

# THE SEVENTH TRUMPET

## *The Time of God's Wrath has Come*

**Revelation 11:14** The second woe is past; *and*, behold, the third woe cometh quickly.

**Revelation 11:15** And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

**Revelation 11:16** And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,

**Revelation 11:17** Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.

**Revelation 11:18** And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth.

**Revelation 11:19** And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.

The second woe or sixth trumpet has taken place. One third of humanity has been killed in the nuclear devastation of the sixth trumpet. The response of the King of the North as 'like a whirlwind' he swept through the Muslim nations responsible for the grievous attack also contributes to the heavy death toll of this military engagement.

This critical sign – the sixth trumpet sounding - has been the final warning to the earth's inhabitants that the time given to them to repent is almost over. The time given to the Gentiles to respond to the 'loud cry' given by God's servants is about to come to an end. Choose ye this day whom you will serve – Satan dressed in the glorious attire of heaven, parading as Christ and enforcing the mark of the beast upon the world – or will you choose to listen to, follow and obey the commands of the creator God whose seventh day Sabbath has become a question of life or death?

**Revelation 13:15** And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and **cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.**

Before the seventh trumpet sounds probationary time will end. It states

**(Rev 10:7)** But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

The phrase 'when he shall begin to sound' is more properly translated '**when he is about to sound**'. Meaning that before the seventh trumpet sounds the mystery of God will be finished. Christ will have penetrated all the hearts and minds possible with his spirit. Just prior to the seventh trumpet sounding the door of the ark closes for humanity. Those who have entered will be protected but those who have chosen to remain outside have no hope of redemption. Their opportunity to claim the free gift of eternal life through the merits of Jesus Christ is no longer available.

**Revelation 22:11** He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.

Before the seventh trumpet sounds the mystery of God will be finished – the law has been perfectly sealed in God’s disciples (Isaiah 8:16). Probation has closed for humanity and Michael or Jesus Christ has finished his mediatorial work in the heavenly sanctuary. Evidence at the beginning of the seventh trumpet description confirms this fact:

Great voices are heard in heaven proclaiming: “**The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ**; and he shall reign for ever and ever.” (**Revelation 11:15**)

We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou **hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned**. (**Revelation 11:17**)

The use of the past tense in both the phrases above reveals that the kingdoms of this world have already become the possession of ‘our Lord and of his Christ’. Christ has taken up his ‘great power, and hast reigned’.

Another scripture reference refers to this event:

**Daniel 7:13** I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

**Daniel 7:14** And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.

**Revelation 11:18** **And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.**

The above verse details significant events that are taking place during the seventh trumpet. We will address each point consecutively:

## **THE NATIONS WERE ANGRY**

Just prior to the seventh trumpet sounding the whole world has experienced the chilling destruction of a third of the world’s population in the greatest war mankind has seen during the sixth trumpet. The expression ‘the nations WERE angry’ is a reference to that war. The word ‘were’ refers to the state of nations in the past as well as the continued strained international relations that continue to exist at this point in time when the seventh trumpet sounds.

Jesus himself when explaining to his disciples told them:

**Matthew 24:6** **And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet.**

**Matthew 24:7** **For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against**

kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

This anger will reach a crescendo when World War Three or the sixth trumpet takes place between the King of the North and the King of the South described in Daniel 11:40-43.

## THY WRATH IS COME

This phrase –‘thy wrath is come’ is a pivotal sign that reveals probation for humanity has finally closed. God’s wrath or anger has been restrained during the first six trumpet warnings when all inhabitants of the world were given opportunity to recognise and worship the true Creator of their world and the universe. The ‘loud cry’ has echoed around the world warning all humanity to leave fallen Babylon and not to receive the mark of the beast. God’s true witnesses who have kept his commandments and given the testimony of Jesus, even at the cost of their lives have truly been witnessing in sackcloth. This witnessing has ended and they have fled into the mountains after viewing Satan - the ‘abomination of desolation’ or idol of destruction stand in Jerusalem (the ‘holy place’) declaring:

**Ezekiel 28:2** I am a God, I sit *in* the seat of God, in the midst of the seas;

The close of probation for humanity has taken place – the door of the ark has been shut. Time is no longer – the ‘mystery of God’ is finished!

