The Coming of the Lord Part 4

Revelation 19

11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.
12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself.
13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.
14 And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.
15 Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.
16 And He has on *His* robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

This is the picture of Jesus prepared to return to the earth, this is His Second Coming...

He has an army with him, this is his bride, the Church...

He will rule the entire world for one thousand years...

His throne will be in Jerusalem...

John's Description of Jesus:

Heaven is opened
Jesus is seated on a white horse...
In Righteousness He judges and makes war...
His eyes are like a flame of fire and on His head were many crowns...
He has a robe dipped in blood...
out of His mouth goes a sharp sword
He will rule the nations with a rod of iron.
Rod: a shepherd's staff, a walking stick used by a shepherd.

Iron: Implies His leadership will be strong and suitable for leading the whole world.

The picture here is not of a tyrant but one who leads as a strong shepherd.

Jesus will be the shepherd leader of the world...

He has Three Names here:

He is called Faithful and True

His name is called the Word of God

He has on his robe and on his thigh a name written: King of Kings and Lord of Lords

Jesus has a company with Him:

Vs. 14

And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses.

Notice the only thing the army will be armed with will be fine linen, white and clean. This is a picture of righteousness and hearts that are pure before the Lord. We won't have swords and spears, but we will be clothed with the goodness of the Lord.

Vs. 17-21

The Fourth Supper

17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, **18** that you may eat the flesh of **kings**, the flesh of **captains**, the flesh of **mighty men**, the flesh of **horses and of those who sit on them**, and the flesh of **all people, free and slave, both small and great.**"

19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. **20** Then the beast was captured, and with him the

false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. **21** And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.

There are 4 Suppers mentioned in Scripture

- 1. The Supper of Salvation mentioned in Matthew 22
- 2. The Lord's Supper Matthew 26
- 3. The Marriage Supper of the Lamb Revelation 19:9
- 4. The Supper of Revelation 19
- Everyone will make it to at least one...
- For those who hear the Lord's call to the Supper of Salvation they will enjoy the Lord's Supper as well as the Marriage Supper...
- For those who reject Christ, and gather to make war against him, they will be the main course at the Supper of Revelation 19...

Vs. 20

Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

The Beast and the false prophet are captured immediately and are cast into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. They are not given a trial or a hearing. They are immediately condemned and cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 20

Satan cast into the bottomless pit

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. **2** He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is *the* Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; **3** and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.

Vs. 1

Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

- The angel that will subdue Satan is anonymous. It is not Jesus Himself, nor is it Michael or Gabriel or any other high-ranking angel.
- "The final importance of Satan is perhaps indicated in the fact that it is not the Father who deals with him, nor the Christ, but only an unnamed angel." (L. Morris)

Vs. 2

He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is *the* Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;

Here Satan is referred to by four different names:

- Dragon: a fabulous kind of serpent, deceiver, With his tail he flung a third of the stars or angels to the earth.
- Serpent of old: Cunning, Sly and Crafty
- Devil: Slanderer, Accuser, False Accuser
- Satan: Adversary (One who opposes another in purpose or act)

It's interesting to know Satan can be bound with a chain. God knows how to fashion a chain in such a way that Satan can be bound by it. Other spirits have also been bound in this way.

Jude 1:6 "And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode. He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day;"

Vs. 3

and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.

It's important to note that Satan is **bound**, **shut up**, **set a seal on** for a thousand years; God's purpose is not to punish, but to hold Satan captive so he will not deceive the nations. He will then be released one more time before he is finally put into the lake of fire. All this takes place during the Millennial Reign of Christ on the earth.

What the Millennial Kingdom will look like:

Isaiah 2

2

Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the Lord's house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And all nations shall flow to it.

3

Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways,

And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, And the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

4

He shall judge between the nations, And rebuke many people; They shall beat their swords into plowshares, And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, Neither shall they learn war anymore.

- Jesus will rule the kingdoms of this world from Jerusalem
- His name is King of Kings and Lord of Lords
- · He will Judge and rebuke many people
- He will rule with righteousness
- He will not reorient existing governments, he will remove them and re-establish new.
- There will be no more war
- There will be no need for swords and spears, they will be turned into farming equipment.

The earth in many ways will be the same as we know it. Colorado will still exist The Rocky Mountains The Gulf of Mexico The East Coast The West Coast The West Coast The Nations of the world This is not the New Heaven and New Earth yet. Jesus will rule the existing earth.

But there will be major changes; For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, As the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 11

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

2

The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him,

The Spirit of wisdom and understanding,

The Spirit of counsel and might,

The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.

3

His delight is in the fear of the Lord,

And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes,

Nor decide by the hearing of His ears;

4

But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked.

5

Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins,

And faithfulness the belt of His waist.

6

"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb,

The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them.

7

The cow and the bear shall graze;

Their young ones shall lie down together;

And the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

8

The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den.

9

They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord As the waters cover the sea.

- It is believed that during the Millennial Reign Genesis 9 will be reversed.
- In Genesis 9, God gave man the right to eat meat and he put the dread of man on every living creature so they are not easy game. *Genesis* 9:2,3
- During the Millennial Reign of Christ we will no longer eat meat. There will no longer be predator and prey.
- Righteousness and the Fear of the Lord will be established on the earth...

Romans 8 speaks of the earth yearning for righteousness to be restored:

19 For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. 20 For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope
21 that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.
22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.

Jesus will establish Righteousness on the earth. We will see it with our own eyes. He is Faithful and True