**Where Are We Going From Here?**

***An Introduction to the 7 Year Tribulation*** *(Cont.)*

 **The Book of Revelation**

In stark contrast to the glorious events that are going to take place in Heaven for believers in Jesus Christ, we are now confronted with ***the unprecedented horrors*** that are going to take place on earth for everyone who does not know the Lord.

**I.** A General Overview of the Book of ***Revelation***

There is a 3-fold division to the book of Revelation that serves as a basic chronological ***outline*** that helps us to better understand what this book is all about.

***Revelation 1:10-20***

***The 1st division*** is “the things that you have seen” *(the* ***past****)*andithas to do with John’s vision of Jesus Christ found in ***1:10-20***.

***The 2nd division*** is “the things that are” *(the* ***present****)* and it covers the letters to the 7 Churches of Asia Minor that are recorded in ***2:1-3:22****.*

***The 3rd division*** details the things *“*that are to take place after this” *(the* ***future****)*and it covers the vast majority of the book Revelation ***- 4:1-22:21****.*

***Revelation 4:1-11***

The repeated mention of the‘throne’ throughout these verses symbolizes absolute ***authority***.

***Revelation 5:1-14***

The‘scroll’ is actually the ***title deed*** of the entire Universe and it was purchased by the blood of “the Lamb that was slain.”

This title deed gives Jesus the absolute authority to do ***3*** things**:** to judge ***sinners***, to repossess the ***world***, and to evict ***Satan*** from it!

The actual beginning of the Tribulation will take place when Jesus breaks the ***1st******seal*** of this scroll.

**II. A General Overview of the** .

 ***The Various*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ***of the Tribulation Period***

Our understanding of the Tribulation is determined by the occurrence of 3 specific series of judgments**:** The \_\_\_\_\_ Judgments, The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Judgments, and The \_\_\_\_\_\_ Judgments.

***The Specific*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ***That are Given for the Tribulation Period***

It is called ***The Tribulation and*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_* ***Tribulation*** *(Matthew 24:9, 21, 29; Rev. 7:14)*

It is called ***The Day of the*** *\_\_\_\_\_* *(Isaiah 34:1-8; Joel 2:30-32; 3:1-21; Zachariah 14:1-21)*

It is called ***The Time of*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ***Trouble*** *(Jeremiah 30:7)*

It is called ***The Time of the*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ***of God*** *(Zeph. 1:15; Rev. 11:18; 15:1; 16:1)*

It is called ***The*** *\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_* ***of Daniel*** *(Daniel 9:24-27)*

***The Primary*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ***of the Tribulation Period***

God’s ***1st*** ***purpose*** is to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, wicked, unbelieving people, and nations for their sinfulness. *(Psalm 2:5; Jeremiah 25:30-32; Zach. 12:3; II Thess. 2:12; Revelation 3:10; 6:15).*

God’s ***2nd purpose*** is to bring \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the nation of Israel, in order to prepare them for the Messianic Kingdom. *(Jeremiah 30:7; Daniel 9:24; 12:1; Matthew 24:15-20)*

***The Key*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ***in the Tribulation Period***

The most significant individual who appears in the Tribulation is the man commonly called the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. *(I John 2:18)*

The ***2nd*** key person who will be involved in the great conflict of the Tribulation is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*(Revelation 16:13; 19:20; 20:10)*

The Bible makes it clear this person will actually have the ability to perform miracles with which he will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the unbelieving world into worshiping the Antichrist.

**Conclusion:**

 ***If you know Jesus, then aren’t you so very thankful that***

 ***He has*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* ***you from the wrath to come?***

*“…and to wait for His Son from Heaven, whom He raised from the dead,*

*Jesus****who delivers us from the wrath to come.”*** *(I Thess. 1:10)*

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