**THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST**(who is and who was and who is to come)

**LESSON 17 – Prelude to the Bowl Judgments**

**(Revelation 15:1-8)**

**EXTRA INFO:** Chapter 15 introduces the 7 bowls of wrath, God’s final judgments at the end of the 7 year tribulation period. Along with chapter 16, these 2 chapters bring to consummation the final events leading to the 2nd coming of Christ. These judgments will come rapidly, one after another, as each one is stronger in fury and intensity. These bowls are the last plagues that come from the blast of the 7th trumpet, and will conclude the 7th seal.

**DAY ONE** - Read Revelation 15:1 (Seven Angels with Seven Plagues)

1. What *great and marvelous/amazing sign in heaven* did John see in verse 1?

*Answer here*

2. What were the two *signs* John had already seen according to these verses?

Revelation 12:1

*Answer here*

Revelation 12:3

*Answer here*

3. Do a **Word Study** of the word *plagues.*

*Answer here*

4. What had our apostle said about *the wrath of God* in John 3:36?

*Answer here*

5. As Revelation 15:1 tells us that God’s judgmentwill soon be *complete/finished*, what do the following verses say about what has also been *finished* by Christ?

John 17:4

*Answer here*

John 19:30

*Answer here*

**DAYS TWO & THREE** - Read Revelation 15:2-4 (The Songs)

1. Describe the scene in heaven in Revelation 15:2.

*Answer here*

2. What is *mingled with the sea of glass here that was absent in* Revelation 4:6?

*Answer here*

3. Who are *those who have the victory over the beast*? Re-read Revelation 14:12-13.

*Answer here*

4. Describe their future resurrection and reward found in Revelation 20:4.

*Answer here*

5. What two types of songs are they singing in Revelation 15:3a?

*Answer here*

6. a. Read Exodus 15:1-19 about the time when *Moses* *and the children of Israel* *sang to the Lord*. What had the LORD just done for them?

*Answer here*

b. What did Moses proclaim in *the words of* another *song* in Deuteronomy 32:3-4?

*Answer here*

7. Re-read Revelation 5:8-14, and share the *great and marvelous* works of Christ that stand out to you in this *song of the Lamb?*

*Answer here*

8. **PERSONAL:** Do you have a favorite song that just thrills your heart and reminds you of all that the Lord has done for you? Share more than one if you like.

*Answer here*

9. Coming back to Revelation 15:3b-4, what attributes of God stand out to you?

*Answer here*

10. What do these verses say about the time when *all nations shall come and worship before the Lord*?

Isaiah 66:23

*Answer here*

Zechariah 14:16

*Answer here*

**DAYS FOUR & FIVE -** Read Revelation 15:5-8 (After These Things)

1. *After these things,* what did John seewhen he *looked* in verse 5?

*Answer here*

**EXTRA INFO:** This new vision draws John’s attention from the redeemed saints singing their praises as the bowl judgments are coming, and John saw the angels who will carry them out. *Temple* or *sanctuary* refers to the Holy of Holies, the place where God’s presence dwells, as it does in heaven.

2. As John now see this “temple scene” in heaven, what had he already *seen* in Revelation 11:19a?

*Answer here*

3. What do these verses say about the original *Most Holy* place and the *testimony*,called *the temple/sanctuary of the tabernacle of the testimony,* in Revelation 15:5?

Exodus 26:31-34 and Exodus 31:18

*Answer here*

Numbers 10:11

*Answer here*

4. What stands out to you about the heavenly sanctuary from Hebrews 9:11-15?

*Answer here*

5. What did God do to *the veil of the temple* that blocked the entrance to the Most Holy place when Jesus died on the cross according to Matthew 27:51?

*Answer here*

6. Now that John had seen this place opened back in Revelation, describe what he saw coming out of it in chapter 15, verse 6.

*Answer here*

7. What did *one of the four living creatures* give *to the seven angels* in verse 7?

*Answer here*

8. What happened in the temple *till the seven plagues of the seven angels were completed* in verse 8?

*Answer here*

9. What does Exodus 19:18 say about this kind of *smoke from the glory of God and from His power*?

*Answer here*

10. What does 2 Thessalonians 1:9 say about this kind of punishment?

*Answer here*

**DISCUSSION:** What does it mean to you today to know that you have direct access to the presence of God because of the sacrifice of the Lamb? Read Hebrews 4:16.

*Answer here*