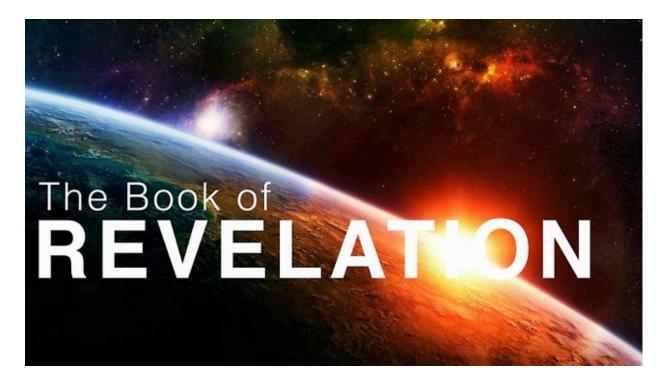
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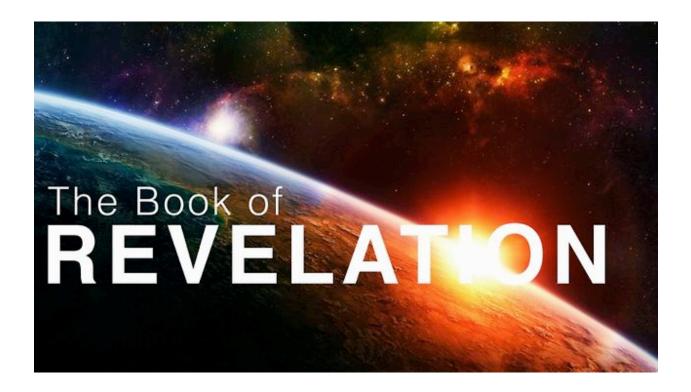
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# THINGS TO AVOID:

**INTERNET SEARCHES ON THE SUBJECT OF REVELATION** 

MAINSTREAM CHRISTIAN WRITINGS ON THE SUBJECT OF REVELATION



#### **REVELATION CHAPTER 1:**

VV 1-8 Introduction:

- 1. When does vv 1 indicate these things would come to pass?
- 2. Who was this Revelation written for? What does this mean?
- 3. What does the word, SIGNIFIED mean? What does this reveal to us about the language used in this book and how it is written?

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4. What is the, TESTIMONY of Jesus Christ referring to? **\*HINT\* See 1 John 5 vv 4-6** How many times is this phrase used in the book of Revelation?

#### In order to understand Revelation it is important to understand Symbology. As we have learned so far from vv 1 of Chapter 1, this is a book of symbols. There are many symbols that occur often throughout Revelation. Find the Ssymbolic meaning of each of the following words:

5. Lampstand:

6. Two-edged sword:

- 7. White robes:
- 8. Burnished Brass:

9. Earth:

10.Sea:

11.Living Creatures:

12.Elders:

13.Lion of Judah:

14.Lamb:



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15.Horse:

16.Altar:

17.Heaven(s):

18.Earthquake:

19.Sun:

20.Moon:

21.Stars:

22.Trumpets:

23.Rainbow:

24.Temple:

25.Bottomless Pit

26.Woman-



- 27.Tell about the difference between a Good woman and a Bad woman: (see. Proverbs, 9 vv1, 14 vv 1, and 6 vv 24-29)
- 28. The structure of Revelation is very intriguing. There are many places where the number 7 is mentioned throughout the book. What is the scriptural significance of the number 7?
- 29. List at least 10 times the number 7 is mentioned in Revelation site a verse for each instance you find.



30.Why do you think the number 7 is used so often?

31.At the end of vv 3 it says, "the time is at hand". This means, the time was at hand when the Revelation was given to John. We also believe that the time is at hand. What insight does this give us about the book of Revelation?

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32.In vv 5 it states that Christ is the first begotten of the dead. What does this mean?

33. What do you think the role of the, "Kings and Priests" will be?

34.Who does this refer to?

35. This phrase is mentioned elsewhere as a, "kingdom of priests". Where?

36. What is meant by the clouds in vv 7?

37. Explain what is meant by, "I am Alpha and Omega"



38. We see in vv 9 that John introduces himself. Where was he writing from?

39.What was the timeframe that this was written?

40.What circumstances did John find himself in?

# **VV10-20 THE INITIAL VISION**:

41.Draw a Picture of John's first vision including as many details as you can. (use a separate page if necessary)

42.Describe each detail you drew and what it represents:

43. Who was it that stood in the midst of the 7 candlesticks?

44.Describe what you think this vision represents:

**Chapters 2-3:** 

1. Chapters 2-3 cover the messages given to the 7 Ecclesia's. which ecclesia's was John's message directed to.

2. Who do these Ecclesia's represent?

# **CHAPTER 4**:

CHAPTER 4 BEGINS THE NEXT SECTION OF REVELATION. CHAPTERS FOUR AND FIVE PROVIDE AN INTRODUCTION TO THE REST OF REVELATION. THE FIRST THING THAT WE SEE IS A SYMBOLIC DESCRIPTION OF THE KINGDOM IN ITS GLORY, AND THIS IS FOLLOWED BY THE VISIONS OF THE EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE KINGDOM. THIS METHOD MAY SEEM OUT OF ORDER, AND A LITTLE CONFUSING, BUT IT PROVIDES THE ULTIMATE PICTURE FIRST, INDICATING THE EMPHASIS ON THE FINAL GLORY. WE SEE A SIMILAR SCHEME OF RECORDING BIBLE PROPHECY IN ISA. 2 W 2-4. ISAIAH FIRST PAINTS THE PICTURE OF JERUSALEM IN ITS GLORY AND THEN PROCEEDS TO DESCRIBE CONDITIONS AND EVENTS THAT LEAD UP TO THAT STATE OF GLORY.

THIS SECTION DEPICTS THE LORD JESUS CHRIST IN RELATION TO THE KINGDOM, AND SHOWS HIM AS THE TRIUMPHANT ONE, VICTORIOUS OVER HIS ENEMIES. IT IS DIVIDED INTO SECTIONS, WITH EACH SECTION BUILDING ON THE PREVIOUS, UNTIL THE FINAL CONSUMMATION IS REACHED. 1. What does the phrase, "After this" indicate in vv 1?

