

The Book of Revelation Part 16

Chapter 12 - The Third Woe

Foundation Scriptures

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

Rev 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Review: In Rev 11 we saw the results of a treaty which allowed the Temple to be rebuilt but without the sacrificial courtyard; then came prophecies for a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days; and then the murder and resurrection of the two witnesses.

Dan 12:3 And they that be **wise shall shine as the brightness** of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever. *Isn't this a wonderful description of the Glorious Church?*

A. The man child

1. Israel's first fruits unto the Messiah.

Rev 12:1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

Rev 12:2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

Note: The woman represents Israel but only Zionist Israel (i.e., the Scriptural observant Jews).

Isa 66:7 Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child.

Isa 66:8 Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? [or] shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.

2. The great red dragon.

2 Cor 4:4 When Adam sinned, satan became the god of this world (Luk 4:5, 6).

Rev 12:3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having <u>seven heads and ten horns</u>, and <u>seven</u> crowns upon his heads.

Rev 12:4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

Rev 17:3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having <u>seven heads and</u> ten horns.

Rev 17:7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the <u>seven heads</u> and ten horns.



Rev 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition:

3. The man child represents the 144,000.

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

Rev 7:4 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: [and there were] sealed an hundred [and] forty [and] four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

Rev 12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and [to] his throne.

Rev 2:26 And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

Rev 2:27 And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

Rev 14:1 And I looked, and, Io, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty [and] four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. Rev 14:3 no man could learn that song but the hundred [and] forty [and] four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. v4 ... These were redeemed from among men, [being] the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

- 4. False peace for 3 ½ years.
 - a) The results of the peace treaty.

Rev 11:3 And I will give [power] unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days, (3 ½ years) clothed in sackcloth. Rev 11:2 the Gentiles shall tread under foot the holy city forty [and] two months.

This is followed by the abomination of desolation.

b) Breaking of the treaty.

Dan 9:27 ASV And he shall make a firm covenant with many for one week (7 years): and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease; and upon the wing of abominations shall come one that maketh desolate; and even unto the full end, and that determined, shall wrath be poured out upon the desolate.

Rev 12:6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days.

c) Tribulation for 3 ½ years.

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

Rev 13:4 they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and worshipped the beast, saying, Who [is] like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

Rev 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue <u>forty [and] two months.</u>
Rev 13:6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

Rev 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.



d) New Testament warning.

2Th 2:1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and [by] our gathering together unto him,

2Th 2:2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

2Th 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come], except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition:

2Th 2:4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

Note: This is the abomination of desolation.

e) Old Testament warnings.

Dan 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 sware by him that liveth

for ever that [it shall be] for a time, times, and an half (3 ½ years); and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these [things] shall be finished.

Dan 12:8 ... what [shall be] the end of these [things]? v9 the words [are] closed up and sealed till the time of the end. Dan 12:10 **Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried** (*i.e., the Glorious Church*); but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand. Dan 12:11 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. Dan 12:11 ASV From the time that the **continual burnt-offering** shall be taken away, & the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand and two hundred and ninety days. v12 Blessed [is] he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.

B. War in heaven

1. The prophecy of Jesus.

Luk 10:17 And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

Luk 10:18 And he said unto them, I beheld satan as lightning fall from heaven.

Luk 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Luk 10:20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

2. War in the heavenlies.

Rev 11:14 The second woe is past; [and], behold, the third woe cometh quickly.

Rev 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:

Rev 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, Rev 12:8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.



Rev 12:9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the devil, and satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

3. The Heavenlies purged of evil.

Mat 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Remember Jesus created all things so this Scripture is not referring to the Third Heaven. It has always belonged to Jesus because He and God are one.

So now, finally the Kingdom of the Heavenlies, has been purged of satan, demons, devils and evils spirits.

4. Theme 2 – Dominion to overcome.

Rev 12:10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

Rev 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

- C. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth
 - 1. Review of the Woes.
 - a) Rev 8:13 And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabiters of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound! This is after the events of Seal 6.
 - b) Rev 9:12 One woe is past; [and], behold, there come two woes more hereafter. This occurs after the plague of the locusts.
 - c) Rev 11:14 The second woe is past; [and], behold, the third woe cometh quickly. This occurs immediately after the great earthquake in Jerusalem and is preceded sequentially by Trumpet 6 in Rev 9:13-21, and in Rev 11 by the measuring of the temple, by the prophesying, and finally by the killing and the resurrection of the Two Witnesses.
 - 2. The Third Woe.
 - a) Rev 12:12a Therefore rejoice, [ye] heavens, and ye that dwell in them.

This is a cause of great rejoicing for the heavens and they that dwell in them. We are in this earth but not of the earth. We are simply ambassadors of Heaven on earth. Our home is the Third Heaven (2 Cor 12:2) and God now has control of the First Heaven (i.e., the heavenlies around the earth).

- b) Rev 12:12b Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.
- c) Dan 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 <u>nation</u> [even] to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.



Dan 12:2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame [and] everlasting contempt.

3. The beginning of major persecution.

Rev 12:13 And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man [child]. Rev 12:14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time (i.e., 3 ½ years), from the face of the serpent.

Rev 12:15 And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

Rev 12:16 And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

Rev 12:17 And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ (i.e., the Messianic Jews).

4. Directions from Jesus.

Mat 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:)

Mat 24:16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

Mat 24:17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

Mat 24:18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

Mat 24:19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

Mat 24:20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: Mat 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.

Mat 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.