According to Christ, God’s wrath has come:

**Matthew 24:21** For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

God’s angels have been restraining the ‘winds of the earth’:

**Revelation 7:1** And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.

**Revelation 7:2** And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

**Revelation 7:3** Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

Once the seventh trumpet sounds the ‘winds of the earth’ are fully released. The servants of God are sealed. They have demonstrated their obedience to God by keeping the seventh day Sabbath of the fourth commandment even under the threat of persecution and death.

**Daniel 11:45** And **he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain;** yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

**Daniel 12:1** **And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time:** and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one

that shall be found written in the book.

When the abomination of desolation or Satan personating Christ plants his tabernacles or stands in the 'holy place' (Matthew 24:15) this is also the time that Michael stands up. When Christ our heavenly high priest ceases his ministrations in the heavenly sanctuary for humanity the 'time of trouble' begins. This signifies the 'coming of' or unleashing of God's wrath. The seven plagues are about to be poured out.

## **AND THE TIME OF THE DEAD THAT THEY SHOULD BE JUDGED**

The events John is describing are taking place in order. The 'nations were angry', 'God's wrath is come' and after God's wrath comes it is time for the dead to be judged. Further insights into when the judgment of the dead takes place are given in the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation:

**Daniel 7:21** I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;

**Daniel 7:22** Until the Ancient of days came, **and judgment was given to the saints of the most High**; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

The horn in Daniel Seven is the Papacy who makes 'war with the saints', however judgment is given to the saints of the most high. Broad brush strokes summarise from when the Ancient of days initially comes to the judgment of the righteous dead in verses 9 & 10:

**(Dan 7:9)** I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, *and* his wheels *as* burning fire.

**(Dan 7:10)** A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: **the judgment was set, and the books were opened.**

The very next verse reveals that this judgment is taking place before the Papacy or little horn comes to its end:

**(Dan 7:11)** **I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake:** I beheld *even* till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

In verse 7 the horn speaks 'great words' and this is spoken of in more detail in verse 25:

**(Dan 7:25)** **And he shall speak great words against the most High**, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

**(Dan 7:26)** But **the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.**

Before Christ's second coming a judgment takes place. All those who have lived on earth since the creation of the world extending to just prior to the seventh trumpet when it is about to sound have had the opportunity to accept the free gift of salvation made possible by the holy 'lamb of

God' and the father who was willing to allow him to become like one of us.

**(Joh 1:29)** The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, **Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.**

The mission of Jesus Christ was to save any human being who believed on him from their sins:

**(Mat 1:21)** And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for **he shall save his people from their sins.**

The Lord keeps record of those that have accepted him as their saviour and believe he will save them from their sins. In the verses below it is called a 'book of remembrance'. In Revelation it is called the 'book of life':

**(Mal 3:16)** Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and **a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.**

**(Mal 3:17)** And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.

**(Mal 3:18)** Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

**(Rev 3:5)** He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and **I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.**

It is this critical decision that you and I must make to be saved from our sins. Jesus Christ offers us forgiveness and reaches out and lifts us up. Christ's power activated by his spirit in your life and mine can cleanse and empower us to live a holy life right NOW! Is your name recorded in the book of life? The saviour is pleading with you right at this moment to believe in him and accept the forgiveness he offers to you. If you dedicate your life to Christ he can help you overcome the temptations of Satan—he can polish you into one of his jewels and in the judgment taking place right now clothe you in white raiment—a symbol of the free gift of his salvation.

Christ is coming soon! He is returning to gather his jewels. He will discern between the righteous and the wicked and the 'Book of Remembrance' is the evidence that God has used in the judgment that precedes his second coming. This is the judgment that takes place in Daniel, chapter seven:

**Daniel 7:9** I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, *and* his wheels *as* burning fire.

**Daniel 7:10** A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: **the judgment was set, and the books were opened.**

Christ has appeared to plead the cases of all those who have believed in the wonderful gift the

ancient of days – our heavenly Father gave – the gift of his only begotten son. This is the judgment that sits in Daniel 7 and will be finalised just before Michael stands up and announces the beginning of the time of trouble.

