemesis is Jerusalem. Satan's city was Babylon, the throne he gave the beast. But *the city of the great King* is the inheritance of the long-awaited Messiah-King, Yeshua, the Savior of the world:

¹⁷ At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more in the imagination of their evil heart. (Jer. 3:17)