Book of Revelation Chapter 19

These Chapters continue the "Tale of Two <u>Cities/women</u>	
"After <u>this</u> " is the vision of Babylon's <u>demise</u> .	
What is the roar that John hears? <u>Hallelujah!</u>	
Chapter 18:10, 16, 19 – Woe, Woe, Woe Chapter 19:1, 3, 6 - Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah!	
19:1 "Salvation" should be read as <u>deliverance or triumph</u> (12:	10).
Babylon = <u>Rome and the world system</u>	·
19:2 God's judgments come for <u>repentance</u> or for <u>vindication</u>	
God sends judgments to <u>stop</u> oppression or to <u>avenge</u>	it.
 19:3-7 Worship of God and the joy of the Lord are experienced because: 1. promise of vindication for the righteous. 2. God reigns sovereignly. 3. intimacy with God. 	
19:9 The wedding supper of the Lamb.	

There are great parallels with this and the Jewish wedding traditions (Matt 25).

Bride and groom are engaged, but the groom is a long time coming. Groom goes to build a house – Jesus prepares a place for us. Groom could come at any time for the bride – his coming is imminent. Some of the bride's attendants are ready, some are not. The wedding and banquet take place and the doors are sealed.

19:10 Worship God!

We are empowered by the Spirit to <u>speak</u> for God.

19:11-21 The Final Battle where Jesus conquers <u>The beast, the false prophet and the</u> kings of the earth

We see Jesus as the <u>divine warrior</u>

- He is: Faithful and True (1:5, 2:10, 13) Judges and makes war (11:7, 12:17, 13:7)
- 19:15 The sharp sword coming out of Jesus' mouth is the Word of God
- 19:17 The great supper of God.
 - The <u>saints</u> will partake of a banquet (Marriage supper of the Lamb)
 - The wicked will <u>be the banquet</u> for invited birds.

Holy War

Jesus himself will <u>destroy</u> the enemies by his own <u>sword</u>.