

SHOWCASING JESUS CHRIST IN PROPHECY

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Based on Revelation Chapter 15

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MAIN IDEA

As we look at Revelation 15, we want to see Jesus Christ. We want to know in this intense chapter, that the promise of the first chapter still holds true, that is that the book is "the revelation of Jesus Christ." But before this, we see a powerful revelation concerning one of the most horrifying things in the book of Revelation. It states

"Then I saw anothe	r sign in heaven, great and r	marvelous: seven angels having
the seven	, for in them the	is complete." (Rev. 15:1
NKJV)		

KEY POINTS

What we see here, is that the seven last plagues are synonymous with the wrath of God, specifically during the crisis that transpires just before Christ returns. Now here is the first set of good news. The reason that the cup of the wrath of God/the seven last plagues falls upon the wicked at the very end of time, is because they rejected Jesus who drank that cup for them. Remember Jesus stated plainly, speaking of the sins of the world, that He would bear, along with the anger of God against sin:

"Father, if it is Your will, take _____ away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done." (Luke 22:42 NKJV)



INSIGHTS

The wrath which man deserved, Jesus took upon Himself. He drank the cup, that no one would have to drink it. Sadly, many at the end of time, in rejecting Christ, the one who drank the cup for them, are saying "I'll drink the cup myself."

While many will drink the cup at the end, there are also those who chose not to drink of it. This group choses to take hold of the one who drank the wrath that they deserved, over 2000 years ago. This group is mentioned in Rev 15: 2

"And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and _____ who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God."

Victory in Jesus

Notice this victorious group gained the victory over the antichrist beast, his image, his mark and the number of his name. The scene mentioned in verse 2, is one in which John goes into the future after the final conflict is over, after Jesus comes, after the antichrist beast is vanquished. The saints are standing as more than conquerors on the sea of glass.

This is where we find Jesus yet again. The rest of the chapter is connected with this one reality, that the song of the saints, which is sung in verse 4, is about the one whom they conquered through. In the Bible, one of the things that must ever be remembered, is that a song is usually, if not all of time, connected to an experience. For example, the song that Miriam sang in Exodus 15, was connected to the deliverance experienced in Exodus 14. The songs of the Psalmist, were connected to the experiences of the Psalmist.



In the same way, when the saints sing the song of Moses and the Lamb, in context, they are singing of their prior experience of deliverance from the beast. It was an experience of victory, coming as close as possible, but never equally the experience of Moses and Christ. For both Moses and Christ went through the grave, but yet conquered the grave, in that both were raised from the dead.

(Jude 1:9; Matthew 17:1-8; Matthew 28:1-8)

POINT TO REMEMBER: Though many will die in the final conflict and many will live through it, all the way to the coming of Christ; as long as they are in Christ, they will be victorious. This is why they sing the song, for it delineates their experience. They suffered with Jesus and through faith in Him, they overcame. This is why we need not fear the wrath of God, the beast or death, for Jesus can protect us. The wrath of God will not touch one who abides in Christ. The beast will lose against the saints. Even if some of the saints die, they shall one day rise again. Death cannot hold them. They will overcome the world and the system of the beast, through faith in the Lamb. For we are told:

"For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith." (1 John 5:4)

Hence because of the victory, won through the Lamb, the saints will one day sing: "Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints! Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name? For You alone are holy. For all nations shall come and worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested." (Revelation 15: 3, 4 NKJV)

INVITATION: The saints will win, they will conquer death, sin and the beast, all through Jesus their Savior. May we be a part of that victorious number. May we join the song of victory.