When comparing Daniel to Revelation we find that the judgment being given to the saints in verse 22 is another phase of God's judgment that takes place during the initial thousand year period after Christ's return to earth or his second coming:

**Revelation 20:4** And **I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them:** and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; **and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.**

### **REWARD GIVEN UNTO GOD'S SERVANTS, PROPHETS, SAINTS AND TO THEM THAT FEAR (REVERE) GOD'S NAME SMALL AND GREAT**

Christ when he returns the second time has a reward to be given to all men:

**Revelation 22:12** And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward *is* with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

When Christ comes the second time the saints are also given rights to or possession of the kingdom:

**Daniel 7:22** Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

God shares his kingdom with 'the people of the saints of the 'most High'. They inherit the new earth especially created for them:

**Daniel 7:27** And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

**Psalms 37:11** But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

**Matthew 5:5** **Blessed *are* the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.**

**Matthew 25:34** **Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:**

**Revelation 21:7** **He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.**

The God of truth has promised this kingdom to his earthly children. The key to the kingdom is given to his saints:

**Revelation 14:12** Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

God's saints on earth have:

- Patience
- They keep the commandments of God
- And the faith of Jesus.

The important questions we must ask ourselves are:

Are we overcomers? This means we actively obey God's commandments in our daily life:

**1 John 2:3** And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.

**1 John 2:4** He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

**1 John 2:5** But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

**1 John 2:6** He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

**John 15:4** Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

## **AND SHOULDEST DESTROY THEM WHICH DESTROY THE EARTH**

This phrase describes the ultimate demise of the wicked. It is God's servants, the saints, the prophets and those that fear or revere God's name that will receive a reward but in contrast the wicked receive destruction. The wicked are recognised as those which have destroyed the earth.

At this point in time the earth has been ravaged by the impacts of the six trumpets that have previously sounded. Prophets of old wrote about the state of the earth at this time:

**Hosea 4:3** Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish, with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of heaven; yea, the fishes of the sea also shall be taken away.

**Joel 1:15** Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD *is* at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.

**Joel 1:16** Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, *yea*, joy and gladness from the house of our God?

**Joel 1:17** The seed is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down; for the corn is withered.

**Joel 1:18** How do the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate.

**Joel 1:19** O LORD, to thee will I cry: for the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness, and the flame hath burned all the trees of the field.

**Joel 1:20** The beasts of the field cry also unto thee: for the rivers of waters are dried up, and the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness.

**Zephaniah 1:14** The great day of the LORD *is* near, *it is* near, and hasteth

greatly, *even* the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

**Zephaniah 1:15** That day *is* a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

**Zephaniah 1:16** A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

**Zephaniah 1:17** And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

**Zephaniah 1:18** Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD'S wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

**Psalms 145:20** The LORD preserveth all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy.

**Proverbs 10:29** The way of the LORD *is* strength to the upright: but destruction *shall be* to the workers of iniquity.

**Proverbs 10:30** The righteous shall never be removed: but the wicked shall not inhabit the earth.

**Isaiah 1:28** And the destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners *shall be* together, and they that forsake the LORD shall be consumed.

**Isaiah 13:6** Howl ye; for the day of the LORD *is* at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.

**Isaiah 13:7** Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall melt:

**Isaiah 13:8** And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces *shall be as* flames.

**Isaiah 13:9** Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.

The atomic warfare of the sixth trumpet has devastated major cities across the world. The impact of nuclear radiation on the elements of the earth has poisoned the environment, let alone the earth's inhabitants. The earth's atmosphere has also been compromised not only by the nuclear fallout but by the upheaval of the earth itself as volcanoes erupt and earthquakes shake its foundations spewing ash high into the upper atmosphere.

The wrath of God has come and the seven plagues are being poured out. God's servants are protected from receiving the plagues, but those who have chosen not to heed the warnings given and preferred to receive the mark of the beast and follow Satan parading as Christ feel the full effects of God's wrath.



Christ's coming is imminent.

