

# The Culmination of Spiritual Warfare

## Revelation 19

**Revelation 1:4-6** John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ **the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.** To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood <sup>6</sup> and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

**Revelation 2:7** He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. **To the one who conquers** I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.'

**Revelation 2:11** He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. **The one who conquers** will not be hurt by the second death.'

### I. The Triumph of Christ's Kingdom

- The coming of Christ was foretold as the coming of the King (Ps 2:1-12; Isaiah 9:6-7)
- Christ was born as a king (Matthew 2:2)
- The devil tempted Christ by offering Him the kingdom (Matthew 4:1-10)
- Christ preached the kingdom (Mark 1:14-15)
- Christ was crucified as King (John 19:19-22)
- Christ won a kingdom on the cross (Colossians 2:13-15)
- Christ is establishing the kingdom today (1 Corinthians 15:24-27)
- Christ will finally establish His kingdom in the future (Rev 19)

**Dan. 7:13-14** "I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came **one like a son of man**, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. <sup>14</sup> **And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom**, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him;

**Matthew 28:18** And Jesus came and said to them, **"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.**

**Matthew 16:18** And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock **I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.**

**Ephesians 6:10-12** Finally, **be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.** <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

**Revelation 5:1-3** Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. <sup>2</sup> And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" <sup>3</sup> And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it,

**Revelation 5:4-5** and I began to weep loudly because **no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it.** <sup>5</sup> And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, **the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.**"

**Revelation 5:6-7** And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.<sup>7</sup> And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne.

**Revelation 6:1** Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals...

**Revelation 6:3** When he opened the second seal....

**Revelation 6:5** When he opened the third seal...

**Revelation 6:7** When he opened the fourth seal...

**Revelation 6:9** When he opened the fifth seal...

**Revelation 6:12-14** When he opened the sixth seal, I looked, and behold, there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth, the full moon became like blood,<sup>13</sup> and the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale.<sup>14</sup> The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.

**Revelation 6:15-17** Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains,<sup>16</sup> calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb,"<sup>17</sup> for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

**Revelation 11:15-17** Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever."<sup>16</sup> And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God,<sup>17</sup> saying, "We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is and who was, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign."

## A. The Defeat of Babylon

**Revelation 16:17-18** The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, "It is done!"<sup>18</sup> And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake.

**Revelation 16:19-21** The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath.<sup>20</sup> And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found.<sup>21</sup> And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe.

**Revelation 17:1-5** Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and said to me, "Come, I will show you the judgment of the great prostitute who is seated on many waters...<sup>5</sup> And on her forehead was written a name of mystery: "Babylon the great, mother of prostitutes and of earth's abominations."

**Revelation 17:18** And the woman that you saw is the great city that has dominion over the kings of the earth."

**Revelation 18:1-3** After this I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was made bright with his glory.<sup>2</sup> And he called out with a mighty voice, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! She has become a dwelling place for demons, a haunt for every unclean spirit, a haunt for every unclean bird, a haunt for every unclean and detestable beast.<sup>3</sup> For all nations have drunk the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have grown rich from the power of her luxurious living."

**Revelation 18:8-10** For this reason her plagues will come in a single day, death and mourning and famine, and she will be burned up with fire; for mighty is the Lord God who has judged her.”<sup>9</sup> And the kings of the earth, who committed sexual immorality and lived in luxury with her, will weep and wail over her when they see the smoke of her burning.<sup>10</sup> They will stand far off, in fear of her torment, and say, “Alas! Alas! You great city, you mighty city, Babylon! For in a single hour your judgment has come.”

**Revelation 18:11** And the merchants of the earth weep and mourn for her, since no one buys their cargo anymore,

**Revelation 18:14-15** “The fruit for which your soul longed has gone from you, and all your delicacies and your splendors are lost to you, never to be found again!”<sup>15</sup> The merchants of these wares, who gained wealth from her, will stand far off, in fear of her torment, weeping and mourning aloud,

**Revelation 18:17-19** For in a single hour all this wealth has been laid waste.” And all shipmasters and seafaring men, sailors and all whose trade is on the sea, stood far off<sup>18</sup> and cried out as they saw the smoke of her burning, “What city was like the great city?”<sup>19</sup> And they threw dust on their heads as they wept and mourned, crying out, “Alas, alas, for the great city where all who had ships at sea grew rich by her wealth! For in a single hour she has been laid waste.

**Revelation 18:22** and the sound of harpists and musicians, of flute players and trumpeters, will be heard in you no more, and a craftsman of any craft will be found in you no more, and the sound of the mill will be heard in you no more,

## B. The defeat of the Kings of the earth

**Revelation 17:12-14** And the ten horns that you saw are ten kings who have not yet received royal power, but they are to receive authority as kings for one hour, together with the beast.<sup>13</sup> These are of one mind, and they hand over their power and authority to the beast.<sup>14</sup> They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful.”

**Revelation 19:11-13** И увидел я отверстое небо, и вот конь белый, и сидящий на нем называется Верный и Истинный, Который праведно судит и воинствует.<sup>12</sup> Очи у Него как пламень огненный, и на голове Его много диадим. [Он] имел имя написанное, которого никто не знал, кроме Его Самого.<sup>13</sup> [Он был] облечен в одежду, обгащенную кровью. Имя Ему: “Слово Божие”.

**Revelation 19:14-16** And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses.<sup>15</sup> From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty.<sup>16</sup> On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

**Revelation 19:19-21** And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army.<sup>20</sup> And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur.<sup>21</sup> And the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

## C. The defeat of the devil

**Revelation 20:10** and the devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

## II. The Triumph of Christ's Church

**Matthew 16:18** And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock **I will build my church**, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

*The Church is composed of those who have been saved and enriched by Christ.*

### A. The Holiness of Christ

**Revelation 19:6-8** Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. <sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; <sup>8</sup> **it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure**"— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

*The kingdom of Jesus Christ will be expressed not only in the crushing of the rebellion of those who have sided with Satan, but also to the triumph of the transformation of those who have been saved by Him.*

**Romans 3:21-24** But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup> the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

**2 Corinthians 3:17-18** Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, **are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another**. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

**1 John 3:2** Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears **we shall be like him**, because we shall see him as he is.

### B. Co-laborers with Christ

**Revelation 19:6-8** ..."Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. <sup>7</sup> Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and **his Bride has made herself ready**; <sup>8</sup> **it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure**"— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

**Revelation 21:2** And I saw **the holy city, new Jerusalem**, coming down out of heaven from God, **prepared as a bride** adorned for her husband.

**Revelation 21:9-10** Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, **I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb**."<sup>10</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God,.

**Rev. 21:10-11** And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup> having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal.

**Rev. 21:24-26** By its light will the nations walk, and **the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it**,... <sup>26</sup> They will bring into it **the glory and the honor of the nations**.