

Revelation: Until These Tears Are Gone: Lesson 11 (Revelation 19:11-20:15)

November 29th & 30th Questions primarily from Nancy Guthrie's *Blessed Study Guide*

1. Read Revelation 19:11–16. **Note each of the names given to the rider on the white horse and write a sentence for each that expresses what you think each name means.**

- Faithful and True:
- A name that no one knows but himself:
- The Word of God:
- King of kings and Lord of Lords:

2. Read Revelation 19:17–21. **In what ways is this supper a complete contrast to the marriage supper of the Lamb presented earlier in Revelation 19?**

3. Read Revelation 20:1–3 along with the following passages from the Gospels. **What additional context does each of the following passages reveal about when and how Satan has been bound or cast down?**

- Luke 10:1–2, 17–20:
- John 12:31–33:

4. Read Revelation 20:4–6. **What clues do you find in the following verses that might help us to understand what John means by the “first resurrection”?** (You may see some nuance or variance in them.)

- Romans 6:4–5:
- 2 Corinthians 5:6–8:
- Ephesians 2:5–7:

5. Read Revelation 20:7–10. This is the fourth time we've read about this same battle or war in Revelation. Rather than seeing this as a consecutive series of “final” conflicts, it seems more likely that we're seeing the same last battle from numerous angles. **Note some aspects of the final battle in each of these accounts.**

- Revelation 16:12–16:
- Revelation 19:19–21:
- Revelation 20:7–10:

6. Read Revelation 20:11–12. What is the difference between what is written in “the books” and what is written in “the book of life”? For additional clues, read Romans 2:5–8 and Revelation 21:27.

7. Read Revelation 20:13–15 along with John 5:28–29 and 2 Corinthians 5:10. What is the “second death,” and who will experience it?

8. As Revelation 19–20 brings the end of history as we know it into view. This passage brings into light what it means to be on the “right” side of history as detailed below:

- Sharing in the victory of King Jesus
- Feasting at the marriage supper
- Reigning with Christ
- Sharing in the resurrection of Jesus
- Being preserved through the fire of God’s judgment
- Being rewarded based on what is written in the books

How is this different from what is generally meant in our culture about being on the right side of history?

9. The writer of Hebrews says that “faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen” (Heb. 11:1). ***How does what we see in Revelation 19–20 inspire or challenge your faith?***

10. We saw some vivid pictures in this chapter: the arrival of the warrior king; his treading the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God; a gruesome feast; the throwing of the dragon, beast, false prophet, and their allies into the lake of fire. ***How do these images strike you?***

11. Why do you think the first recipients of this letter needed to see these vivid pictures? Why do you need to read and see this vivid imagery?

12. In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, Satan was bound “so that he might not deceive the nations any longer” (Rev. 20:3) ***Who are some of the individuals or people groups that you know or have heard about who have heard and received and been changed by the gospel of Christ?***

13. We read in 20:12 about being judged according to what is in the books—the record of our deeds. ***In light of what we’ve been reading in Revelation, what do you hope will be read in the “the books” about you?***