**Matthew 24:21** For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

**Matthew 24:22** And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but **for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.**

The great tribulation or 'time of trouble' **is** going to be shortened. The days during that tribulation have been specified in Daniel 12:

**Daniel 12:7** And I heard the man clothed in linen, which *was* upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that *it shall be* for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these *things* shall be finished.

**Daniel 12:8** And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what *shall be* the end of these *things*?

**Daniel 12:11** And from the time *that* the daily *sacrifice* shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, *there shall be* a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

**Daniel 12:12** Blessed *is* he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.

The days that will be shortened are the days of the Great Tribulation:

**Matthew 24:14** And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

**Matthew 24:15** When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

The abomination of desolation is the sign which Christ specifically refers to as taking place just prior to the Great Tribulation or when Michael stands up in Daniel 11. Satan personating Christ in the fifth trumpet plays a pivotal role in persuading the northern powers to put down the Islamic uprising from the South. Accepted as the true Christ Satan has an immense influence in world politics and finally after the sixth trumpet has sounded he takes the stage as Christ setting up his 'palaces' in Jerusalem itself. (For more Bible evidence about the above described events you are encouraged to read the following studies found at [www.seventrumpets.com.au](http://www.seventrumpets.com.au) – [Satan's Personation of Christ](#), [The King of Fierce Countenance](#) and [The Sixth Trumpet](#).)

Then shall there be 'Great Tribulation' – Matthew 24:21

Except for these days being shortened no flesh would be saved. The abomination is set up at the 1290 day point in the 'time of the end' timeline. By the time the 1335 day when a blessing from God is received by those who have earnestly been waiting for him 45 days will have elapsed during the 'Great Tribulation'. It is this 45 day time period that will be cut short because if the days were not cut short 'no flesh would be saved'.

When Christ comes:

**2 Peter 3:10** But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

**2 Peter 3:11** *Seeing* then *that* all these things shall be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought ye to be in *all* holy conversation and godliness,

God has been just and merciful. He has given explicit warnings to the inhabitants of earth through his two witnesses as they have prophesied in sackcloth (See the [Revelation 11](#) study for more detail of this time period soon to take place).

**Jude 1:5** I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, **having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.**

Through Moses, Aaron and Joseph before them God pleaded with the Israelites and native Egyptians to recognise the God of gods – the Creator of the universe - but those that believed not were destroyed, as Jude reminds us. The pharaoh and his army drowned in the Red Sea as they pursued God's people. The time of God's mercy and forgiveness has an end:

**Jude 1:6** And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

**Jude 1:7** Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Even Christ himself came with a message of 'vengeance':

**Isaiah 61:2** **To proclaim** the acceptable year of the LORD, and **the day of vengeance of our God**; to comfort all that mourn;

And whilst with his disciples he warned them of that day:

**Luke 21:22** **For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.**

The days of vengeance Christ referred to were to take place in 70 AD but also had a future application just prior to Michael standing up in Daniel 12:

**Luke 21:20** **And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.**

David prophesied in Psalm 94 of the experience of the righteous at the end of time:

**Psalms 94:1** O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.

**Psalms 94:20** Shall the throne of iniquity have fellowship with thee, which frameth mischief by a law?

**Psalms 94:21** They gather themselves together against the soul of the

righteous, and condemn the innocent blood.

**Psalms 94:22** But the LORD is my defence; and my God *is* the rock of my refuge.

**Psalms 94:23** And he shall bring upon them their own iniquity, and shall cut them off in their own wickedness; *yea*, the LORD our God shall cut them off.

The Lord will truly cut off the wicked and exact vengeance and judgment on the ‘throne of iniquity’ who have placed their law above the law of God. Legislation will be passed authorising the destruction of the righteous who choose to obey God rather than man by worshipping on the seventh day of the week – Saturday rather than Sunday.

Christ’s second coming is described in detail in Revelation 19:

**Revelation 19:11** And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

**Revelation 19:14** And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

**Revelation 19:15** And **out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations:** and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and **he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.**

**Revelation 19:17** And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, **Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;**

**Revelation 19:18** That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all *men, both* free and bond, both small and great.

