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### PART 22: ARMAGEDDON

#### CHAPTER SIXTEEN

This chapter is not written in chronological order but a record of the judgments of God upon the earth during the last part of the reign of the Antichrist. It is a prediction of what will happen, the results of it, and the response from the people on earth.

Christians at large do not want to hear what they call "bad news." They want to hear about the love of God and that good times are rolling in with much prosperity in material things. What does God think about this? Let's read what God told Amos some 2,750 years ago! **Amos 6:1-7**

#### VERSE 1

The order is now given in heaven, judgment is to begin.

#### VERSE 2

The first vial will cause foul smelling (stinking) sores to afflict all people who have taken the mark of the Beast. It will also afflict the people who have not taken the mark of the Beast but are devoted and giving him worship. Compare this with **Deuteronomy 28:27-29**

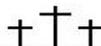
#### VERSE 3

This will be a terrible judgment that few people have given much thought. The blood of a dead man loses the ability to bring nourishment to the cells in the body and eject the waste products from the cells. All fish and sea plants will die. The stench will be terrible, and the question will arise, can ocean going ships sail the seas at this time?

#### VERSES 4-7

The third vial will destroy much of the drinking water on the earth. It will be the same judgment that God used against Egypt. We can read what happened in the past when water was turned into blood. The Egyptians had this plague for seven days but we do not know how long it will last during the tribulation period. **Exodus 7:17-25**

God's holy angels express their satisfaction with this judgment. There is no mercy given to the followers of the Antichrist.



## **VERSES 8-9**

When the fourth vial will be poured out upon the sun, it will change the thermonuclear reaction on the surface of the sun, and produce much more heat. Instead of repenting from their sins, humans will curse God. This was predicted in **Revelation 9:20-21**.

The people on the earth will know that these are judgments from God just like the Egyptians knew that the plagues came from God. But instead of running toward God and seeking repentance, they will embrace Satan harder. **2 Thessalonians 2:8-13**

## **VERSES 10-11**

When the fifth vial will be poured out, the damage from the other four will still be plaguing the people. The pressure on the people on the earth at this time will be much worse in pain than what we living today can comprehend.

The judgment of darkness is not new; God used it against the Egyptians. It was so dark that it could be felt but the children of Israel had light in their dwellings. God made a difference between his people and the people of Satan. Even with this fifth vial, there is still no repentance! **Exodus 10:21-23**

## **VERSES 12-16**

All barriers blocking the kings of the East are now removed. More details are given in **Revelation 9:14-21**. The death, carnage, and suffering cannot be understood by us living in peace today.

Three unclean spirits will be released from Satan, the Antichrist and the False Prophet.

They will have the power of working great miracles which will most likely baffle the people living on the earth (**Revelation 13:11-15**). They will muster armies to gather in Northern Israel at a place called Armageddon. This is when the Antichrist will put up his last stand before he is taken out.

In **Revelation 14:20**, we are told that the blood spilt will rise four feet high and 160 miles long.

## **VERSES 17-21**

God will now unleash the worst possible natural disasters upon the earth.

There will be an earthquake of such a magnitude never before felt since the creation of man. Jerusalem will be divided into three parts. Babylon, the center of all commerce on the earth, will be wiped out in one hour (**Revelation 18:8**). Capitol's of different nations will be wiped out, islands will be destroyed, and mountain ranges will be flattened out.

Hail stones will fall from the sky weighing 75 pounds. Instead of repenting and asking God for forgiveness, the surviving men will blaspheme God even more.

If Christians could understand the coming suffering on mankind, we would carry on our lives in a different way. We would gear all our efforts on leading people to Christ during the few years we live on this earth. If we also had a full understanding of the terror for those who are not only to go through hell on earth, but then spend eternity in the Lake of Fire, we would work day and night praying, fasting, seeking God, loving people, and sharing the Gospel with them. The question remains, how many Christians really believe what is written in the Bible? What will it take to fire you up for the Lord Jesus Christ?

**Do you have an ear to hear with?**