



Revelation With Daniel

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Verses 1-6 - The word “Alleluia” is used four times in this chapter, the only four times it’s used in the Bible! “True and righteous” for judgment is similar to what is found in **15:4** and **16:5**. Here, all Heaven has been able to sing about the *everlasting gospel*, saying in the *fear* of *God* while giving *glory to Him*, “Salvation, and glory, and honor and power!” (See **5:6, 13, 12:10, 14:6-7**) At this end time scenario the cry is made because *Babylon is fallen* due to the just judgments of God. He had avenged the blood of His servants (compare **6:10-11** and **14:8**). *The smoke of her torment* arises forever and ever, as predicted in **14:11**. Those that *keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus* are portrayed in the next few verses. (Notice **14:12**.) It’s interesting in verse **5** to read that it inadvertently reveals that it is God the Father being praised as on the throne. Notice the words: “Praise **our** God...” Every being in the universe has a God except God the Father. Please watch these short videos:

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Verse 7-9 - The “marriage of the Lamb” includes an invitation to the “marriage supper of the Lamb.” You’ll notice there are two suppers in this chapter, one where people are the main guests, and the other where people are the main course (see verses **17-18**). I choose the former! (**Matthew 22:1-14** illustrates a king desiring to invite people to the supper He had prepared for his son’s marriage. These are the same ideas contained here in the Revelation.)

The wife, at this future time, has made herself ready for the marriage (as the 144,000). Christ has been waiting for her to get ready, just as He is waiting for the precious harvest of the earth to be ripe (**14:14-15**). She is ready because she has arrayed herself in righteousness—Christ’s righteousness—the only righteousness acceptable for salvation. If Christ were to come to earth without the wife or harvest being ready, He would have no one to take back to Heaven! See Job’s thoughts about the robe of righteousness in **Job 29:14-17**.

Verse 10 - John worshipped at the feet of the angel and was told not to do it. The response was, “I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus.” In **22:8-9**, John worshipped at the feet of the angel and was told not to do it. The response was, “I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren the prophets.”

The phrase “testimony of Jesus” is used 5 times in the Bible, each in the Revelation. (**1:2, 9, 12:17** and **19:10**). Each time it is referring to the words of the prophets, the “spirit of prophecy.” John was persecuted and sent to the island of Patmos because he faithfully declared the words of the prophets (see also **2 Timothy 3:12**).

Verses 11-16 - There are two well known characters in the Revelation on white horses: one in **6:2** and here in verse **11**. This one represents Jesus Christ coming in glory—referred to often as the second coming. Heaven is opened here as it is in **6:14**, during the second coming, and Christ is called “Faithful” just as He is in **1:5**, just as He is “True” in **3:14**. This time He doesn’t come as a Lamb to be slain, He comes as a King to judge and make war. His eyes as a flame of fire remind us of **1:14**, and the many crowns are specifically Kingly. **Isaiah 63:3** shares why His garment is dipped in blood, and **John 1:1-3 & 14** tells us that while Christ came to this earth, the Word was made flesh! (Something He will retain throughout all eternity. “God so loved the world that He gave...” **John 3:16**.) The armies of Heaven do His commandments and are therefore white with righteousness and mightier than any other (**Psalms 103:20**). Out of Christ’s mouth comes the Word of God (**Hebrews 4:12**. See **Hosea 6:5**). He will smite the nations and rule them with a rod of iron, as He promised

would happen to the victors in the fourth church (see **2:27**), representing the dark ages era. He was also prophesied to rule with a rod of iron during the days of Rome in **12:5**. He will tread the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God just as is mentioned in **14:19-20**. He is bold during this second coming. No mystery here, it will be written on His garments that He rules.

Verses 17-18 - The significance of the angel standing in the sun could mean that his message would spread as far and wide as its rays, and that he casts no shadows, only light (See **James 1:17**). He calls for the second supper in this chapter. The call for “fowls” of the air is interesting, in that the word for fowls is only used three times in the New Testament—each time in the Revelation (**18:2** and **19:21**). This must be the same supper (in the context of the second coming) that Christ spoke of in **Luke 17:37** (see that eagles are near where the slain are in **Job 39:27-30**). When Christ was asked, “Where Lord?” The question was not where were the people in the story left, but rather, where were they taken. They were taken unto death where the eagles/vultures would gather together. That’s also what happened to Noah in **Luke 17:26-27**, the wicked were referred to as taken to death. The wicked taken to their death is the context of Lot in **17:28-30** as well. Lot’s wife was referred to as taken to her death in verse **32**. Notice **Jeremiah 7:33-34**, “The carcasses of this people shall be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth; and none shall fray them away. Then will I cause to cease from the cities of Judah, and from the streets of Jerusalem, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride: for the land shall be desolate.” See also **Ezekiel 39:17-22** noticing the context being the destruction of Gog (referred to in chapter **20** of the Revelation).

Verse 19 - The beast system, joined together with the kings and armies of the earth (representing the unity of church and state using the force of their armies, or military power) stand ready to fight against the One on the horse, which is Jesus Christ accompanied by Heaven’s armies. This is another aspect of the war mentioned in **17:12-14**, **16:13-16**, **13:15-17**, and **12:17**.

Verse 20 - The beast and false prophet were pointed out as being guilty for working miracles to deceive people into worshipping idols. John saw them cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone, yet saw in another vision of **20:14-15** that the lake of fire doesn’t burn in its completion until after the one thousand years.

Verse 21 - Any of the wicked left from the physical and spiritual war, along with the plagues of chapter **16**, here called the remnant, were slain by the Word of God. The very Word that created the heavens and the earth, by which we are given new life (**Psalms 33:6**, **1 Peter 1:23**), also destroys those who choose to walk in unrighteousness.

Let’s all make decisions to heed the call to the marriage supper of the Lamb, to be saved, and to be guests at the first supper mentioned in this chapter.

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