**Revelation 19:19** And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

**Revelation 19:20** And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

**Revelation 19:21** And **the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse,** which *sword* proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

The word of God symbolised by the sharp sword coming out of Christ’s mouth has truly judged the wicked who remain alive when Christ returns:

**Hebrews 4:12** For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Christ has discerned the thoughts and intents of the hearts of the wicked and trodden the winepress of the wrath of God during the seven plagues. Many wicked have already died but those who are alive to see Christ come will now become food for birds. Isaiah prophesied this event

thousands of years before:

**Isaiah 34:1** Come near, ye nations, to hear; and **hearken, ye people: let the earth hear, and all that is therein; the world, and all things that come forth of it.**

**Isaiah 34:2** For **the indignation of the LORD is upon all nations, and his fury upon all their armies: he hath utterly destroyed them,** he hath delivered them to the slaughter.

**Isaiah 34:3** Their slain also shall be cast out, and their stink shall come up out of their carcasses, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood.

**Isaiah 34:4** And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved, and the heavens shall be rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling *fig* from the fig tree.

**Isaiah 34:5** For **my sword shall be bathed in heaven: behold, it shall come down upon Idumea, and upon the people of my curse, to judgment.**

**Isaiah 34:6** The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, it is made fat with fatness, *and* with the blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the kidneys of rams: **for the LORD hath a sacrifice in Bozrah, and a great slaughter in the land of Idumea.**

**Isaiah 34:7** And the unicorns shall come down with them, and the bullocks with the bulls; and their land shall be soaked with blood, and their dust made fat with fatness.

**Isaiah 34:8** **For it is the day of the LORD'S vengeance, and the year of recompences for the controversy of Zion.**

**Isaiah 34:9** And **the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch, and the dust thereof into brimstone, and the land thereof shall become burning pitch.**

**Isaiah 34:10** It shall not be quenched night nor day; the smoke thereof shall go up for ever: from generation to generation it shall lie waste; none shall pass through it for ever and ever.

**Isaiah 34:11** But **the comorant and the bittern shall possess it; the owl also and the raven shall dwell in it: and he shall stretch out upon it the line of confusion, and the stones of emptiness.**

**Isaiah 34:12** They shall call the nobles thereof to the kingdom, but none *shall be* there, and all her princes shall be nothing.

**Isaiah 34:13** And thorns shall come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof: and it shall be an habitation of dragons, *and* a court for owls.

**Isaiah 34:14** The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with the wild beasts of the island, and the satyr shall cry to his fellow; **the screech owl also shall rest there, and find for herself a place of rest.**

**Isaiah 34:15** There shall the great owl make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and gather under her shadow: **there shall the vultures also be gathered,** every one with her mate.

**Isaiah 34:16** Seek ye out of the book of the LORD, and read: no one of these shall fail, none shall want her mate: for my mouth it hath commanded, and his spirit it hath gathered them.

**Isaiah 34:17** And he hath cast the lot for them, and **his hand hath divided it unto them by line: they shall possess it for ever, from generation to**

**generation shall they dwell therein.**

The armies gathered in Revelation 19:19 - And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army – are utterly destroyed (Isaiah 34:2). The land turned into burning pitch and brimstone (Isaiah 34:9) becomes the lake of fire for the false prophet and beast (Revelation 19:20). The birds shall dwell there and according to Revelation 19:17 and 21 feast on the flesh of the wicked. Cormorants, bitterns, ravens vultures and owls are all referred to by Isaiah as possessing the earth for generations.

By comparing scripture to scripture a picture of the LORD'S vengeance, *and* the year of recompences for the controversy of Zion becomes complete. The earth is at rest:

**Isaiah 14:5** The LORD hath broken the staff of the wicked, *and* the sceptre of the rulers.

**Isaiah 14:6** He who smote the people in wrath with a continual stroke, he that ruled the nations in anger, is persecuted, *and* none hindereth.

**Isaiah 14:7** The whole earth is at rest, *and* is quiet: they break forth into singing.

**Isaiah 14:8** Yea, the fir trees rejoice at thee, *and* the cedars of Lebanon, *saying*, Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.