2. How many times does the word, "Heaven" occur in Revelation.

3. What is this word, "Heaven" referring to here?

4. Who was the voice of vv 1?

5. What is a trumpet typically used for in scripture?



6. What is meant by, "I will shew thee things which must be hereafter"? Who is speaking and who are they speaking to?

7. What does it mean when John says he was,"in the spirit"?

8. What does the throne here in vv 2 represent?

9. Who is the, "One" from vv 2?

10. What do the 2 stones represent in vv 3? How do the stones relate to Christ?

11. Where else would these two stones be found in Israel's history?

12. What does a rainbow represent in scripture?

13. What do you think the Rainbow symbolizes here?



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14.What does an Emerald represent?

15.Who are the, "four and twenty" elders? What were the thrones that they sat on. HINT: PSALM 122

16. Why would they be wearing white raiment?

17. What is the significance of the crowns of gold?





18.Lightnings and Thunderings are clear symbols of war in scripture, who do you think is heading up this war?

19.Who do you think the seven spirits are in vv 5? Why would they have lamps of fire?

20.What is meant by, "the sea of Glass like unto crystal"? HINT- ISAIAH 2 vv 2-4 Does the appearance of this sea have any relation to the stones in vv 3?

21.Look up the word BEASTS from vv 6 in a concordance and Give the definition.

22. Describe each of the creatures mentioned in vv 7 and what you think they represent.

23. What is the common theme at the end of chapter 4?

24. What do you think this chapter is a vision of?

# Daniel and Revelation:

There are many similarities between the book of Daniel and Revelation. We are expected to see Daniel's prophecy as an introduction to Revelation. it is important for us to have an understanding of the visions and dreams of Daniel before moving on in Revelation. Lets do a little work with those now before we move on to the seven sealed scroll.

Nebuchadnezzar's image is found in Daniel chapter 2. Next to the image, write the material used, the nation it represents, and an approximate time frame:

# DANIEL CHAPTER 2:

Head
Chest and Arms
Belly and Thighs
Legs
Feet
Stone

# DANIEL CHAPTER 7:

In Daniel Chapter 7, Daniel has a dream Describe each creature, and what they each represent:

THE LION:



THE BEAR:





THE LEOPARD:

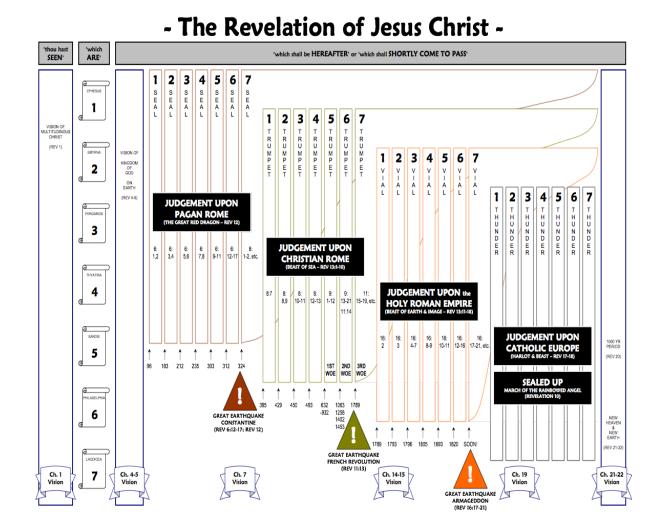
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THE DREADFUL BEAST:



The layout of Revelation:

Now is a good time to talk about the layout of Revelation again. On the chart below we see a picture of the organization of the book concerning the events that take place. We can see looking from left to right on the chart that we have the vision of the Multitudinous Christ, then the letters to the 7 ecclesia's. After that we see the vision of the kingdom of God on earth. The important aspect that needs to be understood from this chart is the 7s. We are about to look at the 7 sealed scroll which leads us to the seals, trumpets, vials, and thunders. What is laid out clearly on this chart and the important thing to note is that the 7th seal contains the 7 trumpets, the 7th trumpet contains the 7 vials, and the 7th vial contains the 7 thunders. During this time we have the Great Earthquakes (political upheaval). Moving forward if you understand this idea, understanding the rest of Revelation will be less challenging.





# REVELATION 5: THE 7 SEALED SCROLL

John observes a scroll in the right hand of the One seated on the throne. Many were trying to open the scroll, because once each seal is opened the things in the scroll began to happen. The final seal contained the set up of the Kingdom. This scroll is sealed so tight that it is beyond the ability of any to unroll it. This causes John great distress, until it is announced that the Lion of Judah has prevailed, and is able to open the scroll. This brings a scene of great glory. John expects to see a great lion, however he sees a lamb who is given the scroll.....

1. Who is found sitting on the throne here?

2. What is the significance of the 7 seals?

3. At what time was Daniel told that the scroll would be opened? HINT\* DANIEL 12

4. Why do you think the statement is made in vv 2 that the Angel is strong?

- 5. How did John feel about the fact that the scroll was unable to be opened?
- 6. Why is the one who is able to open the scroll called, "The lion of the tribe of Judah"?
- 7. Who is able to open the scroll if no one in heaven, on earth, or under the earth is able to do so? What makes this person's nature different?

- What is the significance of the Lamb on the throne who looked like it had been slain? (vv6)
- 8. What do the Horns represent?

9. What do the eyes represent?

VV7: THE LAMB IS REPRESENTED AS TAKING THE SCROLL FROM THE, "ONE

UPON THE THRONE" BUT, BOTH THE LAMB AND KING REPRESENT THE LORD IN TWO RELATIONSHIPS. THE LAMB REPRESENTS CHRIST AS HAVING TRIUMPHED OVER THE FLESH. THE KING REPRESENTS CHRIST EXHIBITING THE MEANS OF SUCH VICTORY---GOD MANIFEST IN THE FLESH. SEE ROMANS 8 VV 3

ELSEWHERE, THE LORD IS GIVEN THE NAME OF IMMANUEL, OR- GOD WITH US MATT. 1 vv 21 His successful offering is described as being the result of, "God in Christ reconciling the world unto himself. 2 COR. 5 vv 19

> H.P. Mansfield <u>The Apocalypse Epitomised</u>

10. Explain Christ's Role As the Lamb:

11. Explain Christ's Role as the one who sits on the throne:



Revelation Ch. 6 vv1-2 1st Seal- A.D. 96-183

1. Symbols of the 1st seal: identify what they represent/symbolize

Lamb=	
Four Beasts=	
White=	
Horse=	
Bow=	
Crown=	

- 2. Thunder implies a storm. What does a storm symbolize? List a reference that supports this idea.
- 3. Who was the ruler in the Roman Empire in the year A.D. 96?

