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6. The great tribulation is broken down into three sets of Judgements.
 - a. First – The seven seals – Many believe that these are judgments that will happen before the seven-year tribulation period.
 1. That these judgments are the time of sorrow or also known as the time of the Woe that Jesus referred to in Matthew chapter twenty-four.
 2. Jesus said that that the end times would look like this.
 - a. Many False prophets – Matt. 24 : 4 - 5
 - b. Wars and rumors of wars – Matt. 24 : 6
 - c. Nations against nations and kingdoms against kingdoms
Famines – pestilences – and earthquakes in various places.
Matt. 24 : 7
 - d. All of these are the beginning –(leading into) something.
Matt. 24 : 8
 - e. Persecution and a worldwide hatred – (of the saints or Church).
Matt. 24 : 9
 - f. Offence – betrayal – hatred – by many and all. Matt. 24 : 10
 - g. Then Jesus said what would happen was the ever increasing of false prophets would reach their peak. Matt. 24 : 11
 - h. The final teaching of Jesus was about the rise of the antichrist are the rule of the antichrist. Matt. 24 : 12
 - b. Second - Thing we must know is that all this has to happen before the antichrist is even revealed.
[11 Thess. 2 : 1 – 12](#)
 - c. Thirdly – we must know that everything is on a timeline with God
 1. Everything has a starting and a stopping point of which we have covered in previous lessons.
 2. For us to know that the tribulation time is approaching of which we are warned to watch for throughout scripture
 3. Then we also must know that there has to be a time which leads us into something and a time that leads us out of something.
 - d. Is there a time of sorrow – Yes – and I think that we are living in it right now, as we live and even more sorrowful the further we go.
- c. But the plagues are judgments which are mentioned in scripture concerning the seven seals alone are worldwide events that are devastating to the world of which we live from which it will never recovery.

7. The seven seals and trumpets and seven bowls are judgments that will only take place during the seven-year tribulation period.
 - a. That will be brought upon a world when the church is removed from this world as scripture teaches.
8. In chapter sixteen the apostle John broadens his vision of the seven bowls
 - a. The seven bowls judgments different from the seven seals and seven trumpets in the manner that each of them had their limits.
 - b. God had a limit to their destruction.
 - c. But with the seven bowls they have no limits.
 - d. They are God full wrath upon a evil rebellious world.
9. Chapter sixteen opens with.
 - a. John hearing the voice in command giving instruction to the first angel who holds the first bowl of judgment.
 1. Again, we are not told who voice John hears
 2. But we also must know that God in in command at all times.
 - b. The command is in three parts.
 1. First – Go
 2. Secondly – When you get to where you are going pour out your bowl. meaning till nothing is left.
 1. Also, we are told what the bowl contains
 - a. The wrath of God
 3. Thirdly – Its destination – The earth – meaning over all the earth not just a part as some teach.

Revelation 16:1 (NKJV)

¹ Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, "Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of God on the earth."

- d. God is just in His judgments.
 1. The wrath of God has been delivered to those who have dishonored Him.

Isaiah 42:8 (NKJV)

⁸ I *am* the LORD, that *is* My name; And My glory I will not give to another, Nor My praise to carved images.

Exodus 20:3-5 (NKJV)

³ You shall have no other gods before Me.

⁴ "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of *anything* that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth;

⁵ you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth *generations* of those who hate Me,

10. The angel delivers it plague as instructed.

Revelation 16:2 (NKJV)

² So the first went and poured out his bowl upon the earth, and a foul and loathsome sore came upon the men who had the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image.

a. Two things we should notice

1. First – the Plague struck only the human race.

2. Secondly - The plague struck only those who had taken the mark of the beast and had worshipped his image.

b. The plague is a plague upon mankind.

1. It's a plague of

a. sickness or of sores. –(Boils).

b. One of physical affection

c. One causing physical difficulties and discomfort.

d. One causing foul odors.

c. Such as God had cast upon Pharaoh and all of Egypt

Exodus 9:8-12 (NKJV)

⁸ So the LORD said to Moses and Aaron, "Take for yourselves handfuls of ashes from a furnace, and let Moses scatter it toward the heavens in the sight of Pharaoh. And it will become fine dust in all the land of Egypt, and it will cause boils that break out in sores on man and beast throughout all the land of Egypt." ¹⁰ Then they took ashes from the furnace and stood before Pharaoh, and Moses scattered *them* toward heaven. And *they* caused boils that break out in sores on man and beast. ¹¹ And the magicians could not stand before Moses because of the boils, for the boils were on the magicians and on all the Egyptians. ¹² But the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh; and he did not heed them, just as the LORD had spoken to Moses.

d. This is a prophecy that is yet to be fulfilled.

Deuteronomy 28:27 (NKJV)

²⁷ The LORD will strike you with the boils of Egypt, with tumors, with the scab, and with the itch, from which you cannot be healed.

e. They will never find a cure for these plagues as they have for some many things in the pass according to Deuteronomy.

11. The second point, the plague only struck those who had taken the mark the beast and worshipped his image is very important for this reason.

a. It did not strike those who had fled to Petro.

b. Mostly Jews who fled at the beginning of the seven-year tribulation who had fled the beast and his mark.

c. The mark of the beast is the number 666.

d. The mark of God is sores, boils and smelly ulcers.

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3. The Shekinah glory of God
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5. The wrath of God will be complete