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Lesson 13: The End of the Age New Testament Prophecy Revelation 9-22

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UP FROM THE ABYSS

- Bottomless pit opened
- Revelation 9:11 They have as king over them, the angel of the abyss; his name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in the Greek he has the name Apollyon.
- Revelation 9:13-15 Then the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, one saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates." And the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released, so that they would kill a third of mankind.
- People who weren't killed DID NOT REPENT

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THE MYSTERY IS FINISHED

- * Revelation 10:5-7 Then the angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land lifted up his right hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the things in it, and the earth and the things in it, and the sea and the things in it, that there will be delay no longer, but in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, then the mystery of God is finished, as He preached to His servants the prophets.
- ◆ 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.

TWO WITNESSES

- Two olive trees, two lampstands
- *Revelation 11:5-6 And if anyone wants to harm them, fire flows out of their mouth and devours their enemies; so if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this way. These have the power to shut up the sky, so that rain will not fall during the days of their prophesying; and they have power over the waters to turn them into blood, and to strike the earth with every plague, as often as they desire.
- Killed by beast from abyss; bodies not buried; people party! Raised after 3 ½ days; raptured

LAST (7TH) TRUMPET

- 7TH trumpet blows
- Time to judge dead and reward servants
- The kingdom of the world became....of the Lord
- *Revelation 11:19 And the temple of God which is in heaven was opened; and the ark of His covenant appeared in His temple, and there were flashes of lightning and sounds and peals of thunder and an earthquake and a great hailstorm.
- ◆ 1 Thessalonians 4:16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

THE INTERLUDE: Revelation 12

- The woman clothed with the sun; moon under her feet; crown of 12 stars; birth pains
- Red dragon/7 heads and 10 horns; 7 crowns; swept 1/3 of stars of heaven to earth; tried to devour child
- Son is born who is to rule all nations; caught up to God and His throne
- Woman fled to wilderness to be nourished 3 ½ years
- Satan and his angels cast out of heaven by Michael and his angels; Satan persecutes the woman
- Revelation 12:12 "For this reason, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has only a short time."

RISE OF THE ANTICHRIST

- *Revelation 13:1 And the dragon stood on the sand of the seashore. Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names.
- Dragon gives power and throne and authority
- Revelation 13:5 There was given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words and blasphemies, and authority to act for forty-two months was given to him

THIS IS THE ANTI-CHRIST

THE RISE OF THE ANTI-SPIRIT

- Revelation 13:11 Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb and he spoke as a dragon.
- Causes people to worship the 1st beast (anti-christ)
- Performs signs and wonders causing deception
- Makes an image of the beast to worship; causes it to speak
- Gives people a mark/without it they cannot buy or sell
- Number of the beast is number of a man and the number is six hundred sixty-six

INTERLUDE CHAPTER 14

- 144,000 previously sealed are now in Heaven
- Angel in mid-heaven proclaims gospel to every tribe, tongue, people, nation
- Matthew 24:14 "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come."
- Second angel proclaims Babylon fallen
- Third angel equates service to the anti-christ with eternal punishment

THE SEVEN PLAGUES

- 7 angels come from temple in heaven
- Victorious people standing around
- 7 plagues poured from 7 golden bowls
- 1. Loathsome sores on those with mark of beast
- 2. Sea like blood of dead man; everything dies
- 3. Fresh water turned to blood (they deserve it!)
- 4. Sun scorched people; no repentance; blasphemy
- Kingdom of beast darkened; great pain; no repentance
- Euphrates river dried up

CALLED FOR WAR

- Evil spirits in false trinity cause gathering of nations at Armageddon
- Revelation 16:17 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."
- Earthquake, lightning, thunder, hail
- Revelation 16:19 The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. Babylon the great was remembered before God, to give her the cup of the wine of His fierce wrath.
- The great harlot is judged (chapter 17)

THE HARLOT

- Harlot: porne: prostitute
- Revelation 17:6 And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus. When I saw her, I wondered greatly.
- Revelation 17:8 "The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the abyss and go to destruction."
- * Revelation 17:9-11 "Here is the mind which has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits, and they are seven kings; five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come; and when he comes, he must remain a little while. The beast which was and is not, is himself also an eighth and is one of the seven, and he goes to destruction."
- Revelation 17:12 "The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour."

TREACHERY

- The beast and people turn on the harlot and she (who is a great city) is burned with fire
- Angel invites people to come out of the harlot
- Revelation 18:7 To the degree that she glorified herself and lived sensuously, to the same degree give her torment and mourning; for she says in her heart, 'I sit as a queen and I am not a widow, and will never see mourning.' (Isaiah 47:8-9)
- People mourn Babylon the harlot

THE MARRIAGE

- Revelation 19:1-2 After these things I heard something like a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, "Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God; because His judgments are true and righteous; for He has judged the great harlot who was corrupting the earth with her immorality, and He has avenged the blood of His bond-servants on her."
- Revelation 19:6-9 Then I heard something like the voice of a great multitude and like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, saying, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready." It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints. Then he said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' " And he said to me, "These are true words of God."

THE SECOND COMING

Revelation 19:11-16 And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war. His eyes are a flame of fire, and on His head are many diadems; and He has a name written on Him which no one knows except Himself. He is clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, were following Him on white horses. From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written, "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."

END OF THE FALSE TRINITY

- The beast (anti-christ) and false prophet (false holy spirit) were thrown alive into the lake of fire
- Satan was bound in the abyss for 1000 years
- Resurrection and judgment of those coming out of the tribulation who had been beheaded—reigned with Christ for the millennium
- After the millennium, Satan is released; again makes war
- Satan goes into the lake of fire (second death)
- Great white throne judgment (20:11-12)

NEW HEAVEN, NEW EARTH

Revelation 21:1-5 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer any sea. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away." And He who sits on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." And He said, "Write, for these words are faithful and true."

NEW JERUSALEM

- No temple; the Lord and the Lamb are the temple; glory of God illumines it; its lamp is the lamp; no night; no darkness
- Revelation 22:3-4 There will no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His bondservants will serve Him; they will see His face, and His name will be on their foreheads.
- Revelation 22:10 And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near.
- Revelation 22:18-19 I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues which are written in this book; and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and from the holy city, which are written in this book.