4. This ruler was a great persecutor if the ecclesia. Because of him John was banished to Patmos. How did this ruler die?

5. Give a brief synopsis of what was happening in the Empire during this seal:

6. What was the state of religion during this seal?

### Revelation Ch.6 vv3-4 2nd Seal- A.D. 183-211

1. Symbols of the 2nd seal: identify what they represent/symbolize

1100		
Horse=	 	 
Great Sword=_	 	

- 2. Who is the "him" in v.4?
- 3. What is the Concordance # and definition of sword in v.4?
- 4. Who was ruling the Roman Empire at the end this seal?
- 5. Give a brief synopsis of what was happening in the Empire during this seal?

## Revelation 6 vv.5-6 3rd Seal- A.D. 212-235

1. Symbols of the 3rd seal: identify what they represent/symbolize

Black=	-
Horse=	
Pair of Balances=	
Wheat and 3 measures of barley for a penny=	

- 2. What is meant by not harming the oil and wine in v.6?
- 3. Caracalla was the man riding the black horse. Describe the actions of Caracalla when he gained control of the Empire till his death:

4. At the end of this Seal Alexander Severus began to reign the Empire. He was 17 years old and reigned for 13 years. Give a brief synopsis of what his reign was like:

## Revelation 6 vv.7-8 4th Seal- A.D. 235-303

1. Symbols of the 4th seal: identify what they represent/symbolize

Pale=	-	 -	
Horse=			 
Hell=			
4th part of the earth=		 	

- 2. What is the difference between the sword mentioned in the 2nd seal and the sword in the 4th seal? What is the Concordance # and definition?
- 3. Who do you think the 'beasts of the earth' could be?

4. During about the approx. 50 year period of this seal how many Emperor's reigned and died a violent death?

5. Give a brief synopsis of what was happening in the Empire during this seal?

#### Revelation 6 vv.9-11 5th Seal- A.D. 303-311

- 2. Who are the 'souls of them that were slain'?
- 3. What is the relationship between the altar and the souls that are under it?

- 4. Read Psalms 94: Is there an echo? Explain.
- 5. The believers cry out to the Lord asking for relief from the persecution they are under during this seal. Name another time in the bible where Yahweh's chosen people cry out for help.
- 6. Give a brief synopsis of what was happening in the Empire during this seal?

## Revelation 6 vv12-17 6th Seal- A.D. 312-324

1. Symbols of the 6th seal: identify what they represent/symbolize

arthquake=
Sun=
Death=
100n=
llood=
itars=
arth=
1ighty Wind=
Iountain=
sland=

2. Explain what you think 'Even as a fig casteth her untimely figs' in v.13 means:

- 3. Who become Emperor of Rome during this seal?
- 4. The religion in Rome changed when this new ruler stepped into power. What was it before and what did it change to?
- 5. Give a brief synopsis of what was happening in the Empire during this seal. Make sure to include the 1st great earthquake of Revelation in your description.

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6. What was the state of religion during this seal?



The seventh seal is opened, to reveal seven angels, each with a trumpet in his hand. Chapters 8-9 deal with the first 6 of the trumpet periods. The first 4 deal with the Western section of the Roman Empire and the other two with the Eastern section. The sounding of these Apocalyptic Trumpeters, summons the enemies of the Roman Empire together for the purpose of judgment upon it.

## Revelation 8 vv1-6 7th Seal- A.D. 324- Return of Christ

- 1. What are trumpets used for? (Num. 10:3)
- 2. What is this 'silence in heaven' in verse 2 referring to?

- 3. What does incense symbolize? Give a reference.
- 4. The censer, filled with fire of the altar being cast to earth was the answer of heaven to the fervent prayers of the saints. What were the thundering, earthquake and lightnings that followed figurative of?

#### Revelation 8 vv7 7th Seal 1st Trumpet A.D. 395-410

- 2. What does 'hail and fire mingled with blood' suggest? What other time in the bible used similar wording?
- 3. Which Gothic leader descended upon Rome leaving a trail of devastation?
- 4. Give a brief synopsis of what was happening in the Empire during this trumpet.

## Revelation 8 vv8-9 7th Seal 2nd Trumpet A.D. 429-477

1. Symbols of the 2nd trumpet: identify what they represent/symbolize Great Mountain=\_\_\_\_\_

2. The Donatists from North Africa were suffering severe persecution by the Catholics. Boniface, governor of Africa, invited this king to come over and help him in his revolt from Rome. Who is this King and where was he from?

- 3. In which sea would this affliction of Rome take place?
- 4. Describe what the King of the Vandal's did to Rome?
- 5. At the end of this run of destruction, which country was severed from Rome?

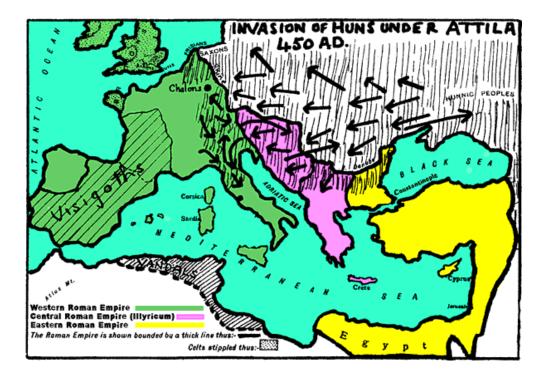
## Revelation 8 vv.10-11 7th Seal 3rd Trumpet A.D. 450-453

1. Symbols of the 3rd trumpet: identify what they represent/symbolize

Dial=	
Normwood=	
Waters=	

2. While the King of the Vandals was busy in North Africa, which ruler took the Huns on a rampage through the rivers of the Roman Empire?

- 3. His principle operations came from the Alps and portions of the Empire where the rivers flow down into Italy. Which rivers would his destructions devastate?
- 4. What caused this ruler to come down and attack Rome?



Revelation 8 vv.12-13 7th Seal 4th Trumpet A.D. 476-553

1. Symbols of the 4th trumpet: identify what they represent/symbolize

Sun=		
Moon=	-	
Stars=_		

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2. The 4th trumpet heralded the collapse of which 1/3 of the Empire?