The day of God's wrath and vengeance has taken place:

**(Isaiah 63:4)** For the day of vengeance *is* in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come. **(Nahum 1:2)** God *is* jealous, and the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and *is* furious; the LORD will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth *wrath* for his enemies.

Christ has destroyed those which have destroyed the earth. Yet scripture reveals that this is not the final end for the wicked. That is yet to take place. Let us hear the word of God reveal the final events:

Revelation chapter 20 continues the unveiling of the end of time:

**Revelation 20:1** And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

**Revelation 20:2** And he **laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,**

**Revelation 20:3** And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that **he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.**

**Revelation 20:4** And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

**Revelation 20:5** But **the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished.** This *is* the first resurrection.

**Revelation 20:6** **Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection:** on such the second death hath no power, but **they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.**

Satan the arch enemy of humanity and God is now put under lock and key. He can no longer harass any of God's creation in the universe. He has a thousand years to reflect on the sorrow and evil he has brought upon the earth. He is not sorry for what he has done but he is angry and it is his hatred of God that drives him to plan for the next phase of his attack on God's reign. He will not deceive the nations again until the thousand years of his imprisonment has ended.

We learn several important facts from considering this passage:

- Satan is imprisoned for a thousand years after the coming of Christ.
- Those resurrected at the coming of Christ (first resurrection) shall reign with the Father and his son –Jesus Christ as priests during that thousand years. This is also the time they enter into judgment.

**Revelation 11:18** And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, **and the time of the dead, that they should be judged**, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth.

- The rest of the wicked dead that were destroyed at Christ's second coming and those that had already died the 'first death' and did not have their name registered in the book of life 'live again' at the end of a thousand years.

God is just and has kept a record called the book of life:

**Daniel 12:1** And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation *even* to that same time: and **at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.**

**Malachi 3:16** Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard *it*, and **a book of remembrance was written before him** for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.

**Malachi 3:17** And **they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.**

**Malachi 3:18** Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

**Revelation 20:12** And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; **and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.**

**Revelation 3:5** He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; **and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life**, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

The 'second death' has no power over those 'jewels' who hath part in the first resurrection. Clothed in the white raiment of Christ's righteousness they are counted as 'blessed and holy'.

What a precious gift God offers to all through his son Jesus Christ –

**Romans 6:23** For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great.**

All during the time God's wrath is poured out on the earth his saints have to rely on God's promises and his ability to deliver them no matter what the circumstance:

**Psalms 18:2** The LORD *is* my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, *and* my high tower.

**Psalms 18:3** I will call upon the LORD, *who is worthy* to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

**Psalms 18:4** The sorrows of death compassed me, and the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.

**Psalms 18:5** The sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death prevented me.

**Psalms 18:6** **In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried unto my God: he heard my voice out of his temple, and my cry came before him, even into his ears.**

**Psalms 18:7** Then **the earth shook and trembled; the foundations also of the hills moved and were shaken, because he was wroth.**

Earthquakes are a sign of God's wrath.

**Job 38:22** Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or **hast thou seen the treasures of the hail,**

**Job 38:23** **Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?**

Hail is going to be used by God in the time of trouble as a judgment on the wicked.

The seventh trumpet will sound. But you must have heeded the prior trumpets or warnings to be saved from the outpouring of God's wrath. The seventh trumpet will not impact on only 'a third' as the six trumpet warnings prior to it have done. God's mercy towards the wicked has come to an end by the time the seventh trumpet sounds. God's wrath will be poured out and increase in intensity till the final destruction of the wicked.

**2 Peter 3:10** But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

**2 Peter 3:11** *Seeing then that* all these things shall be dissolved, **what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,**

**2 Peter 3:12** Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

**2 Peter 3:13** Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

May God truly convict you of his presence, his desire to save you and his deep and abiding love. You have been given life by the creator God. He has chosen you to be his servant. Hear what his spirit is saying to your heart. These trumpet warnings that God will sound are designed to herald the soon coming of Jesus Christ. A special prayer has ascended to God on your behalf that you will hear his voice and respond to his mercy while there is time.

For more information about God, his word and his desire to have you meet him in the clouds of heaven at his second coming please visit the website below:

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