

**The Revelation
I AM COMING!
Revelation 16:15**

The day of the Lord is at hand are you ready? King Jesus is coming again, are you prepared? Even so Lord Jesus come quickly!

I. THE GREAT AND AWESOME DAY OF THE LORD!

Prelude: Revelation 14:1-13

1. Persecution of the Church – Ch.13; The Church with King Jesus – Ch.14:1-5

Rev.14:1 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred *and* forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads. NKJV

Spiritual virgins (true to Jesus); Followed Him; Faultless because they are in Christ

2. Eternal Gospel universally proclaimed – 14:6

3. Judgment of world system announced – 14:7-13

Final judgment: Revelation 14:14-19:21

1. First of believers (1Cor.3:12-15) and then unbelievers – 14:14-20

Rev.14:15b “Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe.”

14:18b “Thrust in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe.” **19** So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God. NKJV

**2. Bowl Judgments – Rev.15-16 – repentance impossibly unlike Seals & Trumpets
Announced – Ch.15:1,5-16:1 – The wrath of God is complete and poured out
Saints kept from His wrath – Ch.15:2-4 – those that have the victory
1st 4 bowls destroy environment; Last 3 the realm of the beast**

3. Detailing the final judgment – Rev.17-19

Babylon – Ch.17-18:

“The great city... Babylon the Great” and her allied nations... All the world's cultural, political, economic, and sociological centers – the evil world system; it is symbolic of sinful humanity and its capacity for self-delusion, ambition, sinful pride, and demonized depravity. It thus represents world culture in rebellion against GOD, persecutors of GOD'S people.

Final Battle – Ch.19:

Marriage Supper of The Lamb – Rapture of the Church 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17

Rev.19:1 After these things I heard a loud voice of a great multitude in heaven, saying, “Alleluia! Salvation and glory and honor and power *belong* to the Lord our God!

7 Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.” NKJV

The Beast & His armies defeated – Rev.19:11-21

Rev.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. **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.

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. NKJV

II. I AM COMING!

In the middle of these prophetic revelations of the great & awesome day of the Lord is this strong word of encouragement direct from our Lord Jesus Christ...

Rev.16:15 “Behold, I am coming as a thief. Blessed *is* he who watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame.”

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KING JESUS will return suddenly, unexpectedly – are you ready?

1 Thess.5:1 But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. **2** For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. **3** For when they say, “Peace and safety!” then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. **4** But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. **5** You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. **6** Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do*, but let us watch and be sober. **7** For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. **8** But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. **9** For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, **10** who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. **11** Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.

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Be ready, you know King Jesus is coming – suddenly!

Watch: Prayer, fellowship with Jesus

Eph.2:6b ...made *us* sit together in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus... NKJV

Be self-controlled: Walk in the Spirit – Gal.5:16-25

Gal. 5:25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. NKJV

Be fully clothed: Surround your heart in Faith & Love, your mind with Hope

Eph.5:8 For you were once darkness, but now *you are* light in the Lord. Walk as children of light **9** (for the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), **10** finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.

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