3. What is the event called when a portion of the sun is darkened?

#### Dictionary Definition:

: an occasion when the sun looks like it is completely or partially covered with a dark circle because the moon is between the sun and the Earth: an occasion when the moon looks like it is completely or partially covered with a dark circle because the Earth's shadow is on it

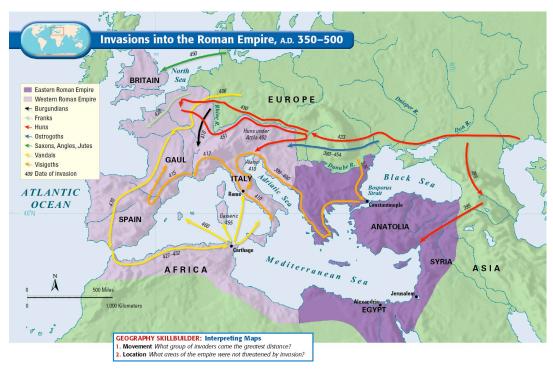
: a loss of power, success, popularity, etc.

4. The Goths, Vandals, and Huns had greatly weakened the Empire and brought about a rapid decline in its influence and power. Which Barbarian sealed the final fall of Rome and became its next King?

In the book, "The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire" it lists 4 events as decisive in the decline and fall of the Western Empire of Rome. They are the attack of Alaric and the Goths (1st trumpet), Genseric and the Vandals (2nd trumpet), Attila and the Huns (3rd trumpet), and the fall of the Empire at the hands of Odoacer in A.D. 476. History therefore endorses the outline of the Apocalypse.

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5. Verse 13 speaks of an angel saying "Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth". Explain what you think is the meaning of this statement.

# Revelation 9 vv1-12 7th Seal 5th Trumpet (1st Woe Trumpet)

1. Symbols of the 5th trumpet: identify what they represent/symbolize

Star=
Key=
Bottomless Pit=
Smoke=
Sun=
Locust=

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Green Grass=	
Teeth of Lions=	
Angel=	

- 2. Locust are remarkable for their numbers, which sometimes are so great that they darken the sky. Locust will destroy anything, not from a large appetite but more from a rage for destruction. List 3 references in the bible that talk about how locust can be of such great number as to black out the sun, darken the earth, and/or lay out major destruction.
- 3. The word locust in Hebrew is arbeh, very similar to Arab. Locust and scorpions are indigenous to Arabia. Historically, who is the leader of this destructive army that would bring long lasting pain upon Eastern Empire? What was his army called.
- 4. A scorpions' sting induces an extreme inflammation, severe pain and a raging temperature, though not fatal. They are a volatile bunch who will attack and even consume themselves. The purpose of the Arabs who came over were looking to change the religion of the Roman Catholics. What was this religion?



#### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC:

A plague of locusts is a devastating natural disaster. These infestations have been feared and revered throughout history. Unfortunately, they still wreak havoc today.

Locusts are related to grasshoppers and the two insects look similar. However, locust behavior can be something else entirely. Locusts are sometimes solitary insects with lifestyles much like grasshoppers. But locusts have another behavioral phase called the gregarious phase. When environmental conditions produce many green plants and promote breeding,

locusts can congregate into thick, mobile, ravenous swarms.

Locust swarms devastate crops and cause major agricultural damage and attendant human misery—famine and starvation. They occur in many parts of the world, but today locusts are most destructive in sustenance farming regions of Africa. The desert locust is notorious. Found in Africa, the Middle East, and Asia.

THE ARABS WERE SKILLFUL HORSEMAN, WORE YELLOW TURBANS (CROWNS OF GOLD V.7), HAD LONG FLOWING HAIR, AND BEARDS. THIS IS NOTED BY VARIOUS AUTHORS OF HISTORY SUCH AS PLINY, "NAT. HIS. VOL.6, PG 28. THEY WOULD LEAD THEIR HORSES, WHICH PULLED ARTILLERY INTO BATTLE AND SWING THEM AROUND TO BLAST CATAPULTS INTO THEIR ENEMIES FACES (ALSO INDICATIVE OF A SCORPION).

5. Give a brief synopsis of what is happening in this 5th trumpet.

Gibbon in the 51st chapter quotes the instructions given by Abubeker, the successor of the Prophet, to his captains: "Remember that you are always in the presence of God, on the verge of death, in the assurance of judgement, and the hope of paradise. Avoid injustice and oppression; consult with your brethren, and study to preserve the love and confidence of your troops. When you fight the battles of the Lord, acquit yourselves like men, without turning your backs; but let not your victory be stained with the blood of women and children. Destroy no palm trees, nor bum any fields of corn. Cut down no fruit trees, nor do any mischief to cattle, only such as you kill to eat. When you make any covenant or article, stand to it, and be as good as your word. As you go on, you will find some religious persons who live retired in monasteries, let them alone, and you will find another sort of people, that belong to the synagogue of Satan, who have shaven crowns; be sure you cleave their skulls and give them no guarter till they either turn Mohammedans or pay tribute." So once again the unusual, the unexpected, is noted centuries before the event in God's prophecy, showing to us that God foreknows and controls all the affairs of history to attain His ends; in this case the protection of true believers, and the destruction of idolatrous catholics. One may ask, what other fulfillment can be found that fits the strange behavior of locusts not destroying grass and trees, yet carrying out a work of destruction?

# Revelation 9 vv.13-21 7th Seal 6th Trumpet *(2nd Woe Trumpet)*

1. Symbols of the 6th trumpet: identify what they represent/symbolize

Golden Altar=
Angels=
Jacinth(hyacinthine)=

- 2. Who do the four angels in v.14 represent from Turkish history?
- 3. In v16 it says "two hundred thousand thousand", is this number to be taken literally? What can be gathered about the Turkish army in regards to this number?

4. The horses and riders having breastplates of fire, jacinth, and brimstone, with the heads of the horses being likened unto heads of lions that issued fire, smoke, and brimstone from their mouth is figuratively speaking of what?

5. In v.18 it says that by the three plagues a 1/3 of man kind was killed. With this figurative language what can we gather happened literally?

6. Despite the Divine judgement poured upon the Eastern Empire, what action was taken by the Roman Empire who remained intact which included Catholic institutions who still maintained their independence?

