

Part 12: Finally...! Revelation 19

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The Story in a Nutshell

God steps into the train wreck of humanity to <u>redeem</u> and <u>restore</u> his relationship with his creation.

What has been occurring on earth:

Rise of the Antichrist

The Seven Bowls of Judgment

The Demise of "Babylon"

The Battle of Armageddon

(Daniel 9:24-27, Matthew 10:16-42, Mathew 24:9-25, Luke 21:12-19, Revelation 6:9-11, Revelation 7:1-17, Revelation 11:3-12, Revelation 14:12-16, Revelation 20:4) Hope in the Face of Evil

What has been occurring in heaven:

The Marriage Supper of the Lamb

(Revelation 19:6-9, 2 Corinthians 11:2, Ephesians 5:25-27)

The Bema/Reward Seat of Christ

(Matthew 10:42, 2 Corinthians 5:10, 1 Corinthians 3:10-15)

The moment we've all been waiting for:

The return of Jesus Christ

Revelation 19:11-16

¹¹ I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. ¹² His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. ¹³ He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. ¹⁴ The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. ¹⁵ Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written:

KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Jesus will return...

Publicly

Bodily

Forcefully

Triumphantly

(Revelation 19, Mark 14:62; Mark 13:26, Matthew 24:30, Luke 21:27, 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17, Revelation 1:7, Titus 2:13)

The Second Coming of Christ should produce an <u>urgency</u> for God's children to share <u>the message</u> of Jesus so that every single person can share in the hope of Jesus.

Next Step

Read Revelation 20 this week. Remember to look for Jesus and his hope in this chapter.

Small Group Questions

- 1) What's your favorite part of a wedding? What's your least favorite part?
- 2) How do you believe God is going to reward his children?
- 3) Does the reality of Jesus' return affect your day-to-day life? How?
- 4) Read through the scriptures listed under each of the events listed above. What questions are still unanswered about the future events? Where would you go to find answers?
- 5) Does it matter that Jesus will return publicly, bodily, forcefully and triumphantly?
- 6) What do you need prayer for today?