7. Give a brief synopsis of what is happening in this 6th trumpet.

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#### Turkish Weaponry:

The Saracens in warfare had scorpion-like tails with stings in their tails, that is, Greek or Saracen fire projected by catapult; and the Turks some 800 years later had "fire, jacinth and brimstone", that is, gunpowder to project the "heads of the serpents" far more violently than the Saracens could against the enemy.

There is a most remarkable agreement between history and the symbols; and the matters are related in the right order -the 5th Trumpet followed by the 6th Trumpet details.



Taking the full span of the six Trumpets in Revelation

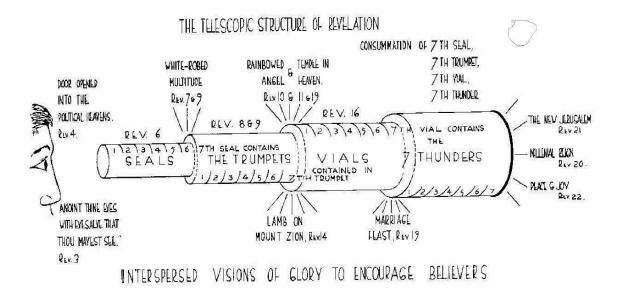
chapters 8 and 9, we have symbols and history running side by side in harmony for a thousand years. This is the more impressive as one considers the many symbols used, each presented in the right sequence through the six Trumpets. In addition, the prophecy gives an inner meaning to the events: we are told God was measuring out his judgements on an increasingly wicked christian' world. The record concludes: "Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts" -- a true comment on the Catholic Church, and a warning to the brethren living at the time.

## THE RAINBOWED ANGEL

and

# 7 THUNDERS

These thunders which come in the 7th Seal, and then subsequently in the 7th Trumpet come after Armageddon.



A new vision unfolds here before John. He sees a mighty angel holding a little book, standing on the land and ocean of earth as a conqueror. He hears the roar of the lion, and the thunder of heaven's artillery. John listens to the Divine oath that there shall be, "time no longer" but that the grand secret of the Divine purpose will be made manifest in the earth.....

John sees this rainbowed angel with an open book in his hand. in response to the angel's cry, seven thunders utter their voices, but John is not permitted to record the things he hears. He is told that the purpose of God will come to pass at the sounding of the seventh trumpet.

#### Vv1-5

In vv 1-5 we get a description of the rainbowed angel. Each of the following items are characteristics of this, "mighty angel" Describe what each word represents as a characteristic of this angel:

- 1. Mighty:
- 2. Come down from heaven:
- 3. Clothed with a cloud:
- 4. Rainbow:
- 5. Face as it were the sun:
- 6. Feet as pillars of fire:

- 7. Based on the chart at the beginning of this section, what do you think the time period of the rainbowed angel is?
- 8. How many times is the phrase, "seven thunders uttered their voices" repeated in this chapter?

9. What was John told about recording the events of the thunders?

10. Why do you think John was told this about recording the thunders?

The mighty angel of vv 1 standing astride the earth, clothed with a cloud and shrouded by a rainbow presents a graphic symbolic picture of Christ and his glorified saints standing victorious over all countries surrounding the Mediterranean and over Catholic Europe. John sees Christ near the end of his work of subduing the nations, hence much has been accomplished since he mighty angel left Sinai.

John observes the rainbowed angel with an open book (or scroll) in his hand standing as conquerer over the earth and sea. John listens to the 7 thunders uttering their voices and though forbidden to record them is invited to eat the little book as an indication of his involvement in the events it recorded. Finally, he receives the assurance that he will yet preach the Bospel to all peoples of the world in the future age.

11. Why do you think John was told to eat the book?

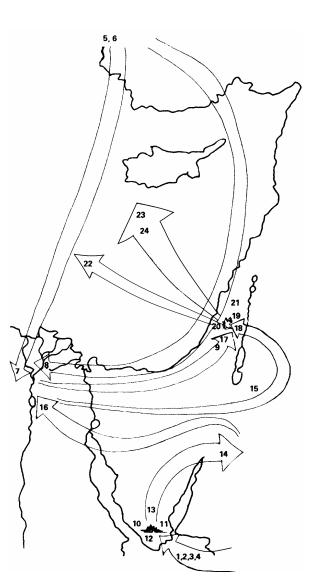
12. Describe John's experience when he ate the book:

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#### REVELATION

#### THE MARCH OF THE RAINBOWED ANGEL

- 1. Return of Jesus Christ to the earth
- 2. Resurrection of the dead
- 3. Judgement Seat at Mt. Sinai
- 4. Rewards and rejections
- 5. Russian overthrow of Turkey
- 6. Europe confederated by Gog
- 7. Russia invades Egypt
- 8. World-Wide time of trouble
- 9. Gog besieges Jerusalem
- 10. Perfect Multitudinous Christ
- 11. Marriage of Lamb to Bride
- 12. Elijah's work of restoration
- 13. The Cherubim Yahweh Tz'vaoth
- 14. Arabs subjected to Christ
- 15. Western powers humiliated
- 16. Smiting and healing of Egypt
- 17. Russia triumphant-Great image
- 18. Armageddon Valley of Judgement
- 19. Christ revealed Olivet splits
- 20. Kingdom established in Zion
- 21. Great Middle East changes
- 22. Millennial Gospel proclaimed
- 23. The Nations reject ultimatum
- 24. World-wide judgements & wars
- 25. Second Exodus of Israel
- 26. Established in bonds of Covenant
- 27. Nations subject to Zion's King
- 28. House of Prayer for all nations
- 29. Universal rule Millennium begins
- 30. The Glory of Yahweh revealed



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#### SYNCHRONIZATION OF EVENTS OCCURRING AT THIS TIME

While Christ is at Sinai preparing his saints to go forth with him, many things are happening in the world which gather all nations to "the battle of that great day of God Almighty" at Armageddon. Although many things will occur simultaneously, the following is an attempt to provide an order of events from Russia's advance into Turkey to Christ's appearance at Jerusalem.

1. Russia having formed an alliance with the Catholic Church and the nations of Europe will advance on Turkey.

2. Once established in Constantinople (Nebuchadnezzar's Image now nearing completion with but Israel and Egypt to be incorporated) the Russian forces will rapidly advance down the coastal plain of Israel, by-passing Jerusalem, and invade Egypt.

3. Elijah is sent forth to gather scattered Israel, while Christ and the saints move from Sinai, northwards, and subdue the Arab powers of the region.

4. The Tarshish powers enter the conflict and consolidate their power in and around Jerusalem.

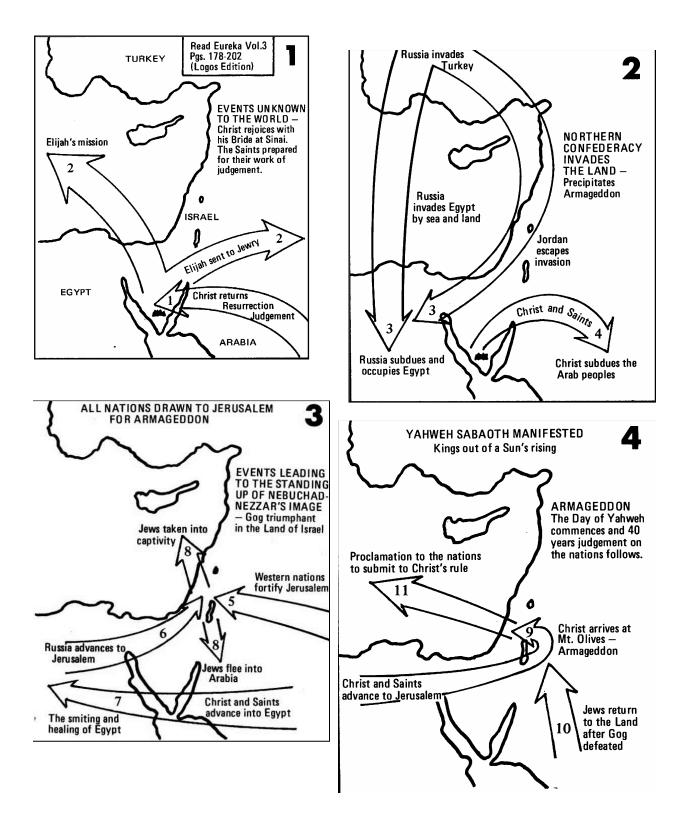
5. After subduing and occupying Egypt the Russian forces receive tidings out of the east and the north which trouble them.

6. Leaving an occupation force, the Gogian confederacy advance upon Jerusalem and engage the forces of the west around Jerusalem.

Christ and the saints enter Egypt, subdue Gog's
40occupying army and relieve Egyptian distress. They commence the work of converting Egypt.

8. Gog is victorious over all opposition in the land of Israel and sets his seat of power in Jerusalem.

- 9. Christ and the saints having left Egypt travel east to Mt. Paran, Mt. Seir and the Dead Sea conquering any resistance encountered, and enter the land due east of Jerusalem, arriving at the Mount of Olives as Gog is going about the task of taking the remnant of the Jewish nation into captivity.
- 10. Christ and the saints use divine power to overthrow Gog's forces and an earthquake makes dramatic changes to the topography of the land.



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Chapter 11: The Death and Resurrection of the 2 Witnesses

This chapter includes three parts:

1- The measuring of the Temple

2-The warfare, death and resurrection of the Witnesses

3-The sounding of the 7th Trumpet, where the nations are loosed from the control of the flesh, and the Lord Jesus Christ takes control.

The two witnesses represent the long struggle against political and religious tyranny which has continued throughout the ages. This is especially true during the time of the sounding of the first six trumpets.

Before Christianity became the accepted religion of the Roman Empire many

who called themselves Christians were persecuted. They were threatened, told to stop preaching, put in jail, or even killed for their beliefs. Later when the Roman Empire accepted Christianity it became easier for believers. This only lasted a short time, because a new ruling religious body took a foothold in the Roman society. Catholicism became the new standard of religion in the Roman Empire. The leaders of the Catholic Church instead of being teachers of truth, developed a false version of Christianity and became powerful governmental leaders. They began to influence politics and policy



for the land, eventually making it impossible to preach, teach, or even believe any other form of Christianity. Throwing Christians in Jail, torture, and the killing of those who did not follow the Catholic religion became standard practice. Revelation Chapter 11:

1.Symbols of the 2 Witnesses: identify what they represent/symbolize

REED:	 	 
TEMPLE OF GOD:	 	
THE ALTAR:	 	 
RISE:	 	 

## DAY FOR A YEAR PRINCIPAL:

In scripture, (especially prophecy) there are codes left for us to figure out in order for us to understand the true meaning of things. One of these codes is the, "Day for a year principal" Sometimes long periods of time are represented by shorter periods of time. These codes are not just, "made up". Usually the code to unlock prophecy can be found laid out for us in other chapters of the Bible. Lets take a look at NUMBERS 14 vv 34. We see that the people of Israel were to wander 1 year for every day they searched out the land. This is the day for a year principal and can be found throughout the book of Revelation.

In Biblical times a month always equaled 30 days, a year was always 12 months.

2. If this is the case how many days would be in a Biblical year?

If a day= 1 year.....

3. How many years would a month represent\_\_\_\_\_

4. How many years would one year represent?\_\_\_\_\_

Moving forward it will be important to remember this principal.

- 5. Using the day for a year principal, tell how many years the time period found in vv2 represents.
- 6. How do you think the time period mentioned in vv 3 relates to the time period in vv 2?
- 7. Who do you think the two witnesses are?
- 8. List as many times in the Bible as you can, when true believers have been persecuted for their beliefs.
- 9. Who do you think the persecutors of the witnesses are and how long did the persecution take place?
- 10. What time period in history do you think this was?

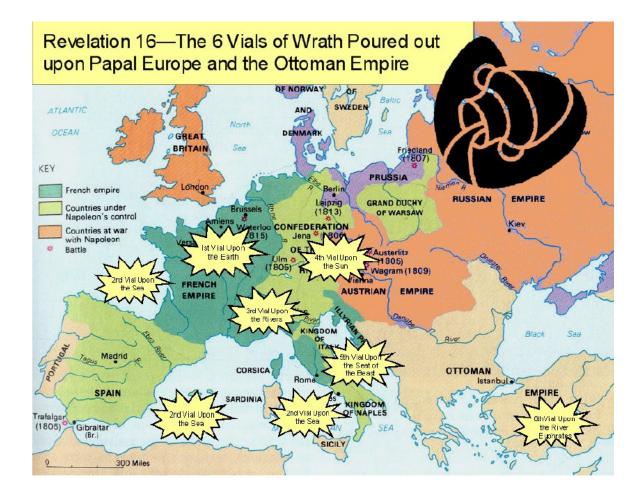
#### Revelation 11 vv 13-19 7th Seal 7th Trumpet (3rd woe Trumpet)

The 3rd woe trumpet which was sounded by the seventh angel, introduced the events that came quickly after the French Revolution. As is frequently the case in scripture, the final picture is given first, and then the events leading up to it are related. these are briefly hinted at in this section of Revelation, but are more completely dealt with as described by the outpouring of the vials in chapter 16.

- 11. In vv 13 there is a Great Earthquake, we know that this is symbolic of a political earthquake. What political revolution do you think this was?
- 12. What year did this take place?
- 13. Vv 18 speaks about angry nations on earth. Christ is opposing these nations, Who do you think will help him to destroy these nations?

- 14. What was seen in the Temple of God, and how does this relate to Christ and the Redeemed?
- 15. We now know that an earthquake is a symbol for a great overthrow of the existing political order. There are 3 great earthquakes mentioned in Revelation. List the 3 earthquakes and where they are found. Also note which political order was overthrown with each earthquake:

## THE VIALS



REVELATION 16 vv 1-2 7th Seal 7th Trumpet (3rd Woe Trumpet) 1st Vial 1789-1793

We are now going to take a look at the Vials. It is important to note that the vials take place during the 7th Trumpet which are contained in the 7th seal. Reference the Revelation lay-out graphic on page 17.

- 1. The sore mentioned in vv 2 is not literal but a figurative symbol. What is this revolution that brought distress to the nations, which has lasted until present day?
- 2. The BEAST is the Holy Roman Empire. Who do you think they are worshipping in vv 2?
- 3. Who was the man in history who aided in afflicting this sore on the Roman Catholic countries?

The divine commission which Napoleon unconsciously fulfilled was to trouble the former as to brig it to an end. He was, "a man of destiny". Specifically directed against Roman Catholicism. It is remarkably significant, that whereas he enjoyed outstanding victories so long as he limited his attacks against Roman Catholic countries, he experienced dismal and decisive defeats when he moved beyond the are of such. His



Palestinian and Russian campaigns were disastrous, and his quarrel with Protestant England finally encompassed his fall. Meanwhile, the effect of the, "malignant ulcer" was felt by all Roman Catholic countries of Europe...

<u>The Apocalypse Epitomised</u> H.P. Mansfield 4. Briefly explain what is happening during the 1st Vial:

Revelation 16 vv 3 7th Seal 7th Trumpet (3rd Woe Trumpet) 2nd Vial 1793-1815

Napoleon's conquests extended throughout Europe. He tried to Gain control of Britain, the Middle East, and Russia. But was met with Great resistance from the British Navy. The British blockaded Napoleon and gained control of the sea ports, many lives were lost as these battles took place. He succeeded on land but was defeated on sea. At first the Holy Roman Empire was only under attack from the rebellion that started in France however, the empire was under attack by the mighty British Navy which showed it prowess by cornering Napoleon and allowing for his defeat. Starting in 1793 England began to destroy the French Navy and went on to destroy the Navies of Spain, Itlaly, and Belgium. This is the description we see from vv 3 of Chapter 16.

1. Why do you think Napoleon was successful on land but not on the sea?

2. What do you think is meant by, "every living soul died"?

3. Briefly explain what is happening during the 2nd vial:

Revelation 16 vv 4-7 7th Seal 7th Trumpet (3rd Woe Trumpet) 3rd Vial 1796-1801

There is a parallel between the events of the seven trumpets and the seven vials. The same area of Europe as affected by Napoleon was the scene of the operation of Attila under the third trumpet. This was the Area north of Italy, to Switzerland and it's adjoining highlands. This is where the rivers of western Europe rise. The description in this vial of the, "rivers and fountains of waters" point us to this area. This was in fact where Napoleon had successful attacks against the Roman Catholic Empire....

1. Why would God want Napoleon to attack the area north of Italy?

2. What nation would have been protecting the Pope at this time?

3. Briefly explain what is happening during the 3rd vial:

4. What do you think vv6 indicates about what the Catholic system had done to believers?

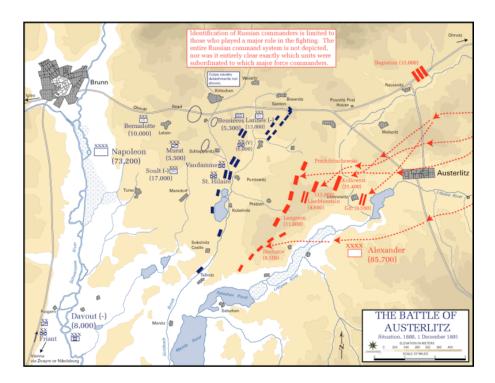
5. What does it mean at the end of vv 6 when it says, "they are worthy"

6. Who is this referring to?

6. What is the word ALTAR referring to here?

#### Revelation 16 vv 8-9 7th Seal 7th Trumpet (3rd Woe Trumpet) 4th Vial 1805-1815

THE VIAL, POURED OUT UPON THE SUN, SYMBOLIZED THE WARS OF NAPOLEON AGAINST AUSTRIA AND THE SO-CALLED HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE. AUSTRIA WAS THE CAPITAL OF THIS EMPIRE AT THE TIME...



- 1. What was this, "Power" in vv 8 and who was it given to?
- 2. When Napoleon marched against Austria, what other nation had forces there helping her?
- 3. What does it mean that, "they repented not"? (vv9)

4. What does it mean when it says, "to scorch men with fire"?

5. Briefly explain what is happening during the 4th vial:

#### Revelation 16 vv 10-11 7th Seal 7th Trumpet (3rd Woe Trumpet) 5th Vial 1808-1815

With the defeat of the Austrian Emperor during the fourth vial period, the Pope representing the head of the Holy Roman Empire had been humiliated. The empire was dissolved after a 1000 years of blasphemy and violence. Napoleon's commission was completed....

1. Who's seat was the 5th Vial poured on?

2. How was his Kingdom full of darkness?

- 3. Did the destruction of the Holy Roman Empire end the Catholic religion?
- 4. Briefly explain what is happening during the 5th vial:

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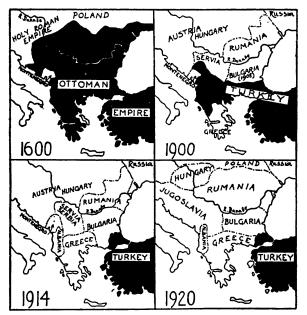
#### Revelation 16 vv 8-9 7th Seal 7th Trumpet (3rd Woe Trumpet) 6th Vial 1815-Present

We have now entered into the vial that we are living in. It is possible to make the mistake to believe that since the first 5 vials overlapped or happened in short succession that the final two would do the same. This would be incorrect. The fact is, the 6th Trumpet lasted 391 years. For a vial to last equally as long would not be unprecedented. Much has happened during this vial and, Christ returns during the 6th vial period. There is much to take place before the 7th vial commences....

1. What do you think the drying up of the river Euphrates refers to? HINT\* Which Nation?

- 2. Who are the kings of the east?
- 3. Who and what are the 3 unclean spirits like frogs?

- 4. Who is the Dragon?
- 5. Who is the BEAST in vv 13?



The Decline of Turkey in Europe

- 6. Who is the False Prophet?
- 7. What war (that has not happened yet) will take place during the 6th vial?



8.When do you think the 7th vial will be poured out based on vv 17?

Armageddon is a symbolic name signifying A heap of sheaves in a valley for judgment illustrating a national judgment such as is predicted in Micah 4:13; Joel 3:12-14. Key point of the conflict will be Jerusalem (see Joel 3:16; Zech. 14:1-2) and not Megiddo as is sometimes assumed. Philologically the two words are not related. Armageddon will draw the nations to Jerusalem, to the site of Christ's humiliation at their hands 1900 years ago, there to witness his power and glory. This will be the beginning of judgment that will ultimately involve the whole world including Babylon the great. See Rev. 16:19-21.

#### Revelation 16 vv 17-21 7th Seal 7th Trumpet (3rd Woe Trumpet) 7th Vial 7 Thunders Future Events

The vision in chapter 15 shows us, " those who have the victory over the Beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name" (15:2). They sing about the time when God's judgments are made manifest (verse 4). This introduces a new phase that is not fully described in Revelation. Back in chapter 10, John was told, "Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them" (verse 4). It is strange in a book called, "The Revelation" - i.e., about uncovering and explaining things that are hidden- to have part of its message sealed up and closed front view.

The Book of Revelation is Jesus' message to John and all his faithful followers. After his death and resurrection, Jesus ascended to heaven, where he waits for the appointed day when his Father will send him back to the earth to set up His kingdom. The message of Revelation was given to instruct Jesus' disciples in advance of the momentous events that would occur between his ascension to heaven and his return to the earth. When we come across the section that remains, "sealed up" it is likely therefore to refer to events that Jesus will be able to reveal personally once he has returned - i.e., events that will occur when he comes back to set up God's kingdom.

But, accepting that we cannot know in detail about the, "seven thunders", is there a general message to be learned about them? Thunders are used in the Bible to describe God's judgments on the enemies of his people. Hannah, and her prayer in 1 Samuel 2, said: "the adversaries of the Lord shall be broken in pieces; from heaven he will thunder against them" (verse 10). The details of these thunders did not need to be revealed to John, for Jesus will be back in the earth to tell his disciples about them face to face.

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#### 1. Where did the angel pour out the 7th vial?

- 2. What do you think this represents?
- 3. What is meant by, "It is done."? (v17)
- 4. What does the description of the earthquake tell you about it in comparison to the others in history?
- 5. What do the mountains represent?

6. How much does a talent weigh?

7. What does the hail represent?

### REVELATION 17-19: THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB AND THE CONQUEST OF THE NATIONS

These chapters describe in greater detail the outpouring of the seventh vial of divine wrath as it effects Babylon the Great, as well as outlining the marriage of the Lamb, and Christ's final conquests.

John is conveyed into a wilderness and is shown Babylon the Great first in power and then in destruction. This is followed by a description of the Marriage of the Lamb, the conquest of the beast, and the binding and ultimate destruction of Satan. The section can be epitomised:

(a)	Babylon the Great Destroyed	
	The System Described	
	The System Destroyed	
<i>(b)</i>	The Marriage Of The Lamb	
(~)	The Marriage Come	
	The Marriage Celebrated	
(c)	The Final Conquests Of The Lamb	
(0)	The Beast and False Prophet Destroyed	
	The Dragon (Satan) Bound	
	The Dragon (Satan) Destroyed	

## Chapter 17: The description of Babylon

1. Who is the Great whore from vv 1 of chapter 17?

2. Why are these judgments going to be levied against her?

3. What do vv 14-18 of chapter 17 indicate about what is going to happen to this woman?

## Chapter 18: Babylon's Overthrow

- 4. What is meant by vv2 where it says Babylon has become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit?
- 5. Is this literal Babylon that is to be destroyed?

## Chapter 19: The Marriage of the Lamb

6. How would you describe the feeling of vv 1-8 of chapter 19?

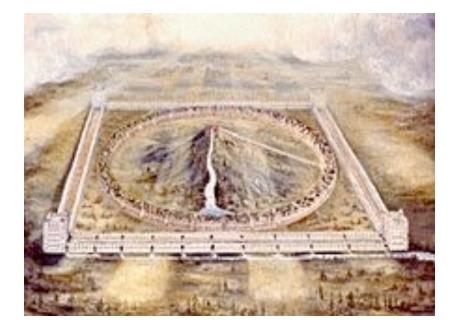
- 7. Why do you think this is?
- 8. What is happening in these verses (1-8)?

9. What is the marriage of the lamb?

10. Who does the marriage of the lamb involve?

11. When will this take place?

12. What is meant by, "the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of Prophecy" in vv 10?





Option 1: Pick any of the visions in Revelation and make a poster or model of what John saw. Be creative, and use as many of the artistic skills you have.

## Option 2: Write a Historical report on the fall of the Roman Empire. Include references from world history. Minimum 3 pages

Option 3: Make a Map including all of the aspects of the March of the Rainbowed angel. Include the order of events as close as you can.

## <u>Have Fun!</u>